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New Buildings Making Good Progress in Town

Steel Work up at St. Anthony's Church. New Building for C.I.L. Soon to be Ready. Good Progress on New Schools. Rebuilding of Imperial Bank Quarters in Progress. Other Building Notes.

Almost perfect weather for construction has allowed contractors on big Timmins jobs to keep well ahead of schedule.

Steel work went up this week at the site of the new St. Anthony's church and building of the stone walls will begin shortly.

Exterior work on the 24-room addition to the Empire hotel is now almost complete and plastering is going ahead steadily inside.

The brick walls of the new Dr. McInnis building have risen quickly this week. Steel beams for the second storey were set in place a couple of days ago. Rebuilding of the Imperial Bank is proceeding satisfactorily. The bank is to have a new entrance off Third avenue, with steps leading two ways and an ornamental iron guard rail.

C.I.L.'s new home on Fourth avenue next the Empire hotel will soon be ready for occupancy. Plastering has been finished inside and decoration is to be started soon.

The new brokerage office on the east side of Pine street for the F. O'Hearn Company has not yet been begun, although the lot has been levelled and prepared.

Work is being speeded up on both the new public school in the northwest section of the town and the new separate school in Moneta.

More men are employed in the construction of new buildings in Timmins this summer than at the same time last year, it is understood.

Events Crowd Vimy Trip Says Rev. Fr. O'Gorman

Gracious Hospitality of the People of France will Live in Canadian Memory. Reception at Little Towns of Amboise and Blois Specially Touching. Porcupine Coat of Arms at Chateau de Blois.

Paris, Aug. 5th, 1936
Dear Friends—We have seen the last train leave Paris for England. Only a few hundred out of five thousand remain longer on the Continent. It has been a huge success, this trip as guests of France. Never will the Canadian pilgrims forget the hospitality and the evident sincerity of the welcome accorded them by the people of France. After twenty years they are still grateful for Canada's help in the war. The Vimy visit revived the friendship of army days.

From the arrival Saturday morning, to find the station glowing with flags and a deputation of French veterans to greet us, until the hour of departure, the days were crowded with events. It was a strenuous time. Each night one felt so tired that he doubted if he could start the next day's schedule, but few fell out! The last big day at Rouen drew nearly ninety per cent of the pilgrims. Not much time was left for shopping or individual visiting. But one felt that he could not afford to miss any of the events.

It is hard to say which day was the biggest and best. One thought after the

Band Concert This Week at Band Stand

Timmins Band to Play Next Week at Horticultural Show.

Timmins Citizens' Band has one of its weekly band concerts planned for this (Thursday) evening at the band stand at the park on Spruce street, weather, of course, permitting. In case the weather is not favourable to-night, the concert will be given to-morrow (Friday) night.

Next week the band will play at the Timmins Horticultural Society show at the Timmins arena and there will be no open air band concert Thursday of next week.

Dispute as to Winner in Pontiac Riding, Quebec

In the earlier returns from Pontiac riding in the Quebec provincial election, Dr. S. J. McNally was given as leading the field. In 37 of the 48 polls he had a lead of 137. Later the returning officer announced E. C. Law, Liberal candidate, as winning the seat by 89 majority. Dr. McNally, Union National candidate, however, still claims the seat, saying he has a majority of over 30 according to the figures he has. He will have a recount in any case, it is understood.

I.O.O.F. Picnic Aug. 23

Oddfellows, Rebekahs and Families to Gather at Hall at 1 p.m. Sunday.

The Oddfellows picnic has been noted in the North for many years as a happy day of sport and enjoyment. The event this year is to be held at Wilson's farm, Golden City, on Sunday next, August 23rd. It is held for Oddfellows, Rebekahs, their families and their friends. All the members of the Timmins Lodge No. 459, I.O.O.F., the Rebekahs, and their families, are asked to assemble at the Oddfellows hall at 1 p.m., where transportation will be provided.

Oddfellows and Rebekahs in the camp should make special note of this.

Timmins and Kirkland to Exchange Orchestras

Timmins and Kirkland Lake exchange orchestras a week from Friday night when a special dance is to be held at the Riverside pavilion. Andy Cangiano will play at Culver park while the Culver band plays here.

Public Schools May Have Supervising Principal

Public School Board Considering Question. Discussion of Use of Schools for Meetings. Political Organizations Not Considered. Fitting Groups to be Extended Privilege of Use of Schools.

E. J. Transom, present principal of Central public school, may be appointed supervising principal of Timmins' four public schools. The board considered the idea at a meeting on Monday night and will discuss it with Mr. Transom when he returns from his holidays.

The principal has made a special study of education and methods and this year was granted the degree of Bachelor of Pedagogy by the University of Toronto, one of the highest degrees it is possible to have in that science. The board has for some time looked to him as their principal-in-chief but under the new arrangement, he would be given time to make visits to the other schools in town.

