

First Picketing of Stores in Timmins

Council Discusses Case of Toronto Delegation

Mayor Doesn't Remember Report by President Langdon. Meeting Arranged by Ontario Associated Boards Last Year. S. A. Caldbick Town Solicitor. Relief Cases. Early Closing. Other Council Business.

According to Councillor William Wren at yesterday's council meeting, the president of the Northern Ontario Associated Boards of Trade has said that the assistance of municipal councils of the North is not needed in presenting to the provincial cabinet the needs of the North.

"Municipal councils are interested to a far greater degree than boards of trade," said he.

Mr. Wren, in introducing the subject of the Ontario Associated Boards of Trade delegation that will ask the government to-morrow morning that a Royal Commission be set up to inquire into the needs of the North and the best methods of seeing that they are supplied, asked if the Timmins council had received any report of the Oshawa convention at which it was decided to ask for a Commission. "Were the council advised of the action?" he asked.

"Not that I recollect," said Mayor J. P. Bartleman.

"I do remember this council passed an expense account for the delegate from Timmins to that convention," said Mr. Wren.

"We seem to pay but never get a report," said the mayor.

(After the council meeting, those who were on the council board last year recalled that W. O. Langdon had appeared at a public meeting and told in brief what had occurred at the convention. For more complete details he referred them to the newspapers.)

"I'm surprised that the councils are not officially advised of the actions of the board of trade, so that they may express support or condemnation. Apparently we paid the bill without knowing anything about it. I want to bring before the council and the public this strange procedure," continued Mr. Wren. "I favour a Royal Commission but I'm surprised that they did not ask delegates from the municipalities."

Councillors DesRoches and Cousins agreed.

Ready to Support Trade Board

"The council should have thought before paying the bill. I think that the council is ready to support the board of trade at any time but we should hardly sacrifice our own requests to back the board of trade," said Mayor Bartleman. "It looks as if the board of trade suddenly awakened up after we had our meeting." (The mayor referred here to the recent conference of Timmins, Tisdale and Teck. The boards of trade delegation to the government had been arranged months before.)

S. A. Caldbick Town Solicitor

S. A. Caldbick, crown attorney for the southern section of Cochrane district, was appointed solicitor for the Town of Timmins at a monthly salary of \$150. The by-law appointing him (Continued on Page Two)

Fire Caused by Clothes Drying

Combination of Radiator and Clothes Causes \$125 Damage.

Clothes hanging over a hot air radiator were the cause yesterday of a fire at 211 Cedar street south in which \$125 damage was done, \$50 to the house and \$75 to the clothes. Firemen believe that a spark from the heater set the clothing on fire. The place was well filled with smoke when the alarm was turned in but firemen were able to extinguish the blaze with chemicals.

Early this morning there was an alarm from 84 Fourth avenue where residents were awakened by ammonia gas. Firemen traced the fumes to an electric refrigerator. This was removed from the building promptly.

An early Tuesday morning there was a stovepipe fire at 1 Wilcox street north. No damage was done.

Expect 300 Curlers at Bonspiel

Present Indications are That This Year's T. & N. O. Bonspiel the Biggest Yet.

Nearly three hundred curlers will take part in the T. & N. O. bonspiel to be held here next week. It was reported at a meeting last night of the skips of the Timmins club. If the 70 or 75 rinks that are expected to appear all do arrive, it will be the largest bonspiel ever held in the T. & N. O. country. The previous high mark was 64 competing rinks.

Twenty-five of the rinks—one hundred curlers—will be from the local club.

Final arrangements have been made for the visiting sportsmen. The draw is to be made Sunday night.

Death of Little Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Spicer

Mary Theresa Spicer, 14-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Spicer, 175 Cedar street north, died yesterday afternoon at St. Mary's hospital following an illness.

AS IL DUCE WELCOMED HERR HITLER'S RIGHT HAND MAN



Smiles were the order of the day when Premier Benito Mussolini and members of his family greeted Gen. Herman Goering as they arrived in Rome to confer on German-Italian policies. Although details were not revealed, observers believe that the conferences resulted in an agreement on German-Italian strategy in the Spanish civil war. LEFT TO RIGHT, here are Gen. Goering, Countess Ciano, formerly Edda Mussolini, Premier Mussolini and Count Ciano, foreign minister.

