

Hollinger Employees Earnings Up 66 per cent.

The average daily earnings of all Hollinger employees (wages, salaries and benefits) has increased from \$6.26 to \$10.37 per day since 1939, according to the company brief dated May 8, 1950.

Other points contained in the brief are the following:

Share for Employees
The employees receive their share in various ways — direct wages, cost of living bonus, and benefit plans, both voluntary and statutory. The 2069 Hollinger employees received 60.7% of the value of the bullion produced in 1949; a percentage which has increased steadily over the years. *Ac-Labour Gazette* (March 1950), Hollinger employees' average weekly take home pay of \$54.73 is higher than the average weekly pay of any other industry in Canada, except the pulp and paper industry.

Electrical: \$48.48
The average weekly earnings of Hollinger Electrical Department employees, of \$48.48, ranks very favorably with the weekly pay of employees in other industries. The tables of the *Labour Gazette* indicate that the average number of hours worked per week at Hollinger is higher than in most other industries, but they also establish that Hollinger employees have average weekly incomes as large as, if not longer than, most other employees in Canada. The benefit plans and the availability of steady employment, along with relatively high weekly pay compared to other industries, offset the somewhat higher weekly hours.

The Union has requested during negotiations that the wage rates be "rationalized." This was to result in an upward adjustment of the rates for tradesmen.

Cannot Take to Give
The Company maintains that the facts of the situation establish quite definitely that all the money that is available for employees is now being distributed. The only way that present wage rates might be rationalized, as the Union requests, would be to redistribute what is now available. If the money is to be redistributed, someone must take less. The Company is of the opinion that, to take from some to give to others is not acceptable.

The base rates now in effect result from the payment of steady wage increases by the Company, which have amounted to 20c per hour since 1939. In addition a cost of living bonus willingly instituted in January, 1948, when the Emergency Gold Mines Assistance Act was passed, has now reached 15 cents per hour. The last 4 cents per hour adjustment was added

in October, 1949, when the price of gold returned to \$32.50 per ounce, in Canadian Funds.

Benefits
The Company has instituted various benefit plans. Since these plans are maintained on a group basis, the cost is much lower than could be obtained by an individual employee. Through these plans the employees are afforded a high degree of security. Some of the plans are statutory.

Gone Forever
Hollinger mining has resulted in a high percentage of the ore supply becoming included in sills, pillars, sub-levels.

In many parts of the mine, the situation is such that a block of ground which is uneconomical to recover now, will have to be abandoned because the succeeding mining operation will make it inaccessible.

