

BRITISH CARRY OUT MAMMOTH AIR RAID

Council Changes Rate of Cost of Living Bonus of All Municipal Employees

Changes Will Make Book-Keeping Much Easier. Meeting Lasts Only Nine Minutes Yesterday Afternoon. Council Approves of Vancouver Resolution. Council Will Visit Army Train.

Timmins council held a nine-minute meeting yesterday afternoon during which nothing of any importance took place. At the conclusion of the meeting Councillor Karl Eyre argued, however, that it wasn't a record meeting. Nothing of any importance was on the agenda and most of the time was taken up with the reading minutes of the two previous meetings. The council decided to give their approval to a resolution that they received from the council of the city of Vancouver last week and passed a resolution asking the Dominion government to continue the Dominion Housing Act as it had proved of benefit to persons in different parts of the country. Last week the council was undecided as to whether they would approve of the Vancouver resolution but yesterday they were all in favour of it.

The council was invited to be a part of a special group to visit the Army Train that arrives in Timmins to-night and will be open for public inspection tomorrow morning from nine o'clock till ten. Councillor Roberts said that he had been included on a committee that had been formed by Captain G. G. Countryman, district recruiting officer to promote interest in the visit and he said that the committee had invited the council to be special guests. The council will meet at the T. & N. O. freight offices at eight-thirty tomorrow morning and will be taken through the train half an hour before the public is admitted.

Councillor Bartleman commented that it seemed to be a foolish venture sending the train here but that the best thing they could do about it now was to go and have a look at it. He

commented that it would be wiser to have sent the equipment to Burma instead of sending it all over Canada. The rest of the council had little to say either way on the question but all agreed that they would have a look at the equipment anyway.

The monthly report of Fire Chief Borland for March was filed.

The council passed a resolution making changes in the cost of living bonus being paid to municipal employees. The change was made to save labour in the payroll and the clerk asked for the changes saying that a girl was being kept busy every day just to figure out the payroll. The new changes are that employees hired and paid by the hour will now receive a cost of living bonus of four cents per hour. Those paid a daily rate will receive thirty cents per day. Two rates were set down for those employees working on a salary basis. Those working five and a half days each week will receive \$7.20 per month while those employees working six full days each week will receive \$7.88 per month.

Timmins Man Arrested Here for Hamilton Police

Robert A. Houle, a young Timmins man who has been held here for almost a week for the Hamilton police, was returned to that city yesterday by Detective Freeborn of the Hamilton City Police. It is understood that Houle is wanted in Hamilton in connection with a number of breaking and entering charges. A charge of shop-breaking is definitely laid against the man and it is believed that he is also implicated in several more.

President of Hollinger Certain About Continued Importance of Gold

Annual Meeting Held at Toronto. Rising Cost and Heavy Taxation Among Present Difficulties for Mining. Net Income Sufficient to Pay the \$1.10 a Share Dividends.

Toronto, April 1—Mining companies are facing difficult times, shareholders of Hollinger Consolidated Gold Mines, Limited, were told by Jules R. Timmins president, at their annual meeting Monday. He mentioned especially the rising costs and heavy taxation.

"The importance of gold in the national economy has been questioned," he said, in part, "and some maintain that gold will not retain its present commanding position in international finance. This would be most unfortunate, as Canada is now one of the great gold-producing countries of the world. Personally, I do not anticipate any such change in the situation and I am not nervous about the future of gold. It is my firm belief that gold will continue to hold the predominant position in world affairs it now enjoys and has held for many centuries."

Looks for Consideration
"The question of sufficient quantities of supplies is before us, but a careful study of the situation would indicate that, if demands are reasonable, we will receive every consideration from both government and manufacturers. I would like to read you a bulletin which came out on Friday last over the Dow-Jones service and which may be of interest. I quote: 'The United States will continue to buy Canadian gold and as far as possible give priority to essential mechanical supplies and maintenance parts for Canadian mines, according to the metal controller and officials of the Bank of Canada.'"

