

# News & Views

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SIXTH YEAR NUMBER 57 BUDGETS, OF THE HOUSEHOLD VARIETY, provide problems for just about everyone in these parts, but in that league it is every man for himself. One budget, however, we all have in common. It is the Town of Baie d'Urfé budget for July 1, 1952 to June 30, 1953, which is published in full in this issue. We suggest that everyone should look it over.

The listed expenditures of \$15,710 just about equal the amount of tax revenue the town is likely to receive at last year's tax rate, so it is reasonable to assume that the general rate will be unchanged. (The school rate, on the other hand, is sure to rise.) The increase in assessed values to be expected as a result of new construction will tend to increase the revenue, but not to any important extent. It is likely, therefore, that Council will take a dim view of any proposals for expenditures not covered in the budget.

Only part of the town's financial picture is shown by the budget, which covers the ordinary running expenses. In addition, an estimated \$12,500, or about four-fifths of the normal budget, will be spent for ditching, roads and similar improvements in the Morgan-Lakeview-Sunny-Acres area. These are capital expenses increasing the property value of the town, and will be paid out of the existing surplus of about \$21,000.

To put it another way, Baie d'Urfé is "living off its fat" in paying for the physical improvements needed this year. (That \$12,500 would mean an increase of eight or nine mills if it were added to the year's taxes!) No doubt we can continue to pay for necessary capital expenses in this way for another two or three years, but when that surplus is used up, the tax rate will start going up.

Some consideration was given by Council to the idea of increasing the mill rate a little this year and a little more next year, to soften and postpone the inevitable blow, but this proposal was rejected. So far as the present Council is concerned, the town's accumulated surplus will be used to pay capital expenses so long as it lasts — but after that, the honeymoon is over.



FLOWER & VEGETABLE SHOW -- AUGUST 23, TOWN HALL ENTRIES: 10-2; SHOWING; 4-6; PRIZE AWARDS: 8 p.m.

Full details on pages 6 and 7

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### TOWN OF BAIE D'URFE BUDGET FOR 1952-1953

### Estimated Revenue

Est	Taxes Interest on Bonds Interest on Taxes Sundry Revenue		\$15,200.00 400.00 50.00 60.00	\$15,710.00
1.	Salaries: 3100.00	360.00	3460.00	
2.	Wages: Semi-permanent Casual	600.00	1000.00	
3.	General Expenses: Printing, stamps, telep Town Hall & Grounds exp		1500.00	
4.	Road Maintenance: Snow Plowing, General s Major repairs	anding,	3100.00	
5.	Road Lighting & Power		500.00	
6.	Road Lighting Fixtures		750.00	
7.	Garbage Removal		1200.00	
8.		0.00	1650.00	
9.	Insurances:		350.00	
10.	John Bland (Town Planni	ng):	100.00	
11.	Baie d'Urfé Day:		100.00	
12.	Victorian Order of Nurs	es:	100.00	
13.	Repairs to Town Hall:		500.00	
14.	Citizens Association Pla	ay Groun	ds 1000.00	
15.	Tree Planting:		200.00	
16.	Post Office Installation	n	200.00	
			15710.00	\$15,710.00

The expense of draining and ditching area east of Morgan Road and cost of Victoria, Lakeview and Sunny Acres connecting roads, expected to cost about \$12,500 will be defrayed from proceeds of sale of vacant land owned by the Town of Baie d'Urfé, as these heavy capital expenditures are not provided for in the budget.

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ADOPTION OF BAIE D'URFE BUDGET FOR 1952-53

#### HIGHLIGHT OF RECENT COUNCIL DOINGS

Two meetings of the Town Council have been held since the last issue of News & Views, one a special meeting on June 19th primarily to adopt the budget for fiscal 1952-53, the other the regular monthly meeting on July 8th. Here is a brief run-down of the matters discussed and decisions made at these two meetings.

Construction of a building by the Hydro to house an oil reservoir required for a new power line was approved. The building on the former Binz property will be set 35 feet back from the roadway and hidden to some extent by a hedge. It was decided to spend not over \$200 on construction of equipment needed when the post office is moved to Mrs. Owen's home. The question of Cambridge Road arose again with Alderman Smith suggesting a rough road to be charged against the adjoining property but Council decided that the project should wait until the property owners themselves make the request.

