

### RAILROADS NEEDED IN NORTH COUNTRY

#### Development of Mining Resources Dependent Upon Their Construction.

A large deputation, representing the business men of Northern Ontario, waited on Hon. Harry Mills, and Hon. Beniah Bowman with the request that the T. & N. O. Railway be extended from Swastika to West Tree. It was stated that the extension would cost approximately \$2,000,000, but the results that would follow would more than justify the expenditure. On the whole, the deputation's request was favorably received, but no definite assurances were made to them that the work would be proceeded with.

M. Lang, M.L.A., who introduced the deputation, said it was composed of the most representative men in all lines of business in the north country.

The proposed extension, he said, would be revenue producing, it would not be a source of expense to the province, and would open up a valuable country.

Frank C. Loring, a mining engineer, spoke with particular reference to the possibilities of the north country. There was, he said, just as great possibilities up there of discovering future Hollingers as there ever was. The proposed extension was urgently needed if future development was to take place. All along the route there were indications of immense mineral wealth.

**Pioneer in the Country.**  
W. C. Young, a pioneer prospector, said the outside capital was essential to the development of a mining country. But if there were no transportation facilities, they refused to become interested. Dividends could be paid if the extension were made. Besides the real mineralized lands there were valuable timber areas.

A. J. Young, North Bay, spoke particularly for the Gowganda district. He did not approve the idea of building a narrow gauge line.

H. B. Clarke, K.C., Toronto, and T. L. O'Grady, president of the Suburban board of trade, said his town would back the project to the utmost.

Hon. G. Howard Ferguson, said never was the mining industry in need of such assistance as at present. New Ontario in a very few years would be as important commercially and otherwise as old Ontario and anything that meant for the development of the district would have his support, both in and out of the legislature.

L. A. Lillico of Swastika said there were very few prospectors in the bush because of the lack of transportation. Controller Hilt thought there was no doubt as to the advisability of building the extension. It was only a question of financial ability.

**Toronto for Extension.**  
W. H. Alderson, president of Toronto board of trade, and Hugh Blain, W. A. Crockett, M.L.A., also favored the project.

Hon. Beniah Bowman agreed that a standard rather than a narrow gauge line was desirable. The country certainly needed railways and he would do all in his power to support the project.

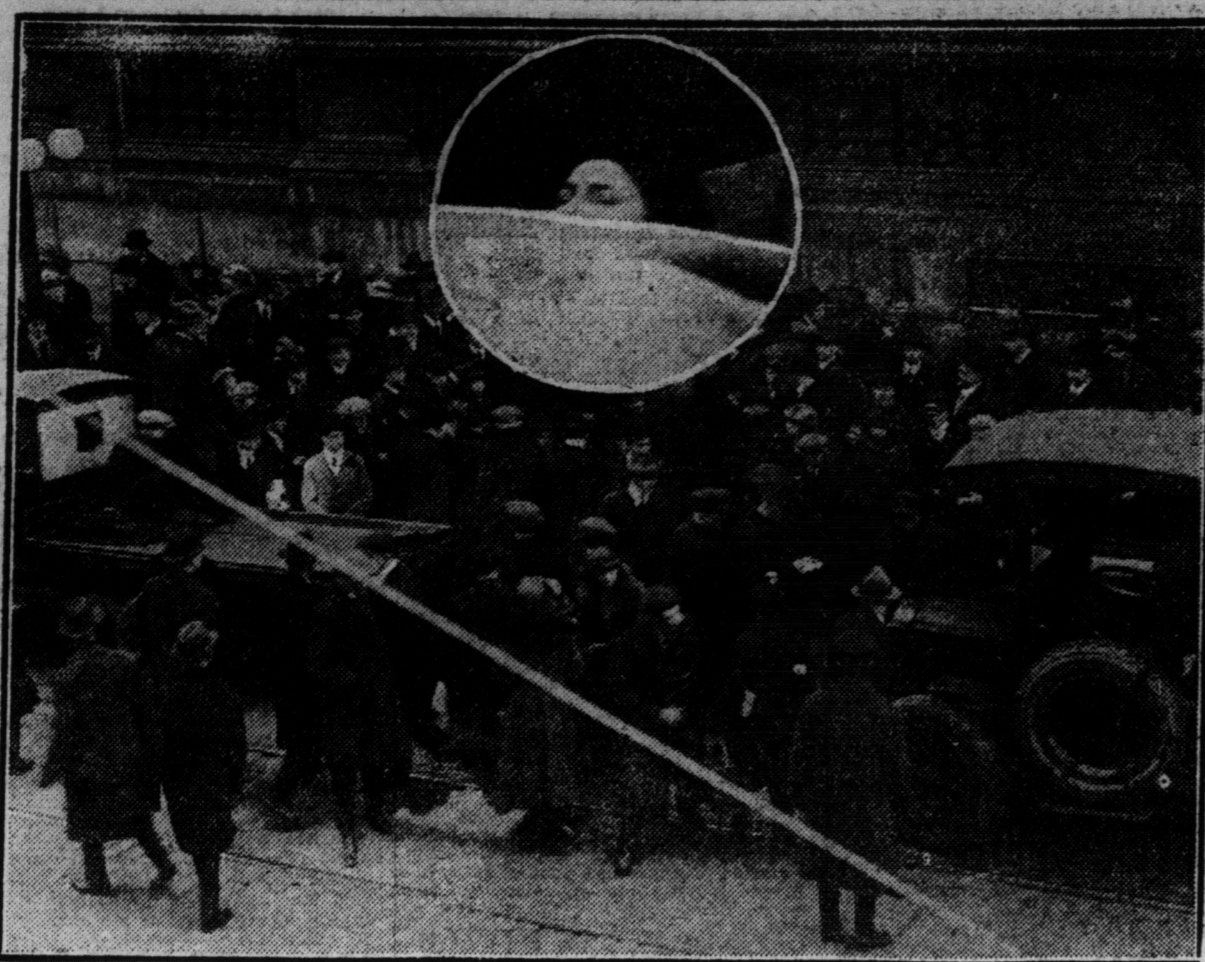
Hon. Harry Mills said that Premier D'Urby had taken the matter up with the T. & N. O. commission. However, he wanted to be assured by the present deputation that they favored a standard gauge. He admitted that railways were necessary to the development of the north country, but personally he did not favor the route proposed. However, the premier and the T. & N. O. Railway commissioners were considering that feature. The deputation's request, he added, would be given every consideration.

