

TEN YEARS AGO IN TIMMINS

From data in the Porcupine Advance Files.

As long as fifteen years ago The Advance urged the organization of a Children's Aid Society in Timmins. There was only the Temiskaming C.A.S. to look after all this North Land and the need for something more directly in touch with cases in this area was very apparent. Often R. LeHeup, superintendent of the Temiskaming Society would visit here and each visit would be the occasion for urging the formation of a Children's Aid Society here. Eventually, ten years ago, a number of those interested called a meeting to organize a branch here. In this connection, The Advance in its issue of Feb. 9th, 1921, said:—"The need for an active branch of the Children's Aid Society in this district has been apparent for some time past. The Advance in years past has repeatedly emphasized the need, and Mr. R. L. LeHeup, the Inspector of the Temiskaming C.A.S., has made several efforts to establish an organization here. The Temiskaming Branch of the C.A.S. with headquarters at Halleybury has been handicapped in dealing with the work here on account of the immense territory attempted to be covered. Such immense territory as that now left to the sole attention of the Temiskaming C.A.S. could not be possibly covered effectively by one organization and the one agent with means now at command. The Porcupine Camp offers great opportunities for very effective work for a branch. Rev. Mr. Parks and others here have interested themselves in the matter and the result is that a public meeting has been called for organization. This meeting will be held in the Council Chambers, Timmins, tomorrow (Thursday) evening at 8 o'clock, and all good citizens are earnestly requested to attend and assist. His Worship the Mayor recognizes the usefulness of the C.A.S. and is accordingly interested in the work here. Rev. Fr. Theriault is another prominent citizen interested in the work and expected to be present. The police magistrate for the district, Mr. S. Atkinson, is an enthusiast regarding C.A.S. work and is a lover of children and a believer in giving them a fair chance as the best means to having good citizenship. Mr. Atkinson will be at the meeting tomorrow evening. Mr. C. G. Williams, Dr. Moore and others have also shown a strong interest in the work and its possibilities and the meeting tomorrow night will be large and a representative one."

Reference was made in The Advance of Feb. 9th, 1921, to the illness of Jess Spring, one of the expert hockey team here at that time. He was taken ill at a hockey game at New Liskeard and when medical attention was given him the case was promptly diagnosed as appendicitis. He was hurried to the hospital where he was operated upon by Drs. McNaughton and Mitchell. The operation was eminently successful and Jess was very soon on the way to complete recovery.

The Advance ten years ago said:—"There was much general regret and sorrow among all those who knew him, when it was learned that Mr. William Scheidel, one of the shift bosses at the Hollinger, had passed away on Friday last. The deceased was only about 27 years old and had apparently been enjoying his usual health during the days previous to his death. He seemed in his ordinary health and quiet good humour when coming off the night shift. He had breakfast, as usual, then sat for some time with some friends chatting. Then he went into the bunk house to have his sleep, and from his sleep he did not awaken. Apparently he passed away during his rest, no one noticing anything unusual until well on in the afternoon. Between three and four o'clock some friends went into the bunk-house to speak to him and after calling him without receiving any answer, made the discovery that he was dead. Death was due to heart failure. The deceased has been at the Hollinger for the past two or three years and has been popular and highly regarded by all who came in contact with him. He was of a quiet but very likeable disposition and has hosts of friends around the Hollinger and the camp. His home was in Waterloo, Ontario, and the remains were taken there for interment, leaving here on Saturday evening. His father is expected to visit the camp in the course of the next week or two."

Another death in the camp ten years ago was that of J. R. Loughton, of Moneta, who was well known those days in the town and the camp generally. In referring to this death The Advance said:—"Joseph Patrick Loughton, for over three years a resident of the camp and well known as a teamster and employee of the livery stables here, passed away at an early hour on Tuesday morning, the primary cause of death being goitre. The deceased young man was only twenty years old at the time of his death. He was born in Quebec province where his parents still reside. One brother lives in Moneta. The deceased was well known in the district and well liked and there will be a general regret at his sad and early death."

