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**TEN YEARS AGO  
IN TIMMINS**

From data in the Porcupine Advance Files.

It may be interesting to those who find reason for complaining about the telephone service to know that ten years ago there was a suggestion that the town of Timmins and the township of Tisdale take over the telephone service and conduct it as a municipal enterprise. At a meeting of the town council on Robble Burns' birthday in 1922, the mayor, Dr. J. A. McInnis brought up the question of the telephone franchise. He pointed out that the previous year's council had said that a renewal of the franchise would not be considered until the service had been improved. He added that there had been a notable improvement in the meantime. He also called attention to the proposal from the township of Tisdale to the effect that it might be well for the town and township to go in together and take over the light and telephone service and run them as municipal services under a commission. Councillor L. S. Newton did not think the town was in financial condition to consider the matter. Councillor J. H. Bacon suggested that the town would be simply looking for trouble to go in for buying any businesses at the time. After further discussion the mayor advised that the telephone franchise be renewed for a short term, say, four years, so that it would expire at the same time as the power franchise, and then the two of them could be dealt with at the same time. The mayor also referred to the proposal advanced by Tisdale for a waterworks system to supply the whole camp. C. B. Morgan was the representative of Tisdale in the matter and he had interviewed the mayor. Dr. McInnis told Mr. Morgan to learn the exact attitude of the mines on the question. Timmins would have to enlarge its water main service, the mayor said, and it was possible that this could be accomplished most economically by joining with the township and the mines, provided a suitable agreement were possible. If the mines entered such a plan they would buy the bonds, which would solve the financing, the mayor suggested. Messrs D. Ostrosser, E. S. Noble, and J. E. Sullivan were appointed by council as the members of the board of health to act with the mayor and the medical health officer, Dr. H. H. Moore.

At a special meeting of the town council ten years ago the necessary authority was given for the signing of an agreement with H. Roberts whereby the latter was given the right to prospect for mineral on the land adjacent to the pump-house. With this agreement signed Mr. Roberts had options on all the lands from the landing for about 4 1/2 miles up the river.

Geo. W. Lee, chairman of the T. & N. O. commission, was a visitor to Timmins in January ten years ago. He expressed himself as optimistic as to the prospects of the North, especially after the completion of the extension north of Cochrane. The new line, he said, would open up a country of great possibilities and very rich in such resources as pulpwood, timber, minerals, water powers, etc., to say nothing of the chances for settlement and agriculture. Regarding a report that the greater part of the labour for construction of the line would be brought in from outside the province Mr. Lee said there was no truth in the report. All the labour to be employed would be Ontario workers, only the heads of departments coming with the contractors from outside the province.

On January, 23rd, 1922, Iroquois Lodge of the I.O.O.F. was instituted at Iroquois Falls with a membership of

40. There were over 80 from Timmins and South Porcupine lodges going over by special train for the institution of the new lodge. The ceremonies were under the direction of Grand Master Hamilton, of Port William, assisted by Grand Secretary Brooks, of Toronto, and District Deputy Grand Master Forbes, of Matheson. Matheson, Cochrane, South Porcupine and Timmins each had degree teams present, and the evening was a notable one throughout. On account of the train delays on the T. & N. O. the Grand Master was unable to reach Iroquois Falls until 3 a.m. on Tuesday morning. After the work of the Order, the visitors were the guests at a banquet given in the Abitibi Power & Paper Co.'s camp.

The Advance ten years ago said:—"The classes in mining in connection with the evening courses at the public school here opened last night with an initial attendance of 80. This attendance was a record one for an opening night, special interest being attracted by the fact that the opening address was one by A. F. Brigham, general manager of the Hollinger Mine. Those attending found themselves well repaid, indeed, for their attendance. The address was of special interest and value. Mr. Brigham gave a talk on the history of mining and the value of education among miners. His address held the very closest attention of all, and was both informative and pleasing, and much appreciated."

Much space was given ten years ago in The Advance to two games played here by New Liskeard in the N.O.H.A. series. Liskeard came here with the idea that Timmins would be easy pickings, but at the Saturday game Timmins won 7 to 2, though the score scarcely represented the play. At the Monday game the score was a 5-5 tie after thirty minutes overtime. These on the Timmins team who came in for special praise were Duke McCurry, Frank McGuire, Don Campbell, Parker and Brennan. In the Monday game Frank McGuire was directly responsible for four of the five goals scored. Three of the Saturday goals were scored by Frank and he also helped in other scores that evening. Percupine-Sully, goal; McGuire and McCurry, defence; Campbell, Cameron and Brennan, forwards; Cox and Kelly, spares. The game on Monday had the same line-up, with the exception of Cossier being in goal, and Parker being in place of Kelly, the latter being injured in a collision before the game commenced. The feature of the Monday night game was the remarkable comeback staged by Liskeard after their decisive defeat in the Saturday game. New Liskeard:—Elliott, goal; Epiett and Hogg, defence; Thompson, W. Burns and Spence, forwards; Robertson and A. Burns, spares.

