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In Thoughtful Address to Kiwanis Club W. O. Langdon Touches on Future of North. Mining, Farming, Forest, Industries and Tourist Trade All Considered by Speaker.

"The history of the opening of the North is the justification for further money being spent in the development of the country," said William O. Langdon, President of the Board of Trade, speaking on Monday at the luncheon meeting of the Kiwanis club.

Capital investment and the development of agriculture and the tourist trade were the two main factors which should be considered by the government.

The cost of clearing an acre of land has been fixed at \$100. The Board of Trade strongly advocates a land clearing bonus system of \$25 an acre limited to five acres in any one year. More money has been spent by the government for relief for settlers without any return to the government than would have been spent if such a scheme were in operation.

There was a clear precedent in favor of such a scheme. It had been successfully worked out in the Province of Quebec.

"The lure of the North," said Mr. Langdon was responsible for having so many on relief here. In itself Timmins was self sustaining. There should not have been and should now be no relief in this municipality. However, so many were attracted here with nothing to offer the country and when they arrived they were unable to find employment.

In its infancy the mining industry had to be fostered and the fostering took the form of partially exempting the mines from assessment and taxation borne by other industries. However, as the industry grew the government felt that the mining industry could stand a part of the burden and mines were taxed. This tax took the form of a special Provincial Mines Royalty Tax payable to the province. Likewise, the Dominion government then asserted its right to a tax on income. The net result, as shown by an analysis of one of the leading mines in Kirkland Lake, was that eighty-eight per cent of the total taxation paid by the mine went to the Province and the Dominion and only twelve per cent to the municipality.

"This is manifestly unfair," said Mr. Langdon, "and I have always contended that before the Dominion or Province receives any taxes the municipality should collect the same as with any other industry."

Tourist trade was the second largest producer in Ontario and yet there were no accommodations whatsoever in this section of the North. Capital expenditure was needed there. Timmins was in a rather unique position. An observer might walk east, west, north and south on any of the avenues and streets

Man Suing City of Calgary to Force Them to Pay Relief

There certainly are many peculiar things happening these days. One of the oddest is the case of a Calgary man, Frank Miller, who has started suit in the courts to obtain relief from the city. In the summons served on the mayor of the city it is charged that the city, without legal excuse, failed to provide unemployment relief for Miller, an indigent. Miller, who is a qualified resident of Calgary, is a single man and Calgary has dropped all single men from the list of those given relief. Just after relief was started on a large scale in the Dominion, Hon. R. B. Bennett commented to the effect that people who suggested that the Dominion was compelled by law to provide relief were wrong. Similar opinion was voiced by some judges on occasion. There have been cases where municipalities have successfully held that the law did not force them to care for unemployed, except as a matter of humanity. It will be interesting to watch the Calgary case to see the attitude of the judges there in the matter with an actual case before them. Of course, there have been some old laws passed recently in Alberta, and some odd methods of alleged law enforcement. However, there is a higher law than the law of Alberta and judges in every province have the reputation of carefully weighing the law as it actually is before making decision.

Production at Dome Mines was \$649,628 for July

Dome Mines, Porcupine district, reports production for July at \$649,628 from treatment of 46,500 tons of ore, average recovery being 13.97.

Production was down slightly from June, when output was \$650,514 from milling of 48,500 tons, but average recovery was up from 13.41 in that month.

For the first seven months of this year, production amounted to \$4,409,894 from milling of 333,500 tons of ore, average recovery being 13.24 per cent. In the same period last year, output was valued at \$4,008,509; tons treated were 322,100, and recovery was 12.48.

Premier Appalled at Toll of Motor Deaths

Urges Co-operation to Wipe Out This Menace to Safety.

The following letter received last week by The Advance very decidedly speaks for itself, and should have the most careful consideration of all:—
Toronto, August 3, 1937.

Editor:
The Porcupine Advance,
Timmins, Ont.

Dear Sir:—Last year 546 lives were lost in motor vehicle accidents in Ontario. This year, if the remaining five months show the same rate of increase as the first seven, over 800 persons will have been killed and 14,000 will have been injured. None of us has any guarantee that members of your family or mine will not be among this number. That makes it a rather personal matter for all of us to consider.

For years the Department of Highways has conducted educational campaigns encouraging safer driving. These campaigns have made Ontario among the safest areas of the world, although the fact remains that this year we need something more. We cannot face the possible loss of 800 lives with equanimity. For our enviable record in the past our newspapers deserve a large share of credit; they have been remarkably generous and helpful in supporting our efforts, and I am sure will not fail us now.

To meet the present situation the Minister of Highways has sponsored an advertising campaign designed to shock the people into a realization of the need for safer driving and greater care. Your newspaper is to carry the advertisements of this series. But advertising is not going to be enough. We know the power of the press and we know that we must have your whole-hearted and enthusiastic support, expressed in editorial and news column publicity.

