

TEN YEARS AGO IN TIMMINS

From data in the Porcupine Advance Files

In The Advance ten years ago: "This week the grocery department of the Hollinger Stores, Ltd., is under new ownership being purchased by the Northland Grocers, Ltd., a new company establishing a chain of grocery stores in the North Land. While the Northland Grocers, Limited, is a new firm, the men behind it are all men with long experience and wide knowledge of the grocery business, being experts in both the wholesale and the retail lines. Previous to the taking over of the Hollinger Stores grocery, the firm had three stores already running—at Kapuskasing, Noranda and Rouyn. To these now are added the Hollinger grocery at Timmins, taken over on Tuesday of this week; the Dome Stores to be taken over on Dec. 1st; and the McIntyre grocery department, to be taken over on January 1st."

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Messrs J. G. Morrison and L. A. Hooks, of Montreal, well-known in the North where they were frequent visitors, were in Timmins ten years ago and on a Monday evening happened to stroll over to the Central public school and listened to the practice going on for preparation here on Dec. 19th and 20th, 1923, of the cantata, "Queen Esther." Both of these gentlemen being musical were inclined to be critical and were all braced up to be bored by the attempts they expected to hear in the handling by a local choir of such a selection. However, they got the surprise of their lives. "It was the finest presentation I have yet heard of," "Queen Esther," Mr. Morrison told The Advance. He added that he stayed throughout the whole practice because he could not prevail upon himself to leave earlier."

The entertainment ten years ago in the United Church under the auspices of the Young People's Society proved a most enjoyable one and the large number attending received fully double their money's worth. Chief Deyokah, the noted Cree Indian singer, elocutionist, etc., was not able to reach here until a late hour, the train on which he

was travelling being late. The Young People's Society, while awaiting the artist, put on an impromptu programme of their own which was well worth the price of the tickets and more. There were excellent vocal solos by Mrs. P. Carson, and Miss Sayles, pianoforte solos of much merit by Miss Anne Scott, and very pleasing violin numbers by Master David Horwitz. When Chief Deyokah arrived, the audience was given another treat. In the first part of the programme the artist was in Indian costume, and in the second part he wore evening dress. He sang Indian and other songs, gave recitations, sketches, etc. His presentation of "By the Waters of Minnatonka" was especially pleasing while his singing of the Indian lullabies was also unusually pleasing.

The ladies in charge of the canvass for membership to raise the required funds to pay off the indebtedness on the C.A.S. Shelter and to provide funds to carry on the Children's Aid work carried along the work in very effective way ten years ago. Up to November 22nd, 1923, they had already collected over \$1,600, and the most earnest effort was being made by the ladies to reach the objective they set themselves of \$2500. Mrs. Darling and Mrs. Eves gave practically their whole time to the organization and carrying on of the canvass while a number of other good workers gave very helpful assistance.

Ten years ago at Cochrane a man was arrested in connection with the murder of Inspector Constable at Cochrane in October, 1923. The police were very reticent in regard to the arrest made, but eventually the name of the arrested man was given out as John Evanchuk, the police saying that the accused man had been known to them for years as one believed to be engaged in blindpicking operations and as a frequenter of gambling places. The man was arrested in a Cochrane club, the North Star Athletic Association, Sergt. Frank Gardiner, Constable John Page and Constable Kisman, all of the provincial police, made the arrest. They found the accused in a card game, tapped him on the shoulder and asked him to come outside. He submitted to arrest quite quietly and the arrest was made without disturbance. Indeed, some others in the club were not aware that anything had happened. It was understood that a special officer had been engaged with the local provincial force for some time in working on the case.

A pretty wedding and one of much popular interest on account of the wide circles of friends of the bride and groom, took place ten years ago at the United Church, Timmins, when Miss Marianne Margaret Colborne, eldest daughter of Mrs. Colborne and the late Edward Colborne, was united in the holy bonds of matrimony to Mr. Ernest Kemball, son of Mr. A. G. Kemball, of Schreiber, Ont. The Rev. J. D. Parks officiated. The ceremony took place at the church at 7.30 and there were many friends in attendance. Mrs. J. D. Parks played the wedding music.

