

TEN YEARS AGO IN TIMMINS

From data in the Porcupine Advance Files

Ten years ago, Mr. A. Goodrich, advance business manager of the Harry Lottridge Shows, the amusement feature to be in Timmins the next week, was in town and on behalf of Mr. Lottridge, the owner and manager of the shows, extended an invitation to all the new boys of the Advance to be special guests of Mr. Lottridge on the opening night.

One of the largest funerals ever held in Timmins was that ten years ago when the late Nick Cicci, who met his death on July 27th, 1929, when he was buried in an unexpected fall of loose muck, was laid to rest. There were 143 motor cars in the funeral cortege to the church and cemetery, while fully 400 men marched to the church for the services. The late Nick Cicci was a young man of the finest character and disposition and he had hosts of friends and acquaintances throughout the camp and was unusually popular with all who knew him. The high regard in which he was held was evidenced by the striking attendance at the funeral and the profusion of beautiful floral tokens and spiritual offerings.

In The Advance South Porcupine news ten years ago: "Bad luck seemed to attend the trip to Kirkland with the Dome Football club last Saturday, two of the cars conveying some of the players and their officials meeting with accidents. W. Kellow, of the Dome, took a number of men down in his car and on the way down a wheel was broken giving a nasty jolt to the occupants. One man had the ligaments of his hand rather badly torn. Luckily the car was not travelling fast at the time or the results would have been more serious. When a short distance this side of Swastika, Frank Rich, who had some of the officials of the club in his Studebaker, met with an accident from which the occupants miraculously escaped serious injury. The road is very narrow at this point and getting too close to one edge, the heavy car toppled down over a twenty-foot embankment, turning over twice in its descent and hitting numerous rocks and boulders en route. There were four in the car at the time, and other than two broken fingers for one, a gash over the eye for another and some scratches on a third no injury was suffered, the driver coming through it absolutely unharmed. There is not a square foot in it that is not dented and scarred. Every bit of glass is broken, the leather is torn off the top, and the whole top badly twisted;

ed; one wheel is stove in; running board, fenders, etc., are dented unmercifully. One new tire was ripped right into two pieces. Luckily the engine and working part of the car are unharmed. The car was travelling at a very slow rate of speed at the time, which accounts for the lack of serious injury to the occupants. Then when they all did get to Kirkland Lake the game could not be played owing to the gale that was blowing, Saturday's storm taking on the nature of a cyclone in and around Kirkland Lake. The game was postponed until August 17th.

Among the local items in The Advance ten years ago were: "Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Martin and two sons from Toronto motored to Timmins last week and were the guests here of Mr. and Mrs. R. Richardson, and other friends here. Mr. and Mrs. Martin were among the pioneer residents of Timmins and have hosts of friends here who were delighted to greet them again." "Mrs. Norman Leaman and son left this (Thursday) morning for North Bay to join her husband there and take up residence in that city where Mr. Leaman is manager of the new Eaton grocery store. Mr. and Mrs. Leaman have been very popular and highly-regarded residents of Timmins for a number of years past and will be much missed in many circles here." "Mr. C. G. Keddle left on Wednesday morning for Bear Island, near Ann Arbor, Mich., receiving word to the effect that his eldest brother was seriously ill. Mr. Keddle had just returned from a holiday visit to the south." "Master Jack Gurnell, of Toronto, is visiting his father, Mr. J. E. Gurnell, town." "Mr. M. Greer, now of Ottawa, but for several years chief of police of Timmins, was a visitor to town this week and was warmly welcomed back by hosts of old friends. After a day or two in town he left with a gang of men for work on claims in the Rouyn field in which he is interested." "Mr. Gerald Banning, of the Lookout, Ont., where he will take up a position." "Miss B. Pickering, of Zephyr, Ont., is visiting her brother, Mr. A. W. Pickering." "Born—At St. Mary's hospital, Timmins on Wednesday, July 31st, 1929, to Mr. and Mrs. W. Mackie—a son." "Born—in Timmins, on Monday, July 29th, 1929, to Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Day Cambral avenue—a son (Edward James)." "Mrs. Arthur Williams and little son, Jackie, of the Mond-Frood Mine, Sudbury, are visiting her mother, Mrs. J. V. Angrignon, at Schumacher." "Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Letterman and two children, Dome Mines, returned on Sunday from a two weeks' motor trip to Ottawa, Montreal and Toronto." "Mayor G. W. Drew and Mrs. Drew returned last week from their holiday in the south. Mrs. Drew was accompanied by her sister, Miss P. Hart, who will visit here for a time." "The Rev. J. D. Parks and Mrs. Parks and children left this week for their annual month's vacation to be spent in the south. They motored down over the Ferguson highway." "Mr. and Mrs. T. M. White, and baby son, of Kirkland Lake, and Miss L. White, of Gorrle, Ont., motored here from Kirkland Lake on Sunday and were the guests of Mrs.

