

Big Pulpwood Cut Will Absorb Men in Northern Woods

Paper Companies Plan Bigger Cut This Year.

Bush operations in Northern Ontario this winter are likely to be on a more extensive scale than in the past several years, Delbert Murphy, superintendent of the Ontario Employment office here declared and already well over 100 men have been sent out to jobs through the office in the past two weeks.

"There are a number of men going out from here every day and the rate should increase daily with better weather," Mr. Murphy said. A great many had gone to Jacksonboro and to Bourkes, it was stated.

That pulp wood cutting would be greater at the head of the lakes also this season was indicated by an enquiry from Port Arthur seeking men from the Timmins area for bush work. The local demand however is expected to absorb most of the experienced bushmen available since many of the paper companies are planning on larger cuts this year so that they will have supplies on hand should there be a labour shortage next winter due to the war.

Smaller camps close to Timmins will also employ more men than usual this winter it was anticipated.

Wild Western Newspaper in Discussion on Thirst

(From Blairmore Enterprise)
The horse and mule live thirty years and nothing know of wines and beers; the goat and sheep at twenty die and never taste of Scotch and Rye; the cow drinks water by the ton, and at eighteen is mostly done; the dog at fifteen catches in without the aid of Rum and Gin; the cat in milk and water soaks and then in twelve short years it croaks; the modest, sober, bone-dry hen lays eggs for years, then dies at ten; ALL ANIMALS are strictly dry; they sinless live and swiftly die; but Sinful, Ginful, Rum-soaked MEN survive for three score years and ten!

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Engine Derailed Last Week at Swastika Jct.

Kirkland Lake, Oct. 14.—The engine of train No. 73 from Rouyn Thursday afternoon jumped the rails about 4.30 o'clock as the train was pulling into the junction with the T. & N. O. line at Swastika.

The engine was about 50 yards west of the mill crossing when it left the rails. Fortunately the train was proceeding at little more than a crawl at the time.

The passengers were transferred by bus from the Nipissing Central train to Swastika station in time for the 5.20 train going south.

Urges Far-Sighted Policy in Developing Quebec Metal Wealth

Suggests Encouraging of Prospectors and Mining Men.

Quebec's production of metals has been increasing by leaps and bounds, but a leveling off is bound to occur unless a definite, far-sighted plan is adopted to encourage prospecting and the spending of money on diamond-drilling and underground development of worthy prospects, states J. E. Gill, Professor of Geology, McGill University in his paper appearing in the September issue of the Bulletin, Canadian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. Such a plan, is adopted, he states, would justify the optimism now held in regard to the future of the industry. Credit is given to the excellent work already done by the Provincial and Dominion Governments to encourage mining but it is urged that this work be extended.

Commenting upon the distinct lull in exploratory activity in the Province in 1938, Professor Gill notes that although Quebec was not unique in this respect, the condition appears to have been more acute in that Province than in most other parts of the Dominion. Among the causes suggested are the general disturbance in political and economical conditions throughout the world; uncertainty induced by changes in the mining laws of Quebec in 1937; the belief held by many that the easily accessible deposits in the main producing belt have now all been found; and the lack of conspicuous success by companies and individuals who have interested themselves in the less accessible areas to the north, notably in the Chibougamau district. Another reason given is the unattractive appearance, as viewed on published geological maps, of the vast area extending northward to Ungava Bay and Hudson Strait. If the Federal and Provincial Governments will take the lead in opening up this vast, little known area, by providing better maps, private organizations will no doubt follow through, states Professor Gill. It is entirely likely that in the course of preliminary mapping many areas of lavas and sediments will be found.

Interest in the paper centres mainly in the discussion of the geological aspects of the three natural divisions of the province, namely the Canadian Shield area, by far the largest of the three, and comprising 93 per cent of the total area of Quebec; the St. Lawrence Plain, comprising 2 per cent; and the Palaeozoic Mountain Belt, comprising 5 per cent. Attention is directed to geological features and geological problems affecting the occurrence of metals and their commercial development.

It is pointed out that all but three of the metal producing properties in the Shield occur in an area of about 2000 square miles in the Rouyn-Bell River district. Even in this area there are many important problems of age relations and structural history still to be solved.

Reference is made to the prejudice against the very extensive gneiss and granite areas of the Shield. This has grown to such importance that in most cases such areas in Quebec and elsewhere are excluded from an exploration programme without a second thought.

Should Not Curtail Normal Buying Says Ford President

Normal Conditions Necessary for Best Success.

Toronto, Ont., Oct. 14: Warning that any widespread curtailment of normal purchases by the public of commodities produced by Canadian factories might impair the effectiveness of industry's wartime contribution is given by Wallace R. Campbell, president, Ford Motor Company of Canada, Limited in a statement issued in connection with the opening of the National Motor Show here.

