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Diary of Prospector of Pickle Crow Mine

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came out to line just north of camp. Weather fine. In the morning went down line to creek and moved four post out to line, then followed ridge to vein 3 claim lengths.

Wednesday, September 19, 1928: Finished staking. Big day's work. Mosquitoes and black flies bad. Had dinner on line going north. Saw twelve partridge. Weather fine. Southeast wind.

Thursday, September 20th: Put shot in vein (Pickle-Crow gold mine). Got a few samples showing gold. After dinner worked on south end. Traced vein 200 feet. Got more gold. Now 700 feet long. Saw small vein coming home on same ridge. Walked along ridge. In the morning went to four corners and got our claims staked. Jogged line on claim vein in on. Did some panning. Got few colours. Heard kicker west of here. Weather cloudy, slight showers towards evening. Black flies bad.

Friday, Sept. 21st: Did some washing in morning. After dinner Karl Springer and his partner same in. They passed through here the day before when we were out. They are staking south and west of us. Told us Shortt and Legrow staked 15 claims east of Cocksbutt's (Central Patricia Gold Mines). Fred McLeod staked north of creek that comes in from Pickle lake.

We started to stake in the afternoon on Bill's license (my brother), three claims, but rain stopped us.

Saturday, September 22nd: Went and staked three claims west. Howell went to cache for grub. McLeod, Shortt, Legrow and Willans came in to look at showing. Found some visible gold on small vein. The gang had dinner with us. Went and showed them small vein. On way back found another vein. Had a lunch. Springer went to Cocksbutt's for the night. Made table. Left gloves at three post. Lightning struck tree. Weather cloudy, cold, slight fall snow.

Sunday, Sept. 23rd: Made a table and work stand in morning. Went out to small vein west of camp and did some stripping. Panned rust, few colours. Lavoie and Springer came in the afternoon. Snowed all day, showers, north wind.

Monday, September 24th: Fred McLeod and Dan Willans came in at noon and had dinner. The ground they had intended staking south of Kukuluk falls was staked. Went out with them and helped them to stake in the afternoon. Snowed all day, got soaked and cold. Springer staked in afternoon. Howell and Lavoie stayed at camp.

Tuesday, September 25th: Went out in the morning and took samples to camp. McLeod and Willans staked. Went to river (Kawinogans) after dinner to cache. Springer panned gold. Snowed all day.

Wednesday, September 26th: Springer and Lavoie went to Pickle lake to

plane. Fixed up fireplace and got some dry wood. Snowed all day. Sewed pants. North wind, bush very wet.

Thursday, September 27th: Stayed at camp all day. Fixed bed at fireplace and got some wood. Snowed all day.

Friday, September 28th: Found small vein two feet wide just about ten feet north of big vein (Pickle-Crow), with lots of free gold in it. Found gold in a small vein two feet wide, with tourmaline, eight chains southwest of showing. Might be extension of vein. This is the west end of main vein. Prospected close to vein; found quartz porphyry dike (this is a float but it pans) eight chains southwest of vein. Could not determine strike. Panned rust no colour. Had Springer's shovel. Got a nice sample eight inches long, three-quarters inch thick and six inches wide with lots of free gold at small vein close to showing (Pickle-Crow). Howell cleaned off vein at schist. Weather fine, cloudy, cool. Had dinner at vein. Heard plane at Pickle lake. Brought sample in and cleaned it off.

Saturday, September 29th: Did some stripping and panning. Traced stringer further east. North of vein panned rust twenty feet south of vein. Got some colours. Had dinner at showing. Blasted porphyry float. Nice samples of gold on stringer. Weather fine. Heard aeroplane at Pickle lake. Heard kicker in morning.

Sunday, September 30th: Howell went to river (Kawinogans) for supplies. Went to small vein and found stringer. After dinner went prospecting on south claims. Saw small vein, few colours. On way home Springer and Cocksbutt were at showing with Howell. Springer and Lavoie came in morning. Weather fine.

