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SAILING, SAILING, O'ER THE BOUNDING MAIN

Despite the three or four feet of snow lying around, not to mention the foot or more of solid ice covering Lake St. Louis, the salt in all Baie d'Urfée's young and old salts is starting to react already, and the favorite hum these days is a-yachting, a-sailing or a-boating we will go, as the case may be.

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Baie d'Urfites are quite a sea-faring race, as all followers of the bounding main well know. Plenty of citizens, both on the lake-shore and inland, have their own craft. Many others would like to. Many belong to and some play prominent parts in the activities of clubs outside Baie d'Urfée; Leigh Capreol, for an exalted example, being Commodore of the famous Royal St. Lawrence Yacht Club.

For some time formation of Baie d'Urfée's own club has been discussed and mooted. Now, at the next Citizens' meeting, March 11, it is being brought to a head. Formation of such a club, and where to put it, will be among the topics. A movie on sailing will be shown, too, it is hoped. So sailors and landlubbers all, turn out for what will be an interesting evening.

Our Next Meeting

FRIDAY, MARCH 11 - THE COOP - 8:15 P.M.

SUBJECT - SAILING, SAILING, O'ER THE BOUNDING MAIN.

The Baie d'Urfée Citizens' Association is at record strength for 1955, thanks to the energetic and enthusiastic canvassing team headed up by Ginnie Higman, and to a community spirit it would be difficult to match anywhere.

The entire town, to the extent of some 315 homes, was canvassed. Of these, 284 joined, contributing \$852 to the support of the many Association projects and activities. As Ginnie suggested, anything over 90 per cent could be classified as highly successful, and it looks as though 95 per cent is within reach.

Of course, as usual, there was the occasional person who could see no point in joining, and one woman actually had the crust to berate the canvasser for bothering her. Of course, there were also a few families purposely not contacted; elderly couples with no children and who never use the beaches, The Coop, the Rinks or other facilities and services the Citizens' Association makes possible: several all-French speaking families who do not seem to care to mix in Town activities; hired help on some of the bigger pieces of property in Town.

However, there is the odd chance you were somehow overlooked. If you haven't been contacted and wish to support the multitude of activities the Citizens' Association promotes, put your \$3 in an envelope earmarked "Membership, Citizens' Association" and give it to Reg Vidler down at the Post Office. He'll see that you get a Membership card.

District Captains with their Lieutenants were: Sid Marshall, Oak Ridge and Lakeshore Road, assisted by Joanne Boyle, Joan Birkett and Stacia Smith; Nora Glen, Lakeshore Road, central district, assisted by Mariette Turnau; Helen Jamieson, Sunny Acres, assisted by Betty MacLeod; Kathy Willetts, Lakeview Road, south; Doug Comber, Lakeview Road, north; Helen Cavel, Morgan Road; Dora Bastien, Caron Point; Pat Laird, Lakeshore Road central to west, assisted by Kay Smith; Marian Pilkey, Lakeshore Road west, assisted by Ann Hanson; Pete Winters, College Green, assisted by Dee Baker, Margory Windebank, Gladys Mills, Carol Davidson; Pearl Godfrey, Bayview, assisted by Anne Tivy, Mary Scott, Grace Ramsay, Flo Barnes, Edwina Scott and Vera Wighton.

SET 6 MILLS AS 1955 TAX RATE.

A tax rate of six mills was struck by town council meeting in town hall, March 1.

This in effect is the same as last year's when a rate of 12 mills was levied on 50 per cent of assessment. This year the rate is on 100 per cent assessed value and as a result of the recent reassessment nearly every homeowner will pay at least a little more municipal tax than he did last year.

But at that council is counting on an estimated operating deficit of \$6,377. which will be looked after from existing accumulated reserves. Under the budget presented by Ald. George Jost, and accepted by council, expenditures are estimated at \$34,040. as against estimated revenues of \$27,663.

In the budget, \$1, 500 is provided for "heavy equipment" - first step toward provision of Baie d'Urfée's own municipal road and other equipment.

Town of Baie d'Urfée Budget for 1955

Budget for
12 Months Period
Jan. 1/55 to Dec. 31/55

EXPENDITURES

Salaries		6,200
Wages		800
General Expenses	2,600	
Printing Postage Stationery		(400
Telephone		(350
Town Hall & Grounds		(1,350
Miscellaneous		(500
Roads Maintenance	6,900	
Snow Plowing		(3,200
Sand and Salt		(900
Major Repairs		(2,000
Road Signs		(200
Snow Fencing		(600
Road Lighting Power & Maintenance		1,000
Additional Fixtures		400
Garbage Removal		4,880
Legal Fees)		750
Audit)	3,250	{ 1,000
Assessors)		{ 1,500
Insurance		650
Tree Planting		150
Town Planning		-
Donations - Miscel.		20
Victorian Order Nurses		100
Baie d'Urfée Day		100
Citizens' Association		1,200
County Sanitary Unit		650
Public Assistance		100
Town Hall		
Repairs)		200
Renovations)		-
Community Hall		100
Office Equipment		1,500
Heavy Equipment		300
Reserve for Unpaid Taxes		
Redemption of Bonds & Interest		
Bylaw 85 - Barns		1,900
Bylaw 87 - Transformer		1,040
Capital Expenditure Provided out of Rev.		-
Private Bill Expense - Town Charter		-

TOTAL EXPENDITURE

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ESTIMATED REVENUE

Taxes 6 mills on \$4, 318, 831	25, 913	
Inspection & Bldg. Permit Fees (net)	1, 200	
Interest on Bonds	300	
Interest on Taxes	150	
Sundry Revenue	<u>100</u>	
TOTAL REVENUE		<u>\$27, 663.</u>
Excess of expenditures over revenue		<u>\$ 6, 377</u>

PRINCIPLES OF BAIE D'URFEE ASSESSING EXPLAINED

Baie d'Urfée Citizens' Association met Feb. 11.