A meeting of the Timmins Board of Trade was held ten years ago in the town hall and the discussions on the various questions before the meeting were very interesting and helpful. One matter on which there was a unanimous opinion was that in regard to the plans suggested by Mr. A. F. Kenning, M.P.P., for the assistance of the farmers and settlers of the North who were badly handicapped through the unusual amount of rain which prevented the harvesting of the crops. The Board of Trade agreed with Mr. Kenning that the need was great. Many of the farmers and settlers were absolutely ruined and some of them would face starvation unless something turned out. The president referred to cases coming un-

Uses Both Hands to Write

Letter From a Man of 90

He asks us to excuse his writing. We do more than that—we congratulate him on being able to write at all at his age, especially as he has been suffering from rheumatism. This is what he says in his letter:—

"Three years ago I was in bed for six weeks with inflammatory rheumatism. Since that time I have been taking Kruschen salts, and have not had another attack. But the complaint left me with inflamed feet and it hurt me to walk. My hands were also somewhat stiff. I took Kruschen every morning before breakfast, and shall continue to do so, because I am sure they have kept me in good shape for three years. Excuse this writing, as I am ninety years old, and use both hands to write."

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The fortnightly band concert in the Goldfields theatre ten years ago was a popular success, all the artists being well received and their selections much appreciated. There was a large attendance at the event, several from South Porcupine, the Dome and Schumacher being in the audience.

At police court ten years ago three young men who disturbed the Sunday evening band concert at the Goldfields theatre were each fined \$10.00 and costs, a total of \$16.00 each. In addition the magistrate scored the three young men for their poor sportsmanship and their lack of good sense. They were not forced in any way to attend events of this kind. If they did not enjoy the programmes they could stay away. Hundreds of people who enjoyed the music had their evening spoiled by the lack of consideration for others of such young hoodlums. There were many complaints and announcement was made that the thoughtless or selfish disturbers would have to stay away or behave.

A sad accident occurred ten years ago whereby Herb. McDonald, popular and highly-respected in town, met death by being crushed by a falling pole. He was engaged with some other men in supervising the erection of a line to take power to the Rochester property. Poles were being cribbed on the cyanide, and in some way or another one of the poles fell, striking Mr. McDonald. He suffered the full force of the falling pole, his head and face being crushed and one leg broken. Death was instantaneous. The coroner investigated the tragedy and found the death accidental.

Ten years ago the Oddfellows at South Porcupine celebrated their fourteenth birthday by having a banquet with an impromptu concert and short dance afterwards. A number of guests were present from Timmins, and a very enjoyable time was had by all who were present.

Among the local items in The Advance ten years ago were: "Chief Borland received the sad news this morning that his brother, Mr. Arthur Borland, passed away last night at London, Ont. Mr. Arthur Borland, who had been seriously ill for some time with stomach trouble, was 49 years old at the time of his death. Sincere sympathy will be extended to Chief Borland in the

death of his brother." "Mr. O'Connor, one of the Provincial Children's Aid Inspectors, was a Timmins visitor this week, visiting the Separate School here and a number of homes, as well as the District Shelter, on his periodic tour of inspection regarding the welfare of the wards of the Society in the district." "Mr. Henry Massie, J.P., Toronto, brother of Mr. John Massie, of Second Avenue, has been in town for a week on a visit. He is a frequent visitor to Timmins." "Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Henderson, of Ottawa, were Timmins visitors this week." "Mr. W. L. Donovan, of Hamilton, was in the camp this week on business." "Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Amos, of Toronto, are visitors to Timmins this week. Mr. Amos, who is the president of the A. E. Moyses Co., is well-known and popular all through the North, having spent many years in this country in its pioneer days." "Mr. and Mrs. S. T. R. Barton, of Winnipeg, were visitors to the camp last week." "Mr. Frank Horne, of the A. E. Moyses Co. Toronto, was in town during the week-end." "Mrs. G. E. Bull, of Edmonton, Alberta, returned home this week after spending a couple of months the guest of her mother, Mrs. J. C. Rowe." "Mr. Henry Massie, of Toronto, is the guest of his brother, Mr. J. Massie, Timmins." "Mr. G. S. Lowe 155, on Sunday for Toronto, where Mrs. Lowe and little daughter, Barbara, have been for a couple of weeks."

If You Like Books

(By A. H.)

This seems an appropriate time of the year to quote D. C. Scott's "The First Snow." Soon the snow will cover every bit of the ground, and the whole world will seem clean and pure, covered as it will be by its glamorous and unrevealing blanket of white, and winter will truly be "the master of the year."

"THE FIRST SNOW"

(By D. C. Scott)

The field pools gathered in a frosted lace;
An icy glitter lined the iron ruts,
And bound the circle of the muskrat huts;
A junco flashed about a sunny space
Where rose stems made a golden amber grace;

Between the dusky alder's woven ranks,
A stream thought yet about his summer banks,
And made an August music in the place.

