

TEN YEARS AGO IN TIMMINS

From data in the Porcupine Advance Files

At the regular meeting of the town council on a Monday ten years ago Mayor Geo. S. Drew was in the chair and Councillors A. Caron, Dr. S. L. Honey, R. Richardson, J. T. Chenier, J. E. H. Chateaufort and J. Morrison were present. A letter was received from the National Workers' Unemployed Association, which seemed to be another of the many names under which the communists travelled, or stayed here. A couple of weeks previously the council was approached by some men who claimed that single men were in danger of starving in town on account of not being able to secure work. One Finn who managed a boarding house said he had been feeding the men but could not continue to do so. The town found it necessary to confine its help to bona fide citizens here, resident in town for a year at least, with the preference for married men in the matter of both relief and employment. The men were told this, but were further informed that no one here would wish to have anyone starve, and that perhaps work could be secured for them. A ratepayer present suggested

that to avoid danger of starvation temporary work might be given the men on farms near Ramore where they would be sure at least of three square meals a day until something better developed. Council later got in touch with Ramore farmers and arranged for work for the men for their board and fifty cents per day. This offer was passed on to the men alleged to be in danger of starvation, who replied that the offer was unanimously turned down by the association which said that the conditions were horrible and revealed the fact that council "wanted to employ the workers as slaves and nothing more." Since the men refused this temporary assistance, the council came to the conclusion that apparently they were not in danger of starving, and simply fyled their reply.

In the Advance ten years ago: "After Wednesday of next week the by-law requiring that all milk sold in town shall be pasteurized goes into force and effect. The leading dairymen of town are ready now for the by-law. There are four pasteurization plants for the town's milk supply."

The continued progress of the town of Timmins was indicated by the fact that ten years ago seven new buildings were erected in the business section of the town, and no less than twenty-seven new houses were erected or being erected. In the matter of alterations and additions the building activity was equally pleasing.

"During the past week there have been a half dozen cars from a distance at the Timmins tourist camp," said The Advance ten years ago. "Last week there were four automobiles from Toronto and one from Port Arthur enjoying the conveniences afforded at the tourist camp. This week the gypsies have moved away from the adjoining camp. Townspeople have also been enjoying the pleasures available at the tourist camp. The beach has been fixed up by the town so that it is available for small children, while

the swimming in the lake is good. The water's fine."

Capt. B. Richards, one of the most popular and highly-esteemed pioneers of this part of the North, died at his home here ten years ago after an illness that had kept him from his work at the mine for some seven months. The late Capt. Richards was a native of Cornwall, England, and was 72 years of age at the time of death. He had lived a very active and adventurous life, following mining in Australia, California, Colorado, and other mining fields throughout the world, but maintaining ever the genial kindly attitude of life and people for which he was noted here. Probably no man in high position in mining in this country held a greater measure of esteem and affection than was accorded to Capt. Richards by all classes.

Local items in The Advance ten years ago included:—"Born in Timmins, Ont., on Thursday, June 18th, 1931, to Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Horrester—a son." "Misses Chloe and Hope Taylor, left last Sunday on their vacation. They intend to visit Gravenhurst, Toronto and other points south." "Messrs H. Bertrand and Arthur Lawlor, of Capreol, were business visitors to town last week." "Miss Gladys Gibbons of Toronto, formerly of Timmins, is visiting friends in town." "Miss Ida Martyn, of New York City, N.Y., will be in charge of the display at A. J. Shrage's store next week." "Mrs. Annie Jones arrived in Timmins by motor from a six months' visit with her daughter at Niagara Falls, New York." "Miss E. Warren is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Warren, of Timmins." "Mr. C. Kynock, chief inspector Lloyd's Bank, England, is visiting Col. S. B. Scobell." "Mr. and Mrs. A. Tiges, of Eganville, were visiting their daughter, Mrs. W. Orr, of Timmins. They have gone to Waubesa on their way to Cobalt, North Bay and other points."

They will see what they can do in this war without officers.

It is too bad that it will be the Russian peasant that bears the brunt of the war instead of the Communist leaders—and we wonder if this won't prove a new weakness in Russia.

Not many of Russia's millions are Communist leaders.

But here's hoping that the Russians that go out take a lot of German tanks, and planes, and soldiers with them—but when it is all over the heavy job of beating Germany will still rest on the broad shoulders of the British Empire—aided and abetted by the United States.

Logic

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Turks Safe

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They have non-aggression pacts with both Germany and Russia.

One More

In Ethiopia, Jimma has fallen and Gondar is the only important place left for us to take.

Every place we have taken has been the last but one ever since we took Addis Ababa, but every place we take there is still one more to go.

Heat Wave

The paper says the heat wave was broken by the storm.

Watering the Flowers

One of our budding young public men feels very much aggrieved.

He has one of these flat rate heaters with which the family have to stagger their baths and are careful not to run into washday competition.

The other night he was patiently waiting for the water in the tank to get good and hot, and his wife asked him to water the flowers.

He connected up the hose and gave the plants a good drenching, then went to feel the tank.

