

Terrific Battle Rages In Java

Council Criticises Plumbers for not Assisting in the Passing Plumbers' By-law

Mayor Says Council Spent More Time on Plumbers' By-law Than They Ever Spent on Any Other One. Says Spokesman is Not Speaking for All Timmins Plumbers

Timmins council held another short meeting yesterday afternoon during which no business of any great importance was brought up and everything was rushed through very quickly. The spokesman for the Timmins Master Plumbers' Association came under fire for some time just before the meeting closed to provide the only exciting part of the meeting.

Mayor Brunette started the criticism aimed at the man who called himself the spokesman for the Timmins Master Plumbers when he stated that the town council had gone to great pains and had taken much time in preparing the by-law and had even gone so far as to make several changes before offering it to the Department of Public Health for approval.

He mentioned that he had also made several inquiries and found that the changes that the by-law asked for in the installation of plumbing represented an increase to the plumbers of about \$17 instead of \$48 that the plumbers were evidently trying to make the council believe the price had increased.

The mayor mentioned as well that both he and the town engineer had been sent to a meeting between some of the best plumbers in the country a couple of years ago and that it was on the recommendation of these plumbers that the by-law was drawn up. These plumbers had been working on the idea for more than two years at that time.

None of the other councillors had anything to say about the matter except Councillor Roberts who said that he thought the mayor had expressed the sentiments of the whole council.

Fire Chief Borland presented his monthly report to the council and it showed that the department had answered thirty-seven calls in the past month and that thirty-six of them had been received by telephone. This prompted Councillor Bartleman to ask if the present system of fire alarms was doing any good and the chief answered that he wasn't in favour of installing any more alarm boxes but didn't want the firemen to take any of them away. He pointed out that in the business district the boxes were needed but in the outer parts of the town almost everyone had a telephone and they always used it. He also mentioned that the use of the telephone was a much better way to send a fire alarm in because it told the firemen exactly where the fire was. The chief said that the only box alarm of the month had been a false alarm.

The Timmins chapter of the Imperial Order of the Daughters of the Empire asked for permission to hold a tag day sometime in the summer and the request was filed to be considered with the other requests for tag days.

A petition was received by the council from the property owners along Oak and Willow avenues asking that sewers and water be installed in their district. The petition was filed to be considered along with the other petitions.

F. Cuthane was appointed as special duty fireman with the appointment to be effective from December 15th, 1941.

The clerk was instructed to request Arch Gillies, Ontario Land Surveyor, to survey the land proposed to be used for a beach on Gillies Lake.

A resolution was passed yesterday urging that all organizations be started to organize a Civilian Defence Committee in Timmins so that the town could start to receive some of the equipment from the government. It was mentioned by Councillor Eyre that the town had already received a part of the equipment in the form of a small pump used to put out small incendiary fires.

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Welsh People and Friends in Timmins Pay Honour to Their Patron Saint

St. David Honoured at Banquet and at Church Service. Music and Story Feature Banquet. Delightful Repast by Ladies of the Timmins St. David's Welsh Society.

There was a large gathering of Welsh people and their friends at the Hollinger hall to observe the anniversary event of their patron saint, St. David, on Saturday night, the hall being tastefully decorated for the occasion and daffodils adding beauty to the well-set tables. The full course dinner provided by the ladies of the St. David's Welsh Society was much enjoyed and did credit to the ladies responsible.

Mr. T. E. Thomas, president of the Society, was chairman and toastmaster, and carried through the duties in very able way. After welcoming the guests and members to the event, he thanked the ladies for the delightful repast, and gave special thanks to Mr. Tom Thomas for making and donating the leeks for the buttonholes of all the guests and members present. He also thanked the Cornish Society for giving up their night at the hall and Mr. Kenzie for the use of the dishes.

Mayor Brunette with good story and humour made a hit. He complimented the Welsh on their musical talent and their good fellowship.

Honorary President Jack Thomas led in the salute to the flag and in the pledge of fealty to King and Empire. Mr. A. Jones proposed the toast to the King.

In the unavoidable absence of Councillor W. Roberts, the chairman gave an interesting review of the life and work of St. David, patron saint of Wales.

One of the outstanding addresses of the evening was that of Capt. David Mitchell of the Church Army. In opening he said he always associated the Welsh with music and happiness and the present occasion confirmed this impression. Referring in eloquent words to the life and work of St. David, Capt. Mitchell said that he had established a church that all the bombs of Hitler could not shatter. He urged the Welsh people to continue to stand by the church founded by their patron saint and the way of life and right living that he represented.

