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Ten Years Ago in Timmins

From data in the Porcupine Advance Fyles.

improperly done in a great many cases. time past and will be much missed." In many instances the pipes were not waterworks by-law prepared under the amended by-law was to provide that schools should pay water rates, but teams churches were to be exempt, though required to pay for repairs. It was also decided to have a new plumbing by-law separate from the waterworks by-law. The council made a grant of \$500.00 to the Haileybury hospital in view of its service to this part of the North. Timmins people had contract ed debts at the Haileybury hospital to the amount of \$1300..00 still unpaid, and council also considered the fact that the Haileybury hospital had never turned away any patient no matter!

Reference was made in The Advance ten years ago to a new prospecting and exploring company formed in the Porcupine It was called the Herman Exploration and Development Company, Limited, and the officers elected were: president, C. V. Gallagher, South Porcupine; vice-president, W. R. Sullivan, Schumacher; secretary-treasurer, J. R. Todd, Schumacher; directors, J. E. Boyle, Jos. A. Herman, C. B. Morgan, of South Porcupine.

where they came from or whether they

could pay or not.

ganized for the season ten years ago. \$5,000.00 less. J. W. Reed said \$400.00 The officers elected were:-Rev. R. S. cash had been promised for the propos-Cushing, honorary president; H. C. ed community building with around McDonald, president; Mrs. R. W. Rob- \$6,000.00 more in sight. He did not bins, vice-president; W. S. Macpherson, think the scheme could be carried secretary-treasurer; G. S. Lowe, cap- through. T. F. King thought the sub-

the Loyal Orange Young Britons ob- could be raised. Rev. R. S. Cushing served the anniversary of the founding referred to the need for a community of their lodge here by attending divine building, especially for the young peoservice in a body. The local L.O.L. was | ple. He thought the necessary amount represented in the parade and there could be raised if the matter was kept were about 30 in the line of march to well to the front. Councillor E. L. the church. Rev. J. D. Parks delivered | Longmore, while in favour of the proan inspiring and appropriate address posed plans in a general way, doubted to the lodge.

The Advance ten years ago said:-"Messrs J. Ryley and Harry Enderson left this morning for Windsor, the latter intending to stop over at Toronto gave a dollar to these causes yet would for a few days to visit friends there.

One of the chief matters of discus- , Messrs Ryley and Enderson have been sion at the meeting of the town coun- at the Hollinger for some years past cil ten years ago was the report of and have made many friends in the Town Engineer Henderson who recom- camp who will wish them all sorts of mended a number of changes in the success and good luck in their new waterworks by-law. He called special homes in the south. Mr. Ryley has attention to the fact that the installa- also been a faithful and efficient memtion of water pipes inside houses was ber of the local fire brigade for some

even protected from frost. He also of baseball fans held ten years ago in mean service and such basic service Burrows, manager of the Wabi Iron pointed out that the running of taps the council chambers, Timmins, to or- was absolutely necessary for efficiency. Works, New Liskeard, was a business during cold weather to keep the water ganize the Timmins Baseball Associa- After ten years The Advance believes visitor to the camp last week." "A from freezing cost the town about tion for the season. The following that the North Land is entitled to wreck on the T. & N. O. a few miles \$400.00 per month. He suggested an officers were elected:-president, H. C. mail clerks on Nos. 46 and 47 as a basic out from North Bay on Sunday caused inspection of premises before the fol- McDonald; vice-president, J. W. Fogg; service. There might be a further sav- a slight delay-some 17 hours-in the lowing winter so that orders might be secretary-treasurer, V Woodbury; hon- ing in carrying the mail on the top of passenger traffic on the National. The given for improvement of conditions. Crary presidents, A. F. Brigham, Dr. one of the coaches, but it would not passengers on the National had to Council gave him the necessary au- McInnis, C. M. Auer. The meeting de- be considered sensible to propose such spend Sunday at North Bay. Ten thority for the proposed inspection. cided to have a twilight league to in- a way of saving. It is intrinsically as loaded freight cars got off the track The council also agreed to have a new clude teams from the town only and foolish to call it ecomony to give the and it took the seventeen hours to get direction of the town solicitor. The League to take the Porcupine-Dome, Schumacher, Hollinger and Timmins

