

Timmins Soldier Says Air Defence in Old Land is Marvellous To-day

Barrages are Terrific Compared to a Year Ago, Says Pte Lyons in Sending Thanks for Cigarettes from the Community Fag Fund. One Hundred and Twenty-six Other Soldiers Send Thanks for Cigarettes.

During the past few days the Timmins Community Fag Fund has received letters of thanks from 127 men serving overseas and who acknowledge gratefully the cigarettes sent by the Community Fag Fund. Some of the letters contain very interesting information and all are worth reading. All the writers are agreed in thanking the local Community Fag Fund for the cigarettes sent.

Here are a few extracts from the many letters received:

Pte. Babe Groulx writes:—"I received your wonderful gift of cigarettes and want to thank you ever so much for them. I had the pleasure of playing the piano over the B.B.C. but wouldn't over C.K.G.B. Hope to return to Timmins and the Hollager when this is mind playing for Brunette's Taxi again all over, but first I'd like to have a crack at Jerry very soon. I would like to hear from some of my friends in Timmins for it is very cheering to have the news from home."

Pte. E. F. Lyons writes:—"I wish to thank you and all those who contribute to your fund for the cigarettes I have just received. The air raid sirens go quite frequently nowadays and it is quite amusing to watch our flyers attacking the Jerry bombers. They seem to make the Jerries go anywhere, but where they want to go, and quite often the Huns are driven down into the sea. Our air defence here is marvellous the barrages are terrific compared to what they were a year or so ago."

LAC S. E. Guindon writes:—"Have received cigarettes for which I now express my sincere thanks. All I can say to let you know how much I appreciate your kindness is that without them I am as useful as a horse without harness."

Gnr. K. M. J. Fitzpatrick writes:—"Your gift parcel of 300 cigs arrived to-day. I wish to take this opportunity to thank you, and I am sure many other Timmins boys feel the same as I do. I also wish to express my thanks to the many citizens of the community who by their donations make such a work possible."

Cpl. A. VanRassel writes:—"Just a note of thanks for all the cigarettes I have received during the past year. It has been wonderful the way they have arrived regularly and certainly helped to keep us in smokes. In closing I would again like to express my appreciation and offer my thanks to you and to all who make it possible for your organization to do such fine work."

Sigmn R. DeLuca writes:—"I received our cigarettes the day before yesterday and I cannot tell you how much I appreciate the gift. Cigarettes and letters are the most important things we Canadians can get. Everything is going along fine and we are all ready for the big moment which we hope is not far off. Thanks."

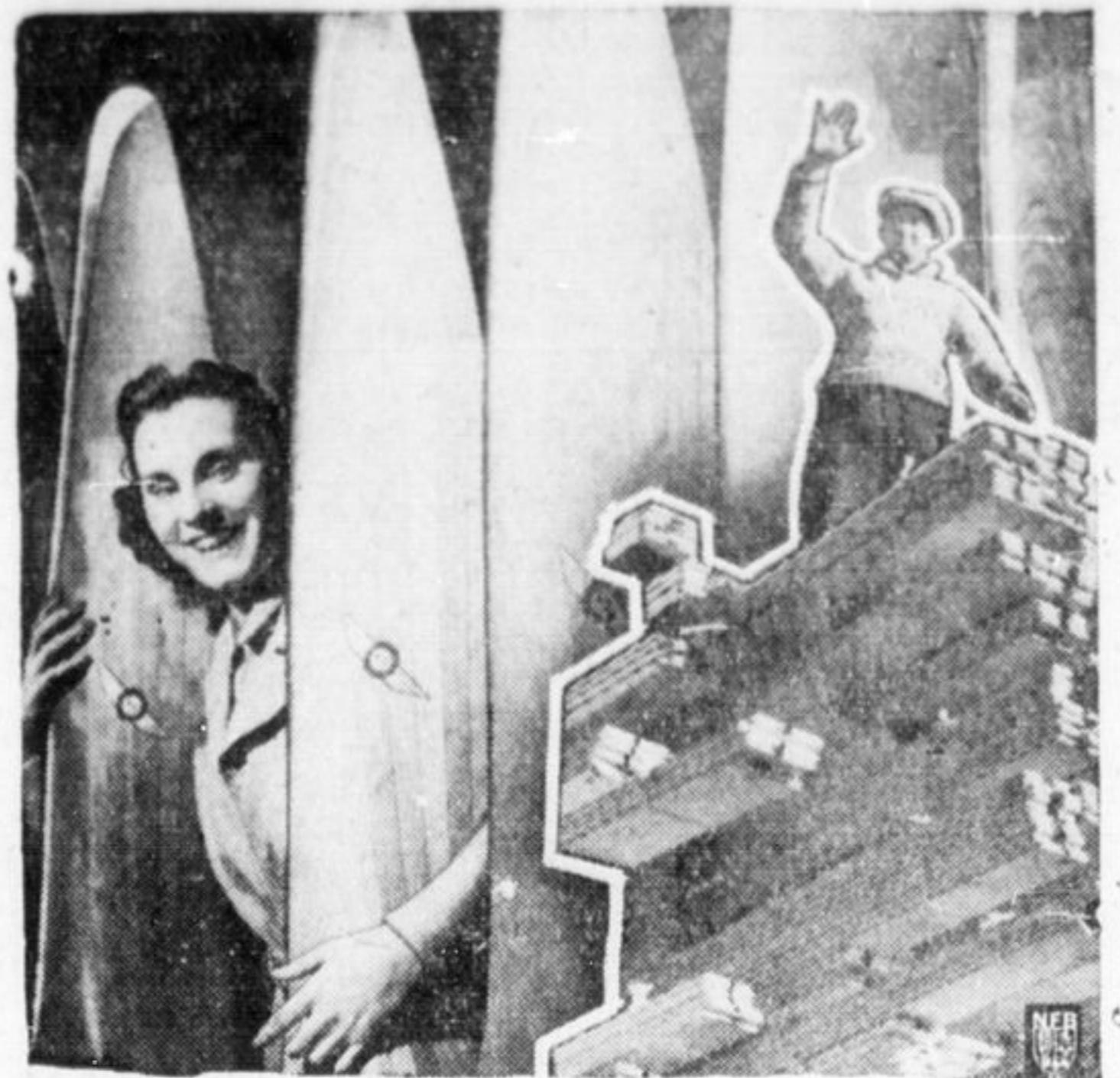
L-Cpl. L. Millette writes:—"For the last other cigarette parcels which I have received from you in the past year I wish to thank you sincerely. Your fund is solving many a smoking problem for the boys who are over here."

