# ASSOCIATION INTERNATIONALE DES CLUBS LIONS (CANADA)

Ce recueil d'information sur l'historique de l'Association Internationale des clubs Lions (Canada) a été rendu possible avec l'information trouvée dans les procès-verbaux de l'Association Internationale des clubs Lions 1917-1961, des procès-verbaux de l'Association Internationale des clubs Lions obtenus par Frank Moore 111 pour les années 1965 à 1968, Peter Lynch Lions Clubs Executive Administrator, Bill Moody PID, Virgil Moshanski PID, Gil Constantini PID et PIP Tris Coffin Merci à tous.

Vous remarquerez que ce document n'a pas été traduit en français dans son entier et ceci à cause du manque de temps, si un volontaire désire le faire je lui en serai reconnaissant.

Plusieurs textes ont été numérisés ce qui explique qu'il peut y avoir des fautes mineures qui n'ont pas été détectées.

S'il y a erreur ou omission SVP m'en aviser immédiatement au <u>lionshist@quebeclions.ca</u> et j'apporterai les corrections nécessaires.

Gilles Melançon PID District Multiple «U» historien

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### RAISON DE CETTE RECHERCHE

Le but de cet exercice était de trouver la ou les raisons pour laquelle la charte du club Lions de Montréal qui avait été fondé en 1922, indiquait la date du 30 octobre 1928. Mes questions à Lions International à ce sujet sont demeurées sans réponses. Je crois que la raison de fait est que la charte originale du Club Lions de Montréal devait avoir être signée par les deux corporations soit l'Association Internationale des clubs Lions (Illinois) et l'Association Internationale des clubs Lions (Ontario).

Il est fort possible que l'émission d'une nouvelle charte soit du à la résolution du Conseil d'administration international du 17-18 octobre, 1927 (Réunion tenue à Philadelphie) qui indiquait que les chartes des clubs Lions canadiens devaient être signés par les deux corporations soit l'Association Internationale des clubs Lions (Illinois) et l'Association Internationale des clubs Lions (Canada).

Voir charte du club Lions de Montréal (Pièce # 1) émise en 1928 et celle du club Lions de Tillsonburg de l'Ontario émise en 1924 (Pièce # 2) qui sont signées par les deux corporations suivantes l'Association Internationale des clubs Lions (Illinois) et l'Association Internationale des clubs Lions (Ontario).

Celle de Ahuntsic (mieux connu sous le nom Montréal-Ahuntsic) (Pièce # 3) émise en 1957 est signé par l'Association Internationale des clubs Lions (Illinois) et l'Association Internationale des clubs Lions (Canada).

La charte du club Lions Winnipeg émise en en 1921 est signée par les deux corporations suivantes l'Association Internationale des clubs Lions (Illinois) et l'Association Internationale des clubs Lions (Ontario).

La charte du club Lions de Lachute émise en 1934 est signée par les deux corporations suivantes l'Association Internationale des clubs Lions (Illinois) et l'Association Internationale des clubs Lions (Canada).

La charte du club Lions de Magog émise en 1940 est signée par l'Association Internationale des clubs Lions (Illinois) et l'Association Internationale des clubs Lions (Canada).

La charte de Cowansville émise en 1945 est signée par l'Association Internationale des clubs Lions (Illinois) et l'Association Internationale des clubs Lions (Canada).

La charte du club Lions Saint-Agapit émise en 1968 est signée par Lions International seulement.

Les gouvernements du Québec, de l'Alberta et du Manitoba m'ont avisé qu'il n'y avait pas eu de corporation portant les noms de l'Association international des clubs Lions (Québec) ou l'Association international des clubs Lions (Alberta)

# **RÉPONSE PARTIELLE**

Le 11 août 1920, les Clubs Lions du Canada ont du obtenir une charte du gouvernement provincial de l'Ontario pour permettre à Lions international d'émettre des chartes au club Lions du Canada, elles étaient signées par le président et secrétaire de l'Association Internationale des clubs Lions (Illinois) et par le président et secrétaire de l'Association Internationale des clubs Lions (Ontario). (Voir Pièce # 4 page 10 pour copie de la charte)

Le 22 mars 1928, les Lions du Canada ont obtenus une charte du gouvernement canadien pour permettre à Lions International d'émettre des chartes dans toutes les provinces canadiennes. Les chartes seraient signées par le président et secrétaire de l'Association Internationale des clubs Lions (Illinois) et par le président et secrétaire de l'Association Internationale des clubs Lions (Voir Pièce # 5 page 14 pour copie de la charte)

## HISTOIRE

Mes premiers souvenirs de l'Association international des clubs Lions (Canada) remonte à l'année 1965 à 1967 quand le Lion Léo Ness a visité le club Lions Montréal-Ahuntsic et nous a incité a voté pour l'annulation de l'Association international des clubs Lions (Canada) parce que nous ne devrions pas avoir une Association dans une autre Association. La même situation existait au Mexique.

Le club Ahuntsic a nommé deux délégués pour assister à la réunion de l'Association International des clubs Lions (Canada) et les a mandaté de voter pour abolir l'Association international des clubs Lions (Canada) lors de la rencontre annuelle qui se tenait à Halifax, Nouvelle-Écosse.

Dans une conversation tenue le 21 juin 2006 avec Lion PIP Tris Coffin, me disait que, lorsqu'il était directeur international de 1961 à 1963, le président international du temps Per Stahl (1961-1962) et les directeurs internationaux dont il faisait parti, avait passé une résolution pour abolir l'Association canadienne. (Voir page 29)

En fait, l'Association International des clubs Lions (Canada) a été abolit lors d'une rencontre des membres du conseil d'administration de Lions International tenue à White Sulphur Spring, West Virginia du 11 au 13 avril 1963. Toutefois, il a toutefois fallu jusqu'en 1967 pour que les chartes des clubs soient signées par l'Association International des clubs Lions (Illinois) seulement.

## INFORMATION PROVIDED BY BILL MOODY PID

Gilles,

The first reference to the Canadian Association appears in the Minutes that I have, of the 1959 Convention, held May 31 to June 3, 1959 (39th Convention) at Windsor, ON. It was proposed and passed that MD-A would collect per capita dues of \$2.75 for MD-A, .25 for District A Promotion Fund, and .25 for the International Association of Lions Clubs (Canada).

Lion Frank Bartlett, Burlington, had served as President of the International Association of Lions Clubs (Canada) and was thus qualified to run for a higher office. He was elected International Director for 1959-61 at the convention held in New York, June 30 through July 3, 1959. I have no record of its demise, but I was on Council in 1968 and we were still trying to collect the Charter, which was in the possession of Fred Chapman, the Convention Chair and he died the day before the Convention started in Ottawa.

# Bill Moody PID

Note by Gilles Melançon PID, there is no mention of a Frank A. Bartlett as international director in the Vital Information book. While visiting with PIP Tris Coffin on 29 December 2006, he stated that Frank A. Bartlett was indeed International Director from 1959 to 1961; he cannot explain why his name is not in the Vital Book.

Further research revealed that Frank A. Bartlett's name was in the Vital Information Book in 1988-1899 but was not shown the following years. This condition has been referred to Lions Club International on 29 December 2006 by the following message:

## Dear Shirley,

While doing research on the history of Canadian Lions, I found out that we had an International Director by the name of Frank A. Bartlett from Burlington, Ontario, Canada who served from 1959 to 1961 and whose name does not appear in the 2006-2007 Vital Information. Further research revealed that Frank A. Bartlett's name appeared in the 1988-1989 Vital Information but was not shown in the following years including the 2006-2007 Vital Information.

Could you follow-up on this subject and have the name reinserted in the 2007-2008 Vital Information. Thanks for your help.

### Frank A. Bartlett

A member of the Hamilton-Lions Club

He never served as a District Governor but nevertheless he qualified to run for the position of Director because he had served as President of the International Association of Lions Clubs (Canada).

International Director 1959-1961 (Convention New York, N.Y.).

With the International Association of Lions Clubs (Canada) Lion Frank Bartlett created the corduroy sleeveless convention jacket (purple with yellow trim) which many Lions still wear. As the so-called Canadian Association covered all of Canada, one or two of the Maritime Provinces also adopted the convention jacket worn by the by the Lions of MD«A», and at least two of the Western Provinces also have the same shaped jacket but the colours is light red with a trim of darker red.

Document held by LCI on Frank A. Bartlett

In the Hamilton, Ontario Canada Lions Club #014936 chartered 7-19-1920, club name changed to Hamilton Central, Ontario Canada in 1964 I found Lion Frank A. Bartlett as a new member in this club in May, 1946, and dropped as deceased in March, 1991. He served as an International Director from 1959 to 1961, he became a Member at Large 09-25-1972, and a Life Member April, 1973. He received a 40 year Membership Award in June 1986.

I have read somewhere that he died in 1991.

Lions International

## Denver Colorado 16 July 1920

Extracted from the Board Meeting minutes (page 11.)

The following course of procedure for the Ontario Lions club was approved and referred to the Executive Committee; the Ontario Lions club to work only in cooperation with the International Board for the purpose of issuing charters, and that in granting the charter, the International Board will issue it through the Ontario corporate body, but it will came from the Chicago office, and the Chicago office will issue a license (it can't be called a charter in Ontario) entitling the holder thereof to all the benefits of the International body, subject to its constitution and by-laws, and in the application for membership, there would be an application for the International body; the Ontario corporate body will also issue a membership card , charge can be made for service and the surplus passed on to the head office. NOTE : See Pièce # 4 for the Charter of the International Association of Lions Clubs (Ontario) issued August 3, 1920, which explain why we have two sets of signatures on the Canadian Club charter.

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS January 3-5, 1922

11:00 A,M., January 3.Morrison HotelE. W. Cameron, Dr. John L. Weber, Judge John F. Garner, Harry Newman, Jesse Robinson, WeslandP. Cramer, W. G.Higgins, John S. Noel, Dr. B. W. Beatty, Melvin Jones.

Application for a charter for the Association to operate in Canada had been made, but inasmuch as the word "charter" cannot be used in Canada, it was agreed to make the word "charter" read "Certificate of Membership." Director Newman assured that the application would be granted. It was explained that the change in wording would make it possible to issue charters regardless of provincial boundaries, but that in Canada British subjects must sign them.

### 16 October 1925, Worchester, Massachusetts

The following resolution was adopted:

"RESOLVED: That the previous action of this Board, authorizing the legal incorporation of the Lions Clubs in the Dominion of Canada, be carried forward, and that Immediate Past President Harry A. Newman be requested to complete the necessary formalities to secure the charter without further expense to International excepting expense of trip to Ottawa."

San Francisco 23 July 1926

"RESOLVED: That the matter of a Dominion Charter be submitted to the Lions Clubs of Canada with the request that at the earliest opportunity they appoint a committee to formulate a plan for the proper compliance with the Canadian regulations covering such Dominion Charter. The aforesaid committee should report to the International Board for approval."

Miami, Florida 15 June 1927

Time 2:00 P.M., June 15.

PLACE: R. 901, Columbus Hotel

PRESENT: Wm. A. Westfall, B. F. Jones, Irving L. Camp, Ray L. Riley, Melvin Jones, T. E. Halliburton, Julien C. Hyer, Earle W. Hodges, Arthur C. Call, C. M. Bakewell, M. M. Nielson, Carl E. Croson.

