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— John Milton.

THE PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

TO THE GRADUATES:

It is a privilege to extend sincere congratulations and every good wish to the graduating class.

We of the staff have watched your progress through the Lakehead Technical Institute with keen interest. Now as you go out to join our growing group of Graduates we look forward to your continued success.

Graduates in both the Technical and University Divisions are making an enviable reputation. Now the challenge is yours. Graduation is only the first hurdle. There will be many more ahead. Approach them with the same confidence and enthusiasm that you have displayed at the Lakehead Technical Institute.

Canada is a land of unlimited opportunity for you who graduate in 1953. Let us not forget, however, that the Canadian way of life stands for something more than abundant natural resources, automobiles and automatic washing machines. Canada is a land of liberty.

Lord Acton said that there is one constant in history: the idea of liberty. But this liberty involves far more than the rights of man or the pursuit of happiness. Indeed, said Acton, "if happiness is the end of Society, then liberty is superfluous . . . Liberty is not the power of doing what we like, but the right of being able to do what we ought." Let us all accept the full responsibilities of Canadian citizenship. The growth of our country depends on what we are ready to do to-morrow.

HAROLD S. BRAUN, Principal.

MESSAGE FROM THE ADVISORY BOARD

The Lakehead Technical Institute is now in its fifth year. Many students have been graduated in Technical Mining and Technical Forestry. Several others have completed the first-year university course in Applied Science, Forestry, Arts, and Commerce. Besides this, many short courses have been given in special subjects and trades.

Those who have graduated in Technical Mining and Technical Forestry are nearly all pursuing their chosen calling in their respective fields and reports from the industries indicate that they are a credit to the Institute. Those who have gone ahead to various universities have done well in the courses they have chosen. Part of their success at least is due to the sound training they received at the Lakehead Technical Institute. All this would seem to indicate that our school is now beyond the trial period — it has proven its worth. It remains for us to decide where we are going to go from here.

The Lakehead Technical Institute can be the forerunner of a junior college at the Lakehead and a junior college in turn can be the forerunner of a university. People who believe that Northwestern Ontario will continue to grow in population, industry and wealth feel that with proper support and wise planning such an objective can be reached in the not-too-distant future.

The present quarters of the school and its location do not lend themselves to expansion nor for use as a junior college. A start must be made on the new school, on the inter-city site to which it holds title. Architects plans are now being submitted to the Department of Education for approval. Every effort is being made to get this project under way.

It can be said that future opportunities in this District for our young citizens depends on the success of this effort.

P. V. LeMAY,
Chairman, Advisory Board.

STUDENTS' ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL

The President's Message

It was my honour to fill the position of President of the Student's Administrative Council at the beginning of the second term. I wish first to acknowledge the able direction given by our former president, Bob Saxberg, and to wish him the best of luck.

The Students' Administrative Council tried to present an adequate social programme to a very lively student body this year. The Council and I wish to thank you very much for your co-operation. We also wish to thank Mr. Ross, the staff advisor, and Mr. Braun, the Principal, for their advice and assistance. The Year Book Committee, under the guidance of Editor Shizuye Togawa, and the Athletic Association, directed by President George Miller, also deserve congratulations for their admirably performed tasks.

The most interesting fact regarding this year's enrolment at the Lakehead Technical Institute is that more students are in Applied Science than in any other faculty. The need for more engineers and technicians has been apparent for some time in Canada's growing industrial system. Most of the reason for this interest in Applied Science are economic: the vastness and proximity of natural resources, the existence of a ready market for goods in America and Europe, and the need for defensive armament against an unmistakably bright-hued enemy. Never before has democracy depended so much on the abundance of material goods.

Our chief concern today is security. We have urged on our industrial expansion in the hope it will save us from an economic downfall and from direct aggression. We have set aside the humanities as being too impractical to cope with the present world fears. Once the nations are at peace again, we may return to the humanities as offering a rational approach for our scientific achievements. No more dubious scientific triumphs like guns and atom bombs! We agree with Mr. H. G. Wells: "But if the dangers, confusions, and disasters that crowd upon men in these days are enormous beyond any experience of the past, it is because science has brought him such powers as he never had before. And the scientific method of fearless thought, exhaustively lucid statement, and exhaustively criticized planning, which has given him these as yet uncontrollable powers, gives him also the hope of controlling these powers."

—KEN A. METHOT.

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EDITORIAL

After months of dreaming and planning and the hectic last-minute alterations, the 1953 edition of the Lakehead Technical Institute Year Book has finally come through with flying colours.

All that has been accomplished has been achieved through the co-operative efforts of the "Year Book" staff and all those who contributed material to the magazine. The advertising staff once again with its terrific drive saved us from financial embarrassment. I would like to thank them all, and especially, Mr. Ross, who, although often busy, would always have a few minutes to spare an ear or a hand when we met with difficulties.

It has been suggested that our Year Book be given a definite name, a proposal which the "Year Book" staff considered worth contemplating with all seriousness. A name chosen wisely and with care will do much to enhance such a fine book as the one we have. Feeling that a matter of such importance should not be dealt with in undue haste, the "Year Book" staff have decided to retain the present name for this volume. Perhaps at this time next year we shall see this chronicle bearing a new name, a name we can be proud of, a name worthy of this book. So from now until that time, keep thinking about it!

The year 1953 will long be remembered by the entire world as being unusually eventful. The world held its breath as the final figures were announced, confirming the victory of General Eisenhower in the United States Presidential election campaign .

There is much sorrow in our war-threatened world today and only when it comes on with such shocking unexpectedness as the recent floods and hurricanes in the United Kingdom, the Netherlands, and Belgium are we all aware of the misery involved. The loss of life and property alone speak of the nations' plight.

It is a pity that a catastrophe such as this occurred as Great Britain is preparing for the Coronation in June of this year. Yes, 1953 will not be quickly forgotten, for the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II will be one of this century's spectacular social functions.

As each of us goes his separate way, some to university, others to positions of responsibility in the industrial field, the "Year Book" will serve to bring us together, wherever we may be, by recalling to us the happy moments we shared in the short time we spent at the Lakehead Technical Institute.

—SHIZUYE TOGAWA.

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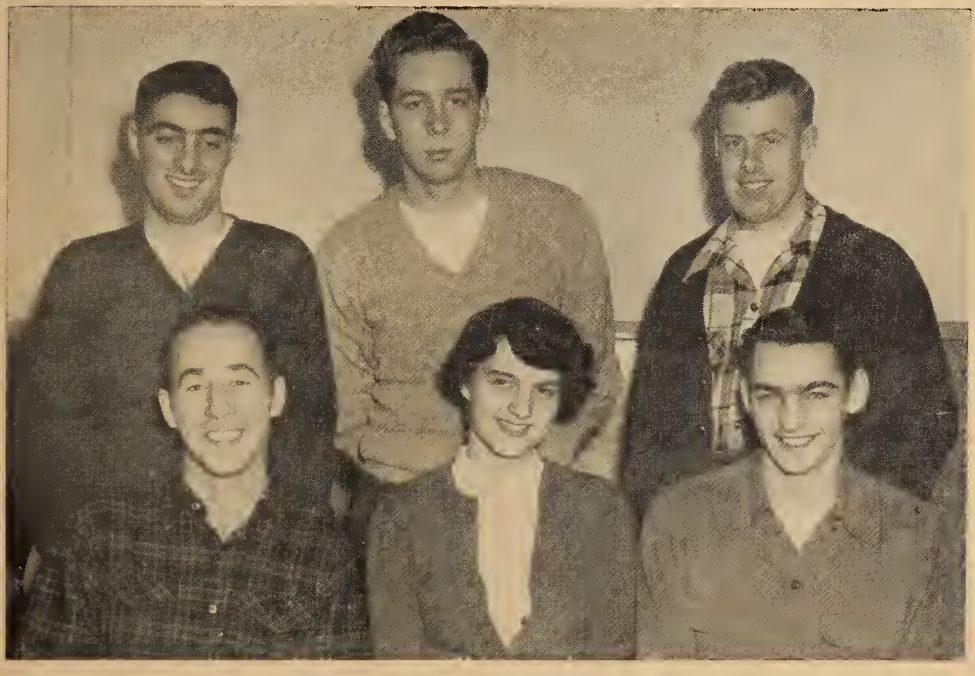

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Mr. J. P. Bertrand is an autharity on the histary af Narth-Western Ontaria and has lang been regarded as aur local histarian. We would like ta express aur sincere thanks ta him for this essay.—EDITOR.

Origin of Port Arthur

FOLLOWING upon the Union of Upper and Lower Canada in 1841, the Canadian Government, representing the Union of Ontario and Quebec, taking an example from the people of the United States, began to think in terms of Western expansion, having in view the purchasing of the rights of the Hudson's Bay Company in Rupert's Land, which extended from Fort William to the Rocky Mountains.

The first important event during that period of our local history was the purchasing by treaty of all the Ojibway lands from the various bands extending from Batchewanaug Bay, near Sault Ste. Marie, to Pigeon River and extending Northward to the height of land. This very important treaty, which was signed by the representatives of the Crown and the accredited Chieftains from the various bands of Ojibways, was duly signed at Sault Ste. Marie on the 7th day of September, 1850, is known as the Robinson-Superior Treaty. According to some stipulations of that Treaty, a number of blocks of lands were set aside as reserves for the Ojibways. This Treaty was brought about possibly earlier than anticipated on account of the great mining boom along both shores of Lake Superior which had began in 1841 along the Southshore and finally extended to the North side of the Lake on Canadian territory. During the seasons of 1845 and 1846, no less than one hundred and thirty locations had been staked. These particular locations were two miles in frontage by five miles in depth. It can readily be seen that a good part of the North shore of Lake Superior was claimed by prospectors. Only 27 of these mining claims were made good. The others were allowed to lapse. The government of the day had yet no right to the land since it had not been purchased by agreement from the Ojibways until 1850. After that date, upon the completion of the agreement, all the Ojibway lands bordering on the North shore of Lake Superior, became the property of the Crown, to be known as Crown Lands. They were administered by departments known as those of Lands, Forests and Mines.

The year 1957 will mark the anniversary of the most important event in the history of Port Arthur. It will be the centennial of its founding. It was, in fact, in 1857 that a townsite consisting of 534 acres was carved out of virgin forests, surveyed into lots and sold by auction. Robert McVicar, who had seen distinguished service with the Hudson's Bay Company in the Northwest Territory, was appointed Crown Lands Agent. He became the first permanent white settler to set foot in what is now the City of Port Arthur. His modest log-house and office was located at the intersection of Arthur and Cumberland Streets. In time these lots were taken up by new settlers but evidently there was no rush to establish the new settlement, since by 1870 the total population only represented 200 inhabitants. Robert McVicar acquired considerable property adjoining the townsite, and his descendants at a later date were the largest owners of real estate property in and about the young town of Port Arthur. McVicar Creek and McVicar Street were named after him.

ORIGIN OF PORT ARTHUR—(Continued)

Coinciding with the opening of the new townsite, an event of national importance since it was the first independent settlement to have been established west of Sault Ste. Marie, S. J. Dawson, a civil engineer who had previously been connected with the Canadian Government in some important public works in the St. Lawrence Valley was now appointed to make a survey of a possible wagon and water route which could be established between the infant settlement of the Lakehead and the Red River Colony, the latter still under the control of the paternalistic rule of the Hudson's Bay Company. After considering alternate routes, Dawson finally recommended a wagon road to Lake Shebandowan, thence pretty much over the old Canadian canoe route to the West end of Lake of the Woods and thence from the Northwestern angle another wagon route to the Red River settlements.

By 1867 Confederation of the Canadian provinces became an accomplished fact and negotiations were immediately opened up in London, England, for the purchase of all the rights of the Hudson's Bay Company in Rupert's Land, which extended then from the mouth of the Kaministiquia River to the Rocky Mountains. S. J. Dawson was then instructed to go ahead with his project of linking the East with the West with his wagon and waterway highway, which became known as the Dawson Route.

Negotiations having been successfully carried out in London by two Canadian representatives and the Committee of the Hudson's Bay Company for the transfer of all their rights the Canadian Government was therefore ready to assume authority over the Northwest Territory. Unfortunately, just as they were ready to do so, the Red River Valley was plagued with a reoccurring grasshopper migration which, like the locusts of Biblical days as recorded in Genesis, darkened the sky and covered the land, destroying everything as they went along. To assist the Red River Colony the Canadian Government decided to rush along the construction, particularly at the far end of the Dawson Route in order to offer some relief by creating work for the Red River inhabitants. The construction from the Northwest angle on the Lake of the Woods to the Red River Valley or Fort Garry went on merrily during the summer of 1869.

