

British and Canadian Boats Rout Nazis Ships

Legion Community Fag Fund Has Sent 3,000,000 Cigarettes Overseas

Cost of These Smokes for the District Men on Active Service has been Nearly \$9,000. Mr. A. F. McDowell Says a Smoke is Sometimes Better than a Meal. Keep up the Good Work!

At a get-together of workers for the Legion and Community Fag Fund, at the McIntyre Arena on Monday, a general review of the work of the fund and what it has accomplished since its inception was presented by Geo. S. Drew, who acted as chairman during the evening. Mr. Drew told of the commencement of the Fag Fund by the Legion alone, and how it had during its course of operation sent over 1,000,000 cigarettes overseas. Then a charter was secured and The Legion and Community Fag Fund came into being. He then went on to detail the way in which shipments were made up and the cost. (The Advance hopes to be able to publish the full statement in another issue.)

To date close to 3,000,000 cigarettes have been shipped overseas at a cost of nearly \$9,000. Mr. Drew praised the committee and other interested members of the Legion, who each took a bow as he called their names.

L. Kerr, R.C.N. who was in camp for the Sixth Victory Loan, addressed the gathering and gave some stories of his thrilling experiences while with his ship overseas. He urged all to get behind the lads, not only with cigarettes, but with Bonds as well.

A. F. McDowell, who was taken prisoner 29 years ago, Monday, told those present of his experiences while a prisoner-of-war and what a smoke really means to a man under certain circumstances. "I found that a pipe of tobacco was as good as a meal, when I got really hungry," said Mr. McDowell. "Keep sending along the smokes overseas," he urged.

H. J. Quinn demonstrated how the weekly draw is made and the audience was very interested. As chairman of the Legion and Community Fag Fund he asked all workers to keep up their splendid work so that monthly shipments could be maintained.

Firemen Answer Fourteen Fire Calls in Past Week

During the past week the Timmins firemen had 14 calls. These included the call to help search for the little lad later found drowned in the creek at Carlin avenue, and the Patricia Boulevard fire on Sunday. The rest were grass and brush fires, and chimney and pipe fires, with damage only in one case of a defective chimney.

Over 1340 Pounds of Waste Fats Collected by Timmins Boy Scouts on Saturday

Scout Officials Very Pleased with the Results of Saturday's Collection, as it Makes a Record. Next Collection to be Held Early in May When it is Hoped to Secure an Even Larger Amount.

Timmins Boy Scouts on Saturday last collected 1340 lbs. of waste fats, thus making a record for themselves. The collection on Saturday was more than double any previous collection, in fact it was actually 700lbs. in excess of any other collection made here.

Scout officials are very pleased with the results on Saturday, and while thanking the people for the support given, would ask all to continue saving waste fats as these fats are urgently needed in the manufacture of munitions.

The next collection of waste fats will be held early in May, the date to be announced later. It is hoped to even exceed Saturday's record in the next collection, as the improvement in the quantity of waste fats collected should continue, as more housewives are now taking interest in the matter and the Boy Scouts are better organized for the work and a larger number of them are turning out in the work.

Mr. J. P. Hanley, of the Boy Scouts Committee in charge of the waste fats collection, says that the committee has the town divided into eight well-balanced districts, each of these districts being looked after by a Scout Troop or Troops. On Saturday, the amount of waste fats collected from each of these districts was about the same, showing how evenly the work is divided and how thoroughly the Scouts are doing their part. Town employees, and especially Mr. P. Jeffrey, are giving very effective co-operation and interest to the work.

Planning Mass Choir For May 7

Under the Victory Loan banner all the singing talent in the Porcupine are to be gathered together to represent in song the spirit of the North Country, with the co-operation of all the existing choirs and the augmentation of these by many voices of known reputation. It is planned to bring before the public at a McIntyre Rally on May 7th, the largest aggregation of voices yet heard in the Porcupine. Under the Leadership of Wallace Young "The Victory Chorus" will practice in readiness for the big event. Anyone interested, especially ex-members of any choral group, will be welcome. Call 2035, Victory Loan Headquarters, for further information.