In recalling that the Ontario government had announced acceptance of the proposed Dominion-provincial tax agreement, Mr. Timmins stated the effect of Ontario vacating the corporation and income tax field would "eliminate an item of \$267,812.74 included in Hollinger accounts for Ontario corporation taxes. With this item cancelled your company fully earned the dividend of \$1.10 per share distributed in 1941."

In outlining the year's operations the president brought out the following points:
At the year end ore reserves of the Hollinger Mine consisted of 7,541,996 tons, having a value of \$98,413,000 at \$38.50 per ounce for gold. This compares with \$97,586,000 contained in 7,460,643 tons at the close of the preceding year, representing an increase of 71,263 tons and \$827,000 in value. Ore reserves of the Ross Mine were 757,500 tons at December 31, valued at \$6,782,855, (\$38.50 per ounce for gold), as against 794,743 tons worth \$6,853,862 a year earlier.

Young-Davidson Eases
Results from operations at Young-Davidson during the year were below the previous year, there being a reduc-

tion in tonnage milled of 21,500 tons, and in grade of 13 cents. There was also an increase in costs due to the fact that the operation is now wholly underground and that open pit work was abandoned early in the year.

There was practically no new ore developments at the Ross Mine. Exploration and development were curtailed to permit sinking of the shaft from the 450-foot level to the 900-foot level. This has been completed and exploration and development will be continued during 1942 as usual.

Erection of the mill at the Jerome Mine was completed during the year and is now operating successfully.

"Shareholders, I am sure, have learned with interest that the company, at the request of the Dominion government, was installing a plant for the treatment of scheelite, a tungsten-bearing mineral which occurs in a number of our veins," Mr. Timmins added. "The plant has been completed and is in production, with most satisfactory results. The plant will be available for the treatment of scheelite from other mines."

Interested in Labrador
Directors, it was stated, have recently entered into an agreement with Labrador Mining & Exploration Company, Limited, whereby Hollinger Consolidated has acquired outright certain shares in the company and an option to purchase additional shares which, if exercised, will give control of the company. The latter holds a mining concession from the government of Newfoundland, giving the exclusive right to carry on prospecting and development work over a large area of ground in Labrador, portions of which are known to contain important deposits of iron ore.

Net asset value of the subsidiary, International Bond and Share Corporation, was \$4,615,530.54, compared with \$5,120,522.47 as of December 31, 1940.
The annual reports of mining companies which have recently appeared show clearly how working costs and taxes have been eaten into profits, leaving less and less for shareholders," Mr. Timmins added.

"Some of the mines show but slight changes in operating costs, but taxes invariably show a very large increase. Hollinger operating costs in 1939 were \$5.09 per ton, compared with \$5.21 in 1941. Taxes in 1939 were 62 cents per ton, compared with \$1.20 in 1941, an increase of 93 per cent. The average wage, including cost-of-living bonus, of employees for the year 1941, was \$6.40 per day. The present rate of cost-of-living bonus is 61 cents per day, which for the entire year, if there is no change, will amount to \$550,000."

In Classroom And Out It's A Hard School



Top left is a classroom scene at an Officer Cadet Training Unit somewhere in Great Britain. The intentness of the students promises well for the Canadian Corps' new crop of officers. At right the V. C. lieutenant-colonel in command of the Canadian officers' school discusses a phase of practical outdoor work with two cadets who wear dark masks and gloves in addition to the camouflage on their "tin-hats". Lower left is not a double-exposure but an action shot of three officer-cadets jumping across a smoke-filled trench in assault practice with the latest weapons.

Famous Canadian Tenor to Give Recital on May 27th

Lawrence Defoe to be Featured Soloist on Program at McIntyre Auditorium.

Mr. Lawrence Defoe, famous Canadian tenor, will give a recital in the McIntyre auditorium on Wednesday, May 27th, it has been announced by the Porcupine Music Teachers' Association, which will sponsor the event.

Well-known to Canadian audiences, the talented tenor will provide a programme that should please all lovers of music, and leave with them a memory of good songs, well sung.
Mr. Defoe, who is conductor of the Weston Singers, is heard each week over radio station CFRB from Toronto. His recital here on May 27th will mark his first performance in this district, although several local people have heard him at performances in other Canadian towns.

