

TEN YEARS AGO IN TIMMINS

From data in the Porcupine Advance Files.

Ten years ago W. H. Wylie won the golf sweepstakes in a group of over thirty taking part.

Ten years ago the Dominion Redpath Chautauqua was here with first-class programmes. The event was under the auspices of the I.O.D.E. and was held at the skating rink. There were good crowds and all enjoyed the programmes provided. Special programmes for the children were particularly enjoyed. One of the special features was the group of Jubilee Plantation Singers.

The paving of the main sections of the business part of the town was started ten years ago. There was a five-year guarantee for the work. The new chemical truck and hose wagon arrived here and was in use, Councilor Geo. Drew reported to council.

A woman, formerly of Timmins, and a man at Hamilton were dismissed at Hamilton ten years ago on a charge of high-grading. The woman's husband had been shot dead a couple of months previously, gangsters being blamed for the murder.

J. J. Johnson, resident in Timmins only a couple of months, lost his life in an accident at the mine ten years ago. He was pinned down by a slide of rock. He was a native of Lancashire, England, where a widow and family of small children were left to mourn his loss. The late J. J. Johnson was 33 years of age at the time of death. All the members of the Lancashire Club attended the funeral here to show their regard for the late Mr. Johnson and their regret at his death.

The hearing of a Toronto radio programme at Timmins ten years ago was thought interesting and unusual enough to warrant mention in The Advance. The Advance noted at the time that it was only very rarely that Toronto stations could be heard in the North, though others much farther away might be heard quite plainly.

Ten years ago the skating rink was not available for boxing bouts.

Ten years ago there was a proposal made to move the Porcupine Fair to South Porcupine. A counter proposal to erect buildings at Golden City was carried and for some years the Porcupine Fair was a successful event. There was no fair last year, and it is understood no plans have been made to hold the fair this year.

Ten years ago the A.S.D. Club had a cottage at Golden City, the weekends of this social club being very pleasantly spent as a consequence.

Two boys who broke into the store of Burnett and Andrews ten years ago and rifled the till were committed to the Industrial School when coming before the Juvenile Court.

Timmins Business College moved to new quarters over the Economy Grocery Store, 58 Third Avenue, ten years ago.

The editorial in The Advance ten years ago dealt with the danger, that faced the town from the gathering here of unemployed. The Advance noted that the surplus of workers here was indicated by the fact that a call by the Employment Bureau for 20 men resulted in a rush of 150 seeking the positions. The Advance pointed out that unwise and useless boasting about the progress and prosperity of Timmins in outside newspapers was to some extent responsible for the influx of labour. The Advance urged that the facts be told in the case. The facts included the idea that Timmins was progressing all right, but also the truth that Timmins already had too many men for all the employment available. To bring in further workers was simply to burden the town without helping the workers.

Alex Neilson, of Trenton, Ont., was a visitor to Timmins ten years ago, being the guest of his sister, Mrs. J.

K. Massie. He was much impressed with the development of Timmins. There was one thing, however, he thought the town needed. "Agitate for a public park," he said, "and keep on agitating till you get it."

Mention was made in The Advance ten years ago to the beauty of the lawn and grounds alongside the Kingston hotel. Praise was also given to the T. & N. O. lawn and flower garden; at the station, though poor conditions near it might well be remedied by the town, The Advance thought.

Ten years ago Cochrane board of trade was advocating a road from Cochrane to Hearst. "Go to it, dirty face," said The Advance, "we can not have too many roads in this country."

Miss Jean Eleanor McGraw, superintendent of the Red Cross hospital at Englehart, was drowned at Englehart ten years ago. She slipped off a log while in the water swimming and it was hours before her body was recovered. Her home was in Toronto.

Dr. J. A. McNis, mayor of Timmins in 1924, received about this time of year a letter from Ottawa to the effect that Baron Byng, of Vimy, Governor-General of Canada, was anxious to meet as many citizens of the town as possible on his expected visit in August, 1924.

Timmins and Kirkland Lake tied in a Dickson Cup game here ten years ago. As a result of this match Dome and Kirkland had to play off for the Dickson Cup.