Voting in the referendum July 19-20 was well over the minimum required with voters overwhelmingly favoring the proposed zoning by-laws. The record showed 40 of 43 voters favored by-law 74; 70 of 74 voters favored by-law 75, and 105 of 114 favored by-law 76. On a valuation basis the score was much the same.

The sale of unsubdivided lands in the College Green area to Mr. I.M. Seigels for \$7,000 was ratified. Messrs. C.M. Yates and W.W. Robertson are weed inspectors this year. It was decided not to issue a building permit to Mr. Winters for construction on a lot of about 7,870 square feet because of the lot size, although at one time it had been large enough to comply with zoning by-laws. After some discussion it was decided that building permits are needed for repairs to houses as well as new construction — the charge is \$5 plus \$1 per \$1000 of cost. The new owner of most of the Binz farm, Mr. Yavitch, has some barns, a chicken house, stable and two silos which are of no use to him in connection with his sub-division so he would be glad to sell them to the Town (or anybody else) if they would serve some purpose. A committee of the Council will consider the possibility of using some of these buildings for civic purposes. Cambridge Road lands were sold to Frank C. Mulligan (lots 122-3) and A.E. Cordwin (lots 124-5) for \$1,000 in each case. An effort will be made to get the chimney sweep back in town again to cover the places missed the last time around.

The budget for July 1, 1952 to June 30, 1953 drawn up by Aldermen Dorion and Menzies was approved as shown in full on page 2.

### MAYBE WHAT THIS TOWN NEEDS IS A COUPLE OF NEW BY-LAWS

Voters who went to the polls June 19 and 20 and overwhelmingly approved a bylaw providing for minimum lot dimensions of 100 by 150 feet may have thought this meant that in future people would not be allowed to build on lots of smaller size. And the Town Council, when it decided at its July meeting that a building permit should not be granted for a St. Andrews Road residence on a lot of just over half the minimum dimensions, may have thought that accordingly a house would not be built on that property.

It just goes to show how easy it is to be mistaken, because a month after the voters went to the polls, and two weeks after Council decided to reject the application for a permit, the building's footings were in—and with the full sanction of a building permit, too. No matter how one may sympathize with the owner of a property that once was above the minimum and now is not, there would seem to be a simple principle at stake—either the zoning by—laws mean something or they do not.

Maybe we just need a couple more by-laws--one to provide that present by-laws shall be observed, and another to provide that Council rulings shall be respected, at least until the Council has a chance to rescind them.

#### SCHOOL BOARD RECEIVES PROMISE OF ADDITIONAL GRANT

### NEW BUILDING CAN NOW BE COMPLETELY FINISHED

As announced at the graduation exercises of the School for Teachers at Macdonald College by the Honorable C.D. French, Minister of Mines, a substantial additional grant has been authorized by the Provincial Government to enable us to complete the new shoool as originally planned. Such additional grants are not easily obtainable since the funds available are limited. A great deal of effort was necessary particularly by the Protestant Committee, in order to persuade the powers that be of our needs and difficulties especially in serving as a practice school for the School for Teachers.

The additional grant, which we have now been promised, is for \$200,000. payable in five annual instalments. Together with a previous grant this will make up the very generous total of \$680,000. contributed by the government for the building of the new school. Negotiations are now underway to enable us to obtain funds to cover the four deferred payments and we believe that this can be done without resorting to another bond issue. However, interest will have to be paid on such loans as are arranged.

During the period when the extra grant was under discussion it was necessary to delay much of the construction work in order to prevent the possible loss of many thousands of dollars in the building of a temporary roof. Work is now in full swing again but progress is about one month behind schedule in the new east section and, due to the additional floor, will be two months or more behind on the Maple Avenue section.

In the old building the contractor is doing an excellent job of all the various changes and alterations, some of which are very difficult due to the thickness of the walls and the weight of the concrete floors and roof.

At the present rate of progress the old building will be ready for the opening of school but due to the delay in the new extension, special arrangements will have to be made for the kindergarten and some of the lower grades during September and October. - Will Spriggs.

BIGGER AND BETTER BAIE D'URFE DAY DOINGS

AT THE BIG CLAN GATHERING FOR \$52

The old Comte d'Urfé never achieved sainthood unfortunately, so our town, unlike most Quebec municipalities, has no patron saint, but that doesn't prevent the folks from taking a day off once a year to honour its patron. The day this year was July 12th, which presumably provided an extra special holiday for any Orangemen in our midst.

