News from South Porcupine, Dome and the District

Girl Guides from South Porcupine and Dome See King and Queen

Fifty Travel to Sudbury to See Their Majesties. Journey was a Tiring and Strenuous One but All had Wonderful Time. Some of the Highlights.

South Porcupine, June 7.—(Special to The Advance—There are fifty South Porcupine and Dome girls today that are the happiest young people in town. They went to Sudbury to see the King. One at least saw the King because she definitely said that she was going to look at him, as everybody else would be looking at the Queen. And the other forty-nine saw the Queen. The Queen—did we say; we meant our Queen; for isn't she a Guide?

And to begin at the beginning—

At 3 a.m. on Monday fifty eager young people got on the train at South Porcupine with equipment and lunches to start the Grand Adventure. Both Guide Companies (Dome and South Porcupine) carried the colours wrapped to display on the march in Sudbury. Although it was so early in the morning not one of them wanted to curl up and go to sleep. They chatted, they sang, they ate, they sang again, and this kept up all the way down. Some of them had never been on a train. Some had never travelled so far. We fully expected them to be tired out when they reached Sudbury. But excitement kept them going. They marched from the station to the Parish hall, (where they had no time for lunch) and had to prepare immediately with all the other Guides from all over Northern Ontario for the route march. We were proud of them. They looked smart even after the long train ride, and in the procession were cheered as the "Dome" flag was noted. Guides! Guides! Guides! Company after Company, headed the procession. (One policeman was heard to remark 'Good Lord' how many more!)

Onto the Athletic Park where all the Guides were placed along the route to be taken by the royal car when it came to the raised dais where the presentations were to be made to the Royal Pair.

Our girls had a grand position. Right inside the gates where the Royal eyes could not possibly miss them!

Then alas! for preparations the King's train was two hours late. Owing to the number of children, and never have we seen so many, the procession was started early so that they might all be placed in time. Children of Sudbury, children from every school that could possibly send them, children from Cobalt, children from Sault Ste. Marie, who carried a banner proudly saying "We came 200 miles to see the King"' (and how about our South Porcupine girls who came 400 miles and said nothing about it!—was our comment).

Bands and Scouts, bands and kilties, bands and children—and children and children—the procession seemed interminable. The Guides were wilting. It was a long hard tiring journey they had come, and no lunch. Captain Wilkins (who had flown in by plane) and Captain Bessette bombarded the police. They stated the case. Ready help was forthcoming. Milk and sandwiches and ice cream were sent for, and the Guides revived.

After the long, long wait during which time utmost order was kept, the Royal Salute fired the first gun. Shouts and cheers were heard in the distance. More firing from the salute gun. Fifty Guides near the gate were tense with excitement. And then driving slowly (but much too fast for everybody) the glass special car was seen, with a tall bronzed man inside sitting beside a lady in blue. They came to the gate of the park. The lady looked at the blue-clad line she turned to the Man beside her, "Oh, the Guides!" she said, and gave them the recognition that they were longing for. With mouths wide open, all set to cheer, with the Great Moment here, they stood, looking.

"I didn't think it could be real," said one. "It was just like the fairy stories we read of a beautiful princess."

The car went on. Too quickly it reached the dais, too quickly for thousands of pairs of young eyes, the formalities were over and the car was leaving.

"Would they go round the park again?

Alas! they didn't.

One more fleeting glance at the Embodiment of that loyalty, that pride of Empire, that patriotism that the Guide movement instils into its members as part of its teaching, and They had gone.

But, they had left behind something which nothing will ever take away.

To every child that was there comes the prideful feeling:—"I saw the King, I saw the Queen"—a memory that will last forever.

But our Guides at least, had another slice of luck. After going back to headquarters (and re-fuelling) the leaders found that the King and Queen would be coming back along the line of route from the Frood Mine. So orders were given to try to find places to see them.

Fortunately the smaller ones got right on to the road and were allowed to stay in front of the seat-holders. They saw the royal pair again. (And this time cheered lustily). We were standing on the steps of a bank and saw one of the pathetic sights of the day. A small girl was waiting to see the King and Queen (she had not seen them previously) with her mother. Just as the car was coming those on the seats in front stood up and completely blocked the view even though the child was lifted up. A more broken-hearted youngster it would be difficult to find. They had gone for ever, and she could not see them.

