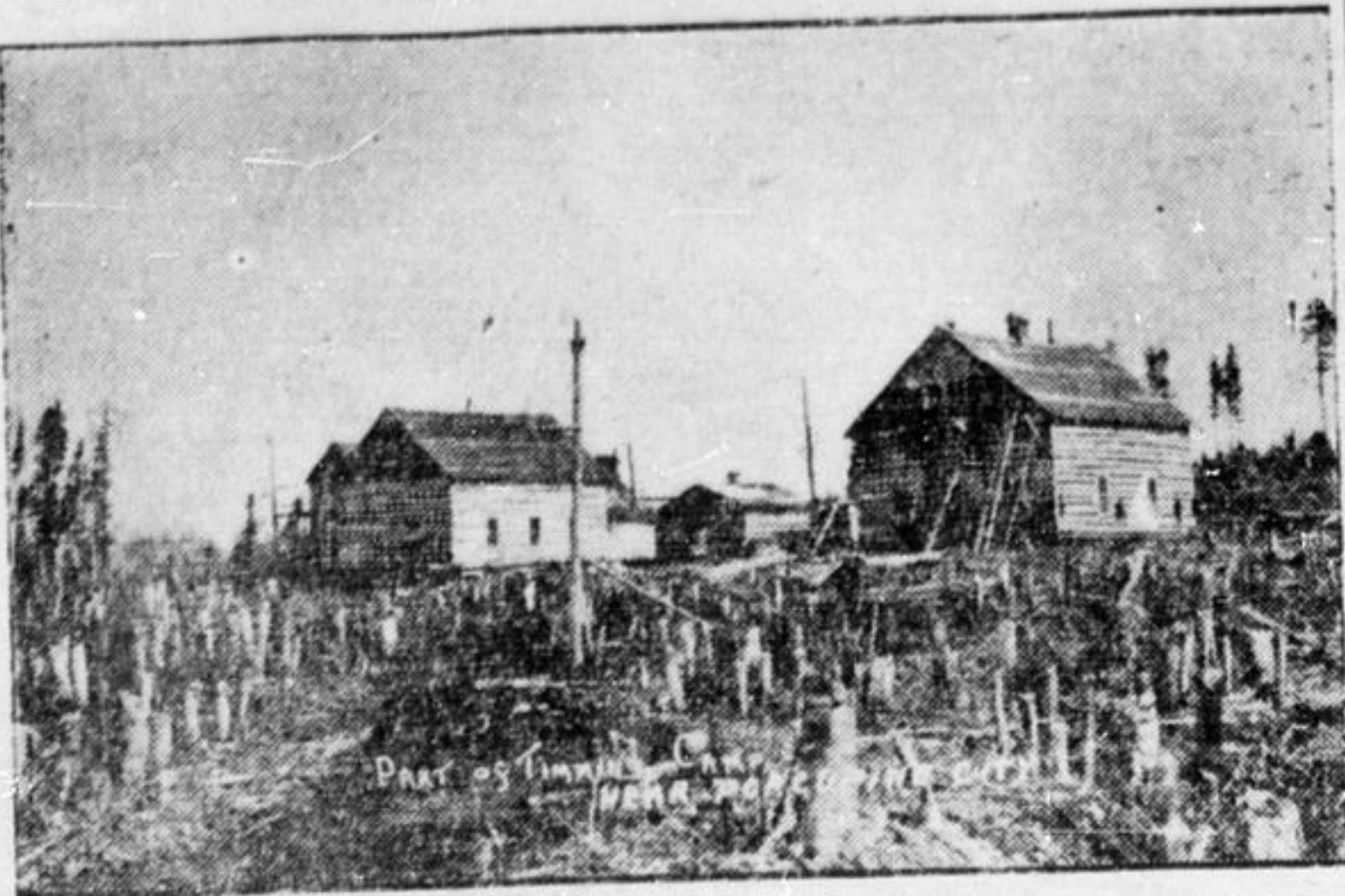


TIMMINS LOOKED LIKE THIS



Above is a photograph taken of part of the town of Timmins such as it was nearly twenty-five years ago.

