

British Push South From Narvick

Police Arrest Three on Gold Theft Raids Here

Charge Man and Wife Jointly After Raid in Schumacher Last Night. Arrest Man in Dry at the Hollinger Mine. Police Have Been Active of Late Although Few Arrests Have Been Made on Gold Stealing Charges.

Two more in the series of arrests which have had a chastening effect on Porcupine gold thieves were made yesterday, one at Schumacher and one in the Hollinger dry.

Members of the high grade squad, Constables Braney and Johnson, raided the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gernick, 70 First Avenue, Schumacher, last night. They are believed to have found a quantity of high grade ore and equipment for refining. Gernick and his wife are charged jointly.

Gernick is alleged to have told police that he was not working at the time although the couple maintained a large two-storey house.

The man and his wife were released on property ball of \$2,000 each.

In the second case the man arrested was Frank Blazeka. Hollinger police went into the dry after the day shift and made the arrest. They are alleged to have found a small quantity of gold in Blazeka's possession. The man was released on ball of \$1,000 property or \$200 cash.

Although arrests for gold theft have not been frequent in the past number of weeks, police have been active. Members of the gold squad have been out on almost nightly observation trips and mine police have been active over the camp.

Both Gernick and his wife, and Blazeka will appear in police court on Tuesday before Magistrate Atkinson.

Baron Mannerheim Expresses Thanks to Porcupine People

Local Man Receives Letter of Appreciation for Sympathy and Understanding

During the Finnish-Russo war, Mr. Armas Jarvela wrote to field-Marshal Baron Mannerheim, of the Finnish Army, to express the sympathies of the Finnish people in this district, and recently received the following letter from the Baron: bearing the official seal of the Finnish Army: (translated) Mr. Armas Jarvela, 53 Fourth Avenue, Timmins, Ont., Canada.

In your friendly letter is shown a deep patriotic feeling, and the understanding of a man who has learned a great deal from the experiences of life. I was very glad to receive your letter, and delighted to know that the people at such a great distance are following the progress of the war with understanding and sincere sympathy. The thought of this understanding, sympathy and hope has brought joy and courage to us all.

With this thought, I express my sincere thanks for your greeting from across the sea.

Respectfully,
(signed) Mannerheim.

Women's Auxiliary Training Service Making Progress

Applications Still Being Received for This Service.

The third lesson for the first class in the local Women's Auxiliary Training Service, was conducted by Mr. Berlinger at the MacDowell Motors Garage on Monday evening. The women in this class are progressing favourably with the work, and find it very interesting.

These lessons are provided by the Ford Motor Co. of Canada as a donation to the Canadian War effort, to prepare women for mechanical work in case their services should be needed. The lessons give a practical mechanical training.

Anyone wishing to apply for training may make application at the MacDowell Motors Garage, as it is expected that other classes will be started in the near future.

Finnish Event in Aid of the Finnish Red Cross

The Northern Group of the Finnish women of Timmins entertained on Wednesday afternoon at a sale of afternoon coffee and Finnish coffee bread, which was followed by a plentiful supper of Finnish stew and numerous tasty desserts. The event was well attended, and the proceeds will be used in the work of the Finnish Aid Red Cross.

Stormy And More Snow

Change for Worse in the Weather This Week-End, Predicts Weatherman.

The pleasant spring weather we have been enjoying lately will not be with us this week-end, said Sydney Wheeler, Hollinger weather observer today. He predicted stormy weather with light snow. It would be generally unsettled he said.

Maximum and minimum temperatures since Monday have been as follows:—Monday, maximum, 36, minimum, 16; Tuesday, 39 and 20; Wednesday, 46 and 29. At eight o'clock this morning the temperature was 33 degrees.

Fire Starts Today in Barber Shop on Sixth Avenue

Damage of \$150 Done to Oak Street Home Yesterday by Fire of Unknown Source.

Fire this morning at about 10:30 a.m. did \$40 damage to the barber shop of Walter Kevan, 76 Sixth Avenue. The fire in itself was small but the loss in wiring will probably amount to the sum mentioned.

