

COUNCIL APPROVES GOOD WORK OF BOARD OF HEALTH

Value of Examination of School Children, Toxoid Treatment for Diphtheria, Etc. Other Business of Town Council on Monday.

One of the special features of the meeting of the town council on Monday afternoon was the consideration of the good work of the Board of Health and the passing of a resolution expressing appreciation of the good work of the board.

The town council met on Monday afternoon with Mayor Geo. S. Drew in the chair and Councillors A. G. Carson, P. Dougall, R. Richardson, Alfred Carson, and C. P. Ramsay present.

Austin Neame, president of the Timmins Post of the Canadian Legion, addressed the council on two matters. One was in regard to a returned soldier who died in the hospital here and who was buried at the expense of the Legion.

Neame said that the Legion felt the expense would ordinarily have been borne by the municipality, and perhaps the council would feel that fairness some return might be made by the Legion for the outlay in this case.

Councillor Dougall said that the matter had been before the council some time ago and his understanding had been that the council was agreed then that the Government should bear the expense in this case but that if this was not done the town would help the Legion in regard to this outlay.

Mayor Drew said that the man in question was not a resident in town but had come here from the country nearby. The town was not liable but had taken the matter up with the Government in the hopes that the Legion might be repaid in this way.

He said that the Legion had suggested that there might be some funds available in the "Last Post" fund for the case referred to. The mayor suggested to Mr. Neame that if full details were given they might be forwarded to Mr. Finlayson to take up with the authorities.

In any event it might be well to give the town a detailed statement of the expenses or outlay in the case in question and the question could be considered by the 1930 council.

The other matter referred to by Mr. Neame was the suggestion that in view of the large amount of money expended by the Legion in re-education, the council might see its way to assist the good work of the Legion in this regard by a grant.

Mr. Neame pointed out that last year over \$500 had been paid out by the Timmins Post of the Legion to assist in returning men and their families home. An equal amount would be expended this year, he said.

This good work of the Legion relieved the town of expenditures for relief purposes in the cases dealt with by the Legion. Mayor Drew said that the town depended upon its own relief officer, Mr. E. Dunn, to see after all necessary cases of relief in town, but there was no doubt of the good work of the Legion in this regard and the 1930 council might consider the idea of some assistance to the Timmins Post of the Legion in reference to the relief work.

Dr. H. H. Moore, A. S. Porter, Dr. S. R. Harrison and Dr. Russell were present on behalf of the Porcupine Medical Association in reference to a bill for \$500.00 for services rendered in connection with a physical examination of the school children and the inoculation of the youngsters with the toxoid for the prevention of diphtheria.

Dr. Moore, M.H.A. for the town, explained that the amount for the \$500 had been duly authorized by the board of health in the interest of the public health. He pointed out that the understanding was that all the children going to school should be given a physical examination and that treated with the toxoid to prevent diphtheria.

The idea was to discover any defects in the children, either in respect to eyesight, teeth, tonsils, or general health. Any defects were pointed out to the parents and the remedy could then be applied with very decided results to the child and advantage to the public health.

The diphtheria toxoid had been given to 631 children in town. This was a sure preventive of diphtheria. To follow the plan from the previous year would mean that diphtheria would be completely eliminated from the town.

It had not been a single case of diphtheria reported in town, although there had been many cases elsewhere in surrounding areas as Toronto. The service given was not to cost any child or parent anything, but the board of health would need to pay the Porcupine Medical Association the sum of \$500.00 for the services thus given by the members of the association.

No individual child was to receive a cent, Dr. Moore said. He felt that the expenditure was fully justified in the public interest and he thought that when the council understood the situation they would realize that the account should be paid to the doctors who had done the work and had done it so effectively and well.

Dr. Moore mentioned that in the past 42 children had been treated and had upon their tonsils trouble without a charge being made. He answered a question by one of the councillors saying that

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KWANIS HELP YOUNGSTER TO HOSPITAL TREATMENT

Busy and Interesting Session of Service Club on Monday. Last Meeting for Year. New Officers in Charge Next Week, for 1930.

