

TEN YEARS AGO IN TIMMINS

From data in the Porcupine Advance Files

The annual commencement exercises of the Timmins High and Vocational School held in the auditorium of the school ten years ago, proved of outstanding interest. The programme being appreciated throughout. There was a large attendance of pupils, parents and others, while all the teachers were also present and assisted in the success of the evening.

The programme opened with a selection by the school orchestra, the playing of this group of young musicians being much appreciated.

A. G. Irving, chairman of the High School board, presided for the evening, and in a brief address opened the programme.

The address of the principal, Mr. W. W. Tanner, to the audience before presenting the L. Halperin medal, was an inspiring feature of the evening. Mr. M. B. Scott, before presenting the High Vocational and Technical diplomas, delivered a fine address, full of good advice to young people starting out in life. Athletic prizes were presented by Austin Neame president of the Timmins Branch of the Canadian Legion, B. E. S. L. Mr. Neame made a very effective and helpful address appreciated by the pupils and others present. The presentation of the prizes donated by W. S. Jamieson who spoke briefly but effectively in encouragement of the pupils. The prizes were books that would be treasured by the recipients. They were awarded to the pupils making the greatest progress in the past year. J. H. Gauthier, Cochrane, District Deputy of the Knights of Columbus, made a very able and pleasing address in presenting the Knights of Columbus Scholarship to Miss Harriet Harkness. It was awarded for the highest marks with honour standing in the complete middle school department examinations and in winning it, Miss Harkness achieved special honour, that being the first time the scholarship was ever won by a Northland student. The orchestra played very pleasing selections, and the English speaking pupils presented a play in the French language, by the French Students. That play was under the able direction of Mr. F. Gauthier. The evening closed with the singing of the National Anthem.

The Advance contained the following article ten years ago:—"The formal opening of the new hall of the Croation National Society on Saturday night, Dec. 17th, 1932, was one of the most impressive events in the camp for some time. The new hall, which is located in the premises formerly occupied by the Maple Leaf theatre, is one of the most attractive and commodious halls in the North Land. The whole building has been completely overhauled and remodelled and then painted and decorated throughout. On the main floor there is a dance hall of modern type with a roomy gallery for guests, and with dressing and rest rooms and a good stage. Cloak rooms, check rooms and ticket booths are also on this floor. The lofty ceiling adds to the advantage of this part of the building. The room may also be used as a concert hall or for meetings, and so is of particular value to the Croation National Society. The hall is artistically decorated and presents a particularly good appearance. A basement has been added to the building and this also is well finished and equipped. There is a good kitchen, a large room for storing food, etc. A special feature is the playground for the children, the idea being that the youngsters will enjoy this playground while the adults of

the family will be using the hall upstairs. Situated in a prominent position on the main street of Schumacher, the new hall is convenient for the people of the whole camp and is likely to prove especially popular for dances, meetings, concerts, etc., on account of its large size and its many other advantages and conveniences. The new hall is said to have cost the Croation people about \$8,000 but this does not include the free labour given so generously by members of the Croation National Society in the work of remodeling and decorating of the hall and building."

The weekly meeting of the Timmins Kiwanis Club was the annual Christmas party, ten years ago, and it was the usual good time. Each member present was the recipient of a present from some other member present. All the presents were inexpensive but very interesting. Rev. Bruce Millar acted as Santa Claus, with Arch Gillies as his assistant. Santa Claus read the names and messages in a clear voice that gave all the chance to understand and enjoy the occasion. The report of the committee on the Timmins Relief Fund was received carrying the facts as outlined by The Advance the week before as to the adoption and promising success of the plan to augment the assistance to be given the needy during the coming months. By a standing vote of the club it was shown that the Kiwanis Club as far as its members and their businesses were concerned were 100 per cent for the plan of the Timmins Relief Fund. It was announced during the meeting on that Monday that there would be two from the Hollinger on the Timmins Relief Fund committee, one to represent the men underground and the other, those on the surface.

Ten years ago the Timmins Charity Turkey stag had been in progress—the real purpose of the Stag—the collection of names, the investigation of cases and the packing of the hampers ready for distribution or shipments. That year over 300 hampers were sent out. That meant 300 families who would have a merry Christmas who otherwise would go very shy indeed. Surely, it was worth while. There were over 28,000 pounds, or over fourteen tons if you prefer, of food distributed in these Turkey Stag Hampers. There were two styles of hampers used—one a large hamper containing about two hundred pounds of the best food, including a 90 lb. bag of potatoes, and the other for small families and carrying 35 to 40 pounds of food.

