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Plaque on Hall at Kapuskasing in Honour of A. S. Ochs
Memorial in Northern Town to New York Publisher.

In its last issue, The Northern Tribune, of Kapuskasing, makes special reference to the plaque on display at the Kapuskasing Community Club in honour of the late Adolph Ochs, publisher of The New York Times. The late Mr. Ochs, who was among the largest shareholders in the Spruce Falls Power and Paper Co., took a very keen and helpful interest in the beautification of the town of Kapuskasing. The Northern Tribune says:—
"The beautiful plaque dedicated to the memory of Adolf S. Ochs, founder and president of the world-famous New York Times, by the directors of the Spruce Falls Power and Paper Co. is now on display on the walls of the Community Club. It is a magnificent exemplification of the almost extinct art of high-grade illumination by colored pigments, at which monks were adept in the middle ages.
"The fine miniature of the late publisher, who was a director of the Spruce Falls Co. and took a special pride in the beautification and progress of Kapuskasing, is highlighted with gold leaf at the top centre of the plaque. Under this are the figures 1858-1935, and the words "Publisher, Businessman, Humanitarian." Then follows the text of this fitting memorial to one so notable in these words.
That Kapuskasing is regarded as the outstanding industrial community of the North Country is due in large measure to the vision and humanitarianism of Mr. Ochs. In the formative period of the community Mr. Ochs' concern for the comfort and happiness of the men and women, boys and girls who were to be Kapuskasing's citizens, was manifest. He took deep interest in the layout of its streets, the design of its public buildings and in its parks and playgrounds. He desired that makers of paper on which the New York Times carries its message to the ends of the earth should live well rounded and happy lives.
"In grateful recognition of these facts, this enduring record is dedicated to the memory of Mr. Ochs by the officers and directors of the Spruce Falls Power and Paper Co., Ltd."

Timmins First in Its Own Class and Third in All The Dominion in H.I.P.

Retaining Its Stand in the Matter of Loans to Aid in the Improvement of Homes in Timmins. Exceeded Only by Toronto and Montreal.

From Hon. J. L. Ralston, Dominion Minister of Finance, comes the monthly report showing the number of Home Improvement loans made to the end of October, together with the total loans involved. It will be seen that in its class—cities of 20,000 to 40,000, Timmins is far in the lead. Timmins has 1680 loans with a total of \$1,563,164, while the next nearest in this class is Sudbury with 1514 loans totalling \$923,212. Timmins has used nearly double the amount used by Sudbury under the Home Improvement Plan. The long lead enjoyed by Timmins is clearly indicated by the fact that the third in this class in standing is Glace Bay, Nova Scotia, a noted mining town, where there are to date 637 loans totalling \$245,816.

If Timmins stands high in Home Improvement work in its class of towns, it is still more remarkable the way the town has grown away from the ordinary run of towns and cities throughout the Dominion. In Canada in the matter of H.I.P. loans Timmins is easily third, being exceeded only by Toronto and Montreal. A comparison of the figures for different towns and cities should be of general interest. Here-with is given the list of the various towns and cities, with the number of loans for each, and the amount of the loans under the Home Improvement Plan:—

| Place | No. of Loans | Amount |
|------------------|--------------|-------------|
| Toronto | 10,707 | \$3,828,142 |
| Montreal | 2,278 | 2,197,179 |
| Timmins | 1,680 | 1,563,164 |
| Winnipeg | 3,325 | 1,299,093 |
| Edmonton | 2,096 | 1,149,504 |
| Kirkland Lake | 1,362 | 1,114,740 |
| Vancouver | 3,663 | 1,025,739 |
| Sudbury | 1,580 | 923,212 |
| Hamilton | 2,274 | 771,880 |
| Ottawa | 1,464 | 661,542 |
| Windsor | 1,660 | 614,761 |
| Calgary | 1,273 | 526,442 |
| London | 1,415 | 525,692 |
| Rouyn | 514 | 438,103 |
| Saint John | 953 | 377,366 |
| Flin Flon | 608 | 346,427 |
| Halifax | 952 | 342,125 |
| Quebec | 551 | 327,166 |
| St. Thomas | 635 | 323,428 |
| Glace Bay | 637 | 245,816 |
| Trail, B.C. | 640 | 240,586 |
| Sault Ste. Marie | 423 | 235,614 |
| Sydney | 633 | 227,173 |
| Moncton | 593 | 225,472 |
| Peterborough | 130 | 225,081 |
| Kitchener | 501 | 215,586 |
| Shawinigan Falls | 281 | 212,230 |
| New Waterford | 222 | 212,037 |
| New Westminster | 741 | 207,906 |
| Oshawa | 796 | 201,497 |
| Sherbrooke | 432 | 200,224 |