Ten years ago The Advance had a good word to say for the post office here. The Advance has always been ready and eager to say a good word for the post office if that place deserved it—believe it or not. But the occasions

recently have been all too rare. Ten years ago The Advance said:—"The general public and especially the business interests of the town are very pleased at the added convenience afforded now by the Timmins post office in keeping the office open each night for the use of all box-holders. Last week the post office inaugurated this good plan of having the lobby open until nine o'clock each evening. Box-holders are finding this very material convenience to them and there is very general appreciation of this addition to the public service." The Advance had urged such a service and was well pleased, as was the town in general, to see the public convenience as they were by this new plan.

Because so many are interested in the work and progress of fraternal and other societies and clubs, The Advance has always given space and attention to events of this kind. In The Advance ten years ago there was this item:—"Thursday evening last, the Columbus Club of Timmins enjoyed a very pleasing banquet in King's hall. There were about 75 members present for the event, and the evening was a thoroughly enjoyable one. The banquet was most enjoyable in its profusion of fine things to eat. Rev. Father O'Gorman, of Cobalt, Grand Knight Nap Servais, Cobalt, and Mr. W. J. Tierney, President of the Iroquois Falls Columbus Club, were among the guests from outside points. There were many pleasing and inspiring addresses, and the whole evening was one long to be remembered by the Columbus Club."

The presentation of the attractive musical comedy, "The Isle of Love," in the New Empire theatre two evenings ten years ago was hailed by The Advance as one of the best entertainments given in the camp for some time previously. The event was under the auspices of the Timmins Chapter of the Daughters of the Empire and drew large crowds each night. The musical comedy was directed by L. G. Neville and was unusually well presented by the local talent taking part. The leading character parts were taken by:—W. O. Langdon, Mrs. J. T. Easton, H. Taylor, L. G. Neville, Miss Susan Bartlett, Mrs. H. Darling, H. Darling, Miss Irene Carswell, Miss R. Wright and Geo. Carson. The beauty chorus included:—Mrs. W. Nicolson, Mrs. Malcahy, Mrs. W. J. McCoy, Mrs. W. D. Watt, Mrs. J. A. McInnis, Mrs. J. K. Moore, Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. P. Teare, Mrs. H. Webb, and Misses Gertrude Riddle, Florence Vary, Mary Downey, Muriel Carswell, Dorothy Dodge, Elizabeth Swallow, Bella Gowan, Craig Hoggarth, Truth Howard, Alice Ryan, Kathleen Peters, Jean Watt, Lillian Wadsworth, Rose Wraight, Jean Roberts, Gladys Lytle, Laura Brazzau, Marion Fligg, Margaret Cole, Nora Kennedy, Pearl Kennedy, Marie Dufour. The Advance gave special notice to the sweet singing of Mrs. J. T. Easton, Miss Craig Hoggarth and others; the delightful song and dance number by Mr. and Mrs. Darling; the capable leading work of H. Taylor; the doll chorus, with the wonderful length and luxuriance of the beautiful hair on one of the dolls (Mrs. Nicolson); the hit made by Mrs. J. K. Moore and her assistants in the Overall Chorus; the outstanding work of Miss Irene Carswell in one of the difficult comedy parts of the show; the ability of Miss Bartlett in carrying one of the hardest roles in the event; the value of the work of Mrs. J. W. Faithful, the musical directress of the event.

Ten years ago The Advance noted the fact that P. M. Bardessono had been in Cochrane for some days and as a result the Rialto theatre in that northern town had been purchased by the Empire Theatre Co., Ltd., of Timmins. It was further noted that E. P. Colombo (translated in the item as "Gene Colombo," so that all might know who was really meant) would be the manager of the Cochrane theatre so acquired. The Advance must have been looking for trouble at the time for



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it coolly described Cochrane as "a settlement on the T. & N. O. extension to James Bay, about four miles north of Nahma."