Chairman Jack Mitcham confirmed that Harry Floyd had been appointed auditor.

Owing to numerous social events scheduled this season and the lateness of the season, the chairman suggested that a winter carnival should not be held. There was no dissent so the carnival will be dropped for this year.

Cupboards in Canteen - Peter Smith asked that someone paint these cupboards on which he and his group are working. Chairman stated that the Coop committee would be reactivated to continue with detailed improvements of the coop.

Finances - Treasurer Lars Firing reported a balance of approximately \$1100, which includes \$874 credit on the Coop. This figure does not include 1955 C.A. memberships. Nor does the Coop credit balance include the \$300 contribution from the town. Bill Perks reported \$46 Coop revenue since opening.

Membership Campaign - Ginny Higman's report was read by Lars Firing. It showed 281 members had subscribed. Mr. Firing expressed appreciation for this splendid effort by Ginny and her team. The chairman joined in this and stated that these funds (\$843) would be used to maintain the beach and pay the lifeguards.

Pump Repairs - Fernand Duquette of St. Anne's repaired a pump in the Coop without charge, thus making a contribution to the Coop. The Chairman asked Barney Rider to send a written acknowledgment.

Fire Protection - Bill Perks said the town was to supply a length of hose, but this had not yet arrived. It was announced that an arrangement for use of Macdonald College fire-fighting equipment appeared to be imminent.

Recreation - Plans for Baie d'Urfée Day are in the hands of Bill Norcott and almost the same committee as last year, reported Frank Booth.

Combined Appeals - Pat Laird reported that this would be made again this year, in March.

Picture for Coop - Bill Perks reported that a color photo of Baie d'Urfée Town Hall had been donated by Bill Norcott, and expressed the thanks of all members.

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Mr. Mitcham reported there had been a cessation in the petty burglaries of previous weeks, and if there was a recurrence some system of vigilance by the citizens would be instituted.

Education - Will Spriggs reported there would be a three-week course in French for the children at Macdonald School this summer. He also spoke of the assessment rate in Baie d'Urfée for school taxes and of the need for more equitable tax rates among the several communities served by Macdonald. Frank Booth asked whether a summary of school revenue sources and the respective amounts could be provided as last year. Mr. Spriggs said he thought so.

F. A. Bider outlined methods used by his firm in assessing land and buildings, and how Baie d'Urfée was zoned for assessment purposes. A lengthy question period followed with Mr. Bider, Sr. answering most of the queries. The chairman expressed warm appreciation on behalf of all present.

Refreshments were served by Gladys Burke, assisted by Mrs. Mitcham, Mrs. Peter Smith and Mrs. Marshall.

GINNIE SAYS:-

DID YOU KNOW Baie d'Urfée is famous not only by word of mouth and by print but by pictures too? Recently in the French magazine "Architecture", the Les Tait home on Morgan Road was featured on the cover with a two-page spread inside.

WINTER TAKES ITS TOLL as far as newcomers are concerned. Though Bayview has some 10 householders moving in this spring, we've none to record for this month, and only three for Oak Ridge.

A BIT DUBIOUS about Lakeshore "hospitality" was George McGinn the first week he moved here. George and Grace and their three children, Anne, sixteen, George, eleven, and Charles, two, moved to their new home on Birch Hill Road the first of February, but before five days had gone by, George got "pinched" for going over thirty in the speed zone up Pte. Claire way! The McGinns are from Montreal and he's with Dominion Textiles.

FINDING THEMSELVES getting lonesome in Hampstead while part of the family--the H.E. Schofields of Senneville--were raving about "country living", Mary and Doug Schofield started building their ranch-style home on Oak Ridge Drive last summer, finally moving in two weeks ago. John, their eight-year-old, has been going to Macdonald this year and Charlotte, five, will attend next fall. Doug, a Mechanical Engineer by profession with woodworking as a hobby, is with the Wire and Cable Division of Northern Electric.

VERY PROUD OF THEIR new residence on the corner of Apple Hill Road and Oak Ridge Drive are Bert and Pearl McLeod whose ultra-modern home has been a dream in their minds for years. Bert did all his own contracting, carrying out to a "T" the many ideas Pearl wanted to incorporate. The McLeods have two grown sons living with them, - Ivar, in the printing business, and Rick, eighteen. Bert is with the Claims and Taxation Department of Quebec-Hydro.

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EXCAVATION

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MOVING INTO BRAND new homes isn't the only real-estate turnover going on in Baie d'Urfée these days. The M.E. Binz farm has been sold, and the Binzes were all moved out by last weekend and last Tuesday the J.E. Moreheads moved to their new home in N.D.G. Mr. Binz is said seriously ill.

ONE WOULD THINK something was drastically wrong with Oak Ridge, what with four houses for sale there, three right in a row!!! But when you're transferred elsewhere and like your job, you have no choice but to go... thus three out of the four residents are very unhappy about moving away. As for the fourth--that's us--we hate like heck to leave our wonderful neighbors, our beautiful wooded lot and our sweeping view of the St. Lawrence, but after three years of hunting, we've found just what we want on the Lake and will no longer have that duck-out-of-water feeling.

