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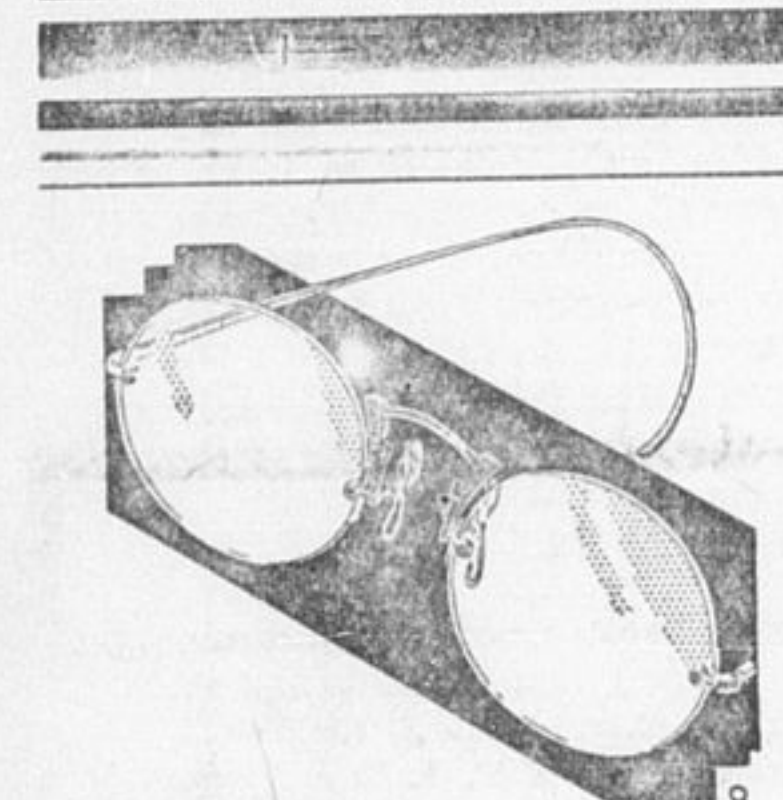
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**TEN YEARS AGO IN TIMMINS**

From data in the Porcupine Advance Files.

There was a fancy dress carnival at the Timmins skating rink on Jan. 30th, 1922. The event was conducted under the auspices of the St. Anthony's Altar Girls' Society and like all events by that organization, it was unusually well arranged and successful. There were over 400 paid admissions and over 125 in costume for the evening. The costumes were very varied and clever in design and the judges had a difficult task to assign prizes. The prize winners included:—Mrs. Fiss, W. Lainsbury, Miss Lynch, Jean Pare, Isobelle Fiss, Miss Laurette Chenier, Ernest Fiss, Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy, Miss Carr and Miss Byrnes. The judges were:—Mrs. J. A. McInnis, Fire Chief A. Borland, D. B. Curtis, Councilor L. S. Newton, F. M. McCray and G. A. Macdonald. C. Vinot won the half-mile skating race for men, with Roy Upton second, and Emmet Desormeaux, third. Lillian McCarthy was first in the ladies' race, and Fearn McCarthy second. The Timmins Citizens' Band provided good music for the evening, and the event was a pleasing success.

Ten years ago the big drive started to raise \$15,000.00 for the new R.C. church in Timmins. There were 100 canvassers, special ones being appointed for each nationality in the church, English, Irish, French, Polish, Italian, etc. Rev. Fr. Theriault, parish priest of St. Anthony's church helped to complete the canvass in about six days.

