

Ratepayers To Vote On Community Centre

Planning Commission Assures Landowners Of Co-operation

Real Estate Men Not Holding Up Land Prices, Drew States

"I am not interested in business or political publicity, I am only concerned with the public welfare," George S. Drew professed when spear-heading the onslaught of Timmins real estate men on the Town Planning Commission on Monday night.

"It is not possible to make a 'Snoh Hill' or Forest Hill Village out of every piece of land available for subdivision," Mr. Drew claimed. "Some people have jumped to the conclusion that real estate agents have taken advantage of the situation to boost prices."

This suggestion appeared to pain Mr. Drew. He went on to state that dividing land into larger lots simply meant that larger prices had to be charged, and that many people desiring to build were unwilling or unable to pay such prices. Prices for lots were much as they were before the war, Mr. Drew believed.

It was impossible to do much with lots situated on land already subdivided, Mr. Drew declared, because there would be only four or five such lots on a street, and they could not affect existing properties.

Mayor J. Emile Brunette, helped clear away the confusion which Mr. Drew stated he laboured under in regard to the matter of getting approval for plans of new subdivisions.

If those interested in such subdivisions would first bring their rough plans to the Commission, the Mayor stated, the Commission's wishes could be made known to the land owners without the need of first going to the expense of hiring a surveyor for preliminary plans. Once the Commission had made their recommendation and Ontario Land Surveyor had made the plans, it needed only the approval of the Planning Commission and the Ontario Municipal Board to make the plans operative, the land owners were told.

The meeting was a long one, and while it chiefly concerned the Commission and the land owners, a number of council stated to see the meeting through its initial stages. Many problems were clarified and the real estate men present expressed themselves as pleased with the co-operation shown.

The net result, it was hoped, would be speedier action in solving the problems of prospective house-holders.

New Flag Proposals Voted Down, 22-18, By H. S. Government

Timmins High & Vocational School Parliament Opens Session

By AUSTIN JELBERT

Last night, Nov. 7, the second session of the Timmins High and Vocational School Parliament opened with all the pomp and ceremony of the official parliament at Ottawa. The business on hand was opened by a member of the House, composed of over 80 students. Rules of debating were read by the Speaker, Robert Millette.

The Hon. Prime Minister Douglas Delahunt opened the proceedings with the resolution that the flag drawn up by the Literary Society of T.H. & V.S. should be adopted as the new Canadian flag. In his opening speech, the Prime Minister outlined meaning of each symbol on the flag; the culture of all the countries which helped in the building of Canada be represented on the flag. The Fleur-de-lis representing France, the Stars and Stripes representing U. S. interests in Canada, the Union Jack standing for British interests in this country.

The leader of the opposition, Mable Reade, then developed arguments against the use of such symbols as the Union Jack in the composition of the flag. The composition of the flag should be mainly a Maple Leaf, the opposition asserted, because Canada has its own government and its flag should show no ties between the other countries.

During a period of refutation, the government of the school stated that Canada is dependent on her neighbouring countries for support, because her interests are tied up with her neigh-

Veterans To Hold Remembrance Day Parade Sunday

Veterans of both wars, in uniform where possible, will hold a Remembrance Day parade on Sunday afternoon.

The veterans will fall in at 2.15 p.m. and move off at 2.30 p.m. All organizations are invited to attend, it is stated, and all those with wreaths are asked to take part in the parade.

The parade will start off by marching east on Second Ave., to Pine St., then north on Pine St. to Fourth Ave., west on Fourth Ave., to Maple St., up Maple St. to Third Ave., and up Third to Spruce St. and the Cenotaph.

The parade will be led by the Timmins Citizens' Band. A brief service at the Cenotaph will be conducted by Lt. Col. Father, J. R. O'Gorman and Mayor J. Emile Brunette and Al Wetmore, president of Branch No. 88, of the Canadian Legion, will speak.

