

The Canadian Legion in the Porcupine

By One Interested in their Welfare

A Debate in the Offing
Some months ago, in fact long before the present Legion clubhouse was an accomplished fact, it was suggested that as an attraction for the members some one should start a debate. At that time the meeting place of the local branch did not seem to be suited for such a display of oratory as would be forthcoming by the debaters. This was soon forgotten, however, when all eagerly awaited entrance to the new clubhouse. Whether the debating influence was felt when the reading and rest room of the club was planned is not known, but the homelike atmosphere the room takes on, now that it is completely furnished, makes one think that perhaps the thought was there. Everyone knows that wherever men gather there is always something to argue or converse over, hence we see old-time pictures with their groups of men, gathered around a fireplace, smoking long clays, and one of the group in the chair putting his argument over. Such is the atmosphere of the new clubrooms, but without the fireplace. Nice cosy armchairs, splendid rugs upon a polished hardwood floor, smoking stands and all up-to-date fittings. "Just the place for that

debate that's often been spoken about," says one member. "But what shall we debate upon?" says another. Well by all accounts there is one subject being prepared right now. During a recent visit, it was overheard that a hot argument had taken place regarding the Scotch people. "Who is a Caledonian?" and so forth. In checking-up on the question we find that the Romans named the north end of Britain—"Caledonia," so it is assumed that all persons born in the north end of Britain are Caledonians. Now there's a nice argument! I feel that the people from Auld Reekie will take exception to a Tynesider being classed as a Caledonian. But the debaters can fathom it out, and so I suggest that all gather soon in the reading-room to witness the verbal battle.

Bearing Fruit
This column has kept a very close watch on the question of the dismissal of returned soldiers from government jobs by the Ontario government. It has published the fact that the provincial officers of the Canadian Legion have been right on the job in asking the reason why these men were discharged. As an organization formed for the protection and betterment of

conditions among returned soldiers the Legion has a right to ask these questions. At first all efforts were of no avail, but by the constant hammering at the door, Premier Hepburn let them in and they stated their case. This week despatches in the daily papers give the gratifying news that 39 have been re-instated into their old positions and as each case is being taken on its own, we might be in order to state here and now that all the men affected will soon be back at their customary occupations. It proves one thing conclusively and that is that the Canadian Legion, representing as it does the veterans of Canada is regarded with esteem by government bodies. If the men dismissed had committed a wrong the Legion would be the first to say, punish them. But when the men have given faithful service to the government over a period of years, not counting his previous service for his country, then the Canadian Legion takes up his battle and seeks in diplomatic manner a solution. Those who are not members of the Legion are counted in with those who belong to the organization. The Legion gives service to all; that is its motto! The city press are loud in praises for the results achieved in the present question. Branches everywhere in Ontario are sending resolutions giving Capt. Jules Ferry, and his associates their support. The Legion has made a big forward step in its leadership programme. It has entered where others feared to tread, in case the axe came down upon them. The provincial officers have justified the need of an organization such as the Canadian Legion, and it is with pride

that its members watch the results attained to date.
Our First Smoker in the Club
As all are aware the entertainment committee of the local branch have been kept busy during the past month. Now they are busy planning for socials, etc., in the new clubhouse. The first for the members and their personal guests will take the form of a smoker to be held this Saturday evening. I am told that a splendid programme has been arranged and all are assured of a happy evening. Then there is to be a mixed social, with dancing, etc., in the immediate future. The committee can be relied upon to keep things busy from now on, and all members will be assured of some very pleasant evenings in the cosy environment of the Legion clubhouse. See you on Saturday!
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Annual Meeting of Schumacher Church

