

VOTE ON FRANCHISE BY-LAW TO-MORROW

Earthquake Tremors Felt in Timmins Area

People Roused Here by the Trembling Generally Blamed "Blasting" for the Disturbance. Others Thought it Due to the Wind. No Damage Done Here.

Timmins people, particularly those who work in the mines are used to be shaken, but Thursday night's "earthquake" set up a new record for quivers in the camp.

The most serious damage was done to local nerves. Plenty of people missed an entire night's sleep. The town was quiet, with most lights out in homes and stores, when between five and ten minutes after one o'clock the quake shook beds so hard that startled half-asleep men and women rose trembling, got into dressing gowns and went out on the street—many of them to listen for an alarm that would mean there had been a serious accident at the mine. It wasn't a pleasant feeling for most citizens.

The town blazed with light within a few moments but soon all was quiet again. Then people began to notice things. A picture leaning on a dresser table has fallen down; a clock in the home of George Straatman at the tourist camp chimed for thirty seconds, completely upset by the strange disorder; another clock just gave up, its hands pointing to five minutes after one; lids trembled on stoves; dishes danced on shelves; beds and whole houses creaked ominously.

Those Nonchalant People
Some were nonchalant about the whole affair. "Just blasting at the mine," thought many, rolling over to go to sleep again. Some were so nonchalant that they didn't even wake up. Others thought it was a blizzard howling round the rooftop.

Frightened wives of underground workers at some of the smaller mines in the district waited uneasily for word that the tremor had brought down loose rock. No such case was reported. Men at Conlaunum did not even feel the shock.

A rapid check up by the Mines Rescue Bureau throughout the province early Friday morning revealed that none of the mines had been affected in the slightest degree.

Blames Quake for Moving Garage
Mrs. L. E. Munro, 95 Kirby avenue, had the best earthquake story in Timmins. The garage at the rear of the house was shifted a foot during the night. Graciously enough, she put it down to the tremble, only to discover later that it had been a Halloween prank of some older boys in the neighbourhood. It was perhaps the only wilful damage done here that whole evening and it will cost about \$15 to put things back the way they were.

Helena, Montana, got the worst shaking but the quake that hit there was not the same one felt here. At the Montana capital about \$5,000,000 damage was done and two lives were lost.

Although various experts state various centres for the earthquake felt here, its effects were felt from the head of Lake Superior to New York City.

Damage Reported
From damage reports it would appear that a region in the neighbourhood of Parent, Quebec, about 180 miles northwest of Ottawa, was the actual centre. There, a "gaping hole" 40 feet in depth, and hundreds of feet of torn up track on the old Transcontinental bear witness to the strength of the shock.

The home of J. Rappan, near Kingston, was destroyed indirectly by the quake. The chimney tumbled causing a fire which reduced the place to ashes. One house in Syracuse, New York, was shaken so that it caved in.

At Kirkland Lake, residents were less perturbed than in most other towns. They put it down to an "air blast" at one of the local mines.

Cobalt, New Liskeard, Haileybury, Cochrane, Sudbury, all reported having felt the tremor, but to no greater extent than in Timmins.

North Bay apparently got more of the force than most Northern Ontario centres. There a few bricks tumbled from chimneys as the shock was felt and chinaware crashed to the floor from shelves.

Of course, it really wasn't an earthquake here, nor in most of the places from which reports have been given. It was a "tremor" the direct effect of an earthquake at some given point, perhaps at Parent, Quebec.

Most people agree that it was more violent than the one of 1925, although one scientist, Dr. W. A. Parks, head of the Department of Geology at the University of Toronto, thinks the one of ten years ago was the more serious.

More Tremors on Friday, Saturday
Up until Saturday, tremors were still being felt in many parts of Ontario, although no one in Timmins noticed them.

The Dionne quintuplets and the seismologist at Toronto, W. G. Carroll, slept soundly through the whole thing.

Church bells rang in Oshawa, a train at Barrie (probably No. 47 coming north) shook as it stood at the station, a Mimico man (?) claims he was tossed out of bed. It was "Mother Nature's Halloween prank."

