

## Modesty And Charm Are Exemplified By Barbara Ann Scott

(By LILLIAN O'DONNELL)

If the marks of a truly great champion are the ability to wear the golden mantle of fame with modesty, sweetness and a kindness unsurpassed, coupled with the ability to stand up under long arduous hours of physical and mental strain, still smiling sweetly, then lovely Barbara Ann Scott, is a champion and thoroughbred without having to prove it.

Tuesday evening the little Ottawa girl who became the first woman to win the coveted Lou Marsh trophy for being Canada's outstanding gift to the world of sports and the first person from the western hemisphere even to win a world's skating championship sat in the comfortably furnished quarters of the skating instructors' office and cheerily chatted with us.

Frooked in a beautiful skating costume of muted blue wool with a Swiss bonnet on her fair head, she was the most adorable, unaffected and charming celebrity it was ever our good fortune to see.

"Barbara Ann" we queried, "tell us about your wonderful experience, your trip and what to you was the most exciting occurrence in your life?" And Barbara Ann, whose life story reads like a fairy tale, with eyes aglow told us "the winning of the world's championship." The next, we prompted, and the reply was "I really don't know, so many wonderful things have happened it would be difficult to say because everyone has been so kind and everything so interesting." Maybe it was the civic reception she received upon arrival in her home city and again it could have been when she won the North American skating title a year ago, though, she wondered then, if maybe it wasn't Schumacher and the Porcupine Skating Club, but one thing certain she is glad to headline the ninth annual carnival now in progress at McIntyre Arena, happy at meeting the many friends she made during her stay here last Summer and thrilled that her dreams have become realities.

Speaking of her travels that took her and her mother through Switzerland, Sweden, Czechoslovakia, France and England Barbara Ann said she found the different countries very interesting but several were in a most pathetic state. Britain she found hungry and cold due to the absence of food and coal supplies, but the people (Continued on Page Five)

## More U. S. Citizens Died In 1 Year From Cancer Than Killed In 4½ Years Of War

Over 175,000 persons died from cancer in the United States last year, more than the American armed forces lost in the four and a half years war between Pearl Harbor and the end of the war with Japan, a film on cancer shown at the Y's Mens Club revealed. And every year over 14,000 Canadians die from cancer.

Dr. G. C. Armitage, president of the Porcupine Branch of the Canadian Cancer Society, gave an enlightening address on the start, spread, cure and prevention of cancer prior to the showing of the film.

"The cause of cancer is still unknown," the Doctor said. "The start is usually apparent by unusual lumps in various parts of the body which are quite noticeable if external and by impediments in the functions of the body's organs if internal. There is never any pain suffered in the early stages.

"Cancer is really outlaw or unruly cells that do not function in a normal manner, thus causing a growth in the part of the body in which it occurs.

"While cancer is not contagious it will spread to different parts of the body in which it occurs. Therein lies the danger.

"It spreads through two different channels. The blood-stream, and the lymphatic circulation.

"The cure for cancer lies in treatment while it is still in the early stages and before it has begun to spread. At present there are only three cures, depending on the advancement the disease has reached before it is subjected to treatment.

"First is X-Ray therapy, a powerful X-Ray treatment that attempts to kill the cancer by its powerful therapeutic rays.

"Second is radium treatment, which is done by putting radium close to the cancer in the effort to kill the bacteria of the growth.

"Third, and the only sure treatment, is surgery. Which entails cutting out the minutest particle of the cancer so it won't grow again.

"Naturally," the Doctor said, "if the cancer has spread to several parts (Continued from Page Eight)

## Whistling At Girls In Timmins Is Expensive

Shouting, step-dancing and whistling at the girls on Timmins streets proved an expensive pastime for Owen Waterfield. Magistrate Atkinson fined him \$10.00 and costs for his efforts.

## Research Director Speaker At Local Mining Meeting

The Porcupine Branch of the Canadian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy will hold their meeting on Thursday, April 10th, at 8.00 p.m. in the gymnasium of the McIntyre Community Building.

Guest speaker will be Dr. O. W. Ellis, Director of the Department of Engineering and Metallurgy, Ontario Research Foundation, Toronto. His address will be "Trouble Shooting and Its Relation to Research", and should prove interesting.

## Fay Remains Chairman Public Relations Despite Requests Merchants Assn.

Council unanimously agreed that it would not ask councillor Philip Fay to resign as chairman of the public relations committee as requested by a letter from the Timmins Merchants Association.

Commenting on the request Mayor Brunette said, "We're not sure that all the merchants are in agreement with this request," and if the Merchants Association were determined to have councillor Fay removed as chairman of the public relations committee they should have sent representatives to the council meeting to present their case."