TAKING ADVANTAGE OF News & Views free advertising, the following homes listed for sale. Tell your city friends contemplating moving to "the Lakeshore's most beautiful community" about these houses:

66 SOMERSET ROAD: Zillah and Harold Brown are offering their six room bungalow for \$18,500. Besides three bedrooms, a tile bath, and full basement, it has a lovely stone fireplace. Phone Ste. Annes 4782.

20395 LAKESHORE ROAD: By coincidence, another Harold Browne, this time it's Muriel and Harold, have their bungalow across from the Town Hall for sale. Price, which includes three bedrooms, two baths and separate dining room, is \$26,500. Ste. Annes 5591.

OAK RIDGE DISTRICT: Doreen and Don Lambert, already moved to Vancouver, are selling their beautiful ranch-style bungalow for \$35,000. The Lambert home has three bedrooms, full basement, stone fireplace and French doors leading from dining room to a future outdoor patio. The Lambert's address is 20093 Lakeshore Road.

103 OAK RIDGE DRIVE: Edith Chalmers, whose husband, Al, has already moved to Kitchener, Ontario, will be leaving Baie d'Urfée with their four children as soon as school is over or when they sell their home. It's a four-bedroom home with a large kitchen, an L-shaped living-dining room, a sewing-den room, full basement including the garage and the most beautiful big oak tree in the back yard imaginable! Price, \$29,500.

105 OAK RIDGE DRIVE: the R.J. Higman home is on a fully-landscaped lot, including lovely big trees and a view. It has four bedrooms, 1 1/2 bathrooms, large L-shaped living room-dining room, den attached garage with a recreation or "TV" room (as the real estate people like to call it) above. French doors in dining room open on to landscaped and very private patio. Price: \$33,000.

107 OAK RIDGE DRIVE: Pat and Joanne Boyle, being transferred to Asbestos, Quebec in April, wish to sell their home situated on one of Oak Ridge's choice lots. Besides a large kitchen, four bedrooms, a large living room with a dining alcove, their home includes two full bathrooms and a knotty pine den. Phone Ste. Annes 5614 for price and details.

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IT MIGHT EVEN be an antique for all we know, but we have an old church pump organ for sale for \$50. Phone Ste. Annes 4863.

GLAD TO HAVE HER BACK are all Grace Ramsay's friends. Grace spent a miserable two weeks at the Royal Vic last month, but is up and around and just dying for the snow to go away so she can go out and stroll, visiting all her Bayview neighbors.

THAT GOOD MAN, Gerry Bastien, couldn't be kept down, so almost before his friends learned he'd been in the hospital for an operation, he was home again and in two days taking their cocker out for his afternoon walk.

THE STORK HAS BEEN mildly busy since the first of the year. Besides Marge and Sid Creates young 'un, Mary and Graeme Heselton of Apple Hill Road heralded the arrival on Feb. 5 of their first strapping eight pound ten ounce boy whom they've named Gary Graeme. And the very next day, Feb. 6, wee Jill Dryden, daughter of Pat and Bill Dryden of Bayview arrived to join big brother Gary, age 2 1/2.

CALLING ALL PRESBYTERIANS: Eileen Bain is anxious that all Presbyterians in Baie d'Urfée, whether or not interested in establishing a new church here, phone her at St. Annes 2452.

ORGANIZED BY Ruth Tait and her two top assistants, Pat Laird and Nancy Dawson, Baie d'Urfée's Combined Appeals Drive is due to commence the last Wednesday in March and will continue for a week.

PAY DAY WILL BE right at the first of the Drive, so be sure to set aside enough extra to cover FIVE charities, namely: The Red Feather Services of Welfare Federation (which covers a multitude of charities in itself!); the Salvation Army; the Joint Cancer Fund Campaign for the Canadian Cancer Society and the Cancer Research Society; the Combined Appeal for the Blind of the Montreal Association for the Blind, the Canadian National Institute for the Blind and the French-Canadian Association for the Blind; and the Women's Auxiliary of the Lachine General Hospital. Think of the time this joint appeal saves both you householders, who hate to be answering the door-bell all the time, and the volunteer workers couldn't possibly afford the time five different appeals would involve.

AND REMEMBER: Everyone, but EVERYONE, s husband gives down at the office. That doesn't mean you shouldn't dig down in your jeans and contribute too. Your contributions are being counted upon by the above charities, so be ready with your money, please? No amount is too small.

IN ONE HOUR'S TIME last Monday (Feb. 28) Jeannie Vauthier's crew of thirty-two gals collected \$268.93 for the March of Dimes Campaign; not bad, eh? Campaigners were: Chris Powrie, Janet Fisher, Jean McCartney, Joanne Boyle, Carol Davidson, Dorothy Fenton, Kathleen Waverley, Helen Dorion, Helen Black, Brenda Pearson, Dorothy Tingle, Sue Yates, Sally Corbett, Kay Smith, Mimi Cruickshank, Gladys Loke,

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BY THE TIME this issue is in the mail, the Baie d'Urfée Horticultural Society will have their membership drive completed, their spring lecture series will have started, (Mon. March 7) and plans are underway for a potential "bulb sale" in the spring.

TO US IT'S AMAZING all the activities this enthusiastic group of horticulturalists carry out. And for only one dollar dues annually! The Childrens' Garden Competition, the Home Grounds Competition, the Flower and Vegetable Show, with lovely trophies for the winners; the sale of Fertilizer, grass seed, shrubs, peat moss et cetera, at an excellent discount (last year members were saved \$400 in discounts, an average of over a dollar per member, or the price of the membership!) Many trees have been planted along our roads and in our parks through the efforts of this Society, which also gives advice and aid to the Town Council when weed control is necessary.