Chorists are still needed for the Mass Victory Chorus to appear in the McIntyre arena on Sunday, May 7th. The next practice will be in the main body of the United Church to-night, Thursday, April 27th, at 8.30 p.m. Everyone who wants to sing please attend and swell the crowd. You are invited.

Candidates and Executive of Local C.C.F. Resign

There was a heated meeting of the Timmins C. C. F. on Tuesday night, with the resignation of Mr. Parker as Dominion candidate and four members of the executive resigning as a result of the flare-up. The trouble developed from opposition to Mr. Parker as candidate, a letter having been sent to Leader Joffe by local members of the party criticizing the choice of candidate. Some of the trouble seemed to have been due to repercussions from the municipal election and part from personal opposition. Tuesday's meeting leaves the C. C. F. without Federal candidate or executive and with some bitterness developed in the party. It is hoped to patch the trouble by securing an outside candidate, Prof. Scott, of Montreal, being mentioned.

Timmins Board of Trade Backing the Sixth Victory Loan

"It's a Vital Part of the Board's Loyalty to the North," Says President.

W. J. Doran, President of the Timmins Board of Trade, has announced that the local members will co-operate with the Sixth Victory Loan Committee. Plans have been made to sponsor the interest and co-operation of visiting speakers to the problems and possibilities of the north country. All new comers to the Porcupine will at the very least be told of the potentialities of the gold belt for the post war development.

"Close co-operation of the board of trade to the patriotic organization of the Sixth Victory Loan is in keeping with our policy to further the interests of the Porcupine and the whole north country. The business of the District of Cochrane in reaching the objective for the Sixth Loan set by the Ontario Provincial Headquarters is a matter of community pride, and whatever the Board of Trade can do to facilitate this end, will in no way be found lacking," said Mr. Doran.

"Visitors from throughout the unit of Cochrane, and from distant points will be the Board of Trade's special interest," added the Board of Trade President.

Preliminary Hearing on Murder Charge Next Week

Arthur Aubuchon, 24-year-old miner, who is facing a charge of murder following the death of George Timms, 23-year-old miner, who died in hospital last week after being seriously injured some days before, was in court on Tuesday, but the preliminary hearing was deferred to next week owing to the absence from town of his solicitor, Dean Kester, K. C. who was in Cochrane on other court business.

To Use All the Power of Music to Help the Loan

President of the Music Teachers Association, Mr. George Jenkin is organizing the musical fraternity to back the Sixth Victory Loan. "Music hath charms to soothe the savage beast. Not that we intend to soothe anyone," said Mr. Jenkin. "Rather in the international language of music, which has no creed or schism. We are going to rouse or endeavor to arouse the people of the District of Cochrane to a realization of their responsibilities, in the forthcoming Victory Loan campaign. The universal language of music is understandable to everyone and we feel that a definite message of patriotism, and appeal can reach the hearts of everyone who would dare not lend the money, for fighting men to do a good job. "It is not a case" he went on to say, "of your money or your life," rather it is a situation of your money for a life. Music and song will pave the way to Victory and a marching song will accompany the soldiers on the road to Berlin," he finished.

Miss Patricia Bailey and Troupe of Talented Artists for Legion "V" Celebration

Timmins Branch 88 Making Plans for Biggest and Best Stage Show Presented Locally. Star of Last Year's Show Returns by Popular Demand. Other Outstanding Features for Popular Annual Event.

Plans are being perfected by the Carnival committee of Timmins branch of the Canadian Legion, for its 4th annual "V" Celebration to be held at the McIntyre Arena, June 26th to Dominion Day, July 1st. Already Jack Brady has made great headway in securing talent for the stage show to be presented.

