

## Gold Decision in Favour of U. S. Govt.

### Notable Presentation of Plays by H. S. Pupils

Theatre Nights at Timmins High and Vocational School Largely Attended and Much Enjoyed and Appreciated. Attractive Plays Well Presented.

The theatre nights presented last year by the students of the Timmins High and Vocational School proved very popular and were much appreciated. Similar events on Thursday and Friday evenings of last week, Feb. 14th and 15th, attracted full houses each evening at the High School auditorium, while the merit of the presentations fully warranted the attendance and interest shown. All in any way connected with the outstanding success of the two evenings are entitled to the fullest credit and commendation. The evenings reflected the highest credit on the talent of the pupils and the direction of the teachers, while the crowds attending found the events most interesting and enjoyable.

There were three one-act plays presented, each of these being very cleverly presented, and play and presentation alike finding much appreciation from those present.

A special feature of the evening's pleasure was the playing by the High School orchestra under the able direction of Mr. Mitchell. The orchestra is well balanced and had a keen appreciation of tone and harmony. Before the curtain went up and during the interludes between the plays the audience enjoyed and applauded the selections by the orchestra. Among the orchestral selections were: "Country Gardens," Old English dance; "Tenderheart," waltz, by Stan Thornton; "Le Tambourin," Old French dance, by J. P. Rameau; "East Suez," Intermezzo Orientale, by Carol Strebor.

Special mention should also be made of the scenery, stage settings and the lighting effects. These were unusually well made and arrayed. For the "Romance of the Willow Pattern" the effects were strikingly beautiful and artistic and won very general approval. The scenery was by Miss Briffett, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Vogel and the electrical departments. The lighting was by Mr. McDowell, Mr. Vogel and the Electrical and lighting effects were equal to those of any first-class professional company.

The first play presented was "The Crimson Cocoon," by Ian Hay. This was directed by Miss Garrow. The characters of the play (in the order of their appearance) were: Jack Fincher, Bob Mitchell, Robert Kaune Westman, Mr. Jobstick, Lloyd Black, Nancy Jobstick, Annie Kruparuk, Nitro Gleserinski, Aare Kivi, Madame Gleserinski, Anastasia Wojciechowski. This play is an amusing comedy telling of a plot to blow up the Bank of England. The bomb for the crime is disguised as a cocoon which turns crimson just before it is due to explode. The scene is laid in "Spaghetti's Restaurant, Saho London, England, and there was much humor portrayed by the cast in depicting reactions to the "crimson cocoon" as its qualities became known. All the characters took their parts effectively "Madame Gleserinski," especially giving a restrained but realistic depiction of the part, while "Robert," the waiter, was also effectively portrayed.

"The Grand Cham's Diamond," by Ellen Monkhouse, was directed by Miss McNamara, and was a popular number on the programme. All those taking part in this play showed dramatic ability, while the work of Valerie Murley,

was outstanding. Her portrayal of the wife, "Mrs. Perkins," was a work of genuine art. She looked the part, took the part, made the part, took the part. The characters in this play were:—"Mr. Perkins," very effectively played by Edward McLellan; "Mrs. Perkins," by Valerie Murley; "Miss Polly Perkins," by Barbara Lucas; "The Stranger," by Cecil Linder; "Albert," by Ambrose Killen. The plot was laid in the sitting room of the Perkins home in the suburbs of London, Eng. "Mrs. Perkins" is berating her husband for the drabness of life and lack of interest and excitement. She accuses him of failing to pass on even the interest he finds in the newspaper. Her tirade is interrupted by the throwing of a "stone" through the window. The "stone" proves to be the "Grand Cham's Diamond," the theft of which had been filling the newspapers. "Mrs. Perkins" decides that she will keep the precious stone for her own and dispose of it, having visions of happy days of travel and adventure. The situations that rapidly develop before Scotland Yard eventually recovers the stolen jewel give opportunity for the depicting of character and the display of humor.