THE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY'S EXECUTIVE this year includes Ross Davidson, President, Peter Smith, 1st Vice President, Erskine Kimmond, 2nd Vice President, Miss F. Kruse, Honorary President, Don MacDonald, Past President. Dee Baker is Treasurer, Eva Darragh, secretary, and the Directors include Pat Patstone, Harvey Little, Phil Amys, Amy Wickson, Lang Godfrey, Lionel Evans, Janet Fisher and Anne Tivy.

THE SOCIETY'S Spring Lecture series this year will be conducted by Miss Patricia Harney of Macdonald College's horticultural department. The first lecture took place last Monday at The Coop. Miss Harney intends to give two lectures on Landscape Design, one lecture each on shrubs and trees, flowers--both annual and perennial--vegetables and fruits, and the last lecture will be on fertilizers and insecticides.

GARBAGE COLLECTOR ASKS RAISE IN PAY

by Ewing Tait.

The Town Council with His Worship Mayor Jean Gelinas presiding, met at the Town Hall on Tuesday, February 1. Present were Aldermen Brookhouse, Smythe, Jost, Corbett and Christie, Secretary-Treasurer Soucy, Legal Adviser Long and Building Inspector Grimm. Only five citizens were on hand, including Jack Mitcham as President of the Citizens' Association.

Minutes of the postponed January 11 and special January 27 meetings were approved.

Only four building permits issued since last meeting. It was decided to allow contractors making houses ready for occupancy during the winter to instal temporary sewage disposal beds and omit culverts. The work to be completed and inspected in the spring before a final occupancy permit is issued.

At the suggestion of Alderman Corbett and O. Grimm the Town has requested Macdonald College to furnish fire protection with their men and equipment. A letter was read from Dr. Dion, assistant Vice-Principal, stating that he would recommend

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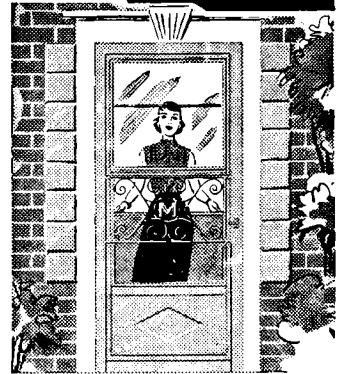
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to the Board of Governors that the College make its men and equipment available to the Town, providing that it was not needed by the College and without the College assuming any responsibility. Arrangements suggested were that any citizen of the Town could call the College Powerhouse, Ste. Annes 5864, in case of fire. The service is available 24 hours a day.

The College pumper carries 80 gals. of water and a number of extinguishers for immediate action on arrival at a fire. If necessary it can pump water from the lake for a distance of 4,000 ft.

The Town will have to cover the men and equipment by suitable insurance. At present the College only have 1800 ft. of 2 1/2" hose and it was suggested that if the Town wished to purchase additional hose or extinguishers these could be installed on the pumper. The College will furnish this service without charge to the Town as a gesture of their goodwill. A committee of the Council will discuss final arrangements and purchase of hose and extinguishers.

Appreciation was expressed for this very fine cooperation from the College which will supply a practical form of fire protection for the great majority of houses in the Town.

The 1955 budget has not been prepared pending completion of 1954 financial statements.

Sign costing \$75.00 to be erected on Bertold Park indicating that the land was given by Mr. Weinsberg.

Gratings to be installed at openings of large drains on Bayview Development to keep out children and dogs.

Construction of the proposed school near Morgan Road will be deferred as it now appears it will be more urgently required on Isle Perrot.

The firm that collects our garbage have suggested that their rate be increased from \$60.00 to \$125.00 per week after the present contract expires in March. The \$60.00 rate covered 250 houses and we now have 356 houses so that the cost should be \$85.44 on a pro rata basis. Council instructed Mr. Grimm to negotiate with the firm and report.

The Town will obtain a bank loan of about \$35,000 to pay for roads in Oak Ridge Development and float a bond issue to repay the loan on completion of the work. This is procedure laid down by Dept. of Municipal Affairs.

Hydro Quebec authorized to make changes and instal additional poles in the vicinity of Victoria and Morgan Roads subject to approval by Mr. Desjardins.

Dept. of Roads will give the Town the annual grant of \$100. per mile for Lakeshore and Morgan Roads, 3.12 miles.

A request was received from a property owner whose lot is located on the inside of a bend on Cambridge Road that his assessment for road taxes not be based on the full frontage. Usual procedure is that corner lots are only assessed for their frontage on one street. In this case it was felt that since all the property fronted on

the one street there was no basis on which the request could be granted. Also it would be difficult to make allowances for varying degrees of bends in a road.

Lowest bids received for printing the Town Charter were \$160.00 for 100 copies printed or \$40.00 for 50 copies mimeographed. It was decided to have them printed and to obtain 150 copies. Copies will be available for sale to the public.

Mr. Mitcham advised that the Citizens' Association were organizing a committee to assist in dealing with the epidemic of break-ins although he pointed out that they could not take on police work. The Mayor has been in touch with Provincial Police.

The Council have authorized one of the assessors to attend the next meeting of the Citizens' Association and explain their methods of arriving at property valuations. It was pointed out that Council does not instruct assessors on valuations and that such a practice is in fact forbidden by law.