By popular demand for a return visit Miss Patricia Bailey, has accepted the Legion invitation to headline an array of talent of her own choosing. Miss Bailey secured permission from the C. C. F. and her radio sponsors to appear at the Legion event, then set to work to pick her show. "This will be as follows:

Miss Patricia Bailey in songs that please in a style that pleases. Miss Zena Cheevers, renowned Canadian dancer. Tom Hamilton, Scottish Comedian, in wit and humour. Dorothy and Benny, in very talented musical act. All together the stage show appears to be one of top-notch artists in their respective lines of entertainment. The usual Victory Bond draw will be held in connection with the "V" Celebration and these tickets will soon be on sale.

232 Blood Donors at the Red Cross Clinic Here on Sunday and Monday

Dr. Rossman and a Score of Contributors Came from Matheson to Help in the Worthy Cause. Doctors, Nurses, St. John Ambulance Brigade, Hadassah Chapter Assist.

The monthly Blood Donor Clinic held Sunday and Monday morning in the Masonic Hall, although not as large as last month was quite successful. There were 129 donors Sunday and 103 Monday, making a total of 232 donors altogether.

Dr. Rossman, of Matheson, and about a score of donors also from that centre again came to contribute. Other doctors donating their time were Drs. Lewis, McClinton, Minthorn, Boutin, Jardine, Veitch, McKinnon, Kinnear, Paul, Hudson and McInnis. Graduate nurses who volunteered their services were Misses Farr, Franks, Millette, Lee and Gillespie; Mesdames Briden, Thomson, Campbell, Jones, Abrams and Robson; besides four student nurses, Misses Harper, Burton, Buranicki and Malinosky.

The St. John Ambulance Nurses who also assisted were Mesdames H. Brunette, J. Mustato, A. Malonin S. La-

Walter Gillies and Wife Each Given Three-Year Term

Mrs. Gillies Faints While Judge Addressing Convicted Couple.

Walter Gillies and his wife, of Schumacher, who were convicted last week at Cochrane of manslaughter in the death of their four children who were suffocated in their home on March 10th, when the parents were away, were each sentenced to three years in penitentiary by Mr. Justice E. R. E. Chevrier on Monday. Defence Counsel Greg. Evans made a very earnest plea for leniency, referring to the severe mental suffering the couple had endured since the deaths. Mr. Justice Chevrier told the couple that they had had a fair trial and had been very ably defended by Greg. Evans, for whom he foresaw a brilliant future.

Addressing Gillies Mr. Justice Chevrier spoke of his obligations as a father to look after his children. While Gillies had tried in a futile way to curb his wife's own conduct was far from above reproach. The Justice told Mrs. Gillies that legally she had as much responsibility toward the children as her husband, and as a mother a responsibility of a different kind. At this point Mrs. Gillies fainted and had to be removed for medical attention. The Justice proceeded to sentence Gillies to three years and on her return to the court room Mrs. Gillies received a similar term.

It is understood that there will be no appeal made in the case.

Happy Get-Together Timmins Dart League

The annual get-together of the Timmins Dart League was held in the Hollinger Hall last evening where over fifty players, guests, and their ladies, sat down to a fine supper catered by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Canadian Legion.

Mr. George Gibson, chairman for the evening, asked the guests to stand while Mayor E. Brunette said grace, and then all faced a lighted picture of The King and sang the National Anthem.

After the repast the chairman called on the different donors of the trophies to stand up as they were called, these being: Mrs. S. Hass, the Russell trophy; Messrs P. Maltais, W. Doran and Mayor Brunette, the last two trophies being played for the first time this season. Mr. J. Brady stood for the Legion shield. Mr. Bartleman was unable to attend to present his trophy. The teams winning the trophies were called to receive individual gifts; Maltais trophy, the league's first trophy was won by the White Cross, G. Gibson, captain; the Russell trophy and Legion Shield were won by the Seven Up, H. Bayne, captain; Doran and Brunette trophies were won by the Imperials, W. Nixon, captain; the Bartleman trophy for the doubles was won by A. Riggs and A. Moreau. The Dominion trophy which has been recalled for the duration was won by W. Nixon for the best singles, Ken Hulme being the runner up. F. Hocking captain of the Moose team and winners for the last place prize was unable to attend due to a bad accident and the trophy was given to W. Nixon to give to the team. There were many interesting addresses during the evening, and singing and dancing were also enjoyed. Vocal solos were given by Mrs. W. Nixon and Mrs. H. Bayne, and W. H. Wilson played for the singing and dancing.

