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Number of Dogs Die Here from Distemper

Rare Form of Distemper Attacks Dogs in Timmins and District. Epidemic has Taken Big Toll in Other Places.

There is an epidemic of distemper among dogs in Timmins at present and a number of dogs have died as a result of the disease. Dr. L. H. Durkin, veterinary surgeon, says that the disease is a very rare form of distemper and is highly contagious. He recommends inoculation as a preventive against the disease. All dog owners are advised to have their dogs inoculated so as to prevent the chance of losing valuable or prized dogs.

While Timmins has lost a number of good dogs through this present epidemic of distemper, Timmins has escaped better than some places, for the epidemic seems to have been general throughout Canada. Calgary and the West have suffered particularly from the epidemic. It has also been bad in Toronto. Lindsay is another town that has suffered from the epidemic. It may be a fact, however, that the places mentioned have comparatively large numbers of valuable dogs and so the loss of the animals is more noticed than in other places. For many years Lindsay has had a comparatively large number of valuable dogs including many pedigreed animals. One C.N.R. conductor of Lindsay lost two police dogs valued at \$50.00 each. A grocer in the town lost a valuable Irish setter. Ray Morden, of Lindsay, a dog fancier and breeder of dogs, has lost no less than 16 valuable dogs.

The present epidemic of distemper has been a serious matter for dog fanciers. There are people who may be inclined to say, "Oh, well, the town has too many useless dogs, anyway!" The fact, however, is that epidemics of this kind attack useful and valuable animals as much or more than it does the useless ones. As a matter of fact little is known here of the number of worthless dogs, if any, falling prey to the distemper epidemic. It is the valuable and prized animals that are brought to attention. The worthless dog is allowed to die, perhaps, without anyone worrying. When a valuable animal is attacked by the disease however, there is naturally anxiety and a hurried call for the veterinarian.

Dr. Durkin describes the symptoms of the present distemper among dogs as very much the same as those of influenza in human beings. The eyes and nose run, the dog gets nervous and weak, and in some cases, turns dangerously cross.

Work on the Jamieson Property in Kamiskotia

The Northern Miner last week says: "Last fall Geo. Jamieson, uncovered gold showings on his Kamiskotia property which is reported to be of importance. For some years he has been quietly and persistently carrying out pitting, trenching and stripping operations and has received considerable encouragement. Most of the work has been concentrated on claims in south-east Robb township. Quite a wide zone carrying quartz and pyrite mineralization is reported to pan gold easily and to have returned some high assays from grab samples. The values appear to be erratically distributed and for that reason a mill test is being made of a large bulk sample. It is planned to carry out exploration and development throughout the winter when enlarged operations will be started. Gold has also been secured from a number of other outcrops on the property. Very little work is going on at present in this area which was so active a few years ago during the copper boom. At that time a number of townships were staked and a number of sulphide occurrences revealed. Hollinger acquired the discovery property from Mr. Jamieson and carried out a programme of diamond drilling and underground work."

HIGHER FUR PRICES NOW REPORTED FROM MOOSONEE

According to word from Moosonee, the terminus of the T. & N. O. north of Cochrane, the fur trade is coming back into its own with the announcement that pelt quotations in some instances had reached new "highs" and were in all substantially improved. Select mink pelts were quoted at \$110, a new high, and others, including lynx, beaver, otter, marten, weasel and fox, were set by local fur dealers at from 25 to 50 per cent higher. With the increase in prices, however, came a scarcity of fur-bearing animals and trappers have brought back from the hunting grounds word of empty snares and too many rabbits. It was expected, however, that with the increased prices prevailing a better standard of living and a better grub stake would be possible for the trapping wives and Indians.

Anniversary Services at United Church on Sunday

Anniversary services will be held at the United Church this Sunday. The anniversary preacher will be Rev. Geo. Easton, M.A., B.D., of St. Andrews United Church, North Bay. Rev. Mr. Easton's morning subject will be "Shifting Foundations", while his evening subject, particularly for young people, will be, "The Present Crisis—a Call for Character." It is hoped that all the members and friends of the congregation will avail themselves of this special occasion.