There was a lively time at the fire enquiry at Matheson ten years ago. There was a meeting of the commission of enquiry into the cause of the burning of the town of Matheson in 1916. The claim of the people of Matheson was that the fire was caused by sparks from the T. & N. O. This theory was strongly objected to by the railway. At the session referred to, one of the witnesses was Bob Douglas who had a couple of clashes with the counsel for the railway. Most of the Matheson witnesses suggested that the town was burned out before the bush fire came along. Others, however, disputed this, one lady saying that the whole country seemed on fire. The enquiry was adjourned indefinitely, after a large amount of evidence had been taken.

Ten years ago The Advance unearthed a hidden but very important item in the report of a council meeting at Halleybury. The council report mentioned incidentally that it had been brought to the attention of the Halleybury council that a case of smallpox existed in a post office in Lorrain township. The Advance pointed out that this was a very serious matter and should have all possible publicity either to disprove the charge or to assure protection of the public by proper quarantine of the post office in question. The health authorities took up the question promptly and the necessary steps were taken to assure public safety from chances of infection.

Among the local and personal items in The Advance ten years ago were the following:—"Miss Nina King has returned to her home in Toronto after visiting friends in Timmins for a few weeks." "Doris Catherine Carmichael, the nine-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Carmichael, of Cobalt, died on Saturday evening from diphtheria. Her father was working at Kapuskasing at the time of the sad death." "Mr. W. Ellis is on a business visit to Montreal and Toronto and other points south and east." "Flying Officer Stanley Garvin, of the Canadian Air Force stationed at Camp Borden, is visiting his uncle, Mr. Geo. Lake."

"There was a large crowd and a very happy evening at the dance in the McIntyre Recreation hall, Schumacher, on Monday evening. The big crowd found the new hall a good place indeed for a dance, and the event was much enjoyed by all. A number from Timmins and other neighbouring places enjoyed the pleasures of this good dance in the well equipped recreation hall at Schumacher." "Mr. F. Lamb was a visitor to Montreal last week." "Messrs H. W. Hooker and J. Wray left last week for their homes in Galt where they will spend two or three weeks." "Timmins still needs a curling rink. As Jimmy would say, "What about it?" "Paddy Farrell, a well-known character around here, was committed to an hospital for the insane at the police court last week. He had been acting peculiarly for some time and eventually reached the stage when restraint was imposed upon him." "Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Neville, who so successfully conducted the presentation of the musical comedy, "The Isle of Love," under the auspices of the I.O.D.E. left week for North Bay where the show will next be staged." "All will regret to learn that Mr. E. W. Johnston, bandmaster of the Timmins Citizens' Band, is laid up with an attack of pneumonia. There will be a general hope for his early recovery. He is being cared for at Nurse Moffatt's." "The Chautauqua Circle event at the New Empire theatre on Wednesday evening last proved generally somewhat of a disappointment. "The Virginia Girls" had been reported in advance as specially good in singing, elocution and instrumental numbers, and according to press notices the public could look for something particularly good in these lines. The programme however, while clean and bright and enjoyable, was not special enough to write home about." "Mr. W. Nicolson met with a painful accident last Wednesday while in the Peters-Duncan delivery truck. He was driving near the depot when turning a sharp corner too sharply in his hurry the rig collided with the telephone post. He was thrown to the ground, sustaining a rather badly broken collar bone. He is able to be out and around again this week as usual, with the exception that the one arm is bound stationary."

