

FIRE DESTROYS PRESS AND RADIO BUILDING

To Protect the Roads in the North During Spring

Northern Division of Highways Dept. Planning to Protect Roads During Spring Frosts. Heavy Loads to be Barred. Co-operation of All Should be Given.

Every year since there has been roads in the North there has been trouble from serious damage to the roads during the spring break-up. Frosts have made the roadways soft and spongy and at that time an extra heavy load would do much damage to the roads. Each year appeal has been made for co-operation from the public in the way of not using the roads too soon or with loads too heavy. The Highways Department in recent years has tried to help the situation by enforcing regulation in regard to weight of loads to be carried, speed, etc. In a notice elsewhere in this issue the Northern Division of the Department of Highways calls attention of the public to the fact that frost action in April and May causes road beds to get soft and readily subject to damage from traffic, and asks the co-operation of all in the matter, appeal being made especially to truck owners and operators. It is noted that all trucks in these two months are limited to half-loads and a speed not to exceed 20 miles per hour. Horse-drawn vehicles, capacity one ton, 250 lbs. per inch of tires. The weight of loads and speed of trucks and cars will be constantly checked, the notice says, adding that the penalty for overloading is a fine or imprisonment, or both, with the liability to have permits suspended. The fullest co-operation of all is earnestly sought by the Department in the general interests.

Noranda Police Chief Resigns

Noranda town council last week very reluctantly accepted the resignation of Wilfrid Perrault, chief of police at Noranda for the past nine years, the resignation to be effective April 15. Chief Perrault is resigning to enter business for himself as partner in the Northern Memorial Art Co., in which he will be associated with W. Laurin, who has had long experience in monument designing and the cutting of memorial stones. Chief Perrault was for several years on the Timmins police force and won unusual popularity here because of his striking talent in strictly fulfilling his duties, while at the same time keeping such a genial and friendly attitude to the public that he made friends for himself and the force on all sides. From Timmins he went to Noranda, and the same qualities won him as chief the sincere regard of all. The Rouyn-Noranda Press paid editorial tribute last Thursday to his faithful and efficient services as chief and his splendid qualities as a man and a citizen. Previous to coming to Timmins in 1924, he had police experience with Morrow & Beatty during the construction of the Quinze power plant and in similar capacities with other construction and lumbering firms. While in Timmins he was awarded the Royal Humane Society medal for saving the life of a young man from Iroquois Falls who would undoubtedly have been killed by a train at the Timmins station had it not been for the instantaneous thinking, the immediate action and the remarkable physical strength of Constable Perrault. Friends here who have watched the success won by Chief Perrault at Noranda will wish him all success, and expect that his merits and enterprise will win it, in his new line of work.

Several Theft Cases Against A. Cerenzio

Albert Cerenzio, who already is facing several charges of breaking and entering and theft, had an additional charge laid against him over the weekend. Jointly with E. Dimick he was charged with breaking and entering a room in the Three Star Hotel. Another joint charge against the pair was that of breaking into a locker in the basement of the same hotel and stealing a suitcase.

Willard Wainman was arrested on a distress warrant. He was bound over to pay wages by a recent court decision and did not do so. Consequently he was arrested.

May Run Bus Line from Timmins to North Bay

In Address on the Budget, Premier Hepburn Made Suggestion of Plan Being Considered by the T. & N. O. as Auxiliary to the Regular Train Service.

Toronto, April 1.—The Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway may, in the very near future establish wide-spread bus services at points between North Bay and Timmins, with the present service into Kirkland Lake merely the forerunner of a much more extensive plan.

This was intimated in the legislature Thursday by Premier Mitchell Hepburn in presenting his annual budget address.

Necessary Service

"The management of the railway," he said, "is keeping in view modern developments in transportation and is contemplating the inauguration in the near future of a bus service as an auxiliary to the rail service between North Bay and Timmins, with connecting branch bus line service to points off the main highway, where such service appears necessary."

While net income of the railway will be approximately \$950,000 during the past 12 months, as compared with \$1,266,396 in the previous year, this latter figure will represent an increase of \$705,000 over the figures for the year ending October 31, 1934, the premier stated.