Councillor Bartleman said, "I think we would be ill advised to take another group's advice as to who we should appoint as chairmen of our committees. Probably we'll have a dozen people wanting me taken off as chairman of committees."

In defending his alleged attack on the Merchants Association, councillor Fay said, "Perhaps my English may have been bad in expressing myself at the merchants meeting, but I don't intend to apologize for anything I said. However, I believe the various groups in town should be organized, get together and settle any disagreements. And I think that any who is interested should support the Board of Trade."

"We all make mistakes, depending on our point of view," councillor Chateaufort said. "And, in this case, I believe both sides may be partly in the wrong and that we should give consideration to both parties by hearing their grievances. I think we should refer this to another meeting."

However, most of the councillors were of the opinion that the matter should be dealt with immediately, councillor Fay stating that he would much prefer that it be settled at once.

The trouble began when Councillor Fay was invited to attend a meeting of the Merchants Association a couple of weeks ago, and according to the members of the Association, he failed to answer their questions, satisfactorily and later attacked them as a body. They stated that the chairman of public relations is really a liaison officer between different organizations and should promote goodwill, which, they said, councillor Fay did not do.

## Gov-Gen. Alexander Invited To Attend Algonquin Re-Union

The Algonquin Regiment will hold their second Re-union on July 19th and 20th of this year during which they will re-dedicate Algonquin Boulevard to their fallen comrades.

Special guests invited to attend will be Governor-General Alexander, the Minister of National Defence, Premier Drew, and the provincial Minister of Highways.

On Saturday, July 19, Algonquin Boulevard will be re-dedicated at 2 o'clock, with a street dance in the evening.

Sunday, July 20, the Algonquin Regiment will parade and hold a memorial service.

## Civic Group Insurance Plan Is Found Illegal

The present Group Insurance Plan for civic employees, which was instituted in 1945, has been found to be illegal, council were notified by Caldwell and Yates, town solicitors.

Under the Municipality Act there is no plan possible for the municipality to pay a share of the insurance premiums which they have been doing since 1945.

At the rate per thousand according to age, the employee has been paying 70 cents per month and the municipality 94 cents.

According to the solicitors the only solution open is for the town to raise the salaries of the town employees enough (94c) to make up for the town's contribution to the insurance, and then deduct it from the employees' salary along with the 70 cents.

However, legally, the town could not collect the 94 cents from the employees.



BARBARA ANN SCOTT, Canada's loveliest as well as the world's queen of the silver blades. Recently returned from skating triumphs at Davos, Switzerland, Prague, France and England Miss Scott highlighted the Ninth Annual Skating Carnival of the Porcupine Club which played to a capacity house last night. Positive proof of her popularity with figure skating fans of the district and all other citizens as well, was furnished by the rapidity which all tickets for all performances of the carnival were sold out.

## Town Expropriates Land For Sewer Right-of-way

The town of Timmins will expropriate sufficient land from Bannino, Bartleman and McLaughlin for the right of way for the town sewers which have been passing through their property for the past ten years. The land will be paid for out of current revenue.

This culminates a lawsuit against the town by Bannino and Bartleman last year who stated that if the sewers which passed through their land was not removed by February 15, 1947, suit against the town would be taken.

However, as Mr. Bartleman was a member of council in February 1947 it was impossible to enter into negotiations to purchase the land. Thereupon Bannino and Bartleman agreed to defer their suit until November, 1947. But as Mr. Bartleman would still be a member of council in November it was agreed to have the matter settled immediately.

## ANGLICAN CHURCH PRIMATE PASSES

Much regret was expressed of the death of the Most Rev. Derwyn Trevor Owen, 71, primate of the Church of England in Canada, who died in Toronto General hospital Wednesday afternoon after suffering a heart attack at his office in the morning.

He was elected primate of the Church of England in Canada on Sept. 19, 1934, at the age of 58.

Claims that sewers backing up had flooded their basements and ruined personal effects were received by council from J. G. Chalmers who represented five residents of Rea St. North. The matter was referred to the town solicitors for investigation and settlement.

Resembling a scene from a musical extravaganza the costumes and dance routines in this scene add a colourful note to a very successful carnival. Left to right: Olga Bernyk, Mary Kirkland, Joyce Kozinski, Betty Wallis, Joyce Olsen, Joan Lowe, Katherine Burke, Helen Gusk, Shirley Lowe, Doris Stanutz, Margo Kirkland, Audrey Jenkin, Bette Jane Rose, Mildred Verbik, Ann Mangotich.

## Mayor and Premier Drew Confer on New Mines Tax Plan

Mayor J. Emile Brunette and town-clerk Vic Salomaa will leave April 14 for Toronto to attend a special conference with Premier George Drew and several government department heads concerning the proposed amended mines taxation plan for Timmins.

