

### Advocates More Playgrounds for the Town of Timmins

Roy Hardy, Candidate for Council, Touches on Some of the Planks in His Platform.

One of the matters that Roy Hardy is stressing in his campaign as candidate for council is the need for further playground facilities in the town of Timmins. In this connection Mr. Hardy says:

"There is a definite need in our town for playground facilities for children. Through the co-operative efforts of the Lions Club and the Council four supervised playgrounds were established this past year. These playgrounds should be developed to the extent where they are inviting to the children and adequately equipped to keep them in the playgrounds and off the streets. As a boy in the early days of Timmins there were no playgrounds, but the town was smaller, and we only had to go a block or two in any direction to reach the town limits where there was ample space to play in safety. Since that time the population of Timmins has increased from five thousand to some twenty-seven thousand persons. During all these years there has never been a definite plan of action to provide proper playgrounds for children. Every year children are injured or killed while playing on the streets. Juvenile delinquency is high in our town. The activities of the Timmins Police Athletic Association has definitely proved that juvenile delinquency drops to a minimum when children have the use of supervised rinks and playgrounds. However, this is not a job of work for Police Department. It is the responsibility of every citizen and the municipality as a whole."

Another matter given special attention is the matter of services for new sections of the town. In this connection Mr. Hardy says:

"Services such as water, sewers, sidewalks, etc., should be extended not to one favoured group of people but to the greatest number of citizens. To extend these services and keep taxes at a normal rate requires a keen business administration. Any fair-minded

citizen realizes these services must be extended gradually to the new sections that are created by the rapid expansion of the town. However, there is no just reason why one section should be favoured while others are entirely neglected. Because of my training and occupation the business of the municipality interests me keenly and I am of the opinion it should be handled along solid business-like lines. Tax payers have money invested in the town which if handled properly should insure them the greatest number of benefits. In private business an investor expects that his money will be properly invested. He expects to be kept informed as to all major changes such as appropriation of large sums of money for improvement or expansion."

Mr. Hardy points out that the ratepayers as investors in the municipality should be kept informed as to how their money is spent. The matter of town planning is another question Mr. Hardy believes should be taken up. In the new subdivisions being opened up there should be provision for water, sewers and sidewalks. Fire and health hazards should be guarded against.

### Served in Last War Would Serve Again in Present One

When Pat Larmer was asked the other day just what had prompted him to run as a candidate for council at this present time, he flushed a little and then answered, "Well, to tell the truth, I served through the last war, and I would like to serve the country again. I am not eligible for active service and so I thought I might serve in the municipal field." He added that good service on municipal boards all through the country would be a help in winning the war. This was particularly true of this town on account of the importance of the gold industry to the success of the Allies. Subversive efforts of any kind will be detrimental to Canada, and the Empire, he pointed out, and he felt that every man in municipal office should be unquestioned in his loyalty and devotion to Canada and the Empire. Much could be done in his humble way to help victory by all working together loyally for the common good and to preserve and guard the liberties and freedom that was the British birthright.

It is interesting to note that Mr. Larmer is not only a veteran of the last Great War, but he was a soldier before that war commenced. He joined the army in Scotland in 1910 and served from then until the end of the Great War. For bravery in action he was awarded the D.C.M. in 1915.

Connected with many local organizations and having taken a keen interest in municipal matters during the seventeen years he has lived in Timmins, Mr. Larmer has shown that he had administrative ability, and is ready to give the energy and talent he has in this line to the service of his home town.

### Has Been Resident in Timmins for Twenty-eight Years

Albert Depatie Given Six Years' Service on Separate School Board.

Running as an independent candidate Mr. Albert Depatie was not inclined to make many promises or to feature special planks in his platform. He said that questions had to be dealt with as they arose and with all the facts in view. As a member of the separate School Board of six years, three of which he served as chairman of the board, he felt he knew something of the common promises so often heard at election time, he could assure the ratepayers that as a resident of Timmins for 28 years, a property owner in the town since 1914, he knew the town and its needs and would work honestly and conscientiously for the general benefit.

### In Favour of Town Planning, Swimming Pool, Better Streets

Labour Candidates Issue Statement on Election

Councillor McCabe and H. Anderson, endorsed by the L.R.A. as Labour candidates in the municipal election, are running as a team, as it were, and when asked for their views gave the following joint statement:

"Timmins is a workingman's town. The well-being and prosperity of the community depend entirely on the paycheques of the miners, the lumberworkers, and other labourers. It is therefore most desirable and most logical to have labour well represented on the council. Who knows and understands the needs of the majority of the citizens better than the workers themselves? And the workers want a reduction in the taxation which proves to be a heavy burden to small homeowners and to tenants alike. They want municipal services which are indispensable to a growing town such as ours. Both can be accomplished. The following programme gives briefly the stand of the two official labour candidates Bert McCabe and Hugh Anderson.

"With the growth of Timmins, many new services are required, such as streets, sidewalks, waterworks, etc. In order to invest wisely, there must be planning, so that work done today will not have to be undone tomorrow. This will save thousands of dollars to the taxpayer and will make it possible to undertake new municipal projects.

"Hard-surfacing the main traffic arteries, keeping drains clear, culling the dust, laying of sidewalks, all these are necessities, not luxuries. They can be done over a period of years without adding to the already too-heavy burden of taxation.

"The necessity of a safe place to swim is obvious to every citizen. Every year accidents occur which could be prevented if the kiddies had some decent and safe place to swim. The town now has the swimming-pool at the river under option. Vote labour and assure your children a safe place to swim!

"This will mean a saving to the town, more civic improvements, more work, and a reduction of the taxes. Other Northern municipalities have purchased their own equipment and have undertaken civic projects during the past year, and the results have proven this to be correct. The rate of wages on these public works should not be one cent under 50 cents an hour.

