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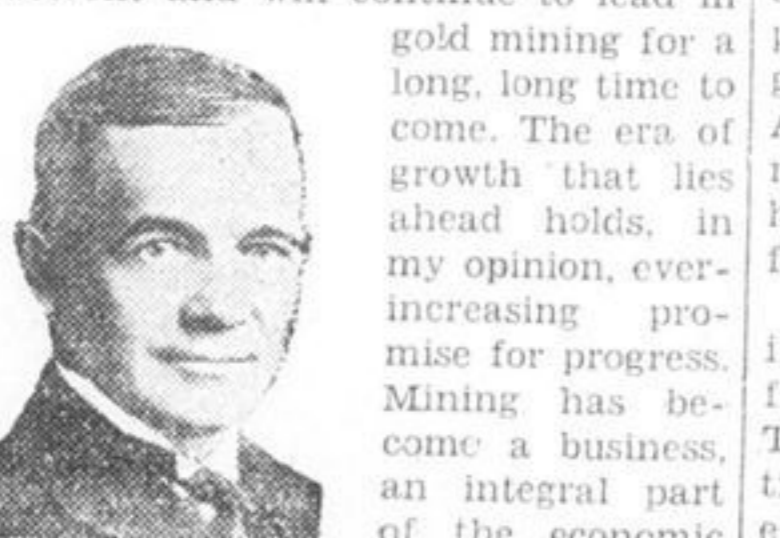
N. A. Timmins Says Prospector Personifies Spirit of North

President of Hollinger Makes Notable Address at Banquet Here Last Week. Pays Tribute to Hon. Chas. McCrea and Hon. J. E. Perreault. "No man could have been more fortunate in his Associates or blessed with friends more true," President Timmins says in regard to His Associates in the Porcupine. Some References to Early Days Here.

The address given by N. A. Timmins, president of the Hollinger Consolidated Gold Mines, Limited, at the banquet here on Wednesday evening of last week, in connection with the 25th anniversary of the discovery of the Porcupine gold mines, had so much of interest and inspiration that The Advance has had a large number of enquiries for an extended report of the notable address. Because the speech of President Timmins was of such interest and importance The Advance publishes it herewith practically in full:—

Proud of Associates and of Associates

"Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen:—I wish to gratefully acknowledge, Mr. Chairman, your remarks; and I must say that I am both honoured and happy to be remembered on this unique occasion, not only because of my continuous association with the Porcupine Camp throughout its 25 years but also because it gives me an opportunity to meet so many friends, the old-timers of Porcupine. I am proud of my association, of my associates, all through these years of the Porcupine Camp, the Town of Timmins and of the mines and miners who have unitedly striven so hard to gain progress and momentum for Canadian mining. As a result of their efforts, Porcupine has been in the forefront and will continue to lead in gold mining for a long, long time to come. The era of growth that lies ahead holds, in my opinion, ever-increasing promise for progress. Mining has become a business, an integral part of the economic scheme, and is steadily advancing to new prominence and achievement. In Canada mining is now standing as a bulwark against depression, an evidence of solidity and surety."



Hon. Chas. McCrea

"In opening my brief remarks, I think it would be fitting, before making specific reference to the occasion for which we are gathered here to-day, to first mention that there are present two men whose efforts on behalf of Canadian mining have done much to place the entire industry in Canada on the solid footing upon which it now stands. These gentlemen are: Hon. Chas. McCrea, Minister of Mines of the Province of Ontario, and Hon. J. E. Perreault, Minister of Mines of the Province of Quebec. Both have rendered to the mining industry of the Dominion signal service in their respective capacities and spheres of interest. Mr. McCrea has stood staunchly for the best in Ontario mining, has encouraged the prospector, the operator and the investor through his wise counsels and willing co-operation. In the past few years, Mr. Perreault with untiring effort and rising confidence has been instrumental in directing development, thought and effort towards the gold areas of Northwestern Quebec, where producing mines have been successfully established and new areas prospected and opened up. Both these gentlemen have contributed to mining through their own direct efforts as well as in the encouragement towards the opening up means of transportation into the Northlands by railroad and highway, gradually replacing the older avenues of canoe, portage and trail."

