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AGREEMENT SIGNED RE BARTLEMAN TOWNSITE

Satisfactory Adjustment Made of Long-Standing Difficulty. Other Council Business.

The regular meeting of the Timmins Town Council was held on Monday afternoon, with the Mayor, Dr. J. A. McInnis, in the chair, and Councillors J. H. Bacon, E. L. Longmore, J. E. Morin and J. E. Sullivan present.

A letter was received from the Northern Ontario Fire Relief Committee outlining the relief measures undertaken and pointing out the success met with up to date. Thanks were also expressed to Timmins and the others already responding to the call for help for the fire sufferers.

It was decided to hold the next meeting of Council on Wednesday, Dec. 27th, the regular meeting day falling on Christmas Day.

The annual report of the Medical Health Officer, Dr. H. H. Moore, was received and read. This report will be found published in full elsewhere in this issue. Councillor J. H. Bacon was asked to see what he could do in regard to having the house purchased as an isolation hospital ready for immediate use at any time it might be required. At present the building is occupied by a man and his family who might not be able to vacate at a moment's notice. The Board of Health rooms in the municipal building are also to be made ready at once as suggested by the M.H.O.

The usual routine accounts, payrolls, etc., were passed and ordered paid.

The offer of Mr. P. Bardessono to instal at his own expense four street light clusters on iron standards in front of the new Bardessono block, if the Town would do the lighting or same, was discussed by Council, but left over to allow of the securing of definite figures as to the extent and cost.

On motion it was decided to write the Northern Ontario Light & Power Co. head office to see why street lights ordered in June last were not installed. The Council was very evidently of the opinion that the local management was not responsible for the delay in the installation of these street lights.

The Mayor brought to the attention of Council the necessity for a regular caretaker or janitor for the municipal building. "Why not make the prisoners keep the place clean?" some one suggested. In reply to this, Chief Greer pointed out that convicted men were not kept here and there was no authority for attempting to place this sort of work on those awaiting trial.

On motion of Councillors Bacon and Longmore a refund was authorized to be made to Dr. A. S. Porter for the amount of operating expenses not deducted from his income tax statement. Two or three other requests for rebate of taxes on income were dealt with in the usual way.

On motion of Councillors Sullivan and Morin, authority was given for the signing of the agreement with the syndicate owning the Bartleman Townsite. This agreement provides for the transference to the town of a 6-ft. strip along the north boundary for drainage, sewerage and waterworks purposes. On account of there being no road allowance at the north boundary of the town, a strip of land or other method to provide for the necessary drainage, etc., was required. For some months past the town and the syndicate have been conferring with a view to mutual satisfaction and advantage. The agreement now reached is fair to all concerned and is mutually satisfactory and advantageous to the both parties concerned. The syndicate owning the new townsite includes Messrs. J. P. McLaughlin, J. P. Bartleman and R. Bannino.

COCHRANE REGRETS DELAY IN GRANTING POWER RIGHTS

In its report of the last meeting of the Cochrane Board of Trade the Cochrane Post says:

"With regard to the proposed water power development of the Hollinger people at Three Carrying Places on the Abitibi, it was deplored that this arrangement had not yet been consummated. It was also felt desirable that the Town of Cochrane should know the draft of the proposed agreement with the Government, and the Secretary was instructed to request from Hon. Beniah Bowman a copy of the draft of the agreement, or at least a copy of the paragraph having reference to the power reservation for the Town of Cochrane and other municipalities concerned."

MORE THAN ONE HERO IN RECENT DROWNING CASE

General Feeling That There Should Be Public Recognition of Those Who Risked Their Lives For Others.

