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South River Upset by Transients There

Constant Stream of Men Around South River These Days. Say They Were Driven out of the Bush Operations.

Despatches last week from South River, not far from North Bay, say that the community is much troubled these days by the number of transients there. The most of the visitors claim to have been driven out of the bush where strikes are alleged to be in progress. They assert that the strikers make it too hot and bothersome for anyone to be able to continue work even if work were desired. Just why they all have centred on South River is not made plain in despatches, but the claim is made that the transients in ever-increasing numbers are making South River their special port of call. Some of them linger along at South River until their welcome is far outstayed. Each night the jail and court room are filled to capacity while others are more or less accommodated elsewhere in town. South River does not supply meals or give other assistance to transients so the citizens are having an uncomfortable time, and there are many complaints about men begging for meals, beds and money. The mill office of the Standard Chemical Co., the only important industry of the town likely to be able to hire any men is besieged daily with applications for work, though the full quota of men for this company's operations was filled some time ago. On top of all this trouble for South River, it is said that a notable percentage of the men striking there take the undesirable stand that they do not intend to work but are out for anything they can get for nothing.

Regret at Retirement of Chairman George W. Lee

The following is the editorial comment last week in The Halleyburian in regard to the T. & N. O. report:— "The report on the T. & N. O. Railway, published on Saturday by the authority of the provincial government, did not bring any great surprises, in view of the previously published reports of the investigation conducted during the summer by Armand Racine, Windsor barrister. It was to be expected that there would be recommendations for changes in the administration of the provincially owned railway, especially in the personnel of the commission and among the higher officials, after the reports and comments of the investment goes is not news to people. It would appear that if the recommendations are carried out there will be a considerable saving in the cost of operating the road, about a half million dollars annually, according to Mr. Racine's estimate. "Residents of this immediate district will be chiefly concerned with the proposal to discontinue the service on the Nipissing Central. It has been a great convenience between the three towns for many years and will be badly missed, although the suggestion for battery cars on the steam railway, if put into effect, will be some compensation. "The fact that the railway, as stated in the report, has created a deficit so far as paying interest on the original investment goes is of twos to the people of the North, nor is it considered anything serious. When one starts to think of what the T. & N. O. has done for the country, which cannot be told in words or figures, no one worries very much if the province is still carrying the interest on the investment. It is likely to continue carrying it for a long time, in spite of the suggested economies. "If the recommendation that Geo. W. Lee be retired from the chairmanship of the commission is carried out, it will be generally regretted. He has been popular throughout his tenure of office, has always been enthusiastic over the future and in general has been one of the North's leading citizens and "boosters." It seems doubtful if a new commission, to serve without remuneration, can be secured to give anything like the attention to the needs of the country that has been the case in the past. "It is hoped that the new administration will not be too quick about closing up the northern extension of the road to Moosonee. One can readily believe that it is not altogether a paying proposition, but there is the future to be considered. The suggestion that the James Bay Inn be closed and "either resalvaged by wrecking or turned over to some charitable institution" seems pretty strong for a man who bases his conclusions on one or two visits. It may well be that within a comparatively few years there will be need for a T. & N. O. terminus at James Bay. "On the whole, residents of the North Country will not be too deeply moved by the report of the investigator. If the result is decreased expenditure without impairing the railway's usefulness, all will be well. Should the changes which will no doubt be put into effect appear to be to the detriment of the North, we can depend upon it that there will be voices raised in protest, and we know that they will not be gentle voices, whatever political party they may belong to."