I am personally appalled by the mounting accident toll of this season, by the stark horror of the growing total of cruel injuries and wasted lives. I am sure that you too must realize the danger that stalks our families and I earnestly seek your help in our effort to make our roads and streets safer, happier places for recreation and travel. Your aid can make our campaign successful and I assure you your assistance will be appreciated by the Honorable Mr. McQueen and myself.

Yours faithfully,
M. F. HEPBURN.

World Digest:—"The Star Spangled Banner" became "the national anthem of the United States" not at the time of its writing by Francis Scott Key in 1814, but just six years ago—on March 3, 1931, to be exact. A somewhat belated act of Congress, which was signed by President Hoover finally made the song the official anthem of the United States.



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Driver of Car Arrested After Sudbury Man Dies

Sidney Dunn, 21 years old, and a first year science student at the University of Toronto, was arrested on Monday on a charge of manslaughter. He was driving the car in which Frank Brine, of Sudbury, was killed on Sunday morning when the auto smashed into a boulder on Columbus Hill, about five miles from Little Current, Dunn, who is the son of S. M. Dunn, of Ridge-way, Ont., had left with a party of Ontario Refinery employees of Copper Cliff to spend the week-end on the Manitoulin Island. In the crash against the boulder Brine suffered a broken neck and it is believed that he died instantly. Bail was granted to the accused, but according to despatches from Little Current, the crown attorney, F. W. Major, of Little Current, would not quote the amount of bail for publication.

Crushed by Hoist at Powell-Rouyn Mine

Ante Culumovich Meets Death on Third Shift at Work at the Mine.

Noranda, Aug. 11.—Instant death claimed Ante Culumovich, Jugo-Slav, aged 33, when he was crushed by the hoist at the Powell-Rouyn Gold Mines last Friday evening while engaged in connecting hose lines on the 7 p.m. to 3 a.m. shift.

There was no actual witness to the accident, according to the evidence given at the formal enquiry conducted at Darby's morgue, Rouyn, by Dr. J. A. Bertrand of Macamic, on Saturday night.

Nick Triany, helper of the victim, who had been working with him enlarging the station at the 200 foot level, where the accident occurred, explained they had been connecting the air and water hose and on discovering a leak Culumovich had gone back to stop it in the manway adjoining the hoist compartment. He heard a sharp sound but it was not alarming enough to make him turn around, and he was not aware of anything wrong until his name was called by the shift boss, William Lawson, who had been in the cage that struck the victim.

What evidently happened was that Culumovich after having adjusted the leak in the hose, instead of bending down to come back through the manway had crossed the corner of the hoist compartment to be caught by the descending cage, which crushed his skull and fractured the vertebrae.

The accident took place at 8 p.m. about an hour after the men had come on shift which was but the third shift Culumovich had worked for the mine. He, however, was an experienced machine man.

William Lawson, shift boss explained to Dr. Bertrand that the cage never started down until a signal was given from the hoist house and I. Corrigan, who operated the cage from the surface to the 500 foot level, told how the signal is given from the hoist house and then answered from the cage before starting, explaining that once started there was no way of stopping the cage until it arrived at its destination. The men working on the various levels could clearly hear these signals, he said. George Miller, manager, was also present and supplemented some of the information given by the witnesses.

Ante Culumovich was not a naturalized Canadian and leaves a wife and three children in Europe. Arrangements are being made to communicate with the family through the Yugo-Slav consular office in Montreal, and the Croatian Society of Noranda has taken charge of the funeral arrangements. The only known relative here, Mike Hecimovich, a first cousin, works at the Halliwell mine.

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Cafe Car Develops Trouble on Tuesday

Had to be Removed from Train No. 47 on Account of Fire in the Journal Box.

Cobalt, Aug. 12. (Special to The Advance).—Passengers on Timmins-bound train No. 47 on Tuesday who had planned to dine on board perforce had to change their intentions when the cafe car was removed from the train here because the packing in one journal box was on fire and affecting the wheels. Members of the dining car crew said they had noticed the trouble first near Redwater. Twenty minutes later reaching here because of the trouble, the train was delayed still further while the swing train locomotive, which happened to be in the yard, removed the cafe car—it was the "Ssekinkina"—from the rest of the complement, after which No. 47 steamed away minus the commissariat.

Teacher Switches Another Man's Wife for Misbehaving

According to despatches from Sneedville, Tennessee, a switching for "general mischievousness"—so her teacher said—was the reason Mrs. Eunice Johns, Tennessee's 9-year-old child bride, was not at her desk in the Fairmount grade school on Monday. Eunice, who gained the spotlight last January when she and Charlie Johns, 22, were married, was a pupil at the grade school, several miles from here, in a remote section of Hancock county—for two days only. Wade Ferguson, her teacher, said the child quit school last week after he switched her. The incident, he said, brought her lanky husband to the two-room schoolhouse, where Ferguson teaches forty children. "Why, you can't whip another man's wife," Ferguson quoted Johns as saying when he came to protest against this punishment.

"Oh, yes, I can whip another man's wife if another man sends his wife to school to me," Ferguson said he told Johns.

Northern News.—There is an old axiom that man only causes trouble when he interferes too much with nature.

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