

## Funeral Services Held Monday for Northern Pioneer

Haileybury and the North lost one of its best known and beloved old timers on Saturday, January 10th with the death of John Gottfrid Hammerstrom. Death occurred at the home of his son, Bill Hammerstrom on Browning street, with whom he had lived since the death of his wife in 1950.

Born in 1880 in Sweden, Mr. Hammerstrom came to Canada in the spring of 1906. His wife, the former Anna Maria Grace, also of Sweden, joined him in this country a year later.

His first work in Canada was on the railway rockcuts near Kenirew and from there he came directly to Cobalt in 1907 and from that time had been closely connected with the mining saga of the North Country.

He received his initial training in the Cobalt silver area in the boom years and was connected with Mining Corporation of Canada. For seven years, he was captain of the old Frontier Mine in the Silver Centre camp.

During his lifetime in the North Country, he lived at one time or another in Cobalt, Haileybury, Silver Centre, Timmins and South Porcupine. He moved from the last named back to Haileybury in 1941 and had his permanent residence on Main street west before moving to his son's home.

He gained an enviable reputation as a shaft sinker in Quebec and Ontario, latterly doing a considerable amount of work in this field for Ventures.

His many friends will remember him for his enthusiastic and competitive spirit in hunting and fishing. He was a popular figure among sportsmen.

He was a member of the Lutheran Church in Sweden.

Surviving are three children—a daughter, Elsie (Mrs. Harry Seguin) of Toronto and two sons Harry of Calgary and Bill of Haileybury.

The funeral service was held from the home on Monday afternoon. Pallbearers were Joe Young, H. Grady, Neil Oslund of Haileybury, C. Carlson, G. Manderstrom and F. Manderstrom of North Cobalt.

Interment was in Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

### Bachelor Days

When he was young and at his peak, He used to curl three nights a week; Now memory his mind awirls He baby-sits—while wifie curls

## PIONEER PROSPECTOR DIES IN NORTH BAY

Charles Hughes, active in Northern Ontario mining circles for forty years, died last Wednesday in North Bay of a heart ailment. He was in his seventy-first year.

Born in England, Mr. Hughes came to this country as a boy and began his career in the early days of mining in Northern Ontario and Quebec. A pioneer prospector, Mr. Hughes made his name for thirty years on Rorke avenue in Haileybury. He participated in the mining activity of the early days which took him to Cobalt, Porcupine, Kirkland Lake and the Rouyn district. He staked the Eastward Mine and the Brocked Gold Mines, now incorporated into the Upper Canada Gold Mines. He was among the first to go into Northern Quebec where he staked Vicour Mines and Orenada Gold Mines.

Mr. Hughes was known among a wide circle of friends for his keen mind and excellent memory of maps, topographical and geological features. He could remember the details of many mining deals and could relate interesting incidents in the history of important mines of today.

Surviving are his wife, the former Annie Roberts; one daughter, Anne Ellen (Mrs. Lauren F. Hansman), North Bay; and five sons, Cyril Rowan, Charles Thomas, James McNeil, Frederick Robert and Randolph Arthur, all of Sudbury.

Funeral services were conducted Friday afternoon in North Bay by Rev. J. Semple of Trinity United Church and interment was made in Terrace Lawn cemetery.

## Calendar of Events

### Churches:

Annual Congregational Dinner in Sunday School Room, January 26th at 6.15 p.m. Admission \$1.  
The annual C.W.L. Supper in Holy Cross parish hall February 15th at 6.30 p.m.

### Sports:

Junior Ski Party at Northern Ski Club on Saturday January 17.  
Haileybury Midgets vs Cobalt Midgets in Cobalt Arena on Thursday at 8 o'clock.

### Activities:

Home and School Association at the High School on January 20th, at 8 p.m.  
Second Concert, Canadian Concert series, auspice Temiskaming South Branch, R.M.T.B.A., New Liskeard on Monday, January 19th, at 8.15 p.m.

