

Houghton Department

PLAN TO BETTER FREIGHT SERVICE

U. P. BOOSTERS WILL WORK TO IMPROVE TRANSPORTATION BETWEEN HERE AND DETROIT.

"Detroit hospitality could not have been excelled," said President Green of the Upper Peninsula Development Bureau in speaking of the recent trip of the U. P. Boosters to that city. "That the material benefits which will develop from this visit will greatly outweigh the lingering memories of our pleasant stay. The Detroit Board of Commerce has expressed a willingness to co-operate with us in our attempt to lower freight rates and increase the efficiency of service between Detroit and upper peninsula towns. At present we can send freight to Chicago in nearly half the time and at nearly half the cost that we can to Detroit. For example, lumber rates from Menominee are 18 cents a hundred to Detroit and only 10 cents to Chicago.

"The chief reason for this seems to be that the peninsula has never made any strenuous effort to better its railroad service. Improvements have not been very heavy, certainly not as heavy as they will be in the future, and the railroads have considered their service adequate and their rates low enough. Our transportation committee is taking up the matter and we are now assured of Detroit's support. I think the roads will soon comply with our requests for more frequent and cheaper service."

Plans Cruise Next Year.

"So enthusiastic are the members over their first cruise that they are determined to repeat it next year, although Detroit may not be visited, as we do not wish to wear out our welcome there," said Theodore E. Quinby, manager of the Bureau, and former Detroit.

"Our boosters' organization is only an infant, but it is a lusty one and it is going to bring the upper peninsula before the public. Since it was established last February, 150,000 pieces of advertising literature have been mailed. As a proof that we are becoming known throughout the country, we have received invitations to loan exhibits of our products at Chicago, Pittsburg, Minneapolis and many other cities.

"Many of our greatest resources have not been tapped yet. We have more hard-wood timber standing than any other locality in the country. There are vast opportunities for iron and steel foundries in the heart of the mining district. But what we want most are people. Our population at present is approximately 350,000, while we are able to support three times that number."

C. W. DELVEY IS DEAD.

Former Popular Clerk of Douglas House Passes Away.

Chester W. Delvey, manager of the Hotel Maryland, and formerly manager of the St. Charles hotel, died this morning at the Sacred Heart sanitarium.

the Milwaukee Evening Wisconsin.

Mr. Delvey came to Milwaukee some years ago from Houghton, Mich. He was for three years manager of the St. Charles hotel, leaving there to become manager of the eating house system on the M. K. & T. railroad between St. Louis and the city of Mexico. The work and the climate caused his health to become impaired, and he returned to Milwaukee, taking the management of the Hotel Maryland when it was opened a year ago. Of late, however, he had not been well, and made several trips to the West Baden springs for recuperation, going finally to the Sacred Heart for treatment.

Previous to going to Milwaukee some years ago to take the management of the St. Charles hotel, Mr. Delvey was employed as clerk at the Douglas House in Houghton. He was one of the most popular hotel men in the northwest and his passing will be regretted by his many friends.

BELL AT DANGEROUS SPOT.

Alarm Placed by Chief Voetsch at "Dead Man's Curve."

An alarm bell was placed Saturday by Louis Voetsch at the intersection of Sheldon and Franklin streets and College avenue, to be rung when fire alarms are turned in from East Houghton. There is always considerable congestion of traffic at this point of automobiles and vehicles and as it is impossible to see approaching vehicles until they have reached the danger, it is a point of considerable danger. The going is to be set ringing by the touching of a button in the fire station, whenever a fire alarm is sent in from East Houghton, warning drivers of teams and autos that the firemen are coming, and to give them a clear road. Chief Voetsch desires to impress upon drivers the need of obeying the alarm immediately and thereby averting possible accidents.

CHARGED WITH CRUELTY.

Hurontown Man Arrested on Charge of Cruelty to a Horse.

