

Noranda Strike Story Told By Union Official

"Noranda miners are now getting 3c an hour more than Porcupine miners as a result of their strike, and I feel that the 3c gain can be yours if you show the proper determination and support to your union," Mr. T. F. McGuire, co-ordinator of district No. 8, United Mine and Smelter Workers, who was in charge of the Noranda strike said when he concluded his address at the opening meeting held in Empire Theatre Sunday night after telling the story of the strike.

Mr. McGuire said that the union in Noranda became certified several years ago. At the first meeting held several years ago management officials told them at the conference table that the only reason they were sitting down with the union was because the law said they had to, otherwise they couldn't see where the union was going to do anybody any good.

"The yoke of fear which the Noranda mine held over their miners was thrown off. We gained 3c an hour over previous offer, and 3c an hour on retroactive pay."

In conclusion Mr. McGuire said that he was pleased that some mine officials in the Porcupine had the courtesy to call in union officials and notify them of the 10c an hour increase, which was an indirect result of the Noranda strike, he said.

"If the mines had wanted to give you an increase why didn't they do it when the price of gold was \$3.50 an oz more than it is now!"

"Don't blame the mine managers for your rates of pay or conditions, he said. "They are paid to run the mine efficiently, policy and rates of pay are decided by the directors on Bay Street, Toronto."

After several months of negotiating the reconciliation Board brought in a report which the union accepted even though it was far from satisfactory.

"We were in a strong position to

I.O.D.E. Committees Appointed for 1947

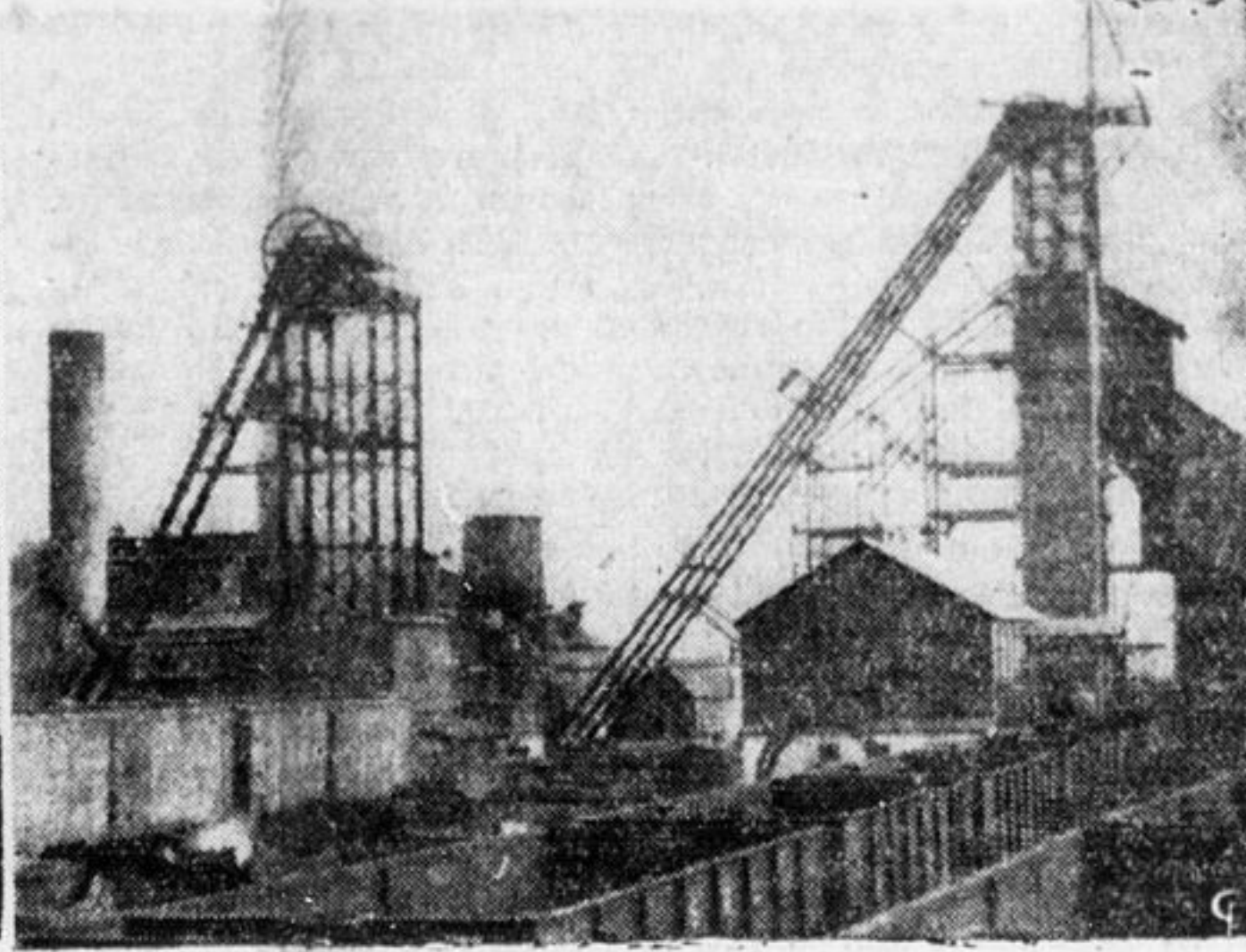
Miss Ellen Terry, regent of the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire presided at a special meeting held at her home, Friday evening.

