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**MEETING VOTES IN FAVOR
OF SEWERS THIS YEAR**

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to go in with the Township in the matter of purchasing a garbage incinerator at a cost of perhaps \$10,000 for the disposal of the garbage of Timmins, Schumacher, Moneta, Rochester, etc. Under present conditions something along this line seemed absolutely necessary for the protection of health and to save cost, etc., but the sewerage system would do away with Timmins' greatest problem, and of course the other plan would not be considered until after the sewerage plans had been disposed of. With a sewerage plant, Timmins would not need the other. Dr. McInnis also referred to the probable advantage in draining the swamp, if a sewerage system were established. Dr. McInnis was also hopeful for the general financial outlook of the town. The Camp was facing an era of prosperity and progress, and he thought there would be a material increase in the taxable property here with the growth of the town in the next year or two.

Mr. E. L. Longmore, Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Council, explained that he had given the matter of the raising of money by debentures considerable attention and study lately. According to his understanding of the law, the Town could not exceed 25 mills on the dollar for all purposes (including the general rate and for debentures) except for school purposes and works under the Local Improvement Act. The Town's debenture rate last year was 10 1/2 mills and the general rate was 14. The debenture rate would be perhaps a little more this year as there were some new debentures on which the town was starting paying. The general rate could not be cut down much, if any, by present appearances. He then gave an analysis of last year's receipts and expenditures and compared them with the probabilities for this year. Taking off the bonds, bank balances, and other items appearing on the two sides of the ledger, he figured that last year's net receipts were \$75,182.00. Deducting from the other side loans, payments to schools and other earmarked or cross-entitled items he figured the 1918 expenditures as \$74,106.90. On the same basis there would only be a thousand dollars in round figures to come and go on. However, there was an increased royalty from the mines of approximately \$14,000 from the receipts side, but on the other hand increased expenditure to the amount of roughly \$12,000.00 was already agreed upon—\$4,000 for increased bonds, \$4,000 for scavenger work and \$4,000 extra for the fire department. According to these figures the probable receipts would be roughly \$89,000.00 and the probable expenditures roughly \$86,000. The effective assessment of the town, Mr. Longmore pointed out, was approximately \$1,300,000, though the assessment was somewhat higher but there were income taxes, etc., that could not be collected nor counted upon. He figured that one mill of taxation would raise \$1400.00. He thought that it would take about 14 mills to meet the debenture rate this year, so the 25 mills restriction would prevent further financing of debentures in his opinion. Mr. Longmore explained that he was not throwing cold water on the proposed sewerage plans he was simply outlining the financial position as it appealed to him.

Councillor Brazeau took direct issue with Councillor Longmore's opinion as to the 25 mills restriction. Councillor Brazeau said he understood the Town Solicitor to say that the general rate must be kept within the 25 mills but there was no limit on the issue of debentures, so long as they could be sold, and the Chairman of the Waterworks Committee thought they could easily be sold in this case with a town as prosperous as Timmins. "How can Mr. Longmore include debentures with the general rate?" asked Councillor Brazeau, who said they were separate and distinct and had no connection. Mr. Longmore explained at this point that if the debentures were issued under the Local Improvement plan there was not the 25 mills restriction, but if under the general debenture rate there was. Councillor Brazeau then gave a brief outline of the proposed plans.

There was considerable discussion as to whether the 25 mills restriction would apply, and those on both sides of the argument were unconvinced. Eventually, it was decided to test the opinion of the meeting as to whether there was a general desire to proceed this year with both the sewerage and waterworks extensions. On motion of Messrs. R. J. Jemmett and D. La-prairie, it was resolved to be the opinion of the meeting that both works should be gone on with at once, and on the counting of the vote, it was found that 11 voted for this motion and 8 against. Several did not vote.

**SOME REAL AXEY-DENTS
IN MONETA ON SUNDAY**

Austrians Create a Little Excitement
by Battle With Axes and Picks.

