

Rains To-day Check Bush Fires in North

Timmins Kiwanis Boy's Potato Club Under Way

Enthusiastic Meeting Thursday Night. Address by L. H. Hanlan, D. J. Pomerleau and Others. Potato Fair to be Held in the Fall. Interesting Plan off to Good Start.

Nineteen Timmins boys from the public schools are to be enthusiastic potato growers this year, it was indicated at the first meeting of the Timmins Kiwanis Boys' Potato Club on Thursday evening in the St. Anthony Parish hall.

Under the fatherly supervision of members of the Kiwanis Club, the boys have been allotted plots of ground on the other side of the Mattagami about one-tenth of an acre in area; a bag of Irish Cobbler seed potatoes has been given each member of the club and work is actually in progress. The Kiwanis is also giving a ton of phosphate-nitrate fertilizer for use on the boys' gardens.

Prizes for Best Crops

Prizes are offered for the best crops raised, the Ontario Crops Branch, the Dominion Seed Branch and the Timmins Kiwanis Club contributing dollar for dollar up to a maximum of \$15 each. Prizes will be awarded at a potato fair, to be held here in the fall.

The boys themselves elected the officers of their club on Thursday evening, as follows: president, Jack Dunn, Central School; vice-president, Bert Lamothé, St. Joseph's school; secretary, Norman Rudd, Mattagami school, executive committee, Roger Roscoe, St. Anthony's school and Roland Lauzon, St. Charles school. Holy Family is the only local public or separate school not having students in the club. They failed to send a representative to Thursday's meeting and no further delays could be made.

Began Work Saturday

Saturday morning at Feldman's farm near the Mattagami, seed was issued to the club members and was properly cut for use by the boys. No planting was done as the fertilizer has not yet arrived.

Each boy has a member of the Kiwanis Club as advisor and in addition, a committee has been appointed to supervise, consisting of D. J. Pomerleau, Provincial Agricultural Representative, Cochrane; Frank Feldman, chairman of the agricultural committee of the Kiwanis Club and Percy Moisleley, chairman of the boys' work committee of the Kiwanis Club. Mr. Pomerleau will be in Timmins at intervals during the summer to inspect the

plots. At Thursday's meeting L. H. Hanlan of the experimental farm at Kapuskasing gave the boys an interesting talk on the growing and grading of potatoes.

Fosters Community Co-Operation

The objects of the club, as set out in literature supplied by the Ontario Government, are to demonstrate the value of certified seed and the practice of good cultural and marketing methods; to develop leadership and foster community co-operation; to focus attention on production costs. The whole crop becomes the property of the boy who produces it, with the exception of one bag, which must be returned to the club that supplied the seed.

The members of the club must go to great detail when figuring up what the crop cost them, or would have cost them had it been on a strictly commercial basis. Rent of the land, cost of seed, spray and fertilizer and cost of labour in plowing, cultivating, planting, cultivation after planting, treating the seed for scab, spraying, harvesting and hauling from the field.

The weight of marketable potatoes (those over two inches in diameter and free from disease), the weight of un-saleable potatoes (those over 16 ounces and under 3 ounces or diseased) must be calculated and the yield of potatoes per acre figured out. Values must be made and a profit and loss statement submitted.

Must Make Field Notes

The boys are expected to take field notes as they go along and be able to answer questions relating to the character of the soil and subsoil, what crop was grown on the land in the previous year, when it was planted, at what depth, dates of cultivation and weather conditions at the time, dates of spraying and a host of other informative queries.

Potato clubs are proving of great value in a number of communities in other parts of Ontario where both boys and girls have been learning some of the finer things about gardening and some of the less pleasant ones, too.

The Timmins club is well organized and well supervised and the display of home-grown potatoes in the fall should attract widespread attention.

be the showing of motion pictures of wild life in the district. This should make particular appeal to all interested in fish and game in the Porcupine.

All interested in the conservation of fish and game in the Porcupine should make a special point of being present to-morrow (Tuesday) evening at the annual meeting of the Porcupine Fish and Game Protective Association in the Badminton Club hall commencing at 8 p.m.

MEETING HERE WEDNESDAY OF THE MUNICIPAL BOARD

The session of the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board will be held here on Wednesday of this week, June 5th, in the council chamber of the town hall, to hear the application of the town for approval of an issue of \$30,000 debentures to finance the construction of an addition to the Moneta public school. The session will commence at 9.30 a.m. Wednesday.

Annual Meeting of Fish and Game Club

Pictures Showing Wild Life of the North to be Exhibited at Meeting To-morrow (Tuesday).