"Never mind," comforted a Guide, "you join the Guides and when the King and Queen come again, you will be right in the front row!"

The concensus of opinion regarding the Queen was that she took their breath away. "I shall never forget her," said one. "She was right out of a fairy tale," said another. "She was wonderful" said another, "but the King was nice too."

We approached a young lady. "What did you think of the King?" we asked. "He was fine," was the reply. "And didn't you think the Queen was beautiful?" Afraid of committing himself too far, he replied, "Well, I thought she was mighty good-lookin'."

Back with the Guides again, and waitng on the lawn beside the station we saw the fireworks display.

The train was late, and the announcer through a megaphone was doing his best to straighten out the crowds and their respective trains and calling for lost children. Fifty of the most tired looking girls were hauled off one train and on to another—because the reserved coach for Guides had been taken by the people on that train (it was easier to call all the Guides out than to call out the others)—and incidentally they had to change again at North Bay and again at Swastika.

Hats were lost, bags and belts were gone, but who cared?

And miraculously at Swastika everything turned up again, and no Guide was minus anything.

Tired?—we never were more tired in our lives. There is a lot of sleep to catch up on.

But they all were happy, they all had a marvellous time, and they all saw the King and Queen.

In our dreams on Tuesday night we saw children, and children and more children, bands, Guides, Scouts, policemen and children, and more children, and once more heard the voice of the train announcer of Sudbury saying, as he had said when we were leaving—"There is a little boy from Blind River, who is lost. His name is——!

Thank goodness no accident of any kind marred the South Porcupine and Dome Guides' most perfect day.

Thanks are due to Captain Wilkins and Captain Bessette, of South Porcupine and to Captain Leiterman of the Dome for their unfailing care, and unselfishness in taking the Guides down.

We know the Guides appreciate it, but we wonder whether the mothers fully understand just what it meant to take fifty girls four hundred miles and bring them all safely back!

Guides from South Porcupine were: Colour Party—Myra Cantor, F. Sharpe, Betty Cummings; Company Leader Elaine Dogue (went by car), N. Christie, J. Maxwell-Smith, V. Bessette, M. Stefuyck, F. Cunningham, O. Hills, M. Fera, N. McCaw, A. McCaw, A. Kohenen, A. Jamieson, T. Yorke, J. Eames, D. Sharpe, Robin. Curtis, Eura Smith, R. Costello, E. Disher, B. Deacon, M. E. Peace, J. Somerville, K. Pyke, I. Ristamaki, V. Ferrigan, N. Ferrigan, M. McGuey, M. Connelly, N. Haneberry.

Dome Guides—Colour Party, D. McGinn, Margaret Burton, E. Leiterman, Company Lieutenant, Marjorie Costain; Guides E. McDonnell, Ada Curtis, Lynn Beard, Kathleen Connelly, Beulah Lang, Florence Connelly, Irene Libby, Thora Webb, Evelyn Jay, Margaret Foster, Betty Curboy.

"CANADA CALLING" IN BRITAIN

Typical of scenes witnessed at cinemas in some of the principal cities in Britain these days is the above photograph, showing English schoolboys trooping into a theatre at Reading, England, to see a special screening of films provided by the Dominion Government. One of the many activities of the "Canada Calling" campaign, the films depict farm, fishing and industrial scenes which emphasize the importance of Canada as the food basket for the United Kingdom. The campaign, which covers the major population centres in Britain, is being conducted by the Dominion Government's Department of Trade and Commerce. Regarded as one of the most carefully planned efforts ever launched by a British Dominion, this trade crusade also embraces a series of localized drives and extensive newspaper advertising and marketing operations. In addition, it is supplemented by lectures to schools, women's clubs, domestic science classes and other organizations, and has enlisted the support of thousands of merchants who are giving special displays of Canadian products.

To Use Membership System This Year at Schumacher Pool

Will Open For First Time This Year on Saturday. Children Will Swim.

The Schumacher Lions Club swimming pool will open on Saturday for the first time this year. New instructor this year is Sydney Parsons, who for four years was life guard and instructor at Ottawa beaches. Guard this season is Randolph Thomas, who for two years was guard at Bob-Lo Island, near Amherstburg, Ont.

Admission to the pool this year will be by membership only. Memberships have been made available however to all who desire them. They may be obtained from members of the Schumacher Lions Club or at the Schumacher Hardware Store.

