

Canadian Red Cross Has Sent Four Million Articles to British Bomb Victims

Not Only Do the Articles Serve a Great Need, but Appreciation of the Time and Labour Involved Cheers and Comforts the Recipients. Some Expressions of British Appreciation.

Through the thoughtfulness of the Eastern Porcupine Red Cross, The Advance is taking this opportunity of calling special attention to a phase of Red Cross work that is perhaps not generally realized. The Eastern Porcupine Red Cross has forwarded a copy of the report of the 56th meeting of the Central Council as given by the "Voice of the Red Cross" recently. Instead of being a dry recital of resolutions and proceedings this report is a human document that should have the thoughtful attention of all patriotic people. The chief point in the report, in the opinion of The Advance, is the fact that it shows so clearly the value of the Red Cross work in a very special way. Of course, everybody realizes that in sending 4,000,000 articles to Britain in the short space of six months, the Red Cross has very materially helped gallant and courageous people of that beleaguered island. But letters of appreciation of all this from the British people themselves stress another point—the fact that the quality as well as the quantity of the articles indicate an immense amount of time and labour given by Canadian women to the great cause. "The knowledge that our Canadian sisters willingly expend so much time and labour on our behalf not only awakens or deepens gratitude, it inspires us anew with hope and courage," says a British newspaper in referring to "Canadian Women's Gifts." It is easy to understand the inspiration that comes from this appreciation of the time and labour of Canadian women, and because of this appreciation workers here might well be spurred to even greater efforts for the Canadian Red Cross.

Here is the report in full as given by the Voice of the Red Cross. Be sure to read it through.

The 56th meeting of Central Council of the Canadian Red Cross was held in Toronto last week. Meetings are often looked upon as dull affairs—but not so the war-time meetings of the Canadian Red Cross. It takes meetings of this type to bring together and reflect the many illuminating facets of the Red Cross war effort. Statistics, usually dry reading, take on fire when they are linked to such all-important matters as "Relief for bombed victims in Britain," "Help for our soldier patients," "Parcels for prisoners of war," and to any one of the many other phases of our Red Cross work. It would be difficult for anyone, knowing Britain's tragic needs, to listen, unmoved, to Mrs. W. R. Campbell's report that approximately four million articles, resulting from the untiring patriotic efforts of hundreds of thousands of Canadian women, were shipped overseas between January 1st and June 30th of this year—four million articles in six short months sent into every part of the British Isles, every one of them with a Canadian Red Cross label attached to let these courageous Britons know that Canada was with them heart and soul at this critical hour in the Empire's destiny. Just sit and consider for a moment (Continued on Page Two)

Opening Smoker for Season on Saturday at the Legion Hall

Programme of Particular Interest Expected for the Event.

All members and friends of the Timmins branch of the Canadian Legion, are cordially invited to the opening smoker of the fall season. The smoker will be held next Saturday evening at the Legion hall, Cedar street south at 8.15 p.m. and a very large attendance is expected to be present. The members in charge of the event are Comrades A. Jenkin and Al Wetmore, and with these two live wires and after talent the event should be a real potpourri. Some of the Legion smokers have been the means of bringing to light some very clever artists, and also have been highly educative. One especially, last year, commenced with a musical overture of an operatic selection. This seemed to be the ground work for the entire programme and those present were treated to such favourites as "Il Trovatore," the "Tread Song" from Carmen, "When Other Lips" from Maritana, and other vocal and instrumental selections of a similar nature, the evening climaxing with the band playing the stirring "Poet and Peasant" overture. Others have developed along the humorous line, and each and every one held in the past has been much enjoyed. Attendances have varied but as a new spirit has been aroused among the members of Timmins branch of the Canadian Legion, it would appear to be good advice to say to all to come early to the opening smoker on Saturday evening, in the Legion hall.

