

## Council to Check Over the Estimates for Year Tonight

### Regular Meeting Monday Decides on Special Session to Expedite Estimates. Council Asked to Pay for Loss from Burglary, Negligence of Police Being Alleged. Question of Dangerous Chimneys and Stove-pipes Mentioned to Council. Other Matters Before Council Monday.

The regular meeting of the town council was held on Monday afternoon with Mayor Geo. S. Drew in the chair and Councillors A. Caron, Dr. Honey, R. Richardson, J. T. Chenier, J. E. H. Chateauvert and J. Morrison present. The session was a comparatively short one though many questions were dealt with.

Miss Helen McCaffery requested the council to pay some sixty-three odd dollars which she said was the value of goods taken from her store on Wilson avenue by burglars. She blamed the police for the loss, alleging negligence. The window in the door had been broken and the police being notified of this visited the store and after an investigation nailed a couple of light boards over the broken window, then going away without notifying her though she said they had her address. She claimed that the light boards were later torn off and the store entered with goods to the value of over sixty-three dollars being taken. The loss she claimed was due to the negligence of the police in not notifying her or leaving an officer on guard. The affair occurred this month. The matter was turned over to the police committee to investigate all the circumstances.

A letter was received from the East Windsor council asking for support for a resolution passed by that board urging the government to adopt an 8-hour day and a minimum wage of 50 cents per hour for all work on provincial roads throughout the province. Mayor Drew questioned if the council could well endorse the minimum rate when it paid less here sometimes. Councillor Richardson thought there would be no harm in endorsing the East Windsor resolution. Town Engineer MacLean, when asked for the information, said that the wage rate paid by the town varied—being 40 cents, 47 cents, 53 cents and 60 cents per hour. The question was left over until next meeting.

A. Tomkinson and W. Assad, photographers, asked council if something could not be done in regard to outside photographers coming in here and canvassing for photo work and enlargements and not paying any transient trader's license or any other tax to the town. Mayor Drew was not sure that the town could do anything. Councillor Chateauvert said that the practice was stopped in other municipalities. He did not know about Ontario, but it would be stopped in Quebec. He thought the board of trade might assist in stopping the practice. Mr. Assad said that when he had gone to Noranda to get orders he had been stopped and also at Kirkland Lake. He did not think that salesmen for outside firms in Chicago and elsewhere should be allowed to come in here and take orders. Mr. Tomkinson did not object to the outside photographers coming in but he thought it only fair if they did get work here that they pay towards the upkeep of the town like the local men had to do. Mayor Drew said that the council would get more information in the matter and would do anything that could be done fairly in the situation for the protection of the men paying taxes.

A resolution from the East Windsor council asking the Government to amend the Municipal Act so as to allow

municipalities to license and regulate gas and oil service stations was left over to next meeting.

Mayor Drew asked if all the estimates were yet in. It was decided to hold a special session of the council Thursday evening of this week to give a final check-up on the estimates so that the tax rate may be struck for the year.

A resolution was formally passed to extend the time at which only pasteurized milk may be sold in the town of Timmins from May 1st to July 1st. This extension was made to accommodate the local dairymen and give them opportunity to arrange for pasteurization plants, buildings, etc.

A petition, duly signed by the ratepayers affected, asked to have the water service extended on Montgomery avenue from Mountjoy to Rea. There was also a similar petition to have both water and sewer on Columbus avenue. The mayor said that these streets had been looked over for the past two years by the council on its annual inspection trips but finances had deterred the town from going on with the work. Some of the ratepayers concerned had to carry water for two blocks. He suggested that if there were not estimates for the work that these be prepared by the town engineer and that the waterworks committee check up on the matter before Thursday so that if thought well the works could be included in the estimates for the year.

Routine accounts were passed for payment. A refund of \$7.21 was authorized to be made to A. Belanger on taxes on a building vacant part of the year 1929. Taxes on lots 37, assessed in error, were authorized to be written off. Some water rebates were passed.

A by-law was duly passed appointing H. Jones an officer for the enforcement of the Ontario Liquor Act.

Authority was given for the purchase of six coats and six pairs of rubber boots for the firemen. The quarterly grant to the volunteer firemen was also passed for payment. The clerk was asked to advertise for tenders for ten new firemen's uniforms and seven policemen's uniforms, the latter to be purchased as and when required.