It was stone-cold.

He is still sore about missing that bath—and his wife is still wondering what hit her flowers.

Burning Bicycle

Our York Township scout contributes this in the tall story of the week contest.

He says a friend of his was told by a friend of his that while driving down Oakwood avenue one day last week, he was astonished to see a bicycle parked in front of the fire hall, blazing merrily. The friend's friend said that he went into the fire hall, got a glass of water and put out the fire.

It seems that the bicycle was owned by a workman who had some tools wrapped in a piece of cloth and tied on the carrier, and the cloth was ignited by a carelessly thrown cigarette.

Stopped

The other day on University avenue there was a bread wagon that looked as if it had had a head-on collision with a tank. Its radiator was buckled back to the windshield and there were a couple of wheels missing.

On the side of the bread truck were printed the words "STOP ME."

In Conclusion

In conclusion, let us repeat a thought from Winston Churchill.

Nazism the Enemy But Russia Not Much of an Ally

Turks Considered Safe. Another Fall in Ethiopia. Other Items.

Writing in his column in The Toronto Telegram, Thomas Richard Henry this week has the following:—

Nazism

Nazism is the supreme danger of the world.

So anything to defeat Nazism. Outside of that we hope Russia now appreciates the partner she signed up with when Britain went to war with Germany.

Hitler is doing a grand and characteristic job of biting the hand that fed him.

Russia

Russia is still the huge lumbering incompetent now that she is fighting the same enemy that we are fighting, as she was when she considered joining up with the Germans against us.

How long it will take Germany to clean up Russia is a problem for military experts—but the less we talk about Napoleon the better.

Among the conditions that have changed is the fact that this German army won't have to walk to Moscow and back in winter time. Distances have shrunk, even in the fastnesses of Russia.

But Russian soldiers showed a stolid courage in the last war when they

faced the Germans without rifles and without ammunition.

