

# News From South Porcupine, Dome and the District

## W. D. Pearce, Pioneer Merchant of S. Porcupine, Passes at North Bay

District Loses Another Esteemed Pioneer Who Did His Part in the Uppbuilding of South Porcupine and District. Funeral on Sunday with Masonic Honours.

South Porcupine, August 27 (Special to The Advance).

Another pioneer of the Porcupine has passed to his well-earned rest. William D. Pearce—one of the oldest and most respected merchants of town—died on Thursday night in the Civic Hospital, North Bay, after a seizure a few days previously while at a summer cottage on Lake Nipissing where for the past month he had been holidaying with his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Stanley Pearce and his grandchildren. His two sons, Stan and Allan, were summoned as this illness—a third stroke—appeared to be serious. Stan was with him when he died.

The body was brought in to South Porcupine and was at his home on Sunday, the funeral taking place on Monday.

The late Mr. Pearce was known and respected in the whole Porcupine Camp. As a business man his integrity and fair dealing made him one of the foremost merchants of town. Since 1912 when he took over the store of Charles See, whose original slogan was "Pills and Things," Mr. Pearce has carried on the business at the same store; latterly it has been taken over by his son, Mr. Stanley Pearce, and more recently another branch has been opened on Main St. and managed by his son-in-law, Mr. Gordon Cross.

He was interested in sports. An ardent curler, it was great grief to him when, three years ago his health precluded his taking part in the ancient sport of Scotland; but his original interest in the Curling Club continued to the end. He was also interested in fostering hockey—especially juvenile hockey in the camp. But his chief love was for flowers. His own garden was always full of flowers in the summer, and when the Horticultural Show in Golden City was in its prime he acted as one of the judges each year and encouraged the growing of flowers in

this North Country. He will be missed and mourned although his health has prevented him from associating in an active way with community affairs for the past three years.

Mrs. Pearce died very suddenly less than a year ago (Oct. 6th, 1940) which was a great blow to him and no doubt accelerated his end. As he was a member of the Masonic order for many years his funeral was in accordance with the laws of the order.

He leaves four children and ten grandchildren to mourn his loss—Stanley, Olive (Mrs. Gordon Cross), Allan, Betty (Mrs. Leigh Baden), all resident in South Porcupine.

Mr. Pearce and family came to Porcupine in 1911 after the fire. Mr. Pearce was first associated with the Traders' Bank in Golden City, then with Charles See in South Porcupine, whose store he subsequently took over.

His funeral which took place Monday afternoon at St. Paul's Anglican Church, was a Masonic one. Pallbearers were: Wm. Fairhurst, Geo. Bannerman, J. Aitken, A. Tomkinson, P. Andrews and A. Luxton.

Interment was made in the Tisdale cemetery.

Floral tributes were sent by:

Kay, Betty, Mary, Pat and Bob Gallagher; Dorothy Dodge; Jean and Bill Phillips; The Kennedy Family; Simms, Hooker and Drew; Isobel Tate; Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Wilson; Maple Leaf Cafe; Mrs. A. U. Bailey; The Kemsleys and Laidlaws; Mr. and Mrs. Sol Sky; Mr. and Mrs. D. Coffey; Mr. and Mrs. and Mr. and Mrs. A. Martin; Tink and J. B. Bladon; The Laprairie Family Bill Sharp; Lil, Nod, Dorothy, Fay and Phyllis; Brownie Porcupine Hardware; Mr. and Mrs. H. Costain; Mr. and Mrs. F. LaForest; Jean MacPhail and Myrtle Lucas; Mr. and Mrs. W. Sliff; Mr. and Mrs. D. A. McLellan; Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Cook; Mr. and Mrs. W. Fairhurst; Mr. and Mrs. James Wright; Boys of the Survey Dept.; Mr. and Mrs. W. S. McDowell and Betty; Lex and Bess; Mr. and Mrs. G. Kenyon and Mrs. Cross; Verne Smythe; Myrtle and Leo Kramer; Mr. and Mrs. F. Reynolds; Kay and Lorne; Reg. Vaughan; Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell-Smith and Family; Mr. and Mrs. J. Garrety and girls; Mr.

