

TEN YEARS AGO IN TIMMINS

From data in the Porcupine Advance Files

At the regular meeting of the town council ten years ago, the council decided that a taxi stand should be moved from the stand to Cedar street at the side of the hospital, and that the move should be made before July 1st of that year. A plan for a new addition to the High and Technical school was approved, and the matter of unqualified men doing plumbing work was discussed.

There was general regret and much sympathy for the bereaved family from hosts of friends in Timmins and district when news was received here of the accidental death near Ottawa ten years ago of Miss Mary Margaret O'Neill, B.A., teacher at the Globe Collegiate Institute at Ottawa. Miss O'Neill succumbed to injuries received when struck by a train at Farm Point while attending a picnic there. The late Miss O'Neill visited here the previous summer and made wide circles of friends. Both her brother and mother had been resident in Timmins for some time and to them special sympathy went out. Dr. A. H. McDougall, principal of the Globe Collegiate, paid high tribute to the character and ability of the late Miss O'Neill. "She held the confidence and esteem of her colleagues and the pupils of her various classes," he said.

Timmins was well represented at the meet at North Bay ten years ago, the lads going down from Timmins High and Technical School on Saturday being: Stanley Hass, senior; W. Pinkleman, intermediate; C. Charron, intermediate; L. Chisholm, junior; P. Letang, junior; S. Walsh, intermediate; W. Shields. One of the best of the juniors, Albert Lepic, was unable to go to North Bay for the meet. Stanley Hass set a new record in the pole vault, 10 feet 2 inches. He was en-

titled to go to the provincial meet at Toronto, with expenses paid.

The weekly luncheon of the Kiwanis Club was held ten years ago in the Empire Hotel for the purpose of receiving and welcoming Dr. Garnet E. Tanner, the Lieutenant-Governor for this Northern Division of Kiwanis, who was here on his official visit to the club. Dr. Tanner and Mrs. Tanner motored from their home in Midland to the North, so that he might visit the several clubs in this territory.

In The Advance ten years ago: "There were two private cars here on Friday last, one, the Whitney, bearing Hon. Wm. Finlayson and party, and the other, the Temagami, being the private car of the T. & N. O. Railway Commission. While on the tour of the North Land Hon. Mr. Finlayson and party were the guests of Geo. W. Lee, chairman of the T. & N. O. Railway Commission. On the trip the parties went to the end of steel north of Cochrane on the extension of the railway. Those in the party were:—Hon. William Finlayson, Minister of Lands and Forests; Principal W. H. Fyle, of Queen's University, Kingston; J. MacDonnell, general manager of the National Trust Company; R. McKean of Toronto; and Hon. Mr. Finlayson's son.

A programme of outstanding interest and merit was given in the United Church, Timmins, on Thursday evening last by the Schumacher United Male Choir. Due to the fact that the event had not been advertised there was not the attendance that the occasion deserved, but all present certainly enjoyed the programme given.

"What might have been a serious accident," said The Advance ten years ago, "occurred at 1 p.m. on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mr. and

Mrs. Edwin Nord, 63 Birch street south, when Mrs. Nord's mother, Mrs. Markvardsen, had the misfortune to fall backwards down the steps into the cellar underneath. At first it was feared that the unfortunate woman had broken some bones or sustained other injuries, and Dr. A. S. Porter and C. E. Taylor were hurriedly called, but an examination showed no other effects of the fall than a severe shaking up, and a slight cut on the head, caused by a comb in Mrs. Markvardsen's hair. Mrs. Nord was unlocking the door into the kitchen and her mother stepped back to make room, and in doing so she moved too far and the trap door to the cellar being opened, lost her balance and fell the seven feet to the cellar, where she lost consciousness, coming to again just before the prompt arrival of the medical men."

In The Advance ten years ago: "Hon. William Finlayson, Minister of Lands and Forests, was on a tour of the North Land last week, and before returning to Toronto made an important announcement in regard to the Trans-Canada highway. Mr. Finlayson in effect said that the three routes specially urged would be carefully considered and a survey made of each of these three routes, and then the whole question of the location of the proposed Trans-Canada highway through this North Land would be decided on its merits."

Local items in The Advance ten years ago included: "Born—In Timmins, on Monday, June 1st, to Mr. and Mrs. P. Sicard—a daughter." "Born—In Timmins, on Thursday, June 11th, to Mr. and Mrs. A. Frawley, 75 Mountjoy street—a son." "Mrs. J. Small and son of Timmins were recent visitors to Kirkland Lake." "Miss C. Craig visited in Kirkland Lake last week."

