Councillor Roberts was absent a

Nineteen

Fire Calls

Over Week-End.

Breaks Out in Timmins

Timmins has an epidemic in chim-

ney fires at the present time but it

on Sunday alone. In Timmins the

firemen were called out nineteen times

Fire Chief Alex Borland attributes

the cause of the chimney fires to the

use of wet slabs in the stoves. The

since last Thursday afternoon.

# CHRISTMAS MERRY

## Part of Tisdale Township To be Annexed by Town According to By-Law

McIntyre and Coniaurum Properties Are Affected by the Proposal. Council Leases Timmins Skating Rink for Eight and a Half Months.

A part of the Township of Tisdale Rogers and Joe Blais were appointed will soon become a part of Timmins caretakers of the different rinks that according to legislation that was set in the town has Built for the children. motion yesterday afternoon by the | Four by-laws were passed at yestercouncil. A further account in the form day's meeting including the Schumaof a statement from the clerk-treasurer cher Annexation by-law. One of the appears in another column and is self by-laws was to make a change in the explanatory. The McIntyre and Coni- penalties in the Shoe Repair Shops aurum properties are affected by the by-law. The other two were to declare move. The lengthy by-law was read some Hollinger property in the north to the council yesterday afternoon and end of the town as streets. The town recently took over the property to

An agreement was also read to the make streets and these by-laws were council yesterday afternoon and a few the formal approval of the council rechanges were ordered made before it garding the matter. During the voting will be passed. The agreement con- on the opening of the streets, Councilcerns the Timmins Skating Rink. John lor Bartleman asked to be excused and Carnovale, the owner of the rink offer- refused to vote on them. ed it to the council a couple of weeks ago and last week the council had their | yesterday's meeting having gone to solicitors draw up an agreement. Ottawa with the Northern Mining Yesterday the council wanted to make Municipalities delegation. May o a few changes in the document and Brunette was in the chair and Counwhen they are made the council will be cillors Terry, McDermott, Spooner operating the Timmins: Rink. Mr. Bartleman and Eyre were all present. Carnovale asked the council for six hundred dollars for rent for the property for eight and a half months. The Hollinger consented to pay the rental fee if the town would undertake the operating of the rink. The town agreed to this and by next week they should be running the ice palace.

in 5 Days The Northern Broadcasting and Publishing Company, wrote to the council asking them to sponsor a programme on Christmas morning. It was Epidemic of Chimney Fires their intention to present a recorded drama on Christmas morning for the children of the town. The drama chosen was Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol", and the council was asked to pay the cost of the recordings, fifty isn't as bad as it could have been dollars. After some discussion the council turned down the proposal, ad- In Montreal they also have an epidemic of chimney fires and the firemen mitting that the idea was a good one but they couldn't see why some of the in Montreal were called out forty times business firms shouldn't sponsor the programme instead of the town.

Caldbick and Yates, the town solicitors, wrote to the council telling them that they were not liable for damages in the case of L. Halperin. Last week Mr. Halperin wrote to the council telling them that when one of the town's sewers was blocked it had flooded his house and he wanted the town to pay the plumbing bill of seven dollars and fifty cents. The solicitors said that the town staff had corrected the trouble in less than two hours after the complaint had been received and they couldn't see where the town was

responsible for the damage. The department of Municipal Affairs wrote another letter to the council regarding the salvage campaign. They enclosed a circular letter that outlined car. the system used in the City of Tor- Early in the morning on Sunday the that the British defenders of Hong a Christmas tree and party provided Each applicant is required to sign