The annual meeting of the Porcupine Fish and Game Protective Association will be held to-morrow (Tuesday) evening in the Porcupine Badminton Club hall (Schumacher), commencing at 8 p.m. The meeting will be an unusually interesting one. There will be the reports of the officers for the past year and in view of the large amount of valuable work accomplished during the year these reports should be of special interest. Officers for the ensuing year are to be elected, and other business of the annual meeting dealt with.

A special feature of the meeting will

Ontario Gardens to be Described in Address

Timmins Horticultural Society Again. Secures John F. Clark, Noted Lecturer on Horticulture. To be at Timmins on June 12th. Illustrated Address of Much Value.

The Timmins Horticultural Society is always attempting something for the benefit and beautifying of the town of Timmins and to increase the interest here in agriculture. This year again they have secured the services of John F. Clark, the noted lecturer on horticulture. He will be here on Wednesday evening, June 12th, and will deliver an illustrated address entitled "A Trip Through Ontario Gardens." Mr. Clark has been here several times before. Last year his address delighted all, while solos by Mrs. Clark made a very decided hit with the audience. Those who were present last year will hope that Mrs. Clark will accompany Mr. Clark on his visit here this year. There should be a large attendance at the meeting on June 12th. It will be held in St. Anthony's parish hall (basement of St. Anthony's church) and will commence at 8 p.m. The location of the hall is central and it should be filled to capacity. Not only will Mr. Clark's address be of great interest and value but he will also answer any questions that may be asked in regard to horticultural matters. Last year and the previous year the answering of questions was one of the most valuable features of a most interesting and valuable event. Mr. Clark is the lecturer on horticulture for the Ontario Dept. of Agriculture, and has achieved a fame in his line that spreads beyond the province.

The illustrated lecture, "A Trip Through Ontario Gardens" gives very graphic illustration of the beautification work being carried on by individuals, societies, park boards and municipalities throughout the province. The set of illustrations are quite comprehensive, depicting all phases of gardening, both large and small. Mr. Clark does not forget the North in his address, some Northern gardens being shown, while all through the address the special features of interest to the North are emphasized.

No one interested in horticulture or in the beautification of the town should miss Mr. Clark's lecture in St. Anthony's parish hall on June 12th, at 8 p.m.



Pioneers Find Their Way To New Alaska Home

Tent cities spring up in the Matanuska valley of Alaska as pioneers arrive from the United States to settle on government lands. Top, the new city of Palmer, with snowy mountains in the background. Below, settlers arrive—and find plenty of automobiles to meet them.

Endorses Paving of Roads near Hospital

Work has been Badly Needed for Years is Opinion of One Leading Citizen of Town.

A leading citizen of the town endorses the suggestion in The Advance last week for the paving this summer of the roads near the St. Mary's hospital. "The block from Fourth to Fifth avenues should certainly be paved," he says, "and I think it would be good business to also pave from Cedar street to Tamarack street on Fifth avenue. The benefit to the hospital alone would be full warrant for this paving. I don't think the cost would be prohibitive. The sooner a petition is circulated the better. I don't think anyone would hesitate to sign such a petition. The dust nuisance must be a serious one for the hospital. Anyone can see the injury to the beautiful grounds of the hospital from the dust. It must be a still more serious matter inside the hospital. The central public school would also be greatly benefited by the proposed paving, as would also the three churches on or near Fifth avenue, as well as their congregations and the general public. The council would make a good name for itself this year if this paving were done at an early date."

Other citizens have given similar endorsement of the proposal for the paving near the hospital. To date there have been no voices raised against it. The council, however, can hardly move the matter without some call from the people and a petition in this regard would appear to be in order and in keeping with popular wishes.

Minister of Mines to Arrive by 'Plane

Has Full Programme Arranged for Two Day Visit to Porcupine This Week. Many Social Functions Planned.

Hon. Paul Leduc, Minister of Mines in Ontario, will arrive at South Porcupine to-morrow by airplane from Matachewan, it has been announced. He leaves Ottawa to-day and will fly to Matachewan from Haileybury.

To-morrow, the minister is to be the guest of the Hollinger mine officials. On Wednesday he will be guest of honour at the Empire hotel when the Timmins branch of the Canadian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy tenders a luncheon. This is to be followed by a reception under the auspices of the Federation des Femmes Canadiennes Francaises. In the evening the mayor and council and citizens of Timmins are tendering a banquet at the Empire. He leaves for Kirkland Lake on Thursday and will return to North Bay the following day. Mrs. Leduc will accompany him, it is expected.

North Bay Alone Untouched by Rain

Heavy rains, beginning last night 28 miles north of North Bay, swept over the North Country to-day, checking severe bush fires that threatened settlements in many districts. North Bay alone was left untouched by the rain and heavy clouds of smoke hung over the Gateway City, from fires along the highway. These are still burning, it was reported this afternoon.

