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MINING TOWNS STAND HIGH

The Rouyn-Noranda Press notes the fact that Rouyn and Noranda stand second in all the province of Quebec in the matter of home improvement during the past few years, being exceeded in this respect only by the big city of Montreal. It is a record of which the community of Rouyn and Noranda may well be proud. Rouyn had loans of \$498,702.00 up to May 31st this year under the Home Improvement Plan of the Dominion Government, showing that half a million dollars has been spent to better the homes of that community. The city of Quebec was third in the province, with loans of \$386,008.00. There are scores of much larger cities than Rouyn in the province of Quebec, but none of these have shown anything like the ambition and enterprise and desire for home improvement shown by Rouyn.

Timmins may claim still greater credit in this respect than even the community of Rouyn. In the province of Ontario, Timmins stands second in the matter of home improvements, being exceeded only by the large city of Toronto—the city that heads all Canada in this regard. In the whole Dominion, Timmins for many months has maintained an easy place of third, ranking behind only Toronto and Montreal.

Kirkland Lake, another mining centre, leads the Dominion in its class of population, and has seventh place in Canada in regard to home improvement. Sudbury, Flin Flon and other mining centres also take high place in the list of home improvements. Mining centres in Nova Scotia and British Columbia are also well up in the roll of places that have centred on the improvement of homes and dwellings.

It should not be suggested that the mining towns may need home improvement more than the average city or town in Canada, for this would not be in accordance with the truth. The fact is that in recent years the new mining centre in Canada has none of the characteristics of the mining camp of fiction in regard to housing accommodation. It may be said that Timmins was never a "mining town" in the sense of the picture popularized by Bret Harte and others. The same is true of Schumacher and South Porcupine. They were always towns of homes, built with the belief in their permanence and progress. It is true that speed had to be a prime factor in the first buildings, and that many temporary structures were erected in the haste to take up the active work of mining. Always, however, there was the vision of days to come, and the present thought of real homes. In the hurry of making many homes, it was only to be expected that later days would find the homes too small in many cases, or needing improvements or alterations. It is doubtful, though, if these needs are more pressing in the North, than in the older areas, where only an optimist would find the housing anywhere near perfect. Many towns and cities of the older parts of the Dominion have sadly inadequate housing accommodation. In the North the mining towns have the faith in the future and the desire of the present for the best homes, and these—with the other important factor of having the wherewithal to assure progress—explain the outstanding place that the mining centres have taken in home improvement in recent years.

A VALUABLE ADDRESS

The address by Mr. Walter Zeller, District Governor of Kiwanis Clubs, at the joint meeting of the Timmins and South Porcupine Kiwanis Clubs at the Empire hotel on Friday night was a valuable and useful one. There should be more addresses of the same type. Indeed, it would be a good thing if more public attention were paid to the war. The newspapers and radios have done their part. Some people feel that these agencies have given too much publicity to the war, and that much of the material has been of a detrimental rather than a helpful character. It is worth noting that to attend to the financial features of the war, the authorities have not hesitated to use generous publicity, noisy publicity. The bands have been out for the loans, but not for the recruiting. There has been too much said about all the contracts for war munitions and supplies, and too little about what Canada and Canadians can do in the way of personal help to win the war. It is hoped, indeed, that the re-organized cabinet at Ottawa will find time and opportunity for real leadership. That is all the people of Canada need. Canadians are all ready to enlist, to pay, to work, to help in any way. There are innumerable proofs of this. What has been lacking has been effective leadership such as has been present in Britain, in Australia, in New Zealand. Even the people who usually frown upon noisy forms of publicity—brass bands and brass band methods—realize that these plans appeal to

certain types of good people. Indeed, if the truth were told, they appeal to most people. They help the people to realize that there is a war in progress. From that realization, it is but a step to securing the wholehearted, the effective co-operation of all Canadians in war effort.

District Governor Zeller's thoughtful address made all realize the seriousness of the war situation and the need for all to co-operate in the necessary work of stamping out Hitlerism and its allied slave creeds. Mr. Zeller pointed out that it would take the full resources and wealth of the Empire to accomplish the task of freeing the world from the plagues now raging in Europe, but that in men, money, resources, and above all in purpose and ideals the Empire possessed the strength to go on to certain final victory.

In referring to the many evil weapons used by the enemy, Mr. Zeller made special mention of propaganda and defeatism—the work of the Fifth Column, sometimes carried along by good people through thoughtless and unconscious carelessness. He emphasized the fact that every citizen should be loyal, and every loyal citizen should do his utmost, not only to help in the active work of the war effort, but also in the maintaining of the morale that would do so much to assure the final victory. For this part of his address alone, the public owe him a debt of gratitude. It is a point that has been repeatedly stressed in these columns, and that can not be too frequently spoken. It is not only good patriotism. It is common sense and logic. With the united effort of all the peoples of the great Empire, with the tremendous resources of that Empire thrown wholeheartedly into the scale, there is no doubt of victory in the end. This should be kept constantly in mind at every reverse, or apparent reverse. It should be remembered at the times of passing successes. There should be realization of the fact that the Empire has the sure means to win, and to this should be added the will, the determination to win. There must be no slackening of effort in any line. There must be no waiting for the miracle, as it were, yet at the same time no lack of faith in the belief that the real miracle will come. The whole idea is summed up in the words of King George VI on a dark occasion several weeks ago. These words have appeared in every issue of The Advance since the day on which they were uttered by His Majesty. Here they are again. They should be the support and the inspiration of every loyal man until the clouds roll by and the sun shines benignly upon all the far-flung Empire.