Recently reference was made in The Advance to the improvement of the road near New Liskeard at the place called "Calamity Gulch." The Advance ten years ago referred to a mishap at "Calamity Gulch," near New Liskeard, so the name is at least ten years old.

While the sewer construction work was in progress ten years ago at the corner of Pine street and Fourth Avenue, there was a near tragedy when one of the workmen stepped on the ground near the edge of the trench. The sand gave way underneath and he not only fell into the trench but he received a great fright when he found himself half buried. He made the welkin ring with his cries when he found he was imprisoned. The incident and the man's shouts attracted a crowd of considerable size and when the speedy shovel gang dug him out in a minute or two the crowd cheered lustily. Special precautions were taken after that to avoid similar accidents. Leo Mascioli, the contractor had done an immense amount of work in town without an accident of any importance and he wanted to keep that good record.

Over a thousand people attended the races at Dalton's Park on July 23rd. The track was in wonderful condition and the races excellent. In the free-for-all Rose Weaver (New Liskeard) was the winner. Silklene, a McTavish horse won the 2.25. D.C.B. (Kennedy, New Liskeard) was the winner of the 2.40 class. The green race went to Little Star, owned by F. Bissonnault, Timmins. The purses were good ones in each class. "Timmins Citizens" Band furnished music for the afternoon at the park.

The interest of The Advance in air service for the North was shown ten years ago by the space given to the regular air service then established between Haileybury and Rouyn. The Advance suggested that if the passenger and freight rates could be reduced to any extent for the air service it should become very popular. Single fare from Haileybury to Rouyn, however, was \$60.00, which made it close to prohibitive. The service was inaugurated by the Laurentide Air Service and every effort was made to give the best service at the least price possible but the costs did hamper the popularity of

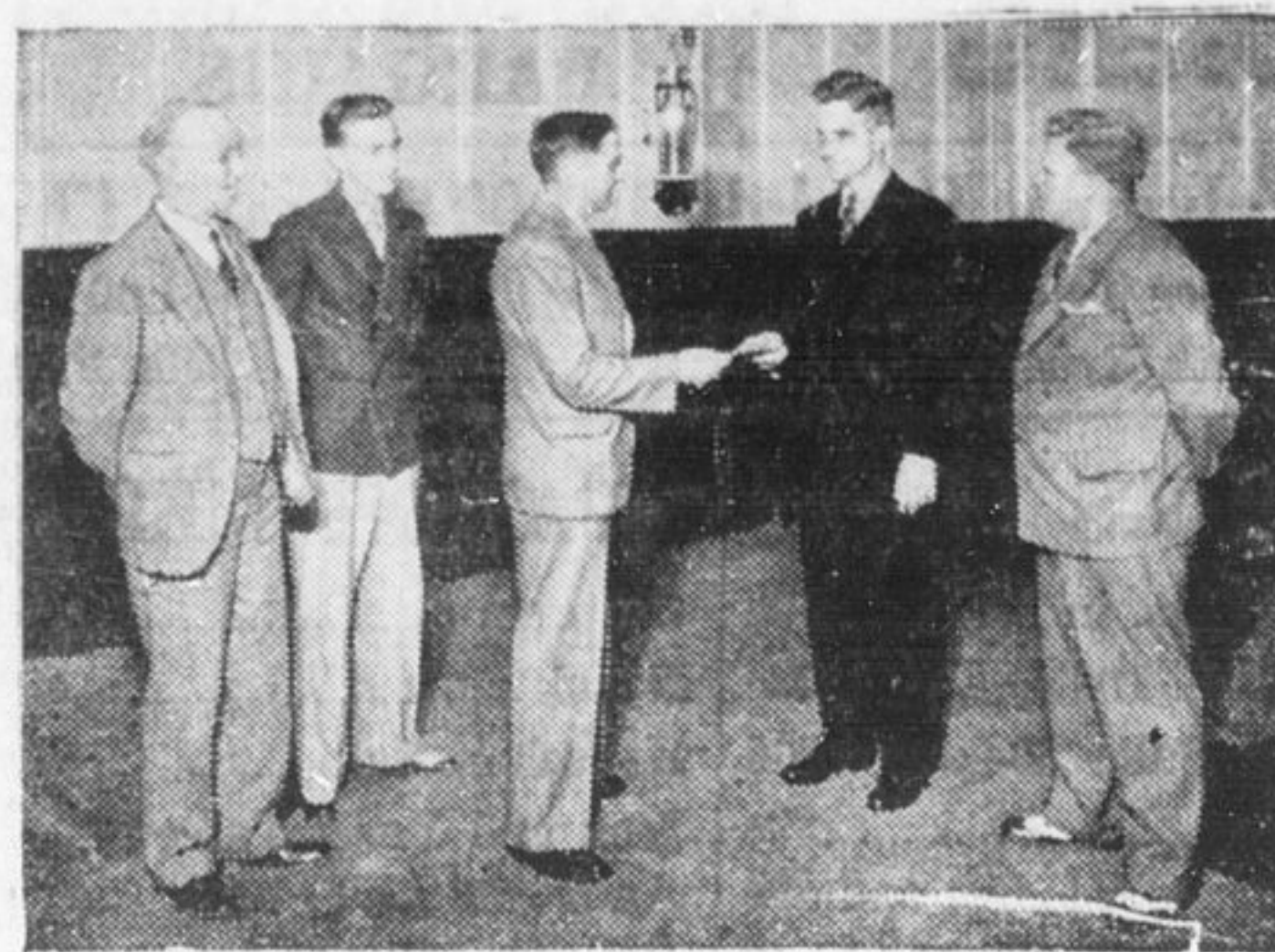
the service for a time. However, in many cases the charges proved more economical than other modes of transportation taking more time.