Englehart had three hours heavy rain early this morning and the showers that broke here to-day at one o'clock were general from Swastika north.

Winners of Prizes in The Advance Survey

The survey conducted by The Advance to learn exactly how subscribers desire their favourite paper delivered was concluded on Saturday. The Advance finds from the survey that this paper is more firmly entrenched in the favour of the people of the camp than ever before. Very sincerely The Advance thanks the public in general and its readers in particular for the kindness and co-operation shown the young ladies conducting the survey for this paper.

In addition to the commissions given the young ladies conducting the survey there were a number of prizes offered. The winners of these prizes are as follows:—

- First—Miss Irene Bell
 - Second—Miss Helen Bacon
 - Third—Miss Margaret McGee
 - Fourth—Miss Edythe Marshall
 - Fifth—Miss Alma Turcott
 - Sixth—Miss Lilja Pihlaja
- Special prize—Miss McGee.

Subscribers who do not receive their copy of The Advance each week promptly, whether by mail or delivery boy will confer a favour on The Advance by notifying this office at once, giving their receipt number. Telephone 26.

Believe Danger From Matachewan Fires Over

Bush Fires in Matachewan Area Not Likely to Injure Ashley Property Now. Matachewan Village and Young-Davidson Property Not Threatened.

Many rumours and rather wild stories in regard to bush fires in the Matachewan area have been current in town during the week-end. Information secured by The Advance from a local citizen who was through the territory on Saturday and Sunday would seem to prove that the danger from bush fires in the area is over for the present. There was a fire raging about half a mile from the Ashley Mine and it looked bad for the Ashley for a time, but a change in the wind reduced the danger, blowing the fire in the opposite direction. Even a change of the wind will have much reduced danger for the Ashley as the fire would have to travel back over burned area. All the fires have been in the north and east, none of the fires being south of High Falls. Matachewan village (Moyneur's) has never been in danger, and there are no fires near the Young-Davidson (Hollinger property). The fact that telephone communication is off between Matachewan and New Liskeard has prevented official word from

being received from Matachewan properties and this added to the tendency to rumours. However, The Advance is assured that there is no fire now near the Young-Davidson property or Matachewan village, and that the bush fire threatening the Ashley is now turned away. The fire near the Ashley was eight or ten miles north of Matachewan village. It was about ten miles long. It looked bad for the Ashley for a time when the wind was blowing from the southeast, but a change of wind to the southwest removed the danger. The smoke was unusually heavy from this fire. The bush around the Ashley is very heavy and this added to the difficulty of doing anything to counteract the fires. On account of the heavy bush and the grip the fire secured there was little that could be done to fight the fire. It is expected, however, that the danger is past for the present, while as noted before there have been no fires threatening Matachewan village or the Young-Davidson.

Primate of All Canada at Synod Here This Week

Archbishop Owen Among the Distinguished Visitors to Anglican Gathering in Town. Delegates Coming from Wide Territory by Canoe, as well as More Modern Methods of Travel.

The synod of the diocese of Moosonee, held every second year at some Northern Ontario point, convenes in Timmins on Wednesday of this week, Right Rev. J. G. Anderson, D.D., L.L.D., Bishop of Moosonee, presiding. It is expected that the work will be completed within a day and a half.

Archbishop Owen, Primate of All Canada, is to be a distinguished visitor at the synod. He will address the delegates at the Wednesday morning session. Although he visited Timmins once before when he was Bishop of Niagara, this is his first trip into the diocese of Moosonee since he became Primate of Canada.

The territory included in the diocese is immense, for it extends from well up on James Bay to Watabeag on the T.&N.O. as far west as Nakina on the C.N.R., a few Indian missions in Quebec as well as a large territory in the region of Chapeau, Oba, Follet and Hornepayne.

The shortest route from Gogama, also in the diocese, to Timmins is via

the Mattagami river and so the old method of travel in the North, the canoe, is being called back into service to transport delegates to the synod. Two canoe loads are expected to reach here to-morrow afternoon before dusk.

In addition to representatives from the Indian missions of Gogama and Mattagami Post, Indians themselves from Chapeau and Aisace are expected to be here Wednesday. In all, there will be nearly 40 delegates. The Advance learned on Saturday from Canon R. S. Cushing, rector of St. Matthew's church.

At the same time as the synod convenes in Timmins, the Diocesan Women's Auxiliary to the Missionary Society of the Church of England in Canada, will meet at South Porcupine, with Mrs. Johns of the Dome, Diocesan president, in charge of the meetings.

The synod meetings will be preceded by the celebration of holy communion at St. Matthew's church on Wednesday morning at 7.30.