Bicycle and Car in Collision at Wilson Ave. Corner

Twelve-Year-Old Lacomruir Escapes Without Injury

Lepold Lacomruir, 12-year-old boy, living at 51 Montgomery Ave., escaped injury on Sunday afternoon when the bicycle that he was riding became entangled in an accident with a car, being driven by Donat Bastien, North Road, at the corner of Mountjoy street and Wilson avenue. Neither of the parties involved in the accident were charged by the police who investigated. Bastien was driving a Ford coupe and he was making a left hand turn from Wilson avenue to Mountjoy street north. The cyclist was also making a left hand turn from Mountjoy street south, to Wilson avenue. Both drivers claimed that they didn't see the other till it was too late. Damages were very small with the bicycle sustaining the most of the damage.

Fine of \$50. on Charge of Dangerous Driving

Angelo Pasqual Involved in Accident in Which a Taxi Cab With Four Passengers was Turned Over On Its Side; Nobody in Either Car is Hurt.

Angelo Pasqual, 224 Pine street south, paid a fine of fifty dollars and costs, on Monday night in a special police court, on a charge of dangerous driving. Pasqual was charged following a bad accident on Sunday afternoon, when he crashed into a taxi cab and turned the cab over on its side. None of the occupants of either of the cars were injured.

Pasqual was driving a DeSoto coupe and two persons were in the rumble seat of the coupe besides the driver and another passenger in the front seat. In the taxi cab there were four passengers and the driver, and though the cab was turned over on its side, no person was injured. One of the passengers in the taxi cab was an infant, only eight months old.

Police investigated the accident and laid the charges against Pasqual. Police said that he was driving west on Kent avenue and as he got to the intersection of Kent avenue and Rae street, he crashed into the rear end of a taxi cab being driven by Gilbert Clement. The force of the impact turned the taxi around and eventually turned it over on its side. The taxi was almost through the intersection when the accident happened. Pasqual was also prohibited from driving for 2 months. Sam Frustaglio, 22 Cecil street, South Porcupine, appeared in the same court and paid a fine of twenty-five dollars and costs on a charge of failing to remain at the scene of an accident.

Frustaglio was involved in an accident on Sunday night about seven-thirty and after hitting a car that belonged to Oscar Matson, of the Delmitte property, he kept on going and didn't stop to see what damage he had done. He was eventually apprehended in South Porcupine with another man who claimed that he had been driving the car. The two men were charged jointly but when Frustaglio pleaded guilty to the charge the other charge against the other man was dropped. Frustaglio was prohibited from driving for a period of thirty days.

Walter Davidson, 80 Second avenue, was arrested at 2.10 p.m. on Thursday last week and charged with having liquor in other than his private residence. Police apprehended him in a laneway off Second avenue with a part bottle of liquor in his possession.

Roy Draper, 168 Birch street south, paid a fine of ten dollars and costs on a charge of careless driving when he pleaded guilty before Magistrate Atkinson on Monday night. He had become involved in an accident at the corner of Preston and Wilson last Thursday evening. He had been travelling west on Wilson avenue and he made too sharp a turn at the corner. His short turn put him into the proper position to hit a truck being driven by Leslie Bailey, of 87 Wilson avenue. The left front fender and the rear left fender of the Bailey truck were damaged in the accident.

Timmins Police Aid in Investigation of Kirkland Robbery

Some of the Loot Recovered in Timmins Last Week. Kirkland Man Broke Into Drug Store.

Rene Charron, of Kirkland Lake, pleaded guilty last week before Magistrate Atkinson at Kirkland Lake, to breaking and entering Hornick's Pharmacy, on Government Road, Kirkland and stealing merchandise valued at \$614 on September 19th. Sentence will be passed on the man in police court in Kirkland Lake today. Charges against three other Kirkland Lake men will also be proceeded with today. The trio are charged with being in possession of stolen goods.

Discovery of a small quantity of the stolen goods in Timmins was partially responsible for the arrest of the men in Kirkland Lake. Kirkland police received information that the men had come to Timmins and they sent word here to the police to be on the lookout for the men. The careful observation of the Timmins police resulted in a quantity of the goods being recovered and the charges laid.