Conveners of the various committees were appointed for the year and these include, post war work convener, Mrs. A. Booker, assisted by Mrs. R. Taylor and Mrs. W. Menear, hospital convener, Mrs. Ed Robinson assisted by Mrs. Art Moran, Mrs. A. F. Carrier, Mrs. Harry Leng, Mrs. J. Brady, Mrs. J. Dalton Sr., Mrs. J. E. Bamnig, Mrs. W. Menear and Mrs. R. Anderson; membership and introduction Mrs. R. Anderson, Mrs. J. Keene, Mrs. J. A. McInnis, Mrs. J. P. Bartleman, Mrs. T. Warnock; convener of sick and visiting, Mrs. C. Pozzetti assisted by Mrs. R. Anderson, Entertainment Mrs. J. Theriault, Mrs. J. Huxley, Mrs. H. Darling, Mrs. I. K. Pierce, Mrs. A. E. P. Day, Mrs. C. Pozzetti, Mrs. L. F. Dickson; child and family welfare, Mrs. Sid Wheeler, Mrs. Harry Lloyd, Mrs. T. Warnock, Mrs. Mamie Shaheen, Mrs. Louis Halperin, Mrs. A. Moran, Mrs. Ramberg, Education secretary for the adopted school at Redstone Mrs. T. Warnock; Empire study, Mrs. W. Mackie, Mrs. J. Booker, Mrs. T. Warnock, Mrs. C. Chase; publicity and advertising Mrs. Mackie assisted by Mrs. C. Chase, Mrs. J. Weinstein, Mrs. R. Taylor and Mrs. J. McChesney, home-makers, Mrs. J. O'Sullivan and Mrs. Robert Allen, I.O.D.E. Representative to the Guide Association Mrs. T. Warnock; soliciting committee Mrs. R. Taylor, Mrs. K. Ramberg, Mrs. Ed Robinson, Mrs. A. Tomkinson, Mrs. J. Doyle and Mrs. J. Brady, Miss Terry was especially pleased at the large number of members who turned out and plans were formulated for a successful year.

13 000 MINERS IN MARITIMES GO ON STRIKE



The first general strike to hit the coal mines of the maritime provinces since 1925 went into effect when a last minute Ottawa conference to avert a walkout ended in a complete stalemate and 13,000 miners laid down their pit lamps. The conference, called to head off a paralyzing mine tie-up, broke down on the question of making wage increases depend on stepped-up production. Meanwhile Canada's coal production begins to dwindle as mines, such as the one shown at the RIGHT, remain idle. Representatives of the Dominion Steel and



Coal Corp. and officials of the maritime district local of the United Mine Workers conferred with Labor Minister Humphrey Mitchell and his officials to reach some agreement. The company is basing its case on inability to pay the increased demands of the union and has received support from Commissioner W. F. Carroll in its demand for temporary government assistance. Freeman Jenkins, president of U.M.W., District No. 26, LEFT, has announced there would be no extension of the contract between the company and employees which expired Jan. 31.