This is culmination of a series of conferences which began last October between the Ontario Premier and the Timmins Mayor and town clerk on a better share of the mines tax for Timmins.

At a conference in February Premier Drew promised Mayor Brunette that he was intending to introduce legislation that would give Timmins a larger share of the mines tax stating that if Timmins was not satisfied with the amendments made to send representatives to Toronto between parliamentary sessions to discuss their problem personally.

Mayor Brunette and Mr. Salomaa went down to Toronto as arranged on April 1st, but unfortunately unexpected business prevented Premier Drew from discussing the problems.

This trip it is hoped that a more satisfactory solution of the mines tax — which has been a bone of contention to Timmins for over 30 years — can be decided on that will ease the burdens of Timmins taxpayers. Mayor Brunette says the Ontario Premier seems anxious that a satisfactory agreement is reached and is optimistic about the outcome of the conference.



LIEUT. COLONEL

R. T. SPOONER, principal of the Salvation Army Training College of Toronto, who will be in charge of a special service to be held in the Salvation Army Hall, 12 Birch street south on Friday, April 11th.

Colonel Spooner has given 34 years service as an officer of the Salvation Army, and in 1915 organized the Life Saving Scouts in affiliation with the Boy Scout Association, of which he is a member of the Dominion and provincial councils.

## 100 NEW HOMES

"All that stands between 100 low-rental houses being built in Timmins this summer is sufficient lots with 40-foot frontage on which to build them," said Mayor Brunette after a conference with C. G. Hoose, housing expert from Wartime Housing Limited, who will build the houses.

The houses, including the lots will cost approximately \$5,000. Rents will be \$27 for a four-room house; \$32.50 for five-rooms; and \$35 for a six-room house. The houses will be without basements.

## Annual Skating Carnival Is Galaxy Of Color and Perfection

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Headlining Barbara Ann Scott of the Minto Club, Ottawa, lady champion of Canada 1944-45-46, Lady Champion of North America 1945-47, Lady Champion of Europe 1947 and Lady Champion of the World 1947, the Porcupine Skating Club Ninth Annual Carnival presented a breathtaking extravaganza of beautiful costumes, unbelievable settings, graceful performers and emphasized a perfection and precision of performance to a greater degree than has been accomplished by local artists before.

Produced under the capable direction of Mr. and Mrs. Eric Batchelor, the splendid progress achieved by members of the Club without training benefits for the last several years are due to their interest. Themselves, masters of the difficult art, they have been most successful in conveying the tremendous knowledge they acquired of the fundamentals needed to achieve perfection in the difficult sport.

With almost every member taking part in the colorful display of artistry and talent, the carnival ran the gamut of emotions from brilliant and beautiful group, pair and solo fantasies to amusing skit presentations. Highlighting the performance were the numbers splendidly executed by Barbara Ann Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Eric Batchelor and Miss Erica Batchelor, Gold Medalist.

Musical background for the skating was wonderfully executed by the Porcupine Skating Club Orchestra under the skilful baton of Lieut. J. W. S. Lomas.

Orchestra members were seated in the middle of a semi-circular shell from which fell in graceful folds blue draperies trimmed with gold.