Paradoxical as this may seem to students of history this relief measure undertaken by the Canadian Government with the best of intentions was one of the causes that led to the Red River insurrection in 1869. It was not the sole cause of the trouble, but certainly one of them, if not the most serious one. It thus became necessary for the Canadian authorities to restore order along the banks of the Red River in the newly-formed Province of Manitoba and the Government did act with resolution and despatch. Colonel Garnet Joseph Wolseley, afterwards Lord Wolseley, who was serving as a commanding officer in the Canadian militia in Eastern Canada, was appointed in charge of the Expedition to Fort Garry, and arrived here with his officers and soldiers in the early summer of 1870. A fellow-passenger on board the steamer "Chicora" was Thomas Marks, the pioneer merchant of Port Arthur, with whom Colonel Wolseley must have found a great deal in common on the trip across Lake Superior. As they were disembarking from the steamer, Colonel Wolseley asked Mr. Marks the name of the place. Upon being told that it was called "The Station," Wolseley stated, "Let's name it 'Prince Arthur's Landing' after Prince Arthur of Connaught." The young Prince was then in Eastern Canada.

ORIGIN OF PORT ARTHUR—(Continued)

Having restored law and order in the new Western Province of Manitoba the Canadian Government then turned its attention to railway construction, the beginning of which was made from West Fort Wililam in the early summer of 1875 as a Canadian enterprise. In 1881 this Government owned section was taken over by the Canadian Pacific Railway. By 1886 Canada was now linked by rail from the Atlantic to the Pacific, an achievement unheard of in railway construction up to that time. Considering that the population of Canada barely exceeded 4,000,000 inhabitants it did show vision, enterprise and resolution on the part of both the Government of the day and the directors of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

The young town of Prince Arthur's Landing had by this time gone through a great deal of expansion, including one silver mining boom in the early '70's and entering upon a second silver mining boom which began in 1882 and lasted pretty much until 1888. Coupled with the construction of the Canadian Pacific Railway Port Arthur became a town of great importance. In a booklet prepared by the Canadian Pacific Railway at that period the town of Port Arthur was referred to as "The Silver Gateway."

It will be of interest to the readers of this article to learn how the name came to be changed from Prince Arthur's Landing to Port Arthur.

It became evident during the early C.P.R. construction of the North Shore Line that Prince Arthur's Landing was no longer suitable as a name for the terminus of the first trans-continental Railway. A number of names were then brought to the attention of our town fathers for their consideration, such as "Port Royal, Ogama, Bayport, Shuniah, Prince Arthur, Algoma, Rockford," etc. If the town fathers were slow in making up their minds as to the proper name for this terminus, William Van Horne, then general manager of the Pacific Railway, noted for his quick decisions, decided upon the name of Port Arthur, which appeared on their station, located on the property now occupied by the city car barn, between Van Horne and Wolseley Street.

A year later in 1884 the name of the post office was also changed to that of Port Arthur and when the town was incorporated in May of the same year it also adopted the same name. Explanations for the change to Port Arthur from Prince Arthur's Landing, as decided upon by the authority of the Canadian Pacific Railway, has been recorded by the "Sentinel," the leading Lakehead newspaper of the time and repeated in the "Port Arthur Illustrated," published in May 1889. It was supposed to be "partly as a companion to Port Moody, the Pacific terminus, and a compliment to Prince Arthur and partly for President Chester Alan Arthur," then President of the United States and rather popular with the Canadian people. He used to spend his summer vacations in Canada. He was actually the first President to manifest any interest in Canadian affairs and a deep affection for the Canadian people.

It is doubtful if any other city on the continent can claim to have been named after two such historical figures, Arthur, Duke of Connaught, the 7th child of Queen Victoria became a Field Marshall in the Imperial Army. In time he was appointed Governor-General of Canada. President Chester Alan Arthur, a man of very great charm, possessed of a fine physique, did make his contribution towards better understanding between the American and Canadian people.

It is to be hoped that our City Fathers will take full cognizance of the centennial of our city in 1957 and in co-operation with our schools, our churches, our Historical Society, our Chamber of Commerce and our Service Clubs organize a celebration which will be worthy of the event.

—J. P. BERTRAND.

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The essays submitted by Diane Banks and Ron McKitrick tied for first ploce in the Essoy Contest. The judges found it extremely difficult to pick out the winner from the six essoys entered. John Byrko's entry deserves hanouroble mention, ond consequently oppeors following the prize-winning compositions.—EDITOR.

The Lake Superior Country

A VISITOR from the staid East does not appreciate the beauty of the Lake Superior country as he travels mile after mile through the thick bush, along the stony lake shore or past the unending muskeg swamps. Perhaps he cannot be blamed. He has never seen the sun rising over the Sleeping Giant, casting red streamers over the dreaming land and over the tidy tiers of houses stretching up the hill side. He has never seen the moon rising over the black water like a golden ladle, trailing behind its silvery handle of newly-washed stars, nor has he heard the restless waves hurrying shoreward to inquire the meaning of the driftwood bonfires built on the warm sand.

As the visitor travels along the north shore, he forgets that this is the same route that the first Indians travelled as they hunted along the ancient sea coast from Manitoulin Island, their centre of culture. He cannot imagine bronzed Indians worshipping their fire god, with their copper bracelets gleaming dully against the dark backdrop of the forest in the small glade where now a solitary moose munching waterlilies bawls defiantly in the autumn night.

THE LAKE SUPERIOR COUNTRY—(Continued)

The first visitors to this country — Radisson, La Verendrye, and DuLhut — came in search of furs. The coureurs de bois went westward portaging around Kakabeka Falls from whence the mist maiden still arises, up the broad Kaministiquia and over difficult bush trails ever in search of the beaver. In the keen morning air when the grey mist seemed a mysterious being ready to devour the unwary intruder and the only sound was the insane laugh of the loon, even the intrepid spirit of the brandy trader was quelled and voyageurs huddled closer together. Beaver hats have long since lost their popularity and since milady prefers mink it is mink the trapper must hunt.

Centuries after the original Indians had emigrated, white men built a new settlement on Thunder Bay in search of mineral wealth. Mining men from all countries flocked to a tiny island at the foot of the Sleeping Giant, where an incredibly rich silver mine had been found. The Indians, who had traditional beliefs about an ancient race which had hurriedly departed and left its wealth in the care of great Nanabijou and his Thunder Bird, thought it was wrong to rob the silver treasure and when the blue waters of Thunder Bay flooded the small mine forever, they said it was the Thunder god's way of showing his anger and ever since have endeavoured to placate the angry deity by throwing tribute to the Sleeping Giant when crossing the bay, lest they be punished for the white man's impiety.

The casual visitor to Port Arthur about 1900 would have noticed even then the ceaseless bustle in the restless town. He would have seen an electric streetcar butting its way along muddy Cumberland Street and would have wondered at such a small community having a means of transportation so modern as a street railway when even Toronto did not have streetcars. He would have seen the white steamers stailing into Thunder Bay and perhaps have joined the motley throng on the quay at the foot of Arthur Street. He would have heard the children playing around the horse trough outside the city market, and perhaps visited the Indian encampment just outside the town.

If the visitor goes to the point of highest elevation within two miles of the lake, he can see from the huge paper mills at the north to the airport at the south. He can see below Port Arthur with its business block and houses intersected by the streets and a crazy green pattern formed by lawns and parks. Below, built on muskeg and delta, lies Fort William. At this distance all that can be seen of it is a blur of houses and Mt. McKay which forms the city's backdrop. Beyond the two cities is the blue gleam of lake and river, over them the blue sky and sustaining it is the proud heart of the country, sure of its destiny.

—DIANE BANKS.

Wonders in the Wilderness

PERHAPS the most striking aspect of the Steep Rock development is the way in which man has mastered nature. When we look at the tremendous pit and the men and machines in it, the fact that a lake once lay in the same place seems almost impossible. Looking down from the rim, we are impressed by the contrast in size of the gigantic pit and the tiny men who made it. How they struggled against the tremendous obstacles that nature placed in their path, and won, will never cease to amaze me.

Originally the course of the Seine River system lay through Steep Rock Lake. One hundred and fifty years ago the Nor'Westers were paddling their canoe-loads of furs back and forth along this route. What would one of these lusty, carefare voyageurs have thought if he were told that some day men would operate giant machines on dry land, directly below the place where his canoe was gliding over the water?

Prospectors, trappers, and vacationists found chunks of rich iron ore along the shores, but nobody knew where they came from. In 1938 Mr. Julian Cross decided to find the source of this ore. In sixty degree below zero weather he ran drills through the ice, silt, and rock until he found a body of ore. Now the problem was to get the ore out.

Mr. Cross and his partner, Joseph Errington approached Mr. Donald Hogarth, a Canadian financier, and the three went to Cyrus Eaton to get American capital. Eaton put in money of his own and persuaded the American Government that, with the Mesabi range running out of ore, and war production increasing, Steep Rock would be a good investment.

The first step was to drain Steep Rock Lake. The course of the Seine River had to be changed by excavating a deep earth cut and two canals in solid rock, and by lowering the level of Finlayson Lake fifty feet. Meanwhile a line was built to bring electric power from Port Arthur. The Canadian National Railways built a spur line from Atikokan, and the Dominion Govern-

WONDERS IN THE WILDERNESS—(Continued)

ment built the ore docks in Port Arthur. Fourteen electrically driven pumps lowered the level of Steep Rock Lake by six inches daily, and the overburden of clay and silt was finally exposed.

Ore production began in May, 1945. During the first season, 505,375 tons were shipped to eastern consumers. Vast quantities of earth were removed to enlarge the pit. Production has been stepped up, and will eventually stabilize at about three million tons annually.

A very orderly, businesslike atmosphere pervades the whole project. A preventive maintenance system for all machinery cuts breakdowns and expense to a minimum. There are strictly enforced rules governing procedure in the pit and in other strategic places to minimize accident hazards. Trained personnel are working all the time to direct the mine's progress as efficiently as possible.

Once open pit mining has been carried to a depth of six hundred feet, it is no longer feasible. High grade iron ore is now being taken out through a vertical shaft that was put down beside the "B" orebody.

The prospects for the future are very encouraging. The sizes of the orebodies are not known because they extend vertically beyond the depths explored by drill. The "C" orebody has not yet been thoroughly explored, and geological conditions indicate the presence of other deposits. The ore docks in Port Arthur are being enlarged to accommodate this increased production.

With Americans turning to low-grade ores as source of iron, and with Canada on the verge of unprecedented industrial expansion, the real signifinance of Steep Rock iron is difficult to grasp. What is important to us at the Lakehead is that this potential wealth is at our back door. Who can tell what is in store for us? Maybe we will even have a steel industry at the Lakehead. Certainly the next few years will see great increases in industry and population. What was one man's dream yesterday may become bread and butter for thousands tomorrow.

A very few years ago Steep Rock Lake was a wild, lonely place, seldom visited by humans. Today the iron mine makes a major contribution to the defence and economic welfare of Canada. Where once wolves slinked through the bush, trained engineers survey their accomplishments. Where once voyageurs toted their heavy packs and canoes, miners flash by in comfortable automobiles. Where once fish swam, giant trucks trundle their twenty-two-ton loads of ore to the railway. The Steep Rock development is truly a wonder in the wilderness.

—RON McKITRICK.

Tourists . . .

We, who live in northern Ontario, hear and read eloquent speeches made by members of our Chamber of Commerce, provincial and municipal governments concerning the large tourist traffic enjoyed by this district. When we read in our newspapers that thousands of persons and vehicles crossed the International Boundary at Pigeon River and Fort Frances to spend a vacation in northern Ontario, we realize that the tourist aids in the economic development of our district. But what does the tourist mean to us? To the retailer the tourist means an increase in sales; to the lodge operator the tourist means a no-vacancy shingle and to the local citizen the tourist means better highways and cleaner streets. We all have a share in the benefits brought by the vacationer. It is obvious that the tourist does not travel hundreds of miles to donate charitably to our welfare. He comes here to buy and if he is satisfied with his purchase, he will come again. The tourist wants to buy the privilege to fish and hunt and to enjoy the quiet leisure of a camp and the taste of good food.