Timmins Council And Boy Scouts Exchange Bouquets

A letter of thanks from the Boy Scouts for co-operation received in collecting fats, was read at the council meeting last night.

"That organization did good work in both the Victory Loan and clothing drive," Councillor M. Karol commented. "I would like council to thank them for the wonderful work they have done."

Mayor and Councillors were in agreement in the matter.

Conduct Survey of Vacant Housing

A survey of all habitable dwellings is in progress and a full report will be made to the Timmins council on next Monday, in an effort to determine what steps are necessary to expedite further recommendations.

Those responsible for this action are Mayor Brunette, Councillors Bill Roberts and Karl Eyre, who worked together with Merton Lake, FL John Van Rassel, D.F.C., and Capt. Leo Charlebois, of the Navy, Air Force and Army respectively, of the Canadian Legion.

Music Teachers Meet; Make Recital Plans

A meeting of the Porcupine Music Teachers' Association was held at the home of Mr. George Jenkin, 114 Tamarack St., on Tuesday evening at 9 p.m.

Plans were completed for the Students' Recital to be held on Nov. 20th, at 8.15 p.m., at the Salvation Army Hall on Birch St. South.

The general meeting of the association will be held in Central public school on Nov. 13th, at 8.30 p.m.

Brothers Sentenced With Hard Labour

Charged jointly with the theft of \$480, the property of Mrs. A. Tremblay, Ovilla St. Louis of Schumacher, and his brother, Lorenzo, of Ansonville, were sentenced to one year's hard labour when they appeared before Magistrate Atkinson on Tuesday afternoon.

A total of 18 persons were present on various charges. Seven appearing on charges of drunkenness were fined \$10, and costs. One speeding offence drew a fine of \$15, and costs. Charges of having beer in a public place were laid against four others, the offenders each paying fines of \$10 and costs.

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DR. RAMIRO COLLAZO

Dr. Ramiro Collazo of Havana, Cuba, is President of Lions International.

Dr. Collazo was President of the Havana Lions Club for two terms. In 1936 he was appointed by the International President as Cuba's representative on the International Council.

The President is an attorney, specializing in Civil Law. He was born in Havana; attended St. Paul's School and Colet Court in London, England; also attended school in Geneva, Switzerland.



ON ANNUAL VISIT

Mr. David Abramowitz, representative of the Canadian Jewish Chronicle, of Montreal, is on his annual visit to Timmins and the North, in connection with the yearly Passover issue of The Chronicle. Timmins and the North are always well represented in this issue of The Jewish Chronicle. Mr. Abramowitz has been coming to Timmins representing The Chronicle for many years and has made large numbers of friends here who welcome his visits here.

Lack of Improvements Holds Up Construction Of Fourteen Houses

Timmins Band Takes Over Lions Club Instruments

"Our instruments are now as good as any in the north," Councillor Bill Roberts, President of the Citizens' Band, informed council last night, in explanation of a deficit of \$275.35 incurred by the Band.

Former band instruments had been purchased at odd times and many were very old, resulting in a handicapped performance by the band, Councillor Roberts explained.

"The Lions' Club were selling their instruments and I got in touch with the Band and decided we should be in the market for the instruments rather than have them go out of town," Mr. Roberts continued. "After purchasing 20 instruments and getting them in good condition we have a deficit."

The instruments are the property of the town, it was pointed out. The council made arrangements for paying of the deficit from funds set aside for patriotic grants.

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A charge of failing to make a return of information to the Income Tax Dept. for the year 1944 cost one a fine of \$25, and costs.

The choice of a \$100, fine or 30 days was given Cesar Mazzuca charged with having possession of sugar and preserving ration coupons detached from ration books and-or ration cards before such coupons were valid for use. He paid the \$100, fine.

Geo. N. Ross Named Kiwanis President

The Kiwanis Club of Timmins held an election of officers during their annual meeting at the Empire Hotel Monday noon.