There has been general endorsement of the article in last week's Advance in which it was suggested that fitting public recognition should be given to the cool daring and courage of Geo. Fields who risked his life on Nov. 20th, and whose quick thought and cool act saved the life of a young lady who had gone through the ice on Gillies Lake. Those who know the circumstances are very earnest and sincere in their commendation of Mr. Fields. At the same time it is pointed out that there was another brave lad who should not be overlooked in the case. This was Bert Studor, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Studor, of Timmins. Bert was skating on the lake at the time of the accident though some distance away. He reached the scene of the accident after Mr. Fields had jumped into the water and was holding the young lady up. Bert did some very quick and useful thinking. He remembered a previous accident in which rescue had been effected through the use of a scarf, so he borrowed a scarf and worked his way out on the treacherous ice, throwing the end of the scarf to the man in the water. Bert knew that he was risking his own life in going out on the ice, but he knew also that there had to be prompt action to rescue Mr. Fields and the young lady from the icy water. Every minute counted and Bert did not lose any time in his good work of helping the rescue. He knew the risk he was taking in working his way along the dangerous ice, but he took the risk coolly and promptly. Bert Studor also showed the heroic spirit when occasion arose. Pluck, daring, coolness and quick-wittedness are qualities of highest value and deserving of fitting public recognition, and both Geo. Fields and Bert Studor should be recognized for their courage and cool bravery.

BIG LIST OF CANDIDATES SUGGESTED IN TISDALE

There is little discussion regarding municipal matters in Timmins, and there is quite a strong probability that the present Mayor and Councillors will be returned unopposed for 1923. Present indications in the Township of Tisdale, however, do not seem to be the same. At present no less than six candidates are more or less generally suggested to contest the reeveship of the Township. Mr. C. V. Gallagher, who has given what is generally considered as excellent service as Reeve, is again prominently mentioned as a desirable candidate for the coming year. Mr. J. E. Boyle and Mr. Sylvester Kennedy, who have both had long connection with municipal affairs in Tisdale, are also being asked to contest the Reeveship. Another mentioned by many as a good candidate for Reeve is Mr. E. Kimberley, who gave quiet but effective service as a Councillor in recent years. Mr. R. O'Neill, one of the popular and energetic members of the present Council, is also mentioned frequently for the Reeveship. Mrs. J. A. Thomas is the other possible candidate mentioned frequently for Reeve for 1923.

There does not seem to be as much interest in the choice of Councillors as in regard to the Reeve. Not many are being mentioned as candidates for Councillors, though it is likely that two or more new Councillors will be required for the coming year. Mr. Jules St. Paul is understood to have stated definitely his intention of not again being a candidate for a seat on the Council Board, and it is not likely that Mr. Ralph Calverley will be a candidate for the coming year. Great interest is usually shown in Tisdale municipal affairs and that generally means that a competent municipal body will be selected to carry on the affairs of the Township in any event.

ILLUSTRATED LECTURE ON SUNDAY EVENING, DEC. 17

It is expected that Dr. A. L. McEachren, Director-General of the Victorian Order of Nurses for Canada, will give an illustrated lecture on the work in the New Empire Theatre, on Sunday evening, Dec. 17th. There will also be a motion picture shown. Definite notification will be given by hand bills if Dr. McEachren is able to meet the engagement. It is the intention to place a Victorian Order Nurse in Timmins and the meeting is to explain the plan and the work. The public are very cordially invited.

TIMMINS AN IDEAL PLACE FOR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

Unusually Large and Attractive Stocks at Local Stores. Read the Advertisements in this Issue. See the Window Displays.

The stores of Timmins this year offer very striking opportunities to the Christmas shoppers. The stocks here are remarkably large, varied and attractive. For example, in the matter of dolls and toys it is doubtful if any town this size or larger can show such a range in number and quality as exhibited by the local stores. In the staple lines the business places of Timmins and the Porcupine are equally to the front. Not only will it pay the people here to shop at home, but it will be worth while for those throughout the district to travel many miles to share in the good things offered at this time by the local stores.

The Advance has no apology to offer for the amount of advertising in this 16-page issue. The advertisements are among the brightest and best of good news. They make good reading, interesting and profitable. Read the advertisements. See the window displays. Enjoy Christmas shopping in Timmins.