There was a fear ten years ago that New Liskeard would drop out of the N.O.H.A. on account of difficulty of financing. New Liskeard, however, eventually decided to stay with the game for the season and carry on its part.

Ten years ago a dance hall was opened at Anson's ice cream parlour, Matagam, for dancing. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays were reserved for square dances, and Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays for round dancing.

The report of the T. & N. O. Railway for the year ending Oct. 31st, 1921, was referred to in The Advance ten years ago. According to the report the equipment had been well maintained during the year and was up-to-date in every respect, all safety appliances having

been adopted. The surplus of earnings over expenditures for the year was \$181,788.89.

Ten years ago The Advance gave some space to an interview The Renfrew Mercury had with J. R. Stewart, the popular town engineer of Renfrew, Ont. Mr. Stewart was well known to many in this part of the North, and as few knew him but to like him and respect him, his views were of particular interest here. The main idea in the interview was that the western and southern part of Ontario were "hogging" affairs of the province and neither the East nor the North were receiving fair treatment. Mr. Stewart suggested the formation of a new province to comprise Eastern and Northern Ontario. For such a province he foretold the greatest progress and prosperity on account of immense resources to be developed. The Advance agreed only in part with Mr. Stewart's views. There seemed to be absolute necessity ten years ago for better treatment of the North or the creation of a new province. The Advance did not agree with the boundaries suggested by Mr. Stewart. The Advance thought that the North having conditions and problems all its own and separate from either Southern or Eastern Ontario should form the new province if one were established.

Mention was made in The Advance ten years ago of a writ issued by a Cobalt man against the former provincial police inspector for Temiskaming claiming \$5,000.00 damages from the ex-inspector for the alienation of the affections of the Cobalt man's wife. The case was said to be the result of an affair in Cobalt some time before when the Cobalt man's wife was injured by a bullet, the Cobalt man saying that he had found the inspector with his wife at an unseemly hour and that the shot meant for the inspector struck the Cobalt man's wife when she attempted to wrest the gun away. The Cobalt man was committed for trial on a charge of wounding but was allowed to go on suspended sentence by the judge. He then entered suit as noted. Timmins Intermediate hockey team

visited Cochrane ten years ago and were much impressed with the Cochrane Club and the fine quarters they occupied. Efforts to establish a similar club in Timmins had been made on several occasions, but the question had never been carried through to success. Under the heading, "Foreigner's Good-bye Meant Good-bye, All Right," The Advance ten years ago said:—"A foreigner working at the Wright-Hargreaves Mine at Kirkland Lake last week, called out "good-bye" to his friends as they were coming off shift. He then turned and jumped down the shaft. He dived down a distance of about 90 feet from the 400-foot level, and from all accounts he met as close to instant death as any man could hope to meet in this life."

During the noon hour on Friday, Jan. 20th, 1922, the office of John W. Fogg in Moneta was discovered to be on fire. Before the blaze was noticed it had a good start and water not being available the building was soon beyond hope of saving. The fine office building and contents were destroyed, the fire having made such progress that it was impossible to get inside to save anything. The loss was a very heavy one, the burning of the books, accounts, etc., of the Fogg Timber and Contracting Co., and the John Fogg businesses being an especial loss. Among the items lost by the fire were several sets of golf sticks left at the office by players coming from the course. B. A. Brady, accountant, had desk room in the office and he also suffered the loss of inventories and other documents that intailed much inconvenience and loss. Although the building was outside the town limits then, the Timmins fire brigade turned out, and by the use of the chemical tanks, helped fight the fire. On account of the location of the building it was impossible to connect with any of the town hydrants. The staff were all away for lunch when the fire occurred. It was thought the fire might have developed from an overheated furnace pipe. While awaiting the construction of new premises, the offices of John W. Fogg and the Fogg Timber and Contracting Co. were in the

Canadian Explosives Co. building, opposite the Central public school.

There was a proposal to transfer Provincial Police Inspector W. T. Moore to the South, but so much opposition developed when this was proposed in 1922, that the matter was re-considered and the inspector left here in the North.