Councillor Chateauvert asked if the town had a by-law requiring the cleaning of chimneys. He referred to a chimney fire on Rea street that had been cleaned for a long time. Also he said that some towns had by-laws requiring the chimneys to be kept clean and also for testing out stovepipes. Sometimes a stove-pipe might look all right but might be as thin as paper. Some towns, Councillor Chateauvert said, had an inspector go along with a long needle with which he would tap the pipes. In the case of dangerous pipes that had worn thin the needle would go right through them.

In answer to a question from the mayor, Chief Borland said that chimneys in town were supposed to be cleaned at least twice a year, but the town at present had no chimney-sweep. He did not think that many fires in town originated from chimney fires as chimney fires were usually detected and put out.

## Jack Newton Hurt in Auto Accident

### Struck by Car and Injured While Returning from Work at the McIntyre on Friday Evening. Injuries Not Proving Serious and Good Recovery.

Jack Newton, well-known and popular as one of the pioneer residents of Timmins, met with a painful accident on Friday evening while walking home from his work at the McIntyre. As a result of the accident he had his ear torn, a three-inch gash under his jaw, his left cheek grazed, and his right thumb broken, as well as sustaining some minor cuts on his head. The accident occurred about 11.15 p.m. Mr. Newton was walking along the side of the road on his way to Timmins. He was on the right hand side of the road and when he heard a car behind him he attempted to get over to the other side of the road. The driver of the approaching car, Mr. Chapple, on noting the man on the road turned out to the left to avoid him, but as Mr. Newton had also turned to the left of the road, the result was that the car hit him and he was knocked or dragged some twenty feet before the car was brought to a standstill. Mr. Chapple at once hurried the injured man to a doctor and later took him to the hospital. Mr. Newton, while suffering many painful injuries, as noted above, escaped more serious injury, and is making the best of recovery and will shortly be none the worse for the unpleasant accident.

## Ladies' Aid Putting on Excellent Play, April 9

The Ladies' Aid of the Timmins United Church are presenting a play in the church hall on Thursday evening, April 9th, commencing at 8 p.m., and the event is expected to be one of the most interesting held to date. The parts in the play are being taken by members of the Ladies' Aid and chiefly by the older members of the society. Some of these have shown special talent in dramatic lines in years past, and rehearsals are understood to show that they still retain their gifts in presentation of the roles taken. The play to be presented on April 9th is "The Ladies' Aid of Mohawk Cross-Roads." This play itself is a very interesting and amusing one and with the presentation to be given by the Ladies' Aid here the event should be a most enjoyable one. Old-fashioned costumes will be featured and there will be lots of good fun for all attending this play on April 9th in the United Church by the Ladies' Aid.

John Carnovale, well-known in the camp in earlier days conducting a barber shop here for a number of years before going overseas and after returning from the war, but who some three years ago moved to North Bay where he was in the Empire Hotel, returned some days ago to Timmins after a visit to his native land, Italy, where he was married, his bride accompanying him here, and John receiving congratulations and good wishes from his friends here.

## Slowly Improving



PHILIP SNOWDEN  
The man upon whom rests the responsibility for the finances of Great Britain, Chancellor of the Exchequer, is still seriously ill with internal trouble, although he is thought to be past the crisis.

## New Policeman Was on Liverpool Force

### Jack Gregson, Who Served on the Liverpool Force for Ten Years, Latest Addition to the Town Police Force.

L. Leblanc, who has been on the town police force for the past six weeks or so, left the service this week, and Jack Gregson was added to the staff of constables to carry on. The new officer of the Timmins force was one of the many applicants making application for a position on the town force some weeks ago when it was known that changes on the force were imminent. The new officer went on night duty on Tuesday evening for the first time here. He has been a resident of Timmins for the past year and a half, coming here from England in October of 1929.

Constable Gregson has had a long and creditable police force experience, having been for ten years a member of the Liverpool, England, police force. He was on the Liverpool force from 1919 to 1929, when he came to Canada. He served for a time on overseas service with His Majesty's forces.

Constable Gregson up to the time of joining the Timmins police force was on the Hollinger staff, being employed at the crusher house.

## Pioneer Minister Tells of Early Days

### Rev. J. C. Cochrane, Superintendent of Missions for Northern Ontario, at the United Church Here on Sunday Morning Last.

