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Thinks Charges Against T. & N. O. but Chickenfeed

The following is an editorial article from a recent issue of The North Bay Nugget and gives interesting sidelights on the present investigation of the T. & N. O. Railway—

"Commissioner Racine's mode of attack in probing the affairs of the T. & N. O. Railway is not pleasing to the Sault Star. The acts of commission and omission so far brought to light are 'chicken feed.' In the opinion of Algoma's dispenser of public opinion, compared with some matters which the Star holds should be closely checked.

"The government railroad has been a thorn in the side of Algoma's capital for a number of years, mainly, or rather solely, because it attracted traffic which the Star imagines properly belongs to the Algoma Central, which feeds business to the Sault.

"The Nugget agrees with the Star's contention that the probe has so far dealt with matters of trifling consequence. Whether there is anything worthwhile yet to be revealed, remains to be seen.

"Among other trivialities quite a lot of attention was given to a coal contract and emphasis placed on the spread between the price paid and the tender of another firm. It wasn't disclosed that there is quite a spread in the quality of coal. Had the officials been allowed to explain, it is probable they would have advised the commissioner that the higher price was paid to ensure delivery of a good quality product.

"In any event the Sault Star wants to know:

1. What was the real reason for the building of the \$13,000,000 extension from Cochrane to Moose Factory? (The new rail line only extends as far as Mooseonee and was started at Coral Rapids.)

2. What is the actual amount of money the Ontario taxpayer has paid in deficits on the road?

"When these questions are answered, it is presumed the Star will find reason to argue that the T. & N. O. Railway be abandoned so that the Algoma Central may flourish."

There are two beverage rooms at Englehart. Mr. Korman having opened up one and the other being at the Commercial House.

"Blue" Spells

Reduce some women to the petulant shadow of their own smiling selves. Others take the Vegetable Compound when they feel the "blues" coming on. It steadies quivering nerves... helps to tone up the general health... gives them more pep... more charm.

LYDIA E. PINKHAM'S VEGETABLE COMPOUND

Matachewan Hotel Has a Beer License

New Camp has More than Beer, However. Indeed, There's a Building Boom in Addition to Other Booms.

A despatch last week from Matachewan to The Sudbury Star and other newspapers says:—

"Building is booming in Matachewan townsite, with a school house, a hotel, a bakery and several private residences under construction.

"The school house was commenced on August 17, and will be completed by September 15. As the township is unorganized, and the population of the town in such a variable state that it is difficult to tax it this year, money for the school is being raised in other ways, and on August 15 a dance and card party, attended by about 200 people, was held, and the proceeds turned over for school purposes.

"The Union Bakery has commenced construction of a modern plant, while the Sirard Hotel is progressing rapidly. David Nadeau is building a residence on his property in the Moyneur townsite, while Dr. Fitch contemplates construction shortly of a four storey building.

"Fire about 1 o'clock Thursday morning, Aug. 16th, destroyed the frame house of Ernest Vanier, with loss of about \$1,000. It started in a tent at the rear of the home. Mr. Vanier was ill in the hospital at the time. No insurance was carried and little furniture was saved.

"The Park View hotel obtained a license to sell beer and wine recently and so Matachewan has a new industry as a consequence.

Drilling Continues on the Porcupine Pamour

Diamond drilling at the Pamour Porcupine property is continuing to meet with success. R. M. Macaulay, vice-president, advises The Northern Miner that the last two holes drilled in a plane of 60 ft. east of the old Three Nations have cut interesting intersections.

The south hole, No. 19 cut two ore sections in the greywacke, from 208 ft. to 230 ft., 12 ft. averaging 23 oz. in gold and from 266 ft. to 272 ft., 6 ft. averaging 17 oz. in gold. This would apparently indicate the continuation of the structure of the old Three Nations vein to the east of the fault.

The north hole of the section cut the new vein in the conglomerate from 221.5 ft. to 227.5 ft. The average assay of this six-foot width was .78 oz. in gold after removal of 1.3 ft. of the core in which free gold was visible in ten places.

Diamond drilling is being continued to the east of hole No. 18 where a 36-ft. intersection, assayed better than one-half an ounce in gold.

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The Canadian Legion in the Porcupine