**LODGE RUGBY CONCERT.**  
Lodge Rusby, S.O.E.B.S., held their annual smoking concert, on Thursday night at 18 East Richmond street, Bro. E. Perry presiding. An enjoyable musical program was contributed.

### MEN YOU HEAR OF Seen as Their Friends Know Them



MR. W. C. MILLER, secretary of the Retail Merchants' Association, was born in Edinburgh, Scotland, and educated in the University of Edinburgh. He was in business four years as a retailer, but for the past nine years has held his present position. He is a member of the Oddfellows and the Orange Order, and is fond of motoring and baseball.



#### STREET-MISHAP ATTRACTS CURIOUS CROWD.

Shortly after noon yesterday a motor truck ran into the rear-end of a coal truck at the corner of King and Bay streets. Eddie Gleeson, aged 13, of 55 Marjory avenue, who is shown in the inset, was hanging on the back of the coal truck and sustained a fracture of one leg. He was taken to the General Hospital. His mother is lying seriously ill.

#### CITY'S GENEROSITY TO TORONTO UNEMPLOYED

One of the controllers, replying to The World's query yesterday, said it was unlikely that there would be any revision of the decision arrived at some time ago by the board of control, not to permit the holding of meetings of the unemployed in Massey Hall.

The insistent demand from a certain element for the use of the hall was regarded as the result of agitation by men who want to cause trouble in the city.

Mayor Church said nothing to give out yesterday regarding the report that the unemployed would visit the meeting of the board of control next Wednesday in large numbers and demand the use of the hall by another official said that these men had no just kick about the way they had just been treated by the city. Besides providing meals for thousands of the city was giving employment to about 1,500 men who would not be on the payroll were it not for the bad labor situation.

#### Operation Saves Woman Who Swallowed Her False Teeth

Thru the speedy performance of an operation, which took place in Grace hospital, the life of Mrs. J. Connors, 151 Defoe street, was saved. The woman on Tuesday night swallowed her four-toothed bridge, which worked its way down to the left bronchus, where it remained for six hours without causing much pain. Having moved again, it caused violent coughing and choking and Dr. W. A. Burr was called in, who ordered the patient's removal to the hospital.

After an X-ray photograph was taken to determine the location of the bridge, Dr. Percy McLaughlin, specialist, with the aid of a bronchoscope, succeeded in extracting the plate from its resting place. Mrs. Connors was able to leave the hospital yesterday in good health.