Smooth Rock Falls Leads District in Victory Loan Drive

Timmins as 17.3 of Quota in 16.6 per cent of Time.

The effectiveness of the organization of the district of Cochrane Unit in the Victory Loan is shown by the excellent returns so far. The campaign is going with a swing in Timmins and other places. Timmins has 17.3 of its quota in 16.6 per cent of the time.

Last night Smooth Rock Falls was leading the district with 53.00 per cent of its quota.

Val Gagne was next with 32 per cent. The following are some of the returns up to last night: Timmins, \$216,350.00 17.3 per cent of quota. Schumacher, \$24,325.00 12 p.c. South Porcupine, etc. \$32,425.00 11 p.c. Iroquois Falls, etc. \$35,000.00 21.9 p.c. Cochrane, etc. \$28,550.00 17 p.c. Smooth Rock Falls, \$23,800.00 53 p.c. Hearst, \$15,000.00, 20 p.c.

Hollywood Star and Hockey Star Have Pleasant Meeting

Allan Stanley, son of Fire Chief and Mrs. Wm. Stanley, of Timmins, is now down in California and the South playing exhibition games with teams in Hollywood, Los Angeles, Santiago, and other Southern centres. Allan, who was a star on the Holman Pluggers when he was in Timmins, is now a star in the amateur hockey world in Boston and other United States centres. Some time ago The Advance made reference to the decided hit he seemed to make with the ladies in the cities visited by the Boston team with which he plays. Hollywood newspapers to hand appear to show that he still has that charm. One Hollywood newspaper prints a two column picture showing Allan and Miss Grace McDonald, the famous Universal Films star, chatting with the Boston Olympics star. The caption on the picture reads:—"Inspiration—Defence man Allan Stanley, of the visiting Boston puck squad, gets encouragement from Grace McDonald, Universal Films player, for tilt to-night against the Wolves."

The Boston Olympics are the League champions of the Eastern United States Amateur Hockey Association, and are now on tour in the South in exhibition games that rouse much interest and large attendance. In reporting the games one Hollywood newspaper refers to "the Blinding speed of Allan Stanley on the ice." Another says:—"Boston's defence centres round G. J. LaBrie, Allan Stanley and Ferine Flamon, the last two being 17-year-olds with big League possibilities. Stanley is rated as the outstanding Boston Bruin prospect, and is the team's leading defence scorer." Still another sports writer classes Allan Stanley as "the best Bruin defence prospect of the year."

Nazi Destroyer Sunk and Others Dispersed. Also Rout Forces of U-Boats

Sabotage on Increase in Denmark. Germans Concentrating Large Forces in the Rome Area. Canada's Tea and Coffee Rations to be Increased Forty per cent. May 1st.

4-Year-Old Drowns in Small Creek

Little Boy Loses Life in Shallow Creek.

Lawrence Bouchard, the 4-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Bouchard, 2 Carlin avenue, was found dead on Friday in a small creek that crosses the road near his home. The little lad apparently had been playing outside and had followed the creek a couple of blocks from his home. Evidently in his play he had fallen into the creek and been unable to get out again. Where the body was found the water was not more than three feet deep and the width of the stream about four feet. It was unfortunately wide enough and deep enough to mean tragedy for the little lad.

Lawrence was first missed about 5 p. m. and search was at once made for him. The police were notified and were soon at the scene and were assisted by the firemen. Neighbours also joined in earnest search for the child. About 8 o'clock a cap was found in the creek and identified by the father as belonging to his little boy. The search was then centred on the creek, but it was about ten o'clock before the body of the little lad was found. The body was found by Mr. Omer Mylette and a companion. Dr. Minthorn was called and after investigating the case was found that an inquest was not necessary.