Lieut. Ramsay Park of Timmins is in England

Lieutenant Ramsay Park, formerly of Timmins, and now attached to an armoured division in England, arrived overseas last week according to word received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Park, of Cobalt. Lt. Park was in the same convoy that brought Lt.-Col. A. G. L. McNaughton back to England.
Before joining the Canadian Active Army, Lt. Park was a member of the second battalion of the Algonquin Regiment stationed in Timmins and was a lance-corporal in "D" Company before going to Brockville to complete an officers' course.

4,000 VIEW TRAIN AT NORTH BAY

An even four thousand persons viewed the Army Train in North Bay yesterday morning when it was open for inspection for a two hour period from ten o'clock till noon. The train arrived in Timmins tonight and will be open for inspection tomorrow morning at nine o'clock.

Highlights From Annual Report of Dome Mines Co.

Gross Production, 201,472 Ounces of Fine Gold. Net Operating Profit Before Depreciation, etc., \$5,017,092.72. Taxes Totalled \$1,750,072.14. Mounting Costs, Increased Taxation and Difficulties About Supplies Among the Troubles of Mining To-day.

Highlights of the annual report of the Dome Mines Limited for the year ending Dec. 31st, 1941, are given below. The report was released for publication yesterday.

From the President's Report
The report of the president, Mr. Jules S. Bache, gives the following interesting facts:—

Gross production for 1941 was 201,472 ounces of fine gold, as compared with 205,584 ounces in 1940. The net operating profit before deducting depreciation, production, income and excess profits taxes, and outside exploration was \$5,017,092.72. Similarly the net non-operating revenue was \$732,348.04. These combined gave a total of \$5,749,440.76.
Dominion provincial and municipal taxes amounted to \$1,750,072.14, an increase of \$183,900.00 over 1940.

Regret expressed at the passing of George C. Miller, one of the original stockholders of the company and one whose advice and keen business judgment were of great value.
"With mounting costs, priority difficulties in securing supplies both from the United States and within Canada, and the probability of still higher taxes due to Canada's war effort, it is not anticipated that the present rate of earnings can be maintained. The difficulties enumerated are facing all gold mines in this country."

The president, on behalf of the directors, specially thanked Mr. Stovel, general manager, Mr. R. E. Dye, assistant general manager, and the operating staff for the excellent services rendered.

From Report of the General Manager
627,700 tons milled in year.
Bullion production, \$7,769,368.09.
"Cut-and-fill" system of mining being continued. Five sand and gravel claims (about 3 1/2 miles from mines) purchased.
Much development work carried on.
Ore reserves estimated at 2,520,000 tons, a decrease of 80,000 tons from previous year.
Expenditure on mining, \$1,084,844.50, or \$1.73 per ton, as compared to \$1.63 previous year.
Increased cost of materials plus cost of living bonus paid were largely responsible for increased costs.
Exploration work carried on in Northwestern Ontario. Option dropped on Porcupine Lake property.

Bound with the Dome report are annual reports for Dome Exploration Co. and Sigma Mines.
One of the most interesting features of the report is the review of services given Dome employees and the war work and patriotic efforts of Dome employees. This is given in full elsewhere in this issue.

EASTER

(By Olga Reshatarski)
Grade 8, South Porcupine Public School, in Easter Edition of "Tis-date Talent"

O Easter, joyful Easter
Your great glad tidings bring.
Peace and happiness to all
While merry church bells ring.

O Easter, joyful Easter
To-day with gaiety
Every Christian heart is filled
Filled with high ecstasy.

Ford Factory on Outskirts of Paris Severely Damaged and Germany also Bombed

Fifteen British Bombers Lost as Gigantic Raid is Carried Out Over the German Industrial Areas Belgium and Northern France. Mines Laid in Enemy Waters.

Applications for New Town Licenses Coming in Slowly

Large Number of Timmins Businessmen are Still Without New Licenses.

