

TEN YEARS AGO IN TIMMINS

From data in the Porcupine Advance Files.

Ten years ago The Advance made the announcement that the Hollinger Consolidated Gold Mines had donated a scholarship of \$1200.00 annually to the University of Toronto for research work by the university graduates under Prof. Haultain in the Dept. of Mining and Engineering.

For the first time in its history Timmings had its municipal elections a month earlier than usual in 1923. Nominations were set for the last Monday in November and elections, if necessary, for the first Monday in December.

On Monday evening, Oct. 29th, 1923, C. Gorst Grand Organizer for the Grand Orange Lodge of British America, visited the Porcupine on organization work. He planned to return to the camp again in a couple of weeks.

D. St. Onge, one of the old-time residents of Timmings, was in St. Elle, Quebec, ten years ago, with a view to the development of coal and oil possibilities on a property he owned there.

Ten years ago The Advance noted the organization of a new diamond drilling concern in the camp—the Cuthbertson Diamond Drill Exploration Co. The head of the firm, J. Cuthbertson, had been with the Dome for some years and for over 25 years had been connected with the diamond drill business.

A band concert given ten years ago in the New Empire theatre was an unusually good one. In addition to selections by the band under the leadership of F. J. Wolno, there were solos of special merit by Miss Jean Roberts, W. R. Dodge, and Jas. Gells, as well as selections by the Timmings Male Chorus under the leadership of R. R. Johnston.

A. Urvila was killed and a fellow countryman slightly injured in an accident at the Hollinger ten years ago.

Hon. John S. Martin, Minister of Agriculture in the Ontario Cabinet, visited the North Land ten years ago, stopping at New Liskeard, Matheson and Cochrane. He did not come to Timmings on the occasion, considering Timmings not an agricultural centre.

Considerable space was given in The Advance ten years ago to the visit to Timmings and South Porcupine of Hon. James Lyons, Minister of Lands and Forests. He inspected the roads of the district and conferred with leading men of the district with a view to posting himself on the work of his department. The Advance referred to him as proving to be a real friend of the settler.

A very attractive Halloween dance was given ten years ago in the Masonic hall under the auspices of the Girls' Auxiliary of St. Matthew's church, Timmings.

A. P. Dooley, previously of the Hollinger Stores, the J. R. Gordon business, and other grocery and meat concerns, ten years ago opened a meat and grocery business on the River road in the Mattagami section. The Advance referred at the time to the fact that Mr. Dooley was one of the early residents of the Porcupine, a capable business man and a good citizen, and that he should make a success of the new store.

The Halloween party given by the Caledonian Society was a remarkably enjoyable event ten years ago. Among the prize winners for costumes, etc., were:—Jas. Twaddle, Miss May Moore, Stewart Dewar, Jas. Cowan, Mrs. D. Mackie, Bert Wilson, J. K. Moore, W. Forrester, Miss Nellie Studor, Master H. Hutton and Miss Helen Chisholm. President D. Mackie was in the chair. T. S. Clark, of Toronto, was the judge. Miss Helen Chisholm's dancing was the big event of the evening. There were solos by Miss Jean Roberts, Mrs. J. K. Moore, and others.

A high honour was paid to F. K. Ebbitt, of Iroquois Falls, ten years ago, when he was given the 33rd degree in Masonry by the Supreme Council of the Scottish Rite in Toronto.

The Advance ten years ago said:—"The case against Fred Dingwall, of North Bay, on a charge of criminal negligence arising from the automobile accident near Timmings on August 6th,

will be tried at Cochrane on Friday, Nov. 9th, before His Honour Judge Caron. It is understood that all the witnesses at the inquest into the death of Mrs. A. Pearce, who was killed in the accident, have been asked to give evidence at the trial at Cochrane."

The Timmings fire brigade did fine work ten years ago at a fire at the residence of Mr. Walker, 15 Main avenue. A blaze of \$150.00 was done before the blaze was extinguished, but the loss would have been a serious one indeed had it not been for the excellent work of Chief Borland and his men.

The Roman Catholic church at Swastika was destroyed ten years ago by fire. The same fire burned down a private residence and a barber shop.

Issues of The Advance ten years ago were full of references, appeals, demands, etc. in regard to the money owed the settlers by the Mattagami Pulp & Paper Co. "Why in Mattagami Pulp & Paper Co.?" asked one man, and The Advance replied that it would very gladly shut up—once the settlers were paid, and not one moment before.

Among the local and personal items in The Advance ten years ago were the following:—"A. R. Swayne, of Connaught, has the honour of being the first to bring down a Canadian goose this season." "Monday, Nov. 12th, is Thanksgiving Day this year." "According to word received here Mrs. M. J. Downey is making very satisfactory progress to recovery after an operation at one of the Toronto hospitals."

"A. Brazeau has just been awarded the contract for the plumbing work at the two Hattleybury schools." "James L. Brown has returned to town and is now in charge of the grocery department of the Hollinger Stores. Mr. Brown was well known and popular here in the earlier days of the town, being then in the grocery department of the Gordon-Davies store."

"Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Dye have moved to the camp from Cobalt, and will take up residence at the Vipond as soon as Mr. and Mrs. Everard have moved from their residence." "Miss Monica Devine, of Sudbury, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. I. Lainsbury." "Geo. M. Black, formerly of Timmings, but now conducting an up-to-date candy business consisting of a string of stores, is the guest of his brother, A. J. Black."

