

TIMMINS THEATRES OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

On and after June 1st, 1937, due to the Amusement Tax being abolished by the Ontario Government, the following Admission Prices will be in effect at the local theatres:

Palace Theatre		Goldfields Theatre	
MATINEE			
Adults	32c	Adults	27c
Children	20c	Children	15c
EVENING			
Adults	45c	Adults	45c
Children	25c	Children	20c

SPECIAL MATINEES—All Children 10c
Signed, E. P. COLOMBO, Gen. Mgr.

Further Details on the Correspondence Courses

Youngsters in North and Other Sparsely-Settled Areas of Ontario Tramp Miles to Post Office to Receive Correspondence Courses. Two Thousand Now Enrolled.

Having advocated a trial of the correspondence courses of education for children in sparsely-settled areas where no schools can be maintained, and later having supported the Timmins Board of Trade and the Northern Ontario Associated Boards of Trade in pressing the matter on the Ontario Government, The Advance has always been interested in the Ontario correspondence courses. From time to time references to the courses have appeared in The Advance. For some reason or another the travelling school (the school on wheels) has made more of a spectacular appeal to people in general. But the work accomplished by the correspondence courses is considerably greater than that of the railway cars which are naturally restricted to certain areas in their work. The correspondence courses on the other hand are used all over the province. Starting with a mere handful of pupils they now have over 2000 enrolled. Children who would otherwise have been forced

to do without education, have graduated into high school, into business and into other lines, with no other foundation than the correspondence courses. It must be admitted that though the correspondence course have been successful in British Columbia, Alberta and other provinces, they have been of very special value in Ontario, and much of this notable success has been due to the interest, the ability and the enthusiasm of Dr. Neil McDougall, superintendent of the courses for the past fifteen years. He has shown himself the ideal man for the position.

This week there is an interesting article in the Correspondence Courses by Thelma Craig, staff writer of The Globe and Mail. Here is the article in full:—

Hinterland Children Educated by "Remote Control" Classes
Joseph Kjasowski, a fast-growing, ruddy-cheeked, tousle-headed lad of ten, jumps out of his feather bed at four o'clock every morning with the

first caw of the crow. Joseph, you see, is eager to get at those new lessons that just came in from Toronto.

Early yesterday, Joe left his rough-hewn log cottage in the thick of the wilderness up in Northern Ontario's hinterlands and, with his young sister and his collie dog, trudged over rock bog and woodland to the nearest post office, nine miles away.

Last night his eyes bulged and he grinned from ear to ear as he scampered at last into the cottage just as his mother lit one of the two coal oil lamps. He had thought back another consignment of school lessons from Ontario's Department of Education.

Far away, down in one of the more isolated parts of rural Southern Ontario, a little girl, so crippled from infantile paralysis that she is unable to attend school or even to use her hands, holds a brush between her teeth and puts the finishing blush on the group of peaches she is painting. To-morrow, this piece of art work will be forwarded to the Department of Education.

These were only two of the many similar instances of educational blessings brought to pioneer families in the sparsely settled districts, and to children whose physical handicaps prevent them from attending school, by means of the correspondence courses conducted by the Ontario Department of Education, which were cited yesterday by Neil McDougall, general inspector of the courses, and father of the movement which led to their establishment.