First Finnish Sevrice at Timmins 24 years Ago

Rev. A. I. Heinonen Conducted Services at the House of Late Peter Kyllonen on Dec. 12th, 1913. Services at South Porcupine in Finnish Language on Same Day. Some Interesting Notes.

(By Rev. A. I. Heinonen) Twenty-four years ago next December 12th, the first service of worship was conducted in the Finnish language at Timmins by Rev. A. I. Heinonen, the present minister of the Finnish United Churches within the bounds of the Presbytery of Cochrane. The service was held at a boarding house, owned by the late Mr. Peter Kyllonen. At this service Hilma Lily Kinnari, the infant daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Matt. Kinnari, was baptized. Mr. and Mrs. Mike Koski served as sponsors. Also Senja Linnea Kyllonen and Urho Reino Kyllonen, the infant daughter and son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Kyllonen were baptized on this occasion. Mr. and Mrs. Mike Koski serving as sponsors also for them.

As one Finnish-speaking lady (probably Mrs. Kyllonen) was also present. Some two dozen Finnish-speaking citizens were present. Rev. Heinonen, who had his headquarters at Copper Cliff, had been given by the erstwhile Presbyterian Church in Canada in June of 1913 the New Canadians of Finnish and Swedish-speaking origin in the entire territory of New Ontario as his "parish." He ministered to all colonies of Finnish and Swedish-speaking citizens from Sault Ste. Marie in the South to Cochrane and Timmins in the North. In this capacity he conducted regular monthly services in Finnish and Swedish languages also at Timmins, South Porcupine, Porcupine and Cochrane, during the most northerly preaching stations, for a period of two years. At that time also the Scandinavian group was quite strong in this district both at Timmins and Cochrane. At that time the work proved too heavy for the young man, and the Home Mission Board agreed to send Mr. Edward A. Hart to serve the most northern end of the "parish," including Cobalt, North Cobalt, Halleybury, Timmins, South Cobalt, Halleybury, Timmins, South Cobalt, Halleybury and Cochrane. At the end of one year's work Mr. Hart was ordained by the Presbytery of Temiskaming at Halleybury, where under his ministry the Scandinavian congregation had completed the new Scandinavian Church building to take the place of the old one which had been destroyed by fire. The Rev. E. A. Hart ministered to the Finns and Scandinavians during a period of a few years, until his wife died at Cobalt. He moved to Aberdeen, Wash., U.S.A., where he is stationed at the present time. Rev. A. I. Heinonen again added temporarily this most northern territory to his already heavy work, until he accepted a call to Dunblane, Sask.