Probably the most popular of the three little plays was "The Romance of the Willow Pattern," by Ethel Van der Veer. This little gem was directed by Miss Goettler and Miss Mackey. It was the beautiful presentation of the story of the "Willow Pattern" seen on chinaware. In the playlet the lovers, "Koong-See the Fair" and "Chang the Good," descend from Heaven to re-act on earth the scenes of their love, their betrothal, their condemnation by the Mandarin, father of "Koong-See," and their attempted escape, only to meet death on the "bridge." There was a charming prologue by the "Spirit of Chang" and the "Spirit of Koong-See," and "Seven Fragments" depicted with clever art. The Chinese costumes loaned by Hart House, the Chinese screens designed and painted in the Timmins High School Art department, and the accompanying music and dancing, made this play particularly attractive and pleasing. All those taking part in this play carried through their parts in very capable way. The characters of the play were:—"Koong-See," Jean Lochrie; "Chang," Earl Walden; "Incense Burner," Anton Harting; "The Mandarin," Lloyd Black; "Property Man," Naser Ansara. The scenes depicted, corresponding with the "pattern" on the "willow plates," were:—"Heaven and Earth"; "Koong See's Garden"; "House Scene"; "Terrace"; "Chang's Island"; "At the Water's Edge"; "Mandarin's House"; "The Bridge." The presentation of "The Romance of the Willow Pattern" delighted all, and there was the greatest appreciation felt not only for the play itself, but also for the marked ability of the students presenting it, and the care and thought given by the students and the directors in giving so finished and artistic a presentation of the charming story. The large "Willow Pattern Plate" shown on the stage was a genuine work of art, made the more effective by the cleverly arranged lighting effects.

Students and staff of the High and Vocational School added to their laurels by the theatre nights last Thursday and Friday.

### Plan Additions to Horticultural Soc'y

Meeting on Friday, Feb. 22, to Consider Cooking and Woodwork Exhibits at Annual Flower Show.

The housewives of Timmins who can cook and the boys who can do any kind of woodwork are to be able to compete for prizes in the fall of this year if the Timmins Horticultural Society is able to arrange exhibits in connection with their annual flower show in September.

A meeting will be held on Friday at eight o'clock, Feb. 22nd, in the town hall and is open to all who are interested in this proposal, especially the women who would enter cooking or in any other way help to make the thing a success.

There is no doubt that exhibits of work of this type would be an unqualified success and would fill a need that is evident in Timmins if there is only sufficient interest shown on Friday when the Horticultural Society officers will meet prospective entrants or any citizen who might be able to help.

In the absence of a fall fair such as is an annual event in Southern Ontario centres, an exhibit of the type proposed would in some ways take the place of a fair. The society will offer prizes in many classes of work if reasonably certain of a good number of entries.

### ANOTHER SERIES OF POLICE RAIDS MADE AT ROUYN

Rouyn-Noranda Press.—Another police raid conducted last Sunday night by Chief Desrosiers and his men, assisted by Noranda officers and members of the provincial force, resulted in a round-up of nineteen persons in two places, most of whom pleaded guilty when arraigned on Monday morning.

### Interesting Meeting of the W.M.S. on Thursday

The Women's Missionary Society of the Timmins United Church had a very interesting meeting on Thursday afternoon in the church parlor. Miss Smith, the W.M.S. worker for this district, distributed pertinent questions among the members on the use of the Blue Book and answered each one in a practical way as it was read. The president, Mrs. Bruce Millar, introduced the speakers, Mrs. Moseley, who briefly outlined the building of the Indian church during the eighteenth century, a chapter from the Blue Book.

### C.W.L. CARD PARTY ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH

The C.W.L. are holding a card party in the basement of the Church of the Nativity on Wednesday, February 20th. Progressive euchre will be played; but players of bridge and 500 will remain at their own tables, pivoting every four hands.

### Star of Radio



HELEN MARSHALL  
Smiling and confident, pretty Helen Marshall promises to become one of the brightest stars of 1935. She's a singer, and a good one, too.

### Social Committee of the Ladies' Auxiliary Meets

A meeting of the Social Committee of the Ladies Auxiliary, Canadian Legion, was held in the Legion hall on Friday evening, Feb. 15th. A considerable amount of business was transacted. President France was in the chair and after the meeting was duly closed, Comrade Wilkinson poured tea, the hostess for tea being Comrade George.

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### Firemen Soon Stop Threatening Blaze

Garage was in Flames when Alarm turned in, but Firemen Averted Chance of a Serious Fire on Sunday Morning.

Fire, probably originating from hot ashes placed in wooden crates, might have meant a serious blaze at 80 Wilson avenue on Sunday morning had not two men going home at a late hour seen the beginning of a fire and pulled a box near which they happened to be.