## New Mining Road to Link Kenogami and Matachewan

A project which has been a live issue in Northern Ontario for years and which has been under constant consideration by the Provincial Government came closer to realization yesterday with the announcement by Hon. Phillip T. Kelly Ontario Minister of Mines, that a survey will be started immediately for the proposed mining access road to link Kenogami and Matachewan in the District of Temiskaming.

The announcement was made following a conference with A. R. Herbert, MLA for Temiskaming. The Mines Minister stated that tenders will be called as soon as the survey is completed. The eight miles at the western end of the twenty-three mile stretch was completed in 1947 by the Department of Highways. The Mines Department commitment

is for the additional 15 miles eastward to a junction with No. 11 highway to Kenogami.

The Mines Department plans call for a gravel-surfaced road with a minimum width of 22 feet. In addition to its primary purpose of opening up a promising mining area for easier development, the new road will serve as a direct link between Matachewan, Elk Lake and other communities west of Highway No. 11 and Kirkland Lake and the Trans-Canada artery. Under present conditions it is necessary for traffic from the Matachewan area to travel an extra distance of about 120 miles via Highway 65 to New Liskeard to reach Kirkland Lake or Swastika.

The road will also give direct access from the New Ryan Lake Mine to the copper smelter at Noranda.

## Council Plans to Terminate Ten Years of Supervision

Councillors will travel this year with handsome identification cards centred with the Town of Haileybury crest and the motto, "Lift Up Your Hearts". These were a presentation made by Mayor A. H. Cooke to his 1953 Council who met on Monday night for the first meeting of the year. Mr. Cooke opened the meeting with a word of welcome to the two new members, H. A. Day and D. H. Millar.

Clerk C. D. Pringle proceeded with the declarations of office and the new year of business was officially under way. Councillor Poppleton was the only member not present.

As a time saver, there will be no reading of minutes in the future—each member will receive a mimeographed copy of the business of the previous meeting.

### Committees

Standing committees were set up as follows by the striking committee composed of Mayor Cooke, Councillors Dempster and Millar. The first-named councillor in each case will act as chairman:

FINANCE—D. H. Millar, H. A. Day, R. Poppleton.

PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY—H. A. Day, A. C. Dempster and C. Camsell.

PUBLIC WORKS AND SANITATION—R. Poppleton, D. H. Millar and O. Allard.

WATERWORKS—A. C. Dempster, R. Poppleton, H. A. Day.

HEALTH AND PUBLIC WELFARE—O. Allard, C. Camsell, A. C. Dempster.

RECREATION and COMMUNITY SERVICE—C. Camsell, O. Allard, D. H. Millar.

Lorne Wiseman was re-appointed to the Haileybury Library Board. Mr. Wiseman has served with this branch of the community life for many years and because of his great interest and his close connection with the school, it was felt that he would be a valuable asset for another term.

One new appointment was made to the Cemetery Board Graham Hennessy will join T. Lemon, T. Tulloch, A. Hargrave and J. Reavell. Mr. Hennessy replaces M. B. Glazier.

Discussion followed on the recent suggestion that the Town take the necessary step to cease being supervised by the Government. Councillor Day pointed out that he did not agree with the present rigid policy of either doing nothing or the pay-as-you-go policy.

Mr. Day recommended that a careful study of the necessary improvements should be made and when a decision was reached and the cost estimated, debentures should be issued so that the cost would be spread over a period of years. In this way, not only the present but future residents could share in the payment. "The streets of the town", he said, "should be put in such shape that we don't have to apologize for them". Mr. Day mentioned in particular, Ethel, Florence and Latchford streets. Mr. Millar pointed out that the first two named presented an engineering problem and that three years ago, with the assistance of the Department of Highways, considerable money had been spent on surfacing Latchford, but it "was not the answer." It seemed apparent that every spring—Latchford street will be in poor shape, the only alternative being to completely excavate the road and build it anew.