Protests in connection with the 1955 valuation roll must be received by February 13th to be considered.

A POSTAL NOTE

from Postmaster Reg Vidler.

Many new residents are not aware of the operations of the post office and the method employed to receive and dispatch their mail. In some cases, some of the older residents appear to have forgotten, too.

The mail arrives in Baie d'Urfée once a day, on the Smith Falls train at 5.15 P.M. This same train also takes out all outgoing mail received at the post office before 4.30 P.M. the same day. The post office therefore, has to be closed for at least 30 minutes, to enable your postmaster to get to the train and back.

Then each mail bag has to be opened, and the contents sorted into the various boxes. This takes a little while and with the aid of Mrs. Vidler (not employed by the post office, but as a sworn clerk assists her husband), the postmaster does his utmost to sort all the day's mail in a short half hour, before residents start arriving around 6.00 P.M.

If residents come between 5 and 6 P.M., they will either find the post office closed, with the postmaster at the railway station, or find him sorting mail. Each time he has to stop to hand out mail not picked up earlier in the day, the present day's mail is not being sorted, and can only be sorted the following day.

If the postmaster is at the station, and Mrs. Vidler does not come down to serve mail because she has her home and meals to tend to, it should be borne in mind that Mrs. Vidler is not employed by the post office, and receives no remuneration. Whatever aid she extends to her husband, the postmaster, is gratis, and she will not and should not put up with any abuse from a patron who misunderstands the situation. As everyone in Baie d'Urfée gets this paper, it is hoped this situation will not arise again.

The daily hours of the post office are as follows:

Tuesday to Saturday 8 A.M. to 12 noon and 3 P.M. to 7 P.M.

Monday 3 P.M. to 7 P.M.

With the exception of that one half hour necessary to receive mail and sort same.

If it is the wish of the majority that the post office remain open between 5 and 6 P.M., then the mail received at that time cannot be sorted till the following day.

Due to the increase of population over the last six months, some patrons with similar names are sharing the same mail box. This is not unnatural and because the post office department does not provide boxes or cubicles for mail in a building not owned by the government, the postmaster has to build, buy or provide in some way a place for his patrons' mail.

Last year, your postmaster had a rack built that would accommodate 144 customers. The rack cost \$65., part donated by town council \$25.), the remainder being borne by the postmaster himself, in an effort to give better service, and facilitate the handling of mail.

It appears now that another rack will be necessary, and this in turn will have to be provided by the postmaster. The question of lock boxes, where the patron pays a fee annually, is impossible at the present location. It means renovating the building, or moving to a new location.

All stationery, twine, pens, ink and other items must also be provided by the postmaster. The salary of a postmaster in an office of this size, which is classified as a semi-staff, non-accounting post office, is based solely on the sale of postage supplies over a period of one year annually. At the same time however, a postmaster is denied the privilege of soliciting sales. He is wholly dependent upon his patrons for their support.

The foregoing information has been out-lined with one purpose in mind, to enable you as patrons of the post office here in Baie d'Urfée, to assist your postmaster in giving you the best possible service. If there is something wrong with the present service tell your postmaster personally, or write him a note. He will do his utmost to correct it. If you do not get satisfaction, then by all means write the post office department in Montreal. If you do like the service, tell your postmaster so, by patronizing daily, and if you want to go further write the district Post Office Inspector in Montreal and let him know. Who knows, perhaps this will be a start to a bigger and better post office here in Baie d'Urfée to serve you all.

BAIE D'URFEE HOCKEY CLUB

by Lionel Evans, Secretary-Treasurer.

With the Hockey season over so far as local activities are concerned it is an opportune time to review the accomplishments of the season.

Four teams: JOLTERS - BUMS - BUSTERS and COMBINES, coached by

Messrs. Penrice, Comber, Cauley and Heselton respectively, made up the House League. Six games were played and the JOLTERS finished on top with five wins and one loss. The BUMS finished second but won the sudden death playoff game 1-0 to become champions of the HOUSE LEAGUE.

An ambitious step was taken when it was decided to enter a PEE WEE and a BANTAM team in the Lakeshore League. The Pee Wees, under Ross Davidson's guidance, went right to the finals of the Lakeshore West, Section, only to be beaten out by Pointe Claire. This was by no means discouraging as the Pointe Claire team went on to take the Montreal championship. Our Pee Wee team were beaten by the best in the Montreal City & District League.

The Bantam team under coach Ernie de Witt went a step further than their younger brothers by winning the Western section title against Pointe Claire. The Eastern Lakeshore Section title was won by Valois, so the two teams met in a two-game total score series. The first game was played Feb. 12 on the Morgan Road rink. The weather was so bad that had it been possible the game would have been postponed, but unfortunately, the schedule had to be completed by Sunday night so Ernie had no choice but to ice a team. Our boys, playing two periods facing the wind with snow blowing in their faces, were definitely handicapped but the score of 5-2 in favour of Valois was no real indication of the play itself, or what it could have been had conditions been more favourable. This was proven Sunday at Valois where the same teams battled it out to a 1-1 tie. Our boys were most assuredly the better team in this game and with a bit of luck could have squared the series if not won it. The final score on the round was 6-3 in favour of Valois.

To wind up the season a GET TOGETHER was held at the Chicken Coop Sat. Feb. 26. Through the courtesy of The Imperial Oil Company a movie of the Stanley Cup final between Detroit and Canadiens was shown and who knows, some of the youngsters present may some day play in one of those games. Coaches Ernie de Witt and Ross Davidson gave a resumé of the games played and after introducing each boy congratulated them on their fine playing and sportsmanship.