Along the horizon's faded shrunken lines,
Veiling the gloomy borders of the night,
Hung the great snow clouds washed with pallid gold;
And stealing from his covert in the pines,
The wind, encouraged to a singing flight,
Dropped in the hollow conquered by the cold.

Then a light cloud rose up for hardihood,
Trailing a veil of snow that whirled
Blown softly like a shroud of steam or smoke,
Sallied across a knoll where maples stood,
Charged over broken country for a rood.

Then seeing the night, withdrew his force and fled,
Leaving the ground with snow-flakes thinly spread.

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Land Settlements Plan Urged for North Ontario

Ontario Associated Boards of Trade Also Suggests Establishment of Larger Game Reserves and the Construction of Hard-Surfaced Arterial Highways for North.

Construction of hard-surface arterial highways in Northern Ontario, the institution of a land settlement scheme to aid unemployed families, and the establishment of more and larger preserves in the North were among the motions which were endorsed by the Ontario Associated Boards of Trade and Chambers of Commerce meeting last week in Toronto.

W. O. Langdon, president of Timmins Board of Trade, and president of the Northern Ontario Associated Boards of Trade, represented Timmins at the meeting.

J. H. McDonald, K.C., was the only representative of the North Bay Board of Trade to attend the provincial meet.

The executive council of the Ontario Associated Boards of Trade and Chambers of Commerce for 1933 is comprised entirely of Northern Ontario men. They are, J. H. McDonald, K.C., and George W. Lee, North Bay; H. Badanal, Fort William; C. A. Byam, New Liskeard; J. A. Clermont, Cochrane; and D. Duncan, Port Arthur.

A. H. Fitzsimmons, Ottawa, was elected president; C. N. Weber, Kitchener, vice-president; W. O. Langdon, Timmins, second vice-president; and Thomas Marshall, secretary-treasurer.

Great Highway

The attitude toward the construction of paved main highways in the North, shown by Hon. T. B. McQueen, minister of highways, in his address to the session Thursday, was most encouraging, according to despatches.

The minister stressed that completion of hard-surfacing between Ottawa and Sault Ste. Marie would open a trans-continental highway that would probably be the most important on the continent. Such a road, he told his hearers, will be used a great deal by Americans travelling from the west and middle west to New York and the Eastern United States.

A motion of congratulation to the Ontario government for the excellent progress they have made in highway building in the North was submitted by W. O. Langdon, of Timmins. Mr. McDonald, of North Bay, was the second. Accordingly, the motion was drawn up by the North Bay Board, concerning the continuation of highway construction, was not pressed.

And traces of the skirmish in the wood.
The stars sprang out and flashed serenely near.
The solid frost came down with might and main,
It set the rivers under bolt and bar;
Bang! went the starting eaves beneath the strain.
And 'er Orion saw the morning star.
The winter was the master of the year.

These figures indicate a nation of millionaires? Hardly. Statistics show that more than one-third of automobile owners earn less than \$200.00 a week. Half of them make less than \$300.00 a week, and less than two in one hundred earn \$100.00 a week. Rich or poor, the people of the North American continent move on wheels, operating more than 70% of the world's automobiles and trucks. There is an average of one car in use for every 4.36 persons in the United States. There are more cars in the State of Pennsylvania than in France.

It is an interesting fact that the number of owners of new and second-hand cars remains fairly constant from year to year, while there is a steady increase in the number of third-hand and older cars.

The average driver knows little or nothing about the car he drives and judges motor cars largely by their external appearance. The assumption that the drivers can just naturally drive well enough is refuted by the accident statistics. The complication and delicacy of adjustment in a motor car are increasing yearly, the average car having more than 30,000 parts. A large car like a Cadillac, travelling sixty miles an hour, wastes enough heat to warm a seven-roomed house on a zero day.

Fifty per cent. of the motor cars in daily use are more than four years old, and careful computation shows that the average cost of operating the average automobile is \$293.00 per year, and each car during 9½ years of life will cost for operating expenses more than was paid for the car when it was new.

The authors ask this question: Do

Giving Some Startling Facts About Automobiles

(From Toronto Telegram)

In a recent publication, "Millions on Wheels" (Copp Clark Company Limited, Toronto), the authors, Dewey H. Palmer and Laurence E. Crooks, the latter an automotive engineer, present some startling automobile facts of vital importance not only to every car owner but to the general public.

The figures quoted refer to the United States, but apply equally well to Canada, making due allowance for the difference in population of the two countries.

In 1937, there were more than twenty-five million passenger automobiles in use, half of them being Chevrolets and Fords.

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