At any rate, it provided a lot of excitement for the thirty seconds it lasted, and what a fine subject of conversation!

Wedding of Popular Couple Yesterday

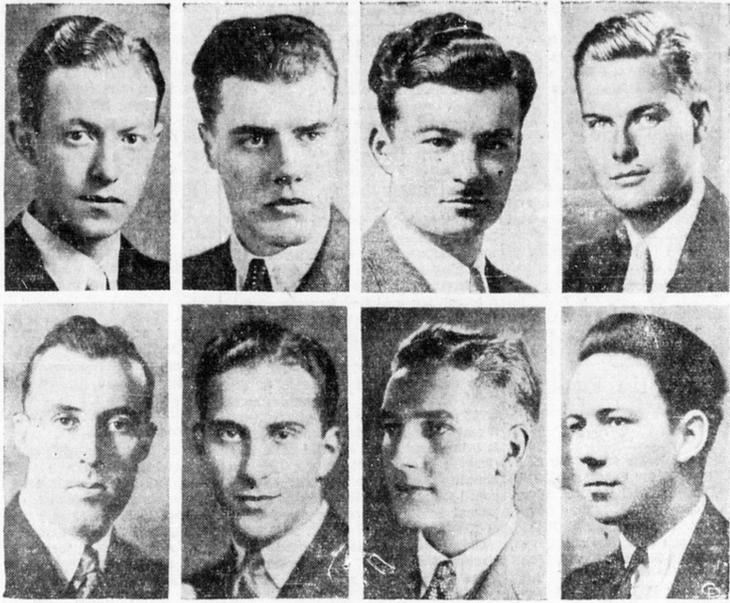
Thos. Bird and Miss Doris Calve United in Marriage Reception Held After the Ceremony.

A quiet marriage was solemnized yesterday when Doris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Calve, of 154 Cedar street, north, became the bride of Thos. H. Bird, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Bird, of 178 Maple street north. Rev. Bruce Millar officiated.

Mrs. P. Bannerman attended the bride and Martin Meredith was the groomsmen. A reception was held afterwards at the home of the groom's parents.

The popular young couple will make their home in the Goldfield Block. Mr. Bird is employed at Burke's Pine street drug store, and is one of the most popular young people of the town, while the bride is equally held in high esteem by a wide circle of acquaintances. They will receive the sincerest best wishes of all.

UNIVERSITY DEBATING TEAMS TOUR CANADIAN UNIVERSITIES



Seven Canadian universities are represented on the debating teams which will tour Canada in November under the auspices of the National Federation of Canadian university students. TOP ROW, LEFT TO RIGHT, Maurice Western, U. of Sask., and John R. Gould, U. of B.C., who will tour Ontario and Quebec. Gordon C. Smith, U. of Western Ontario, and John Bassett, Bishop's University, Lennoxville, Que., who will tour the Maritime universities. BOTTOM ROW LEFT TO RIGHT, Eli Kelloway, McGill, and Sydney Hermant, Toronto Law School, who will tour western Canada. Ernest Richardson and William B. Morrissey, from Dalhousie and New Brunswick, who will oppose Harvard and N.Y.U. teams in the New England states.

Over 6700 Entitled to Vote on By-Law Tuesday

Not that Many Expected to Vote, However, Though Good Majority Likely for By-law as it Offers Material Savings to People of the Town.

Sixty-seven hundred people could go to the polls to-morrow to express their opinion on whether or not the Northern Power Company should be granted a new 10-year franchise to distribute electrical power in the town of Timmins under the new low rates they have quoted.

It is doubtful if half the voters will turn out, even though it is a question that affects the pocketbooks of every light and power user in the town.

If the franchise is approved by the electorate, the new low rates will go into effect on June 1st, 1936, the power company has agreed, instead of on December 1st, 1936, when the present franchise expires.

If the franchise is turned down by the electorate, it is altogether likely that the present rates will remain in effect until the legal date of expiry, December 1st. The power company is not even obliged to keep the rates at their present level, since the former by-law provided for much higher rates than have been charged for the past few years. There have been four voluntary reductions made in the rates of the franchise as at present.

