

TEN YEARS AGO IN TIMMINS

From data in the Porcupine Advance Files

In the N. O. H. A. Senior game at the Trocadero ten years ago thirty minutes of overtime was necessary to decide the match between Timmins and their old-time hockey rivals, the falls. This was the second overtime game for Timmins in four days, extra time being required on the previous Tuesday to beat the tie between Timmins and South Porcupine on Timmins ice. When overtime was thus necessary, it indicated that the Timmins team was worthy of support from the hockey standpoint and win or lose was playing a good brand of the game. In both their overtime games the breaks went against Timmins, but the general belief of the Timmins fans was that these games were anybody's to the end and a tie would best indicate the respective play of the teams concerned.

From the present indications nothing will be done until the spring in regard to the re-building of the structure burned last week on Third avenue," said the Advance ten years ago. "Leo Mascioli is out of town this week and will be away for ten days or two weeks. It is understood, however, that he is negotiating for the purchase of the lot that was occupied by the Charette poolroom at the corner of Third Ave. and Cedar street, and also for the Hollinger lot where the Pioneer Stores stood and for the John Wat's lots. If there are secured, as it is hoped they will be, Mr. Mascioli will put up a big brick block to replace the burned structures. The new block thus to be built will be a fire-proof and modern in every detail, it is understood."

In the Advance ten years ago: "About eighty men have been helped over the winter, and eighty are still being assisted by the relief work programme in the town of Timmins. Each day during the past month or more there have been from 40 to 44 men at work who would otherwise have been completely unemployed. The plan has been to keep part of the men at work for ten days or two weeks and then take on a fresh lot of men and do the same. In this way eighty men have been looked after and kept from want or charity, by the town programme of relief work. The appropriation for this special relief programme was \$11,000.00 of which the town is paying a half and the Government the other half. The only regret now is that the appropriation was not doubled. If it had been practical to do so the town would have benefited through the advantage given to remedying unemployment."

Among the cases at Police court here ten years ago that attracted special attention was the one arising from the taking of goods from the ruins left by the fire that destroyed several buildings on Third avenue last week. Two lads just over sixteen years of age went into the ruins and broke into a trunk that had been in the apartments of Mr. and Mrs. John Watt. From this trunk they took some valuable blankets that were unharmed except by being more or less soaked with water. The lads took the wet blankets away and sold them. Learning about this in some way or other Chief McLaughlin determined to throw a wet blanket on that sort of theft, and had the two lads in court. He also had the woman who was thought to have purchased

the blankets before the court on a charge of receiving stolen property knowing it to be stolen the wet condition of the blankets being enough to suggest the origin of them at the time. The two lads admitted taking the blankets but claimed they thought they were no use to anyone and that they did not sell the blankets to the woman charged, but to her boy. The blankets were ordered returned to lawful owners and the boys were given suspended sentences and each of them bonded for a year, while at the same time the costs of the court were levied against them and warning given them that no one had right to enter a burned building or any place else and remove goods without the permission of the owner or the authorities. The woman charged with the receiving the good explained that she had not bought the blankets, but her young son had done so, and she had at once told him to return the blankets as she felt there was something wrong but her boy had been unable to locate the two lads who had made the sale. The lady's boy corroborated the story on the stand. The case against her was dismissed.

"Reports were current in Timmins last week," said The Advance of January 22nd, 1931, "that Rev. J. D. Parks, now of North Bay but for some eleven years minister in charge of the United Church at Timmins, was likely to accept a call to a church in the South. One report here was that the call was to Barrie, but as a matter of fact it is to Grace United Church, Brampton Ont. Friends in town of Rev. Mr. Parks and Mrs. Parks will be interested in the matter and regretful indeed, at the loss to the North by their removal. Last Saturday the North Bay Nugget published a half-tone photo of Rev. Mr. Parks and also a reference to his expected departure in June."