Uncle Sam's Monocles Not to be Laughed At

Professional humorists will have their fun with the report of the optical trade that there is a sudden demand for monocles in the U.S.A. Sales are up 50 per cent since the beginning of the war; and though the increase is attributed in large part to the influx of European refugees there is evidence that native Americans, particularly on the West Coast, are among the buyers. Which leads the New York Sun to say:

Logically, of course, there is no reason why a person whose vision is impaired in only one eye should wear lenses, but fashion was never a matter of logic, and the fashion in the United States has been to regard the wearing of a single eyeglass as foppish and comical.

"Before we laugh too loud, however, let us pause and reflect that before the last war no American 'he-man' would be seen wearing a wrist watch, despite the popularity of that convenient type of timepiece in Europe. The war abolished that prejudice, because Army officials found the wrist watch indispensable. Many other instances of similar conversions might be cited. It was only forty years ago that any New Yorker who ventured forth on the hottest summer day without his coat was dubbed a 'shirtwaist man.' And speaking of that West Coast that is now adopting monocles, there was a time out there when it was considered effeminate to wear black shoes, even with formal attire, and when to sport spats was to risk shooting."

Deer and Car Near North Bay are Happy Playmates

From North Bay comes the story of a rather unusual friendship. A cat on the Elroy dairy farm near North Bay and a big deer in the district have formed a friendship and are happy playmates. The cat and the deer scamper around the fields together and are said to have lots of fun in them playing together. There are several deer reported in the district, but this is the only case of a deer and a cat chumming together. It is the sort of story that might be expected to come from Saull Ste. Marie.

Sudbury Star: We heard a report that a local man who had no theories about the Hess case was taken in as a suspected fifth columnist.



PLEASANT HOMES

by Elizabeth MacRea Boykin

HAVE A BARBECUE PARTY!

There Are Barbecue Carts for Charcoal Fuel—Pits and Grills to Fit Into Stone or Brick Frameworks—Many Outdoor Stoves and Camp Chef Gadgets.



Barbecue carts for outdoor good times make such entertaining very simple. The model shown here has shelves and a table top surface for extra convenience.

We're all country bumpkins at heart, and so balmy days bring yearnings to "out." The real town slicker is usually content enough with a piece of a backyard for picnics and steak roasts... we've even heard of barbecues on back porches. But for those who are serious about nature and all that, there's plenty of really wild country in short driving distance of the main part of town.

Aids to Outdoor Pleasure
But whether we're plain garden variety or hot house flowers, we've all been sprinkled with scientific ideas, so we can't take nature straight. We need all sorts of laboratory-like equipment and scientific aids to pleasure in the wilderness.

Those who want to maintain the illusion of reality will do their outdoor cooking on a noble brick or stone oven built around especially designed metal grills that you buy "ready-made"... included are contraptions for barbecuing chicken or beef, searing steaks and franks, toasting and broiling and such like. You can buy a metal grate and as many ovens, and extras as you want, then build your own brick or stone frame. An incredible amount of convenience can be bought to go with this—a long scissor-like pair of tongs, iron forks and spatulas.

For those who are frankly pikers and want their life in the open to be accompanied by all the comforts of home, there are rubber-tired barbecue carts with charcoal pit, spit, table top and shelves. In addition you can get a carving board "attachment." There are ever so many other practical little charcoal stoves—one is an iron pail with a grill top and uprights to hold a barbecue spit; another metal charcoal grill has a top big enough for two skillets and folding legs so that the whole works can pack in a compact metal carrying case.

Vertical charcoal grills are preferred by some camp chefs because they like the way the drippings are treasured. Or you might like the practical features of a rustic fireplace unit made into an artificial tree stump—it works beautifully and solves a lot of problems with a minimum of effort and time.

For Camp Cooking
If you can bear just making a plain

fire on the ground, there are various racks and grills to go over it to set your pans on. You can even get an oven for baking on an open wood fire. Useful for camp fire cooking are individual long-handled holders for steaks, frankfurters and hamburgers—you hold these over the coals till the meat is done to an even turn... no danger of dropping it. Various bigger broiling racks are also available.

For fireplace cooking you could build an old time iron frame on the principle of the rotisserie with spits to hold a 25-pound load. You can rig up a crane or a roasting jack in the fireplace for bigger meats—pig, game, large fowl. You hang it in front of the fireplace and just watch that the meat is turned regularly.

Extra gadgets for outdoor cooking include ice boxes, cutlery sets, camp match boxes, various quick fire tablets and cartridges, a barbecue recipe book, cooking gloves and aprons and of course a chef's cap.