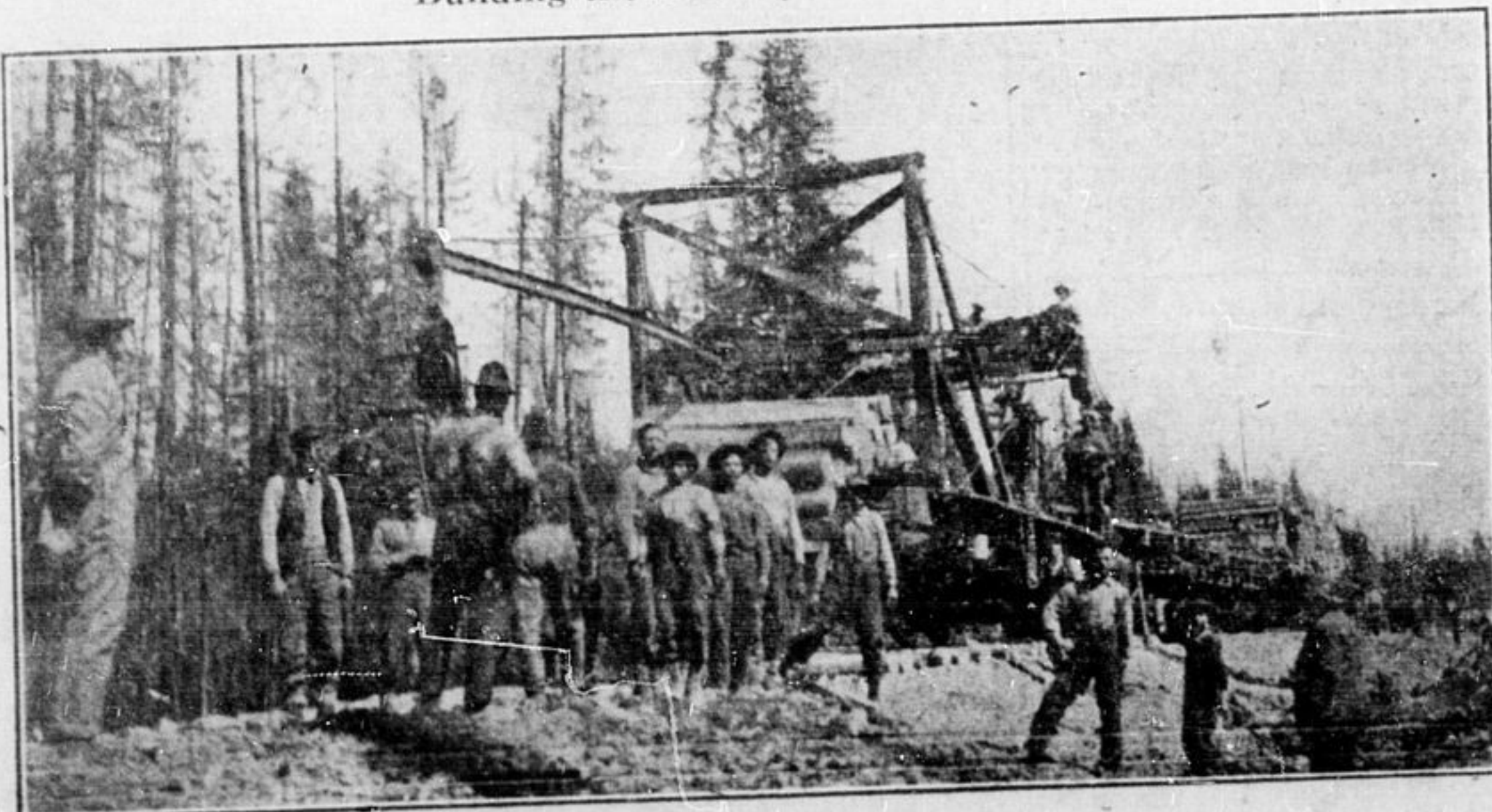
A. G. CARSON

Pioneer business man, councillor for several years, good citizen, now Children's Aid Inspector.

At South Porcupine the first service of worship was conducted in the Finnish language by the same minister the same day. The dining room of a Finnish boarding house had been rented for that evening, but at the hour when the service was to open, the proprietor refused to allow it. The worshippers walked across the street to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack J. Taipale, at their invitation. There the service was conducted by Rev. A. I. Heinonen, who also administered baptism to the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Taipale, Mr. and Mrs. John Walmaki serving as sponsors. Capacity crowds of Finnish-speaking citizens were present at these first services conducted the first time in the history of Timmins and South Porcupine in the language they understood.

These services were continued regularly once a month by Mr. Heinonen. A few months later the Scandinavians (Swedes, Norwegians and Danes), gathered for service of worship in the Swedish language. Rev. A. I. Heinonen conducted these services at the old, original little Presbyterian Church (now the United Church). Among those who were present at the first service of worship conducted were Mr. and Mrs. John Oscar Engstrom. Mr. Engstrom died Thursday, June 17th, this year. Mrs. Engstrom still quite vividly remembers this first Swedish service, which was conducted by Mr. Heinonen also in the Finnish language.