Louis Blaise of Hurontown was arrested Saturday night by officer Mitchell of Houghton, on a charge of cruelty to animals. Blaise was driving a horse belonging to Richard James, the Douglass liveryman and the officer noticed that it was bleeding at the mouth, apparently from the driver pulling on the bridle. The owner of the horse was asked to come and get the horse, which Blaise declared had become unmanageable. James stated the horse was inclined to be wild any day, and was a difficult animal to drive. Blaise pleaded not guilty and his hearing will take place before Justice Little at 10 o'clock a. m., September 25.

The regular monthly meeting of the Houghton county board of supervisors will be held tomorrow morning. Among the matters likely to be acted upon is the appointing of a mine inspector to succeed the late Inspector Daws.

The funeral of the late Joseph Wisniewski of Houghton, who died last Saturday, was held this morning, services taking place at St. Ignace church and interment at Forest Hill cemetery. The son, Fred Wisniewski, of Chicago, came here to attend the funeral.

FIRE COMPANY 50 YEARS OLD

SEMI-CENTENNIAL WILL BE CELEBRATED—VILLAGE INCORPORATED HALF CENTURY.

This fall occurs the completion of fifty years of the existence of the fire department of the village of Houghton and at the regular meeting of the Continental Fire company, to be held tomorrow night steps will be taken towards arranging for the observance of the semi-centennial in a fitting manner. No plans have been considered as yet, but it is thought the celebration will take the form either of a banquet or a ball.

The fire company was organized in 1861 under the official supervision of the late R. M. Hoar then the leading merchant of Houghton, a member of the first board of village trustees, and one of the most active of Houghton's citizens in public life. The fire company then organized was one of the best up to the present time. The and it has continued to be among the best in this section at that time first engine purchased by the village was the last improved hand engine used in Detroit. About 1872 a steam fire engine was purchased and is still in use when occasion requires it. About 1882 a brick engine house was erected, in connection with a new town hall forty-six by sixty feet in size and two stories in height. A cistern beneath the building, constructed of stone and lined inside with brick, together with other water facilities, afforded a sufficient supply of water to combat any fires occurring in the village at that period.

Anniversary of Village.

Besides being the anniversary of the fire company, the year 1911 marks the rounding out of half a century of the incorporation of Houghton as a village. It having been incorporated November 4, 1861, under the general incorporation law of 1857, and having at the time a population of 2,123 whites, eighteen colored persons and fifteen Indians.

The first election of village officers was held at the office of John Atwood, December 2, 1861 at which 185 voters were cast and which resulted in the election of the following: President, William Rainey; clerk, John Atwood; treasurer, William Harris; assessors, Seth Reese and Alexander Pope; trustees, William Miller, who was one of the first proprietors of the old Knafel hotel, burned last week, Edward Roma, George Foller, James D. Reed, R. M. Hoar and Jay A. Hubbell; street commissioners, Thomas M. Hubbell, Edwin Berrier and Ransom Sheldon, John Atwood, Thomas J. Brown and John Bandy were inspectors at this election.

Trinity Church Anniversary.

In 1861, fifty years ago, Trinity Episcopal church was erected on the site of the present Congregational church in Hancock. After it was up and enclosed, and partly plastered, the Houghton people returned to the Hancock subscribers the money they had paid to aid in the erection of the building, moved it from its foundation, ran it down the hill, and placed it upon two large scoops, bound together by heavy timbers, and started

it across Portage Lake. The lake had commenced to freeze over in places, and above where the bridge now stands considerable ice had formed. Small row boats started to tow it over, breaking the thin ice before them as they went. When near the middle of the lake, a stiff breeze struck the church and the scoops, with the church acting as a sail, started at a lively speed in the direction of Portage Entry. A long coil of new rope had been made fast and carried by a small boat to the Houghton side, just before the strangely freighted craft ran out into the open water, barely in time for R. M. Hoar to take a turn with the cable around a large tree on the bank. The craft strained at the rope, which was stretched a little and the scoops then held fast swung around to the shore, and made a landing near the old ferry, wrecking the scoops on the rocks. From this point it was taken up the hill and placed upon foundations which had been prepared where the present new and imposing edifice of Trinity church now stands. In 1879 improvements were made in the interior of the church, a memorial window being placed above the altar, and a set of altar vessels obtained, made from the native silver of Lake Superior.

