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## Dr. Speakman Touches on the Wealth of North

Inspiring Address at Annual Banquet of Timmins Board of Trade. Other Helpful Addresses. Fine Choral Music by Welsh Male Choir.

That mining is not the be-all and end-all of Northern Ontario was well brought out in a short lecture on Monday night by Dr. H. Speakman, director of the Research Foundation, at a meeting of the Timmins Board of Trade.

There are 100,000,000 tons of lignite coal almost immediately available in Northern Ontario. The future for the ceramic industry (clay products of all kinds) is bright indeed. Agriculture is only beginning. Those are just highlights in a talk to business men of the north by a quiet unassuming scientist who held a crowded hall at the Empire hotel spellbound.

**North May Forge Canada**  
But the greatest thing that Northern Ontario can do and is doing for all of Canada is the development of a Canadian viewpoint. The North has gathered people from the Maritimes, from Quebec, Southern Ontario, the West and British Columbia. All parts of Canada have their own pet "grievances," but here if anywhere, so went the spirit of the meeting, Canadians should meet on common ground. The North will be the forging link in a greater Dominion.

What the youth of Northern Ontario has to look forward to was the main subject of the evening and many speakers gave their views. Dr. Speakman's information brings a hope—in fact an almost certainty, that the North is not "done" when her mines are through working. The natural resources of the country are such that in years to come there will be work for all.

**Lignite Research Proves Use**  
In the investigation of the lignite coal deposits near Onakawana, 60 miles from Hudson's Bay on the Moonstone extension, the Research Foundation has discovered some facts that indicate almost surely that a large Canadian industry may in the not-so-far future be established there. One hundred million tons of coal are already in sight—how much more cannot be told yet. But it cannot readily be used for fuel, as it is of the very soft variety called lignite as opposed to the harder varieties bituminous and anthracite, not found in Ontario.

The Research Foundation estimates that if proper equipment were set up an amount of fuel derived from the lignite that would give the same amount of heat as a ton of the coal Iroquois Falls imports from United States, could be set down in Iroquois Falls for \$5.00 a ton, whereas they now pay \$7.50. At Noranda, the comparison is at present \$7.75 for Nova Scotia coal and a possible \$5.75 for Northern Ontario coal. At Kapuskasing \$7.50 as opposed to \$6.25.

The coal as it is mined is not suitable either for transport or proper burning and it was to overcome those difficulties that the Research Foundation began work. They went first to Germany where, since the treaty of Versailles took the best of their bituminous coal mines away, they turned to the development of large lignite fields. They tried German methods on Northern Ontario coal, but found them impracticable. In Toronto they worked around the laboratory until they evolved a method of their own which they call "flue gas drying." It is on this principle that the present plans are laid.

**May Erect Trial Plant**  
Dr. Speakman gave the meeting "to understand that the Foundation want to be allowed to set up a trial plant in the Onakawana field where there is already a shaft with cross cuts going north, south, east and west.

In addition to coal, the Foundation has been working for some time on the possibilities of the clays found on the banks of the Missinabi and Mattagami rivers. Here again they have found new processes which may make a new Canadian industry using methods in advance of any the rest of the world has developed.

Dr. Speakman illustrated his point about the performance of development in the North by reminding his audience of what had happened in many parts of southern Ontario where agriculture had remained profitable only as long as it had the support of the lumbering industry. "For the past 30 or 40 years," he said "some parts of Old Ontario have gone steadily downhill. Ask yourselves if agriculture is just as temporary; if it is as economically bound to mining as Old Ontario was to lumbering. Is it possible to lay the foundation for a permanent and stable foundation? That is the great problem men like yourselves should face occasionally. Sooner or later, stern reality will make you do so."

**Think as Canadians**  
"The need to-day," continued Dr. Speakman, "is for men and women to speak, think and act as Canadians. We have our Maritime point of view, our Quebec one, another from southern Ontario, another from the West and still another from British Columbia. The people of Northern Ontario are those who will bridge the gap, not in our day but at some later time and they will lay the cornerstone that will build create, and unite a greater Canada."

Dr. Speakman's talk was well illustrated with lantern slides showing pictures of actual workings in the Onakawana coal field; apparatus in Ger-

## News and Notes of Timmins Girl Guides

Last Meeting's Special Game Proved Interesting. About the "Princess Pat."

(by B.D.)  
The meeting was opened with the usual inspection of the Guides by Captain Cranston. The marks were read by Lieutenant Tilley. The Guides then marched into horseshoe formation and the colours were raised. This was followed by an interesting game called "What You Know About Girl Guides." The Guides were divided into three groups—the Brownies, the Guides, and the Rangers. The Guides won. The Second Class Guides then went off to one corner and studied for their First Class Badge, while the others played games. Different discussions were made at "campfire" as well as the usual singing. The colours were then lowered, and the meeting closed by a Brownie squeeze and "Taps."

