

Over 1300 Bombers Blasted Berlin Last Night

Public Education Now the Great Need in Combatting V.D., Says Local M.O.H.

Illustrated Address by Dr. G. R. Lane at Kiwanis Club Shows Progress of Medical Science in Diagnosis and Treatment of Venereal Diseases. With the Public Alive to the Menace and Understanding the Chances of Cure or Arrest of the Diseases, V. D. Could be Conquered in Short Time

This is Health Week in Canada and the United States, and the Timmins Kiwanis Club observed the occasion by having as guest speaker for Monday's luncheon, the Medical Health Officer of the Porcupine Health Unit, Dr. Graham Lane. Dr. Lane gave an illustrated address on Venereal diseases, making it plain that these diseases were responsible for an immense amount of suffering, deformity, blindness, insanity and death. The percentage of people suffering from these diseases was unusually large. Medical science, he pointed out had done its part in improving and perfecting diagnosis and treatment. Taken in the early stage, the disease could be cured or their progress arrested. With the public fully acquainted with the facts of the matter and fully co-operating in the matter of taking treatment and reporting sources of infection it would be possible to conquer V. D. in a comparatively short time. The general public seemed to realize now the seriousness of such diseases as diphtheria, smallpox, tuberculosis, and others, but while venereal diseases were much more serious and widespread than any of the others named, the public did not appear to realize the danger and take the opportunity to help eliminate venereal diseases. He urged the Kiwanis to do what they could to spread knowledge of the ravages of venereal diseases and the fact that medical science now had treatment that would cure most cases, relieve others and curb the spread of infection.

Lloyd Kramp Badly Injured on the Ski Trail on Sunday

Hit Stump on Trail and Suffered Serious Injuries

Lloyd Kramp, of 5 Birch Street North, a popular young skier of town was seriously injured on Sunday when he fell on the trail, hitting a stump and suffering serious injuries. He was taken to St. Mary's hospital, and though the only apparent injuries were bruises on his abdomen, it was found that he had been seriously injured internally. His liver, kidneys and bladder were ruptured. He was operated on and came through the operation successfully and to-day is reported as much better. His father, who has been working at Toronto, and sister who is with the R.C.A.F. at Pendleton, came home at once on learning of the accident. Lloyd is about 16 years old, and all who know this gentlemanly young fellow will wish him an early and complete recovery.

Airmen on Leave Warmly Greeted at Schumacher

Schumacher, Feb. 14th. Special to The Advance.

The three Schumacher Airmen returning from service overseas got a grand reception when they stepped off the train Monday afternoon. They were warmly greeted by their many friends. They were Flight Sgt. Robert O'Donnell R.C.A.F., son of Mr. and Mrs. John O'Donnell, Fourth Ave.; Lt. C. John McCusker, R.C.A.F., and Cpl. Dick Calverley, R.C.A.F., Second Ave. Cpl. Calverley has just returned from the Belgium frontier, and was warmly greeted by his wife, who arrived here two weeks ago from Edinburgh, Scotland. The airmen were given thirty days' leave at the port of debarkation.

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Haileybury High School Destroyed by Fire Last Night

Last night fire completely destroyed the Haileybury High School. The cause of the fire is not known. Fire Brigades from New Liskeard and Cobalt went to the assistance of Haileybury. The New Ontario Mining College building not very far away was undamaged.

World's Championship Crib Tournament Over

The world's championship crib tournament sponsored by the world's best crib players, the Timmins Firemen, has been concluded. But not a fireman on the list of winners. First, Robt. Gray; second G. A. Macdonald; third, W. Tonkin; fourth, A. McDougall. For a time it looked as if the prize winners were all to be members of the Calecations, but it is hard to keep the Cornish out of anything good. The aibh of the Firemen is that they always give way to their guests.

Hydro to Continue to Pay Municipal Taxes for the Present, Council Told

Council Passes Resolution Endorsing Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers Union No. 241. Resolution to Annex Empire Townsite to Timmins. Council Not in Favour of Grey's Shows Coming to Timmins. Other Business at Regular Meeting of Council

At the regular session of the town council on Monday evening, a letter was read from the Ontario Hydro Commission in reply to the recent request from the town council that the Hydro should continue to pay municipal taxes so that Timmins would not lose this source of revenue that had been obtained during the time the Northern Ontario Company supplied power and light to the town. The letter from the Hydro Electric Power Commission said:—"It has been decided that for the present the taxes paid by the Northern Ontario Power Co. Ltd. to the municipalities will continue to be paid. There is always a period of transition, in which case taxes are paid until such time as there may be an adjustment."

