

Haileyburian-Cobalt Post

ESTABLISHED 1904

Vol. 57 — No. 42

Haileybury, Ontario, Thursday, December 21, 1961

5c COPY

New Chairman

Dr. H. A. Dunning of Cobalt was elected chairman of the Misericordia Hospital's Medical Staff at a recent staff meeting. Dr. J. A. H. Joyal of Haileybury was elected vice-chairman. Dr. W. Houghtling was elected secretary.

Coroner's Jury Rules Mine Death Accidental

A coroner's jury Saturday returned a verdict of accidental death following an inquest into the December 8 death of Stanley Kerr of North Bay. A Temagami Mine employee, Mr. Kerr died of injuries suffered in a 60-foot fall down an underground working.

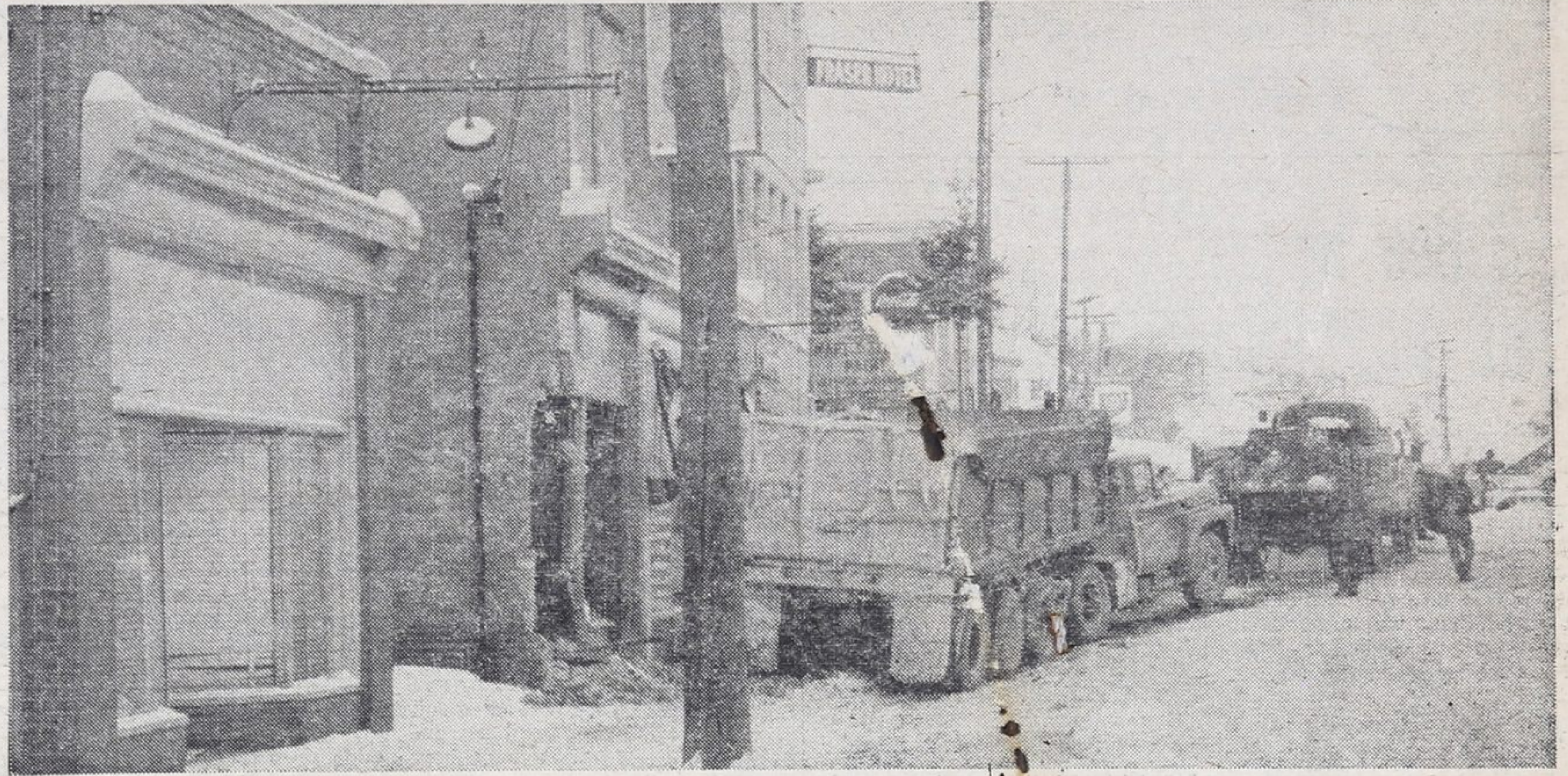
There were no eyewitnesses to the accident, but mine officials and employees, who reconstructed the scene, said Mr. Kerr had apparently moved a ladder from a safe to an unsafe position. The shift allowed him to fall 60 feet down a shaft into a muck pile.