The day followed the usual pattern in most respects, with races for the younger children in the morning, land and water sports for the older children and adults in the afternoon, and a dance under the stars that night, and the trite saying "both bigger and better than ever" seems to be thoroughly applicable.

Apart from some rather serious flesh wounds suffered by Bill Norcott when he tumbled in his barrel during the beauty contest (he will inspect for nails more carefully the next time) and about twenty minutes of rain during the afternoon, the day went off without casualties or interruptions. A high point of the afternoon water programme was a water skiing demonstration by the Higman family which one might expect would introduce a new water sport to the local waterfront. For the sake of posterity, a list of winners of various sporting events follows on the next page.

Running Races
Boys, 3 years: Donald Owen, Ronald Vauthier, Bobby Hutt.
Girls, 3 years: Judy Kingsmill, Donalda Parker, Mary Jane Brookhouse.
Boys, 4 years: Guy Windebank, David Rooney, David Comber.
Girls, 4 years: Brenda Guiton, Gatina Waverley, Vivian Chandler.
Boys, 5 years: Billy Dunsmore, Cyril Gray, Ian Powrie.
Girls, 5 years: Susan Godwin, Nancy Mitcham, Bunny Edwards.
Boys, 6 to 8 years: Nicky Nikolaiczuk, Jim Higman, Billy Windebank.
Girls, 6 to 8 years: Colina St. Martin, Mary Dorion, Carol Miller
Boys, 9 and 10 years: Trevor Kinman, Ian Edward
Girls, 9 and 10 years: Gale Mitcham, Judy Bjorn.
Boys, 11 and 12 years: Robert Taylor, Michael Cruickshank
Girls, 11 and 12 years: Susan Poe, Jill Higman.
Boys, 13 to 15 years: Dick Smythe, Peter Ellis
Girls, 13 to 15 years: Barbara Robertson, Heather Case

Sack Race, Boys, 6 to 8: Bill Windebank, Doug Seagrim
Sack Race, Girls, 6 to 8: Diane Comber, Eleanor Vidler
Sack Race, Boys, 9 and 10: Eric Walter, Stuart Proudfoot
Sack Race, Girls, 9 and 10: Gale Mitcham, Judy Miller
Sack Race, Boys, 11 and 12: Robert Wells, Gary Cape

Other Land Events

Sack Race, Girls, 11 and 12: Jill Higman, Margaret Brookhouse Three-Legged Race, Boys, 6 to 8: Craig Higman and Jim Higman, John Davidson and Peter Taylor

Three-Legged Race, Girls, 6 to 8: Leslie Jackson and Diane Comber, Sandra Willets and Doreen Morrison

Three-Legged Race, Boys, 9 and 10: Eric Walter and Stuart Proudfoot, Phil Amys and Ian Edward

Three-Legged Race, Girls, 9 and 10: Eleanor Vidler and Dianne Newton, Sandra Smith and Judy Smith

Three-Legged Race, Boys, 11 and 12: Robert Taylor and Tony Dawson, David Springate and Phil Amys

Three-Legged Race, Girls, 11 and 12: Margaret Brookhouse and Lorraine Dewitt, Jill Higman and Susan Poe

Three-Legged Race, Boys, 13 to 15: John Spriggs and Ian Baker
Three-Legged Race, Girls, 13 to 15: Jane Hanson and Jean Barnes
Three-Legged Race, Boys & Girls, 16 and over: Barbara Robertson, Bob Hamilton, Ginny
Higman, Bob Higman.

Relay Race: Lakeview-Morgan team of Dick Smythe, Jim Nairn, Carol Smythe, Margaret Brookhouse

Paper Bag Race, Boys & Girls, 16 and over: Jim Nairn, Carol Smythe Egg Throwing, Man and Wife: Mr. & Mrs. Chester Ellis

Swimming Races
Boys & Girls, 12 or under: Susan Poe, Brian Smith, Tony Dawson
Girls, 13-16 years: Sandra Barnes, Carol Smythe
Boys, 13-16 years: Allan Baker, Jimmy Nairn
Ladies, 17 or over: Barbara McNabb, Shirley Nairn

Other Water Events

Canoe Race, Doubles, Boys: John Spriggs and Peter Ellis

Canoe Race, Doubles, Girls: Barbara Robertson and Carol Smythe

Canoe Race, Doubles, Over 17 years: Mr. & Mrs. Phil Amys

Rowboat Race, Doubles, Over 17 years: Bill Norcott & Carol Davidson

Rowboat Race, Doubles, Boys: Dick Smythe and Graham Browne

War Canoe Race: Team of Messrs. Reath, Corbett, Bastien, Proudfoot and Brookhouse.