Ten years ago was the anniversary of the Charter Night of the Timmins Kiwanis Club, and so was an evening meeting and it was also ladies' night. The event proved most interesting and enjoyable. At 5.30 p.m. the Kiwanis members, their ladies and guests met at St. Mary's hospital to inspect the wards furnished there by the Kiwanis. There were about sixty present, approximately half being ladies. The Rev. Fr. Theriault and Sister Fidelis showed the visitors various features of interest in regard to the unusually well equipped and well appointed hospital.

Personal items in The Advance ten years ago included: "Mr. and Mrs. W. Dixon and little daughter, Bernice, of Toronto, are the guests of Dr. and Mrs. A. E. F. Day." "Born—in Timmins Ont., on Friday, Jan. 16th, 1931, to Mr. and Mrs. Thos. E. Jones, 160 Spruce street south—a son (Walter Alfred Charles)."

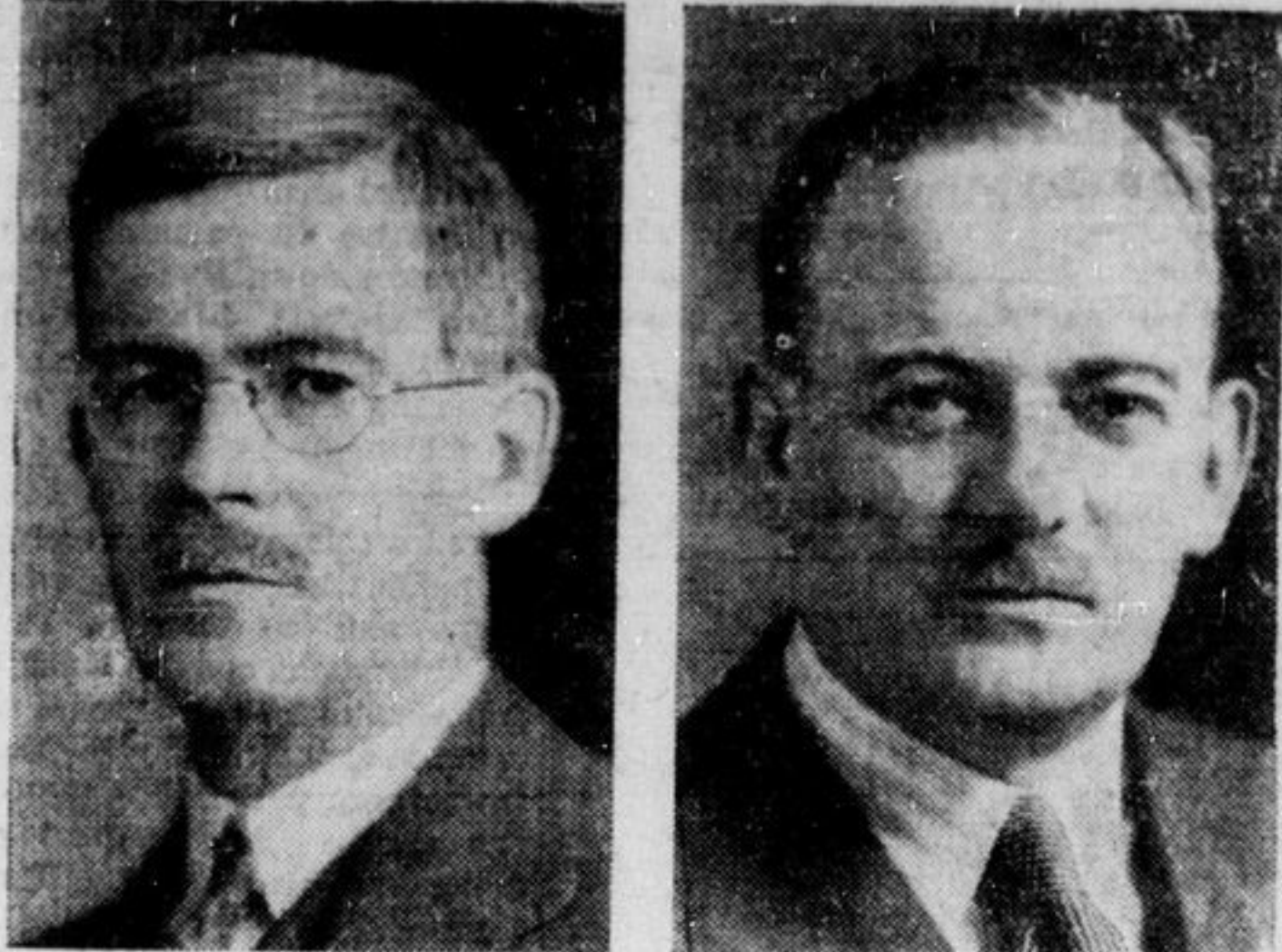
Skates Needed for Soldiers-in-Training

Those Who Can Contribute Skates and Boots Will be Helping.

There is apparently no limit to the ways in which the Red Cross is helping in all phases of the war, from caring for the ill and wounded to looking after the comfort and happiness of those on service at home and abroad. Rinks are being prepared in the various training camps throughout Ontario, but for the men in the camps—coming as they do from all over Canada—there was a decided shortage of skates. That meant that some of the men would not be able to receive the benefit of the rinks. The normal answer to this, when the Red Cross was informed about it, was to say, "We'll have to get enough skates to go around." Accordingly, an appeal was made to any having good second-hand skates with boots attached to contribute them, if not in use to the soldier. But the Red Cross didn't stop at a mere appeal. At once arrangements were made for convenient places where people might leave the skates thus donated to the soldiers, and in the case of people who for one reason or another were unable to deliver the skates and boots themselves, plans were made to have the skates called for.

People in South Porcupine and district are asked to leave any skates they may be able to pass along to the soldiers at the Marshall-Ecclestone Hard-

PRESENT 94TH CANADA LIFE REPORT