"Trade unionism means better wages, better safety and working conditions, and security for all. Without effective trade unions, there can be no real democracy. As labour men, McCabe and Anderson, are pledged to do everything in their power to guarantee to every worker his right to join the union of his own choice and to better his working conditions."

### Municipal Problems Need Care and Study, Says Bailey

Further Reduction in Taxation Should be Made.

"I am offering myself as a candidate for council, because I have been resident here ten years, have followed municipal matters during that time, and my experience as a merchant and miner qualify me to understand the problems of the business men and the workers," said Les Bailey, candidate for council. "I am also a Canadian and a loyal British subject, a qualification which I feel should be noted specially by every one of you when selecting councillors for the coming term." He said he felt that further reduction in taxes should be made because of the war and the increased costs of living, and this could be done without curtailing any of the important works needed. Great savings might be made by the elimination of waste, curtailing town expenses and needless expendi-

tures that react on the tax rate, he said.

"Our town fathers recently granted permission for the erection of a privately-owned but municipally controlled slaughter house," said Mr. Bailey. "This move was not accompanied by any intelligent plan for the inspection of the meat which is to be delivered from this slaughterhouse into the homes of Timmins. There is no point in going to the expense of taking such steps as adding chlorine to our water, pasteurizing milk, and other sanitary steps, unless some similar action is taken for the spread of disease through meat that may not be up to the mark. This is one of the very important matters that should be dealt with by the 1940 council."

Mr. Bailey believes that it is better for candidates for council to be property holders, as the interests of the taxpayers and the candidate's interests are then particularly the same.

"If I am elected," concluded Mr. Bailey, "I am pledged to work in the interests of all classes."

### Says Public Should be Informed of Town's Affairs

Eugene Lafontaine, candidate for council, yesterday visited The Advance office to give the information that the chief plank in his platform was the idea of giving the ratepayers full information in regard to their affairs throughout the year, and not waiting till election time to give out coloured statements.

"On Monday I publicly challenged the mayor to meet me on the public platform at any time and place at his convenience to answer the charges I made in regard to the relief question, the conduct of town affairs by a clique, and subversive influences allowed to work in connection with municipal affairs. He has shown himself afraid to accept the challenge. Instead he has attempted to draw red herrings across the trail. It is the public's right to have a proper, understandable statement of town affairs and finances presented, instead of abuse of opponents."

### Sore Foot Causes Some Rumpus at Conference

Havana, Nov. 29.—Tom Moore, Canada's delegate to the second American Labor Conference, arrived at yesterday afternoon's session with a sore foot and practically halted all proceedings.

The president of the Canadian Trades and Labor Congress hurt his foot while stepping off a bus. When he sat down in the assembly hall he propped the aching member on a chair.

J. M. Zayas, Cuban employers' delegate, rose on a point of order to demand a more respectful attitude from the Canadian delegate and that he remove his foot from its "ill-mannered position."

Before Mr. Moore could offer explanation, Cuban delegates took exception and said Mr. Moore could sit in whatever position he pleased.

Several speeches intervened before Mr. Moore could explain. Then speeches began demanding apologies to the Canadian. The head of the Cuban employers' delegation was summoned to present formal apologies. The chair apologized. Cuban delegates apologized.

Mr. Moore said he really wasn't offended.

## FOR FURTHER ECONOMY RE-ELECT J. W. SPOONER Councillor

### My TAX PRE-PAYMENT PLAN WILL SAVE YOU MONEY!

From January until the tax payments come in, in May, the town is forced to borrow thousands of dollars from the Bank and pay 4 3/4 p.c. interest.

The Tax Pre-Payment Plan which I advocate would enable the individual taxpayer, if he so desires, to pay all or a portion of his taxes in January. On this he would receive 3 p.c. interest. This plan would reduce the Town's borrowings from the Bank. As well as the individual taxpayer being ahead 3 p.c. the town at large would save 1 3/4 p.c. because of the difference in interest rate. Everyone would benefit by this Plan except the Bank.

WHETHER YOU PRE-PAY YOUR TAXES OR NOT, YOU STILL SAVE ON THIS PLAN

ELECT A MAN WITH MUNICIPAL EXPERIENCE, INDEPENDENT OF ANY ORGANIZATION OR CORPORATION

Mark Your Ballot Thus:

**SPOONER** J. W. Insurance Agent **X**

## VOTE



**Albert DEPATIE COUNCILLOR**

A RESIDENT OF TIMMINS FOR THE PAST 28 YEARS. SIX YEARS SERVICE ON THE SEPARATE SCHOOL BOARD. A MAN WHO KNOWS THE NEEDS OF THE NORTH.

VOTE To Elect **Philip FAY** Councillor

- Elect a man who has had five years' experience as Trustee for Separate Schools.
- Elect a man who will always work in the interests of the public.



LEO B. ROY

To run the town's affairs for the good of the public requires first a man who has made a success of his own business or work, whatever his vocation may be. Mr. Roy a resident of the town of Timmins for the past 21 years and head of his own contracting firm for the past six years has a record of undisputed success through his integrity and honest dealings with the public of Timmins

### Your Vote and Influence Respectfully Solicited



HERBERT WARREN

An Independent Candidate Who Has The Time To Efficiently Administer The Town's Affairs

**RE-ELECT H. W. WARREN**

## VOTE L. B. ROY FOR COUNCIL 1940

A Large Tax-Payer for a Number of years, and a Businessman who has the Ability to Administer the Town's Affairs Efficiently.

An Independent Candidate

**Elect L. B. Roy Councillor 1940**  
MARK YOUR BALLOT

**ROY**

LEO. B.,

PLUMBING-HEATING AND ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR

**X**