Schumacher residents may obtain family tickets for $5. Individual Schumacher men's membership is $3, and ladies, $2 Non-residents of Schumacher may obtain memberships for $5 each.

All Schumacher children will be given tickets in school. When they will be allowed to swim and under what conditions will be explained to them.

Estimated cost of operation for 13 weeks this year is $3,340. That amount includes an unpaid balance for construction of $1,000 and repairs for this year of $750; wages, $990; water charges $350; chlorine for disinfectant, $150, and $100 for miscellaneous costs.

Cost of operation for nine weeks last summer was $1.255. That amount included $876 for wages, $270 for water charges and $108 for disinfectant.

Another Community Night at Public School, Schumacher

Other Items of Interest from Schumacher.

Schumacher, Ont., June 7th—(Special to The Advance).

On Monday night in the public school grounds another community night was held. Mr. P. Boyce was chairman for the evening. The programme started with the singing of "O Canada." Then the soldiers' song, "There's a Long, Long Trail Awinding", was given. Next on the programme was a tap dance by little Nancy McNeil. Miss Burgeon gave a lullaby, and also sang very sweetly "The Rose of Tralee." Mr. Thomas tap danced, Mr. Cousineau playing the accompaniment on the violin. The public school teachers had just returned from a hiking party, so Mr. Boyce thought it would be a nice finish to their day's enjoyment if they would come up to the platform and give the audience a song. So they all went up, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Wylie, and sang "There is a tavern in the Town," which was much enjoyed. The evening was brought to a close with sing of "God Save the King."

Mrs. McCartney and little son, of South Porcupine, are visiting at the home of Dr. and Mrs. R. V. Weston, Fourth Ave.

Miss Elaine Meechan, Mr. Evans and Mr. Frank Hughes, of Toronto, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Phillips, First Ave.

Miss Muriel Phillips, student at Shaw's Business College, Toronto, arrived home this week to spend her summer vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Phillips, First Ave.

Mr. and Mrs. Vadneau and little son, Garry, of Gold Centre, are visiting at Campbell's Bay.

Mr. Mike Zarr, of Bucovetsky's' men's store, left by car for Sudbury, to attend the royal visit celebrations.

Miss Marian Laine, First Ave., who was attending Shaw's Business College, arrived home this week to spend her summer vacation with her parents.

The C.W.L. ladies of St. Alphonsus Parish Church are holding a social evening in the church hall on Monday at 8 o'clock. Bingo and other games will be played. Refreshments will be served. The draw for the lovely cedar chest filled with linen will take pace.

Mr. J. McGowan, who was in town attending the funeral of his sister-in-law, Mrs. John McGowan, left on Friday for his home in Montreal.

Mrs. Ed. Robinson, Goldale Property, has been confined to her bed for the past two weeks with an attack of 'flu. Her many friends wish her a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Fred Webber, Third Ave., was in Sudbury for the royal visit of Their Majesties.

Mr. and Mrs. George Biggs, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Tall Bevan, Gold Centre, motored down to Sudbury to attend the royal visit celebrations.

Miss Lucy Proulx, Fourth Ave., left on Saturday for Haileybury where she will have six weeks' medical treatment.

Miss Margaret Smith, Second Ave., was in Sudbury for the visit of Their Majesties.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Malkin, Second Ave., motored down to Sudbury to attend the royal visit of Their Majesties.

Mrs. Paul Magnon, who was in town for the Hazelwood-Webber wedding, left on Friday for her home in Toronto.

Mr. Sidney Smith, who has been visiting at the home of his sister-in-law, Mrs. J. R. Todd, Railroad St., left on Friday for his home in Montreal. Mrs. Smith will remain with her sister for some time.

Mrs. George Kyle, Third Ave., was in Sudbury for the royal visit of Their Majesties.

Mrs. James Dillon and Miss Florence Dillon were in Sudbury attending the royal visit celebrations.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Jucksch, First Ave., returned home on Sunday from Meaford, where they were called, owing to the illness of Mr. Jucksch's mother, who is 84 years of age. Mr. Jucksch is pleased to report his mother has got over the sick spell and is coming along fine now.

The boys of the Junior Fish and Game Protective Association went on a fishing trip to Sandy Falls last Saturday.

The friends of Mr. James McKenzie, First Ave., will be sorry to hear that he is very ill in the sanitarium at Haileybury. His aunt. Mrs. Ferguson, is leaving on Saturday to visit him. She will be accompanied by Mrs. L. Boutet who will visit her husband in the sanitarium.