President Westfall made a report of his further findings in relation to the Canadian Charter situation, the substance of which was to the effect that he had quite a lengthy conversation with Harry Newman at the Ontario district convention, May 24. Lion Newman said he would fix the charter so that we could operate from the International office. After some discussion, it was thought best by both that licence be taken out in several individual provinces and that he, Newman, surrender the charter now being used in Canada.

President Westfall wanted to bring this matter before the district Convention, but Lion Newman did not see the advisability of such action. However, the President talked the matter over briefly with some of the attending Lions, and it was also brought to the attention of the newly elected district governor of Ontario, Wm. D. Glintz, so that he might be thoroughly conversant with the entire situation.

At the conclusion of the president's talk with Lion Newman, he (Newman) promised to have something in writing in the hands of either the President or the Secretary-General before this meeting to show that he was going ahead with what he had promised to do. The President followed this up, and in reply received a letter from Lion Newman to the effect that the time was too short for him to get all of the data necessary together; that the government required minutes of every meeting held, and that he had made no report to the government since taking out the charter; neither had the minutes of any of the meetings which might have been held. In the President's opinion, absolutely nothing can be done in Canada until Harry Newman surrenders the charter there. It was "RESOLVED: That this Board go on record as fully endorsing what President Westfall has done in convection with investigating the Canadian charter situation, and that he continues in this work until the matter is finally disposed of to his and the Board's entire satisfaction."

The following resolution was passed: "RESOLVED: That further action with respect to the division of the Fifth district be deferred until a later session of this meeting."

The Board voiced no particular objection to a combination Shrine and Lions button.

## PHILADELPHIA, PA. October 17-18, 1927.

TIME: 10:00 A.M., October 17. PLACE: Bellevue Stratford Hotel

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PRESENT: Irving L. Camp, W. A. Westfall, Ben ti. Ruffin, Ray L. Rilay, Earle W. Hodges, Melvin Jones, T. H. Halliburton, Arthur C. Call, Julien C. Hyer, Chas. M. Bakewell, G. H. Hastinge, Horace S. Kerr, Chas. S. Hatton, Vincent C. Hascall, Benjamin F. Jones. Also President James Mason of the Philadelphia club.

Past President Westfall, chairman of the committee to investigate the committee to investigate the Canadian Charter matter, made an exhaustive report covering every angle of the situation, and outlined a course of procedures he believed to be best to follow. His report was accepted with thanks. Ben A. Ruffin made a report of the Foreign Relations Committee, which was also accepted with thanks.

The following resolutions were passed.

"RESOLVED: That the request of the Canadian clubs for a separate Canadian Association and charter be and is hereby granted, and that the President and Secretary-General of Lions International be and are hereby designated as the two nominee from this Board for membership on the Canadian Corporation Board; that all matters pertaining to the relations between the two corporations be determined by contract to be worked out by a committee which the president of this organization is hereby authorized to appoint."

22 March 1928

The charter of the International Association of Lions Clubs (Canada) is accepted (see Exhibit # 5) 21 June 1928

On 21 June 1928, the Canadian Association decided to surrender the charter for the International Association of Lions Clubs (Ontario) and replace it with the International Association of Lions Clubs Canada, here are some of the paper work required. (See Pièce # 6)

## 11 April 1929

The surrender of the charter is accepted the Ontario Government. on 11 April 1929 (see Exhibit #7)

#### PITTSBURGH PENNSYLVANIA April 27-28 1928 "RESOLVED: That the President and the Secretary-General are hereby

authorized to sign the contract as submitted by Chairman William A. Westfall between The International Association of Lions Clubs (Canada) and The International Association of Lions Clubs (Illinois)."

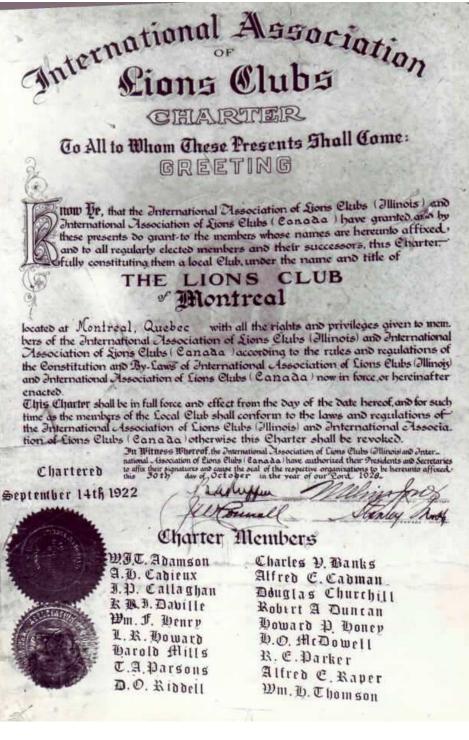
Director Hyer strongly urged, in his report on "International Problems, that every effort be made immediately to consummate negotiations with the Canadian organization, and suggested that no effort be made to promote Lionism in foreign countries until such time as we had adopted a definite and workable foreign policy.

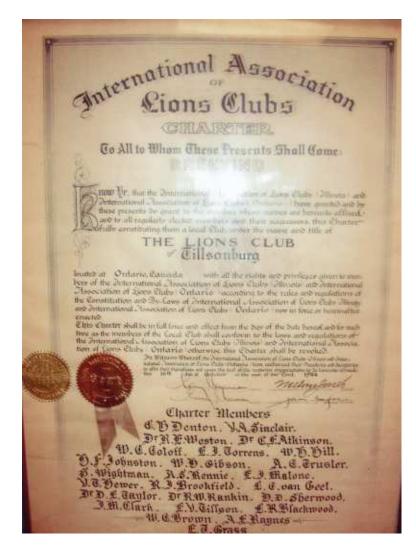
### CHICAGO, ILLINOIS April 29-20, 1929

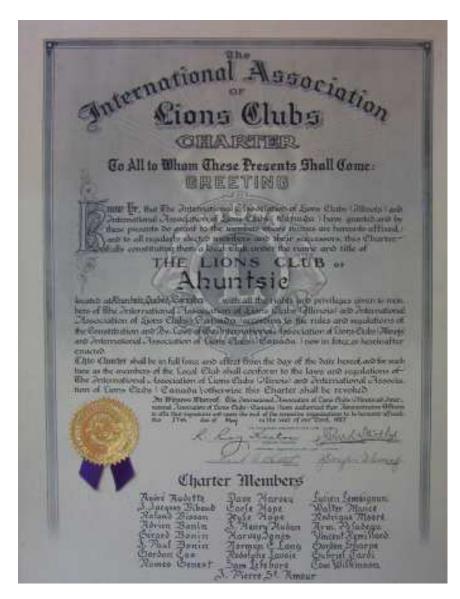
The matter of paying a bill of \$600.00 incurred in the settlement of the Canadian Charter situation, and presented by Harry A. Newman, was discussed at length. Lion Newman presented an amended bill eliminating the objectionable features, and the following resolutions were passed:

"RESOLVED: That the amended bill for \$600.00 presented by Past President Harry A. Newman in connection with securing the Canadian charter be paid."

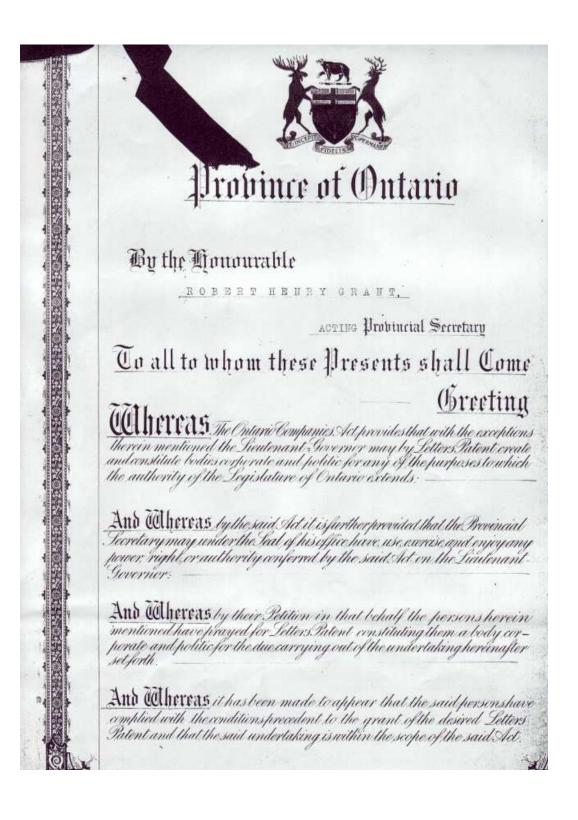
"RESOLVED: That the sum of \$100.00 be appropriated to defray the annual corporate expense of the Canadian Corporation, such expenditure to be made by the Secretary-General at the direction of the International President."

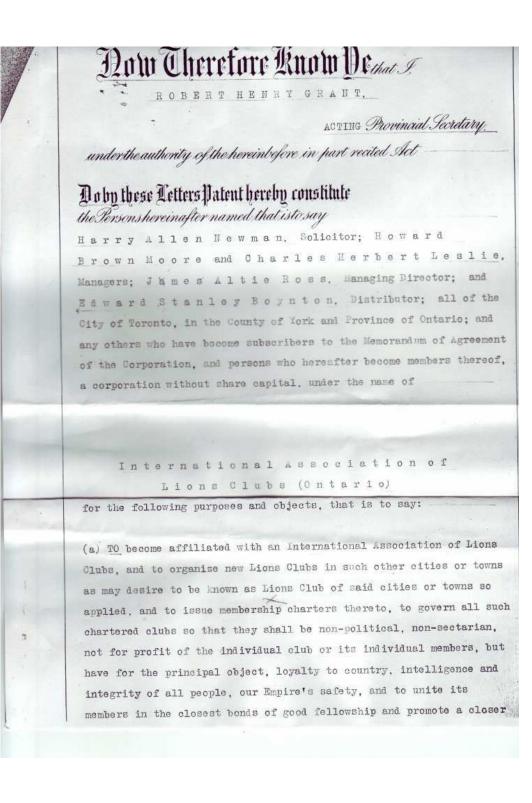






Pièce/Exhibit #4 Laura Letters Patent Under the Ontario Companie Act. Incorporating International Association of Lions Clubs (0 n t a r i o)Recorded this 11 C day of Courses AD192 as Number 124 inLiber 25 - 5 DeputyProvincial Registrar. PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE TORONTO, ONTARIO. -----「お知識」





for a longer period than soven years without being disposed of, shall **<u>(Given</u>** under my hand and Seal of office at the City of Torento in the said Prevince of Ontario this third day of sugast in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and trenty. thousand nine hundred and Acting Provincial Secretary.

### CHARTER OF THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LIONS CLUBS (CANADA) THIS CHARTER WAS RECEIVED VIA A FAX MACHINE AND SOME OF THE WORDS WERE DIFFICULT TO READ IT WAS DECIDED TO TYPE A COPY OF IT AND HERE IS THE RESULT.