Two New Councillors at Head of Poll at Kapuskasing

For the first time in twelve years Kapuskasing this year had an election for councillors. Mayor E. S. Noble, formerly of Timmins, was re-elected by acclamation. There were eight nominees for the six places on the council board. Two new councillors—J. H. Rockette and Adam M. Forbes—were at the top of the poll, the one receiving 512 votes and the other 489. The other four elected were:—John W. Fanning, Pierre Bedard, Angus Anderson and Fred Louis Teneare. Messrs Rockette and Forbes, both employees of the Spruce Falls Power and Paper Co., displaced Messrs A. B. Bower and J. E. Thomas, who were members of this year's council. About sixty per cent of the possible vote was polled. An odd feature of the voting was the fact that few ballots seemed to be marked for more than four candidates. In quite a few cases a ballot would be marked for only two or three candidates. Apparently Kapuskasing was trying out the old-time system of "plumping" for favourite candidates.

Toronto Telegram:—You can always learn the truth from children. A youth yawns in your face when he is bored at the party.

Decorated by R.A.F.



Elmer Richards, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Richards, of Washago, Ont., has received an R.A.F. decoration. Richards, an ex-school teacher, has been on reconnaissance flights over Germany.

Two Brothers of Sudbury Killed Fighting Russians

Sudbury, Dec. 13.—Word was received here, on Saturday, by Eino Koski, employed at the Copper Cliff smelter, by The International Nickel Co., that two of his brothers had been slain during action with the Finnish army against the Soviet invaders at Petsamo. Circumstances under which the two brothers came to their death were not disclosed in the terse cable received by Mr. Koski on Saturday, except that the brothers, members of the Finnish army, had been killed in the defence of Petsamo. Mr. Koski, who resides on a farm in Waters township, is well-known among the Finnish people of the district.

AW! TELL IT TO THE MARINES

(From Sudbury Star)
American Sailor: Battleships... Why the flagship of our navy is so big that the captain goes round the deck in his car.
British Sailor: You ought to see our flagship. Have a look at the kitchen. It's so large the cook has to go through the Irish stew in a submarine to see if the potatoes are cooked.

Notable War Services Undertaken by the Canadian Legion B.E.S.L.

Education, Personal Services, Entertainment, Recreation and Sports, Among the Lines in Which the Legion is Seeking to Help Those in Active Service.

Says the Dominion President of Legion Should Resign

Member of Local Legion Calls Attention to Charges of Alleged Patronage.

Timmins, Dec. 12, 1939
To the Editor of The Advance, Timmins.

Dear Sir:—In view of the controversy appearing in prominent publications alleging patronage by the Government in awarding war contracts, and particularly in of Col. W. W. Foster, President of Canadian Legion, being mentioned as a central figure in one of the companies holding certain of these cost-plus war contracts, I would suggest to Col. Foster that he resign as President of the Canadian Legion and as Director of Auxiliary Services.

Col. Foster's normal position in life would appear to be as Chief Constable of Vancouver from which position he is on leave of absence. In the meantime he has allowed himself to be aligned with an alleged political scandal. There seems to be no doubt about his being interested in a most unusual termed war contract on the Pacific Coast.

The first principle and policy under Letters Patent of The Canadian Legion of the British Empire Service League is that the Legion shall be democratic, non-sectarian and shall not be affiliated to, or connected directly or indirectly with, any political party or organization.

The Canadian Legion cannot be considered as free of politics when its executive head is alleged to be saturated in political patronage under war contracts. I think the present situation calls for an immediate resignation from Col. Foster as head of the Canadian Legion. The Legion cannot allow its executive officers of Dominion or Provincial Commands to become even entangled in political scandal no matter how remote. Where there is smoke there is usually fire.

Al Wetmore.
Toronto Telegram:—Winter has its bright side. You don't have to worry about mowing the lawn.

CANADIAN HEADQUARTERS NOW ESTABLISHED IN LONDON



Brigadier H. D. G. Crerar and his headquarters staff are busy in England preparing the way for the Canadian troops who will join the Allied forces in France. This is a scene in the newly established Canadian headquarters in London.

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Lt.-Colonel Ralph H. Webb, D.S.O., M.C. of Winnipeg, as General Manager. The new organization which, by mandate laid down by the Legion itself, is to be non-profit making, has undertaken certain specific obligations which it will discharge in the interests of Canadian soldiers here, overseas and in actual theatres of war. These include establishment of facilities for education, personal services, entertainment and education as well as canteens where required.

In collaboration with the Canadian Association for Adult Education the Legion is making it possible for young men of the forces to continue, in a large measure, their educational studies even though on active service. Committees, comprised of outstanding educationists, are being formed in every military district and facilities are being made available for the continuation of public school education and for such general studies as current events and economics, as well as for work in agriculture, technical subjects, bookkeeping, stenography and (Continued on Page Eight)