TEN YEARS, AGO IN TIMMINS

From data in the Porcupine Advance Fyles

section given over to greetings from the entation on behalf of the children. business men of the town and to stories | Ten years ago the famous 1926 and articles of Christmas flavour.

training and direction of the youngsters procedure was dropped.

By odd coincidence The Advance Waldon Orr, Winnifred Wilson, Eldridge Christmas number ten years ago was Orr, were others given special mention. issued on the same date as the present | The youngsters staged a special surprise one-Dec. 23rd. The Advance ten years | number of their own, presenting each ago was a six-column paper (it has of the ladies who had spent so much been seven columns for some years now, time and talent in training for the event growing with the town.) The Christ- with a beautiful box of handkerchiefs, mas number has a handsome coloured | Mr. W. H. Pritchard making the pres-

Much space was given in The Ad- the recent Hepburn school tax plan in a the platform found favour with the vance ten years ago to a report of the way. The 1926 council's suggestion was electors. second annual children's Christmas that the school rates be equalized so party sponsored by the Timmins Re- that the separate school supporters bekahs. It was a truly wonderful en- would be relieved of some of the special elections ten years ago, but declined tertainment. The Advance said. The burden to fall on them that year. As the honour. Mrs. Lawlor, as one of the chief feature was the presentation of the audit made by the 1926 council in early residents of the town and district, "The Old Woman who Lived in a Shoe." regard to town books had much to do and as a ratepayer of many years" There were 42 children in the cast, all with the added burden imposed on standing, and with successful business in appropriate costumes and equip- separate school supporters, the council experience, was urged by many to stand ment. Special praise was given to Mrs. plan looked like an effort to remedy for council that year, J. Keene and her able assistants, Mrs. an evil of their own making. In any R. Anderson, Mrs. W. H. Wilson, and case, it was found that the whole plan presented very attractive and enjoyable Mrs. J. T. Easton, for the successful was forbidden by the law, and so the Christmas entertainments ten years

in the event. The youngsters had only In an interview with E. L. Longmore pageant, "The Light that Failed," while a couple of weeks to practice and pre- ten years ago. The Advance learned the on another evening the smaller childpare the event, but it proved a notable platform on which Mr. Longmore was ren gave a happy presentation of "Little and enjoyable success. The Advance presenting himself to the ratepayers as Red Riding Hood and Santa Claus." gave a list of all the children in the candidate for the mayoralty of Tim- | Over 600 were present at the fourth event, giving particular mention to mins. The Advance reviewed the many annual K. of C. Charity Turkey Stag several, including Ina Raycroft as years of able service given the people by in Timmins ten years ago, the event "Dame Durden," Ruth Arnold as "Lit- Mr. Longmore as a town councillor and being held in St. Anthony's parish hall tle Miss Muffet," and Mary Closs as in other public capacities, and then under the able management of A. La-"Little Mary." Special reference was outlined the chief planks in his plat- prairie. This was probably the most also made to the graceful dancing of form. In regard to the proposed estab- famous of the long live of "Lap's" Tur-Margaret Easton in the Spanish dance, lishment of a government dispensary key Stags. It included the Whiskerino M. Karns, Schumacher; second, J. Z. and Clare Halperin in the skirt dance. in Timmins Mr. Longmore said that | Contest, which was advertised all over | Cooper; third, J. Robitaille; fourth, J.

the people had themselves decided the matter by their votes and that whatever his personal feelings might be he was a believer in democracy and as mayor of the town would not attempt to thwart the will of the people in this or other matters. He believed in the right of the majority and had never used any

public position to force his own personal opinions on anyone. This was very effective reply to propaganda directed against Mr. Longmore's election as mayor. Speaking of the proposed increase of the town's share of the mines royalty, Mr. Longmore said that Hon. Chas. McCrea, Minister of Mines, had agreed that there would be an increase what the increase would be. No actual

for Timmins, but had not specified money, however, could be granted until the Legislature met and voted on the matter. Other points were equally well covered by Mr. Longmore and the vote council, as it was later called, forestalled at the elections following showed that