LAC J. K. Harris writes:—"Many thanks for your much appreciated parcel of cigarettes. They are swell I guess we boys over here wouldn't know what to do without our good Canadian smokes. Maxie Thomas, former Timmins policeman, is in the same squadron as myself. Harold Bateman is stationed a few miles away from here. I met him the other day. News is scarce so I'll close by thanking you once again for the fags. It's a swell feeling to know that we are remembered by the people of the Porcupine camp."

Letters and cards acknowledging receipt of cigarettes have been received during the past two weeks from the following 127 men, who are serving overseas:—

Pte. H. A. Monahan, Sgt. Obs. W. Craig, Lieut. H. R. Davis, Spr. M. E. Florence, Tpr. G. Lindsay, L-Cpl. L. A. MacKenzie, Tpr. L. R. Groulx, Tpr. J. W. Aude, Sgt. W. C. Campbell, Tpr. J. E. McGarry, Sgt. J. Adams, Sgt. W. Crozier, Cpl. A. Orr, Spr. E. Jokelan, Pte. J. H. Cansell, Pte. W. Allan, Cpl. J. R. Fitzgerald, Pte. S. Hammond, Tpr. D. J. Dunstan, Spr. A. Lariviere.

FUEL SHORTAGE BECOMING MORE ACUTE. WOOD SERVES WAR IN VARIETY OF WAYS



Wood has entered active service, and has become a vital war material. That, and the acute labour and transportation shortage is the explanation for the fuel wood shortage. It's use in aircraft propellers is only one of the many forms in which it is serving as a war material.

Number one among its natural resources Canada's forests are also the backbone of the Dominion's most important industry, pulp and paper, of which it is the world's largest producer.

Since the outbreak of war wood has become still more vital to Canadians. It has replaced critical materials in hundreds of products, war as well as civilian. As a result, production has increased from less than four billion feet of lumber sawn in 1939 to more than five billion in 1941.

Wood, in the form of nitrocellulose and other constituents, is one of the main sources of supply for Canada's military explosives industry. Scores of new war plants, such as the huge Boeing aircraft factory in Vancouver, are of wooden construction throughout. The Department of Munitions and Supply's four sprawling administration buildings in Ottawa are also of wooden construction, including girders and framework. Hundreds of wooden craft, ranging from lifeboats to wooden mine-sweepers and 112-foot patrol boats are being built in Canada for the navies of the United Nations. Even some army vehicles such as snow mobile, are now being turned out with plywood bodies.