Various Reports of Trinity United Church in Schumacher. Other Items of Interest from Schumacher Correspondent.
Schumacher, January 23rd, 1935.
Special to The Advance.
Miss S. Burke, of St. Mary's hospital staff, was the guest of Mrs. M. Milady, last week.
Maynard Raycroft, who underwent an operation in St. Mary's hospital last

week, is making good progress toward recovery.
The W. A., of Trinity United Church are holding a tea and bake sale in the church, on Saturday afternoon, January 26th, from three to five-thirty o'clock.
The firemen had a call early Sunday morning to the home of Mr. J. Shanks, Third Avenue. The prompt action of the firemen saved the home from damage.
Mrs. F. Flowers, of the Coniarum Mine, who underwent an operation in St. Mary's hospital Monday, is reported doing nicely.
Miss Lillian Hancock entertained the members of her Sunday School class to a dinner and social on Wednesday evening.
Mr. J. Besley, spent the week-end in Toronto visiting Mrs. Besley.
The C.W.L. are holding a card party on Wednesday night February the 13th, in the Croatian hall, Bridge, whist, and five hundred will be played, and good prizes will be awarded the winners.
Mrs. R. Stewart, who has been ill at her home, was removed to St. Mary's hospital on Tuesday for treatment.
The annual meeting of Trinity United Church was held on Tuesday evening. The reports of the various organizations were read and showed an increase over the previous year's work. The election of stewards that usually takes place at this meeting was held over for a couple of weeks. A social hour was spent, after which the ladies served lunch.

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Timely Topics Are Featured at Legion

Large Number on Hand and Business Conducted in a Fine Manner. Good Singing Followed.
Fearing not the elements, and proving that their experiences while on service overseas were still of value, 100 members of the Timmins branch of the Canadian Legion braved the worst storm of the season to attend the monthly general meeting in the clubhouse on Monday evening.
The weather did not even tend to slow up the business and some very timely topics were touched upon. President Austin Neame occupied the chair.
A number of new members were admitted.
The financial report for the third quarter showed every satisfaction and the funds in an excellent condition. The membership standing was shown as one of the best in Ontario.
Committees reported and mention was made of the smoker on Saturday evening of this week.
Then the branch settled down to place itself on record as supporting Capt. Jules Ferry, the provincial president, in his untiring efforts to right the position of the ex-servicemen dismissed by Premier Hepburn's government under the patronage system. A unanimous vote was recorded giving the support of the Timmins branch.
Several spoke on the question of levying the members for the Legion magazine. The good and bad points were discussed but finally it was passed that the local branch be among the 100 per cent class for the publication.
The matter of asking the pension commission to remove an ex-serviceman from St. Mary's hospital, Timmins to a government institution on compassionate grounds, was voiced in marked manner by Comrade Goode. It was learned that the case was very deserving. President Neame told of all he had done without being able to secure action. But another method is now to be tried, and failing this the members will be asked to pass a resolution on behalf of this sick comrade who has been in the local hospital since last April.
President Neame mentioned that he hoped more use would be made of the sitting-room upstairs, and socials are to be arranged to meet this end.
There were some good songs sung in the short social which followed. Some new talent was discovered and no doubt future programmes will feature some of these. In passing it might be worth mentioning that for a group of men who are reaching out to the fifties, the Legion here is blessed with some very remarkable singers and entertainers.
In all it was a meeting of advancement for the Timmins branch and one that speaks volumes for future activities.

