

# TEN YEARS AGO IN TIMMINS

From data in the Porcupine Advance Files

Ten years ago Constable W. McCord of the Timmins police force recovered the badly decomposed body of a newborn child from an old delivery wagon in the lane between Cedar and Balsam streets. The body was wrapped in copies of La Presse, of Montreal, and the Montreal Star of July 3rd, 1930, with a brown paper wrapper on which was written in two places the address: "Bijlmin Lachaine, Mattagami Post office, Timmins, Ont." Later it was found that the parcel had been placed in the wagon by two boys who had gotten it from the platform behind the Timmins post office. Also it was found that the parcel had been sent through the mails, most probably from some outside point. "Constable McCord was coming on duty," said The Advance at the time, "when he noticed a boy who has been in very frequent trouble for some time past, loitering in the lane. He questioned the lad as to what he was doing and eventually the boy who is about twelve years old, told about the parcel he had found. At first the lad said that he had found the parcel in the lane, but under the kindly examination of Constable McCord he told about taking it from the platform behind the new post office. The other lad was located and then the boys frankly told what they knew about the parcel. They said they noticed it behind the post office and thought it might contain toys or something else to play with and so they took it away with them. When the opened it in the lane and discovered what it contained they placed it in the wagon until they could tell the authorities. The one lad said that there was a lot of stamps on the parcel but that these had rubbed off while carrying the parcel through the lane, the wrapper being damp. Enquiry at the post office here resulted in confirmation of the fact that there had been such a parcel come through the mails. It had gone in the first place some weeks ago to the Mattagami post office. The postmaster there remembered it. He was unable to find anyone of the name on the parcel and when an odour started to come from the parcel he returned it to the main post office at Timmins. The Timmins postmaster sought to locate the person addressed but was not able to do so. The odour was so bad from the parcel by this time that it was placed outside on the platform at the rear of the post office. The postmaster explains this procedure by saying that the parcel had to be held a specified time before it could be sent to the dead letter office and as the odour was bad the parcel was placed outside until such time as it could be sent away. The postmaster thought the parcel contained fowl or perhaps some moose meat."

At the Radio Cafe ten years ago some sixty guests were present at a banquet given by the Timmins Softball Association in honour of the winners of the district honors in the game. The winners of the district championship, the Holly Stores team, and the runners-up the Shamrocks, of Ansonville, were the guests of the Timmins Association for the occasion.

The Week of Wonders presented by the Timmins Legion ten years ago, closed on a Saturday night in a regular "blaze of glory" so far as all sorts of success were considered. It lived up to its name all through the week and was designated a "Week of Wonders". There were over a thousand present for the closing night. The total attendance for the week reached past the four thousand mark. From the financial standpoint the Legion did well and netted a neat sum to add to their relief fund. This was accomplished, despite counter attractions, the generally accepted financial stringency in the country and all the other drawbacks. Much credit was due the officers and members of the Legion and the Ladies' Auxiliary for the success attained.

The St. Louis Junior Baseball team had an easy win over the Timmins Juniors at the ball grounds here yesterday and as a result the clever Sudbury lads will carry the baseball banner of the North to the citadels of further honours in the south," said the Advance ten years ago. "Those who saw the game here last night will hope and expect that the Sudbury lads will do well. In any event they will reflect credit on the baseball talents of the North."

The Porcupine Fair at Porcupine on Tuesday and Wednesday, September 8 and 9th, 1930, was a notable success in every way. The attendance was good, while the exhibits, both as regards to quality and number were worthy of special mention. In many lines, such as vegetables, for instance, the exhibits were of the type that made the old-time fair so interesting.

The address at the Kiwanis luncheon ten years ago was given by the Rev. Father Sowinski, priest to the Polish people of Timmins, and proved to be

one of the most interesting talks that have been made to the club. Father Sowinski briefly but comprehensively traced the growth of the Polish people from a rasal state to one of independence as it was ten years ago, and pointed with pride to many of her sons who were famous through great achievements from King Boris, who in 1364 established at Krakow the first university in Central Europe, to Ignace Jan Paderewski, who was known for many years as the world's most brilliant pianist and composer and Prime Minister of his native country Poland.

The miniature golf course at the corner of Pine street and second Ave., across from the power company building opened on Tuesday evening, September 8th, 1930, and there were throngs at the course all evening until near midnight. Men, women and children tried the game and most of them found it particularly fascinating.