ESKOLA CASE TAKEN UP IN CIRCUIT COURT TODAY

PANEL IS EXHAUSTED IN AN EFFORT TO SECURE A JURY.

Case of People vs. John Peroni Put Over Until Next Term.

The trial of Matt Eskola, proprietor of the Hotel McCoy in Houghton, charged with keeping a disorderly house, was called on the convening of circuit court this morning, and the entire forenoon session was taken up in the drawing of a jury. The regular panel was exhausted and it was necessary to secure additional veniremen. This case is one of the most interesting of the present term, Eskola being charged with keeping a disorderly house, the complaint following the conclusion of the so-called "white slave" case, in which Eskola was a defendant at the May term of court. Eva Marotte, the principal witness in the latter case, will be called to testify in the present trial. Angus Kerr of Calumet is associated with E. A. McNally as counsel for the defense.

The trial of John Peroni of Hancock, charged with keeping a disorderly house, was this morning continued until the next term of court, on application of Attorney J. F. Mumbitzer, for the defense.

BARAGA I. O. O. F. TO BUILD.

At a meeting of the Baraga Odd Fellows a building committee, in charge of Victor Reed, was appointed to look after the new home of the Order, which will be built on the lot west of the Pioneer Clear Factory, says the L'Anse Sentinel. It is expected that active building operations will commence next week. The Odd Fellows plan to erect a neat substantial home. The building will be a two story frame structure and will cost in the neighborhood of \$2,000. The dimensions will be 28x64 feet.

HOUGHTON BREVITIES.

Thomas H. Tracy of L'Anse was a visitor in Houghton yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Primold are the parents of a son born last week.

Botsford McInnis left Sunday for Glendale, Ohio, where he will attend school.

W. H. Dee and son, Leslie, left yesterday for a visit to points in Minnesota.

Miss Hazel Dumonthier left yesterday for Chicago to take a course of study in a hospital as a trained nurse.

The Houghton county board of jail inspectors will hold its semi-annual meeting at the office of the county judge of probate, next Saturday morning. Those constituting the board are Judge of Probate Bentley, County Agent W. H. Mason and Poor Superintendents Lyon, Stahl and Morrison.

Jacob Jarvis and Attorney Harry Corgan have moved their offices from the Sheldon-Dee building to the Bosch building, occupying rooms adjoining those of Justice Little.

Marriage licenses have been issued to Oscar Steinhilf of Trinitoutain and Pauline Messner of Houghton; Charles R. Hyvonen and Ina Blankstrom of Calumet; and to Jure Bronick and Mando Rodolice, both of Calumet.

A change in some of the departments of the Copper Range railroad at Houghton went into effect this morning, John Rentenbach being made freight agent, with general supervision of the freight station, and G. P. Bacon being made passenger ticket agent.

A large number of Portage Lake people visited the canal yesterday on the tug Valeris to see the wreck of the Moreland. The pleasant weather was also taken advantage of by large numbers to take the trip to the Entry and other resorts.

J. E. Hall, Dr. T. M. Cunningham and Frank G. Jenks of Marquette visited Houghton Saturday for the purpose of practicing on the golf links of the Portage Lake Golf club. They were entertained while here by members of the local club.

A large number of friends gathered at the home of Mrs. G. Hartman of Houghton on Friday evening and helped her to celebrate the seventy-first anniversary of her birth. The evening was a very enjoyable one. Mrs. Hartman has resided in Houghton more than fifty years.

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CURRENT GOSSIP OF THE COPPERS

By J. A. MINNEAR & COMPANY

NEW YORK, SEPT. 8

The market this week has been drifting along in a somewhat stupid manner, and until latterly with evidence of a desire to rally, and while some improvement was made in price, towards the close of the week further selling developed in Union Pacific, which, of course was the signal for weakness elsewhere, and as we write the net looks very stale and flat.