"May I also express my appreciation of the services rendered to mining by the Hon. Wesley Gordon, Minister of Labour, Immigration and Mines in the Dominion Government. While he entered the mining field as an official of the Government at a somewhat later date than the two gentlemen to whom I have already referred, nevertheless his untiring efforts in behalf of the mining industry are worthy of our deepest appreciation."

"In a sense, the duty of spokesman for this group falls upon me as the last of the five who were instrumental in developing the Hollinger Mine (and with it in some large measure, the Town of Timmins) into what it is to-day. I refer particularly to my four early associates who have one by one passed along the Long, Long Trail, namely, my brother, Henry, John and Duncan McMartin, and Dave Dunlap. "No man could have been more fortunate in his associates, or blessed with friends more true."

"As I stand here to-night among old-time friends, my mind goes back to the autumn of 1909 when I first heard of Benny Hollinger's discovery, and from that to our securing an option on his claims. Then the trials and difficulties of developing the property and erecting the first mill. The disappointment when just as it was practically complete to have it entirely destroyed by fire. However, whatever our weaknesses, we had faith and courage, and a new mill was soon erected and operating."

"Subsequent history of the Hollinger Mine is too well known to warrant repetition at this time. I have felt, however, that you would pardon my recalling briefly those early days and taking the opportunity of paying a fitting tribute to those prospectors and my own associates who did so much to establish the gold mining industry in Eastern Canada that has made possible the production of so many millions of new wealth in the intervening years and has been instrumental in opening up vast areas of new territory for settlement and commercial enterprise. The Town of Timmins has grown up with the mines in the surrounding areas just as has been so in the cases of Porcupine and South Porcupine in this district and in other areas the town of Kirkland Lake, Swastika, Sudbury, Noranda, Rouyn, Amos, and so on."

"No mine, even one as great as the Hollinger, could be successful without competent and efficient management, and I would like to pay tribute to the past and present managers of Hollinger, in the persons of P. A. Robbins, A. F. Brigham, John Knox and their respective staffs. Their ability and hard work we appreciate and gratefully acknowledge."

"I would like also to acknowledge our indebtedness to Father Theriault, the friend and counsellor of everyone in Timmins. He is one of the real old-timers, and has always stood behind every movement that was progressive and that was for the general good, irrespective of sect or creed. To him we owe more than words can express."

"In concluding my remarks, I would like to take this occasion to express my deepest confidence in the future of Canadian mining enterprises. To-day, mining is an established fact in almost every province of the Dominion from coast to coast, and development is going ahead at an even keener pace than ever before. Gold, nickel, lead, zinc and copper are all achieving new high points of production, volume and in many instances value as well. Silver may, in due course, come back into its own. New and still unexplored areas will be opened up over the years to come and I can visualize in Canada a vast mining industry that will mark for the Dominion an era of development of natural resources that could hardly be foreseen by even the most sanguine of the early pioneers."

"Let me add a word about the prospector. Without him, mining would hardly carry on. He reaches out with vision and foresight, undergoes hardships that the average man would turn from, pushes on into the unknown in his everlasting search for mineralization—a search that is not always without its just rewards and full recognition. Canada has become a much better place to live in and a far more important country and member of the Empire because of this romantic figure—the prospector, the personification of the spirit of the North."

"The first application of oil was given the streets in town this week and has proved of great benefit to the keeping down of the dust, which was fast becoming a menace. The oil, however, is proving a great help. This year it seems to be the right sort of oil and applied in the most effective way."

Plays With Doug



PRINCESS NATALIE PALEY

daughter of Grand Duke Paul of Russia, who has been chosen to play one of the leading roles in a forthcoming production in Paris, which Douglas Fairbanks, Sr., will star. The princess has played several small stage roles. This is her first important part.

Minister of Mines for Quebec Greets Porcupine Mining Camp

Hon. J. E. Perreault, Minister of Mines in Quebec Province, Delivers Able and Interesting Address at 25th Anniversary of Porcupine Mines Banquet. Pays Tribute to the Prospector, Financier, Geologist and Mining Men. "Congratulations for Success, Good Wishes for Long Life to the Porcupine."