LETTERS PATENT Incorporating (Without Capital) International Association of Lions Clubs (Canada) Dated 16th March 1928 RECORDED March 22nd, 1928 Thomas Mulvey DEP. REGISTRAR GENERAL of CANADA CANADA BY THE HONOURABLE FERNAND RINFRET SECRETARY OF STATE CANADA

To all to whom theses presents shall come, or whom the same way in any wise concern Greeting

Whereas, in and by The Companies Act Chapter 27 of the Revised Statutes of Canada 1927), it is amongst other things I effect enacted that the Secretary of State Canada may, by letters patent under the seal of office, grant a charter to any numbers of persons, not less than five, who having complied with the requirements of the Act apply therefore, constituting such persons, and others who thereafter become members in the corporation thereby created, a body incorporate and politics for any of the purposes or object to which the legislative authority of the Parliament of Canada extends, except the construction and working of railways or of telegraph or telephones lines, or the business of banking and the issue of paper money or the business of a loan company, or of a trust of insurance, or of a trust company upon the applicants therefore establishing to the satisfaction of the Secretary of State of Canada due compliance with the several conditions and terms in by the said Act set forth and thereby made conditions precedent to the granting of such Charter.

AND WHEREAS HARRY ALLEN NEWMAN AND IVAN CLAYTON HARRIES BANISTERS AT-AW; BERTRAM ALBERT KENNY Wholesale Lumber Dealer ; STANLEY MOSS, Broker: and JAMES GEORGE WILSON, Publisher; all of the City of Toronto, in the Province of Ontario, have made an application for a charter under the said aAct, constituting the and such others as the become members in the corporation thereby enacted a copy corporate and politics, under the name INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LIONS CLUBS (CANADA) for the purposes hereinafter mentioned, and have satisfactorily established the sufficiency of all proceedings required by the said Act to be taken and the truth and sufficiency of all facts required to be established previous to the granting of such letters Patent and have filed in the Department of the Secretary of State a duplicate of the memorandum of agreements executed by the said applicants in conformity of the provisions of said Act.16

NOW KNOW BE that, I the said Fernand Rinfret, Secretary of the State of Canada, under the authority of the hereinbefore in part resided Act, so, by the Letters Patent, constitute the said Harry Allan Newman Ivan Clayton Harries, Bertram Albert Kenny, Stanley Moss and James George Wilson and all others who may become members in the said corporation, a body corporate and politics, without share capital by the Name of INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION of LIONS CLUBS (CANADA) with all the rights and covers given by the said Act and for the following purposes and objects, namely: (a) To organise non-political, non-sectarian, non-profit sharing clubs in such municipalities or

combinations of municipalities in the Dominion of Canada, and such other countries of the Free Nations of the British Commonwealth as may be authorised by the Directors of this Association from time to time:

(b) To issue certificates of membership authorising any Club or Clubs organised to carry on with the objects herein provided and under the terms of the By-Laws of this Association

From time to time and providing or the withdrawal or cancellation of such certificates so issued, where default has been made in the Clubs organised in the carrying out of the objects of this Association or complying with the By-Laws in force from time to time, such cancellation or recall being in the sole discretion of the directors of this Association.

(c )To take more frequent council with the Free Nations of the British Commonwealth so that its strength, both moral and material, may continue forever to be a united Power for Justice, and Liberty and Peace;

(d) To encourage friendly co-operation with the United States of America and all other English Speaking Communities of the world;

(e) To encourage active participation in all things that have to do with commercial, civil, and industrial betterment of mankind

(f) To encourage and promote respect and obedience of all laws passed by the responsible Government of any country in which one or more Clubs have been organised`

(g)To assist in every honourable way in furthering the interests of it's members and associates towards bringing about a better understanding among the English Speaking people of the world;

(h) To instruct its members that organisation, co-operation and reciprocity serve the interest of the Community better than rivalry strife and destructive competition;

(i) To encourage the application of the higher ethical standards in business and seek, by the exchange of methods and ideas to increase efficiency in all line represented in the Clubs of the Association

(j) To take part in any meritorious movement, which, in the judgment of its members, will be for the general good and may offer its consideration to other organisation engage in valuable endeavours for the public welfare;

(k) To become associated with pr co-operate with the existing Association with alike name and with similar objects;

(1) To coordinate, standardise and direct the activities, other than legal activities, of all affiliated Lions Clubs;

(m) To promote the theory and practice of the principles of good government and good citizenship;

(n) To take an active interest in the civic Social and moral welfare of the community;

(o) To unite its members in the bonds of friendship, good fellowship and mutual understanding;

(p) To provide a forum for the full and free discussion of all matters of public interest, partisan politics and sectarian religion alone excepted;

(q) To encourage efficiency and promote high ethical standards in business and professions : provided that no club shall hold out as one of its objectives financial benefits to its members;

The operations of the corporation to be carried on throughout the Dominion of Canada and elsewhere. The chief office of said corporation is situate in the City of Toronto, in the province of Ontario.

And it is hereby ordained and declared that, if authorized by by-laws, sanctioned by at least two- thirds of the vote cast at a special general meeting of the members, duly called for considering the by-laws, the Directors may from time to time:

(a) Borrow money upon the credit of the corporation;

(b) Limit or increase the amount to be borrowed;

(c) Issue bonds, debentures, debenture stock or other securities of the corporation and pledge or sell the same for such forms and at such prices as may be deemed expedient;

(d) Hypothecate, mortgage or pledge, the real or personal property of the corporation, or both, to secure any such bonds, debentures, debentures stock or any others securities and any money borrowed for the purposes of the corporation.

Nothing in this clause contained such limit or restrict the borrowing of money by the corporation on bills of exchange or promissory note made, drawn, accepted or endorsed, by or on behalf of the corporation.

And it is further ordained and declared that the business of the said corporation shall be carried on without the purpose or gain for its members and that any profits or other accretions to the corporation shall be used to promote its objects.

That the said Harry Allen Newman, Ivan Clayton Harries, Bertram Albert Kenny, Stanley Moss and James George Wilson are to be the first or provisional directors of said corporations.

Provided always that nothing in these presents expressed or contained shall be taken to authorise the construction and working of railways, or of telegraph or telephone lines the business of banking, and the issue of paper money, or of a trust of insurance of the business of a loan company or a trust company by said corporation.

Given under my hand and seal of office, at Ottawa this fifteen day of March 1928.

Thomas Mulvey

Under Secretary of State

#### BY-LAW OF

INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LIONS CLUBS (ONTARIO)

WHEREAS the Directors of International Association of Lions Clubs (Ontario) deem it expedient that a By-law be passed providing for the Surrender of the Letters Patent of the Corporation.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED and it is hereby enacted as follows:

That the proper officers of the Company be and they are hereby authorized to make application to the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Untario for leave to Surrender the Letters Patent of the Corporation at such time as may be fixed by resolution of this Board.

Passed by the Directors of the said Corporation this twenty-first day of June, 1928.

"Harry A. Newman"

President

"James A. Ross"

Vice-President.

BY THE HONOURABLE

LINCOLN GOLDIE,

Provincial Secretary.

#### To all to whom these Presents shall come,

Greeting:

**Wilterens** The Companies Act provides that the Lieutenant-Governor may accept a surrender of the charter of a corporation and direct its cancellation, and fix a date upon and from which the corporation shall be dissolved;

**and ubtreas** by the said Act it is further provided that the Provincial Secretary may, under the seal of his office, have, use, exercise and enjoy any power, right or authority conferred by the said Act on the Lieutenant-Governor;

**And unferens** by its Petition in that behalf the Corporation herein mentioned has prayed for the acceptance of the surrender and the cancellation of its charter;

And whereas it has been made to appear that the said Corporation has complied with the conditions precendent to the desired acceptance of the surrender and cancellation of its charter;

flow therefore know pc that under the authority of the hereinbefore in part recited Act I HEREBY ACCEPT the surrender of the charter of

INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LIGNS CLUBS (ONTARIO)

incorporated by Letters Patent dated the third day of August, A. D. 1920, and direct its cancellation, and fix the mixth day of May A.D. 1929, as the date upon and from which the said Corporation shall be dissolved, and the Corporation shall thereby and thereupon become dissolved accordingly.

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Provincial Secretar

#### New Orleans, Louisiana

May 10-12 1960

Past Président Beddow presented the report of the Constitution & By-Laws and Areas Committee. He stated that the committee did sot approve of the principle of national Associations, but that any difference of opinion of a purely Canadian nature among the Canadian Lions is an extraneous matter in which Lions International cannot mediate. The committee recommended:

That the President appoint a committee to investigate the methods by which nominations and selection of the Canadian candidates for the international Board are made.

That Secretary Bird be instructed to ascertain whether or sot a separate corporation is necessary for a non-profit organization, such as Lions International which is incorporated under the laws of the U.S.A., to operate in the Dominion of Canada. It vas

MOVED, SECONDED and CARRIER, that this section of the Committee's report be adopted.

The committee recommended the elimination of the Pioneer and Retired Pioneer classifications, and the creation of a new classification for members with 15 to 35 years of service; also that a new classification be established to honor and distinguish Lions who have completed 35 or mare years of service. It vas

MOVED, SECONDED and CARRIER, that this section and the referral of the title to the Membership Committee be adopted.

The committee recommended that the Constitution be amended to require all candidates for International Officer or Director be endorsed by their district (sot a sub-district clone) at an annual convention of the district. After a short discussion, it was

MOVED, SECONDED and CARRIER, that the above recommendation be adopted.

Past President Beddow reported that the committee planned to present to the delegates for approval a proposed amendment to the Constitution to provide that, effective with the International Convention of 1960, candidates for International Director shall have served as District Governor, and candidates for Third Vice-President must have completed or be completing their term as International Director. It was

MOVED, SECONDED and CARRIED, that this part of the report be approved

Past President Stickley then presented a supplemental report of the Constitution and By-Laws Committee regarding the Canadian Association. He stated that the committee had been informed that it is not a legal necessity for the Association to operate and function in Canada through the medium of the International Association of Lions Clubs (Canada).

Lion Stickley also reported Chat in view of the fact that the District Governors of Canada have no means of holding a joint national council meeting to discuss the method of procedure for electing a Canadian nominee for Director or Vice-President, the Constitution and By-Laws Committee recommended that The International Association of Lions Clubs defray the expenses for one joint meeting in the city of Chicago of all the Canadian Governors during the present fiscal year only, and at least one month prior to the May, 1961 Board meeting. So that every Canadian Lion might have representation at this national council meeting, the committee recommended the payment of expenses of those United States District Governors involved in a joint Canadian-United States sub-district. After considerable discussion, it was

MOVED, SECONDED and CARRIED, That this portion of the Constitution and By-Laws Commutes report be adopted.

Chicago Illinois

#### July 3-9 1960

A partial report of the Constitution and By-Laws and Areas Committee was presented by Past President Stickley and the following recommendations were made:

That-there be no deviation from the requirement that a Lion must have served as District Governor to qualify as a candidate for International Director;

That the Widdifield, Ontario Lions Club should be permitted to use the Lions' name and emblem, alter proper precautions had been taken;

That no changes be made et the present time in the Board of International Relations setup;

That Article VIII, Section 10, be amended in the lest sentence of the section, to eliminate the words, "Beginning with the International Convention of 1959" and add to the section the following words et the end of the section: "for the purpose of attending their school of instruction." The lest sentence of the section would then rend, "The Board of Directors is authorised to provide for the payment of expenses to the International Convention of the District Governors-Elect, for the purpose of attending their school of instruction." It vas

MOVED, SECONDED and CARRIED, that the above recommendations be adopted.