DOESN'T TAKE MUCH TO CAUSE A RIOT IN STRATFORD, ONT.

(Stratford Beacon-Herald) We picked up the Sault Ste. Marie Star today and saw a two-column heading in very black type which said: "Says Woman Can't Have Beautiful Legs Before 28." Jim Curran may get away with that in Algoma, but if we tried it here we know the girl at the switchboard would be calling up to say: "There's a deputation here. Will you see them now?"

Police Commission Does Not Appear Practical Here

Commenting on the recent forcing of the resignation of the chief of police of the town of Timmins, "for some reason or other, not divulged, or maybe for no reason at all." The Northern News comments as follows:—"From this distance it looks as if the action of the Timmins Town Council smacks too much of American political monkeyshines. What the Town of Timmins requires, in respect to its police force, is a Police Commission to take the police department out of politics. They have them in Old Ontario cities and municipal councils have no say in police administration. The magistrate, the mayor of the municipality and the junior county or district judge—these fill the bill and it admirably, as a general rule."

The solution suggested by The Northern News does not appear to be feasible in the case of Timmins. At present the police magistrate resides at Haileybury and the county judge at Cochrane so that it would be difficult for these two members of the commission to keep in active touch with local police conditions in Timmins, though those who know will readily admit that the magistrate and judge are in position to know whether the police force does well or ill. If Mr. Dean Kester's suggestion for a new judicial district for South Porcupine were carried through, the police commission idea would be practical. A previous council that had some of the same ways as the present one made an effort for the appointment of a magistrate for Timmins only. This, of course, would be possible if Timmins were ready to pay the salary of such an extra official. There is not enough police court business to warrant such an outlay, especially in view of the fact that the present method has proved so satisfactory to good citizens, though, of course, to those who seek to tamper with the laws of the land it may have its disadvantages. It is not a police commission that is needed so much as careful choice by the elector in the men for municipal office. Only on one other occasion in Timmins was there a similar situation to the one referred to by The Northern News. That was another occasion when the voters forgot themselves. It was remedied at the following election. Perfect working of any system is perhaps too much to expect, but it may be said that the ordinary method of control of the police by the council works all right provided all concerned "play the game" fairly and frankly.

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AITKEN WALKER recently appointed General Freight Agent, Canadian Pacific Railway, with headquarters in Toronto, succeeding R. E. Larmour, who retires after 35 years of loyal and efficient service. Mr. Walker, who has steadily worked his way up to his present position, has a wealth of experience in the company's freight service. Prior to his recent promotion he was General Freight Agent for the company in Montreal.

Deported to Canada in Gold Theft Case

Group Alleged to Have Stolen Gold from Porcupine Mines and Sold \$76,000.00 Worth in the United States.

A despatch last week from Detroit says that Charles Massie Armstrong, who was alleged by authorities across the line to be a member of a Canadian syndicate formed it is said with the purpose of stealing gold in the Porcupine district and selling it in the United States, was given suspended sentence of 2 1/2 years and then turned over to immigration authorities. Armstrong and seven others are to be tried in Windsor as members of the alleged gold syndicate. At Armstrong's trial in Detroit before Judge E. J. Moinet, the despatches say that evidence was given that Armstrong, formerly employed in a Canadian mine, had made 23 trips past United States customs officers in 18 months and had sold \$76,000.00 worth of gold to U.S. authorities.

Matachewan Consolidated to Produce Early in 1935

Ventures report says on Matachewan Consolidated Mines Limited: This is a new company organized to take over the old Otisse property and adjacent claims in the Matachewan district of Ontario. Together with Sudbury Basin Mines Limited, your company has an option on 1,800,000 treasury shares—equal to a 60 p.c. interest—and active development work is proceeding. A number of wide but short lenses of gold ore averaging 2 oz. to 3 oz. gold per ton have been indicated and it is planned to put the property into production on a small scale early in 1935, if preliminary indications are confirmed. Geological conditions here are decidedly interesting.

