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Town Council Asks for Sunday Train Service

NECESSARY IN CASE OF ILLNESS, ETC. INCOME TAXES OUTSTANDING TO BE COLLECTED. THANKS FOR PICTURES OF GOVERNOR-GENERAL AND LADY. LICENSES NECESSARY NOW FOR SECOND-HAND STORE. OTHER COUNCIL BUSINESS

The Town Council held a special meeting Friday afternoon to deal with the many matters gathering since the last regular session. The Mayor was in the chair and all the Councillors were present. Many matters of interest were dealt with, and much general business was transacted.

One of the important items dealt with was the passing of a by-law for the licensing of second-hand stores. This is a matter brought to attention on several occasions by Councillor Pierce. Under the by-law passed on Friday, all dealers in junk and second-hand goods must obtain a license from the Town Clerk. The fee for this license will be \$20. Second-hand dealers must also keep a book or books showing details of all purchases made by them, giving the name of the person from whom the goods may be bought, the date of purchases, and other particulars. This book is to be open to the inspection of the Chief of Police at any time. For infractions of the by-law a penalty of \$50 and costs may be imposed by any Justice of the Peace or Magistrate.

A by-law was given its requisite readings and finally passed, providing for the making of Debentures of the Town payable in Toronto and New York, as well as at Timmins.

Several who claimed to have received no tax notice or assessment notice but who felt they were improperly assessed or wrongly taxed had appeals in to the Council. These appeals from assessment and taxes were referred to the Finance Committee to report upon at the next regular meeting.

The Division Court costs of \$102.90 for collecting income tax accounts was authorized to be paid. About \$495 in taxes has been collected in this way.

On motion of Councillors Pierce and Brazeau the Clerk was instructed to write the Deputy Minister of Mines stating that the Council have no objections to permission being granted the Hollinger Consolidated Gold Mines Limited for obtaining dumping ground for their tailings in Gillies Lake bed.

On motion of Councillors Globe and Moore the Treasurer was instructed to transfer amount due for re-payment of Debentures to a special account, this amount to be set aside to be used for no other purpose.

On motion of Councillors Moore and Williams the Clerk was instructed to write Lt.-Col. Henderson, Military Secretary, Ottawa, expressing appreciation of the receipt of pictures of His Excellency and Her Excellency to hang in the Municipal Chambers.

The Chairman of the Finance Committee was authorized to make such payments as he sees fit to settle accounts of James Robertson and Messrs. Saffell & Neelands.

On motion of Councillors McInnis and Williams the Collector was instructed to hand over to some reliable collecting agency all incomes taxes due and past due, where the parties have since moved outside the Porcupine district, and that a commission of 25 per cent. be allowed for such collection.

The Town Auditor is also to be asked to begin audit work for 1917 at once, auditing the books up to date.

The matter of a Sunday train service on this branch was discussed by the Council and the following resolution unanimously passed:—Moved by Councillor Dr. McInnis and seconded by Councillor A. Brazeau, that the Clerk be instructed to write the chairman of the T. & N.O. Commission regarding the running of a Sunday train between Timmins and Porcupine Junction, it being pointed out that it would be a great convenience to the people of this district to have this connection, especially in case of emergency in illness.

The Chairman of the Finance Committee was authorized by the Council to sell Sidewalk Debentures for \$9000, at the rate of 85 per cent. of the face value of said debentures.

A large number of accounts were authorized to be paid, including that of Thomas Blackman for \$100 for services in installing the new fire alarm system, and \$60 for E. Guppy for similar services.

Dr. McInnis explained to Council that the Volunteer Fire Brigade had offered to bear part of the cost of a new sledge necessary for the Department. Councillor Pierce objected very

strongly to taking any money from 'the boys' for such a purpose, and in this he found general support from the Council. Councillor Globe voiced the general sentiment when he phrased it thus:—'Either the sleigh is necessary, or it is not. If necessary the town should pay it all, and if unnecessary the town should not pay at all.' Dr. McInnis, chairman of the Fire and Light Committee, assured the Council that a new sleigh was required for safety and surety.

A motion was passed requiring the Town Solicitor to put the Town by-law book in order as part of his work on the old salary basis previous to October 1st.

There was the usual discussion of fire protection matters. Dr. McInnis said that the regular Inspector for the Underwriters would be unable to visit Timmins to make another report on the Town. Another official, however, had visited here recently, and as Chairman of the Fire and Light Committee, Dr. McInnis had been asked to submit a report of conditions and equipment, etc., to the Underwriters. The Council gave the authority for this report, with the added hope that it would result in a better schedule of rates for insurance in Timmins. With his report, Dr. McInnis said he intended to send a copy of a recent issue of The Advance which had given the case for Timmins in agreeable form.