"Put into your task, whatever it may be, all the courage and purpose of which you are capable. Keep your hearts proud and your resolve unshaken. Let us go forward to that task as one man, a smile on our lips and our heads held high, and with God's help we shall not fail."

THE CHIEF REASON

A reader of the Advance suggests that instead of calling for a national government in Canada the newspapers and people should get in behind the present party government and help it without question or recrimination in Canada's part in the war. The truth is that practically all the newspapers in Canada—practically all the people of Canada—earnestly desire the opportunity to support the government wholeheartedly and without question or quibble. There is evidence of this in the response of the people to every forward move of the government. The kindly attitude of the whole people to the most burdensome taxation ever imposed by a Canadian government is one very emphatic evidence of this spirit of goodwill and desire to support. The wholehearted approval and praise showered on all the new members of the Cabinet is another case in point. There is every possible proof on every side that the people are anxious to forget party. Hon. Mr. Ralston, Hon. Angus Macdonald and others are not considered as Liberals, by either the Liberals or Conservatives, but simply as able, earnest and outstanding patriots. It is the government, unfortunately, that is insisting on party, at a time when the people are thinking in terms of Canada, the Empire and civilization. Former Liberals are as ready as former Conservatives to recognize the fact that all the talent, all the knowledge, all the experience, all the fervour of patriotism is not confined to any one party. They also see the further fact that this war is not a party conflict but a life and death struggle for Canada, the Empire and freedom. It needs the united effort of all—irrespective of party. The war can not be won by one or other political party. It needs the undivided and united effort of all.

There is another and very vital reason why no attempt should be made to confine government to party during this life and death struggle. The exigencies of war-time make it necessary that the people should resign many, if not all, of their liberties, rights and privileges for the common safety. There is always grave danger in the relinquishment of advantages bought in blood in the years gone by. Free people do not lightly give up these treasures. Least of all do they willingly part with rights and privileges to political parties. Indeed, no party should ask for such sacrifice. It is not a party matter in any possible way. For Canada the war is a national affair—more vital than Confederation even—and that proved too large for any one party. Only a national government—one that forgets party—is big enough for the present day and the wishes of the people of Canada.

LOCALS

Mr. Robert Grvin was a visitor to Sheenboro last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Franklin were recent visitors to relatives and friends at Lake Orono.

Mrs. Clifford Elliott and son were recent visitors at Beachburg and Port Coloungue.

Miss Lola Cotnam, of Demers Centre, near Pembroke, has been visiting in Timmins.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. R. Jones, of London, Ontario were visitors to Timmins last week.

Mrs. A. E. Cain and little son visited Mrs. Cain's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Caldwell, at Halleybury last week.

Messrs George Remigio and Stan Pat of Thorold arrived in town on Friday to visit friends here.

Dr. and Mrs. C. E. Wienke, of Rouyn, were recent visitors to Timmins and district.

Mr. David Morrison and son, David, Jr., of St. Catharines, Ont., were visitors to Timmins last week.

Mrs. T. C. Webster and Miss Ethel R. Webster, of Montreal, were visitors to Timmins last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Dirk and sons, Byron and Bruce, of Larder Lake, visited relatives and friends in Timmins over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. MacElwee have returned from a holiday spent at Niagara Falls, Toronto, and other points south.

Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Holtz left on Sunday by motor to holiday in Southern Ontario and points in the United States.

Five girls of the local C.G.I.T. group left last week for Camp Lorraine, where Mrs. R. Hughes, of Timmins is in charge.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Jones and Mr. and Mrs. K. Belyea, of Fredericton, New Brunswick, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. MacElwee, 37 Laurier avenue.

Master Jack Hassett is visiting his grandmother, Mrs. H. A. Day at Halleybury, having accompanied Mrs. Day last week on her return to Halleybury after a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Harry Hassett, Timmins.

Visiting Messrs Albert and Henry Keneck in town this week are their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Keneck of Thorold, Ontario, and Mr. and Mrs. Edmond Watson (sister) and daughter, Donna, of Niagara Falls, Ontario.

Mrs. M. Hadwin and daughter, Colleen, who have been visiting friends at South Porcupine and Timmins for the past week, left for their home in British Columbia on Saturday. Mrs. Hadwin's daughter, Mrs. Walter Purdy, lives in Timmins.

Chairman for This District for Sale War Savings Stamps

Mr. John Knox Appointed. Geo. W. Lee for North Bay.