It started when a cross in wires caused a short circuit, which in turn, began a smouldering fire.

Damage of close to \$150 or \$200 was done to the home of A. Clouseau at 127 Oak Street, yesterday. Owner of the house is George Granger. Fire started in the floor at the front of the house. It worked its way up between the joists in the wall and burned a hole in the roof before firemen brought it under control.

A short circuit in a washing machine caused a minor fire at the home of C. J. Rodder, 167 Cedar Street, south, on Monday.

Thirty-one Babies Born at St. Mary's This Month

Since April 1st, thirty-one babies have been born at St. Mary's hospital, constituting somewhat of a record for eighteen days. Last month (March) there were forty babies born at the hospital; twenty being boys and twenty girls. It is expected that the total number this month will be much larger.

I.O.D.E. Spring Dance to be Held on Friday, May 3

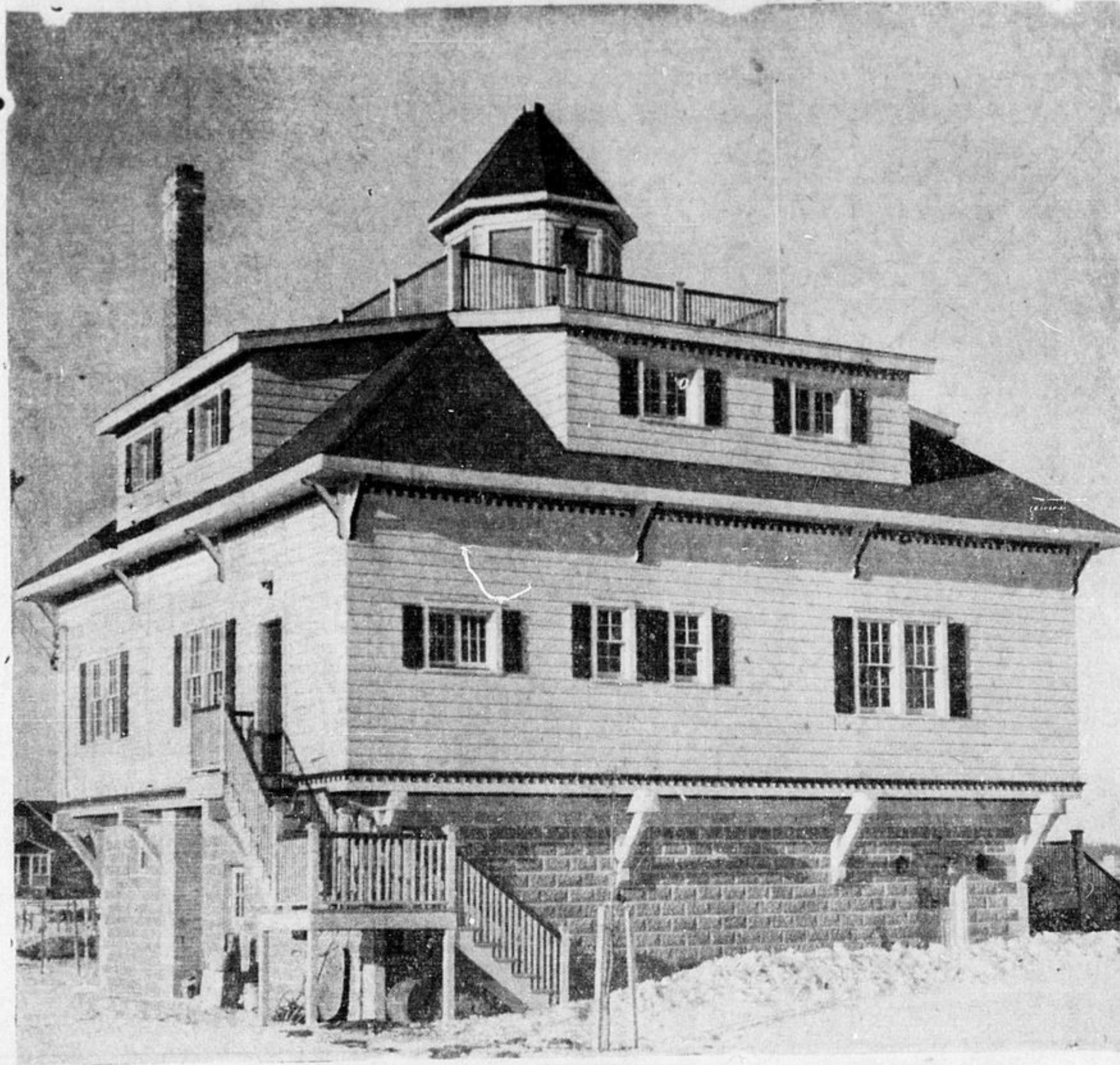
Timmins Golden Chapter, I.O.D.E. last week announced a Spring Dance to be held in the Riverside pavilion on Friday evening, May 3rd. Part of the proceeds will be devoted to war work. Henry Kelnick and his orchestra will provide enjoyable music for the evening. It is an event that no lover of good dancing and a general good time should miss.

