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\$80 Award to William Allingham



Dr. G.S. Hume, Acting Deputy Minister at right, presented the cheque to Mr. Allingham of the Lapidary Section, Geological Survey.

An interesting example of the type of work carried out by skilled technicians in this Department is found in the Lapidary Section of our Geological Survey, where for the past 29 years Mr. William Allingham has been in charge of the preparation of petrographic slides required by our geologists for microscopic examinations.

Each year he prepares literally thousands of these delicate specimens using a jeweller's wheel to polish them to the incredible thinness of approximately one one-thousandth of an inch. Next the samples must be suitably mounted and identified for reference and this is where Mr. Allingham found an opportunity for the application of a good suggestion.

Previously identification and any necessary information were written on two gummed labels which were attached to each mount. Mr. Allingham suggested that the ends of the glass mounts be frosted so that the information could be written directly on them in india ink. The new plan was tried out and found to be practical. It provides a more efficient method for recording data and results in the saving of 5 or 6 minutes in the time required to attach and trim the labels. The estimated saving to the Department is approximately \$800 per year, hence the award of \$80 to Mr. Allingham.

Government Supports Award Plan

The Honourable W.E. Harris, Minister of Finance, a number of Deputy Ministers and more than 1200 senior civil servants attended a meeting at the Capitol theatre on February 20. The meeting was sponsored by the Suggestion Award Board of the Public Service to show that the Government is behind the Suggestion Award Plan and to enlist full support of senior departmental officers. Cash awards and certificates were presented to four government employees including Mr. Allingham of our Geological Survey. Dr. C.E. Irwin of Michigan State University was special speaker for the occasion. He emphasized the growing success of the Award Plan in the United States Government and cited a number of outstanding contributions made to companies through such plans.

We are pleased to report that the Award Plan is gaining momentum in Mines and Surveys. During the fiscal year 1954-55 we received 50 suggestions compared with a total of 119 for the first 11 months of the present fiscal year. This is an encouraging increase and we believe it is only the beginning. Cash awards have been made to employees in Mines Branch, Geological Survey and Surveys and Mapping.

Come on Dominion Observatory and Geographical Branch and join this profit sharing plan!

RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES



Dunlop Trophy Retained by Topo

The Broomball league has just completed an active and successful season with the team from Topo retaining possession of the Dunlop Trophy. They emerged victors in the three-game series with the Labelle Building team. Labelle Building won the first game with a score of 2-1. But Topo came back with strength to take the next two games by scores of 2-0 and 2-1.

Front row, L to R: G. Gallinger, J. Weedmark, R. Gravel, J. Cooper, J. Diffin, R. Gervais. Back row, J. Blondeau, F. Aubrey, T. Calderwood, J. Brady. Missing for photo - G. Jenkins, K. Thomas, J. Orach, R. Young, J. Lortie.

THIRD TIME CHAMPIONS - ROBERTS SHIELD OURS FOR KEEPS



Front row, L to R: Ed Cullum (coach), Roger Hunter, Bert Schryburt (manager), Toby Defalco, Ron Glandon, Chuck Paul, Frank Whittaker, Fred Nolan (trainer), back row, Earl Wintle, Aubie Blondin, Frank Lombardo, Bob ''Junior'' Young, Gayle Wilson, Rudy Costantini, Don Poulin, Roy Carmody, Frank Leclerc and Garry McKeown.

The famous Roberts Shield, emblem of RA hockey superiority, was won for the third consecutive year by Mines and Surveys and will remain in the permanent possession of the club. In a thrill-packed game played before an enthusiastic audience at the Ottawa Auditorium on February 26, the defending champions had no difficulty in chalking up a decisive 12-6 win over the team from Agriculture.

Mines and Surveys opened the scoring with two quick goals in the first period and the Aggies lost no time in evening the score. Once again M&TS added a tally and again Aggies tied it up. A fourth goal for our team ended the period at 4-3.

The Aggies were first to score in the opening seconds of the second period making it 4-all and just about here the Shield defenders hit their stride and put on a show designed to influence score boards and win championships. The second period ended 8 to 5. The rest is history.

This was an exciting brand of hockey with precision team work all the way. The players made it look so easy as they came streaking down the ice neatly evading their opponents to end the rush with another goal. We all enjoyed watching this game and share manager Bert Schryburt's pride in a fine performance.

