

# Town Clergy Attend Kiwanis Inductions

There were two special features at the weekly luncheon of Timmins Kiwanis at the Empire hotel on Monday. One was the induction of the officers for 1948, and the other was the number of special guests present.

There were so many of these special guests that a long table was reserved for them. They were the guests of Kiwanian Karl Eyre, mayor of Timmins for 1948. In introducing them, Kiwanian Karl said that he wanted the members of the Kiwanis to meet their spiritual advisers, at least once in a while.

These guests included: Rt. Rev. R.J. Renison, Bishop of Moosonee; Rev. Fr. Laurent Morin, Timmins; Rev. Fr. P.B. Murray, Timmins; Rev. Morley R. Hall, Toronto, (the first pastor of Timmins First Baptist Church); Rev. Dr. W. Patterson, at present in charge of Mackay Presbyterian Church, Timmins; Rev. E. Gilmore Smith, minister of Mountjoy United Church, Timmins; Major Majury, S.A., Timmins; Emile Brunette, mayor of Timmins for the past eight years; Kiwanian Claude Desautels. Other guests for the day were: D. C. Knight, Toronto, and Past-Lieutenant-Governor Stan Gardner, of South Porcupine Club.

Community singing was led by Kiwanian Edouard Barlett, with Secretary W.H. Wilson at the piano. A cheque for \$25.00 was received from the Panour for the charitable work of the Kiwanis, and on motion of Kiwanians W. Rinn and H. G. Laidlaw, a hearty vote of appreciation was passed for this kindly gift.

Retiring President O. R. Kennie welcomed the guests for the day, and took opportunity to thank the members for their support in 1947. He remarked on the effective work of the committees and the success of the Easter Sale campaign. He was particularly pleased with the attendance record for the year.

The induction ceremonies were conducted by Past Lieutenant-Governor P. T. Moisiey, Timmins, and Past Lieutenant-Governor Stan Gardner, of South Porcupine Club. The inductees were: Past President O. R. Kennie to the executive for 1948, and Barney Quinn as president for 1948, was carried through by Past Lieutenant-Governor Stan Gardner, whose address was featured by quotations made by Past Lieutenant-Governor P. T. Moisiey from an intensely interesting article in Colliers. This article pointed out that every week a million men gathered for lunch or dinner, and also to plan ways and means for unselfish community service. These service clubs had a remarkable record of accomplishment, one instance quoted, being the fact that in one month over 1,200,000 needy children were helped by the service clubs of the continent. Under the heading, "Clubs are Trumps," the article in Colliers gave a graphic picture of the value of service clubs, and the good work they could do.

Past Lieutenant-Governor Gardner complimented the 1947 executive and committees on the good work accomplished. Past Lieutenant-Governor Moisiey inducted Vice-President F. A. Woodbury, Treasurer Phil Laporte and Secretary W. H. Wilson, praising each of them for long, able and devoted service to Kiwanis ideals. He recalled that when Vice-President Woodbury first joined the Timmins Kiwanis he was one of the first, and the only, "father and son" team in the local club. Now he was the first to receive the new Vice-President's button adopted by Kiwanis International. Secretary W. H. Wilson also received special appreciation for his twelve years of perfect attendance.

Past Lieutenant-Governor Moisiey also inducted the directors for 1948. These included: Kiwanians Gordon Irving, Al. Wadge, Jack Downey, George Knowles, A. W. Pickering and Earle Barkwell.



**BRISK SALE:** New motor vehicle licences for 1948 went on sale in Timmins last week and motorists lost no time in obtaining them. Here F. J. Murray obtains his new set of plates from Hilda Larivee, clerk in the office of the local licence-issuer. 1948 will mark the first time since early in the war that Ontario automobiles and trucks will carry plates at both front and rear.

# Local Drivers Don't Delay In Obtaining New Licences

When the new 1948 licence plates went on sale here January 2, Earl Barkwell, licence issuer for the Porcupine, got something of a surprise. A total of 41 car owners and 10 truck owners appeared the first day to purchase them. And since then, traffic has continued brisk.

"These figures are much higher than last year," Mr. Barkwell said. "Perhaps it is because many motorists will like to see two plates on their cars, instead of one as has been the case during and since the war years."

First licence plates were issued to Dr. E.A.F. Day.

1948 will mark the first year since the beginning of the war that Ontario automobiles will carry licence markers at both front and rear. This year's plates will be blue and white.

Serial numbers of the Porcupine area will be "X", "W" and "P". However, only part of this series will be

so'd locally and the balance will be scattered throughout the North. Hence it will be impossible again this year to tell the home-town of any car through the serial number on its plate.

Mr. Barkwell pointed out that a technical error had been made when the present licence plates were manufactured in the province's penal institutions. It is customary that they bear the King's crown. This year, in some fashion or another, the plates were stamped with the crown of the queen.

The licence-issuer advised local motorists to apply for their new plates and

driving permits as soon as possible to avoid the congestion which occurred last year.

"In the final issuing days of 1947 we had line-ups extending as far as around Dalton's corner," he said, "Some motorists had to wait for more than an hour. This can be avoided if motorists make it a rule to get here early."

No definite deadline for obtaining the new plates has been set, but it is expected that it will be earlier than last year, when the deadline was March 31.



**ORANGES IN SOUTH END:** Visitors at Tisdale township offices are usually surprised at the sight of an orange tree on the desk of E. J. Rapsey, an employee of the municipality. As the above photo shows, the tree, which is six years old, is flourishing, although far from its normal tropical habitat. It bears one crop of oranges a year, usually one dozen in number. Mr. Rapsey has also successfully grown fig, lemon, grapefruit and cherry trees. Advance Photo.

A tree is growing in South Porcupine and it is not a spruce or a pine or any other species of tree which has its natural habitat in the North. It is a dwarf orange tree and it is growing and bearing fruit within the sanctum of Tisdale township office.

This remarkable piece of flora which had flourished season in and season out for the past six years is the property of E. J. Rapsey, 127 Main street, South Porcupine. Mr. Rapsey is an employee of the township and he keeps the tree on his desk in front of him.

"This tree is by no means the first tropical tree which Mr. Rapsey has grown."

"I started experimenting with tropical fruits about fifteen years ago," Mr. Rapsey said, "This is

During the past he has successfully grown and brought to fruit lemon, grapefruit, fig and cherry trees. A few years ago he presented a complete set of these trees to the public school. Unfortunately due to the fact that no one was able to take care of them, the trees were distributed about the town. As far as Mr. Rapsey knows they are still alive.

"Dwarf orange trees were first developed in Japan," Mr. Rapsey said. "I obtained a root from a Toronto florist who deals in this type of unusual horticulture and I've never had any trouble at all."

He said that the orange tree required lots of sunlight, that it must be kept in a heated room and that plenty of artificial fertilizer was required.

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Friday, Jan. 9th  
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Saturday, Jan. 10th  
7.30 p.m. Moneta vs Air Cadets  
9.00 p.m. Timmins Lions vs Schumacher Lions  
Sunday, Jan. 11th  
8.30 p.m. Week-end Skating Club  
Monday, Jan. 12th  
8.00 p.m. Porkies vs McIntyre  
Tuesday, Jan. 13th  
Skating Club all day  
Wednesday, Jan. 14th  
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