Milk prices in town also came in for discussion. 'Write Mr. Hanna about it,' was Dr. McInnis' suggestion. In view of the fact that a combine to hold up prices was suspected the Council thought that the matter could be called to the attention of the Attorney-General if investigation showed that the prices were too high. The Mayor was not so sure, however, that even 20 cents a quart was an exorbitant price here under certain conditions.

The meeting adjourned to meet at the call of the Mayor.

WARNING TO THOSE FAILING TO REGISTER BIRTHS

A great many parents in this district are very careless, to say the least, in the matter of registering births, and the registrars of births, marriages and deaths at South Porcupine and Timmins may, as a consequence, be forced to take disagreeable proceedings. The registration of births is a matter that should have prompt attention. One information based on such statistics is indispensable in the scientific work of public health conservation and the prolongation of human life. In these last mentioned lines the world has made great advances in recent years, and these advances are due in a great measure to the information gleaned from a more or less comprehensive registration system. As an issue of the Ontario Bulletin this year phrased it,—"We cannot attain the maximum of disease or death prevention, or of health, or of life conservation, until we have complete registration of all births and deaths and causes of deaths." The child labor problem and the question of compulsory education of children can not be efficiently handled, either, without the basis of facts given by birth registration. The advantages of birth registration are mentioned as public advantages, in addition to the individual benefit that may arise on many occasions through there being an official record.

For those who do not consider the public side of the matter, there is also the individual viewpoint to be considered. The law requires the prompt registration by parents of all births, and fines are imposed for neglect. It is true that neither Mr. H. E. Montgomery, Registrar of Births, Marriages and Deaths, for Timmins, nor W. H. Wilson, Registrar for Tisdale, are desirous of having those neglecting this duty prosecuted according to law. But on the other hand the law is clear enough and must of necessity be enforced. The advice of The Advance, accordingly, to all parents interested is to see that any births are duly registered at once. The quarterly returns of the registrars will be sent in to Toronto before Oct. 15th., and it might be the best idea for parents to assure themselves that the necessary registration has been duly made of all recent births.

BET BANK ROLL WAR ALL OVER THIS YEAR

Soldier at Front Backs a General Opinion Held in France.

Fire Chief A. Borland last week received a letter from his son, Alex., who is with the Canadians on the Western front, and an interesting side light is given on the opinions of the soldiers in the battle line as to the probable duration of the war. The letter tells about one soldier who bet his whole bank roll (some eighty dollars) that the war would be all ended before January 1st. The next day the same soldier came along with another fifty dollars that he had borrowed and he wanted to bet this also that the war would not last past this year. It seems to be a generally held opinion among the soldiers in France that the war will be over this year. The majority of the people here are not so hopeful, but the soldiers are in the better position to know, and when the lads start backing their opinions with their bank rolls it begins to look as if they knew something that we do not.

The letter also gives the pleasing news that the authorities are taking the numbers, names, etc., of the soldiers who have been in the trenches so long, with a view of granting leaves. Those who have relatives in England or Scotland will be given furloughs across the channel, while the others will be allowed leaves in Paris.

REFORMED PUGILIST AT THE NEW EMPIRE

Thrilling Exhibition of Scientific Boxing in "Pride and the Man."

"Pride and the Man," is the title of the special at the New Empire Theatre for Friday and Saturday of this week. It is a thrilling, red-blooded drama of love, business, society and the prize ring. William Russell, the well-known athlete and actor takes the leading role. He was a amateur heavy-weight boxing champion of the United States, but like the hero in "Pride and the Man," he reformed, but that reformation does not prevent his staging one of the most thrilling ring combats. "Pride and the Man" contains also a gripping love story. The hero is a well-bred and handsome young fellow whose love for boxing induces him to start a career as a pugilist. He rescues a young lady from drowning, and then they both fall into—love. The hero renounces the ring for her sake, but plots by rival lovers and rival fighters keep the story plot stirred up. The staging of the drama is described as sumptuous, and the story is said by the press of the cities to be one of the best of present-day motion pictures.

Notes, Comments and Opinions Of Interest To Mining World

Discoveries of silver are reported from the Tashota district, and a number of prospectors are investigating. Several claims have been recorded, but no particulars are to hand as to the discoveries, except the usual suggestions of rich promise.

The Thompson-Krist is said to be planning to have the Porcupine V.N.T. open up the Thompson-Krist property at depth by drifting into the property from the 400 and 500-foot levels of the Vipond. The Vipond adjourns the Thompson-Krist on the east.