Directors Elected For the Season for Timmins Golf Club

The annual meeting of the Timmins Golf Club last night was an enthusiastic one and there are full expectations of a good season. A caretaker and stewardesses have been engaged for the season. The club has been able to secure some golf balls which will be available for members.

The directors elected for the season were: E. L. Longmore, R. J. Ennis, R. E. Dye, W. Rinn, W. H. Pritchard, Captain—E. N. Ward. Dues for the season: Family, \$45.00; couple, \$40.00; men, \$30.00; women, \$15.00. These fees are payable by May 15th, or payment in three monthly instalments by arrangement.

Around \$125,000. Damage by Fire on Patricia Blvd. on Sunday Afternoon

Fourteen Families Lost Their Homes and Most of Them Lose All Their Household and Personal Effects. Water Mains too Small to Give Ample Supply of Water. Fire Starts in Apartment House and Spreads with Great Rapidity.

A telephone call at 5.27 p.m. on Sunday and a box call a minute after, not to mention several other phone calls pouring into the fire hall as the fire and smoke could be seen from many parts of the town, sent the Timmins Fire Brigade out in full force. When the firemen reached the scene, the fire was breaking out all over the double apartment houses owned by Mr. and Mrs. Lucas, now of Toronto. So rapid was the sweep of the fire that tenants of the apartments had difficulty in escaping. Some, like Lieut. Neame, were not able to get fully dressed before escaping. All in the apartments lost all their belongings. The water mains in that that section are too small for the call of such a fire and this fact, with the wind blowing, resulted not only in adjoining buildings going up in flames, but the fire spread across the road. Seven places were destroyed by fire. The two connected apartment buildings, Nos. 48 and 46 Patricia; the duplex owned by A. P. Dooley, and occupied by Gordon Jeffreys and Herb. Hanks; the home of G. Kukula, at 42 Patricia; R. Boissonault's 47 Patricia; Digby Grimston's No. 45; and M. Isnor, No. 43, all fell prey to the flames before the firemen could get the fire under control. Other places damaged included: F. McDowell's at 39 Patricia; John A. Platt's at 40; home of J. Andrews and D. Isnor, No. 41; John Taylor's 49; No. 7 Leone street. A garage behind No. 46 and two cars were burned down.

The total loss is estimated at around \$125,000. Only a part of the loss is covered by insurance, and some of the losses had no insurance at all. The heat from the fire was intense and added to the difficulty of fighting the fire. Several of the firemen suffered burns in their work, as did also a number of the victims of the fire and several of those helping. Several lengths of hose also took fire on the road from the intense heat. The Timmins firemen were assisted by the A. R. P. workers who did very effective work. Schumacher fire brigade also came over with their equipment and gave skilled and generous help. South Porcupine firemen also stood ready to respond at the first call. In the three-storey apartment, No. 48 the occupants were: Mr. and Mrs. Atherton and little son; Mr. and Mrs. Don Robertson and little girl; Mr. and Mrs. Langley and little girl; Dr. and Mrs. Veitch. At No. 46 the occupants were: Mr. and Mrs. Austin Neame, Lieut. Rod Neame, Miss Evelyn Yake; Mr. and Mrs. G. G. G. and daughter; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Sherwood and family. The Neames were very heavy losers, not only losing valuable belongings, but also family heirlooms, paintings, documents and other articles that cannot be replaced. The family were preparing for the wedding of Lieut. Neame and Miss Yake, and all the wedding clothes, presents and everything else were destroyed by the fire. There was not time to save anything. Mr. and Mrs. Digby Grimston were also very heavy losers, the fire destroyed many irreplaceable valuables. The fire is believed to have originated at the bottom of the building outside, but the cause is not known, whether cigarette butt, match or some other cause. The fire spread with amazing speed and had a complete grip on the big apartment building before it was discovered.