Saturday This Week Boy Scout Apple Day

Township of Tisdale to Have City Event for Benefit of the Boy Scouts of the District. All Should Give Support. Saturday of this week is to be Boy Scout Apple Day in the township of Tisdale. Boy Scouts in uniform will sell apples all day on the streets at South Porcupine and Schumacher, the proceeds of the sale to be used for the financing of the excellent work of the Boy Scouts of the district. This is a case where "an apple a day" will do more than "keep the doctor away." It will help to support that very worthy movement—the Boy Scouts—a movement that tends to make the best kind of men from the right kind of lads and to get the wrong sort of lads into the right sorts of way. Not only do the boys have heaps of fun from the Boy Scout work but they also are aided in development of the kind of character that makes the finest type of citizens. As noted in The Advance last week in announcing Saturday, Oct. 27th, as Apple Day, the purpose of the event is to complete the financing of the budget of the Boy Scouts of the district. Funds for maintenance and extension of Boy Scout work are raised by contributions from Boy Scout supporters and from the profits of Apple Day. Apple Day is the effort of the boys themselves to help finance the small cost of the Boy Scout programme. Give the boys hearty and kindly greeting, and also a regular help-along to show that your sympathies are with them and with the good work of the Boy Scouts.

Kwanis Magazine:—A marvelously husky child is produced when ignorance is the wet nurse for prejudice.

Sudbury Star:—A piano that doesn't sound any more like a piano than a piccolo sounds like a trombone has been invented. They've heard pianos like that, but they weren't invented—they just got that way.

"I Went at Him"



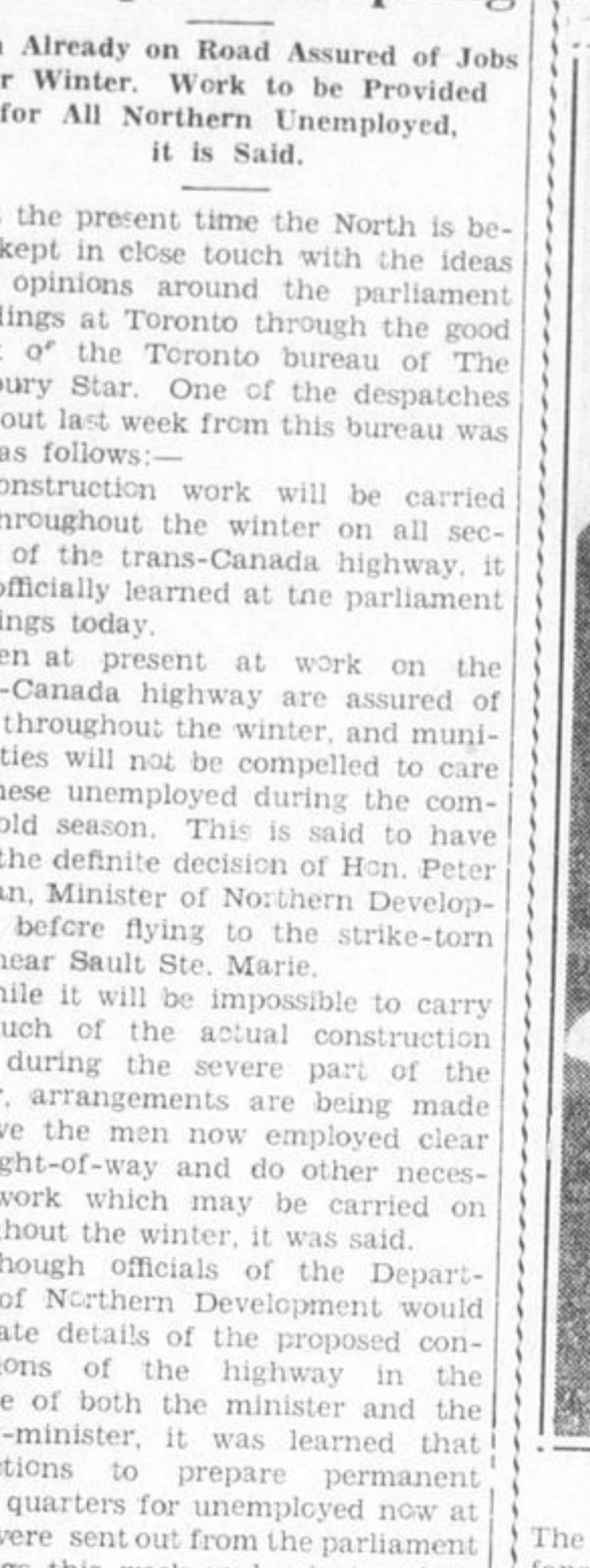
GEORGE McKECHNIE Thundering his testimony to jury. George McKechnie is shown on stand in Wilkes-Barre, Pa., as he related how his family prevented him from attacking Robert Allen Edwards when he learned that his daughter, Freda, had met death an expectant mother.