onto to collect fats and bones wrote to the council asking them if of calling them. The fire was in his situation remained unchanged except they would consider renting the Far- car where a cigarette set fire to the for some aerial action in which two Duke of York" were instrumental in mers' Market building to them in the uphostering. Damage amounted to Japanese planes had been destroyed breaking down any reserve, and everywinter. They said they were prepared about twenty-five dollars. Firemen al- and two others badly damaged. The one was soon friendly with everyone to pay \$25 per month rent for the so answered four more calls for chim- Japs were said to be in possession of else. A visit from old St. Nicholas was Worthington Street East, North Bay, building but the council turned down ney fires before the day was finished. the offer, saying that if they rented it Yesterday the firemen were given a British-Malayan troops were said to and this popular old gentleman had a to them it would be giving them a rest as no calls were received all day have inflicted heavy casualties on the gift for all who attended. monopoly over the other farmers. They and night. decided that the market would be closed after the beginning of the year

A number of recommendations were Kiwanis to Hold "Dad's received by the council for some new street lighting. The addition of several lights in different parts of the town was recommended but the council de-

J. Lebrun, W. J. Varin, Emerson gramme can be arranged.

and Other Pleasing Items.

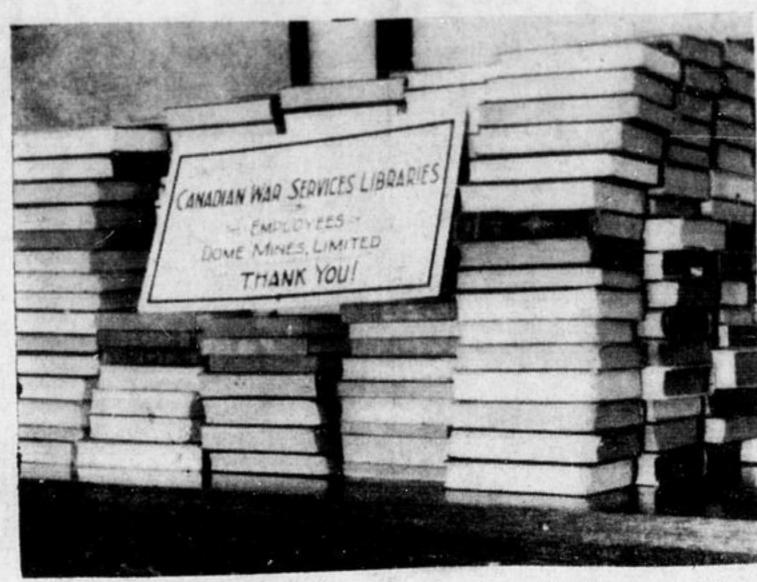
was presented on Friday evening in the

Excellent Programme at

School Benefit Concert

Birch Street Public

600 BOOKS FOR SOLDIERS FROM DOME EMPLOYEES



A few weeks ago the Dome Mines Co. was approached by a representative of the Canadian War Services Library Council with a view to securing books for the men serving in the armed forces. The Dome passed on the appeal to its employees as requested, asking them to bring to the Dome office any books they could spare from their libraries at home. The employees, it should be noted were not asked to purchase new books, but merely asked to give any books they could spare from their own libraries. The response was certainly gratifying. Above is a picture of some of the books gathered for the Canadian War Services Libraries. The final count showed 600 books collected. A label was pasted in the inside of the cover of each book, so that the books can be identified as coming from the Dome employees. Recently the Dome was informed by the Canadian War Services Library Council that the books were sent as a unit to a new Royal Canadian Air Force training camp in the Maritimes. Any more books coming in at any time will be sent to the same

There is no doubt but that the R.C.A.F. camp will be very much pleased with this gift.

## Canadian Defenders of Island of Hong Kong are Reported Holding Well

dian and Indian Lines in What is Described as the Fiercest Fight They Have Ever Been Engaged In.

