

# HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL

## Bishop Renison to be Enthroned at Timmins on Thursday Next Week

Ceremony at St. Matthew's Anglican Church on January 6th. Distinguished Visitors to be Here for the Occasion. Bishop-Elect Sends Christmas Message Here.

South Porcupine, Dec. 29th. Special to The Advance.  
On Christmas morning Archdeacon Woodall gave the "Christmas Message to Mooseonee," as sermon at the morning service in St. Paul's which was written by Robert John Renison, Bishop-elect of Mooseonee, and was sent to be read in whole or part to every congregation in the Diocese.

Before quoting from this interesting letter, it may be said that preparations for Bishop Renison's enthronement have been completed.

The proceedings begin with Holy Communion at 8 a.m. in St. Matthew's Church, Timmins, on Thursday, Jan. 6th. (This day coincides with the day R. J. Renison was consecrated Bishop of Athabasca).

At 11 a.m. the Service of Installation and enthronement takes place. Metropolitan Archbishop of Huron will perform the ceremony and the sermon will be preached by the Bishop of Algoma. Outside visitors will be various clergy from the Diocese.

From Toronto will be Rev. J. S. Harrington, Representative of the British and Foreign Bible Society, and Rev. Ramsay Armitage, Principal of Wycliffe College.

"The father of Bishop Renison was a well-known missionary to the Indians, and the new Bishop speaks Ojibway fluently!

In his Christmas message he says:—"The first Christmas I can clearly remember was when I was six years old. We were living in a log cabin on Lake Nipigon, where my father was a missionary. The Indians lived in birch-bark wigwams in the bitter cold. By December the great trees stood like shrouded Commando troops around the clearing, while at night the stars hung diamond gems from the Rosary of Heaven. There were no white children nearer than 100 miles — no mails in winter.

"Suddenly there was an air of mystery which was hard to bear. Father worked at night with a lantern in the cellar, while mother was always hiding things in a box which was locked.  
"One morning the five children rushed downstairs with their clothes in their arms from the upper room, where the only heat was from a pipe from the kitchen stove. We dressed beside a red hot stove in the common room. The presents were home-grown, new woolen stockings, beaded moccasins, and a pair of snow shoes.  
"There was brown sugar on the porridge and condensed milk which tasted like nectar. It was heaven — that night I could not sleep because I did not know how I could possibly wait for twelve months.  
"I thought it was a stark-naked miracle, and so it was.  
"I send you my love and greetings!

## Corvette "Timmins" Well Remembered by Hollinger Employees War Chest

Useful and Needed Gifts for Men on Vessel Bearing Name of Town. Candy, Playing Cards, Writing Paper and Envelopes, Tooth Powder, Shaving Cream, Cough Drops, Razor Blades, Handkerchiefs, Etc., Etc.

Hollinger employees this week remembered the men on the Corvette "Timmins" in very effective way. A long and noteworthy list of articles was sent from the Hollinger Employees' War Chest. There was no stinting in quantity or quality and the variety of articles is most impressive. To understand the extent and variety of these gifts sent to the men of the Corvette "Timmins," it is necessary to study the list, item by item. There were some other items that the Hollinger employees wanted to send, but found them unobtainable at the present moment. They may, however, be sent later. Recently, the mayor and council asked the co-operation of service groups, mine organizations, and other groups, in looking after the sending of comforts to the sailors on the corvette bearing the name of this town. The Hollinger Employees' War Chest has certainly given a fine example of this co-operation, and if all other groups do as well the corvette "Timmins" will be well supplied. Here is the list:—

- 144 pencils
- 72 tooth brushes
- 140 pkgs. life savers
- 24 pipes
- 24 cans lighter fluid
- 40 flints
- 60 combs
- 60 1st aid kits
- 48 bottles fruit salts
- 24 nose drops
- 36 bottles ink
- 140 pkgs. gum
- 288 choc. bars
- 144 bottles Listerine
- 230 pkgs. Gillette Blades
- 12 doz. Handkerchiefs
- 64 pr. Dress Gloves
- 72 pr. black socks
- 64 Scarves
- 50 pr. Work Gloves
- 25 Money belts
- 60 Nugget Shoe Polish
- 48 shoe polishers
- 10 checker boards
- 72 pkgs. peanuts
- 72 bars soap
- 60 soap boxes
- 24 books
- 1 Dart Game
- 2 Sorry Games
- 6 Convoy Action
- 11 Cribbage Boards
- 2 Monopoly Games

