

14 Dead From Sub Attack In St. Lawrence

Council Threatens to Close Harmony Hall If Conditions Not Improved

Objection Made to Loud Noise and Fighting at Hall on Fourth Avenue at All Hours of the Night. Police Visited Place Several Times During the Past Week. Other Council Business.

Timmins council decided at yesterday afternoon's committee meeting that they will take some action on a letter that was received from Rev. W. M. Mustard complaining about the deplorable condition that existed at the Harmony Hall on Fourth Avenue.

Mr. Mustard told the council that it was the first time during the five years that he has been in Timmins that he has complained to the council about anything but he felt that there was reasonable grounds for complaint in this case. He said that every night for the past week there has been trouble at the hall and that the police had been called on several occasions to break up fights, etc.

Mr. Mustard said that conditions were rapidly becoming worse and that they had now reached a point where respectable citizens were unable to stand any more. Councillor Roberts added that he also had heard reports of the deplorable condition that existed at the Harmony Hall and told of one night when there was a fight on the street as the result of a party there at two o'clock in the morning. He suggested that the place be closed.

Council decided that they will find ways and means of stopping the trouble at the hall and will close it altogether if necessary.

Percy Youton wrote another letter to the council offering them a corner property for a price of \$20,000. Last week he wrote to the council offering a couple of lots for sale but they were not corner properties so the council informed him that they were not interested. This week's letter was filed for later consideration.

A letter from Caldwell and Yates town solicitors, informed the council that they owned nothing to Dr. S. L. Honey for alleged damage to his trees by members of the public works department last year. The solicitors intimated that Dr. Honey was attempting to make someone on the town staff make a case for him and they advised the council to inform Dr. Honey that no damages would be paid.

The council authorized the purchase of a full page space in the thirtieth anniversary edition of The Porcupine Advance that will be published sometime in the latter part of June.

Mayor Brunette was authorized to attend a conference of the Federation of Mayors that will be held at Ottawa on May 26, 27 and 28.

The Children's Aid Society wrote to the council to inform them that their annual meeting would be held in the Court Room of the Municipal Building on Friday, May 22nd, at 8 p.m. The council will try to send at least one representative to the meeting but it is unlikely that they will be represented because at the same time there is a meeting of the Northern Ontario Mining Municipalities in Kirkland Lake.

The council of the Town of Picton wrote to the council and included a resolution regarding post treatment of tubercular patients. The council of Picton suggested that treatment be paid for by the municipalities only for six months after their release from the Sanitarium. The local council decided against taking any action on the matter because they suggested that the patients would have to be supported by the government after that period and they felt that they wouldn't receive the good treatment that they now got.

The A. E. Wilson Company, the town's insurance company that handles all their claims, wrote to the council telling them that the corporation was not responsible for two accidents that happened here last winter.

The Township of Tisdale sent a copy of their solicitor's account to the council and suggested that they arrange to pay their share of the account before the meeting of the Northern Ontario Mining Municipalities at Kirkland Lake. The account was for work that Mr. Manning did for the various municipalities in Toronto when the question of cutting off their mines taxation came up before Parliament.

The Timmins Theatres wrote to the council and tendered a price of \$300.00 for a portion of land that the town must buy for the street extension near the new bridge. The council thought the price was very reasonable and will accept it.

Three requests for positions as playground supervisors were accepted by the council and filed to be considered at a later date along with the dozen or more other requests that were received. One petition for water service on the Polaris Road was deferred to Councillor Spooner for investigation.

A three man delegation composed of John Powers, Allen R. Hubert, and Sam Lemieux visited the council and asked that a sidewalk be opened between Fourth Avenue and Wilson Avenue along Mattagami Boulevard. They said that when the new bridge is finished they would be cut off from all traffic and would have to go around another block to get to the bridge. The council will consider the matter and will attempt to open the boulevard.