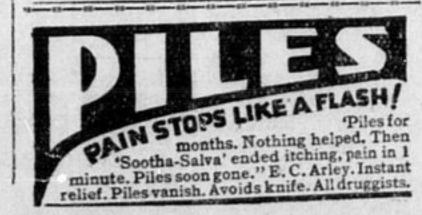
Mayor Dr. McInnis expressed regret at building here. He thought such for the returned men, would be the best al interest to all sports. sort of memorial for those who went overseas from this district. were three plans put forward. One he thought quite practical and proper. A brick building to answer the purpose would cost \$47,000.00, while a stucco-The St. Matthew's tennis club or- finish structure would come at around scriptions taken should be returned, as Ten years ago the Timmins lodge of he did not think the necessary finances whether the financing could be done. Fire Chief Borland favoured the community building. He referred to the number in the population who never

benefit from a community building and he suggested that financing by town debentures might make it so that all would contribute equitably. G. A. Macdonald said that some of the difficuties encountered so far were due to the confusion resulting from some advocating one plan and some another. All were agreed on the needs for a community building, but at the same time consideration for the Veterans should be the chief consideration. He suggested that the meeting go on record as in favour of starting a campaign for a community building, with ample accommodation for the G.W.V.A. and with the distinct understanding that if the amount for the larger plan could not be secured as expected, the amount actually obtained should be used to provide suitable quarters for the G.W.V.A. This plan would show whether the people were willing to support the larger or the smaller plan. He was certain that the public would do their part if the appeal were made in this way. C. G. Williams, T. F. King, J. W. Reed and others spoke to the effect that the community building idea was too extended a plan to finance. A committee including Messrs A. Borland, W. T. Curtis and J. W. Reed were appointed to see if the Hotel Goldfields annex could be secured for G.W.V.A. quarters, while Dr. McInnis and E. L. Longmore were named as a committee to enquire into putting up a \$15,000.00 or \$20,000.00 building for the Veterans on a plan of debentures issued by the municipality. Both these last two plans fell through and so Timmins went without its community building. Later, the Hollinger Recreation hall was erected and answered some of the purposes in good way, but neither the Hollinger hall nor the other good halls built here after gave the accommodation and privileges which the

sought to fill. Ten years ago the Drury Government sent Geo. Woodcock, chief fire ranger for this district, to Timmins to make a preliminary investigation and to get plans ready to start at once on the work of removing the bush fire menace from the town of Timmins. There had been \$6,000.00 set aside by the Dept. of Lands and Forests to care for the necessary work. There were only a couple of sections where the menace

promoters of the community building

was bad. Ten years ago The Advance advocated mail clerk for the Toronto trains,





the reply of the post office department C.X.L., is on a business visit to Timbeing that this would cost money. The mins this week." "W. S. Macpherson argument of The Advance was that left this week for Washington, N.Y. There was an enthusiastic gathering | while it would cost money it would for a two weeks' vacation." "Wm also favoured a Porcupine Baseball present unsatisfactory service that the track cleared." "Hugh McEachcomes so far from serving the needs. ren left last week for Toronto to un-Ten years ago in re-organizing for dergo an operation made necessary as

the season the Porcupine-Dome Athle- an aftermath of his sufferings overseas The mass meeting called ten years | tic Association elected the following: - during the war. His many friends will ago to discuss the proposition of a president, H. G. Laidlaw; first vice- very heartily wish him the best of luck community building or G.W.V.A. build- president, F. C. Evans; second vice- and a speedy return to this camp in ing as a war memorial was attended by president, W. G. A. Wood; secretary, the best of health and strength." "The about twentyl people. In opening W. H. Philips; treasurer, L. Charlton, euchre party given last Wednesday The arrangement made was that the evening under the auspices of the the lack of interest the small attend- various branches of sport, football, Ladies of Charity proved a pleasant ance seemed to suggest. The mayor baseball, etc., should have their own success in every way. There was a outlined the need for a community special organizations and officers, while large attendance, all present had a dea the Porcupine-Dome Athletic Associabuilding, with special accommodation | tion was to see to all matters of gener-