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Trying Again

A few years ago, just at the time when the Canadian Legion was obtaining a firm hold upon all veterans in the Dominion, with its expressed purpose of securing better pension legislation, and a fairer deal for those servicemen who thought they had a claim for pension, we found various other organizations springing up. They went under various fancy titles, their chief claim for organizing being to better conditions for the unemployed veterans. They tried all sorts of bait, but found the veterans were up to their tricks and after several attempts to smash the splendid organizations already established vanished in the dusk. Then came the need for the efforts of the Canadian Legion, and other allied associations, The Army and Navy Veterans, a separate organization joined hands with the Canadian Legion in the call. The episode was the proposal of the government to cut the pension of civil service veterans. It was a worthy drive and resulted in complete victory for the Legion. It proved that it was imperative for all veterans to belong to one organization. Among the many accomplishments of the Canadian Legion for the betterment of all veterans in the Dominion, the following can be credited:—the abolition of politics from the veteran body; the reinstatement of pension to thousands of veterans with the added clause of appeal for pension; the establishment of the Service Bureau, a service to all veterans for the building up of a pension claim (this latter service alone justifies the reason for an organization such as the Canadian Legion); the abolition of the proposed pension reduction. This year efforts are being made to get a better deal for the veterans who are listed as 'unemployable.' These men served their country well and through minor disabilities cannot follow their usual occupation. It is the intention of the Legion to try and seek some way in which these men can be absorbed into other occupations, such as watchmen, doorkeepers and similar services. These are only a few of the services rendered since the formation of the Canadian Legion. Now again after a period of lying law, the disgruntled are starting again. The Front Line movement as it is called seeks a membership of veterans from those who saw actual front line service. They state that hundreds who never saw France are getting pension, while through the loss of records, front line veterans, fail in their claims. They ask the government to establish community settlements of a few acres of land each allotment, and a pension of \$25 to \$30 a month to work same. They take the Canadian Legion to task for inability to cope with veterans problems. As a final claim they ask for a coast-to-coast chain of the Front Line Veterans to gain their ends. At the present time they boast of four branches in Eastern Canada. One asks the question:—"In what way has the Legion proven inability to cope with veteran problems?" To thousands there would have been no pension to-day if there had not been such an organization. Why shouldn't a man injured in England in bayonet practice receive a pension as well as the man who fell off a wagon in France? If the Front Liners wish to debate this question there are hundreds of Legionnaires ready for the argument. So far as seen, all the objects of this new movement are impossible to grant. No country in the world could stand a drain of \$20 or \$30 a month pension to approximately 10,000 men who are unemployed front line veterans. No community could give grants of land to these men, without something in return. There is a doubt if these men would follow this mode of living. It would be very wise indeed for any veteran not yet in any organization to get in with the Canadian Legion. Its work may be slow but its steps are sure. The man with a claim for pension will get all the help he needs. The destitute veteran will not get turned down but given help. The "unemployable" will soon get his show, thanks to the Canadian Legion. Turn aside those who take the Canadian Legion to task. Show them its accomplishments and this will prove the fact "That there is only way for us to fight our troubles,—by belonging to one unified body,—in this particular case The Canadian Legion."

Taking An Interest

There are several organizations in the town of Timmins, all formed for various purposes. The Canadian Legion is the organization of the returned men of the camp. When the depression first hit the camp the Legion was one of the first organizations to administer relief. It carried this work on for a period of two years or more. Then came government aid as well as municipal relief on a large scale. Then the Legion placed all their town charges on to the administering body. The cost to the Legion up to that time ran into big figures.—1930 close to \$3,000 being expended; similar sums for the following years, 1931-1932 were expended. The early part of 1932 saw the dropping off of the main outlay, the community relief fund committee headed by men of other organizations taking the reins. The Legion still carried on with transients and unorganized territory cases. One of its objects in community life is to show leadership. Up until a few months ago the branch here has never had to show the way. Recent happenings, however, in municipal affairs, the dismissal of returned men with no apparent reason being given, caused the officers and members of the branch to step in and try to secure justice for these men. The result of its efforts are known to all. They failed. From its inception the branch has taken a great deal of interest in the affairs of the town, on occasions giving very valuable assistance. It is ready again should the call come, but the fact must not be lost sight of that the Legion is one organization taking a leading and material part in the welfare of the community in general and one to be reckoned with when necessary arises.

Important to Veterans

The Legion branch here has been requested to obtain the names, ages, regimental numbers, ranks and units of all returned men in the employ of the Ontario Provincial Government, and in what capacity. It is essential that this matter be given by all concerned their prompt attention. Those returned men in this immediate district are asked to forward the desired information either to W. D. Forrester, secretary Timmins branch of the Canadian Legion, Box 1059, Timmins, Resident Austin Neame at the Mines Rescue Station, Timmins, to the correspondent of this column or any of the branch officers. This is very important and should have the closest attention of those concerned.

W. A. Devine, Box 1428

More than 700,000 Shares Keora Changed to Whitney

The following interesting item in regard to the Keora Mines, Limited, and the Whitney Gold Syndicate is from the last issue of The Northern Miner:—"More than 700,000 shares of Keora Mines Limited, have been exchanged for shares of North Whitney Gold Syndicate, according to W. E. Smith, secretary of the former company. Keora shares outstanding total 2,055,550. The offer of exchange was made in May of this year, Keora shareholders being offered one share of North Whitney for twenty Keora. This offer does not in any way affect the company, being made directly by the syndicate to individual shareholders, and the stock exchanged will simply be held in the portfolio of the syndicate. If, as, and when a majority of Keora shares are turned in under the offer, the syndicate will control the Keora. South Keora and North Whitney properties, all of which are in one block in the Porcupine area of Ontario. As reported in The Northern Miner at the time the offer was first made, no immediate developments are planned by the group, the management preferring rather to await the results of operations on neighbouring properties."

