

TEN YEARS AGO IN TIMMINS

From data in the Porcupine Advance Files

After being disposed for a couple of years, Mr. Thomas F. King ten years ago was removed to St. Mary's Hospital where he passed away. He had suffered for some time from heart trouble and spent some months in the Toronto General Hospital, and returned here apparently improved, but later was taken ill again. The news of his death, though not unexpected, came as a decided shock to wide circle of friends and acquaintances. The late Mr. King was a native of Morrisburg, Ont., and came to McDougall's Chutes, (Matheson), in the early days of this country, being in business there in 1908, and known and esteemed by all in the country at the time. In 1910, in the early days of the rush he moved to Golden City (Porcupine), where he opened a poolroom. Later he moved to Timmins where he established the King's Amusement Parlours, widely known as one of the best equipped and best conducted institutions of its kind. The late Mr. King took an active interest in municipal matters, being a member of the Timmins council for two years. He also served as a member of the separate school board and in other public activities. It was, however, as a member and officer of the Timmins Board of Trade that the time and talent he so generously gave to the public was of special service to the coun-

try. For several terms he was president of the Board of Trade and his energy and ability helped to inaugurate many things for the benefit of the town and country.

Ten years ago the fire brigade answered a call to 83 Elm St. S., owned and occupied by Mr. N. Caron. Mrs. Caron had used some coal oil to light the fire and as often happens in such cases, the coal oil exploded. Mrs. Caron was rather badly burned about the hands and body but managed to get the flames out on her clothing, while at the same time protecting the baby in her arms. The baby, however, suffered serious burns and had to be taken to the hospital, where it made excellent progress to recovery. Mrs. Caron was at her home and also suffered no permanent injury from the unfortunate accident.

Mr. Thomas Lake died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. Garvin, Barrie, Ontario, ten years ago after a comparatively brief illness. A week or so previously he suffered a stroke, from the effects of which he did not recover. At the time of death he was about 90 years old, but despite this unusual age he had enjoyed remarkably good health until a short time before his death. Until his last illness he retained all his faculties and was surprisingly active for one of his years. For a number of years he had been living retired, and he was a frequent visitor to Timmins where he spent extended visits at the home of his son, Mr. Geo. Lake, proprietor of The Advance. Here the late Mr. Lake made wide circles of friends by his geniality, his shrewd wit and humour, and his keen interest in a wide range of topics.

In the Advance ten years ago: "The Dumbells revue, 'Why Worry,' showing here last Friday and Saturday at the Goldfields Theatre under the auspices of the I.O.D.E., proved a noteworthy success and the Daughters of the Empire are again complimented on bringing so excellent an entertainment

to town. There were full houses each evening and at the matinee and all enjoyed the show from beginning to end. It is understood that the I.O.D.E. cleared a couple of hundred dollars as their share of the proceeds, and they are using it as a nucleus for a fund with which they intend to furnish and equip a room in the public hospital here as the I.O.E. ward."

Ten years ago Mrs. Joe Salo, of the Bartleman townsite, was the victim of a murderous assault, and was taken to the hospital suffering from a fractured jaw and a fractured skull as well as other minor injuries. "It is feared that she will not recover," said The Advance ten years ago. "Discovery of the terrible accident was made about eight o'clock on Wednesday morning when the woman regained consciousness and sent her little boy of nine years of age for help. Chief McInnis, of Tisdale, was notified, and the Tisdale and town police at once got busy. First the woman was removed to the hospital where every attention was given her to save her life, if possible. Then search was taken up for Joe Salo, the husband. In her moments of consciousness, Mrs. Salo said that the man had attacked her with an axe, inflicting the injuries sustained. She lost consciousness, and when she regained her senses for a time she sent her boy for help. In the meantime Salo had disappeared but the police are confident they will find him. Apparently after the woman lost consciousness she was just on the bed and covered up with blankets. Her assailant may have thought she was dead."

A local dealer in old metal, who was committed for trial on charges of receiving stolen goods before Magistrate Atkinson ten years ago, was tried by Judge Caron at Cochrane and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary on the charges. The evidence showed that brass fittings and copper wire had been taken by boys from the brewery in Timmins and the mines around here and sold for prices much below value. The story told by the boys suggested that the dealer encouraged them to bring him goods and that he must at least have had a suspicion that they were not coming by the goods honestly. There was no doubt in the judge's mind that the accused had encouraged the boys to steal even if he had not actually incited them to crime. He had taken no precautions to see that the boys, who were quite young had any title to the goods. He kept no proper books or records.

Friends in Timmins learned with very deep regret of the sudden death ten years ago of Lieut.-Col. Bramwell Taylor, the editor of The War Cry. He visited Timmins in 1926 and made a host of friends here by his talent and personality. He was given a great reception on his visit here and appreciated very much the general recognition given to his talent and services, by his genial earnestness in his chosen work. Brigadier Taylor was later transferred to Winnipeg, where he was in command of an extended territory and was doing excellent work for the Army.

At the regular weekly luncheon of the Timmins Kiwanis Club on Monday at the Empire Hotel, the visitors for the occasion included: Jos. Beeman, secretary of the New Liskeard Kiwanis Club; Norman Hull, travelling representative of the Cinematograph Co. Through a misunderstanding as to time the speaker expected for the day, Rev. A. Lappala, who was to have spoken on "Finland and the Finnish People," was unable to be present.