The Advance ten years ago had the sad duty of chronicling the death of South Porcupine on Jan. 20th, 1922, of Mrs. W. M. Whyte, one of the most highly esteemed residents of the camp. In referring to the death at the time The Advance said:—"To the bereaved husband and other near relatives and friends very sincere sympathy is extended in their loss. For five and a half years the late Mrs. W. M. Whyte had been a resident in the Porcupine and was held in the highest regard by all who knew her. She was a member of Kitchener Lodge of the Rebekahs and a helpful and valued member of this and other circles in the life of the community. For the past two months Mrs. Whyte had been ill, but her death came as a shock to many friends. The cause was W. M. Whyte was born in New York State and was a descendant of one of the oldest New England families. She was a graduate of the School of Manual Training of Rochester, N.Y. Her maiden name was Rhoda E. Southworth, and she was a direct descendant of the Southworth family that came to Plymouth from England about 1628. Some years ago a genealogy of the Southworth family was published tracing the Southworth line back to 1189, and before that showing the descent from Alfred the Great, of England. Mrs. H. M. Butter, of Manchester, Mich., a sister of Mrs. Whyte was summoned to the bedside by telegram arriving before the end. The funeral took place on Sunday, Jan. 22nd services being conducted at the Union Church, South Porcupine, by Rev. Mr. McVittie. There was also the beautiful burial service of the Rebekah Lodge. Interment was made in Timmins cemetery."

There was a large attendance at the band concert given in the New Empire theatre on Jan. 29th, 1922. P. A. Macaulay presided. In addition to a number of very pleasing selections by the Timmins Citizens' Band there were excellent solos by Mrs. U. L. Acton, and readings by Mrs. Murdoch and little Miss Murdoch that were greatly appreciated. Mrs. J. W. Faithful was the accompanist for the evening.

The Advance ten years ago gave the following account of the wedding of a popular young couple here:—"At the R.C. church, Timmins, on Monday morning, Jan. 30th, 1922, at 8.30, Mr. Andrew J. Dooley, a well-known and

popular member of the Hollinger Stores grocery department, and Miss Beatrice Pitre, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. Pitre, of Timmins, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony by Rev. Father Theriault. On account of the special popularity of the young couple particular interest was taken in the wedding, there being a very large attendance of friends at the church for the ceremony. The groom was attended by Mr. A. Laprarie, and the bride by her father, while Mr. Edgar Grandbois was groomsmen, and the bridesmaid was Miss Allie Pitre, sister of the bride. The bride looked very charming in a grey silk costume. There was special singing by the St. Anthony's Altar Girls' Society, of which the bride has been a much-honoured member for some years. After the wedding, the wedding breakfast was served at the home of the bride's parents, and in the evening a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents. The young couple were recipients of many beautiful and valuable presents, and from one and all in the wide circles in the town and district where they are known they will receive very sincere and hearty good wishes for long life and happiness."

In 1922 the anniversary of the birthday of Robert Burns, the great Scottish poet, was very acceptably observed in Timmins. The event took the form of a Burns supper, and was under the auspices of the Caledonian Society of Timmins, then in the hey-day of its usefulness. M. B. Scott, president of the society, was toastmaster and conducted the proceedings of the evening in very effective and pleasing way. The grace was said by J. K. Moore. Piper W. Bennett supplied the stirring music for the bearing aloft of the haggis by W. G. McHugh, whose address to the haggis made a notable hit. Among the toasts and responses were the following:—"Auld Scotia," proposed by P. A. Macaulay, responded to by W. W. White; "Our Adopted Country," proposed by M. B. Scott, responded to by Dr. McInnis; "The Porcupine Camp," proposed by W. Coupar, responded to by Dr. McInnis; A. F. Brigham, R. J. Ennis; "The Caledonian Society of Timmins," proposed by C. P. Ramsay, responded to by M. B. Scott; "Kindred Societies," proposed by T. S. Clark, responded to by C. G. Williams; "The Press," proposed by W. D. Watt, responded to by G. A. Macdonald, editor of The Advance; "The Poetry of Burns," proposed by C. G. Prie, responded to by D. Mackie; "The Lassies," proposed by A. J. Downie, responded to by Miss Macfie. The addresses were all of a very high order and the whole event was a most pleasing one. During the evening the president, M. B. Scott, was presented with a beautiful framed picture of Robert Burns, as a token of the esteem and appreciation of the Caledonians. Mrs. Simpson made the presentation on behalf of the society. The silent toast, "The Immortal Memory," was duly honoured. The musical features of the evening were particularly pleasing. Schroeder's string orchestra delighted the gathering with their music. A piano solo by Miss Giffin was another instrumental selection that pleased all. Solos by Miss Jean Robertson, Mrs. J. K. Moore, Jas. Twaddle, Mrs. M. B. Scott, Jas. Gails, Mrs. U. L. Acton, W. G. McHugh, Jas. Cowan and others were special features of the evening. A reading by Mrs. A. Haughland was another special number that won particular applause. There were over 150 at the event, which was held in the Masonic hall. The hall was very attractively decorated for the occasion. The supper provided by the ladies was a specially good one.

