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Twenty Years Ago

From The Porcupine Advance Files

At the regular meeting of the town council of Timmins twenty years ago, there was a motion submitted to impose a tax of \$50.00 per day on all circuses...

paid by October 1st were to have a penalty of five per cent added. Twenty years ago The Advance quoted from The Toronto Mail and Empire's interview with Hon. Gideon Robertson...

At the regular meeting of Tisdale township council, held at South Porcupine twenty years ago, Frank C. Evans was appointed clerk-treasurer to succeed J. R. Myers...

The Advance of July 30th, 1919, had the following front page article: "When asked as to the progress of the three-day campaign to raise \$10,000 for a club house for the G.W.V.R..."

On July 24th, 1919, an unusually large crowd turned out to witness a baseball game between the girls teams of Timmins and Schumacher.

Bellevue upired the game and lived to smile about it. Miss Lillian McCarthy was pitcher and Miss Carmel Costello, catcher, for Timmins. The others on the Timmins line-up were: Mary Maher, first base; Mary Downey, second base; Nellie Studor, third; Jean Roberts, right field; Barbara McLean, left field; Fern McCarthy, centre field; Bertha Charette, short stop.

Twenty years ago Mr. D. Deacon, who had been the popular manager of the Northern Canada Supply Co. store at South Porcupine for some years, completed arrangements for the purchase of the stock and the taking over of the business of the store.

Reference was made in The Advance twenty years ago to the banquet given at Cochrane to the returned soldiers of that town. "On Peace Day," said The Advance, "Cochrane had a day of sports and in the evening a banquet for the returned soldiers of the town."

Pamour Porcupine to Pay Seven Cents a share for half Year

Costs per Ton Lower Despite Heavy Programme of Development.

Toronto, August 9.—Due to treatment of a lower grade of ore, Pamour Porcupine Mines, subsidiary of Noranda Mines, had reduced earnings in the first six months of this year as compared with the comparable period of 1938.

As announced previously, a two-year heavy development program was planned for the purpose of determining the ore possibilities and probable average mine grade. This campaign has been in progress all year, cost being approximately equal to the mining cost.

Toronto Telegram—You can tell if there is much traffic on the road by the number of hot dog stands.

Aunor Mines Plans Mill with Capacity of 300 Tons per Day

Expect Production Early in the New Year.

Toronto, August 9.—In reporting on the various subsidiaries in the half yearly report, President J. Y. Murdoch of Noranda Mines states that plans are being prepared for a mill on property of Aunor Mines, Porcupine district, with an initial capacity of 300 tons per day and it is expected that the property will come into production early in 1940.

When Augite property and Noranda's claims were merged, Augite had sunk a shaft to 1,025 feet, done 4,146 feet of drifting and crosscutting and 27,790 feet of diamond-drilling.

This development and exploration work, by reason of the parallel vein system, has to date indicated a vein length two and a quarter times the length of the property explored on the 750 and 1,000-foot level and one and a half times the length of the property explored on the 875 level.

Approximately 12,760 tons of ore have been stockpiled on surface, averaging about 32 oz. or \$11.20 per ton. Development work is being continued in eight faces in ore.

Paymaster Establishes Record for July Output

Establishing a new record monthly production figure, Paymaster Consolidated Mines, Porcupine district, produced \$127,809 in July from milling of 71,371 tons of ore for average recovery of \$7.36 per ton compared with \$123,852 from 16,696 tons and average of \$7.42 in June.

Production for the first seven months of the year stands at \$839,520 from milling of 116,794 tons of ore for average of \$7.27, against \$811,965 from 106,860 tons and average of \$7.59 in the comparable period of 1938.

Gross production since commencement of milling operations in 1934 stands at \$5,161,729 while predecessor companies produced approximately \$1,500,000.

Hallnor Mines Nets 41.6 Cents per Share for Six Months

Development Work to Follow Shaft Sinking

Hallnor Mines, Porcupine district, subsidiary of Noranda Mines, had net profit of \$832,797, or 41.63 cents per share in the six months ended June 30.