Toronto Mail and Empire:—If the idea of stream lined golf clubs takes hold it may be followed by stream lined golfing knickers.

Porcupine Badminton Club Pleased Noranda Players

Last week The Advance reported the visit of the Noranda Badminton players to the Porcupine Badminton Club for a friendly series of games. The Noranda players came here by planes chartered for the purpose. In referring to the visit to Porcupine The Rouyn-Noranda Press last week referred to the pleasure given the Noranda players by the visit. In this connection The Rouyn-Noranda Press said:—"Local players were enthusiastic in their praises of the Porcupine club. Every convenience is to be found for both their social and playing members. A spacious club room, a cuisine in charge of a chef, whose technique was proved beyond all doubt, lockers, rooms for ladies and men, showers, etc., left the Noranda people full of admiration and envy of their hosts."

Englehart Curling Trophy Still Here

Two Rinks from Kirkland Lake Curling Club Make Attempt on Saturday to Lift Trophy Here for Three or Four Years.

Kirkland Lake Curling Club sent up two rinks last Saturday to play for the Englehart trophy, but were unsuccessful in their attempt to take it away from Timmins where it has rested for the past three or four years. Abrams' rink defeated Solomon by three, but Drew's rink had a margin of ten. After the match a luncheon was served at the curling rink and a number of the local curlers joined in making the night a real success. The teams were: Kirkland Lake Timmins J. W. McEwan lead J. Davis V. V. Caswell second Geo. Lake H. S. Norton vice W. Rinn W. Devaney 7 skip Geo. Drew 17 Kirkland Lake Timmins C. Elliott lead C. Abrams M. Charron second J. Arscott C. L. Grisdale vice J. R. Walker J. Abrams, 16 skip I. A. Solomon, 13

North Bay City Council Finally Acts Sensibly

Last week people in general were astounded at the reports from North Bay to the effect that the fire and light committee of the city council had discharged the fire chief and his staff at North Bay. To see town and city council work the spoils system or enforce ill-will against individuals is no uncommon thing after an election, but to prejudice the safety and property of the people by drastic interference with the fire protection forces is rare indeed. It was recognized by all that the North Bay city council had not been in force long enough to justify any such action. North Bay, however, in response to public opinion expressed in various ways, last week rescinded the action of the fire and light committee, the council at a special meeting withdrawing the authority given the fire and light committee permitting drastic action of this kind. In the meantime, however, it was pointed out that the action of the committee was illegal and had it been proceeded with, North Bay could have been sued in the courts for the action taken. However, North Bay has recovered from its silly exhibition of wholesale dismissals, and will proceed, no doubt, to make any improvements needed, or thought to be needed, by acting in a more reasonable and orderly way.

Sydney Beamand, well-known in the Porcupine where he made his headquarters for some years, but more recently residing at Haileybury, left on Wednesday of last week for a trip to his old home in England.



WILL ROTHERMERE'S CONVERSION BOOST THE FASCISTS? Starting as a tiny stream with Benito Mussolini in 1914, Fascism has assumed the proportions of a mountain torrent that has swept through Europe under various names and vari-colored shirts. England now seems to be on the brink of succumbing to the new gospel with Viscount Rothermere, one of the leading publishers in the Mother Country, advocating the support of Sir Oswald Mosley, Black Shirt leader. Across the Irish Sea, General O'Duffy, leader of the Blue Shirts, Irish brand of Fascism, is making rapid strides since the ban placed on his organization by President De Valera was declared unconstitutional by the Free State Supreme Court. Observers predict that the next great political swing in Great Britain will be towards Fascism, following Lord Rothermere's statement that it is the only way to forestall Communism.