## CANADIAN FLIER IN MIDDLE EAST



Liberators, heavy bombers, flown by the Royal Air Force from a base in the Middle East, are doing great work in smashing Hitler's bases in the Eastern Mediterranean. Enemy installations in Greece and the Dodecanese are visited almost nightly by these giant American-built bombers, and many aerodromes, harbours and railways have been battered by the weight of their bombs. Here is Flight Sergeant M. Charbonneau a rear gunner of a Liberator operating from the Middle East.

## Les. Nicholson Again President of Timmins Branch of the Legion

J. D. Brady Vice-President, and W. D. Forrester, Second Vice-President. Executive Elected: Geo. S. Drew, A. F. McDowell, H. J. Quinn and Fred Curtis.

There was a fair attendance of members of Timmins branch of the Canadian Legion at the monthly general meeting held "Boxing Day", December 27th in the Legion hall. Routine matters occupied part of the time of the meeting and this was dispatched very efficiently. Pres. Les Nicholson occupied the chair for the meeting.

Chief interest was the counting of ballots for the 1944 slate of officers and this resulted as follows:  
President—Les. Nicholson  
1st V.P.—J. D. Brady  
2nd V.P.—W. D. Forrester  
Executive—Geo. Drew, A. F. McDowell, "Barney" Quinn and Fred Curtis.

Correspondence read dealt with membership, magazines and general Legion work. The one in regard to the magazines was an urgent appeal for more books to be sent overseas. Magazines of not more than 4 months old are needed urgently. The branch intends to make a local drive for these in the near future.

Reports of committees, always an interesting session showed much work being accomplished. These included sick, pension, Scouts and entertainment.

Mention was made in regard to the New Year's Eve Dance in the Legion hall with the same good time promised as last year.

Several members spoke on club policy and these all gave reasons and good advice in the operation of the Legion club premises.

Only three of the elected members were present and these gave short addresses of thanks. Those expressing

## Service at Post Office Here for New Year's Day

One Complete Delivery, Commencing at 9 a.m.

Instructions have been received by Postmaster E. H. King from the Post Office Dept. at Ottawa that the service to be given at the Timmins Post Office on Saturday, Jan. 1st, 1944, New Year's Day, will be as follows:  
Letter carrier delivery—One complete delivery, commencing at 9 a.m.  
Parcel post delivery—none.  
Wicket service—8 a.m. to noon.  
Public lobby open—8 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Special delivery service, collections from sub-post offices and from street letter boxes, and receipt and despatch of mails—as usual.

## Timmins in High Place in Dominion Fire Prevention Week

Town Fire Dept. Wins Fourth Place in Contest.

Fire Chief W. Stanley was pleased last week to receive the following telegram from the Ontario Fire Marshal's office at Toronto:

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 24th, 1943  
Fire Chief Wm. Stanley,  
Timmins, Ont.

Heariest congratulations for winning fourth place for Canada in Fire Prevention Week Contest.

W. J. Scott, Fire Marshal  
Each year during Fire Prevention Week (in October) there is a contest among the fire departments of the Dominion, and it is very satisfactory to see Timmins maintain its high standard of previous years. The fire departments of the Dominion are classed in proportion to population and efficiency and interest of the various departments are judged not only on equipment and fire-fighting efficiency, but also on the effort and interest shown in fire prevention and in educating the public to avoid fire risks and co-operate with the fire departments in preventing fires.

## Eleven Fires But None Serious in the Past Week.

Chimney and Pipe Fires in the Majority Again.

During the past week Timmins firemen had eleven calls. Most of them were for chimney or pipes on fire. Friday last a heater in a National Grocers truck set fire to the canvass top and resulted in a call for the brigade. Saturday gas leaking in a motor car meant another call. Later Christmas evening there was a call for a fire across the bridge. The firemen responded but could not go to this fire as it was too far in the country, being some miles from town. The firemen reported this fire to the provincial police and the forestry men. Sunday there was a false alarm. Tuesday, hot ashes in the basement at 207 Maple Street South set fire to a post and flooring and caused \$15 damage.