Mrs. R. V. Weston, Fourth Ave., had a tonsil operation on Monday in St. Mary's hospital. Her friends will be glad to know she is coming along fine.

Miss Agnes Robertson, First Ave., was in Sudbury for the royal visit celebrations.

Mr. Manny Abrams, of the Schumacher Hardware, left by plane on Monday to attend the royal visit event at Sudbury.

The Strollers Club met at the home of Mrs. Soucie, Columbus Ave., Timmins, on Tuesday evening. Five hundred was played and the winners of the prizes were:—1st, Mrs. N. Tario; 2nd, Mrs. Ross Forsyth; 3rd, Mrs. Sandy Forsyth. Door prize, Mrs. C. Brown. During the evening Mrs. Soucie served a delightful lunch and a very enjoyable time was spent by all who attended.

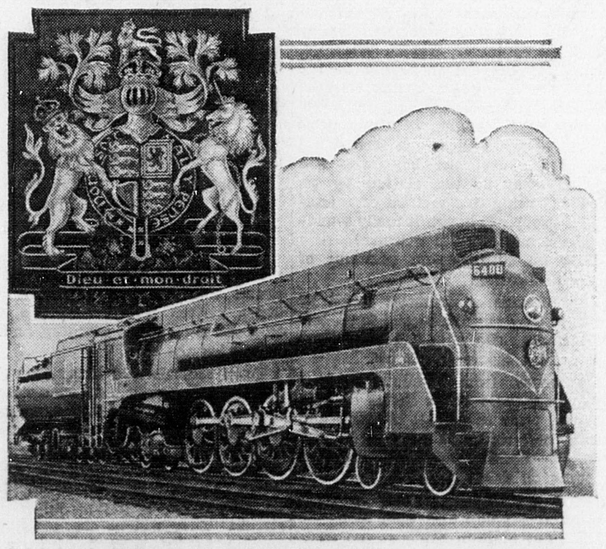
The Young People's Society of St. Alphonsus Parish Church travelled to Wawaitin Falls last Sunday and a very pleasant time was enjoyed by all who attended.

Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Cooper were in Sudbury attending the royal visit celebrations.

Advertising Manager of Dunlop Rubber Co. Here

Mr. E. G. Skirrow, advertising manager of Dunlop Tire and Rubber Goods Company Limited, arrived in town Wednesday night. He is being accompanied around this district by Mr. Horace Laidlaw, Timmins representatives of the company.

ROYAL TRAIN ENGINE FOR NEW YORK WORLD'S FAIR



As soon as it has completed its assignment hauling the Royal Train, the "6400", giant locomotive of the Canadian National Railways, will be sent to New York to be placed on exhibition at the World's Fair. This locomotive was one of five C.N.R. engines specially overhauled and prepared to haul the train carrying King George VI and Queen Elizabeth and the members of their retinue for a distance of 4,212 miles in Canada. It is one of the largest streamlined locomotives in the world. Finished in royal blue and silver to harmonize with the exterior decorations of the Royal Train, and bearing the Royal Coat-of-Arms in front and on the sides of the tender, the 6400 is a striking and beautiful example of a modern "Queen of the Rails." The picture shows the Royal engine and (above) the Royal Coat-of-Arms as it appears on the side of the tender.

Struck by Baseball Bat While Watching Game at South Porcupine

John Kmetyk has to Return to Hospital After Accident. Many from South Porcupine Go to Sudbury for Royal Visit. Other South Porcupine and Dome News.

South Porcupine, June 7 — (Special to The Advance)—John Kmetyk was watching a baseball game on the ball grounds on Saturday when he got a nasty blow on the head from a baseball bat. It knocked him out, and he was taken to the hospital. Rumour said the skull was cracked, but John left for home on Monday. However, severe headaches sent him back again and he will remain in hospital until he is completely cured, and the wound healed.

The first girls softball practice was held on Tuesday evening on the ball grounds. Regular practice will be held every Tuesday and Friday evening at 6.30 p.m. and all interested girls are invited to join.

The Rev. J. E. Lyttle returned to South Porcupine on Wednesday from Toronto where he attended the United Church Conference. While in Toronto Mr. Lyttle preached at his former church on Wexford and Birchcliff Heights. At the Conference he acted as transportation secretary, and also presented a report on a relief survey of the Cochrane Presbytery with special reference to the "Back to the Land Movement." (Detailed report elsewhere in this issue).