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Councillor Roberts told the council that he had been in touch with the owner of the Cartier Taxi Company, Eddie Vaillancourt, in regard to several complaints that were made to council last week and said that everything was straightened out now. He said that Vaillancourt had removed the garbage can that the complaint was made about and had offered to remove the bell from the telephone pole in front of the man's apartment. He also learned that the Cartier Taxi Company has not been washing any cars on the streets since early spring.

Councillor Roberts voiced an objection to one of the travelling hot dog stands in Timmins being allowed to sell his wares on the street without the necessary license. He was told that there wasn't any license for the business that the man was in and there didn't seem to be any to stop him. It was unfair, the council agreed, to another man who was in the same business and who was paying property taxes to the town. The matter was left with Councillor Roberts to solve and the police will probably be asked to tell the objectionable hot dog stand to keep moving.

Boats for Use of Local Fishermen

Porcupine Fish and Game Protective Association is Helping Its Members.

For the information of its members, who are interested in speckled trout fishing, the Porcupine Fish and Game Protective Association announces that three boats have been placed at the same location as last year on Horseshoe Lake and one boat is located at Round Lake.

For members who are interested in pike and pickerel fishing, there are five boats available at the Frederick House bridge.

Maps showing the local waters stocked by the Association are located at the following points: In Timmins at 17 Cedar Street, North; in Schumacher at Bver's Barber Shop, and in South Porcupine at Marshall-Ecote's Hardware. The information provided by these maps is available to all members of the Association.

List of the Winners of Awards in the Festival of Music Here This Week

Adjudicators Have Difficult Task With the Array of Talent Before Them in Many Classes. Comments of the Judges Valuable Feature of the Occasion. Festival of Music Again a Success.

The Cochrane District Music Festival opened on Tuesday morning at the Timmins United Church and was continued throughout two days, Tuesday and Wednesday, at four points, the church, the Harmony Hall, the Kiwanis Hall in South Porcupine, and the McIntyre Community Building in Schumacher. His Worship, Mayor Emile Brunette, officially opened the proceedings, and the Rev. E. Gilmour-Smith introduced the adjudicators, Mr. Harry Hill, Bachelor of Musical Education, Supervisor of Music for Public Schools of Ottawa, and Mr. Leslie R. Bell, Supervisor of Music at the Ontario College of Education, Toronto.

The adjudicators had an exceptionally difficult task in choosing the winners in the various contests, and in awarding the marks to each contestant. After each series, they commented on the talent shown by each contestant, giving helpful advice in a pleasing manner that pleased all present, and especially the children.

Inspector H. W. Brown, presided at the afternoon contests in the McIntyre Community Building on Tuesday afternoon, and throughout the two days, members of the Festival Committee assisted by preparing the certificates for the contestants and naming the winners on the blackboard where all might see them.

The final contest in the United church on Wednesday afternoon was for a musical scholarship, with Robert Gordon and Fred Milne, who had previously tied with 87 points, taking part. The scholarship was finally awarded to Fred Milne, although in making the award, the adjudicator said that this was the most difficult task that he had confronted during the two days. He added that in other contests, there had been those who had "stuck out like a sore thumb", and those who had "stood out like angels", but that both contestants were exceptionally talented violinists.

"CANADIAN SOLDIER"



For one of a series of portraits of the men in Canada's army, Lillian Torrance Newton, R.C.O., has chosen a typical example of our fighting forces—young, alert, resolute, coolly defiant. The title "Canadian Soldier" is as comprehensive as it is simple. This painting has been reproduced in Post Card size and is being placed free in canteens to be used by men serving the Canadian army.

Thanks Sent by Czech and Prisoner-of-War for Socks from Timmins Red Cross

Proof of the Value by Timmins Branch of the Red Cross. Czech Grateful to Red Cross. Australian Prisoner-of-War in Germany Writes Interesting Letter Here.

Questions are often asked as to the ultimate destination of garments and knitted articles made by the workers in the various branches of the Red Cross. The answer to these queries might well be that Red Cross goods go literally all over the world—wherever the need may be. This fact is illustrated by letters received here this week by one Red Cross worker. These letters are samples of thousands of others received by local, provincial and Dominion Red Cross workers.