Monday, October 1st: Went to south corner with Cocksbutt and Bill Dagenais. They staked two claims north. Prospected southwest of claims. Saw andesite with feldspar-porphry dike floats. Lots of quartz blowouts and floats. This ridge runs southwest. On way home met Johnston, Baragar, Shortt, Legrow and Howell. Johnston likes showing. Johnston stays night. Legrow, Shortt and Baragar went to Shortt's camp. Are going to stake nine

claims near Shortt's. Fixed up bed for Johnston. Slight snow in the morning.

Tuesday, October 2nd: Went to south end of staking with Johnston and Howell and staked three claims on Cheesman's license. Springer and Cocksbutt staked next Shortt; Legrow and Baragar staked east of Cocksbutt's showing. In the afternoon went to northeast and started to stake. Came home by showing. Weather fine.

Wednesday, October 3rd: Went to Pickle lake with Johnston, Baragar and Howell. Had dinner at Shortt's. Took short cut to plane. Left canoe at river (Kawinogans) end of portage. Saw two Indians on Lake. Howell went to Hudson. Shortt and I came back and stayed at Shortt's overnight. Springer and bunch went down river. Weather cloudy. Took molls to camp.

Thursday, October 4th: Stayed at Shortt's all day. Rained all day. Cocksbutt building camp up river from showing on south shore (Central Patricia Gold Mine).

Friday, October 5th: Snowed all morning. Left Shortt's and went to see showing. Schist with quartz stringers, two claims south of river. Came down to rapid. Left canoe at head of rapids. Got supplies and came home. Heard kicker. Trail wet. Springer gone, left some stuff. Cooked fruit. More rain in morning, cloudy and cool in afternoon.

Saturday, October 6th: Staked three claims in Johnston's name. Had trouble with lines. In the afternoon cleaned new trail from head of rapids, also landing spot. Heard and saw Fairchild plane before dinner. S. A. Cheesman came in at supper time. He came in Moth. He came down in canoe with C. Ferguson and McNeely. Ferguson camped at landing place. Fairchild plane came in with supplies. Weather fine, heavy frost during night. Howell went to Hudson.

Sunday, October 7th: Staked three claims west to prospecting line. Weather fine.

Monday, October 8th: Took Cheesman to Shortt's. Met Indian from Osaburgh on way to Shortt's with the cook and Finn (Finlander). Came back to landing and had dinner with Indian. Indian won't stay. Came up to Pickle lake with Finn and cook, Jack Pearce; and camped for night, eight in tent. Bill went outside. Met Stewart, Hopkins man, at long portage, going to stake. They took sectional canoe. Motor not working. Weather cool. Cheesman left at two p.m.

Tuesday, October 9th: Left Pickle lake to come to camp. Finns no good to pack. Had dinner at Shortt's. Fetched sleeping tent. Weather cool, north wind. Shortt stayed at Pickle lake for plane.

Wednesday, October 10th: Finn went for load. McNeely came in morning to find about claims. Went to river and took pack with flour at cache. Cleaned trail on way in. One Finn on trail. In afternoon pitched cook tent, fixed stove and table. Cut some wood. Finns go to river for load.

Thursday, October 11th: Finns went to river for remainder of supplies. Picked site for camp in the morning at creek; cleared out trail. In afternoon started work on foundation for tents. Sleet all afternoon. Laid floor cook tent and three logs on wall. Finn good in bush. Saw geese going south. No handles for saw. No measure. Cloudy, rain, snow.

Friday, October 12th: Worked at camp. Springer had dinner with us at noon. Has three men with him. Going to build camp at creek. Two men at Pickle lake. Shortt and Legrow gone out? Plane flew over in afternoon. Cloudy, cold, sleet.

