

Opportunity to Bring in Light Industry Lost

At the regular weekly meeting of the Town Council, which was presided over by Councillor William Roberts, on Wednesday afternoon, May 14th, it was suggested by Mr. Charron that an Industrial Committee should be set up in order to keep a complete record of all available business premises, and so be able to deal quickly with any enquiries that may be made.

This request was made following his failure to locate suitable premises in Timmins for the firm of McKinnon Industries Ltd., St. Catharines, Ont. This firm would have employed some 75 females and a few men in the assembly of fractional electric motors. Earlier, a request had been made by a firm which would have employed approximately 950, had suitable premises been available.

"We have a good town", said Mr. Charron, "let us help those physically fit to do the job, let us do something worth while and not lose opportunity for our young, we must build up industry and offer employment to those unskilled for work in the mines." Councillor Doran replied, "On Friday, the Board of Trade are going to appoint a paid Secretary to work between the Town, Selection Board, and Board of Trade, this will enable a clearer picture to be on hand at all times of any available premises or sites."

"Should we not wait until the Town planning has been completed", questioned Councillor Bartleman. He was then informed by the Town Clerk that a representative of the Town Planning Board would be in Timmins sometime between the 15th & 25th May, to look over and visit the town, a letter was also read to this effect.

Councillor Roberts stated that while it was in the interests of the town to control building, it was also necessary that no opportunity for furthering the industrial progress of the town should be missed through lack of a properly organized Industrial Committee.

It was decided that Councillor Doran, and Mr. Charron, should get together and decide what immediate steps should be taken.

Plan Nutrition Survey Here

From time to time you have been hearing of the Local Health Unit. As most of you know, the Porcupine Health Unit is composed of a staff of fourteen, offers to the community, service in all matters relating to the health of our citizens. This service includes the following phases of a generalized Public Health program - prenatal, mother and infant, preschool, school, adult, together with the program for the control of tuberculosis, venereal disease, and acute communicable diseases.

Foods that provide proper nutrition are one of the main safeguards against poor health. One of the fields covered by the L. H. U. is to establish the type of food most beneficial to the people living here in the Porcupine. In order to do this it is essential that they be given the opportunity to study the food that now provides the staple diet of this district.

A Nutrition Survey is to be held this month here in Timmins when it is proposed to contact one hundred families and so find out how well or how ill adequate the diet is, and it will also act as a basis for correcting any disorder that may exist.

MISSING

Anyone knowing the whereabouts of Gaston Badin, former band leader and ex-overseas veteran should communicate with the Chief of Police in Timmins. Badin, whose father died in France in 1942, leaving an estate, is believed to be living in Timmins.

Fires Not Intentional Miners Absolved of Blame

The charge of setting fires underground in The Paymaster Gold Mine, was dismissed by Magistrate S. Atkinson, in Tisdale Police Court. The two men who were absolved from all blame, both live in Timmins. They are Louis St. Cyr, 28 Bannerman avenue, and Heantal Rochon, 98 Wilson avenue.

On the witness stand Terry O'Connor, of Timmins, informed the court that he discovered two fires within a few feet of where two men had eaten their lunch. He further stated that he and two witnesses saw the lunch pails belonging to Cyr and Rochon, beside the fires.

When asked by the magistrate if he had seen the fires, Rochon replied, "No, I did not start the fires."

After Cyr had made a similar statement Crown Attorney Caldwell, K.C., commented: "It is almost impossible to believe that two men could go on working within 10 feet of where the fires were found and not smell smoke."

"Lighting fires in a mine is very dangerous," said the magistrate in summing up the case. "There is no evidence, however, to prove that the fires were set intentionally and I am giving you men the benefit of the doubt."

McIntyre Miner Killed

Father of Three crushed by Fall.

A 44 year old miner, Alderic Roy, of 27 Way avenue, was killed at the McIntyre Porcupine Mines, by a piece of "loose" which pinned him against the wall of a stope, on the morning of Tuesday, May 13th.

The deceased had made his home in Timmins for the past 25 years, and was born at Otter Lake, Quebec. He is survived by three children, Victor 17; Real 14; Rosemary 7 and his widow the former Georgina Lajeunesse.