## Recaptured for the Third Time

Eckhart Brosrig Made Latest Escape by Hiding in Mail Bag.

For the third time since June, 1942, Eckhart Brosrig made an escape from a "Northern Ontario internment camp" but only enjoyed a brief liberty, being placed under arrest at North Bay to be later returned to the camp from which he escaped. The escape is said to have been made by Brosrig hiding in a mail bag and being carried out of the camp and placed in the mail car of the train as mail matter. Credit for the re-capture of the German airman goes to "Skip" Andrews, mail clerk, and H. N. Berry, mail inspector on the train, and J. B. Marshall an assistant. As the train neared North Bay, Mr. Andrews suddenly discovered Brosrig in the mail car, the escaped prisoner having cut his way out of the mail bag. While two of the men held the prisoner in the car, the other of the trio called police, and Brosrig, who wore the uniform of a German airman, which is similar to that of the R.C.A.F., was placed under arrest. He had a false registration card and other documents suggesting that he had had outside help in his escape.

This was Brosrig's third try for freedom. His first escape was in June, 1942, when he made his way to North Bay where a young lady informed the police of his presence in the city. Before the North Bay police acted on this information the prisoner had passed. He travelled widely in Canada and the United States before he was finally returned to Canada. His second escape was in August, 1943, when he was believed to be the brains behind an attempt to engineer a mass escape from the camp. This second escape was cut short by the cleverness of one of the Provosts at Ottawa, Brosrig being again re-captured and returned to the camp.

## Suspended Sentence for Juvenile in Assault Case

In juvenile court this week a boy of 15 was charged with assault on a 12-year-old lad. The magistrate impressed upon the accused the need for him to watch his step, but gave him another chance, allowing him to go on suspended sentence.

## Timmins Citizens Band Enjoys Pleasing Banquet in Oddfellows Hall

Officers and Members of Band Look to Future With Confidence. Pleasing Musical Programme at Banquet. Officers Elected for the Ensuing Year.

Timmins Citizens' Band held a very enjoyable banquet on Monday evening of this week in the Oddfellows' hall, the catering for the occasion being excellently done by the ladies of the Rebekah Lodge who received many compliments during the evening for the menu and

## New Issuer of Motor Licenses

Earle Barkwell received his formal appointment this week as issuer of motor vehicle permits and operators' licenses. These permits and licenses were issued for Timmins and district for many years by the Marshall-Ecclestone firm, but in recent years were in the hands of A. W. Lang. Mr. Barkwell is opening an office in the basement of 35 1/2 Third avenue for the issuing of these motor vehicle permits and operators' licenses.

## Observe Fifty-fifth Anniversary of Wedding Event

South Porcupine, Dec. 29th. Special to The Advance.

Our congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. John Costain, who are spending the winter with their daughter, Mrs. Frisby, in Kemptonville, upon the 55th anniversary of their wedding day, which fell on Christmas Day. (They were married in Foxdale, Isle of Man.)

A family re-union of as many as possible was held at the Frisby home, and both received numberless gifts and good wishes.

Treasured remembrances in the form of good wishes were received from their three grandsons overseas: Orry Costain, Jim Frisby and Allan Costain, the two former in the R.C.A.F. and the latter with the Canadian Army. Mr. H. Costain, a son, at the Dome was able to contact his parents by phone and offer good wishes personally.

Mr. Allan Costain, son of Ottawa, and Mrs. Frisby, their daughter, were with their parents on this occasion.

The many friends of this kindly old couple who have spent nearly thirty years of their lives in the Porcupine Camp, wish to extend to them both the heartiest of congratulatory greetings and best wishes for many more years of wedded happiness.

## Charge of Attempted Murder Dismissed at Police Court Tuesday

Wife Says Her Husband Fell on the Floor and Revolver Went Off. No Quarrel, she Tells Court. Albert Pratt Fined \$50 and Costs for Revolver Without Permit.

