

Protest Against School-Town Hall Scheme

Mayor Tells Council of School-Town Hall Plan

First Official Word About it for the Council. Councillor Laporte Points Out that Council as a Whole, Not Individuals, should Decide Such Questions. Some Interesting Discussion.

The Municipal Board were "very favourably impressed" with the scheme of making Central School into a town hall and building two new schools to replace Central. Mayor Bartleman told the council yesterday. "In fact, to use the words of the chairman, he regarded the suggestion highly."

It was the first the members of the council had heard of the proposition—officially.

"I discussed very fully the requests of the council with the board," the mayor said. "The chairman of the school board was there also. The board took under consideration all matters except the matter of waterworks. In order to protect large buildings such as the hospital, a by-law could be passed under local improvements and the by-law would be approved, the board said. But they would not do that with the request of the school board for \$75,000 for the requests for streets. On the question of whether it was not advisable to consider the use of the public school instead of building a new town hall they were very favourably impressed. It would save the ratepayers of Timmins fifty or sixty thousand dollars. Now I'm only quoting the chairman of the Municipal board."

The Big Idea

This is the way the mayor explained the idea to the councillors. A new town hall would cost \$90,000. From the sale of the land under the present town hall they would realize \$20,000. From the sale of land around the Central school, they would get another \$50,000. In that event, the town could afford to pay \$160,000 for the school, which would give the public school board that amount of money to spend on two 12-roomed schools in other parts of the town. Each new school would cost about \$90,000 each, so the public school board would have to borrow only \$20,000 instead of the \$75,000 for which they had requisitioned the town.

Some of the councillors expressed surprise that the proposal had been advanced so far as to be presented to the Municipal board without having been presented to the council itself.

"We certainly can't make a decision on hearsay. We must base it on facts," commented Councillor Laporte.

"Are you doubting my word, Councillor Laporte?" asked the mayor.

"You said that I didn't. I didn't say anything about doubting anybody."

Board Won't be Back

"Will they be back here again?" asked Councillor Brunette.

"No," answered the mayor. "They also expressed an opinion that we'd have a better chance with them about paving the street on local improvement than on general rate."

Councillor Laporte had opened the discussion about the municipal board by saying that he didn't get an invitation to attend the sitting and wondered if the town had been officially represented. "As I see it," he said, "the whole council should have been invited. We must decide as a council as to whether we are going to do the work or not. I'd like to have met the board, I know."

"In answer to that, Councillor Laporte," said the mayor, "I would say that it's not the custom of the board to issue invitations to anyone. I understand they send an ad. to a local paper advising that they were sitting here on a certain date and at a certain time. It's up to those who are interested to come. I wasn't advised. They don't mind whether you come or not."

Mr. Laporte later said that in the end, the decision as to what was to be done would be left with the council, in any case.

Dr. Day Absent

All the members of the council except Dr. Day were present when the Municipal board meeting was discussed. The doctor had been called out just previous to that time.

In the end it was decided that the council would hold a special meeting on Monday evening at seven o'clock when the Central school proposal would be gone into thoroughly.

In regard to the paving of streets in Timmins, toward which the mayor said the board did not appear favourable as at present proposed, Councillor Cousins, chairman of the board of works asked permission to insert an advertisement in the local papers suggesting that petitions be submitted to the council for paving under a local improvement plan.

Petitions in regard to streets in the original paving programme are the only ones that will be considered, the councillor said. He will also provide information regarding the cost, spread over ten years, to an average ratepayer under local improvement.

Another council news will be found in another column of this issue of The Advance.

Firemen Have Five Calls in Five Hours

All were Chimney or Stovepipe Fires, However, and No Damage.

Moderate winds and low temperatures yesterday made Timmins people light bigger fires than they've needed for the past couple of weeks. One result was a lot of work for the fire department who answered five calls in about 15 hours. All were for chimney or stovepipe blazes.

Places visited were: 157 Pine street north; 55 Balsam street north; 29 Cambrai avenue; 109 Balsam street, south; and 26 Wilson avenue. There was no damage in any of them.

High wind this morning brought more calls for chimney fires; at 10:30 to 151 Main avenue and to 23 1/2 Way avenue; at 11:40 to 104 Balsam street south. No damage.

Clinic Here on May 18th for Crippled Children

Anyone Knowing Any Cases of Crippled Youngsters Should Give Names to Kiwanis Committee Sponsoring the Clinic at Timmins on Monday.