The fact that a Swedish farmer living in the Connaught district had been missing for several days was reported to the police ten years ago. Later his canoe was found with some of his clothes in it, leaving the belief that he had been accidentally drowned in the lake.

Another drowning accident reported ten years ago was one in which two men, O. C. Wickstead, of Bourkes, single, aged 35 years, and Victor Ashby, Toronto, married, with a wife and two children, were drowned in Sese-kinika Lake. The belief at the time was that Mr. Wickstead was seized with cramps and that Mr. Ashby lost his life endeavouring to assist his friend.

Among the local and personal items in The Advance ten years ago were the following:—"Mr. Frank McGuire is home on sick leave, being laid up with an attack of quinsy, which followed an illness from tonsillitis. Frank is able to be out and around again and expects to return to the South shortly. All hockey fans wish Frank a speedy return to health, but the return to the South for this expert hockey player—the North Land's greatest goal-getter—is another thing, most people here preferring him to stay right here." "Blueberries are reported as a good crop this year, with the berries of good quality. The raspberries are not so good. Hundreds in the district are picking blueberries, but there seems to be few raspberries in the district for anyone to pick." "Her many friends were pleased this week to see Mrs. F. E. Harris able to resume her place in her floral shop here after being laid up for some weeks as a result of being run over at a street crossing by an automobile. Mrs. Harris had a miraculous escape from serious injuries but suffered much from the shock of the accident." "Wages for hay-makers in the New Liskeard area are reported as \$2.50 per day and board."