Gold production, less marketing expense, was \$1,255,349, from milling of 59,380 tons of ore for average recovery of \$21.41 per ton. Operating costs were \$284,414, or \$4.78 a ton, while \$44,700 was reserved for taxes, leaving profit of \$926,236.

To this was added \$2,561 miscellaneous income, bringing profit up to \$928,797, from which was deducted \$54,000 for depreciation and \$42,000 as pre-production write-offs.

Since the end of the year, very little development work has been done, outside of shaft-sinking, which will be completed to the objective depth of 1,560 feet by the end of September. Development work will then be continued on lower levels.

Production at Dome Mines Was \$597,776 for July

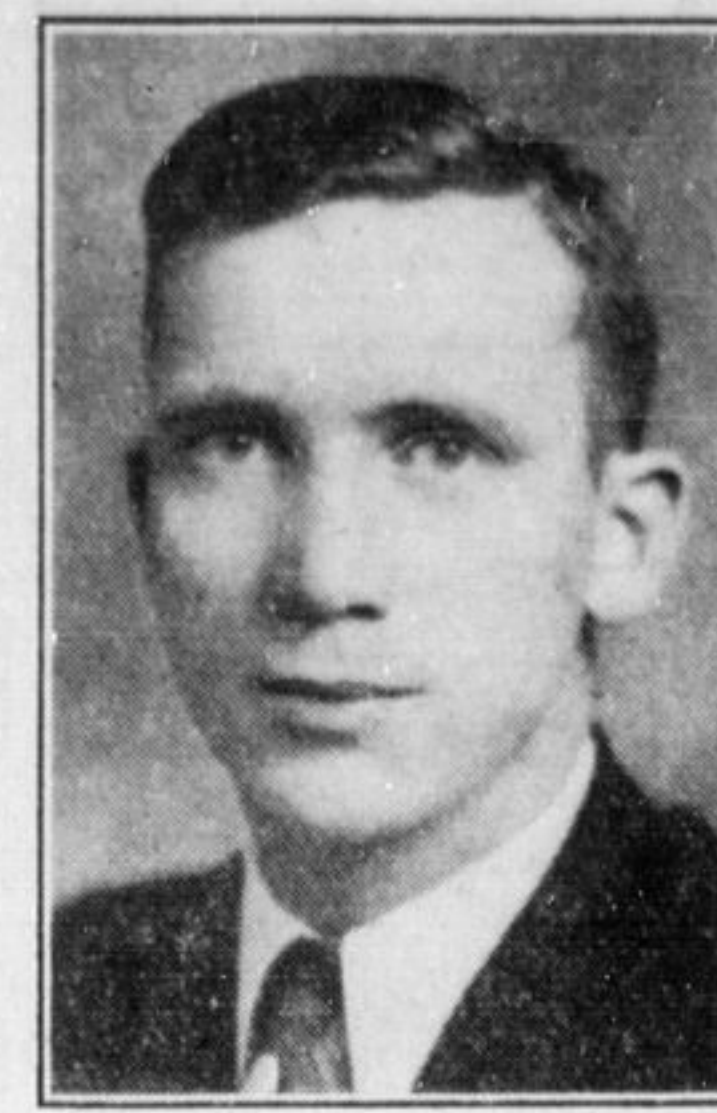
Dome Mines, Porcupine district, reports production for July amounted to \$597,776 from milling of 51,000 tons of ore for average recovery of \$11.72 per ton, compared with \$600,985 from 51,100 tons and average of \$11.76 in June.

Production for the first seven months of the year amounts to \$4,222,954 from 356,700 tons for average of \$11.81, compared with \$4,260,406 from 384,500 tons and average of \$12.22 in the corresponding period of 1938.

Gross production since commencement of milling operations in 1910 stands at \$99,504,672.

Sudbury Star—Dancing masters see the early demise of the "jitterbug" dancing. Now if only the war menace can be controlled, all will be serene.

OPENS OWN OFFICE



Dr. J. A. McNinis for the past year, has opened his own office over Harvey's Drug Store, on Wilson Avenue. Dr. Metcalfe who is a native of Almonte, Ont., graduated from the University of Toronto in 1936, and then took two years' postgraduate work in New York.