Building the Railway into Porcupine



have died since, others have moved away to other parts of Canada, and many have returned to Finland, Sweden, Norway and Denmark. Yet the work among the Finnish-speaking citizens has grown to a great extent. A great number of the Finnish-speaking residents have arrived from Finland and from all parts of Canada, until the United Church is now responsible for the spiritual needs of at least some three thousand speaking citizens all over the bounds of the presbytery of Cochrane, including Timmins, Schumacher, Gold Centre, South Porcupine, Golder, City, Pamour, Connaught, Cochrane, Kapuskasing, Hearst and other smaller settlements within the territory.

The Finnish congregation in Timmins is now a fully organized mission congregation, and the work has grown to such an extent in the Town of Timmins alone that a new church edifice will be erected as soon as possible to accommodate the many important activities of this virile congregation. Life in the Porcupine camp those pioneer years was not as polished as to-day. Professing Christianity among the non-English speaking residents was not as easy as in our day of 1937. Yet brave Christian men and women and children were found among those old-

Mayor of Timmins



R. RICHARDSON

Mayor of Timmins 1934 and 1935. Served several terms in town council before elected mayor. Won a name for himself through the years as a first-class citizen.

timers, who dared to come forward and work for the Kingdom of God, and in the spirit of Christ laid the foundations for Christian Canadian citizenship among the Finns and Scandinavians of the Gold Camp, visioning a better and more beautiful day for their children, to whom they have presented the task of carrying on. In our present day there is not a single group or organization among the Finns in which there would not be found many people who

Third Mayor of Timmins



DR. J. A. MCINNIS

For over seven years (1919-1926) Dr. J. A. McInnis was mayor of Timmins, being the town's third mayor. Previous to 1919, he served several years on the council and was chiefly instrumental for the founding of the excellent fire department here.

welcome the influence of the Christian Church. In the educational activities of the Timmins and South Porcupine Finnish United Church for instance each and every group known among the Finns is vitally interested.

Represents Government This Week

Hon. Paul Leduc to be Official Representative of Ontario Here This Week.

Hon. Paul Leduc, minister of mines in the Ontario Government, is representing the province officially during Timmins Silver Jubilee and Porcupine Old Home Week. Other members of the legislature and Dominion parliament who will be here are: Jos. A. Bradette, M.P. for Cochrane riding; John Rowlandson, M.P.P. for Cochrane South; Walter Little, M.P. for Temiskaming; and W. G. Nixon, M.P.P. for Temiskaming North.

Mrs. Benny Hollinger, widow of the discoverer of the Hollinger mine will be a guest of honour at the Timmins Silver Jubilee banquet to-morrow night in the Empire hotel, as will Leo Timmins, son of Noah A. Timmins.

Globe and Mail:—A Scotchman prefers blondes on account of the light overhead.

DOG RACE DAY USED TO BE BIG DAY



The above scene of one of the Porcupine Dog Race events at Timmins—once famous—is from an undated photo—probably 1918 or 1919. It shows a few of the dogs entered and a small part of the crowds that gathered. In recent years there have been no annual dog races, but the event used to be a big feature each year. The course was from Timmins to South Porcupine and back.

Opening Hollinger Mill in 1912

Was Second of the Larger Mills in the Camp.

The following is from The Porcupine Advance of July 5th, 1912 (The Advance being published then at South Porcupine):—

"Yesterday was an eventful one in the annals of local mining, it being the occasion of the formal opening of the Hollinger mill. This brought to the town members of the Timmins-McMarion-Dunlap syndicate, the directors of Hollinger, to witness operations of Hollinger, they arrived by special car and there, they immediately proceeded to the business in hand. The Hollinger is the second

of the large mills in this camp, and interest in its successful operation is of much concern to its owners and the district mining public. The "limber-up" process has been going on for about three weeks, and the mill is now at work on ore. The machinery is in perfect working order, and the first clean-up and shipment of bullion should be had within a week. At present the Hollinger is equipped with 30 stamps, but its battery will soon be added to by 10 additional stamps, which will give it the same complement of stamps as the Dome. The cyaniding plant is all ready to treat the output of the stamp mill. Unlike the Dome equipment the Hollinger is of the tube mill pattern, and it has adopted pan amalgamation instead of plate amalgamation in service at the Dome. The percentage of recovery is 96 at the latter, so that there will be much interest in the outcome of the Hollinger clean-up."