The regular weekly luncheon of the Kiwanis Club at the Empire hotel on Monday was a very busy and interesting one. There was no special speaker for the day but there was a brisk time in discussions of various matters of importance to the club.

President Rinn occupied the chair, this being his last meeting as president, the new officers taking charge at the meeting next Monday, when the chair will be taken by President Karl Eyrre.

At Monday's meeting Mr. J. McFadden again presided at the organ in the absence of W. H. Wilson, the club pianist, who is still confined to the house following his recent accident at the skating rink.

Mr. McFadden not only played the accompaniments for the community singing for the day, but he also delighted the gathering with a couple of pianoforte solos that were especially pleasing.

President Rinn read a letter from Kiwanian W. H. Wilson thanking the club for its kindly remembrance of him at Christmas when he was confined to the house through injury received in an accident at the rink while skating.

The visitors for the day were Major Mac Lang, M.P., of Halleybury, who was the guest of his brother, A. W. Lang, and W. F. B. Cadman, of the C.N.P.C., New Liskeard, a former member of the local club who was gladly welcomed back for the day.

Dr. J. A. Minnis brought up the case of a boy who needed special hospital treatment at Toronto, but whose widowed mother found it hard to finance the necessary trip to the city for the lad. The Kiwanis voted \$25.00 to this good cause, which was the amount necessary to assure the boy getting the required treatment at the Toronto hospital.

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TRIES NEW TEST M. Costes, prominent French aviator and present holder of the world's non-stop long distance flight, will shortly attempt to break his own record over a measured course.

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CORNISH CAROL SINGERS ADD TO CHRISTMAS JOYS

Choir of Twenty-five or Thirty Voices Sing on Street and at Hospital During the Christmas Season.

One of the specially pleasing features of the Christmas season this year was the singing of the Cornish male choir on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. There were twenty-five or thirty voices in this attractive choir and the choir was remarkable for the harmonious blending and balance and fine musical effect of the group of singers.

Individually the singers in this choir undoubtedly had outstanding merit, while as a choir the voices were so harmoniously grouped that the effect was very pleasing indeed. For several years past the Cornish people have favoured the people of the town with the singing of Christmas carols and this feature has always been greatly appreciated.

This year, however, there was organization and preparation beforehand and the result was especially pleasing. On Christmas Eve the male voice choir sang on Pine street in front of the Dominion stores and literally hundreds of people busy on their rounds of Christmas shopping stopped to listen to the carol-singing of this attractive choir.

The singing was appreciated for many reasons. To many it was particularly pleasing, bringing back memories of old times in the Old Country where carol singing is a feature of every Christmas time.

To others the pleasing novelty of this form of seasonal and enjoyable music was an added Christmas pleasure. To those who love music for its own sake, the carol singers made equal appeal, for their music was assuredly good. On Christmas Eve the male choir sang all the popular Christmas carols and many that were new to most people here.

They also favoured several pleasing songs of general type. They visited also a number of homes where they pleased all and recalled old memories of older lands by their carol-singing. On Christmas Day the choir of twenty-five male voices visited the St. Mary's hospital where the patients and the staff alike found genuine Christmas joy in the effective singing of the Christmas carols by this gifted group of Cornish carol-singers.

The members of the choir were delighted with the kindly welcome given them at the hospital, while the Sisters, nurses and patients at St. Mary's were equally pleased by the kindness and talent of the visiting choir.

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LADIES' AUXILIARY OF THE LEGION ENTERTAIN MEN

Hall Crowded to Capacity Monday Night. Event Presented by Ladies' Auxiliary Proves Outstanding Success. Big Hit with "The Madhouse."

On Monday evening the Oddfellows' hall was crowded to capacity, the event being a social evening—"Gentlemen's Night"—arranged by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Canadian Legion. The chief item of interest on the very large and enjoyable programme was "The Legion Lunatics" in their very humorous sketch, "The Madhouse."