Nature gave this district a very generous supply of small inland lakes and wooded countryside alive with fish and game. The expansion and care of these resources was placed in our control. Our civic administrators have done commendable work towards encouraging tourist travel in this area. The taxpayers' money is used to organize city tourist bureaus which provide visitors with road maps and helpful information about lodging and game and customs laws. The provincial government is contributing heavily towards tourist travel by building and improving our highways. Some of the district roads are in poor condition, but we must realize that building or resurfacing a highway is a very slow and expensive project. The new asphalt surface on Highways 61 and 17 and the rumble of scrapers at Marathon and Atikokan is tangible evidence of consideration for the motorist. Good roads will always make the visitor want to come back, but good roads alone will not bring him back.

Let Us Make Them Come Back !

The people of this district have failed to preserve the blessings that nature provided. The fish and wildlife that she gave us are rapidly becoming extinct. The Department of Lands and Forests have done much work to replenish the supply of fish by operating hatcheries in the larger lakes like Lake Shebandowan, but there are many accessible streams which do not support any fish life. With the exception of the wolf, game has also declined during the last few years. This loss of wildlife produces a decrease in the number of visiting sportsmen.

But the immediate problems of the tourist in northern Ontario are the lack of comfortable lodges, good food and courtesy. Many of the tourist cabins in this district do not have heat and water but the rates charged to occupy such a cabin would be sufficient to obtain a comfortable hotel room in a city. Do the camp operators think they can bleed the tourist without giving something in return? The tourist who can afford a vacation is accustomed to having three hot meals a day, but if he is spending a weekend in a typical northern Ontario village, his digestive system must suddenly adapt itself to tasteless sandwiches served in dirty restaurants. Courtesy is a service which costs nothing to give, yet it is the rarest service in northern Ontario.

Why should we cater to a tourist who is a stranger whom we may never see again? If we give the tourist the enjoyable vacation facilities which we would like ourselves, he will come back. Who will profit from these services? Bring enough tourists into this district and everyone at the Lakehead will feel the advantages of the trade which comes in their wake.

—JOHN BYRKA.

ENGINEERING

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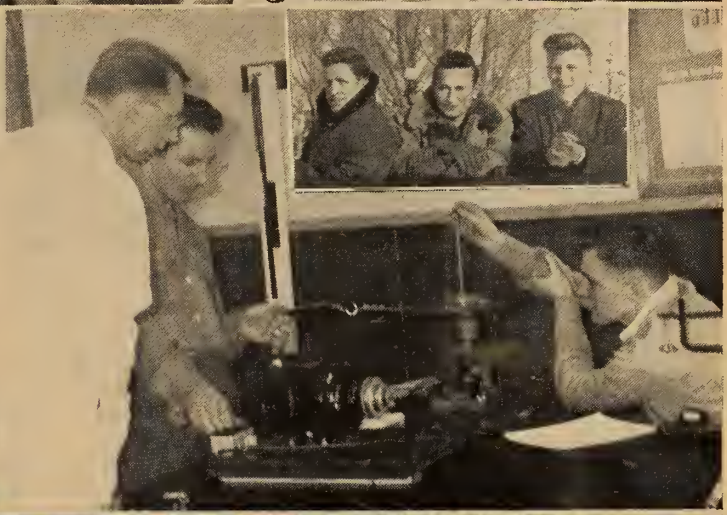

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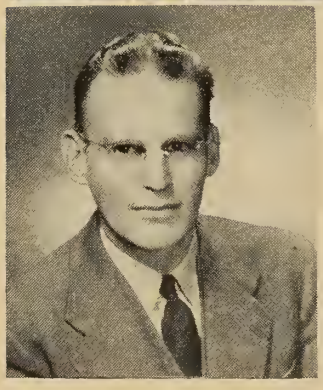

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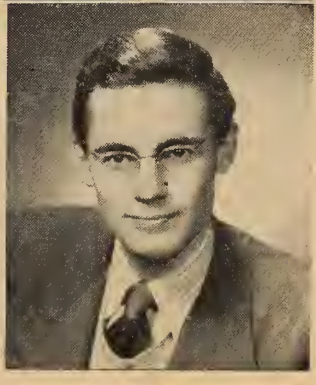

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Faculty of ARTS

COLIN ASHTON

PORT ARTHUR

"Sam" is a big cheerful fellow. He is a defenceman for the Port Arthur Flyers. When Mr. Ross told us to catch up on our reading in our spare time, Sam decided to take "Pilgrim's Progress" to the Arena. It would make good reading in the penalty box.

CONSTANCE HARVEY

PORT ARTHUR

This is Connie's first year in this cold northland. I'm sure she is enjoying it. Connie receives interesting mail; she is taking philosophy by correspondence from McMaster University. Her private life remains a mystery.

NADEEN GILCHRIST

PORT ARTHUR

Nadeen is the wit of the Art's class. She keeps us amused with her apt comments and her stories of what "He says to me," and what "I says to him." Nadeen is Secretary of the Students' Council and Social Editor of the Year Book. She has beautiful form on the curling rink. Nadeen and Joyce intend to stick together next year as "schoolmarms."

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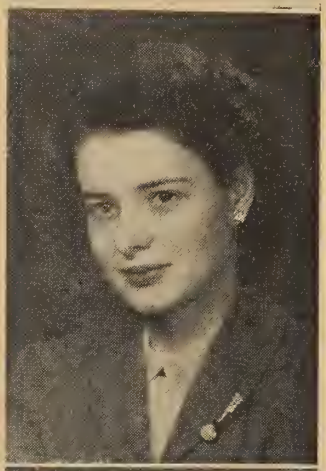
PAT ARMSTRONG

PORT ARTHUR

Pat is often seen dashing between L.T.I. and the Tech and surprisingly enough has not been late for English more than twice. The reason for these mad dashes is that Pat is preparing for her Secretarial Science course at Western when she leaves L.T.I. Lead on Petrina's curling team, she also wrote these personals.



DIANE BANKS

PORT ARTHUR

Under Diane's curls an active brain is at work. She keeps busy in her spare time collecting essays for this Year Book and enjoying the colder sports, curling and skating. Her pet aversion is "those naughty boys" in her Geology class. Diane will continue in Arts next year at Queen's.

JOYCE WALNECK

PORT ARTHUR

Joyce brightens the school with her gay chatter and her favorite topic seems to be "Hugh"! She certainly will agree that Geraldton's loss is Port Arthur's gain. Joyce works hard on the Students' Council. She chaired the committee in charge of our formal. Good work! Joyce. Joyce plans to entertain small children next year and then resume her education at Queen's.

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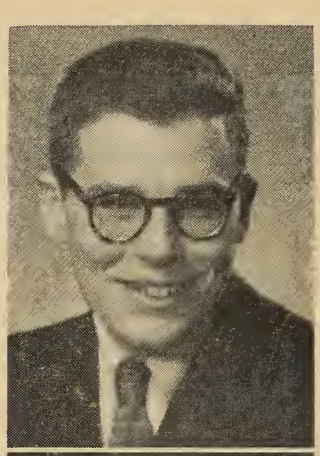
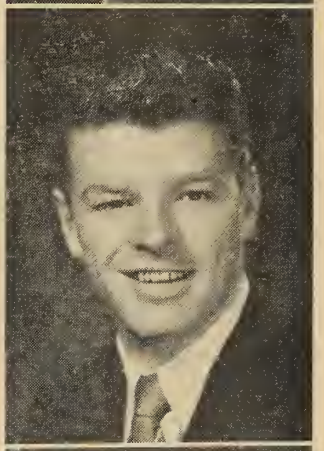


JACK SPROULE

FORT WILLIAM

Jack keeps the Post Office busy. He seems to be always writing, letters for Lawrence, letters to Kingston and other distant points, and English essays. He has a wonderful friend at Fort William Collegiate. Jack has used his charm to get advertisements for the Year Book. He is another hard-working Honour Science student. He hopes to be a teacher some day.



WALTER ARBUCKLE

PORT ARTHUR

Here is a strong, silent man. He is a good football, basketball and hockey player and he is also one of our best curlers. Walter is the Accountant for the Year Book. I wonder if he is putting into practise the wealth of knowledge he obtains on that subject at night school. Walter will be taking Business Administration at Western next year.

HUGH COUCH

GERALDTON, ONT.

Hugh hails from the town of Geraldton. He is Vice-President of the Students' Council and he also curls and plays basketball for the school. Hugh claims that his fondest wish is to see Joyce tongue-tied. I wonder if he really means it? He plans some day to be called to the Bar.

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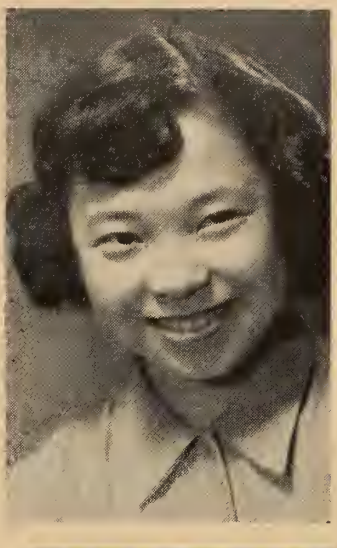

SHIZUYE TOGAWA

FORT WILLIAM

Shiz is our hard-working Editor. She is the only spark of feminine charm to be found in the Chemistry classes and she may be found perched on a pail in the "lab" on Thursday afternoons. On Wednesday afternoons she curls on Couture's team. Shiz enjoys the "lab" so much that she is hoping to be a laboratory technologist.

LAWRENCE LOS

PORT ARTHUR

Lawrence's former financial experience prepared him for his job as Business Manager for the Year Book. He is terribly camera shy; however, he finally consented to have his picture taken when we promised not to print "Wanted" beneath it. Lawrence's great love is History and he is taking Honour History with an eye to continuing this course at Queen's.

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BILL MORGAN

PORT ARTHUR

Bill Morgan is my partner in crime. If any of you do not like these write-ups, Bill is your boy. Fort William is seeing quite a lot of Bill these days. I wonder what's so interesting. Sunday you will find him at Baldy. Ron is indeed fortunate to have him as third on his curling team.

KEN GEDDES

PORT ARTHUR

Ken is a pretty lonely boy since Marilyn moved to Winnipeg. He and Neil are fast friends, having gone through school together. Basketball is Kenny's main sport. The girls seem to go for his curly blonde hair.

GEORGE HOHOL

FORT WILLIAM

George is an Applied Science representative on the S.A.C. Last year he won a scholarship from Fort William Collegiate and is continuing the good work here. He is a quiet, unassuming chap who likes to play badminton.

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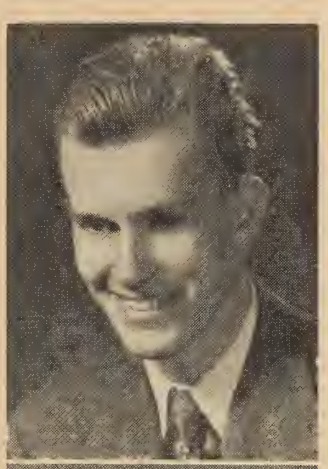


BILL TOIVONEN

PORT ARTHUR

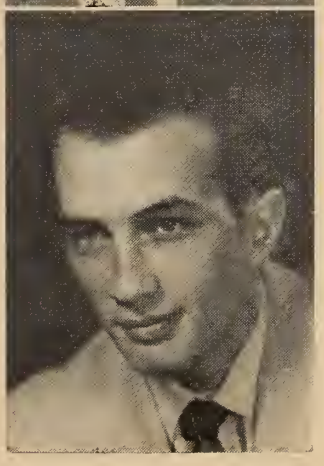
"Willie" is one of our quiet, unassuming students who always come through with flying colours. He is a real speed artist when the closing bell rings. During the summer he was his own boss, cutting wood on his Dad's property.

Private life—uncertain.

JOHN MILLIGAN

PORT ARTHUR

John is an all-around athlete. He plays basketball, hockey, and he skis. Naturally enough, he is treasurer of the Athletic Society. He arranges the draw for curling and skips his own team. He seems to find all but one nurse in training a nuisance when it comes to telephoning.



PAT MALEY

CAMERON FALLS

Pat is one of the foreigners hailing from Cameron Falls. He plays hockey on the L.T.I. team. He is a great friend of Mr. Ross's (oh, those essays!) and Tony tells us his room is really something to behold. He is an electrical genius and a great arguer. Oh well, if Lorraine can put up with him, we can too.