"M. C. O'Neill, who has been in poor health for the past few months, has gone to Battle Creek, Mich., to take specialists' treatment in the sanitarium." "Mrs. W. H. Pritchard entertained a number of friends at bridge and tea on Saturday afternoon; a very pleasant afternoon being enjoyed by all present."

"J. W. Callinan, of Toronto, is a visitor to the camp this week." "Frank Laronde, of Sudbury, is visiting his sister, Mrs. Lawlor." "Born—in Timmings, on Wednesday, Oct. 24th, 1923, to Mr. and Mrs. H. Caron—a daughter."

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Be Sure Your Name is on the Voters' List This Year

The voters lists are now posted up for the town for the year and it is the duty and privilege of all voters to see that their names are on the list. Appeals to have names added may be made up to Nov. 9th. Every year there are a few who discover on polling day that their names are not on the list of voters and that they are consequently deprived of a vote. There is usually very bitter objection taken to this omission of any name. The whole thing could easily be avoided if each and every voter saw to it at the proper time that his or her name was on the list. Now is the time to make complaint to the clerk that your name has been omitted. Lists may be found at the clerk's office, the post office, etc. This year there are double as many polling places as last year so your name may be in a different polling sub-division than last year. Be sure in any event that it is on the list somewhere and that you are thus entitled to vote should a vote be called.

Deputy Minister of Mines Talks About James Bay

Reference is made elsewhere in this issue to Thos. F. Sutherland, Deputy Minister of Mines for Ontario, thinking he had found the two fellows who had appropriated some ducks and geese he had shot in the James Bay area. The two men looked rough and tough as he approached them on Shiplands Island, in the mouth of the Moose River, some ten or twelve miles from Moosonee. They had several days' growth of beard and other evidences of the unwary associate with criminal activities. It turned out, however, that the two were Coulter McLean and Tom Bell, two Toronto members of the Legislature. Mr. Sutherland had thoughts of beating up the men who took his ducks and geese but when the suspected pair were recognized the beating was called off. However, the despatches do not definitely clear the two in regard to the ducks and geese at that.

In referring to the incident in humorous way the Deputy Minister of Mines told Toronto newspapers last week that it all goes to show that it's a small, small world. But the world—the James Bay coastal plain section of it, at least which the big mines official saw on his shooting trip—is no small, small affair. When the tide's out, he states, there are hundreds of square miles of flats that provide ideal feed and ideal protection for tens of thousands of geese and ducks that "hang out" therein.

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Algonquin Park to Have Highway Facilities Now

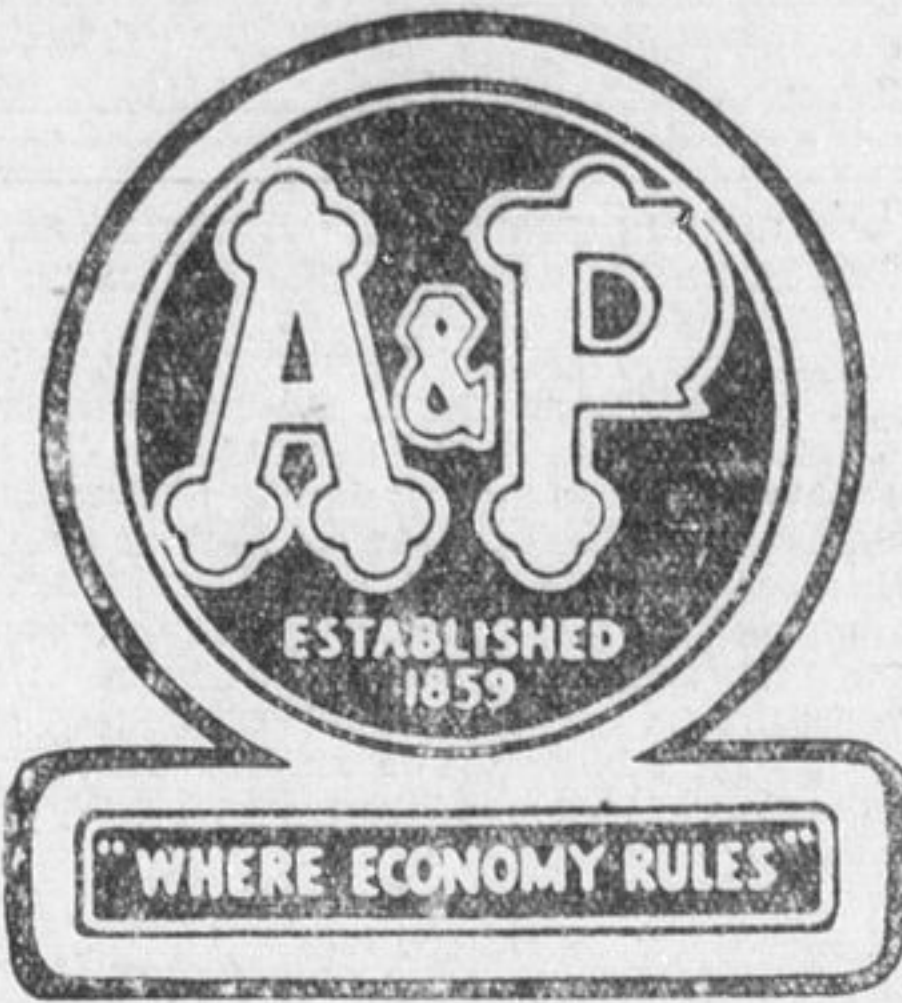
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