

Some Interesting Moments at Thursday's Council Meeting

Councillor Bartleman's Resignation Accepted from Finance Committee. "Produce the Resignation," he asks in no Resignful Mood. Tax Rate Struck for Year, with Councillor Bartleman Objecting. Town Hall Plans to be Made. Relief Cases Discussed.

At the regular weekly meeting of the town council last Thursday there was another large attendance. Mayor Richardson was in the chair and Councillors Chateauvert, Laprairie, Maltais, Bartleman, Belec and Paquette were present. The minutes of the last meeting were read and passed without any discussion.

A lady asked for clothing for her children, one child having to stay home from school for lack of clothing. Upon investigation it was found that the clothes had been ordered by Mr. Meighen and the lady was told to call at the relief office and get them.

A man asked council for a maid to do his housework. He said he had just taken his wife to the hospital and as he had to work he could not look after the children. In reply to a question he said the children ranged in age from one year to sixteen. Mayor Richardson suggested that the older ones look after the younger ones and the town nurse would be asked to call in and see the family.

A man who had been dropped from relief tried to explain his case. He was living with his cousin, he said, and a man came in drunk and knocked down the stovepipes. He was cut off relief, though he claimed he had not been drinking. Mr. Meighen said he had investigated and found the man had been drinking. The case was dropped.

Wm. Stewart in an eloquent address on behalf of the unemployed in town urged that the town request the local Employment Bureau manager not to stipulate 25 and 30 cents an hour for occasional jobs. The town paid 40c per hour and that was not too much. Mayor Richardson said he would take the matter up with the local employment man.

A man with eight children asked for more relief. He was now receiving \$8.50 per week but they couldn't live on that. He said that he had received only ten days' work in three months. Councillor Maltais said that if he appeared at the town hall on Monday mornings he would get his six days' work every three weeks. This man also referred to his tax bill which he could not pay. The mayor said he would not be pressed for payment if he was on relief. He was eventually referred to the relief committee.

Routine accounts were read and passed with the exception of the light bills. Councillor Bartleman thought some of the light accounts should come under the reduced rates and he was asked to take the matter up with the power company.

The by-law appointing J. A. Belanger as tax collector and assessor was given its required readings and passed. On motion of Councillors Chateauvert and Laprairie the by-law was amended so that all barber shops are to close every Wednesday afternoon throughout the year, except during Christmas week.

A motion by Councillors Chateauvert and Laprairie to adopt the tax rate for the year started some storm. Councillor Bartleman said that certain economies could be put into effect and the rate thus be reduced instead of being raised. He stated that other towns used scrip instead of handing out relief and that this was successful. He stated that when the council was elected they had promised to reduce taxes. "They've been going up since 1925, so let's get them down this year," he said. Mayor Richardson pointed out that the tax rate was only half a mill higher than last year, and that the relief for January and February this year was double what it was in these months last year. Councillor (Continued on Page Seven)

"Pay Up"



H. F. McELORY
Victimized by kidnapers to whom he paid \$30,000 ransom for his daughter Mary last summer. City Manager H. F. McElory of Kansas City reveals that he recently received another extortion note demanding that he pay \$25,000 to save himself from being murdered.

Scottish Players to Present Plays Here

Noted Musical Comedy Artists to Present Scottish Plays at the Goldfields on March 28th and 29th.

The Goldfields theatre promises the people of Timmins and district a genuine treat in the engagement of the famous Scottish musical comedy company to present Scottish plays on March 28th and 29th. These Scottish players are now making a transcontinental tour of Canada and have been greeted everywhere as one of the most noteworthy groups of artists visiting Canada. In every place visited they have received the most flattering notices and Timmins appears to be fortunate in securing them here. Their entertainment promises to be one long remembered here and of a calibre seldom available in the North. On Wednesday evening they will present "The Cottar's Saturday Night," based on the poem by the great Scottish poet, Robert Burns. On Thursday, March 29th, there will be a matinee, with the presentation of "The Bonnie Brer Bush." On Thursday evening, "Tam o' Shanter" will be given, this 2-act fantasy being based on the life and characters of Robert Burns. Not only is this dramatic company outstanding in its dramatic work but the musical numbers alone are stated to be worth several times the admission fees.

