

ALLIED SUCCESSES ON THE ITALIAN FRONT

Council to Rescind By-law For Early Closing of the Drug Stores in Timmins

Council May Deal Further with the Matter at Special Meeting To-morrow. Mr. Dean Kester Claims Discrimination Shown in Passing By-law. Many Other Matters Before Regular Meeting of Council.

At Monday's meeting of the town council, Mr. Dean Kester, K. C., appeared on behalf of six of the drug stores in town to protest against the by-law for the early closing of drug stores. He asked if there were not discrimination shown in passing this by-law. When a similar by-law was passed for the shoemakers a petition was submitted signed by three quarters of the businesses in that line but in the case of the drug stores the council had passed the by-law on its own initiative. He said that while the council had the power to pass such a by-law, he did not think that they should do so. He thought it was against the policy of the council to go against the wishes of the majority. Some of the members of council interrupted to say that their understanding was that there had been the usual petition signed by the required three-quarters. Mr. Kester, however, gave the history of the matter in detail. On May 14th, 1941, a by-law was passed to close drug stores at 9:30 on ordinary nights and 11:30 on other nights. This continued until April 15th, 1943, when a petition signed by five drug stores asked for the repeal of the 1941 by-law. That was all it asked, said Mr. Kester. On April 16th, 1943, council passed the present by-law for closing drug stores at 8 on ordinary nights and 10 on other nights. In June, 1943, a petition was presented to council signed by six drug stores asking that the hours be 9:30 and 11:30. On June 18th, a letter was sent to council asking that the hours of 8 and 10 be not disturbed. Mr. Kester pointed out that 5 was by no means three-quarters of 11, and so the present by-law was passed under different plan than other similar by-laws, which was discrimination. When the suggestion was made that there were only nine "druggists" in town, Mr. Kester replied that even so, five was not three-quarters of even nine. In addition he pointed out that each of the drug stores he represented paid separate property tax, separate business tax, separate license fees to the town. Councillor Spooner said that Mr. Kester should talk to the town solicitor instead of the council as the solicitor held that two drug stores owned by the same man or firm counted only as one in such cases. Councillor Spooner also objected to Mr. Kester saying the council showed discrimination. "I cannot withdraw the words in view of the facts," said Mr. Kester. Councillor Gladstone thought that if the facts were as Mr. Kester had set out the council had misunderstood the situation and the by-law should be repealed. Other councillors agreed. Mayor Brunette said that it looked as if the druggists could not agree and put the onus on council. He thought the by-law might be repealed and the druggists could then petition for whatever hours the three-quarters majority agreed upon. Councillor Spooner said that the whole trouble was one man who had been agitating for a year about it. He asked council to refer the matter till next meeting to allow the other druggists to be heard. A motion was made by Councillors Terry and Gladstone that the clerk be instructed to prepare a by-law to provide for the repeal of the drug stores early closing by-law. An amendment to defer to the next meeting by Councillors Spooner and Bonhomme was only supported by the mover and seconder while the motion was carried by the same vote. The by-law for repealing the present by-law is to be taken up at a special meeting of council on Friday. On motion of Councillors Spooner and Bonhomme the Druggists' Association is to be informed of this meeting.

grant to Boys' Bugle Band. Approval was given to the Kiwanis Carnival July 27 to 29.

By-law were passed for the tax rates for the year, for the reduction in water rates, and for installing new water mains in certain parts of the town, including the Patricia section.

A number of routine matters were also attended to.

There was some discussion on pensions and group insurance for town employees. Councillors Terry and Eyre are to study the matter and find out what town employees desire.

Collection Waste Fats Saturday

Have Your Waste Fats Ready for the Boy Scouts Saturday, This Week.

Saturday of this week, May 20th, there will be another collection of waste fats. Housewives are asked to have their waste fats ready for the Boy Scouts to pick up on Saturday morning. The need for these waste fats continues very serious and all are asked to help the Boy Scouts all possible in this very necessary work of collecting the fats. Make a regular point of saving your waste fats for the Boy Scouts. The collection of waste fats on Saturday last, May 13th, had to be postponed on account of rain. This collection is being made on Saturday morning of this week. Be ready for it.

New Rector Guest at Timmins Kiwanis Club on Monday

Ven. Archdeacon Woodall the Speaker at Club Next Monday.