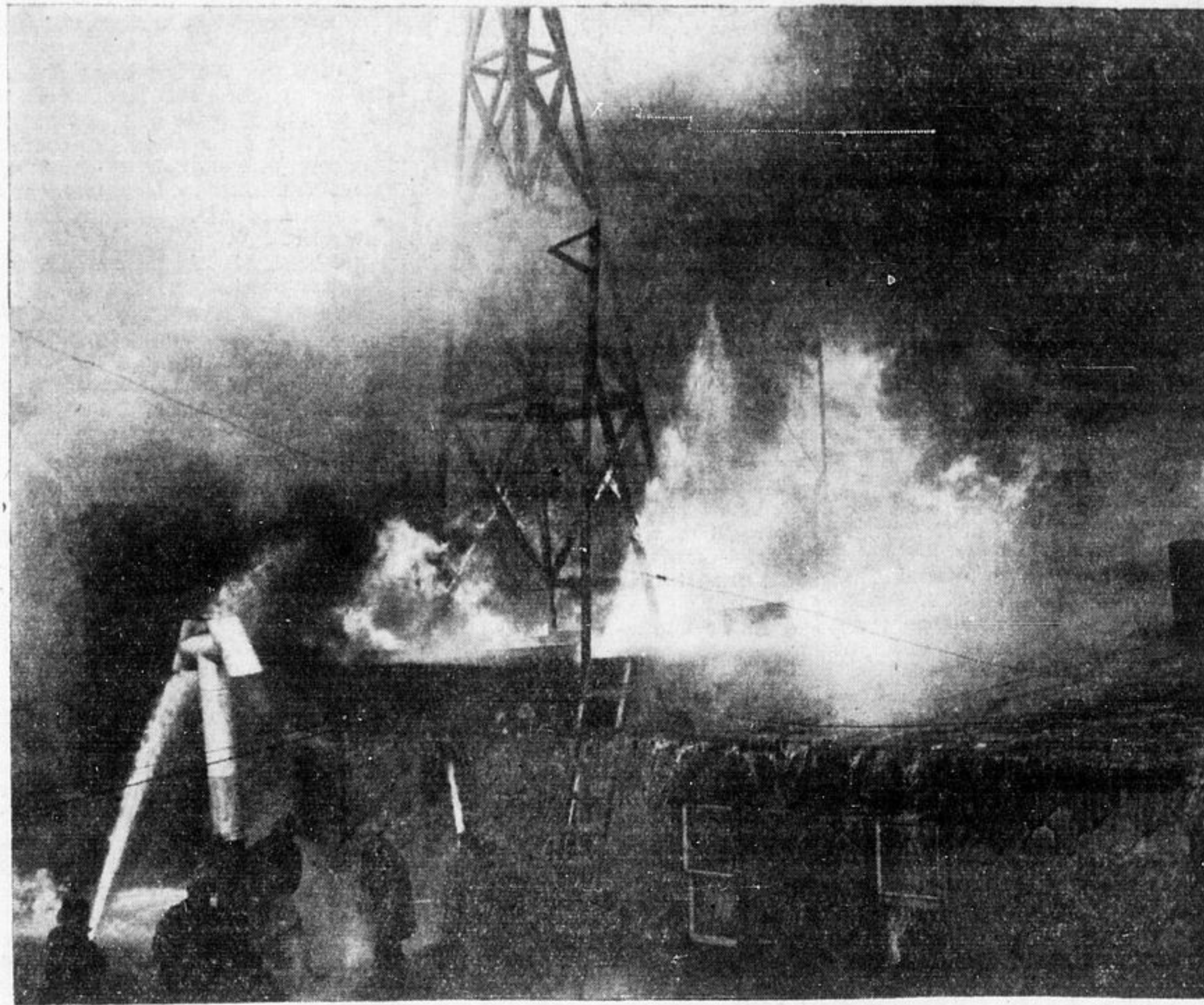
He pointed out that a loan, which stood at \$7,000,000 in 1934, had been reduced to \$3,900,000 during the past five years.

"In addition to reducing the loan the railway has commenced retirement of a bond issue of \$6,000,000 floated in 1923," the premier said, "and as well provides for all capital expenditures out of current revenue, so that the government has not increased its investment in the railway for a number of years."

The premier was enthusiastic about the Northland traversed by the T. & N. O. Railway.

The province has invested \$30,000,000 but in so doing it tapped a stream of wealth which has a approximated \$1,200,000,000 by October 31, 1938," he said. "Directly as a result of the building of this railway, Toronto has become one of the greatest mining centres of the world and the entire outlook of the city has been changed."

FLAMES BREAK THROUGH ROOF OF PRESS BUILDING



It was only rarely during the conflagration at the Press building yesterday morning that the flames broke through the roof of the building. As may be seen by the photo taken during the fire, clouds of black smoke rolled out of the structure unceasingly. The radio tower on the top of the building was expected to go momentarily when the picture was taken but because of the way it had been constructed it managed to withstand the onslaught of the fire. (Advance Photo and Engraving)

Money Vote for Post Office at South Porcupine

In the estimates tabled in the House of Commons last week were two items of special interest in the North. One was for \$35,500 for South Porcupine and the other \$27,000 for Kapuskasing. Both were marked for "public buildings." In each case the "public building" will be a new post office, both towns being badly in need of this public accommodation. So rapid has been the growth of South Porcupine in recent years that the need for an adequate post office building there is very apparent. It is hoped to have the building at South Porcupine started this year and carried along to completion.