Mr. Cooke is opposed to such a step and would like to follow his established policy of mopping out so much work a year and paying for it as it is done. His attitude stems chiefly from the fact that Haileybury is a residential town with no substantial income from industries and that in order to attract residents, the low tax rate should be maintained and any risk of going into debt be avoided.

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## C. W. L. Plans Annual Supper

The first C.W.L. meeting of the year took place in the Holy Cross parish hall on Tuesday evening. Eighteen members answered the roll call.

The president, Mrs. J. O'Grady opened the meeting with prayer and the usual order of business was dispensed with. Mrs. J. Lamothe announced that the total membership in the League was seventy-three.

A continuation of the article "Women's Duties in Social Life" was read by Miss T. Fortier.

It was decided to purchase a League banner to be used in parades and other public functions. Plans were made for the annual League supper which will be held on February 15th.

A gift box for our ladies' Missionaries will be on display that evening and any member wishing to donate articles is invited to do so. Any household article is suitable.

Mrs. Brunette and Mrs. Lamothe were conveners of the lovely lunch served at the close.

## Legion Ladies Elect New Officers for 1953

The president Comrade McGillivray, opened the regular meeting of the Legion Ladies' Auxiliary with silence and prayer. After the reports of the Committees were heard, Mrs. Roy Johnson was installed as a new member.

The election of officers resulted in the following slate:

Pres.—Com. S. McGillivray.  
1st Vice—Com. I. McNaught  
Treas.—Com. J. Plaunt  
Sec.—Com. O. Childs  
Social Com.—Comrades A. Taylor, E. Johnson, R. Heaslip, M. McDonnell.  
Entertainment—Com. V. Boudreau.  
Standard Bearer—Com. M. Mawhiney.

Sick Committee—Com. A. Fleming.  
Executive—Com. A. Fleming, O. Childs, I. McNaught, J. Simard, D. Whorley, M. Grenon, D. Evens, Press Reporter—Com. J. Hargrave.

Kitchen Convener—Com. M. Grenon.

Anyone wishing to use the kitchen should get in touch with Mrs. M. Grenon, phone 134, or Mrs. McGillivray, Phone 245.

The Auxiliary wishes to thank everyone for their support last year at the Bingos and may we have pleasant get-togethers in this new year. —Olive Childs.

## Weather Bureau Looks for Successor to James Reaveil

Readers of The Haileyburian will regret the lack of any weather report which is conspicuous by its absence this week.

James Reaveil, who was officially in charge of the local meteorological station for the Department of Transport for twenty years and who for the past two years has continued the service to the community as a courtesy, has now given up these duties entirely.

Last week, representatives of the Department visited in Haileybury and dismantled the weather station. However, they are extremely interested in knowing if there is anyone in town who would like to take on the job. They would supply a thermometer screen, the stand for the screen, thermometers (both maximum and minimum) and a rain gauge. One reading a day (or two if the person is interested) must be taken seven days a week—the first to be taken in the a.m. and the second to be taken in the late afternoon or early evening.

It was in 1950 that the Department notified Mr. Reaveil that, having reached the retirement age, his duties with them would cease. No successor was announced and the station was moved to Earlton to tie in with the activities of the airport.

The station was first opened in 1894 and although destroyed in the fire of 1922, the records were saved. When the station was later re-opened Mr. Reaveil was appointed to keep the records from his home at the corner of Blackwall and Georgina.

The job of weatherman involved a great deal of time and work, often in very cold weather, and we say "thank you" to Mr. Reaveil for his thoughtfulness in keeping us posted on the weather so faithfully, particularly since his retirement.

Average income of Canadians in 1949 was \$900; in the U.S. the figure was \$1,440 per capita, Switzerland \$850, Sweden \$820, Britain \$775, Russia \$310.

More men than women were employed in Canada as cooks at the time of the 1951 census; 19,513 men and 15,663 women.

Seven destroyer escorts, designed to meet the threat of new, high speed submarines, are under construction in Canadian shipyards for the Royal Canadian Navy and seven more are on order.

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