Funeral services are to be held on Friday May 16th, at Notre Dame de Lourdes Church. Interment will take place in Timmins Cemetery.

No date has yet been set for the inquest. Mining Inspector, E. B. Weir, has inspected the scene of the tragedy and his report will be made known.

Leo. H. Gagnon

Mountjoy Chief

After reviewing 24 applications, for the position of Chief of Police, Mountjoy Board of trustees, unanimously decided that Mr. Gagnon was the best qualified to fill the position, at a salary ranging up to \$2,400 a year.

The former head of Timmins Police Department commences his new duties on Friday May 16th.

Presentations To

Departing Friends

Mr. and Mrs. K. Delong left on Tuesday for Niagara Falls where they will make their home.

Mrs. Delong has been a faithful worker in the United Church since the family moved here and has also been a member of the "Friendship Circle" of the Church.

On Thursday last the members met at the home of Mrs. Grant on Strachan avenue and presented her with a blanket and cup and saucer as a parting gift.

At this gathering a presentation was also made to Mrs. McLellan of Powell avenue who, with her husband is leaving this week to take up residence near Perth.

The presentation to Mrs. McLellan took the form of a purse and cup and saucer.

Three Months Hard Labour

When Gerald Pigeau of Mountjoy Township was questioned by Provincial Police, after having been found in a hen house belonging to H. Lalonde of 33 Oak St., Mountjoy, he stated that he was going to make bouillon.

In his evidence Mr. Lalonde stated that his wife heard a noise in the hen house, and on investigating found Pigeau sitting in a corner, and on the floor two dead chickens and another on the ground just outside. Pigeau was sentenced to three months hard labour, and will have plenty of time to think of the meal he had hoped to have.

Co-op Lecture

The President of the Co-operative Union of Canada, and Manager of Co-operative Life Insurance, Mr. Ralph Staples, is to visit Timmins on Friday, May 16th, when he will deliver a lecture at Harmony Hall.

Bush Workers Oppose Immigration Plan

Any plan designed to recruit bush workers from the ranks of Europe's displaced persons will be bitterly opposed by the Lumber and Sawmill Workers Union, the President Jack Quinn and Secretary Bruce Magnuson, made this clear.

The sympathy of the bushmen goes out to fellow workers in distress throughout the world but the Canadian bush worker is not going to tolerate the introduction of cheap labor, or "yellow dog" contracts. The suggestion that twenty thousand such persons being brought to work in the bush is not only fantastic, they claim, but could only mean the replacement of those presently employed. The Union proposes that a National Advisory Board be established on which organized labor will have equal representation with employers and that such a Board be given adequate power to examine the problem of allowing refugees and immigrants into this country.

CANADA'S NEWEST AND LARGEST



CANADA'S ENTRY in international and trans-oceanic flying is The North Star. Largely the product of native ideas and manufacture, it ranks with the world's best and it is now in the trans-Atlantic service of Trans-Canada Air Lines. The interior accommodation of T.C.A.'s newest and largest airliner, shown above, was planned to provide the maximum in comfort and attractiveness for air travellers. The chairs were especially designed to eliminate fatigue on long flights. A ladies' powder room is located back of the main cabin and a men's wash room up forward, both equipped with modern accessories.



The picture of The North Star in flight shows the four powerful British-built Rolls-Royce engines, with two stages of super charging they power the giant aircraft with 7,200 h.p. When cruising at an altitude of 26,400 feet, it has a maximum speed of 350 m.p.h., and a maximum cruising speed of 326 m.p.h.

Light In Darkness

Why Most C. N. I. B. Employees Are Blind

Light is so important in our daily lives that we are paralyzed when a power breakdown occurs. Even a blown fuse stops all activity until candles are lit and the fuse replaced. Yet not many of us truly realize that the blind are always in the dark. Some months ago two blind men were weaving in an exhibit by disabled workers in Toronto. Passersby paused to admire their skill incredulously. Then a fuse blew and the lights in that part of the building went out. The seeing workers all stopped but the blind men went on. Only then was it brought home to the on-lookers what working in the dark meant.

