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Council Cuts Wages of Town Employees

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he added, after stating that he had looked after his work conscientiously and well while on police service. He claimed that the new police chief didn't want experienced men. Mayor Richardson told Mr. Gregson that nothing had been decided in regard to his pay. The matter would be dealt with at a later meeting. Later on Councillor Belec brought up the question again, and wanted to know why the council would not pay Gregson as had been done with the others. "I like to see fair play," said Councillor Belec, "and I don't think the council should use this man unfairly or keep back from him money given to the other police resigning." Members of the police committee said that they didn't know that Gregson was not going to be paid. Mayor Richardson explained that the town solicitor had been asked for his opinion in the matter and had stated that the council was not compelled to pay Gregson under the circumstances, but that the whole thing was premature as the council had done nothing about the matter so far. The question had yet to be dealt with.

Another man spoke to the council in regard to his taxes. He was paying for his father's property and could not pay for his own at the same time. He wanted to know if the instalments he was paying on his father's property could be stopped until he cleared up his own. The matter was left with Councillor Chateaubert to arrange.

A lady asking relief was referred to the relief committee.

A man who owed some eight hundred dollars in taxes offered to pay the \$100 rental from the property to the town if the municipality would give him some work so that he could live in the meantime. The suggestion was made that this gentleman had made some previous promises that he had not fulfilled. The matter was left over.

The Timmins Electrical Association submitted the draft of a proposed by-law. It was referred to the fire and light committee for consideration.

A letter was received from the Timmins Horticultural Society thanking the town for the grant of \$100.00 given last year and asking for a similar grant this year. The matter was deferred to a later meeting.

A letter was read from J. A. Ellis, of the provincial relief department, saying that no authority had been given to Kitchener to distribute relief by way of scrip, and that he could not give Timmins any such authority.

Sudbury asked for endorsement of a request to the Ontario Government that Northern Ontario labour be used as far as possible in the work on any Government buildings in the North. Instead of labour being brought in from Southern Ontario. The matter was left over to next meeting of the council.

An application from J. P. Foley for the position of foreman carpenter in the work of building the new town hall

was received by council and left over until a decision is reached regarding the building of the town hall.

An application was received for a license for vending machines in town. Town Solicitor Caldwell said that if the instructions on these machines were followed they would be legal, but the trouble was that the instructions were seldom followed. Councillor Bartleman suggested that the matter be discussed at a private meeting.

A letter was read from the Timmins and District Business Men's Association saying that a special meeting was being held to give a vote on the question of the parking by-law. Mayor Richardson commented that the opinion of the association so expressed would be of much value to the council in reaching a conclusion on the matter. The co-operation and good will of the Timmins and District Business Men's Association as expressed in their letter was also appreciated.

The question of payment to the schools used for election purposes was before the council and it was suggested that the fairest way would be to base payment in accordance with the size of the schools used.

Routine accounts were read and passed. An account of \$12.75 for insurance was discussed and finally passed. Councillor Bartleman stated that he believed the same protection could be secured by the town for less money.

Councillor Maltais brought forward the matter of continuing work on sewers and thus aid in solving some of the relief problem. In this connection the following resolution was passed:—

"Moved by Councillor Maltais, seconded by Councillor Paquette, that we will proceed with the work of putting in sewers from Spruce street to Laidlaw street, and then proceed to Kirby at the earliest convenience. The estimated cost is \$2,800.00."

The sum of \$16.71 was written off the 1932 roll, this amount being taxes charged to Mrs. Hilda Kangas. The wrong tax notice had been sent to Mrs. Kangas who had paid her taxes in full as billed.

The case of the man who wanted to be allowed to peddle peanuts and potato chips was again before the council. He is to be given an answer at the next meeting of council.

Councillor Belec asked that a better enforcement of the curfew bell by-law be made. He pointed out that there were altogether too many youngsters out on the streets at ten, eleven and twelve o'clock at night. The police chief is to be asked to have the curfew by-law more closely observed.

Councillor Chateaubert suggested that the town use the radio to tell people to move their cars off the road so that the snowplough can get by. He said that cars parked on the road often caused a lot of unnecessary work for the driver of the snowplough.