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GORDON DIXON

FORT WILLIAM

Gordon successfully passed the selection board of the U.N.T.D. and can now look forward to a summer of travelling.

Last summer he worked in British Columbia and will probably end up as an engineer for Alco. Hockey is his main sport if we do not include that nurse from McKellar.

BOB HYDE

FORT WILLIAM

Bob has decided that working for a living is not so good and so he is going to become an engineer. "You fool, Bob." The Great Lakes Paper Co. really must have ruined him to make him take such a drastic step. He is one of our pucksters and also manages a gay private life.

GEORGE MILLER

FORT WILLIAM

George is president of our Athletic Society and rightly so. He curls, plays basketball, and hockey. He played rugby for the Roughriders and has other interests in Port Arthur besides the L.T.I.

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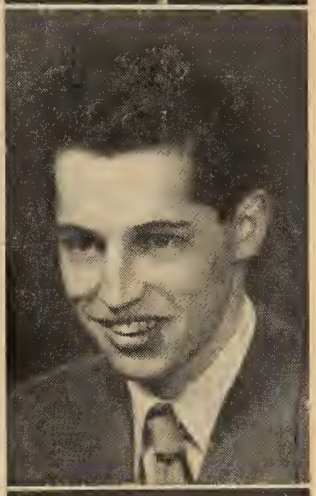
HAL MORAN

FORT WILLIAM

"Hal," known to his friends as "Happy Hally" has a great time enjoying life. He is treasurer of the S.A.C. and enjoys the Wednesday noon hockey game. The girls really seem to like him, maybe because he had a job as cub reporter for the Times-Journal.



RON COUTURE

PORT ARTHUR

Ron is one of our great curlers. He skips one of the teams and has yet to lose a game this year. He is noted for his cynicism but underneath he's a good kid and we all believe Ron will do well.

RON McKITRICK

PORT ARTHUR

Ron is another one of those cynical fellows who still manages to be popular with his confreres. He is a representative on the Students' Administrative Council; his grades are really something. He won a scholarship last year.

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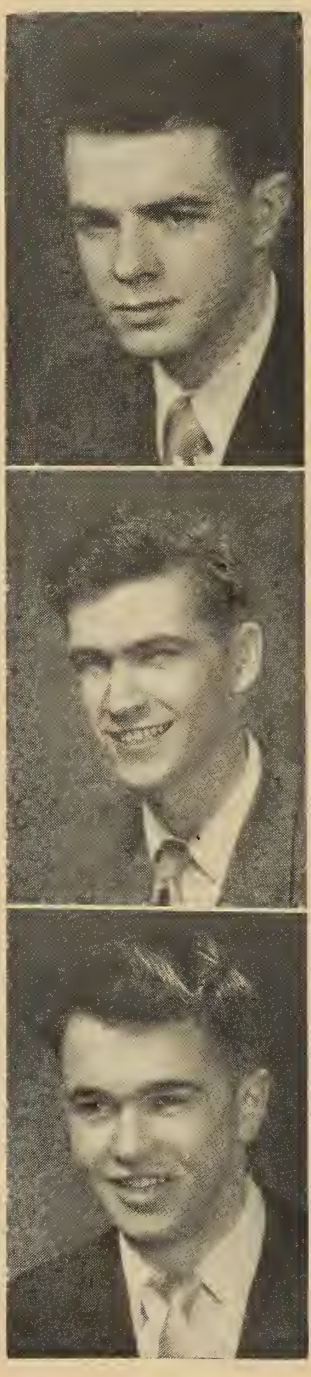

BERT BROOKS

PORT ARTHUR

Bert is one of the few who can combine school and athletics successfully. He is popular with all the students and also with the fairer sex. We guess that is what happens when you play hockey. Even though he, too, is noted for his cynicism, he is sure to do well.

JOHN BYRKA

FORT WILLIAM

John's work at Canada Car and his Vocational School background makes him a whiz at engineering drawing. He is a member of our U.N.T.D. and seems to enjoy the sailor's life. This lucky boy drives his own car.

JIM BUCHANAN

FORT WILLIAM

"Spike" is one of the happy-go-lucky fellows who manage to keep the class lively. He is an ardent skier and curler and enjoys Calculus. (We wonder why?) The fairer sex seems to enjoy his company, much to the envy of his fellow students. In addition to these serious studies, he works Saturday afternoons.

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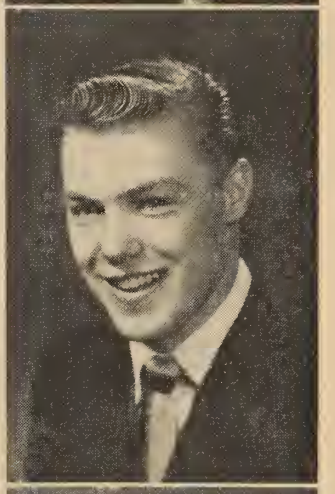
BOB MACKINNON

FORT WILLIAM

Bob is a good student of the Lakehead Technical Institute. He is also athletically inclined, playing basketball and curling. He has come to us from St. Pat's and leads a quiet life.



BILL SKORENKY

FORT WILLIAM

Bill is the man with the Colgate smile. He likes to associate with the fairer sex and it seems that this arrangement works both ways. Examinations really cramp his style. Bill's school work does not seem to suffer from a busy night life.

DAVID McLAREN

PORT ARTHUR

Dave worked in the bush for Marathon last year and seems to prefer Current River to Geraldton. His cure for bratty kids is inky water. It seems he has been seen with some quite interesting people at the Arena.

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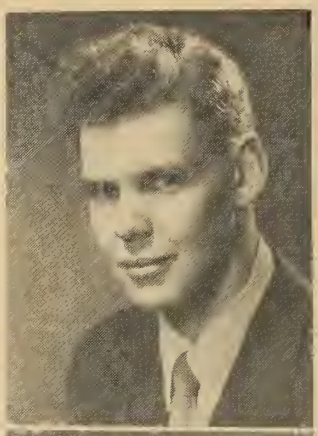


NEIL TUOKKOLA

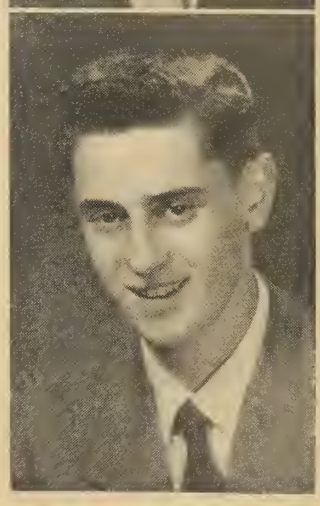
PORT ARTHUR

"Nool" is another one of our star basketball players; maybe his long walk with Ken helps keep him in shape. He is often down at the Nahjus doing gym work. His main beef is that his father puts the car up for the winter.

TONY PETRINA

GERALDTON

Tony is an embryo Rembrandt if only he would turn his talents towards serious art. We must admit his cartoons keep the school in an uproar. We don't know how he does it, but those English essays are superb. Tony and Pat have a mutual interest — insulting each other.



JOHN ZVONAR

Johnny and Alf have a long walk to lunch every day. Johnny plays a great game of basketball and stars at hockey. You can usually find him at the hockey game if he has his homework done.

Private life: mysterious.

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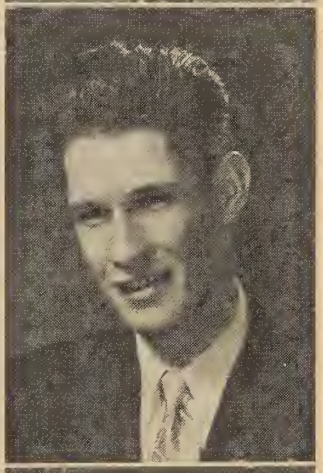
DON SRIGLEY

PORT ARTHUR

Don is the boy with the wind blown hair, or at least that's how the photographer described it. Oh well, fingers were made before combs. This lad manages to get to bed early but if you want him you're sure to find him shooting pool with Norm.



NORMAN HARTVIKSEN

PORT ARTHUR

Norman is one of the new who realize the value of an education. Last year he worked for Stratchan-Aitken Electric but decided an engineer's life is the life for him. Calculus is Norm's strong subject and no doubt he will go far in this world.

FRANK HOLM

PORT ARTHUR

Frank is another one of our curlers. He does well in Engineering Drawing and doesn't seem to have a care in the world. We would like to know what happened to all those moose he went after during the Christmas holidays.

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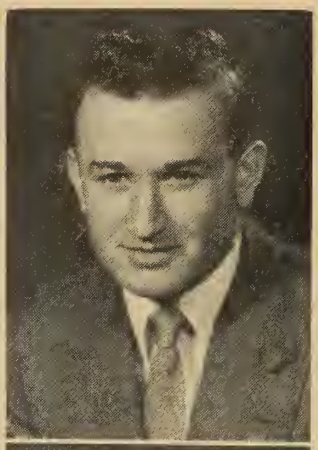
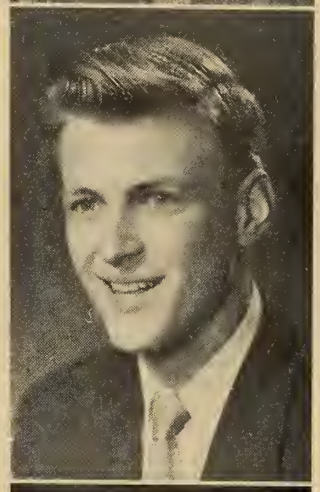


JACK WIEB

FORT WILLIAM

"Wiebo" is our chauffeur deluxe. We don't know what the Fort William boys would do without him. He skips his own rink and he and Tony are always great for novelties; you should have seen those engineer's caps. If he is not at school you will find him at Eaton's (?) (or the Waverley).



DON STASIUK

GERALDTON

If the orchestra plays any jazz at a dance, you are sure to find Don and Vicki showing us how jiving should be done. Don enjoys a party and life in general. He is another one of our illustrious curlers.

DON TREMBLAY

Don is another of our students who came to us via the Canada Car. His private life revolves about the "Ex." What's her name, Don? He always manages to get his two-cents worth in during the drafting periods.

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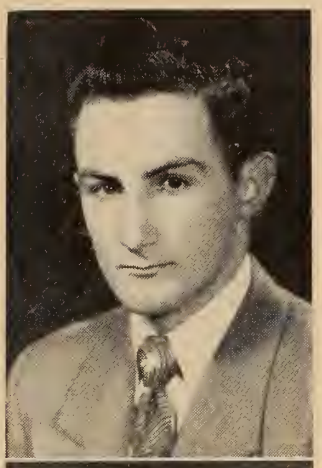


MERVIN ENDERS

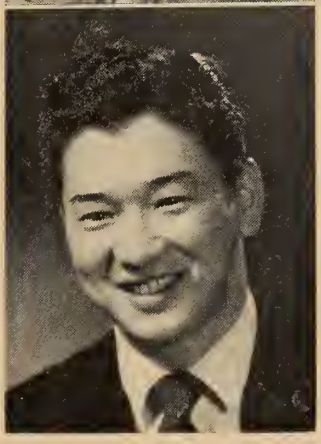
BEARDMORE

Mervin is one of our cartoon kids, "Mervin the Menace." His notoriety stems from his agility at basketball. He is always seen heading home and seems to be badly affected by chills. Oh well, we'll have to ask the janitor to give us a bit more heat.

DON MURPHY

PORT ARTHUR

Don and Ken can usually be found at Bird's during their spare time. He is one of the fortunate few who own their own cars, even if it is a puddle-jumper. He is second on Ron Couture's team and somehow (Lord knows how!) manages to hit the broom.



YOSH TATEBE

FORT WILLIAM

Yosh looked after the photography for the Year Book so that if you have any complaints, Yosh is your boy. He played baseball for the Giants, also plays hockey for us. He is known around the school for his good humour and happy smile.

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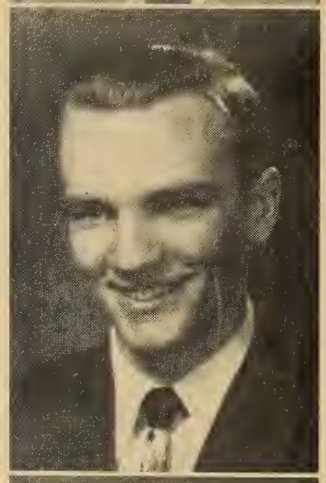
CARL ELM

FORT WILLIAM

Carl is our only student from the Redskin contingent. He is always being called on "to fill somebody in" but we have yet to see him do it. Right now he is limping around with a cast on his knee caused by rugby injuries. He is well liked by the students but manages to keep his private life to himself. Smart boy, Carl.