No Alternative Offered Now
No alternative proposal is at present before the electors. The possibility of Hydro supplying power for the municipality seems remote, since the initial rates would be higher than those offered by the power company and it would be necessary to make a capital investment of \$192,000, at least a part of which would have to be obtained from a debenture issue of the Town of Timmins. Hydro makes no definite offer that at any time their retail rates would be lower than the power company's offer, although they do hold out hope that at the end of ten years, or fifteen years, when the equipment would be paid for, there might be a reduction. This depends almost entirely, they state, on the prosperity of the mines adjacent to the town, since they look forward to supplying large blocks of power to those mines now established as well as to the newer properties.

At the end of 15 years, the whole distributing system, including the transformers necessary to step down the voltage on the Aditibi canyon line that passes over Timmins, would be the property of the municipality as a whole. Two Northern municipalities have Hydro under the local commission scheme at present—Cochrane and Sudbury—and in both places rates are higher than in Timmins.

Will Pass on Savings
Officials of the Northern Power Company state that should the electors of Timmins see fit to renew their franchise for another ten years at the rates outlined, every municipality on the company's system will be given the same advantage. Those places include, among others, Kirkland Lake and Cobalt.

The saving to the people of Timmins alone under the new by-law, if accepted, will be \$44,000 a year, but when all

the other Northern municipalities on the same system are added, the amount will run more than double.

Anniversary Fair Successful Event

Ladies' Aid, United Church Add Another to Their List of Annual Successes Here.

The anniversary fair held at the United church on Saturday afternoon and evening under the auspices of the Ladies Aid was an unqualified success. All the baking, candy and handcraft placed on sale was disposed of well before the close of the event. More than a hundred people sat down to supper at six o'clock and six-thirty. The food was tasty home cooking, well served.

Around the edges of the large hall at the church were arranged series of tables at which a large amount of home-made goods of all kinds were on display. By six o'clock only a very small part of the original "stock" remained. Home-made candy, cakes, cookies, pies; home-knitted goods, needlework, embroidery were easily sold to the large number of people who attended.

The fair is an annual event for which long preparation is needed and a vast amount of work. This year's was regarded by many as the most successful yet put on.

Feared Dying



MAE MARSH
Physicians at Los Angeles feared for the recovery of golden-haired Mae Marsh, one of the early stars of the silent pictures, critically ill in a Los Angeles hospital with gangrene poisoning developed from rupture of the appendix.

Pamour Mill to be Over Five-Hundred-Ton Mark

Plant Notable for its Modern Features and the Evidences of Permanency. No Townsite to be Conceded Until Next Spring, The Advance Informed.

More Summer Days Not Likely for Long

Weatherman Predicts Some Changeable Weather, but Probably Not as Cold as in the West.

The weatherman doesn't hold out much hope for a return of the pleasant Indian summer days of a week ago, although he does not predict any low temperatures such as Calgary has been experiencing—10 below zero. The next few days will bring changeable weather he said this morning, probably with some rain or snow.

September was a pretty average month, so far as temperature and hours of sunshine are concerned, but it was unusually snowy. A total of five inches fell during the thirty days. The mean temperature for the month was just one degree lower than last year.

Temperatures since Thursday have been: Thursday, max. 60, min. 48; Friday, max. 48, min. 47; Saturday, max. 38, min. 26; Sunday, max. 34, min. 19; last night's minimum, 23; eight o'clock this morning, 34. Sunday's low mark of 19 is the coldest experienced here this fall.

Snowfall last night from eight o'clock until shortly after midnight was one-half inch. The drizzle that followed brought 21 inches of moisture, a total precipitation of .26 inches.

Timmins Hunters Plan for Big Season Next Year

Another group of Timmins hunters, composed of F. W. Whaley, A. Urquhart, F. McDowell and Glad Ray, of Timmins; Dr. Somerville, Dr. Harper and F. E. Cooper, of South Porcupine, and Zack Hart of Golden City, returned last week from a 10-day trip.