The personal items in The Advance ten years ago included:—"J. Adam McGrath, of Detroit, an old resident of the camp, is here visiting friends." "Mrs. A. H. Brown, of New Liskeard is the guest of J. L. Brown and family in town." "Miss Marie Olson is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Dan Michaud, Kirkland Lake." "Miss C. L. Hubbert left on Tuesday for Fort William where she will spend a few days visiting friends." "Mr. and Mrs. E. Thompson and family returned last night from a motor trip to Southern Ontario." "Miss Vera Hayes returned this week after a visit to her home at Orillia, Ont." "Miss Alice Olson, of Kirkland Lake, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. W. E. Neary, Pine Street." "Mrs. M. Mahar left last Friday for Nova Scotia where she will spend a vacation." "Miss Margaret Brown, of New Liskeard, is visiting friends and relatives in town." "Miss Hazel Neary left by motor last week for Kingston, Ont., where she will spend the winter months with her sister, Mrs. G. A. Conrad." "John Hunt manager of the Dominion Bank, who is ill in St. Mary's hospital with typhoid fever is reported this week as making good progress to recovery." "Mrs. M. Parnell, Mrs. H. Dean, and Mrs. A. G. Luxton, motored to Kapuskasing, Monday, Sept. 8th, for the institution of the new L. O. B. A. lodge there." "A postcard received this week from Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Colombo, who motored from Timmins a couple weeks ago on their honeymoon says that the roads are very good indeed much better than expected. "Gene says they have been in Detroit for a time but are now on their way to Niagara Falls." "Mrs. Martin, of Hamilton, Ont., Grand Mistress of the L. O. B. A., for Ontario West, instituted the new lodge at Kapuskasing on Monday, Sept. 8th, assisted by officers from Cochrane and Timmins lodges." "Mrs. M. J. Cavaney, formerly of Sandy Falls and Timmins, now of Hydro, Ont., is a visitor at the home of Mrs. A. Mageau of Sand Falls. Mrs. Cavaney will also spend a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Miller in South Porcupine." "Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Redden and family, accompanied by Miss Ethel Miller, of the hospital staff at South Porcupine, motored to Nova Scotia recently and spent a month visiting relatives there." "Born—in Timmins, on Thursday, Sept. 11th, 1930 to Mr. and Mrs. Eric Fleming—a son." "Messrs. B. V. Harrison and H. C. Howard, of the Canada Northern Power Co., New Liskeard, were Timmins visitors this week." "W. G. Smith, travelling representative for a large wholesale firm in London, Ont., but formerly one of the popular pioneers of this town was a visitor to Timmins this week." "A. P. Kenning, M. P., returned last week from a visit to the East." "S. G. Hendry of Toronto, was a visitor to Timmins last week." "Mrs. A. F. Carriere left last week for a visit to Gracefield, Quebec." "Miss Irene James, of Kirkland Lake is visiting friends in Timmins this week." "Born—in Rouyn, on Friday, Aug. 29th, 1930, to Mr. and Mrs. Pete Bendo—a daughter." "E. W. Klotz has returned to his home in Toronto after spending the summer with his daughter, Mrs. W. O. Langsdon." "Miss Gabrielle Poulin returned on Sunday from a holiday trip to the south." "Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Laidlaw and family returned last week from a motor trip to Picton, Toronto Niagara Falls Cobalt and other places south." "Mr. and Mrs. Karl Eyre left last week by motor for a visit to Southern Ontario." "Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Lake left last week for Halifax where Mr. Lake is attending the annual convention of the Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association." "Rev. Bruce Millar and Mrs. Millar returned last week from their vacation in the south, Rev. Millar taking the services at the United Church on Sunday as usual." "Mr. and Mrs. R. Mitchell returned last week from a motor trip to the south."

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## NAZI BOMBS DROP WIDE OF TARGET



Nazi's claims they have wrecked British ports and closed them to shipping have been successfully refuted by foreign newsmen who visited important shipping centres and found them in full operation. Here is a picture of Dover harbor most accessible to Nazi airmen during a bomb attack. Merchant ships still crowd the roadstead—and they are still undamaged.

In the air battle which broke up the raid pictured here, Germany lost 17 planes. Four persons were killed and 12 were wounded in these raids, general headquarters said.

## Says the British Airmen are Putting Up Great Defence

### English People Prepare Each Night for Raids.

From her brother and sister in Mansfield, Notts, England, Mrs. A. V. Kettle, Messines avenue, Timmins, has received a very interesting letter in which reference is made to recent Hun air raids.