The toast to the ladies was proposed by G. A. Macdonald, who combined humorous stories with sincere words of praise for the good work being done in the war effort and in peace time alike by Welsh and other women. In replying to the toast, Mrs. W. Walters in a very effective response said that the Welsh women were doing their part in the Red Cross and other war efforts. She urged them to continue and increased effort.

Mr. Jack Thomas in proposing the toast to "Our Adopted Country" spoke of outstanding Welshmen who had contributed to the development of Canada. He mentioned among others Rev. Derwin Jones, Primate of Canada; Sir Chas. G. D. Roberts, poet and author; David Thompson, explorer; W. J. Phillips, artist. Referring to a similar wish by President Wilson during the last war, he thought another Welshman—a Lloyd George—marched here to-day to speed up Canada's war effort.

Brief but very effective addresses were also given by Mr. W. King and Mr. Fred Hocking.

During the evening solos by Mrs. T. Jones, Mr. J. Jones and Mr. Evan Williams delighted the gathering, all being warmly encored and Mrs. Jones, who sang in place of her husband who was unable to be present, was a particular favourite.

Schumacher, March 4—(Special to The Advance)—Mrs. Charles Jucksch, First Ave., received the sad news Tuesday of the sudden death of her brother, Mr. O. Biesenthal, Port Arthur. Mrs. Jucksch left on the Northland Tuesday for Port Arthur.

Brother of Mrs. Jucksch Passes at Port Arthur

Prices Official to Speak at Retail Merchants' Banquet

Important Event at Empire Hotel on Tuesday Evening Next.

D. M. Le Bourdais, of Ottawa, assistant director of Retail Trade Administration, will be the guest speaker at the first annual banquet of the Timmins Retail Merchants' Association at the Empire hotel, main dining room, on Tuesday evening March 10th, at 7 p.m. His topic will be "Price Squeeze." Mr. Le Bourdais is a very able speaker with a thorough acquaintance with his subject and his address will be both interesting and valuable. In addition to the banquet and address there will be an excellent programme.

Colder Weather Predicted for Coming Week-End

Weather This Week So Far Has Been Very Warm but Change Expected at Any Time.

Stormy and colder weather is again predicted for the week-end today by Mr. S. Wheeler, the weatherman at the Hollinger. Although the weather was very warm this morning the weather expert expected it to turn colder at any time.

Temperatures for the past week show that the weather has steadily been getting warmer each day and at eight o'clock this morning the thermometer was on the thirty degree mark.

During the past week a trace of snow fell on four different days, Saturday, Sunday, Monday and yesterday. The total snowfall during the week was very little and hardly worth totalling.

Temperatures for the past week were: Thursday, max. 24, min. 13; Friday, max. 23, min. 16; Saturday, max. 30, min. 16; Sunday, max. 28, min. 17; Monday, max. 26, min. 20; Tuesday, max. 30, min. 16; Wednesday, max. 38, min. 18; this morning at eight o'clock, 30 degrees.

Excellent Concert by Holy Family School Pupils

On Behalf of the Second Victory Loan.

Monday evening the pupils of the Holy Family School presented a programme of outstanding interest on behalf of the second Victory Loan. The event was arranged by Sister Helen, principal of the school, and the success of the event is a credit alike to her talent and interest and to the ability of the pupils. Rev. Fr. Murray acted as chairman and announcer. Father Callaghan was the speaker for the occasion and his address on the Victory Loan was a very able and inspiring one. Every item on the programme was outstanding. The following is the programme as presented:

"The Miracle"
"You Can Fight for Canada," by the Chorus.
Oral—Victory Loan
"King Cole's Band," by the Tiny Tots
Recitation—"Willie" This was one of the most popular and appreciated items on the programme.
Dancing—"Sailor's Hornpipe"
Recitation—"The Union Jack"
The Flag Drill—"The Little Ones"
Play—"Blue Boots"
Choral speaking—"Big Steamers"
Pageant of Victory—Posten Parade.
"A Cheerful Little Earful—Monologue.
Patriotic Songs—"Pupils in a World of Schools," "God Bless Our Canada," "Play—Builders of Canada"
Chorus—"The White Cliffs of Dover"
Tumbling Act—"Boys' Gym."
God Save the King.

All But Two Towns in District Reach Loan Objective

Still Some Days to Go and District Hopes to Go Over the Top.

All but two centres in the District of Cochrane have reached their objective in the Victory Loan and there is hope that these will go over the top before the campaign ends. The district now has 785 of its objective. There have been 4,663 applications with \$1,374,400 taken up out of an objective of \$1,750,000.