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Trees to Use to Beautify Grounds in This North Land

Writing in a recent issue of The New Liskeard Speaker, Mr. A. A. Cole refers to the value of trees to help beautify the home grounds and towns of the North. From his own experiments and experience he gives a list of some of the varieties of trees that will do well in this country. Because it is written from the North Land viewpoint and with North Land knowledge and experience to back it, the article is of specially timely interest. Here is Mr. Cole's article in full:

Trees For the Home Grounds

(By A. A. Cole)
"He that planteth a tree is a servant of God. He provideth a kindness for many generations and faces that he has not seen shall bless him."

—Henry Van Dyke.
He who has never planted a tree and watched it develop year by year, has missed one of the real pleasures of life. Not everyone can indulge in

this pleasure, but many more could if they would put into action the results of a little thought and planning.

The choice of trees to plant, presents a problem, particularly to the novice. Some trees are more suitable for certain locations than others, but those for the decoration of private grounds may be much more varied than those for street boulevard planting.

Let us consider the case of a person who wishes to add to the beauty of his home surroundings, by planting shrubs and trees that will flower in the spring and summer, and in the autumn supply an abundance of berries. All the year round these will attract a great variety of birds, the rarer and more beautiful ones coming all the way from the Arctic to visit us in midwinter. A pleasing and surprising feature of the programme is that it may be carried out at a minimum of expense by utilizing native trees and shrubs. These can be secured from neighbouring wood lots and if on private property, the owner will usually co-operate. Many good specimens indeed may be found along the roadsides, particularly off the main highway.

The writer has obtained good examples of the following flowering trees and shrubs, all within easy walking distance of New Liskeard:

- (1)—Native Plum,
- (2)—Hawthorn,
- (3)—Highbush Cranberry,
- (4)—Climbing Honeysuckle,
- (5)—Mountain Ash,
- (6)—Choke Cherry,
- (7)—Pin Cherry,
- (8)—Saskatoon Berry,

(1)—The Native Plum is a very noteworthy feature in the Northern garden and in the landscape generally, as it is very early blooming and unlike the cultivated plum, the white bloom develops before the green leaves. It is very hardy and is easily started either from shoots from the parent tree, or from the fruit stone. A row of these trees at the present time looks like a bank of new snow.

(2)—Hawthorn. Specimens of this shrub have been secured near the pumping station not far from the mouth of the Wabi River. Ordinarily it grows to a height of ten to twelve feet but can easily be kept cut down to a lower hedge height. It is an ideal hedge shrub as it produces suckers freely and is armed with numerous thorns, two to three inches long, making it almost impenetrable. In the spring time the white bloom will remind many of the English May, and in the autumn, the clusters of red haws have a very attractive appearance.

(3)—Highbush Cranberry. The foliage of these shrubs is very ornamental. The first shoots in spring are of a reddish bronze colour, followed soon by the large deeply indented green leaves which in the autumn turn to subdued maple leaf tints. The flowers are in flat white clusters though it belongs to the snowball family. The fruit is about the size of a currant, first a waxy yellow later turning to a deep orange-red. In mid winter these are particularly attractive to the Pine and Evening Grosbeaks. These Arctic visitors strip off the flesh of the

fruit in order to secure the large flat seeds it contains.

(4)—The Climbing Honeysuckle in its native haunts is usually found running over the ground, covering old stumps, but occasionally climbs small trees. It may easily be domesticated and trained up a trellis. It is much harder than imported varieties. A large cluster of these yellow-orange blossoms is like a golden drape in the sunlight.

(5)—Mountain Ash or Rowan, can most easily be identified in the autumn by the large clusters of scarlet berries. No Northern garden is complete without at least one specimen of this beautiful tree.

These will make a good beginning, but later may be added, particularly if you have plenty of room to spare, a hedge of (6)—Choke Cherries and some individual (7)—Pincherries and (8)—Saskatoons.

The advantage of using local trees is that they are hardy and accustomed to our severe winters and also that when they are transplanted, the time between lifting and replanting, may be very short giving little chance with reasonable care, for the roots to dry out.

Success should follow if the roots are puddled with plenty of water and the fill well firmed, with the tree standing slightly deeper than its original position.

Suggests More Enthusiasm Needed in Recruiting

(From Toronto Telegram)

There has arrived at this office from the Department of National Defence at Ottawa a rotogravure publication in magazine form, published in England. It is entitled "War in Pictures," and gives in illustrated detail the story of the campaign in Greece, in the Western Desert, in the air and on the sea. One double page deals with the war in Libya, and across the top of both pages runs the caption: "Britain, Australia, New Zealand, India, Rhodesia, Cyprus, Mauritius, Free France, Poland... Together for Victory!"