"I guess you will have heard about the Midlands being bombed," says the letter. "They have been all around us now. Last night four bombs dropped. They sounded as if they were in our avenue. I saw the searchlights after the bomber. They got him in the beams a time or two, but he got away. He has been along two nights running. Damage was done to Annesley church. Doris and Dennis have gone to the pictures to see Bing Crosby. They like to go on their own. I had to waken Dennis at 1 o'clock this morning when the bombs dropped. We have no shelter, but have boarded up the scullery windows and we stop in the passage, where there are no windows to break and splinter on us. We have to prepare every night in case there should be a raid. Have to get everything ready first aid kits, gas masks, etc., but our airmen are wonderful to keep them out as much as they do. It's only the odd one that gets through. Am sending papers."

The newspapers sent included "The Nottingham Evening News," "The People," and "The Daily Sketch," all of which give interesting accounts of the Nazi air raids. They also give prominence to the British air raids on German-held territory. The Nottingham Evening News comments on the German story about Big Ben chiming thirteen times one night. Lord Haw Haw suggested that this would frighten many superstitious people. The Nottingham paper quotes an official as saying that not only was the story a lie, but it was also an impossibility. "You might also ask Lord Haw Haw, by the way, how it is possible for Big Ben to strike at all if London is already razed to the ground."

The Daily Sketch tells of a Milland town where a dance competition was conducted as bombs fell and the guns made terrific din. The mayor in presenting the prize said:—"The way they carried on during the raid was a typical example of the country's morale."

The People also gives many evidences of the high morale of the British people, who are carrying on, despite Hitler, Huns, horrors and high weather.

## Canada's War Effort Being Materially Aided by Railways

### Traffic Loads Reaching New Peaks, Says President C.N.R.

Montreal—Concluding a seven-thousand mile inspection trip of the main and secondary lines of the railway between Montreal and the Pacific Coast, S. J. Hungerford, Chairman and President of the Canadian National System has returned to his headquarters at Montreal. During his trip the railway chief conferred with provincial, civic, business and agricultural leaders, visiting Winnipeg, Regina, Saskatoon, Edmonton, Calgary, Vancouver, Victoria, Prince Rupert, Fort William, Port Arthur and many smaller centres.

"Everywhere one was impressed by the immense extent of Canada's war effort," declared Mr. Hungerford. "Immediately before going west I was on the Atlantic seaboard at Halifax, and it may be truly said that from Atlantic to the Pacific our resources in man power and in material are being utilized to the end that victory may be won. Every existing industry appears to have been affected by the call for materials, and large new plants are also being erected to handle work never hitherto undertaken in the Dominion. Especially striking are the extensions being made to airports in all of the provinces with new or enlarged hangars, runways and barracks. Great headway is being made with the provision of facilities for the training of defence and other troops in the various areas.

## War Prisoners Start Fires on Australia-Bound Ship

Melbourne, Australia, Sept. 7 — A shipload of German and Italian prisoners of war arrived here to-day from England after causing their guards considerable trouble on the long voyage.

The military escort included a large number of veterans of the Dunkirk evacuation and they were the first English Tommies to land in Australia in more than 100 years.

Officers reported that the prisoners started fires twice and on one occasion caused an explosion on the ship but there was no damage.

The prisoners will be accommodated in large new internment camps which were specially constructed for them.

at an accelerated pace."

Mr. Hungerford was accompanied on his trip by R. J. Moffat and B. L. Daly, members of the Board of Directors; N. B. Walton, Vice-President in charge of Operations, and W. S. Thompson, Director of Publicity; and in Western Canada by W. R. Devenish, General Manager, Western lines; W. G. Manders, Freight Traffic Manager, Western lines, and district officers.

In addition to the railway, Trans-Canada Air Lines' facilities, and those of the hotel, telegraph, express and Pacific Coast Steamships services of the System were inspected. A trip was made from Jasper over the new Columbia Icefield Highway.

AMUSED HIM?

In the course of an English lesson, the teacher wrote on the blackboard: "He was bent on seeing his old school." "Now children," she said, "I want you to study that sentence and then write it down in your own words."

One small boy obviously did some hard thinking. Then he proudly wrote: "The sight of his old school doubled him up."—Exchange.

Globe and Mail: Trosky's death was indeed untimely. It came nearly twenty-five years too late.

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Cash subscriptions and conversion applications may be made through any approved investment dealer or stock broker or through any branch in Canada of any chartered bank, from whom copies of the official prospectus containing complete details of the issue may be obtained.

The Minister of Finance reserves the right to allot cash subscriptions in full or in part.

The lists for cash subscriptions and conversion applications will open at the Bank of Canada, Ottawa, at 9 a.m., E.D.T., on Monday, September 9, 1940, and may be closed at any time at the discretion of the Minister of Finance, with or without notice.

OTTAWA, September 6, 1940.

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