**Princess Pat**  
Voice: The Princess Pat.  
Echo: The Princess Pat.  
Voice: Lies infantry.  
Echo: Lies infantry.  
Voice: She sailed across.  
Echo: She sailed across.  
Voice: The Herring Sea.  
Echo: The Herring Sea.  
Voice: And sailed across.  
Echo: And sailed across.  
Voice: The channel too.  
Echo: The channel too.  
Voice: And brought with her.  
Echo: And brought with her.  
Voice: The Rica-dem-doo.  
Echo: The Rica-dem-doo.  
Voice: The Rica-dem-doo.  
Echo: The Rica-dem-doo.  
Voice: Now what is that.  
Echo: Now what is that.  
Voice: It's something made.  
Echo: It's something made.  
Voice: By Princess Pat.  
Echo: By Princess Pat.  
Voice: It's red and gold.  
Echo: It's red and gold.  
Voice: And purple too.  
Echo: And purple too.  
Voice: That's why it's called.  
Echo: That's why it's called.  
Voice: The Rica-dem-doo.  
Echo: The Rica-dem-doo.

## North Bay Planning to Strike Tax Rate Early

North Bay is planning to eliminate at least some of the borrowings from the bank in the early part of the year. The plan is to strike the tax rate early in January. Announcement to this effect was made by Mayor Bullbrook last week. He suggested that earlier and smaller instalments of taxes might fill the bill.

The plan for doing this is being worked out at present. It requires, of course, the co-operation of this year's council as well as the incoming council. Between now and the end of the year, at least two and possibly three special meetings of council will be held with the object of having the city's tax rate for 1935 struck not later than January 20. To further this end all the city's spending bodies will be asked to prepare their estimates before the end of the current year.

This year's council and the two men who will assume seats on January 1 will be asked to attend the meetings, the first of which will probably be held the latter part of this week.

## Pangs of Conscience



**OTTO VON DERUK**  
Pangs of conscience forced Otto Von Deruk (above), 25-year-old Chicago bank clerk, to confess he had accepted bad checks in a plot that defrauded his employer, the Amalgamated Trust and Savings Bank, of an estimated \$64,000. Four others were arrested in swindle.

## Dome Output Around \$554,000 in November

Recovery Reported from 45,700 Tons of Ore. Year's Output Around \$7,171,416.

Estimated gold recovery of Dome Mines, Limited, in November amounted to \$554,008 from the milling of 45,700 tons of ore as compared with \$521,008 in October from 447,600 tons of ore, the company announced yesterday. The average grade of ore milled in November, is estimated at approximately \$12.12 as compared with \$10.94.

Production of gold bullion for the year 1933 may be estimated at approximately \$7,171,416 from approximately 502,800 tons of ore. This would compare with the total bullion production of \$6,266,957 in the year 1933 from 546,500 tons of ore milled.

Total recovery from the 498,800 tons of ore milled in the 11 months, January to November, inclusive, was approximately \$6,573,788. The average grade of ore milled this year to date, therefore, may be estimated at approximately \$13.17 in gold per ton, which indicates that the company has been milling a lower grade of ore in the past.

## Timmins Citizens' Band Plays for the Turkey Stag

In aid of the annual Turkey Stag the Timmins Citizens' band played their first radio concert of the season on Monday night.

The programme, which was presented at 7.30 was as follows: "Sandhurst" march; "The Caliph of Bagdad," overture; "Woodland Blossom," waltz; "The Brigadier," euphonium solo, A. Wilford; three Christmas carols; "The Stars and Stripes," fantasia; and "Eventide," air varie.

The band performed well and the music was well received.

Toronto Mail and Empire:—Belgian Cabinet Has Slim Margin—Headline. Which, however, is a good deal better than a fat chance.

## W. Langdon Re-elected by Associated Boards

Small Attendance at Annual Meeting. Government Asked for Special Wire for Radio. Other Resolutions.

## Impressive Record of Hon. W. A. Gordon

Dominion Dept. of Labour Stops About 116 Potential Strikes. Makes Notable Showing.

Hon. W. A. Gordon, "Minister from the North," has a notable record as head of the Department of Labour. Word from Ottawa notes the fact that Hon. Mr. Gordon's department has been able to avert no less than 116 potential strikes since he took over charge of the department. This has been accomplished despite the fact that the depression has increased the chance of strikes and other countries have suffered very seriously in this line as a consequence. The present administration at Ottawa has had to cope with a situation unprecedented in the memory of living men. It has been successful without "ballyhoo" or boasting, and has saved Canada the chance of great financial loss, and has prevented the serious dislocation of industrial life with its attendant consequences.

It is generally understood that had serious strikes occurred it would have meant lost orders, reduced business, lost wages, the bitterness of industrial warfare. The impartial, alert and able conciliation service given by Hon. Mr. Gordon and his department has been worth a lot of money and a still greater moral vote to this country. The loss of time through strikes has been 40 times less in Canada than in the United States. This tells its own story in the way of comparison. Since July, 1930, there have been 34 disputes, involving 92,000 employees, settled by boards of conciliation and investigation under the Industrial Disputes Investigation Act. Under this act there have been 30 cases involving approximately 19,000 employees, in which the public treasury has been spared even the expense of a board, largely owing to an early settlement of the dispute through the services of departmental conciliation officers. There were 82 settlements of disputes affected under the Conciliation and Labour Act.