Youth Needs Idealism And Leadership Y Seems Solution Clubs Informed

Nurses Pay Increase \$5 to \$6 Day, March 1

At the last meeting held on February 11th, 1947, the Porcupine Chapter of the Registered Nurses' Association of Ontario endorsed the recommendation of the Private Duty section to increase the fee for eight hour private duty service from \$5.00 to \$6.00 exclusive of meals.

This adjustment was endorsed 100% by the Association for the following reasons:

1. Advance in general cost of living 25.8% at November 1, 1946.
2. 100% increase in cost of uniforms.
3. There has been no advancement of the fee since 1942 and an adjustment of \$1.00 is still below advances given to workers at government direction.
4. The private duty fee of \$6.00 to \$7.00 is already in effect in most of the centres in the Province of Ontario.

This letter is to advise the general public through the courtesy of the press of this change which is to be put into effect commencing March 1, 1947. We take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and co-operation and suggest that when employing nurses you make a special request for those who are active members of their profession.

Mayor J. E. Brunette Endorses 'Y' Campn.

The following is a text of the address given by Mayor J. E. Brunette on the YMCA campaign.

"It is with a great deal of pleasure that I speak to you today on behalf of the Porcupine YMCA fund-raising campaign, which commenced today and continues until March 1st, 1947.

As you possibly know a group of 22 business and professional men in the community have organized a Board of Directors for a Y.M.C.A. for the Porcupine District.

I, as a Mayor of a Porcupine community, endorse wholeheartedly their ambition that there be created an organization such as a Y.M.C.A. for which I sincerely believe there is a need within our Community and surrounding district.

Their first objective is to bring in a trained full-time General Secretary to organize Community Y work, using available facilities. Such a program, based on developing real leadership among the boys and girls themselves has proven highly successful in many communities with youth problems. The local Board of Directors and the General Secretary will be able to call on the experience and knowledge that the YMCA has accumulated over a period of 102 years in 68 countries. This will be of great value in assuring the community of successful programs and instruction over a wide range of topics in the athletic and educational field.

During the 10-day campaign it is hoped that a total of \$30,000 will be collected, which will ensure sufficient funds for two or three years to establish, as has been done in other

Judge R. S. Hosking, general secretary of the YMCA for Canada, in his opening remarks to the members of the service clubs of the Porcupine at the Campaign Dinner at the McIntyre Monday night, said the turnout was a tribute to the businessmen of the district who would take time to come out and busy themselves in the welfare of youth. Mr. P. T. Moisey, chairman of the Campaign Committee, acted as chairman.

At the head table were members of the Y committee, presidents of the service clubs, representatives from Timmins, Tisdale and Whitney Townships, and managers of two of the district mines.

Judge Hosking said he was always certain of a sympathetic hearing when speaking of youth to service clubs. And, at present all across Canada youth was in the spotlight, a result of the war. The emphasis in the war had been on youth, and their health, physical fitness and education had been of primary importance in building up armed forces that Canada could well be proud of. Many communities wanted to build community centres as a war memorial to the youth that had died in the great struggle.

"Our office has been besieged with questions from across the Dominion," the general secretary said, "communities wondering how they can get a Y in their town. And it is a tragedy of Canadian life that there is no central national office where a community can get plans, programs and advice for such community centers. The Y National Council have had their hands full with their own work but they still made an attempt to answer and give advice to all the questions."

"There has been Gallup Poll and other questionnaires taken asking if people think this generation is going to pieces," the Judge continued. "I answer that this generation transcends my generation, that this is one of the finest generations of Canadians that ever lived."

"I was in England just after the Battle of Britain when a small, outnumbered force of Spitfires and Hurricanes had fought off German planes which outnumbered them many times. That force was composed of many Canadian boys, lads just fresh out of school, with insufficient training, many of whom, their ammunition exhausted, had crashed into German Messerschmidt's to bring them down."

"Many of those boys were part of what we call our depression generation. Lads who had roamed across the country looking for work, riding the rods, sleeping in haystacks and barns. And the democracy which couldn't provide jobs for these lads in time of crisis called upon them to save democracy. These boys became the cornerstone of the Battle of Britain."