License Collector Fred T. Martyn told The Advance today that the people of Timmins are very slow in getting their new town licenses out this year. Tuesday of this week was the last day for the last year's licenses to be renewed but there are still a great many more applications to come in. He said that persons operating businesses without this year's town licenses at the present time are breaking the law and they are liable to be charged. In other years the response has been gratifying but this year, he said, a very small percentage of the persons requiring licenses have as yet taken them out.

In what is termed the greatest air raid of the spring campaign by the Royal Air Force, western and north-western Germany, Belgium and northern France felt the weight of the British bombers last night as they swept across the channel in waves to wreak destruction and wide-spread damage on all factories producing war materials for the German armies. The huge Ford factory at Poissy, on the outskirts of Paris suffered considerable damage as the bombers dumped their full loads on vital buildings.

From Vichy, France, it was confirmed this morning that the damage that was done at the Ford was extensive and severe. The Ford factory was formerly turning out airplane motors but recently have turned their activities to turning out motor trucks for the German armies and they were believed to be turning them out at the rate of about twenty each day.

Fifteen British bombers were reported as missing and reports indicated that hundreds of bombers took part in the raid, dropping heavy demolition bombs of a new type.

Ten Norwegian steamships making a desperate attempt to run the German blockade of the Baltic and reach Great Britain, have been intercepted by the Germans, despatches from Stockholm indicated this morning. Two of the ships were scuttled by their crews, one was run aground and the fourth was left blazing in the Skagerrak between the Norwegian and Danish coasts. The other six returned to Goteborg where they started. The ten ships had been interned since the German invasion of Norway awaiting a ruling by the Swedish courts on their status.

The Japanese, halted in their attempted overland invasion in New Guinea by torrential rains and robbed temporarily of their air superiority by the rising allied strength are expected to launch a sea-borne attack on Port Moresby, it was indicated in despatches from Melbourne today.

Great activity was reported behind both the German and Russian lines in the Donnets Basin and in Crimea with both sides apparently girding themselves for the forthcoming spring campaign.

MAYOR OF ENGLEHART HERE

Mr. W. Weeks, mayor of Englehart, and Mrs. Weeks, were on a visit to Timmins and other parts of the Porcupine, motoring here from Englehart and finding the roads very passable for this time of year.

Legion Requests That There be Scrutineers at Forthcoming Plebiscite

Members of Canadian Legion Working for All-Out "Yes" for Vote on April 27th. Hon. Mr. Crerar Invited to Address Public Meeting at Timmins.

At the monthly meeting of Timmins branch of the Canadian Legion held in the Legion hall, on Monday, much business was carried through, and in addition the members listened very attentively to a most interesting address on "Dentistry" by Dr. Lee Honey. Dr. Honey took his listeners to the early Egyptian period, and showed that dental work was practised even then, though it was very crude. The speaker followed along the years, giving illustrations of how the profession progressed. The French were the first to recognize dentistry as a profession. Speaking of the great war, Dr. Honey told of often visiting the British Museum and studying ancient dental work. The Canadian Dental Corps was the first such unit ever to be formed, and the speaker gave graphic description of early dentistry in the Army, telling of how the muskets of the early British army were loaded by the use of the front teeth. The teeth were used to pull the cap, and the dynamite was then emptied into the barrel and fired. Continuing, the speaker spoke on present day dentistry practice, and the findings of medical men in this connection, closing his address with a few remarks of the strength of the present day Dental Corps. Several lantern slides shown were of much interest to the members and a number of questions were asked. Dr. Honey answered these in very interesting manner.

Austin Neame, president, who occupied the chair for the meeting thanked Dr. Honey for his very interesting address.
Past-President Walter Greaves was presented with his badge and received a great round of applause when the president pinned this upon his lapel.
A very interesting feature was the presence of two popular members once again in uniform, these being Gordon Sinclair, of the Lorne Scots, and Frank Harting, now in the Dutch army.