This play had everyone in fits of laughter from start to finish and it was voted an even greater success than on its previous presentation. The cast of the "Legion Lunatics" was as follows:—Elphick and Curtis, looking for the finding of a job; Ormsdon and Forrester, as medical officers; Pearce, the attendant; Phillips and McMillan, two mild cases; Nippers, looking for a fight; Devine, looking for "her" husband, and finding same. All the players were outstanding in their character delineation and received prolonged and sincere applause at the close of their sketch.

Songs were given during the evening by Comrades Cowan, Bellamy, Curtis, Trollope and Crane, and also by Miss Tilley. All the singers sang effectively and well, and were much appreciated. Miss Tilley sang two popular songs in very pleasing way and was warmly applauded. Dances by Mr. Phillips and Mrs. Harris, who gave the Highland Fling in effective way, and by little Ruth McMillan and Maxine Burgess well-executed numbers that won great applause.

Little Miss Burgess made a very special hit, and the general opinion was that this talented little girl will win high place as a dancer in the days to come. Refreshments were served by the ladies, this feature being one of the specially enjoyed items on a programme that was all very pleasant. W. A. Devine gave of his best all through the programme as accompanist at the piano. Mrs. Wilkins assisted materially by her skilful work in playing the accompaniments for the youthful dancers. The evening was voted by all present as a most enjoyable one, and with the wish for more similar nights to follow.

Comrade Alex Wilson, on request of the ladies, acted as chairman for the evening and carried through the duties with humour and ability.

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POULTRY SHOW TO BE HELD HERE JANUARY 15 AND 16

Seventh Annual Event Promises to be Interesting and Successful. To be Held in Boston Hotel, Corner Pine Street and Second Avenue.

The seventh annual show of the Porcupine Poultry, Dog and Pet Stock Association will be held in the Boston Hotel, opposite the Power Co. building, corner of Pine street and Second avenue, on Wednesday and Thursday, January 15th and 16th, 1930. The Poultry Show is always a pleasing and successful event but this year it is hoped to make it even more attractive and valuable than usual. The prize lists will be out in the course of a few days and will offer an attractive list of prizes and a long list of specials for all classes of poultry, dogs, pet stock, etc.

The prize list and special prizes will no doubt attract large lists of entries from the town and district in all the various classes. This district for years has been notable for its poultry and pet stock and no doubt considerable of the credit for this should go to the Porcupine Poultry and Pet Stock Association which society has done so much to rouse and maintain interest in poultry and pet stock and to spread helpful information in regard to their care and breeding. On the other hand it may be noted that the large number of poultry fanciers and pet stock breeders in the district, together with the large number of fine birds and excellent pet stock heretofore, have always assured an exhibition at the annual show that is sure to prove of interest to the public.

This year the prize list deals with all classes of poultry. The pet stock classes include rabbits, canaries, pigeons, cats, dogs, etc. There are seven silver cups among the special prizes, offered, while a whole page in the prize list is taken up with a listing of other specials, not including special cash prizes and ribbons.

The officers of the Porcupine Poultry and Pet Stock Association include:—Honorary president, Mayor Geo. S. Drew; president, J. H. Skelly; vice-president, N. Caron; secretary, H. Farnell; treasurer, W. W. Orr; executive committee, J. Arscott, J. K. Massie, W. Bailey, T. Coade, Enos Martin; business committee, Chief Borland, H. A. McDougall (South Porcupine), Gordon Wallace, J. T. Chenier, H. Feltmate; board of directors, H. Farnell, A. D. Pearce (South Porcupine), Nap Caron, D. Greer (Schumacher), L. McLaughlan; finance committee, L. McLaughlan and J. K. Massie; auditors, G. A. Macdonald and A. Tomkinson. Prize lists or any information desired may be secured from any of the officers or directors.

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HUNDREDS OF YOUNGSTERS ENJOY THE FREE MATINEES

Both Theatres Filled to Capacity on Monday When Mr. Leo Mascioli Gives Free Treat to the Youngsters of Town.