The Advance ten years ago acknowledged receipt of a despatch from Montreal reporting the sale of the Platt Veteran claims to a Montreal syndicate for \$300,000.00. Reference was made ten years ago to the fact that the Timmins Mercantile hockey league was well under way. The schedule for the season was published, together with other information. There were ten teams in the league, five from the town and five from the mine. The league was run on the elimination plan.

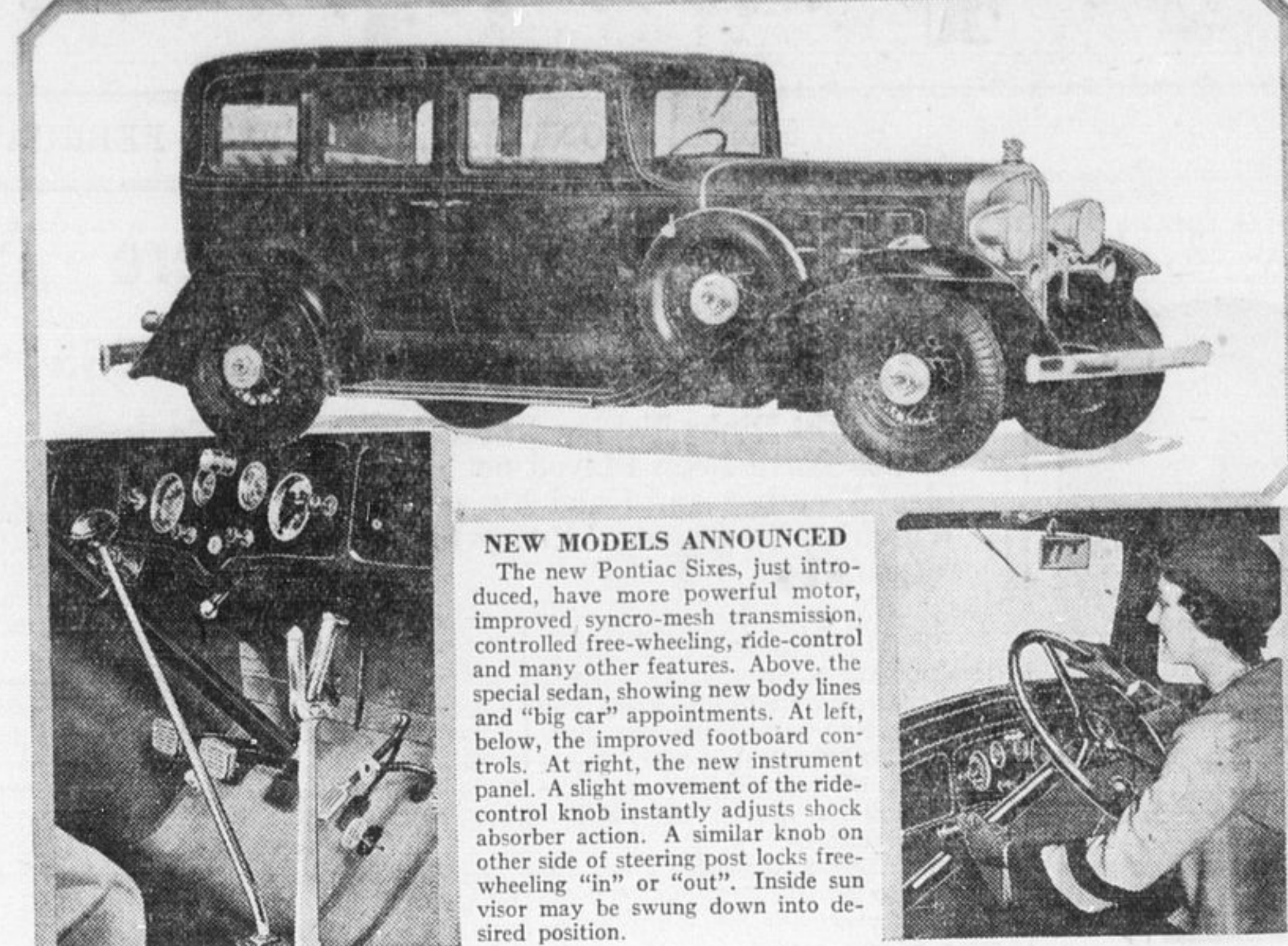
In its issue of Feb. 1st, 1922, The Advance reproduced an article from The Canadian Printer and Publisher commenting very favourably on the 1921 Christmas edition of The Advance. "That the entire edition was printed in The Advance office, Timmins, speaks well for the paper's equipment," said Printer and Publisher.