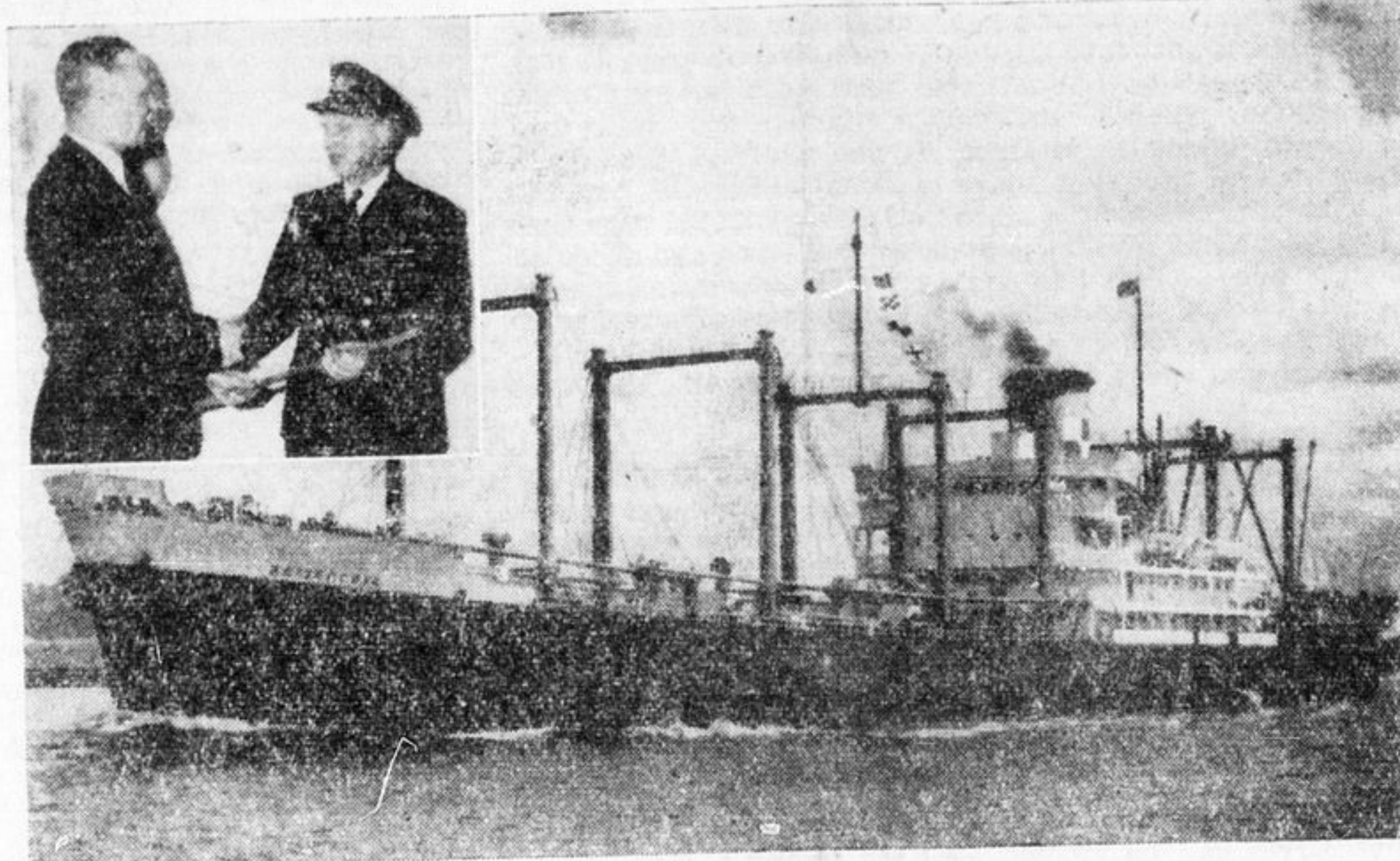
In this case, neither improved mining technique nor reduced costs can add this block to the ore supply in the future.

The sequence of mining is definite and must be followed. This limitation restricts the choice of the ground to be mined.

Less to Community
The average value per ton, of the ore milled is maintained at about 1/2 oz. of gold per ton.
Under the present operating conditions this is the economic optimum of average grade, and is obtained through mixing the "above-average grade" ore with the "below-average grade" ore.
During the past year increased costs necessitated a five percent increase in the ratio of the "above-average grade" ore. This slight change resulted in an additional amount of the "above-average grade" ore being used which would otherwise have permitted the mining and milling of 123,000 tons of "below-average grade" ore.
The mining and milling of this 123,000 tons would have required a total of 60,000 man shifts of work, or the daily employment of 200 men for one year. This work has been lost to the employees and the community by shortening the life of the mine.

Employees First: Longmore
It is the responsibility of the management to extract the metals from the ore deposits such that it will ensure the following, declares E. L. Longmore:

1. A fair and equitable return to the employees.
2. A fair and equitable return to the shareholders.
3. A maximum recovery of all ore deposits.
4. Maximum security for all concerned and the community.



WINS TRADITIONAL GOLD CANE RACE: The 10,000-ton Canadian Pacific cargo liner Beaver-cove won for her master, Capt. S. W. Keay, O.B.E., the traditional gold-headed cane awarded annually to the skipper of the first overseas vessel to enter the Port of Montreal at the beginning of the navigation season. Ice condition in the St. Lawrence River, which caused ships to dock temporarily at Quebec City, helped make the race one of the tightest ever, with the Beaver-cove making the voyage in just ten hours and ten minutes. Inset shows Capt. Keay (right) receiving the gold-headed cane from A. Gordon Murphy, Montreal Portmaster. This marked the second time that Capt. Keay had won the award, taking it first in 1945 aboard the freighter Gatineau Park while still on service with the Admiralty. For the ship's pilot, Andre Gauthier, it was the fourth time that he had been aboard the winning ship, each time a Canadian Pacific vessel.

