

TEN YEARS AGO IN TIMMINS

From data in the Porcupine Advance Files.

Ten years ago this week the Associated Boards of Trade of Northern Ontario held their quarterly meeting at King's hall, Timmins, with Alex Dewar, Iroquois Falls, in the chair. From many points of view, the meeting was a most successful one and had considerable bearing on Northern Ontario. Then, as now, one of the pressing questions of the day was the rights of settlers. Rev. Father Lajoie, of Kapuskasing, brought forward the needs of the settlers in that area. There had been hundreds of settlers on the land there for six, seven and eight years, still with no road in to their property. He estimated that three-quarters of a million dollars would supply the necessary

roads. Father Lajoie, receiving the support of the Associated Boards of Trade, went on to Toronto to present his case to the government. Comprehensive reports of the mail service were presented by B. L. Cope of Smooth Rock Falls, read in his absence by W. A. Killaby. The mail service at that time was reported as having been improved in line with the Associated Boards' recommendations. A new constitution for the association was prepared by President Dewar and Secretary G. V. Ryckman which was considered in committee by Rev. Father Renaud, J. K. Moore, J. Vanier, J. MacFarlane and J. A. MacKay. North Bay was included in the new territory added to the dis-

trict served. The association asked that the government reduce stampage dues to the minimum for the struggling settlers in order that their revenue from that source might be raised as high as possible. The boards of trade were firm in their opinion that a wrong had been done settlers who had taken wood to the Mattagami Pulp Co and had not been paid for it prior to the time the company went into the receiver's hands in 1921. The settler had been asked to take notes in payment and when the company was bankrupt they had to repay the banks who cashed the notes, by which time they could not place a lien on the wood. G. A. Macdonald insisted that the settlers should have some legal rights in the question and despite legal opinion to the effect that their request would be refused, the boards asked the government to investigate the circumstances thoroughly. Another resolution taken before the association by Mr. Macdonald was that asking for correspondence schools, directed by the department of education in Toronto, to supply teaching in the sparsely-settled parts of the North. Premier Ferguson had given sympath-

etic consideration to the proposal. The government was also asked, on the motion of T. F. King, to investigate the high power rates of the North and to look into the power company mergers. Power again entered the discussion when the damming of the Albany was objected to, on the grounds that it was detrimental to the surrounding country. Even then the boards of trade were busy urging the government to build the Trans-Canada highway via the north instead of by the rocky shore of Lake Superior. Opposition was voiced to the embargo on pulpwood. Hon. Charles McCrea was highly lauded for his work in the north. The direct route from Matheson to Timmins was then under discussion. The Rouyn extension to the Nipissing Central was asked. A banquet tendered the Associated Boards of Trade by the Timmins board was given in the Masonic hall. F. M. Wallingford, then president of the Timmins board, presided and E. L. Longmore, Mayor of Timmins, welcomed the guests. Dogs wandering at large but wearing the current year's license tags were to be allowed special privileges, the 1925

council decided. Complaints had been received that dogs on the streets, doing no harm, were being picked up and taken to the pound for destruction. Council decided that if they were wearing 1925 tags, they were to be left on the streets. "That Girl Mickey" was the title of a play presented by the Golden Chapter, I.O.D.E. in the Goldfields theatre on Feb. 18th and 19th, 1925. It was a very well received event and the comedy as well as the musical numbers that went with it were performed excellently by local talent. Two hundred dancers attended a moccasin dance given at the skating rink on Feb. 20th, 1925. There were novelty races, a game of boom ball and many other features that made the event fun for all who attended. Wm. Gagne, proprietor of the Lady Laurier hotel ten years ago died on Feb. 25th, 1925, after an illness of several weeks. In the early days he had conducted a planing mill business in Timmins. Ten years ago Premier Ferguson, in addressing the Daughters of the Empire at Sherburne house, Toronto,