A. N. Mitchell (left) president and S. C. McEvenue, general manager of the Canada Life Assurance Company whose 94th annual report has just been presented. In reviewing the progress of the past year it was stated that "Never since the company was established have its policy-holders been more adequately protected."

ware Store, 48 Bruce avenue, South Porcupine. Anyone in that area unable to deliver the skates should telephone Mr. A. G. Trueblood (day phone 64W2 and night phone 259, South Porcupine) and the skates will be called for.

Any in Timmins or Schumacher who can donate any skates should take them to the Legion hall, 17 Cedar st. S. Timmins. It will be specially appreciated if the skates are delivered, but if this is not practical, a phone call to the Legion hall after 10 a.m. will mean that the skates will be called for. The Legion hall phone number is 1216.

In Schumacher, telephone calls may also be made to Mr. P. A. Boyce (phone 2832W).

In telephoning kindly give your name and full address, and have the skates ready when they are called for. It is specially requested that the boots be tied together in pairs, and marked for the Red Cross.

Death at Shawville of Mrs. J. Lathan in 73rd Year

In the Shawville news in the Pembroke Standard-Observer last week was the following reference to the death of Mrs. John Lathan:—

Mrs. John Lathan Saturday morning death visited the home of John Lathan on Main street here and took his wife, the former Sarah Jane Dragg, in her 73rd year after an illness of only eight days. Born in the township of Clarendon, she was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. George Dragg. When quite young she moved with her parents to the township of Thorne, where she lived most of her life until she moved to Shawville about 13 years ago. She was married in 1887 to John Lathan, who survives, with left one son, Rae, Vancouver, B. C.; four daughters, Mrs. W. H. McCay, Shawville; Mrs. W. Godda, Kirkland Lake; Mrs. W. E. Roberts and Mrs. Henry Greer, Timmins; three brothers, Herman and Harry Dragg, Thorne, and Samuel, Regina, Sask.; three sisters, Mrs. C. T. Atkinson, Thorne; Mrs. G. H. Davis, New York; and Mrs. H. I. Kelly, Charters, Que. and eight grandchildren. She was a member of the Anglican church, and the funeral was held Tuesday afternoon from her late home to St. Paul's Anglican church and cemetery with Rev. T. E. R. Nurse conducting the service.

