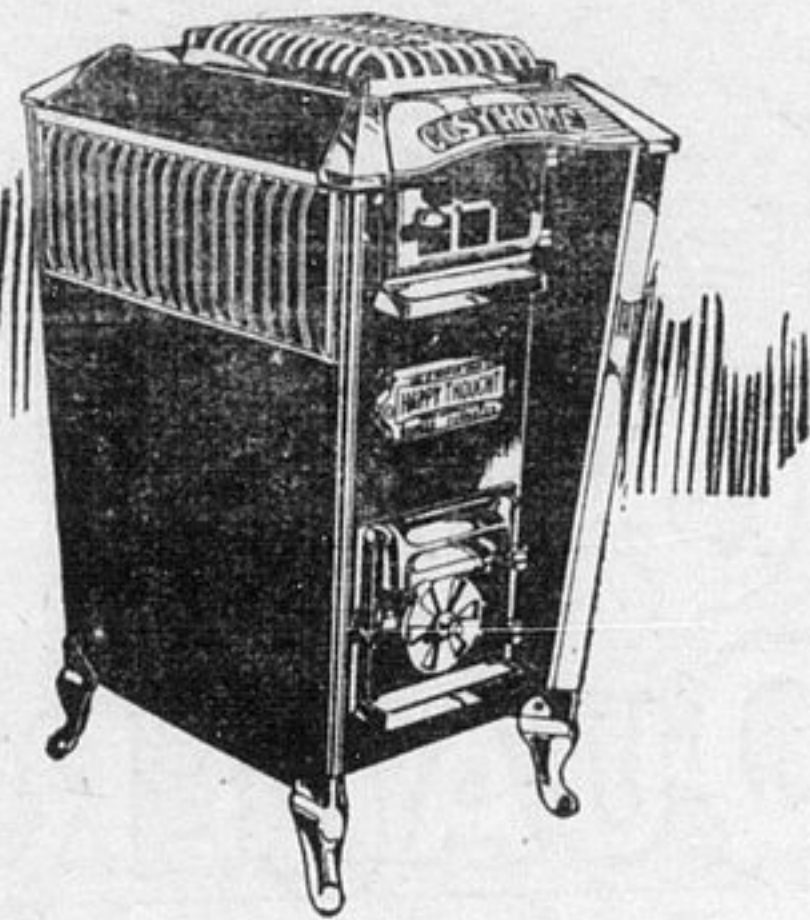




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South Porcupine Reports Accidents on Roads Nearby

One Car Turns Turtle. One of Occupants Injured. Annual Harvest Festival of South Porcupine United Church to be on Sept. 30th. Grand President of Rebekah Assembly Visits South Porcupine. Other South Porcupine News.

South Porcupine, Ont., Sept. 19th. Special to The Advance.

A pleasing innovation at the United Church Sunday School on Sunday was the introduction of a string orchestra composed of Masters Homer McIntosh, Roland Middle and Wallace Wagg.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Coffee (nee Dell Ferguson) returned from their honeymoon on Saturday evening and have taken up residence on Connaught Hill.

Mrs. T. Ferguson, accompanied by her two daughters, Misses Jessie and Betty left on Monday for a vacation at Renfrew.

Messrs. Coombs and Hetherington, of Toronto, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. MacDowell at the Bank of Toronto. They motored up and are enjoying the golf and other attractions of the camp, despite the rainy weather.

Margaret Anne, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Hepburn, was christened at the United Church on Sunday last. Next Sunday is to be Memorial Day at St. Paul's Anglican Church here in honour of the memory of Mrs. Nicholson, of Chapleau, an ardent member of the Women's Guild and other branches of the church, having been District President for a number years. On the following Sunday they will hold their annual harvest home services when Rev. Mr. Williston, of Cochrane, will preach.

Accidents continue to be all too numerous on the highway. A car was ditched not far from the Porcupine Central on the Timmins road on Monday but no damage was done. However it was not so with a car that turned turtle, or, according to reports, turned several turtles, on the Dome Road on Sunday evening. Anyway at present it looks as if it were very much "in the soup." It is at a garage in town. Of the occupants several were rather badly bruised. The driver, J. Hawes, luckily escaped much injury. Mr. Ed. Richardson who was coming behind rushed the occupants (three women and a baby) to the hospital but it was found that only one of them, Mrs. Parker, a visitor from Montreal, was hurt badly enough to remain in the hospital. She was suffering considerably from shock and a badly bruised hip but was well enough to be released from the hospital on Monday evening. The accident occurred just past the Dome Extension road.

In the police court on Thursday there were three drunks who paid the usual ten and costs; one case of keeping liquor for sale who got three months hard labour; and a case of assault for which also three months hard labour was given.

Sunday, September 30th, is to be the annual Harvest Festival celebration in the United Church. In the morning the speaker will be Rev. Ivan Kennedy, of Schumacher, and in the evening Rev. J. D. Parks, of Timmins. On the following Monday evening the Ladies' Guild of the church will serve their usual dinner in the Masonic hall, the meal to commence at five-thirty. Those who have enjoyed these dinners in the past do not need to be told more of their quality.