Next to Santa Claus himself the most popular man in town this week among the youngsters is Mr. Leo Mascioli. On Monday through the kindness of Mr. Mascioli and the management of the two theatres in town the youngsters of Timmins had the pleasure of a free show that was greatly appreciated and enjoyed. All youngsters in town were invited to the matinees at the New Empire and the Goldfields theatre on Monday afternoon, the programme to start at 2.30. Before one o'clock there was a line-up of three or four hundred youngsters at the Goldfields waiting to get in. By two o'clock the hundreds had grown to a couple of thousand children in front of the two theatres. The Kiwanis Club with its usual readiness to co-operate in any good work, especially for the kiddies, had groups of members at both theatres to chaperone and care for the youngsters. At the New Empire theatre the youngsters were lined up along the sidewalk and marched in as orderly and quietly as if on school parade. At the Goldfields the crowd was a little larger but was handled in excellent way and the crowd of youngsters gave a lesson to any similarly large group of grown-ups as to the quiet and orderly way to act in a crowd. Deputy Chief of Police W. W. Orr, though off duty, came up to give a hand in acting as guardian for the youngsters. The services of the members of the Kiwanis Club were invaluable, and though there was some noise, as the youngsters were nearly all healthy and well, there was no sign of roughness, and practically no crowding even. The youngsters were all seated in the theatre without difficulty. Both theatres were filled to capacity. A few youngsters (probably twenty) were unable to gain admittance to the Goldfields, but some of these were accommodated at the New Empire. Practically all the youngsters who turned out for the event were able to get into one theatre or the other. "I guess we need another big theatre here," was Mr. Mascioli's comment on the crowd of youngsters.

The programmes presented at the theatres delighted the youngsters who showed their appreciation in no uncertain way. The full programme at each theatre was presented and in every way the youngsters were treated as if they were a regular audience paying full prices. The children gave a fine example of good order and nice sportsmanship throughout. There have been many comments on the orderly way in which they left the theatres,—no crowding, no fuss. The chaperones had little to do and no worries, and no one will hereafter be afraid to give the youngsters a similar invitation. Fire Chief Borland and some members of the fire hall staff were also on hand for the occasion and did their part especially well, as would be expected. In this connection it may be noted that many in watching the orderly and unhurried way in which the youngsters left the theatres, are inclined to feel that some of the credit for the orderly attitude of the youngsters is due to the practice of fire drill in the schools. Several who watched the youngsters coming from the theatres Monday after the shows remarked that they did the trick just like a fire drill at school.

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SOUTH PORCUPINE WIN IN FIRST OF HOCKEY GAMES

Iroquois Falls Lose Out by Score of 6 to 1 in Opening Match of N.O.H.A. Other News from South Porcupine Correspondent.

South Porcupine, Dec. 31, 1929. Special to The Advance.

Dr. Stanley Harper, of Toronto, who formerly had a dental practice here in partnership with Dr. C. Sullivan, came back this week and carried off one of our finest daughters. On Monday, December 30th, Mary Carmel, eldest daughter of Councillor and Mrs. Fred Laforet, became the bride of Stanley, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. David Harper, of Toronto, the Rev. Fr. Lagrevol officiating. Miss Alma Laforet sister of the bride, and Dr. Cameron-Smith, of Kirkland Lake, were the young couple's attendants. After the ceremony a reception and wedding breakfast was held at the home of the bride's parents. The young bride, who was given in marriage by her father, looked lovely in a gown of turquoise blue moire silk, with hat and shoes to match, and wearing a corsage of roses, while her attendant was modestly gowned in monet blue satin. The young couple left on the noon train for Toronto. Going away the bride wore an ensemble of light navy blue crepe, with transparent velvet coat and vest of cream satin, with hat to match, and a seal coat with gray squirrel collar. Dr. Harper was one of our most respected citizens while resident here, while the bride has lived here since early childhood, endearing herself to all who knew her. Many beautiful gifts conveyed the congratulations of friends while the best wishes for "bon voyage" through life. They are taking up residence in Toronto. On Saturday evening Miss Pearl Kennedy and Mrs. S. Sky were hostesses at a happy miscellaneous shower held for the bride-to-be at the home of Mrs. Sky.

