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Bonus for Settlers

Reference Made to Different Plans for Out by Provinces of Ontario

cussion in this part of the North Land in regard to the respective policies of the Quebec and Ontario governments in reference to the encouragement and support of settlement. Quebec for some years has had a system of land bonuses and this plan appears to have worked advantageously for all concerned. In addition it may be noted that Quebec province has not allowed scattered settlement as in parts of Northern Ontario. In Quebec settlement has been made in blocks with roads provided and settlement accompanied by the building of churches, schools, etc., at points needed. Under this double plan of avoidance of scattered settlement and the giving of a bonus for land clearing progress seems to be notable. Writing to The New Liskeard Speaker last week an Englehart gentleman calls attention to the fact that reference to the fact that he Abitibi and other districts of Quebec are prosperous and unemployment unknown should be accompanied by the other fact that Quebec bonuses its settlers and they are unrestricted in their method of clearing their land. In publishing the letter from the

Englehart gentleman, The Speaker refers to the fact that the Northern Ontario Settlers' Association at a largely attended meeting passed a strong resolution asking the Ontario Govern- trouble. ment for financial help along the bonus line for clearing land in the UNEMPLOYED WHO WILL NOT Cochrane district. Premier Geo. S. Henry took the matter into consideration but apparently decided against the bonus plan. The Speaker is in- was refused to men in Sault Ste. Marie clined to think that this decision was when they refused to cut their own a wise one in view of the expenditures wood for the winter, just as it had that have been necessary for relief been cut down on those who would not purposes in the cities and towns where help themselves by raising vegetables unemployment has been so serious a in the summer. The New Liskeard and-found department, Canadian Namatter. It may be noted, however, Speaker recalls the case of two men in tional Railways, Montreal. He says that where have been more or less ex- a relief camp last winter near North tensive expenditures for relief among Bay who were asked to help in cutting a the settlers as well. It may have been trail a short distance but who absolute- left in the cars; but the finding of that had some of this money been in ly refused to turn a hand and conse- women's shawls, umbrellas and hats the form of bonuses for land clearing quently were expelled from the camp. is still a common occurrence. Often "Jack Ryder of Haileybury, with the result would have been better for On leaving the camp one of the men we find money in the handbags left by friend from Midland, had a successful all concerned. During the depression said:-"Oh, the ladies of North Bay women. Very often these effects bewith so many calls for many from the will give us something to eat!" "And long to people returning or going to opened on October 20th, and came out Government it seemed a bad time to that is all the manhood this miserable Europe and are never reclaimed. emphasize the idea of land-clearing specimen of humanity had in him," is The prize oversight mentioned by animals which they had shot in the bonuses, yet looking back it will be the comment of The Speaker. The Mr. Loveys was the case of a woman neighbourhood of Lady Evelyn Lake. admitted by many that perhaps the Speaker then concludes its comment who not only forgot her personal ef- They went in the first day of the seabonus plan would have proven more with the following paragraph:-"Now, fects when her train got to Levis, Que- son, taking Indian guides, and on Moneconomical and given better results the fact is, men must work, steal or bec, when she intended to get off to day, October 23rd, each one had his than direct relief. The fact that so starve. If they steal, it is likely they take a liner for Europe, but entirely moose. One of the animals, that shot many of the more enterprising settlers will be sent to prison, and if so they forgot to get off the train herself until by the Midland visitor was a monster favour it seems to give it special stand- will manage to lodge complaints to she was several hundred miles past according to Mr. Ryder. He states that

It is true that, indirectly, the pro- ill-usage, and this procedure will be suggested by the resolution of the Nor- have at the expense of society!" thern Ontario Settlers' Association. This is in connection with the Dominion Government's back-to-the-land plan. Under this plan each settler gets assistance to the ultimate extent of \$600.00. It is true that a number of those accepting this plan have dropped it and returned south after trials of the scheme of varying length. In some of the cases the expenditures made may be counted as a total loss when the would-be settler quits. However, there are enough of these settlers sticking to the work to make the plan as a whole a good investment. It is unfortunately true that the plan applying to new settlers only has the serious disadvantage of discouraging the settlers not coming under its provisions and so feeling that they are discriminated against. Settlers have serious difficulties to contend with in establishing themselves on homesteads and any additional handicap, such as feeling that others are getting more help than they are, is regrettable. Another trouble with the Dominion back-to-the-land scheme is that many were accepted at first under its provisions who were utterly unsuited for the life. These people, who should never have taken up the work, are now inclined to condemn it in unmeasured way. There are enough successes, however, to prove that the plan is in its essence a beneficial one.