At this time Part President Stickley presented the supplementary report of the Constitution and By-Laws and Area Committee. He stated that on\* matter of unfinished business had been carried over from the original report, and that was in relation to an inquiry from Canada concerning the manner of selecting a candidate for the International Board. He reported that after the subject was thoroughly discussed with Director Bartlett and Past Presidents Harry Newman and Walt Fisher, it was unanimously decided to make no change in the report submitted.

Past President Stickley again read the constitutional amendment that were adopted at the New Orleans Board Meeting.

Article IV, alter Section 10, add another section to be designated as Section 11, which rends as follows: 'When in the opinion of the international Board of Directors of this Association it is desirable to do so, the International President, with the concurrence of the Board, may appoint a representative of the Association to be known as Provisional District Governor, under such rides and regulations as the International Board may prescribe."

Article V, that the present Section 2 be amended, so that Section 2(a) read as "Candidates

for the office of International Director shall have completed or be completing their tern as District Governor of this Association, and candidates for International Third Vice-President shall have completed or be completing their term as International Director."

That Section 2(b) of Article V be amended to read: "Candidates for the office of International Third Vice-President or for International Director shall be endorsed by their district (not a sub -district alone) at an annual convention of the district."

Los Angeles, California November 13-15, 1960

Past President Stickley then presented a supplemental report of the Constitution and By-Laws Committee regarding the Canadian Association. He stated that the committee had been informal that it is not a legal necessity for the Association to operate and function in Canada through the medium of the International Association of Lions Clubs (Canada).

Lion Stickley also reported Chat in view of the fact that the District Governors of Canada have no means of holding a joint national council meeting to discuss the method of procedure for electing a Canadian nominee for Director or Vice-President, the Constitution and By-Laws Committee recommended that The International Association of Lions Clubs defray the expenses for one joint meeting in the City of Chicago of a11 the Canadian Governors during the present fiscal year only, and at least one month prior to the May, 1961 Board meeting. So that every Canadian Lion might have representation at this national council meeting, the committee recommended the payment of expenses of those United States District Governors involved in a joint Canadian-United States sub-district. After considerable discussion, it was

MOVED, SECONDED and CARRIED, that this portion of the Constitution and By-Laws Commutes report be adopted.

#### LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY May 2-6, 1961

Past President Stickley presented the report of the Constitution and By-Laves and Areas Committee. The committee recommended:

1. That the Board of Directors of The International Association of Lions Clubs be limited to a maximum of 26 Directors, plus the President, Immediate Past President, First, Second and Third Vice-Presidents.

2. That a new apportionment be created on a continental basis.

3. That the new divisions be based on recognized geographic authorities to be studied by the Constitution and By-Laws and Areas Commutes, and submitted to the Board of Directors for final approval.

4. That Director representation would be as follow:

Canada	1
Mexico	1
South America, Central America, Cuba, Caribbean Area	4
The Orient, including Southeast Asia	1
Europe	3
Africa and SouthWest Asia .	1

Australia, New Zealand, including Islands of the South	
China Sea and the South Pacific	1
United States of America, its affiliates, Bermuda, and	
the Bahamas .	14

5. That all certified delegates from every country and district would vote for all candidates for the International Board.

6. That all Directors would serve a two-year term.

7. That any District or Multiple District (not a Sub-District alone) may offer a candidate for International Director or Executive Officer, but no District or Multiple District (not a Sub-District alone) may offer more than one candidate for the International Board.

8. That the election of an Executive Officer from a continental division would not affect the number of Directors to which that division would be entitled.

9. That no Multiple District shall have Director representation on the Board for two consecutive Terms.

Alter considerable discussion, it was

MOVED, SECONDED and CARRIED, That the report be amended to show Director representation for South America, Central America, Cuba, Caribbean Area as three instead of four, and the United States with fifteen instead of fourteen. It vas

MOVED, SECONDED and CARRIER, That item number nine be deleted from the report. It vas

MOVED, SECONDED and CARRIED, that the report regarding the re-apportionment of Director representation be adopted as amended.

#### **KNOW YOUR OFFICERS**



Max Simms

Director for Newfoundland.

Westport Inn Cornerbrook, Nfld.

- Member Cornerbrook, Nfld. Lions Club.
- Served his club as: Lion Tamer, Tail Twister, Director, Vice-President, and President.
- Nine years perfect attendance.
- a Key Member.
- Holds 3 Extension Awards.
- Holds International Presidents Award.
- Zone Chairman
- Deputy District Governor
- District Governor District 41 - International Counsellor
- International Lounsellor
- Elected Director of International Association of Lions Clubs(Canada) in June 1959.
- Member of the Masonic Order.
- Member of the Shrine.
- Member of the Boy Scouts Council.
- Belongs to the United Church and serves on the Board of Stewards.
- Married.

#### **KNOW YOUR OFFICERS**

John J. Thompson

Director for

Alberta.

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- Foremost, Alberta.
- 10 year Charter Monarch member, Foremost Lions Club
- President Foremost Lions Club 1953-54.
- Zone Chairman, Zone 1A 1955-56
- Deputy District Governor 37-C 1956-57.
- District Governor 37-C 1958-59.
- International Counsellor.
  100% District Governor's Award.
- Key member.
  - Key member.
- Two Extension Awards from Linns International.
- District Membership retention and Development Director 1959-60 37-C
- All Club offices except Treasurer.
   Various Community projects such as
- Community Hall Assa: President Civic Ice Centre Assn: Originator
- Civic Ice Centre Assn: Originator of Forty-Mile Rural Electrification Assn:
  - Member of Foremost United Church.
  - Wife, Irene: one Daughter, Margret.

THE FOLLOWING NEW CLUBS HAVE BEEN CHARTERED IN CANADA BETWEEN FEBRUARY 1ST AND MAY 1STH 1960, AND HAVE BEEN PRESENTED A CANADIAN FLAG ON BEHALF OF ALL CANADIAN LIONS.

#### ALBERTA ONTARIO MD55LEIGH - District 37-C ACTON - District A-2 Chartered April 29, 1960. Chartered May 6th, 1960. President - Archie Hay, President - G. Alex Johnson, R Mossleigh, 138 Elizabeth Drive, Alberta. Acton, Unt. HUMBERSTONE - District A-2 SASKATCHEWAN Chartered - Date unknown, LEADER - District 5-CS President - Joseph dilhelm, Chartered February 27, 1960. Sherkston, President - David Enns, Ontario. Box 268, Leader, WESTMEATH - District A-4 Saskatchewan. Chartered May 11, 1960 PREECEVILLE - District 5-CN, President - Garal wes Chartered March 31st, 1960. President - Reginald Forshner. STREET. Preeceville, Saskatchewan.

# KNOW YOUR OFFICERS



Russell N. Vickers,

International Counsellor. 656 Maple Avenue, Burlington, Ontario.

- Born in Wheatley, Ontario, Nov.23,1917.
- Moved to Burlington at an early age, attended Burlington Public and High Schools.
- Joined Burlington Lions Club in 1944.
- Chairman Boys' and Girls' Committee and Carnival Committee.
- President Burlington Lions Club 1955-56.
- Zone Chairman of Region 6-5,1956-57.
- Deputy District Governor Region 6, District A-2,1957-58.
- District Governor Dist A-2, 1958-59.
- Elected Director of International Association of Lions Clubs (Canada) at Windsor June 1959.
- Key Member.
- 100% Governor's Award.
- Holder of Extension Award.
- Member Trinity United Church.
- Past Master Burlington Masonic Lodge.
- 32% Scottish Rite Mason.
- Director Ontario Fruit and Vagetable Growers Association.
- Married, wife's name is Joyce.
- 3 girls and 1 boy.
- Market Gardener.

NEW CLUBS IN CANADA (Cont'd from page 4)

#### UNTARIO (cont'd)

ST. LAURENT - District A-8

Chartered May 13, 1960. President, Douglas Popps, 1340 Quimet Street, St. Laurent,

Quebec.

SILLERY-STE. FOY - District A-8 Chartered April 30, 1960. President - Hugh Roberge,

2214 Parc. Lotbiniere, Sillery, Juebec.

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### KNOW YOUR OFFICERS



Gordon Snider. Director for

Manitoba. Portage La Prairie Manitoba.

- Joined Saskatoon, Sask.Lions Club in 1929.
- transferred to Moose Jaw, Sask. Lions Club, 1940.
- Held offices Director, Treasurer, Vice-President, President, then Secretary of Moose Jaw Club.
- Deputy District Governor 1946-7 District 5N
- District Governor, District 5C, Saskatchewan, 1947-48.
- Transferred to Portage la Prairie, Manitoba 1950.
- District Governor District 5MDN-W, 1956-57.
- 20 year Monarch, with 19 years ' Perfect Attendance.
- Holder of Extension Award, Lions International.
  - Hold Key, Master Key and Senior Master Key awards.
  - Hold 100% Governor Award.
  - Served as Chairman, Board of Governors, Multiple District 5M Vice-Chairman District 5M Activities Committee.
  - Currently District Membership Development and Retention Chairman.
  - Chairman, Board of Stewards, Trinity United Church.
  - President, Portage Businessmen's Association.
  - Vice Pres, Portage Industrial Development Board.
  - Secretary, Portage la Prairie Lions Club.
  - Married, two daughters, one attending University of Saskatchewan at Saskatonn.

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Many more Needed ( cont'd) from Page 1. to go to complete the import permit of Dr. Modi for 200,000 pair. So let everybody get behind this drive this year to make sure we reach our objective, Any Club which has received their instructions can obtain further copies from Secretary George Winnett at 22 Lawson Avenue, Dakville, Ontario. And PLEASE READ AND FOLLO. THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY. Too many of the glasses have been arriving at the shipping depots improperly packed and marked. For your information the shipping depots again are as follows:

- c/o McGregor Warehouses Ltd., 3450 Wellington Avenue, Vancouver 16, B. C. (for the 4 Western Provinces)
- c/o C. Barker Cartage, 15 Grand Trunk Street, St. Lambert, P. Q. (for Ontario and Quebec)
- 3. c/o Ron Humphrey, 142 Granville, Halifax, N. S. (for the 3 Maritime Provinces)

Please be sure your shipment is sent Prepaid or free of charge as these depots can not accept collect shipments.

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NEW LIONS CLUBS IN CANADA(Cont'd from page 5)

NEW BRUNSWICK

RIVERVIEW - District 41-N

Chartered April 23, 1960. President - John Macfadyen, 709 Yale Avenue, Riverview, New Brunswick.

#### YUKUN

WATSON LAKE - District 49. Chartered March 19, 1960. President - George Whimp, Upper Laird,

Yukon, Canada.

July 1st, 1969 to May 15th, 1960. 29 NEW CLUBS 2 Charters cancelled GWIN of 27 Clubs Total to May 15th,1960 - 677 Clubs.

#### SAINT JOHN CLUB CONDUCTS POLID CLINICS

More than 14,000 adults of the Greater Saint John area have received the first and second injections of Saix vaccine in a polic immunization program being conducted by the Saint John and Kennebecasis Lions Clubs in co-operation with the N. B. Chapter of the Canadian Polic Foundation.