Monday's session was a busy one with many important matters dealt with. There were about twelve ratepayers present, most of them concerned with some particular question before the meeting. A small kitten that joined the little gathering was ejected, and when little pussy made noisy protest in the hall the police were asked to deal with the wee cat.

Mayor J. E. Brunette presided at the meeting, and Councillors W. Roberts, M. Karol, K. A. Eyre, W. McDermott and J. V. McDermott were present.

An application was received from Arthur Gadieux, Cody avenue, for permission to operate a refreshment booth at Gillies Lake park. He would erect a temporary booth and would supply refreshments and checking facilities that he felt would be of service to the patrons of the park. The letter was referred to Council Eyre chairman of the Public Relations Committee.

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Photos Received of Crew of Porcupine Squadron

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A number of photographs of different members of the Porcupine Bomber Squadron have been received by the Township, including one of the complete group. These are being put into a book and may be seen at the Township Building when completed.

Arnold Coott, R.C.A.F., Now Reported as Missing

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Mr. and Mrs. Harry Coott, of Bloor Ave., were notified on Wednesday that their son, Arnold, who was serving with the R.A.F. Ferry Command is missing.

Arnold joined the R.C.A.F. three years ago and won his commission as Pilot Officer. He married Miss Salkeld, of North Bay, two years ago and it was his wife who first got word that the young officer is listed as missing.

We sincerely hope that good news of his safety will soon be received by his anxious family.

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The Children's Aid Society of the district asked for the usual support from the town. In his letter, A. G. Carson, local superintendent, pointed out that through the support of the town last year it had been possible to do very valuable work. An extra social worker had been engaged and the work had been advanced, especially in preventative work, which was the best and most valuable to the community and country. The financial statement of the Society for the past year was enclosed for the information of council. The letter was referred to the finance committee to be dealt with when the estimates were taken up.

A letter was received from the Mine Mill and Smelter Workers' Union No. 241 asking the council to endorse the Union. The following resolution was passed by council:—"Proposed by M. Karol; seconded by J. V. Bonhomme; That this Council go on record as endorsing the Timmins Mine and Mill Workers' Union, Local 241, which has been certified by the Ontario Labour Relations Board as the voice of the mine workers in the Porcupine Camp, and whose policy is accepted to be as follows:—

That the aims and objects of this union are to maintain its no strike pledge, help solve the production problems of industry, to support what it considers worthwhile projects instituted by the municipality, to support rehabilitation of members of the Armed Services and Merchant Marine, for decent housing accommodation for all for improved compensation laws, including compensation for industrial T.B. for adequate remuneration for all workers through industrial democracy (seniority on the job, recognized union stewards and committee), that for these purposes it aims to be a strong industrial organization which shall continue to be controlled by its members, and shall continue its non-partisan attitude to all political parties and issues."

When the letter from the Hydro Commission was being discussed by council, Councillor Karol mentioned that he had noticed that in several other places in Ontario there were substantial reductions being made in electric light and power rates. He asked why similar reduction could not be made here.

Council granted the application of the Co-operative Council for permission to hold a picnic at the Riverside park on June 24th.

A letter was read from the Litchfield Air Service Co. Ltd., of Sudbury, in regard to proposed plans for air service for the North after the war. The letter said that the company favoured the employment of ex-service men for their proposed service. An outline of the service planned was also given and the company offered to send a representative to Timmins to explain the whole plan for after-the-war operation by the company. If Timmins were interested the company would send a former R.C.A.F. man to sell the stock. The company preferred to secure Crown lands for landing fields but if this could not be done for any reason other lands would (continued on page three)

Prospectors Meeting Here February 23

Important to All Prospectors in This District.

A meeting has been called for Friday evening of next week Feb. 23rd, at 8 o'clock, in the council chamber of the municipal building to discuss problems affecting the prospectors in this district and prepare a case to place before the Government for improvements. All prospectors should attend and give help in this meeting. The plan is to prepare recommendations in regard to roads, township lines, and other matters that affect prospectors and their work. These recommendations will be presented first to the Prospectors and Developers Association and later to the Government. The Prospectors and Developers Association has a new president, Mr. F.G. McLeod, a prospector who enjoys the confidence and regard of all who know him. The Association this year is out to battle in every proper way for the benefit of the genuine prospector, and should have the support and co-operation of all prospectors.