Most remarkable development has been the use of wood in aircraft construction. Several types of planes now being produced in Canada contain a large proportion of wood in their framework; others are built almost entirely from wood. The new Anson V, a Canadian plane, is one of these. The DeHaviland Mosquito, world's fastest and most manoeuvrable war plane, now in quantity production in Canada, is another. Its multi-layer plywood fuselage is considered by many experts to be superior in many respects to metal construction. Wooden propellers are also being manufactured here in large quantities.

With almost half of the world's wood right in her own backyard, Canada is nevertheless suffering from a serious wood-fuel shortage at the present time, and is faced with the prospect of a famine in this respect next winter. The alarm has been sounded, and all Canadians are called upon to act now to assure themselves of sufficient wood next winter for heating and cooking.

who were surprised to know was in England. We were then taken to the temporary quarters of the House of Commons. There are about 615 members, and it must be pretty crowded when all are present at the same time. The debate on the Indian problem was in progress and we heard some very fine oratory. We listened to part of the debate. After hearing something of this vexing problem from authorities who have been in India and understand something about it, we have come to the conclusion that few of those who offer gratuitous advice from a distance of several thousand miles are qualified to offer opinions.

It is not an easy matter to attend a session of the British Parliament at the present time. There were few other visitors when we were there. We were sorry not to have seen the Prime Minister in action but he was not in the House while we were present. The proceedings were interrupted by a Royal Commission, which is an elaborate ceremony when bills which have been passed are sent up for approval. While we did not see or hear Mr. Churchill in the House of Commons, we were given an opportunity to meet him informally at a later date.

As Parliament was in session, his time was taken up more than usual, if that is possible. Our meeting was set for twelve o'clock noon, and needless to say none of our party was late or absent.

We were shown into his office, and as we entered he came from behind his desk, and shook each one of us by the hand with a firm handclasp. We were introduced individually by the Hon. Vincent Massey. Mr. Churchill made sure he got every name right and the place from which each came.

The Prime Minister was in his usual double-breasted coat, grey striped trousers, and bow tie, and was smoking the usual cigar. He looked to be even younger than when we saw him at the press conference in Ottawa less than a year before. He exuded health, vitality, strength, and confidence. His complexion was clear, his face unlined, his brow unfurrowed.

It was an off-the-record conference, so his words cannot be reported, but as he spoke in quiet, confident tones, in an informal way, we hung on his every word. Without minimizing the difficulties, he breathed determination to see the war through to ultimate victory.

To meet him informally as we did is a privilege we greatly appreciated. A day or so later, we heard that at his lunch that day, he remarked that he was sorry he could not have given more time to those Canadian editors, but we were delighted that he was able to give us the short time he did. It was a meeting none of us will ever forget.

Montreal Promoter Sues Former Timmins Boxer

A despatch this week from Montreal says that Promoter Sam Gibbs is suing Len Wadsworth in Superior Court at Montreal for \$285.00 damages. The promoter claims that when Len Wadsworth, who is the Canadian middleweight boxing champion of Canada, broke an agreement with him, the said Gibbs suffered financial loss to the amount stated. Len Wadsworth was granted a request that Gibbs appear in

Party in Honour of Third Birthday of Richard Strong

Mrs. W. E. Strong, 15 Main Avenue, entertained last Thursday afternoon, April 15th, in honour of the third birthday of her youngest son, Richard. The children played games and generally had a happy time, after which a lunch was served, at which a birthday cake with three lighted candles was the centre of attraction.

"Ricky" was the recipient of many lovely and useful gifts.

Mrs. Strong later served lunch to the mothers and other friends. Among the children present were the following: Sandra Reave, Lynne Leahy, Joan McGee, Faye Childs, Tommy McGee, Timmy Ryan, Donald Strong, and the guest of honour, Richard Strong.

Help Out the Sugar Ration by Growing Sugar Beets Now

By the simple method of growing a comparatively few sugar beets in the home garden from which an excellent sugar syrup can be easily made, the housewife can augment her sugar ration very substantially. Sugar beets can be grown successfully in all parts of Canada.

As a result of tests made by the Division of Chemistry, Science Service, Dominion Department of Agriculture, a recipe for the syrup made from sliced sugar beets has been evolved.

The procedure to be followed is simple. The roots of the beets, from which the tops have been removed, are first soaked in cold water to loosen the dirt, then scrubbed well. After washing, the crown or top portion of the root is cut out at a point below the lowest leaf scar and all green portions removed. The reason for this is that the crown contains the greater part of the salts taken from the soil, and it is desirable to have the syrup as free as possible from these salts. The green portion tends to make dark coloured syrup and give it an unpleasant taste. This is also true of the skin or peel which should be removed.