On March 4, 5 and 6 the first injections were administered at three public clinics located to best serve the citizens of the area and on april 5, 6 and 7 the second inoculations were given at the same locations. This program has proven very successful and is an example of the co-operation which can result when an active club undertakes a major project.

The vaccine and all other supplies were provided by the N. B. Chapter of the Canadian Polio Foundation, the services of the doctors were secured through the co-operation of the N. B. Medical Society, the registered nurses were secured through the Saint John Nurses! Association and the clerical workers were obtained by the Saint John Lionettes. It is worthy of mention that the services of the nurses and clerical workers were ' donated without charge to the program. Also without cost to the program were the accommodations and facilities providedby the Y. M. C. A., the Canadian Red Cross Society and the Simonds Regional High School, The typewriters used by the clerical workers were supplied, again free of charge, by the local dealers. Relying upon experience gained elsewhere, a charge of \$1.00 was made to each patient at the time of receiving the first injection and he or one was told that the second and third inj ctions would be given at no charge. It has been found that clinics conducted elsewhere on a strictly "no charge" basis have had a poor reception to the second and third injections due to the assumption by the patient that the first shot provided some imcunity and therefore the second and third was not too important. This assumption, of course, is not true and the psychology of charging for the

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#### SAINT JOHN CLUB (Cont'd from page 6)

has proven very successful in combatting the lack of interest to return to the clinics for the second and third inoculations. All the proceeds from the \$1.00 charge were turned over to the N. 8. Chapter of the Canadian Polio foundation to be used for further research and treatment of polio patients.

Following the public clinics, special clinics were held in industrial plants and large offices where the number of employees made such a scheme practical. These clinics proved very popular both with the employers and the employees.

This project, while involving a considerable amount of work and no financial gain for the Club, has more than proven its value through the favourable publicity which has been received from every quarter. Certainly, in Saint John these days as in the past, the Lions Club is looked upon with much favour and is truly living up to the Association's reputation as the world's "biggest do'ers."

#### NEWS OF CLUB ACTIVITIES

#### BRITISH COLUMBIA

\* <u>Kitimat</u> - Busy prefabricating playground equipment which will be installed this summer in Lions Park.

\* <u>Nelson</u> - Served hot chocolate, coffee, doughnuts, and candies to <u>llCD</u> people who attended the city's annual Christmas Tree Bonfire. Also provided funds for a kiln to be used by the Nelson School of Fine Arts.

\* <u>North Vancouver & West Vancouver</u> -Helped organize a White Cane Club and Assist in conducting monthly meetings of same. Also provide transportation to and from these meetings.

\* <u>Langford & District</u> - Finished raising the money to pay off the mortgage on the home of a volunteer fireman who died fighting a fire.

#### ALBERTA

\* <u>Blairmoie</u> - Conducted a highly successful Musical Festival with almost 300 participants.

#### ALBERTA (Cont'd)

\* <u>Lethbridge</u> - Members and their wives have donated 40 pairs of eyes to the Eye Bank established by the Provincial Government.

\* <u>Marinville</u> - Invited farmers in the district to attend a meeting where they had invited the Dairy Commissioner to speak - turnout good.

\* <u>Raymond</u> - Arranged for an optometrist from Lethbridge to give eye examinations to over 360 children in grades 1 to 1V. Provided financial help to those parents who could not afford the purchase of glasses if needed.

\* <u>Taber</u> - Provided bleachers for the Community Ice Center and back drop curtains, side drapes, and valance for Civic Centre Hall.

#### SASKATCHEWAN

\* <u>Eatonia</u> - Sponsored Girls Figure Skating Carnival.

\* <u>Moose Jaw</u> - Undertook a works project for improving the Wild Animal Park of Moose Jaw which is managed and sponsored by the Club to cost approximately \$7,000.

\* <u>Porcupine</u> - Sponsored a successful course on Farm Management for the farmers in the area.

\* <u>Saskatoon</u> - Sponsors Bowling for the Blind every week.

\* Yorkton - Donated \$15,400.00 towards a school for Retarded Children.

#### MANITOBA

\* <u>Winnipeg</u> - The eight Lions Clubs in the Winnipeg area supplied approximately ul,500 towards the cost of open heat surgery for a 16 year old boy. Operation pronounced successful.

\* <u>Winniped Centre</u> - Continue to do splendid work for the Blind and have decided to sponsor a Senior Citizens' Housing Project.

ONTARIC

\* <u>Atikokan</u> - Have raised \$2,000 for the Library to be used for much needed improvements.

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#### ONTARIO (Cont'd)

\* Port Arthur-Fort William - Completed a very successful Bank of Light project collecting, packing and shipping approximately 5,000 pairs.

\* <u>Aldershot</u> - Have joined with other service clubs to raise \$30,000 needed to pay for hospital and doctor's expenses for some boys who were badly burned in a fire. A total of p25,000 has already been realized.

\* Barrie - Have turned over \$8,000 of their 310,000 pledge to the local swimming pool fund.

\* <u>Callander</u> - Providing a Stevenson Resusutator for the township Fire Dept.

\* Lakefield - Started work on a \$7,000 Park Project.

\* <u>Lindsay</u> - Completed an Eyesight Survey for 1300 children in the Public Schools.

\* <u>Mont Brydges</u> - Arranged for a Free Adult Polio Clinic where 660 people were vaccinated.

\* The Niagara - Also sponsored a series of Polio Clinics with over 200 attending.

\* <u>Norwood</u> - Helping to raise a fund of \$6,000 to aid a burned-out family.

\* <u>North York</u> - Provided equipment for the Crafts Room of the Thornhaven School for Retarded Children at a cost of over \$1,000.

\* <u>Guelph</u> - Made arrangements for adoption of some children through the Save the Childfen Organization. Also started work on an Eye Bank Project.

\* <u>Rouge Hill-Pickering</u> - Brought their Children's Bowling League to a successful 'inish. Each week some 250 children were collected by buses from surrounding schools and taken to the Local Bowling Alley where they were taught the rudiments of the game and formed into teams.

\* <u>Schombern</u> - Sponsored a mammoth supper and draw - 3 cars and other cash prizes given away. Proceeds of \$10,500 was turned over to help build a new Arena.

\* <u>Victoria Square</u> - Played unexpected hosts last February to a number of travellers manoened by a terrific blizzard. Surplied coffee, sandwiches, etc. that night and use - ist to many the next morning.

#### NE FOUNDLAND

Bonavista - Urganized "March of Dimes" campaign and raised over \$600.00.

\* <u>Cornerbrook - Deer Lake - St. John's</u> <u>Twillingate</u> - All these Clubs have completed successful eye glass collection campaigns for the Bank of Light Project.

\* Mount Pearl Park - <u>Glendale</u> - Sponsored successful Blodd Donor Clinic.

#### QUEBEC

\* <u>Belofil</u> - Purchased an Adams Trainer and presented it to a family with a seven year old boy who has never walked.

\* Lac Megantia - Presented an Incubator valued at \$900 to the St. Josephs Hospital.

\* <u>Notre Dame de Grace</u> - Provides weekly transportation for the children of the Blind School. Made a donation of \$1000 to the Association for Retarded Children.

\* <u>Ste. Rose-Rosemere</u> - Also made a donation to the Association for Retarded Children.

NEW BRUNSWICK

\* <u>Chatam</u> - Club has taken over the collection of used clothing for distribution to the needy people of the town. Also undertaken the publishing of a town directory with advertising paying the cost.

"<u>Diomocto</u> - Supplied rain slickers for the local school Patrol.

\* <u>Moncton</u> - Donated 500 toothbrushes to the Moncton Dental Clinic.

NOVA SCOTIA

\* Bridgewater - Continue to collect eyeglasses for Bank of Light Project.

\* <u>New Glasgow</u> - Have started a project to provide entertainment and treats for the patients of the Riverton Mental Hospital and the Pictou County Old Folks Home.

\* <u>Sheet Harbour</u> - Supplies copies of the Halifax Daily papers for the patients of local hospital.

\* <u>Wolfville</u> - Held a very successful Blood Donor Clinic and have purchased a T. V. for the Mental Hospital.

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#### MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS, WEST VIRGINIA April 11-13 1962

#37, <u>Agreement with Canadian Association</u> - Your Committee recommends the approval of the Board of Directors of 21e International Association of Lions Clubs to discontinue the agreement entered into by this Association with the International Association of Lions Clubs (Canada) on the 28th day of April, 1928.

"At the Board Meeting held in Miami Beach, Florida, in October, 1961, your Board discussed the possibility of discontinuing the agreement with the Canadian Association and requested Director Tris Coffin to make one more attempt to resolve the situation amicably and report bock to the Board at the April, 1962 Board Meeting.

"Director Coffin has devoted a great deal of tune and effort in an endeavour to reconcile differences between the Canadian Association and Lions International. He has met with the Constitution and By-Laws Committee and has reported the failure of his efforts.

"The agreement referred to provided that it 'may' be discontinued at the pleasure of either contracting party upon thirty days prior notice, which notice shall contain the grounds for discontinuance..' etc.

'The views of the officers of the Canadian Association may be said to be those expressed in a latter dated December 20, 1961, to a Lions Club in Ontario, The latter refers to a letter dated December 8, 1961<sub>9</sub> sent to the clubs in Ontario and Quebec by Chairman of the Board of Governors of District A., Jack H. Vicary, which stated: 'It is not necessary to pay the twenty-fine cents (25 Cents) per member dues for which you are presently being billed by the International Association of Lions Clubs (Canada), in order to remain Lions and Lions Clubs in good standing with Lions International. Any club which pays its International and District dues will always be considered a 'club in good standing' with Lions International.'

Secretary-Treasurer Fred J. Chapman, in his latter dated December 20<sub>9</sub> 1961, referred to the statement by Chairman Vicary and quoted a paragraph in the charter granted to the club, as follows:

' This Charter shall be in full force and affect from the day of the date hereof, and for such tune as the members of the local club shall conform to the laves and regulations of the International Association of Lions Clubs and International Association of Lions Clubs (Canada); otherwise this charter shall be revoked.°

"He followed this with another paragraph reading as follows:

<sup>o</sup>Therefore, I would suggest to your club., its executives and members, through you, that they may rot be lulled into a false sense of security because of non-payment of dues to the International Association of Lions Clubs (Canada).

"Just prior to the Miami Beach Board Meeting., the Board Members were furnished a rather comprehensive report on the Canadian Association problem. "This report included a latter dated, 1960, sent to all District Governors with clubs in Canada, signed by Secretary Bird, in which was included an opinion given by the Constitution and By-Laws Committee and adopted by the Board at the May, 1961 Board Meeting, to the affect that a club is in good standing with the International Association of Lions Clubs when its International and District dues are paid - in Canada as well as in all other countries in

which there are Lions Clubs,

"The latter of Secretary-Treasurer Chapman, dated December 20, 1961, takes exception to the ruling of the International Board on the matter of 'clubs in good standing,' and thus a conflict has arise between the two Associations in relation to payment of dues and the question of when clubs may be considered in good standing.

"Previous statements made by officers of the Canadian Association to the Executive Committee and Constitution and By-Laws Committee at a meeting in Louisville .Kentucky, April 30, 1961, coupled with expressions in a letter dated May 1, 1961<sub>9</sub> by Charles Grace, Secretary-Treasurer of the Canadian Association to President Finis Davis of Lions International, attest to other differences of opinion between the officers of the two Associations.