Goods recovered in Timmins were said to have been cigarette lighters, bill folds, etc.

Weather Hurt Tag Day for Blind at Kirkland Lake

Tag Day for the Canadian National Institute for the Blind at Kirkland Lake last week realized \$307.60. In addition Virginia town turned in \$57.21 and Swastika, \$10.19. The weather was very bad but the receipts for Kirkland were only \$150.00 below last year's returns.

Lions Club Dance Again Proves Very Successful Event

Committee in Charge Receiving Many Compliments.

Gay songs, modern dances, coloured lights, beautiful ladies and handsome gentlemen made the Lions Club dance at the Riverside Pavilion on Friday evening one of the season's most successful events, and brought many compliments to the committee in charge of the event.

Music for the occasion was supplied by Henry Kelnick and his orchestra, and balloons and novelties added to the evening's entertainment. The event being formal, many of the ladies wore beautiful gowns, and lovely corsages, and their escorts were proud of their charm.

Squadron Leader Hodgetts Explains Plan and Aims of Air Cadets of Canada

Timmins Third in Ontario to Establish Air Cadet Corps. Value of Service Clubs in Such Matters. Kiwanis Luncheon Also Hears Reports from Delegates at Recent Convention at Montreal.

There were two very special features at the weekly Kiwanis luncheon at the Empire theatre on Monday. One was the very able and comprehensive address by Squadron Leader Hodgetts, and the other was the value of the reports by the delegates from the Timmins Club to the recent convention at Montreal.

Squadron Leader G. A. Hodgetts, R.C.A.F. Air Cadet Liaison Officer, No. 1 Training Command, Toronto, was in town in connection with the recently formed Air Cadet Corps in Timmins. The Timmins Air Cadets are sponsored by the Timmins Kiwanis Boys "B" Club, and Squadron Leader Hodgetts was here to address the Cadets, the committee and others interested.

Introduced by P. T. Moisiey, Commanding Officer of the newly-formed Air Cadet unit, Squadron Leader Hodgetts thanked the Kiwanis for the patriotic work they were doing. He congratulated the members of the committee on the fact that Timmins was the tenth club in Canada to sponsor an Air Cadet Corps. He pointed out that as the R.C.A.F. has expanded from 4,000 men to over 80,000, there is urgent need for more young men to carry on the Commonwealth Air Training Plan. The Air Cadets had been formed to help in the matter. The Air Cadets units were formed for early ground training for air work and would shorten the course in the service for all the Air Cadets who enlisted later. Any enlistments among these boys, he emphasized, must be voluntary when they are old enough. The Air Service, he said, was one branch where voluntary enlistment seemed essential. It appeared to be a branch where conscription would not work for obvious reasons.

Training in the Air Cadets, the Squadron Leader said, will consist of a three-year period and will offer a basis for aviation, if the boys care to enter civil aviation later. Generally, the course of study is such as will be of benefit in later life. It includes:—drill, first aid, mathematics, physical training, air planes, air engines, theory of flight, etc., to supplement High and Vocational School training. Courses are to be given to instructors at regular Air Force stations, and every facility given for learning Air Force methods.

The speaker then pointed out that in Ontario, only Woodstock and Windsor were ahead of Timmins in forming their own group of Air Force Cadets, but now there were about twenty such towns and cities in Ontario. Most of this work was being done by Service Clubs, as the Lions Clubs in Sudbury and North Bay, the Kiwanis Clubs in Kingston and Brantford, while in other cities like London, Stratford and Toronto the work was being sponsored by groups of Service Clubs working together. He also added that to help in this preliminary air training was certainly a very real war work.

Several letters to the Club were read, one letter apparently sent by the Convention Committee to try and prove that the delegates were actually at the District Convention held in Montreal last week. The reports by the delegates, however, were most interesting and informative proof of the fact that they not only attended the convention, but also brought back much valuable information and inspiration for the members of the local club.