The Curtis Drug Co. ten years ago offered a \$50.00 cup for high school hockey league competition.

More than ten years ago Timmins had wireless telephones in use here. Probably the first of these in the North were those in use by the Abitibi Power & Paper Co. In Timmins and the immediate district M. J. Cavaney, of Sandy Falls, was the pioneer in what is known these days as radio. The Advance ten years ago referred to the fact that W. R. Lowery, of Cobalt, had installed a wireless, and comment was made on some of the programmes he had been able to pick up.

In prefacing a report of the marriage of Jos. Berlin at Buckingham, Que., The Advance ten years ago said:—"His hosts of friends in the Porcupine will extend very sincere good wishes to Jos.

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Berlin on the occasion of his recent marriage. He and his bride will receive a hearty welcome to town." Then The Advance proceeded to give the following paragraph from The Buckingham Post of the previous week in regard to the event:—"St. Gregory's church on Monday morning was the scene of a pretty but quiet wedding when Miss Blanche Gauthier, youngest daughter of Mrs. Joseph Gauthier, was united in the holy bonds of matrimony to Joseph Berlin, of Timmins, Ont. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Fr. Chatelain, P.P., and was witnessed by a large number of the friends of the bride, who is very popular and counts a large number of friends and well-wishers in the old home town. The bride was given away by her brother, J. B. Gauthier. Another brother, M. A. Gauthier attended the groom for the same purpose. After the solemn and interesting ceremony was concluded the happy couple and some close relatives and friends adjourned to the home of the bride's mother on Main street, where the wedding breakfast was partaken of, and where the healths of the newly-made man and wife were toasted, and fittingly responded to. Mr. and Mrs. Berlin left on the noon train for a honeymoon of a couple of weeks visiting the groom's home town at Fort William, returning to Buckingham for a short stay, then going to Timmins where the groom is established in business. Mr. and Mrs. Berlin were the recipients of many hand-made and useful presents. They are wished long life, prosperity and happiness."