"Now people are resolved that we must do better for our youth than we did before the war, that we must enable them to lead full, adequate lives! War burns out idealism, liberalism, burns out the good citizen in many; and there are mental wounds caused by war that causes more trouble and are harder to detect than physical wounds take much longer to heal than body wounds; and, if we're not careful, depression of the spirit and lowering of morale sets in."

"To the victor belongs the spoils has long been a myth. However, to the victor does belong the responsibility to see that the future is secure."

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Inquest Finds Truck Driver And Owners Negligent In Death Of Kirkland Lake Man

At the inquest held yesterday afternoon into the death of Reginald Boisvert of Kirkland Lake, driver of a car returning home early February 15 from a hockey game at the McIntyre Arena when he crashed into the rear of a parked timber truck near Hoyle the jury found the truck driver negligent of parking without sufficient lighting and the Feldman Timber Company negligent in allowing a truck to be operated without proper lighting equipment. The jury's findings follow:

"We, your jury set to enquire as to how, where and by what means Reginald Boisvert came to his death, find that Reginald Boisvert died in Porcupine General Hospital, S. Porcupine on Feb. 17th from injuries received on Feb. 15th in collision between the motor car he was driving and a truck parked on the right hand of road facing east at a point on the provincial highway, approximately thirty feet east of the boundary between Whitney Township and Hoyle Township in the District of Cochrane.

"We also find there was negligence on the part of the driver of the truck for having left the truck parked on the said highway without sufficient lighting protection.

"We also find that the owner of the trucks were negligent in allowing trucks to be operated without proper lighting equipment and for not providing flares or other emergency lighting equipment."

The above verdict was returned at the enquiry into the victim of a car accident on Wednesday afternoon, by Mr. F. E. Cooper, foreman of a jury composed of Messrs. Czubalski, Ewing, Seton-Adams and Cliff Miles. The enquiry was conducted by Coroner H. E. Montgomery.

Witnesses driving in the car with deceased — Mr. and Mrs. Bauldry and Miss Bernice Jones, and Mr. Lawrie — all testified to the fact that care was taken by the driver of the car which was going back to Kirkland Lake after a hockey match at the McIntyre Aren. He saw, they said, that something was going to happen when the parked truck obscured the vision of another approaching truck, which, (all testified) had only one light, the parked car showing none. Boisvert pulled up sharply, skidded, ran into the parked truck and all suffered injuries, his own proving fatal.

Romeo Cloutier, who was driving the truck, told his story. The parked truck had broken down earlier in the day and he had left it, later returning to tow it back to town. He was delayed, and it was 1.30 a.m. before he could get back to the truck with another.

As he was preparing to tow the parked truck he saw the lights of the approaching car. He ran ahead and waved, but was unable to warn the car in time.

Curling Notes

Finals for four of the events of the 12th Annual Porcupine Bospital will be played at the McIntyre Arena Saturday, March 1st. The grand aggregate for the Timmins Curling Club Trophy will be played on Sunday.

To date 20 rinks are left in the running for the Marshall Ecclestone Trophy and 19 still in the Geo. Taylor Trophy competition. The Dome Curling Trophy competition will start Thursday and play for the G. R. White Trophy on Friday.

POLICE COURT

Marcel Timm, 152 Commercial Avenue and Roland Brouillard, Naybob Road, charged with breaking and entering the Palace Theatre Feb. 10 with the intent to steal were committed for trial at a higher court by Magistrate Atkinson. Charges involving Timm and Brouillard in the Cartier Theatre's \$700 safe-cracking Feb. 3 were dismissed.

New Production Engineering Dept. at Hollinger

Announcement has been made at Hollinger Mines of the formation of a new department, Production Engineering, in the Hollinger organization. It is a research department which will provide an engineering service for all production departments in the same way that the Stores Department renders the service of providing supplies for all departments.

The new department will work under the direction of and report to its general superintendent of Hollinger, Mr. James Dougherty. It is available to all departments for the study and analysis of special problems of operation.

Mr. M. E. Williams, formerly Mill Superintendent at Hollinger, is superintendent of the newly formed department, and Mr. E. A. Perry, formerly Assistant Mine Captain, is the assistant superintendent. There are two divisions within the department, Mr. D. W. Bent, formerly mine shift boss, is foreman of the Standards division. Mr. J. W. Thomson, formerly mine shift boss, is foreman of the Research division.