The first of the delegates to report to the meeting on the Convention and its activities was Kiwanian Fritz Woodbury. He started by saying that while the weather was perfect and everything ran very well, he had not been able to take his wife to the convention, and that Kiwanis Conventions were so planned that the ladies play an important part and members really want to take their wives to Kiwanis Conventions. Fritz pictured the Sunday evening musicale with the community and professional singing, and discussed briefly the talk, "We'll Never Let the Old Flag Fall," by Rev. Frank S. Morley, of Westmount, Que., who said, "How can we be free when other men are slaves?" and went on to discuss plans to correct conditions after the war is over. The motto for the whole convention was, "Safeguard Democracy by Individual Service."

Vice-president Fred Burt spoke briefly on the entertainment at the Convention, which was of very high standard. Past Lieut.-Governor P. T. Moisiey introduced President W. O. Langdon to the Club as the new Lieut.-Governor for this District for 1942. President Bill Langdon expressed his appreciation of the honour bestowed on this Club and himself by his election as Lt.-Governor, and spoke at length on what he termed the outstanding address of the whole convention, that of John P. Day, Professor of Economics at McGill University. Prof. Day pointed out the necessity for all thinking people to make plans and prepare themselves and the people of the Dominion for the serious problems after the war. An acute shortage will exist of all peace-time requirements and there is bound to be disruption in employment. His programme for post-war problems consisted of Patience, Good-will, Hard Work, and Good Stewardship, but he pointed out that the first three of these necessities rested in our own hands. The best medium for passing on these ideas is the membership of Service Club, and members must constantly stress the need for post-war planning.

The speaker at the Governor's Banquet, Dr. Chas. B. Holman, of St. Louis, Mo., U.S.A., and International Vice-president of Kiwanis took a very frank stand on the part of the United States should play in the present war and after the war. He pointed out that the United States is now at war in fact, though not sending men overseas, and showed that the U.S. had approximately 20,000,000 aliens resident inside her borders and that these persons had to be trained to see the Light, before the country could enter a "shooting war," but stated that he felt certain that his country would soon be side-by-side with the other Allies. The war saving certificate draw at the meeting was won by Kiwanian J. Lyman Murray, who also was the winner (though claiming to be the loser) in the draw for a five-minute talk at next meeting on "My Interpretation of the News of the Week." It is a new plan to have these five-minute addresses, and to draw for the "lucky" man to give the address each week. The singing for the day was led by Kiwanian Harry Bates.

The meeting closed with the singing of "O Canada."

Regimental School to Start at Timmins This Week-end

To Qualify for Second Lieutenants and Sergeants.

Twenty-nine combined or regimental schools of instruction to qualify junior officers and N.C.O.'s of the Reserve Army in Military District No. 2 get under way during the week-end of October 4, according to District Headquarters, Toronto.

These schools, to be held in 19 cities and towns in Central and Northern Ontario, usher in the fall training season for reserve units in all arms of the service. They will be run in addition to the evening drills and other training. The schools will have 54 evening sessions, each of three 45-minute periods. Examinations will be held in December. The lectures and instruction will be given by officers of the units concerned.

Schools will be held in the following centres outside Toronto: Brantford, St. Catharines, Hamilton, Simcoe (Norfolk field Brigade, R.C.A.); Barrie and Owen Sound (Grey and Simcoe Foresters); Brampton, Georgetown, Oakville, Port Credit, and Orangeville (Lorne Scots); North Bay, Halleyburg, Timmins, Kirkland Lake, Parry Sound and Huntsville (Algonquin Regiment) and Oshawa. Successful passing of the tests will qualify for second-lieutenants and sergeants.

Boy Ruins Bike in Collision With Automobile

Both Travelling in Different Directions when Accident Took Place.

Wallace Hubert, fourteen years old, living on Riverside Drive, across the Mattagami River, ruined his bicycle on Monday afternoon about six o'clock, but he suffered no injuries, when he was involved in an accident with a motor car. Damages to his bicycle amounted to about twenty dollars while the damages to the car with which he collided amounted to sixteen dollars.