spoke of Northern Ontario and its great future. Four-fifths of the area of the province, he said, was in the North, yet it had at that time a population of only 250,000. The premier had made the trip to Hudson's Bay by canoe and returned by hydroplane. Timber, coal, china clay, waterpower and minerals were among the resources of the country, he told the I.O.D.E. and he impressed upon them that there was a great deal of trade to be had for southern Ontario from the North. "A very pretty wedding took place at the Presbyterian Manse, Timmins, on Wednesday, Feb. 18th, when Miss Gladys Vera, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Little, 74 Fourth avenue, was united in marriage to Arthur Edward Randall, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Randall, 76 Lake Front, Toronto," says The Advance of ten years ago. Production of gold in Ontario in the year 1924 was 5,000,000 greater than in 1923, and the Porcupine group alone had shown an increase of 20 per cent, says an item in The Advance of ten years ago. Hollinger production was up \$2,000,000 and McIntyre \$1,000,000. Teck-Hughes was taking the lead in the Kirkland Lake field with output of about a million dollars. Larger production from both camps was predicted. Lake Shore at that time had a milling capacity of 300 tons per day. The pupils of Mr. Schroeder gave a recital at Schumacher on Feb. 22nd, 1925 which was a very popular musical event. Ten years ago the A.S.D. club held their fourth annual sleigh ride party. After an evening on the roads around the camp they returned to Schumacher where they were the guests of S. Shankman at his new theatre, the Maple Leaf. All through 1925 The Advance waged a campaign to have a post office and wharf built here. It was pointed out in the issue of Feb. 25th, 1925, that the town contributed its full share in all Dominion tax levies, yet got nothing in return in the way of visible expenditures. In the 1925 estimates an item of \$35,000 for a community hall at Halseybury had been set down. There was nothing for Timmins and The Advance was ready to point out a good many reasons why the town should have both a wharf at the Mattagami river and a decent post office. Among the locals of ten years ago in The Advance appear the following:—"Rinn Bros. this week moved their ladies' wear store to number 5 Gordon Block." "Born—in Timmins on Feb. 19th, 1925 to Mr. and Mrs. Sam David, a son." "Mrs. Drew, of Cannington, Ont., returned home last week after a visit to her son, Mr. Geo. S. Drew." "Mr. I. K. Pierce, who recently visited Mayo Brothers hospital for treatment and was much benefited by the treatment there, has left for California for a visit to Los Angeles." "It was expected the new Empire theatre would be re-opened on Monday of this week but the work of re-decorating and altering has not been completed yet. The date of the re-opening will be announced later." "Mr. James Cochrane of Cobalt was a visitor to town over the weekend." "Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Bradley, of Toronto, were visitors to the camp this week." "Mr. S. A. Caldwell returned on Sunday from a short visit to Toronto. Mrs. Caldwell will return to Timmins later." "The Division Court sat in Timmins yesterday with His Honor Judge Caron presiding. There was a large list of cases, chiefly garnishee and account collection matters." "Mrs. R. P. Teare, one of the early residents of Timmins, but now resident at Thornhill, Ontario, is visiting friends in town for a couple of weeks and being heartily welcomed here again by innumerable friends and acquaintances." "Mr. T. Kelly received the sad news last night of the death of his father at North Bay. Mr. Kelly, Sr. has been ill for some time and his death was not altogether unexpected. The sympathy of all will be extended to Mr. T. Kelly in his sad loss." "Last week a Cobalt man reported that while out on the Loon Lake road he noticed four fine, big, fat robins building their nests for the year. This seems to be the first good word ever suggested for home-brew or alky. Previous to the O.T.A. men saw snakes and sky-green red devils." "Scores of young people of the town took advantage of the splendid weather on Sunday, to spend the day in skiing, a sport which is gaining great favour in the camp. The hill near Dalton's brickyard an ideal spot for skiing and nearly every Sunday afternoon scores can be seen making their way in that direction, to participate in this exhilarating winter sport." "Recently there have been many prophecies as to when the earth is going to quit business. One gink said the show would be over on Feb. 6th. He was out. Now, another gink is out in front to say that the world will end on August 3rd, 1926. He is more than a year nearer right than the other fellow. About as close a guess as any is that of the sarcastic cuss who says that the end of the world will be the day after the Mattagami Pulp and Paper Co. pays the settlers what it owes them for pulpwood taken previous to 1921."