"The productive facilities of all Canadian industries are being co-ordinated and geared to meet wartime demands. The change-over from usual production will take some little time to complete and in the meanwhile it is desirable that the ordinary business and industrial activities of the Dominion be continued on a basis as nearly normal as possible," said Mr. Campbell.

He explained that this is the chief reason behind the decision of the Canadian automobile industry to carry on with the National Motor Show this year. It was first felt that the Show would not be held as the Automotive Building will be used for military purposes. However, the time of the Show was advanced one week and it will go on as usual.

"Through the Motor Show the public is assured that the Canadian automobile industry is functioning as effectively as usual while preparing factory facilities for any extraordinary production demands which may develop in supplying war materials," he said.

Mr. Campbell stated that, from recent observations which he has been able to make, it is evident that industry can only contribute its full share to national needs by keeping the factories operating with as many workers employed as possible.

"Any factory which is producing goods is adding to the wealth of the Dominion, maintaining the skill of its employees and, at the same time, is in a better position to swing into war production than a factory which is idle or only in partial operation," he pointed out.

"To keep our industrial facilities at peak efficiency we must continue with the production of useful commodities. We can only do that if the public continues to buy and any widespread curtailment of purchasing at this time might impair the effectiveness of industry's contribution to wartime needs," said Mr. Campbell.

"In certain quarters there seem to be a feeling of 'fear' that the possession of a new automobile, or other products which involve considerable outlay, is unpatriotic. The very opposite of this view is true. Anyone who had intended to make such a purchase, and who can afford it, is aiding his country materially by carrying out that intention," he said.

"The time may come when it will be necessary to restrict the sale and distribution of automobile and other products of industry. But that time has yet arrived and if the Dominion is to maintain its national economy on the strong basis now required, commercial activities in Canada should be increased rather than diminished," said Mr. Campbell.

These areas, now regarded as unfavourable prospecting ground, can be more accurately described as untested ground. It is suggested that in the planning of field work by government geologists, more of the areas underlain by gneiss be included, at least until a much broader foundation of facts from which to judge their worth has been accumulated.

Concluding, the paper notes that less than one per cent of the province has been thoroughly prospected; 15 per cent has been explored in a very sketchy way, and 85 per cent is practically untouched. The importance of the preservation of mine records is stressed, and the opinion is expressed that it would be in the public interest to require every mining company to file with the government annually complete data covering their work and to give notice of a possible or imminent shut-down in ample time to permit a government geologist to visit the property in order to check existing records, or to bring them up to date.

Hold-up Attempt Foiled at Kirkland Lake Store

Kirkland Lake, Oct. 14th.—Township police are furthering their search today for the man who attempted to hold up and rob Barney Welsh, proprietor of Barney's Smoke Shop, at the corner of Kirkland Street and Duncan Avenue, at closing time Thursday night.

Welsh was counting the change in his cash register shortly after 11 o'clock last night when a tall dark man, with his right hand in his overcoat pocket, walked into the store and demanded the money in a hurry.

Acting as if someone was looking in, Welsh yelled a warning in that direction and the man, becoming scared, left in a hurry through the front door. Running along Kirkland Street to Tower Street the man passed Constable Gibson who was on his way to report for duty. The officer thought that the man was running to catch up with two women he had passed a short time before.

The hunted man was described as six feet tall, dark in complexion and wearing a coat but no hat.

Action Free Press.—Children will not complain about the reported rise in the price of castor oil, of 15 to 20 per cent.

Cobalt's Population Now 83 Less than Last Year

Cobalt, known to so many old-timers of the North, as the "best o'd town" is suffering rather ill fortune these days. It has not yet suffered the fate of becoming a "ghost town" like some other mining centres have done in other countries, but at the very best it must be admitted that Cobalt is having a struggle to keep going. The assessment figures made public last week show that Cobalt this year has a population of 2,789, as against 2,873 last year, or a decrease of 83 in population. The net assessment for the year has also dropped \$2,000 in the same period. Last year's total assessment was \$1,052,344, while this year it is \$1,045,004. The net assessment this year is \$604,154, as against \$642,294 last year.

Mining Activity Upholds Business of Power Company

Quarterly Report of Canada Northern Power Corp.

In the letter to shareholders accompanying the dividend cheques on preferred stock, Mr. B. V. Harrison, vice-president and general manager of the Canada Northern Power Corporation, writes, in part as follows:—

"For your information we present the following comparative statement of earnings for the twelve months ended August 31st of this and the preceding year:

	1938	1939
Gross Earnings	\$5,241,131.21	\$5,103,251.12
Operating and Maintenance	2,532,520.11	2,298,868.02
Net Earnings	\$2,708,611.10	\$2,804,383.10

"From the above it will be seen that the reduction in net earnings is only one-third of the amount saved by our customers through reduced rates, although the latest reduction has been in effect two-thirds of the year. This satisfactory result has been achieved by the increase in business secured by your Company as shown by the greater gross earnings.