MR. AND MRS. WM. C. SHIELDS



Pictured Above with their attendants, Mr. Thomas Clarke and Mrs. V. A. Middleton, are Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Shields (nee Margaret Easton) immediately after the ceremony which took place in Timmins United Church on Saturday afternoon.

and Mrs. W. Johns; Dr. and Mrs. Somerville; Claude Dillon and family; Township of Tisdale; Mr. and Mrs. D. Eames; Helen Murphy; Porcupine Lodge No. 506, A.F. & A.M.; Don Campbell; Chas. and Edna Girdwood; Officers and Members of outh Porcupine Fire Dept.; A special wreath sent by the following South Porcupine Old Timmers: Lee Sauder, F. C. Evans, M. Smith, Chas. McInnis, J. J. Gallagher, W. W. Wilson, James Brown, M. G. Clark, W. Fairhurst, F. Laforest, D. McLellan, W. Skinner, Dr. W. McLaren, E. D. McDonald, A. Stevenson, Sol Sky, J. Sarsfield, D. Frood, F. P. K. Gallagher.

## Schumacher Lady in Good Health on Her 80th Birthday

Mrs. E. Watson Does Her Own Work and Also Much Knitting for Soldiers.

Schumacher, Aug. 27th. Special to The Advance.

Congratulations to Mrs. E. Watson, Third Avenue, who celebrated her 80th birthday last Thursday, August 21st. Mrs. Watson was born at Lanark, Scotland, and has been a resident of Schumacher for over twenty years. She is held in the highest esteem by her many friends. Despite her years she leads a very active life, does her own work and cooking, and is a great knitter of socks for soldiers. Her grandson Walter McCrae, is overseas with the 1st Survey Regt. Her many friends wish her the best of health and many more happy birthdays.

## Joint Meeting of Kiwanis Clubs at South Porcupine

To Welcome District Governor John M. Burden.

South Porcupine, Aug. 27—(Special to The Advance)—The Kiwanis met on Thursday for their regular weekly meeting in the Kiwanis hall—an attendance of over fifty, including almost 50 per cent of Timmins Kiwanians. The great occasion was the visit of Governor John M. Burden, of the O. Q.M. Division of Kiwanis. With him was District Governor No. 1 Division, Frank Todd, of Cobalt.

Reeve Evans extended a civic welcome to the visitors, and President F. C. Evans acted as chairman.

Scotty Wilson from Timmins acted as accompanist and Fritz Woodbury led in community singing.

Solos were rendered by Messrs Lloyd Hunkin and B. Billings, and these were much appreciated.

The address by the Lt.-Governor was a noteworthy one. His topic was of democracy and liberty and the furtherance of Kiwanis ideals.

## Charming Summer Wedding at South Porcupine Church

Miss Vivian Miller and Mr. Gordon Stewart Bucknam Married.

South Porcupine, Aug. 27—(Special to The Advance)—A pretty summer wedding took place in the United Church Wednesday afternoon, when Miss Vivian Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Miller, of Bruce Avenue, became the bride of Gordon Stewart Bucknam, son of Mr. Geo. Bucknam and the late Mrs. Bucknam, of Oshawa. Rev. J. A. Lytle officiated. During the signing of the register Mrs. E. A. Stanlake sang "Because." Mr. Geo. Hale, of Timmins, was the organist. The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore an attractive gown of white georgette with insets of lace in the bodice. The gown was made with a V neckline, long sleeves, and a full skirt. Her white embroidered net veil was caught to her head by a wreath of orange bios-

soms and lily-of-the-valley. She carried a bouquet of red roses, lily-of-the-valley and fern.

Miss Sheila Miller, sister of the bride, was bridesmaid, wearing a becoming gown of mauve net, made with sweetheart neckline and tiny puffed sleeves. A cluster of pansies formed her head-dress, and she carried a Victorian nosegay of pansies.

Mrs. C. Abramson, also a sister of the bride, was matron of honour. She was attired in two-toned gown of pale pink lace bodice with a full blush rose chiffon skirt. Pink and white asters were clustered and formed her head-dress, and she carried a muff of pink and white asters.

Elmer Bucknam was best man, and the ushers were Bill Mylchreest and C. Abramson.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the bride's home, with Mrs. Miller, who wore a black and white figured crepe dress with jacket and corsage of red roses, receiving the guests. Mrs. A. Harty poured tea and was assisted by Mrs. M. Miller.