"Secretary-Treasurer Grace in his latter of May 1, 1961 said:

'...we pointed out that there are Lions in Canada who will take the necessary steps, we are sure, to prevent the seating of a Director nominated in a manner contrary to our By-Laws that would result in there being no Director from Canada, a fact which both group stated last Saturday was an undesirable situation. It would not help to resolve any problems' but on the contrary would further complicate it...

"These differences between the two Associations in addition to the requests of the great majority of the Governors of Canada for 1960-61, as well as the requests of many Canadian Lions Clubs that the Canadian Association be discontinued - plus the votes by ballot of the Districts in Canada in the 1960-61 District Conventions having Canadian Lions Clubs - all have had a part in the recommendation of your Committee.

"Nevertheless, the basic reasons for your Committee's recommendation are that there is no place in Lions International for an organization within an organization, and that all Lions and Lions Clubs throughout the world should be on the same basis.

"If the Board adopts the recommendation made, we propose sending a latter promptly to the Officers and Directors of the Canadian Association cancelling the agreement, effective 30 days from date of our notice of cancellation -.and another latter to the Canadian District Governors, Deputy District Governors, Zone Chairmen, Past International Presidents, Past International Directors, International Counsellors, and Presidents of ail Lions Clubs in Canada, calling attention to the discontinuance of the agreement, and explaining and substantiating the reasons for its discontinuance; and advising them Chat their status is the same as all other Lions Clubs existing in every country of the world.

"We recommend that this supplemental report be adopted."

DIRECTOR STANFORD: "I move its adoption."

DIRECTOR WEST; "I second the motion.

PRESIDENT STAHL: "Question tees been called." PAST

PRESIDENT NEWMAN: "May I say a word?"

PRESIDENT STAHL: "Past President Harry Newman."

PAST PRESIDENT NEWMAN: "When we first got the notice at the Toronto Central Club, I told my friends that we would not pay any additional dues unless we used our court to see how stupid

they could be. Unfortunately, we have some money remaining in the kitty, and there is about a half a dozen of the foes who would enjoy the controversy.

"There is no provision in this report to have this money returned to the persons who gave it to our club for one specific purpose the famous Hazel disaster, as you know. On several occasions they have discussed it, and said what is your objection of there being a Canadian Club? I said 1 would not join a Canadian Club. It is the international features Chat appeal to me. I know many clubs at home, but I like the international atmosphere. I told them that if they were trying to foist a new club on us, I am sure that most of the boys would be through. I think the rank and file feel that way, The only objection I have to the recommendation of this Committee, and it is very modest , is that your notice is given after out convention in Hamilton has had a chance to clean up its own mess.

"I hate any pre-emptory order from anybody, be it here or any place else, if

you do not do this, you are out.' I do not like that. Better judgment will prevail. Let time expire, until, say, July 1. A couple of months will not hurt after all these years of agony. Otherwise I am all for the report. Just postpone the time, and give the docent Lions a chance to clean up their own mess. Give the notice, but give the notice so as to have it expire by July 1. By that time if it is not cleaned up you have got your record.. Decent fellows' will not stand for this humbug. I cannot move, I wish I could."

PRESIDENT STAHL: "Tris Coffin, Director from Canada."

DIRECTOR COFFIN: May I remind Past International President Harry, that the discontinuance of the memorandum of agreement has absolutely nothing to do with the discontinuing of the lifting of the charter of the Canadian Association."

PAST PRESIDENT NEWMAN: "I will not argue matters' of law with my observing friend."

DIRECTOR COFFIN: "Well, we have no authority whatever over the amount of dollars which was requested in the funds. This we will have to take from here on  $in_r$  but this has nothing to do with the question on hand, I believe, at the present tune.'

PAST PRESIDENT NEWMAN: "May I clarify that? that money collected for the Disaster Fond is in trust for the persona who gave it, and can be recovered. I only wanted to bring to you gentlemen here - That we are not going to stand for any nonsense from a handful of Canadians, no matter who they are."

DIRECTOR GRAYBILL: "I am all for the adoption of the report, but I would tell your attention to the latter part which says that a letter would be sent out and would call your attention to the discontinuance of the agreement - this, I think is fine - and also to explain and substantiate the reasons for its discontinuance. On this last half, I would hope that the explanation and substantiation might be in brief and non-controversial form as possible. In other words, the contents of the report could be to same of out friends from Canada something like a red flag, and we could have the letter brief and the explanation in a more formal, legal character than just a justification. I think it would be advisable."

PAST PRESIDENT NEWMAN: "I think that is correct. They all know about this."

PRESIDENT STAHL: "The question has been called, all in favour signify by saying, °,Aye.' Opposed, 'No.' Unanimous, so moved."

PAST PRESIDENT BRIGGS: "A matter has been referred to me for a report, which is something in

reference to the Board and our President felt should be done,

He and the Executive Committee invited the Constitutional and By-Laws to sit with them a couple of days ago when it was learned that our esteemed friend, Miguel Abed and Dr. Reed were going to leave the Board Meeting before its termination. Knowing that the Canadian and Mexican affairs ought to be and were planned to be considered concurrently, it was the courteous thing for the President and the Committee to invite these Lions into their session and discuss the matter with them. Also to discuss the matter of giving notice of intent not to renew the contract which is coming up for renewal on July 1. Not wishing them to leave, and not knowing what was in the coming recommendation for discussion, they were invited in and the session was held.

"Many pressures are put upon us because Canada and Mexico have been favoured with such an arrangement by others who feel Chat they too should have the same arrangement. This is logical. At this meeting, knowing that the one was going to terminate, it seemed to our Executive Committee that the other ought to at the same tune.

'We had a rather extended session, and it was very serious as it would be after all these years. It was suggested to our friends that we were recommending to the Board that the Mexican contract also be cancelled. Therefore, I am making this recommendation to the Board, and it is move before you for consideration. We can go into a long discussion if you desire, but without that, and for which I see no particular gain, we can complete •this. I am sure that the President or any Vice-President can answer any question which you may have. The recommendation will be made by a duly constituted person who can make it. "

PRESIDENT STAHL: "I feel that we must not have one thing in one country and another in another country. It could be the same all over our Association. I think we must cover this matter in this session. First Vice-President Lovill."

VICE-PRESIDENT LOVILL: "President Per, Officers, Directors, Past Presidents and fellow Lions. On behalf of the Executive Committee, I would like to move to this body that we set in motion the wheels in proper form to cancel our agreement with Mexico so that we will become Lions International in true concept throughout the world."

## DIRECTOR WEST: "I second."

PRESIDENT STAHL: "You have heard the motion and second. Question has been called, all in favour saying 'Aye. Opposed, 'No.' So moved.

### LIONS INTERNATIONAL

April 16, 1962

Mr Andrew G. Gunter President The International Association of Lions Clubs (Canada) 109 Mount Pleasant Avenue St-John, New Brunswick, Canada

Dear Lion Gunter,

At a regular called meeting of the Board of Directors of the International Association of Lions Clubs, in White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia, on April 13, 1962, a quorum being present, a resolution was adopted by the said Board, requesting the required notice be given to The International Association of Lions Clubs (Canada) of he termination of the agreement dated April 28, 1928, between the two Associations,.

This letter, therefore, will serve to give notice to The International Association of Lions Clubs (Canada) that The International Association of Lions Clubs will consider the Agreement dated April 28, 1928, as terminated and discontinued as of May 17, 1962.

You and other officers of your Association are aware of the conflict which existed between the two Association for more than two years. Due to the request made by your Association on the Lions Clubs of Canada for payment of dues to your Association, and during the last year in connection with the election of Canadian Lions to the Board of Directors of the International Association of Lions Clubs. These facts coupled with the fact that the members of the Board have felt for some time that there should be no Associations within our Association, have caused then Board to request that the discontinuance of Agreement with the Mexican Association, as well as the Canadian Association so that all Lions everywhere will be members of only one Association, namely The International Association of Lions Clubs, also known as Lions International.

We are sending this same letter to Secretary-Treasurer Chapman with copies to all Officers and Directors of the Canadian Association.

The International Association of Lions Clubs By: W. R. Bird Secretary

WRB/nb cc: Officers and Directors of the Canadian Association

## LIONS INTERNATIONAL

April 16, 1962

To The Presidents and Secretaries of all Lions Clubs in Canada

Dear Lions:

We are attaching a copy of a letter written today to the President and Secretary of The International Association of Lions Clubs, also known as the Canadian Association, which we believe is self-explanatory.

We should like you to know that the entire Board of Directors of Lions International have always had and continue to have the greatest respect for the Lions of Canada. They have asked us to advise you that the Lions Clubs in Canada are in good standing in the International Association of Lions Clubs (Lions International), when their dues are paid to Lions International and to their multiple district.

Very sincerely yours,

Wm. R. Bird Secretary Lions International

Cc: International Director Tris Coffin PIP Harry A. Newman PIP Walter Fisher District Governors of Canada PID of Canada DDG of Canada ZC and Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer of Canada International Counsellors of Canada President and Secretary of the Canadian Association Lions International

April 19, 1963

Mr. John T. Bentham, President The International Association of Lions Clubs (Canada) P.O. Box 318,

Thornhill, Ontario, Canada

Dear Lion Bentham,

The Special Committee of the International Board which was appointed by International <u>President</u> Levill to work out problems arising from the termination of the Agreement between Lions International and the International <u>Association</u> of Lions Clubs (Canada) met as scheduled in Chicago on Friday, March 22 1963. You and your Committee, as you know, were invited to attend this meeting but declined to do so unless e new agreement between your Association and Lions International was inserted on the agenda of the meeting.

At the meeting held in Boston, Mass., on October 11<sup>th</sup> last, which was attended by your committee, which included several members of the Board, the matters pertaining to the termination of the Agreement effective, May 17, 1962, were discussed at length. Tour Committee at that time stated you believed it to be a legal necessity to have a Canadian Corporation in order for Lions International to operate in Canada. Our Committee had information to the contrary but agreed to hold another meeting with your Committee, providing you could substantiate your claim. After several attempts to obtain substantiation from you had failed, you were requested to send representatives to Chicago on March 22,1963 in order settle in an orderly manner those matters which you believe essential in the transition period which will naturally be involved" 1 believe you will agree that our invitation of March 5th, which was in our telegrams of March 18th and 20<sup>th</sup> was cordial, and showed that we welcome your suggestion as to how the program contemplated could be accomplished with the least possible confusion or disturbance. We sincerely regret your Association did not send representatives to the meeting.

The special Committee of the Board carefully reviewed all the correspondence in this matter since the letter of Termination of Agreement dated April 16, 1962, and drafted a report with its recommendation to the International Board. This report and recommendations were in turn considered by the International Board of Directors and were adopted by said Board, and I have been authorized and request to communicate to you the decision of the International Board in this matter.

You and the Directors of The International Association of Lions Clubs (Canada) are officially advised that The International Association of Lions Clubs, through its International Board of Directors, has determined to implement the decision reached at its meeting in White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., on April 13, 1962. You are requested to «cease and desist» from using the Lions name and emblem, since no organisation except a duly chartered Lions club or Lions District may use such name or emblem without express permission of the International Board of Directors. This is covered by Article X111, Section 3 of the International Constitution, which all Lions Clubs adopt when granted a charter. This section is as follow:

"The name, emblem, badge or other insignia of this Association, or of any chartered club,

shall not be used by any club member as a trade mark or for advertising merchandise or business; nor shall any corporation, group or organization organized by any Lions Club or the members or representatives thereof, nor any other individual, corporation, group or organization, use the name, emblem, badge or other insignia of the International Association of Lions Clubs in conjunction with or for the purpose of carrying on any activity project of any nature without such written consent and approval as may be authorized by appropriate resolution of the International Board of Directors."