Library Board Gets A Shot in the Arm

Kathleen Ardagh, the qualified librarian, who spent about one month in the Timmins Public Library, before leaving on Sunday last, made the following observations to the local board, as against other libraries in the province.

1. Staff holidays were of two weeks duration, instead of three.
 2. Salaries were too low.
 3. There was no pension plan.
 4. There was no Blue Cross plan in effect.
 5. There was no adequate sick leave plan.
 6. The room for repairs (number six in town hall), used for rebinding and other repairs, might have been adequate 12 years ago, but was not adequate now.
 7. The library, considering the "traffic," the number of books coming and going, and the other work to be attended to, was understaffed.
 8. The cataloging system now in effect, separate children's, French, English and Adult arrangements, was incorrect, should be modified.
- She also told the board that she was neither young enough nor strong enough to do pioneering work, enough of which she has already done.

Librarian staff holidays have now been extended from two weeks to three, John Blackshaw, chairman of the board, announced.
The board, represented by Mr. Blackshaw at a librarian convention in Windsor on May 22, will make enquiries about another qualified librarian.

Porcupine Mourns Fine Miner-Singer

He attended the festival twice last week — perfectly well, and healthy — a talented miner who had won festival honours a couple of years ago.
On Tuesday night he fell in the mine.
On Wednesday his relatives arrived.
On Thursday he died.

"Romeo Fortin would have been a really great singer," avers Mrs. Theriault, who herself taught him for some years, "had he had early training." He had a voice in a million," she added.

Mr. Fortin was a member (tenor) of the Porcupine Male Voice Choir, which was directed by Ron Jones. When he came first in the 1948 festival, he sang "Flower Song" from Carmen, the grand opera.

His first effort in public took place in Kirkland Lake, upon invitation, where he made a big hit, and his last offering in public, about a month ago, was broadcast over CKGB.
(For funeral details please see "Jasons," on page two.)

Home-Making Service

The Timmins branch of the Canadian Red Cross has been re-organized, its principal function now being the home-making service.

Gill Nettleton is president of the Timmins branch.
Mrs. Nankervis (telephone 274-J) is in charge of the home-making service. She has three trained women at your disposal. These women can cook, mind the stove, telephone, children, and generally serve for the convalescing mother of the home.
Each of these women has been trained in Toronto in a home-making course sponsored by the Red Cross.

GOLF CLUB MEETING

The annual meeting of the Timmins Golf Club will be held tonight at 7.00 p.m. in the Timmins Golf Club.
In addition to General Business and the Financial Statement we would like to get the opinion of the members on some suggested changes to the N.O.G.A., the secretary requests.

Health Unit Uses 'Advance' Porcupine

Lois Kelly, health unit superintendent, now wears a small pin, about the size of a peanut, which embodies a porcupine, encircled with a blue border, containing the words, "Porcupine Health Unit."
The pin is now standard equipment, part of a nurse's uniform, she contends, adding that the porcupine die which Birks used to stamp the pins, was derived from the porcupine on *The Advance* letterheads.
Can a nurse have more than one?
Yes, if she pays for it.
Can she give one to a boy friend (s)?
"Oh, yes, certainly," Miss Kelly said.

12 Dairy Farmers Start Improvement Association

A Dairy Herd Improvement Association has been accepted, Mr. Hanlan announced yesterday.

Laurent Laferrier, supervisor, will visit district herds monthly, and test the milk of every cow.
"And so," Mr. Hanlan explained, "at the end of the year he will hand every farmer a statement of how many pounds of milk, per cow, butterfat content, and how much money each cow is making."

There are 24 dairy herds in the district. Twelve have already signed up, he added.
Mr. Laferrier is a graduate of the Ville Marie Agricultural College (two years) and is at present living at the home of Mr. A. Lefort, 15 Joseph Street, Timmins.