Highway Camps Will be Open till Spring

Men Already on Road Assured of Jobs for Winter. Work to be Provided for All Northern Unemployed, it is Said.

At the present time the North is being kept in close touch with the ideas and opinions around the parliament buildings at Toronto through the good work of the Toronto bureau of The Sudbury Star. One of the despatches sent out last week from this bureau was as follows:— "Construction work will be carried on throughout the winter on all sections of the trans-Canada highway, it was officially learned at the parliament buildings today. "Men at present at work on the trans-Canada highway are assured of work throughout the winter, and municipalities will not be compelled to care for these unemployed during the coming cold season. This is said to have been the definite decision of Hon. Peter Heenan, Minister of Northern Development, before flying to the strike-torn area near Sault Ste. Marie. "While it will be impossible to carry on much of the actual construction work during the severe part of the winter, arrangements are being made to have the men now employed clear the right-of-way and do other necessary work which may be carried on throughout the winter, it was said. "Although officials of the Department of Northern Development would not state details of the proposed continuations of the highway in the absence of both the minister and the deputy-minister, it was learned that instructions to prepare permanent winter quarters for unemployed now at work were sent out from the parliament buildings this week under instructions of the minister. "Following the exclusive announcement in The Sudbury Star of Wednesday last that the government would proceed at once with a road from Fort Frances to Kenora and the statement confirming it in a Toronto evening paper on Thursday with the addition that the contract had been let that day to the Dufferin Construction Co., a storm of protest came in to the parliament buildings from northern members and prominent northern Ontario Liberals. "From his home in Toronto, Hon. Peter Heenan, before leaving for the North, declared that the cost of the road would be \$600,000 and not \$1,000,000 as had been stated in the Toronto paper. "The fact that The Sudbury Star pointed out that these roads were being let to contractors without tender was another cause for complaint on the part of northern Ontario Liberals. "Premier Hepburn in response to the report admitted that he had been inundated with wires from the North Country protesting against such a policy, and gave the definite assurance that in future no more contracts would be given out unless by tender. "The fact that the 30-mile stretch of gravel highway which will be proceeded with was given to the Dufferin Construction Co., in Toronto, was another cause of annoyance to many northerners. "They recalled that during the provincial election campaign the Liberals had bitterly denounced the Conservatives for giving such generous treatment to this particular company, and a Sunday picnic given by James F. Franceschini, president of the Dufferin Construction Company, to Italians, just prior to the last election was made much of. "The premier himself had made several caustic references to this picnic, which was attended by Hon. Leopold Macaulay, former minister of highways, and in his speeches the Liberal leader had complained that beer had been served without any action being taken by the police. "Under the terms of the contract the Dufferin Construction Company, has agreed to pay 35 cents an hour and to maintain an 8-hour day."

The Favorite Star



BENITA HUME The favourite star of British film fans, Benita Hume arrives in New York en route to Hollywood to start work on another motion picture.

Meeting of Northern Section N.O.S.S.A.

Officers Elected for Section at Timmins on Saturday. Will Look After Inter-School Sports in This Section.

A meeting of the Northern Section of the Northern Secondary School Association was held in Timmins on Saturday afternoon last. Representatives were present from Cochrane, Iroquois Falls, South Porcupine, Schumacher and Timmins schools. The following officers were elected:— Hon. President—Mr. R. J. Ennis of Schumacher. Hon. Vice-Presidents—Mr. G. Adams, of Iroquois Falls and Mr. J. H. Stovell, of South Porcupine. President—Mr. W. W. Tanner, of Timmins. Vice-President—Mr. B. Marwick, of Cochrane. Sec.-Treas.—Mr. H. J. Runnalls, of Timmins. This organization will look after the inter-school sports of the schools north of Kirkland Lake. It is anticipated that a Boys' Basketball League, Girls' Basketball League and a Hockey League will be in existence this winter. Timmins, having won the Rugby championship of the district, will probably play off with the winners of the Central district. The Central district is composed of Kirkland Lake, Halleybury, New Liskeard and Cobalt. The Southern group is composed of Sudbury and North Bay. Definite rules as to eligibility of students have been drawn up. No student who is repeating his school year is eligible to play and after Christmas those who secure less than 50 p.c. on the fall term examinations are not eligible. Only those students under 17 years of age on September 1st are eligible to play junior games that year and the seniors must be under 20 on the same date. No student may represent his school who has attended a Secondary School for more than six years.