Appeals in Case of \$500 Fine and Costs

Jos. Checchini Fined for Illegally Having Liquor, but Enters Appeal. Two Other Cases Dismissed. Rewards in Electric Crane Case.

At the police court Tuesday the three cases against Jos. Checchini under the Liquor Control Act were up again. In two of the cases the police failed to secure a conviction, but in the third case, based on the finding of part of a bottle of liquor in the garage on Feb. 25th, the police having searched the place a few nights before and taken away all liquor, Checchini's explanation did not satisfy the court and a fine of \$500.00 and costs was imposed. A. C. Brown, counsel for Checchini has given notice of appeal in this case.

Russell Hickey, who admitted ownership of a barrel of beer at the St. Charles hotel after the police had followed Checchini into that hotel, as related in the evidence in one of the cases against Checchini, was fined \$200 and costs.

Four drunks pleaded guilty and paid \$10.00 and costs each.

A fine of \$2.00 and costs was imposed for failure to stop at a stop street.

August Gavin, 31 Fourth avenue, was found coming out of a room at 31 Fourth avenue with some liquor when the police visited the place last week. He paid \$100.00 and costs for having liquor without a permit as a consequence. On a similar charge a similar fine was imposed on Rene Lalonde, 39 Kirby avenue. He appears to be taking the three-months alternative. Another case under the same section, laid by Provincial Officers Precorius and Strickland, was dismissed.

A charge of liquor not on permit was remanded.

Mike Kosinski, no fixed abode, told the police he was insane and could not work. The doctors said he was all right that way. On a vagrancy charge he got thirty days.

An assault case where a quarrel started in an amusement parlour resulted in a \$5 fine and costs.

Two charges of breaking and entering against Joseph Roy were remanded for a week.

Evidence was heard in the case against Harold Arthur Metcalf in connection with the stand of the police that the electric crane machines are gaming devices or depend on chance. J. T. Jackson, for the defence, argued that the machines were dependent on skill not chance, and put up a good battle in the matter. The case was remanded to next week.

A man who was delivering a suit of clothes had the customer "take a poke" at him, and laid a charge of assault. Tuesday the complainant paid the costs and withdrew the charge. So apparently there was a settlement of all suits in this case.

Mike Pacencac, Schumacher, was charged under the Employment Agency Act, the charge in common understanding being that of "selling jobs." The case was remanded to next week.

Ernest Briggs was charged with an offence against a young girl. A remand to next week was made, the accused being out on bail in the meantime.

Born—in Timmins, Ont., on Friday, March 9th, 1934, to Mr. and Mrs. Eric Fleming, 168 Elm street, north—a daughter.

WORK TO BE STARTED ON THE DAM AT FREDERICKHOUSE

Word from Toronto is to the effect that in view of the sportsmen of Timmins and the North guaranteeing a share of the cost of the new dam proposed for Frederickhouse Lake the work will be taken up at an early date, the Government to do its part in meeting the cost. The building of the dam will mean the preservation of the noted hunting ground at Frederickhouse Lake and it is hoped that an immediate start will be made to this end.

New Liskeard Jrs. to Meet St. Michael's

Expect to Play Harold Darragh, of Dome Mines. Troubles Said to be Ironed out Now. No Protest from North Bay.