Saturday, October 13th: Went to Pickle lake. Saw C. Ferguson and McNeely at landing. Kicker working on one cylinder. Saw Pete Ferguson at Cocksbutt's (Central Patricia gold mine); took Springer's canoe. Walter Paul at Pickle lake. Stewart and man, R. Mosseau. Paul is in charge of Pickle-Crow gold prospect. Had dinner at Pickle lake. Finns started to take supplies long portage. Howell and Shortt at Hudson. Plane today. Took two cases dynamite and steel back to landing. Met P. Ferguson with McLeod's canoe. Got sugar for Springer. Took Springer's rubbers. Left pack-sack at long portage. Left brechets at Pickle. Springer started to fix camp. Weather: cold, cloudy in morning, clear in afternoon.

Sunday, October 14th: Went to Pickle lake. Upset canoe went ashore to fix kicker. Finn stepped on gunwale. Had dinner at long portage. Packed supplies and camped on end of 35 chain portage. Made trip to plane to get supplies with two Finns. Met John E. Hammell, Johnston, Vance, Tom Craddock on long portage. They went to Cocksbutt's and stayed there overnight. W. Paul was told by Baragar to call me to come up next day to go out. Paul didn't do it. Weather cloudy, rain in evening.

Monday, October 15th: Portaged all supplies over 35 chain portage by 9 a.m. Took load with Finn and ran rapid. Our canoe was upset when going across river at foot of rapid and I had to take Vance's clothes and go down to camp; changed, and met Hammell and Johnston coming in from showing on trail. Says it's small, but merits some work. Cocksbutt goes over showing. Had dinner at camp. Springer met Hammell. Come to river and paddled and met Paul. Got towed with kicker to portage and took Vance and went to Pickle lake. Left with plane and stayed at Osaburgh overnight. Saw C. Ferguson and McNeely here. Had ginger wine. Weather cloudy, cold.

Tuesday, October 16th: Left Osaburgh by plane and came to Hudson with Hammell; took one and a half hours. Saw the bunch; bought wind-breaker, sweater, tie, braces. Had shine haircut. "Hardrock" Smith made find east of Cat lake.

Wednesday, October 17th: Left Hudson with Shortt, Legrow, Howell. Met T. Vipond on train. Foster Rice was at Sioux Lookout going to Pickle lake.

Thursday, October 18th: At Hailey-

Two Haileyburians Meet Tragic Death

Mrs. Joseph Young Dead from Self-Inflicted Rifle Wound. W. Blanchard Dies from Exposure.

There were two specially tragic deaths of Haileybury residents on Monday of this week. Mrs. Joseph Young was found dead with a rifle beside her, the woman having apparently taken her own life while in a despondent condition. Wilfred Blanchard, another well-known resident of the Haileybury area, succumbed to the effects of exposure on the same day, passing away at the Haileybury hospital. Both Mrs. Young and Mr. Blanchard were residents of Haileybury for many years, living in the Temiskaming county town since the forest fire disaster of 1922.

Provincial police officers who investigated the death of Mrs. Young say that despondency was undoubtedly the reason for the woman's act in taking her own life. When found, Mrs. Young was lying on the floor of her bedroom with a rifle beside her. She had shot herself through the heart and it appeared that death was instantaneous. It was learned on police enquiry that Mrs. Young had seemed to have planned the deed while in a depressed condition. She had sent her two children, Beatrice and Edwin, to a matinee at Cobalt, and had also asked an adopted son, Frank Cook, to go to the rear of the house and cut some wood. With these three out of the way she had repaired to her own room and taken her life. When Frank Cook returned to the house a short time after and could get no response from Mrs. Young when he called her, he investigated and found her dead upstairs. He called a gentleman who was passing the house at the time and the police were then summoned. Provincial Constables Byrne and Harper answered the call and notified Coroner W. C. Arnold. Mr. Young, the husband of the dead woman, was called from his work at the O'Brien mill at Cobalt. Mrs. Young, who was in her 34th year, was formerly Miss Annie Thompson, of Perth, Ont.