A very interesting pension report was given by the pension officer, W. A. Devine, and later in the evening the branch endorsed a resolution presented by him pertaining to the large number of pre-enlistment disabilities being given men discharged from the present army. This caused quite a discussion and the mover was ably supported by Dr. McClintock who gave evidence to show that a resolution of this class was needed. Wm. Langdon, Walter Greaves and others took part in the discussion.
Walter Greaves, past president, was elected delegate to the Dominion convention at Winnipeg to be held in May.

Dealing with the forthcoming plebiscite, the members voiced the opinion that the vote must go "Yes." In view of this the Legion will invite Hon. Mr. Crerar, Minister of Mines, to address a public meeting under the auspices of the Legion. Another request will be made asking for the Legion to have scrutineers in each of the polling booths.

Mention was made of the Vimy banquet, to be held next Thursday evening and all members who intend to be present are asked to secure tickets at the week-end. All committeemen have these and also the club stewards.

No Practice Monday for Schubert Choral Society

On account of Monday being Easter Monday, there will be no practice of the Schubert Choral Society that night.

Snow Disappearing Fast from Streets of Timmins

Timmins streets are in very good shape this spring in spite of the largest snowstorm for years a few weeks ago. There have been no floods or slushy streets this year and the snow is practically all gone from the main streets. Some of the back streets are still laden with snow but it is rapidly disappearing.

The Public Works Department of the town cleaned snow off the streets for almost two weeks after the heavy snowstorm and that has been a big factor in the orderly disappearance of the snow this year.

Serious Purposes Behind the Plan of the Canadian Army Train Now on Tour

Aims to Impress on Public the Tremendous Cost of Modern War; to Show the Soldiers of Tomorrow the Equipment They Will Use, and to Suggest the Branch of Service Where They Can Serve Best.

In specially urging all to visit the Canadian Army Train to be at Timmins on Friday of this week (tomorrow) from 9 a.m. to 12 noon, and at South Porcupine the same day from 1 to 3 p.m., The Advance would add this word: Also do not fail to read the letter below and note the many important points it makes.

This letter gives the serious purposes behind the tour of the Canadian Army Train. Those purposes are in reality special reasons why everyone — man, woman and child — should visit the train. No one should miss it, but they should visit the train with the serious purposes behind it kept in mind.

The letter is from the Director of Public Relations, Department of National Defence (Army) at Ottawa:—
Ottawa, Ontario
March 23, 1942

The Editor
Porcupine Advance,
Timmins, Ontario.

Dear Sir:—In a few days the Canadian Army Train now touring Canada will be in your vicinity. The purpose behind it is to bring home in a forceful way to the men and women of this Dominion the inevitably tremendous cost of war by letting them see at close range the instruments of war as used by Canadian soldiers.

We believe it is important fundamentally that the public should understand that this train is not sent out for entertainment purposes. It is not a "circus" train; it is not indeed merely an exhibition of Army weapons.

It carries a message of personal significance to young men who will one day be soldiers. From the train they may learn at first hand something of the equipment they will later expect to use. Perhaps this train may assist them toward that special branch of the Army they will eventually enter.

Victory Loan and War Savings campaigns have told Canadians of the need of lending their own money for the purchase of tanks, planes, guns and ships. On this train they may see for themselves a representative selection of some of the very things for which they so generously parted with their hard-earned dollars. Some communities are familiar with a variety of instruments of war, many are not. The Army Train therefore is fulfilling a dual and highly essential service in bringing almost to their very doors a demonstration of weapons and munitions; and it is showing the people of Canada the fine workmanship carried out by Canadians in Canadian factories.

The families of soldiers and of young men who may one day be soldiers may here see for themselves the fine types of equipment with which our men are outfitted for battle.

I am sure you will agree that it is of the utmost importance that as many people as possible, in every community the Army Train can visit, should make it their duty to carefully study everything it contains. A visit to the train will give every Canadian citizen a clear realization of the necessarily enormous cost of modern warfare, an impression that will be taken to the public at large.

May we, therefore, urge your co-operation in giving the Army Train not only sufficient publicity to ensure that as many as possible see the train for themselves, but that they understand beforehand the purpose in sending the train across Canada.

Your help will be deeply appreciated.
Mortimer Little,
Director of Public Relations.