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This issue contains an extraordinary number of items on the sterner verities and realities of our lives as citizens of Baie d'Urfe. The Bablance Sheet and Statement of Revenue and Expenditure of the town are appended for your information and reflect the fact that Baie d'Urfe is in a period of growth. The rather startling increase in school taxes should draw a large group to the next meeting of the Central Board on November 10. Treasurer Perks has developed for your better understanding the implications of the change in the fiscal year of the association from a January beginning to the recently approved September date. One application, which we hope will not be overlooked, is that fees are now due.

The resignation of our chairman, Sidney Nagley, will come as an unhappy surprise. His indefatigable service in all spheres of association activity, his very real and rare enthusiasm for the town have caused him to be unsparing of his great energies. The temporary withdrawal from association affairs, which is imperative, will be regretted by everyone who has worked with him.

THE RECORD

The general meeting was held on October 20 with Chairman Nagley conducting the session at which forty two members were present. Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as correct. New residents were introduced to the meeting, including Mr. St. Martin, Mr. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Cochrane and Mr. Brookhouse, all of Lakeview Rd., and Mr. Persson of Sunny Acres. The new family membership plan of the movie club was explained. A canvass is being made for memberships, but meanwhile all children are being admitted to the movies until the canvass has been concluded. Mrs. Evans, chairman of the School Affairs Committee, reported that her committee had held a meeting to which Mr. Spriggs and Mr. Smythe, school commissioners, had been invited, and that the group had been unanimous in their opinion that Mrs. Kirkpatrick, who is prepared to attend all meetings of the school commissioners, would fulfill her obligations as a school commissioner satisfactorily. The school tax is being increased from seven mills to ten mills. Mrs. Burrige announced that a Hobo Hop is scheduled to take place in the Town Hall on Nov. 10, and that notices are being mailed. Mr. T. Vauthier has accepted chairmanship of the Xmas Party. Arising out of the letter in last month's paper, there was animated discussion regarding the party, and on duly approved motion, it was agreed that Mr. Vauthier should be asked to meet with a group composed of those expressing opinions at the meeting, to explore the matter further, prior to further planning. Action was taken to protect the piano, by a more suitable location away from the windows. It was brought to the attention of residents who may not be familiar with chimney sweeping procedures, that under the present arrangement, which is standard practice, flues are not emptied, and that it is important that newcomers to the community should understand this and attend to it in order to avoid possible asphyxiation. Mrs. Kirkpatrick, one of our school commissioners, was presented to the meeting and spoke briefly. Following adjournment, refreshments were served by Mrs. Belcher, Mrs. Comber, and Mrs. Barrett.

Doris Cape - Secretary.

PRESENTATION OF SAILING PRIZES

At the conclusion of the last general meeting, Bob McBride introduced Ewen Winters, Chairman of the Cup Committee of the Bair d'Urfe-Beaupaire Sailing Regatta. Mr. Winters talked informally of the growth of interest in sailing in the area, and then presented cups and prizes to a number of the sailing fraternity who were our guests. Amongst the winners were Doug Foss, who took the Ischkoodah Cup this year, and R. Pincott, of Baie d'Urfe. A film on a local sailing regatta concluded the program.

CHANGE IN ASSOCIATION FISCAL YEAR

At the October meeting of our association, the constitution was amended in that the fiscal year of the association will run from September 1st to August 31st instead of from January to December as formerly. This change was asked for by our executive committee for two reasons: (1) To facilitate the keeping of the cash book and to be able to hand down a more accurate balance understandable by all; (2) To enable the membership committee to enrol new members and collect fees for the new year. This is desirable due to the fact that a new committee comes into office in January and on its members falls the burden of collecting fees before they have time to organize.

After reading this explanation, we, your committee, hope that you will be encouraged to pay your fees early for the year which has just started. YOUR FEES ARE NOW DUE. I am sure that your new committee coming in to office in January will thank you.

Yours financially,
W.H. Perks, Treasurer.