Among the local and personal items in The Advance ten years ago were the following:—"Mrs. Geo. Harrower has been seriously ill at her home during the past three weeks with rheumatic fever. Her many friends wish her a speedy and complete recovery." "Miss C. Thompson, of Toronto, is visiting friends in town this week." "Born—On December, 20th, 1932, to Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Nicholls, 12 Elm street north—a son." "His innumerable friends will be very sorry to hear that J. E. Newton is seriously ill at present, suffering from pneumonia. At the time of going to press, however, he is reported as getting along satisfactorily." "Mrs. T. M. White, of Kirkland Lake, was a visitor this week at the home of her parents in Timmins." "Mrs. U. C. Fitzgerald was called to Lucan, Ont., this week, owing to the death of her mother there."

Christmas Services at St. Matthew's Church

At St. Matthew's Church, Christmas services will be held at the following hours:—Thursday night, commencing at 11.30 p.m., carol service, followed by a celebration of the Holy Communion; Christmas Day, at 11.00 a.m. morning Prayer and Holy Communion.

Sudbury Star: What with the curling season starting there'll soon be more sweeping victories to announce.

Church Directory

First United Church Timmins
Minister: REV. W. M. MUSTARD, M.A., B.D.
10.45 a.m.—Morning Worship
7.00 p.m.—Evening Worship
Sunday School
12.15 p.m.—for all 12 and over
2.30 p.m.—for all under 12

Christian Science Society

Oddfellows' Hall, Spruce Street North
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27th, 1942
"CHRISTIAN SCIENCE"
9.45 a.m.—Sunday School
11.00 a.m.—Sunday Service
Golden Text—"If ye love me, keep my commandments. And I will pray for you, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; even the Spirit of truth." (John 14: 15-17).
Christian Science Reading Room, McGinnis Block, 18 Pine St. North. Open every weekday, 12 noon to 5 p.m. Friday evening 7.30 to 9.30 p.m.

Mountjoy United Church

100 Mountjoy Street S.
Minister: REV. E. GILMOUR-SMITH, B.A.
11.00 a.m.—Morning Worship "Looking Back."
7.00 p.m.—Christmas Pageant "Unto us a Son is Born" presented by the Y. P. U. under direction of Mr. W. G. Schweitzer.
Sunday School: 9.45 a.m. for 9-11 years
12.15- for 12 years and over.
2.00- for 8 years and under.
Christmas Day Service—11 a.m.

The Presbyterian Church in Canada

MACKAY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Oddfellows' Hall, Spruce Street
Minister: Rev. Dr. Geo. Aitken, Th.D.
1.00 p.m.—Sunday School
7.00 p.m.—Service.
Oddfellows' Hall, Spruce St. N.
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St. Matthew's Church

Rector: Rev. Canon Cassin, B.A., L.Th.
11.00 a.m.—Morning Prayer
3.00 p.m.—Sunday School
4.15 p.m.—Baptisms
7.00 p.m.—Evening Prayer
Holy Communion on 1st Sunday of month, at 11 a.m., on 3rd Sunday, at 7 p.m.; and on the 5th Sunday and Festivals at 8.30 a.m.

Charming Book of New Fairy Tales

There is a new book now on sale for the Christmas trade that has a triple appeal in Timmins and district. The book itself will delight all by its charm and originality as well as by its make-up and binding. The author is Miss Eva Bilsky, ("Aunt Eva, of the Sunshine Club"), a sister of Mrs. A. J. Shragge, of Timmins, and who has visited here and made hosts of friends among adults as well as children. A third appeal is the fact that the proceeds of the book are to go to the British Save the Children Fund, as a contribution from the author.

As to the book itself adults and youngsters alike will fall in love with it. Bound in Royal blue plush, a white label bearing the title, the volume is a fine sample of the bookmaker's art. It is elegantly printed in large readable type on beautiful Byronic book laid paper. The illustrations are by the author.

"What Happened After", the title of the book, takes up a number of the well-known old fairy stories that children have loved for generations, and gives original and thrilling sequels to the famous tales, showing "What Happened After." All youngsters who love the dear old fairy tales will be delighted with these charming new ones. There are copies of "What Happened After," at the Book Nook in the McInnis Building, and all interested in children might inspect the charming book there.

Oddest Call Received by Timmins Fire Brigade

A greatly worried lady called up the fire department this week. Her dog had crawled under the washing machine and had his tail caught in the shaft. She couldn't get him out, and he was raising a great howl.

"Turn off the motor, and we'll be down", was the answer from the fire hall. When the firemen arrived the dog was promptly released, and the incident put down as the oddest fire call to date.

The fire department had ten other calls during the week, the only one of importance being at 72 Hollinger ave., where \$200.00 damage was done. The fire started as an aftermath of thawing out water pipes.