There is one name missing from that list. It is a name that Canadians would have liked to see in its proper place. It is absent because recruiting was actually discouraged when tens of thousands could have been readily secured; we were told that this was to be a different kind of war—a war of machines in which large contingents of men would not be needed.

Canada needs more men for the fighting services today, and has always needed more men although the Government has discouraged the idea until a week or so ago. The extent to which those fighting against Hitlerism need more men and more equipment is suggested by the London Financial News, which attributes the Crete disaster to the fact that the nation still has not enough trained men and not enough war equipment to do all the tasks that have to be done in the Middle East. The Financial News makes no pretense of possessing special military perception; none is necessary to read the writing on the wall.

Canada's forces need men in thousands and tens of thousands and need them now. The Department of Defence has sent out a call for no more than 32,000, and has done it in a "this year, next year, sometime never" sort of way. For a hundred persons who know that there is a Victory Bond sale on it is doubtful that one knows the desperate need there is for men. Even now the recruiting has amounted to little more than opening recruiting stations and hoping that the recruits will force their way in. It needs some of the enthusiasm that has been lavished on the 3 per cent loan.

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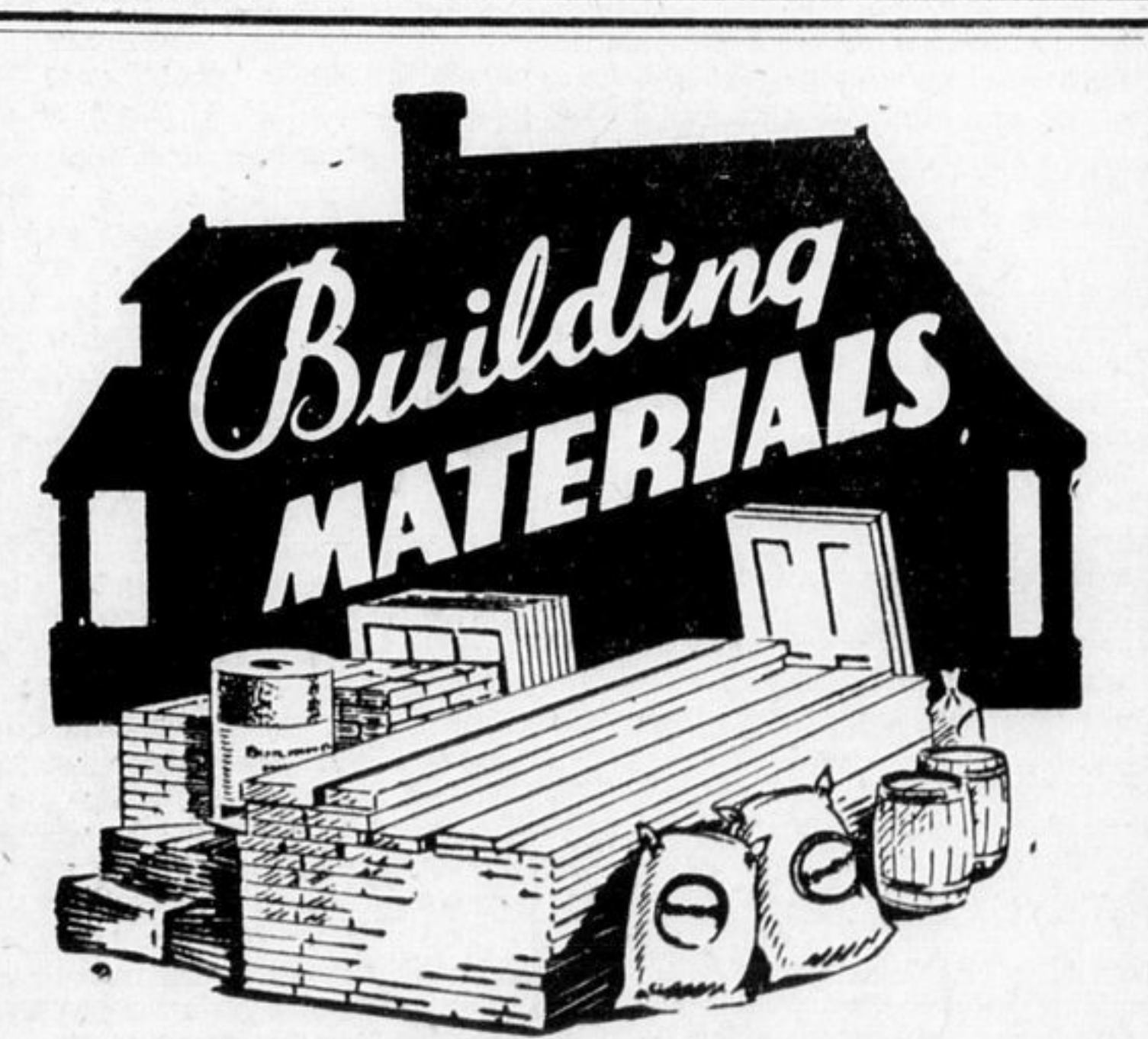
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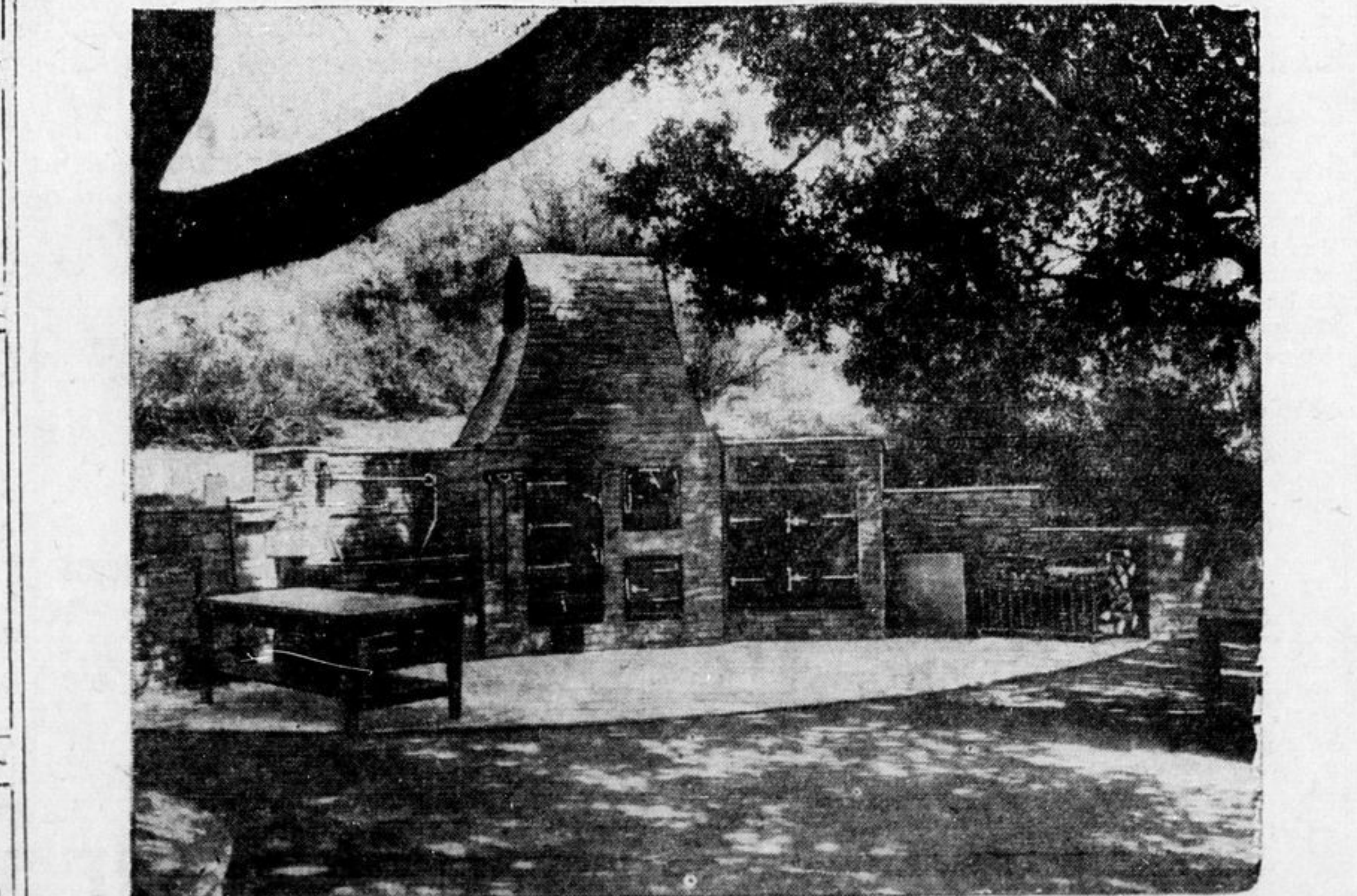
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