Frank Shub, driving a Hudson car, was travelling west on Wilson avenue while Hubert was travelling east on the same street. The two drivers collided in front of 121 Wilson avenue and both claimed that they did not see the other vehicle approach. The left front headlight on the car was badly damaged and the rear wheel and the fork on the bicycle were damaged.

Police investigated and they found that the car had skid marks of twelve feet but the bicycle showed no skid marks. No charges were laid.

Legion's Cigarettes Safely Reaching the Soldiers Overseas

Legion Cigarette Committee Has Received Many Acknowledgements.

It would appear that the soldiers from this district are safely receiving the cigarettes being sent overseas by the Timmins Canadian Legion Branch 88 Overseas Cigarette Committee. This may be gathered from the letters and cards received from the lads overseas. Mr. Chas. Keates, chairman of Branch 88's Overseas Cigarette Committee has given The Advance a list of twenty-two such acknowledgements. They were dated overseas Sept. 2nd, and were received here Sept. 27th, 1941. In commenting on the acknowledgements, Comrade Keates says:—"Some of them mention 100 per cent. received. We are touching wood, but would like to add that we have returns (letters or cards) showing that at least some of every shipment has reached its destination, which shows well for the work of the Boys of the Old Plum and Duff (the Navy) not forgetting, of course, the merchantmen."

The letters and cards received acknowledging the receipt of cigarettes sent overseas by the Legion committee in July were as follows:— R.A.F.—M. Banning, H. Wharton. R.C.A.F.—T. E. Frants, N. M. Roy. Military Police—R. R. Warner. R.C.A.—W. Jones, H. E. Dodd, A. J. Noonan, D. S. Moore. R.C.E.—P. McNulty, O. Pearson, A. Spence, B. MacDonald, J. J. Craik, P. Carroll. R.C.A.S.C.—W. E. Boden. Infantry—M. E. Jenkins, C. McGill, B. L. Perry, A. Chisholm, H. A. Mason. R.C.A.M.C.—L. A. McKenzie.

\$40,000 Public School to be Built at Matachewan

Word from Matachewan last week was to the effect that work was under way in the construction of a \$40,000 public and continuation school, with Hill-Clark-Francis supervising the work.

Third Term as President of Festival of Music for Rev. E. Gilmour Smith

Annual Meeting of Festival of Music Unanimous in Decision to Hold Festival Again This Year, Present Year a Successful One and Still Better Results Planned for Coming Year.

In spite of the inclement weather on the evening of Thursday, September 25th, the annual meeting of the Festival of Music for Cochrane district was held in the Town Hall at Timmins,

Message to Workers and Contributors to Canadian Red Cross

Prime Minister Churchill Extends Thanks to All.

From the News Bulletin of the Canadian Red Cross the following message to every worker and every contributor to the Canadian Red Cross is taken:—

The following message, received from the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom, Mr. Churchill, is addressed to EVERY WORKER and EVERY CONTRIBUTOR to the Canadian Red Cross:—

"The Canadian Red Cross Society has won the gratitude of many thousands of people in Great Britain for the energy and devotion with which it has worked on their behalf. The quality of clothing sent from Canada has been universally admired; its quantity has been as remarkable. Civil defence workers and the fire fighting service have shared with innumerable air raid victims welcome supplies of clothes, blankets, food and medical equipment that have reached these shores. In their name I thank all those who have contributed with such tireless generosity to this humane work."

Two Cars Involved in Accident at Maple and Third

Impact Took Place on Third Avenue About Three-Quarters Across the Intersection.

Two cars were involved in an accident at six-thirty Monday afternoon when they met at an intersection. The accident could have been much more serious but both cars escaped with small damages. The accident took place at the corner of Maple street and Third avenue.

Frank Xamin, 264 Pine street south, was driving west on Third avenue while Algot Larsen, Room 17, Three-Star Hotel, had been driving north on Maple street and had stopped at the stop sign. When the accident occurred the Larsen car was about three-quarters into the intersection.

