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**The Canadian Legion in the Porcupine**

By One Interested in their Welfare

**"Our Glorious Dead"**

Mention has been made in this feature of The Advance of the grave renovation scheme being carried on by the Timmins branch of the Canadian Legion. Two weeks ago the work was commenced and four unemployed members put to work under the supervision of Comrade Dingley, who has had considerable experience in this particular line. Comrade Austin Neame in reporting the progress of this week made a statement which should have the immediate attention of the town authorities. This was to the effect that no cemetery register had been kept. The men had experienced great difficulty in locating the graves of returned soldiers and in some cases only the bare remains of an old poppy wreath told the sad story. S. T. Walker, the local undertaker had been appealed to and had given all the assistance he possibly could in locating graves. In a check-up about twelve graves had been located and cleaned up. Had there been a register of some kind kept there is no doubt that several more would have been discovered. One comrade expressed himself strongly upon the matter and said in no uncertain way that it was a case of forgetting the sacrifices made. Another voiced the opinion that the Timmins cemetery was the only

one he had ever heard of that did not keep a register of some kind. The Canadian Legion want to have all the graves of the returned soldiers who are buried at the Timmins cemetery cleaned up and free of weeds, and ask the co-operation of the public in this scheme. An outline of the work is detailed herewith. The graves are dug to a foot depth and all weeds, etc., removed and burned. Black earth is then placed and levelled off; this is then sown with the finest of lawn seed. The graves are then squared off and a pathway made around each. Flanders poppies are sown as a border along with other plants and the whole grave built up with suitable wood or stones. At the head of each grave is a Flanders Cross, with name, number and service record inscribed. Those already completed present a very pleasing picture and have already received the praise of a large part of the community. At the close of his report on Monday last Comrade Austin Neame asked that the Legion go on record as asking the town council for a plot of land at the cemetery. If this is given the Legion here intend to have this plot laid out in good style, the whole plot being surmounted by a flag-pole and the graves all kept in uniform style. It is by this recent action that the members of the Legion in the Porcupine are showing that they at least are not forgetting "Our Glorious Dead." The scheme is being extended to take in the Tisdale cemetery on the South Porcupine road but at this place those doing the work will have no difficulty in finding the graves of departed comrades as these are all registered and numbered. It is to be hoped that the town council will take notice of this condition and the Legion will accept the plot of land with their deepest gratitude and say that when completed the plot will be a pride to the whole community.

**Giving Them a Lift**

While all the folks who attended the recent carnival were having a great time and enjoying the fun of the fair, the Legion officers were thinking of a different side, the side of those in distress. As will be recalled the Legion here provided the ticket takers on the various rides, etc. The majority of these men were unemployed and had been for a considerable time on relief. At the close of the carnival it was found that a nice balance had been made and it was decided then to pay those out of work a little for their services. This has been done and the citizens will have the feeling that by their support they were to a certain extent responsible for these families getting a lift. This is not all; because the grounds had to be cleaned up and Comrade James Cowan placed six of these men at work on this job. This gave them another help and taking everything all round the Carnival proved a blessing to these unfortunates. An interesting sidelight to this is given: Two of the men who were on duty during the week had been receiving pay for their work at the cemetery and when offered the cheque for their carnival work, refused to accept same. Such is the spirit of the returned soldier. It can be seen by the above that those in office and the members of the Legion who are in steady work are ever ready to give a helping hand to deserving cases. Wherever help is needed for any extra work these unemployed men are put to the task and recompensed in accordance with the work accomplished. It is in that way that true comradeship is shown. It is indeed gratifying for the citizens to know that when they support a Legion event, the Legion in return give the most unfortunates a lift out of the hole.

**A Special Treat**

The members of Timmins branch of the Canadian Legion closed the door of their meeting place last Monday for the summer season. However, when necessity compels the Legion must act. There is a very special treat in store for the members on Monday, July 10th, when Comrade Kerry, president of the Ontario Provincial Command, pays his official visit. He will be accompanied by the Northern Ontario adjustment officer, Comrade H. Wyse, who needs no introduction. It is the intention to make this extra special meeting a big one. Watch this column for future notice but plan to have Monday, July 10th, vacant and booked for the Legion only.