> Mrs. T. J. Lawlor was urged by many to be a candidate at the municipal

The United Church Sunday School ago. The Upper School presented the

rice Belanger, sixth; P. Godin, seventh. by Jack Neilson were special features Others in the Whiskerino were: -G. E. of the evening. There were also saxo-McGrath, John Lapalme, H. Unsworth, phone soles by Bandsman T. Staphens S. Powell, Jean Pare, Jr., M. Popovitch, and cornet solos by Bandsman Walter G. Larch, M. Church, W. Lawrence, Geo Williams that met much popular fav-Ellms, Steve Bromolich, Wm. Lacroix, cur. Geo. Leminick, L. A. Cohen. There



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would trim the beards the quickest and the neatest. The winners were:-first, the world. P. O'Gorman won first prize D. Aceti; fifth, A. G. Carson. Fred in the Whiskerino, with a wonderful Sexton won the kiddle car race. A. W crop of whiskers. On Oct. 10th he had Young won the moose calling contest, la clean-shaven chin, but on Dec. 16th with J. G. Barron, second, and H. Lillie, he had the finest bunch of whiskers third. Piano music by R. R. Johnston that heart could desire. There were 21 and Ted Emery, card games, especially other contestants, all with lovely beards. "Gimme," were other features of the A square inch was marked out on each evening. There were free smokes, corn face and then the airs counted. The ccb pipes and tobacco, together with work took hours. Mr. O'Gorman had soft drinks and everything. Everybody 29 hairs to the square inch. He won a had a good time and there was more \$1000 accident policy for one year, a \$50 fun than the proverbial barrel of mon-

Ten years ago The Advance was urgwere valuable prizes for the seven first ing better pay for witnesses, jurors and in the contest, while each of the others others in court cases. The expense of

loss of wages, time and comfort, and the small return from the fees allowed, constituted injustice to all doing court

duty. The Advance said. At Christmas time ten years ago The Advance persisted in wishing the people of Timmins a "Happy" New Year, th reference being to the firm hope of the election of "Happy" Longmore as mayor. Anyway, it was one Christmastime wish that came true, and the town had a "Happy" year in 1927.

There were many happy items in The Advance ten years ago, but there also some sad ones. One of the latter told of the death of the four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Mascioli who passed away after an illness of only some ten days. The funeral was held on Dec. 22nd to St. Anthony's church, Rev. Fr. Theriault saying the requiem high mass. Interment was made in the Mascioli vault at the Timmins cemetery. There was a profusion of beautiful floral

over fifty children having the time of of the whiskers he wore," said "Lap." their young lives. After the children gave an excellent programme of music. recitation, etc., Santa Claus arrived was a gorgeous supper. Then a delightful concert by the adults, followed S.S. No. 1 A, Tisdale Grazio Piva, Hilda Hodgins, Flora by dancing. The Cornish Club left the decorations for others using the hall during the Christmas season.

A very successful social and dance, under the auspices of the St. David's Welsh Society, was held in the Hollinger hall ten years ago. About 200 guests enjoyed by all. One of the special features of the evening was a recitation by Mrs. Geo. E. Hale.

Gift," was the big feature at the Senior Sunday School Christmas tree and conyears ago.

The Advance ten years age made very were 50 cases of typhoid here at the than half a dozen. Fortunately there was no typhoid epidemic here then or at any other time, though unfortunately there were strangely-constituted folks to peddle such yarns.

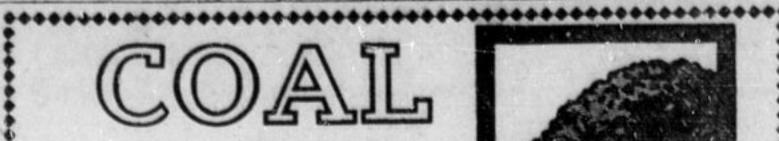
South Porcupine started the season ten years ago at Timmins with 3-2 win in a fast game of hockey with Timmins Juniors. There was a large crowd out for the game, Arundel, Fox and Charlebois were the stars for Timmins. Bingham was the star for South Porcupine. his goal tending being something to write about. Charlie Roach was re-

An operetta, "The Magic Ruby," was given by the pupils of the Dome and South Porcupine schools at South Porcupine ten years ago, and the event proved an outstanding success.

