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### Donkey Baseball at Iroquois Falls, Aug. 7

Other Items of Interest from Iroquois Falls and Ansonville.

Iroquois Falls, Ont., Aug. 3rd, 1937. (Special to The Advance.)  
Mr. Geo. L. Whiting has been confined to hospital for the past week with a very severe cold.  
Mrs. Harold Powers and son, Ivan, are spending the week with Mrs. Powers sister in Halleybury.  
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Weatherhead left Saturday to spend their holidays in Southern Ontario.  
Mr. Albert Dixon motored to Bracebridge Saturday to spend two weeks' holidays with friends and relatives.  
Mrs. Ira Leclair held a tea and bridge in honor of Mrs. E. McDermid.



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## Anxious for Speeding of Work on Roads of North

Correspondence Between President of Ontario Associated Board of Trade and President of Northern Ontario Associated Boards Regarding Roads in the North.

Reference was made last week in The Advance to the correspondence between Russell T. Kelley, president of the Ontario Associated Boards of Trade, and W. O. Langdon, president of the Northern Ontario Associated Boards of Trade, in reference to the roads of the North. W. O. Langdon, as noted, urged greater speed in the work on the roads. The correspondence in full is as follows:—

**Letter from President Ontario Associated Boards.**  
The following letter and enclosure were received by Mr. Langdon last week from Mr. Kelley, president of Ontario Associated Boards of Trade, together with a memo enclosed:—  
150 Main Street East, Hamilton, Ontario, July 20th, 1937.

Dear Mr. Langdon:—I have been discussing the question of the road problem in Northern Ontario with Col. Healey, the Managing Secretary of the Hamilton Chamber of Commerce. It appears that one of his friends was talking the matter over with him and his friend sent him the attached memo.

Yesterday I was in Barrie and Midland and on the road home I picked up a couple of young chaps who had come down from the North. They advised me that a great deal of work was being done on the road from North Bay to Kirkland Lake but they did state that the roads were quite bad from Kirkland Lake to Timmins.

Do you think there is anything further we should do in regard to this matter?  
Yours very truly,  
The Ontario Associated Boards of Trade and Chambers of Commerce  
RUSSELL T. KELLEY, President.

The following is the enclosure referred to:—

**Memo for Colonel Healey**  
July 15, 1937.

I have refrained from giving you a written report on our verbal conversation regarding the condition of highways in Northern Ontario, especially North of North Bay. I, however, had a talk with my brother-in-law last Sunday, and he is very much surprised that the Ontario Government would leave highways in the condition in which he found them during his recent trip.

He says they are more or less all North of North Bay at spots all the way up, but from South Porcupine to Timmins they are practically, when he was there, impassable. Mile after mile of raw cut stone. He has a new car, and one of his new tires was cut all to pieces. The dust is very bad, and the detours practically ruin a car because of the fact that they are nothing but paths, more or less like an old buggy path which winds and twists, and shakes a car to pieces.

He has driven all over Canada and the United States, and has driven practically over all kinds of roads. He was very emphatic in stating that the roads were even more than disgraceful. He said it was criminal to leave the roads in this condition.

He further stated that, with talking with some of the local people of the district, that there was a movement on foot to discontinue buying motor vehicle licenses next year if the Ontario Government did not improve the roads, at least making them passable. I am passing this on for your information.

**Reply from Mr. Langdon**  
Timmins, Ontario, July 23, 1937.

Russell T. Kelley, Esq., President, Ontario Associated Boards of Trade, 150 Main St., E., Hamilton, Ontario.

Dear Mr. Kelley:—In replying to your letter of the 20th instant, I wish to be quite frank even tho' I may be wrong in my surmises.  
You will recall when we attended upon Mr. Nixon and the members of the Cabinet, that Mr. Nixon told the delegation of our being perfectly satisfied with the Minister of Highways' programme for roadwork in Northern Ontario.

Subsequently, the Minister of Highways endorsed an expenditure for road construction of Twenty Million Dollars to be divided equally between the North and the South.  
Subsequently, a number of contracts were entered into and some of these dealing with roadwork in the North. However, there have been no assurances given that the Ten Million Dollars will be expended on road construction in the present year, and I have very grave doubts as to whether it will be done in two years. It would appear as though the work is to be dragged out under these various contracts and the remaining contracts held over until such time as an election is in effect.

The way the work is going along in the Pamour section, if it continues at the same speed, I doubt whether it will be completed in 1939, and the work elsewhere in the North is similar.

One only has to make a comparison of the way things are done on the new stretch between Hamilton and Toronto with the contracts here, in the North, to be driven to this conclusion.

Generally speaking, the roads throughout the North are in a deplorable condition and not fit to drive over, particularly because of the dust hazard. There have been numerous accidents and three fatalities in the last week. Moreover, the road was blocked for a certain length of time because of a truck

breaking through one of the bridges. The last major accident, in which a woman lost her life, and which occurred near Kenogami Lake, was partly due to the negligence of the Department of Highways in not removing timber and brush around a curve. This happened only on Tuesday of this week, the 20th instant.