ALFRED WUORI

SAULT STE. MARIE

Alf comes from way down south, Sault Ste. Marie, to be exact. He has his own camp down there. Maybe we'll drop in this summer, Alf! He lives in Fort William, but eats his lunch at Hoito's.

TED DAWSON

PORT ARTHUR

Ted is the brain of our class and had the highest average at Christmas. His favourite pastime is skiing and almost any Sunday he can be found at Baldy. His scholarships helped him at L.T.I. but he still complains of lack of pocket money.

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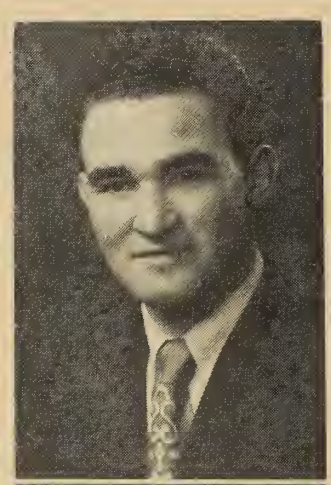
KEN METHOT

PORT ARTHUR

Ken is the president of the S.A.C. Last year he attended the University of Toronto and took Commercial Art. He is one of our curlers and his chief complaint is frozen gas lines. He and Don are great for their after school coffee.

Technical Forestry I

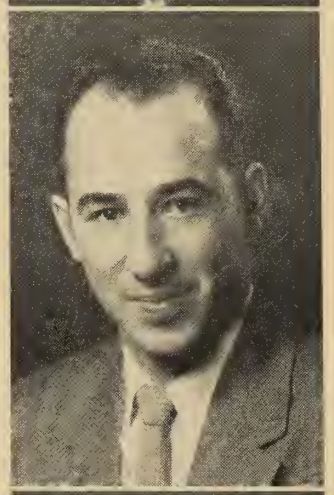


JOHN POHANKA

LOWTHER, ONT.

Species—"Pocahontus appetitus." John hails from the finest black spruce region of the world—Kapuskasing. He is often heard to say, "You're not up north until you reach Kap." Prins believes that the chief means of transportation in that northern district is by dog team.

John's ambition is to invent a robot cruiser, but his probable destiny is bull cook for Arrowhead camps.



LUCIEN FORCIER

NEW LISKEARD, ONT.

Species—"Franco Canadiensis." "Lu" is the only French Canadian student in our class and believes that New Liskeard is the only place for a real hoe-down square dance. He enjoys telling us of his past experiences with the H.E.P.C. "Lu," an enthusiastic bowler, maintains he won a high-score trophy in bowling even though his present average score hovers around a hundred. He is noted for saying, "What will you do when winter comes?"

BOB SCHUMACHER

PORT ARTHUR

Species—"Germanis sauerkrautus." The papa forester of the class is noted for saying "yah, yah! take it easy, boys!" Bob is an ardent student and we are all pulling for him in his course. In the recent pulpwood loading escapades, Bob proved to us that he does not take a back seat on any job.

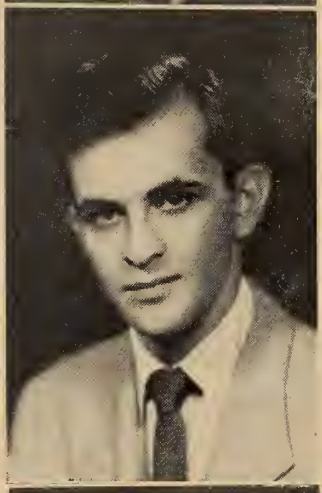
Technical Forestry I

PIETER PRINS

PORT ARTHUR

Species — "Dutchmanus coffeedrinkus." A very interesting fellow to meet. Pieter hails from the Netherlands and has many tales to tell of his world travels. Pieter is a good student, that is, he will be as soon as he is able to master the art of chopping down trees without breaking an axe-handle.

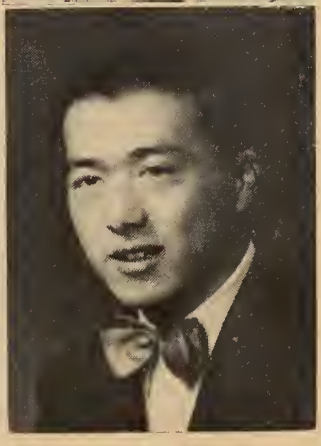
His favourite expression is "Let's go for coffee!"



DON ROMANOFF

FORT WILLIAM

Species — "Vauxhallis hitandrunnis." His favourite expression is "Let's take off Kayo." Don is a friendly chap with a great sense of humour, and he tells us his ambition is to reforest the whole of Canada without help. He is the only musician in our class who would like to play in the "grand ole opera" house.



TED "KAYO" IWASA

FORT WILLIAM

Species—"Brushcuttis vulgaris." His favourite expression, "Who's got the makings, kiddo"; he spends his spare time writing essays on the advantage and disadvantages of a crew cut in 40° below. Romanoff tells us that he is forever asking him to play "High Noon" on the violin.

Technical Forestry II

RALPH BIRSTON

PORT ARTHUR

This lover of Geology often asks himself what a tree can offer. We are all certain, however, that the lad will go places. Keep a sharp lookout for him in future business circles.

Since Mr. Tetley's retirement, "Biff" takes the spotlight in curling. His chief trouble is to get a certain Miss to hit the broom. The "poetry" involved is amusing.

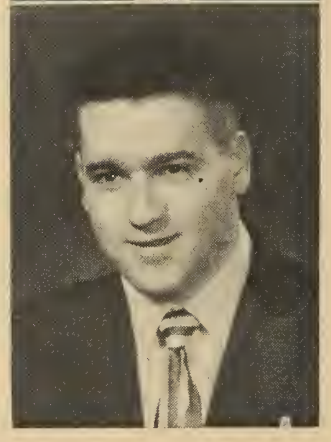
BOB "POP" COLLINGS

CHAPLEAU

"Pop" as the old boy is called has one policy—"Let's live a little." Mr. Biff usually shares his troubles which we leave to the guesser.

Some of his remarks are quite frank, and always draw a remark from Dennis.

His weakness however seems to be a lady with a lamp and we do hope he settles down soon.



DENNIS BROPHY

PORT ARTHUR

This sport-minded young gentlemen, usually known as Denny, is the apple of Susie's eye. He certainly beat "Pop" to the punch with the "band." John keeps lecturing on the validity of a contract, but to no avail. Everyone wishes him the utmost happiness in his venture and we also recommend a bull session before graduation to assure certain requirements.

Technical Forestry II

ERNIE HARRIE

BEARDMORE

Ernie is the perfectionist of our class; his work is of the highest calibre and his choice of blondes is discriminating. He may be seen around the school at various times of the day looking for his partner in crime, Landgraff.

One weakness worth mentioning is his intense interest in machines, notably "cornbinders."

RONALD "REGGIE" LANDGRAFF

PORT ARTHUR

Ron requires close scrutiny, fellows, his future will certainly be interesting.

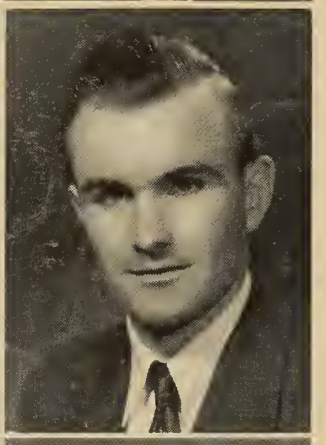
We cannot pass up his pet weakness, Ernest. This playful bickering keeps the most of us in fits. With the coming graduation in mind the boys recommend a joint policy for the future. Favourite saying—"Ernie, with your brains and my ability . . ."

Technical Mining I

JOHN BAYKO

ROSSLYN

John hails from Rosslyn, and never fails to let you know it. John is quiet but quiet water runs deep. He is vice-president of the Pre-Cambrian Club and a bulwark of strength on the school hockey team. John and Mary go to school, but not the same school. Shucks, she's a thousand miles away. Favorite expression—"I'll do it my way."



JIM McTAVISH

FORT FRANCES

A young fellow from the suburbs of that booming metropolis of Fort Frances. "Mac" a bonnie lad of fine Scotch stock (99 per cent proof) is a member of the Miners' curling team and an outspoken Pre-Cambrian. This genial miner has one ambition—to pass. F.E.—"They don't do that in Fort Frances."

RALPH POUTANEN

PORT ARTHUR

Ralph's aim in life is to live a little. Thinks thirty-five is the ideal age for settling down. He is president of the Pre-Cambrian Club and a member of the curling team. Being a determined fellow, he should get along well with the opposite sex. F.E.—"Smoking time."

Technical Mining I

RALPH PREZIO

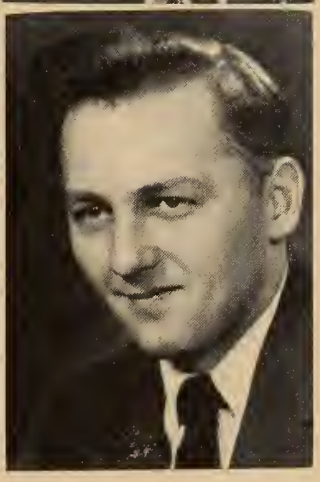
PORT ARTHUR

The Boy Scout of the Miners who spends most of his time scouting out ways to do less work. Ralph, alias "Lover Boy" (take another look, girls) has a theory that the quickest way to get to the top is to marry the bosses' daughter. Ralph is a bit bewildered at times as to where all the homework comes from. F.E.—"Whazzat?"

HOWARD STANZELL

PORT ARTHUR

Stan, alias the "Cameron Falls' Kid" is originally from Nipigon. He hopes to become an assayer but sometimes his hopes are somewhat disillusioned in the chemistry lab analysis. His present ambition is to learn a little Finnish: after seeing her, one cannot blame him. Stan is our party organizer; consequently, his motto is "I'm going to live till I die."



ARVO VINNI

PORT ARTHUR

"Grandpappy" is our representative on the Students' Council, secretary-treasurer for the Pre-Cambrian Club and skip of the Miners' curling team. Women are his forte (his range—Port Arthur to Val d'Or). He plans to get married after graduation but doesn't seem the type to settle down for long. Pet expression—"That's easy."

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JOAN WRIGHT

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PSYCHOLOGY

FRONT ROW, left to right: Jacqueline Dennis, Helen Newman, Magdeleine Fronais
Mory Bell.
BACK ROW, left to right: Eldred Rose, Joseph Parkin.
MISSING: Doreen Arseneau.

FRENCH

FRONT ROW, left to right: Helen Mattshaw, Margaret Fultan, Joan Wright.
BACK ROW, left to right: Ray Brown, Dan Foirfax, Walter Miettinen.

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HISTORY

FRONT ROW, left ta right: Oris Watsyk, Mina Smith, Eleanar Bissberg, Mrs. Mary Reed, Mrs. Glenna Caldwell, Helen Haffman.
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Men's Athletic Society

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Athletics play a prominent part in society and the student is fortunate who can adapt himself to his studies and participate in various sports as well. The athletic activities of the past year at the L. T. I. have been gratifyingly successful.

Curling attracted the greatest number of students and involved friendly interfaculty rivalry. In spite of the formidable competition, the basketball team performed exceptionally well in the Lakehead Junior Basketball League, and advanced into the play-offs for the junior title. Even the hockey team, although not outstanding, proved quite capable in several exhibition games with local teams as well as in the game against the Duluth Branch of the University of Minnesota. We hope that this game will become an annual affair, promoting good relations between college students in Duluth and at the Lakehead.

We would like to thank Mr. Cliff Junke, our basketball coach, Mr. John Lauzon, our hockey coach, the members of the staff at the Lakehead Technical Institute, and the many others prominent in sports at the Lakehead, without whose aid we could not have completed such a successful year.

Finally, we must thank the students themselves, who received the sports program so enthusiastically, and made the past year one to be long remembered.

—GEORGE MILLER.

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Men's Athletic Society

LEFT TO RIGHT: Ted Dawson, Dennis Brophy, George Miller, John Milligan.