Among the local and personal notes in The Advance ten years ago was the following:-"Miss Pearl Hutchison left this week for her home in Trout Creek, Londry, Ont." "The handsome new store erected by John Dalton at the corner of Cedar street and Third avenue was the scene of a most successful bazaar afternoon tea and bean supper on Saturday. The event was under the auspices of the Ladies' Altar Society of the Church of the Nativity." "A. W. Pickering left on season at his old home near Toronto." 'R. A. Marshall, of Haileybury, was a Timmins visitor on Sunday and Monher recent illness." "Mr. Alex Torry | vert, Louis Rosco. left this week for his home in the South to spend Christmas, after which he will take up residence in Detroit, Mich.' "The New Empire theatre, after being closed down for some time, re-opened on Monday. The New Empire has been re-equipped for motion pictures and is better now than ever, having two upto-date machines and all the other necessary equipment." "Miss Annie McQuarrie left on Friday morning for a three weeks' holiday in Toronto." "Two grips containing eight gallons of liquor were seized last week by the police on Train No. 47 as it stopped at Haileybury. This is the sort of thing that takes the merriment out of Merry Christmas to many in the North. "Miss Etta C. MacLeod, who has been on the office staff of Simms, Hooker and Drew, left for her home at Dayton, Ontario, this week on account of poor health. Many friends made by Miss MacLeod during her residence in Timmins will regret her departure from town where she was very popular in many circles, and all will wish her speedy recovery to complete health." "The home of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Kee, Schumacher, was the scene of a pleasant Christmas party on Saturday evening in honour of their eldest son, Charles. About twenty school-mates and friends were present. The first part of the evening's entertainment was a dinner in which all played a very prominent part. The room and tables were artistically decorated for the occasion. After dinner the young people enjoyed themselves in music, dancing and interesting games until close upon the midnight hour when the gay company dispersed with the most pleasant

An idea of the fame that came to the Timmins Charity Turkey Stag ten year ago, largely through the interest roused by the Whiskerino contest, may be gathered from the fact that for liter- 3 ally months The Advance was bomother was from Seattle. There were several from Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. On Tuesday of this week telegram from The New York Times,

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Two Months

The following is the report of S.S. No. were present and a delightful time was | 1A. Tisdale, for November and De-

Names in order of merit. Standing from Sr. III to Sr. IV, 6 A Christmas pageant, "The Greatest per cent.; from Sr. Pr. to Jr. III, 70

Senior IV-Helen Henaberry, Viola cert at the Trinity United Church ten Mansfield, Lillian Belisle; Charles Pajala and Frank Richards equal; Frances Cunningham, Gertie Lillhoog; Harry emphatic denial of a story circulated Disher and Nick Toderan equal; Elizaaround town to the ecect that there beth Cameron, Hazel Steves, Henry Kohtala, Evelyn Mitchell, Lloyd Owens, time. Enquiry at the board of health George Romanick, Betty Couch, Ileen office revealed the fact that instead of Hoelke, Margaret Bowes, Frank Briden. fifty cases of typhoid there were less Jolly Howe, Alice Robertson, Rauno Wanen, Lawrence Mahon.

> Jr. IV-K. Ship, teacher-Austin Gibbons, Audrey Jamieson, Jean Dysart, Isabel Hepburn, Sadie Pasanen, Luella Johnston, Eura Smith, Vivian Ferrigan, Bonnie Clark, Tommy Mahon, Harry Coott, Kauko Vesala, Clara Lindross, James Dogue, Edwin Brown, Kevin Cahill, Harry Robinson, Marjorie Ewing, Keijo Ilola, Rose Hoelke, Betty Curboy Geraldine Rogers, Mary Sekulick, Martha Luhta; Leo LaMothe and Colin Robinson, equal: Adelaine Jakes, Walter Firth, Lucy Olivieri, Terry Pullin, James Fera.

> Sr. III-E. Cumming, teacher-John Farkas, Evelyn Disher, Stanley Mahon, Nelson Terrien, Eileen Edwards, Paul Lamothe, Annie Mozdir; Douglas Farren and Eric Kehusmaa, equal; Donald Galbraith, Lillian Harry, Roy LaForest, Kirtha Nikkanen, Norma McCaw, Jack

> Jr. IV--Kauko Nikkanen, Rita Woon Leo Aro, Stewart Reed, Gordon Smith, Walter Rachanski, Phil Deacon.