Machine for Controlling Silicosis is Patented

Toronto, Aug. 9.—It is now 17 years since insulin was first used clinically but in spite of its world-wide fame, few persons, even in Canada, have ever heard that the discovery of Sir Frederick Banting and Dr. Best is protected by a basic patent.

This fact and also the story behind a patent of a machine to reduce and prevent silicosis were recently revealed at a conference on medical patents conducted by the American Medical Association at Chicago.

During the discussion, F. Lorne Hutchinson, Toronto, Comptroller of the Connaught Laboratories and Executive Secretary of the Insulin Committee, University of Toronto, pointed out that though the need of protection through patenting was not frequent, the case of insulin was one example which did demonstrate that need.

Recalling that insulin had been used clinically in 1922 for the first time, he said "There was no desire whatever on the part of Banting and Best, their colleagues or the University of Toronto to take a patent on insulin. Furthermore, we had not heard of patent piracy because under our law patent piracy is, I think, not possible, although of that I am not sure. But it was brought home to Banting and Best and their colleagues that, though insulin was only in the initial stages of its development had not been perfected for clinical use, it was obvious not only that there would be great and urgent demand for the product but also that some material material improvement in the product would probably be made quite soon, which improvement might be made outside the university by some party actuated by profit motives who might obtain a patent that could be administered purely for his own benefit or the benefit of his company, were the University of Toronto not to obtain a basic patent to which improvement patents would be subsidiary."

"Fear of the dangers of such a development proved within a few months to have been warranted. A material improvement in the process of pre-treatment proved to be patentable, it could have developed that the whole world would have had to pay excessive tribute to the inventor of this process had there not been a basic patent standing in the way, and had our nocks not been saved by a happy combination of other fortunate circumstances. It was only in these circumstances that it proved possible to avoid dangers which were originally feared and which easily might have actually materialized within a year of the first clinical use of insulin."

"As you can imagine, in the years following 1922 there were plenty of patentable discoveries made at the University of Toronto. It was not, however, until twelve years later that another patent was taken by the University. Whereas the insulin patent had two reasons d'etre, namely protection and control, this second patent was taken only for purposes of protection. It related to a machine which at that time looked valuable for use in reducing and preventing the incidence of silicosis in mines. Obviously, this machine might readily have been

improved by some one who might take a patent on the improvement and collect excessive royalties from it. The University, in these circumstances was advised that as there might be a demand for this machine in all countries where there were gold mines, a patent should be taken in order to prevent any one from levying excessive tribute from either slight or material improvement of the machine. A basic patent was therefore obtained for dedication to the public through the offices of the Ontario Mining Association, which was willing to make rights to its use free to any proper person in the world who wished to use it."

Suggestions for Control of Dandelions in Lawns

Weeds are the enemies of all lawns and probably cause more trouble and disappointments than anything else, states M. B. Davis, Dominion Horticulturist. Dandelions and plantains are best controlled by spudding and can be eliminated in this way if one's back holds out. In regions where there is not a too heavy rainfall or where watering is not carried out, applications of copper nitrate have been found advantageous. Dr. McRostie of Ontario Agricultural College has had remarkable results in controlling dandelions by this method. He recommends two applications in July, August, or September, at the rate of one and a half pounds of copper nitrate to seven and a half gallons of water per 1,000 square feet. The young seedlings would have to be killed by application the following year. It has not been determined how many years this application could be used safely, for ultimately the accumulation of copper would become toxic to the grass itself. The nitrate, will, of course, stimulate the grass and the copper suppresses or kills the dandelions. It is well worth a trial, says Mr. Davis, where dandelions are very troublesome.

The Chesley Enterprise tells this story about a district bootlegger: "Some thirsty souls called at this place late one night and, unable to arouse occupants by knocking at the door, they took to hollering. Finally the owner stuck his head out of an upstairs window and said, "Hey, boys, pipe down the noise. Do you want me to lose my license?"

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