Because all our activities are planned with the presumption that we can see, a different technique must be applied to the mechanics of daily living when a person cannot see. And it is not something that the average person can work out for himself.

That is why the work of The Canadian National Institute for the blind is important. For nearly thirty years the C. N. I. B. has been studying the best way to solve the problems of the blind. Its services have been designed by men without sight themselves to light a path or others through a darkened world. Research to improve the present service is continually going on.

Through the training which the Institute offers to those who have lost their sight, the ways of living and moving and working in the dark can be learned. The senses must be reoriented. The emphasis changes from sight to touch and hearing. Four senses must do the work of five. Men and women who cannot see must learn to listen more attentively and to interpret what they hear. Through handicrafts their fingers become more sensitive, more adept at recognizing objects. More important than physical adjustment to lack of sight is its acceptance by the mind and spirit. Only a blind person can lead one who has newly become sightless to a life by constructive mental attitude towards his handicap.

Development of Services
When a case of blindness is reported, the local Field Secretary pays a visit to the newly blinded person and by

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Full-time employment is the symbol of independence to everyone. Many blind workers, like this man on a sand-blasting machine, proved their efficiency in war plants. Now new jobs have been found for them in peacetime industry by The Canadian National Institute for the Blind. Your support is needed to carry on the work of training and placement. Give all you can to train blind workers for employment — and independence.

Public School Estimates Prolong Budget Debate

"May Or May Not Be Spent" Makes Councillors See Red.

Town Budget Debate Adjourned for Second Time After Stormy Session between Roberts and Bartleman.

The second debate on the 1947 budget for the Town of Timmins ended with a lively exchange of words, tempers began to run high and instead of being Councillors one could have expected to be told that a rabble had been let loose in the Town Hall. The language used by the Councillors was certainly not of the bar-room type, but was not language suited for a Council meeting.

The battle of words commenced during the second debate on estimates for 1947 as submitted by the Public School Board, and following the meeting of that Board with the Council Members.

The opposing factors were led by the Acting Mayor, William Roberts, and Councillor J. P. Bartleman. At Monday's session Councillors Bartleman, Chateauvert and Del Villano refused to accept without further explanation an item for \$5,600 which was termed "contingencies" by the Board. They were also not satisfied with the inclusion of \$12,000 under current expenditures which has been used in the purchase of land to meet future requirements.

At the Tuesday meeting the School Board explained that until the situation regarding school teachers was cleared the Board itself could not itemize the sum requested. It is proposed to open kindergartens and to employ four new teachers to relieve the school principals so that they can devote more of their time to do general supervision when teachers can be found.

Councillor Bartleman immediately took the stand that this was illegal, and declared that the Board had already earmarked more than \$9,000 for teachers salaries in the budget. This put the "fat into the fire".

The chairman of the School Board, Mr. Hardy, quickly retorted, "We are of the opinion that we are a separate body and accountable only to the people. Is there any question regarding our handling of school funds?"

"That is a mistake," Councillor Bartleman heatedly replied, "In your 1947 budget you wished the rate payers to pay you \$12,000 for a building lot and take it out of current expenses, this is illegal. That sum is for capital expenditure and to cover it debentures must be issued. There is no question regarding the estimate or the handling of school funds, but one of proper procedure and legal standing."

After law books and solicitors' letters had been read, re-read, and discussed, the School Board left the meeting on the most friendly terms with the Council, and though hot words had been used, the difficulty of granting funds under the heading "contingency" seemed to have been settled.

The Council resumed its debate, and the Town Clerk introduced the phrase "pay as you go" which was immediately taken up by the Acting Mayor, Councillor William Roberts, and added to by Councillor William Doran, who stated: "By issuing debentures you will increase the cost of a \$12,000 piece of land to approximately \$17,000, adding over the ten year period a further debt of \$5,000 to the future taxpayers of Timmins." "That is the legal procedure, and this Council has no authority to make a decision that is not governed by law," stated Councillor J. E. H. Chateauvert.

