

PEPP-TALK

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On Saturday evening the awards ceremony was held in the Rossland Legion. It was quite a simple ceremony but it was for people, who, over the years had put just that little extra into helping the Legion attain its high ranking among the service clubs in our community. The chairman, in his introductions, mentioned several projects that the hard work of these people had helped. Among them, the movement of the cenotaph, the work on the swimming pool committee, the remodelling of branch premises to bring it to its present comfortable state and many others. The Ladies' Auxiliary, who contribute much besides financial help to the branch and many who were singled out for special efforts also received awards.

On the basis of ladies first here come these deserving people's names: Irene Dunlop, Wilma Broughton, Lil Karenko, Olga Grose, Edith McCuaig, Barb Secco, Ina Austin, Marg Rosse, Estelle Dahlman, Fran Woods, Jean Richie, Mildred Martin and Corrie Bateman. The men were Tom Clark, Carl Osing, Paddy Floor, Russ Broughton, Joe Gyte, Keith Woods, Bill Dahlman, Doug Cavill, Phil Bateman, Ralph Berry, Joe Thalman, Bart Dudley, Ed Caswell, Carl Seefeldt, Rich Watkinson and Harry Pepper.

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Fund-raising ideas are among the things coming up for the attention of the people on the executive at the present time and there are other things which will come up for presentation in future meetings of the Warriors.

Some of the suggestions that have been put forward to me by some people interested are: the possibility of an amalgamation with the Nitehawks, with games played at alternate rinks. This could probably be a viable answer if it were agreed to by both towns. Any solution that will keep hockey in Rossland is what I'd like to see. We know from past experience that we cannot really afford too much help that is going to cost us too much money. Maybe if we can hang on until our crop comes in from the minors we shall be alright. There is no doubt that we have quite a lot of talent down there once it is ready for our use.

Anyway, we'll await further development and until then, I'll say,

'Til next time, then!