Born—In the Porcupine General hospital on June 7th, to Mr. and Mrs. L. Hopkins of Porcupine—a son.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Porritt, of Timmins, a son, in the Porcupine General hospital, on June 4th.

We are sorry to hear that Mrs. G. Knutson has been on the sick list.

A wedding was solemnized in St. Joachim's Church on Tuesday morning, June 6th, between Delias Bernard and Cecile Brien, both of Connaught.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hammerstrom, of Eighth Ave., Timmins, a daughter, on June 5th—in the Porcupine General Hospital.

Miss E. Doyle, of Iroquois Falls, spent the week-end at the home of Mrs. D. A. McLellan.

Dr. and Mrs. Smith have returned from Hamilton and Sudbury.

Miss B. M. C. Shaw, principal of the South Porcupine Public School, and Miss D. M. Wilkins, of the staff of South Porcupine High School will be the guest speakers on Thursday of this week at the first "Father and Daughter" banquet given by the Kiwanians of South Porcupine. This will mark the first anniversary of the Kiwanis Charter Night, which official birthday is recognized on this date.

Mr. Charlie Edgecombe returned on Tuesday from a three months' holiday in New Zealand, where he had a marvellous holiday.

Among those noted from South Porcupine who visited Sudbury for the royal visit, who went by train, by car, and by air were:—Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Evans, Mr. V. Evans, Mr. S. Sky, Miss Wilkins, Miss B. M. C. Shaw, Miss I. Smith, Mr. W. Wattam (by plane); Dr. and Mrs. R. P. Smith and girls; Dr. and Mrs. B. H. Harper and children; Mrs. Atkinson; Mrs. W. W. Wilson, Miss R. Naish, Mr. and Mrs. H. McInnis, Mr. and Mrs. Roderick, Miss K. Reynolds, Miss M. Lynch, Mrs. W. Hall, Mrs. L. Pyke and children, Mrs. Burton, Mr. H. C. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. T. Wilson and Terry, Miss K. Woodall, Miss G. Higgan, Miss M. Levinson, Mrs. Jamieson and Eleanor, Mrs. Clement, Mrs. Knectel, Mrs. Keith Scott, Dr. and Mrs. Paul. Mrs. E. Moore (of Edmonton visiting her daughter, Mrs. Ray Anderson), Miss Peggy Edwards.

Among old South Porcupine residents we noted—Mr. and Mrs. Carl Fortune and children now living in Burwash, Mr. Fortune being on guard in Sudbury for the day.

Two fire calls have been turned in since the Golden City fire of Sunday night. Both were for chimney fires, easily quelled with little damage, one on O'Brien Avenue, and one this morning at 8.30 at the Manse.

The South Porcupine Chapter Order of Eastern Star celebrated its eighteenth birthday on Tuesday. A social evening with members from Timmins lodge as invited guests, and husbands of members, was enjoyed. A delightful lunch at which a large birthday cake (made, donated and iced by Mrs. Dan Reed and Mrs. W. W. Wilson) was cut and served, and was a feature of the evening. Bridge was played at which Mrs. Heath, of Timmins, Mrs. Rose Mansfield, of South Porcupine, won prizes.

Police Court

A large docket confronted Magistrate Atkinson in court here on Tuesday.

Several assault cases were dealt with some withdrawn, one adjourned.

Jack Imanas was sentenced to 60 days hard labour for stealing a lady's purse out of a parked car in South Porcupine. Seen by a young man taking the purse, he was chased and handed over to justice. He got it.

Fred LeClair, charged with theft of a pen and pencil set and a coat, received sentence of 30 days hard labour.

Chief McInnis recovered the property.

The man said he had bought the articles at a low price, and was going to sell them to get food as he was out of work.

Three vagrants were given 30 days in jail.

Three reckless drivers were dismissed

Four illegal parkers paid $1 and costs.

Another, for having beer illegally paid a $10 fine.

For having beer for sale illegally another will serve a three month sentence.

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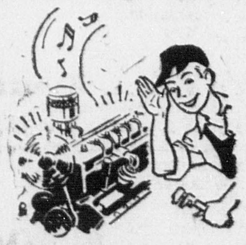

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