OPENED EXPRESS OFFICE FOR SOUTH PORCUPINE

A. G. Luxton, well-known resident of Timmins, Ingot Falls and other centres in the North, opened the first express office at South Porcupine.

Truck to be Used for Prison

Travellers have Amusing Feature for the Big Week.

A "prison" truck, operated by the Association of Commercial Travellers, North Bay division, will be one of the comedy features of July 1st in Timmins Silver Jubilee and Porcupine Old Home Week. Look out if the travellers catch you misbehaving! It mean trial and perhaps a fine!

Mayors, Councillors Timmins Since 1912

(Continued from Page One) J. W. Fogg, A. Brazeau, J. M. Studor, W. DeFeu. Ninth council—For 1920, Dr McInnis was re-elected mayor by acclamation and the following were elected councillors by acclamation—E. L. Longmore, L. S. Newton, John W. Fogg, D. Laprairie, W. DeFeu, and J. M. Studor. Tenth council—For 1921 there was a contest for the mayoralty and another for the council. For mayor Dr McInnis, and councillors E. L. Longmore, L. S. Newton, T. F. King, J. E. Sullivan, J. E. Morin and E. S. Noble. Eleventh council—For 1922 Dr. McInnis was re-elected by acclamation. Councillors—Messrs. Longmore, Noble, Newlin, Morin, Bacon and T. F. King. Twelfth council—For 1923 Dr. McInnis was re-elected mayor by acclamation and the councillors who were elected by acclamation were: E. L. Longmore, L. S. Newton, J. E. Sullivan, J. H. Bacon, J. E. Morin and F. M. Wallingford.

Thirteenth council—For 1924 Dr. McInnis received another acclamation. Council elected was: E. L. Longmore, H. Charlebois, Geo. S. Drew, J. H. Bacon, F. M. Wallingford, J. Morrison.

Fourteenth council—For 1925 Dr. McInnis received another acclamation and the councillors were also elected by acclamation as follows:—J. H. Bacon, E. L. Longmore, F. M. Wallingford, H. Charlebois, Geo. S. Drew and J. E. Morin.

Fifteenth council—There were two elections for the 1926 council. In the first one Dr. J. A. McInnis was elected mayor, and council consisted of E. L. Longmore, Geo. S. Drew, Dr. J. H. Bacon, Mr. E. G. Dickson; council, Dr. Brennan, Dr. J. H. Bacon, H. Charlebois and J. Morrison.

Sixteenth council—The election for 1926 has above was protested and a new election was ordered by the judge. The second election was on March 5th 1926. Mayor, Mr. E. G. Dickson; council, Dr. Brennan, Dr. J. H. Bacon, H. Charlebois, Geo. S. Drew, E. L. Longmore, J. H. Bacon, H. Charlebois and J. Morrison.

Seventeenth council—The 1927 vote was the largest ever cast in Timmins up to that time, over 2500 voting. E. L. Longmore was elected mayor, and Councillors George S. Drew, W. H. Pritchard, A. G. Carson, Dr. J. H. Bacon, Francis, and Dr. Brennan.

Eighteenth council—Mayor Longmore was elected mayor by acclamation for 1928, and the council Geo. S. Drew, W. H. Pritchard, A. G. Carson, P. Dougal and Dr. Brennan. Dr. Brennan withdrew and as there were now only four councillors R. Richardson, and C. P. Ramsay were elected by acclamation.

Nineteenth council—The council for 1929 was elected by acclamation as follows: Geo. S. Drew, mayor; A. G. Carson, R. Richardson, P. Dougal, C. P. Ramsay, H. Charlebois, and Alfred Caron.

Twentieth council—For 1930 Mayor Geo. S. Drew was re-elected by acclamation and the following were councillors, also elected by acclamation: A. G. Carson, R. Richardson, Alfred Caron, C. P. Ramsay, Dr. Lee Honey and J. T. Chenier.