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### SATURDAY, AUGUST 23, AT BAIE D'URFE TOWN HALL

Entries received 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Judging commences at 2:30 p.m. Exhibition open for inspection from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Presentation of prizes at 8:00 p.m.

### VEGETABLE CLASSES

- 1. Beans, bush (wax or green) 12
  2. Beans, pole (wax or green) 12
  3. Beets 6
  4. Broccoli 1 head
  (B) 5. Cabbage, any kind 1
  6. Carrots, any kind 6
  (B) 7. Cauliflower 1
  8. Celery, any kind 1 plant
  (B) 9. Corn, unshucked 3
  10. Cucumber 2
  11. Egg Plant 1
  12. Melon, any kind 1
  13. Onions, red or yellow, seed 4
  14. Onions, red or yellow, sets 4
- 16. Parsnips 3
- 17. Peas, any kind 12 18. Peppers - 3
- (B) 19. Potatoes 6
  - 20. Rhubarb 6 stalks 21. Squash, Hubbard - 1
  - 22. Squash, any other kind 1 23. Swiss Chard - 1 plant
- (B) 24. Tomatoes 6 25. Turnip, Swede - 1
  - 26. Vegetable Marrow 1
- 27. Any vegetable not listed above (A) 28. Collection of vegetables in
  - ll quart basket
- (B) 29. Collection of herbs, not less than 4 varieties, tied in one bundle

### FRUIT CLASSES

(B) 30. Collection of fruit, any kinds in a 2 quart basket.

### FLOWER CLASSES

- 31. Asters 6 blooms
  32. Antirrhinum (snaps) 6 spikes
  33. Begonia, tuberous 3 blooms
  34. Calendula 6 blooms
  35. Carnations 6 blooms
- 36. Cornflower 6 blooms 37. Cosmos - 6 blooms

15. Onions, Spanish - 4

- 38. Dahlias, small 6 blooms 38a. Dahlias, large - 1 bloom
- 39. Delphinium 3 spikes 40. Daisy, Shasta - 6 blooms 41. Gaillardia - 6 blooms
- 42. Gladioli 1 spike
  (B) 43. Gladioli 3 spikes
  44. Larkspur 6 spikes
  - 45. Dianthus (Pinks) 6 blooms
  - 46. Marigold, large 6 blooms 47. Marigold, small - 6 blooms
  - 48. Nasturtium 10 blooms
  - 49. Nicotiana 3 stalks

- 50. Pansies 12 blooms
- 51. Petunias, single 3 stalks
- 52. Petunias, double 3 blooms 53. Phlox, annual - 6 heads
- 54. Phlox, perennial 6 heads
- (B) 55. Roses 3 blooms
  - 56. Salpiglossis 6 sprays 57. Scabiosa - 6 blooms
- (B) 58. Sweet Peas, 12 stems 59. Zinnia, large - 6 blooms
  - 60. Zinnia, small 6 blooms 61. Any flower not listed above
- (A) 62. Collection of perennials
- (A) 63. Collection of annuals
- (A) 64. Collection of cut flowers, any kind
- (A) 65. Table Centre
- (A) 66. Flower Arrangement
  - 67. Children's entry of wild flowers
  - 68. Flower arrangement by children

Classes 62 to 68 may be placed on the exhibition tables by the competitor personally. Classes 62 to 64, collections of perennials, annuals or cut flowers, to be arranged in vases with necks not over 6" in diameter supplied by the contestant. Will be judged on quality of flowers and arrangement. Class 65, table centre, must not exceed a height of 10" including container. Classes 66 and 68, may be shown in any form of container, and include any types of flowers or foliage. Will be judged mostly on artistic arrangement.