There was much discussion at the meeting over a letter presented by the Citizens' League, asking permission to use rooms in Mattagami and Moneta public schools for meetings. Some members of the board felt the "league" was a political organization and as such should not be granted the use of schools. Others held it was an education organization and was entitled to the privilege. The letter was laid over for consideration at next month's meeting.

POLITICS WARMING UP IN ONTARIO ALSO THESE DAYS

Politics in Ontario boil again. Earl Rowe, leader of the Conservatives, made a "slashing attack on the irresponsible chaff of our playboy premier" at Little Current the other day.

The same day Premier Hepburn, speaking at Sydenham, predicted another general reduction in Hydro rates, said there would be no election for some time to come, and defended the separate school bill.

J. R. O'GORMAN

Enclosed in the letter from Rev. Father O'Gorman was a picture post card showing the chateau of Blois and the Porcupine Coat of Arms.

Dome's New Football Field to Open Saturday

New Football Grounds Among Best in Country. Playing Pitch 120 yards Long and 75 yards wide. Rooms, with Every Convenience, Provided for Players. Large Grand Stand. Official Opening Saturday.

South Porcupine, Ont., Aug. 19, 1936
Special to The Advance.

The official opening of the Dome Mines football field will take place on Saturday next, August 22nd. Every effort has been made to make the field one of the best in the country. Its playing pitch is 120 yards long and 75 yards wide. Rooms have been provided for the players with every convenience. The stand and buildings extend the full length of the North side, the stand having a total length of 326 feet, one-half of which is covered. The east side and part of the south side is fenced with chain link fencing and offers a very attractive appearance.

A band will be in attendance on Saturday and the first game to be played on this new field will be the final for the Dickson Cup, between McIntyre and Dome.

The game will commence at 5:45 p.m. immediately after the opening ceremonies.

The Dome is to be congratulated on this splendid addition to its sport facilities.

District Settlers Lose Potato Crops

Frosts Last Week Destroy Chief Crop of Many Settlers in This Part of North.

Iroquois Falls, Ont., Aug. 19th. Special to The Advance.

District settlers and farmers are faced with a much harder winter than usual due to the complete loss of the potato crop, badly frozen early last week. A 60-mile trip through the district over the week-end, back off the main highways, showed that most settlers will have no potatoes at all and the rest only a few. Settlers sent north under the land settlement scheme will be particularly hard hit since most of the land they have been able to cultivate has been planted with potatoes.

Settlers in the Shillington-Nighthawk Centre area state they have experienced frost every month during 1935 and 1936.

PEOPLE'S MILITIA BATTLE FASCISTS IN SPANISH REVOLT



Loyal troops are shown firing on advancing Fascist rebels in a small town near Madrid. They have barricaded the streets with bedding. Government reports claim that the Fascists have been driven back and that the capital city is now safe from invasion.

First Frost of August Last Night

Some Plants Nipped in the Lower-lying Districts of Porcupine.

The first frost of August nipped some plants in the lower lying districts of the Porcupine last night as unofficial thermometer readings showed that the freezing mark had been touched. In Hollinger, townsite and down by the Mattagami, temperatures of 34 and 35 degrees are reported. On Hollinger hill the official mark was 37.

Little damage was done, according to a brief survey made this morning. The more delicate plants suffered a little but the harder ones came through all right.

The Horticultural Society's show will not be affected to any great extent, it is generally conceded.

Warmer weather during the days and higher temperatures at night were predicted for the next few days by the weatherman.

Temperatures this week: Monday, max. 71, min. 42; Tuesday max. 74, min. 51; Wednesday max. 64, min. 57; last night's minimum 37; eight o'clock this morning 42. Rain fell from 3:45 to 6:45 on Tuesday afternoon, bringing the total of .17 inches of moisture from the light shower.

Death This Morning of Mrs. M. McPhaden

Passed Away at the Age of 81 Years at the Home of Her Nephew.

Mrs. Mary Brooks McPhaden, 81 years old, died this morning at the home of her nephew, Frank McPhaden, 38 Main avenue. She was the widow of Dr. McPhaden, of Mount Forest, Ontario, who died six years ago there. Another nephew, Charles McPhaden, lives on Government road just outside of Timmins.

Born in Fergus, she lived much of her life in Elora, where she married her first husband, Mr. Lambert. Later, on her marriage to Dr. McPhaden, she lived in Mount Forest. On his death she moved to Matheson to be with Frank and came here with him three months ago. In her younger days she had been an active worker in the United Church in both Fergus and Mount Forest and was a highly respected citizen of both places.

A fire in Godfrey township was put out in short order before any damage was done. A Carscallen township blaze is still smouldering but is under control. No timber damage was done there. A patrol is still being kept on the McEwen township fire, a couple of miles below Wawaatin. All told, 30 men are on the job.