Rev. J. C. Cochrane, Superintendent of Missions for Northern Ontario for the United Church, occupied the pulpit of the United Church at Timmins on Sunday morning, and his address was of special interest. There was a good attendance at the service, and many early residents of the North who knew Rev. Mr. Cochrane in the first days of this part of the North, took occasion after the service to meet and greet him once more. Rev. Mr. Cochrane years ago was the minister in charge of several of the missions and pioneer churches of the North. For some time he worked in the Elk Lake and Gowanda district his work there being largely with prospectors, miners and lumber camp workers. Later, he was stationed at both Schumacher and South Porcupine. He knew the life of the North in its earlier days and in his address on Sunday he gave many very interesting reminiscences of the North in the days gone by. Rev. Mr. Cochrane based his address on the old Testament command that the Ark of the Lord was too sacred to be conveyed by cart or other mechanical means, but should be carried on the shoulders of the people. Rev. Mr. Cochrane pointed out that Christian people must still be ready to carry on their own shoulders the sacred burdens of their responsibility, and that there is no substitute for this personal burden-bearing.

During the service Mrs. P. Carson sang very effectively the solo, "One Sweetly Solemn Thought."

Rev. Bruce Millar, minister of the United Church, assisted with the services. According to official figures given out recently there are 979 paid-up members of the Northern Ontario Settlers' Association which was organized at Kapuskasing several months ago and now has branches all over the riding of North Cochrane. South Cochrane settlers are also organizing, there being branches now at McIntosh Springs, Barber's Bay and Matheson. The members of these latter locals are not included in the 979 membership referred to.

## Conductor Murray Dies While on Duty

### Popular and Esteemed Old-Time Member of T. & N. O. Train Staff Dropped Dead on Train on Monday. Funeral Here This Morning.

Few men were more widely known or more highly esteemed in this part of the North than James Murray, conductor on the T. & N. O. Railway, and so the news that he had dropped dead while on duty on his train on Monday evening came as a decided shock to wide circles of friends and acquaintances. He was in charge of Train No. 54 leaving here at 6.35 p.m. for Porcupine Junction. He had been speaking to J. H. Black, of the Abitibi Power & Paper Co., W. A. Griffin, superintendent of the T. & N. O. and others who were on the train, leaving them to give the signal to the engineer before entering South Porcupine. Just as he reached the cord, he collapsed in the aisle of the car, death being instantaneous. The death was due to heart trouble. Another member of the train crew, H. Aubrey, at once took over the duties of conductor, and the body was transferred to Train No. 1 and returned to Timmins.

The late Mr. Murray was senior conductor on the T. & N. O. Railway, having been with this railway from the commencement of the road a quarter of a century ago. He was on the Porcupine branch run for many years and for some time had been residing at 85 Elm street, south, Timmins. He was widely known and popular with the public, and it may be noted that his popularity increased as he was known and the longer he was known. Gilbert Lee, who has been twenty-four years with the T. & N. O. has spent twenty-one years of that time working with Conductor Murray and Mr. Lee says that there were few finer men than James Murray. The late James Murray was noted for his faithfulness to his duty at all times and his loyalty to the railway. He was quiet in his ways but always courteous and friendly and those who knew him well held him in the deepest regard and esteem.

To the bereaved widow and family the deepest sympathy of all is extended in their sad and sudden loss. In addition to the widow there are seven children surviving. One son is in the employ of the Spruce Falls Pulp and Paper Co., a daughter is a valued member of the separate school staff here, another daughter is a nurse-in-training at the St. Mary's hospital, Timmins, two other children are attending school at Kitchener. The late Mr. Murray was 60 years of age on March 22nd of this year.

The funeral took place on Thursday morning of this week and was largely attended, and the large number of floral and spiritual offerings, also testified to the sorrow felt at the death and the sympathy for those bereaved. Rev. Fr. O'Gorman said requiem high mass at the Church of Nativity, and interment was made at the Timmins cemetery.

## Timmins and Kirkland High Schools Play Tie

The Timmins High School hockey team journeyed to Kirkland Lake on Saturday last to play the return game there, and the result of the struggle was a 3-3 tie which neither team could break despite all efforts. The ice was poor, but both teams put up a hard fight and good hockey. There was a good crowd watching the game and much interest was displayed in the good hockey provided. Kirkland Lake High School won the game here the previous week, but it is not likely that further games will be possible this year to give definite decision as to the relative strength of the two teams. After the game Saturday night the boys were the guests of the lads at Kirkland Lake and were royally treated.