The Canadian, British and Indian | Choral Group Enjoys troops of the Hong Kong garrison are is that the chimney gets plugged up odds, a British communique said this Christmas Tree and morning. It added that many of the The biggest day the firemen had was troops are isolated and are still fightlast Thursday afternoon and night ing out any attempt to dislodge them. when they were called out eight times. Chinese troops fighting toward the Only one call was received on Friday | west are attemping to break through but on Saturday it started again when to rescue the garrison. Military authey received five calls. One of Sat- thorities in London held out very little urday's calls was for a car fire at the hope that the brave men in Hong corner of Maple street and Second King could hold the entire Japanese avenue where F. E. Watson's car motor army in an all-out attack by land, air

started to burn when he started his and sea Another British communique said ger hall on Thursday evening, when C.A.F. medical examination. Edward Rouseau and Donald Barr. man delivered his fire to them instead. ly held lines and that the Malayan relax and enjoy themselves. the eastern half of the island. The a highlight in the night's proceedings, Ontario. Japs in a jungle battle about three hundred miles from Sinapore.

From Manilla it was reported that United States and Phillipine forces were holding firm against a ferocious and Lads" Meeting, Dec. 29 Japanese offensive on the Gulf of Lingayen. The attack was said to have Monday, Dec. 29th, will be "Dads been aimed at Manilla. The far eastcided that they will leave the matter and Lads" meeting of the Timmins ern army headquarters indicated that Kiwanis Club. Each member is ex- invasion fronts were blazing through C. McFadden was given a refund of pected to bring his own lad to this out the northern part of Luzon Island \$15.03 when it was learned that the meeting, or someone else's boy. If the as the Japanese developed their landtaxes on his property had been paid to boy can play, dance, sing or recite, ing on the golf coast 110 miles north tell Fritz Woodbury so that the pro- of the capital.

H. Carson, Mr. Tal Bevan, and Lie. singing by the Porcupine Male Choir. notified for necessary adjustments, bore the many gifts.

## **Intimidation Cases** at Kirkland Lake Adjourned to Jan. 8

district mines appeared in court before as reason for the postponement.

Joe Rankin, vice-president of Kirkland Lake Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers' Union, faced two charges of intimidation preferred by E. Perry and A. Paquette, Tech Hughes mine workers who alleged Rankin attempted to deter them by threats from going to work. Rankin was not asked to plead. Others who appeared were: Barbara Pysklyeves, J. S. Brown, Louis Radoman, George Lundstrum, Joseph Lafort, John Lluta, E. Baxter, N. Greer, J. R. Hennessy, Joe Bozich and Ceci Peter. Peter, a non-union man, was charged with intimidating a union member. The strikers seek union recognition

from the mine operators.

### Young Men Wanted to Learn Air Force Trades and Crafts

From Flight Lieutenant O. W. Froom, Commanding Officer No. 7 Recruiting Centre, R.C.A.F., with headquarters at North Bay, Ont., there came to The Advance last week a letter suggesting some publicity in regard to the number joining the Airmen. The letter refers to the number of

demands of the R.C.A.F. The following gives a good outline in regard to what is really needed and

recruits needed to keep pace with the

desired at present:-The Galt Aircraft School operates under the Dominion-Provincial Youth Training Programme and trains young men as Aero Engine Mechanics, Airframe Mechanics, or Wireless Operators (Ground)

Airframe divisions should be from 18 to 30 years of age and have a mini-mum education of High School En- Meeting for Year trance with some mechanical experience or aptitude. The length of the course is 16 weeks and 195 men are enrolled every 4 weeks.

Applicants for the Wireless Operator (Ground) division should be from 18 to 24 years of age and have a minimum education of 2 years High or Technical school with a fair knowledge of mathematics. The length of the Members and Friends of the course is 20 weeks.

Students are given a subsistence allowance of \$9.00 per week. Applicants must complete R.C.A.F.

application form and furnish birth Members and friends of the Schu- certificate, proof of education, registrabert Choral Society met at the Hollin- tion certificate, and must pass an R.

firemen were given a break when a Kong had made small gains from firm- those present with an opportunity to an agreement to enlist in the R.C.A.F. at the completion of the course. Transportation is provided from the applicants' home town to Galt.