Stellar net-minding, a good defence and team-work from start to finish combined to give Porcupine Hockey Club its decided victory of 6-1 over the sturdy Eskimos of Iroquois Falls in the first league game of the season on Monday evening. The arena was well-filled for the occasion. Soft weather made the ice very heavy, the game in the last period being practically an endurance test with the Porcupine Hockey Club being the most enduring. Charles Roach, of Timmins, as referee handled the game firmly, without fear or favour. In the first period, the play was fast and exciting with the Eskimos having a decided edge on the game. The good work of Sarjeant, however, kept the Porcupine sheet clean and the period ended scoreless. Proulx and Murray each got a forced rest during this spasm. One minute and forty seconds were gone of the second period when Fell by a well-earned goal opened the scoring. About three minutes after, Powers sat on the puck sent in by Montgomery from a scrimmage in front of his citadel. He no sooner raised himself than the red light flashed again for Porcupine but the Eskimos debated the decision. Roach changed the goal umpire but gave the goal. Before the close of this stanza Proulx and Mulvahill combined for another counter. Murray, Lepine, Cross, Saunders, Fell and Proulx each got a penalty in this period, Jemmett's checking being particularly good when his team were two men short. By the third period the arena brought memories of the old swimming hole. "Pity the poor sailors this night!" was heard from a fan as the teams emerged on the water-covered ice. In forty seconds Pahey removed the whitewash brush that seemed hanging over the Falls and his tiring team put on a new burst of energy. Jemmett and Cross, of the Porkies were both penalized and Spence called down loud applause when he attacked the whole Eskimo team and was beat only by Powers. Back to their full strength, the Porkies got another count through a neat combination by Jemmett, Spence and Montgomery. "Monty" beat Powers again, by a well-aimed shot from the side aisles. Jemmett soon got right in on him from the centre for their sixth and the swim was over. Pahey, also, was sent to the mourners' seat in this issue. The teams lined up:—Iroquois Falls—goal, Power; defence, Murray and Lepine; centre, Cybulski; wings, Pahey and Cheroski; alternates, Wilsson, Saunders and Wimperis. Porcupine Hockey Club—goal, Sarjeant; defence, Cross and Fell; centre, Jemmett; wings, Proulx and Spence; alternates, Mulvahill, Montgomery and Rundle.

The next clash is at Iroquois Falls on Friday, January 3rd, the usual special train accommodations being provided. Then on Tuesday of next week they meet in the Porcupine arena again.

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IRISH NAVAL DELEGATE Hon. Prof. Timothy Smiddy, High Commissioner for the Irish Free State in London, who will be one of the three delegates who will represent Ireland at the forthcoming Naval Parley.

DRUNKENNESS DECREASES HERE UNDER THE NEW ACT

Police Chief L. McLaughlan is satisfied that the Ontario Liquor Control Act is proving a success and he thinks it will work even more effectively as time goes on. In support of this, he contrasts the convictions for drunkenness in the year just passed with the convictions in previous years. In 1927 under the Ontario Temperance Act the average number of convictions in Timmins for drunkenness was 20 per month, a total of 240 in the year. In 1928 the convictions for drunkenness were 156 or an average of 13 per month. In 1929 the total of convictions had been reduced to 129 or 10 2/3 per month average. These figures include those charged in each of the three years with being drunk in charge of cars. In 1927 there were twelve convicted of being drunk in charge of cars. In 1928 the number was down to 10. During the past year there were 11 convictions for this offence, this number while an increase over 1928 is a decrease from 1927. It may also be noted that special attention has been given by the police to watching to prevent so far as possible any drunken drivers from escaping from the penalties provided by law. The police very rightly feeling that every man drunk in charge of a car is a serious menace to the safety of the public in general. An interesting fact in regard to the work of the police during the past year is that the number of arrests and convictions for all sorts of crimes has been materially reduced, while at the same time the fines paid will exceed those in 1928 by probably more than \$1000.00. The greater number of cases in police court here arise from breaches of the Liquor Control Act other than drunkenness. The extra fines referred to come largely from breaches of the L.C.A. in some of its general provisions. One fruitful source of revenue is in cases where liquor is purchased or secured other than on the required permit under the act.

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FLEASANT PARTY AT THE EMPIRE HOTEL THIS WEEK

One evening this