The International Board also requests and demands that the organization known as The International Association of Lions Clubs (Canada) wind up its affairs and dissolves the corporation by that name at the earliest moment possible.

This decision of the International Board of Directors was not precipitate nor arbitrary. Many Lions Clubs in Canada for a number of years had objected to the functioning of your organisation; the District Governors of Canada, in a meeting held in Chicago on February 4, 1961, voted 19 to 3 in favour of a resolution proposed by one of their member «that the Governors of Canada recommend that, the Lions of Canada assembled at their respective district Convention consider the advisability of continuing or discontinuing The International Association of Lions Clubs (Canada)» and the votes taken by ballot at the various district convention in Canada (with only Canadian Lions voting) were certified to us as follow:

District 41	Votes Cast to Discontinue Canadian Association 91	Votes Cast of Continuance of Canadian Association 28
(Newfoundland Noa Scotia New Brunswick P.E.I. )		
District A Ontario	402	279
Quebec) District 19	102	13

Votes reported as having been taken at other district conventions of Canadians Clubs are as follow:

"This was a standing vote with show of bands. This vote was unanimous and to the best of my knowledge there were between 156 and 225 members present." (From letter of District Governor J .E. Hamilton, 5-CN, July 21, 1961.)

"There were 114 delegates registered from Saskatchewan at the Multiple District Convention, and that all Saskatchewan Lions were at the Saskatchewan meeting at which the Resolution was discussed, and that the Resolution vas adopted unanimously. From letter of International Counsellor J.W.A. Poulton, 5-CS, August 2, 1961)

"The vote on the question as to whether or not the Canadian Association should be continued showed that the vote was in favour of continuance of the Association." (From letter of International Counsellor

A.I. Horner, District 37, August 12, 1961)

"We have two clubs presently which are located in Yukon Territory, Canada. The delegates from those two clubs with then Vice-President Lovill and discussed the issue. As a result, a vote was taken and it was in the negative. They do not wish to participate in the Canadian Association. I do not know the actual tally of the vote. This was not reported to the Convention. (From letter of District Governor Mulrin Day, District 49, July 15, 1961) .\_\_

The International Board set out quite early in its letter which terminated the Agreement, the reasons which caused it to take such action. Briefly stated, the reason for such action was the desire on the part of the Board of Directors to establish uniformity of operation of Lions Clubs thought the world, in conformity with the Constitution and By-Laws of Lions International

The International Board, which is composed of Lions leaders from many countries of the world, in agreeing with your Committee last October, had hoped it would bring about «a meeting of the minds», but since a further delay can only cause confusion and misunderstanding, it now seeks for quick compliance of its request and demands. May we have your prompt assurance that your organisation will comply?

Very sincerely yours

Willam R. Bird Secretary, The International Association of Lions Clubs

Cc: Officers and Directors, Lions International Officers and Directors, Canadian Association District Governors, Canada Past International Presidents - Canada Past International Directors – Canada International Counsellors - Canada

### LETTER FROM CURTIS LOVILL PRESIDENT

Please read this letter in full to the members of your club at an early meeting

### Dear Lion President,

At a meeting of the international Board of Directors held in White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia on April 13, 1962, the International Board adopted a resolution to the affect that a notice of termination of Agreement be given to the President and Secretary of the International Association of Lions Clubs (Canada) also known as the Canadian Association. Letters of termination ere addressed to Andrew G. Ganter, President, and Fred J. Chapman, Secretary/Treasurer dated April 16, 1962, and stated that the agreement between the two Associations would be considered of no effect on and after May 17, 1962, A copy of the letter of termination is attach for information. You will see from this that the Board at that time was composed of Lions from fifteen nations of tee World. The Termination of Agreement which existed between Lions International and the Canadian Association means that the Canadian Association is no longer recognised by Lions International.

The action or the Board at White Sulphur Springs was not taken hastily. It followed a meeting held in Chicago, Illinois of all of the Lions Governors with clubs in Canada on February 4, 1961. At that time the Governors of Canada voted 19-3 to recommend to their clubs the discontinuance of the Canadian Association. Later that year a vote was taken at the various District Conventions of Canada and this vote was predominantly for discontinuance of the Canadian Association.

The action of the Board vas predicated on the absolute necessity to maintain a uniformity of operation for Lions Clubs under the same Constitution and By-Laws throughout the world. Since the action at White Sulphur Springs the Board has endeavoured to bring about an orderly transition of the problems which may have affected the Canadian Association and this resulted in a meeting of a special Committee of the Board with a Committee of the leaders of The Canadian Association in Boston, Mass., on October 12, 1962. At the meeting in Boston the Committee of the Canadian Association requested additional time to substantiate their statement, that their Association was a legal necessity in order for Lionism to exist in Canada.

Early in January they were invited o submit their findings and, on February 2nd President Bentham again stated that it would appear that the Canadian Association is a legal necessity for the operation of Lions International in Canada. On March 5th the Canadian Association was invited to send representatives to a meeting in Chicago to be held March 22, to resolve "the problems arising from the termination of the agreement between Lions International and the Canadian Association, so that a report could be made at our Board Meeting shortly thereafter that the Lions of Canada were now on the same basis as other Lions throughout the world."

The meeting was held as scheduled, but members of the Canadian Association refused to attend unless a new agreement was negotiated.

The Board of Directors of Lions International feels that the time has come to apprise all of the clubs in Canada of full details as to what has transpired in the direction which Lions International is following.

You are, therefore, advised that Lions International does not further recognize the International Association of Lions Clubs (Canada). The International Board considers that all Lions Clubs in Canada, operating under the Constitution and By-Laws of Lions International, have full and complete status in the International Association of Lions Clubs, or Lions International. The International Board of Directors has stated that it is not required of the Lions Clubs in Canada that they belong to two Associations or that they pay dues to any other organization besides their multiple district and Lions International.

It is the Board desire that all Canadian Lions be fully aware that the decision of Lions International is not in any way discriminatory, but rather is in keeping with the directives of the Board and previous Board that all Lions Clubs throughout the Association be on a uniform basis and operate under the Constitution and By-Laws of Lions International. The purpose of this letter, therefore, is to clarify the decision for all Canadian Lions in order that they may know the position of Lions International and that they may recognize their own rights as Lions Clubs under the International Constitution and By-Laws.

Canada was the first country outside the United States to affiliate with Lions international. this affiliation made the Association International in fact as well as in name. From the beginning the Association has now grown to where there are Lions Clubs in 118 countries and geographical locations. Your international Board of Directors is determined that a condition of uniformity shall exist in all countries where there are Lions Clubs.

The contribution of Canadian Lions Clubs to the success of Lions International has been incalculable, and your International Board of Directors looks forward to a continuing pleasant relationship with all clubs in Canada operating under the International Constitution and By-Laws.

Sincerely,

Curtis D. Lovill President Lions International

cc: Club Secretaries International Directors District Governors Past International Presidents

Past International Directors

International Counsellors

**Deputy District Governors** 

Zone Chairmen

PRESIDENT & SÉCRETAIRE/SECRETARY OF THE CANADIAN ASSOCIATION (Ontario)

1920-1921 1921-1922 1922-1993 1923-1924 1924-1925 Harry Newman 1925-1926 1926-1927

Sam Taylor 2 sceau/2 seals

### PRESIDENT & SÉCRETAIRE/SECRETARY OF THE CANADIAN ASSOCIATION (Canada)

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# ASSEMBLÉE DE L'ASSOCIATION CANADIENNE

DIMANCHE, 26 SEPTEMBRE 1965, ST-JEAN NOUVEAU-BRUNSWICK



Officers elected for the ensaing year were as follows :

Immediate Past President

President

1st Vice President

2nd Vice President

Secretary-Treasurer

Director for British Columbia

" " Alberta

Charles N, Grace, Amprior, Ontario G, Edward McLean, Montreal, Quebec Ward Bolton, Sc. Mary's, Ontario A.G. Kirstine, Edmonton, Alta. Fred J. Chapman, Ortawa, Ontario Joe G. Chanter, Vancouver, B.C. Virgil P. Moshansky, Vegreville, Alberna

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Ed McLeon, newly elected President Canadian Association announces plans for coming year. Picture shows some of the delegates who attended the Annual Meeting in Saint John, N.S. Same sixty delegates from the Maritimes, Quebec and Ontario were in attendance.



Charles N. Grace, Immediate Past President, speaking to the Annual Meeting. At the head table from left to right are : Bud Hutchinson - Director from Nova Scotia, Dr. George Saine - Director from Guebec, Fred Chapman - Secretary Treasurer, Charles N. Grace, Ed AcLean - 1st Vice-President, Lou Marshall, Director from New Brunswick.

## ANNUAL MEETING CANADIAN ASSOCIATION

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 1965 ST. JOHN, NEW- BRUNSWICK

Lea Marshall, Director from New Brunswick reports for New Brunswick : In the picture are from left to right : Fred Chopman - Secretary Treasurer, Lao Marshall, Charles N, Grace - Immediate Past President, Ed McLean - President Elect.

> Bud Hutchinson from Nova Scotia is shown giving his annual report to the meeting.

Dr. George Saine, reporting for Quebec.



Fred Chapman, Secretary Treasurer, delivering his annual report to the meeting, sented from left to right. Bud Hutchinson - Director from Nova Scotia, Dr. George Saine - Director from Guebec, Ed McLean - newly elected President, Fred Chapman, Charles N. Grace - Immediate Past President, Lou Marshall - Director from New Bronswick.

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MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

### ACAPULCO, MEXICO April 7-9, 1965

(21) Reaffirmed the Board of Directors' previous decision on the "Canadian Association" that immediate legal action be taken to enforce the cease and desist letter issued by General Counsel Bird to the "Canadian Association", and that the Presidents of the Canadian Clubs, the District Governors, the Canadian Director and the Past International Officers of Canada be informed of this action. I move the adoption of the report.

Completing highlights of the month of November, a brief was presented by us to the Provincial Secretary of the province of Ontario in Canada stating our position regarding recognition of the former Canadian Association. Prompting our brief was the fact that two clubs had been refused authority to incor-

Board of Directors Meeting in Los Angeles July 1965

### CANADA

With the help of Director George Laughlin, we have taken aggressive action in Canada to solve our incorporation problems there. One of the finest law firms in Canada--Fraser, Beatty, Tucker, McIntosh, and Stewart has been engaged with directions to establish the legal right of clubs in Canada to incorporate without approval of the now supposedly defunct Canadian Association, and also to establish our sole right as an Association to operate in Canada as we do in other countries of the world. We are pressing our lawyers for a speedy conclusion.

Board of Directors Meeting in New-York July 1966

#### CANANDIAN ASSOCIATION REPORT

I suppose, like everyone else here, I've had my moments of happiness and sorrow, defeats and victory, and periods of exaltation and depression, but I am going to say that I don't believe that ever in my Lionistic experience have I had a moment of happiness that outranks this present one in making this report.