Dancing Star to Wed



Eleanor Powell, dancer-actress disclosed in Hollywood that she would be married, probably next March, to Merrill Pye, art designer for most of her pictures.

WELL EQUIPPED PORCUPINE FLYING CLUB



Navy Bombards German Air Base at Stavanger

Shell Base for Eighty Minutes from Sea. Lone R. A. F. Plane Directing Fire. Drives Attacking Junker Off. Said to Have Caused Fires in Already Pockmarked Base. Believe 10,000,000 Gallons Gasoline Stored at Stavanger.

Bombardment of Stavanger by British naval guns took place yesterday. The German air base on the southwest coast of Norway was subjected to an eight minute shelling by a naval force of unknown strength.

Hundreds of shells were said to be dropped into the airport already pockmarked by aeroplane attacks. Lying off the coast, ships rained shells on the port.

A Royal Air Force plane over the port directed fire and dropped flares and incendiary bombs. A German Junker which came up and tried to drive the lone plane away was subjected to intense machine gun fire by the British pilot and forced to flee.

One of the cruisers in the attack was reported struck by a German bomb after the shelling was over.

Several fires were reported started by the shelling. Credence was given the report inasmuch as the air base is believed to have a reserve gasoline supply of 10,000,000 gallons with a capacity for much more.

Motion Pictures of Timmins Shown at A.Y.P.A. Event

Other Interesting Views, Some of Historical Value.

The regular meeting of the A.Y.P.A. was held on Wednesday evening in the parish hall of the St. Matthew's Anglican Church.

After a short business meeting, Ruth Arnold, who was in charge of the programme for the evening, introduced Mr. Golden, who brought several very interesting motion pictures.

Views of the Hollinger, pictures of floats in the parades held in Timmins, and pictures of the ski trails were of local interest, while scenes taken on a trip to the Maritimes and Detroit and Ottawa showed the highlights of a motor trip through Eastern Canada.

Of special interest were films of the burning of the Hindenburg at Lakehurst, N.J., views of the Duke of Windsor when he, as King of England, inspected the guard; the wedding picture of the Duke and Duchess of Windsor.

On behalf of the members, Captain Butler thanked Mr. Golden for the interesting array of films he had presented, and following the programme, doughnuts and coffee were served.

Berlin Admits

Berlin—Germans claim British cruiser sunk; Narvik fighting reported, but Nazis contend that port no longer important; admit British troops in Norway.

Timmins Golf Club to Hold Annual Meeting on April 22

Notices have been issued to the effect that the annual meeting of the Timmins Golf Club will be held in the clubhouse Monday evening April 22nd, at 7:30 p.m.

Twenty-seven Past Grands at Special I.O.O.F. Lodge Event

Exemplify Third Degree at Timmins Lodge.

There was a very interesting event at Timmins Lodge of the Oddfellows on Tuesday night when twenty-seven Past Grands of the Order exemplified the Third Degree. The degree work was under the direction of Brothers W. H. Pritchard and C. F. Lacey. There was a good attendance with a number of visiting brothers present from neighbouring towns.