Eastern Porcupine Red Cross Annual Meeting Last Night

South Porcupine Feb. 15th. Special to The Advance.

The annual meeting of the Eastern Porcupine District Branch of the Red Cross Society was held last night in the Municipal Building South Porcupine, with a very good attendance of local residents.

Mr. J. H. Stovel, who is leaving the district in March, took the chair as president, and regretfully tendered his resignation. A very hearty and sincere vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Stovel for the work he had accomplished as President of the Eastern Porcupine Branch of the Red Cross. Mr. R. E. Dye will succeed Mr. Stovel as President.

Following is the slate of officers for the forthcoming year:—Hon. President, Reeve V. H. Evans of Tisdale; Hon. President, Reeve W. Bannerman of Whitney; President R. E. Dye; Vice Pres. and Women's War Work Committee Chairman, Mrs. R. E. Dye; Vice Pres. and Campaign Chairman, W. Fairhurst; Treasurer, R. Stark; Secretary, W. A. Moyle.

Executive Committee—Mrs. A. L. Sharp, Mrs. B. H. Harper, Mrs. F. Laforest, Mrs. W. H. Johns, Mr. V. Nelly Mr. G. Bannerman, Mr. F. Pearson, Mr. F. E. Cooper and Dr. B. H. Harper.

Blood Donor Committee—Mr. W. H. Johns and W. G. Smith. A detailed account of the meeting will be reported in next week's issue of The Advance.

Several Thousand Dollars in Damage at Warehouse Fire

Firemen Make Quick Stop of Dangerous Fire on Monday Night

Timmins Firemen made a quick stop of what might have been a dangerous fire at the storehouse of the I. K. Pierce Furniture Co. at 18 Pine Street South, on Monday night. The alarm came in from Box 12, Deputy Fire Chief Dahar, who was off duty, turning in the alarm when he noticed smoke coming from the building. The alarm was made at 9:14 p.m. and within twenty minutes the fire was under control, though it had to be watched all night as it had got into the walls and ceiling. The cause of the fire could not be determined, but it apparently started in a bed and some mattresses near the centre of the building downstairs. The fire had spread to the walls and ceilings and to the attic but the firemen got a hole in the wall in the right place and were able to kill the fire in speedy way. New and used furniture was stored in the building and considerable damage resulted from the fire. The total damage would be several thousand dollars. The loss on the building is covered by insurance, but only part of the loss on the contents is covered. The building is owned by T. A. Marriott, being purchased recently from H. Friedman. The stove and stovepipes in the building were in first-class shape and as the mattresses were some distance from the stove the fire did not start from a spark or overheated stove.

During the past week the firemen answered six other calls, all of them being for chimney fires, plugged chimneys, overheated pipes, or (in one case) a smoking chimney.

R.A.F. Blasts Cities in the Line of the Russian Advance on Dresden

First Canadian Army Nearing the Vital Area of Rhur Valley. Ukrainian Army Advancing Rapidly Towards Dresden. Prime Minister Churchill Back from Conference of "Big Three". United States Troops Doing Well in Manila.

More than 1300 R.A.F. bombers over Germany last night, hitting at the industrial city of Chemnitz, 35 miles south of Dresden. This is the second consecutive night the British have bombed a city in direct path of the Russian advance.

Despatches from Paris say that the First Canadian Army is nearing Hitler's vital Ruhr Valley on the Northern end of the Western Front. The Canadians are threatening heavily fortified Goch under cover of tremendous air support.

Despatches from Belgrade suggest that the Yugoslavs are strongly behind Tito's government.

Premier Churchill and Anthony Eden have returned from the conference of the "Big Three."

American troops in Manila are steadily closing in on the remaining Japanese Garrison but the enemy is systematically burning the section of the Philippines capital they still hold.

First Ukrainian army has taken seven Nazi strongholds and are driving along at rate of thirteen miles per day.