Spring Has A Cold in The Head

Expect Changeable Weather in the Next Few Days.

Judging by the appearance of the weather today and yesterday spring has been taken down with a bad cold in the head. However, Sydney S. Wheeler, Hollinger weather observer, prophesied today that the weather in the next few days would be changeable. Today would be partly cloudy with snow flurries, he said.

Four inches of snow have fallen since Saturday at eleven o'clock in the morning. An inch and a half fell from 11 a.m. on Saturday until 8 a.m. on Sunday and two and a half inches from 8 a.m. on Sunday until 8 a.m. on Monday. Temperatures from Thursday have been as follows: Thursday, maximum 42, minimum 30; Friday, 50 and 22; Saturday, 37 and 27; Sunday, 22 and 16. Last night's minimum temperature at 12 and at eight o'clock this morning the temperature was 12.

Leafs and Boston To Meet

Boston Defeated Rangers Last Night 2 to 1 After 48 minutes Overtime.

By virtue of week-end wins, Toronto Maple Leaf and Boston Bruins meet in the Stanley Cup finals, the first game in Toronto tomorrow night.

Boston won out over the Rangers last night after forty-eight minutes of overtime by a score of 2 goals to 1 and Toronto beat the Detroit 5 goals to 4 after five minutes and five seconds of overtime.

Toronto came out into the clear when Drillon picked up a loose puck and skated through the whole Detroit team to place the disc safely behind Tiny Thompson.

Metz opened the scoring in the first period when he took assists from Apps and Drillon. Drillon was second scorer for the Leafs on an assist from Apps.

Grosso scored in the second for Detroit and Conacher tied the count before the period ended.

In the third period Conacher put Detroit in the lead and Davidson, assisted by Hamilton again tied the score. Chamberlain again put the Leafs one up and Kilrea forced the match into overtime on an assist from Grosso and Young.

FOR ALL THE NEWS of Timmins and District

Read THE PORCUPINE ADVANCE Delivered to your home every Monday and Thursday for 25c a month.

PHONE 26 To-day and have a boy call.

Symphony Orchestra Concert, April 23rd

Another Musical Event by Talented Timmins Musicians.

On several previous occasions the Timmins Symphony Orchestra has delighted audiences here by the programme presented. Accordingly there will be interest and pleasure in the announcement that the Timmins Symphony Orchestra will present another concert in the Harmony Hall, Fourth avenue, on Sunday evening, April 23rd. The programme will commence at 8:30 p.m. Invitations for this event are being distributed at present and any desiring to enjoy the programme should apply to any of the members of the orchestra for the necessary invitation.

A short children's programme will precede the regular concert, and all will find this feature of very special interest and attraction. The programme by the Timmins Symphony Orchestra, under the very capable direction of Mr. H. F. Schroeder will include numbers by the orchestra as well as solos, duets and other features by members of the orchestra. In addition there will be vocal music to add further interest to the programme. Music lovers will find this programme on April 23rd at Harmony hall to be one of outstanding interest.

Death on Saturday of Mr. W. Janes, Schumacher

His many friends in the Porcupine district were greatly shocked on Saturday to hear of the death early on Saturday morning of Mr. Wm. Janes. The death occurred at St. Mary's hospital.

The late Mr. Janes was born at Bruce Mines, Ontario, and had been a popular resident of the Porcupine Camp for twenty-five years. His home was at 98 First avenue, Schumacher.

Funeral services will be held to-day (Monday) at four o'clock from the home, to be conducted by the Rev. F. J. Baine of Trinity United Church.

Building Badly Guttled and Equipment Ruined

Fire Began in Basement. Believe Was From Back-Firing Furnace Although Definite Cause Not Established. Alarm Turned in at 7.40 a.m. Fire Soon Got Out of Control. Very Little Saved.

Canadian Unity League Here

Timmins now has an active organization of the Canadian Unity League with the purpose of uniting all Nationalities and promoting a spirit of Canadian patriotism. The Canadian Unity League's chief purpose is to guard against unlawful and ultra radical influences and propaganda and to educate the people against the evils of communism, fascism and all other subversive forces. Other items in its list of aims and objects include:—To encourage all other nationalities to become good Canadian citizens; to foster and promote social and other activities among its members; to support suitable undertakings whereby members who are not English-speaking may get better opportunities to study the English language; to co-operate with other loyal organizations with similar aims and objects.