The work of Hon. Mr. Gordon and the staff in his department has won very general commendation and appreciation.

## Northern Lights Chapter Festival and Installation

Northern Lights Chapter of the H.R. A. Masons No. 213 held their annual festival and installation on Wednesday last when Ex-Comp. John Beattie was installed as Ex-First Principal, Ex-Comp. H. P. Shantz, Ex-Second Principal and Comp. F. Wills, Ex-Third Principal, by Rt. Ex-Comp. Ramsay, P.G.D. Supt., assisted by the Past Ex-Principals of the Chapter.

Officers invested were:—  
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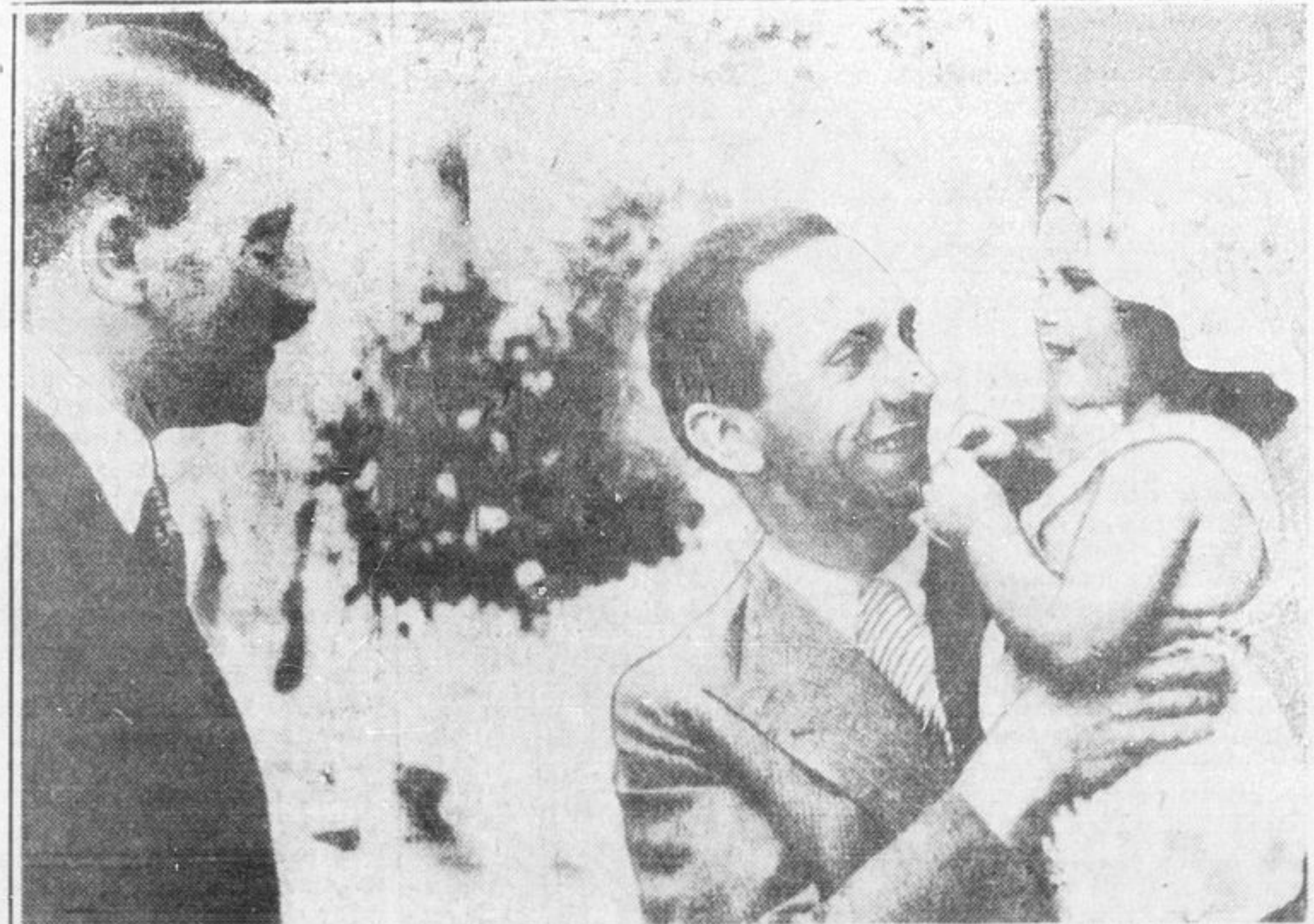
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**PENSIONS TO ARRIVE THIS**  
**THIS MONTH BEFORE CHRISTMAS**  
Recipients of Old Age and Mother's Allowance pensions from the Ontario government will receive their December cheques in time to allow them to prepare for Christmas, it was announced at Queen's Park Toronto, last week.

By an agreement between the Department of Welfare and Treasury Department, the cheques will be issued Dec 20 instead of at the end of the month.



**WELCOME, FUEHRER**  
A gracious young hostess, little Helga Goebbels welcomes Chancellor Adolf Hitler on his visit to the home of her father, Propaganda Minister, who is holding her in his arms.

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