How Life Insurance Helps the Country and Its War Effort

Some Striking Points Made at Annual Meeting of Canada Life.

"The nation or the company that can best pull in its belt today and asks least of the future will best withstand the difficulties in the post-war era," A. N. Mitchell told policyholders and shareholders at the Canada Life Assurance Company's 94th annual meeting.

"If the whole population can be induced to consider itself a mobilized army and devote a maximum of its productive powers to financing the present emergency it will certainly be lessening the troubles of the war's aftermath. A large proportion of all earnings must be used in war's compulsory spending if our future is to be secured. While such spending is essential it is of course completely unproductive and must therefore insofar as it is derived from borrowed money prove a heavy drain on future earnings and a restraint on living standards after the close of hostilities. Any un-economic extravagance outside what war demands must lessen our ability to pay the war costs at once, and must increase the necessity of borrowing, and so add to our future burdens."

"There is one watchword this complete national army must keep uppermost in its mind every moment of the twenty-four hours—"Thrift." The results of that thrift must be placed at the disposal of our leaders."

"The students of life insurance are firmly convinced that this business offers us as individuals at the least annual outlay, the simplest and most economical way for providing what we feel is necessary in the future for ourselves and our dependents. We believe life insurance is and should be closely linked with war economy. The nation will be most advantaged if the individual, while providing to his utmost for the country's war effort, can at the same time maintain a reasonable basis for the future economic

security and independence of himself and his dependents and so lessen future demands on government aid. Life insurance offers the solution. Being an instalment plan it provides the future security with a minimum of present outlay. Even this outlay however will through the companies' investments still be used in large measure to help the war effort, as is evidenced by our investments of 1940. Life insurance fits into the country's and the world's needs both in war and peace.

"The world is changing rapidly—politically, economically, nationally," Mr. Mitchell stated. "If, however, continued freedom requires the constant vigilance of those who enjoy it, so does the safety of life insurance require the exercise of the same unrelenting care, caution and foresight as has been exercised for nearly a century by the directors and officers of this company."

"The position of your company, however, has, we believe, been kept abreast of the new conditions. What has been accomplished in this direction has been made possible only because every member of our field and home office organization has had a complete understanding of and has given the closest co-operation and unflinching support to what your directors have believed to be the necessary measures for protecting the future."

"We spoke last year of our belief in the tremendous future ahead of Canada and of our belief that the securities we hold in this country rank with the best in the world," Mr. Mitchell continued. "Nothing has happened since our last report to alter that opinion. Many things have happened, however, to strengthen it. Certain municipal situations in which we are interested, and which in the early part of the depression period were requiring adjustment, have now been straightened out and municipal financing, very much improved. The production of new mineral wealth has again increased and gives every sign of further development. Industrial activity is greatly strengthened. The increased tax strain being imposed upon the population is apparently going to be borne without undue stress. In fact, the nation gives every evidence of satisfactorily maintaining its health despite war conditions."

Address on Scout's Founder at South Porcupine Y.P.U.

South Porcupine, January 23rd, 1941. Special to The Advance.

The regular meeting of the United Church Young People's Union was held in the church at 8.00 o'clock on Monday evening, last week with Ken Davis presiding.

After the opening hymn, the President led in the discussion of business and work of the executive at the meeting on Friday. Then the president conducted a very enjoyable singing with Jerry Trueblood at the piano. Jerry Trueblood, past president then read a report of last year's work. A motion was passed whereby succeeding presidents would present a similar report at the end of their term of office.

The meeting was then turned over to Harold Tole, Citizenship convener. He introduced as speaker, Mr. Elmer Williams, who gave an exceedingly interesting and well-formed account of the Life of Lord Baden-Powell. The speaker concentrated on Baden-Powell's work for the Boy Scout organization. The talk was enjoyed immensely. Art Moyle gave a resume of the week's news.