Workers often slip in with articles made the name and address of the worker in the hopes of following up their efforts for the Red Cross, and many letters have been received in Timmins from grateful recipients.

Miss Francis Evans, of the Timmins High and Vocational School staff, has had the satisfaction of knowing that, as well as British and American soldiers serving with the British, some of her socks knitted for the Timmins Red Cross were issued to a Czech soldier stationed in England. She has also received acknowledgements from two Canadian soldiers overseas. All Red Cross supplies issued to the army, navy and air force are drawn from Red Cross warehouses, only on requisition by the regiment's commander, and are signed for and issued by him.

Only this week, Miss Evans received the following interesting letter from an Australian prisoner-of-war in Germany. Coming as it has, during the National Red Cross campaign, it gives timely and vivid suggestion of how far-reaching is the work of the Red Cross. In this case the Timmins branch.

The address of the Australian prisoner-of-war in Germany is as follows: Warrant Officer 1st Class Jack Hamilton Wakeman, Prisoner No. 91855, M. Stammleger—7A Germany. The letter reads as follows: "Please allow me to thank you from the bottom of my heart for the socks knitted by you and received by me through that noble body, the Red Cross. I am an Australian, and believe me when I say that our parcels from dear old Aussie take some little time to arrive here. I have been a prisoner-of-war now for nine months and a few days. The Island of Crete was my downfall. I have yet to receive my first 3-monthly parcels. Now and then we receive the Canadian Red Cross food parcel, in between the British ones, and, oh boy, are they swell! I'll say... Now a little about me! I am 26 and live in Melbourne, Victoria, or did back in the year '39. Since then I have been in the A. I. F. I have never been to England, but I served in Egypt, Lybia, Greece and Crete. I once learned a lot about Canada when at School, but never took it too much, because it was such a devil of a map to draw. What a wonderful place a Red Cross parcel has made the winter!... It has been a rather cold winter here this year for us men from Australia. It never snows there. However, we are over the worst now. Once again I thank you for the socks. Good luck and chin up!"

A red seal was awarded to winners in the 85 to 100 category; a blue seal was won by contestants in the 75 to 84 category; and a green seal was given to contestants in the 65 to 75 category.

The following is the list of awards with the marks given: Norman Amadio, pianist, was awarded the highest number of points in the Festival, 95. Among those who received the second highest number of points, 90, were Mayzell Meneur, Lucien Pare, Vivian Jessup, Gordon Webber, Barbara Barry, Schumacher P. S. Chorus, Douglas Delahunt and Bill Warwick.

First United Church—Tuesday Morning Class 38, Grade 1, Chorus, "Robin Red Breast"—1st, Holy Family S.S., 88; 2nd, Central P.S., 87; 3rd, Moneta P.S., 85.

Class 39, Grade 11, Chorus, "O Sing With Cheery Voices"—1st, Schumacher P.S., 90; 2nd, Birch St. P.S., 88; 3rd, (Continued on Page Three)

Lieut Wm. Wren Promoted to Rank of Captain Now

Algonquin Reinforcement Officer is Also Named Adjutant of North Bay Training Centre.

Lieut. William Wren, former officer in "D" Company, Algonquin Regiment, C. A. (R.), stationed in Timmins, and for the past five months acting-adjutant at Fort Chippewa Barracks at North Bay, received official notification of his appointment to the position of adjutant C.A.B.T.C. No. 26, and at the same time, his promotion to the rank of captain.

A reinforcement officer of the Algonquin Regiment, Captain Wren joined the staff of the North Bay Training Centre in June of last year, at which time he was taken on the training strength. He took over the duties of adjutant when Captain Stillwell, who previously held that position, was transferred to another station some five months ago.

Popular in Timmins where he was a platoon commander of the second battalion of the Algonquin Regiment, Captain Wren is receiving the congratulations of many of his former colleagues this week.