What is to be the ultimate result? The Advance believes that in the end it will be found that the Dominion's back-to-the-land plan will prove of material advantage to the country, counting the successes against the misfits and the failures. In addition The Advance believes that eventually the Ontario Government will adopt some form of land-clearing bonus, direct or indirect, that will encourage and assist the settlers likely to make good and that will further have the effect of weeding out those never likely to make a success in settlement.

SOVIET ACCUSES JAPANESE OF SPYING FROM THE AIR

A Soviet telegraphic agency despatch from Vladivostok, cabled from Moscow, Russia, this week, says that a squadron of military planes flew over Soviet territory Nov. 3rd. The despatch claims that the planes penetrated Russian territory to a depth of 15 to 20 miles and were sighted over four different Soviet villages. It is likely that diplomatic communications will be made from Russia to Japan in regard to the alleged incident. It is just as probable that the Japanese will have THE BOARD OF HEALTH an alibi of some sort or another.

on Land in the North

Encouraging Settlement as Carried and Quebec.



A October, the leaves that were giant in size or excursions. The leaves came in ever-increasing marvelous in beauty of coloring and shape, from quantities to the offices of E. T. Noltie, director of all parts of Canada where the maple grows. The exhibits, for the Canadian Pacific. The photograph response was to the unique contest, inaugurated by shows the process of spraying and mounting the encouraging interest in the Canadian autumn land- Outstanding artists are acting as judges of the scape. Prizes were offered for the largest maple competition for the most beautiful maple leaf, they leaf and for the most beautiful.

moment of its announcement. Everybody got out Engineer, Canadian Pacific Railway, is judging the into the country after autumn-tinted leaves and the competition for the largest maple leaf.

are: C. W. Simpson, R.C.A., R. W. Pilot, A. R.C.A., The idea was an immediate success from the and James Crockert. J. M. R. Fairbairn, Chief

NOTED NIGHT CLUB HOSTESS PASSES AWAY AT VANCOUVER

Texas Guinan, who won much publicity in the daily newspapers in her role as night club hostess, and whose comments on Broadway life were widely quoted, died at Vancouver, B.C., on Sunday, death being due to intestional

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THIS YEAR

nembering to remove their personal according to C. M. Loveys, of the lost- Quebec mining activity." children come next and women last.

"Seldom indeed do we ever find toys

bonusing new settlers-and bonusing demanding an investigation. What a is king of the North; sorry that we size and about three years old. The them to an amount much greater than lot of fun these lazy good-for-nothings cannot say as much about lumber in horns of the big one spread the width the Ottawa Valley.

BOXING BOUTS

GEO. TAYLOR HARDWARE CO. NOW BUILDING AT NORANDA

The Northern Miner Last week says "The George Taylor Hardware Limited, famous firm in the North, is building a warehouse at Noranda, Que., thus bringing the number of its branches to seven. The new warehouse will carry are used in the mining industry and construction work, and is especially planned to serve these markets. In this respect it copies the Taylor warehouse at Swastika. The whole Quebec mining area can be served from this Men still hold first place for re- strategic point, especially now that roads, either in existence or projected effects when they leave railway cars, are to radiate to the many fields of

MONSTER MOOSE SHOT NEAR

The Haileyburian last week says:moose hunt shortly after the season early last week with two of the big it was the biggest animal he ever saw with the exception of an elephant. The of a motor car."

Ontario Plans Big Public Works Plan

\$36,000,000 Programme of Construction Will Create Jobs for 61,200 Men. Surplus for the Year Helps to Make This Possible.

A works building programme for Onapproximately 61,200 men has been antion within the next few days.