CALEDONIAN CHOIR GUESTS AT MEETING OF SOCIETY

The regular meeting of the Caledonian Society of Timmins last Friday evening took the form of a Social Evening in honour and appreciation of the Caledonian Choir and the others on the programme of the Musical Festival held in the New Empire Theatre on Nov. 28th. Practically all the members of the Choir were present and there was a large attendance of the members of the Society and friends, about 130 being present in all. The evening proved a very pleasant one, enjoyed by all.

After the reading and adoption of the minutes of the previous meeting, a couple of applications were passed upon and the new members welcomed to the Society. A communication was read from the Deputy Minister of Education in reply to a recent resolution passed by the Society. This resolution directed the attention of the Department to the inaccuracy of the wording underneath a picture in the new public school geography book, the monument to Sir Walter Scott in Edinburgh being marked as that of Robert Burns. The Deputy Minister, after thanking the Society for calling attention to the error pointed out that the mistake had been discovered after a few copies of the book had been printed, and correction had been duly made in the subsequent printing.

On behalf of the Musical Committee Mr. J. K. Moore read the very pleasing report regarding the recent Musical Festival under the auspices of the Society. Over \$225.00 had been netted from the event, and the list of those selling tickets showed that the members of the Society had done their part to make the event a success. On motion, it was decided to make an appropriation for music for another Musical Festival to be held probably next March, as suggested by the report.

The President, G. A. Macdonald, briefly expressed the very general appreciation felt for the good work of the Caledonian Choir and the others on the programme of the recent Musical Festival, and gave these artists very special welcome to the Social Evening. The Musical Festival had been a noteworthy success in every way. The programme had been outstanding in its excellence, and another pleasing feature was the way all had worked to make the event a success from every viewpoint.

The meeting then developed into a Social Evening that pleased all present. Dancing was enjoyed, including the Grand Old Duke of York and Quadrilles. Refreshments were served in the usual efficient way during the evening. A very attractive programme was also enjoyed, a feature of the programme being the fact that much new talent in the Society was evidenced. The programme opened with a solo by Mr. Shewan, who was enthusiastically encored, and pleased all equally with his responding number. Mr. A. J. Downie gave a very talented rendition "The Arrow," given in fine voice, and with a very pleasing interpretation. In his response to the well-merited encore, Mr. Downie also delighted the audience. One of the outstanding items of the evening was the impromptu address of Mr. W. M. Whyte. His wit and humour won and held the crowd while his quotations from Burns were a delight to all. His humorous stories made a hit only exceeded perhaps by the appreciation

EXHIBITION MATCH WITH LISKEARD HERE MONDAY

Picked Team from Liskeard, Haileybury, Cobalt, Etc., to Play Timmins.

An exhibition game of hockey has been arranged for the Timmins Rink on Monday evening, Dec. 18th, between a picked team from Liskeard, which will likely include some Haileybury and Cobalt players of note, and the Timmins hockey team. This should make a snappy and interesting match for opening this season's hockey. Liskeard has a fine hockey reputation, and this season they have Ran Montgomery and some others of good rep. and pep on the team, and they are coming up here with the intention of making the Timmins team travel some. For this reason the public will be specially interested, and there will also be the special interest in watching how the Timmins team lines up in an actual game. The hockey boys here have pleased all with their work at practices and hopes are high now for the best brand of hockey here this season. All hockey fans should see the opening exhibition game on Monday evening.

FIRST SENIOR HOCKEY MATCH AT TIMMINS, DEC. 22

Schedule of N.O.H.A. Games Decided Upon. It's Going to be a Great Season.

The schedule for the N.O.H.A., Senior and Junior, was arranged last week.

The first game in the Senior Hockey will be at Timmins on Friday of next week, Dec. 22nd, with Iroquois Falls. Iroquois Falls is coming over by special train for the occasion.