T. & N. O. Bonsel at Kirkland Lake Last Week Proves Successful Event

Lee Trophy Won by Don Best, of Kirkland Lake; Canada Northern Trophy by H. R. Howard, of Toronto Granities; Hill-Clark-Francis Trophy by T. Ramsay, Kirkland Lake; Taylor Hardware Trophy by H. Shantz, Dome; Scotch Anthracite, by H. Wright, Kirkland Lake; Dunbar Shield, by W. C. Arnott, McIntyre

The T. & N.O. bonspiel at Kirkland Lake last week concluded on Saturday, after one of the most successful events of its kind. The Kirkland Lake people proved ideal hosts, and the curlers from far and near enjoyed the 'spiel.

Don Best won the Lee Trophy; H. R. Howard of Toronto Granite, the Canada Northern Trophy; T. Ramsay, Kirkland Lake, the Hill-Clark-Francis Trophy; H. Shantz Dome, the Taylor Hardware Trophy, and W. C. Arnott, of McIntyre, the Dunbar Shield. Shantz won the Taylor Trophy with a 10-8 victory over W. Ramsay's Kirkland Lake rink.

H. Wright's smart Kirkland Lake rink slipping into the finals of the Scotch Anthracite trophy event with a 10 to 7 win over W. F. Byron, of McIntyre Curling Club, went on to defeat P. Armstrong's New Liskeard rink, 11 to 7, taking the silverware for this event.

There were 92 rinks taking part in the bonspiel, thirty from Kirkland Lake thirteen from McIntyre Curling Club ten from North Bay, eleven from New Liskeard, McGarry, Cochrane and Englehart each had three rinks, while there were two from the Dome, and the others were scattered over the North, Dome, Pamour, Monteth Kapuskasing, Iroquois Falls were among those represented, while Toronto Granities, Peterborough, Ottawa and Toronto High Park each had a rink in the bonspiel.

Officers for the year Installed at Timmins Golden Chapter I.O.D.E.

Work of Past Year Received in Reports. Number of Knitted Articles Sent Headquarters, Books Forwarded to Servicemen's Camps, Cigarettes for Corvette Timmins, Help the Women and Children of England, Comforts for Porcupine Bomber Squadron, Support for Girl Guides, etc.

The twenty-sixth annual meeting of the Timmins Golden Chapter of the Imperial Daughters of Empire was held recently at the council chambers of the municipal building, with the Regent, Mrs. A. F. Carriere, presiding.

The annual reports of the various committees for the past year were received and officers elected for the ensuing year.

The minutes of the last meeting were read by the secretary, Mrs. F. Warnock.

The treasurer, Mrs. S. Wheeler, gave the yearly report of the general and war funds, as audited by Mr. S. Flower.

Mrs. A. Brooker, war work convener, reported on the number of knitted articles sent to headquarters; the number of books sent to servicemen's camp libraries; cigarettes sent to the Corvette Timmins; personal property bags and nursery bags sent to women and children in England; monthly donations made to Porcupine Bomber Squadron and welcoming of war brides to Timmins; as some of her year's activities. Books in good condition for use in servicemen's camp libraries are always welcome in camp libraries.

Mrs. C. Chese reported little work done by the educational committee, as the school adopted had burned down.

Mrs. L. Halperin, welfare convener, gave an interesting report on Guide work, and asked that the annual donation be sent to headquarters.

It was decided to send cigarettes monthly to Timmins servicemen overseas.

Plans to hold a fashion show early in March were discussed, with Mrs. W. Mackie to convene.

The following officers were installed, being elected by acclamation:—

Honorary Regent—Mrs. L. E. Dorway and Mrs. Jas. Keene.

Honorary First Vice-Regent—Mrs. R. Anderson.

Honorary Second Vice-Regent—Miss Ellen M. Terry.

Regent—Mrs. A. F. Carriere.

First Vice-Regent—Mrs. Ed. Robinson.

Second Vice-Regent—Mrs. W. Mackie.

Secretary—Mrs. C. G. Chase.

Treasurer—Mrs. S. Wheeler.

Educational Secretary—Mrs. J. McGarry.

War Work Convener—Mrs. A. Brooker.

Standard Bearer—Mrs. T. Menear.

Echoes Secretary—Mrs. R. Taylor.

Elected as Councillors of the Chapter were:—Mrs. E. Pritchard, Mrs. H. Graham, Mrs. L. Halperin, Mrs. M. Shaheen, Mrs. J. A. Theriault, Mrs. H. Tonkin, Mrs. A. Souci, Mrs. F. Carpenter, Mrs. H. Darling, Mrs. J. D. Brady.