#### Huge Claim Against T. & N. O. Following Mathieson Fire

Evidence was adduced at the city hall yesterday before the commission of inquiry, of which Judge Denton is chairman, in regard to the claims formulated by residents of Mathieson for loss sustained by them caused by the great fire, which wrought such havoc in Mathieson and vicinity, on Saturday, July 23, 1916. These residents claim sums approximating \$200,000 from the Timiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway Commission, who, they claim, are responsible for the damage sustained.

Witnesses declared that there had been fires in the city before the Saturday in question and that the commission's employees had been unable to deal with them effectively. The witnesses stated that it was these fires within the commission's area which started all the others.

#### Three Years in Kingston For Woman Bookkeeper

In the police court yesterday, Magistrate Jones passed sentence of three years in Kingston penitentiary on Mrs. Mayday, who pleaded guilty to the theft of \$3,200 from her employer, J. McClelland, a Danforth avenue shoe merchant. An appeal by prisoner's counsel for a lighter sentence proved unavailing.

#### SELLING LIQUOR CHARGED.

Harry Morton, 55 West Gerrard street, was arrested late yesterday afternoon by Provincial Officers Charlton and Smith on a charge of selling liquor illegally.

#### FOOD PRICES IN U. S. ARE ON THE TOBOGGAN

Washington, March 18.—Food costs of the average family declined nine per cent. in February as compared with January, the United States bureau of labor statistics announced today. All of the 44 articles reported except hens, decreased in price, the figures showed, hens having increased less than five-tenths of one per cent.

#### DEPLORE DROPPING SOCIAL COMMISSION

Members of Service Body Regard Proposed Abolition as Unwise Step.

The recommendation of the special council committee that the social service commission be abolished is regarded by members of the commission as very unwise. When asked what he thought of it, R. S. Hudson, a member of the commission, said: "It is rotten, and they will find it out, too. It will cost the city thousands of dollars. What I want to do, and what I have been urging the other members to do, is to resign and let them go to blazes."

#### INDICATIONS POINT TO AMPLE POWER SUPPLY

Two members of the Toronto Hydro Power Commission, Mayor Church and Chairman P. W. Ellis, who have been absent because of ill-health, were both in attendance at the meeting of the commission yesterday. Reports were submitted indicating that the power supply would be ample thru the present spring and ensuing summer and on the strength of this assurance it was decided to light up the big sign in front of the Hydro building on Yonge street. This sign, as was not become acute a couple of years ago.

#### Municipal Research Bureau Against Taxing Estate Transfers

An attack on the proposal to tax real estate transfers is made by the bureau of municipal research in a letter to Premier D'Urby. The bureau writes in part: "Should this bill become law as it now stands, cities with a population of 200,000 or over would be deprived of an important source of revenue from the registry office, which, when the city's whole capital and current expenditures on the registry office are considered, is 'exceedingly small' particularly in lean years. In fact, not only would the city of Toronto no longer have power to levy the existing tax of one-tenth of one per cent on registered mortgages or charges, but its citizens would have to pay in the province a tax of one-fifth of one per cent on real estate transfers."

#### TORONTO BARRISTER'S WILL.

Pauline E. M., Hilda L. and Reginald A. Resor, all of 145 Rusholme street, are equally under the will of their father, Henry Arthur Resor, a barrister, who died in Toronto, Nov. 7, leaving \$500 in household goods and personal effects, \$357 in cash, an equity of \$9,900 in his home at 145 Rusholme road, and \$1,180 in realty in Port Arthur, Nipigon and Collingwood.

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#### WILL STOP CITY RELIEF.

Unemployed men who have been receiving meal tickets and other aid from the city at the hotel at the corner of Church and King streets will be given notice in a few days of the discontinuance of relief in another week. The city has expended during the winter over half a million dollars in providing relief, but will be reimbursed to that amount by the two governments.

#### WILL WAS VALID.

Justice Sutherland at Osgoode Hall yesterday gave judgment against Robert Moorecroft of Toronto, who sued to have the will of his wife set aside. Plaintiff's wife left estate valued at \$21,800, but under her will she left plaintiff only \$10. His lordship held that the will was valid and that plaintiff had been out of with \$10 owing to his own misconduct.

#### INSURANCE FOR RETURNED SOLDIERS TO COVER SICKNESS AND ACCIDENTS DISAPPROVED.

Ottawa, March 18.—(By Canadian Press).—Amendments to the returned soldiers' insurance act were under review today before the special committee of parliament. Most of the amendments proposed were administrative in nature and were so explained by C. D. Finlayson, superintendent of insurance. Extension of the act to cover accident and sickness benefits to returned men was urged by the G.W. V.A., but the proposal was opposed on the ground that it would add enormously to costs of administration and would present immense difficulties. The committee adjourned at one o'clock until Monday morning next, when the G.W. V.A. pension proposals will be taken up.