Sentenced to a Year in Wholesale Theft Cases

In October Walter Greenwood was charged in a large number of cases of theft, receiving, etc., and was remanded for two months, in the meantime being sent to the Ontario Hospital for observation. He was returned here this week, the authorities saying he had no mental disorder. Accordingly the cases came before the court Tuesday, there being thirteen charges, including breaking, entering, theft, receiving and having obscene literature. The total involved was around a thousand dollars and ran from tires to toys and from furs to nick-nacks. Magistrate Atkinson sentenced the accused to one year on each of the more serious charges and six months on each of the others, the sentences to run concurrently.

I. O. D. E. Christmas Banquet Thursday Night in Honour of the Blind

Annual Christmas Banquet at Legion Hall Thursday Evening. Many Attended. Guest Speakers Present. Distribution of Gifts. All Present Enjoy Pleasant Evening.

A capacity crowd of about 40 people attended the annual Christmas banquet held by the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire at the Legion hall on Thursday evening. The banquet was held for the benefit of the blind of the district, and a great number turned out for the evening. Many of the blind and their escorts were present, these including Mr. Herbert Treener, Mrs. Nick Reecchia, Miss Sadie McCosman, Mr. Bruce McColeman, Mrs. Beauchamp, Mrs. Marie Langlois, Mr. Arthur Green, Miss Eugenie Enright, Mr. H. Leclair, Mrs. S. Anthony, Miss Noella Bastarache, and Mr. John Kalerowish. Those who were unable to come were Miss Rose Lamoureux, Mr. Solomon Ansara, Mr. Arthur Percival, and Miss Florence Barnes.

The evening began with a tasty turkey dinner being served to the guests, the dinner being catered by the Ladies' Auxiliary. A great deal of credit is due to the Ladies' Auxiliary for the excellent meal that was served, and for the enjoyable programme presented later in the evening. All this was arranged by the Ladies' Auxiliary under the convener-ship of Mrs. W. A. Devine, past president. The kitchen staff consisted of Mrs. George, convener, Mrs. A. Borland, Jr. and Mrs. J. Smith.

Presiding at the head table was Mrs. Jas. Keene, Regent of the I.O.D.E., and seated at her left and right were the honoured guests, Mayor Brunette, Mr. Herbert Treener, Rev. W. M. Mustard, and Mrs. Mustard, Father Murray, Father Martindale, of Schumacher, Mrs. L. Dorway, Honorary Convener of the Blind, and Mr. and Mrs. Austin Neame. On introducing the master of ceremonies for the evening, Mr. H. Treener, Mrs. Jas. Keene remarked on the wonderful work that Mr. Treener is doing in town, his ability in doing the work, and his musical genius.

As master of ceremonies, Mr. H. Treener presented a very effective address to the guests basing his topic on his good friend, Rev. W. M. Mustard, who was the next speaker on the programme. Addresses were also given by Mayor E. Brunette, Father Martindale, Father Murray, and Mr. Austin Neame.

For a great number of years, Mrs. L. Dorway, has been honorary convener of the Blind committee. She has been particularly interested in the blind, taking a great hand in many of the important events in honour of them. For the past few years, important matters in relation of the blind, have been well taken care of by the I.O.D.E. A yearly event is the Blind tag day, and for the past two years the I.O.D.E. have sponsored a Christmas banquet to honour the blind of the district. A blind committee has been formed, with Mrs. Dorway as honorary convener, and Mrs. E. Robinson, Schumacher, as convener. The committee consists of Mrs. T. E. Pritchard, Miss Ellen Terry, Mrs. J. Thierault, Mrs. H. Lloyd, Mrs. L. Halperin, Mrs. W. Menear, Mrs. A. F. Carrière, Mrs. A. Shaheen, Mrs. J. Keene, the Regent, and Mrs. H. Lang. This committee has done very effective work for the past three years, taking care of all matters pertaining to the Blind, and having many forms of entertainment for them.

At the conclusion of the addresses, community singing was held, ably directed by Mr. H. Treener. Old, well-loved numbers, and Christmas carols were some of the many songs rendered.

The musical programme presented was most entertaining, talented artists, young and old, participating. Numbers consisted of solos by Fred Curtis, "John White", and "Tweet Tweet"; by Jimmy Cowan, "Oh Mr. Macpherson"; and Les. Nicholson, "Put a Little Bit Away." A talented boy, Norman Amadio, pleased all with his piano selections. Norman is only 14 years of age, but has remarkable musical talent. The numbers were "Sprites of the Glen", and "Barber of Seville," and they were presented with

outstanding skill and effectiveness. Miss Beverley Stiver, aged 13, sang in a beautiful voice, "The Second Minister", and as an encore "Tears and Smiles." Young Doreen Whittam, who is only 13 years of age, sang as her first number a lilting song in French, and as an encore appeared again for "Lazy River."

Miss Dorothy Devine, at 11 years of age, is a very accomplished child. She rendered in a sweet soprano "The Swing Song," and as an encore played a pianoforte selection, "Wild Rider" by J. Schumann. This was an intricate composition, but extremely well played. The young artists are all pupils of the Sisters of Assumption Music School.