After the degree work lunch was served by the entertainment committee and an impromptu programme was enjoyed. Bro. Geo. S. Drew gave a very amusing, though accurate, account of his recent visit to the South for a holiday. Joe Jago sang a couple of solos that were much enjoyed.

Bill Lainsbury, in the old favourite "Casey Bat," made a big hit. Bro. W. M. Whyte ("Dad") was another big favourite in his Burns selection, "Man was Made to Mourn."

Square dancing was enjoyed, with Bro. E. Richardson doing the "calling off" in very able way. Bro. A. E. Prout played for the dancing.

Scheduled Kiwanis Club Speaker was Called Away

Major T. H. Carter, D.C.M., who stated that he was for a number of years with the British Secret Service and was closely associated with Lawrence in Arabia, was supposed to have been the speaker at the regular meeting of the Kiwanis Club in the Empire Hotel on Monday. He did not, however, turn up.

Mr. Delaney, of Toronto, who introduced Major Carter, during his several speaking engagements in Timmins stated that the lecturer had been called away unexpectedly.

Guests at the meeting were C. P. Walker and Sol Sky, both of the South Porcupine Kiwanis Club; A. E. Tonkin, of the Waterloo Kiwanis Club; J. H. Vamplew, Toronto; Ross R. Beatty, R. A. Taylor and Dr. W. Taylor, all of Timmins and Dr. James Blaisdell, of London, Ontario.

No Private Property in Germany

Nation's Entire Resources at Disposal War Program, Goebbels States.

Jugoslavia Now to Oust All Germans Posing as "Tourists"

Plans to Prevent Success of Suspected Coup.

Belgrade, April 17—The Yugoslav Government began to-day to clear the country of hundreds of German "visitors" suspected of spreading propaganda and spying for the German secret police.

An order was issued to-day that all other foreigners still in Belgrade must leave within 10 days, unless they prove that their presence is a benefit to the Yugoslav Government.

A house-to-house search was decided upon by the police of the cities of Zagreb, Ljubljana and towns even closer to the German border.

At least 3,000 Germans have arrived in this capital during the last 48 hours ostensibly to visit the Belgrade fair.

Some observers have pointed out that similar tourists played an important role in the so-called Trojan horse tactics by which the Nazis staged their coup in Norway.

Capt. Jerry Charlebois in Charge of the Guard

Timmins and district people had special interest and pride in the announcement this week over the radio in regard to the "Changing of the Guard" at Buckingham Palace.

One of the detachments on guard duty at Buckingham Palace is from the 22nd Royal Canadian Regt. of Montreal with Capt. Jerry Charlebois in charge.

Germans Retreat From Seaport Occupied by British and Norwegians

British Said to Have Occupied Seaport and All Surrounding Area. Germans Retreating. Possession of Trondheim Seen to be Important to Both Sides. Germans Send Forces North to Reinforce Any Position.

Bremen Said to Be Sunk

Financial News Service States Report Vessel Sunk With 15,000 Troops, Confirmed.

The Bremen, German luxury ship, which has been a source of mystery for several weeks since its hazardous dash across the Atlantic, is reported today to have been sunk off the coast of Norway with 15,000 troops aboard.

A report from Dow-Jones, financial news service, said today that the report that the liner had been sunk was confirmed. A further report stated that a survivor of a Scottish ship which was torpedoed by a German submarine saw the Bremen go down.

No further details have yet been made available.

Acquit Chapman on Charge Which Arose Out of Man's Death

Walter Chapman, Timmins truck driver whose car was alleged to have struck and killed a man named Deschamps on February 21 last was discharged by a Grand Jury in Cochrane yesterday.

Chapman was charged with manslaughter originally and then the presiding Justice took the charge away from the jury and reduced it to dangerous driving, which charge is always included in a manslaughter indictment.

After evidence was taken the jury gave Chapman a complete acquittal on the dangerous driving count.