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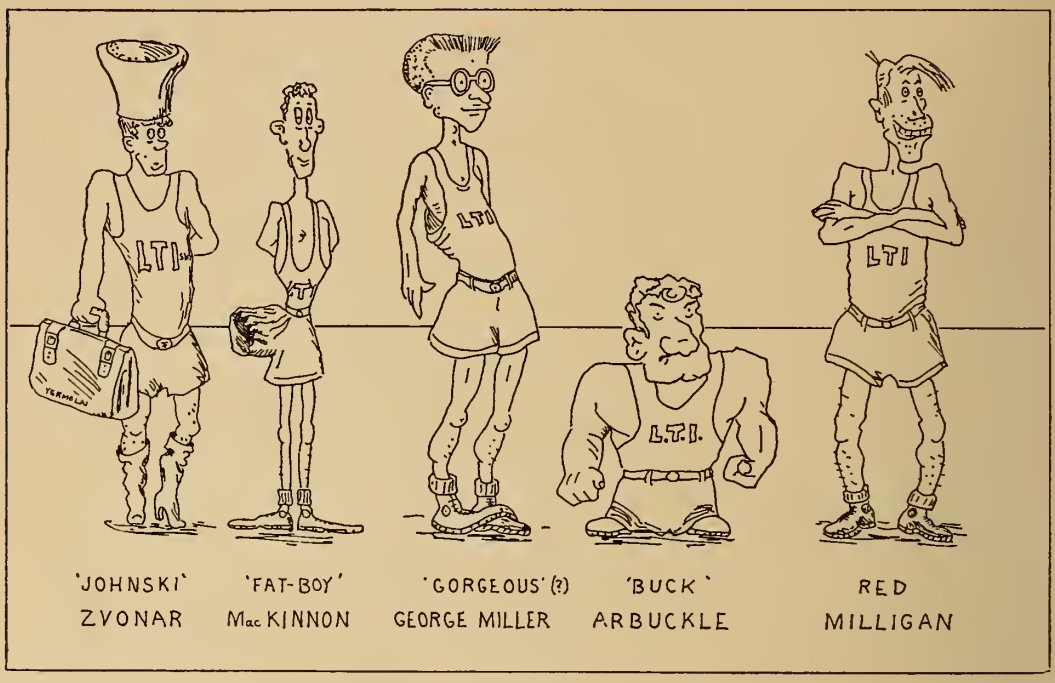
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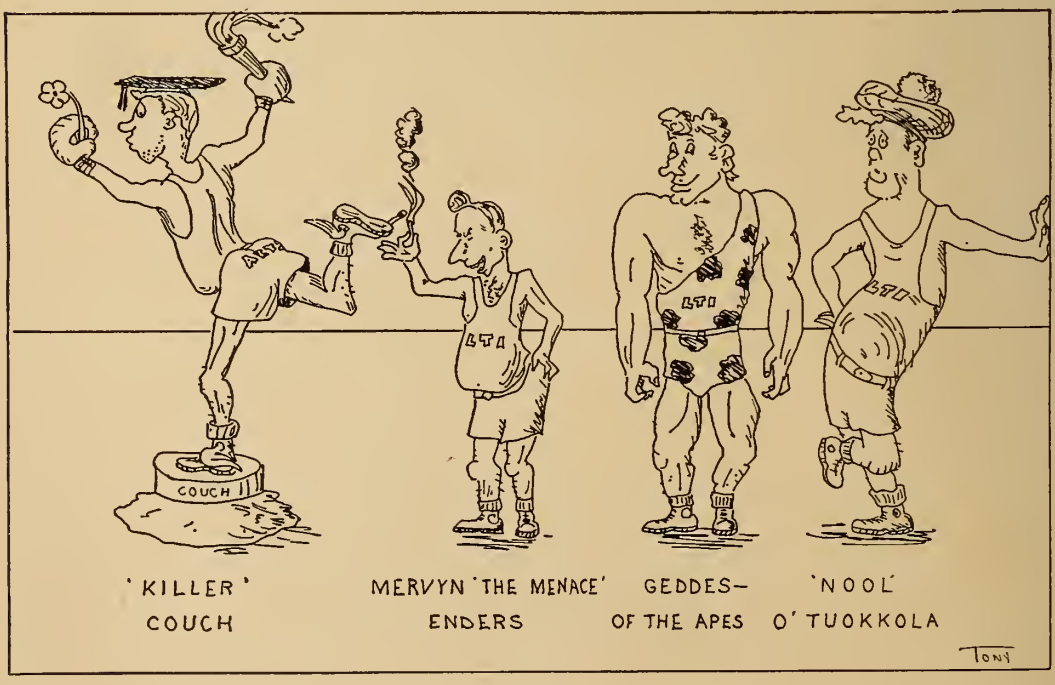
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GEDDES— OF THE APES
'NOOL' O'TUOKKOLA
TONY

BASKETBALL

THE BASKETBALL TEAM

FRONT ROW, left to right: John Zvonar, Walter Arbuckle, Bert Brooks, Mervin Enders, Ken Geddes.

BACK ROW, left to right: Tony Petrina, John Milligan, George Miller, Neil Tuokkola, Bob MacKinnon, Hugh Couch, Cliff Junke, coach.

BASKETBALL

L.T.I. had a good team that earned a berth into the semi-finals under the expert guidance of Cliff Junke.

In the semi-finals L.T.I. was beaten out by the Fort William Canucks who went on to win the Junior League championship.

Tuokkola, our own boy, won the Junior League scouring race while Geddes rated a top berth.

Semi play-off results between Canucks and L.T.I. were as follows:

Canucks 58—L.T.I. 43. L.T.I. 36—Canucks 35.

FINAL STANDING

Canucks 94—L.T.I. 78.

Team standings at the end of the year were:

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Canucks	Colts
L.T.I.	Court Kings.

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HOCKEY

THE HOCKEY TEAM

THIRD ROW, left to right: John Louzon, cooch, Bob Hyde, Don Trembloy.
SECOND ROW, Pat Moley, John Boyko, Rolph Prezio, Gordon Dixon, Ron Couture, Colin Ashton.
FIRST ROW: Hal Moron, George Miller, Dennis Brophy, Lowrence Los, Walter Arbuckle.
MISSING: Bert Brooks, Jack Wieb, John Zvonor, Yosh Totebe, John Milligon.

HOCKEY

Lakehead Tech practised long and faithfully to get in shape for the World Series with University of Minnesota, Duluth Division. L.T.I. played exhibition games with Port Arthur Motors and the Business College under the guidance of our expert coach, John Lauzon.

Lauzon had the boys in trim for the big game with Duluth but they couldn't untrack before the last period and lost 4-3 to a smooth-skating Duluth Club. Arbuckle, Miller, and Prezio were the goal-getters for the home club. The team looked sharp in their borrowed Bruin uniforms.

A Little Less Weight on the Next One, Please

CURLING

The curling at the Lakehead Technical Institute was a great success this year, due mainly to the large number of participants and the generosity of the Port Arthur Curling and Athletic Club.

There were enough curlers to make up, eight well balanced teams, and the curling began as soon as everyone returned to school after Christmas. Since curling is the only sport at the school in which the fairer sex can take part, all the teams, except that of the teachers and the miners, were strengthened with a girl as lead or second.

A Round Robin was started, and at the end of six games, Couture and his team were in first place, with no losses. The semi-finals were played on March 21 with the first and third, and the second and fourth teams playing off. Couture was upset by Vinni, by a close score of 8 to 7, and Milligan downed Petrina by a score of 9 to 4.

The final game between Vinni and Milligan was played on March 26th. This game opened fairly slow, but Milligan scored 5 in the fourth end, and this seemed to break Vinni's spirit, as Milligan went on to win 13 to 3, and to win the championship.

All in all, everyone enjoyed themselves this year playing "that old man's game," Curling.

CURLING

CAMPBELL'S RINK

Skip: C. J. Compbell.
Left to right: A. M. Ross, J. W. Hoggerty, H. S. Broun.

PETRINA'S RINK

Skip: Tony Petrino.
Left to right: Frank Holm, Pat Armstrong, Ken Methot.

WIEB'S RINK

Skip: Jock Wieb.
Left to right: Hugh Couch, Nodeen Gilchrist, Pieter Prins.

MILLIGAN'S RINK

Skip: John Milligan.
Left to right: George Hohol, Joyce Wolneck, Wolter Arbuckle.

CURLING

MALEY'S RINK
Skip: Pot Maley.
Left to right: Bill Skorenky, George Miller, Don Stosiuk.

COUTURE'S RINK
Skip: Ron Couture.
Left to right: Don Murphy, Shiz Togowo, Bill Morgon.

VINNI'S RINK
Skip: Arvo Vinni
Left to right: Rolph Prezio, Rolph Poutonen, Jim MocTovish.

BIRSTON'S RINK
Skip: Rolph Birston.
Left to right: Bob Collings, Dione Bonks, Bob MacKinnon.

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University Naval Training Division

Left to right: John Byrka, David McLaren, Gordon Dixon.

The University Naval Training Division was established at the Lakehead Technical Institute in 1948 to train a limited number of eligible university students for commissioned rank in any branch of the Royal Canadian Navy. This year, three Applied Science students volunteered and were accepted.

To obtain their rank of cadet, these candidates had to pass thorough physical examinations and prove their academic and officer-like qualities before a Naval Selection Board.

During the school term, the U.N.T.D. introduced these new entries to general navy procedures. Divisional drills were held every Monday evening in H.M.C.S. Griffon to provide training in seamanship, navigation, and gunnery.

On January 21 the cadets went on an expense-paid trip to H.M.C.S. Chippewa in Winnipeg to face the selection board. After successful interviews, they visited the engineering buildings of the University of Manitoba.

These cadets are looking forward to an interesting summer training programme after completing their school year. They will go to Esquimalt, British Columbia for fourteen weeks of training ashore and afloat. This period includes an ocean cruise on a Canadian warship. The Royal Canadian Navy will provide all clothing and lodging, plus a salary which will help pay for the cadets' university education.

Next year the U.N.T.D. cadets will continue their training at another university. During the second summer the cadets will receive further training in navigation and communication and will specialize in a particular branch of the Royal Canadian Navy. After two summers of successful training and graduation from university the Royal Canadian Navy will grant U.N.T.D. cadets a permanent commission and promotion to the rank of sub-lieutenant. Officers may then apply for admission to the R.C.N. active force and a lifetime career in the Navy or they may enter a civilian profession and remain on a reserve list, ready to serve Canada in an emergency.

To U.N.T.D. cadets, navy life is not just friendship and travel; it is their way of expressing loyalty to Canada and a willingness to preserve the Canadian way of life.

—JOHN BYRKA. —GORDON DIXON.

SOCIAL NEWS

APPLIED SCIENCE PARTY

The social season was given a rousing beginning when Bob Saxberg played host at a party at his summer camp at Trout Lake, late in September. We all wondered at the time if this party was a political hoax to influence voters for the president's chair in the Council. On all counts it was a very successful party.

GET-ACQUAINTED PARTY

The official party of the year was held the last Friday in October at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. I. Nattress. A large number of students and staff turned out to enjoy the evening. A delicious lunch was served during the evening, thanks to the Dance Committee: Nadeen Gilchrist, chairman, Joyce Walneck, and Barbara Swanton.

PRE-CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Students' Administrative Council sponsored an informal party at the Palomar Supper Club, November 27. Mr. and Mrs. Ross and Mr. Braun were our chaperones. Everyone enjoyed dancing to the music of the juke box. Shortly before twelve lunch was served.

ANNUAL FORMAL

On January 30, 1953, the Students' Administrative Council presented the fourth annual Winter Formal at the Port Arthur Country Club. Dancing was enjoyed from 9 till 1 to Howard Humby's Orchestra. A lunch was served during intermission.

The Dance Committee—Joyce Walneck, chairman, George Miller, Denny Brophy, Nadeen Gilchrist, finance chairman, and Ken Methot — deserve much of the credit for making this formal one of the most successful up to date.

HOCKEY PARTY

After the hockey game on Monday, February 23, a party was held at the Palomar Supper Club for the visiting team from the University of Minnesota, Duluth Branch. The Men's Athletic Society were hosts. That evening we also celebrated the birthday of two of our favourite students.

PRE-EXAMINATION PARTY

The Casino was the scene of a Hard Times Party on March 6. Dancing was to the music of a juke box. Hugh (pronounced Hug) Couch was in charge of all the arrangements.