The town clerk was asked to write a letter to the Canadian Legion granting them permission for the holding of a midway in town this summer.

Councillor Bartleman wanted to know what had been done in regard to the

motion passed at the last meeting in reference to placing the mine on the assessment roll for profits tax.

Town Solicitor Caldwell said that he had spent considerable time on the question and it was his opinion that the town could place the mine on the assessment roll for the profits tax, but whether it could be collected in that way was another question. The town solicitor was asked to find out by next meeting if it could be collected or not. In the meantime the clerk was instructed to enter it on the roll. Councillor Paquette suggested that The Municipal World might be communicated with and they might be able to find out something about the matter from that journal.

The resolution given below was read in regard to "adjustment" or wages of town employees. The "adjustment" is in reality a material reduction in the wages of the town employees concerned. In one case, and one only, there is an increase in wages. This is a case where the increase is well deserved. It is probably the only popular "adjustment" in the lot. The resolution calls for a reduction of \$25.00 per month in the salary of the fire chief, with a \$10 per month reduction for all the firemen. Other reductions range from \$10 to \$40 per month. Even the honorarium for the mayor has been cut. It will be noted that there is no reduction in the amount paid to the town councillors for attending the meetings of council. Mayor Richardson suggested that the matter of cutting salaries might be taken up at another meeting and gone into more fully before making the cuts, if any. The following motion, however, was passed, all the councillors apparently favouring it:—

"On motion of Councillor Chateaubert, seconded by Councillor Maltais, it was resolved, "that an adjustment of wages or salary on some of the town employees, as per attached list, and that everyone concerned be advised that same take effect May 1st, 1934."

The "attached list" read as follows: Mayor, \$1,000.00 per year; auditor, \$1,500.00; H. E. Montgomery, \$225.00 per month; Miss A. Jackson, \$85.00; I. E. Dunn, \$150.00; Miss R. Brooks, \$140.00; A. Borland, \$150.00, with same privileges as before; P. Jeffrey, \$150.00; W. Stanley, \$150.00; M. Smith, A. Cooper, J. McKinnon, J. Morton, G. Pooley, M. Daher, J. Ayotte, \$140.00 each; F. Murtagh, \$145.00; C. Bernard, \$140.00; Geo. Straatman, \$150.00; A. Long, \$140.00; S. Schroeder, A. Rondeau, A. Emery, J. Robillard, A. Erickson, O. Rondeau, L. Lefebvre, each 55 cents per hour; W. McCoys, \$130.00 per month; A. Bergeron, \$135.00 per month. Romeo DeLuca, from \$75.00 to \$100.00 per month. W. Bailey, \$140.00 per month.

Auction Sale Continues to Attract Big Crowds

Further announcement will be found elsewhere in this issue of the unusual furniture sale in progress at the I. K. Pierce Furniture Store, Third avenue, this week. The furniture and other goods in stock are being sold by public

Mining Men Honour J. J. Denny, M.S.C.

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tario Minister of Mines; from J. C. Nicholl, International Nickel Co.; and from any others. The messages all referred to the ability and merit of Mr. Denny and his services to mining and the country.

The valuable platinum medal was then formally presented, together with a handsome replica in nickel.

Mr. Denny expressed his appreciation of the honour conferred upon him and his thanks for the friendship shown by the evening's gathering. He modestly disclaimed any credit for anything special accomplished, saying that for any success that might have been won he owed the credit to the encouragement and assistance and support ever accorded by the McIntyre Porcupine Mines.

R. J. Ennis, general manager of the McIntyre Porcupine Mines, in a brief but effective address, referred to the attainments of Mr. Denny and to the popularity he had won by his personality. Mr. Ennis presented Mr. Denny with a pair of gold dice made from gold from the McIntyre. Mr. Ennis gave humorous instructions on the way the dice should be used to bring golden results.

Mr. Denny expressed his thanks for the handsome tokens of Northern gold.

E. L. Longmore congratulated Mr. Denny, the McIntyre Mine and Mr. Denny's alma mater on the notable success achieved and honours won.