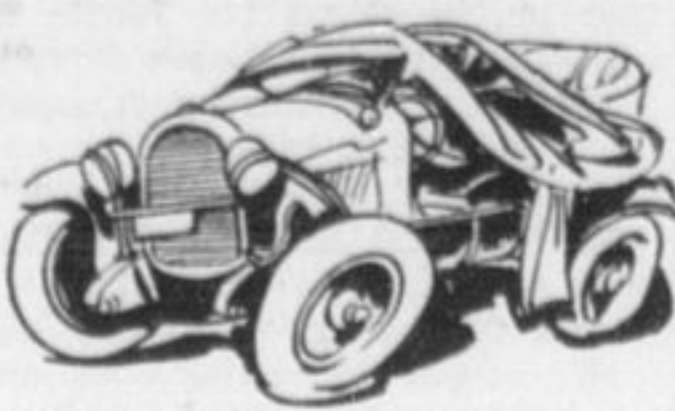
—W. A. Devine

**NURSE LEAVING COBALT AFTER FOUR YEARS' SERVICE**

Miss Lillian Edmison, who has been Victorian Order Nurse at Cobalt since 1929, is leaving at the end of the present month to take over similar duties with the organization in East York, near Toronto, and her resignation is in the hands of the local executive. She reports for duty in her new post on July 1. A successor will be provided by the order headquarters at Ottawa, the salary being continued at \$120 per month, with the option of using the nurses' residence at the Municipal hospital, if so desired. Ottawa headquarters have been asked to send the incoming nurse to Cobalt in August, as arrangements already had been made to have the work handled in July, during which month Miss Edmison intended going on vacation, leaving Miss D. McMillan, public health nurse, in charge of her duties.

C. G. (Cliff) Jemmett, manager of Barrie baseball team in 1931 and 1932, has been permanently transferred to New Liskeard by the Canadian National Express Company.

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**Much-Traveled Paper Found at Kirkland Lake**

In The Northern News last week the "Roving Reporter" has the following of interest:—"Workmen at the new municipal baseball park and athletic field at the foot of Main street made an interesting discovery some days ago. They were unpacking a quantity of 'chlorex' dynamite to level off an outcropping of rock on the field, just back of first base—or where first base will be when the diamond is all laid out—when Alex Tomnucci, the township blaster, first noticed it. It was a copy of The North Bay Nugget of 1927 and it bore the label of James Dolg, Swastika. Apparently Mr. Dolg had sent the paper overseas to a friend in the Old Country six years ago, and in some manner it came into use as a wrapping for dynamite. The survey docks, for Canada, and it comprised part of a shipment of the explosive which arrived at the Toburn Mines here. Thus the paper had twice crossed the Atlantic and had arrived back again not very far from where it was originally printed. The newspaper was turned over to George Scott, township foreman, and he in turn turned it over to Gordon Browne, the township engineer, and the latter has it in his office at the municipal building, where it has attracted considerable attention as a globe-trotter. It might be explained in passing, that the Toburn Mines—through the foresight of M. W. Hotchkin, general manager—kindly supplied the township authorities with a quantity of the dynamite for use in helping clear off and level the community's new playground-in-the-making. Mr. Hotchkin is an enthusiastic baseball fan, having played the game years ago. He is one of the most active members of the new Kirkland Lake Sports commission, and the fact that Kirkland Lake this year has a senior baseball team that is due to go places is due to the energy and public-spiritedness of such men as Mr. Hotchkin and the late Lewis B. Smith, of the Wright-Hargreaves Mine."

**Campaign for Highway Safety by Department**

Again the Minister of Highways, The Hon. Leopold Macaulay, through the Motor Vehicles Branch, is inaugurating an aggressive, widespread publicity campaign in an effort to stem the tide of disaster on the streets and highways of the province. Despite an educational programme which the Highways Department have carried out over a period of years, deaths and injuries caused by motor vehicle traffic are alarmingly, unnecessarily high. The Highways Department this year is utilizing daily and weekly newspapers, the trade press, school teachers, the radio—every available means—to improve conditions. This publication bespeaks the thoughtful co-operation of every motorist and every pedestrian in the interest of safety.

Norman McKinnon, formerly of Timmins, is secretary of the C.C.F. at Kirkland Lake.

**Latest Report Old Age Pension Board**

Total Applications to Date, 370. There Have Been 57 Deaths Since the Old Age Pension Act Went into Force.

There is much interesting and valuable information in the frequent reports prepared by F. K. Ebbitt, secretary of the Old Age Pension Board for the District of Cochrane. Although this is one of the largest districts in Ontario under the act the work is carried on by Mr. Ebbitt with an efficiency and public spirit that are most encouraging. The last report of the secretary of the Cochrane District Old Age Pension Board is as follows:—

Iroquois Falls, Ont., June 10th, 1933. G. A. Macdonald, chairman, Timmins, Ontario; R. J. Carter, member, Kirkland Lake, Ontario; Frank K. Ebbitt, secretary, Iroquois Falls, Ontario. Report No. 10

Last report submitted to members was No. 9 on April the 1st, 1933.

Total applications to date, 370.

Applications mailed but not returned yet, 9.

Applications pending, awaiting more complete information, 5.

Total number of deaths reported to date, 57.

Number of applications transferred from this district to other districts, 43.