Jail For Ministers

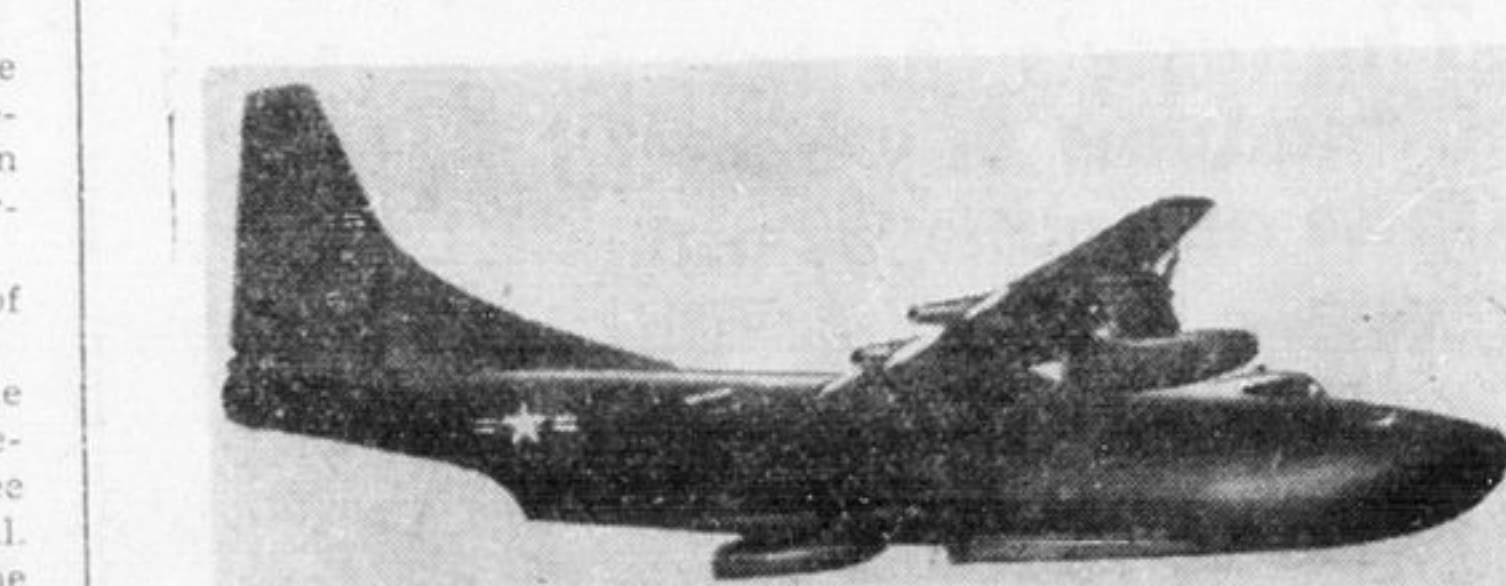
MR. CHEVRIER (Minister of Transport): It is the Auditor General who audits this account. The stores branch recommended this change after consultation so I am informed by my officials — and this proposed amendment results. It is at the recommendation, I am informed, of the Auditor General.

MR. KNOWLES: To keep the minister out of jail.
MR. CHEVRIER: Right.
Hansard, 5.5.50.

BASEBALLS

Baseballs are in evidence now, in back yards and lanes.
It is good to see them.

U.S. Navy's First Turbojet Flying Boat



World's first turbojet flying boat the XP5Y-1, is tested at San Diego, Cal., for the U.S. navy. The plane, described as a 250 per cent improvement in hull design over previous flying boats," is powered by four Allison XT40-A-4 gas turbine engines which combine propeller drive and jet thrust. It is fastest plane of the flying boat type ever built.

Talented Musicians Give Performance To Kiwanis

Lousy Children Greatly Reduced

There were 340 Timmins school-children afflicted with head lice in November, 1947. That number has now been reduced to approximately 85, which is a reduction of 75 per cent in little more than two years.