It would be a shame if any needy crippled child in Timmins were not allowed the opportunity to have an examination at the clinic being conducted here on Monday of next week through the co-operation of the Kiwanis Club, the Ontario Society for Crippled Children and the Hospital for Sick Children.

Such deformations as cleft palate or club feet should be attended to as soon after birth as possible. Dr. A. W. Farmer, surgeon of the Sick Children's hospital, who has had wide experience in Canada and abroad in that branch of surgery which has to do with the correction of deformities, orthopaedics, will make the examinations and will report to the family physician in each case before corrective treatment is given.

No needy crippled child will be without the chance of this examination if

Local Police Checking-up on Improper Parking Here

Making a real effort to clear up cases of illegal parking in Timmins, the local police, after having issued several warnings to motorists, began to issue tickets this week. A large number of drivers will be hauled to court next Tuesday to answer charges of parking at hydrants, blocking lanes, left hand parking and similar offences.

Funeral Here Yesterday was Largely Attended

The funeral ceremony for Tony Matymitz, held yesterday from the Labour Temple, was largely attended. In addition to many people who walked in the procession there were a number of motor cars.

Mr. Matymitz died on Sunday following an illness of some duration. He is survived by his widow and four children who live at 204 Spruce street north.

Club Provides Transportation

Accompanying Dr. Farmer will be R. W. Hopper, executive secretary of the Ontario Society for Crippled Children, Miss Greta Ross, R. G. N., the society's supervising nurse, and a stenographer. Members of the Kiwanis Club will provide transportation to the municipal clinic, opposite St. Mary's hospital, for those who cannot walk.

Often a deformity can be completely cured through modern science. A condition that might otherwise prove a permanent handicap may be alleviated to a great degree.

Doctors, clergy, teachers and many others have been helping the Kiwanis Club find these needy cases. Do your bit now by reporting any case you know.

South Porcupine Men's Club Guest of St. Matthew's Club

The members of St. Matthew's Men's club were hosts on Monday evening to the members of St. Paul's Men's club of South Porcupine when nearly 40 attended the meeting in the church hall. A social evening was enjoyed and refreshments were served at the close.

A congregational social is planned for Monday evening, May 25th, when Bishop Anderson will be a visitor.

Summer Carnival at Schumacher, June 23

Schumacher Lions Continuing Plans for Notable Observance of King's Birthday.

June 23rd will be a big day for the athletes of the Porcupine and for those who like to get out and watch almost any kind of games. For on that day the Schumacher Lions have planned to have a big baseball game between the McIntyre and one of the Kirkland Lake ball teams, a soccer match between Dome and McIntyre, senior field events in the afternoon, with a three-mile race a probability, and junior events of all kinds in the morning.

As the first Empire-wide celebration of King Edward VIII's birthday, Schumacher will do the thing up well. There will be a parade, with prizes for the floats of organizations, prizes for costumes of all kinds and everything that goes to make a success for a patriotic display.

The evening's events too are planned to be attractive and entertaining. The crowning of the Queen of the Carnival will be a big event then, and dancing on the street will be one of the main attractions.

The Schumacher Lions are sparing no effort in making their carnival a success and they ask for the co-operation of all citizens of the district.

May 28th Last Day to Pay First Instalment Taxes

Tax Notices for the Year Have Been Sent Out. If First Instalment of Business Tax Not Paid by May 28th Whole Amount Becomes Due and Collectable by Distraint.

Tax notices for the year have been sent out by the town and taxpayers would do well to note the conditions in regard to payment of taxes. The notices sent out contain all the requirements and observance of the rules will save taxpayers money as well as annoyance.

The taxes are due and payable in two equal instalments, the first instalment being payable on or before May 28th. The second instalment is due on Sept. 3rd. If an instalment is not paid when due there is a penalty of 4 per cent. added. To avoid this penalty the payment of the instalments when due should be carefully watched. Any who are able to do so would do well to pay both instalments at the time of paying the first. In this way there is no danger of forgetting or overlooking the second payment and thus incurring the penalty of four per cent. for non-payment. The more taxes that are paid in early the less money the town will have to pay out in interest charges, so by paying instalments at the time

Man of the Hour?