> For further information apply to the R.C.A.F. Recruiting Centre, 40

#### Lunch was served by the members **Annual Christmas** of the society, and was worthy of many compliments. Round and square danc-Party for Nurses ing were enjoyed, while during the enand Friends efficient master of ceremonies, assisted

Auditorium of Nurses' Residence at St. Mary's Hospital is Setting for Event.

enjoyed an especially pleasant evening seven o'clock and fell dead a few minon Monday night, at the annual Christ- utes later. It is expected that death The regular publication day of The mas party, which opened with an in- was due to heart failure, although no Advance next week falling on New Year's Day, The Advance will issue on teresting programme by the probation- inquest, has yet been held. ary class, and continued with a social | The late Mr. Therrien, who resided Wednesday, Dec. 31st. Correspondents and others kindly note the advanced evening and dancing. The event took at 56 Bruce avenue, was sixty-nine have a choir from the Welsh Society, place in the auditorium of the Nurses' years old. He leaves to mourn his loss Timmins, to sing Christmas carols in Residence, and about thirty couples his wife, two sons in town, and four town this year. This choir will sing were present to take part in the merri- children in the United States. No at a number of houses in town and all

Included on the fine programme | been made as yet. were a Christmas play, a violin duet, a skit, and the singing of Christmas songs by a choir, while a special feature of the evening was a visit from Santa Claus with a gift for each per-Fifty-five Youngsters Have der Auspices of Citizens' of the hall, and to this tree Santa Claus made his way.

Children of Timmins men in the ser- the latter part of the evening, and vices were the guests of honour on Miss Virginia Brothers presided at the

#### Haileybury Officer is Chief of Intelligence Corps

retreat from Cambrai.

# Churchill and Roosevelt Meet in Washington and Kirkland Lake, Dec. 22—When 12 persons charged with intimidation in connection with the strike in eight Talk of Victory Over Axis

Margietrate S. Atkinson at Friday's session hearings were adjourned until January 8. Approach of the Christmas holiday period was given as reason for the postponement.

Churchill Arrives Dramatically in Washington and Discussions Start This Morning. British Report That Axis Line of Retreat in Libya is Now Completely Cut Off.

## Streets in Dangerous Condition

Rain Has Coated Streets With Ice. Engineer's Department Has Every Available Man Working.

Last night's rain and colder temperature made the streets and highways exceedingly dangerous for motor traffic. The streets were covered with a owner to walk to work this morning British losses was being maintained. instead of motoring.

and Timmins was discontinued for the Huns from the Moscow front were some time and resumed again at gaid to have hammered deep wedges eleven-thirty this morning.

serious accident was reported on the German positions highway at the bottom of the Rae Hill. department was put to work this morn- Russian situation in the Crimea was ing in an altempt to crack the ice and penetration of Russian defence lines is make travelling safer. About forty men were up to work early today sanding the sidewalks and intersections. several sectors. The town's snowploughs travelled up

## Applicants for the Aero Engine and Lions Hold Final Here Last Night

Next Meeting of Timmins line of retreat. Lions Club Will be Held on January 5th.

The last regular meeting of the Timmins Lions Club for this year was held at the Empire Hotel last night and the meeting was very short and consisted mostly of carol singing. Guest at the meeting was Scotty Wilson, who played the piano accompaniments in the absence of Lion H. Treneer, who had been called away owing to the death of

a group of four ladies who had a be used in service work.

The date for the first meeting of the new year was decided on and the Lions will next meet at the Empire Hotel on Monday evening, January 5th.