WINTER FORMAL 1953

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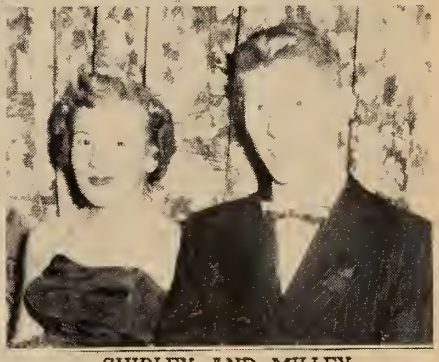

SHIRLEY AND MILLEY

CLIFF

DOC AND DON

WHOT HAPPENED?

CONVOCATION

The fourth annual Convocation of the Lakehead Technical Institute was held in the Library Auditorium, Port Arthur on May 2, 1952.

The graduates entered and the proceedings began with the singing of O Canada. The Reverend W. C. Mercer gave the invocation which was immediately followed by an address of welcome from the Acting Principal, Mr. H. S. Braun.

Mr. P. V. LeMay, Vice-Chairman of the Advisory Committee, conferred the diplomas on the graduates of the Technical Division. The University Division graduates received their diplomas from Mr. R. J. Flatt. Mr. A. V. Chapman of the Advisory Committee introduced the guest speaker, Mr. L. S. Beattie, Director of Vocational Education, Province of Ontario.

The scholarships, trophies, and awards were then presented. The Convocation was closed with "God Save the Queen."

SCHOLARSHIPS AND PRIZES

City of Fort William	Lenore Aedy
City of Port Arthur	Raymond West
Thunder Bay Timber Operators Association	Ernie Harrie
Port Arthur Legion	Ruth Nattress
Fort William Legion	Harry Fleming
University of Toronto	Raymond West
Jessie MacKay Memorial	Elaine Bocking
Lakehead Technical Institute	Erik Eriksen
Marathon Paper Mills of Canada	Ron Landgraff
Principal's Prize in Forestry	Bob Barry
Principal's Prize in Mining	Terry Carroll
University Naval Training Appointments	Erik Eriksen
	Henry Tuisku

Athletic Letters . . .	Hockey	George Miller
	Basketball	Don Marston
	Curling	Jim Delaney
Donald Clark Trophy		Jack Adderley
Robert Poulin Memorial Trophy		Jack Adderley

HUMOUR

The professor distributed a copy of the examination to his class. One student read it and exclaimed:
"Sir, this is exactly the same exam you gave last semester."
"That's all right," said the professor, "I've changed the answers."

A patient in an insane asylum was trying to convince an attendant that he was Napoleon.
"But who told you that you were Napoleon?" inquired the attendant.
"God did," came the reply.
"I did not," came a voice from the next bunk.

Girl: Don't you want to kiss me? Don't I appeal to you?
MacLaren: It isn't that — I just don't want to throw away my gum yet.

Mr. Armstrong: What steps would you take in determining the height of a building, using an aneroid barometer?
Maley: I would lower the barometer by a string and measure the string.

Prosecuting Attorney: What gear were you in when the crash took place?
Diane: A beret, two-tone shoes and gray flannel suit.

Girl to Wuori: "I like you, Alfred, but I just don't have the ambition to make something of you."

Milligan: "Did you get home all right from the party last night?"
Petrina: "No trouble at all, except that just as I was turning into my street, some fool stepped on my fingers."

Ashton (describing a skull in Zoo class): "It is a well-haped woman's skull."
Mrs. Fleming: "How do you know it's a woman's?"
Ashton: "Her mouth is open."

Angry Parent: "What do you mean by bringing my daughter home at this hour in the morning?"
Spike: "Well, sir, I have to be at school at nine o'clock."

Brooks: "Women don't interest me. I prefer the company of my fellow men."
McKitrick: "So you're broke, too."

Girl: "Sorry, Don, but I never go out with perfect strangers."
Tremblay: "Don't worry about that, babe. I ain't perfect."

Maley: "Why the goldfish on your desk, Mr. MacKinnon?"
Mr. MacKinnon: "It's a novelty to have something here opening its mouth without asking a silly question."

Mr. Braun: "There will only be a half-day's school work this morning."
Engineers: "Hurrah!"
Mr. Braun: "Silence. We will have the rest this afternoon."

Mr. Haggerty: "Will you fellows stop exchanging notes at the back of the room."
Brophy: "Them ain't notes. Them's cards. We're playing bridge."
Mr. Haggerty: "Oh, I beg your pardon."

Judge: "How did this accident happen?"
Byrka: "I was hugging a curve."
Judge: "Yeah, that's the way most of them happen."

Los: "Doc, I've been having severe headaches. See what you can do about it, will you?"
Doctor: "Been smoking much?"
Los: "No, I never touch tobacco, I never touch a drink, I keep regular hours and I haven't had a date in 10 years."
Doctor: "Then the only thing that could be the matter with you is that your halo fits too tightly."

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Words, words, words! — Milton's **Paradise Lost.**

Since I saw you last, there is a change upon you. — Mr. Ross before and after Christmas holidays. Peform't or else we damn thee—homework.

. . . drinks and wastes the lamps of night in revel—typical Engineer.

I would I had thy inches.—Shiz to Ashton.

My spirits grow dull, and fain I would beguile the tedious day with sleep.—Dawson in Geology.

O' what a rash and bloody deed is this!—The Couch-Maley incident.

Thou com'st in such a questionable shape!—Walter to the squalus.

Speak not to us.—Engineers to Arts Students.

I am sorry to give breathing to my purpose.—Mr. Ross, assigning next English essay.

O' 'tis treason.—Surprise tests in Calculus.

A strange and invisible perfume hits the sense.—Manufactured in Room 4.

Show me which way.—Miller, coming home from the Basketball "Stag."

See where he is, who's with him, what he does.—Nadeen to Joyce.

Riotous madness . . . with Petrina in the chem lab.

I might sleep out this great gap of time.—Couch in Botany.

We will not look upon him.—Engineers spy an Arts student approaching.

Let's to billiards.—Wieb to Petrina.

Pray you stand further from me.—Joyce to Hugh.

. . . excellent falsehood—answers on Botany papers.

Out damned spot, out, I say!—Mr. Ross throwing Maley out of English.

I think thou'rt mad.—Couch to Maley.

The strong necessity of time commands our services awhile.—Geology beckons.

There's the point!—Yup, right on Ashton's head.

I knew't was I, for many do call me fool.—Dawson.

A little I can read . . . says the Engineer.

I will hope of better deeds tomorrow.—Mr. Armstrong to Physics class.

Is she as tall as me—Shiz to Joyce.

Something is rotten in the state of Denmark!—Also in the Zoo lab.

You can do better yet.—Mr. Braun's high hopes.

It's monstrous labour, when I wash my brain, it grows fouler.—Miller the night before chemistry exams.

No hat upon his head, his stockings foul'd, ungarter'd and downgyved to his ancle, pale as his shirt, his knees knocking each other.—An Engineer appears at school for the final exams.

I shall not look upon his like again.—L.T.I. student after writing his finals.

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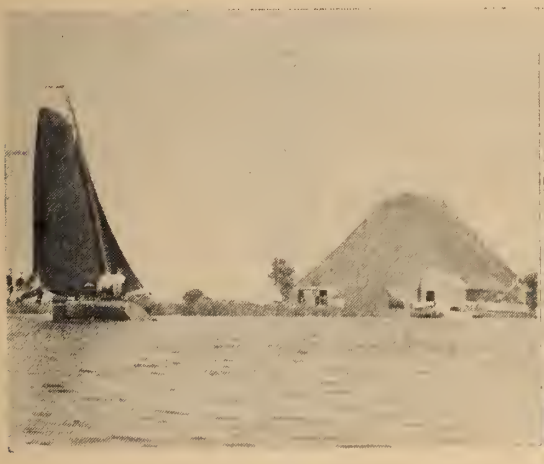
SEVEN CENTURIES OF WATERLESS NEPTUNE

Around the year 1000 — maybe it was before that — a couple of Frisian farmers, tired of having their lands inundated, decided to protect them from the North Sea by dikes. This was an historical act, and a monument should have been erected on that dike. The people of the time probably forgot it. Without knowing, those farmers laid the first stone for the house now known as the Kingdom of the Netherlands.

And so Friesland became the first place where the Dutch population could hunt and fish and also breed cattle. The great fight against the North Sea which attacked from all sides had begun, a fight which has been going on until the present day. The spade and bucket were the forerunners of the mighty sand dredgers, cranes and pump stations of to-day. The defeats were numerous, and long is the list of floods which stole away great chunks of land. But every swift, treacherous attack of the sea accompanied by the roaring voice of the Wester-storm was parried by a counter-attack planned deliberately and cautiously but appearing to the people in other countries as reckless and fantastic.

The fight has been hard but it is not finished yet. Looking back to the year 1000 we find that 375,000 acres have been lost and 390,000 acres have been won, making a total gain of 15,000 acres. Only when the last acre which can be won from the sea has been drained can the victory be complete; only when in addition the Zuidersee, the greater part of the Dollart, the Bieschbos, the waters of Zealand and the Waddensee are lying behind dikes can the victory be complete.

To drain a sea seems like a fantastic idea, and yet in 1664 a man by the name of Hendric Stevin proposed to drain the Zuidersee, an area of 700,000 acres. The Dutchmen in those days laughed and shrugged their shoulders, but to-day the Zuidersee is almost drained and it is possible in these modern and technical times to drain the other waters mentioned too. In addition to a straight coastline, the drainage will give the Netherlands an increased land acreage. It will be easier to defend the country against the sea and to maintain the dikes. Instead of a coastline of 1840 kilometres, the Netherlands will have a coastline of 350 kilometres. This short coastline is the goal toward which all Dutch civil engineers work regardless of the time involved. They hope to reach that goal in the year 2050.



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SEVEN CENTURIES OF WATERLESS NEPTUNE—(Continued)

To what extent those Dutch plans will be delayed by the recent flood cannot be yet estimated, but the damage done to the land already is great. Not since the black night of November 18, 1421, when the flood, known as St. Elizabeths, swept in over the Netherlands, has so much of the country been devastated by the ocean, has so great a flood overcome the Netherlands. On that one night five centuries ago seventy-two villages, two castles, and two monasteries were destroyed; 100,000 people and a large number of cattle were drownd. The North Sea and the Rhine River flooded a part of the country known as the South Hollandse Waard and a deep, wide sea was formed — the Zuid Hollandse Deep. A part of the Zuid-Hollandse Waard has been reclaimed but some of it is still under water.

Five centuries later, January 17, 1953, another flood with tides thirty feet high smashed holes in the dikes in numerous places. Sometimes the flood water surged inland for forty miles. Hardest hit were the islands of Zealand, two large islands called Goeree and over Flakkee, with a population of 5,000. They are three-quarters under water. Another small island known as Fiers Guneter has completely vanished. About 1,000 dead have been counted and about a million or 10 per cent of all the population have lost their property. The damage done to the soil is severe. Salt water always penetrates deep into the soil and experts will have to wait till early autumn before they can test the soil for salt content. Four years may pass before the flooded land returns to normal. Gypsum can be used to counter the salt but heavy rainfall is needed to dissolve the gypsum. As gypsum cannot be used until the top soil has drained and as most of the flooded land is in low rainfall areas with heavy soil, it may take twenty years for some fields to regain full fertility.

The total cost of the flood is not known but the Dutch Central Statistics Bureau estimates that about 14,500 of Holland's 2,345,000 houses were in the flood areas. About 1,000 farms in Zealand are a total loss and 2,000 damaged. About 8,300 houses and farms are flooded in North Brabant. The Dutch Government, which the week before had announced that it would not need the Marshall Security Act Funds from the United States any more, has had to ask sadly that assistance be renewed.

But there is no doubt that as in the old times all the lost land will be reclaimed. In the middle of the Afsluitdike, which seals the mouth of the Zuidersee is a monument which bears the inscription: "A nation that lives builds for its future." Many times in the past the Dutch have looked disaster in the face and yet triumphed in the end. Dutch industry and skill will take over where the flood waters left off and show the world that still she lives, and builds for the future.

—PIETER PRINS.

"AND THUS THE WHIRLIGIG OF TIME . . ."