George M. Ross was elected president and Orville Kenne, vice president. The new directors elected to office were Gordon C. Campbell, Lorne Jowsey, George E. Knowles and Jim McMaster. P. H. Laporte was elected as treasurer, and the officers elected this week will duly appoint a secretary.

Capt. Frank Bryson addressed the club on the methods employed for the evacuation of the wounded from the battlefields to the hospitals.

Special guests at the meeting were Miss Morey, formerly of the Canadian Army show, and her accompanist, Miss Dorothy Bromby.

Impromptu Battle Lands Two in Cells

Charges of disorderly conduct arising from the use of foul language and an exhibition of fisticuffs in a public place, gained three men admission into the local cells between the hours of 11.15 and 11.30 last night.

The Royal Lunch was chosen as a ring by the boys battling it out; and the Harmony Hall was the auditorium for the dubious oratory.

Kinsmen Addressed By Victory Loan Executive

Over forty members and guests attended the regular weekly dinner of the Timmins Kinsmen Club this week. The meeting high-lighted the Victory Loan effort and officials of the local branch of the National War Finance were seated at the head table with President George Richards.

These included Ted Rowe, W. MacNames, Councillor Bill Roberts, S. Shankman, and Lorne Wakelin, all of whom spoke on behalf of the Victory Loan campaign.

Members heard the radio address of Major Robert Stock, D.S.O., a member of the rehabilitation section of the Kinsmen Club. The speakers were thanked by Kinsman Claude Bowker and by the president.

The executive thanked everyone who had helped making the Halloween shell-out the outstanding success it was.

Finnish Local Plans Celebration of 30th Anniversary

Celebrating their 30th anniversary, the Timmins local of the Finnish Organization of Canada, will mark the occasion with special events.

There will be a dance at the Finnish Hall, Fourth Avenue on Friday; a special concert on Saturday and a novel play, "Along the Missouri River" on Sunday.

Gust Sundquist, general secretary of the Organization and well known in the Camp will address the charter members. Guests of honour will be in Finnish costumes and will be seated in a special section at the concert on Saturday.

Many congratulatory messages have already been received.

Teachers, Members of Boards, Meet Tuesday

Teachers and members of school boards will hold a banquet in the McIntyre auditorium on Tuesday evening, Nov. 11th, at which Mr. Beattie, Director of Vocational Guidance for the province, will speak.

Those connected with out of town schools will be particularly welcomed, it is stated, and tickets may be obtained from town school teachers.

PARCELS FOR FINLAND

For the first time since the beginning of the war, parcels may now be sent to Finland. These must not be over eleven pounds in weight, it is stated. A goodly number of such parcels are being sent by Porcupine residents to their relatives in the old land.

HOLD FINNISH SERVICES

Remembrance Day services in the Finnish language will be conducted in Timmins, at 53 Rea street South, at 7 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 11th, to honor the dead of two World Wars.

"Blessed are the peacemakers; for they shall be called the children of God"—will be the subject of the sermon by the Reverend A. I. Hemonen. Special music will be provided by the Finnish church choir.

Other Projects To Be Left In Abeyance Council Decides

Stormy Council Session Cools Down In Compromise

The property owners of Timmins will get a chance to say whether or not they want a community centre. They will not have an opportunity of saying whether they prefer a filtration plant, better sewage disposal, or a new fire hall.

That, in brief, is the outcome of the bulk of the council's discussion on Wednesday night—a discussion which followed one on similar lines on Monday night.

The rate-payers will be asked, at the time of the municipal elections, whether or not they approve of a by-law authorizing the purchase of a site and the erection of the community centre. The matter will then be referred to the Ontario Municipal Board, who will decide whether the erection of a community centre is justified in Timmins at this time, and whether the community can afford the half-million dollars necessary to do the job.

By a resolution passed in an October meeting, the ratepayers will also be given the opportunity of deciding whether they want a town garage.

Both by-laws can be expected to provide the material for much tub-thumping when the electioneering starts.