"Monday morning Acting Chief Salley seized an oil drum coming in by freight and labelled as paraffine oil. It contained about 45 gallons of alcohol. It was addressed to a local drug firm who denied all knowledge of it and refused to accept it. This means a loss of some \$400.00 to somebody." "Mrs. M. Bowie and children left on Wednesday last for a visit to Toronto." "Miss Josephine Waterson returned to Cobalt last week after a visit to the Porcupine camp." "M. Greer, chief of police, left on Friday morning for his annual vacation in the East, where he will join Mrs. Greer and family at their old home near Ottawa." "W. McCord is night chief during the absence of Chief Greer. R. Donnelly has been added to the town force as constable." "Mrs. H. Duff and son, Lachlan, left on Sunday for a holiday visit to Toronto and Kitchener." "Born—In Timmins on Sunday, July 27th, 1924, to Constable and Mrs. D. Martell—a daughter." "Thursday last another aeroplane passed over the town, but too far up in the air to ask where hailing from or whither travelling. One or two more passages like this and no one will pay any attention as the passing airships now are becoming common and soon will be accepted as a matter of course along with all the other modern touches to the town and district." "About 700 men have been thrown out of work at Sudbury through the closing down of the British American Nickel Corporation, the company having gone into liquidation." "Thursday last the fire brigade had a run to Tony DeLuca's residence, 60 Birch street, south. The alarm came from some stovepipes catching fire. The fire was put out without any particular loss occurring." "A Timmins man complained last week to the police that he had had a suit of clothes stolen. Acting Chief Salley and his staff soon secured trace of the stolen goods, and later a young man was placed under arrest. He eventually admitted that he had taken the clothes but had hidden them near the lake at South Porcupine. It took Officers W. Pacher and W. Brooks and the young man who took the clothes considerable time to locate the hiding place. The young man said he doubted if he could have found them alone, so the police are of some use after all." "The Melody Trio here with the Chautauqua for Saturday's event, favoured the congregation at the Presbyterian church on Sunday evening with sacred instrumental music that was much appreciated." "Timmins Trail Rangers played Schumacher at Timmins on Saturday last and won with the score of 26 to 16, though it was baseball, not cricket, that was being played. However, the boys had a lot of good sport and played the game, so it can be set down as a good match." "G. H. Anderson, manager of the Great Northern Power Co., returned Monday evening from a trip to the East, accompanied by his daughter, who will visit here for a month." "Porcupine Fair this year is making arrangements to have a new type of machine for the recording of the pulling power of horses. This machine is in use in other sections of the country. It records very closely and accurately the pulling power of a horse or team and it will add much to the interest of the contests along this line." "A bear was caught in a trap at the Beaver Mine, Cobalt, last week, and finally shot. That's right, Cobalt, shoot the bear for a change." "Figures published by The Cochrane Northland Post show the cost of the recent smallpox epidemic in the town of Cochrane to have been \$3,881.14. The cost of vaccinations was given as \$340.50."



PRIZE WINNER SMILES FOR \$1,000.00 CHEQUE

H. F. Penney, whose wife was first prize winner in the Borden Company's Nation-Wide Contest, received a cheque for \$1,000.00 on Mrs. Penney's behalf from George B. Levis, Manager of the Borden Company Limited, in the studios of Radio Station C.F.R.B. Left to right: A. J. Loader, Wes. McKnight, G. B. Levis, H. F. Penney and H. Sedgwick.

Garden Notes from Horticultural Society

Timmins Horticultural Society's Letter No. 25 Deals with the Onion Maggot. Some Helpful Hints.

The following is No. 25 in the series of weekly letters from the Timmins Horticultural Society:—

The Onion Maggot
Winter is passed in the pupal stage a couple of inches below the surface of the soil. Two winged, olive green, flies come out in the spring and deposit white eggs in the soil of the onion beds, as the onion maggot attacks onions only.

The maggot hatched from these eggs is about 3-8 of an inch long when full grown, white and legless. There are two or three generations. Most injury is done to small plants, the maggots bore into the base of the stem—the plant wilts and dies.

Control.—The onion maggots may be overcome by use of lubricating oil spray which is mixed as follows:—

One gallon of Bordeaux Mixture stirred into one gallon of lubricating oil. Agitate in whatever way possible until a perfect emulsion takes place. When thoroughly emulsified (i.e., will mix readily with water without leaving oil droplets), mix the two gallons with 38 gallons of soft water and spray. The type of lubricating oil should be of a good grade—either medium or light.

Bordeaux mixture may be made by dissolving 2 ounces of bluestone (finely ground copper sulphate) in one gallon of water and adding two ounces of hydrated lime.

The emulsion spray should be put on about four times, early in the season with weekly intervals, and the entire surrounding soil should be sprayed as well as the plants.