Guest at the Timmins Kiwanis Club luncheon at the Empire Hotel on Monday was Rev. A. R. Chidwick, the new rector of the St. Matthew's Anglican Church, Timmins. He was formally introduced to the meeting by Kiwanian W. O. Langdon, and in response to the introduction he made a brief but very effective address, touching on some present-day tendencies.

The winner of the war savings draw for the day was Kiwanian Jack Hunt.

The guest speaker at the meeting on Monday next will be Ven. Archdeacon Woodall, who will speak on "Pioneering."

Mrs. J. F. Parker Making Good Progress to Recovery

Mrs. J. F. Parker, who underwent a serious operation at the Porcupine General hospital, South Porcupine, this week, is making the best of progress to recovery.

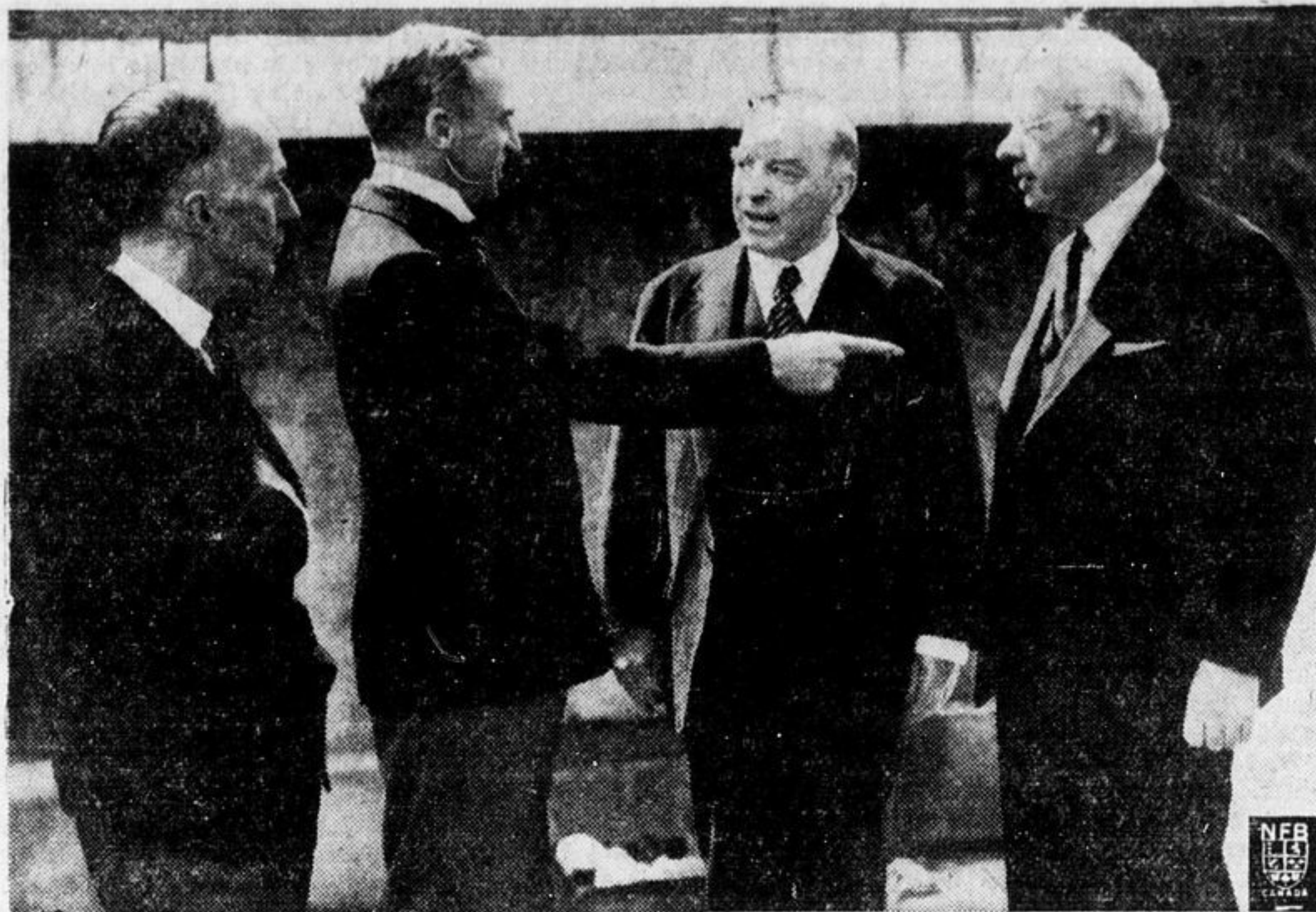
Campaign for National Institute for the Blind Now Under Way in District

Letters Asking Contributions Being Sent Out This Week. Tag Days to be Held at Timmins and South Porcupine on Saturday, May 27th, and at Schumacher on Thursday, May 25th. Worthy Cause Again Makes Annual Appeal.