The Advance of May 12th, 1920, said:-"Third avenue near the station is being dug up this week to repair a was for a municipal building and com- broken pipe line. Last week the water munity building, but Dr. McInnis came through the road and was floodthought the cost of this plan was pro- ing the street on Friday night. The hibitive for the time being. The se- water line froze up during the hard cond plan was for a community build- winter that we had before the present ing on the athletic grounds, with a one, and the present trouble is one of swimming pool, gymnasium, all accom- the results of this. People who commodation for sports, etc., and special plain now about the present winter quarters for the G.W.V.A. This scheme | should remember that it is almost like spring compared to the winter we had

a couple of months ago." Reference was made ten years ago to serious damage done by boys at the Timmins rink. In mentioning the matter The Advance said:- "Some boys recently entered the Timmins rink and caused considerable damage. They interfered with the piano, removing parts and otherwise injuring the instrument to an extent that will cost many dollars to repair. In addition they lowered the electric lights, cutting and carrying away the ropes and stealing the bulbs. Officer Allen has been working on the case and found the boys concerned, all of whom admit some part in the affair, but blame the leadership on a lad out of town for the present. As soon as this lad returns the matter will no doubt be straightened out with the aid of that expert in the art of getting the truth from boys, -Magistrate Atkinson."

The Advance ten years ago had the sad duty of recording the death of T. Hawkins, a former well-known and popular resident of the Porcupine camp, who was found in bed at the Star hotel, South Porcupine, on May 6th, 1920. He had died in his sleep from heart trouble. He had been in the employ of the Abitibi Power & Paper Co. at Iroquois Falls, previously having been on the staffs of the Goldfields hotel at Timmins and the Connaught hotel at South Porcupine. He was a native of England, where any surviving relatives resided, these including a son in England. The funeral was largely attended, including many members of the Masonic Order from Timmins, South Porcupine, Iroquois Falls and other places, and also a number of members of the L.O.L., the deceased belonging to both these lodges At the time of death the late Mr. Haw-

kins was about forty years of age. Among the local and personal notes in The Advance ten years ago were the following:-"All lacrosse players are asked to gather at the fire hall to-morrow (Thursday) evening at 7 o'clock with the purpose of having a regular work-out practice." "A gang of men from this district went north recently For Sure Results Try Our Want Ad. Column

to do preliminary work on a property near Grant on the Canadian National Railway line." "Mrs. T. Moseley-Williams, and family, of Schumacher, are visiting in New Liskeard." "Miss May McCallum and Miss Nora Miller, of New Liskeard, were guests last week of Mrs. J. Perreault" "Mr. Murley, o Moneta, left last week for the South to take medical treatment, the leg which was so badly injured a couple of years ago through an accident in the bush again giving him discomfort and trouble." "H. G. Laidlaw returned to South Porcupine this week after a visit to Cobalt." "R. T. Stewart, of the lightful social evening and a goodly amount was netted from the occasion' 'Born—In Timmins, Ont., on Tuesday May 4th, 1920, to Mr. and Mrs. Darwin Staaf (nee Marjorie Blackwell)-a son (Darwin, Jr.)." "Ray Swayne, formerly of Timmins, and latterly of South Porcupine, is now T. & N. O. station master at Connaught." "Crowded houses were at the New Empire theatre on Friday and Saturday, one of the chief attractions being the pictures of the Porcupine Dog Team Race. The dog race pictures proved somewhat of a disappointment to most people, the chief objection being that there was not enough of them." "As will be noted by the announcement in this issue, W. J. Browne has taken over the photographic studio of E. J. Meyers, and is carrying on the business on the same high standard of work and service that has recenty made an enviable reputation for the studio. Mr. Browne has been in charge of the studio for some time past and has made a name for himself for artistic and careful photographic work." "A. R. Globe, formerly assistant general manager of the Hollinger, but recently in charge of an iron mine at Sellwood near Sudbury, has been asked to take charge of the Associated Goldfields property in the Larder Lake district. This property has an acreage of about 2000 acres and is said to have an immense quan-



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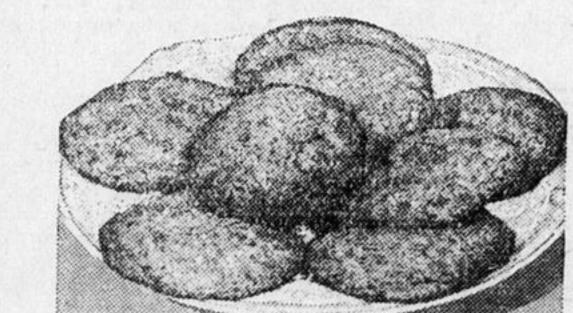


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