When the fire department arrived, a garage, just a few feet from the house and used for storing wood, was in flames. It was quickly put under control with the use of the large chemical tank on the new truck. Had not the alarm been turned in when it was, the fire would almost certainly have been a serious one. As it was about 5:00 damage was done, completely covered by insurance. H. Vachon was the owner.

On Saturday afternoon simultaneous verbal and telephone alarm told of an automobile fire at the corner of Cedar street and Third avenue. A short circuit under the dashboard of a car owned by Claude Desautels burned a few wires and caused a lot of smoke. Damage was probably \$10 or \$15.

A chimney fire at 6:45 p.m. on Friday was at 84 Fifth avenue. There was no damage.

### POPULAR OLD-TIMER OF THE PORCUPINE RE-VISITS HERE

F. P. R. Gallagher (affectionately known here to hosts of old-time friends as "Fat") was a visitor to town last week and had a hearty greeting, indeed, from war-time friends and peace-time friends of the early days here. He is now representing the Distillers Company of Canada, Limited, in Northern Ontario, his headquarters being at North Bay.

## U. S. Currency Upheld Payment of Gold Bonds

Announcement Made at Noon Averts Major Financial Upheaval. New York Stock Exchange Open but Chicago Grain Mart Closed.

The gold payment decision of the United States supreme court decreed shortly after noon today that payments of bonds may be made in currency and not gold, thus upholding President Roosevelt's government and averting a major upheaval of the stock exchange as well as serious decline in the American dollar abroad.

Although the New York Stock exchange was reported closed at noon, this report was unfounded and trading

was continued. The effect on the Chicago grain market of the supreme court's decision was to close the market. The particular case on which the supreme court decided was that of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad bonds, it is reported. The court denied the wish of bondholders to be paid in gold, or at the rate of \$1.60 per dollar.

Toronto Stock Exchange stocks were all slightly up at two o'clock.

### No Properties Sold at Tax Sale To-day

Twenty-nine Properties Fall to Reserve Bids by the Town. Total of Taxes Owing on all \$2,485.21.

Bargain hunters at the town's tax sale this morning were sadly disappointed. There were 29 properties to go under the hammer but not a single one of them was sold, for the town had in reserve bids equal to three years' taxes in every one of them. Of the ten or fifteen people present, not one cared to go to that figure for a property or lot. The total of the taxes for 1931-1932 and 1933 for the whole town was \$2,485.21.

Now that they are in the hands of the town as owners, Timmins assumes responsibility for the 1934 and 1935 taxes but are, of course, free to rent or sell them, provided the original owners do not care to redeem them within a year.

### Funeral of P. Johnson, of Hoyle, with Legion Honours

Peter Johnson, 58-year-old Hoyle farmer, who saw service overseas with the 22nd Battalion, C.E.F., of Saskatchewan, in the Great War, died in the South Porcupine Hospital on Saturday. The funeral service is to be held tomorrow (Tuesday) afternoon at 4:15 p.m. at Walker's Funeral Parlours under the Canadian Legion. All Legionaires are asked to attend.

Mr. Johnson had for some years been a resident of Hoyle.

### Eastern Star Valentine Dance, Pleasing Success

The Eastern Star Chapter's Valentine dance at the Riverside pavilion on Friday night was a successful and brilliant affair. A large attendance of members and guests indicated the popularity of the chapter's entertainments. The supper served at midnight was tastefully arranged.

## Timmins Musicians for Winnipeg Convention

Canadian Mining Institute Again to Enjoy Singing of Ernest Lorenzo and Michael Espalator and Playing of Victor Dorego, Accordionist.

Three Timmins musicians, already known to Canadian mining men from the Atlantic to the Pacific, will again attend the annual convention of the Canadian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy, whose members will be in session on March 12th, 13th and 14th of this year at Winnipeg.

Ernest Lorenzo, of the steel shop of the Hollinger, whose powerful tenor voice has made him a favourite entertainer in the camp, Michele Espalator, the Spanish tenor, whose fame continues to grow, and Victor Dorego, Moneta merchant, former theatrical performer, whose accodian accompaniment to the singers completes the trio, and who has a wide and well-merited reputation as a gifted player, will leave Timmins for Winnipeg during the second week of March under the care of A. ("Lep") Laprairie, former manager of the Timmins branch of Canadian Industries Limited, who is now with the same company in Toronto.