The following are the latest returns, as at noon today the figures in brackets showing the percentage of quota reached:

Timmins (59)	445,700
Schumacher (55)	91,350
S. Porcupine and Porc. (124)	242,500
Cochrane (117)	82,550
Hearst (187)	46,950
Quirk's Falls (105)	107,000
Kapuskasing (102)	128,600
Matheson (175)	17,500
Smooth Rock Falls (140)	35,100
Ramore (130)	15,500

No Regular Front Exists as Result of Japanese Infiltration Tactics

Dutch Reports Express Little Hope for Allied Forces Fighting Desperately to Hold Back Nipponese Invasion Bandoeng, Temporary Capital is Threatened.

Bandoeng, seat of the Allied Command and temporary capital of Java, is only twenty-five miles from the nearest Japanese thrust and is reported to be dangerously close to the main Jap attacking force. This morning the city was raided as six Jap bombers delivered an attack at the expense of four bombers. Two of the craft were downed while two others were damaged. This was a follow up of yesterday's attack by sixteen bombers against an airdrome near the city.

This morning's communique acknowledged the loss of Solo, Soerakarta, Bodjanegara, and several other places in eastern Java as well as Poerwakarta and Tangerang in western Java. Tangerang is only ten miles from Batavia, capital of the Netherlands East Indies, which the government has left.

Jap forces advancing from the south are threatening to isolate the Dutch naval base of Soerabaya from the rest of Java, an announcement this morning said. The bulletin added that the Jap invaders are advancing continually and the battle is raging all over the island now. The invaders have occupied several additional places in spite of the courageous resistance of the Allied troops. The invaders have numerical superiority both on the ground and in the air. The Dutch headquarters said that it was impossible to give a clear review of the situation because no regular front existed as a result of the Japanese infiltration tactics.

Savage fighting is also reported from Burma where a British rearguard is battling a strong Japanese vanguard near Waw, 70 miles from Rangoon. The threat to Rangoon is considered extremely serious as the Japs have succeeded in pouring mechanized forces into the battle. The loss of the Sitang River is helping the Jap advance considerably and it has removed the last natural barrier protecting Rangoon.

Russian troops besieging Orel were said today to be preparing a heavy attack on the enemy garrison while other units pounding at Staraya Russa have annihilated a third of the 16th German Army that is trapped there. Reports from neutral Sweden say that the Red Army is ready for a great frontal attack on Orel where 24,000 Germans under Col.-Gen. Guderian, under siege for two months, refused a Soviet demand for surrender.

Concert by Schools for Victory Loan

Attractive Entertainment To-Night and To-morrow Night in Lions Hall.

Furthering the Victory Loan Drive in this district, the pupils of the four public schools are co-operating in the presentation of a programme at the Lions Club hall this (Thursday) and Friday evenings, commencing at 8 o'clock.

Pupils of various schools in the district were the guests at the first performance this (Thursday) morning and to-morrow morning the pupils who were unable to be present to-day will see the same programme.

Parents and friends will be interested in this presentation, as school children have always provided a varied and entertaining programme.

Timely Address on the Burma Road and Other Available Supply Routes

H. R. Rowe, Who Has Made Special Study of Eastern Situation, Details Interesting and Valuable Information in Address at Timmins Kiwanis Club Luncheon on Monday

With the present situation of the war and its phases in the East, the address on the Burma Road by Mr. H. R. Rowe at the Kiwanis Club on Monday was timely, illuminating and most interesting. Mr. Rowe literally for years has made a study of the Eastern situation. He has maps, charts and data of all kinds gathered from every available reliable source, and by careful study has been able to make a picture of the whole situation that is accurate and illuminating. Mr. Rowe took up the historical background of the Burma Road, showed why and how it was built, described the road and its vulnerability, touched on its operation during the years, and referred to the available alternative routes.

The road was built with conscripted labour and conditions during the construction were very bad. The reason for the construction of the road was that the activities of the Japanese made it necessary for China to reconstruct the old route used by Marco Polo. It meant for China the building during wartime of 726 miles of road through the most difficult country. Speaking of the use of the road, Mr. Rowe pointed out that it was not rain, bombs or landslides that formed the chief difficulty, but the amount of red tape and graft. The road was appropriated too often for private use and supplies for China were sidetracked. Recently this has been remedied.

There were some alternative routes for China, Mr. Rowe said, but all of them had disadvantages. Kiwanian Austin Neame expressed the very sincere thanks of the club to Mr. Rowe for his remarkable address. The war savings certificate drawn for the week was won by Kiwanian Austin Neame. Visitors for the day included Mr. A. A. Ferland, of Toronto, in charge of publicity for the Victory Loan in Cochrane district, and Mr. Lorne Herbert, of Cobalt.