Boy of Eighteen Hit in Neck With Bullet Tuesday

Wound is Not Serious but is Painful. Shot Was Meant for Groundhog.

Eighteen-year-old Alcide Genier is in St. Mary's Hospital with a bullet wound in his neck as a result of an accident while hunting on Tuesday evening. The wound is not considered to be very serious but it is painful.

Genier, who was working for a local lumber concern, went out hunting with some friends after his supper on Tuesday and while they were hunting, a stray shot struck his neck. Friends said that the shot that struck Genier was meant for a groundhog but the bullet ricocheted and struck the unfortunate man in the neck.

The man is expected to be transferred to his home any day and will probably be as good as ever in a short time. His home is at 18 McLeod street, and he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Genier.

Graduation Dance to be Held Tuesday, June 16th

The Nurses Alumnae held a special meeting on Wednesday in the Nurses Residence of St. Mary's hospital to make plans for the annual graduation dance. It was decided that the dance would be held in June 16th, although no definite plans were made as to place. Committees were appointed to complete plans for the event, and further announcement will be made in the near future.

Presentation of Colours in June for Nursing Division

At the meeting of the Nursing Division of the S.J.A.B., held on Wednesday evening in the S.J.A.B. hall, members went through a drill period in preparation for the presentation of colours to take place in June.

A new series of lectures will commence at the Nursing Division meeting in the near future, and those who are interested in becoming members are advised that this would be an excellent time to join. Plans were made for a rummage sale to be held on Saturday in the Ambulance Hall.

Weather to Clear Gradually

Sixty Degrees at Eight O'clock This Morning

The temperature was still hovering about the sixty degree mark this morning at eight o'clock in spite of the sultry weather that prevailed. Indications were that the weather will clear up before evening. The forecast for tomorrow is moderately warm and clearing gradually.

Temperatures during the past week were a bit higher than usual with the highest mark being reached yesterday afternoon when the thermometer jumped to seventy degrees. The low for the past week was on Friday and Saturday when the recording was 29 degrees.

Temperatures for the past week are as follows: Thursday, max. 66, min. 40; Friday, max. 66, min. 29; Saturday, max. 41, min. 29; Sunday, max. 57, min. 36; Monday, max. 64, min. 44; Tuesday, max. 62, min. 42; Wednesday, max. 70, min. 46; this morning at eight o'clock, 60 degrees. During the past week there was no rain registered.

Two Canadian Freighters Sunk in St. Lawrence but Seventy-four Men Saved

German U-Boat Attack in St. Lawrence Monday Night Results in Loss of Two Freighters. Exact Location of Attack is Not Made Public and Further Sinkings Will be Kept Secret.

Two Canadian freighters were suddenly attacked by a German submarine in the waters of the St. Lawrence River on Monday night as the war was brought close to Canadian soil. Survivors of the torpedoing drifted to shore in lifeboats and landed at various points along the Quebec coast. A rescued officer from one of the freighters told last night of the attack and he said that fourteen crew members were killed in the attack.

Drive for Red Cross Starts

Last Night the Record Showed \$5,100 Collected.

The campaign to raise \$45,000 in Timmins for the Canadian Red Cross has commenced, but has not yet hit its stride. Last night \$5,100.00 was the figure reported as subscribed, but only a few of the canvassers had reported. There is every confidence that the objective will be reached, and no doubt exceeded, the campaign having the balance of this week and all next week to run. Full publicity is being given to the remarkable work being done on all fronts by the Red Cross, and Timmins can always be trusted to support any worthy and worth-while cause.

To-day the "Million Dollar Suit" Opens at Cochrane

This morning at Cochrane before His Honour Judge Danis the case known as the "million dollar suit" against the town of Timmins opened. The case is to decide the value of some land in the Bartleman township expropriated by the town, or sought to be expropriated, for road purposes. A. G. Slaght, R.C.O. of Toronto is representing the town, while Messrs Bartleman, McLaughlin and Bannino, owners of the townsite, have A. Wetmore, of Timmins, A. V. Waters, of Cochrane, and, perhaps, other counsel from outside.