## Heads Special Committee



W. D. ROBB  
Vice-President of the Canadian National Railways and a member of the Canadian trade mission to South America, who heads the special committee which will enquire into the matter of steamships and communication in the Argentine and Brazil.

## Advance in Liquor Prices



SIR HENRY DRAYTON  
Head of the Ontario Liquor Commission, who announces that the prices of spirituous liquors will be increased at all Ontario Government stores, effective immediately. Last year the people of Ontario spent slightly under \$50,000,000 in liquor, beer, and wines.

## Charged With Illegal Possession of Gold Ore

At police court this week one of the cases was a charge laid by R. Allen against P. Ouellette, Hemlock street, of being in illegal possession of gold ore. The defendant pleaded not guilty and the case was remanded to next week, the accused being granted bail.

There were six ordinary drunks, all of whom pleaded guilty and each of whom was fined \$10.00 and costs. A charge of stealing a razor strap preferred by one boarder at a local hotel against another in the house was withdrawn, the defendant paying the costs and the complainant receiving his strap.

A charge of assault preferred by one Pole against another of the same race was dismissed.

It may be of interest to note that of the six drunks only three were Timmins residents. One of the others was from Cochrane, another from Cochrane and the third from Gaspé Basin.

## Notable Air Service for the Porcupine and District

### Air Transport Service Available from Timmins for Passengers and Freight at Very Reasonable Rates. Bank Manager Flies into Matachewan to Open Bank There. Hunting and Fishing Parties Find Air Service of Value. Port to be Established at South Porcupine for Summer.

Timmins and the Porcupine at the present time have an excellent air transport service available and mining men, prospectors, hunting and fishing parties and others are finding the service economical as well as convenient. The Algoma Air Transport Co., Ltd., have established a very effective service for the district, and are not only planning to continue this excellent service but are also considering enlarging it. The airship of the Algoma Air Transport Co. has been here now for several weeks and has decided to make this a permanent base. It is possible that another machine will be brought here to handle the growing business in air transport that has developed. As it is the company has made available an air service for both freight and passengers that is unexcelled in its convenience and economy. At present flights are made from Timmins to any part of the district and the charges are very reasonable. As soon as the break-up comes the port will be transferred from here to the lake at South Porcupine which makes an ideal water landing place.

Most people have noticed the airship of the Algoma Air Transport Co. and have been pleased to see this modern method of transportation in this land of great distances. But it is not everyone who has really realized the extent and value of the work carried on by the airship. The mines and other big industries have naturally used it to advantage to get in speedy touch with outlying fields. The recent visit by the airship to Kamiskotia to investigate the story of the explosion there was one instance of the advantage of having an airplane here. There have been several other flights to Kamiskotia and to other outlying properties. Then there has been quite a patronage in the way of casual passenger service where people have wished simply to enjoy the experience of air travel and to see the district from the air. The value of the airplane transport has further been proven by several who have had occasion to go to Matachewan or other fields in the district and wished to take the speediest and cheapest way. One recent trip of the Algoma Transport Co. machine was one last week when Chas. Butler, for many years manager of a branch of the Bank of Commerce at Schumacher, was taken by plane to Matachewan to open a branch for the

## Porcupine United Planning Programme of Development

### Party of Distinguished Visitors from Buffalo Inspect Property Here. Hon. Frank X. Schwab, Mayor of Buffalo for Two Terms, Among the Visitors. Ample Finances Understood to be Behind Porcupine United. Plan for Larger Mill Next Year. Development Work to be Carried on Now.

A party of a dozen prominent people from Buffalo, N.Y., last week visited the Porcupine United Gold Mines property (formerly known as the Rochester). On Saturday they inspected the plant and property generally spending considerable time underground, and they were unusually well pleased with what they saw. The party was in charge of Bernard N. Hyman, president of the Porcupine United, and under his genial care all in the party had a most interesting and informative experience. The party included Hon. Frank X. Schwab and Mrs. Schwab, Mrs. A. E. Genthner, Martin Schwab, Mr. and Mrs. A. Roedel, J. J. Beckerman, broker; Wm. Mead, broker; Richard Fisher, sportsman; R. McCloud, dairyman; A. J. Goodman, financier and Bernard N. Hyman, real estate operator and president of Porcupine United.