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PLEASANT HOMES

by Elizabeth MacRea Boykin

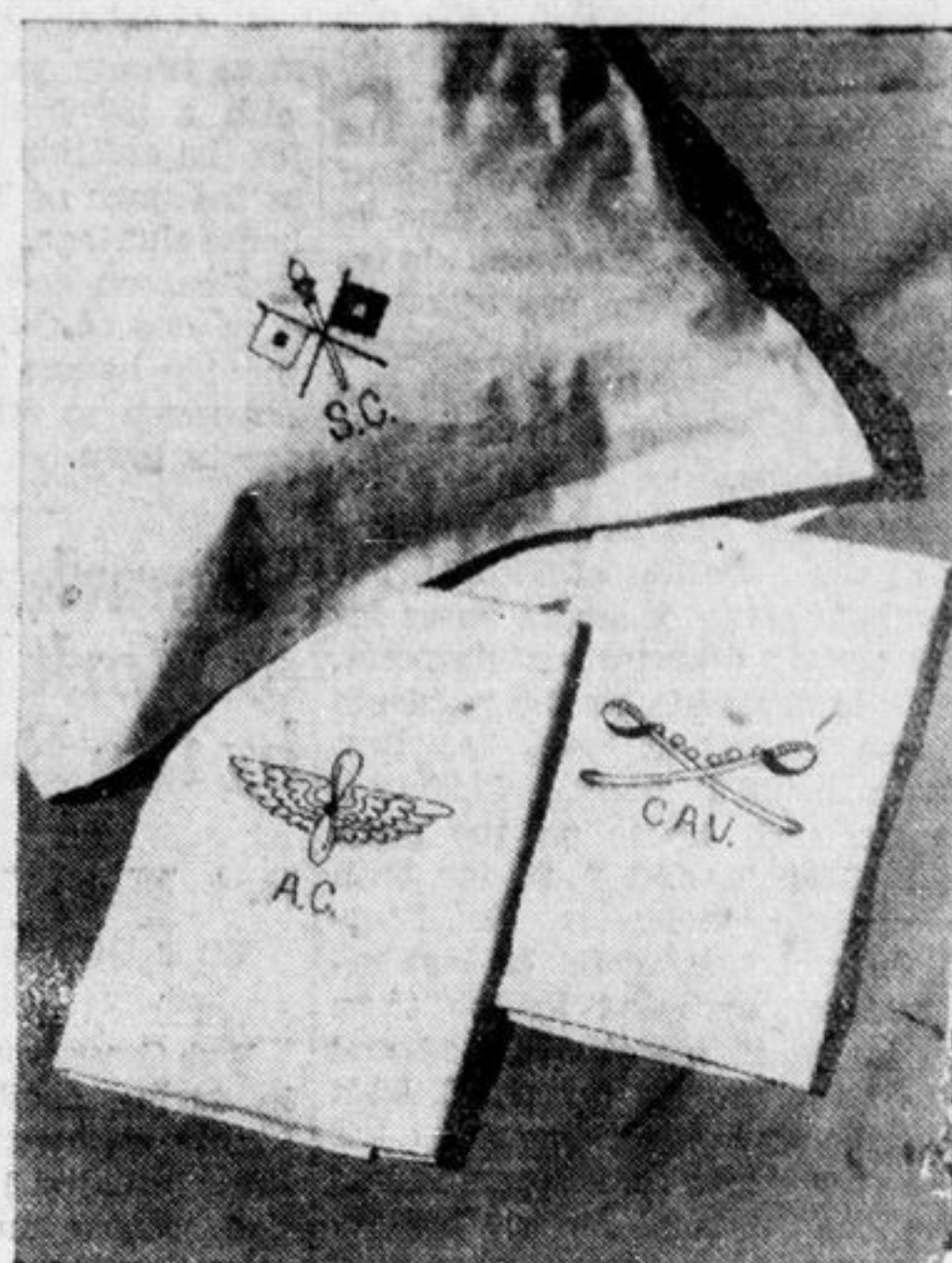
LIFE WITH THE LINDSAYS—OFF-STAGE

This Theatrical Couple who Play the Leading Roles in the Original Company of "Life With Father" Live in a Victorian House Near Washington Square



If you are replenishing your bed linens this summer, you may want to work them with the insignia of the army man in your family. Illustrated here are various popular insignia.

In the left-hand group are shown insignia of the Engineers Corps, the Field Artillery and the Medical Division. In the right hand photograph the



Signal Corps, the Air Corps and the Cavalry insignia are pictured. In addition to the proper marking, don't forget the quality of the bed linens you purchase. Practical details such as projecting size index tabs, beauty-hems with a woven-in damask-like border and double tape selvages are important points to watch.

There's a narrow tall little house near Washington Square in New York where live the Howard Lindsays—that inimitable couple who created the original roles of Father and Mother in the play "Life With Father," based on Clarence Day's book. Their house is just the sort of a place the Days themselves might have lived out those nostalgic years of "Life With Father" . . . you know, the sort of house where Mother would receive Father's gift of a diamond ring with the delighted remark, "Now you'll never have to give me a diamond ring again—you can give me a diamond necklace!" Only life with the Lindsays off-stage has a very modern pattern despite the background. Mrs. Lindsay is Dorothy Stickney who

plays Vinnie to Mr. Lindsay's "Father" in the play. And she has furnished this pleasant old house for gracious living—helping herself to past and present details of decoration and achieving an altogether becoming and leisurely effect.

The Plush Album

The front parlor is charming with white chintz splashed with roses, striped satin sofas, Victorian chairs with white painted frames and dull green satin upholstery. Dresden china flowers and cupid, a wonderful old crystal chandelier that came from Venice by way of South America, a dull green rug and a plush album that is also a music box. The paneled walls are painted white, the ceiling is green; a pair of column pedestals hold urns of green branches and there's a gunmetal mirror in a scroll frame above the white marble mantel.

The back parlor is the family living room, a genial comfortable place for people who like books and friends and good conversation. Here the walls are light green, the rug an old mulberry colour. Built-in bookcases line one end of the room—there's a black marble fireplace and plenty of deep easy chairs and sofas in old mulberry and in flowered chintz.

The end wall of the room is entirely filled with windows over-looking a little garden that's complete with an iron calla-lily fountain. This window, framed with flowered cretonne draw curtains, has a what-not in front of it to hold Miss Stickney's collection of actress glass—a type of pressed glass in vogue in the latter part of the 19th century. Miss Stickney's pieces are

decorated with medallions of different popular actresses of that day, including Lotta Crabtree (captioned "Our little friend Lotta"), "Miss Nielson", Fannie Davenport, Annie Pixley, Maggie Mitchell. In this window alcove stands Miss Stickney's secretary desk, its top shelves filled with an unusual collection of music boxes.

Fresh and Crisp

Upstairs Mr. Lindsay's study has walls lined with mellowed pine panelling and on the floor a delicious old Brussels carpet. Miss Stickney's bedroom is very fresh and crisp looking with white walls, white gaitskin rugs and white quilted chintz spread for the bed and white quilted slip covers for the chairs. Flouces for bed and chairs are in red and white striped chintz which is also used for a wall canopy to frame the bed and for curtains. Three walls are painted white, while the fourth fireplace wall is in a pale chartreuse, to match the background tint of wall panels made of old fancy window shades Miss Stickney picked up in an antique shop near their farm in the country. Mr. Lindsay's bedroom has a brown figured wall paper, a walnut poster bed and grand old scenic window shades, found in the same cross-roads village.

It was pleasant to visit the Lindsays at home—to have tea with "Vinnie" and to discover that "Father's" handlebar mustaches were real. But most of all we liked finding such a poised and serene household right in the middle of the town. For Mr. Lindsay doesn't really roar off-stage—at least he didn't while we were there. (Released by Consolidated News Features, Inc.)



The front parlor of the Howard Lindsay home has white walls, flowered chintz curtains, a dull green rug. The striped settees beside the sofa are in a red striped fabric. The costumed figure under glass is a wax portrait of Dorothy Stickney in one of her parts.



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