Premier Mussolini, seeking another "man of the hour" to take up the administrative work of the new Roman empire in Africa, is reported seriously considering Count Volpi Di Misurata (above) for the job. Duce is rushing plans for merging Ethiopia, Eritrea and Italian Somaliland into "Italian East Africa." Di Misurata, who was responsible for welding together Tripolitania, Libya and Cirenaica, is believed best suited for the task.

Eighteen to be Confirmed at St. Matthew's on May 24

When Bishop Anderson visits St. Matthew's Church on Sunday, May 24, 18 will be confirmed at the 11 o'clock morning service. Confirmation classes which have been conducted every week by Rev. Canon Cushing are now nearly over.

It has also been announced that a service will be held on Ascension Day, Thursday, May 21st, at 7:30 p.m.

Real Estate Scheme Sprung on Council and School Board

11 Fire Calls in Few Hours

Grocery Truck Pressed into Service as All Equipment Out of Fire Station at Once.

As 11 calls to fires in Timmins poured into the fire station so-day, it made the busiest period the department has ever known. At one time all three trucks were out to chimney fires when a fourth call came in. A grocer's truck was commandeered and sent out to the last call with two tanks of chemicals.

Up to noon, four calls had been answered, two of which had come in within a few minutes of each other. But from noon to one o'clock no less than six telephoned alarms cleaned the fire hall of all apparatus. Little damage was done in any of the blazes and the firemen were kept busy for some time refilling chemical tanks and keeping apparatus ready for another run.

High winds are given as the cause of the activity. The eleventh chimney fire today was at 1:40 p.m. Box 45, Hollinger and Preston was rung in.

Two Teachers on the High School Staff Leaving Here

The resignations of L. G. Mitchell and Miss E. Harkness, teachers at the Timmins High and Vocational school, were received by the Board at their regular meeting on Monday night. Mr. Mitchell has accepted a position in Toronto, it is understood.

Both have been popular members of the teaching staff, not only with the students but with the other members of the staff and with the high school board.

Pete Blahey Dies After Operation

Had Been Injured by a Steel While at Work at the Paymaster Mine.

While working underground at the Paymaster mine on Sunday, Pete Blahey, 53 years of age, was injured in some manner by a steel. An operation performed shortly afterwards failed to save his life and he died in St. Mary's hospital here Tuesday.

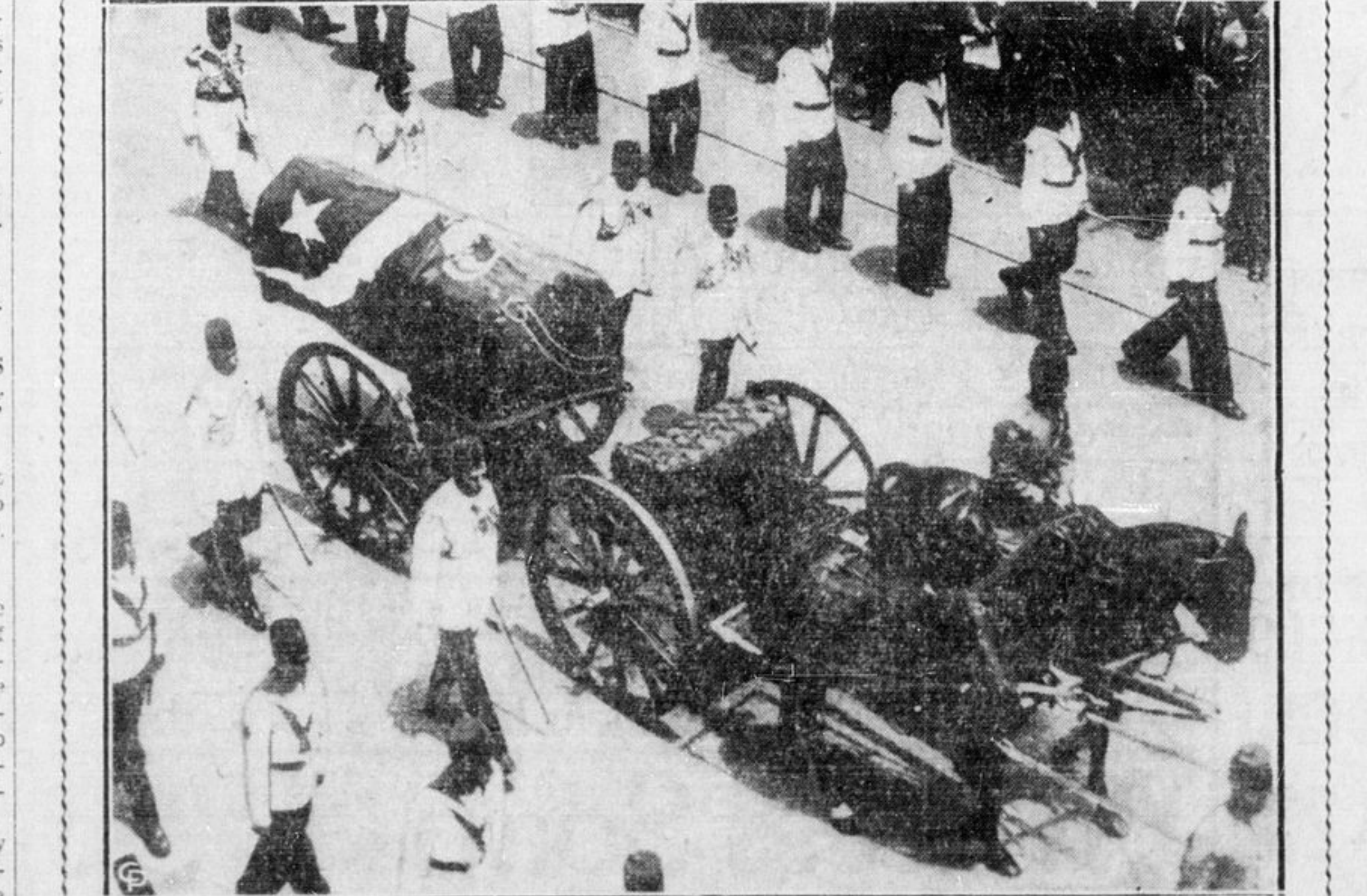
A cousin of Nick Blahey, Timmins grocer, the miner had been employed at the Paymaster for only five days. Previous to that he had worked nine years at the Dome. He had been in Canada for the past 11 years, coming here from Poland.