"There continues to be gratifying activity in mill construction and additions to mill equipment in most of the mining districts served by the Company including the erection of the Mill at Waite-Amulet, which is now ready for operation. Good progress has also been made on the Mill at Upper Canada Mines in the Larder Lake area, while preparations are being made for the operation of Morris Kirkland's Mill by its owners. This Mill has been utilized by Upper Canada Mines during the time their own Mill was being built. In the Cadillac area Wood Cadillac Mines Limited has commenced the construction of a Mill, while at East Malartic Gold Mines in Fourniere Township, St. Lawrence County, Quebec, and at Kirkland Lake Gold Mines in Teck Township, Ontario, additional milling equipment is being installed.

"The transmission line connecting the property of West Malartic Mines with the Company's system has been completed and power is now being delivered.

"During the past quarter a contract was entered into with Sencre Gold Mines, whose property is located in Pascalis Township, Quebec, a transmission line has been built and power turned on."

Globe and Mail.—In their final conflict with the New York "Yanks," the Cincinnati "Reds" had an experience similar to those attending their political nameakes here and there—they "blew up."

Modern and Clean New "White Lunch" Open to Public

Timmins' Newest Eating Place Opened on Saturday

Timmins' newest eating place and rendezvous, the White Lunch, located at 68 Third Avenue just below Birch Street, has been a busy spot since it opened its doors on Saturday. Attracted by the new white tile front and the modern round windows, a large number of Timmins people wasted no time in visiting this new establishment and sampling the tasty foods served there.

The proprietors of the White Lunch, Oliver E. Carson and Norman J. Clark, have spared no effort in making their place one of the brightest in the camp. The interior is decorated attractively in blue and white and the centre of the floor is occupied by a large horse-shoe shaped counter with padded leather and chrome stools.

The waitresses wear blue uniform dresses and the waiters white jackets. The restaurant is lighted brightly and modern equipment has been installed in all departments.

The proprietors make no bones about their claim that the coffee at the White Lunch is the best in town. They serve Blue Ribbon coffee made only in the modern Silex coffee makers. Cleanliness is another characteristic of the establishment.

Only the highest grade meats and the best foods obtainable are used in preparing the wide variety of short orders, full course meals and sundaes and drinks. All types of sundaes are served and full course meals are offered at popular prices.

Modern cooking equipment and utensils in the kitchen ensure clean and well prepared meals.

In the basement, two rest rooms are provided for customers and are kept spotlessly clean, and are easily reached near the front of the store.

Globe and Mail.—A poll shows that three-quarters of the American people are ready to fight for Canada. But Canadian forces are helping to arrange things so that the fighting for Canada will take place some 3,000 miles away.

Paper Describes Shaft Practice at Hollinger

Salient features of shaft practice at the Hollinger mine in the Porcupine area, Ontario, are presented by V. J. Southey, of the company's staff in his paper appearing in the September issue of the Bulletin, Canadian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. Hollinger's mining operations, he states, have remained development by 24 vertical shafts, having a total length of 28,160 feet. Seventeen of these are sunk from the surface and seven are interior shafts. Four surface and three interior shafts are now in active operation, and expecting the recently completed main cre-bolting shaft, the remainder are either abandoned, or are used for passes or for ventilation.

Sinking and raising methods are described in the paper with reference to the most recent shafts, namely, No. 25, an interior shaft, and No. 26, a new central hoisting shaft. The fitting of the latter, which includes the latest in shaft design, is given in detail. Examples of hoisting and hoisting equipment are described, with a general out-

line of ore and waste handling at the loading pockets. A section of the paper is devoted to wire ropes and brief comment is made upon inspection, drainage, and fire protection.

Shafts and shaft equipment are inspected regularly at the mine. Each shaft is examined weekly, and its entire length is examined slowly by two men on the top of the skip or cage. All running ropes are manually examined weekly and are inspected on the drum daily. Cages receive a general examination weekly. Skips are inspected daily and their bearings are oiled and greased. The chief hoistman personally inspects each hoist once a week and reports to the master mechanic.

In case of fire, a pumping plant can supply a total of 9800 U.S. gallons a minute. Shaft headframes are equipped with sprinkler systems and fire extinguishers. Underground, all timbered shaft stations have sprinkler systems, and the mine pumps have fire-hose connections. The ejection of ethyl mercaptan into the air-pipes spreads a general alarm, and all men assemble at shafts, which can be isolated by steel firedoors.


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