



PLEASANT HOMES

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SWAMP CYPRESS AND FIBRE FOR WAR-TIME SUMMER FURNITURE

Left-over Stocks of Rattan and Metal Summer Furniture Still Shown in Some Stores but No More Will be Manufactured—Plenty of Cypress, Hickory and Fibre in Inter-esting Porch and Garden Pieces.

Remember the wicker furniture of 1910. Most of it was fibre as a matter of fact, which means paper twisted and processed into a sturdy material. But don't let that throw you off. That old fibre stuff was staunch and sturdy and a lot of it is still doing duty. . . . In Hollywood just recently we saw on the sets for a new movie some of that very old furniture resurrected, painted white and looking very chic indeed.

The Big News

And now that the more modern summer favorite, rattan, is no longer being imported from the far east, manufacturers have turned their thoughts once more towards the possibilities of fibre and have discovered new mass production methods for making it even better than it used to be. And as for the designs — well, you ought to see how really modern it can look. The smartest summer furniture we've seen in the town this spring is of this new fibre. It is not only very serviceable and hard-wearing but it adapts itself to versatile styling and incidentally — or rather not so incidentally right now — it doesn't snag stockings. This fibre line is the big news in summer furniture this year.

The next best innovation is the modern adaption of swamp cypress for summer furniture. This is historically the wood eternal — add its enduring qualities to modern styling, and you really have something. The new driftwood finish, plus a belting self construction, woden wheels and a sophisticated line of cushion coverings make these pieces look very much "in the know."

Adequate Stock

As for the pre-war favorites in summer furniture — rattan and wrought iron — the story isn't so gloomy as maybe the fans expected. Of course no more rattan is coming through. . . . of course no more metal can be spared for such civilian needs. But since manufacturing on such merchandise operates six months to a year ahead of the selling season, and the department store ordering is likewise done way ahead, the arrangements for this year's metal and rattan were made far enough in advance to provide an adequate stock of both types in most stores.

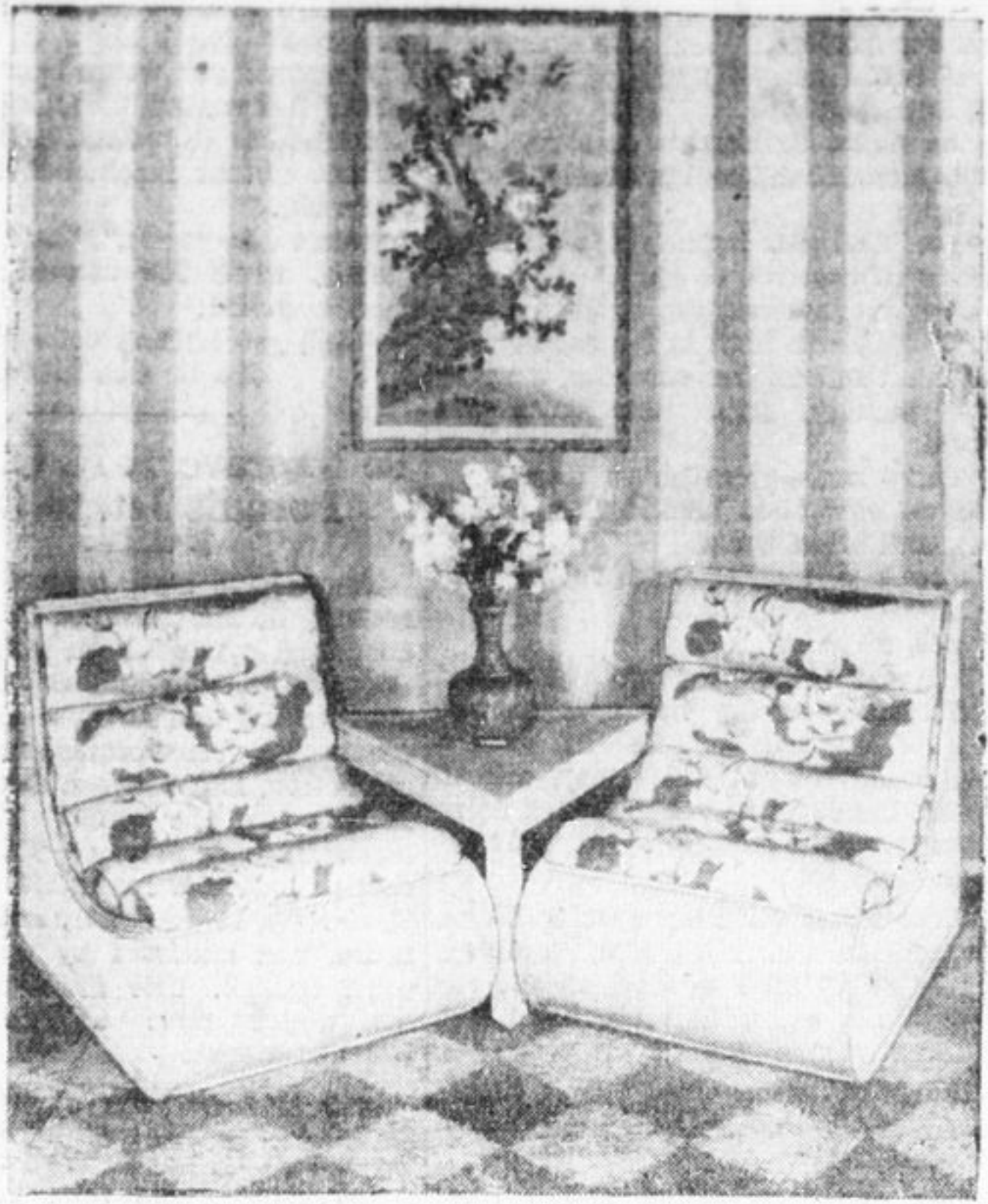
And some stores have plenty of both types due to some fore-sighted planning way last year. You'll see very new-looking pieces in Philippine rattan, which include clever serving tables, serpentine sofas, new fabric cushion designs, smart finishes, a fine variety of umbrellas. In wrought iron, the designs aren't startlingly different, but there's the sort of pieces we all like best in summer furniture. And that looks pretty special in a year like this.