Establishing such a department has been under consideration for some time, as it is felt that there have been many problems confronting both the management and the employees for which superintendence has not had the time necessary for detailed study.

It is the conviction of management that the efforts of the new department will materially assist with a problem that is the concern of all employees of Hollinger and of all members of this community. To continue the greatest volume of production and the greatest volume of employment.

Questions and Answers On Proposed Porcupine Y Work

After the address on Y work by Judge R. S. Hosking at the Campaign Dinner in the McIntyre on Monday the meeting was thrown open for questions. The following are some of the questions and answers:

(Q) "Will the recreational director of the Community Activities Committee conflict with the Y secretary?"

(A) There are community recreational directors and Y secretaries at work in many communities. Both work together. The Y emphasizes smaller group work more than the mass work of its contemporary. One is a public agency under the direction of a municipal committee; the other (Y) is a private agency under a local board of directors.

Mr. Wendell Brewer, president of the C.A.C. said that the Dept. of Education regulations stated that the C.A.C. must expose its activities to the adults as well as to the youth of the community. He explained that there was no set-up in the district for the leadership training which he will give, going on to mention that he and others in Timmins had benefited by the Y leadership course given in Cobalt by Sandy Hall. "I fail to see any duplication of effort between the two groups, and if there is it doesn't matter very much as long as both are

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Spring Fashion Parade Attracts Record Crowd

That breath of Spring you smelled yesterday afternoon at McIntyre Gymnasium carried a promise of gaiety, a touch of romance and an entirely new look. To prove it, a parade of Spring fashions that would have done justice to the runways of Gay Paree was shown. The stores responsible for the hit parade were Shaheen's Ladies Wear, The Olive Thomson Shop, Helen's Style Shoppe, Kozza's Ladies Wear, Smart Set Dress Shop and the Beaver Fur and Ladies Wear and the highly successful affair was sponsored by the Kinettes.

Pleats, longer jackets and skirts and long moulded body lines will be the fad in months to come, it seems, and for an added touch, that close figure-conscious look.

Fashion has decreed fishtails, flared peplums and back pleats in suits. Some also feature the swallow-tail dip at the back which is really new. Collars and lapels are back too, drapes, bustles, side and back, are more popular than ever.

Though you may not see it on the boardwalk; a new type of lounging pyjama was shown. It was truly different, styled as it was with a full skirt look.

Something really different for the Spring bride and her attendants are beautiful gowns of brocaded faile.

A dream was the bridal gown modeled by Nadine Smith and the attendants frock one in blue the other in pink were among the loveliest we have ever seen.

Bright flower hats that look as if they might have been plucked from a flower garden and which are the Springtime dream of every woman were shown, some were small, some a shade larger, but all really looked like hats.

The evening gowns, the afternoon frocks and sports cloths breathed everything in the way of glamor and more glamor.

Furs styled with all the elegance of pre-war glamor were also shown. The coats, capes, stoles and the beautiful white ermine evening wrap were shown through the courtesy of the Beaver Fur and Ladies Wear.

The jewellery which was an overture to compliments was from the superb collection of Louis Halperin.

The decorative scheme was a lovely one, the backdrop of the main ramp was done in pastel green on which a large trellis in the shape of a heart had been erected and festooned therein were a mass of rambler roses, huge sheafs of roses in soft yellow tones and bluish pink shading into the deeper red ones were festooned on the huge pillars.

In charge of the very attractive decorations were Mrs. Os Carter assisted by Mrs. Sam Mitchell, Mrs. B. Robinson and Mrs. Len Lumb. Mrs. R. E. Sturgeon, president of the Kinettes welcomed the guests and Mrs. Robert Stock was commentator and filled the role very beautifully and capably.

During intermission Mrs. W. Dunn rendered two lovely solos "When Song Is Sweet" and "Passing By" she was accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Wilkins noted local musician. Mrs. Wilkins supplied all the music for the afternoon affair.