This has been done, Dr. Lane explained, by the use of DDT powder, particularly after holidays.

"We find a large number of children have head lice," he said, "when they have been away from school, because they are not then under constant teacher and nurse supervision."

"We find that if we recommend to parents that their children be sent to the family doctor—they don't do it. And if one member of the family has head lice, others contact it. So we send the nurse to the home."

And particularly after holidays, summer, Christmas, and Easter, when the children have been without constant supervision—just a little sprinkling effects a cure."

Timmins Too Tough?

Miss Ardagh, a graduate librarian and recent addition to the Timmins public library staff, head of the adult department, has resigned. She left town on Sunday last after about one month of work here.

Why?
"It did not take me long to size things up," she said. "There are now two library workers laid up with nervous breakdowns."

Any other reasons?
"There is not enough room to work. And you cannot do two or three things at the same time."

Towards explaining these remarks, she said that a librarian's job was to induce better reading, by gradually learning individuals' interests, and catering to them well.

She said that when people are left to browse alone they "never get anywhere," that they need enlightenment, which could not be rendered when one has "two or three other things to do at the same time," and that the job should go to someone younger, preferably a man.

Drew & Gauthier Address

MR. DREW: This Communism is not a political doctrine as we understand a political doctrine. This is a plan to carry out revolution in Canada.

MR. GATHIER (Portneuf): It is more than that.
MR. DREW: Yes, a great deal more than that. It is the kind of revolution that matters, as well as the revolution itself.

MR. GAUTHIER: It is more than that. It is a religion.

MR. DREW: It is a Godless religion, and that is the horrible feature of it. It is a religion without God. It is a religion which makes materialism in its grossest form the ideal, if possible, of those who serve this cause. It is in all truth the anti-Christ pictured by the Bible. I do not wish anyone for one moment to think that I feel any less deeply about this matter than my words would indicate.
House of Commons, Ottawa.

Short Lines To Pinecrest Wire, Walk, Then Roads?

Electric wire lines from the town to Pinecrest school have been set directly across the Gauthier property, the shortest route.

Gauthier & Gauthier could object to this, Mr. Bartleman explained. Apparently they have no objection to electric wiring crossing their property.

Penniless And Helpless Turned Out By Poppa

Miss P.—, in a "family way", sixth month, rejected at home, refused by parents, jobless, penniless — Miss P.— wrote to the Timmins Salvation Army, as reported last week.

She came to Timmins.
What happened?
She has been sent to Toronto, Major Majury reports.

Why?
Well, she wanted to go to Toronto, just to get away from this district, although we could have dealt with the case right here, the Major said.

The Salvation Army in Toronto will attend to her, she may stay and work there, the Major was not sure about that, but he was sure, he said, in her heart, which was not so before.

Following is the letter she wrote: Salvation Army, Timmins.

Dear Sirs,
Would you please advise me what I could do on the following matter.

The entertainment part of the programme at the weekly luncheon of the Timmins Kiwanis Club at the Empire Hotel on Monday was in charge of the "Forty-Niners" (the new members added during 1949).

Don Paver was chairman for this feature of the day. The other members of the group were Fred DeCruyenaere, Jack Weinstein, Jack Rooney and Frank Joyce. They started to do their stuff during the community singing which was led by Ted Bartlett, with Secretary W. H. Wilson at the piano.

The Forty-Niners pepped up the sing-song with a bubbling rendition of "The Old Gray Mare."

More Outstanding Music
In the other feature of the entertainment provided, the Forty-Niners were particularly happy in securing Ted Bartlett and four of the prize-winners in the recent Porcupine Music Festival. The Forty-Niner Jack Rooney did not overstate the facts when he complimented the young people on their musical talent and expressed the appreciation of the club for the numbers given.

The piano duet by Misses Leone Platus and Doreen Essa showed talented handling of a difficult number. Tommy Bennett's violin playing brought much hearty applause. This lad, who is a pupil of Andrew Gordon, showed much promise. The concluding number was a talented piano solo by Miss Norma Andrighetti, winner of the Doran senior piano trophy at the recent Music Festival. Miss Andrighetti also played the accompaniment for the violin solo.