Other forest fires in Ontario are burning out, it was reported this week. Light rains and absence of high winds have made it possible for forest ranger crews to control the more serious blazes.

Constable William Harris Resigns from the Force

The resignation of Constable William Harris, of the municipal police force, was received at the town hall this morning. Mr. Harris will follow another line of work in Timmins, it is understood.

Several Arabs were killed as trouble broke out again in Palestine this week but the government now believes the situation has quietened sufficiently to lift a sort of martial law established for a 24-hour period.

Great Britain yesterday "clamped down" on the shipment of both civil and military aeroplanes to either side in the Spanish civil war. The order is expected to be extended to include anything that might be used in warfare.

Italy is mustering force but Mussolini has intimated that he will not take any part in the Spanish war if the other nations enforce bans on the shipment of arms to combatants.

Provincial police are still investigating the horrible hatchet attack made on Orma Jones, 20-year-old girl who lived with her mother on a farm near Bracebridge.

Peter Jones, her brother, who has lived in Timmins for the past two months at 40 Main avenue, left last night by motor car for Bracebridge, summoned to the sister's bedside by a telegram. He was accompanied by his wife.

In the meantime, Mrs. Charles Jones, mother of the family, is held in the Bracebridge jail while the police investigation goes on. It was she who asked police to make a search for her daughter, whom she said had been missing for some hours. The girl was discovered in an upstairs bedroom, blood flowing from deep gashes in her head, said to have been caused by an axe or hatchet. A freshly washed axe is alleged to have been found in the house.

Of recent years, Orma had been a quiet normal girl, completely recovered from an attack some years ago that had almost necessitated her removal to an Ontario hospital. Now she is in the Bracebridge hospital, suffering from a fractured skull and loss of blood.

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Looking for Gold! See What the Miners Found!

Striped Animal of Garden Party Unpopularity Likely Entered Mine by Way of One of the Vents from Surface. Humorous Interlude at Hollinger Mine This Morning.

Miners at the Hollinger this morning found another underground worker who didn't belong there. He was wearing a black and white striped suit and was decidedly undesirable.

"Skunk!" shouted the miner who first spotted the little animal.

And the battle for possession of the 425-foot level was on!

Two men backed the unwelcome visitor into a corner and, holding their noses, captured him, smell and all.

If ever anything was rushed around underground, that skunk got a quick ride to the nearest shaft. Hurriedly dumped in a tin, he had the cage very nearly to himself on that fast trip to surface. He had very few minutes of fresh air before he died.

The visitor claims one honour—that of being the first of his tribe to go gold mining. Mine officials said this afternoon they believed the skunk had either fallen or wandered down one of the many vents that come to the surface.

Work continued under difficulty on the level so recently vacated by the animal. Dry cleaners in town will doubtless be interested in learning the names of the brave miners who rid the Hollinger of impending disaster by smell. Mine officials did not know early this afternoon who the men were.

The mine has had other visitors—an occasional muskrat has wandered down a vent into the workings and many bats have made their homes in the darker corners of the underground city.

Prospects Excellent for Horticultural Show

Some Remarkably Fine Gardens in the Town and District Exhibition on Monday and Tuesday, August 24th and 25th Should be Bigger and Better than Ever. Secretary Enthusiastic.

When Geo. Hogg, secretary of the Timmins Horticultural Society, was asked this week what the prospects were for the Horticultural Show in the Timmins skating arena on Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 24th and 25th, he was enthusiastic in his belief that the 1936 event would exceed in every way the successes of past years. Asked about the effect of the cutworms, the weather and so on, he replied: "That's all over! I've just been around some of the gardens and they were never better." He mentioned some of the old-time exhibitors here are remarked on the excellent gardens they had developed despite all obstacles. He referred to the beautiful gardens of A. Proulx, W. Irving, G. Corless, J. Moyle, Len Laakso, and others. Then there were quite a number of new gardens in town, and some specially noteworthy ones at Gold Centre, Schumacher. "The development in the last week or two has been wonderful," he said, adding: "And this rain just puts it right." He figured that there were enough beautiful flowers and prize vegetables available in the gardens of Timmins and district to make the show bigger and better charged.

Sister of Timmins Man Terribly Slashed by Axe

Orma Jones at Death's Door from Attack at Her Home on Farm near Bracebridge. Mr. and Mrs. Peter Jones Leave Here for Bracebridge on Receipt of Telegram Telling of the Tragedy.

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whose future plans are not disclosed.

Sergt. Turnbull Leaving Quebec Provincial Force

A great many people in town and district know Staff-Sergt. Kenneth H. Turnbull, of the Quebec provincial police, stationed in recent years at Normandy. Most people in the north have heard of him on account of his talent, persistence and activity as a police officer. It was his able work that broke up the communist criminal activities in Quebec mines and woods. All accordingly will be interested to know that Sergt. Turnbull has resigned from