In an attempt to stop the verbal battle, Councillor Doran suggested that they already had the opinion of three solicitors, who disagreed and suggested that a call be put through to the Municipal Board in Toronto, and to accept their rule. He was ignored.

Councillor Del Villano joined the Councillor in his attempt to bring peace to the meeting by stating "I am not well versed on what this is about, but as a tax payer, and an average wage earner, I want my 1947 taxes to be as low as possible. The School Board has already increased over the 1946 estimates by \$54,000 for 1947, and that does not seem fair to me." Councillor Bartleman again took up the whip. "The tax payers are looking for a reduction this year, and everything possible should be done to meet this request, and the law says we should obtain the \$12,000, by debenture, and if the School Board enters into any justifiable expenses during the year, which are not covered in their estimates, then they must declare a deficit, that is proper governmental procedure."

A further thirty minutes of heated discussion took place, during which the two leaders, Councillors Roberts and Bartleman lost complete control. It was then decided to adjourn the debate and to reopen it on Thursday afternoon.

The King Returns

Thousands of cheering Londoners and visitors from all parts of the world lined the Capitals streets to welcome home the King and Queen after their three months visit to South Africa.

All the glamour of pre-war days, gaudy carriages, the Windsor Greys, and postilion riders dressed in brilliant red coats, marked the anniversary combined welcome. It is just ten years since the coronation of George VI.

A family re-union was held at Buckingham Palace and was attended by all close members of the king's family.

Britain Leads Shipbuilding

Shipyards in Great Britain and Ireland are now building more than 2,000,000 tons of merchant vessels according to Lloyd's Register of Shipping. This figure, the highest reached since March, 1922, is equivalent to 54.3% of the world total (excluding Denmark, Germany, Japan, Poland, Russia). Of Britain's leading competitors, U. S. A. has dropped to third place with approximately 215,000 tons, Sweden and France leading foreign yards with approximately 244,000 and 233,000 tons respectively.

Find Service Clubs Good Field in North For Real Democracy

Membership Not Confined To Class or Creed

At the weekly luncheon of the Timmins Kiwanis on Monday at the Empire hotel, the members and guests had the pleasure and inspiration of an address by Greg. Evans, District Deputy Governor of the Lions Clubs. His subject, "Service Clubs and the Community," was handled in very effective way. He stressed the value of service clubs to the community and emphasized the need for each member of each service club to extend the influence and the ideals of service clubs for the benefit of the community and the country.

In his opening remarks, the guest speaker made humorous reference to his old province of New Brunswick, which was also the homeland of president O. R. Kenne. He suggested that the President's home town was the only "unmapped, uncharted, unorganized, unexplored area in the whole British Empire."

The guest speaker made reference to the early days in Canada, when the population was largely centred in rural areas, and when there were regular gatherings for the discussion of affairs and the exchange of ideas. These meetings in the general store, or other centres, did not confine membership to any one race or creed or class. Common sense and interest in the community were the qualifications necessary to be heard at these "cracker barrel" conferences, as they were sometimes called.

To-day, however, there was a tendency to avoid argument and discussion of this sort. Instead, people had gotten into the habit of joining the club or association that was closely connected with them in politics, business, profession, or religion. Doctors, lawyers, business men, and others had their own associations, and while they all served worthy ends, they had their limitations.

Service clubs, the speaker continued, brought all classes and creeds and races together in one common bond — the desire to serve the community and the public interest. There were no barriers.

News Circulation Managers Hold Convention Here

Mr. R. J. Ennis, president and manager of the McIntyre Porcupine Mines, was guest speaker on the opening day of the International Circulation Managers' convention held in Timmins this week. He chose for his address, "The Gold Mining Industry", and his speech was well received.

The Managing Editor of the Toronto Globe and Mail emphasized that what the public wanted in a newspaper was more news and less advertising. If the present trend continued, our papers would lose their identity, and become nothing more than advertising sheets.