It was the first fatal underground accident the Paymaster has had. The date of the inquest has not yet been decided.

The funeral service is to be held this afternoon from the Church of the Nativity, Father O'Gorman officiating.

Mr. Blahey is survived in Poland by his wife and four children.

SIMPLE MOSLEM RITES AS KING FUAD BURIED



With stark military simplicity, the flag-draped coffin of the late King Fuad of Egypt is paraded through the streets of the city as hundreds of thousands of mourners look on in silence. King Fuad died following a prolonged illness. His son, Prince Farouk, has been proclaimed new king, but could not attend his father's funeral. According to Moslem custom, the dead must be buried within 24 hours after death. No women were permitted to attend the funeral and as the coffin reached the mosque, soldiers cut the throats of seven live bulls lying shackled on the pavement.

Plan to Turn Over Central School for Town Hall Not Dealt with by School Board, Says Chairman of the Board's Finance Committee. Councillors Also Protest that Plan Had Not Been Considered by Council.

By the report in another column of the proceedings of council meeting it will be seen that the grandiose real estate scheme presented by Mayor Bartleman and Roy Dunbar to the Railway and Municipal Board on Tuesday has never been passed on by council. It was a surprise to the council that the mayor should take such action without the matter being formally brought before the council and dealt with. As Councillor Laporte said, such a matter concerned council as a whole and must be dealt with by the council to be effective.

It develops that the question has been equally "sprung" on the public school board. To The Advance yesterday W. Rinn, chairman of the finance committee of the public school board, the head of the committee that would be chiefly concerned in any question of sale or buying, said that the question had not been seriously considered by the board. It had on one occasion been casually mentioned and some discussion may have taken place but it was not officially considered, nor even officially before the board.

Asked if the board would consider

selling the Central school property, Mr. Rinn said that so far as he was concerned he would never approve the sale of the Central School property without due returns to the public school. He estimated that the property was worth at least \$250,000, perhaps \$300,000 so far as the public school supporters were concerned, and there would be no sense or justice in selling it a cent below \$250,000.

Of course, these figures are so far from those quoted by Mayor Bartleman at the council yesterday that they emphasize the fact that no such scheme should have been given public mention, let alone submission to the Railway Board, without first being submitted to the school board and council and thoroughly considered from all angles.

Mayor Bartleman referred at council to a meeting between the school board and council. There is a lot more necessary before the matter is allowed to go any further. It is a matter for the public and the school supporters to have decided upon before any action taken. On its surface it looks like a good scheme to avoid, with all its possibilities in the way of real estate deals.