On January 27th, Mr. Anton R. Lendi from Toronto and Switzerland, will give a Travelogue and Lecture, illustrated with 200 coloured slides and ski films, entitled "The Story of Switzerland." This will deal with life, work and people of Switzerland; current events and the birth of the Red Cross.

The meeting closed after a half hour of games.

THAT'S DIFFERENT

As the battalion marched on, one weary soldier fell out. Sitting down by the roadside, he took off his boots to rest his feet.

"How far is it to the camp?" he asked a passing farmhand.

"About four miles as the crow flies," was the reply.

"Ay," replied the soldier, "but s'pose the blinkin' crow has to carry a rifle and pack weighing 'arf a ton and with blisters on both heels, how far is it then?"

—Globe and Mail

Exchange: You have to keep moving when crossing a busy street or occupying an aisle seat in a movie theatre.

Founder of Scouts Honoured at Service at South Porcupine

Boy Scouts, Girl Guides, Rangers, Cubs and Brownies at Service.

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A memorial service was held on Sunday afternoon at 3 p.m. for the late Chief Scout, the Rt. Hon. Lord Baden-Powell of Gilwell, O.M.; G.C.M.G.; G.C.V.O., L.D.

Rover Scouts (8), Boy Scouts, Rangers, Girl Guides, Cubs and Brownies (146 in all) were present with their leaders; also members of the Scout Association, and of the Committee of Girl Guides, besides a number of prominent citizens; Archdeacon Woodall and Rev. J. A. Lytle officiating.

The colors carried by each Company were draped in black—proper mourning—and each Guide leader wore the regulation mourning band. A special form of Service had been sent from Headquarters opening with the hymn, "O God our Help in Ages Past"—including sentences from Scripture and Psalm 121, with special prayers and the Nunc Dimittis.

Following the address by Archdeacon Woodall the Scout Promise was renewed by all the Scouts, Scouter Bill Hall leading.

Girl Guides and Rangers (with the Brownies at the salute) repeated the Girl Guide promise, led by Divisional Captain Mrs. Lettman.

The text of Archdeacon Woodall's address was as follows:

"The man whose memory we honour today was born in England in 1858; the third son of a clergyman. He was educated at Charterhouse School, Godalming, Surrey, and had no intention of being a soldier; he was prepared for Oxford, and upon taking an examination for entrance to Sandhurst, found that out of 700 candidates he had taken second place—so he went to Sandhurst Military College. He was fond of nature study and woodcraft and as a boy spent a great deal of his time in the Surrey hills and woods, by himself. There his quality of observation was developed which afterwards became the basis of his Scout work. Upon leaving Sandhurst he went to

Annual Meeting of Schumacher Red Cross on January 29

All in the District Covered by the Branch Asked to Attend.

At the executive meeting of the Schumacher branch of the Red Cross on January 19th, it was decided that the annual general meeting of the branch should be called for Wednesday, January 29th. The meeting will take place at 8 p.m. in the Auditorium of the McIntyre Community Building. All residents of Schumacher and of the surrounding areas included in the Schumacher Branch are urged to attend. The agenda will include the annual reports of the officers, general business, the question of purchasing a field kitchen or other unit for the over-35s forces and the election of officers and executive for 1941. This is your opportunity to learn what has been accomplished and to elect those whom you wish to conduct the business of the branch.

Toronto Telegram: Very few people aim so high in life that they overshoot the mark.

Blairmore Enterprise: A scientist claims to have discovered that the souls of certain human beings are carried on to whales and sharks, then from sea to skunks, moose, rabbits and other animals; then to revert back to any sort of cold-blooded fish, and back again to a cat, a dog, a cow, sheep or other hot-blooded creature, eventually winding up in angle worm or some other human development. Hence they're right.

HOPE DASHED DOWN

The prodigal wrote for paternal help, winding up with the confession that he was obliged to sleep in a disused cowshed.

Back came a postcard from the father: "Dear Oswald, is there room for two?"

—Exchange

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