FORMER RESIDENTS BEREAVED BY DEATH OF THEIR SON

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Simpson, formerly resident here, will regret to learn of the death of their little son recently. Mr. Simpson was stationed here some years ago as provincial constable and both he and Mrs. Simpson were highly regarded here and made many friends during their residence in town. The following account of the death of their little son is given by The Halleyburian in its issue last week:—"Sincere sympathy is felt by many Halleybury friends of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Simpson, former residents of this town, in the death of their little son, aged eight months, which took place at their home in Burk's Falls this week. Mrs. Simpson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Keddie, Latchford Street, received the news of the passing of the little boy yesterday. Mr. and Mrs. Simpson were expected to arrive in Halleybury today, bringing the body of the little one for burial here. The boy was one of twins born last year, and the parents for many years residents here. Mr. Simpson is a member of the Ontario Provincial Police and was formerly with the R.C.M.P. in Halleybury."

Former Timmins Mayor Enters Suit for \$100,000

Despatches last week from Toronto refer to an action commenced at Osgoode Hall against a firm of brokers by J. P. McLaughlin, formerly a well-known business man in Timmins and still with interests in the town and district. Mr. McLaughlin was one of the first business men in Timmins. While not having the honour of being the first to start building in this town—honour being variously ascribed to the owner of the old International Saloon, to the late H. Peters and to others—Mr. McLaughlin was among the first to buy a lot in the townsite now known as the thriving town of Timmins but then only a clearing in the bush. Later Mr. McLaughlin erected the building now occupied by the Hollinger Stores. McLaughlin's store was one of the finest business buildings in all the North and in the early days of the town was viewed with special pride by the town and district. Mr. McLaughlin was a member of the town council for a couple of years and was the town's second mayor, the late W. H. Wilson being the first. Some years ago Mr. McLaughlin sold out his large departmental store to the Hollinger when the mine attacked the high cost of living here by starting in business in general merchandise in town and giving it employees a discount of 15 per cent on all purchases.

The despatches from Toronto say that an accounting for shares of stock and moneys involved in stock transactions and damages of \$100,000 are sought in an action that J. P. McLaughlin of Toronto, has begun at Osgoode Hall against Solloway, Mills & Co., Isaac W. C. Solloway and Harvey Mills. The writ, issued in Toronto, sets forth that Mr. McLaughlin is seeking an accounting for moneys received by defendants from the sale of 11,800 shares of stock in Sudbury Basin Mines, Limited, alleged to have been deposited with Solloway, Mills & Co. on October 16, 1929, as collateral security for McLaughlin's account and to have been converted by the defendants to their own use without the plaintiff's consent.

Mr. McLaughlin asks an accounting also of moneys received by the defendants on account of the purchase of 6,000 shares of stock in Sudbury Basin Mines, Limited, for the plaintiff. Mr. McLaughlin is suing to recover sums found to be due him on the accounting for \$835 in interest and \$525 in brokerage, that he is alleged to have paid to Solloway, Mills and Co. and for \$100,000 damages.

GRAND WHIST DRIVE UNDER AUSPICES OF BUGLE BAND

Announcement is made this week of a grand whist drive to be given under the auspices of the Bugle Band of the Canadian Legion in Oddfellows' hall on Monday, Feb. 16th, starting at 8 p.m. sharp. There will be eight prizes, including first, second and third each for ladies and gentlemen and a sealed number and a lucky door prize. The refreshments will be a special feature, and there will be dancing after the whist drive. The Bugle Band, like all other features of the activities of the local Canadian Legion, deserves the very heartiest support of all and there should be a bumper attendance for two reasons—first, because all will enjoy the evening and have a good time, and second, because the Bugle Band itself deserves the heartiest support of all. On innumerable occasions the value of the Bugle Band has been proven and it has shown a pleasing readiness to assist on any and every occasion needed.

Recently an unusual and very painful accident occurred at Tomstown, near New Liskeard. A happy social party was in progress at the home of Mrs. C. Holley, when a leg fell from under the stove, the cooking utensils on the stove with their boiling contents sliding off the stove. Little Elsie Da Fra, nine years old, was in the kitchen at the time and was badly scalded about the legs and body. She was taken to the Englehart hospital for treatment for the serious burns sustained.