Mr. W. H. Henry, Field Secretary for the Canadian National Institute for the Blind, came to town this week to complete the organization for the annual campaign for funds for this very worthy cause. He was accompanied here by his daughter, Miss Henry, who acts as his secretary.

Timmins and Schumacher and South Porcupine each have a strong committee of representative men and women who look after the campaign in effective way. The excellent work of the C. N. I. B. is now well known in this part of the North. Each year the campaign is a success and this year it

PRIME MINISTERS IN LONDON, ENGLAND



Speaking before members of both Houses of Parliament in London on Thursday, May 11th, Prime Minister Mackenzie King stated: "Like the nations of which it is composed, the British Commonwealth has within itself a spirit which is not exclusive, but the opposite of exclusive. Therein lies its strength. That spirit expressed itself in co-operation. Therein lies the secret of its unity. Co-operation is capable of expansion. Therein lies the hope of the future." Above, before the first talks of the conference between Commonwealth Prime Ministers began Vincent Massey, High Commissioner for Canada; Sir Archibald Sinclair, British Air Ministry; Canada's Prime Minister and Peter Fraser, Prime Minister of New Zealand hold an informal outdoor discussion.

Leader of Progressive Conservatives to Visit Timmins on June 2nd

Hon. John Bracken to Make Tour of the North Next Month to Meet the People of this Part of the North. No Large Public Meetings to be Addressed, but Opportunity to be Given to All to Meet the Leader.

Hon. John Bracken, leader of the Progressive Conservative Party of Canada, will make a tour of the North at the beginning of next month.

His itinerary includes Halleybury, Cobalt, New Liskeard, Kirkland Lake, Larder Lake, Swastika, Iroquois Falls, Timmins, Cochrane, Smooth Rock Falls, Kapuskasing, Hearst, Sault Ste. Marie and other centres.

He will reach Timmins on Friday afternoon, June 2nd, and plans are being made for his stay here.

During this brief tour of the North it is not the intention to have any large public meetings. The purpose is for Mr. Bracken to meet as many people as possible, and to learn at first hand the opinions and needs of the country travelled.

Seaman Tom Webb Guest of Honour at Dome Ex.

South Porcupine, May 17th. Special to The Advance.

Seaman Tom Webb, R.C.N.V.R. was the guest of honour at a party held on Wednesday last at his parents' home at Dome Extension.

He was home on leave and it was his birthday so a large number of friends gathered to wish him luck and to present him with a group gift of a wallet containing money.

This presentation was made by Mrs. Spencer, one of the guests. A lovely lunch featuring birthday cake concluded festivities.

Whist was played during the evening, prizewinners being: 1st Mrs. Barnes, 2nd, Mrs. G. Williams; 3rd, J. Beard.

Regret Expressed at Expected Leaving of Captain Mitchell

Ministerial Association Passes Resolution of Appreciation of Services of Capt. Mitchell, C.A.

The Porcupine Ministerial Association held the regular meeting Monday afternoon at the home of Rev. E. Gilmour Smith, Captain Douglas Church president. The recently inducted rector of St. Matthew's Church, Rev. A. R. Chidwick, was introduced to the members. Regret was expressed at the impending departure of Captain David Mitchell, of the Anglican Church Schumacher, and a resolution of appreciation of his services was unanimously passed. The association tendered him their best wishes on his approaching marriage, and for his new work at Rupert's House.