IFE has many turnings and mine assurerdly has had its share. It does not seem many years since I was a young lad setting out in a life which looked bright and full of promise. Hamburg in those days was a great city from which great ships went to all parts of the world.

I always liked the sea and so began work in a shipyard where, if I could not sail upon the ships, at least I could work among them and see them leave the yards, slide into the Elbe and put out for the North Sea. Our greatest day was when Adolf Hitler came and launched the battleship, the Prinz Eugen of which we were so proud; we could not foresee then a mighty explosion years later on the Bikini atoll in the Pacific, and I certainly saw no sense in an old man's muttered prophecy: "You'll see, Robert, ships like these mean war." He stood near me as the Prinz Eugen took the slips.

But a year or two later I received my orders to report to a pioneer unit in an infantry corps. And soon enough I knew the meaning of war, the excitement, the danger, the destruction, and death. Soon enough I sensed the gigantic nature of the struggle which Der Fuehrer took us into.

It was a black day in my life, when on a reconnaissance trip far ahead of the company I was taken prisoner by a Belgian unit. So it goes when you are too daring in war. At first — questions, questions and more questions. Resistance is out of the question: you are no longer free; it is a sickening feeling. Always the shadow that falls on you from behind, always the glint of steel as you are shoved from prison to prison. Now more of my countrymen begin to appear — a discouraging thing but I was glad of company and news of the war which must now be close for I could hear the guns.

And then while we were cooped up in a boxcar within the ancient fortifications of Dunkirk, hell slowly moved in upon us as our armies brought field guns within range of Dunkirk and proceeded to demolish it. For ten days we lived under the shriek of high explosives, helpless in a box car; strong German troopers broke under the terrible tension and became as little children.

But on the tenth day we were herded upon an old trawler which promptly stood out to sea while a wonderful silence bathed our nerves. In England curious people, some with hate in their eyes stared at us, while in the compound we faced endless questioning again. At last another train trip, another ship, and this time the ocean. I felt better for the bitter war in my mind was easing.

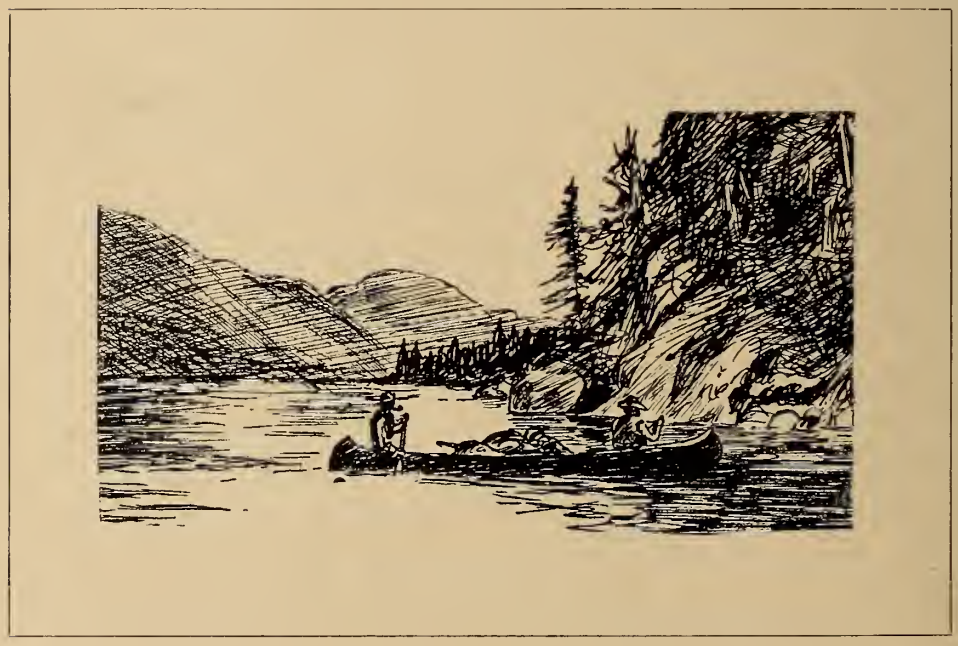
"AND THE WHIRLIGIG OF TIME . . ."—(Continued)

None of us had ever seen Canada; none of us could appreciate those thousands of miles of forest and rock; it seemed one immense prison house; few could even contemplate escape into those vast swamps and swarms of mosquitoes and black flies. I hated my new prison house; mine was a bad black hate for months. But even hate behind barbed wire cannot last.

Gradually the years passed; we saw movies, we read from books supplied by the University of Toronto and the Y.M.C.A. We thought often alone — thoughts that were not always in agreement with all we knew in Germany. And then it happened; I was a free man who hated now — to go home. I wanted to stay in the land of my enemies and become one of them. But it was not to be yet. Back in the shattered Third Reich I found myself alone in a strange world: alone with poor, hungry people, alone amid the ruins of a land that was once so dearly mine. Everything was changed after eight years abroad. I failed to get work. So great had the destruction been in my home town that I failed even to get a room for myself.

And so when Canada began to encourage immigration from Germany, I turned my back upon my Fatherland and returned to the country where I had been a prisoner for so long to start life all over again. I like it here, and it is good that at the Lakehead Technical Institute I can take studies that will bring me interesting, worthwhile employment where I can forget the old bitterness and in a few years proudly declare my nationality as CANADIAN.

—ROBERT SCHUMACHER.



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THE FORESTRY CAMP

On October 6 the forestry students left for Trout Lake where, under the direction of Mr. Haggerty, they performed a five per cent, 1/5 acre circular plot cruise. Once again we had the privilege of using the Boy Scout Camp and we are grateful of their help in giving us accommodation.

The first day was spent in preparing the camp for occupancy and in chopping a sufficient supply of wood for cooking and heating.

Early Tuesday morning, the individual cruising parties, comprised of a cruiser and one or two first-year students as a compass and tallymen, set out for their respective limits.

The first day of cruising was a baffling experience for most. All the parties returned that night with barely any work done. During the next two weeks our cruising ability rapidly improved and we averaged approximately fifteen plots per day for each party. On the week ends the boys managed to find transportation into town, except two second-year students who stayed behind in camp and enjoyed the finer things in life.

On October 17, the first-year students packed their gear and returned to Port Arthur. The second-year students remained behind to cut and skid wood to defray some of our expenses.

Monday was spent under the guidance of Mr. Campbell who instructed us in filing our saws, and the felling and skidding of trees.

On Tuesday our operation began in earnest and by the end of the week we had approximately seventeen cords cut, skid and piled. The highlight of the entire operation was the skidding of the logs.

Ernie summed up this phase of the operation nicely, "Never trust a horse, give me a tractor."

Everyone agreed that the time spent at our Institute Forestry had been very worth while.

THE SCALING COURSE

School for the second year Foresters began with the government scaling course at Camp 40, Long Lac Pulp and Paper Company Limited. Mr. James D. Pennock conducted the course September 15-27, ably assisted by Mr. J. Peden and Mr. L. Sullivan, all from the Ontario Department of Lands and Forests.

Approximately fifty-two men representing various timber companies, the Department of Lands and Forests and the six foresters from the Lakehead Technical Institute took the course.

Mr. Pennock gave us lectures in the mornings, field work in the afternoons and classes again in the evenings. We tried the Culler's examination on the 27th, taking the field test in the morning and the written examination that afternoon.

Mr. Pennock entertained us one evening with an interesting show of coloured slides. The Long Lac Pulp and Paper Company gave the men a banquet supper on the 26th, and we thoroughly enjoyed the turkey and ice cream.

We wish to express our gratitude to our hosts during the course, the Long Lac Pulp and Paper Company, and to the instructors.

We were proud of our results which measured up to previous high standings obtained by second year Foresters.

FALL UTILIZATION TRIP

On November 2nd, the second-year Foresters, accompanied by Mr. Campbell, arrived at the Abitibi Power and Paper Company's depot camp in the Black Sturgeon area. We were shown their sixteen-foot cut-skid operation and the loading of sixteen-foot pulpwood with a Drott loader. The class was also shown a truck haul, a river landing, dams and camp layout. The construction of their portable barns, garages and of their sectional type portable camps was of particular interest to the class. Mr. E. Ayre conducted the tour and gave us a talk on Abitibi's policy and operations in this particular area.

The class then went to the Great Lakes Paper Company's depot camp on their Black Sturgeon concession. Mr. M. McKay showed the boys the company's eight-foot cut strip operation and their sixteen-foot cut-skid operation. He also showed us their portable camp layout and two different types of dam construction. From here we went to Northern Forest Products to see a truck and trailer haul for poles and lumber.

The class wishes to extend its thanks to the companies, their personnel, and to Mr. Campbell, for making this trip interesting and informative.

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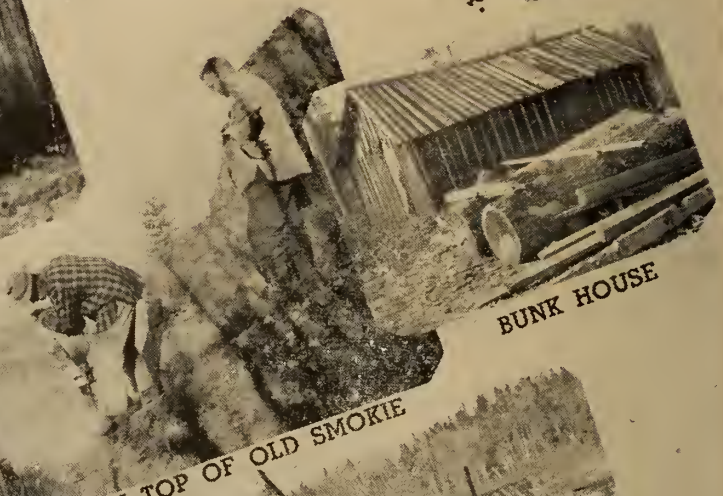
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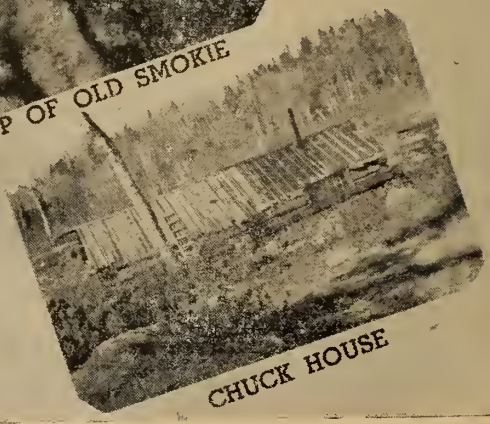
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October 8—Left Lakehead Technical Institute early and arrived at camp before noon. The camp was a dilapidated tar-paper shack situated beside a mountain several miles north of Pigeon River in Pardee township.

October 9—First night in camp was cold. We lacked a sufficient supply of blankets. Some interesting topics were discussed throughout the night. The atmosphere in the shack was striking, for streams of moonlight flooded through the roof, and drifted through clouds of cigarette smoke before landing on the dirt floor. Those close to the fire sweated while the rest froze. Next morning we split into groups, each group making a separate traverse.

During the remainder of the week, we did some prospecting and completed our traverses.

Some mention should be made of the food. We were our own cooks, and so differed from the Foresters who paid a cook to prepare their meals. But then we all can't be good cooks. Mr. Pages' dumplings were the highlight of the week. Pancakes served for breakfast one morning were a little heavy. Prezio, our heartiest eater, managed to eat two. The meals were informal and everyone wore their hats.

October 14—After spending Thanksgiving weekend in Port Arthur we returned to camp, packed our gear and moved to the other side of the mountain. The new camp was in better condition, though we had to tar-paper the roof. We found that living conditions were slightly crowded. The first day was spent in attempting to locate and tag a group of claim posts.

October 15—Spent a more comfortable night. Bayko slept on the rafters and Mr. Page on the kitchen table. The rest of us were more fortunate in drawing the right straws for bunks.

October 16—We carried a gasoline drill weighing approximately five hundred pounds up a mountain, approximately one mile high.

Although we were tired by the time we arrived at the top, yet like good miners, we immediately began to work.

October 17—We did some drilling and blasting near the top of the mountain to-day.

October 18—Mr. Page slept on the floor. He had some trouble with mice that ran across his face.

We spent the rest of the week near the top of the mountain. We chained a short picket line from the face of the outcrop. Mineral samples were collected.

October 20—We packed our sacks and left for civilization. This trip was one not easily forgotten, and one which we really enjoyed.

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