All who heard the address by Hon. J. E. Perreault, Minister of Roads and Mines for the Province of Quebec, at the banquet on Wednesday night in connection with the 25th anniversary of the discovery of the Porcupine mines, were delighted with this interesting and able speech. Those at the banquet and those who heard the address over the radio were impressed with the number of interesting facts and figures given by Hon. Mr. Perreault. Many were unable to get the address fully over the radio and were consequently much disappointed. For the benefit of those, and because the address is of such special interest and value, The Advance reproduces the address herewith, practically in full as given:—

Railway Led to Discovery

The construction of a railway northward, from North Bay, was responsible for making Cobalt a spectacular producer of rich silver ore; this, in turn, brought to Northern Ontario a flock of hardy prospectors. From then on, your province began writing mining history in letters of gold.

The names of those pioneers are not all recorded, but the population shall always have in mind such names as A. G. Hunter, who, in 1908, staked the first claim on the east shore of Porcupine Lake; John (Jack) Wilson, who, in 1909, found what is to-day the Dome property and caused the Porcupine rush; Benjamin (Ben) Hollinger, who gave his name to your largest producer; Alexander (Sandy) McIntyre, whose discoveries on Pearl Lake developed into the McIntyre mine.

The Prospectors

I wish to join with you to-day in paying my respects and homage to those men who braved everything to make this part of the earth give up its hidden wealth. The prospectors, the geologists, the makers of mines, the mining engineers and all those who either found or helped develop the mines.

The mining industry here, as well as elsewhere, owes very much to the prospectors. Allow me, on this occasion of a happy anniversary, to express my very deep admiration for them—to them they are a fine type of men, a great asset to the country and to the mining industry. I know of no healthier lot of men endowed with such tireless energy, with ambition to discover new sources of natural wealth. All are possessed with a craving for knowledge; observers of the ways of nature, they are keen philosophers—students, they are seeking the learning incorporated in books. Some older and less fortunate have won their education at the flicker of the oil lamp in some isolated mining camps; others, younger and privileged, have had a college education. Our hopes, to-day, lie with both groups: the experienced older prospectors and the trained younger engineers. Both are lovers of hardship. In Northern Canada, a vast, rich, beautiful and healthy country awaits them; to the strong-willed men it will release its treasures.

The Men Who Gave Their Faith and Money

I cannot pass up this opportunity to salute the men after whom this town received its name: Messrs. Noah Timmins and L. Henry Timmins, pioneers, makers of mines, successful business men and fine citizens. They had associates: John A. and Duncan McMartin and D. A. Dunlap, who previously had been associated with the LaRose silver mine, one of the first discovered and most famous of the mines of Cobalt.

The Geologists

All the wealth of this camp, indicated by the sagacity of prospectors and developed by the daring of the first owners, would never have been available in its entirety had it not been for another class of men, who, by applying systematic observation and scientific deduction to natural phenomena of ore occurrences, have rendered immense services to the mining industry. Without the painstaking efforts of the geologists, I hardly think it possible for the gold mining industry of Ontario to have attained the prominence it has to-day.

Was it not Dr. William Parks, who, as far back as 1898, had pointed out the well-distributed occurrences of gold over this region and the promises of reward it would give the prospectors? It was through the initiative and direction of Willet G. Miller that so many prospectors covered the district along the then newly-built Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway. Then Alfred G. Burrows who later became chief geologist for this province, reported on this region when it was still a young camp. Dr. Cyril W. Knight, and Dr. Percy E. Hopkins de-

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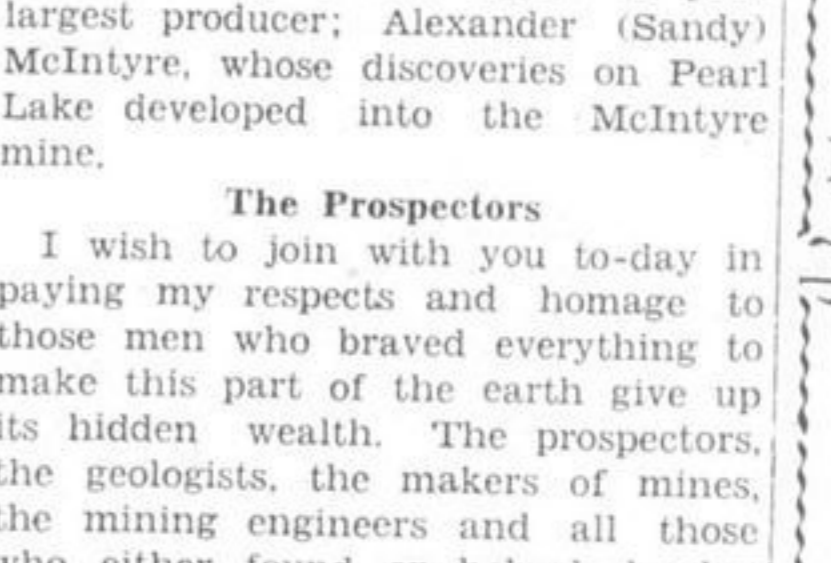
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Let me express to the people of this district my deep satisfaction at this opportunity to visit "this so" highly famous camp. When coming this afternoon I admired your three big mines: The Hollinger, the McIntyre and the Dome, which have been steady producers for already 25 years; and I have no doubt that they will, for a long time yet, contribute to the great wealth that the mining industry brings to Canada.