Twenty-first council—For 1931 council board, Geo. S. Drew was re-elected mayor by acclamation, and the results of the contest for council were: Alfred Caron, Dr. S. L. Honey, J. T. Chenier, R. Richardson, J. E. H. Chateauvert and John Morrison.

Twenty-second council—For 1932 although the council were elected by acclamation there was a battle for office were Geo. S. Drew and J. E. H. Chateauvert, with Geo. S. Drew being elected mayor. The councillors were R. Richardson, Dr. S. L. Honey, J. Morrison, J. T. Chenier, Alfred Caron and A. F. Dooley.

Twenty-third council—For 1933's mayor and council there were hard-fought battles all round. Geo. S. Drew was again elected mayor, and council was Dr. S. L. Honey, J. Morrison, R. Richardson, J. K. Massie, Geo. W. Parsons and Moise Maltais.

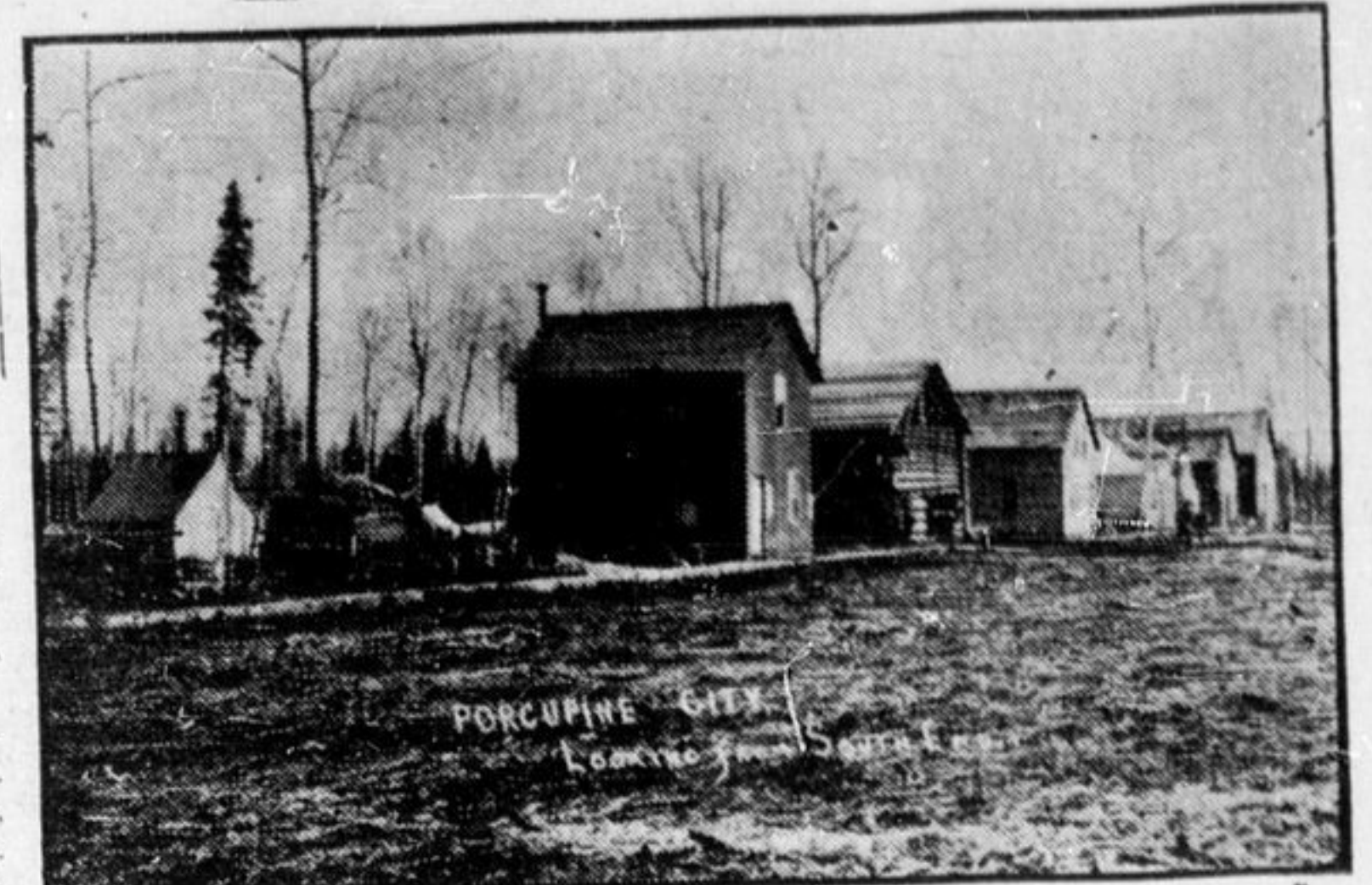
Twenty-fourth council—For the year 1934 R. Richardson was given his first acclamation as mayor. Council: J. E. H. Chateauvert, Moise Maltais, David Laprairie, Alex Belec, J. P. Bartleman, Albert Paquette.