A little Austrian social event in Moneta on Sunday afternoon was largely attended both by the police and people in general who heard the glad news that a number of Austrians were murdering each other with axes and picks. About four o'clock the news reached town that there was a desperate battle going on in an Austrian house in Moneta, and a large force of police, including Chief Chas. McInnis, of Tisdale, Chief Wilson, and Officers D. McInnis and P. Collins started for the scene of the affray. A large number of people around town also went over to Moneta to see the excitement. However, by the time the house was reached everything was quiet and serene. There was a drunken man just coming from the house, but the owner of the place innocently explained that he didn't know where the man got his liquor, whether he was drunk, or who he was, or if anybody could speak the English language. The police were assured that there was no row, never had been a fight, and there never would be a murder. Investigation, however, revealed a liberal scattering of blood around the place, as well as a number of injured Austrians. Most of them were not seriously hurt, chiefly bumps and bruises. Pete Bodnark had his face rather badly cut and was also injured around the head. George Paetzl also felt a little cut up over the affair. These two required medical attention on their arrival at the jail. In addition Nick Tozka, Nick Romanchuk and George Tozak were arrested for the fighting affair. The whole five of them were put behind the bars to await their trial on Thursday. So far as can be gathered, axes and picks were used freely by the Austrians in their fight among themselves. All sorts of reasons are given as being the cause of the commencement of the battle. One story says it was over a game of cards that the trouble started. Another suggests it was only a case of plain drunks. A third tells the romantic tale that the fight originated in a dispute between the Russians and Austrians over Bolshevism. However, there is now a general disposition to believe the affair simply a series of axey-dents, Paetzl and Bodnark getting most of the dents. While the police were out on this case they also picked up a couple of drunks, Mike Chut-

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**TOUGH-OAKES MINES
RESUME OPERATIONS.**

After a long period of litigation and trouble of one sort or another the Tough-Oakes Mines at Kirkland Lake last week resumed operations after being closed down for some time. The program at present is confined to development work chiefly, but in the course of a month or two it is

expected the mill will be opened up again. At one time the Tough-Oakes produced about \$60,000 of gold per month. Recently all the difficulties have been adjusted and all disputes closed. Harry Oakes is now president, with C. A. Richardson in charge of operations. It is believed now that the Burnside, Sylvanite and Tough-Oakes properties will be amalgamated, and thus a large highly-mineralized area will be under the one management and control. Such an amalgamation would mean a big mine, with probably a 140-ton mill in active operation this coming summer.

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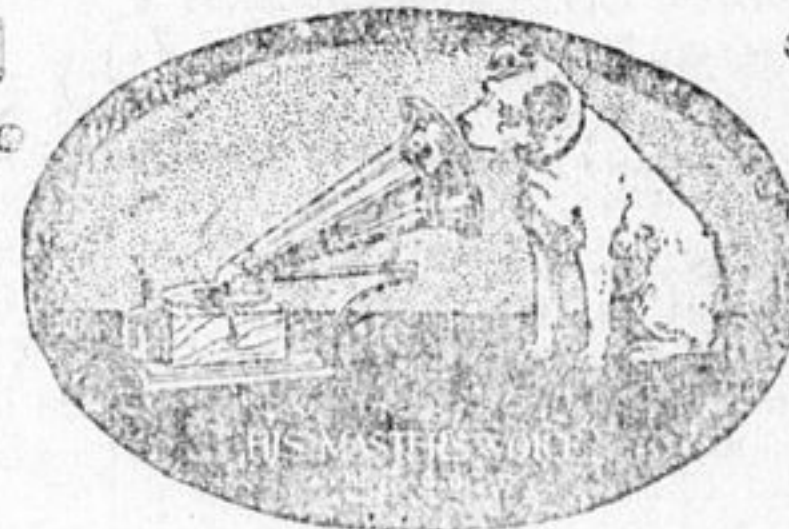
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