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FROM DATA IN THE PORCUPINE ADVANCE FILES

In these columns relative to ten years ago many references have been made to the D.Y.B. Club. This organization, of which Mrs. M. A. Ellis was the inspiring force, did a wonderful patriotic work here for various causes. It was an organization of young ladies of the town, banded together to assist in the various patriotic activities of the day. The name D.Y.B. stood for the words "Do your Bit," and the young ladies here certainly did their part. So useful and popular was this club that organizations of girls in other towns adopted the same name and plans. One such other D.Y.B. Club was established at South Porcupine a little over ten years ago. In the Advance of July 10th, 1918, there is a list of the work turned in for the month of June by the South End D.Y.B. Club. Among those listed as turning in work were: Miss D. Bartlett, Miss H. Starr, Miss M. Adams, Miss P. Kennedy, Miss M. Bartlett, Mrs. J. T. Easton, Miss Ivy Starling, Miss H. Orr, Mrs. J. T. Easton was the supply secretary.

The list of promotions at the Timmins public schools, as published in The Advance last week, occupied over four full columns of space, while the separate school reports took up even more space. Ten years ago the public and separate school reports together occupied less than a column of space. The following were the pupils passing first in the various classes:—To Sr. IV, Florence Kendall; to Jr. IV, Gladys Hughes; to Sr. III, Maude Blackwell; to Jr. III, Stanley Globe; to Sr. II, Margaret House; to Jr. II, Sam Elties; to First Class, Durward Freeman. At the separate school, five sterling silver medals were given by Rev. Fr. Theriault, and awarded to the following:—English room, Irene Everard; English-French classes, Part II, Febronie Leblanc; Sr. II, Sara Del Guidice; Sr. III, Theresa Laflamme.

Friends of Mr. Chas. Hall, now manager of the Homer L. Gibson office here will be interested in the following paragraph from The Advance of July 10th, 1918:—"About thirty of the innumerable friends of Mr. Chas. Hall gathered at the Porcupine Crown on Thursday evening last to give him a little farewell party previous to his leaving for Thetford Mines, Que., where he has taken a position. Mr. Hall is one of the old-timers of the camp and popular with all. The expressions of regret at his departure and the good wishes extended to him for his future, at the party on Thursday evening, were many and sincere. He was also presented with a beautiful gold watch and chain as a mark of the esteem in which his Timmins friends hold him."

There was an interesting and impressive service at the Byrnes Presbyterian church, Timmins, on Wednesday afternoon, July 3rd, 1918, when the pastor, Mr. Irwin, was ordained as a clergyman of the church, and Mr. M. B. Scott was ordained as an elder. A large congregation was present for the occasion and there were also many clergymen and others from outside points in the presbytery. Rev. Mr. Fee, of New Liskeard, presided, and Rev. Mr. Donnell, of Hailbury, preached the ordination sermon. Rev. Mr. Gordon, of Cobalt, officiated at the ordination of Mr. Scott as an elder. Mr. J. Patterson, of Toronto, a noted Presbyterian layman, gave a delightful address touch-

ed with pleasing humour and sound sense. He summed up his advice as to the people's attitude to the pastor in the words, "pay, pray and boost all the time." After the services, the ladies served refreshments in the basement, and a pleasant time was enjoyed by all in social way.

The Advance of July 10th, 1918, said:—"Prof. Ledouin, now of the Ontario Bureau of Mines staff, Toronto, but formerly one of the instructors in geology and mineralogy in a Belgian university, was a visitor to the camp last week. He made an inspection of the formation of the district and carried away with him samples of the rock, sand and soil for future study. He would have been welcome to quite a bit more of the sand."

District Deputy Grand Master Martin Myles officiated at the installation of officers at Timmins lodge No. 450, I.O.O.F., ten years ago. He was assisted by Bros. H. Boyle, J. E. Boyle, W. H. Wilson, W. G. Skinner, W. H. Pritchard and E. C. Ward (Cochrane). The officers installed included A. G. Carson, N.G.; W. G. Smith, I. P. G.; A. H. Cooke, V.G.; J. Morrison, recording secretary; A. Booker, treasurer; Jas. Brough, warden; Geo. Dewar, conductor; W. H. Pritchard, R.S.N.G.; S. Bucovetsky, L.S.N.G.; Chas. Staaf, R.S.V.G.; E. Sheppard, L.S.V.G.; L. Halperin, L.S.S.; J. Gurnell, chaplain; H. McQuarrie, inside guardian; R. Eddy, outside guardian.

Ten years ago Mr. Chas. Ramsay, while at work on the Hill-Clarke and Francis contract on the No. 5 shaft of the McIntyre, fell over twenty feet from a scaffold, but escaped any serious injury. The accident occurred through the breaking of one of the ropes holding the scaffolding. Mr. Ramsay this year is one of the town councillors of Timmins.