Along with its decision, the five-man jury also put forward the following recommendations:

Ladders should be so placed that they are not only safe, but also will not induce workmen to move them to an unsafe position to facilitate work.

No workman should be allowed to move a ladder without the consent of a shift boss.

Crown Attorney E. A. Tilley, QC, of North Bay, assisted Coroner, D. H. A. Dunning of Cobalt. Members of the jury included: foreman Peter Andoni, Lorne Pacey, Douglas Garret, Jack Guppy and Edward Whitehouse.



This heavily laden tractor-trailer managed to drive between the building at the left and the hydro pole early one morning recently, but couldn't avoid side-swiping the Canadian Legion building and Todd's Insurance office. The driver, G. C. Allen of Orangeville, escaped injury, but there was substantial damage to the truck and the building. With the front of his office caved in, Arnold Todd put up a sign stating that it pays to be insured.

Graduation

Graduation Exercises will take place in the Haileybury High School tonight, Thursday, when the Valedictorian will be Rheel St. Cyr.

Proficiency and other awards will be presented, including Athletic trophies.

Magistrate E. W. Kenrick will address the graduates and the student body.

A complete account will be carried in next week's paper.

Temagami Family Loses Trailer In Blaze

Mr. and Mrs. Jules Roberge were left homeless and destitute Sunday when fire swept through their house trailer two miles south of Temagami. Two daughters also lost all their belongings. Damage was estimated at \$5,000. The unit was unoccupied at the time.

The blaze was spotted by a neighbour, Bert King. The Roberge couple were summoned from church and arrived in time to see Ontario Department of Lands and Forests and volunteer firemen towing the burning trailer away from the nearby home of James Kitts.

A Johns-Manville truck driver, Mr. Roberge and his family will reside temporarily with relatives in Kirkland Lake. The fire is believed to have started from an oil heater explosion.

Cantata

The Thornloe-Milberta Choir, under the direction of Robert Peebles has had a full season this Christmastime, giving performances all across the district.

The twenty-six member group have presented their popular Christmas Cantata at Haileybury Hospital, Northdale Manor, and Thornloe United Church.

Future engagements will take them to Elk Lake on Friday, Milberta on Sunday and Englehart on December 29.

Haileyburian

- 30 -

This week's issue of the Haileyburian will mark the demise of Temiskaming's oldest newspaper. For the past few years the issue of the Haileyburian between Christmas and New Year's has been combined with The Speaker. On January 4th, 1962, The Haileyburian will be absorbed into the Temiskaming Speaker and the masthead will read "Temiskaming Speaker with The Haileyburian and Cobalt Concentrates".

The decision to suspend publication has not been an easy one. For business reasons the decision was not hard to make, but for sentimental reasons the decision was difficult. There is something in the demise of a newspaper that tugs on the heart strings just the same as the loss of a close friend.

Changing business conditions have been the prime motive behind the decision to suspend publication and combine it with The Speaker. Our decision has been just about as hard to make as that of many of the readers — to renew the Haileyburian or subscribe to The Speaker, and loyalty to the home town paper has sometimes over ruled common-sense and many have bought both papers.

Subscribers to the Haileyburian will receive The Speaker until their subscription expires. Those who subscribe to both papers will find that we have extended the unexpired portion of their Haileyburian subscription to their Speaker subscription.

There is one difference, however, The Speaker is a member of Audit Bureau of Circulations and subscriptions are only carried for

a short period beyond expiry date. If subscriptions are not renewed they are automatically removed from the mailing list.

In these days of high production costs a newspaper just cannot carry subscription arrears no matter how good a subscriber's credit rating is. Then again weekly newspapers with postal privileges are only supposed to mail paid in advance papers.