Then there's that perennial favorite — hickory furniture for the porch and garden. It is available in ever so many smartened up styles, along with the ever popular ranch house settees, chairs and tables.

As for details — Morris-chair backs on certain chaise longues on wheels are alluringly comfortable. . . . wooden tables for umbrellas look more equal to the job than metal ever did. . . . ob-scure glass table tops are practical and slick looking. . . . belting backs for gym-suit chairs are smart. Altogether the outlook for a summer at home isn't anything to grouch about. . . . even if it were, we hope you wouldn't!

Outdoor Games

Since civilians will be slaying home in a big way this summer and taking what fun they can find on the front lawn or in the backyard, the stores are expecting a boom-time business in outdoor games. They don't offer any novelties, what with curtailed production, but they have a good selection of the old standbys that guarantee surefire good times. A lawn variety of hi-li has many



Old-time fibre in new-time guise—that's the news this year in summer furniture. These pieces are smart modern versions of a new type of fibre construction developed when shortages of rattan and metal became serious.

followers, and there is a home bowling set that can be put up indoors or out. Many interpretations of ring toss are offered — a provocative one is an aerial version where the rings are caught on swords. One of the best selling games is called kick-it, a complicated affair for those who like a lot of excitement without strenuous activity for those who like a lot of excitement without strenuous activity for you work it with knobs something like the much-discussed slot machine. Tip-pe-canoo is played with jousting sticks and a round platform. Croquet has taken a lot of jibes but it continues to provide plenty of diversion for summer afternoons, so even the most he-man sporting departments carry an assortment of croquet sets — though wickets may be all made of plastic before long. Badminton, tennis and quoits are also regular favorites. Archery is a game of skill that has a loyal following and table shuffle board is another good idea for outdoors.

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Twenty Years Ago

From the Porcupine Advance Files

Timmins Golf Club re-organized for the 1923 season on April 8th, 1923. The annual meeting was largely attended and the following officers were elected: Directors, A. F. Brigham, R. J. Emms, J. W. Fogg, J. P. Tallon, and C. G. Williams. Secretary-treasurer, W. L. Hogarth. Greens committee, V. H. Emery, J. W. Wray, Geo. Lake. House Committee, J. E. Sullivan, H. M. Stevens, G. H. F. Adams. The membership was limited to 125 men and 75 ladies. The fees were \$20.00 for men and \$10.00 for women. D. Mackie was selected as captain, and J. H. Bacon as vice-captain. It was decided to engage a professional for the season.

There was an interesting event at the public school on Friday afternoon, April 20th, 1923, when formal presentation was made to the pupils of the prizes in the I.O.D.E. essay contest.