LIBRARY FACILITIES NOW AVAILABLE

There is good news for those who have been lamenting the absence of library facilities in our community. We learn that the McLennan Travelling Library is now available to local residents for an annual fee of two dollars. Housed in the basement of the Main Building at Macdonald College, the Travelling Library is not to be confused with the College's own library on the ground floor. As a rule it will be open mornings during the week, the exception being when the Librarian is away on business. We understand that if enough people wish it, the room will be open for an hour between seven and eight p.m. on Thursdays. About afternoon hours, we have so far no definite information, but we hope to be able to provide further details in our next News and Views - and also a telephone number for the purpose of checking that the library is open, to avoid an unnecessary trip.

Mary Buch

SCHOOL TAX INCREASES FORTY-THREE PER CENT

The school tax rate for Protestants is now 10 mills. The budget will be discussed at the Central Board Meeting, November 16.

This is an opportunity to present questions regarding construction or any other matter pertaining to our school. If the information you wish is of a technical nature, or one requiring quotation of figures, please phone it in advance to the committee of School Affairs, or directly to our commissioners, who are only too glad to have us show an interest in their work.

REMEMBER: The High School, November 16, Thursday at 9 o'clock.

Julie Evans,
Chairman, School Affairs Committee

RECREATION - REPORT OF MOVIE ARRANGEMENTS

In addition to the 15 films of the children's series which have already been arranged for, it is planned to hold the following showings:

- 1) Occasional Saturday afternoon programs of true-to-life animal stories, puppet comedies, and cartoons for the very small children, say from two years to five or six years.
- 2) Six or eight programs for adults consisting of:
 - (a) documentary shorts, travel shorts, scientific and historic subjects, etc.
 - (b) full length features of special interest, such as:

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>DIRECTOR</u>	<u>PRODUCED IN</u>
Dead of the Night	Cavalcanti	England
I Know Where I Am Going	Michael Powell	England
The Lady Vanishes	Hitchcock	England

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>DIRECTOR</u>	<u>PRODUCED IN</u>
East Days of Dolwyn	Williams	England
Canadian Film Awards Package (1949)		Canada
Monsieur Vincent	Gloche	France
Wedding of Palo	Rasmussen	Greenland
Machine That Kills Evil People	Rossellini	Italy
The Forgotten Village	Kilne	Mexico
Was the Terrible	Eisenstein	Russia
Chaplin Festival		U.S.A.
Foreign Correspondent	Hitchcock	U.S.A.
Tabu	Flaherty	U.S.A.

The cost for the children's series, including films, projector rental and express charges, will be about \$210. The films for small children will cost about \$6 per showing, and the films for adults will cost about \$20 per showing. Consequently, the extent to which the small children and adult programs can be developed will depend on the number of \$3 movie club memberships over 70. The town is being canvassed at present. For the time being, the canvasser is concerning themselves with the families that have children. Next month when other programs are being arranged for, the canvass will extend to all other families in the town.

John Windebank,
Movie Club Chairman.

HOBO HOP POSTPONED

The Hobo Hop which was earlier announced as taking place at the Town Hall on November 10, has been postponed, and further announcement will be mailed direct to association members. In making plans, the committee overlooked the fact that this was the date of our regular monthly meeting. The change in plan is regrettable, but necessary.

Kit Burrige.

ONE ANSWER TO THE SPEEDING PROBLEM

There is an amusing story currently going the rounds which has been passed on to us by a usually reliable source. It seems that one brave resident turned onto the Lakeshore Road from a driveway in the east end of town and found himself (in his small English car) immediately in the path of a large and bustling bus. Setting his speed at thirty m.p.h., he held to the centre of the road with the bus behind tooting with frustration. Having reached his destination at the west end of town, he faced the irate bus driver and informed him that the speed limit in B.D. was the thirty m.p.h., etc., etc. We don't know whether this plan should be copied by other than the strong in heart, but it is worth mentioning, and it might get results.

CHAIRMAN NAGLEY RESIGNS

Due to conditions beyond my control (doctor's orders), I find it necessary to tender my resignation effective immediately. I wish to thank the executive and the membership at large for their whole-hearted support and cooperation during my tenure of office.

Sincerely,
Sidney Nagley.

REPORT OF TOWN COUNCIL MEETING, October 10, 1950.