Court Battles Promised on Closing By-laws Here

Two Stores Summoned for Alleged Breach of By-laws. Action Likely in Supreme Court to Have By-laws Quashed. Picketing of Stores with Placards Yesterday.

Informations have been issued by Timmins police against Sam Bucovet-sky Limited and Marshall-Ecclestone alleging that those stores remained open yesterday afternoon, contrary to by-laws that came into effect here yesterday.

Although the two firms have received summonses to appear in Timmins police court next Tuesday, The Advance has been informed that action will be taken immediately by the firms to have the by-laws quashed. It is believed that a motion will be made in the Supreme Court at Osgoode Hall, Toronto, asking that the by-laws closing hardware, dry-goods and furniture stores on Wednesday afternoons be quashed.

It is probable that if such a motion is made, the Town of Timmins will fight the case. This was the understanding made at the council meeting two weeks ago at which the by-laws were passed.

Picketing Yesterday

Yesterday afternoon, six picketers paraded up and down the Third avenue fronts of both stores against which police have laid informations. The men and women bore placards asking "Citizens! Help to enforce the Wednesday afternoon closing by-law," as well as other placards into which the names of the two firms were drawn.

Although the picketing attracted a considerable amount of attention, there was no disturbance of any kind. Many passers-by asked picketers what the thing was all about, but it is believed that no one was stopped from entering either store.

No action was taken against the picketers either by the stores affected or the police. Dozens of citizens stopped in wonderment on the far side of the street to watch the strange business for it was the first time picketing has been done on a Timmins business street.

The trouble began when petitions were presented to the council last year, purporting to be signed by at least 75 per cent. of the people in the three

classes of business affected, dry-goods, hardware and furniture. By-laws were passed, but some stores remained open. The council was then convinced that the by-laws were faulty and passed new ones two weeks ago, with the intention of having them strictly enforced. These laws came into effect yesterday.

Help for Flood Sufferers

Canadian Legion Accepting Clothing and Cash Donations for Flood Victims.

Timmins and district know what disasters mean and know too the courage and inspiration that come from offers of help from friendly people in outside places. It is only to be expected that there should be deep sympathy here for the victims of the disastrous floods in the Mississippi and Ohio valleys and ready offer of help from Timmins and the Porcupine. It remained for the Canadian Legion here to make the sympathy take prompt and practical form. Clothing for the homeless and ruined people in the flood area and cash donations are being sent by the Legion. Suitable clothing of any kind may be left with Austin Neame, president of the Legion, at the Mines Rescue Station, behind the fire hall, or at the Legion hall. Cash donations may be made at the Imperial Bank where Mr. Scarth, manager of the branch, has kindly opened a special account for the purpose.

Timmins Delegate to City Conference

W. O. Langdon Left To-day for Meeting with Conference Arranged Last Year.

W. O. Langdon, president of the Timmins board of trade and the Northern Ontario Associated boards of trade, left here yesterday for Toronto to attend the conference between boards of trade delegates and the provincial cabinet. The delegates will ask that a Royal Commission be appointed to inquire into the best methods of developing Northern Ontario and recommend a definite governmental policy.

It was intimated at yesterday's council meeting that Mr. Langdon had not co-operated with the town council to the fullest extent and that he had refused the offer of a municipal delegate to the conference. Mr. Langdon could not be reached yesterday before he left regarding this phase of the council's recent actions but friends of his here to-day said they felt sure there had not been "full appreciation of the circumstances" and that the attitude of some of the council was "most unfair." The conference at Toronto is an Ontario Associated Boards of Trade affair arranged last year.

Mr. Langdon was accompanied to Toronto by a number of other delegates from Northern Board of Trade.

Ask Early Closing in South Porcupine

Meeting on Monday Night in the Matter. Plan to Ask Council to Pass By-law.

A meeting was held at South Porcupine on Monday night with the idea of securing a Wednesday half-holiday all the year round for Tisdale township. J. W. Lieberman, barrister, took a leading part in the meeting. It was suggested that a Retail Clerk's Association be formed and petitions given to Tisdale council asking for the half-holiday by-law. Nothing definite was arranged, but another meeting is called for next week.