If Mayor J. Emile Brunette had his way, the ratepayers would have the chance of saying which, if any, of the projects—sewage, water filtration, fire-hall or community centre—they favoured.

"Let the people decide, not us," the Mayor urged.

Councillor J. V. Bonhomme disagreed, emphatically.

"By bringing in five or six different items in by-laws, the people would become confused," he claimed. "In other words, you intend to tell the people what they should have, whether they want it or not," Mayor Brunette said. "The people may turn down any one of these things. They are sensible people. I believe the people that vote for us understand what is going on."

"Should we show leadership, or let the people decide" was the way Councillor Bill Roberts summed it up. "What about our financial position?" asked Councillor Bonhomme.

"There's nothing wrong with our financial position," Councillor Ellen M. Terry stated.

At this stage the discussion grew heated and both the Mayor and Councillor Bonhomme had a chance to show that they could take care of them-

selves in the rough tumble of council debate.

Councillor McDermott was included in the view that only two or three projects be submitted to the ratepayers at one time. Councillor Eyre and Karol suggested that the ratepayers vote for the various projects on a priority basis, categorizing them in order of importance.

Town Clerk A. L. Shaw, when appealed to, doubted whether such a procedure would carry much weight with the Ontario Municipal Board in deciding which project or projects were most necessary.

The argument cooled when it was agreed that the recommendation of the Memorial Committee should be followed and the matter of the community centre placed before the people. The ratepayers could be given a chance to decide on the other projects later on, it was felt.

Overheated Pipes Bring Firemen Out

Overheated air pipes, resulting in the ignition of a wall at 113 Pine St. North, brought firemen to the scene shortly after 10.30 p.m. last night. Damage was slight, however, and the property is covered by insurance.

Three Rugby Games Here On Saturday

Three high school rugby playoff fixtures are scheduled to be played in Timmins on Saturday.

At 10.30 a.m., South Porcupine played Iroquois Falls in a junior game; Timmins and Schumacher tangle in an intermediate tilt at 1.30 p.m., and the senior game at 3.30 p.m. will witness the meeting of Schumacher and Iroquois Falls.

BOOST "POPPY DAY"

Major Bob Stock, D.S.O., will address pupils of Schumacher high school at 9 a.m. tomorrow. Pilot Officer Bill Shield, D.F.C., will speak at the Timmins high school. Both speakers will talk on behalf of the "Poppy Day" activities.

Principal Visits Niagara Falls

Principal Ross Beattie and two boys, Ross and Peter, are leaving tonight for Niagara Falls. Mr. Beattie's mother is very seriously ill, following a heart attack.

Local Arena to be Scene of National Championships

With the president, Mr. R. J. Ennis, in the chair, the Porcupine Skating Club's seventh annual meeting was held in the auditorium of the McIntyre Community Building on Monday evening.

Mr. Keeley reported upon the meeting of the Canadian Figure Skating Ass'n, held in Toronto. He announced that the national championships would be held at the McIntyre Arena on January 25th, and 26th, of next year.

The new club secretary, Miss Olga Bernyk, read the minutes of the last annual meeting. Mr. Atkins read the report of the management committee. In appreciation of Mr. Atkins' services a gift was presented to him by Mr. Ennis later in the evening.

Dr. W. D. Robson gave a resume of the carnival held last April and especially commended Miss Denne, who organized much of it.

Mr. Harkness, treasurer, gave the financial report.

Mr. Bob Crosby gave a report of the summer skating session, stating that the club was highly regarded by many, in both Canada and the United States. Only the limited accommodation for visitors prevented the school from being enlarged.

The club unanimously re-elected the board of directors on the motion of Mr. Wookey. Dr. Robson was appointed managing director of the club. Messrs Lafontaine, Sloan and Cooke were appointed to the carnival committee. Misses Dennis and Burke were named entertainment committee convenor and receptionist respectively. Mr. W. R. Dunbar was put in charge of the music.

The junior membership might be Capades.