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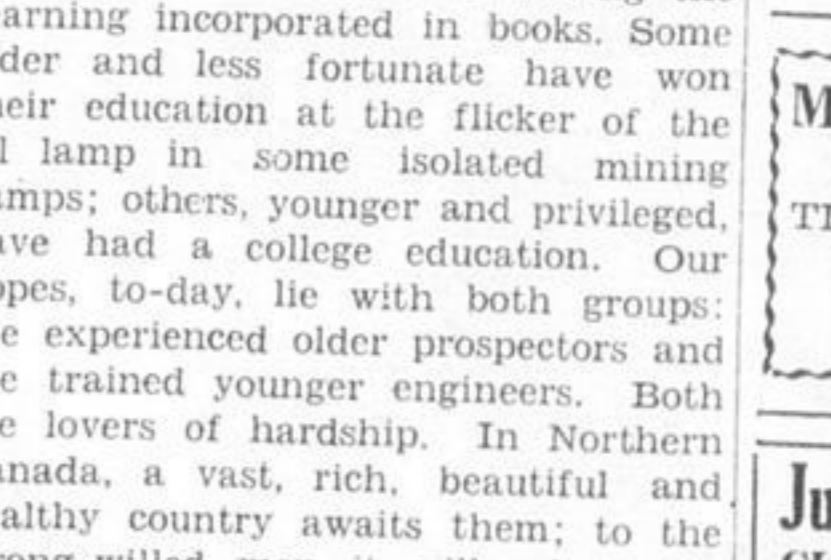
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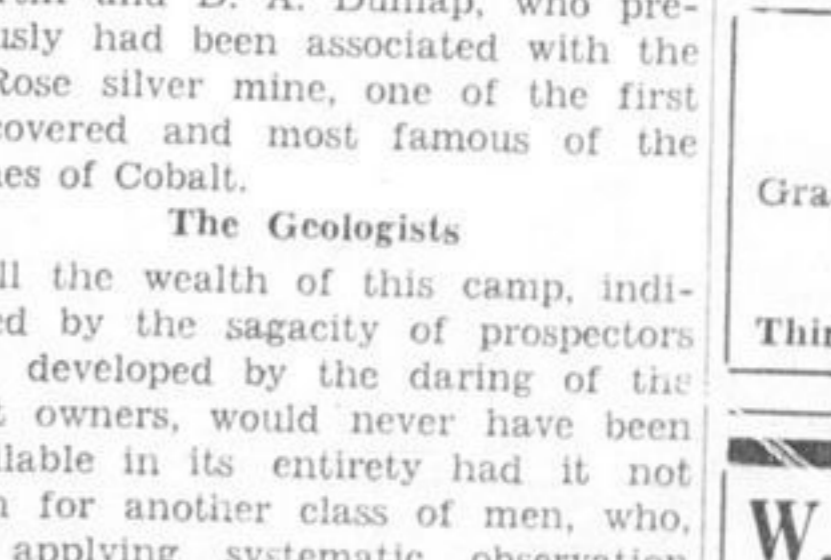