The other tragic death was that of Wilfred Blanchard, 73 years of age, who passed away at the hospital where he had been taken three or four days previously. Mr. Blanchard, who was a widower, had been living alone in a small house in Haileybury, and not being seen for a few days, Chief McGeir had investigated and found the old gentleman suffering from frostbite. It was said that Blanchard had been in his little house for nearly two days without a fire. He was walking about the house when the police chief forced entrance to the place. He would not admit that he was suffering from cold or that there was anything wrong with him but it was soon apparent that his condition was serious. He was removed to the hospital, but despite all possible care and attention given him, Blanchard succumbed to the effects of the exposure he had undergone through the cold house and the lack of proper food and care for the days previous to his removal from his little house. So far as could be learned by the police in their investigations, Blanchard had no relatives in the Haileybury area. Although he was well known in the town and district little is known of his family or other relatives who may be living.

Mascioli Theatre, Schumacher

FRIDAY & SATURDAY, JANUARY 3rd and 4th
 CLAUDETTE COLBERT in
 "SHE MARRIED HER BOSS"
 Midnight Show Sunday, January 5th. Playing Preview of
 "G MEN"
 MONDAY & TUESDAY, JANUARY 6th and 7th
 JAMES CAGNEY and MARGARET LINDSAY in
 "G MEN"
 WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, JANUARY 8th and 9th
 BUDDY ROGERS and BETTY GRABLE in
 "OLD MAN RHYTHM"
 FRIDAY and SATURDAY, JANUARY 10th and 11th
 RICHARD ARLEN and MADGE EVANS in
 "HELLDORADO"

Dance by Pipe Band Successful Event

New Year's Eve Saw Crowded Hall and Enjoyable Time for Whist and Dance

New Year's Eve at the Hollinger hall saw 56 tables of whist in progress in one of the largest events of the kind held in the place this season. The Porcupine District Pipe Band staged the affair. The crowd was so large that it could barely be accommodated. At midnight in the midst of plenty of noise and music New Year greetings were shouted all around the hall.

Funds raised from the whist drive and from the \$200 membership drive will be used to buy bagpipes and new uniforms for some of the junior members of the organization who will take their place with the rest of the band next summer. They are at present being instructed by the bandmaster.

Just after midnight the big draw was made and the first prize went to Joseph Grimshaw on ticket number 36 of series 127. Mr. Grimshaw lives at 206 Balsam street south. A 49-cent investment brought \$100 to Bob May, who held a ticket in series 17. He left no address on his ticket but may have his prize by calling at 104 Elm street north. Third prize of \$50 went to Mrs. G. Lateman, of Boston Creek. Her ticket was number 52 in series 36.

Winners in the whist tourney were, in the ladies' section, Mrs. H. Taylor, Mrs. Paul Lebrun and Mrs. Larmer; in the men's section, E. G. Bellamy, John Morrison and Mrs. Wm. Thomas. Refreshments were served following the presentation of prizes.

Funeral Services for Late C. H. Pearce

The funeral services for Charles Henry Pearce, employee of the Hollinger for the past 15 years, were held on Monday afternoon from his home at 12 Floral Park and at the United Church. Only the immediate family and close friends were present at the short service at the home, and later in the afternoon at the church a large number of people attended to pay their last respects.

The pall-bearers were C. H. Wilkins, J. J. Dunstan, Norman Pethick, J. Drew, W. G. Drew and F. Lavin.

Mr. Pearce had been an active and highly respected citizen of the town ever since he came here. He is survived by his wife and two daughters. Burial was at the South Porcupine cemetery.

Floral tributes were sent by: Geo. Collings; Con, Olive and Len; Wife and daughter, Audrey; Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Gilbert, Schumacher; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bridgeman; Rene, George and Douglas; the Boys of the Machine and Plate Shop at the Hollinger; Mr. and Mrs. Lavin and Hazel; Mr. and Mrs. Woollocks; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Wilkins; Marjorie and Jack; Mr. and Mrs. Moyle and Mrs. L. Bradley; Mr. and Mrs. Norm Pethick; Dollie and Bill; Mr. and Mrs. J. Drew; Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Gilbert; J. J. Dunstan; and Mr. and Mrs. S. Richards.