Later the bride and groom left for a honeymoon trip by motor to Toronto and Oshawa. Upon their return they will live on William Avenue.

## Wedding at Timmins United Church

Miss Mary May Bugera and Mr. Robert Lloyd Cooper Married.

Schumacher, Aug. 27th. Special to The Advance.

A pretty wedding was held last Thursday afternoon at two-thirty at the Timmins United church when Mary May Bugera, R.N., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Bugera, Second Avenue, became the bride of Robert Lloyd Cooper, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cooper, of Watford, Ontario. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Robinson of Belle Terre, were the attendants. The Rev. Gilmour Smith officiated.

The church was nicely decorated for the occasion with vases of coloured phlox and ferns. The bride given in marriage by her father, wore a fitted gown of white chiffon with short sleeves. Her finger-tip veil of white net was fitted on the head by a big rosette. She carried a bouquet of Talisman roses.

The bride was attended by her sister, Mrs. W. Robinson, who wore a fitted gown of Elizabeth blue satin and a matching blue satin halo hat with veil of blue net. She carried a bouquet of pink carnations.

After the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents. Mrs. Bugera, mother of the bride, received the guests, wearing a gown of turquoise blue. She wore a corsage of sweet peas.

The bride and groom left by car for a trip through Southern Ontario. For travelling the bride wore a wine coloured wool suit trimmed with black broadtail and black accessories.

On their return they will take up residence at the Blahay Apartments, First Avenue.

Prior to the marriage the bride was entertained by Mrs. Ernie Pooley, of Timmins, Mrs. Jack Marshall, Schumacher, and at the nurses' residence by the nurses of St. Mary's hospital.

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## Items of Interest From Schumacher and District

Schumacher, Aug. 27th. Special to The Advance.

Mrs. Alex Dunbabin, Fourth Avenue, entertained Wednesday afternoon, Aug. 27th, in honour of her sister, Miss Fay Bellamy, of Timmins, who is celebrating her eleventh birthday. A number of guests from Timmins and Schumacher attended and a very happy time was enjoyed. During the afternoon a delicious lunch was served by the hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Harris, of North Cobalt, are visiting their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Sutherland, Birch Street.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Wright and daughter, Phyllis, of Halleybury, are visiting Mrs. Wright's sister, Mrs. J. D. Sutherland, Birch Street.

Mrs. Blanche James, Third Avenue, left by car this week for a month's holiday at Nova Scotia.

Mrs. Neil McAlpine and little son returned from an extended holiday at Mattawa and Pembroke.

Mr. and Mrs. George Biggs and Mr. and Mrs. A. Craig, left by car for a holiday in Southern Ontario and New York.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Mair, and Mrs. W. Leck and family left by car for a holiday at Sudbury and other points.

Miss Violet Wilkinson, Fourth Ave., is holidaying in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Cameron and family of Fourth Avenue, are holidaying at Renfrew.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Robinson left this week for their home at Belle Terre. They were accompanied back by Miss Alexandra Bugera, who will visit with them for a week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wallace and family, of Fourth Avenue, have returned from a holiday in Southern Ontario.

## Comes to Schumacher on Visit at Age of 83 Years

Schumacher, Aug. 27—(Special to The Advance)—The many friends of Mrs. Sarah MacMillan will be pleased to hear that she is feeling much better. Mrs. MacMillan was visiting her sons, Malcolm and Sinclair MacMillan, at Lake Side Drive, when she took suddenly ill at the home of her son, Mac. She is 83 years of age. Best wishes for a speedy recovery are extended her by her many friends. Her daughter, Mrs. May Cameron, of Kirkland Lake, is visiting her.

Sudbury Star—It's dangerous to put your money in some pools. On account of the sharks.

## Schumacher Hockey Players Making Good Recovery

Schumacher, Aug. 27—(Special to The Advance)—The many friends of Henry Lone and Bill Holouka will be glad to hear that their injuries are not so serious as was at first expected when they had a car accident at Montreal. All wish them a speedy and complete recovery.

## MEETING ADJOURNED

Chairman (of newly formed garden club): "Well, have you got the agenda, Mrs. Smith?"

Mrs. Smith: "Why, er-er, no. I thought we might discuss that at our next meeting."

## TAKE THEM ALL

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