According to word from New Liskeard, the Junior hockey team of that town, Junior champions of the N. O. H. A., left on Tuesday for Toronto to play in that city at the week-end. With them went Harold Darragh, whose home is in Halleybury, and who played with the Junior N.O.H.A. team there in the early part of the season until he left the Halleybury district on securing employment at the Dome Mines. He was asked to join the Liskeard Juniors for the Toronto games, and he agreed to do so, going down from Porcupine to Liskeard on Monday. Three Cobalters and two others from Halleybury joined the Liskeard team, under the arrangement made in the early part of the season, but all other suggestions for strengthening the Liskeard team are off, the word from New Liskeard says. Last week the O. H. A. sprung a surprise by offering to re-instate the Sudbury hockey club in the Northern play-off and proposing an amalgamation of the New Liskeard and Sudbury Junior teams to meet St. Michael's at Toronto on Saturday of this week. This proposition was turned down flatly by New Liskeard at a meeting of the hockey executive, prominent citizens and hockey fans to the number of about 40. The N.O.H.A. passed the buck to New Liskeard on the O. H. A. proposition. New Liskeard was dead against it, suggesting it was in the nature of a "racket." The O. H. A. had refused cards to Sudbury players and eventually this resulted in Sudbury dropping out. After taking this position all season the present attitude of the O.H.A. was unusual, to put it mildly, according to the Liskeard viewpoint. The latter club favoured strengthening the team from other teams in the N. O. H. A. excluding Sudbury, but this was not agreeable to the other side. It is understood now, however, that everything has been straightened out and New Liskeard Juniors will play St. Michael's on Saturday.

There was a story here to the effect that North Bay had protested Liskeard's win of the N.O.H.A. Junior championship, on the plea that Hugh Allan was over the age limit. This protest, if it had occurred, and been successful, would have left a new winner to be declared for the N.O.H.A. Juniors. North Bay, however, says no protest is to be made, and Liskeard adds the information that Hugh Allan's birth certificate proves that he was born in Toronto nineteen years ago. So that's that.

In the meantime all the hockey fans in the North will be rooting for the Liskeard boys and hoping that they can show Toronto by beating St. Michael's team for the O.H.A. championship.

Northern Development Vote is \$3,000,000 Again This Year.

Amount Spent in the North Cut from \$5,000,000 to \$3,000,000 Last Year. North has had \$63,000,000 Since 1912, Says Hon. Mr. Finlayson. Change in Ontario Mining Act Proposed by Hon. Chas. McCre.

Monday's proceedings at the Ontario Legislature was of special interest and importance to the North. Three million dollars will be set apart out of Ontario's consolidated revenue fund for Northern Ontario development, the Legislature decided on Monday in approving a resolution submitted to the House by Hon. Wm. Finlayson, Minister of Lands and Forests. The resolution, a routine one, was passed with little discussion, according to the despatches from Toronto. The money, the measure said, shall be applied for the purposes set out in the Northern Development Act and the Returned Soldiers' and Sailors' Land Settlement Act, or any of them.

In explaining the resolution, Mr. Finlayson said a lump sum had been voted each year since 1912, and in that time \$63,000,000 had been voted for the northern districts. Last year, the vote was cut from \$5,000,000 to \$3,000,000.

The bill providing for the annual vote contained one, rather unusual clause, he said. The department had loaned \$7,000 to a dairy which failed, and finally the plant had been sold for \$4,000. It had first been thought the \$3,000 received should be applied to the loan, but later the department had decided to distribute it on a pro-rata basis to the shareholders. Some doubt existed as to the legality of this process, and hence the clause.

Hon. Charles McCre, Minister of Mines, introduced a bill to amend the Mining Act. The changes contem-

plated would give credit for 40 days' work on a claim by reason of it being surveyed, except such credit is not to apply to the 30 days' work with the first three months after the claim is staked. The amendments also provide for marking a claim that extends into water. A "witness" post is to be erected on the shore and the distance to the presumed position in the water marked on the post.

The despatch from Toronto on Tuesday regarding the proceedings at the Legislature says:—

Sergeant-at-Arms



MAJOR GEORGE H. MULLIN
Saskatchewan's only living winner of the Victoria Cross in the Great War, who was recently appointed Sergeant-at-Arms for the Saskatchewan Legislature.

Tax Rate 60.68 Mills for P.S. Supporters

Separate School Rate, 76.16. Rate for Town Only Slight Increase Over Last Year.