Mayor Jean Gelinás said how proud everyone in Baie d'Urfée was at the manner in which the boys had come through their first season of organized hockey. He hoped they would continue to play the game and bring credit to the town. He presented each member of the winning team of the House League with a trophy and the smiles on the faces of the recipients and cheering of all present was something to be seen to appreciate. Eight Hockey tickets to games at the Forum were very generously donated by Mayor Gelinás with one for each coach of the House League, the other for some lucky boys.

In appreciation, members of the Pee Wee team presented Ross Davidson with a pair of snow boots and the Bantams made a similar presentation to Ernie de Witt. (Guess they don't want them to get COLD FEET). Refreshments were served by Mrs. de Witt, Mrs. Higman and Mrs. Penrice.

This report would not be complete without thanking everyone who contributed to the success of the season-the Citizens' Association and others who gave financial assistance, the car owners who provided transportation, the people who helped shovel snow and keep the rink playable, and the ladies who provided refreshments. It all added up to a wonderful public spirit which was the envy of all other teams in the district.

Congratulations and thanks are also in order to the coaches of the House League, Pee Wee and Bantam teams for the time and effort put into the schedule and for the success attained.

ADDENDA, ERRATA, TRIVIA AND WHAT-HAVE-YA.

Fifteen citizens who felt their assessments were out of line presented their cases to town council and assessing officers at council meeting March 1. So much of the evening was taken up with this, that after striking the new tax rate council decided to meet again March 8 to handle their regular business.

A total assessment of \$4, 318, 831 is the amount upon which the 1955 tax rate will be levied. It is more than \$1, 000, 000 higher than a year ago.

Some real bargains are reported in Ginnie's column, though she fails to mention that ideal family home the Lees are offering for sale. Nice house, nice lot, nice shape, nice buy. Phone 4335.

Bob Belcher of 5 Lakeview Rd. nipped into hospital last week for an operation and is nipping back into shape now.

Secretary Treasurer H.A. Soucy and Councillor Herb Brookhouse represented Baie d'Urfée at the recent conference of lakeshore communities concerning pollution of Lake St. Louis. Baie d'Urfites should be vitally interested in this problem and ensure that nothing they do is contributing in any way to the pollution.

Canvassers as well as miscellaneous helpers are urgently needed for the forthcoming Baie d'Urfée Combined Appeals campaign, volunteers should contact Ruth Tait, phone 5876. Give generously and beat last year's \$1, 451.75.

That was a thought-provoking letter of Chester Ellis' in a recent issue of The Lakeshore News.

As a result of the initiative and energy of Reg Vidler, an up-to-date directory of the town has been completed and will be published in the next issue of News and Views. It lists everyone street by street.

WANTED - for the Coop. An electric stove and assorted china.
Phone Ginnie Higman with what you have to offer.

The Baie d'Urfée Citizens' Association birthday part is planned for April 30, at The Coop. Chairman Jack Mitcham is lining up someone to head it up, but in the meantime efforts are being organized to have the Coop kitchen renovated and equipped by that time. Hence the above addlet.

Baie d'Urfée's Horticultural Society (to join which costs only one buck) is planning a "plant exchange" in May, when you can dispose of some of your surplus plants in exchange for some interesting new specimens from your neighbors.

Ernie de Witt told the kids at the recent hockey "do" at The Coop that a kids baseball league was planned for the summer, with possibly an entry in the Baby World Series.

Incidentally, the three lucky kids whose names were drawn for NHL hockey tickets donated by Mayor Gelinas were Ted Frye, Jeff Albullet and Bruce Davidson. Ross Davidson will take them, Ernie de Witt turning his opportunity over to him.

Members of 30 Horticultural Societies in Quebec will visit Baie d'Urfée June 11 for the annual convention of the Quebec Federation of Horticulture.

Attached to this issue of News and Views is a copy of the constitution of the Baie d'Urfée Citizens' Association. Hang on to it.

Mrs. Tom Vauthier was re-elected Regent at the recent annual meeting of the Thomas Moore Chapter, IODE. Other Baie d'Urfites named to office were: 1st vice regent - Mrs. T.R. Lee; standard bearer and Echoes secretary - Mrs. Bob Powrie.

George Jost, a CIL executive, is pictured in the current issue of the firm's magazine, OVAL, and of course everybody saw Jack Mitcham's photo and that of Vic Willetts when they hit the public prints in connection with new appointments and promotions.

Mrs. Sybil Lint, who left Baie d'Urfée about a year ago for the Toronto area, wrote, in part, in a recent note:

Dear Mr. Lee,

I am enclosing \$1.00 to continue our subscription to News & Views.

We have enjoyed the issues so very much and have read with great interest the growth of your famous "Chicken Coop". The opening sounded such fun.

We so often wish we were back in good old Baie d'Urfée.

With every good wish to you all in 1955.

Sincerely,
Sybil Lint.

A CHILDREN'S PARTY will be held at The Coop, Saturday, March 26, when movies and refreshments will be provided in the morning for kiddies up to age 8, and for ages 9 to 12 in the afternoon. Jim Barable is heading up the affair and Gladys Burke will supervise the refreshments.

TO RAISE FUNDS and pay some of their hockey-season expenses, the hockey club is sponsoring a teen-age dance at the COOP, April 9. Posters will be going up and tickets will be available shortly.