Police investigated the accident but laid no charges. They took a number of measurements and said that charges may be laid by one of the drivers.

with the president Rev. E. Gilmour Smith in the chair. A resume of the 1941 festival prepared by the secretary, Mrs. Peter Wenger, was read by Mr. Stanley Fowler who also presented the financial statement. Appreciation was expressed for the fine services of the adjudicators, Mr. Roy Fenwick, B. Mus. and Dr. Charles Peaker, Mus. D. The adjudicators were greatly pleased with the capable work of the ladies who acted as secretaries and chairman during the sessions of the festival.

The meeting was unanimous that a festival should be planned for 1942, and proceeded to elect the officers. For a third term Rev. E. Gilmour Smith was elected president, Mrs. Dr. McClintock as First Vice-President, Mr. C. P. Walker as Second Vice-President, Mr. Stanley Fowler as treasurer, and Miss Daley as assistant secretary. It was left to these officers to make appointments to the position of secretary, and also of executive representatives from Timmins, Schumacher, South Porcupine and Iroquois Falls.

Cochrane which held a one day festival in May last, will elect a delegate to sit with the central executive, and Kapuskasing also will have this right. The immediate task of the executive is to set up committees to secure two adjudicators, and to prepare the Syllabus. The Syllabus is prepared by the Porcupine Music Teachers Association under the four departments of vocal, piano, violin and school choruses.

Various suggestions were made at the meeting for improvement. It was said that the Grand Concert should be limited to not more than two hours, and that all individual vocal, violin and piano numbers should use the amplifier. The following is the statement of receipts and disbursements of the District of Cochrane Festival of Music—held on May 12th, 13th and 14th, 1941:

Table with columns for Receipts and Disbursements. Receipts include Surplus brought forward, Admission fees, etc. Disbursements include Cost of printing, Fees and expenses of adjudicators, etc.

Timmins Man in Action Against Enemy Submarine in Atlantic Last Month

Stoker Bill Cook Was on Corvette That was Struck by Torpedo Last Month. Was in Timmins Last Week on Leave. Returned to Duty Over the Week-end.

The Advance was given a first-hand account of life on one of the new Canadian Corvettes over the week-end. Stoker (First-Class) Bill Cook was in Timmins on leave and he had some interesting stories about his life on board one of the Corvettes. Bill, a native of Timmins, and at one time one of The Advance's newsboys, has been in the Royal Canadian Navy for the past three months and in that short time he has already made several trips to Iceland and Greenland. Early one morning last month, the Corvette on which Bill was serving left an eastern Canadian port for an unknown destination. By the end of the first day at sea he found out where they were going. Their destination was Greenland.

The second day out of port they encountered dozens of other craft in a convoy and they joined them. The trip for the most part to Greenland was uneventful but when they reached a point about seventy miles south of Greenland they were attacked by an enemy submarine. One torpedo was shot from a U-boat and it glanced off the Corvette. Destroyers and Corvettes raced around dropping depth charges in an effort to destroy the U-boat and Bill didn't say whether the sub was destroyed or not. When they reached port they found a gash about fifteen feet long on the side of the Corvette where the torpedo had struck. It was fortunate that the torpedo had hit the Corvette a glancing blow because if it had hit squarely on the nose, the Corvette would probably have been destroyed.

When asked about conditions on board a Corvette at sea, Bill said that it was always rough. Even in calm water the Corvette had a swaying motion. He compared a Corvette in the Atlantic Ocean with a bath tub in Lake Superior. He was loud in his praise of the small vessels though, and said that they were among the most important in the Navy.

Stoker Cook also has been in action on one of the mine sweepers in the Royal Canadian Navy and he said that working on board one of these vessels is the most dangerous task in the service.

Stoker Cook left over the week-end to report at an eastern Canadian port where he expected to be sent out on convoy duty. He explained that when a boat left for convoy duty, they knew nothing about it but met with the convoy miles out at sea. Some of the convoys consist of almost a hundred freighters and warships, he said.