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#### ALEXANDRA LAST TIMES 2 "WAY DOWN EAST"

NEXT WEEK COM. MON. EVE. SPECIAL MATINEE GOOD FRIDAY. A. H. WOODS ANNOUNCES THE RETURN OF THE FUNNIEST OF ALL COMEDIES.

### UP IN MABEL'S ROOM

Evie's 50c to \$2 | Pop. Mat. Wed. \$1 | Good Fri. & Sat. Mat. 50c to \$1.50

#### GALA Beginning Monday MAR. 28

### THE PASSING SHOW OF 1919

12 Colossal Scenes | 150 Clever People | A Host of Wonder Girls

#### PRINCESS TODAY FISKE O'HARA SPRINGTIME IN MAYO

### EASTER WEEK, MAR. 28 THE ED. WYNN CARNIVAL

(FIRST EDITION) A JOYOUS MUSICAL EVENT | Seat Sale Opens NEXT MONDAY

#### Regent NAZIMOVA

### "BILLIONS"

Adapted from the drama by Jean-Jose Frappa and Henri Dupuy Mazuel.

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#### THE FASCINATING DRAMA OF A WOMAN WHO DARED ALL FOR LOVE

### ON MONDAY AND TUESDAY EVENINGS

the holder of a half-dollar bearing the date 1882 will be able to purchase seat ticket at the GRAND where

### THE ENGLISH PLAYERS

are presenting Henry Arthur Jones' FAMOUS THE SILVER KING

#### STRAND Last Times Today

### DAMAGED GOODS

Double Bill Starts Monday "A Modern Salome" with Hope Hampton ALSO "SEVEN YEARS' BAD LUCK" with Max Linder.

#### PANTAGES VAUDEVILLE

Today See **ROSCOE ARBUCKLE** in "Brewster's Millions" **PAULINE FREDERICK** "The Goddess of Emotion" in "The Mistress of Shenstone" 6—Vaudeville Acts—6 **JESSIE BLAIR STERLING** and her "SEVEN GLASGOW MAIDS" "THE GOLDEN BIRD" Vaudeville's Daintiest Novelty **MACK AND WILLIAMS** The Original Staircase Dance. **AND THREE OTHERS** Note—Professional Tryouts Thursday.

#### GAYETY

NEXT WEEK—Ladies' Mat. Daily **Geo. F. Belfrage Offers** **HIP, HIP, HOORAY** WITH **GEO. F. HAYES, BEN PIERCE, HELEN MCCLAIN** AND A **WHALE OF A CHORUS**

#### SHEAS VICTORIA ST.

### DOC BAKER IN "FLASHES"

THE SHARROCKS FOUR READINGS **WILSON BROTHERS** Margaret Ford; Dotson; Jewell; Mandel; Seal; Shea's News Bureau **HIPSEASOME TERAULEY ST.** GLADYS WALTON in "RICH GIRL, POOR GIRL" Shows at 1.20, 4.15, 7.45 p.m. Peck's Mainlines; Anderson and Hart; Tom Brown's Six Musical Highlanders; Herbert and Dares; James C. Thompson and Co.

#### MANAGEMENT - I. E. SUCKLING

### NEXT MONDAY THE NEW YORK PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA

80 PLAYERS Conducted by **HENRY HADLEY** Seats Now—Massey Hall—\$1.50-4.50.

#### PAULIST CHORISTERS

of New York, with **BLACHFORD STRING QUARTETTE** and **ENSEMBLE OF TORONTO** **FATHER FINN, Conductor** **MASSEY HALL, MARCH 31** **70 VOICES** Res. Seats—\$2.00, \$1.50 and \$1.00. No Amusement Tax. Mail orders are now being received at Massey Hall. Remittances to Norman Withrow, Manager.

#### STAR BEGINNING MONDAY

### JACK REID

and his **"RECORD BREAKERS"** EXTRA—"Iron Neck" Most heavy-weight wrestler.

#### YONGE STREET LOEWS' WINTER GARDEN

Now Playing—W.M. 8 HANE in "THE TESTING BLOCK" 6—VAUDEVILLE ACTS—8 Next Week—Alice Brady.

#### LOEW'S SUPTOWN

March 17, 18, 19. **DOUG FAIRBANKS** in "THE NUT" 6—VAUDEVILLE ACTS—8 Change of Programme Mon. and Thurs.

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#### FOOD CHEAP

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