MISS MINES AND SURVEYS OF 1956 CHOSEN



Winner Joan Adamson, holding trophy, with runners-up Pat Cardo and at right Jeannine Menard, Back row, L to R: Georgette Potvin, Carolyn McWade, Lois Hurlburt, Helen Prest, Betty McCoy, Beverley McClelland, Marcia Box, Kay Allen, Ann Buchner, Denise Gauthier and Bunnie Davis.

Miss Adamson of the Hydrographic Service won the decision of the judges to carry the Mines and Surveys banner in the RA finals for the title of Miss Civil Service.

This contest proved to be one of the year's most popular events and was carried out with full cooperation from the Branches, a gratifying number of very attractive entrants and no lack of ''volunteers'' for panel judges. Ron Smith, president of the departmental recreational association, presented the engraved trophy (Lady Victory) to Miss Adamson and thanked the entire group for participating in the contest and helping to make it a real success.

Ping Pong in Full Swing

Alf Johnston reports that 10 groups are now participating in ping pong and that plans are underway for a spring tournament. Further details may be had from group managers as follows: Topo Techs. - Don Egan; Field Staff - Redge Burr. Hydrographic - Pamela Curtis; Equipment Depot - Gib Seguin; Geological #8 Bldg. - Roy Langlois; Drafting - Dusty Gallant; Admin. - Sandy Lowden. P.M.R.L. - John Bart.

Departmental Recreation Association Membership Draw

Winners of the cash prizes of \$5, \$2.50 and \$1 were S. F. Riopelle, Mines Branch, Dr. J.H. Hodgson, Dominion Observatory and J. Turpin of the Geological Survey.

RETIREMENTS



L to R: Mrs. Gammon, Mr. Gammon and daughter Wendy. Seated: Miss Mary McFadden of Personnel Division.

A.O. Gammon Honoured on Retirement

Members of the Surveys and Mapping Branch gathered at the Topographical Survey on January 9 to honour Albert O. Gammon on the occasion of his retirement. A veteran surveyor with Topo for more than 43 years, Mr. Gammon was one of the pioneers who in the 1920's introduced air photographs into Canadian mapping. Educated in England he came to Canada in 1910 and worked for a time on construction surveys in western Canada. He obtained his D.L.S. and joined Topographical Survey in 1913 and proceeded to take his part in that great project of reproducing the face of Canada to the standard topographical map sheets we all accept as a matter of course. His work took him to the field for many seasons in northern Manitoba and northern British Columbia.

S.G. Gamble, Topographical Chief, acted as chairman of the meeting and W.H. Miller, Branch Director, made the presentation on behalf of the staff. Mr. Gammon received a Zeiss camera with attachments and Mrs. Gammon a rhinestone maple leaf, which was presented by Mrs. Ella Pantelimon. An honour reserved for very special occasions was the presentation of a beautiful and intricate hand-drawn scroll, the work of F.J. Baldrate, one of Mr. Gammon's colleagues, on which was lettered a message of appreciation.



L to R: Dr. C.S. Beals, Dominion Astronomer, W.S. McClenahan, Chief of the Time Service, Mr. Henderson and Dr. G.S. Hume, Acting Deputy Minister.

Dominion Observatory Honours J.P. Henderson

Thirty-seven years of service with the Dominion Observatory is the record of J.P. Henderson who retired on February 29. The occasion was marked by an informal gathering of friends and fellow workers in the Library-Assembly Hall at the Observatory.

Known to a host of friends and scientific associates as ''J.P.'', Mr. Henderson joined the staff in 1919 to engage in spectroscopic work. It was, however, in the field of radio and electronics that his name became internationally known and particularly with regard to the Canadian Time Service and the distribution of time by radio.

A native of Toronto, Mr. Henderson received his early education in that city. He graduated from the University of Toronto with the degree of B.A. in 1914 and received his M.A. the following year. For the next three years he held a Fellowship at the University continuing his research in physics and astronomy.

Dr. Beals outlined Mr. Henderson's interesting career with the Observatory and mentioned the long list of organizations in which he holds membership. Dr. G.S. Hume made the presentation on behalf of the staff, of an engraved wrist watch.

WELCOME NEWCOMERS

Your colleagues are glad to welcome you to the staff and hope you will have a long and happy association with the Department.

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