#### RULES GOVERNING HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY EXHIBITION

- 1) All exhibits must have been in the possession of and grown by the exhibitor for at least six weeks prior to the date of exhibition.
- 2) All exhibitors must be members of the Baie d'Urfé Horticultural Society.
- 3) Children's classes open to those 16 years old and under.
- 4) Exhibitors may show only one entry in each class.
- 5) Any deviation from the exact quantities or preparation of material specified for a class will disqualify the exhibit.
- 6) Exhibits will be received at the Town Hall between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. on August 23. To avoid a last minute rush and to allow for proper arrangement of exhibits, please bring them in before lunch, if possible. Late arrivals cannot be judged.
- 7) In order to leave space for the evening presentation of prizes, exhibits not awarded first, second, or third prize must be removed by 6:30 p.m. Prize winning exhibits must be claimed immediately following the presentation of prizes. This year it is intended to send unclaimed exhibits to the hospitals.
- 8) Exhibits will not be identified except by their official numbers until the judging is concluded.
- 9) Except for classes 62 to 68 and 28, for which exhibitors will supply their own containers, small flowers will be shown in pint jam jars, and large flowers in quart jam jars. Gladioli will be shown in quart milk bottles, supplied by contestants. A number of jars are available at the Hall, but exhibitors are requested to supply their own where possible. A few 11 qt. baskets will be available at the Town Hall on the evening of August 22nd.
- 10) The judges' decision shall in all cases be final.
- 11) The judges may, at their discretion, withhold prizes when, in their opinion, the exhibits are not worthy. If there is only one entry in a class, a prize (not necessarily first prize) may be awarded at the discretion of the judges.
- 12) Points will be awarded for first, second and third places in each class on the following basis:-

Classes Marked	First	Second	Third
(A)	9	6	3
(B)	6	3	2
Children's	0	0	0
All others	3	2	1

The Binz Trophy and a special prize will be awarded the family scoring the highest total points. Other special prizes will be awarded for the highest points in vegetable classes and the highest points in flower classes. However, only one of these prizes will be awarded to any one family.

#### HARVEY CRUICKSHANK TAKES TOP HONOURS

#### AND TROPHY FOR HOME SURROUNDINGS

Harvey Cruickshank, M.D., is seriously considering a change of occupation. Following his success in the Horticultural Soceity's Home Grounds Competition it wouldn't be surprising if he hangs out a new single, "Garden Consultant".

Judge Archie Walker, formerly of Macdonald College, placed Harvey's Lakeshore Road estate at the top of the heap in the home surroundings section of the competition. As the champion in this section Harvey will be awarded the Quebec Federation of Horticulture Trophy, which he will hold for one year.

In the home surroundings section, with thirteen people entered, C.G. Coulter of Oxford Road placed second, and Bill Parker of Lakeview Road, third. Honorable mention went to the R.H. Christians and W.B. Proudfoot, both on the Lakeshore Road.

Top placings in the other sections of the competition were as follows:

Best View from the Street (13 entries): 1. R.H. Christian, 2. F.D. Pinkney, Morgan Road; Hon. Mention, P.Smith, Oxford Road; Dr. W.H. Cruickshank; C.G. Coulter.

Best Perennial Border (8 entries): 1. P. Smith, 2. C.G. Coulter, Hon. Mention, Mrs. R.C. Vidler, Lakeview Road; Prof. & Mrs. P.H.H. Gray, Lakeshore Road;

Best Rock Garden (5 entries): 1. R.H. Christian, 2. G.E. Tait, Lake-shore Road, Hon. Mention, C.G. Coulter.

Best Assortment of Fruit (5 entries): 1. Bill Parker, 2. Prof & Mrs. Gray, Hon. Mention, Dr. W.H. Cruickshank.

Best Vegetable Garden (7 entries): 1. Bill Parker, 2. Dr. W.H. Cruickshank, Hon. Mention, G.E. Morrison, Lakeview Road; R.C. Vidler.

Most Promising and Proficient Improvement in 18 Months Since Taking up Residence in New Home: 1. W.E. Barnes, Oxford Road; 2. D.G. Edwards, Lakeview Road; Hon. Mention, W.C. Corbett, Lakeshore Road; N. Hutt, Lakeview Road.

Children's Garden, 13 years and under: 1. Stuart Proudfoot, Lakeshore Road; 2. Linda MacDonald, St. Andrews Road; 3. Judy Hutt, Lakeview Road; Hon. Mention, Bernie Vidler; Doreen Morrison; Elizabeth Hutt; Lorna Morrison; Eleanor Vidler.



L. Evans,

Baie d'Urfe, Que.