Twenty-fifth council—For 1935—Mayor R. Richardson by acclamation. Council—W. P. McDermott, Dr. Day, J. P. Bartleman, J. E. H. Chateauvert, A. Caron, J. Morrison.

Twenty-sixth council—For 1936—Mayor J. P. Bartleman; council—Dr. Day, A. Caron, J. E. Brunette, P. H. Laporte, L. Cousins, W. P. McDermott.

Twenty-seventh council—For 1937—Mayor J. P. Bartleman; council, P. H. Laporte, L. Cousins, W. Wren, J. E. Brunette, W. P. McDermott, A. Des-Rechtes.

FIRST TOWN IN THE PORCUPINE



This is a view of the first town in the Porcupine camp—Porcupine City, looking from the south. Not, perhaps, a very large or impressive city, but there are lots of fond memories about that collection of buildings.

Members of Early Councils



DR. H. H. MOORE

Served several terms as councillor, and for over twenty years the able and valuable Medical Health Officer of the town. His services to the people and the town have won the esteem of all.



C. G. WILLIAMS

For many years superintendent of Hollinger, councillor, member of school board and active in every good work.

Tuesday Ladies' Night

Tuesday will be Ladies Night at the series of Empire hotel banquets being held this week as part of Timmins Silver Jubilee and Porcupine Old Home Week. To-night is International Banquet; to-morrow, Timmins Silver Jubilee banquet; Wednesday, Porcupine Pioneers banquet; and Thursday, Dominion Day banquet. A limited number of tickets are available at the Empire hotel desk.

BASEBALL TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO IN PORCUPINE

The Advance twenty-five years ago told of a baseball match at Timmins with South End team, the score being 17 to 5 in favour of Timmins. The line-up for Timmins was—Auer, Racicot, McCoy, Edis, Guilfoyle, Bell, Nolan, Gauthier, Smith, Cunningham, McKay. South Porcupine:—Feney, Geo. Lake, Clemens, Tidball, Brown, Southee, Hatch, Blosser, Kennedy, Quinn.

TRY TO KEEP UP

Among the things noticed on the roads since the 50-mile limit went into effect are the drivers who are trying to get that rate of speed out of ancient vehicles incapable of reaching it. Brockville Recorder and Times.

FIRST MOTOR CAR IN PORCUPINE



"We Never Sleep" is the motto of John Dalton, pioneer of the Porcupine. That is, perhaps, another way of expressing the idea of being wide-awake. In any event John Dalton in business and in other lines was always well ahead of the procession. While still carrying on a lively business, he had the first motor car in Porcupine. He may be seen in the car in front of the Bank of Commerce building at South Porcupine.

Lots of Dancing This Week

Another of the Features of Silver Jubilee Week Here.

All Timmins dance orchestras will be busy during the celebration of Timmins Silver Jubilee and Porcupine Old Home Week. Three places, offering a wide variety have been set aside for this entertainment: the Riverside pavilion, where Andy Cansiano and his orchestra will appear; the ball park, where Gordon Archibald and his music will be; and on Wednesday evening on Cedar street south, Al Pierini and his orchestra will provide the music.