At present it is impossible to tell just who will represent the Porcupine mines at the convention. U. S. Annett, secretary of the local branch of the C.I.M.M., told The Advance, but in all probability a few of the mining men of the district will attend.

The Winnipeg meeting promises to be one of the most interesting in the history of the institute. The subjects up for discussion will be of wide interest not only to the metal mining men of the country but also to those interested in other forms of mineral production. The clays of the Mattagami river, for instance, will be discussed by A. E. Hilder. Although none of the mines of the Porcupine will be on the programme this year, representatives of both Wright-Hargreaves and the Lake

### HARRY DAVIS, KIRKLAND, DIED IN TORONTO FRIDAY

Harry Davis, well-known Kirkland Lake merchant, owning three successful stores in that town, died in Toronto on Friday morning.

### Charge of Offering to Pay for Position

Man Faces Charge in Police Court of "Offering a Reward for Employment."

As a warning to all that they "don't have to pay a nickel for a job at the Hollinger and to emphasize the fact that jobs there are never sold, Nick Todd will face a charge in police court on Tuesday of offering a reward to an employment agency.

According to information given The Advance, Todd wrote to W. King, employment agent at the Hollinger, offering him money in return for getting him a job. In the ordinary course of events, Todd's application was placed on record and the letter given to the Hollinger police. When Todd was questioned, he admitted that he had offered to pay Mr. King for a job, and he will face the resultant charge in police court.

Hollinger officials stressed the wish of the company to have it thoroughly understood that anyone offering to pay for employment at the mine would be treated in a like manner.

### Presbytery of Cochrane to Meet Here This Week

The Presbytery of Cochrane, including all the churches of the United Church in the district from Matheson to Nakina, will meet at the United Church, Timmins, on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. On Tuesday evening at 8 p.m. the sessions will open with a public meeting to be addressed by Rev. J. C. Cochrane, superintendent of missions.

Mrs. M. B. Scott, Mrs. N. J. Leaman, Mrs. W. R. Rinn and Mrs. Percy Carson, were guests in Toronto over the week-end.

## To Increase Number of Boy Scouts in Timmins

Hoped to Have at Least Four Troops of Boy Scouts in Town Soon. Plans Now Under Way for Organizing and Carrying on the Work. Meeting Last Friday.

A movement is definitely under way now to increase the number of Boy Scouts in Timmins, to train Scoutmasters for them, to raise funds for the promotion of the organization and in general to offer more Timmins boys the advantages of Scout training.

A number of those interested met at the town hall on Friday evening and all were agreed that Scouting should be encouraged in every possible way. As a beginning toward enlarging the Scout organization here Geo. Lake was appointed convener of an advisory committee consisting of B. Alton, J. D. MacLean, A. W. Pickering, W. F. Lawry, T. A. MacDonald, and William A. Jenkins to act with A. Wright and B. Rowe.

Mr. Wright gave a resume of Scouting activities in Timmins and noted that there were just two troops now in existence, one at St. Matthew's church under Canon Cushing and the other at the townsite. He suggested that the number of troops be increased to four and that a local organization be actively engaged in sponsoring the movement.

J. F. Anglin suggested the formation of a troop in Moneta and Father McManus will act with him in helping to get it under way in the near future.

England, stated that his society would assist Scouting in every possible manner and stressed the need of wider knowledge of first aid amongst young men and boys. It was suggested that Mr. Jenkins who has been identified with Scouting in England work with Mr. Anglin in Moneta.

Jack Thomas spoke briefly and indicated his strong support of everything that would help local boys.