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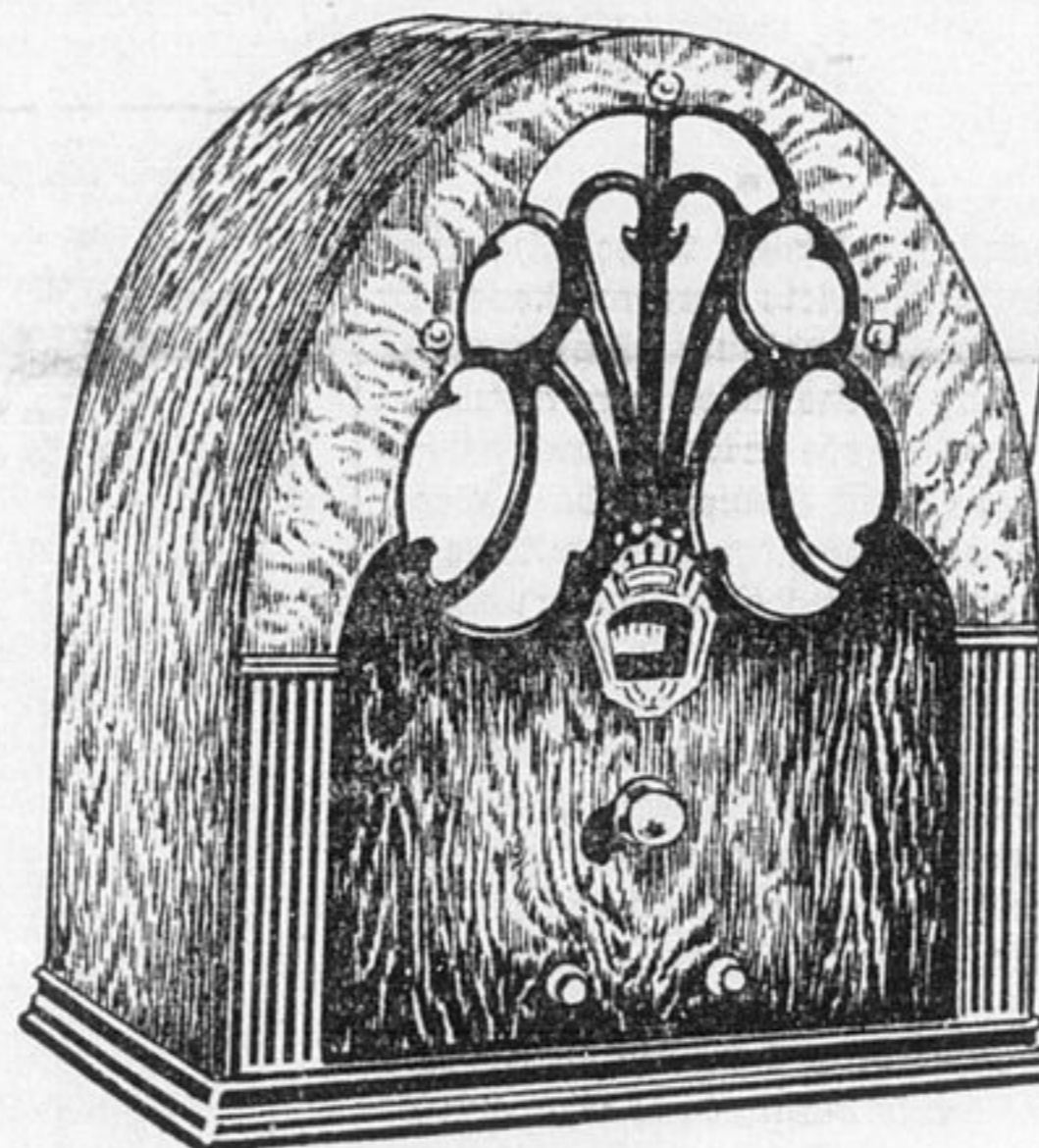
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