The convention was opened on Tuesday morning by Ivan W. Saunders of the Sherbrooke, Quebec, Daily Record and a speech responding to an address by Louis Colvey of the Montreal Gazette was given by Jack Marks, managing editor of the Timmins Daily Press. Other speeches were made by Shiel Dunsker, Cincinnati, Ohio, who claimed that if the world wished to save itself from a Third World War, full freedom must be accorded the press of all nations, and R. H. Thomson, president of the Thomson Publishing Company, in which he told the delegates that the newspaper of tomorrow would be transmitted by radio and photographically reproduced.

Nine Months Sentence For \$400.00 Theft

Delegates Attending Liberal Convention

Mayor Brunette and Greg Evans left Timmins on Wednesday, May 14th, to attend the Liberal Party Convention, being held in Toronto. An attendance of 900 delegates is expected.

The Liberal Association convention, which will feature the election of a provincial party leader and the endorsement of a new party platform will be the first full-fledged one to be held since 1943.

HEARING IS BELIEVING!

In the Textile section at Earl's Court, London, of the British Industries Fair, which opened on May 5th, there is a "moth circus". There live grubs can be seen eating unprocessed cloth, while totally ignoring cloth which has been treated by a special process and rendered 100% mothproof. And, by means of an amplifier it will be possible to actually hear these little grubs at work.

riers for age, extraction, creed or class, in service clubs. They were cosmopolitan in membership and wide in outlook. They were working together for the common good.

Briefly touching on the important part played by service clubs in the life of the community, in educational, cultural, athletic and other lines, the guest speaker pointed out that, while each member gained benefit in the way of associations with others and in the new friendships formed and welded, the community was still more the gainer.

"Service clubs have won the support and approval of the public, and we should, as members, do all we can to merit that support," the speaker said. Members of service clubs soon learned the value of co-operation in work for the public weal, and also the spirit of tolerance was an essential feature of the service club idea. He urged that all members of service clubs strive to spread this idea of service for the public, and the spirit of tolerance and goodwill, not only by increasing membership in service clubs, but also by spreading the good doctrines that were the basis of the service club idea.

The guest speaker thought there was a particularly good field for the service club ideals in this North Land, with its cosmopolitan population. "Here we can put democracy into real action," he said.

In concluding his address, Mr. Evans urged all service clubs to do all in their power to prevent race, creed or class discrimination.

Kiwanian F. A. Woodbury introduced the guest speaker, Kiwanian G. N. Ross expressed the thanks of the club for the valuable and timely address, and President O. R. Kenne added his personal thanks to the speaker, not forgetting to "put in a plug" for the attractive province of New Brunswick, guests for the day. These were Greg.

Kiwanian Bob Harvey introduced the T. Evans, D. D. G., Lions, Timmins, J. D. Cameron, St. James Kiwanis Club, Winnipeg, Man., Mr. Cameron being in Timmins to attend the convention here of the Circulation Managers' Association, as circulation manager of The Winnipeg Free Press; Alan A. Burton, Val d'Or, Que.; James D. Warnock, and G. B. Lowe, Toronto.

Community singing was led by Kiwanian Nick Sasciano, with Secretary W. H. Wilson at the piano, and the prize-winning table for the day rendering a quartette. This quartette did much better than the usual impromptu singers, two of them being professionals now. Kiwanian A. W. Pickering having been at the winning table three weeks in succession, and Kiwanian Art Moran two weeks.

Kiwanian P. T. Molsley announced that reserved seat tickets for the big Garden Bros. Circus on June 16th, 17th, and 18th, would go on sale at the McIntyre Arena at Schumacher, Molsley & Ball's, Timmins, and Grant & Byerly's, South Porcupine, on Monday, June 9th.

For the benefit of any local Kiwanians who may be at North Bay, President O. R. Kenne announced that, effective May 26th, the time of meetings of the North Bay Kiwanis club would be changed to the noon hour on Mondays, at the Empire hotel, North Bay.

Kiwanian F. A. Woodbury, reporting for the Attendance committee, announced that Monday, June 16th (the first day of the Garden Bros. Circus) would be "Hundred per cent Attendance" meeting of Timmins Kiwanis. The Attendance committee would have charge of the luncheon programme that day, and a specially interesting meeting was promised, but the members in general were asked to see that the attendance that day was the full 100 per cent.