President Geo. Knowles, in thanking the artists, also added a special word of appreciation for the Forty-Niners.

About The Proposed Arena
President Geo. Knowles read a letter from the Community Memorial Building Committee regarding the finances of the preliminary work in connection with the proposed arena for Timmins.

The letter suggested that the service clubs in town might advance the funds necessary for the preliminary expenses, the money to be returned when the project got under way. If each member of each service club gave five dollars, the total would be sufficient to cover the amount required for the opening expenses of the campaign.

The letter was turned over to the club directorate to be dealt with.

Special Card From Florida
As this is "All Kiwanis Week" to all the 200 and more clubs on the continent as the Kiwanis International convention is being held in Miami there was interest in the card from the St. Petersburg, Florida, Kiwanis Club, announcing that Nick Basciano, treasurer of the Timmins Club, on his way as a delegate to the International convention at Miami, had been welcomed at the St. Petersburg club.

New Liskeard Kiwanis Club sent a hearty invitation to any and all Kiwanis members from Timmins to attend a special dinner at New Liskeard on May 22nd. President Knowles suggested that any local members who could attend should notify Secretary "Scotty" Wilson.

Promised Flights For Air Cadets
Chairman Jack Beattie reported that an RCAF plane from Trenton would be at Porcupine Junction on Saturday May 20th, with the idea of giving flights to Air Cadets here. He asked for members to volunteer their cars to transport Cadets to and from Porcupine Junction. Enough volunteering resulted to assure opportunity for all Air Cadets eligible and able to take the trip to be given the chance of a flight on May 22nd.

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I am 18 and am in the family way, and am nearly going crazy worrying what to do. So I consulted my girl friend who is over 20 and she told me the best thing to do was to get in contact with you people and ask for help and advice.

I was working up till a month ago; but had to quit on account of my condition. I had a quarrel with my parents about a month or so ago and they turned me out. So I am left homeless and helpless. No one to turn to. I now have a room, but at present am without money. My board is paid till Friday, but after that I don't know where I'll go.

I wrote yesterday to the Unemployment Insurance to see if I could draw any insurance. If I do it will help. I am also getting bills which I owe and they want prompt payment. I believe I have told you as much as I could. So would you please try your best to help me. It will be greatly appreciated.

P.X.Q.

Drunk Drivers May Have Blood Testing

There has been approximately six cases of persons charged with drunken driving in Timmins this year, Chief Lepic affirmed.

In future, such persons may be compelled to undergo compulsory blood tests.
Mr. J. G. Diefenbaker (Lake Centre): Mr. Speaker, I should like to ask having to do with a report in this evening's issue of the Ottawa Journal to the effect that consideration is being given by the Department of Justice to introducing amendments which would permit of compulsory blood tests being taken in respect of persons accused of driving motor vehicles while intoxicated.

It further states that submission is being made to the various provinces in this regard to the effect that loopholes now existing which deny conviction in many clear cases will thereby be avoided and convictions more readily obtained. Is the minister in a position to say whether the report is correct, and whether it is expected that legislation to this effect will be introduced, provided the provinces

have no objection, at the present session of parliament?

Hon. Stuart S. Garson (Minister of Justice): Mr. Speaker, unfortunately I did not have any leisure in which to read newspapers this evening because I was reading copy from Hansard and having my dinner right up until eight o'clock.

However, I shall be glad to look at the report in question and bring down a statement tomorrow as to whether or not it is correct. I think offhand that it is not correct. However, I shall look at the report and make a statement concerning it tomorrow.

Hansard, 1.5.50

NO BATHTUBS

Thousands of Timmins children have never been in a modern bath.
The Advance, 16.11.47.

BASKET INDUSTRY TO BEGIN

The basket bottom industry will begin in about one month, said Mr. W. Brewer, manager.



This informal picture of Her Majesty Queen Mary engaged on tapestry work in the garden of Marlborough House has recently been released, as the beautiful gros point carpet which Her Majesty took eight years to make, has been on display at the Metropolitan Museum, New York.