Number of applications transferred to this district from other districts, 10 women and 16 men.

**Special Notes**

Applicants should give their exact address, i.e.—lot and concession number and name of township as well as the name of nearest post office, or if living in a town, the street address and number of residence as well as the post office box, if any.

Applicants for pensions who have resided some portion of the last twenty years in a pensionable province outside of Ontario, must now prove the same by an affidavit by some person other than a relative, who has a personal knowledge of the said residence.

Old age pensions will only start from the date on which the application is received and has been properly and fully completed in every respect, this means applicants will be kept for any delays caused by incomplete forms.

During the past year, a few pensioners have been required to refund to the commission, all monies received by them, this was due to giving incomplete information or withholding certain information as to their financial position or the transfer of assets. The commission hesitate doing this, but they must be fair in dealing with money belonging to the Dominion and Provincial Governments.

More attention should be given to questions referring to real estate, the correct legal description should always be given and also the assessed value, as well as the actual value.

Pensioners should promptly advise the secretary of any change of address.

**Deaths of Pensioners**

Since the institution of this splendid branch of public welfare work, it is our sad duty to report the following number of deaths by year and by sex:—

	1929	1930	1931	1932	1933
Single Women	0	0	0	0	0
Married Women	0	2	0	2	0
Widows	1	2	2	7	4
Single Men	0	1	2	2	2
Married Men	0	3	3	8	1
Widowers	0	2	5	5	3
	1	10	12	24	10

Friends or relatives of deceased pensioners, should advise the secretary of the local board as soon as possible, the date of death of pensioners.

Respectfully submitted,  
Frank K. Ebbitt, Secretary.

**KIRKLAND LAKE KIWANIS PLAN TO HELP CHILDREN**

Kirkland Lake Kiwanis Club has set aside \$2,700.00 from a fund gathered by the club in the past two or three years. This \$2,700.00 is to be used for the work of underprivileged children. The programme now outlined includes providing glasses for those with defective vision, supplying milk to the underprivileged children, giving hospital and surgical treatment to children in need of same, extending dental service to needy youngsters and otherwise helping underprivileged children. It is a noble line of work that the Kirkland Lake Kiwanis have thus undertaken for the underprivileged children of their community. They are living up in the finest way to the Kiwanis motto, "We Build."

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**PROPERTIES IN MAISONVILLE TO BE SOLD FOR SCHOOL TAXES**

A dozen property owners of Maisonville township will have their holdings put up at auction at Halleybury on September 25 next if they do not settle their accounts with the trustees of the union school section of Maisonville and Grenfell. Notice has been given by Sheriff George Caldwell he has been instructed to offer the places for sale for tax arrears, in some instances dating

back to 1927, and including dues from 1932. In amount they range from \$4.40 taxes, plus \$3.44 costs, on a quarter acre owned by C. Hough, to a maximum of \$60.57. Three mining concerns, the Lightning River Gold Mine—160 acres (four claims) for \$58.10—the Height of Land Mining Syndicate—two claims, 50 acres at \$23.49—and the Barry Syndicate—111 1-4 acres spread over three claims, at \$36.99—are involved. Four other mining claims are included in the list.

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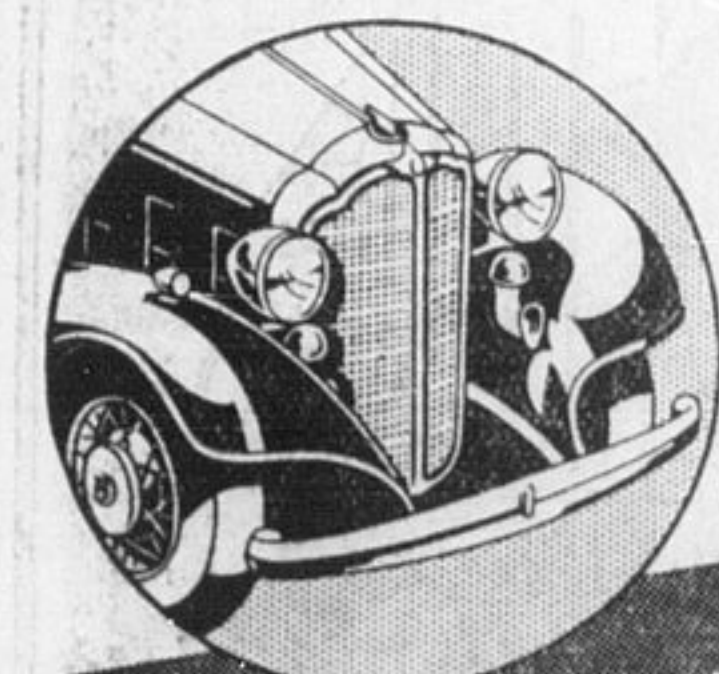
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