I feel that a demand should be made upon the Minister of Highways for a full report on his public statement to spend ten million dollars this year on roadwork throughout Northern Ontario. Firstly to ascertain that the work will be done this year and secondly, just where.

During the past two months there has been a person canvassing every one in town to sign a petition, the gist of which is, for motorists to refuse to purchase licenses or permits until roads were put in shape. This petition signed by hundreds, if not thousands, was delivered, I believe, last week to the Minister of Highways.

Our Boards of Trade, had nothing whatsoever to do with this movement. I personally told the canvasser that we approved of nothing of an illegal nature.

I believe, that it is our duty to have confidence in our Minister of Highways; that he will carry out his stated programme this year without any dilatory or other nonsense; so, with this in mind, I have done nothing further, but just adopt an attitude of "wait and see if these promises are fulfilled."

I might further add that in the past month, quite a number of the merchants have been insistent upon carrying out the idea of a boycott and I feel quite sure that if the government continues this ill-treatment of the North, that a boycott will be carried out next year. Even if the same is only 25% effective, the South will feel it.

Yours truly,  
W. O. LANGDON, President, Northern Ontario Associated Boards of Trade.

### How to Make Kitchen Pretty and Useful

Problem Often Solved by Study and Consideration

The kitchen is sometimes a discouraging problem to the housewife who is planning to redecorate her home.  
Dull walls, dingy smoke-grimed woodwork, inconvenient sink, greasy black stove and chipped ice box hardly enthrall the housekeeper. This room transformed, however, will be reflected not only in the housewife's improved disposition but also in the meals she serves her family.

To begin with, of course, the whole room is thoroughly cleaned. A new washable wall covering is applied. This may be either paper or paint. A soft yellow would make a small kitchen cheery and sunny on the grayest day. The ceiling could be finished in the same shade on a slightly deeper tone. A deep orange woodwork would be considerably more cheerful than the old-fashioned oak finish.

A brown composition floor covering is easy to keep clean. On either side of the windows over the sink, cabinets may be built to hold kitchen staples, baking dishes etc. These could be painted orange with a stencilled design in blue and brown on the doors. A shelf between the two would form a ledge over the window. Ordinary blue ware would be a decorative note on this, unless the housewife was fortunate enough to possess copper utensils.

A modern electric fixture that gives an even, clear light would be a happy replacement of the old electric bulb dangling on a dusty wire. There should be adequate outlets to care for toasters, irons and other kitchen equipment.  
Once the basic features of the room have been established, an up-to-date sink with adequate space for washing pots and pans may be installed. A modern range and refrigerator including those of the electric, gas or kerosene type may be purchased.

With this much of her room completed, the housewife may complete the transformation by furnishing sheer curtains, a kitchen table with porcelain top and two chairs painted orange and a step-ladder which makes the blue ware on the high shelf easily accessible. When not in use as a ladder the convertible contraption becomes a stool.  
A kitchen cabinet may be repaired. Gay plants at the window are the final touch. The drab cubicle has become one of the most charming rooms in the house.

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North Bay Nugget:—War has been robbed of its traditional formality. There was a time when a nation declared its intention to attack another. Now they just open fire like the commencement of a street brawl.

Huntingdon Gleaner:—In New York a plastic surgeon, Dr. James Stotter, was consulted by two comely young ladies relative to having their noses, lips and chins rebuilt. The surgeon realized the girls were twins and asked the reason for their contemplated plastic surgery. The girls, who gave their names as Betty and Mary Yartner of Chicago, confessed they were tired of looking exactly alike and all the embarrassing situations this got them into, and wanted to have their looks changed to give them more individuality.

## W. J. Scott Observes His Golden Jubilee

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Comparison makes Mr. Scott's record all the more impressive. Today the average young man commences business life at 20. To equal Mr. Scott's record of having spent more than 80% of his life in one organization, the average young man would be required to work until he was over a hundred years old. Far from being a centenarian, however, W. J. Scott is younger than most men of 62. Keen mentally, vigorous physically, he is the active head of a vast department in an organization that was but four years old when he joined it and which has grown during his years of service to become the largest All-Canadian rubber company.

### Cheese Recommended for Use on Picnic Occasions

Some foods seem to be just right for picnics—and cheese is one of them. Cheese sandwiches are, without doubt, the most popular and most practical way to serve cheese at a picnic. It is a good idea, and an easy matter to vary the sandwiches from one picnic to another by making use of the many cheese fillings which can be so quickly and economically prepared. For tasty and nourishing sandwiches, blend cheese—either grated Canadian cheddar, processed, cottage or cream—with salad dressing and add chopped green pepper, green onions, pimento, nuts, pickles, olives or celery. Use a generous amount of filling with brown or white bread cut to suit the occasion—in other words not too thin, or, for a change, use the filling in buttered tea biscuits or rolls.

Another suggestion is to serve plain buttered bread or rolls in place of the sandwiches, and make cheese a part of the salad by combining grated cheese with the other ingredients, or by serving a cheese dressing with the salad. For the dressing blend together equal parts of grated Canadian cheddar cheese, processed, cream or cottage cheese with salad dressing, folding in whipped cream if desired. Small balls of cottage or cream cheese, slices of Canadian cheddar or processed cheese, large prunes or celery stalks stuffed with a cheese mixture all add flavor and food value to the picnic salad.