### **Dennis Therrien** Dies Suddenly at South Porcupine

South Porcupine, Dec. 23.—(Special to The Advance) - The death occurred The nurses in training at St. Mary's suddenly this morning of Mr. Dennis Hospital, and many of their friends, Therrien, who arose as usual about Carols for Benefit

President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill put their heads together this morning on a unified victory programme for the destruction of the Axis powers and Japan had high priority in the discussions. Even before the capital had recovered from its surprise at Churchill's dramatic arrival, the conversations had got under way and the White House had become the general headquarters, at least for the time being, for the worldwide battle against totalitarian arms Accompanying Prime Minister Churchill on his historic visit were everal important names from Britain, including Lord Beaverbrook and a staff of technical experts. There were also reports that the Urime Minister's visit

might be of some duration. British officials said today that the coating of ice and the highways in Battle of the Atlantic is going pretty particular were impassible. Glare ice well. No figures were given but offion the highways forced many a car cials said that the reduced level of

Strong Russian forces launching an-Bus service between South Porcupine other phase of their battle to drive into the enemy lines about severty No accidents were reported in Tim- miles southwest of the capital. The mins by either the Ontario Provincial momentum of the German drive has Police or the Timmins police but one carried the Russians several miles into

Reports from Crimea described a All available pieces of machinery at major German attack against the Rusthe disposal of the town's engineering sian strongholds in that sector. The admittedly grave following German penetration of Russian defence lines in

British communiques regarding the and down all the streets to take off the battle in Libya reported that the Imperial columns now block the Axis line of retreat on the Gulf of Sirte, south of Bengasi and also reported the destruction of fifty-four planes in the air and on the ground. In London a military spokesman said that the German General, Rommel, may be forced to fight at Bengasi instead of falling back to Tripoli because of the success of the British troops in cutting off his

### **Funeral Last Week** of Mr. J. Hallam

Over Twenty Years a Respected Resident of Tim-

Funeral services were held on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at St A very inspiring Christmas message Matthew's Anglican Church for the was delivered by Lion Mansell Napper, late Mr. Joseph Hallam, who passed who told the members that he had been | away at St. Mary's Hospital, on Thursthe recipient of \$2.50, a donation from | day, December 18th, after a long illknitting circle. These funds had ac- well-known resident of the town, havcumulated and the ladies decided to ing resided here for over twenty years, donate the funds to the Lions Club to and was an employee of the Hollinger Mine. Funeral services were conducted by the Rev. Canon R. S. Cushing, and

> The late Mr. Hallam, who was born in England, was fifty-four years old. He leaves to mourn his loss his wife, at 45 Lakeshore Road. He was a ucpular member of the Timmins Branch of the Legion, having given honourable service in the last war, and he was held in high esteem by all who

## To Sing Christmas of Bombed Victims

Mrs. W. Roberts has arranged to definite funeral arrangements have the donations received will be turned over to the local Bombed Victims Fund.

## Seven Men in Hospital Happy Time at Event Unwith beautiful coloured lights and der Auspices of Citizens' of the ball and to this tree Sents A delicious lunch was served during on Rea Hill Last Night

One Car Went Out of Control on Icy Hill, and Six Other Cars, Unable to Stop, Crashed. One Man Has Twisted Hip, but Other Injuries Not So Serious.

were unable to stop, and crashed.

Robertson of Calgary who has gone to though there are no broken bones, the Contaurum property.

South Porcupine, Dec. 23.—(Special cal attention and are in hospital, Most to The Advance)-Seven people are of the injured were from Timmins: Somewhere in England, Dec. 22-The in hospital here today as a result of Albert Aubertin, of 75 Rae street north; new chief of the intelligence branch at an accident, or series of accidents, Albert Ausertin, of 10 fede street nor ar, corps headquarters is Capt. R. H. Un- which took place about ten minutes to win of Haileybury, formerly head of the six o'clock last night, about a quarter Geo. Fluter, of 184 Spruce street north; intelligence section of 2nd Canadian of a mile east of the Rea Hill on the Noel Rien, of 57 Middleton avenue, Division. Serving with British Inter- highway. One car first went out of and Walter Greenwood, of 57 Fogg ligence in the First Great War, he won | control on the icy road, and due to street. One of the men is from South the military cross in 1918 during the this same condition, six other cars Porcupine Einar Berglund, of 197 Front street, and the other man now Capt. Unwin succeeds Maj. Douglas: All in the cars were injured, al- in hospital, Edwin Booker, is from the

of ceremonies, and Mr. F. Anglin tap routine. thanked the performers at the con- Comic songs by Jimmy Allen, with Mr. Smith and his staff.