Bishop Camille Roy to Visit Timmins at Week-end

Bishop Camille Roy, lecturer at Laval University, Quebec, and noted as a French orator, is to visit Timmins on Sunday, Jan. 31st, as noted in The Advance on Monday. He will speak at least twice in Timmins, the first address to be at the Church of Notre Dame de Lourdes. It is expected that one of his addresses here will be broadcast. Bishop Roy is to speak here in connection with "La Societe du Bon Parler Francois," of which he is an active and prominent member.

Services Sunday at St. Anthony's Church

Although Interior Not Quite Completed, New Church to be Opened for Services.

St. Anthony's Church, though not yet completed inside, will be used for church services this Sunday and every week from then on, it was learned today.

The work of finishing the interior will be continued for some months, it is expected.

While St. Anthony's has been in the later stages of construction, the parishioners have had the use of the Goldfields theatre only.

Prosecuted Radek



Gen. Vishinsky, Soviet attorney-general, who has been the recipient of several death threats warning him the trial of 17 Russians on charges of plotting the overthrow of the government, would be his last. Vishinsky is leading the prosecution of the high officials, including Karl Radek now on trial.

Complaints About Raids Referred to Committee

Chairman of Police Committee Points Out Police Justified in Action Taken in View of the Evidence in Their Possession. Cases Appear Different When Discussed.

Expecting More Snow Now

Tuesday the Thermometer Went Down to 19 Below

To-day's southeasterly winds should bring some snow to-night and probably colder weather, the weatherman said this morning.

Tuesday set a new low mark in coldness for the season. The thermometer did not rise above six degrees below zero all day, after sinking to 19 degrees below zero early this morning. Average for the day was 11 1/2 below zero.

Temperatures have been: Monday, max. 17, min. 4 below; Tuesday max. 6 below, min. 19 below; Wednesday max. 14, min. 18 below; last night's minimum 4 below, eight o'clock this morning 12.

The present mild spell should break to-night, it is believed.

Play Consolation Final at Curling Club To-Night

The final match in the consolation event of the local bonspiel is to be played at the Timmins Curling Club to-night between rinks skipped by S. A. Caldbick and C. P. Ramsay.

Junior Fractures Two Ribs Last Week

Ferg. Cook Will Not be Available for To-morrow Night's Game.

Ferg. Cook, fleet right winger of the Timmins Juniors won't be available for to-morrow night's game against South Porcupine Intermediates it was learned last night.

In the game against Iroquois Falls Blackhawks last Sunday night, Fergie crashed into the goal after speeding down the ice and in the crash he sustained two fractured ribs.

It is expected that he will be in shape next week when the junior schedule starts.

Timmins council yesterday set itself up for half an hour or so as a sort of court of inquiry. It didn't accomplish anything by the move, more than to embarrass a couple of people who arrived to make complaints against the police force.

No decision was reached in either case where the people claimed the police had bothered them with raiding and searching for liquor. A great deal of talking was done by people on both sides of the fence but in the end the police committee was left with power to deal with the complaints in the way it sees best. To-morrow afternoon the complainants will have ample opportunity to "testify" before the police committee and to bring any "witnesses" they wish.

"No Reason at All"

One lady, who lives here on Cedar street south, said the police took a case of beer from her for no reason at all. She had never been in trouble of any kind. "They're under the impression that I sell beer but I don't," said she. "I'm a widow and live with my son-in-law and daughter. We go 50-50 on the rent and everything. I got a case of beer for Christmas and one for New Year's. . . I work, besides, too."

She admitted she received Mother's Allowance from the Province of Ontario but didn't see how this had anything to do with beer. "I get Mother's Allowance but I work for the beer," was the way she put it.

What Searches Revealed

"We have investigated this case," Councillor L. C. Cousins informed the council, as he handed to the town clerk a sheaf of typewritten sheets. Police had been watching the woman's place, the report said. One November night two men had been seen coming from her place. One was searched and had three bottles of beer in his pockets. On November 20th, five men were seen coming from there "under the influence." There was a great deal of noise. On November 29th there was a raid. One man was "found in." And there were nine bottles of beer and (Continued on Page Six)

GENERAL MEETING LADIES' AUXILIARY ON MONDAY NEXT

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Canadian Legion will hold a general meeting in the Legion hall on Monday evening next at 8.30. Members are asked to attend and particularly to note the change of time.

Successful Year Passed by Horticultural Society

Annual Reports Show Good Work in All Lines. Fine Show. Comfortable Cash Balance. Large Attendance at Annual Meeting. Officers Elected for 1937.