Ten years ago outside agents employed by the government to see that those not observing the law in regard to putting war stamps on certain articles sold should be punished visited Timmins and as a result fourteen merchants in this town and seven in Schumacher were summoned to court. In most cases a plea of guilty was entered and a fine of \$50.00 each was registered. Mr. W. A. Gordon, of Hailbury, conducted the prosecution on behalf of the Department.

Writing from France ten years ago, Sergt. W. M. Widdifield expressed the appreciation of the boys overseas for two things in particular sent from Timmins—the candy, and the copies of The Advance,—both considered as the real "candy goods." He also told of the baseball league in that part of France. There were four teams, 71 Co., having the best team, winning all the four games up to the time of writing. Among the players were:—John Bunn (Neil), Frank Smith, Gordon Irving and others including "Widdy" himself. All the games were played on Sundays.

The Advance ten years ago referred to the objectionable activity of Russian anarchists who were flooding the camp with seditious literature. Chief Wilson and Officers Salley and Allen made a number of arrests and a large quantity of disloyal literature was seized. Report was made to Ottawa, and from addresses found here, raids were made at Windsor and other places in Ontario and many arrests made as a consequence.

That The Advance has always kept well abreast of the times is indicated by the old files of the paper. In the issue of July 10th 1918, for instance, one of the editorials deals with the matter of a license for a liquor vendor in the North Land. In concluding its article, The Advance said:—"The liquor question undoubtedly presents many difficulties, but if the facts were honestly faced and courageously dealt with, the way would be easier. At the present time the Governments cannot escape the responsibility for the liquor traffic under the Acts they themselves have passed. Why not, then, have the Governments boldly take over the whole manufacture, sale and distribution of liquor. Absolute Government control and responsibility would do away with most of the evils of the traffic, if the Governments were honest, decent and sincere. Private profit has always been the chief source of evil in the liquor trade."

Among the local and personal items in The Advance ten years ago were the following:—"Mrs. C. M. Auer left this week for a visit to the U. S. A." "Mr. Chas. Pierce's sawmill at the river is now running smoothly and merrily." "Rev. S. Boal delivered addresses at South Porcupine on behalf of the Navy League and its noble patriotic work for the sailors of the Empire." "At the United Church, Cochrane, Melvin Hobson and Mrs. E. A. Hughes, both of Timmins, were united in marriage, on Wednesday June 26th, by Rev. Geo. A. Steel." "Before leaving South Porcupine for his new duties as chaplain with the overseas forces, Rev. T. Andrews was presented with an address and a purse of gold as an expression of the esteem in which he is held in South Porcupine." "The new road through Mountjoy is being constructed rapidly and well. This Government road starts from the River road and goes out about four miles up the river." "Improvements and alterations are being made in the Byrnes Presbyterian church this week. A door is being cut through the cement at the

back of the church, and the lot is to be excavated to a level to conform to the streets that have recently been reduced to their proper grade." "Rev. Mr. Arms has arrived in the camp, accompanied by his bride. He will succeed Rev. Mr. Andrews at South Porcupine." "Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Noble and children are visiting in Toronto." "Mr. Jack White, of the Imperial Bank Staff, left on Sunday for a vacation at North Bay and Toronto." "Mrs. L. Halperin is spending a few weeks' holiday in Toronto and other points south." "Mr. Geo. S. Lowe returned on Sunday from a vacation spent in Toronto and other southern towns and cities." "Chief Wilson and his assistants are deserving of credit for clearing out of town last week a couple of gangs of women whose activities are of general moral and financial injury to all in town but the doctors and the devil." "Miss Ethel Lafferty, for a time stenographer in J. W. Mahon's office here, has taken a position in the townsite office of the Abitibi Power & Paper Co. at Iroquois Falls. Miss Lafferty was very popular here in many circles and will be much missed, especially in the D.Y.B. Club where she has given untiring, faithful and efficient service." "July 11th is the anniversary of the Porcupine fire of 1911 that wiped out Pottsville and South

Porcupine, razed the buildings and equipment on the Dome, Hollinger and other mines, and did other property damage, as well as causing the death of between 70 and 80 people. Thanks to the protection afforded now from forest fires, both by the province and by providence, this district is not at present in danger of a recurrence of the disaster. The fire rangers work in protecting against the bush fires, and the rains are even more effective as guards against this menace." "Mrs. Stanley Kitchen and baby boy returned this week to Schumacher."

DEATH OF BABY DAUGHTER OF MR. AND MRS. L. DUBIEN

Baby Mildred Elene, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Dubien, died at her home, 161 Elm street south, on June 27th. The funeral was held at St. Anthony's church where the body was blessed by Rev. Fr. Lafontaine. The pallbearers were four girls dressed in white,—Bertha Dubien (the baby's aunt), Leonide St. Onge, Jeannette Roy, Marie Claire Plouffe. In addition to the bereaved parents, two brothers, Rene and Charles, survive. The sympathy of all is extended to the family in their loss.

Mr. Silas Thompson, of Hamilton, Ont., was a Timmins visitor last week.

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