Those modelling included Miss Nadine Smith, Miss Shirley Ramberg, Miss Helen Channen, Mrs. G. Powell, Miss Elsie McFadden, Miss Mary Blake, Mrs. Bill Harrison, Miss Jackie Brazeau, Mrs. B. Taylor, Mrs. D. Ogilvie, Mrs. J. Purdie, Mrs. Bob Harvey, Mrs. I. Robertson, Mrs. G. Elies, Miss Anne Cochrane, Miss Fleurette Momy, Mrs. J. D. Hope, Mrs. Orville Kenzie, Miss Vivian Pierce, Mrs. Henry Kelneck, Mrs. A. Barker, Miss Winnie Pexton, Miss Joyce Gonzales, Mrs. Ron Moyle, Miss Marcella Keelery, Miss Agnes Evans, Miss Jeanne Morin, Miss Lesque and Miss Doreen Whittam.

Modelling junior dresses were Pauline McCoal and Salle Anne Kearns. Coats were modelled by little Suzanne Chenier and Beverley Gardine. Winners of the lovely prizes donated by the merchants sponsoring the fashion parade were Miss H. Harrison who won a Spencer hat donated by Kozza's Ladies Wear, Mrs. P. Keast was the winner of any hat in the Smart Set Dress Shop. The ten dollar bill donated by the Beaver Fur and Ladies Wear was won by Mrs. A. MacLennan. A smart purse donated by Shaheen's Ladies Wear was won by Mrs. G. H. Morgau. The \$10 worth of merchandise donated by Olive Thomson Shop went to Mrs. Paver and Mrs. D. R. McKenzie was winner of the \$10 worth of merchandise offered by Helen's Style Shoppe.

After the showing of Spring fashions afternoon tea was served. The main dining tables presented an inviting and cheery aspect with lace cloths, centred with a low bowl of red tulips and fern and tall lighted candles in silver candelabra. On the tea committee were Mrs. Smith, Mrs. H. Scanlon, Mrs. J. Laurie, Mrs. W. Wallace, Mrs. W. Hartman, Mrs. C. Lappam and Mrs. D. Maplebeck.

Timmins Arena Completely Destroyed By Fire Feb. 23

Fire completely destroyed the timber-try Timmins Arena in less than an hour after it was discovered about 11 o'clock last Sunday morning. Two local broomball teams playing on the ice escaped without injury. The loss was estimated at \$50,000. Five youngsters are being charged after an investigation by local police.

The fire started in one of the dressing rooms in which the boys were believed to have been playing with matches, but before the fire department arrived the building was a roaring mass of flames.

Sparks caused immediate danger to houses along Second Avenue and the house at the corner of Birch and Second was severely scorched when (of that time) for the ice skaters and moccasin dances.

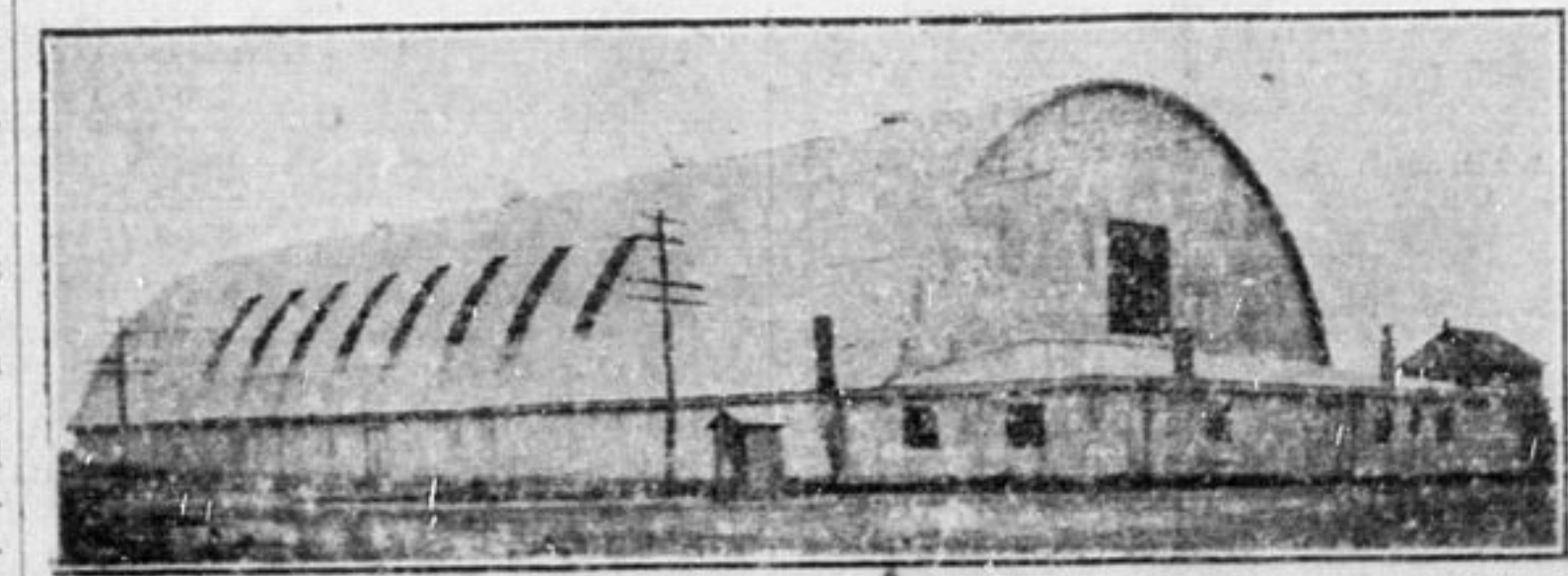
Old-timers will remember the old hockey battles around 1919-20 when the old Arena was packed to the roof when Timmins battled their way into the Allan Cup Playdowns against New Liskeard and Sault Ste. Marie.