Buffalo-Ankerite Ore Good at Depth Says Annual Report

After the completion of shaft sinking to the 3,450-ft. level development on the 3,100 and 3,250-ft. levels at the Buffalo Ankerite mine opened up better than average grade ore. Manager R. Philip Kinkel says in the company's annual report, issued last week. No development work has been started on any of the other levels, he states. The development work is in close proximity to the shaft and although work has not progressed sufficiently to show the extent of the orebodies it is indicated that there is considerable tonnage in this area. Diamond drilling from the level stations is giving encouraging results as to the possibilities of orebodies between the 2,500 and 3,450 levels. The grade of ore in the south has shown improvement and a considerable amount of tonnage is being obtained in this area. The manager's report confirms The Northern Miner's stories of January 7th and February 25th.

Because of the labor shortage the tonnage of ore treated decreased by 20.11% last year, and bullion recovery was down 11.47%, despite a rise in average recovery from \$6.15 to \$6.62 per ton. At the close of the period under review the mill was handling 840 tons daily against an average of 932 tons in 1942 and capacity of 1,350 tons.

Earnings for the year after providing for current development and exploration costs, depreciation and taxes, etc., amounted to \$231,075 or 32.9c per share, as compared with \$317,802 or 45.3c per share in the preceding 12 months. The company follows a policy of writing off

separately all major development work, such as shaft sinking, ore and waste passes, main cross-cuts, etc., the expense of which might ordinarily be capitalized and charged against several years' operations. Cost of this nature amounted to \$202,967 last year and \$135,351 two years ago and after deducting these charges the balances in profit and loss account carried to surplus were \$28,639 and \$182,451 respectively.

Positive and broken ore reserves declined by \$1,473,571 during 1942, as most of the major development work consisted of deepening the No. 5 shaft and development work from the lower levels at the year end had not progressed sufficiently to define much positive ore there. Except for 15,636 tons valued at \$135,273 or \$6.85 no ore below the 2,000-ft. level is included in the estimate.

Net working capital was more than doubled, at \$548,505, as against \$266,453, the balance sheet discloses. No dividends were paid during 1942, but a declaration of five cents per share has been made this year, payable April 6th. No definite plan as to the payment of future dividends can be made under existing conditions, President E. G. Kinkel states, but if net earnings during 1943 continue as during the preceding four months dividends of not less than five cents a quarter can be paid. The total amount of depreciation written off during 1942 was \$334,786. It is planned to continue the write-off during 1943 at approximately the same amount. This procedure should naturally increase the company's working capital by the end of the year.

Easter Talk Given at the Meeting of Home League

The weekly meeting of the Home League was conducted on Thursday afternoon at the Salvation Army hall. The meeting opened with a prayer led by Mrs. Kempers, and the Lord's prayer repeated in unison.

Mrs. Stevens read the Easter Bible reading, and Mrs. Dean gave an interesting talk on "Easter Customs". The afternoon was spent by the members working on the quilt for the Bomb Victim's, and knitting for the armed services.

Lunch was served at the end of the afternoon by Mrs. Mahaffy and Mrs. Dean.

Mrs. Pope closed the meeting with prayer. The next meeting will be held this afternoon (Thursday) at the Salvation Army hall.

Blairmore Enterprise:—Folks who say politicians are "cheap" aren't taxpayers.

Annual Children's Party of Porcupine Skating Club

Afternoon Spent in Various Amusements, Followed by Luncheon.

It was a very happy group of children who gathered at the McIntyre Arena on Saturday afternoon, to attend the annual children's party of the Junior Section of the Porcupine Skating Club. There were around 150 present, and the afternoon was spent in various forms of amusement.

Races were held and the winners later received nice prizes for their efforts. Arlene Cameron came first in Group 3, take-off and jump, with Kathleen Hill second. Jacqueline Byers and Gordon Paul won the thread the needle race. This was one of speed and skill and the winners were loudly cheered as they flashed around the rink.

2nd group — thread the needle, Mose Greer and Marge Wharton. Spiral, group 4. 1. Joyce Elliott, 2. Diane Lloyd. Race group 5. 1. Nancy Gibson, 2. Connie Hoff. Race group 6. 1. Rena Skalera, 2. Lena Green.

Dancing was another feature, the youngsters two-stepping, waltzing and also giving a good account of themselves in the ten-step.

Three of the talented young skaters gave solo efforts, Miss Dorothy Devine performed first with a very difficult and graceful performance. Skating to a march tempo her spins and jumps were timed and well executed. This was a good effort and showed the talent of teacher and pupil.

Miss Arlene Cameron, a charming

little girl, also skated her solo to a march tempo. This was another perfect performance. "Arlene" drew applause with well timed and graceful jumps and spins, and her performance was one of the talented items on the programme.