Evidence was given in the case by Timmins police officers, by Dr. Alex Finlayson, of Timmins, and by Dr. Frankish, medico-legal expert connected with the Attorney General's Department.

Highlights and Sidelights OF THE WAR NEWS

Enemy Troop Train Gets By Stockholm—German troop train slips past Norwegian fortress as Nazis reported within three miles of cutting Norway in two.

Third of Nazi Navy Sunk Paris—Allies have sunk third of German Fleet, Premier Reynaud says; Germans beaten back by British on Western Front.

Tightened Blockade Washington—British Ambassador predicts tightened blockade in Pacific; United States and Iceland enter into direct diplomatic relations.

Fur Coat for Mother



Richer by \$69,900 as the holder of a winning sweepstake ticket, R. A. Coppen, 46-year-old Winnipeg bachelor, is going to keep on working as a stockroom clerk. The money, he said, was going in the bank—"but mother's certainly going to get a fur coat." When he gets his two-week vacation in September, he thinks he may take a little trip.

British marines, fighting along with their Norwegian allies, are reported this morning to have occupied Narvik and surrounding areas. Germans are reported to be fleeing south.

The British are said to be occupying Bjorsden, which is a short distance from the Swedish border, Cyjord, Graanjen and three places to the north and to the south of Narvik, namely, Eltegaard, Eltegaardsmoen and Harsted. It was at the latter place that the British made their landing.

Extensive occupation of the district is said to be taking place by the British. Retreating Germans are being careful to keep away from the western border of Sweden to avoid being interned.

In the opinion of military observers in London the first stage of land operations between British and German troops is developing into a race for Trondheim. The British are pushing south behind the retreating Germans from Narvik and the main German army is advancing northward from Oslo and Bergen in an attempt to cut the country in two and retain possession of the southern lobe.

Possession of Trondheim, a seaport and railway junction set deep in a rocky fjord, is the key to this and whatever side controls it has an enormous military advantage.

Trondheim is at present in German hands but the force which holds it is not big enough to hold out against British invasion and reinforcements are being rushed.

This German-occupied town is said to be vulnerable from the sea.

Weekly Work Meeting of the Finnish Ladies' Aid

Weekly work meeting of the War Service Unit of the Ladies' Aid of Timmins Finnish United Church was held Monday, April 15th, at the home of Mrs. A. Niemi, Wicks & Co. Sawmill Townsite. Report was received of the special supper served during April 8th meeting of the Unit in the church building, by Mrs. Joseph Aho, Mrs. Jokeja and Mrs. J. A. Peterson, for the benefit of the Red Cross of Finland.

The next work meeting of the Unit will be Monday, April 22nd, at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. J. A. Peterson, 144 Commercial Ave.

London, April 17—The air ministry tonight announced that bombing attacks had been made on the German-held Trondheim airfield in Norway and a seaplane base nearby. A large fire was seen to break out as a result of this attack.

Stockholm, April 17—A heavy bomb attack on the Norwegian fortress at Hegra, 25 miles east of the German-occupied Atlantic port of Trondheim, appeared today to have silenced the fortress' batteries, it was reported here. The Hegra guns, although directed mainly against an attack from Sweden, formed an obstacle to Germany's control of the railroad extending from Trondheim to Sweden.

Berlin, April 17—The German occupation forces in Denmark today were forbidden to buy coffee, tea and sugar. This compliance with Danish rationing was disclosed in a Copenhagen dispatch by DNB, official German news agency. They also were forbidden to buy alcoholic beverages.

Bucharest—Rumania moves to put Black Sea and Danube ports under navy rule in readiness for eventualities; foreign companies ordered to pay off in gasoline instead of cash.

Change in Programme at the Cartier Theatre

Word just received that the showing of the picture, "My Son, My Son!" which was scheduled to play all next week at the Cartier theatre, has been postponed.

In its place "Slightly Honourable," with Pat O'Brien, Edward Arnold, Broderick Crawford and Ruth Terry will play from Sunday midnight until Thursday.

A double bill is being arranged for Friday and Saturday, April 26th and 27th.