Announcement was made on Saturday by the War Savings Committee of the appointment of fourteen district chairmen for Ontario. These include Mr. John Knox, Timmins, for Temiskaming north from New Liskeard and for Cochrane district. Thos. E. Edward is the chairman for Sudbury and Manitoulin Island districts. Mr. Geo. W. Lee, North Bay, is chairman for Parry Sound, Nipissing, and Temiskaming as far as New Liskeard.

The newly-named district chairmen will work under the provincial chairmanship of R. V. Le Sueur, of Toronto. The district will be responsible for organization of local committees in every community to undertake sale of war savings certificates and stamps.

GRAVEL AND SAND—AND PLACER

The other and nearer wars have crowded the invasion of China by the Japanese off the front pages of the newspapers, but there are frequent reminders of the fact that Japan appears further to-day from conquering China than she was two years ago. It is true that much Chinese territory has been laid waste, and that Chinese people—particularly civilians and women and children—have been ruthlessly slain, but the natural inings, and that many temporary ystructures were crease in population in China leaves this effort as utterly unavailing. Japan has lost heavily in men, money and standing, and has no adequate compensations. Recent despatches from the Far East suggest that Russia may give more active support to China in the struggle against the invader. In that event, Japan would appear to face certain defeat. The position may well be summed up in the phrase that Japan cannot win and stands probable chance of losing.

Liberals, Conservatives and other political

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the Matter of the Estate of Agnes Mary Robinson, Deceased, late of Timmins, Ontario, Married Woman.

Notice is hereby given that all creditors and others having claims or demands against the Estate of the above named deceased, who died on or about January 27th, 1939, domiciled in Timmins, Ontario, are required on or before the 31st day of July, 1940, to send by post prepaid, or deliver to the undersigned, full particulars in writing of their claims and the nature of the security, if any, held therefor.

Take Notice that after the 31st day of July, 1940, the undersigned will proceed to distribute the assets of the estate of said deceased according to law, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have notice, and he will not be liable to any person or persons in respect of claims of which he shall not have received notice in accordance herewith.

JOHN ALVIN PLATT
40 Patricia Blvd., Timmins, Ontario, by his solicitor, Al Wetmore, O'Hearn Bldg., Timmins, Ontario. -55-56

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Bomber Presented to Government by I.O.D.E.

The Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire more than reached their objective in their recent campaign for funds to purchase a bomber for presentation to the Canadian government. The formal presentation of the new Bristol Bolingbroke twin-engined bomber, costing \$100,000 was made on Saturday afternoon at the Ottawa air station.

The Earl of Athlone, Governor-General and Princess Alice, honorary national president of the I.O.D.E. attended the ceremony. The presentation of the new bomber which is Canadian built, as well as Canadian bought, for Canadian airmen, was made by Mrs. W. B. Horkins, of Toronto, I.O.D.E. president, accompanied by other officers of the Order.

France Beginning to Feel the Weight of German Heel

According to The Exchange Telegraph of London, England, 17,000 political arrests have been made in France in the last week or two. The removal of the seat of the Petain government is expected to be followed by Germany taking over the whole of France. The Germans are said to be moving everything of value from France, and there is danger of starvation for the French people. It is believed that the feeling against the Petain government is so bitter, that this prompted the change in the seat of government. There is also said to be possibility of some form of revolution by the French people against the traitors who betrayed them to the Nazis. Germany is said to be planning to "restore order" by its usual machine gun plan.

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MISCELLANEOUS

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Two Births Registered During the Past Week-end

Born—on June 12th, 1940, to Mr. and Mrs. Cyril B. Couch of 138½ Main avenue—a son.

Born—on June 24th, 1940, to Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Clifford of 306 Cedar street north—a son.

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Agreement Made Between Great Britain and Eire

According to despatches last week-end from Dublin an amicable arrangement between Britain and Eire has been reached, under which British troops will be given the right to cross Eire's frontier in the event of a raid by any foreign power. In such an event Eire will align herself with Britain without the formality of a declaration of war. No British troops are to move to Eire soil until an invader has already appeared.

NEVER SLEEP

"My wife had a dream last night and thought she was married to a millionaire."
"You're lucky. My wife thinks that in the daytime." Judge.

Glob and Mall— Who could have prophesied that on Bastille day Britain and France would be at war with each other? Or, coming nearer home, who could have imagined a fortnight ago that gasoline would be cheaper instead of dearer?

party people work harmoniously, and without even thought of party, in such affairs as the Red Cross, the Legion War Services, the Salvation Army Red Shield, the selling of War Stamps. Why cannot all parties unite in the even more important matter of Canada's war effort?

The remarkably earnest and effective work of the ladies in co-operating with the theatres in the sale of War Savings Stamps, deserves mention on its own account. In Timmins the quota of stamps apportioned to the theatres here was disposed of, but this was only a part of the real success of the matter. The public in addition received a generous education in the national value of the plan of buying War Savings Stamps, and in addition literally hundreds were started in the plan of collecting these stamps. The campaign here did more than sell some War Savings Stamps. It popularized War Savings Stamps, and the effect of this will be felt as long as the war lasts.

Any Englishman would be forgiven for saying that the Roumanian Carol appears to be Noell.