C. V. Gallagher, reeve of the township of Tisdale, classed the event as an honour not only to the guest of the evening, but also to the camp, the mines and the community. He referred to the notable contribution made by Mr. Denny to the advancement of mining and so to the benefit of the country at large.

Rev. Fr. J. R. O'Gorman added his word of appreciation for Mr. Denny whom he had known in the early days of Cobalt. Rev. Fr. O'Gorman from his knowledge of the old-timers of the North Land mines, referred to their high standing in their calling and as men in their communities.

Other able addresses were made by Mr. Adams, Bob McKelvie, of the Hollinger; J. R. Todd, one of the pioneers of the camp; A. W. Young, superintendent of the Hollinger Mine; R. Richardson, mayor of Timmins; W. R. Sullivan, in the North 28 years; J. A. Boyce principal of the Schumacher public school; G. A. Macdonald, editor of The Advance; A. Laprairie, manager Canadian Explosives in this part of the North; and others. There were a number of happy and effective stories told by the speakers, reminiscences of early days by J. R. Todd and W. R. Sullivan being particularly popular. The mining stories told by R. E. Dye and others were also much appreciated.

A. D. Campbell, now of the McIntyre, spoke of the early days in the North, when the "best old town" was young and gay. He referred to the high esteem in which J. J. Denny had been held by all who knew him in his long connection with the North. On behalf of the Porcupine Branch C. I.

M. & M., he presented Mr. Denny with a beautiful bouquet of flowers for Mrs. Denny to whom all felt they owed much appreciation for the assistance she had given in Mr. Denny's success.

Music was a big feature of the evening. First there was a lively orchestra including Gene Colombo, on the violin; Jimmy Ormston at the piano, Victor Dorigo, with the accordion. Music was furnished by this excellent orchestra all through the evening. Community singing was another special feature of the evening, all the old favourites being sung with much heartiness, especially the Cobalt and Porcupine songs. Victor Dorigo with his accordion figured largely and pleasingly in the evening's music. He also played the accompaniments for the vocal solos by Miguel Espletor and Ernest Lorenzo. The solos by Ernest Lorenzo, Italian tenor, Miguel Espletor Spanish tenor, and by Gordon Thompson were greatly appreciated. The bright talent of the Spanish tenor and his gay energy won much popularity, while the wonderful voice of Lorenzo repeatedly brought down the house. The Porcupine Quartette also made a big hit with their well-rendered numbers, while the chorus, headed by Leo Mascioli, Tony Mascioli, Gene Colombo and others was one of the specially applauded turns of the evening.

All in all, it was a remarkable night of happy entertainment and friendly gathering and it will be long remembered by all present.

OPENING DATES OF FAMOUS SUMMER HOTELS AND LODGES

Opening dates of summer hotels of the Canadian National Railways System as announced recently by the general manager of hotels are as follows: Pictou Lodge, Pictou, Nova Scotia, opens June 29th and closes September 3rd.

Minaki Lodge, at the north end of the Lake of the Woods area of Ontario, reached via Minaki station, June 29th to September 3rd.

Nipigon Lodge, in the famous speckled trout and black bass fishing area of Ontario, June 15th to September 15th.

Grand Beach Hotel, on Lake Winnipeg, June 29th to September 3rd.

Jasper Park Lodge, in Jasper National Park, Canadian Rockies, June 15th to September 23rd. The annual Golf Week will be from August 26th to September 1st, when the Totem Pole Tournament and other competitions will be played.

St. Mary's Journal-Argus.—Walkerston businessmen who subscribed \$5 apiece to have their names engraved in an advertisement on an hotel register several months ago are still looking for the register and incidentally the smooth salesman who collected the "five bucks" in advance.

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auction, the auctioneer being the noted S. H. Lyon, of Toronto. Patrons simply select the goods they wish to buy and these articles are put up for auction. The goods are sold to the highest bidder. Under this plan the auctions are attracting large crowds daily. The auction sales are held daily at 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. and each session brings a large crowd. Part of the store has been fitted with seating accommodation for the customers, so all may attend the sales in comfort. The ability of Mr. Lyon at the work of auction is helping to keep up keen interest, while the bargains obtainable at the sales also supply attraction.