White's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Macdonald." "Mr. J. E. Grasset left last week on a holiday trip to Southern Ontario." "Miss Emily Bush, of Elk Lake, was a recent visitor to Timmins." "Mr. and Mrs. E. Hornby, of Halleybury, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Hornby." "Mr. T. East, manager of the Dominion Stores here, has been transferred to North Bay and leaves this week to take over his new duties." "Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Hornby and son Bert, returned on Sunday evening after a two weeks' motor trip through Southern Ontario." "Mr. E. W. Vanmeer, Englehart, was a recent visitor to Timmins." "Mr. C. G. Keddle returned on Monday night from a two weeks' vacation in the south and east." "Born—in Timmins, Monday, July 29th, to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Malsonneur—a daughter." "H. W. Angus of North Bay has been awarded the contract for the new C.N.R. station at Kapuskasing." "Mr. and Mrs. Thos. G. Dunbar, of Winnipeg, Man., were Timmins visitors last week." "Miss Beatrice Brown of Toronto, visited Timmins friends over the weekend."

One of the Things that Makes Life Worth While

(Kitchener Record)
Among several other things that make us glad we're living is corn on the cob.
A Frenchman may be a fine judge of red wine and baked snails, but he gets no corn on the cob. A Britisher may carve himself a fine joint of beef, but he gets no corn on the cob. A German may delight in a cutlet and red cabbage, but he gets no corn on the cob.
Think of all those Russians, Rumanians, Turks, Laplanders and Patagonians doing without corn on the cob—and at this season of the year, too! It's enough to break your heart.
And none of your silly silver cobblers to eat it with, either. We'll take our right in the fingers as nature obviously intended, and gnaw it off the cob just like a busy squirrel. Please pass the butter!

Some Straight Talk to the Japanese Gentlemen

(From Ottawa Journal)
"Walk softly, and carry a stick," was the motto of "Teddy" Roosevelt. Franklin Roosevelt doesn't always walk softly, but he clearly carries a stick. It is no secret that if the President had his way he would have "cracked down" on Hitler and Mussolini by some means long ago. Refused his way with Germany and Italy, he has now struck out, and resoundingly, at Japan. Tokyo is told that the "open door" in China, a traditional American creed since the days of John Hay, is going to remain open, and no nonsense about it.
Specifically, Mr. Roosevelt, speaking through his great Secretary of State Hull, has served notice of the denunciation of the United States commercial treaty with Japan. What it means is that, assuming Japan does not change her tactics in China, or get out of China the United States in six months time will not be sending war munitions to Japan. There will be a stoppage of all exports of arms, ammunition and implements of war, of essential war materials.
Which will mean something to Japan. Tokyo yesterday branded the United States decision an "unfriendly act". It wasn't meant to be friendly. It is meant, on the contrary, to tell Japan: 1. That the United States is not only standing on her rights in the Far East, but is prepared to meet infringement of those rights by retaliation. 2. That if Japan, by recent indignities against American citizens and soldiers in China, aims to make the United States "lose face" in the Orient, she is playing a dangerous game. 3. That unless Japan is prepared to play less of the bully in China, she is likely to find herself in a war with a tougher antagonist than China.
For Japan is one country that the United States would war against quickly, and untidily. Also the United States is the one country in a strategic position to fight Japan effectively. Great Britain, her hands tied in Europe, is hardly in position to risk a war with the Japanese. Not now. The United States, with no menace from Europe, or from any other quarter, stands differently. Japan probably realizes that.

Lesson to Ontario in Saskatchewan's Lignite Industry

Experience in the West Should be of Value in Case of North.

A special despatch from Regina in regard to lignite development in Saskatchewan should prove of interest and value in regard to the proposed development of the lignite fields north of Cochrane. Major Mac Long, chairman of the T. & N. O. Railway Commission, deputed by Premier Hepburn to look after the development of the lignite industry in Northern Ontario, is at present in Saskatchewan studying the lignite industry there. This fact gives added interest to the despatch from Regina. While the despatch from Regina may to some appear somewhat discouraging, a more careful reading should show it to be more in the way of suggestion as to the plans and methods that should be adopted in the North. The despatch at least indicates ways and means whereby Ontario may escape mistakes apparently made in the West. The despatch referred to reads as follows:
Regina, Saskatchewan, July 29—Premier Hepburn's proposal to develop lignite coal fields in Northern Ontario and the experience of Saskatchewan's lignite fields should go hand in hand if successful development is planned by Ontario's government.

Announcement has been made that Colonel Mac Long, chairman of the T. & N. O. Railway will visit Estevan, Saskatchewan's lignite coal centre, to study the experience of that field. Colonel Lang will have plenty to consider because the lignite industry must barely keep production above the consumption level. Lignite coal cannot be piled up at the mine-head because moisture evaporation causes disintegration, and therefore a loss of heat value.