Hunters are Not to Leave Moose in Bush

Must Have Certificates to Show Disposition of Hind-quarters when Taking Antlers South.

Provision will be made for the distribution of moose hindquarters, which have been brought to a common carrier by a hunter, among charitable, welfare or relief organizations, D. J. Taylor, deputy minister of game and fisheries announced at Toronto some days ago in explaining the new regulations. The regulation is aimed at preventing trophy hunters cutting off a set of antlers and leaving the hindquarters to rot in the bush. When the hunting season opens next fall, hunters who bag moose will be compelled by law to bring the hindquarters as well as the fore to a railroad station. If they do not desire to send the meat back to their homes they will be compelled to show a receipt that the hindquarters have been turned over to a welfare organization, relief officer, or some official where such meat would be desirable and welcome. Although it is already against the game and fisheries regulations to leave the hindquarters exposed in the bush, the Act has been frequently ignored. Many hunters, particularly those from the United States, are solely interested in getting the spreads as a trophy. By compelling them to bring out the hindquarters it is expected, the needy in the nearest municipality will be assisted and trophy hunting will be discouraged.

John Pratt Kept the Hired Man Busy Enough in 1814

(From Harvard Alumni Bulletin)

The hired man's lot was not a happy one in Boston 120 years ago, if the instructions prepared by a well-known citizen of those days for his employ show how the householder planned the time of his man-of-all-work. These instructions were written in 1814 by John Pratt, a Boston merchant and shipowner. A copy of the instructions has just come into the possession of the Harvard Library. They read, in part, as follows: Clean brasses; go and come when bell rings. Clean and rub furniture; take in and pile wood. Split wood for oven; split wood for kindling fires. Make fires; bring in wood from wood-house for use as it is wanted and chips. Bring in water from pump in yard; bring in water from cistern. Jog the pump every time you go for water in the yard; trim all the lamps. Unhang blinds and carry them upstairs and pile them in good order. Clean and sweep and wash front steps and side walls. Shovel snow and level in in street before the gate. Shovel snow in yard for hanging out clothes to dry. Take care of the garden, rake grass, prune trees, etc. Put up clothes line to hang clothes on to dry. See that the boys don't climb over and steal the fruit. Do not go out without asking leave which will not be granted. Wheel home a barrel of flour when wanted, or anything else. Do not be out nights after 9 o'clock if I ever let you go. Clean windows all over the house, inside and outside. Be honest, industrious and saving. Keep the woodhouse in order and grind coffee. Carry meals to the table, set it and then wait upon it. Bring up coal for use in parlors and chambers. Help to watch if anybody is sick, if required. Be temperate, keep no bad company, go to church, be civil, tell the truth and use no bad language. Bring in manure for yards, when wanted, and spread it carefully. Expect no character when you go away from me unless I choose to give it, and then nothing more than you deserve, and if you refer to me the bad will come out. Clean and fill spit boxes; clean knives and forks. Brush clothes and hats; go to post office. Go to libraries. Shovel snow from top of houses. See which way the wind blows. Turn the machine for washing the clothes. Go to bed when I do, but see that you get up early. If any of the family is out, sit up until they come home. Keep a good fire while I am sleeping after dinner. Mind Mrs. Pratt, but come to me first. Carry home horse and chaise on my return from a ride, and keep a lookout and be at the gate to help me. Mind and do anything you can to save your employer's property. No notice to be given on either side as it respects parting and, to wind up, you are to do willingly everything required, whether it is mentioned here or not. Huntingdon Gleaner:—To date, Charley Chaplin has never become reconciled to sound movies. All his pictures have been of the silent variety. Now he has decided to produce his next picture both in sound and silent versions. He will release both at the same time and see which "clicks" best at the box office. A great deal will depend on Charley himself, whether he can be as funny in his talk as he is in his actions.

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