Officers Elected by the Schumacher Lions Club

C. W. Arnott, President; W. K. Wylie, Secretary. New Officers to Take Over at the First of June. Nominations Held a Couple of Weeks Ago.

Officers-elect of the Schumacher Lions Club, who will be installed at a meeting of the club within the next two weeks are: President, C. W. Arnott; vice-presidents, C. Abrams, W. S. Blake, and Charles Jucksch; secretary, W. Wylie; treasurer, Gilbert Malkin; tail twister, Herman Moscoe; lion tamer, M. Abrams; directors for two years, T. R. Langdon, James Hawkins; directors for one year, Rev. Murray Tait, Ted Brooks.

Nominations at the club were held a couple of weeks ago but no election was necessary for the officers. Directors were elected at the club meeting held last night at the Daffodil tea room in Schumacher.

The new executive is to take office at

the first of June, since the club was organized in the spring of last year.

ITALY'S WITHDRAWAL FROM LEAGUE MAY MEAN TROUBLE

Italy's withdrawal from the League of Nations may throw the whole of Europe into conflict, it was believed in some quarters to-day.

PART OF ETHIOPIA SAID TO BE LOYAL TO SELASSIE

The Gore section of Ethiopia, near the Anglo Egyptian Sudan border was reported to-day to be under control of loyal followers of Emperor Haile Selassie who have set up a government.

Slaughterhouse, Meat Inspection Discussed

Council Decides to Honour Building Permits Granted Before Jan. 1st. Councillor Laporte Differs with Mayor. Council Considers Raising Licenses for Truckers. Hollinger Assessment Appeal. Other Matters at Council.

A company of three men intend to establish in Timmins a slaughterhouse, it was learned at council meeting yesterday. Claiming that meat from tuberculous cattle was being sold in the town, Omer Gauthier asked the council on principles similar to those under which the Toronto municipal places do.

The Citizens league had heard that the slaughterhouse was to be operated by a private individual, Mr. Gauthier said. We found it wouldn't be advisable. The public wouldn't get the service they're entitled to," he told the council.

The mayor explained that the man operating the slaughterhouse would be licensed by the town. "If anything like what you suggest happened, the license would be cancelled. The only difference is that he's financing the building of the slaughterhouse. Supporting the municipality did put a man in charge of its own place then he could favour certain people just the same as a private owner could. There's no difference. The only thing is the private owner takes the profit, or rather takes the responsibility of making a profit or loss."

Councillor Laporte suggested that if the town went into the slaughterhouse business they might just as well go into the wholesaling of meat.

"You'd be surprised at the amount of meat sold over the counter that's not fit to eat. You should appoint an inspector right away," continued Mr. Gauthier.

Asks That Council Decide Mr. Laporte then asked that the matter be taken up by the whole council before anything definite was decided.

"Personally I don't want to have anything more to do with it. We've already decided," the mayor said. Councillor Cousins and Town En-

ginner J. D. MacLean said they understood a company of three men were proposing to build a slaughterhouse across the tracks and Mr. Laporte added that they would be getting in touch with the council within a week.

"I think the council will find that's too close to the town," Mr. Bartleman commented. Alex Stuart added some complaints to those already cited by Mr. Gauthier and in the end, the council decided to take up as soon as possible the proposal of appointing a meat inspector. The Board of Health had recommended that very action a year previously, it was learned.

Amend Building Law

The first amendment to the new building and zoning by-law was passed in council. It makes it possible for people who have building permits dated previous to January 1st, 1936, to act on them, regardless of the present law.

The motion adopting the amendment was made by Councillor Laporte and seconded by Councillor McDermott.

"I think this should have been discussed by the council before being introduced," the mayor objected. "We've discussed it two or three times at meetings," Mr. Laporte replied.

"It looks like railroadng it through to me," commented Councillor Cousins.

"I don't see why you should give certain privileges to certain people," the mayor continued.

"I'm quite satisfied this is a just way of settling the matter. It's the legal way," Mr. Laporte replied.

"It's certainly a legal way to grant a privilege," answered the mayor.

Some unnamed person had applied for a building permit last year, it was brought out, and had not acted upon the permit. It had not been, as it is now, the custom to insert an expiry date on the permit.

"As I understand it, last year per-

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