Among the local and personal items in The Advances ten years ago were the following:—"There was some class to the old maid who wrote to Billy Sunday the evangelist:—"While you're saving all the men, please save one for me." "Fire Chief A. Borland and Assistant Chief W. G. Smith left at noon today for Cochrane to attend the annual meeting of the Temiskaming Firemen's Association as representatives of the local brigade." "Her many friends will be pleased to know that Mrs. Mary Boyd, who was seriously ill with pneumonia, is now making good progress to recovery." "Mr. and Mrs. Flannigan, of Port William, are spending a few days in town. Mr. Flannigan is the contractor who built and established the sewage disposal plant here." "His innumerable friends in Timmins and district will regret that Chief M. Greer is on the sick list, and all will wish him a speedy and complete recovery." "Her many friends will regret to learn of the illness of Mrs. R. Vollett and all will wish for her the most complete recovery at the earliest possible moment." "There were only a few minor cases at the Timmins police court." "Mrs. W. Armitage entertained a number of friends last night at her home here. About thirty couples were present and a

delightful evening was spent in military euchre and other social pleasures. An attractive luncheon added to the enjoyment of the evening." "H. Peters, the postmaster at Timmins, who has been ill for some weeks past, left on Tuesday for Owen Sound for special medical treatment. Wishes for Mr. Peters' early and complete recovery will be very general and very sincere. Mr. Peters is one of the pioneers of the camp, and holds the highest esteem of all. He has held the position of postmaster here since there was a town being the first or the second to build on this foundation."

**Urges Financing of the Prospectors**

Hon. Chas. McCrea, Minister of Mines, Makes Unusually Interesting Address in Reference to Mining and Prospecting in Ontario.

Told that the outlook for mining in Ontario looked "better and brighter in all branches for 1932," the members of the Empire Club, at the lunch meeting at the Royal York hotel at Toronto on Friday of last week, were urged by Hon. Charles McCrea, Minister of Mines, to "risk a few dollars in finding new mines," and were begged to encourage their friends to do likewise.

"It is just as true in the business world as in the supernatural—Seek and ye shall find; knock and it shall be opened unto you," Mr. McCrea went on. Stating that the prospectors of Ontario were perhaps, as a group, the best prospectors in the Dominion, the Minister said: "This Province is in the first place in production, and is determined to retain that place. If we are to increase production, it is necessary that men of vision and courage should risk some of their wealth staking those prospectors in their search for new riches."

"I have greater optimism and enthusiasm for mining in Ontario in 1932 than I have ever had before; it is built on past performance, great expectations and a fine mining personnel," the Minister stated. Members of the personnel to which Mr. McCrea referred were at the luncheon and included: T. W. Gibson, Deputy Minister of Mines; Thomas Sutherland, Acting Deputy Minister; G. Mickle, and A. E. Burrows, Chief Geologist.

"Ontario's mining industry embraces the production of metals, non-metals, structural materials and clay products," the gathering was told by the Minister "A mine is being opened up in the township of Haliburton to produce radium and salts of uranium, probably in the next thirty days. And we also look forward to the development of new fire clays in Northern Ontario, which give promise of being of fine quality and a valuable industry in Northern Ontario."

Up to the end of 1931, the mining production of the Province totalled \$1,844,206,000, of which \$1,255,000,000 was accounted for in mineral products.

In 1932, he said, he expected that three additional mines would produce; but that even if they did not, the production of gold in Ontario would be worth \$50,000,000; the production of non-metals would go up to \$3,000,000; there would be a slight decrease in the production of structural materials, and clay products would rank about the same.

The thought was voiced in passing by Mr. McCrea that silver might once again take its former place as the consort of gold in the currency of the nations.

nil; in 1911, \$42,000; in 1921, \$14,750,000; and in 1931, \$43,000,000. The fifteen operating mines in Ontario have, he declared, "played an outstanding part in stabilizing conditions in this country, and have helped Canada to weather the storm."

"The year 1932 is expected to show an increase from \$10,000,000 to \$11,000,000 over 1931," Mr. McCrea said, giving a round figure of \$50,000,000 to Ontario's gold production. "But expectations for 1933 look like a world decline, with the same for 1934 and 1935, and so on down to 1940, where we expect that production will fall to \$370,000,000, as opposed to \$410,000,000 in 1932," the Minister declared, speaking in world figures.