The expedition was more in the way of making a camp this year and there was little time for hunting. Next year they'll be all set to go in early and have a comfortable camp ready for them. The cabin is situated some miles below Temagami in the forest reserve.

Programme for Classes at Schumacher School

Adult Education Plans Now Well Under Way. Enthusiastic Co-operation Being Given by the Citizens in General and the New Canadians in Particular.

Wednesday night is Community Night in Schumacher. From now until Easter every citizen of the town has the opportunity of taking part in the adult education classes at Schumacher High School, to learn in an entertaining manner a good deal about a variety of subjects.

A time-table for this Wednesday night's activities has been drawn up; it is not the permanent time-table and is subject to the revision which may be found necessary when the registration is completed. For that reason the school would appreciate it very much if all those intending to take the work be present Wednesday night and sign their names for the courses which they prefer. A great deal of enthusiasm is being shown, and all that is needed is the continued co-operation of the community to make this work a marvellous success. The following is the programme for Wednesday night:

7.00 to 8.00 p.m.—Athletics for men, basketball, corrective gymnastics.
8.00 to 10.00 p.m.—English class—for all those wishing to learn the English language.
8.00 to 8.40 p.m.—Civics and Citizenship class.
8.00 to 8.40 p.m.—Music and drama groups.
8.40 to 9.20 p.m.—Needlework group; be sure to bring some work with you.

Cars Stolen During the Week-end, but Recovered

There were two cars stolen during the week-end, but both of them were recovered. A new car was taken on Saturday night from Dalton's and the police searched not only the town but the adjacent country for trace of it. On Saturday morning sometime around five o'clock it was returned to the garage.

On Sunday night a car was reported stolen from Hemlock street, but an hour afterwards it was found on Tamarrack street.

Town Engineer John D. MacLean, is in St. Mary's hospital to-day for an appendicitis operation.

Sixty Thousand More Trout for Streams Here

Porcupine Fish and Game Protective Association Handle Stock Allotted This District by the Department at Toronto. Hope to Close Craft's Creek to Fishermen.

Sixty thousand more speckled trout have been set free in the waters of streams adjacent to Timmins within the past few weeks. It was learned from Game Warden Phil Boudreau this morning with the co-operation of the Porcupine Fish and Game Protective Association, the little fish, 500 of them in each can shipped from hatcheries in Southern Ontario, were rushed from the railway express cars to the streams chosen for stocking.

If given a proper chance to develop into good-sized fish by local fishermen, this year's fingerlings should do much to help the game fish situation in this district. It is the hope of the game warden and the association to have Craft's Creek, where 15 or 20 cans were dumped, closed for fishing for a couple of years at least to allow the fish to reach a proper size.

"I think we'll have the most modern mining plant in Canada, when we're through here," R. M. Macaulay, manager of Pamour, told The Advance on Saturday at the property.

It's obvious that Pamour isn't being set up for a year or for a decade. It's to be a permanent fixture of the Porcupine camp. Steel-framed buildings, sheathed on the inside with copper; deep concrete foundations; brick office buildings; order gradually arising out of the tangle of rocks and muskeg; all point toward permanency.

Yet with all the attention that has been lavished on the surface structures, the underground is not neglected.

Pamour is a consolidation of three properties that have, during the time since the earliest days of the camp, met with varying success. Three Nations, LaPalme Porcupine and Porcupine Grande, three groups of claims that stretched out along the highway a few miles east of Golden City were small affairs, none of which were ever put on a sound basis. As one mine, they assume the importance of a major operation. The vein system is so entangled that it really involves all three groups, hence the difficulty in former days of making a gold mine pay.

Formed Last Year
Mr. Macaulay surveyed the properties in 1934, acquired all three for resale to a company known as Pamour Porcupine Gold Mine Limited, Quebec Gold Mining Corporation, for whom Mr. Macaulay acquired the properties and of which he is vice-president, controls a large block of the stock. Noranda now holds a large block of shares and has an option on another block. Together the two companies control Pamour, yet neither has full control.