In the South Porcupine news ten years ago: (In part) "Great sor-

ONTARIO CONSERVATIVES HOLD MEETING



At a meeting of the Ontario Conservative Association held in Toronto, it was decided to hold the long awaited Conservative convention to select a new leader for the party, on December 8. C. S. Frost, president of the association, is shown here talking things over with J. A. Sanderson, ex-M.P.P.

row was felt throughout the camp when the word came in one Saturday last that Joe Rutherford had lost his life in the Arctic regions, having died on the trail on September 24th. Details to hand are very meagre, but the late Mr. Rutherford and also "Two-Bits" Cowan, were in a N.A.E.M.E. plane, which left them, promising to return in two days, but a blizzard came up which they knew would prevent the plane's return, and they attempted to come out themselves, but Rutherford succumbed on the trail to the effects of the exposure and hardship. "Two-Bits," as he has always been known in town, made his way to Baker's Lake, was rescued by a plane but not before both feet were badly frozen. He was again unfortunate, being one of those on the plane that turned turtle at Chesterfield Inlet, but fortunately no lives were lost, and he is now recovering in the Toronto General Hospital.

Despite the wet and disagreeable weather ten years ago, there was a good attendance at the United Church for the event under the auspices of the Young People's Society. Had the weather been more agreeable there would have been an even larger attendance, and had the people known of the genuine treat in store for them the auditorium would have been crowded, as the evening's programme merited. Mr. M. B. Scott very capably occupied the chair for the evening, and in a brief opening address foretold the very pleasing programme to be given. In addition to the main item of the evening, the "Story of Jean Valjean," told by Capt. the Rev. Mr. Clugston, of Toronto, there was a noteworthy programme of musical selections.

The social evening on October 4th, 1928, under the auspices of the St. John Ambulance Brigade, Timmins division, was one of great interest and pleasure and was generally agreed to be one of the most enjoyable events of its kind ever held in Timmins. The programme was an outstanding one, notable for its variety, interest and excellence throughout. There was a large attendance and all found the evening a very happy one. Those in charge of the programme received many well-merited compliments for the excellence of the programme and the success of the evening.

Among the local items in The Advance ten years ago: "Mr. D. B. Rochester and Mr. J. Lorne McDougall, of Ottawa, were Timmins visitors this week." "Mrs. Condie, matron at the children's shelter, is in Toronto this week, taking down to the Sick Children's Hospital, a little boy for treatment there, and to return at the weekend with two other children, one of these being a girl who has been at the Sick Children's hospital for treatment arranged for by the Children's Aid.

Sympathy Extended to Rouyn-Noranda Editor

There is general sympathy extended to Mr. D. A. Jones, editor of The Rouyn-Noranda Press, in the death of his mother, Mrs. Isobella Jones, who passed away at the home of her son, Rev. Fr. C. J. Jones, Calabogie. The late Mrs. Jones, who was in her ninety-second year, had been enjoying good health, but succumbed to an attack of pneumonia. The late Mrs. Jones, whose maiden name was Isabella McLellan, was born near Carlton Place, but lived for many years at Eganville and other parts of Renfrew County. In addition to her two sons, she is survived by three daughters. The funeral took place on Friday last at Eganville. His Excellency the Most Reverend Charles Leo Nelligan, D.D., Bishop of Pembroke, celebrated the pontifical high mass of requiem.

INNOCENCE

Wife—What is this ticket, darling?
Husband—Only a pawn ticket.
Wife—Why didn't you get two? Then we could both go.

variety of purposes, none of which adds to the receipts.

In recent years, the directors state, much of the service given to the camp by the Y.M.C.A. has centred about the younger citizens, who have had the use of its gymnasium, swimming classes and recreational facilities without charge. The Association has a number of paid-up members, but receipts from fees and from other sources connected with the building fall far short of meeting general expenses, and in recent years contributions from mining interests associated with the camp or formerly active here have helped to keep the Association going. President of the Y.M.C.A. is S. O. Austin, with S. R. Hall, general secretary.

Ask Govt. to Repair Haileybury Armory

West Wall of Structure Said to be in Unsafe Condition.

Haileybury, Oct. 20.—(Special to The Advance)—The offices of Walter Little, M.P. for Temiskaming, are being sought by Mayor S. J. Mason here in an effort to have the Department of National Defence at Ottawa undertake repairs to the Armory building, used as a skating arena during the winter months, but at present under the ban of the Dominion authorities because of what is described in a letter to the municipality as the "very unsafe condition" of the west wall of the structure.

There is no money available to repair the wall at present, the town learned from Major G. R. Chetwynd, of Military District No. 2, at Toronto, and his letter to the corporation intimates frankly the Dominion will not be responsible for any damage which may happen or for any claims which may be made if trouble should develop from this cause. Major Chetwynd's letter followed an examination of the building on October 8th.

The problem which has suddenly developed over the arena will, unless a satisfactory solution is found, affect seriously the operating of hockey teams this winter, including N.O.H.A. entries in the Central Group of that organization. It will also affect skating

facilities, which in recent years have been provided in the arena, and which the fire department had arranged to continue, as before, this coming winter. Firemen had arranged only last week to run the rink on the customary 50-50 basis with the municipality and had prepared to make some repairs which had been considered of a minor nature.

Major Chetwynd's letter notes that examination disclosed that the west wall of the building had bulged and was in "a very unsafe condition." It was feared that even if that side of the rink was not used any movement of the wall might cause a stampede, with possibly serious results to people in the building if such trouble should develop. The writer did not know when the condition noted could be remedied, as there are no funds available at present.

The letter continues with the statement that the Department of National Defence will not be responsible for any accident or claims arising from use of the building in its present allegedly unsafe condition, and it is recommended that "public functions be not held in the Armory and that the public should not be admitted to the building meantime. The Armory is a comparatively recently structure, constructed of brick and hollow tile. It is headquarters for the district company of the Algonquin Rifles and, among other uses, the rink section has been used for political gatherings and as additional ice at the district bonspiel.

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