The Haileyburian office in the Bank of Nova Scotia building will be closed at the end of December, but residents of Haileybury desiring to contact the newspaper for items of interest or advertising will still be able to do so by dialing Zenith 64000 without charge.

With the one newspaper serving the southern part of the District of Temiskaming, every effort will be made to bring the residents of the area an even better coverage.

Latchford Elects Mayor Percy Bates

In an election which saw 160 voters of the Town of Latchford cast their ballots on Monday, Percy Bates, a member of the Council for the past several years, emerged the victor in the contest for Mayor, with 89 votes against Pat O'Shaughnessy, also a former Council member, who polled 65 votes.

In the race for the six seats on the Council, Elmer McRoberts, long time Councillor, headed the poll with 116 votes. Stanley Bates, a newcomer to the municipal scene made a fine run to finish second with 112 votes. Cecil Inglis, who has been a Councillor for many years, polled 106 votes, and W. E. "Dinny" Harrison came back into municipal life after an absence of a year with 102 votes. Angus Lingenfelter with 72 and Lomer Legault with 69 will complete the Council. Ronald Ranger finished out of the running with 62 votes.

Harold McDermid, for many years a Hydro Commissioner, will again assume office with 91 votes over Louis Lingenfelter, a new man, who polled 66.

Mrs. Della Manary, Wilbert Anderson and Lawrence Anderson were elected to the Public School Board by acclamation.

Road Association Want 65 mph Limit

Motorists accustomed to exceeding the present speed limit on highway 11 by five miles an hour or so, may find their speeding legal. The Number 11 Northern Route Association is pressing for an increase in the speed limit from 60 to 65 mph.

The association was formed at Kapuskasing on November 25, and is dedicated to promoting tourism and business along Number 11 highway from North Bay to Nipigon.

The request for the increased speed limit was based largely on the good condition of the highway, limited amount of traffic, and the very long distances between points as the traveller gets further west towards Nipigon.

The main purpose of the association, according to chairman George Knowles of Kapuskasing is to promote Highway 11 as the Northern route, rather than High-

way 17. No 11, he said could be considered the shorter and faster route, cutting five hours of the trip from North Bay to Nipigon.

Secretary - Treasurer G. F. Heathcote of Kapuskasing pointed out to the executive that four of the five regional tourist councils living along Highway 11 had signified their intentions of supporting the Northern Route Association and that the James Bay Frontier Tourist Association had already pledged \$500 for this purpose.

It is hoped the annual budget of the association will be in excess of \$2,000.

Most of the publicity, it was pointed out, would be directed to the areas outside the association boundaries so as to attract the tourists into the Highway 11 regions.

Promotions discussed at the meeting included a special North-

(Continued on Page Eight)

Bucke Township Taxpayers to Join Haileybury?

Mad at the taxes they are having to pay to Bucke township, some residents of the north end of Bucke are talking about having the area taken over by New Liskeard or Haileybury.

At Moore's Cove recently a protest meeting was held, with north-end taxpayers agreeing that the present assessment policy is imposing an unfair burden on the area.

Taxpayers at the meeting complained that as a result of the re-assessment, they are now paying two, three, and even four times as much in taxes as they used to.

Businessmen complained that they were being taxed out of existence, and couldn't even sell their businesses as prospective buyers are scared away by the assessment.

Some advocated appealing to the municipal board in Toronto to see if the area could be taken over by New Liskeard or Haileybury.

Other complaints included the assessing of land in the north end along the highway at \$4.00 a foot, compared with \$2.50 for land in North Cobalt.

The Bucke township court of

revision is currently struggling with a long list of appeals.

Chairman John Mikkola felt the assessment was based supposedly on "value" and therefore strongly believed the matter of an equalized assessment depends on a true appraisal of the value of buildings and lands.

Reeve Harry Groom said the Trans-Canada Pipeline, the Wabi Iron Works, the Ontario Hydro and to a lesser extent the Northern Telephone Company by having 'fixed assessments' and in one case winning a tax rebate, were not

helping the tax requirements which had to be met by the rest of ratepayers. Ratepayers felt that if they were assessed each year the government authorities responsible for revising the rates of the pipeline and the hydro should be prevailed upon to do so in the case of these entities as well.

Strong criticism was expressed by ratepayers last night of Mr. Ship's assessment and the feeling they would like to have the figure down to its one-time happy standing. Just how this is to be done nobody knew.