A man with a penchant for figuring has figured out the North Land's gold reserves as \$80,000,000 and the silver reserves as \$40,000,000. These figures may look large, but at least so far as gold is concerned they are naturally estimates that must err on the low side, for in such figures account can only be taken of mining properties already under way, while it is a well-known fact that the Porcupine's gold resources have hardly been "surface-scratched" as yet. There are properties here now undeveloped and practically unexplored that promise to prove as rich as any of the big mines that have made the Camp famous. Hence the estimate of \$80,000,000 in ore reserves must relate to only a small proportion of the probable ore reserves in gold of the North Land.

TISDALE GIVES \$500 TO BRITISH RED CROSS

Public Meeting on Food Conservation Called for October 14th.

The minutes of the last meeting of the Tisdale Township Council came to hand too late for any extended notice, but several items deserve some mention. The Council on motion of Councillors Mackie and Boyle, made a grant of \$500 to the British Red Cross—a creditable and noteworthy patriotic contribution. On motion of the same two councillors the volunteer firemen are to be insured at the Township's expense for \$1000 each with a weekly indemnity of \$20 for each man in case of serious injury. To make known the purposes and objects of the Food Controller a public meeting is being called for Sunday evening at the Majestic Theatre. In the absence for some weeks of Reeve Kennedy, Councillor J. T. Easton is Acting as Reeve.

NORTH NOW HAS TWO TEACHERS' INSTITUTES

Temiskaming Association Divided Into Two Branches.

The eighth annual meeting of the Temiskaming Teachers' Institute was successfully held at New Liskeard on Thursday and Friday last, with a large attendance and an excellent program. After an inspiring public meeting in the Town Hall Friday evening the teachers were entertained at the Masonic Hall by the young people of the town.

It was decided at the Institute to divide the territory into two Institutes,—one for the North and one for the south,—to overcome the necessity for such long distance travelling for the conventions. Mr. R. Garrioch, of Cochrane, was elected president of the North Institute and Miss Wickware, of Giroux Lake, for the south.

JOINED FORESTRY DRAFT

Among those signing up with the Forestry Draft this week were Messrs. Geo. Drew, H. W. Hooker and A. R. Swayne. At the Oddfellows' Lodge meeting last night Bro. Drew who has been a valued and esteemed member of the Order, was presented with a handsome wrist watch prior to his leaving to join the colors.

LEAVING THE NORTH

Mr. Daniel Laing, for thirteen years a resident of Haileybury, has moved to St. Thomas, Ont. He is the father of Capt. Laing, M.P.P. for this district.

Mr. A. R. Globe Member of Local Exemption Board

EXCELLENT CHOICE MADE FOR IMPORTANT POST. JUDGE'S APPOINTMENT KNOWS BOTH THE REQUIREMENTS OF A SOLDIER AND OF THE NORTH LAND.

Mr. A. R. Globe has been appointed the local member of the Exemption Board under the Military Service Act. The Board is composed of two members for the Porcupine District, and if an equally good choice is made for the other member, the result can not fail to be satisfactory from the patriotic and general public standpoint.

Mr. Globe will generally be admitted to be especially adapted and qualified for the position. He knows the requirements of the North Land intimately and so may be depended upon to deal intelligently and ably with the points that may arise in connection with the vital interests of the country. On the other hand, frivolous or unfounded applications for exemption will not weigh much with such a man. From the opening of the war he has taken a keen and enthusiastic interest in every patriotic cause and has yet to fail to respond to any call of duty. Previous to coming to Northern Ontario Mr. Globe had twelve years service behind him in the Militia, Regular

Forces and Auxiliary Forces. For three of these twelve years he was on active service in the field. He served in the ranks and won his way by merit from private to captain. Consequently, he knows the requirements of a soldier, and this together with an intimate knowledge of the requirements of the industries of the country place him in a positive position to judge on exemption applications. Those who know him will look for all fairness and the fullest firmness from him. The name of the other member of the Board is not yet announced but all will trust that it will be as fitting an appointee as Mr. Globe.

Judging from the way in which the men of this district have come forward in a voluntary way it is not anticipated that there will be many applications made for exemptions. The Advance believes that the few reasonable applications will be promptly and fairly dealt with, while unnecessary and unfounded applications will not be encouraged.

CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS FOR THE SOLDIERS

Local Red Cross Solicits the Interest and Help of All.