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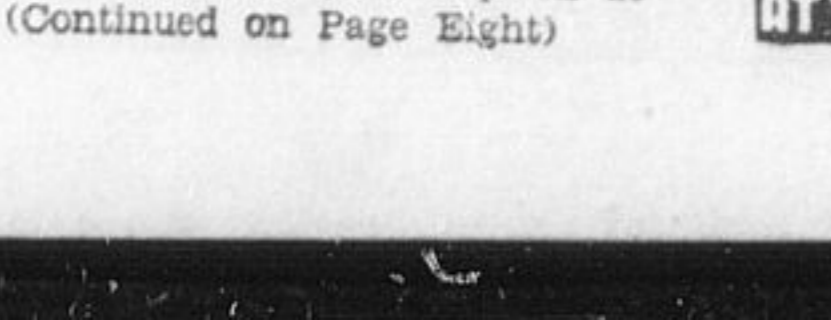
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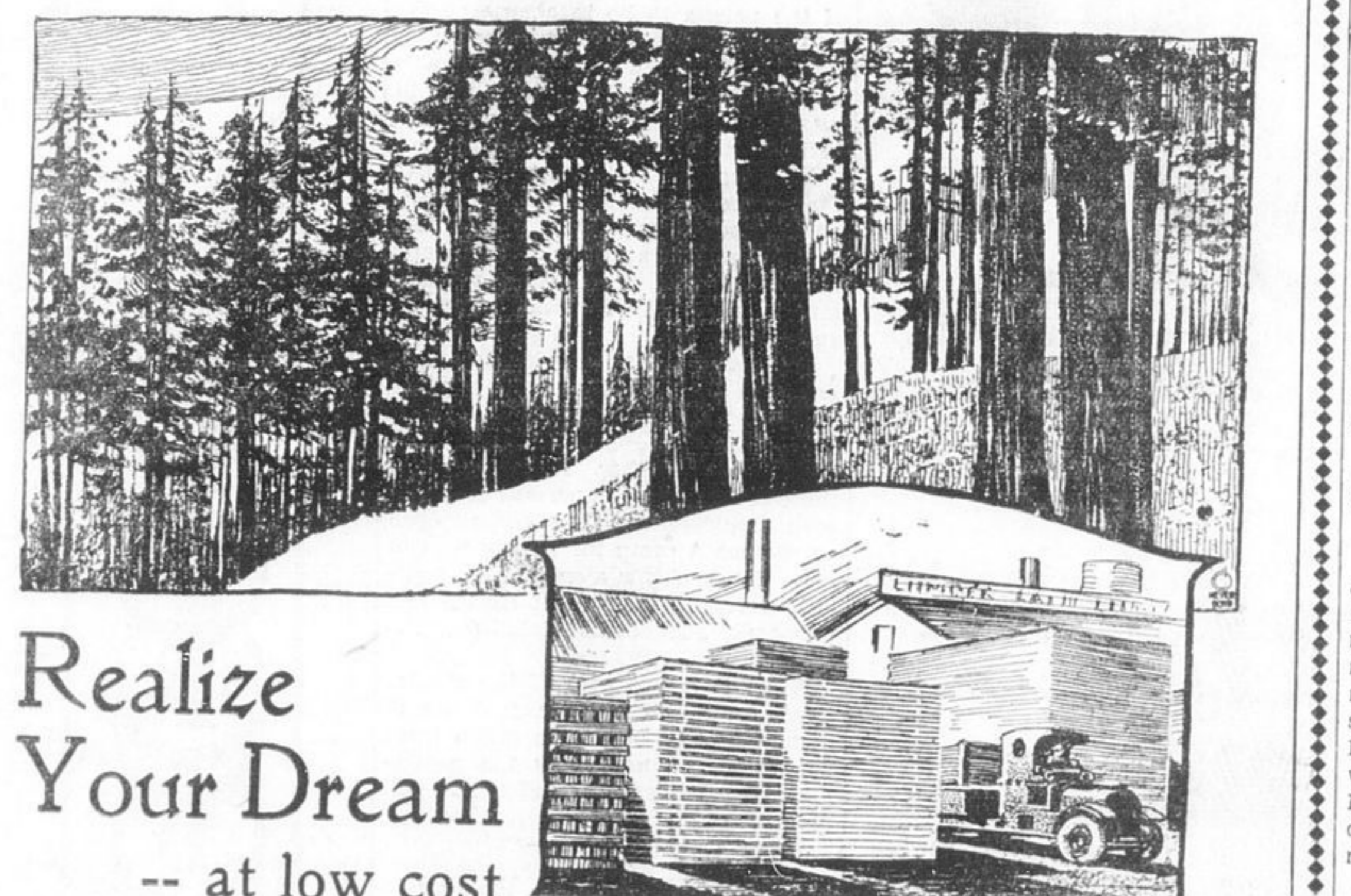
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