One of the most inspiring and in- Carson and Mr. L. Worthington sang teresting of Christmas programmes the duet, "O That We Too Were May- a line running southerly from Hearst

auditorium of the Birch street school Two little pupils of Mrs. A. Burt, by a group of local entertainers, to supply funds for the "B" club, a group charming little Shirley Thomas and Toronto area. of juveniles, in their winter hockey. Kathleen Burt, stole the hearts of programme, and eagerly applauded the Rose, were popular with their rendi- at the beginning of this month.

Mr. J. Thomas appearing as a woman, Under the Wartime Prices and Trade Alice Club. The Porcupine Mail Choir, directed lent humour to the programme, while Board Act, no retailer may sell goods | About fifty-five children were present

Japanese Have Been Unable to Pierce the British, Cana-

**Christmas Party** Schubert Choral Society Celebrate Season.

### **District Price** Control Office at North Bay

Prices and Trade Board for Northern Ontario has been established at 69 First Avenue West, North Bay, On-Audience Not as Large as the Event Warranted, but All tario. This office supervises that part Present Enjoyed a Delightful Evening of Music, Magic of Ontario north of a line west from Mattawa to Huntsville to Parry Sound and Georgian Bay including the Manitoulin Islands and all of Northern Ontario west from the Quebec border to to Michipicoten on Lake Superior. Huntsville and Parry Sound are in the

A. T. Smith, prices and supply repre-

Although the atendance was not as everyone in the audience with their sentative of the Wartime Prices and Friday evening at the Hollinger hall plane for the dancing. large as had been expected, or as performance of "Sailors' Hornpipe," Trade Board, is in charge of the dis- at a Christmas party, where Santa large as the programme merited, those and two pupils of Mrs. Margaret Eas- trict office. Mr. Smith, a North Bay Claus made a pre-Christmas visit and present enjoyed every number of the ton Shields, Joan Jeffries and Christine businessman, received his appointment presented each child with a lovely gift. The event was arranged and carried tion of the Highland Fling. Jack All enquiries, correspondence, claims through by the Christmas Party sec-Mr. F. M. Robinson, principal of the Thompson was the only boy dancer, and requests for information regard- uon of the Timmins Citizens' Commit-Birch Street School, acted as master winning more acclaim with his clever ing the new "ceiling" law on prices, tee, headed by Mr. Austin Neame, with games by the members of the Princess

tire evening, Mr. Lortie acted as the

by a committee of members.

on Wednesday

day of publication,

The Advance to

**Issue Next Week** 

**Christmas Party** 

of the Soldiers

Committee.

Here for Children

by Mr. Ron Jones, sang "O Come All Tom Nixon's slight of hand tricks and at a price higher than the highest to enjoy the event, and to receive be-Ye Faithful," "All Hail the Power of magic intrigued both young and old, price charged for those goods during sides their gifts from Santa Claus, Jesus' Name," "While Shepherds and made a special hit with the young- the basic period of September 15 and ice cream, candy, apples and oranges, Watched Their Flocks," "Angels From sters who occupied the front seats. Tom October 11. When the consumer or re- which were donated for the occasion. the Realm of Glory," and by special Wilkins, whose talent is known in this tailer finds that prices asked today are Mr. Andrew McLeod ably carried Arms". Vocal soloists were Mrs. P. programme came to a close with the period, the reginal office should be beautifully decorated Christmas tree an Alberta infantry battalion for regi-