Miss Kathleen Hill, another young star, skated to a Waltz melody. Her rhythm was pretty to watch and as in the previous soloists, the jumps and spins were very gracefully performed. She received the plaudits of the pupils and the interested audience present.

All the above soloists are pupils of Miss Madge Austin, instructor of the club, and by the happy smile on her face she was also highly pleased with their progress at the skating art.

After the "Grand March" all adjourned to the auditorium where a delightful lunch was all ready — sandwiches, cake, pop and ice cream. The youngsters did more than justice to the spread.

W. O. Lafontaine then announced the winner for the year of the Reburn Trophy. This was awarded to Master Jimmie Fraser, for his fine advancement and progress during the past season. Jimmie Fraser took his 1st figures test with very high marks.

Shirley Moran was a close second. Prizes for the afternoon events were presented and the happy afternoon came to a close. Many of the children will be attending the summer skating school; others will hang up their skates till next season. The McIntyre Mine Co. is to be highly commended for this great effort on behalf of the children of the district. Miss Madge Austin also deserves the highest of praise for her untiring work and the talent of her teaching as displayed in the steady advancement of the 200 odd children of the Porcupine Skating Club.

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Cypress in a driftwood finish is used to make attractive summer furniture. The chairs shown here have rope laced backs, and the umbrella table has a great sturdiness for the purpose.

Mrs. J. A. McInnis presided at the presentation. The prizes were all handsome and valuable volumes of biographies and similar works and classical books of other kinds. The list of prize winners was given in this column last week. Brief addresses were also made by M. B. Scott, chairman of the public school board, and G. A. Macdonald, one of the judges. Both speakers expressed appreciation to the Daughters of the Empire for inaugurating these helpful high standards of literary excellence competitions and congratulated the pupils and the teachers alike on the attained.

Baseball was organized in Timmins twenty years ago, with W. L. Hogarth elected president and Jas. Scully secretary-treasurer. Jack Marshall was elected representative to the N.O.B.A. meeting. All the officers were elected by acclamation. On the question of affiliation with the O.B.A.A., the matter was left to the judgment of the representative to the N.O.B.A.

A tennis club was organized twenty years ago at Connaught, Mr. Sharpe being the president and Jim Reed the secretary-treasurer. Dr. Day was the vice-president. They planned to build two tennis courts at Connaught.

The Advance twenty years ago had the following:—"The grand euchre given on Thursday last in the Parish hall by the Ladies of Charity to observe the third anniversary of the society proved a big success as all expected. There were sixty-four tables of cards, but even that number was not enough to accommodate the big crowd attending. The musical programme in charge of Mr. J. B. Pare delighted all, and the whole event was an enjoyable one. The mayor, Dr. J. A. McInnis, was among the many present and was called upon to make a speech, his address being one of the special feature of the evening. The Ladies of Charity have asked The Advance to thank all who so kindly assisted in so many ways in making the event so pleasing a success, and on the other hand all attending the event would wish sincerely to thank the ladies for so attractive and enjoyable an event."

The following report of the wedding of a popular Timmins couple was given in The Advance of April 25th, 1923:—"At 8 o'clock Tuesday morning of this week a pretty wedding took place at the R. C. Church Rev. Fr. Theriault officiating, when Miss Dora Belle Laporte, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Laporte and Mr. Albert Bedard, of Timmins, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony. The church was beautiful for the occasion with flowers and with the aisle richly carpeted to the door. The bride's sister, Miss Corriane, was bridesmaid, and Mr. P. Laporte was the groomsmen. Mr. Fred Jolicoeur acted for the groom's father, and Mr. Geo. Laporte, father of the bride, was sponsor for his daughter. Bride and bridesmaid looked charming in their gowns of blue. Dinner was served at the home of the bride's parents, Pine street, and in the evening there was a reception held there, attended and enjoyed by a large circle of friends. Mr. and Mrs. Bedard will reside in Timmins and their many friends here will extend to them the most sincere good wishes."

The annual statement of Dome Mines published in The Advance twenty years ago showed a very satisfactory year with profits of \$1,677,369.00. The dividends for the year ending March 31st, 1923, totalled nearly a million dollars.

Timmins town council twenty years ago formally appointed a high school board preparatory to the establishment of a high school in Timmins. The board named was:— D. Ostrosser and J. P. Tallon, for three years; H. Charlebois and V. H. Emery, for two years; A. R. Harkness and W. Rinn, for one year. This was the last step necessary to secure the approval of the Dept. of