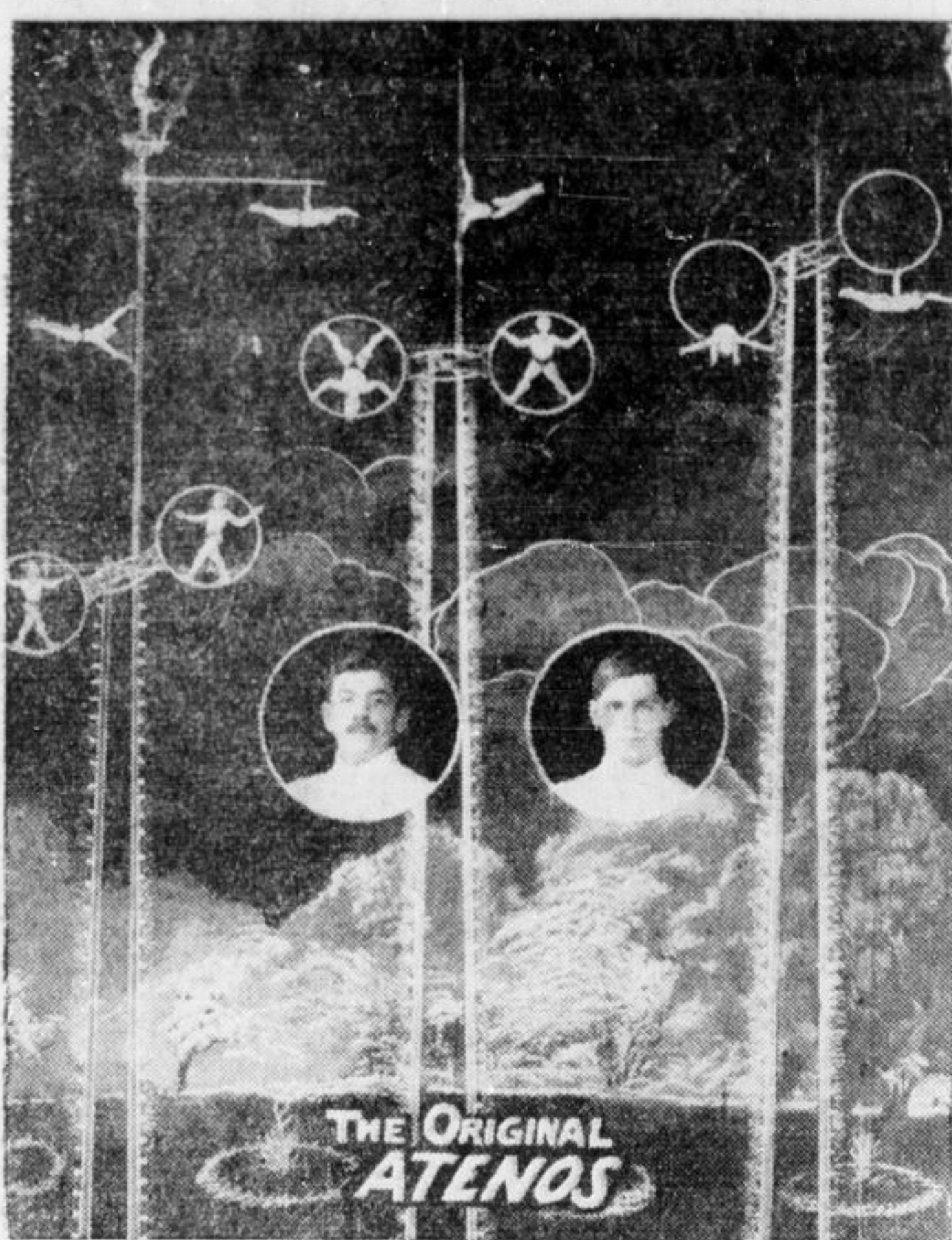
Yesterday, the kindly-faced, soft-spoken, clean-shaven man blushed like an excited school girl as he declared that the last fifteen years of his career had been the happiest.

"This work has given me a greater thrill than any other educational work I ever did in my whole life," commented the silver-haired educationist who has run the gamut of teacher, school inspector and departmental official. "The whole outlook of life of many parents and children in this province, has been greatly modified by the lessons sent out by the Department."

Near the eve of his retirement, Mr. McDougall refused to discuss anything but the correspondence courses which have been his daily diet for the past fifteen years. He recalls the strenuous opposition of the inspectors in the North Country to these when he proposed them. They simply would not meet the needs of those children in the hinterlands, the inspectors had declared. But undaunted by their criticism, he recommended them to the government and Hon. G. Howard Ferguson gave them his blessing.

"They succeeded far beyond the most sanguine expectations. The school in-

HUMAN SPIN-WHEELS THRILL TOWN STAR ACT AT CANADIAN LEGION SHOW



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spectors who were the most skeptical are now the greatest enthusiasts," Mr. McDougall said.

The enrolment in the courses has grown from 50 to more than 2000. Necessary books and supplies are furnished free of charge to all pupils and all expenses are borne by the Department of Education. A complete set of lessons based on the books and courses authorized for use in the public schools, from the primer to the end of the fifth class, is kept up to date. Assignments are mailed three times a month because there are many children who get mail no oftener than that. As soon as

work is completed satisfactorily in one grade, pupils are promoted to the next. Teachers who hold public or high school teachers' certificates with several years' successful teaching experience look after the assignments and their correction.