The following is the schedule of games as arranged:

SENIOR N.O.H.A. At Timmins
1922—
Friday, December 22nd.
1923—
Tuesday, January 2nd.
Tuesday, January 9th.
Tuesday, January 23rd.
Tuesday, January 30th.
Tuesday, February 6th.
At Iroquois Falls

1922—
Friday, December 29th.
1923—
Friday, January 5th.
Friday, January 12th.
Friday, January 19th.
Friday, January 26th.
Friday, February 2nd.
Friday, February 9th.
The following are the Junior games as arranged:

JUNIOR N.O.H.A. At Iroquois Falls
1922—
Thursday, December 28th.
1923—
Thursday, January 11th.
Thursday, January 25th.
Thursday, February 8th.
At Timmins

1923—
Thursday, January 4th.
Thursday, January 18th.
Thursday, February 1st.
Thursday, February 15th.

"Boil the water" is a good rule and a good precaution.

felt for his inspiring rendition of one of the least known poems of Burns. Mrs. Shewan gave a pleasing rendition of a fine old Scottish song and was heartily encored, winning equal applause for the number in response. The selection by the Caledonian Choir was received with the greatest appreciation. A popular Scottish comic song by Mr. Larmer made a big hit and was encored, the response being an English comic song that also was well received. One of the special features of the evening was the singing of Miss Jean Roberts. Her fine voice was heard to advantage in "Mary of Argyle," and an encore was demanded. Miss Roberts responding with another song that pleased all. By special request, Messrs. W. Ramsay and J. Skelly favoured the audience with a duet. Their number, "Larboard Watch," delighted the gathering. In response to the pronounced encore Mr. Skelly gave a well-rendered solo that was much appreciated.

After three very hearty cheers and a rousing tiger for Leader J. Geils and his talented Caledonian Choir, the gathering dispersed with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne," and the National Anthem.

TO WRITE ESSAYS AT THE PUBLIC SCHOOL FRIDAY

Competition for Prizes Given by I.O. D.E. to Encourage Literary Talent.

The writing of the essays in the competition started this year by the Daughters of the Empire of Timmins will take place in the Public School here on Friday of this week commencing at three o'clock. An hour and a half will be allowed for the writing of the essays and those writing will be under supervision during the contest. The Timmins Chapter of the Daughters of the Empire has inaugurated this essay-writing competition this year with the two-fold purpose of encouraging literary talent among the school pupils and of increasing the interest in Canadian subjects. Valuable prizes in the form of attractive books are to be given for the prize-winning essays. Also, the winning essays will be published in "Echoes," the quarterly issued by the I.O.D.E. and which has a nation-wide circulation. The following are the three prize essay competitions, open to all school pupils in Timmins as noted:

Prize for the best essay on "The Heroes of the Long Sault." All pupils in Timmins up to the Entrance Class may compete for this prize.

Prize for the best essay on "The Natural Resources of Canada." Entrance Class pupils may compete for the prize.

Prize for the best essay on "The Porcupine Camp." This prize is to be competed for by High School pupils. The Daughters of the Empire intend to make this essay-writing competition an annual event.

RESERVED SEAT PLAN NOW OPEN AT TIMMINS RINK

General Admission Tickets Will be For Sale at Five Places Uptown. To be a Good Season Also For Skaters.

Manager Jack Marshall is completing plans and arrangements to assure not only a good hockey season, but also the best of conveniences and advantages at the rink for skaters this season.

The plan for reserved seats is now open to subscribers at the Rink. Season ticket holders will be given the privilege of retaining their same seats for any exhibition games or extra games.

General admission tickets will be sold at Meyers', Burke's, Curtis', Todd's Drug Stores, and at Ben Jacobs' Cigar Store. The side doors will be kept open till 8.15 the night of matches for those who have admission tickets.

Special attention is also being paid to the needs and convenience of skaters. On Friday evening of this week it will be Band Night, and the Timmins Citizens' Band will be on hand with some specially attractive new music. Tuesday of next week will also be a Band Night.

The special attraction at the Rink on Monday evening next of course will be the exhibition game between Timmins and a picked Liskeard team strengthened by some Cobalt and Haileybury experts.

