

Canadian Legion News

BY BOB FLEMING

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Well things have been rolling along in their usual quite state after a big week-end, but especially quieter after two big week-ends. I trust that you all enjoyed both as I did myself.

I want you to keep in mind the sixteenth of this month as the date of our next meeting and we want a high attendance at this time. We want to collect lots more of the members dues and lots more of the members as well. Good attendance will be a pleasant change. Although I must admit that this last while our attendance has been better than it had in the past.

I will quote the text of a letter received for the Branch and you can act accordingly.

"Canadian Legion, Branch 44, Cobalt, Ontario, in General Meeting has asked me to extend to the members of your Branch, and their wives or lady friends, our invitation to attend our installation of officers meeting and social on Sunday, January 8th, 1956 at 2 pm." The letter is signed by Don Collin their secretary.

Well gentlemen I reckon that is all that has come up in this past week that amounts to anything so I will say Cheers for now till next week.

Canadian defence expenditures run close to \$2,000,000,000 a year.



REGIONAL SUPERVISOR HONORED AT AT TORONTO

E. A. CASH, Regional Supervisor for Huntsville (11), North Bay (13), New Liskeard (15), Sudbury (17) and Blind River (18) Districts, Ontario Department of Highways, with offices at North Bay, was presented with his pin as newly-elected member of the Ontario Public Services Quarter Century Club by Hon. James N. Allan, Ontario Roads Minister at a function honoring a number of Highways veterans which was held in his Parliament Buildings office. Mr. Cash, who is a native of St. Thomas, Ont., joined the engineering staff of the former Department of Northern Development in 1930.



MUNICIPAL ENGINEER HONORED AT TORONTO

T. C. SWARTMAN, Municipal Engineer for the Ontario Department of Highways, New Liskeard District No. 15, is being congratulated, above when Hon. James N. Allen, Ontario Minister of Highways, presented him and other veteran officials and employees with Ontario Public Services Quarter Century Club pins at a recent function in the Parliament Buildings, Toronto. Mr. Swartman started his career in Ontario's Public Service with the former Department of Northern Development in 1930. He is a native of Waubashene, Ont.

VERDICT AFTER DAWN

By Allen Wishert

THE two cars had rammed together head-on. Whose fault? The traffic cop couldn't determine as both cars were straddling the center line at the point of impact. A man at the wheel of one, a woman driving the other. Fortunately neither was injured, only slightly bruised and jostled.

The lady and gentleman stepped from their respective cars. Glaring at each other, the lady, dabbing a small kerchief to her cheek, spoke: "Why don't you look where you're driving?"

"I suppose," replied the man, at the same time fingering a swollen nose. "You were accurately checking your direction."

"Never mind the dialogue," interjected the policeman, pencil and pad in hand. "Who's to blame?"

"He."

"She."

"I was not."

"Neither was I."

"Now, that we have cleared that," said the policeman. "Your names, please, and both come to the city hall tomorrow morning at nine."

"Impossible," said the woman. "Yeah," returned the policeman.

"Make it ten-thirty. I have an appointment with my hair dresser at nine."

"The judge will be disappointed," replied the patrolman. "He, too, like hair-dressers, demands that his customers be on time."

"Surely, you understand that it will be impossible for me to accommodate both on the same hour, unless the judge will come to the beauty parlor."

A court room scene in a beauty parlor would relieve the monotony.

That moment, another policeman strolled up; "What is it, a car collision?" he asked. Police demand facts.

"Oh, no, no," replied police No. 1. "Just a lady and a gentleman craving an introduction."

"Well," said No. 2. "Introduce 'em so we can get traffic moving."

"I'll leave that to the judge," turning to the offenders he said, "Names, please."

They blurted them. If such a thing is possible, there appeared a startled look from the policeman. He asked them to repeat.

They did, shakily he wrote them down, then passing the traffic tickets to each, he said, "Here, you two, are a couple of complimenteries, good for front row seats at nine o'clock tomorrow morning. Don't fail to attend."

Traffic court was jammed. Even some of the regular customers had to stand, our hero and heroine among them.

The judge entered, seated himself behind the large desk. Held a short conference with traffic cops and lawyers, then opened court. First case: drunken driving. Second: running a red light.

The lady and gentleman were summoned. Each gave a version concerning the accident. Both attempting to pass the car ahead. The judge listened attentively, then glancing at their names on his desk, like the policeman, he looked rather startled. Making sure he wasn't seeing double, he asked the gentleman, "Your name, please?"

"James P. Grayson."

"Ugh-huh," mused the judge. Turning to the lady, "Your name, please."

"Mrs. James P. Grayson."

"Man and wife?"

"Yes," answered both, reluctantly.

"Kindly tell me this," said the judge. "Did you two spend the night together?"

"We did," they answered. "In—the same room?"

"In the same room," they replied.

The judge rapped on his desk. "Court satisfied. Punishment adequate. Case dismissed."