Music Festival Comes to a Close With Grand Concert at McIntyre

Norman Amadio, Boy Wonder, Highlights Programme With His Excellent Playing of Piano Test Piece. Other Talented Artists Featured on Programme as Adjudicators Compliment All in Success of Annual Event.

Over one thousand district residents were present at the McIntyre Community building on Wednesday evening to hear the final programme in the two-day Cochrane District Festival of Music, which closed with a grand concert featuring the talented performances of the outstanding contestants in the festival. The Rev. E. Gilmour-Smith acted as chairman, introducing the adjudicators, whose helpful criticism and enlightening comment added to the success of the annual event.

Scholarships were presented during the evening to Norman Amadio and David Rose, for piano; to Vivian Jessup of Iroquois Falls, Betty Gilbert, of Schumacher, and Jeannine Morin for vocal work; and to Fred Milne for violin. The presentations were made by Mr. Roy Hardy, of the Kinsmen Club; Mr. E. H. King, of the Kiwanis Club; Mr. Fisher, of the Schumacher Lions Club; and Mr. Stan Fowler of the Timmins Lions Club. The ten dollar scholarship awarded by the South Porcupine Kiwanis Club will be forwarded to little Miss Jessup at Iroquois Falls. A special personal scholarship from Mr. Fowler was received by Miss Jeannine Morin.

Mr. Harry Hill, Bachelor of Musical Education, Supervisor of Music for Public Schools of Ottawa, and one of the adjudicators at the festival, congratulated the officers and the executive of the festival on their fine work. He said that he had been told before he came to the North for the first time, that he would get a big surprise. He had, added Mr. Hill, and went on to say that there are some wonderful little artists in this district, and that all its residents should be proud of them.

The most remarkable thing he had discovered, said Mr. Hill, is that the boys here love to sing and play piano and violin. During the Festival, Mr. Hill had discovered a wonderful boy pianist (Norman Amadio), whose playing is a tribute to the teachers and all concerned. In fact, said Mr. Hill, it is more than that—it is a credit to the district. The girls were not forgotten in the adjudicator's brief talk. Mr. Hill praising them highly, and complimenting them on their beautiful singing and instrumental work.

The second adjudicator, Mr. Leslie R. Bell, supervisor of Music at Ontario College of Education, Toronto, stressed the need for keeping the Festival alive, asking those in charge to make it even bigger and better (if the latter is possible). He was not surprised to find such great talent here, said Mr. Bell. He had seen the North grow, and with it, of course, music had its place. The speaker also congratulated all concerned for their splendid efforts.

The massed choir, made up of one hundred and twenty voices, opened the programme with the singing of "God Save the King" and Fred Milne, scholarship winner, with a beautiful violin solo, showed that music was part of him.

Other vocal numbers included selections by the Boys' Massed Choir, made up of one hundred voices, a baritone solo by Mr. H. R. Bielek, "Yeomen of England", the massed choir, directed by Mr. L. Bell, blending their voices in "Sweet and Low"; songs by the girls' massed trios, with sixty-three voices beautifully harmonizing to add to the songs they sang; "Border Ballad" sung by the Porcupine Male Choir, directed by Ronald Jones; and "Hallelujah Chorus" sung by the massed choir.

Norman Amadio, the boy pianist to whom Mr. Hill made special reference in his address, received a tremendous round of applause at the conclusion of his intricate and beautiful test piece. This thirteen-and-one-half-year-old boy has a wonderful future before him. During the performance, he was slightly nervous, but nevertheless held supreme control of the instrument. A local teacher, listening to his music, said, "I have heard some of the finest pianists play the same selection, but never have I heard it played in such grand style and with such perfection." In talking to The Advance reporter, Mr. Hill said, "I have discovered a prodigy for the North—he is one in thousands."

Instrumental selections included numbers by the McIntyre band; piano solo, "Allegro in F" by David Rose; piano selection by William Warnock.