ANOTHER WAY TO HELP TO PROTECT FROM FIRE HAZARD

The creation of new townsites on the outskirts of established towns is one of the ways whereby the bush fire hazard is increased. Such new townsites sometimes create a regular "line of communication," as it were, between the bush and the town concerned. This matter has already been brought to the attention of the authorities, but Cochrane recently again emphasized it. In one case last summer Timmins made special representations to the Railway and Municipal Board as to the possible fire hazard created by a new townsite, but the Board refused the question serious notice at that time. Recently at a meeting of the Cochrane Council the committee appointed to look into the matter of fire hazards reported that the members had met with E. G. Poole, superintendent of the Ontario Fire Protective Service, and it was decided to recommend to the council that the government be asked not to sanction any sale of lots in any townsite or subdivision until all fire hazards are eliminated to the satisfaction of the forestry department.

There is certainly nothing wreckless about the T. & N. O. railway.

192 BIRTHS, 60 DEATHS IN TOWN DURING YEAR

Year Free From Epidemics. Other Interesting Facts and Suggestions In Annual Report of M.H.O.

The following is the annual report of the Medical Health Officer for Timmins as presented to the last Council meeting on Monday afternoon. As usual, the report of the M.H.O. is well worth careful reading by all, for its interesting facts and helpful suggestions for the health of the Town:—
Timmins, Dec. 11th, 1922.

To the Mayor and Councillors, Town of Timmins.

Gentlemen:—I herewith beg to submit my Report for the year 1922 on the health and sanitary conditions of the Town of Timmins.

During the year there were 192 births and 60 deaths.

The year has been free from any epidemic of any of the contagious diseases.

While we have been free of an outbreak of Smallpox, yet the need for vigilance and preparedness is urgent, and it is necessary that we be in a position to take care of any cases at all times. I understand that the house purchased for this purpose is now occupied by a family. I would recommend that this house be at once vacated and made ready for use in case of emergency.

During the year a large Chlorinating Plant has been installed at the Pumping Station. This has materially helped in the purification of the water, and has no doubt greatly benefited the general health conditions of the Town.

The increased population and extended limits of the Town's boundaries has greatly increased the work of the Scavenger and also the Sanitary Inspector, and this has certainly justified the appointment of a full-time Sanitary Inspector, and I would strongly recommend that this policy be continued.

The Child's Welfare Clinic is still progressing favorably and doing good work, and the daily visits of the Town Nurse to the Schools has helped materially in keeping down the spread of contagious diseases among the children.

The room set apart in the Municipal Building for the use of the Board of Health has recently been used for other purposes. I would ask that this room be cleaned out so that the Board of Health may fumigate it and fix it up for the Board, as we will require it very shortly, particularly for the purpose of testing milk.

The milk supply of the Town is yet a matter for serious consideration and any prospect of securing an adequate supply of wholesome milk of standard quality should be encouraged.

Thanking you for your co-operation and assistance during the year, I remain

Yours truly,
H. H. MOORE, M.D.,
M.H.O.

CONTEST STARTED FOR FREE SHETLAND PONY

The voting contest for a free Shetland Pony commenced on Saturday last and will continue for ten weeks, to Feb. 17th. At certain stores in town votes are given on every purchase of 25c. or more, and the boy securing the most votes will win the pony.

DINING CAR CREW INJURED IN WRECK LAST SATURDAY

The dining car, three sleeping cars and the observation car of the west-bound Continental jumped the track near Temagami on Saturday last. Three of the coaches turned over on their side in the ditch. None of the passengers were injured but five members of the dining car crew sustained slight injuries from scalds sustained when the soup being prepared for lunch was upset owing to the derailment. The five members of the dining car crew were taken to the Mines Hospital at Cobalt. Four of them were able to leave the hospital as soon as medical attention was given them. The fifth, a cook, while not seriously hurt was kept at the hospital for a few days to allow the scalds a good chance to heal. The accident is thought to have been due to a broken rail. The engine and five cars apparently safely negotiated the break, but the cars at the end of the train did not do so well. The train was travelling at comparatively slow speed at the time of the accident. The track was badly torn up and traffic delayed about twelve hours.