Sudbury has had a Canadian Unity League for some two years and excellent work has been done by it. The British Unity League in the Old Land is along similar lines.

Membership here is increasing at remarkable rate and spreading to all the various nationalities.

Annie Radosevich Died Here Sunday Afternoon

Annie, twelve-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Radosevich, of 85 Fourth Ave., Schumacher, died at St. Mary's hospital on Sunday afternoon. She was born in Murkopaig, Jugoslavia, but had spent several years in Schumacher, where she had made many friends, who will be deeply shocked by her sudden death, and will sympathize with the bereaved parents in their loss.

Funeral services will be held on Tuesday (tomorrow) at 4 o'clock at St. Alphonsus Roman Catholic Church, Schumacher.

Stores Will Close as Usual on Wednesday

Despite the fact that Friday of this week is a holiday, stores will close as usual on Wednesday afternoon. The Town Clerk, Mr. Patrick Murphy, said today that there was nothing in the Wednesday closing by-law, making an exception in the weeks which contained public holidays.

Protest Gasoline Tax Endorse Airport Plan

Burdens of Taxation Increased Here by Close to \$20,000 Says Council. Ask Money Gained by Replacing 1937 License Reduction be Turned Over to Municipality to Pay for Roads.

Schumacher Man President N. O. B. A.

Four Members from Local Badminton Club Fly to Sudbury for Meeting.

Mrs. Jack Grady, Mr. Gordon Shields, and Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Sturgeon, were representatives of the Porcupine Badminton Club at a meeting held in Sudbury on Saturday to organize the Northern Ontario Badminton Association. About fifteen clubs, from Northern towns, were represented at the meeting, which was a very successful event.

The Porcupine representatives flew down by airplane Friday afternoon. On Saturday evening they were entertained at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Duncan, in Sudbury. They returned to the Porcupine on Sunday.

Mr. Sturgeon, whose home is in Schumacher, was elected president of the Northern Ontario Badminton Association for the ensuing club year. The Northern Ontario Badminton Association will be affiliated with the Ontario Badminton Association.

On Saturday, representatives of the various clubs, took part in finals. Mrs. Grady and Mr. Shields won the mixed doubles, and received a challenge cup as award. Mrs. Sturgeon won the ladies' singles, and Mrs. Grady and Mrs. Sturgeon took the honours in the ladies' doubles. Mr. Sturgeon and Mr. Shields were runners-up for the men's doubles, and in the men's singles, Mr. Shields was defeated by Mr. Simms, of Sudbury.

Fire which broke out in the basement at an early hour yesterday morning almost completely gutted the building on Spuce St. occupied by the Timmins Daily Press and Station CKGB of the Northern Broadcasting Company. Expensive newspaper and radio equipment was consumed by the flames which got out of control or ruined by streams of water which were poured into the building from ten lines of hose.

After about four hours only a shell of the large building remained. The inside was a twisted, blackened ruin of beams, caved-in floors and electrical and mechanical equipment.

Part of the building least damaged by the fire, which was one of the most disastrous seen here in a long while, was the rear. The large newspaper press and a half a dozen linotype machines as well as type cases and other printing equipment was not damaged beyond the point of repair or salvage.

Fire was first noticed by men who were working in the building at about 7.40 a.m. Smoke was seen issuing from the basement of the building by an employee and an alarm was turned in immediately. Firemen covered the two and a half blocks to the scene of the fire in record time but by the time they arrived the flames had gained headway and the water which was poured into the building did not seem to check their progress.

Firemen were hampered by the clouds of dense, choking smoke which filled the interior. Their efforts to get to (Continued on Page Seven)

Show Safety Films at Mining Institute

Charles McKnight Shows the Methods Used at Lake Shore.

Charles E. McKnight, Safety Director at Lake Shore Mines, Kirkland Lake, gave motion pictures illustrating precautions taken by the Lake Shore Mine to prevent accidents. Occasion of the showing was the regular monthly meeting of the Porcupine branch of the Mining and Metallurgical Institute.

Throughout the showing Mr. McKnight explained the more technical details of the pictures to the assembled hundred-odd members.

After the demonstration Mr. George Gedge, of the Hollinger Mine, gave an account of his trip to the convention of the National Safety Council, recently held in the United States.

SCENE FROM GERDA AND KAY—AT MONETA SCHOOL



Above is a scene from "Gerda and Kay" the operetta so well presented last week by the pupils of Moneta public school. The Snow Queen is seen at the centre with her Snowflake attendants around her, while the other characters in the operetta are shown. (Advance Photo and Engraving)