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## Fire at South Porcupine Burns Down Store and Stock

**A. Bucovetsky's Store and Stocks Prey to Flames on Thursday Morning Last Week. Exciting Broomball Match at South Porcupine. Other South Porcupine News from The Advance Correspondent.**

South Porcupine, Ont., April 3rd, 1929. Special to The Advance.

A fire alarm turned in last Thursday at ten-thirty a.m. proved to be at A. Bucovetsky's. Over-heated stoves had started a fire in the upper part of the building and it had got away to a good start before noticed. The S.P.F.D. made their usual speedy response but it was soon seen that the upper storey was doomed; it not being long before flames were shooting through the roof. Nothing was saved from upstairs. Some of the furniture, including the piano was removed from down-stairs, and as much as could be of the goods from the dry goods store in the front part of the building were removed to F. Laforest's building adjoining but were damaged by water. The firemen had four lines of hose working. By noon this building—one of the first built in South Porcupine, in 1911—was but blackened ruins. The lower storey can probably be repaired. The loss both to building and goods is partly covered by insurance. Mr. and Mrs. Bucovetsky and family are staying with friends in town until they can make further arrangements. It is lucky the fire did not break out at night as the upstairs that went so quickly was used as the sleeping apartments for the family.

A very exciting broomball match was played between Schumacher fire department and South Porcupine fire department at the Porcupine arena on Thursday last. It resulted in a win for the visitors of 2-1. In spite of strenuous work there was no goal in the first period. In the second Spence scored for the home team and with Jemmett and Mansfield in the penalty box Brunelle scored for the visitors. Porcupine tried hard to get back the lead but Schumacher put one over them near the close of the third period when Banning made another counter for the visitors. Pete Mill acted as referee and Jim Fell as judge of play. The game had its rough spots, high lights and thrills aplenty. In the second period Starling objecting to the ruling of Referee Mill attacked him with the assistance of Mansfield. Fire Chief Wilson of South Porcupine tried to pull his men off but was soon the corner stone on which was heaped all the players of both sides like so many bricks. In the third period it was decided to use a smaller ball but it was soon found that while there was one across the line in the goal there was another like it on the ice. Referee Mill knew he wasn't yet seeing double so got another ball so large it couldn't be duplicated and calling no good proceeded with the game. Spence and one or two others were knocked out but when taken off and suitably replenished were back on the ice strong as ever.

The Easter services at the United Church here were well attended at both services. In the evening the edifice was filled to capacity, extra chairs being brought from a neighbouring hall to fill every available space. The evening service was largely choral, the choir rendering part of the cantata—"Easter Day"—under the able management of Mr. Suttie.

On Tuesday evening the little friends of Nancy Holding had a farewell party for her at the home of Mrs. Coffey, her Sunday School teacher. Nancy has been a great favourite with both young and old during her stay here and all wish her well in her new home at Toronto.

On Tuesday afternoon the Ladies Guild of the United Church held its regular meeting in the vestry. A bazaar is being planned in the near future. Mrs. A. Taylor and Mrs. Dowzer served refreshments.

Mr. Webster, the new express agent here, who came in Mr. Bridge's place, expects his family in on Wednesday and has taken Mr. E. Harrison's house recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Louis Wilson.

On Tuesday evening Mrs. E. J. Mason, District Deputy Grand Matron for District No. 16 of the Order of the Eastern Star, paid her official visit to Porcupine Chapter. Arbutus Lodge Timmins had been invited and the Chapter here were delighted to welcome so many of their sisters from the neighbouring town. After the business of the evening had been finished a delectable lunch was served.

Mrs. Mason, D.D.G.M., has already paid her official visits to the Chapter from Cobalt up in the South, and to Kenora and Cochrane. Timmins was visited a week ago.

What will probably be their last hockey game of the season was played to-night at South Porcupine arena between Timmins Trail Rangers and South Porcupine Trail Rangers. The game was very close throughout. This game had been planned for last Saturday evening but owing to the condition of the ice had to be postponed. The teams lined-up:—Timmins—goal, H. Gauthier; defence, Morrison and G. Gauthier; centre, Tomkinson; wings, Arundell and Virtue; sub., Burton. South Porcupine—goal, K. Myers; defence, McCann and R. Moddle; centre, H. Train; wings, Hannaberry and Laffin; subs., Starr and B. Emmons. Referee, Pete Mill. The score was 2-1 in favour of the home team. In the first period, after his team-mates had played some good combination, Laffin put the finishing touch to the play by shooting the disc across the line to count one for Porcupine. Soon after Ken Tomkinson evened the score by making a counter for Timmins. In the second period both teams worked hard but neither made a count. In the third period the Porcupine left wing again scored for his team and the gong sounded before Timmins got one to even the score but they were working like so many bees to do so. There were a good many penalties handed out, Mill making the youngsters stay with real hockey.—Morrison (one), and G. Gauthier (two), were the penalties for Timmins. Laffin, Train, Moddle (two) were the bad boys for Porcupine.

The Kitchener Rebekah Lodge is planning a May day dance to be held in the I.O.O.F. hall, South Porcupine, on Wednesday May 1st.

The services in the Anglican Church on Sunday were much better attended than in former years. Archdeacon Woodall preached at both services.

Mrs. Y. J. Hodgins, of Watabesag, spent several days with her daughter and son, Mrs. G. F. Young and Mr. Y. H. Hodgins. When she left for home her daughter, Mrs. Young, accompanied her as far as the Junction when she went on to Iroquois Falls to visit her sisters, Mrs. L. E. Parkin and Mrs. F. E. Millar.

Mr. Lindsay MacQuarrie left last Sunday for Toronto.

## Billy Matheson Paying Another Visit to Timmins

"Billy" Matheson, evangelist, who visited the Porcupine camp on several occasions in past years, is again at Timmins for a few days. In addition to any services he may conduct here, his chief purpose is to raise funds for his mission homes at Toronto, Hamilton and London. These homes are unusual in that they are maintained exclusively for single men who are in hard luck and out of employment, and for ex-service men who need bed and board for a few days or a few weeks. Evangelist Matheson points out that his missions are the only homes provided for single men. Without such homes, he says, single men out of employment would starve. Municipalities care for the married men and their families when unemployment or other ill-fortune overtakes them, but there is absolutely no provision in the towns or cities he says for the single man who is "up against it." The general opinion seems to be that the average single young men can "rustle" for himself, but Evangelist Matheson says that often the young men can not find employment and eventually reach a really desperate situation. His missions are to meet the needs of such young men and to help ex-service men. Mr. Matheson says his mission never refuses a meal or a bed to any single man, and the men are not turned out after a few nights as in most institutions of the kind. Last year at the London mission alone, in nine months, 18,710 winter meals were served free; 7,880 beds were supplied free; 773 baths were provided, and 250 gospel meetings held. Rev. Mr. Matheson believes that employment conditions are bad in Canada at the present time. He thinks that the majority of the unemployed would be willing to work if there was work available for them. He proposed a solution for the problem by a compulsory registration of all unemployed, and the establishment of a number of farms where the otherwise unemployed could be used for useful work.

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