Of news to account for the late pressure, there is none and in this respect the market is without an explanation, such as it has been on the previous heavy decline.

Probably, the larger feature of interest has been today's government crop report, which does not show a very pleasing collection of figures, for while there is some improvement in the corn and oats crop, there is none in spring wheat, which together with winter wheat indicates a total yield of only about 658,000,000, while that extremely useful crop, hay, is reduced to less than 47,000,000 as against over 60,000,000 last year.

In trade, there seems to be a note of improvement in one or two directions evidenced further by a substantial increase in the August bank clearings. The labor disputes out West however have had a halting influence, although we doubt for obvious reasons, the likelihood of strikes in that direction.

We are not, however, pessimistic on security values. We believe the late selling to be largely for the already over-extended short account, and we would prefer to meet this decline with purchases rather than following the present very fashionable side of the market.—N. J. Miller of Miller & Co.

BOSTON, MASS., SEPT. 8

The announcement of the Copper Producer's figures yesterday furnished a pleasant surprise in the curtailing of approximately four and a quarter million pounds, whereas a negative result would have been considered very satisfactory.

Production of most of the mines owing to a very full month from the working day standpoint and to better recovery from ore treated as well as from the increasing volume from the new porphyries contributed to make a higher output all along the line.

That this was so easily taken care of was due to the resumption of foreign demand in the latter part of the month, whereas it had been slack in the first half and from the fact that the small American consumers were in the market for an unusually large supply of red metal throughout the month. The big consumers laid back on their ears during the entire period, which led to a rather pessimistic outlook in the first half of the month.

The present state of affairs however, leads to the conclusion so often stated and much persevered in that the copper situation has turned the corner and it now seems that production is at length being slowly and steadily overcome by consumption to an extent that will take care of all present and promised production for the current year. If the enlargement of consumption to production continues during next year we should see a still more promising state of affairs. That the copper situation has gone on steadily bettering with general trade in its present condition, and with the foreign situation causing unrest throughout Europe is certainly as good a testimonial as could be desired. The steady drain upon mines of the country and the steady using of copper as it is produced can in the end produce only one effect no matter at what level copper is now selling for, nor how long it may continue.—J. H. Cody of Miller & Co.

SUPERIOR AND BOSTON-ARIZONA COMMERCIAL

Only those who have had the opportunity of visiting the Globe camp and inspecting the properties of the Superior & Boston and Arizona-Commercial companies can realize the great advantage which will accrue as a result of the proposed consolidation of these two companies.

The announcement of the terms whereby Superior & Boston would absorb Arizona Commercial was made this week and viewed from every angle, it is an eminently favorable basis. Superior & Boston will increase its capitalization to 650,000 shares, of which all but 5,000 shares will be outstanding. A special meeting of Superior & Boston shareholders is called for September 30th for the purpose of voting on the plan, and transfer books will be closed September 25th and will re-open October 2d.

According to the terms whereby the two properties are to be consolidated, Superior & Boston will issue 200,000 shares to be exchanged for \$1,000,000 bonds now outstanding of Arizona Commercial on a basis of 100 shares of Superior & Boston for each \$500 bond, providing 75% of the bondholders accept the offer.

An issue of \$600,000, six per cent. bonds convertible at \$5 will also be made in denominations of \$100, \$500 and \$1000 to be dated November 1, 1911, and payable in ten years. These bonds can be converted into stock between November 1, 1912 and November 1, 1916 at \$5 a share, and are to be redeemable at 110. To provide for this redemption, 120,000 shares of Superior & Boston stock will be set aside. Subscription to these bonds are open only to Arizona Commercial shareholders, and with each subscription of \$100, a bonus of 20 shares of Superior & Boston stock will be given. This will call for an issue of 60,000 shares of Superior & Boston stock. This bond issue has been fully underwritten. To recapitulate, the stock issue will be as follows:

Superior & Boston shares now issued	265,000
For Arizona Commercial bonds	200,000
To convert new bond issue	120,000
For Arizona Commercial subscription bonds	60,000
In treasury	5,000
Total Capital	650,000

With the consummation of the proposed consolidation of the two companies, Superior & Boston will have in its treasury in excess of \$600,000, a property fully paid for and in addition, a smelter and railroad. It will be able to operate at five different points, namely: the McGaw, Gardner and Limestone of Superior & Boston's present holdings, and the Eureka and Copper Hill properties of Arizona Commercial. With so large a treasury balance, more aggressive operations will be possible, and the early resumption of production on a considerable scale.

There was considerable selling of both Arizona Commercial and Superior & Boston stock immediately upon the publication of the terms of the proposed consolidation. The selling of Superior & Boston is believed to have been for the account of Arizona Commercial bondholders who sold the stock against the shares they will

receive in the exchange of their bond holdings for Superior & Boston stock.

There will be an increase in the directorate of Superior & Boston from five to nine members. Arizona Commercial interests will be represented by four members on the Board, including N. L. Amster.

Operations at Arizona Commercial have been discontinued, pending the consummation of the proposed consolidation. The pumps are being operated, and the mine kept free from water.

It is our opinion that after the deal is closed, Superior & Boston shares will sell considerably higher, and we believe the stock offers great speculative possibilities around present prices.

NEW BALTIMORE

New Baltimore was quite strong this week on the report of a very favorable condition existing in the developments on the West lode. Drifting has been under way for some time past and so far the results have been very gratifying. The developments in the past week were the best yet obtained at the property. There is comparatively little New Baltimore stock on the market so that sharp fluctuations follow the announcement of important developments.

KEWEEENAW

The shaft being sunk by the Keweenaw Copper Company on the Kearsarge lode has reached a depth of over 1200 feet. The shaft is now partly in the lode and at 1218 feet the vein showed up some good copper. The footwall has shown in the shaft in a number of cases, but it is believed that the mineralization which has just appeared is greater than heretofore exposed.

The management has not yet decided whether drifting will be done at once, but it is not at all unlikely that the vein will soon be explored. The shaft will be continued to 1400 feet where diamond drilling brought up a core well charged with copper.

OLD COLONY-MAYFLOWER

No. 9 diamond drill hole is being bored by Old Colony. This hole is now over 400 feet deep. It is thought likely that it will penetrate the horizon of the St. Louis vein between 500 and 600 feet.

Mayflower is boring hole No. 15 which is close to 1500 feet in depth. Two promising veins were cut in this hole, one in particular showing up rich in copper. It is quite possible the company may decide to sink a shaft before winter arrives. In this event the company would find it necessary to call on shareholders for further treasury contributions.

SOUTH HECLA

At a special meeting of South Hecla stockholders held this week, it was voted to sell the property for 120,000 shares of the new company, which is now in process of organization. As there are outstanding 240,000 shares of South Hecla, this will give present shareholders one share of the new Company's stock for each two shares of South Hecla they now hold.

The new Company which is being organized will have a capitalization of 1,000,000 shares of a par value of \$5 a share. 700,000 shares will be exchanged for properties. In addition there will be a bond issue of \$1,000,000, of which \$500,000 will be sold at par and the proceeds will be placed in the Company's treasury for development work. The remaining bonds will be held in the treasury to be sold as funds are required.

Among the companies to be included in the new organization are the City Rocks, Grizzly, South Hecla, Alta Development, Flagstaff, Centennial Emma, Nina & Myrtha, Copper Prince and Superior Alta. These properties cover over 1800 acres, and are in the heart of the Little Cottonwood district. Several other properties are likely to be included in the deal, among them being Columbus Consolidated and Columbus Extension, Messrs. J. P. Edwards and N. W. Haire are working on this deal, and it is hoped to have the official announcement in the course of the next few weeks.