From Great Britain there comes an appeal to the Canadian Red Cross for 30,000 Christmas stockings for the Canadian soldiers in the hospitals overseas. The Timmins branch is preparing to do its share in meeting the call, and any contributions towards this bit of Christmas cheer for our own brave wounded lads will be gratefully received by any member of the Timmins Red Cross, or the gifts may be left at the Red Cross rooms here next Tuesday afternoon, October 16th., when the stockings will be filled ready for packing. To rouse interest in the good work and to gather some suitable articles for the wounded Canadian soldiers overseas a Red Cross Tea and Shower will be held on Tuesday afternoon from 3 to 6 at the home of Mrs. R. J. Jemmett. The gifts and cash proceeds from the event will go towards providing Christmas cheer for the soldiers. All are cordially invited to attend the Tea and Shower and also to send anything they can add to the gifts for the Soldiers' Stockings. The following is a list of suitable articles suggested by the Canadian Red Cross Society:—Pocket mirror, pocket pencil, pocket knife, pipe, match box, writing pad and envelopes, fancy postcards, cigarettes, tobacco, candies, chewing gum, maple sugar, Khaki handkerchiefs, necktie, socks, games, books, puzzles, mouth organ, soap, toilet powder, tooth paste, pin cushion, packets of raisins, figs and nuts, etc. Everyone should make a point of contributing something to the brave lads overseas so that at Christmas time they may be cheered by the thought that they are remembered by those at home in Canada.

J. K. WHITE WON FIREMEN'S PIANO

The Lucky Number Was One Hundred and Twenty-nine.

On Friday evening last the drawing took place at the New Empire Theatre, between pictures, for the winning number in the Firemen's Piano contest. Dr. McInnis officiated at the ceremony of drawing, and with the skilled assistance of a small boy from the audience the operation was entirely successful. The tickets were all mixed up in a box and the lad drew one out, the lucky ticket being 129, which had been purchased by Mr. J. K. White. Mr. White but a few days before had purchased a new piano, but the win was nevertheless a very popular one so far as the general public was concerned, as Mr. White has been generous and able alike in his work on the piano here and at Golden City in the old days for public events that needed music.

The Firemen will clear about \$90 from the drawing, after expenses are paid. Practically all the tickets were sold and the expenses were low.

SERGT. PADDY ROWE WRITES FROM ENGLAND

Wants to Go Back to France... News of Other Porcupine Men.

The following letter from Sergt. Paddy Rowe will be read with interest by his hosts of friends in the Camp:—
Sergeants' Mess
25th Reserve Battalion,
Bramshott Camp, Eng.
To Geo. Lake, Esq.
Timmins, Ont.

Dear George:—You no doubt will be surprised to hear from me, but Sergt. Drake who is here with us received some copies of the Porcupine Advance, and I got the loan of them to read about the doings up North, which is pretty hard to get around here. Sergt. Alex. Gillespie and I were looking over the Honor Roll and noticed that a few names were omitted. There are quite a few of the boys who will not come back to the North Country. I spent nearly a year in France and I can tell you I was pretty glad to get back to Old Blighty, but I am like the majority of the boys, I am getting tired of being here, I am afraid, however, that I cannot get back to France. The doctors seem to think I am too old, but I don't feel too old. I feel as fit as ever, but the doctors think there are plenty of younger men to go before they send me back. There are quite a lot of the original 2nd Pioneers here, but they are gradually going back. Sergt. Alex. Gillespie is one of the old Porcupine boys expecting to go back with the next draft. He is just dying to get back. I can tell you there is nothing cold about Alex. I saw Jack McLellan the other day. He is looking O.K. I have seen most of the boys one place and another, but I have never had the luck to see Charlie Piercy or John Watt, but I hear about them occasionally. Several of our boys have got commissions and they are making good. Poor old Len Dunsford made his mistake in leaving the Pioneers. Of course he got his commission, but he would have gotten his commission if he had stayed with us. He was a good soldier. All the good boys seem to get the bad luck at the start. Now Alex. Gillespie and I would like to be remembered to all old friends. We are both pretty well. Tell George Preston we would like to hear from him. I am sending a few names that are omitted from the Honor Roll. With kind regards to all old friends,
Yours truly,
Paddy Rowe.

Sergt. J. C. Rowe, 166412,
2nd Pioneers, 25th Reserve Battalion,
Bramshott, Hants, England.

CAPT. MAGLADERY TO SPEAK

Capt. T. Magladery will be at the meeting in the Old Empire Theatre tomorrow (Thursday) evening and will deliver an address. The meeting is called with the purpose of backing a "Win-the-Win" candidate in the coming Federal election and organizing to make such a candidate sure of election. The meeting will commence at 8 o'clock.