From there into the early twenties hockey fever rode high in Timmins attracting scouts from the National League that resulted in old time greats like Duke McCurry, Jess Spring, Roy Waters, Porky Levine and Frank Maguire stepping up into hockey's highest circles. Many old hockey fans who have seen many a hockey player come and go still argue heatedly that those were the best hockey teams that ever batted the rubber around the ice surface of the Arena, and swear that the fastest forward line that ever played in the north country was the old Timmins line of Frank Maguire, Don Campbell and Joe Brennan.

The Arena, built in 1914 at an estimated \$50,000 by the Hollinger Consolidated Mines, was purchased by its present owner, John Carnovale, 30 Sixth Avenue, in 1932.

While once the scene of many hockey play-offs, boxing, bazaars, carnivals, moccasin dances and other main events of the district the Arena had lost the main sports after the McIntyre Arena was opened in 1938. For the past number of years it was being used by midget and mercantile hockey teams, and broomball teams.

It was a proud day for Timmins when the fine new Arena was completed in 1914, and it was two proud hockey teams that skated out on the new ice surface New Year's night, 1915, to play the first game of hockey in the Arena, a feature game between



TIMMINS ARENA 1914-1947

Plans Formed For New Modern Sports Arena

Plans for a modern sports arena in Timmins got under way Tuesday night when a special meeting was held in the Municipal building and passed the following resolution:

"That the Timmins Community Activities Committee acknowledge its responsibility towards providing a community centre for the town of Timmins and that immediate action be taken to secure funds to acquire suitable property to begin the construction of a modern skating and hockey

Dressing room committee was composed of Mrs. E. B. Reed and Mrs. J. Sullivan.

Special thanks was extended the various committees by Mrs. R. E. Sturgeon and especially to the following: Father Morin of St. Anthony's Cathedral for the use of the carpet, to Bruce Leek for the flowers, to the Schumacher High School for chairs, to Mr. Crosby and his committee for greatly assisting in arranging the hall, to the models, to Louis Halperin and to Kay Curry.

rink as the initial step in providing such a community centre."

A special ways and means committee was appointed to bring in the detailed report on cost, financing and a possible site.

Members of the committee are: W. J. Marks, chairman; councillor J.E. H. Chateauvert, Wendall Brewer, Jack Downey and Bim Sturgeon. By last night the committee had four probable sites under consideration and arrangements for a finance committee setup were expected to be completed today.

The proposed structure is intended to serve at least 10 major groups in addition to ice facilities for hockey and skating and will seat about 3000 people. Portable flooring and ice equipment will permit quick changes for various sports such as Music Festivals, flower shows, community concerts and dancing engagements by name bands.

Floor facilities would also accommodate softball, basketball, badminton, tennis, roller skating and other activities.