The tax rate for Timmins for 1934 as struck by the town council at Thursday evening's meeting is 60.68 mills for public school supporters and 76.16 mills for separate school supporters. Last year the rate for public school supporters was 60.02 mills, while for separate school supporters it was 72.98 mills.

The following are the details of the tax rate for this year:—

General and debenture rate	26.04
Public schools	19.52
Separate schools	35.00
High and Technical school	11.57
Public Library	.87
Local Imp. Deb.	2.68

This totals 60.68 for public school supporters and 76.16 for separate school supporters. The public school rate is down a little, being 19.52 mills this year as against 20.04 mills last year. The separate schools this year require a little more money than last year, the rate this year being 35.00 mills as against 33 mills last year. The council has no control over the school rates, these rates depending on the requisitions made by the school boards.

For purposes of comparison the details of last year's tax levy are given as follows:

General and Debenture (1933)	25.43
Public schools	20.04
Separate schools	33.00
High and Technical	11.09
Public Library	.75
Local Imp. Deb.	2.71

Taxes this year are due in two equal instalments, the first due May 30th and the other on Sept. 5th. There will be a 5 per cent. penalty on taxes not paid on due dates.

Rev. Father Austin Clinton, who has recently been ordained for the Archdiocese of Vancouver, and who has spent a few days in Timmins, visiting his aunt, Mrs. P. Lacroix, left on Monday to take up his new duties. Father Clinton has many friends in Timmins who wish him every success in his new work.

SUPPER PARTY IN HONOUR OF J. J. DENNY, MARCH 22ND

The Porcupine Branch of the Canadian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy is giving a supper party in the Porcupine Badminton clubhouse, Schumacher, on Thursday evening, March 22nd, 1934, at 6.30 p.m., in honour of J. J. Denny, M.Sc., in recognition of his services to mining and the district by his valuable work, particularly in the methods of treating ore. The Canadian Mining Institute made formal recognition of the debt owed to Mr. Denny by the presentation to him of a platinum medal, which was struck at the Ottawa mint last December with due ceremony.

Mine Shaft Style to Entrances to Fair

Three Entrances to Arena and Show Grounds for Event Under Auspices of St. Anthony's Church, the Oldest Church in Timmins.

The women of the North Country will take a keen interest in the display of household science, needlework and handicrafts at the big Mines-Manufacturers-Merchants Fair to be held at Timmins, May 23rd to June 6th, to celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of the discovery of the Porcupine gold mines. Needlework as usual occupies a prominent place in the prize list for the event. The scope of activities represented in this popular display will cover many important features of home life, cooking, preserved fruits and vegetables, jams and jellies, home baking, household linen, wearing apparel, knitted work, etc.

Many special prizes will be offered during the fair for various products in the different departments, the special prizes being particularly worthy of note.

The Hobby Show is creating some real interest, already many splendid displays are being made, and you'll be surprised at the great many hobbies in the North country.

What will midday wear? You'll have to visit the style show of the latest in ladies' and gentlemen's wearing apparel. You needn't spend a fortune to be fashionable either, a complete line of the season's smartest gowns, at amazingly low prices are featured at the Style Show.

There will be a large stage erected in the arena and each evening half an hour will be allowed to every exhibitor to display the latest frocks, gowns, shoes, coats, etc., from the style centres of the world, displayed by mannequins.

There will be three entrances to the arena and show grounds. At each entrance a shaft will be built representing the three leading mines. The visitors can choose to enter the grounds through the shaft to his liking—Hollinger shaft entrance, McInyre shaft entrance or Dome shaft entrance. It will be a beautiful entrance and in keeping with the spirit of the celebration.

Prize lists and entry blanks are ready for anyone desiring to enter any of the contests. Call, write or phone the fair office, 2nd floor, St. Anthony's school, Spruce street, Timmins. Phone 513-J.

Received Dividend from Odd 'Company'

Stratford Men Repaid for Investment in "Corporation" Started to Aid Man to Get to Timmins to Farm Here.