Selections from the "Desert Song" opened the program, then the lights were dimmed and when they flashed on again a veritable galaxy of color met the gaze of the audience and probably one of the most charming portions of this year's production was the fairy tale of Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs. Here one found a fairyland garden with the younger members of the club taking character parts of butterflies, birds, dwarfs, page boys and little folk from the animal kingdom. Supported by a large cast, Erica Batchelor, Gold Medalist as Snow White, Neil Pooley as the Prince, Kathleen Hill as the Queen, Betty Bugera and Margaret Lafontaine as Ladies-in-Waiting, Don Paul and Graham Cooke as attendants, Jimmie McGee, huntsman and Shirley Monaghan as the witch all skated and played their parts with perfect ease and precision. Erica Batchelor, English songbird, was vocalist and the supporting cast included: Dwarfs—Doug Jones, John Hamilton, Gary Jacobs, Jimmy Hamilton, Peter Nelson, Billy Adams, Jackie Belec, Skunks—Joan Shippam, Anne Verbik, Gay McAdam, Arleen Dick, Betty Anderson, Pat Sherbin, Dorothy Anderson, Nilma Flora. Butterflies—Pat Thompson, June Brown, Arlene Kennedy, Beth Craik, Pat Mulligan, Toby Pozer, Barbara Ann Brown, Emma Gasparetta, Marilyn Hayes. Page Boys—Gail Bahn, Roberta Adamson, Margaret McGee, Joan Ellacott, Donna Marie Cunningham. Birds—Helen Adamo, Kathleen Adams, Jean Anderson, Mary Antolich, Elspeth Atkinson, Annet Babcock, Patricia Bader-ski, Donna Baecher, Pat Bates, Margaret Bekke, Donna Bint, Betty Birse, Marie Braney, Carolyn Brown, Joan Brown, Carol Buchmann, Sally Burkholder, Nancy Butler, Maxine Colquhoun, Sandra Colquhoun, Betty Campbell, Barbara Caswell, Ida Cicci, Molly Cooper, Fay Cousineau, Jean Cowden, Muriel Cowden, Elaine Craig, Catherine Craik, Sylvia Cybulski, Doris Delleise, Helen Delong, Doris Dixon, Betty Ann Dolan, Joan Ericson, Mary Fee, Heather Florence, Connie Fournier, Pat Fournier, Ann Gentile, Alice Grist, Shirley Hannigan, Margaret Harris, Carroll Harvey, Maureen Hazelwood, Kathleen Aspinall, Carlo Isnor, Carolyn Chinn, Barbara Hills, Lillian Horning, Sandra Jackson, Delina Jones, Karen Jones, Donna Kean, Margo Knowles, Marlene Krupka, Barbara Kyle, Winnifred Lacy, Janet Laronde, Joan Laviolette, Karen Leidhold, Jacqueline Little, Judy Little, Beulah Lest, Margaret McGee, Barbara McLaren, Elin McMillan, Myrna McMurray, Joan McPhate, Carol Mair, Isabel Mair, Diane Monaghan, Audrey Morrison, Mary Nelson, Dorothy Peacock, Joanne Platus, Dayrel Price, Carole Price, Gail Russell, Ann Rosner, Barbara Scott, Hinda Lea Shinhof, Doris Solomen, Anita Spadafore, Betty Stefanic, Sandra Stirling, Elizabeth Swanson, Pat Tomlinson, Linda Uruhart, Vivian Videto, Dorothy Wallingford, Margaret Waddell.

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## Barbara Ann Greeted By Many Admirers

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Barbara Ann Scott, greatest and best and champion of all she surveys in the world of the silver blades arrived in Schumacher Monday evening with the shine and glory of all fairyland in her wide grey-blue eyes.

An ecstatically admiring crowd composed of Mayor J. Emile Brunette, Timmins, Reeve Victor Evans of the Township of Tisdale and other dignitaries, the directors, professional and members of the Porcupine Skating Club, representatives from the Provincial and Tisdale Police Force and hundreds of citizens, surged and eddied about her from the moment she emerged from the special car attached to the regular train.

Smartly clad in a checked suit, white blouse, pearls at her slender throat, a white straw hat with turned up brim and open crown, black platform-type sling pumps and a silver tipped beaver coat with full melior sleeves, she looked fresh, crisp, triumphant and happy.

As she reached the platform she and her mother were presented with huge bouquets of golden yellow daffodils and crimson tulips, Mildred Verbik, Schumacher, and Helen Channen, Timmins, making the presentations on behalf of the Porcupine Skating Club where she will make five appearances and headline the ninth annual carnival now being held and where she

attended Summer skating sessions during July and August.

It was really a joyful return, something that an 18 year old blonde girl, with a faint tan acquired under Swiss skies, wide grey-blue eyes and a dimpled smile might have dreamed about. While municipal officials, club directors and friends basked in her shadow, diminutive Barbara Ann, all starry-eyed and smiling just said "Gee its great to come back here again, you don't know how I've looked forward to this moment."

After being smothered in welcoming speeches and friendly handshakes the crowds swept from the station platform and roads to make an impromptu parade, chanting all the while, "welcome Barbara Ann and congratulations", and Barbara Ann grinned her infectious and ecstatic grin and blinked her laughing eyes and thrilled the crowd and did exactly what any nice young girl would do and said, "thank you, thank you so much." She didn't do any of the things that might, perhaps, have been expected of an 18 year old renowned personage, such things as being and acting high hat or archly surprised — she was just wholly and genuinely glad and humanly admitted it at the reception accorded her.

After awhile — the crowd slowly began to disperse — and Barbara Ann was whisked away to rest for awhile before dinner, following which she donned her silver blades and flashed like a bird on the wing across the gleaming ice surface and into rehearsal for the part she now is playing in the carnival.

Not quite three months ago, Barbara Ann — everyone calls her by both names — slipped quietly away from Canada's Capital to seek the highest honors that the world holds for a figure skater. She was then the holder of the North American Championship, and no other holder of the that title from Canada had ever combined it with the world's greatest honor. A mere six weeks later, the little Ottawa girl had swept Europe's skating critics off their feet with her grace, precision and sparkling displays of enthusiasm hitherto unseen and unknown at Davos and Stockholm. By doing so, she became the world's champion figure skater. Last week, in her home city, she again competed against some of the world's greatest and retained the North American Championship crown.