"We have the equivalent of a permanent staff of ten or twelve teachers. If the pupils were taught in regular schools they would require a staff of from 80 to 100 teachers. The average yearly per pupil cost is only one-seventh of what it is in rural schools or school cars. The correspondence courses provide the cheapest education in the world and the pupil measures well above the average in the schools of the province. Although the enrolment includes many persons whose native language is one or other of the many languages spoken in Europe, the language difficulty is easily overcome. Many parents, moreover, study side by side with their children," Mr. McDougall explained.

He produced many letters written by grateful parents and others from those who had visited the homes into which the lessons went. One saw pictures of youngsters musing down to post offices around a table eagerly looking through Christmas books—the only gifts received—sent to the children by the department. There was one child in the group who has to lie on his back for a year. And there were seventy patients in one of the provincial sanatoriums so interested in their lessons that they insisted they should continue throughout a large part of the summer holidays. Lessons are forwarded to the latter group, but not returned to the department for correction. The majority, however, of the ones taking correspondence courses are those in remote districts of the province.

Culvert 32 Years Old Collapses at Haileybury

Haileybury, May 27.—(Special to The Advance)—Collapse of a square timber culvert believed to have been installed under the road 32 years ago was responsible for a cave-in on Main street here late last week, one result being to close off that approach to the T. & N. O. station, vehicular traffic for which must take the alternative route by way of Browning street. Under town Foreman Silas Magee, replacement operations are under way, and a 20-inch galvanized iron culvert will be used instead of the timber structure which gave way. It is necessary, also, to put timber work under the street to make the repair job permanent.

The culvert which rotted away was used to carry under the street the waters of the small creek which is chiefly the overflow from the town's waterworks, and which, after passing under the railway tracks and street, follows a natural ravine until a storm sewer is reached. At the point where the road caved in there is a deep fill, and Mr. Magee, during the present operations, found there old stumps and other debris used for the purpose. Main street at this point is surfaced with a concrete pavement and efforts are being directed toward carrying on repair work without disturbing the pavement any more than is necessary.

Huntingdon Gleaser.—Clyde Dorrance, pipeline company superintendent at Arkansas City, Kan., has a dog named "Doc" who, since following his master down town at night, likes to loaf around awhile. At first, when Dorrance did not appear in time, he would trot on home. Friends of Dorrance, recognizing "Doc" downtown, began giving him rides. Now he refuses to walk home, but waits until some friend of his master's invites him into his car. He will not ride with a stranger. Several times, he has been found waiting on the running board of a car belonging to one of Dorrance's friends.

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Unexpected Display of Fireworks at Bay

Misdirected Rocket Causes Free Show. Narrow Escape from Serious Consequences.

North Bay had an incident on May 24th that will have a further tendency to take away some of the popularity from fireworks. Cobalt has been considering passing a by-law to restrict or forbid the sale of fireworks in that town on account of such flagrant misuse of fireworks as throwing them at the heels of women and others. Timmins and other towns have also suffered from similar idiotic misconduct with fireworks. This sort of thing will tempt many to seriously enquire as to whether it is worth while to endanger the comfort and safety of all for the fleeting pleasure there may be in fireworks. The North Bay case seriously threatened property. Probably a couple of hundred dollars worth of damage resulted as it was, while there was pressing danger for a time of very much more serious consequences. Late Sunday evening a band of youngsters were playing with fireworks near the store of Carmen Demario, Klock avenue, North Bay. A badly aimed sky rocket crashed through a small window above the plate glass window in Mr. Demario's store. The rocket dropped among the fireworks on display in the window and trouble broke loose. In a minute there were rockets and wheels and firecrackers exploding in that window. The plate glass window was shattered and not only the firecrackers in the window but other goods on display in the window and the store were also destroyed. The fireworks thus destroyed are given an estimated value of \$100, while the other loss and damage resulting is quoted as reaching an equal figure. For a time it looked as if fire resulting from the discharge of the fireworks in the window would destroy the store itself, but prompt and effective action avoided this.

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flames and when they ran to the rear they found they could not unlock the door there. Finally one of the boys by the use of a bottle was able to smash a bolt on the door and the group was then able to get outside to safety. In the meantime the fire brigade had been summoned and on arrival at the scene of the blaze were able to save the building. The explosions and the resulting fire, however, had caused a loss of some \$200. It is not stated what caused the explosion of the fireworks in the window—whether accident or design. In any case, it is evident that fireworks need care and sense in handling at all times.

Sudbury Star—A metallurgist says that metals get tired and have other human characteristics. A slot machine with a heart, observed a columnist, would be something.

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