Recommend Sudbury to Timmins Roadway

National Construction Board Urges Construction of Highway. Estimates Cost at \$600,000.00. Would Follow Hydro Lines.

Despatches from Sudbury last week referred to the proposed highway from Sudbury to Timmins. One of the despatches says that a highway from Sudbury to Timmins was recommended to Premier R. B. Bennett and the recent interprovincial conference by the National Construction Council of Canada, as one of the most pressing public works that should be undertaken as an employment project. This fact was given in a letter from I. Markus, secretary of the National Construction Council of Canada. It was one of the few highway projects that the council included in its \$31,000,000 list of recommended public works. The estimated cost is \$600,000. When the Sudbury Board of Trade was asked some weeks ago by the National Construction Council to prepare a list of pressing public works in their district, the Sudbury board replied that it was concentrating all its energies on one project, the Sudbury-Timmins highway.

In his letter to Mr. Edwards, president of the Sudbury Board of Trade, Mr. Markus stated that the cost of almost all the works recommended are to be met by Dominion and Provincial Governments, and very few by municipalities. Though almost every board of trade had certain road work to recommend, only in isolated cases were the road recommendations passed on, as the total cost of all desired highway construction amounted to some billions of dollars. The council also made no recommendations as to housing construction programme, or work on the St. Lawrence waterways, though many municipalities listed them as desirable projects. In selecting the most desirable works from the vast number suggested, the council kept in mind that the prime purpose was to provide employment, not only to labour but to architects and engineers.

Despatches from Sudbury also referred to communications received from W. O. Langdon, president of the Timmins Board of Trade. A somewhat indirect or roundabout route between Sudbury and Timmins to utilize to the greatest possible extent existing roads was recommended by the Timmins Board of Trade and blue prints were prepared some years ago, president W. O. Langdon of the Timmins body, informed T. D. Edwards, president of the Sudbury board, last week.

"The route suggested was from the Porcupine camp to Matachewan, thence through Elk Lake, Gowanda, Shining Tree, West Shining Tree, West Tree, Sellwood and to Sudbury," he said. "By following such route the suggested road would link all these mining camps, and the government would be able to take advantage of some large stretches of existing roads."

"When the power transmission line was first under construction the Hon. Howard Ferguson was requested to consider the feasibility of constructing a motor road at the same time but the reply received from the government was to the effect that such road was impossible, the cost of same rendering it prohibitive."

While admitting that the proposed route was "roundabout" Mr. Langdon stressed the fact that it would open up a section of promising mining land, says the despatches from Sudbury. "Moreover," he continued, "this road would open up quite a number of loop roads for tourist traffic. This is a very vital factor so far as the Porcupine camp is concerned, inasmuch as at the present time we have only one means of ingress and egress and anyone contemplating a visit to the gold fields here is of necessity forced to travel the same route. We believe that with the opening up of this new route there will be a considerable increase in tourist traffic to these parts."

"We also obtained and forwarded to the government particulars showing the amount of land staked out for mining claims in the townships lying between the Porcupine camp and Matachewan, and there are a great number of properties on which work is being done. We also pointed out to Hon. Wm. Finlayson that it would not take so very much work to connect up these various links of road already in use, and that this particular work would prove a great boon towards solving the unemployment relief problem concerning this camp."

Mr. Langdon concluded his letter with the statement that the Sudbury-Timmins road was endorsed by the Timmins Board of Trade, the Northern Ontario Associated Boards of Trade, the Ontario Associated Boards of Trade, and the Ontario Motor League. SECRET SESSIONS NOT IN INTEREST OF THE PUBLIC The Sudbury Star last week in an editorial note says:—"According to the Porcupine Advance, the Timmins town council held six meetings in the space of six days, and four of them were "star chamber" sessions, of which no report was given to the press. Truly, in some instances the public is long-suffering and patient, as affecting the transaction of its own business by its representatives."

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