It is my signal honor, privilege, and pleasure to inform you the misunderstanding with our Canadian brethren has been completely settled.

Under the patient, wise leadership of Past District Governor Ed McLean, President of the International Association of Lions Clubs (Canada), that Board of Directors has unanimously voted to cancel its charter and dissolve the corporation. Letters carrying this recommendation over the names of every Canadian Association officer and director have already gone to every Canadian club. It is only a matter of time before replies will have been received, and there is absolutely no reason to believe there will be a negative reaction.

We must publicly recognize the magnanimous spirit of Past District Governors Fred Chapman, Charles Grace, and George Sain who voluntarily withdrew their opposition to this final settlement and sponsored the action to cancel the charter and dissolve the Canadian Association. I here and now acknowledge the debt of the Association to these Lions whose vision and judgment have made this report possible.

At the same time we must cite the invaluable assistance rendered by the attorney for the Canadian Association, Lion Alan MacLean, whose counsel and suggestions helped effect the reconciliation. Although competently representing the Canadian Association, his dedication to Lionism was manifest throughout the negotiations.

My fellow Lions, may we urge you to recognize the full implications of this Canadian decision. May there be no ill-considered talk of victory or defeat, no gloating or boasting, but instead a fervent prayer of gratitude to God Almighty for thus ending these years of misunderstanding.

We again pay tribute to Past District Governor McLean, probably the only

man who could bring this about, a man of wisdom, understanding, patience, persistence, and unswerving devotion to the internationalism of the International Association of Lions Clubs. It must be gratifying to him to know God has granted him the privilege of keeping the promise he made to settle this controversy when elected the President of the Canadian Association a year ago. Without him this happy moment would not be possible.

We also wish to express the highest commendation to Assistant General Counsel Roy Schaetzel for the prominent part he played in bringing about this settlement. Occupying a most difficult role in these discussions, he conducted himself with intelligence, dignity, and diplomacy. We were most fortunate to have his assistance in resolving this matter.

PRESIDENT CAMPBELL: The Chair recognizes Past International President Julien Hyer.

PAST PRESIDENT HYER: President Walter, many of you do not realize the significance of this report even though you have shown your enthusiasm at its reception. It has been my privilege to be a member of this Board since 1931. One of the greatest problems this Association ever had in going international was in adding another country to the United States. That was Canada -- but Canada wanted its place and it wanted its prerogative and it wanted its representation, and we came close to having a Canadian Association and a United States Association and that has been here for many, many years. When the time came to try to nail the two of them together, it was extremely difficult. Legally, they said it couldn't be done; diplomatically, you had eastern and western Canada, and you had French and English speaking cabinets and it was a tremendously satisfying task to reconcile both parties. I also want to take some of the credit and give some to Past President Finis Davis. If I could, I would make that as a motion and take credit for it. Never mind laughing. I wanted us to have some of the credit along with Past District Governor McLean, Jack Stickley, in particular, for bringing this to a successful conclusion in less than six months. Thank you for the privilege of making this claim to credit

PRESIDENT CAMPBELL: We have heard from two members of the three-member committee; now I am going to ask the third member, Past International President Finis, if he would like to make a comment.

PAST PRESIDENT DAVIS: President Walter, members of the Board, and Past Presidents. I am not entirely in agreement with my colleague, Past President Judge Hyer that Jack be given full credit for this, because after all, two of the executives made the motion, and I seconded it. I think we ought to be given that much of the consideration. It is difficult for me to follow the splendid report that Jack has presented and the comments that Judge Hyer has made, but I do want to say this; there is a great deal of satisfaction as a result of the fine climax in such a beautiful wake of this Canadian situation as we have been faced with.

Even back in my time, President Walter, when I was President of this Association, this was a serious problem facing us. I had the privilege of serving as Chairman of the Advisory Committee and Past President Aubrey Green as our President, was working with our friends to the South, the Mexican Lions, and there we were able to bring into this group an agreement that was acceptable to them and to this Board. Since that time that agreement has been approved, and is well on its way to a very fine conclusion. But this, Jack, to my thinking, is the complete solving of a problem that had been difficult, and that should bring much gladness to our Lions, and as I see it. in the future it will bring us tremendously close to our Canadian friends.

PRESIDENT CAMPBELL: I see that our Past International President from Canada wants to talk. I am going to recognize Lion Harry.

PAST PRESIDENT NEWMAN: We were asked to do certain things, and certain people, for instance, wanted to do things their own way. I went through all of this but being a gentleman at the time I said, "Ed, my advice is if you are going to work with International, cooperate all the way." I am very glad everything is finally settled.

PRESIDENT CAMPBELL: Thank you, Past President Harry Newman. Now, I am going to ask our distinguished International Director from Canada, Jack Filkin, if he would like to say a word. Lion Jack, you have the floor.

DIRECTOR FILKIN: President Walter, Past Presidents and members of the Board, I think the Canadian Lions would scold me if I returned back to Canada without saying thank you to Past President John Stickley. This has been a thorn in the sides of the Canadian Lions every year. If I were to say anything different, you would have to say I was careless with the truth. To you, Jack Stickley, we owe you a great debt of thankfulness for giving your time, and your ability. Thank you very much.

PRESIDENT CAMPBELL: The Chair recognizes Director Marciel.

DIRECTOR MARCIEL: President Campbell, I am sure proper order would be that the report be adopted. I would like to so move it. As to this, shouldn't a copy of this report be shown to the Past District Governor?

PRESIDENT CAMPBELL: Could I interrups and request of you that you give this unusual privilege to our International Director from Canada.

DIRECTOR FILKIN: I move the adoption of this report.

PRESIDENT CAMPBELL: You have heard the motion, Now would you like to second it? The Chair recognizes Director Marciel.

DIRECTOR MARCIEL: I second it with the understanding that a copy of this be presented to Past District Governor Ed McLean.

PRESIDENT CAMPBELL: Do you accept the amendment? The amendment is accepted. You have heard the motion; it has been duly seconded. Is there discussion? Are you ready for the question? Question has been called. Those in favor let it be known by saying "Aye." Those opposed, "No." The motion is carried unanimously and is so ordered.

Lion Jack, I am going to ask you to come back with your closing remarks.

PAST PRESIDENT STICKLEY: I have never been accused of being unduly modest, but I must disclaim, at least the lion's share of this credit, because this could not have been done without the assistance, the understanding, and the sympathy of our Canadian brethren. I must place the credit where the credit is due, and the credit is up there. They held the hand; they held the strong cards and the high cards, and this could have dragged out for many years. I pay tribute to their magnanimity, to their understanding.

I cannot make a motion. I have two things that I would like to suggest, if I may, and the first is that letters of commendation go out from this Board, over the President's signature to the gentlemen to whom I have referred to in this report, so that they might have a tangible evidence of the appreciation of this Board.

The second is that I would like to have the privilege of bringing Past District Governor Ed McLean here to this Board meeting at some session and personally introduce him to you, not for a speech, but just that you might have an opportunity to look him over and see the cut of this jewel.

PRESIDENT CAMPBELL: Lion Jack, we thank you and I am sure your suggestion will be carried out. Lion Jack Filkin, will you take care of bringing Past Governor Ed to the Board meeting some time tomorrow? The Chair recognizes Director Val Marciel.

DIRECTOR MARCIEL: President Campbell, I just wondered if the two suggestion made by Past President Stickley should not be made a part of this Board meeting? If it is in order, I think it would be well to direct a note to so amend the motion to include those two suggestions.

PRESIDENT CAMPBELL: You have heard the suggested amendment to the motion. Lion Jack, are you amiable? Of course, you are amiable. You have heard the amendment to the original motion. Is there discussion? Are you ready for the question? The Chair recognizes Director Joe Ganim.

DIRECTOR GANIM: This is a very small technicality, but according to the rules of parliamentary procedure, we cannot amend a motion after it has already been adopted. I don't think it requires a motion.

PRESIDENT CAMPBELL: You have heard the discussion. Are you ready to vote on the amendment? I classified that as an amendment to the original motion. Question has been called. All those in favor signify by saying "Aye." Those opposed, "No." We have "noes." It is my opinion that this is rather a nebulous thing. It could be carried in a letter and the original motion would stand up with much more grace; that is the Chair's judgment, if I may be bold enough to offer my opinion. I don't want to influence the vote. Those in favor let it be known by saying "Aye." Those opposed, "No." The "ayes" have it and it is so ordered.

Is there a question about what is being voted on? The Chair recognizes Director Joe Ganim.

DIRECTOR GANIM: President Walter, in the original motion, the proposition was made to amend a motion which had already been passed upon. Parliamentarily, I cannot see the justification for it, nor the legality of it. I don't want to belabor the point; it would require an entirely new motion, or let it rest where it was--in the hands of the President.

PRESIDENT CAMPBELL: I completely agree with you and I would hope that the amendment that's on the floor now, so-called amendment, is withdrawn and that will settle the whole thing.

DIRECTOR FILKIN: President Campbell and members of the Board, I make a motion that a letter go out from the President complimenting Past District Governor McLean for all his work.

PRESIDENT CAMPBELL: You have heard the motion. Is there a second? The Chair recognizes Director Marciel.

DIRECTOR MARCIEL: I second the motion.

PRESIDENT CAMPBELL: Those in favor let it be known by saying "Aye." Those opposed, "No." The motion is carried and the Chair is going to rule the other item out of order. I think that's an easy way to get it off the floor.

With the brilliant report of Jack Stickley and his fine Committee, we have had a very lovely day. We thank you very much as your Chairman, for your support, and your understanding. We have moved beautifully. I believe, that tomorrow, if things move as smoothly as they have today, we shall be through, and again I reiterate to you, that this will give you the full day of Tuesday to be with your Lions and get ready for the convention proper.

Thank you vor a nice day and the meeting stands in recess.

(Meeting recessed at 5:02 p.m.)

#### Board of Directors Meeting in London October 1966

### **REPORT ON THE CANADIAN ASSOCIATION:**

PAST PRESIDENT STICKLEY: Two circumstances have delayed the successful completion of our assignment, we are nevertheless happy to report that over one-fourth of the Canadian Clubs have agreed to the recommendation of their Canadian Association to dissolve the corporation and relinquish their charters.

The two handicaps, of course, are: first, the transition from one administration to another;, second, the fact that mort Canadian clubs adjourn for the two months of July and August. Obviously, the poor timing of the communication was unavoidable since it vas predicated on the decision not reached until early this Sumner. It is our intention to follow through with another letter to the clubs which have not responded, and we expect prompt action.

International President Lindsey has just completed an extensive trip through Canada. He advises enthusiastic approval for the Canadian Association's recommendation to dissolve. International Director Filkin confirms these comments of President Lindsey, stating that the opposition is practically nil. Both of these Officers have contributed much to the favourable climate and reception of the decision. At the next Board Meeting we anticipate being in position to request the discharge of this Committee, because our assignment has been satisfactorily completed.

Vice-President Byrd : You have heard the report. Do I hear a motion for approval?

Director Filkin: I so move

Director Eckeman : I second

Vice-President Byrd: Question called. All those in favour, let their wishes be known by saying «Yes» Opposed «No» Approved.

Starting in 1967-1968, the charter of the Canadian Lions Clubs were signed only by the International Association of Lions Clubs.

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