Hon. Frank X. Schwab was for two terms mayor of the city of Buffalo and is one of the leading men in that city and widely known throughout New York State. It was his first visit to the North Land and he was greatly impressed with what he saw. The mines here and the town of Timmins impressed him particularly by their modern type while the country generally appealed to him as one of unusual promise. "If we had these mines in Buffalo," he said with a sigh, "we would think we had everything." Other members of the party were also paying their first visit to the country and found much to interest them.

At the Porcupine United the party found a small but very efficient mining plant, with hoist, compressor plant, and a test mill capable of handling 150 tons of ore per day. They found the shaft down 925 feet, with stations at the 100, 300, 500 and 800 foot levels. They found the plant under the skilled and experienced care of Ronald Vary to be in most efficient condition, while

underground and all over every department of the property it was evident that under the supervision of D. J. Tolman, mining engineer of long experience everything was being carried through with talent and efficiency. They found much promising work carried on underground and the property evidently developing into a promising mine. Both underground and in the office they found samples of the ore with rich gold showings, while considerable commercial ore has been bled out or indicated. They found that the Porcupine United had been producing steadily though in a small way in view of the lack of extended development work, and that the property certainly showed much promise under an extended programme of underground work. In the office they could see for themselves on the maps there the result in ore finds from the work done so far and the number of veins of commercial ore of evidential good extent indicated by the work. The visitors found information and interest all through their visit here.

Neither the management nor the other officials of the company were ready to make any detailed announcement of the future plans of the Porcupine United, but The Advance understands that the company is well financed and that it is planned to commence an extended development programme underground during the next year or so, and then with the ore of good grade that it is confidently believed will be evident from that work a good-sized mill will be erected and active operation of the mine carried on. With the fact that the March Gold Mines property is now paying its way and going along to greater production, there is reason for confidence that the Porcupine United, which is under the same general ownership and supervision will be carried along to similar success.

## Rally Day Held by C.G.I.T. in Timmins

### Visitors Here from Cochrane, Iroquois Falls, South Porcupine and Schumacher. Interesting Event Held on Saturday of Last Week.

On Saturday, March 21st, the C.G.I.T. of Timmins United Church held a Rally Day. Visitors from Cochrane, Iroquois Falls, South Porcupine and Schumacher attended. There were 44 members and leaders from out of town present, making a total of about 85 with the members and leaders of Timmins C.G.I.T.

After the salute to the flag, a programme of worship and discussion on "World Friendship" had been arranged for the morning. The visitors were then billeted for lunch with members of the Timmins groups, after which all returned to the United Church where games, story-telling, a short play, a sing-song, and an address by Rev. Bruce Millar were enjoyed.

Supper was then served, and the day closed with an impressive vesper service and candle-lighting ceremony.

## Dedication Sunday New Finnish Chapel

### Formal Opening on Sunday, March 29th, of New Church Erected for the Use of the Finnish People of the Town and District.

The dedication of the new Finnish chapel, recently built by the congregation of the Finnish United Church, Timmins, will be dedicated on Sunday, March 29th. This new church is at the corner of Elm street and Sixth avenue. Rev. J. C. Cochrane, Superintendent of Missions for Northern Ontario for the United Church, has been asked to be present for the official opening, and in addition there will be a number of Finnish pastors from the North to take part in the services.

There will be services in the morning, afternoon and evening. The afternoon services will commence at 2 p.m. and will be conducted chiefly in English. The English-speaking friends of the new Finnish chapel are specially invited to this service.

Under the Rev. A. Lappala the Finnish United Church congregation here has made steady growth. Previously they used the United Church to hold their services, but with a church home of own they expect to make even better progress. The kindness of the United Church in Timmins to the new congregation has been much appreciated and has undoubtedly been of great service, but with their own church the congregation naturally look forward to continued and increased progress in Timmins.

In a circular to The Advance last week, Hon. Thomas L. Kennedy, Ontario Minister of Agriculture, announced that a mailing company has agreed to purchase a million bushels of Ontario barley at a minimum price of 55c per bushel delivered in Montreal. This, the minister says, will mean a substantial increase in the price to farmers and will encourage the raising of this grain.