ENROLL 12 GUIDES IN COLORFUL CEREMONY

Twelve new Guides were enrolled and presented with their pins at an interesting ceremony at The Coop, Feb. 21, when the first Girl Guide Banquet was held. The town's Brownies and Guides had their mothers as guests.

After a Union Jack had been presented to the guide captain, Mrs. J. McClure-Gudewill, by Mrs. Bob Powrie, of the Ladies' Auxiliary, the following girl guides were enrolled: Lynette Lloyd-Davies, Leslie Jackson, Karen Ross, Suzanne Godfrey, Heather Lothian, Pixie Lothian, Doreen Morrison, Carol Millar, Diane Comber, Eleanor Vidler, Judy Fenton and Judy Corbett. Mrs. Norman Temple, divisional commissioner, Ste. Anne's, assisted in the enrollment ceremony when Karen Waverly, Patty Powrie and Ann Chalmers acted as color bearers.

Special guests included Mrs. Jean Gelinas, wife of the mayor; Mrs. Jack Mitcham, wife of the chairman of the Citizens' Association; Mrs. Ross Davidson, wife of the head of the Horticultural Society; Mrs. Temple, Mrs. G. K. Davidson, divisional commissioner, Pointe Claire, and founder of the Baie d'Urfée Association, which Mrs. A.C. Patstone now heads; Mrs. Charles Johnstone who helped Mrs. McClure-Gudewill organize the local guides a couple of months ago; Mrs. Jean Ross, who organized the Brownies less than a year ago; Mrs. Charlie Cavell, Brownies' Tawny Owl, and Miss Gauley, guide lieutenant.

Mrs. Patstone chairmanned the affair. Mrs. Temple told how Brownie and Guide laws, principles and training helped produce better citizens.

Patty Irving presented her with a bouquet. Diana McClure-Gudewill thanked the chairman on behalf of the Brownies and Guides.

Mrs. Patstone, C.G.G.L.A.'s newly appointed leader, wishes to express her thanks to the following: Mrs. H. Smith, Mrs. R.H. Christian and Mr. A.N. Carrierre for the beautiful table decorations; the Union Church and St. Georges' for the loan of tables, chairs and silver; Mrs. Wm. Corbett and Mr. Reg Vidler, loan of tables; Mrs. D. Ross, who provided the china and silver for the head tables; Willie Aalders who transported all the necessary equipment; Mesdames W.G. Carson, J.M. Wells, Robert Higman, and the Misses Jill Higman, Ann Smith, Carol Mitcham and Patricia Patstone who helped serve. Conveners included Mrs. L.M. St. Martin and Mrs. F.A. Jackson, tickets; Mrs. Lionel Evans, decoration; Mrs. D. Ross, head table; Mrs. Bob Franklin, reception; Mrs. Norm Hutt, tables and chairs; Mrs. Reg Vidler, flowers. The Food Committee included the Mesdames Ken Millar, G. Bryson, J. Fisher, and R.W. Franklin.

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BAIE D'URFÉE CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION

CONSTITUTION

MAY 1947

(REVISED UP TO NOVEMBER, 1954)

CONSTITUTION OF BAIE D'URFEE CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of the Association shall be "BAIE D'URFEE CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION".

ARTICLE II - OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the Association shall be:

- (a) To enlist the interest of the residents of the Town of Baie d'Urfée in all matters affecting the community and to foster and promote among them a stronger spirit of citizenship.
- (b) To further the economic, social, recreational, cultural and other interests of the residents of the Town
- (c) To provide a means for the dissemination of information on all matters affecting the interests of the residents of the Town.
- (d) To provide an organization through which the residents of the Town may communicate collectively with the Town Council and other authorities.
- (e) To co-operate with the Town Council in promoting the general interests and welfare of the community.
- (f) To co-operate with other organizations engaged in or supporting endeavours similar to the objects of the Association.
- (g) To invite all candidates for municipal office to address an open meeting of the Association.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

Section I Any resident of, or property-owner in the Town of Baie d'Urfée who has attained the age of 18 yrs., shall be accepted as a member upon making application in writing in which he or she agrees to use his or her earnest endeavours in furtherance of the objectives of the Association, and upon payment of fees called for in the then existing by-laws.

Section II A member is in good standing who is not in arrears in payment of the stipulated membership fee. Membership terminates when any fee remains unpaid for three months beyond the due date.

ARTICLE IV - ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

The work of the Association shall be controlled and administered through the following Committees:-

(a) Executive Committee consisting of:

Chairman of the Association
Vice-Chairman of the Association
Recording Secretary
Corresponding Secretary
Treasurer
Editor of News and Views
Retiring Chairman, Ex Officio
Three Members

(b) Standing or Special Committees as the work of the Association may require.

ARTICLE V - ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

Section 1

A General Election shall be held at the Annual Meeting of the Association to select the Officers and Members of the Executive Committee.

One month prior to the Annual Meeting, the Executive Committee shall appoint a Nominating Committee to receive nominations in writing, signed by two members in good standing, for the offices listed in Article IV, a. At the Annual Meeting nominations, in addition to those presented by the Nominating Committee, may be made from the floor. A nomination is not valid unless and until the written or verbal consent thereto of the member nominated has been obtained. No member shall hold the same Executive Office for more than 2 (Two) terms. No member shall be a "Member of the Executive Committee" for more than 3 (Three) terms, except for the "Editor of News and Views."

The Chairman, with the approval of the members present, shall appoint scrutineers for each election.

In the event of a vacancy occurring during the year in any of the offices mentioned in Article IV, a, the Executive Committee shall have the power to fill the same until the next election.