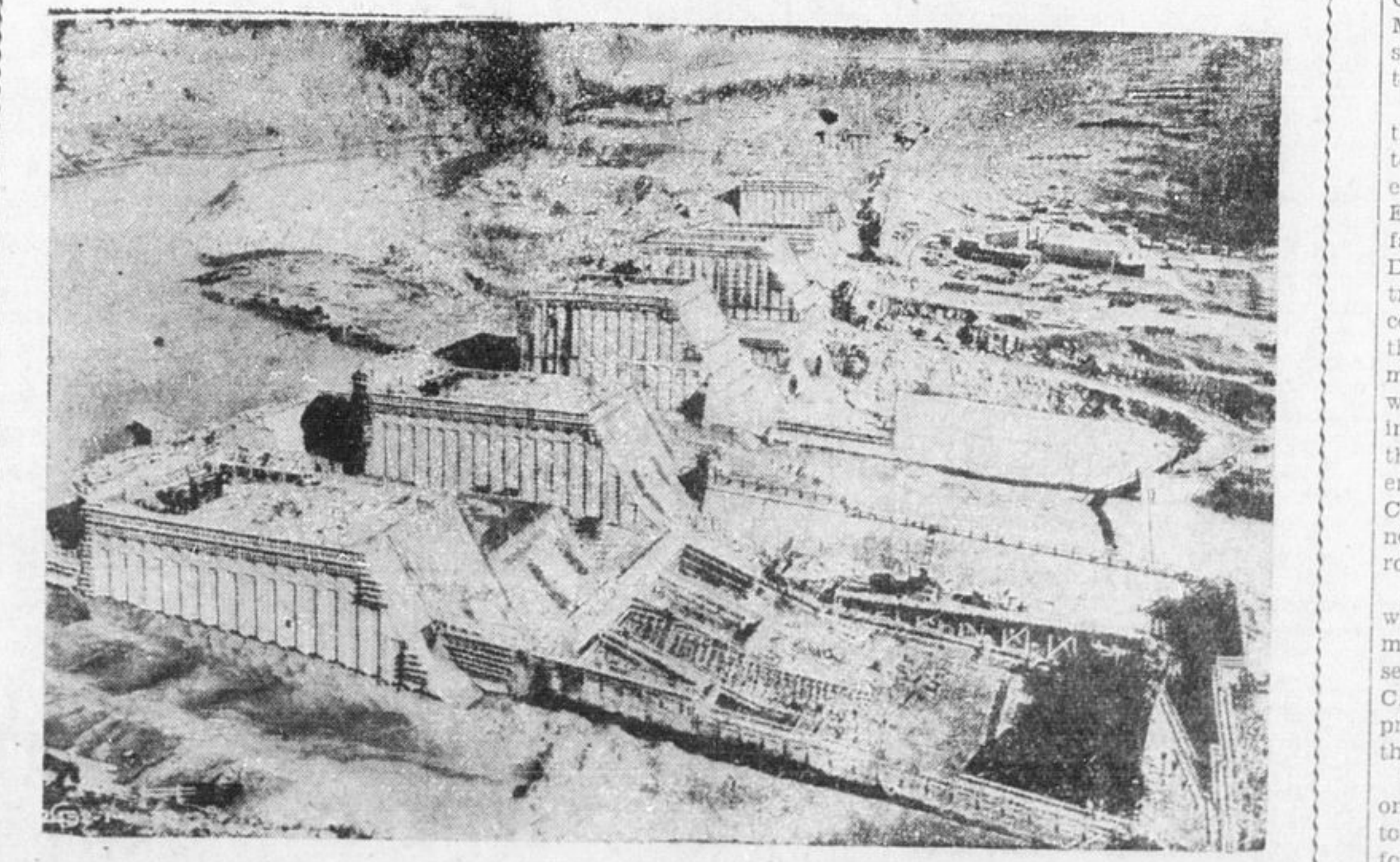
J. D. MacLean spoke of past difficulties in Scouting and suggested that younger men should be selected and trained as scoutmasters.

Mr. Thomas offered the services of the Welsh Male Choir in raising money to help the movement along.

A meeting of the committee appointed will be held in the town hall on Thursday, Feb. 21st, when it is likely that a permanent organization will be formed and some definite action taken.

Four groups were represented at the Friday night meeting, the Sons of England, Church of the Nativity, the Moneta section and St. Matthew's church in addition to the already organized Hollinger townsite group. It is regarded as a fine beginning toward ward increasing the number of Boy Scouts in Timmins.

## U.S. Building Tremendous Dams in Tennessee Valley



Looking upstream at the Norris dam, being built by the U.S. government's Tennessee valley authority on the Clinch river, near Knoxville, Tenn. The dam, as this picture shows, is more than one-third complete. The various sections of the dam now rise more than 100 feet above their solid rock bases. When completed, the dam will be 200 feet high and will cost more than \$34,000,000. Note the ends of the two huge pen-stocks, each more than 20 feet in diameter, between the third and fourth buttress-like sections of the dam. These tubes will pour the dammed-up waters of the Clinch river into turbines for generating electricity. A big powerhouse is to be built at the end of the tubes shown in this picture, and just back of the high retaining wall, projecting from the third section of the dam.