**High-grade Samples from Week's Run of the Press**

Toronto Mail and Empire:—This being opinion week we quote what we believe to be the profoundest remark ever made about an onion. It was that while you cannot eat your cake and have it, it is different with an onion.

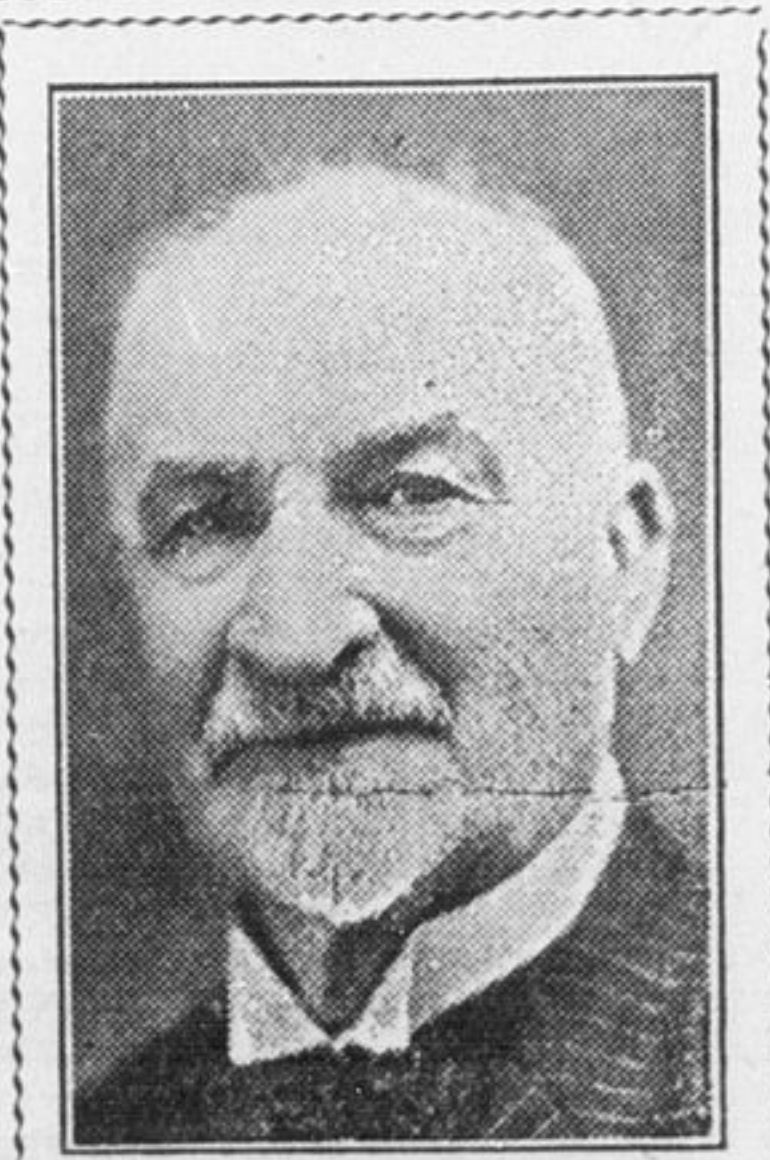
Drumheller Mail:—Col. Hugh Clark reports in his weekly column of comment that Dr. Finnegan declared that George Washington never cut down a cherry tree in his life. This dispels the story that the estimable George was truthful otherwise, if he didn't cut down the tree, why did he say: "Yes, father, I did it—with my little axe?"

S. Thomas Times-Journal:—Milk from a herd of forty-two tubercular cows was supplied for the consumption of London, Ont., but the milk was pasteurized, and there was no danger to the public. Think what might have happened if there were no such thing as pasteurization.

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