Section 2

At all meetings the members in good standing present shall decide by a show of hands whether the election shall be open or by secret ballot.

Section 3

In all elections the candidate having the greatest number of votes shall be declared elected.

Section 4

The following appointments shall be made in the manner set forth hereunder:-

TO THE STANDING OR SPECIAL COMMITTEES

A Chairman of each such Committee shall be appointed by the Executive Committee.

Section 5

Following appointment of a chairman of each Standing or Special Committee, as provided under Section 4 above, additional Committee Members necessary to carry on the work of each Committee shall be co-opted.

Section 6

Any member in good standing shall be eligible to hold office except a Member of the Town Council of Baie d'Urfée, or an employee of the Town of Baie d'Urfée.

All officials shall continue in office until the election or appointment of their successors.

Section 7

Any member in good standing shall be eligible to vote.

ARTICLE VI - DUTIES

Section 1

The Committees listed in Article IV shall be responsible for the following functions:-

(a) The Executive Committee shall administer the activities and policies of the Association and the management of its funds and assets and shall arrange for audit of the funds annually. All functions and actions of all other Committees and Committee Members shall be subject to the approval of the Executive Committee.

At the Annual Meeting of the Association, the Executive Committee shall make, through the Secretary, and from the Reports of the various Committees, a full report of the proceedings during the preceding year.

(b) The Standing and Special Committees shall undertake work and activities as instructed by the Executive Committee.

Section 2

It shall be the duty of the Chairman of the Association to preside at all Meetings of the Executive Committee and of the Association as a whole. In the absence of the Chairman of the Association, the Vice-Chairman of the Association shall perform his duties or if neither of these officers be present, the Chairman shall be chosen by vote. The Chairman of the Association shall be Ex Officio a Member of all Committees.

Section 3

The Duties of the Secretaries shall be:-

Recording Secretary:-

- (a) To notify the Officers and Members concerned of all meetings of the Association and of the Executive Committee.
- (b) To keep the Minutes of all Meetings of the Association and of the Executive Committee, which in the case of Meetings of the Executive Committee, shall include a record of the names of all Members attending.
- (c) At the direction of the Executive Committee, to prepare from reports of the various Committees, a periodical report of activities to be submitted to all Members of the Association.
- (d) To prepare an Annual Report for presentation at the Annual Meeting.

Corresponding Secretary:-

To conduct the correspondence and keep copies of letters written and files of letters received.

Section 4

The Duties of the Treasurer shall be:-

- (a) To receive all fees and other Monies of the Association and deposit same in a Chartered Bank of Canada, in an account in the name of the Association.
- (b) To issue receipts for all Fees and Monies received.
- (c) To make disbursements on behalf of the Association after approval by the Executive Committee. Payment shall be made only by cheque drawn upon the Association's Account and signed by the Chairman of the Association, or the Vice-Chairman of the Association and countersigned by the Treasurer. However, the Treasurer, at the discretion of the Executive Committee, shall maintain an Imprest Account NOT IN EXCESS of fifteen dollars (\$15.00)
- (d) To prepare the Annual Financial Report for submission to the Annual Meeting of the Association.
- (e) To prepare a Monthly Financial Report for submission to and approval by the Executive Committee.
- (f) To maintain the official list of Members of the Association.

ARTICLE VII - MEETINGS

Section 1

The fiscal year of the Association shall end on the 31st day of December, 1954, and on the 31st day of December each year thereafter, and the Annual Meeting shall be held between the 31st day of December and the 28th day of February following, on the day fixed by the Executive Committee. At this meeting the Annual Report prepared by the Secretary and the Annual Financial Report prepared by the Treasurer shall be received together with the Report of the Auditor. Such other business shall be considered at the meeting as may be brought before it.

Section 2

A monthly Meeting of the Association shall be held at the discretion of Executive in the evening, not before 7:00 p.m., within the limits of the Town of Baie d'Urfée, with the exception of July and August.

Section 3

A Special Meeting of the Association may be called whenever the Executive Committee may deem it expedient, or on the request in writing of at least ten members of the Association in good standing.

Section 4

At any Meeting of the Association, the quorum shall be fifteen.

Section 5

Meetings of the Executive Committee, of whom four shall be a quorum, shall be held at least once each month at such times as they may be called, orally or in writing, by the Secretary acting on the oral or written request of the Chairman of the Association or of the Vice-Chairman of the Association.

Section 6

Notice of Meetings of the Association and of the Executive Committee shall be issued in writing by the Secretary at least three days previous to the Meeting.

Section 7

Meetings of any Committees other than the Executive Committee shall be held at such times as they may be called orally, or in writing, by the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of such Committee.

Section 8

The Order of business at all regular meetings shall be as follows:

1. Notice calling the Meeting.
2. Minutes of the Preceding Meeting.
3. Unfinished Business.
4. Reports.

5. Correspondence.
6. Elections or Appointments
7. New Business.

Section 9

At all Meetings the Chairman or Acting Chairman shall have a casting vote to be used if necessary to break a tie.

ARTICLE VIII - AMENDMENTS

This Constitution and the By-Laws of the Association may be added to, amended or replaced by a majority vote of the members in good standing present and voting at the Annual Meeting or at a Special Meeting of the Association called for this purpose, provided the proposed addition, amendment or repeal has been submitted to the Executive Committee signed by Five or more members of the Association in good standing, and provided that the Members of the Association have been notified in writing stating in general terms such proposed addition, amendment or repeal, at least five days previous to the meeting at which it is to be considered.