Sr. III-O. Walker, teacher-Jimmy Cuthbertson, Aina Heikkila, Eila Korhonen; George Toderan and Dolores Guitard, equal; Leona Sullivan, Kathleen Pyke, Alden Pasanen, Donald Mc-Tuesday morning to spend the holiday Cullock Albert Bartosevich, Ruth Emdin and Annie Kelly, equal; Rauto Lillhoog; Wilma Finan and Walter Larsen equal; Arline Hilberg, Frances Bennett, day." "Her many friends will be pleas- Nanette Christie; Jenny Shuster and ed to know that Mrs. M. A. Ellis is Murray Dryman; Audrey McCaw, Helmaking good progress to recovery from en Seppala, Charlie Brown, Jack Sy-

Room 9-Jr. III. V. Rapsey, teacher-Honours: Mary Reshetarski and Donald Briden equal; Patricia Mahon, George Aro, Phyllis Cahill, Leo Huhta, Bernica Kosobuski. Pass: Fred Ostrom, Kalervo Vesala, Robert McIntosh, Edith Blakeman, Mary Dasovitch; Gordon Kaufman and Elvan Kavanaugh, equal; Terry Falentino, Nelson Farrel, Evelyn

Room 6-E. Paolini, teacher-Jr. II-Frank Hawes, Hilkka Salonen, Margare McLellan, George Dubinsky, John Mc-Lellan, Paul Pearce, Donalda Kingston, Flora Turner.

Jr. III-Sheila Miller, Betty Hansen; Jean Carruthers and Billy Adamo, equal; Rita Costello, Aimee Strand, Helen Cundari, Betty Deacon, Eino Niemi, Robert Mairs.

Second Class-R. M. Donlevy, teacher-Nadyne Smith and Teresa Smith equal; Mary Harper, Minnie Zabiak, Annie Rechetnyck, Juanita Fortune; Paul Croteau and Andy Sliz equal; Helen Andsten, Eila Ollila, Alma Johnsten, Thomas Young: Ellen Disher and Mary Merlo, equal; Bethel Bowes, Jean Murrell, Ero Ketola.

Sr. I-(A and B classes)-G. Higgins, teacher — Freda Rashanska, Ruth Steeves, Annie Pajala, John Mozdier, Melbourne Hodgins, Lorne Richards; Billie Lamb and Wilburn Finan, equal; Helka Salanen, Oliver Heikkela, Mitchell Hyrnuik, Mauno Haavesto. Junior Class-Wilfred Toppari, Olga

Reshitarski, Marilyn Cliff, Sheela Ross, Mary Rubic, Edith Bennett, Mary Dubinsky, Jean Whitton, Bobby Spitz. First Class-M. Levinson, teacher-

saying:- "Please rush picture Pat Sylvia Koski, Norine White, Esther The Cornish Social Club Christmas O'Gorman wearing whiskers." The Forstad, Ada Mazzacato; Ina Niemi, tree and social was held in the Hollin- Advance turned the wire over to "Lap" Alice Roos and Laila Antila, equal; ger Recreation hall on Dec. 18th, 1926. Laprairie for reply. "I'll see they get Kathleen Boniferro, Clara Covey, Olive It was a wonderful Christmas party, the a picture of the winner of the famous | Hells, Nancy Ann McNeil, Helena Nishall being beautifully decorated, and Whiskerino, as well as some samples kola, Joan Sullivan, Eino Ylijoki; Hilkka Kangas and Gerald Rosebrugh.

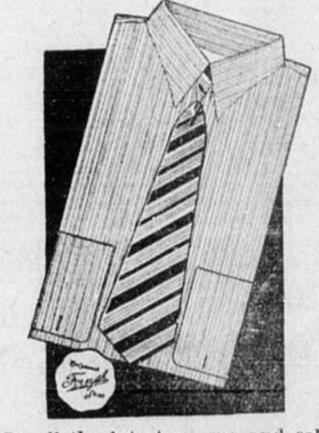
> Sr. Primer-Billy Smeltzie, Johnnie Sicoli, Billy Pearce, Ray Godin, Lois

Sr. Primer-E. Wanless, teacher-Reed, Kenneth Mack, Garry Mansfield. Standing of the Pupils in the Lucille Mitchell; Martin Kosobuski and Hopey, Krushnir, equal; Wilson Turner, Various Classes for Past Jermo Huumo and Amy Diagtenais, equal; Kauko Viuto, Buddy Gagnon, Wilbert Hakala, John Adamo.

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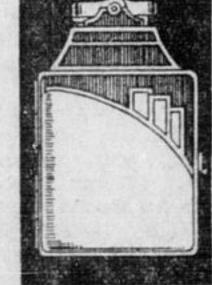
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