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### Turned from Farming Mine to Mining the Old Farm

(FROM "GRAB SAMPLES")  
Had a letter from a prospector the other day who had made his stake and turned farmer on a small scale. He was enthusiastic over his first crop and particularly so concerning his garden. Said he: "I have an onion vein three feet wide that assays high in garlic. On the hanging wall there is a well fertilized zone carrying good values in zinc. On the footwall I have traced a zone of turnips right down to the boundary line and it extends 30 feet to the west. Put down some test pits over to the east and found some splendid potatoes, running 120 to the bushel. Took some grab samples of a carrot bed and they ran 14. In the fall I propose to amalgamate a pork and bean deposit which is at present divided by a fence."  
"On the S.E. 1/4 of Lot 15, Concession 4, I have been doing some surface work on a corn patch and the results look promising. Dug a trench 100 yards to the west and struck what looks like stuff they make drain tile out of. May be valuable and I intend to dig some of it for analysis. Down behind the barn I dug into some dark, odoriferous material which puzzles me. I think I will send some of it to Tom Sutherland for assay."

"The claims are well wooded and watered. I have put up an ice house and have wood cut for the boiler. There is a good trail to the property. I have lots of tools and grub so am all set. However, I have a notion of forming a syndicate to operate this property which is too big for one man to prospect and develop properly. I would like to have four or five young huskies to give me a hand for the summer. The ground has hardly been scratched yet."



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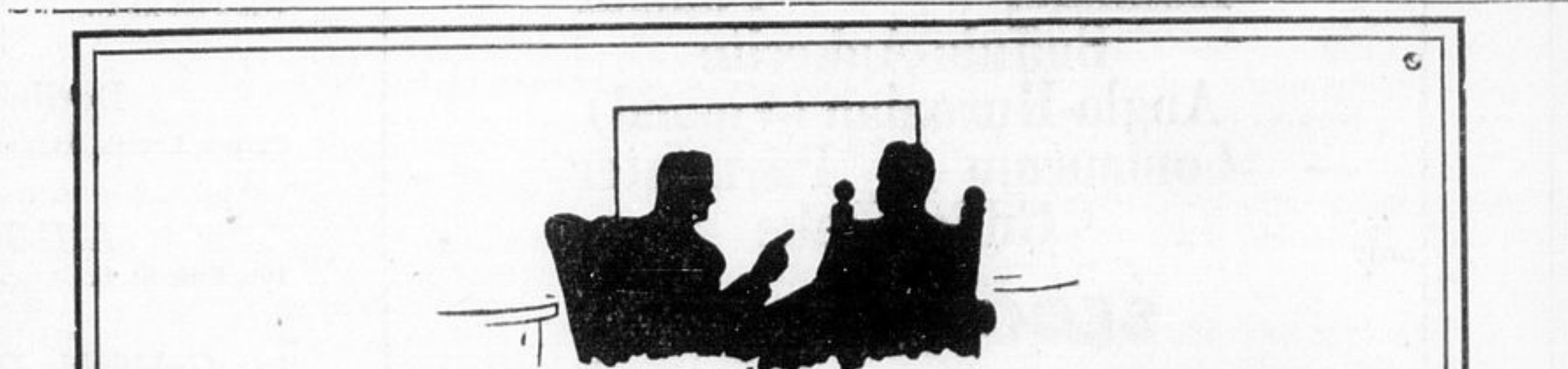
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## A Dialogue on Moderation

Mr. A: It's my opinion, sir, there's a big gap in principle between moderation and prohibition.

Mr. B: Yes, moderation means the avoiding of extremes, being temperate in conduct . . . that sort of thing.

Mr. A: It's a matter of character, a matter of control: Prohibition denies that people can exercise self control.

Mr. B: Yes, but every decent citizen is agreed that young people should be protected from the abuse of drink.

Mr. A: And yet, those same decent citizens listen to the shouting of extremists who want to return to prohibition.

Mr. B: What about those figures . . . arrests, convictions, accidents, etc.

Mr. A: Mostly misinterpretations of conditions. Half-truths. Examining the situation fully and you'll realize that even with their occasional abuses, the beverage rooms are the best safeguards against the evils we all want to destroy.

Mr. B: But aren't you arguing in circles?

Mr. A: Yes—in a circle that goes back to 1916. Remember how I warned you that prohibition was going to make drinking a sport, and drunkenness a distinction? Have you forgotten already how this actually happened?

Mr. B: Who's talking about prohibition? Ontario has one of the soundest liquor control systems in the world.

Mr. A: Agreed. But the agitators who are trying to create a public demand for restrictions are forgetting that fact. They forget, too, the degrading conditions that existed under so-called prohibition.

Mr. B: I must admit there's a great deal in what you say, and rather than go back to the bad old days, I'd rather see young and old in public government controlled premises . . . drinking a wholesome mildly stimulating beverage like beer.

Mr. A: Right you are, and so would every other thinking citizen.

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