An interesting story comes from Stratford, Ontario, last week to the effect that an unusual financial corporation there had its full capital returned from its investment and promptly dissolved itself as a company, the corporation being greatly pleased with its success and value. It appears that a farm worker in the Stratford area was advised of a position he could secure in the Timmins district and he was anxious to take the work, being out of employment, but he was not able to do so on account of lack of the necessary money to meet the cost of railway fare. The despatches continue along the line that the situation becoming known to Harry Watson and W. R. Mounlan, two Stratford friends, who promptly met the case by organizing a company capitalized at \$18.50, to meet the need. Shares were issued to other Stratford residents and soon the capital was fully paid up. A note for \$18.50 was drawn up with due ceremony, and the farm worker was sent on his way, the agreement made with the company being that he would buy up all the shares as soon as he acquired the money. The sequel to the formation of this odd company came last week after the farm worker had his first pay day. He sent the first dividend to the Stratford company, the shareholders being paid in full and the company thus dissolving itself after completely filling its purpose and being considered a success by all concerned. It is not always that this form of "company" works as well as in this case, but this incorporation, though not under the Ontario Companies' Act may be considered more satisfactory and pleasing than the average run of local companies formed in the smaller cities of the South to help on industry.

Word received here to-day is to the effect that the U.S. Senate threw out the St. Lawrence Deep Waterways bill.

Sir Arthur Balfour Speaks Here on World Conditions

Notes the Remarkable Recovery Being Made by Great Britain. Says Agriculture the Keynote. Expects No War in Europe, but Thinks Russia and Japan May Clash by Sept. 1st. Kiwanis Impressed by Notable Address by Distinguished Visitor.

The Timmins Kiwanis Club on Monday had the honour of entertaining a distinguished visitor in the person of Sir Arthur Balfour, head of the firm of Arthur Balfour, Limited, a branch of the famous English firm engaged in the steel and iron trade for over seventy years. Sir Arthur Balfour is one of the most outstanding industrial leaders in England, and is on the advisory research committee consulted by the British Government. Sir Arthur was in Timmins this week in connection with business of his firm, being accompanied here by R. Bradburn, Canadian representative of the company. Sir Arthur Balfour, Mr. Bradburn and Dr. Hore were three out-of-town visitors introduced to the Kiwanis on Monday. Other guests for the day were Mayor Richardson, ex-Mayor Drew, W. F. B. Cosser and D. E. Keeley.

World-Famous Dog to be Here March 19

Original and Attractive Concert Under Auspices of the Timmins Kiwanis Club on Monday Afternoon and Evening.

The Timmins Kiwanis Club is sponsoring the visit to town of the wonderful trained dog, "Bijou," said to be the most remarkable dog on the continent to-day. The owner of "Bijou," Ed Archibald, of Toronto, will present the notable animal here in person. There will also be a two-reel moving picture film entitled, "Bijou," the Wonder Dog, in Ontario's Great North Land." There will be a matinee for the youngsters at 4.15 p.m. and an evening event at 8 p.m. The entertainment will be given in the St. Anthony's hall and both matinee and evening event should be very largely attended as the entertainment is one very specially worth seeing.

"Bijou" is a wonderful dog. She has on several occasions found lost men in the bush. She has been able to follow the back track of any party who loses anything and find what has been lost. She can be trusted any place, at any time and for any length of time that she may be left. She will guard anything she is asked to protect. She has assisted boys in the water. She can do problems in mental arithmetic; in short, is unusually well educated. Mr. Archibald will give a talk about the dog and Bijou will prove he is more than right. Mr. Archibald will also speak on the methods of training. With the motion picture films, the demonstration by "Bijou" and the other features, the event should be one for all to enjoy. In addition, at the evening event, Mrs. P. H. Carson will sing, and there will be instrumental music from the Studio Trio, Bill Davis, piano, Fred Fosslin, violin, and Walter Pospisiel, cello.

Increase in Pay at Ford's Sign of Times

Twenty-five per cent. increase in Minimum Wage at Windsor Factory Indicates Emergence into Better Days.