Several cases at police court on Tuesday revolved around a revolver. The first was a charge of attempted murder against Albert Pratt. The police had been led to believe that the accused had shot two or three times at his wife one night last week. When they went to the home to see about the affair, they were informed that Pratt was in the cellar. Entering the cellar, the electric light bulbs being unscrewed, Pratt was located in the cellar and placed under arrest. When the charge of attempted murder came to court, however, everything looked different. Mrs. Pratt told the court that there had been no quarrel or trouble of any kind, and she had not phoned for the police. She said her husband came in late and she heard him fall down. He managed to get up again and went and laid down on the chesterfield. Later he was ill in the bathroom and came in to her bedroom to ask her for a cloth to wipe his face. She noticed he had a revolver in his hand, and asked him where he got it and to put it away at once. He then went into the kitchen and she heard

service. Capt. Church, S.A., said grace. After the delightful dinner had been enjoyed Councillor Spooner, council representative on the band committee acted as toastmaster, and there were a number of brief but interesting addresses. Among the speakers were President J. W. Spooner, Vice-President W. Roberts, Alex Taylor, of the Boys' Bugle Band, Bandmaster F. J. Wolno of the Timmins Citizens' Band, Mayor Emile Brunette, Bandsman David Coombs, Lieut. Gavin Blake, Edgar Stephens, J. B. Pare, G. A. Macdonald and others.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President—W. Roberts  
Vice-Pres.—David Coombs.  
Sec.—Treas.—F. J. Horny  
Executive Committee—Herbert Thomas, Edgar Stephens, Ken Cambridge.

A musical programme of much interest and excellence followed, including a quartette (Bandsmen Coombs, Cambridge and Davey and Bandmaster Wolno) their numbers being heartily encored. An instrumental duet by Bandsmen K. Stephens and H. West (cornet and trombone) made a big hit, as did also the cornet duet by another couple of talented young bandsmen, Claire Archer and Monty Johnson.

One of the specials of the evening was the tap dancing of Miss Lois Doolan, whose Scottish tap dance was particularly well given and won great applause.

Another special feature on the programme was a piano solo by Mrs. David Coombs.

Community singing, carols, musical chairs and dancing added to the happiness of the evening.

Councillor Spooner referred to the little received by the band for all the services given and the public spirit and love of music that must inspire the bandsmen to devote so much time and effort to the band. Mr. W. Roberts, mentioning the number of ladies present, said that the families of bandsmen played a big part in the success of the band. Mr. Alex Taylor in praising the Timmins Citizens' Band expressed his pleasure at seeing boys from his bugle band now playing in the Citizens' Band.

F. J. Wolno, bandmaster, in his able address pointed out that 29 members of the Timmins Citizens' Band were now on active service. Among others, he mentioned Lieut. Gavin Blake, decorated in last war, who with his only son overseas and his only daughter in the Wrens, was again serving his country; R. Jackson, present, decorated in last war, and with only son in Air Force in India; W.O. Bert Hornby, overseas; Fred Wolno, Jr., R.C.A.F.  
Mrs. C. Wilkins was pianist for the evening.

tered revolver, Pratt was fined \$50 and costs.  
Rene Lortier for giving away a revolver without a permit was fined \$20 and costs.  
Claude Tremblay for illegally selling a revolver without a permit was fined \$20 and costs.

It was the same revolver involved in all four cases, so it cost a total of \$90.00 while the revolver was confiscated.  
Marcel Morel, who gave his age as 16 1/2 years, was charged with forgery. He bought a car, part settlement being made by a note for \$800.00. The owner of the car wanted endorsements on the note. The lad said his mother signed the note, but he forged his step-father's signature. The car was taken over by the original owner after the lad had used it several months. The lad was given a three-month term.

No operator's license cost one man \$10 and costs.  
Two wage charges were dismissed. Two cross dogs were ordered kept out of town or they would be ordered destroyed.

Bertrand Demerling, for failing to re-register, was given one day and then to be taken to North Bay. He had been in Labrador most of the year and this was the reason he had not notified the registrar, as the permission from the Selective Service appeared to be all that was necessary.