Lions Ready to Support Work of Children's Aid

"Anything that the Lions can do will be done," say Members at Meeting Last Week. Address Given to New Club on "Adopt-a-Baby Week" and Children's Aid Work. Many Matters of Interest at Meeting Thursday.

At the regular meeting of the Timmins Lions Club held in the Canadian Legion club rooms on Thursday evening there were many matters of special interest and importance. The dinner and service by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Legion was excellent and started the meeting in an auspicious way. The attendance was good and all seemed interested in the proceedings throughout. President F. H. V. Ball occupied the chair in very efficient way while Lion Tamer W. Wren kept the community singing to the front. J. Ormston presided at the piano.

President Ball said that at the first meeting in each month there would be an executive meeting at which the various reports of committees would be considered. Reference was made to the district convention to be held at Hamilton June 16th to 18th, and the International convention to be held at Mexico City later in the summer. The president repeated the advice of the Deputy-Governor for the district, Dr. Torrington, that Lions learned more about Lionism at these conventions than could possibly be learned elsewhere.

The report of the finance committee on the receipts and expenses of Charter Night was read and approved.

Lion I. P. Whitney introduced the guest speaker for the evening, G. A. Macdonald, president of the District of Cochrane Children's Aid Society. Mr. Macdonald said that he had been asked to say a few words in regard to the King, whose 70th birthday would be observed before the next meeting of the club, and also to refer to the "Adopt-a-Baby Week," and the work in general of the Children's Aid Society. At a time when so many thrones were disappearing and so many others tottering, it was interesting to note that the British throne was stronger than ever before in the history of the Empire. This was due to the notable character of the King and the noble service he had given his people. It was a mistake to think that the King had little constitutional power, that he was a mere figurehead. The King had wide power and authority, but because of his temperance he was careful in the use of that power. Greater far, however, than his power, was the influence of the King. To a service club like the Lions it should be easy to understand how the influence had developed and won the respect and affection of the people. The Lions had no legal status, but they had great influence, because of the service they gave and the good they did. The King's high standard was due to his service to his people, his unflinching devotion to the interests of the Empire and the high character, the love of the better virtues, of the royal family. The speaker suggested that one of the highest forms of patriotism was care for the children, the coming generation on whom the Empire must rely in the days to come. The Children's Aid Society was founded by J. J. Kelso, a newspaperman. It grew from the work of organizing a Humane Society in Toronto. Mr. Kelso finding that the cattle of the fields and the dogs on the streets 45 years ago had more protection from ill-treatment than the children were afforded under the law at that time. Mr. Kelso's motto had been "A fair chance

for every child," and it was to that end that the Children's Aid worked. The organization of the Dept. of Neglected and Dependent Children by the Sir Oliver Mowat government and the various lines of work carried on by the C. A. S. were dealt with. The work for sick and crippled youngsters was given special mention. The value and necessity for shelters was also mentioned, with special praise for the district shelter where the children were given a home as well as affection. It was fully recognized, however, that every child was the better for a home of his or her own. It was this thought that had inspired Hon. David Croll, Minister of Welfare, to sponsor the "Adopt-a-Baby Week." The week (May 26th to June 1st) was specially emphasized in the hope of finding homes for all the wards of the C. A. S. who were without homes of their own, and generally bringing to the public notice the work of the Children's Aid Society. Reference was made to the children at Timmins available for adoption, with the added suggestion that if anyone here wished a child that "was not in stock" here, the exact kind of youngster needed would be "ordered" from one of the other shelters in the province. In concluding the speaker said that the Lions had adopted the royal colours—purple and gold—and it was fitting that they should add the royal virtues—service for others and the patriotism that meant general happiness and progress to better things.

Dr. R. Hughes, in a witty and effective speech, moved a vote of thanks to the speaker, Lion S. C. Platus, in seconding the motion, made kindly reference to the work of the Children's Aid. "They say there are two service clubs in Timmins now," he said; "but I would say there are three, the third one being the Children's Aid Society which has given fine service here for many years."

President Ball said that the work of (Continued on Page Eight)

Horticultural Society Starts Big Program

Central School, the S.J.A.B. Grounds, St. Anthony's Church Grounds to be Beautified.

The Timmins Horticultural Society has started a big programme of town improvement and beautification. Last week members of the society commenced work in the beautification of the St. Anthony's church grounds alongside the Jacques Cartier memorial. It is the intention to make a beauty spot around this historic monument. The Horticultural Society is also to beautify the Central School grounds, and further will improve the grounds around the St. John Ambulance Brigade headquarters. Other plans are also under way and it is expected that the Horticultural Society's efforts this year will be of material advantage in the beautification of the town. The Horticultural Society has been of outstanding service to the town in the past and this year it is expected its services will be of even more than usual value.