That the Timmins Horticultural Society had a completely successful year in 1936 was shown by the reports submitted to the annual meeting on Tuesday night at the town hall. The annual horticultural show for 1936 proved successful and satisfactory, despite all difficulties encountered. Much other useful work had been accomplished for the interests of horticulture in the town and district. There was a neat cash balance to the credit of the society, so all round it was demonstrated to be a good year.

The attendance at the annual meeting was large—much larger than usual—and the meeting proved a most interesting one. The re-election of the president and secretary was a tribute of appreciation for the good work done by these officers in particular, the keen interest taken by them for years now in the advancement of horticulture in Timmins and district. There was a suggestion that the secretary be paid a salary, even though a small one, as it was apparent that he did an unusual amount of work and spent a very large measure of time at the work of the society. To this Mr. Hogg said that he was glad to give his time and effort for the advancement of the cause of horticulture, and he would not consider taking pay for his labour in the matter until the society was much richer than it is. "We are all working for the love of horticulture," was his reply to the suggestion.

A number of topics were effectively dealt with at the annual meeting, and there were some very interesting discussions.

The following were the officers elected for the ensuing year:—

President—A. Proulx.
First vice-president—H. S. Bayne.
Second vice-president—W. P. Lawry.
Secretary-treasurer—Geo. Hogg.
Directors—Mrs. E. P. Kinkkel, Mrs. Carl Briggs, Mrs. Ruir, Mrs. Sturatt, Mrs. A. James, Mrs. J. Simpson, W. Rigg, A. E. Rigg, Wm. Spencer, J. Knell.

Auditors—A. R. Harkness, R. Elston. Honorary presidents—Mayor J. P. Bartleman, John Knox, R. J. Ennis, R. Elston, Dr. S. L. Honey, Geo. S. Drew, Sid Wheeler, A. H. Wohlrab, E. P. Kinkkel, Wm. Curtis, Mrs. W. H. Pritchard, Mrs. John Knox.

The following is the financial statement for the year:—

Statement of Receipts and Expenditures for the year 1936.	
Receipts	
Membership fees for 1936	\$168.75
Membership fees for 1937	29.00
Sale of Flowers and Vegetables	18.00
Door Collection	4.25
Town of Timmins Grant	100.00
Government Grant	51.00
Donations	88.50
Advertising in prize list	79.00
Donations for 1937	41.25
Total	579.75
Cash in bank, Jan. 1st, 1936	163.90
	743.67
Expenditures	
Cost of premium for members	104.25
Prize ribbons	39.75
Exhibition tags	5.30
Ontario Horticultural Ass'n. fees	5.87
Express on tags	.30
Carriage for trestles and trees	8.50
Printing and advertising	103.72
Judging	50.00
Engraving cup	2.50
Postage	4.15
Lecture and social	14.00
Broadcasting	2.00
Prize money	232.25
Total	563.59
Cash in bank, Dec. 31st, 1936	180.08
	743.67

Left Potatoes on Town Hall Steps for Taxes

Council Informed Yesterday that Marcel Riard Considers Some Money is Coming to Him from Potato-Tax Money of Last Year. "But This Year—No Potatoes—No Tax Money."

Marcel has this year no money, no potatoes. So the Timmins town council doesn't have to worry about the taxes Marcel owes on his Mountjoy township farm. At least, since Marcel's crop of spuds was so poor, the council won't have a problem with which to wrestle like the one that was presented to it yesterday.

One day last year, so the story seems to go, Marcel Riard arrived at the town hall to pay his 1935 school rates. He dumped ten bags of potatoes on the town's doorstep.

"There," said he to Assessment Commissioner J. A. Belanger, "are the taxes for my farm."

"But," protested the astonished commissioner, "we cannot give you a receipt for taxes paid in potatoes."

"There," insisted the bearded, patient Marcel, "are my 1935 taxes. You sell them and get the money. I will return for my receipt."

And off he went to his Mountjoy township farm, two miles west of Timmins.

Jim Roy Solves the Problem

Town officials were perplexed. Timmins most assuredly could not set up a potato business on a capital of ten bags of even Mountjoy township spuds. But that was not too great a problem for them. In the end it was Caretaker Jim Roy who spared municipal employees the distressing prospect of ten bags of potatoes rotting on the town's doorstep.