Record Trade Here at Christmas Time

Quality Merchandise Specially in Demand. Christmas Card Business Surprised Most Merchants.

Timmins men got just as many Christmas ties this year as last; just as many boxes of cigars and cigarettes. Timmins women were as usual the recipients of many boxes of chocolates and bunches of flowers.

Perhaps the biggest swing in the Christmas shopping done in Timmins—which set a new high record for the town—was to quality merchandise of almost every kind. People gave useful things—furniture for the home, household appliances, hosiery and lingerie for the weaker sex; shirts and shoes for the men.

One remarkable thing noticed by dry goods merchants was the number of mitts sold. Ski mitts, dress mitts, for both men and women, were among the most popular items. So many of them were sold that nobody in Timmins should be wandering around with cold hands this winter.

Nail polishing outfits, pen and pencil sets, and high quality perfumes and cosmetics moved in big volumes at the drug stores. Dresser sets, once such big Christmas items, were not exactly a glut on the market, but didn't sell in such big quantities as formerly.

Jewellery was, as usual in Timmins, one of the big Christmas items. This year's trade in that line undoubtedly set a record.

Perhaps Christmas cards were the biggest surprise to the merchants. It was thought that last year would probably see the card business at a peak but this year's was even better. Many stores were completely sold out while others had very few left. Three or four years ago, one Timmins merchant told The Advance that most Christmas cards were imported into Canada from the United States, England and Germany. This year by far the greater part were made in Canada and the Christmas card industry in this country has reached the amazing point of turning out a million dollars worth a year. Many thousands of them were sold this year in Timmins.

High School Exams at South Porcupine

Leading Pupils in the Various Forms at the South Porcupine High School.

During the week Dec. 16 to Dec. 20 examinations were held at South Porcupine High School and on Dec. 26 reports were sent by mail to the parents. The parents are asked to study the reports carefully, retain one copy for future reference and have one copy returned to the Principal properly signed. The reports show all the students in each subject so that the parent may make any comparisons with the other students in the form. Because of the number of students in some of the forms it was impossible to contain the legend on the duplicated sheet and is given as follows:—

Al, Algebra; Bo, Botany; Ar, Art; Form I; La Latin; Fr, French; Ge, Geometry; Zo, Zoology; Ph, Physiology; Form 2; CH, Canadian History; FA, French Authors; Tr, Trigonometry; EL, English Literature; EC, English Composition; BH, British History; CG, Commercial Geography; Ar, Arithmetic Form 2; Ph, Physics; Form 3 and 5; EG, English Grammar; Ch, Chemistry; AH, Ancient History; FC, French Composition; MH, Modern History; TOT, Total Marks; % Percentage; R Rank in class; HD Half Days absent; L, Times Late; MS, Middle School; US, Upper School.

The reports cover the term September, October, November and December, and give for each student his or her marks in each subject, total marks obtained by the student, the percentage of the student, the rank in class of the student, the number of half days that the student was absent during the four month period, the number of times late of the student. Parents are asked to check the absence and lates and seek an improvement where the number given seems excessive for any cause other than sickness. Punctuality, regularity and concentration are the first requisites of success and academic advancement.

The following lead their forms:—
 Form 1—Isobel Rapsey, 88 p.c. nine papers.
 Form 2—Albert Keates, 91 p.c., nine papers.
 Form 3—Betty Jordan, 90 p.c., nine papers.

Announcement

The Schumacher business of PIONEER STORES has been taken over by The RYAN PROVISION COMPANY, LTD., under the managership of Neil Ryan.

The store will remain closed to-day and to-morrow but will re-open on Saturday morning.

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Fresh, Crisp GINGER SNAPS 10c lb.

BACON PEARS JAM 32-oz. Jar **37c**

DEVON SLICED SIDE lb. **25c**

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Vegetable Soup CAMPBELL'S 2 Tins **23c**

LEAN RIB BRISKET lb. **9c**

FRESH Legs Pork 23c lb. Half or Whole

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