Another method of control is the use of corrosive sublimate, used at the rate of one ounce to ten gallons of water, and poured over soil and seedlings about four times early in the season at weekly intervals. This mixture

should be made up in glass, wooden or earthenware vessels only, and should be kept out of the reach of children and stock, it being a deadly poison.

Timmins Horticultural Society,
Flowers—Box No. 1458.
Vegetables—Box No. 1378.

Goldale Gold Mines Goes into Little Long Lac Area

According to word from Toronto Goldale Gold Mines, Ltd., has made a commitment of \$5,000 cash and options on 900,000 shares of stock of the Birch Bay Gold Mines, Limited, to net the company a total of \$375,000.00 if exercised to the full in connection with the Birch Bay Gold Mines property in the Little Long Lac district.

Birch Bay Gold Mines Limited is a company which was formed recently on an interesting discovery of gold on the northwest corner of Big Long Lac, about nine miles up the shore of the lake from Long Lac station. The discovery was made about five years ago by W. W. (Hardrock Bill) Smith, who located a group of seven claims. Recently a block of six other claims were acquired from a Port Arthur syndicate and added to the property, making a total of 13 claims.

The discovery consists of a narrow quartz vein from eight inches to three feet in width, somewhat similar to the original Little Long Lac discovery vein, and carrying heavy gold values. A total of 29 channel samples taken over an exposed length of 400 feet have shown values as high as two ounces over 13 inches, and four ounces over eight inches. Several occurrences of visible gold have been found in the sulphides.

Diamond drill crews have been sent to the property, and, according to latest word, roads have been cut and camps prepared, and drilling will start immediately. The company is capitalized at 2,000,000 shares, of which 1,000,000 have been issued for properties, and of the remaining 1,000,000 shares, of, as when the present financing is completed, approximately 10,000 will still remain in the treasury.



FIRST ANNUAL HORSE RACES and MOTORCYCLE RACING

Civic Holiday Mon., Aug. 6
CYANIDE GROUNDS First Race Starts at 1.30 p.m.

Free-for-All 3—CLASSES FOR HORSES—3 Classified Race 2.30 Class

Motorcycle Races
Make Entries for Motorcycle Races to the Committee as Soon as Possible
THREE PRIZES

Admission 50c Children 25c

TIMMINS RACING CLUB

Joe. Belanger, Sec.-Treas. P. Gignac, Manager

Matachewan to Have New 32-room Hotel

Fifty Lots Sold to be Sold in New Sub-division in Two Weeks. Other Sub-division Practically Sold Out.

Word last week from Matachewan says that a three-storey hotel is being erected at Matachewan for Theodore Sicaud, of Ville Marie, Que. The new hotel will have 32 guest rooms and will be equipped with modern conveniences. This new hotel is reported as to be up-to-date in every respect and accordingly the Matachewan area is starting early with all the comforts of city life. It is expected that a motion picture house will be among the other additions at an early date. "It won't be long after the hotel is up that there will be everything city-like about Matachewan," writes one map already there. It is said that the two stopping places at Matachewan are taxed to capacity each night and that they can still have lots of business even after the new hotel gets going. "The new hotel is located on the side of the hill facing the rapids and the mountain across the river" is one description given of the new hotel site in a despatch from Matachewan.

It is said that more than 50 lots were sold in a new townsite inside of two weeks. This was the J. B. Moynier, which adjoins the Roche townsite. Some months ago The Advance referred to the Roche townsite and the fact that it was practically an ideal one for the purpose. Lots in the Roche township have sold very quickly and there are practically no further lots available there now, so far as can be learned. With the Roche townsite selling as it did and the Moynier

townsite now selling rapidly it looks as if Matachewan planned to be a big camp from the beginning. The first dance hall in Matachewan was opened recently and is doing a good business. Residences are going up rapidly at Matachewan, it is said, one of the social features of the camp recently being a "house-warming" attended by about 75 people all of whom had a very pleasant time. There are many visitors to Matachewan these days, visitors from the United States being included in those interested in the new camp.