Jim disposed of something like five bags of the tubers for six dollars which cash he turned over to the tax collector. Marcel duly arrived at the town hall and collected his receipts for that amount.

Ex-Councillor J. E. H. Chateauvert was around somewhere in the story Marcel told the council yesterday. Just where the former chairman of finance became involved in the vegetable deal, no one ever found out. A thrashing out of the matter in committee will probably make everything clear.

"Wrong Yet"

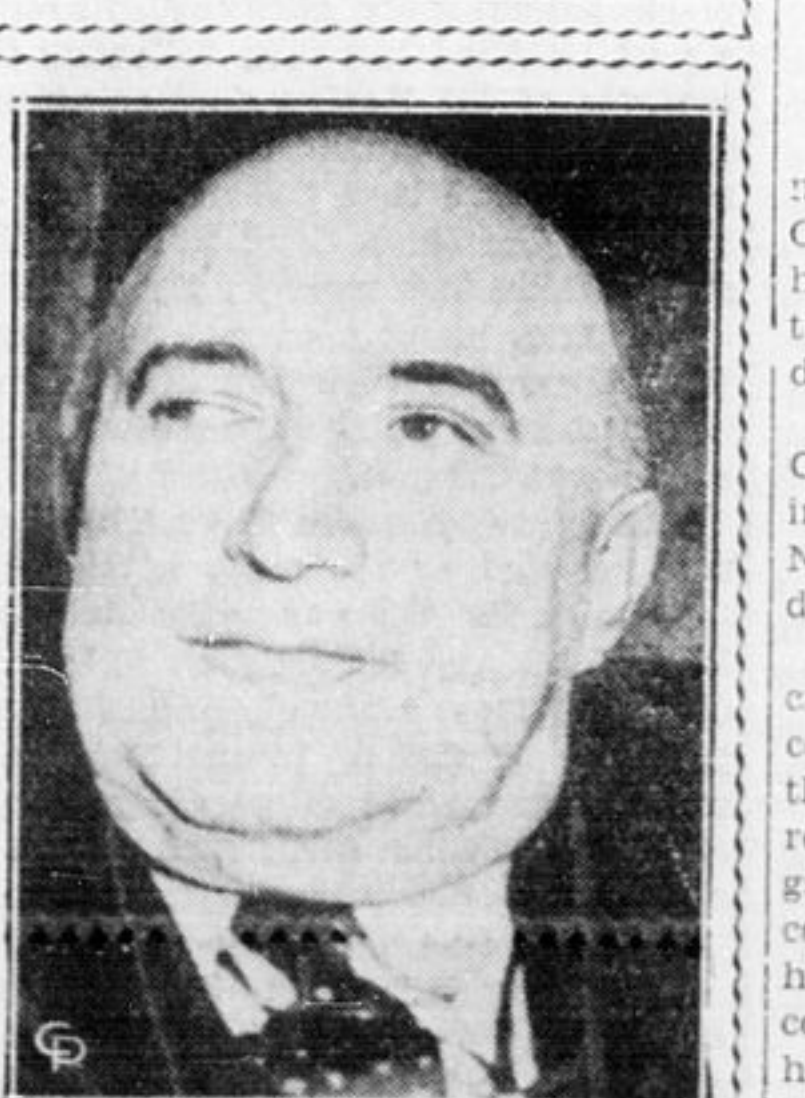
"Do you," asked Mayor Bartleman curiously, "always pay your taxes in potatoes?"

"No," replied Marcel sadly. "This year no money, no potatoes. Worse yet."

Somewhere, somehow, somebody has to account for five bags of Marcel's 1935 taxes. For, according to Mr. Belanger about half of them remained with the town after Mr. Roy's potato-marketing activities had come to an end. They were "lost." Spoiled, destroyed, or something like that.

Marcel figures that potatoes were selling on the market at \$1.35 a bag when he deposited them on the doorstep. He'll let the town off at \$1.25 a bag. So he has "some more potato money coming"—\$5.50 worth, he figures. Anyway, there'll be "no potatoes money" for last year's taxes.

General on Bail



At liberty on bail, Brig-Gen. Henry H. Denhardt is pictured as he appeared at a grand jury session at New Castle, Ky. The general, a veteran of three wars and former state governor, is accused of the fatal shooting of Mrs. Verna Gass Taylor, beautiful La Grange widow, to whom he was engaged.