In a letter announcing the inauguration of Cobalt's new newspaper in 1922 Mr. Richard Pearce, speaking for himself and his brother, Norman, said:—"If the new paper (The Northern News) is as good as The Advance we'll be satisfied." On this, The Advance commented, "Ambitious boys, those Pearce lads! But there's nothing like aiming high!" As a matter of fact The Advance is often proud of The Northern News, in view of its expressed ambition ten years ago. At the time of its recent issue of a special progress number for Kirkland Lake, there was every reason for pride and pleasure. It was a great issue.

Among the local and personal items in The Advance ten years ago were the following:—"According to word reaching here this week, Jos. Berini was married last week at Buckingham, Que., to a young lady of that place. His innumerable friends here will extend to good old Joe the very best wishes and heaps of them." "Jos. Clemens, a well-known and popular old-timer of the North Land, was a visitor to Timmins this week." He is with the Ruggles Motor Co., of London, Ont., having charge of Temiskaming, Algoma, Nipissing and Parry Sound for this firm." "According to officials of the T. & N. O. the Christmas traffic this year was as heavy or heavier than in previous years." "Miss Jean Martin, late of Glasgow, Scotland, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. McHugh." "The fire brigade had a call to the Canadian Club cafe for a chimney fire on Friday. No damage was done." "W. Pierce is back from an extended visit to the South."

Barrie Examiner:—"We read that one of the most popular song writers went to school only six weeks, and we can easily believe it."

**Four Entries in the  
High School Group**

Monteith, Cochrane, Timmins and Kapuskasing in District Group for Season. Timmins has a Bye. Good H.S. Hockey Expected.

A despatch from Monteith in The North Bay Nugget discusses High School hockey in the North Land. To judge from the despatch referred to, the fight promises to be between Monteith Academy and Timmins. There are four in the group, Monteith, Cochrane, Kapuskasing and Timmins. In view of the fact that South Porcupine has not entered the league this year with a team, Timmins has a bye, the despatch says. The following is the despatch from Monteith:—"Due to unseasonable weather, hockey preparations have been somewhat slowed up. However, the high school team have been able to get their players into fairly good condition for the amount of practice they have received."

"Timmins expects to have a winner. No doubt they will offer tough competition. They not only have their old team of last year, but they also have two players from last year's South Porcupine high school team in McPhail and Mercer."

"South Porcupine is not entering the high school league, due partially to the loss of their brilliant left wing man, Carlo Cattarello, who will be seen this year wearing the red, white and green of the Northern Academy. Due to South Porcupine not entering a team, Timmins will be given a bye."

"Many of the old players of the Cochrane high will again strut their stuff for their institution. Last year Cochrane was eliminated from the play-offs by the Northern Academy by a small margin. This year they hope to do better. Kapuskasing has entered a team that will offer strong competition."

"The Northern Academy, the trophy winners of last year, have an average

team, but nothing out of the ordinary. It is practically the same team as last year with the exception of two players, Carlo Cattarello, of South Porcupine, and Howard Gegear, who has come back to the Academy after a year's absence."

**FINDS AT GREAT BEAR LAKE  
AMONG THE GREATEST YET**

The Toronto Mail and Empire in an editorial last week says:—"The more we hear of the mineral discoveries on Great Bear Lake the more likely does it seem that a second Cobalt or Klondike has been discovered in the Mackenzie River basin. The first information available regarding the silver-radium deposits located in this new Eldorado was brought out by the discoverers themselves and by organizers of private companies. After that, special representatives of the Northern Miner visited the field and gave the public readable accounts of the sub-Arctic discoveries. Later still, experts, representing the Federal Department of Mines and the Dominion Geological Survey, have made official reports on the region. Taken together all these reports appear to indicate that the Great Bear Lake find is one of the greatest made in the history of Canadian mining. The meaning for all Canada, of course, is that there is a new source of wealth, hitherto unsuspected, and that other discoveries of similarly important character are likely to be made in those extensive northern areas which have as yet been only slightly explored."

Hamilton Spectator:—"The latest move of Gandhi is to appeal from his prison to the Christians of India to support him in his struggle, which, he says, is "essentially based on peace." The appeal is made to those who are loyal to the "Prince of Peace," but since Gandhi is now turning to the Christian Bible in the interests of his faction, he may be reminded of the passage condemning those who cry peace where there is no peace. If it is peace that Gandhi wants, he can have it for the asking."

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Legal Opinion: E. G. Long, K.C., Toronto.

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