BRUCE-MATACHEWAN GOLD SYNDICATE WORKING CLAIMS

Seven claims in Matachewan have been taken over by Bruce-Matachewan Gold Syndicate Ltd., on which surface work has revealed a highly mineralized shear zone.

The syndicate is capitalized at 10,000 shares of no par value, of which 5,000 shares were issued for the properties. The head office is at 330 Bay St., Toronto. R. J. Driscoll being president, J. P. Manley is vice-president, and Roy Robertson is secretary-treasurer. George Bruce, the staker of the property, is to be in charge of operations.

Tryon Edwards:—High aims form high character.

Lightning Strikes Kapuskasing Office

Linotype in Northern Tribune Plant Damaged by Lightning. Fortunately Members of Staff were Away from Office.

Ed. Stephenson, proprietor of The Northern Tribune at Kapuskasing, is the third Ontario newspaperman to suffer from lightning this year. The other two newspapermen had property damaged by being hit twice by lightning at times not far apart this summer. Mr. Stephenson probably suffered more loss than the two other editors did in the double visitation of lightning. Last week Kapuskasing was visited by a severe electrical storm and during the storm lightning entered the plant of The Northern Tribune, striking the linotype machine and doing damage that will run into the hundreds of dollars. The lightning's damage included the damaging possibly beyond repair of the electric melting pot on the linotype. Part of this electric melting pot is of very delicate and intricate construction and the injury from the lightning was accordingly very serious. Nothing could be done at Kapuskasing to repair the damage and so The Northern Tribune had to wait for the shipment of parts from Montreal. As a consequence the issue of The Tribune was delayed last week, but the paper was eventually issued through the use of handset type. Although The Northern Tribune would not care to go back to this out-of-date method of setting type it was undoubtedly better than further delaying the issue of the paper. About the only fortunate part of the regrettable accident was the fact that no member of the staff was in the building at the time the lightning struck. Had the operator been at the machine at the time the lightning struck he would in all probability have been killed. As it was the damage fortunately was confined to the linotype machine, though this damage from the monetary standpoint is a serious matter, as the linotype is a machine that can only be repaired with any degree of satisfaction by an expert from the factory. All the friends of The Northern Tribune, and especially the readers of the paper itself will sincerely wish Mr. Stephenson a very early and complete issue from all his troubles in this matter of the lightning and its mischievous vagaries.

Hollinger During the Past Six Months

Over 920,000 Tons Milled in First Six Months of 1934. Total Value of Gold and Silver Produced, \$7,516,473.92.

The preliminary operating statement (estimates) for the six months ending June 30th, 1934, by the Hollinger Consolidated Gold Mines, Limited, gives the following interesting information: Tons milled, 920,424. Value of gold and silver produced, \$7,516,473.92. Income from other sources, \$544,015.11 Total income, \$8,060,489.03. Operating expenditure, including all charges and allowance for bullion and other taxes, \$4,538,667.18. Bullion tax to date, \$325,849.04, subject to Dominion Income tax adjustment. Total profit, \$3,521,821.85. Dividends paid, including accrued to July 1st (\$984,000.00 out of 1933 surplus) \$3,321,000.00. Balance of earnings undistributed and subject to depreciation and surplus adjustment, \$200,821.85.

Sentenced to Prison for Forgery and Theft of Auto

John Shanlin, of unstated reference, was sentenced to 26 months at Kingston penitentiary at North Bay last week on pleading guilty to charges of forging cheques and the theft of a car from Temagami. The particulars of these forgeries and thefts were given in The Advance last week. Shanlin, who travelled under several other names, stole a car at Temagami and finding the owner's bank book and other documents in the car was able to put over those forgeries as well as to trade in the stolen car for another which he ran into a ditch and abandoned near Callander. Immediately following the sentence Shanlin was taken to Haileybury to face charges there of forgery and false pretences. According to information received by the police at North Bay Shanlin is also wanted for theft of cars at Forest Hill and Hamilton. He has previous convictions against him for theft, fraud, false pretences and assault.

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Sometimes "Spotters" are Needed to Enforce Law

The old argument as to whether or not "spotters" should be used in the enforcement of the law is agitating the minds of the members of the Kirkland Lake council at present. In a recent police court case Deputy Chief Hughes is reported as making some reference to a fund kept for the purpose of engaging "spotters" when necessary to enforce the law. Some of the Kirkland councillors did not like the idea of "spotters." Councillor Alex Fraser was the councillor taking special objection to the use of "spotters." He expressed himself as against the idea of men being paid to get convictions in liquor cases. Other members of the council reminded Councillor Fraser that the fund had been in existence for years and that it would be near to impossible for the police to enforce the law without some such "petty cash" account. It may be that "spotters" are not very desirable. At the same time anybody who knows the inside of the matter must agree that they are much more desirable than the law-breakers whom they help to catch. One Timmins police chief several years ago used to point out that there were only two ways of catching those breaking liquor laws and the laws in regard to disorderly houses. The one way was by use of "spotters" and the other by bringing into court all the people noticed going to any such places. In the latter case the only hope was that one or two men would refuse to perjure themselves and a conviction might accordingly be secured. If this plan were used a few times a lot of people would be less against the use of "spotters."

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