Dr. George Aitken addressed the meeting on the proposed Religious Instruction to be given in the Public Schools, and a keen discussion of the problems involved in this project followed. Canon Cushing moved a vote of appreciation to the speaker. Owing to the withdrawal of Captain Mitchell as Secretary, Dr. Geo. Aitken was appointed to continue the work until the next election of officers. A nice lunch was served by the host. Those present were: Canon Cushing, Archdeacon Woodall, Rev. W. M. Mustard, Rev. A. R. Chidwick, Rev. E. G. Smith, Rev. J. C. Thompson, Rev. L. Carlson, Captain Church, Captain Mitchell, and Dr. G. Aitken. The next meeting is to be in the form of a picnic to the Buffalo Ankerite property.

Pilot Officer R. Robertson, R.C.A.F. Killed Overseas

Was for Many Years a Popular Young Man in Timmins.

There will be very deep regret here at the news received in town from a letter from his sister in Montreal that Pilot Officer Roy Robertson, R.C.A.F. was killed overseas some days ago. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Robertson, and the family lived here for several years, more recently moving to Montreal. Pilot Officer Roy Robertson, who was about 31 years of age, attended Timmins schools and had wide circles of friends here. He enlisted with the R.C.A.F. at Montreal and graduated last October, later going overseas.

Nazi Forces Evacuate Cassino. Polish Battalions Capture Monastery Hill

Things Looking Well Along the Whole Italian Front. Lull at Present in Aerial Activity Over Europe. Situation on Russian Front Unchanged. Germans Report Heavy Attacks on British Shipping.

Eleven Fire Calls Answered by Fire Brigade in Week

Chimneys and Pipes Cause the Most Calls.

During the past week the Timmins firemen had eleven fire calls. Under bureaucratic classification they would be listed: Chimney fires, 2; overheated pipes, 3; grass fires, 2; bonfire, 1; green wood left in oven to dry and making too much smoke, 1; fire in wall from defective hook-up of pipe into chimney, with \$10 damage, 1; smoking furnace at Ukrainian Farmer-Labour Temple, 1. Only in the one \$10 case was there any damage worth mentioning.

Surprise Party at the S. Porcupine Rebekahs

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The Rebekah Lodge was "surprised" on Friday at their regular meeting by a number of guests who arrived from Timmins with lunch and prizes for whist, all set for a party after the meeting. The Surprise Party guests were the Past Grands of Timmins Gold Nugget Lodge, who created a pleasant evening and social by their kindly visit.

At whist prizes were won by: 1st Mrs. Sandy Fulton; 2nd, Mrs. C. H. Libby; and 3rd, Mrs. T. Gibbons.

At the business meeting the Rebekahs decided to buy a Victory Bond (their third).

Death of Inspector Walter Moore on Saturday in South

Was Police Officer in the North for Several Years.

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Of interest to many in the North will be the announcement of the death on Saturday in Kitchener, of Walter Moore who was a police constable here in 1919 and was later promoted to Provincial Police Inspector and resided later in Cobalt. From Cobalt he went to Hamilton and then to Kitchener. His son, Mahlon, is an assayer in Kirkland Lake. One daughter, Helen, is a registered nurse; Margaret the other daughter, died seven years ago. Mrs. Moore survives.

Timmins Board of Trade Re-elects Officers for Year

There was a good attendance at the meeting of Timmins Board of Trade last night. W. O. Langdon, president of the Associated Boards of the North, gave an interesting report on recent conventions and President W. Doran reported on the recent convention of the Tourist Association at Toronto. There were other valuable reports and reviews.

It was unanimously decided to re-elect the present president and other officers and executive to carry on for the balance of this year.

Every Centre in District Passes Quota in the Sixth Victory Loan Campaign

Committees and Staff Again do Unusually Fine Job. Not a Single District in the Cochrane Unit Failed to Pass Quota. Final Figures Likely Available This Week-end.

The staff at Victory Loan Headquarters are busy these days completing the work in connection with the drive that ended last week. Final figures will not be available until this week-end, but it is safe to say that every single district in the unit of Cochrane has passed its objective. Timmins came through in the last day or two to reach the high figure set. Not a single other centre failed. There are some returns yet to be made, and these will make the picture even better. The district or unit of Cochrane exceeded its quota by well over \$200,000.00, and this may be taken as symbolic of the various individual centres. The committee, chairman, vice-chairman, all the sub-committees, the organizer, assistant organizers, canvassers and all others concerned did as close to a perfect job as can be reached. When the headquarters staff is complimented on the results the reply is that the credit goes to the people of the district whose response put over the campaign.