So interesting has the picture at Pamour proven that many have taken it for granted that a town will spring up on the shores of pretty Three Nations lake. Already the company has been approached by men offering to establish a townsite, but until the spring, no action will be taken.

More than 200 men are at present employed on construction and underground. Ninety of them are accommodated in three well-built bunkhouses, just south of the highway on a "street" leading to the lake. A little to the east, other houses are under construction for homes for the "key" men of the organization. The architecture is of a fine type and the company's little townsite has every indication of becoming a model place.

Three Nations lake will be kept clear of slimes, Mr. Macaulay said, since the mine is depending on that source for the milling process as well as drinking water. A 104,000 gallon steel tank is now erected and in service. Water is electrically pumped to storage.

Start Compressors This Week
Hydro power has been in use for the past month, although the next few days will see the first part of the large block of power contracted for go into use when the big electrically operated compressors go into service, replacing the present Three Nations steam plant.

The mill, not to be erected until next spring, will be of at least 500 tons capacity, probably slightly more. The five-compartment shaft, now sunk below the 200-foot level, will have a capacity of somewhere about 1,500 tons daily.

As soon as the new shaft is ready for service, situated somewhere about the boundary of the old Three Nations and La Palme properties, it is likely that the Three Nations outfit will be abandoned. Eventually most of the ground now occupied by Three Nations buildings, will become a tailings dump.

Development on the 200-foot level has now proceeded about 500 feet past the new shaft. Rock being taken out is being used to fill in the lower portions of ground on which the new buildings have been erected.

Ideally Situated
Pamour is ideally situated. All supplies have been brought in on the company's own railway siding. For possibly the first time in the history of mining in the camp, a virtually new mine has had all the facilities for transportation it could desire. A highway at its front door, a railway at its rear, have made the cost of freight almost negligible, so that, as the manager says, "there is no reason why Pamour shouldn't have the best right from the first." The South Porcupine airport, just a few miles distant, provides quick transportation in case of necessity.

The country surrounding the little lake that adds so much beauty to the spot, is not burned over and will be taken care of, the mine promises, so that Pamour, should it develop into another of the Porcupine's prosperous mining towns, will have many advantages not possible in the older established places.

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Contrasted Earthquakes in Korea and Timmins

George Bruce, Former Principal of Boys' High School in Korea Gives Very Timely and Interesting Address at the Timmins High School on Friday.

Earthquakes in Timmins aren't a patch on those in Korea, George Bruce reminded students at the Timmins High School on Friday morning when he delivered a short talk to them on conditions and customs in the Japanese islands and Manchuria.

As principal of a boys' high school in Korea under the educational branch of the missionary work of the United Church in Korea, Mr. Bruce has had many years in which to observe the phases of life in the far East.

The rest of the world has much for which to be thankful to the Orient, he told the students, pointing out that the Eastern countries had originated many of the refinements it had been supposed for centuries had come from Europe. Different standards of life, different forms of government tend to keep Eastern ideals quite different from Western. While they may be considered backward in some respects, there are others in which their civilization is more refined than that of the Western world.

The speaker touched briefly on Manchuria and China. The teeming nation of the Chinese people is gradually being cemented into a whole, he believes, and will some day not far off take its place with the unified nations of the

world. War lords are being driven from power by a stronger central government and within a few years China may conceivably become organized not only in government but in commerce as well.

Manchuria Improved
Manchuria is improved, Mr. Bruce said, over the days when war lords held sway, exacting heavy taxation from the people and giving nothing in return. The Japanese have restored the vast province to some semblance of order and although they are making the most of natural resources, they do return some benefits to the people. Ninety per cent. of the inhabitants of Manchuria were in favour of the Japanese "invasion," he said. They did not in any way try to prevent it.

Mr. Bruce also spoke last week at Schumacher public and high schools and at South Porcupine high school. He spoke from the pulpit of the Timmins United Church Sunday morning and at South Porcupine United Church in the evening.

A native of Bruce County, he taught in Ontario for a period of about ten years before going to Korea. He has been on leave of absence for the past year but hopes to return again soon to his post there.