London Life Co. has Noteworthy Record

Reaches the Half Billion Dollar Mark in Insurance in Force Last Year. Has Doubled in Size Since 1916.
The attainment of \$500,634,493 of insurance in force climaxed the Diamond Jubilee year of the London Life Insurance Company, according to its 60th Annual Report which has just been released. This fact, only one of several indications of substantial progress in 1934, is in keeping with the rapid growth which the company has enjoyed during the past decade. The London Life has virtually doubled in size since 1926, when its insurance in force amounted to \$251,256,594. The esteem in which the Company is held by the insurance-buying public may be judged from the fact that more than one-sixth of the life insurance brought in Canada last year was secured from the London Life; over 40 life insurance companies operate in Canada. London Life policyholders now number approximately 561,984, a gain of 50,071 in 1934.
The London Life's achievement in reaching the half-billion mark in insurance in force, an eminence never before attained by a company confining its activities to Canada, was the consequence of an impressive gain in business in force for 1934 amounting to \$23,822,766. This gratifying figure may be largely credited to the diligence of fifteen hundred London Life field representatives who were responsible for producing \$94,961,847 of new insurance in 1934. In reporting this figure, as well as its insurance in force, the Company has deducted all reinsurance.
The assets registered an increase of \$7,932,517, and now total \$92,448,738. High grade bonds and debentures, chiefly government and municipal bonds, make up 31 per cent of the total. A large investment reserve has been built up to take care of all bonds that have depreciated in value. The mortgage investments are all on improved real estate and total 47 per cent of the Company's invested assets. Policy loans are 14 per cent of the assets while stocks, real estate including the company's premises and miscellaneous items, make up the balance of 8 per cent. On a cash basis the rate of interest earned on the invested assets was 5.46 per cent.
The total income of the Company, \$21,088,098, showed a gain over that of 1933 and a satisfactory margin over disbursements. Payments to policyholders amount to \$7,852,822. Of this amount, \$6,004,536 was paid to living policyholders and \$1,848,285 to beneficiaries of deceased policyholders.
In addition to strengthening its investment position the London Life has built up exceptionally strong policy reserves. These latter are \$4,884,183 greater than required by Dominion insurance law. It has increased its Free Surplus to \$3,655,941. The total of all surplus funds in excess of the requirements of Dominion insurance law amount to \$11,553,826, after full provision has been made in the liabilities for all profits accruing to policyholders and profits due policyholders in 1935.
Summing up the results of the year at the 60th Annual Meeting of the London Life, Edward E. Reid, Vice-President and Managing Director, stated "taking it all in all, and giving consideration to the times in which we live we feel that we are justified in saying that we have never had a better report to present than for 1934, nor were prospects for the future ever brighter."

Say New Explosive High but Foolproof

Parent Company of Canadian Explosives Reported to have New Explosive, Nothing Known About it Locally.
A high explosive is supposed to have been discovered at the DuPont Works at Wilmington, Delaware, according to press reports this week. Since the DuPont company controls the largest explosive industry in Canada, Canadian Industries Limited, the new product would naturally be of interest in Canadian industries that make use of explosives.
According to descriptions given in reports the new substance is supposed to be 20 per cent more effective in power than the famous TNT. It is said that the new explosive, called "nitro-ammonia," may be shot at with rifles, subjected to the insertion of red hot irons, held in the flame of a blow torch and even placed in a fire, without going off. The only method of setting a blast is reported to be a full sized "dynamite" cartridge.
TNT, despite its fame, is not used in industry to any great extent. Powders used in mining operations do not contain TNT, so that if the new explosive resembles the older one in action, its application to mining would be very slight indeed. In fact, aside from demolition, such as is carried on in war time, TNT is not widely used.
As for the foolproof part of it, the new material may be of great value but still it is not absolutely foolproof if it explodes at all for it would be quite possible for someone to set it off in the approved manner and cause a lot of damage.
Nitric acid is widely used in the explosives field and there are already some compounds of the acid and ammonia on the market and in successful use. Just what is meant by the term "nitro-ammonia" used in the despatch, is not known.
Canadian Industries have not made any announcement yet concerning the reported discovery in Dupont research

AFTERNOON TEA AND SALE OF HOME COOKING ON SATURDAY

Cup reading will be one of the special features of the tea and sale of home baking to be held under the auspices of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Canadian Legion on Saturday of this week, Jan. 26th, from 2 to 5 p.m., in the Legion hall, Cedar Street, south. This is an event that none should miss. It will also be a pleasing opportunity for the ladies of Timmins to visit the new Legion club house which is very certainly worth a visit in itself.

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