A highlight of the evening was the distribution of the gifts to the blind guests. Gifts of all sizes, shapes, and loveliness, gaily wrapped and pleasing to all who received them, were presented to the guests on behalf of the I. O.D.E.

A short period of the evening was spent in playing games, under the able direction of Mr. H. Treener. In this, all participated, enjoying themselves immensely. A great many thanks are due to the I.O.D.E. for sponsoring such an affair, and to Mrs. Jas. Keene, Regent. Credit is also due to the Ladies' Auxiliary for catering a lovely dinner and providing talent for the programme.

Another Big List of Donations to the Christmas Seal Fund

Tuberculosis is the seventh cause of death in Canada. In 1912 it was the first cause.

Tuberculosis kills more people between 15 and 45 than any other disease. Tuberculosis always increases during wartime. It is already on the upgrade in Canada.

Help stamp out Tuberculosis by sending in your donation for Christmas Seals at an early date if you have not already done so.

The following are donations received from December 15 to December 18:—
Dec. 15—Fred Allison, S.P., Mrs. Margaret Auger, H. T. Barnes, S.P., P. Belton, S.P., G. Hillbrough, Mrs. W. Briden, J. Burkholder, Miss H. E. Carby, W. Corran, S. P., Karl Deyarmand, R. Dye, S. P., B. E. Eynolsson, Stanley Farquharson, Norman Glanville, Andrew Heino, Albert Jacobs, George Jenne, John Kaps, S. P., D. E. Kaeley, J. Krakana, Dr. J. E. Lewis, N. Ludgate, S. P., J. D. MacDonald, J. G. Malkin, George Mondoux, G. L. McDonald, M. McKinnon, Mrs. Hector McQuarrie, A. Neame, J. W. Parrerson, E. Petricola, Ernest Pooler, T. E. Pritchard, G. Reardon, W. A. Rice, Ernest C. Rodway, Mrs. D. Soudino, W. R. Sullivan, Mrs. V. Toleron, S. P., H. L. Travers, Mrs. J. S. Urquhart, Thomas Vansickle, Edgar Welt, A. C. White, Hoyle, Chas. E. Alton, Hoyle, Nelson Woollocks.

December 17 — George L. Allison, Mrs. Dave Austin, S. P., Thomas Austin, Blake R. Awde, Gerald Banning, R. J. Belfitt, Lionel Bienvenu, Miss Laura Birce, Arthur J. Brown, Mrs. Nelson Cary, Jas. J. Caddy, Fred Carpenter, Miss Amelia Chopp, James Cowan, J. A. Cronmiller, Gordon Daey, Joseph E. Disley, John Easterbrook, H. Esseltine, S. P., Mrs. W. D. Eldridge, Harold C. Emerson, Ettore Fabro, D. J. Falconer, Sadie Fraser, Sgt. J. G. Garipey, Thomas Gay, Mrs. Ellen Good, Roy Hamilton, L. A. Hart, S. P., J. H. Hephewite, T. C. Holmes, S. P., Peter Jankun, Brinley Jones, Mrs. Fred Jones, A. N. Kidd, Lionel King, Gus Knutson, Mrs. W. O. Langdon, W. Lane, S. P., Miss Leemy, S. P., J. F. MacRae, Susma Maki, David Maxwell, Earl Monaghan, A. Moore, Bruce McColeman, J. H. McMaster, M. S. Napper, J. Nicholson, S.P., J. Nolan Sisson, H. J. O'Neill, Miss Pearl Peavoy, Mrs. Jas. Phillips,

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South Porcupine Fire Dept. Christmas Party

South Porcupine, Dec. 22nd. Special to The Advance.

The S. Porcupine Fire Department had a get-together and happy Christmas party on Friday in the Fire Hall. Gifts were exchanged and the boys presented the Chief with a very fine personal gift. Dr. Harper was an honoured guest. It had been decided that—owing to war-time conditions and the candy supply—to send a telegram to Santa Claus telling him not to come to the Community Christmas tree this year, but at this party they decided to recall the telegram. So Santa Claus may not have any candy but he will have something for every boy and girl who greets him outside the Fire Hall at 6.30 p.m. on Wednesday night—TONIGHT!

Poultry Whist Drive of the Ladies' Auxiliary

Tuesday evening, members of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Canadian Legion met at the Legion hall to hold their annual poultry whist drive. For the occasion, chickens and hams were being given as prizes. There were ten tables for the evening.

Prize winners were Ladies: 1st, Mrs. Hunt, a chicken; 2nd, Mrs. Roberts, a chicken; 3rd, Mrs. Bezanson, a ham.

Gentlemen: 1st, Mr. R. Smith, a chicken; 2nd, Mr. Forsley, a chicken; 3rd, Mr. P. Hornell, a ham.



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