Present: Mayor Case, Councillors Gelinias, Laird, Parker, Smith, Yates.

The recently passed Building and Zoning By-Laws have been printed, copies to be sold at \$1.00. Action from V.L.A. on Lakeview Rd. Secretary-Treasurer to write Minister of Veterans Affairs explaining negotiations to date urging prompt action to reconcile differences re road construction so that Town may accept road. Exchange of lots with Morgan Estate awaiting further word from Morgans. Mr. Yates given authority to arrange for replacement of power pole on Town grounds. Council invited to send representative to meeting at Pte. Claire to discuss establishment of a Provincial Health Unit for the Lakeshore communities. Secretary-Treasurer to obtain information re activities of such units when decision re acceptance of invitation to be made. Switch plate at Post Office which has been electrifying citizens has been repaired. Secretary-Treasurer to write Provincial Police requesting speed patrol. Montreal Anti T.B. x-rayed 37 citizens. Others may have x-ray done at League's Office. Some bonds

held by Town to be cashed to meet expenses until taxes collected. Last year's tax rate to be continued this year. Financial statement for fiscal year ending July 1950 passed—copy of balance sheet to be sent to Citizens Association. Messrs. Gelinis and Yates to investigate changes in accounting system suggested by auditors. Secretary to find out from Notary Boileau whether or not right of way to water at foot of cemetery road is public one. If so (as it is reported to be), steps will be taken to prevent closing off. Councillor Smith reported east side of cemetery road to be fenced and road used as entrance to cemetery. Councillor Smith to look into winter sanding of roads. No reply yet from Province re specifications for Connolly roads. Mayor Case reported nuisance and danger of damage to Town property caused by boys playing football at night on Town Hall grounds. Citizens are asked to bring this to the attention of their children. BDCA has arranged with the Morgan Estate for the use of a large level field just north of the swamp on the east side of Morgan Rd. This is a much larger space than the Town Hall grounds, and the boys can have all the fun they want without so much disturbance of adult equanimity and without danger of damaging property.

Harry Smythe,
Vice-Chairman.

AROUND OUR TOWN

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Seagram who have been living in the Richardson house on the Lakeshore have moved to their recently purchased home on Caron Point.

Several incidents have been reported which indicated that there young boys in the town in possession of air rifles which are being used carelessly. Parents are asked to be aware of this and take appropriate action before serious damage is done.

TOWN OF BAIE D'URFE

STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITUREFor the year ended 30th June 1950REVENUE:

Assessment for year	9,699.53	
Interest on taxes	25.42	
Interest on investments	415.65	
Sundry revenue	<u>87.75</u>	10,228.35

EXPENDITURE:

Salaries	2,789.97	
Wages	1,220.42	
General expense	1,491.58	
Road maintenance	3,412.39	
Road lighting power	376.64	
Road lighting fixtures and lamps	689.04	
Town planning and zoning	1,664.52	
Garbage removal	900.00	
Legal, audit and assessors' fees	452.23	
Insurance	256.39	
Donations	150.00	
Provision for uncollectible taxes	100.98	
Sundry furniture and equipment	405.56	
Depreciation - buildings	283.10	
furniture	40.54	
	<u>323.64</u>	14,233.36

EXCESS OF EXPENDITURE OVER REVENUE\$4,005.01SURPLUS ACCOUNT

Balance as at 30th June 1949 - Revenue fund surplus	9,212.40	
Investment in fixed assets	<u>12,640.29</u>	21,853.69
<u>Less:</u> Accounts for chimney sweeping and weed removal written off in accordance with minutes of Council dated 4th October 1949	23.50	
Provision for uncollectible taxes of prior years	463.58	
Excess of expenditure over revenue	<u>4,005.01</u>	<u>4,514.09</u>
		17,338.60
<u>Add:</u> Net profit on sales during year of property acquired for non-payment of taxes		<u>700.00</u>
<u>BALANCE AS AT 30TH JUNE 1950</u> - Revenue fund surplus	5,721.95	
- Investments in fixed assets	<u>12,316.65</u>	<u>\$18,038.60</u>

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