KIRKLAND LAKE TELEPHONE SYSTEM RIGHT UP-TO-DATE

Midnight on Saturday saw Kirkland Lake right up-to-date in the matter of its telephone system. At that hour the change-over was made from the old type of crank phones to the more modern automatic type. The change was made without a hitch and with service as near perfect as possible.

Walkerville Herald:—The man who had to be told to mind his own business now would be glad if he had a business to mind.

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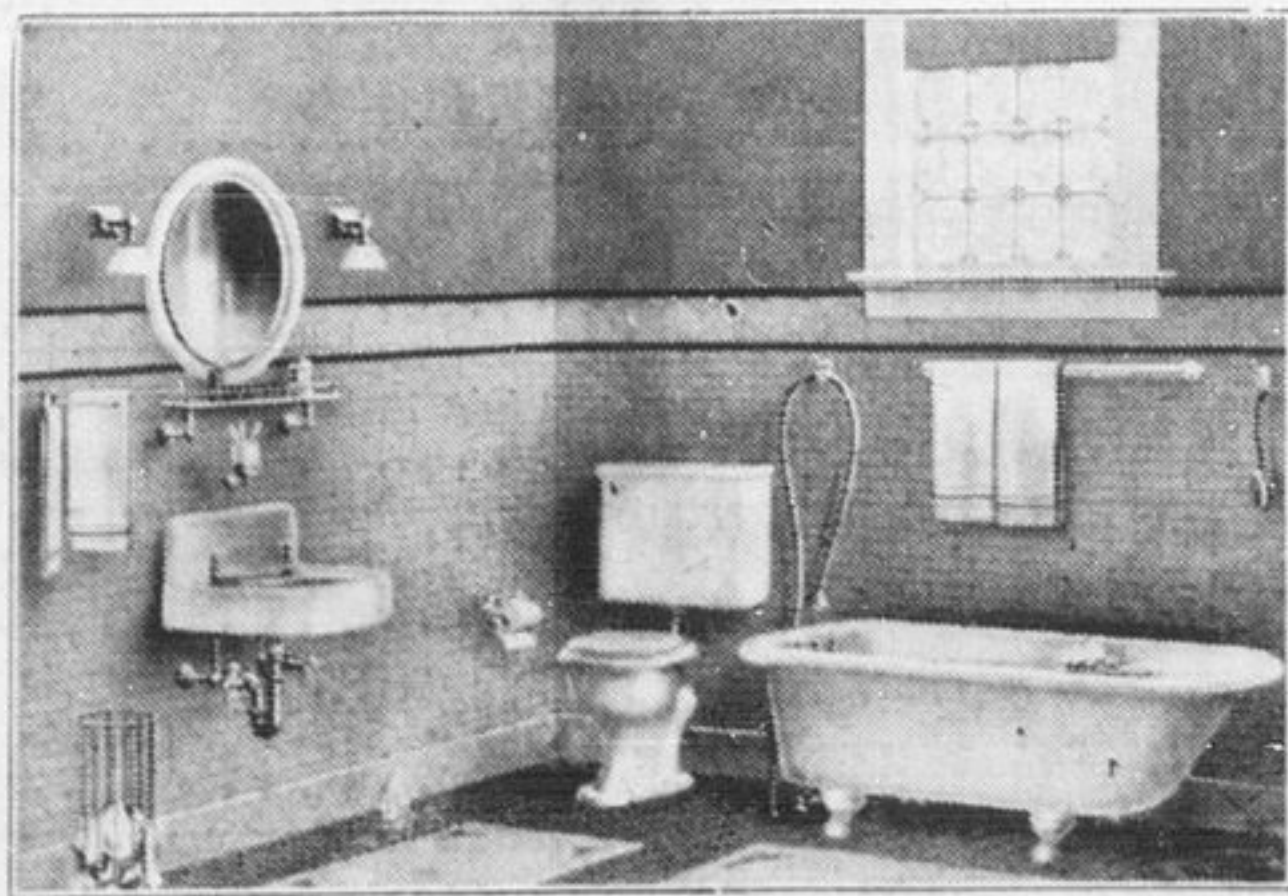
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