Concert Nov. 2nd by United Church Choir

Attractive Event for Friday Evening, Nov. 2nd in the Church, by the United Church Choir, of Timmins.

An opportunity will be given the citizens of Timmins and district to enjoy a novel concert which will be presented by the Timmins United Church Choir on Friday, Nov. 2nd, at 8 p.m. The entire choir is in rehearsal and a varied programme of entertainment has been promised, assuring all who attend splendid value in a musical, vocal and comedy way. The choir as a unit will be heard singing a number of well-known vocal selections among them being the beautiful "All Thro' the Night," "Sands of Dee," and "The Two Grenadiers." Michael Rose has rehearsed a new musical ensemble and they will be heard in a number of new and unique string selections. A brand new Ladies' Trio newly formed for the concert and a Mixed Quartette will also be heard, while a number of comedy interludes will be the order of the evening. Mrs. Percy Carson and the Rev. Bruce Millar will entertain in solo form, while a number of other features will be included on the programme. Tickets for this "just a little different" concert are in the hands of all choir members, while they may be also secured from leading business houses on Pine street or Third avenue, Timmins. The date, (reserve it now), is Friday, November 2nd, 8 p.m. in the United Church.

Former Halleybury Man Suing Col. Drew for Libel

There has been considerable interest in the North in the controversy between Col. Geo. A. Drew and Hon. Arthur W. Roebuck, Attorney-General, Hon. Mr. Roebuck was a former resident of the North and of course the department over which Col. Drew had charge had special interest for this district because of the mines here and also the fact that so many here are investors in various lines and accordingly are specially interested in the department designed to protect the investor. Perhaps, here may be further interest in the matter when it is noted that more than one of the characters in the present play are former residents of the North. The Halleyburian last week points out that Donald Walkinshaw, who last week entered suit for \$50,000 against Col. Drew, is a former resident of Halleybury. Mr. Walkinshaw formerly practised law in Halleybury, according to The Halleyburian. The Halleybury paper refers to the matter last week as follows:— "Donald Walkinshaw, brother-in-law and secretary to Attorney-General Roebuck, who has entered an action for libel against Col. Geo. Drew, former Ontario Securities Act Commissioner, is a former resident of Halleybury and is well known to many people who still live here. At one time he practised law in town, with his office over the Preston Store at the corner of Main street and Ferguson avenue. Mr. Walkinshaw's name was mentioned by Colonel Drew in his charges against the Attorney-General, following his dismissal from office, and the libel suit was announced on Tuesday. The claim is for \$50,000 and it was stated that newspapers which published the Drew statement might be included as defendants. Hon. A. W. Roebuck is also a former Northerner, having at one time published a newspaper in New Liskeard and was an unsuccessful candidate for a seat in the provincial house." Huntingdon Gleaner:—For every boy who gives a girl an ache in the heart, there will be ten who will give them a pain in the neck.

Southampton Greeted Countess of Bessborough on Her Return to England



SOUTHAMPTON GREETED COUNTESS OF BESSBOROUGH ON HER RETURN TO ENGLAND This photograph was taken on board the "Empress of Britain" when the Mayor of Southampton accorded a civic welcome to Countess Bessborough, wife of the Governor-General of Canada, and her two children, Viscount Duncannon and Lady Ponsonby, on their return to England for a holiday. Lady Ponsonby is on the extreme left of the picture and Viscount Duncannon on the extreme left. Lady Bessborough can be seen standing next to the Mayor of Southampton.

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