TONOPAH

The advance in Tonopah to 46 1/2 this week caused considerable comment, and as yet there has been no satisfactory reason advanced for the upward movement. From private sources, however, we learn that during the past few weeks developments at the mine have been very satisfactory. The Company has opened up some very promising ore bodies, and reserves, we are given to understand, are greater now than they have been the last two years. Production continues at the normal rate, and the Company is earning a trifle better than fifty cents every three months. There was some talk of an increased dividend, but this is not at all likely.

It was reported this week that Tonopah had exercised its option on one of the properties which it had been considering for some months past, and the acquisition of this property can be regarded as a very bullish point. The new property while not a high grade one will provide Tonopah with ore which can be milled at a profit, and will serve to prolong the life of the Company for many years.

There was good buying of the stock on the upward movement and offerings have been comparatively light. Anywhere around \$4 a share, Tonopah looks to be a very attractive investment.

CALUMET & ARIZONA

The August production of Calumet & Arizona was \$2,500,000 pounds of blister copper, bringing the output up to a basis of 55,000,000 pounds per annum. At this rate Calumet & Arizona, with copper selling at 12 1/2 cents a pound or better, will have no difficulty whatever in maintaining its dividend rate of \$4 per annum. We are given to understand that the Company proposes to keep up its present rate of production unless metal conditions make a larger output advisable.

The same persistent buying of the stock that has been in evidence for weeks past continues to be noted, and this buying appears to be coming from the same source. There has been some selling of such issues as Copper Range, Utah Copper, North Butte and Amalgamated, and the reinvestment of the proceeds in Calumet & Arizona promises to be a greater favorite both as an investment as well as a speculative issue.

ELY CENTRAL

The reorganization committee of Ely Central has addressed the shareholders what it terms as its final communication to them, and states that the period for depositing Ely Central stock and contributing 12c a share will be positively terminated October 1st.

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U. S. Department of Agriculture WEATHER BUREAU

WILLIS L. MOORE, Chief.



Stations	Temp.	Wind	State of Weather
Alpena	60 52	Cloudy	sw 6 0
Buffalo	66 62	Clear	sw 4 0
Chicago	62 52	Foggy	sw 8 13
Duluth	62 58	Clear	sw 12 0
Essexville	60 58	Foggy	sw 4 01
Green Bay	62 60	Foggy	sw 8 0
Houghton	55 52	Cloudy	no 4 0
Marysville	64 58	Clear	sw 10 0
Milwaukee	64 62	Foggy	sw 8 76
Port. Canal.		Cloudy	sw 8 0
St. Paul	60 60	Rain	sw 16 52
San Fran.	58 50	Cloudy	sw 4 0
Washington	68 68	Rain	sw 4 52
Winnipeg	46 46	Cloudy	n 18 0

Local office U. S. Weather Bureau, Houghton, Mich., Sept. 11, 1911.

Forecasts Till 7 P. M. Tuesday:
Copper Country: Cloudy tonight, Tuesday fair; cooler.

Upper Michigan: Cloudy tonight, cooler west and central portion, Tuesday fair and cooler.

Lake Superior: Light to moderate variable winds.

Weather Conditions.
A storm area of slight intensity is central this morning over the Lake Region and is causing cloudy weather and light rains in its vicinity. Moderately heavy rains are reported from the central part of this country. Dense fog is reported from several stations in the Lake Region this morning. Fair weather will prevail in this vicinity tonight followed by clearing Tuesday.

The wind will be light to moderate variable.

H. E. COWDRICK,
Acting Official in Charge.

Profitable Trade.

"I thought you sold your automobile?" "No," replied Farmer Corntosel, "I traded the machine off for that horse over there." "But you seem to have both the auto and the horse?" "Yes, I made a contract that he was to give me the haulin' machine out every time he got stuck or broke down. Finally he owed me so much that he turned the auto back as part payment."

AN ANARCHIST.

"Father, what is an anarchist?" "Generally he's a man that has no job and is afraid somebody will find one for him."