It is expected the programme will include an addition to the Hydro Power Commission offices, University avenue, to cost \$2.500,000, and employ 1,200 men by the province. Municipal undertak- Mrs. H. Deane, ing launched in conjunction with cities, towns and villages will call for expenditure of \$7,500,000 and employ 5,000 while work on the trans-Canada high- LOYAL ORDER of MOOSE way is expected to provide for an ex-20,000 men.. Northern Ontario develop- Thursday of each month at ment road construction and maintenance and setlers' road work will call for an expenditure of \$7,000,000 with employment for 15,000 men, and work on the King's highway system is planned costing \$8,000,000 and employing 10,000 men. County and township roads will have a similar expenditure with the same number employed.

"The municipalities are being assisted under an arrangement whereby the Dominion and the province will each take care of one-third of the labour cost of any municipal undertaking." the Premier pointed out. "Many municipal works, such as roads, etc., can be T. PARSONS a complete line of heavy goods, such as undertaken with a comparatively small municipality will get 100 per cent of 1st-A. Neame the work and will only pay a little over one-third of the cost. As labour can be secured at moderate figures to assist in such enterprises, the expense should be kept down to a minimum."

number of pieces of work which will cost \$800,000.

Said to be \$150,000

Announcement Made by Premier Geo. S. Henry on Friday Last is a Very Satisfactory and Pleasing One for All.

A surplus of approximately \$150,000 has been achieved by the Ontario Government for the fiscal year ending Oct. 31, Premier Henry announced last Friday night. This surplus comes in face of an anticipated deficit estimated by Hon, E. A. Dunlop, provincial treasurer, in his budget address of last march, of vince of Ontario has recently been followed by some social organization Pembroke Standard-Observer:—Gold other was not so big, but was of a good \$2,975,000. The deficit for the previous fiscal year of 1932 was \$2,000.000.

inaugurated two years ago, and careful mier believes, reflects an upturn in business conditions in the province.

"The province's position is a source of great gratification," said Premier Henry. "It has been attained by a continuance under the budgeting committee of the drastic policy of retrenchment which we inaugurated two years ago, coupled with painstaking watchfulness over and safeguarding of those sources of revenue from which we are accustomed to collect our chief means of financial support. While we may still have some distance to go to leave the depression behind us, the improvement noted reflects quite markedly, ir my opinion, the upturn in business in Ontario that has been evident for some time. During the past year the number of employees on the Government payroll has been reduced by 700."

With the Ontario Government reporting a surplus of \$150,000 for the fiscal year that ended Oct. 31, Queen's Park circles are confident that the Government will readjust salaries shortly for the civil servants, so that the present reductions will be either wiped out or reduced. It is intimated also that the Govern-

ment may restore the annual increase schedule which was suspended in 1930 in view of general business improvements and a more buoyant revenue. The matter, The Telegram learns is at present under advisement by the cabinet, but immediate action is expected in view of the fact that the Order-in-Council validating the prevailing wage cuts, expired Oct. 31.

In other words, the reduction ceased at the end of the fiscal year. The cabinet must now pass another order either continuing the present reduced scale; which runs from five per cent., up to and including salaries of \$1,000 to 35 per cent, on all over \$8,000, place in force lower reductions or, on the other hand, restore the annual increase.

The first salary assessment came into force Jan. 1932, and from two per cent, to 10 per cent. It remained in force until March of this year when the prevailing scale was ordered. In 1932 the salary assessment netted the government \$223,000. In the year that has just concluded the amount was \$575,000 Wih revenues maintaining buoyant levels and even increasing, it is felt the government will lead the way in restoring salary levels and will obtain from other sources the saving expected by the wage cuts.

tario to cost \$38,000,000 and employ nounced by Premier Henry and is likely to be pressed into actual opera-

The Highways Department is also commencing a number of improvements. Hon. Leopold Macaulay, the Minister is advertising for tenders today for a

LADY EVELYN LAKE RECENTLY Surplus of Ontario

Due to drastic policies of economy watching over the sources from which the Government obtains its major revenues, this surplus has been effected. Revenue for the year was \$2,450,-000 more than estimated while \$600,000 was cut from the estimated expenditures. The increased revenue, the Pre-

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