As a result, mine operations depend upon the time of the year, little being produced in summer months, with an increase towards winter, then fading to a small percentage as summer draws near again. As far as Saskatchewan mine fields were concerned, this meant seasonal labor and its problems. Strip mining, that is, the use of powerful steam shovels, needing considerably less labour, would lessen labour problems greatly.

Strip Mining Coming
Saskatchewan has both deep seam mines, employing manual labour largely, and strip mining. As a result of deals that have taken place, deep seam mining is about doomed and strip mining will take its place.
Growth of use of lignite coal in Saskatchewan has been consistent, the 938 production being 243,000 tons and the 938 production 1,017,000 tons. It has retailed as low as \$4.50 to \$4.25 a ton in Regina and has come close to \$6 per ton at times. It requires more attention, that is shovelling into the furnace is doubled and there is the same increase or maybe more in removal of ash. There is no cinder. Lignite will smoulder until a fine powder remains. Lignite requires good draft and once alight can be easily regulated.

Lignite can be used for industrial purposes with installation of special grates and in some cases might be more economical than other coals but this would have to be proved by experience. Quite a number of Saskatchewan public buildings are consuming lignite, largely for heating purposes.

The history of Saskatchewan's lignite coal field, down in the southeast corner of the Province, close to the United States border, has been far from smooth, financially or otherwise. There have been recurrent labour troubles and the last strike which occurred just at the start of the coal-burning season last year, resulted in rival union strife. As a result, some deep seam mines have been closed entirely and strip mining has taken their place. As the field now stands, there are a couple of deep seam mines operating and a good number of "gopher holes" or borings into the sides of hills by small operators, mainly among farmers, who produce coal with a minimum of expense and sell as cheaply as they can at the mine-head. The Government is controlling them and before long it is likely the field will be sufficiently rationalized to put it on a paying basis. So far, not one cent of dividend has been paid those who sank their cash into Saskatchewan's lignite field and as matters now stand, they do not appear to be able to get their money out.

Some Illustrations of Humour from England

(London Humourist)
The latest idea is perambulators made of rubber. For bouncing babies, we presume.
It is said that moustaches are disappearing in Scotland. When a Scot smokes a cigarette he SMOKES a cigarette.
No one suffers from any disease on the Island of Tristan da Cunha. It seems that golf has been completely stamped out.
A correspondent complains that a barber recently took nearly an hour to shave him. It seems that the fellow had a very bad stammer.
A writer states that castor oil was rediscovered after being lost for 3,000 years. The finder, we presume, does not wish his name to be made public.
A wealthy convict in an American jail provided a six-course dinner for his fellow-prisoners. We understand that the feast was followed by a hearty rendering of "For he's a jolly good felon."

Kapuskasing Boy Hurt While Playing "Tarzan"

A story that would have been amusing had it not held so much element of danger, and actually did result in painful injury to the boy concerned is told by The Kapuskasing Northern Tribune.

Arthur Frappier was having fun with some other boys on the islands at the bend of the river at Kapuskasing the other day, playing the role of "Tarzan", familiar character of the movies. He had tied a rope to a tall tree and was swinging over the water smiting the jungle howl of the ape man and beating his chest in manly exultation, when the rope slipped from the branch and dropped him about twenty feet. He struck a rock at the river's edge and rolled unconscious into the water.

A companion, John Joly, saw his friend fall and promptly effected a rescue from sure drowning. Bringing him to shore, Joly efficiently gave first aid treatment and then took the revived boy to Stensbrenner hospital, where he was treated for a broken wrist, cracked elbow and chest injuries.

Death at London, Ontario, of Mrs. Smith Ballantyne

There will be very sincere and general sympathy extended to Mr. I. P. Smith, Ballantyne, superintendent of the Dominion Experimental Farm at Kapuskasing, in the death at London, Ontario, last week of his wife. Mrs.

Ballantyne had been ill for some time and went to London, where her daughter resides to take treatment last spring. She died in the hospital at London on Friday night following an illness of several weeks.

The Late Mrs. Ballantyne was a native of Ottawa but she and her husband had spent a lifetime in the North where they enjoyed the regard and affection of wide circles of friends and acquaintances. In addition to the bereaved husband, the late Mrs. Smith Ballantyne is survived by her daughter in London, Ont., two other daughters, Misses Ella and Margaret of Kapuskasing; five sons, Ripley, of Smoky Falls, Stewart, James, Ted and Thomas of Kapuskasing; a sister Mrs. W. J. Carson, Ottawa; and two brothers, A. E. and H. L. Ripley

of Alberta. The funeral services were held at London this week.

Exchange:—"Who threw my best shoes at the bride and groom?"

Toronto Telegram:—In China a man can hire a substitute to serve his jail sentence. But in America a man just keeps on appealing the case until he beats the sentence.

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