The following is a condensed summary of the recipe, based on five pounds of sliced beets:—

- (1) Wash, top, peel, and slice beets to give five pounds of beets;
- (2) Immerse and cover immediately with three quarts of boiling water;
- (3) Boil for an hour until soft;
- (4) Filter through cheese cloth and wash;
- (5) Boil to half volume;
- (6) Let stand overnight to allow to settle;
- (7) Pour off clear solution and filter residue;
- (8) Boil down to half volume again;
- (9) Treat with 3 tablespoonfuls of activated carbon and 2 teaspoonfuls of Filter Cel;
- (10) Filter (making sure filtrate is clear and free from carbon);
- (11) Evaporate to 223 degrees F., or desired thickness.

Full details of procedure are contained in a mimeograph prepared by the Division of Chemistry, copies of which can be obtained from Publicity and Extension, Dominion Department of Agriculture, Ottawa.

First Game Monday in the Commercial Bowling League

League Holding Record for Continuous Bowling for Greatest Number of Years

A meeting of the Commercial Bowling League was held on Monday evening last at the Empire Bowling Alleys for the purpose of keeping the league in the running as the league with the longest record of continuous bowling in the camp. It was decided on Monday night that as there are several members left, play should go on in a spring series for the cups. The first game will be on Monday next, April 26th, and the following one on Thursday of next week, April 29th. The following week the games are to be played on Monday and Thursday. The team winning the most points will take the League cup, and the runners-up will take the Sacred Heart trophy. Power will meet The Advance, and the T. & N. O. and Gambles will battle it out in the first games on Monday.

The Commercial League was formed in 1930 and has bowled each year since. This year they were unable to play a full schedule, owing to members of the various teams being in the armed forces. There was only one other occasion when the Commercial League did not bowl the full season. That was when the alleys were torn up at Steven's parlours, and they had consequently no regular place to play. On that occasion, however, they kept up their bowling, playing a half schedule and the cup series in the Sacred Heart bowling alleys. The Commercial League won the Sacred Heart trophy, after their own series.

Try The Advance Want Advertisements

Fifty Dollars and Costs for Carrying Concealed Weapon

John Veillette Did Not Have Any License for the Revolver Either.

Perhaps, the most important case at police court on Tuesday was that of John Veillette, who entered a plea of guilty to a charge of carrying a concealed weapon. He explained that he had purchased the revolver as protection when he was living all alone in an isolated area. He did not give any clear explanation of why he was wearing the revolver under his coat when arrested, nor why he did not have a license for the gun. He said that when he came to Timmins he tried to sell the revolver to a locksmith, who would not buy it as he had no permit for it. "My only mistake," he said, "was that I did not throw it in the river as I thought of doing." "Fifty dollars and costs," said Magistrate Atkinson. "Thank you, very much," said Veillette, as if he had expected something more serious. Later the fine and costs were paid.

When Veillette was arrested, there were two others with him — Paul Emile Roberge and Joseph Fournier. These two latter men were charged with being vagrants. When Roberge stood up in answer to his name, the magistrate asked him at once how old he was. He replied that he was 17 years old. The magistrate asked where his people were and if he had work he could do. "I don't want to send a young fellow like you to jail as a vagrant," Magistrate Atkinson said, reminding the case till called on, and advising the young fellow to get some employment or get to his home. When Fournier's case was called, he said he had been working, and his landlady present in the court endorsed his statement that he had two weeks' board paid in advance. "Hardly a vagrant," commented the magistrate, as the case was put over till called on.

Two proprietors of poolrooms were charged with allowing boys under eigh-

teen in their poolrooms, the case being remanded to next week.

Two charges of illegal parking were withdrawn, while five other men paid \$1.00 and costs for this breach of traffic regulations.

A dog at large cost one citizen \$1.00 and costs.

Two ordinary, everyday run of the mill drunks paid \$10.00 and costs each.

A charge of defective brakes meant a fine of \$10 and costs. A charge of having defective brakes on his car resulted in a fine of \$25.00 and costs for one man, while another charged with careless driving had the charge withdrawn as the trouble seemed to have been with his brakes, rather than with carelessness, and the charge thus appeared to have been laid under the wrong section.

A local woman was fined \$5.00 and costs for permitting her child to be out on street unaccompanied by parent or guardian after the curfew.

The charges against Mr. and Mrs. L. Dumoulin for not sending their children to school was remanded until called as the couple had decided to see that the youngsters received a chance for education.

There was a remand of a week in the charge laid by the Wartime Prices and Trade Board against a local fur dealer who is charged with offering for sale furs not correctly labelled.

Three men, the youngest 25 years old, faced a charge of carnal knowledge of a girl between the ages of 14 and 16 years. Their solicitor, J. W. Lieberman, asked for a remand for a week, and this was granted, ball being set for each of them at \$1,000 cash or \$2,000 property.

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