The Girl Guides expect to move into their new headquarters this week. On Friday evening of last week the

Kitchener Rebekah Lodge were honoured by the visit of the President of the Grand Lodge of Ontario, Mrs. May Thomas, of Lindsay. Mr. Thomas, a Past Noble Grand in the I.O.O.F., accompanied his wife. Mrs. MacLeod, District Deputy President, of Cochrane, was also present. Besides there were a large number of sisters both from Cochrane and Timmins. During the evening baskets of flowers were presented to the President, and to Mrs. MacLeod and Mrs. Train, who is captain of our degree team. After the regular business of the evening was finished the Grand President was presented with a pin and gold nugget as a souvenir of her visit to the Lodge. Then all sat down to a delicious banquet.

On Monday evening a number of the Eastern Star members from here attended the banquet given by their sisters in Timmins. To-night (Tuesday) our own Chapter will be honoured by a visit from Mrs. Ida Richmond, Worthy Grand Matron of the Eastern Star for Ontario. She comes from Toronto. Next week we will be able to give further details of the banquet.

Capt. and Mrs. Johns are in Toronto where Capt. Johns has had favourable reports from a specialist. We are hopeful he will come back much improved in health.

IMPRESSIONS OF TIMMINS AND THE PORCUPINE CAMP

Editor of The St. Mary's Journal-Argus
Writes of the North Land as he
Viewed at on Return from
the West

Mr. Lorne Eedy, publisher of The Journal-Argus, St. Mary's Ont., was one of the Ontario publishers attending the Canadian Weekly Newspaper Association convention in the West this summer. On his return trip he took occasion to visit his sister, Mrs. Arch. Gillies, at Timmins. Mr. Eedy has been running a series of articles of interest on the trip. In The Journal-Argus last week appears the following in reference to this part of the North Land:—

"As we wished to pay a visit to members of the family at Timmins, we took the northerly route of the C. N.R. home from Winnipeg. The journey through this north country which was uninhabited until the opening of the Northern trans-continental less than fifteen years ago, is very interesting. It is a land of lakes, woods and rivers. Along the right-of-way the land is being cleared by French Canadian settlers, who piece out their earnings by the sale of pulp wood and by occasional work for construction companies. They crop hay, oats and vegetables. They have long hours of sunlight in this northern clime, but the seasons are short. At Kapuskasing a wonderful industrial development has taken place. Five or six years ago this district was solid bush. To-day there is a large paper mill and a town of several thousand inhabitants, laid out in modern fashion, with all the advantages that money can produce. We recalled our first visit to this district in 1910, when the rails were laid only as far as the Mattagami River, and the site of Kapuskasing was then an unexplored tract. On that occasion we went out to the construction camp on the river, travelling on temporarily laid rails from Cochrane.

"In those days Cochrane was a shack town but after having been burned down three times, the town finally rose from the ashes in brick and stone. Cochrane used to be the northern terminus of the T. & N.O., but now the railroad pushes on farther north in the direction of James' Bay. The town is the centre of a large district and with the opening up of the country farther north its importance as a distributing centre is increasing.

"Timmins, the capital of the Porcupine mining district, is about thirty miles south of Cochrane via T. & N.O. and then a further 30 miles west off the main line. Together with the adjacent towns of Schumacher and South Porcupine, it has a population of over twenty thousand people. There are perhaps fifteen to twenty gold mines in the district. The most important of these, the Hollinger, is the mainstay of Timmins, employing as it does, some three thousand men. Considering that it is a mining camp, Timmins possesses some very substantial buildings. Its business blocks will compare favourably with those of other cities and its schools are equal to those of old-established centres. It is in the residential streets that you realize that you are still in a mining camp. Few of the camp's rich citizens have yet gone so far as to invest any substantial sum in a home. In other respects Timmins has every air of permanency.

"Timmins is a cosmopolitan town. Among the mining officials and engineers you meet men and women who have lived all over the world. The miners are of various nationalities. The Italian quarter for instance, has a population of eleven hundred. Many

of the merchants too, are foreigners, although they seem to be a good class and differ a little from native-born Canadians.

"One of the enjoyable experiences of our visit was our going through the Hollinger mines. It is an immense property, covering several hundred acres, with a score of shafts going down as far as six thousand feet. There are hundreds of miles of railway underground. The ore that is mined in the Hollinger is low grade. The rock is broken and ground, then pulverized, and treated with chemicals. Out of a ton of rock they get about six dollars worth of gold. The last form that we were permitted to see the gold in was a solution in water which flowed swiftly under a bridge. Six thousand dollars worth of gold flows by in an hour, which means that you would have to evaporate quite a few barrels of water to get the price of an ice cream cone.

"Northern Ontario is a land of great distances. Timmins is five hundred miles north of Toronto and half that distance to North Bay. Most of the intervening territory is occupied by the great Clay Belt. In the Liskeard and Halleybury districts one sees very fine farms along the T. & N.O. The comfortable farm homes and spacious barns are almost on a par with those of the prosperous older sections of the Province. Though the seasons up there are short, the days are long and the sunlight gets a great chance during the summer season. It is daylight until nearly ten o'clock at night. Grain crops do very well, although this year the oats are late in ripening. They grow some wonderful root and vegetable crops up there and altogether the Clay Belt is justifying pretty well the hopes of those who have taken up farms there during the past fifteen years."

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