Next case: drunken driving

Diesels, so railwaymen say, are the most efficient form of railway motive power, yet developed. They out-perform all others by a convincing margin.

Canada, with an area of 3,845,774 square miles, is the world's largest country after Russia.

Brampton, Ontario, known as "Flower Town of Canada," possesses the largest greenhouses in the world.

There was more steel made in Canada in the first ten months of this year than in the whole of 1953; the figures were 3,620,481 tons as compared to 3,113,822 tons.

Claims Staked

Although the number of mining claims recorded in Ontario during November reflected a drop of more than 1,500 from the total for November 1954, the first 11 months is still 8,237 better than for the corresponding period in 1954. Most active divisions were and nearly 4,000 ahead of the all-time record total of 50,176 set up and Sudbury.

during the full twelve months of 1954.

Last month, 3,638 claims were recorded in the 13 mining divisions of the Province, as compared with 5,149 in November 1954. The 11-month total is 54,123, as compared with 45,886 for the same period last year.



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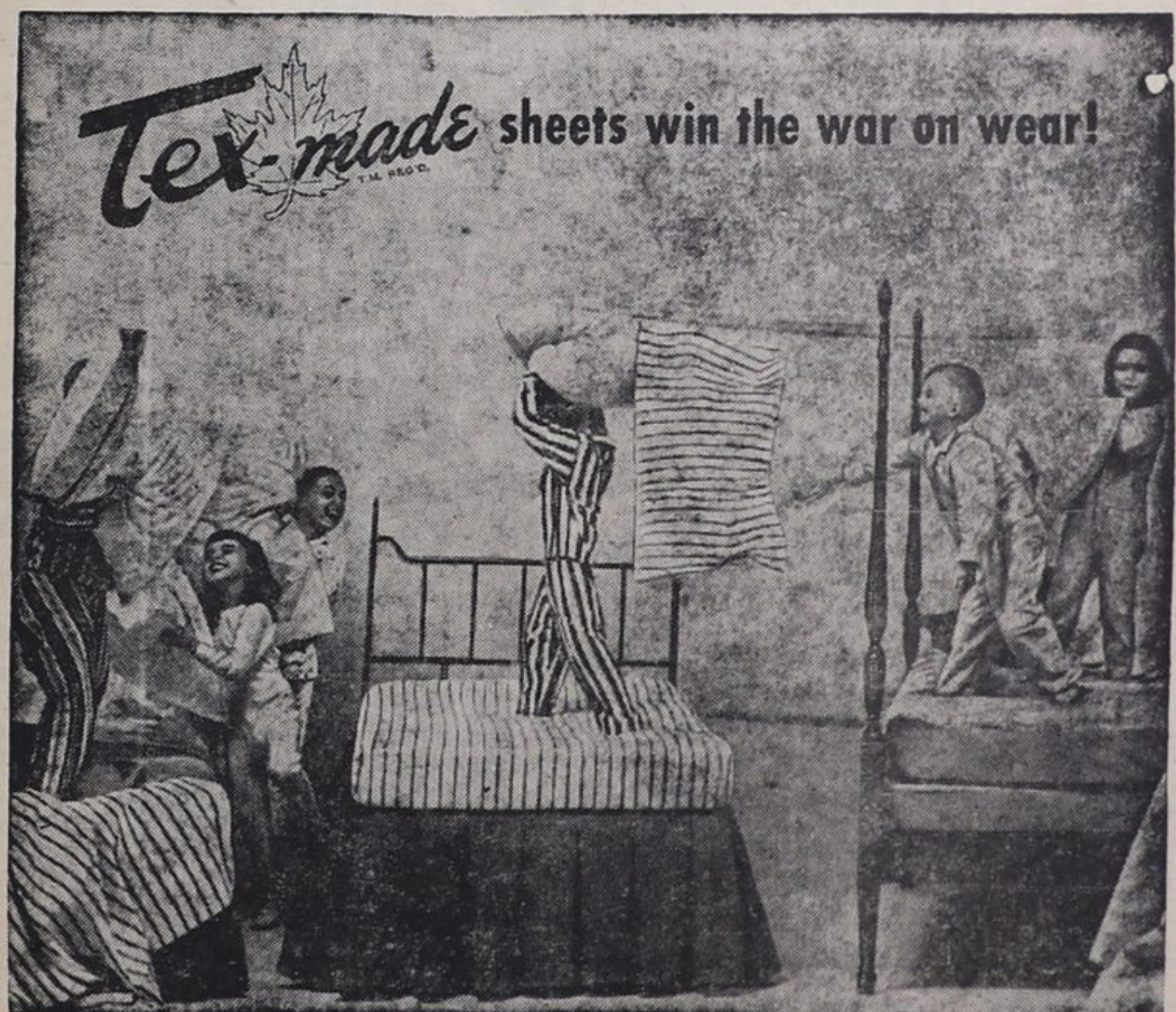
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