Yesterday afternoon The Advance received the following despatch from East Windsor, Ont. The despatch makes good reading, indicating as it does the appreciation of the fact that better times are really here. The hope will be general that the action of the Ford Motor Co. of Canada will be followed by others at once. The despatch reads, in part, as follows:—

"Restoration of the \$5.00 a day minimum wage for factory employees in the main plant and branch assembly plants of the Ford Motor Company of Canada, Limited, was announced today by Wallace R. Campbell president. The announcement means a 25 per cent. increase in the minimum wage rates of Ford factory employees. The former minimum was \$4.00 a day. The increase was made effective on Thursday morning. The increase affects a total of 3,453 factory employees of Ford plants in East Windsor, Toronto and other Ford assembly branches. Of the total, 3,021 are employed in East Windsor. The balance are in the various branch plants. Of these 330 are employed in the Toronto branch assembly plant. The increase in the Ford minimum wage rate in Canada is concurrent with the action of the Ford Motor Company of the United States. Henry Ford yesterday announced a similar increase for the employees in his United States plants. "The action of the Ford Motor Company of Canada, Limited, in increasing minimum factory wage rates from \$4 to \$5 a day signalizes an emergence into better conditions." Mr. Campbell said in making this announcement. "Canada has made substantial progress in the last few months but no lasting improvement is possible until the country's purchasing power is materially improved. This can be brought about only by increasing the wages earned by the great bulk of our employed population. For this reason, it gives us great satisfaction to announce a substantial increase in the minimum wage rate in our factories and assembly plants. The motor car industry, and particularly Ford, has always been in the van in effort to extend employment and to increase purchasing power. The industry is credited with leading the way out of the economic disturbance of 1921 and there is no doubt that it has contributed greatly to re-employment in the last few months while the country has been struggling courageously toward better times.

Announcement of the wage increase was posted in the Ford plants in East Windsor. Similar announcements were telegraphed to the Ford branches throughout the country. The East Windsor Ford plant is working eight hours daily, five days a week.

Arch Gillies, vice-president, occupied the chair, and asked R. E. Dye to introduce the speaker for the day. Kiwanian Dye said that Sir Arthur Balfour was a member of a distinguished family taking a leading part in industrial England, the firm of Arthur Balfour dating back to 1862. The firm had been in the van of progress with new processes and improvements. Sir Arthur Balfour in his own right had taken a leading part in industrial development, also being one of the advisors to the British Government. "His wide travels and his broad experience particularly fit him to talk inspiringly to us," said Mr. Dye.

Sir Arthur Balfour talked on world conditions from new standpoints and suggested remedies with new inspiration. Not a single country had escaped the evils of the depression, he said. The main cause of the trouble he believed was due to the fact that agriculture had been allowed to fall. No hope could be held out for prosperity or happiness until things were right with the farms, he said. In the rush for industrial greatness the basic industry of agriculture had been more or less forgotten, and the world had paid for this. Only 6.8 per cent. of the population of Great Britain was engaged in agriculture. In striving to remedy this disproportion the people of Britain were moving on the road to better days. Sir Arthur pointed out the changed conditions evident in the world in the past fifty years. Half a century ago or less, there were no telephones, no motor cars, no aeroplanes; practically no anesthetics; telegrams were not used for business. The changes in recent years were remarkable and they had to be met in a new and broad spirit. He noted particularly the change in shipping, and believed that a new era of rebuilding had been entered. He made special mention of the fact that business was now good in Great Britain. That country was leading the world in recovery. There was a shortage of scrap iron, and Britain was tearing old ships to pieces for scrap and building a new merchant marine to meet new needs and new competition. In a few years Britain will again be dominant on the seas of the world, he said. He referred to the scientific methods used to overcome the effects of changes due to improved scientific methods. Research work sometimes had the effect of introducing new methods that resulted in unemployment. Britain met this with unemployment insurance—labour, capital and state contributing. This was the scientific way—the only way. Canada should adopt it. He quoted cases from (Continued on Page Seven)

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