

TEN YEARS AGO IN TIMMINS

From data in the Porcupine Advance Files

Mayor Goe. S. Drew presided at the regular meeting of the town council ten years ago, and Councillors R. Richardson, Dr. S. L. Honey, J. K. Massie, Geo. W. Parsons, J. Morrison and Moise Maltai were present. A request was received from some of those interested to have a town inspector to look after the inspection of electrical wiring and installations, so as to protect both the public and those skilled and experienced in the work and paying taxes on their business in this line in town. The request was referred to the fire and light committee to consider the request in all its bearings. Much of the time of the council was taken up with the discussion of one more letter from a group claiming the name of the unemployed and apparently concerned chiefly with the transients. After a lengthy discussion, and several speakers voiced their opinion Mayor Drew said he was glad to see that the present letter was in better tone than some former ones with "demands" and veiled threats. He pointed out, however, that the town could not give relief work to transients, as there was not enough work for all the town's own needs. Also, the town could not see its way clear to providing shelter or additional meals. If the town went into anything like that it would be swamped. These transients had some headquarters and they should look to their own municipality. The town was caring for its own and that was all it could do. To the suggestion that some of the men had been away for months from their home towns looking for work, the mayor said that the town was looking after people who had come back here after being away for years. Every man had some headquarters and should look for relief to the place responsible. The Government would do nothing to care for men who wandered about the country. Other matters were brought up at the council meeting and discussed.

Ontario gold mines produced \$3,615,354 in the month of February, 1933 which was \$140,000 more than the January production, 1933. An Ontario Department of Mines bulletin issued ten years ago gave the total output figures for the year 1932 which had a value of \$46,773,154.

Alphonse Charbonneau, for twenty years a well known and highly esteemed resident of Timmins, passed away on Friday, March 10th, 1933, at St. Mary's hospital, death being due to complications following an attack of appendicitis. The late Mr. Charbonneau was 51 years old at the time of death. He was survived by his widow, formerly Rose Lamothie, and a son, Leo, and two daughters, Alice, and Robert. Two brothers, Victor, of Clarence Creek, and Vital, of Eastview, Ottawa, and two sisters, Mrs. Clementine Beauline, and Mrs. Samuel Amyot, both of Eastview, Ottawa, also survived. The funeral took place at 9 a.m., Monday morning, March 13th, 1933, at St. Anthony's Church, where high mass was said by Rev. Fr. Theriault. The pallbearers were G. Houle, A. Major, J. E. H. Chateaufort, P. Gauthier, T. Chartrand, and W. Thibault.

President Reg. Smith was in the chair at the Kiwanis luncheon on Monday, March 13th, 1933, and there was a particularly good attendance. Kiwanian Vince Woodbury was welcomed back to his accustomed place in the club after an extended visit to San Antonio, Texas. A letter was read by the secretary showing that other absent members of the club were keeping up the attendance record by attending Kiwanis meetings wherever they happened to find themselves. The speaker for the day was J. R. Alexander who gave a very informative address on radio, touching on the theory and principles of wireless communication and broadcasting. The address was much appreciated by the club.

The following article was in The Advance ten years ago:—"The director, C. W. Lewis, — his assistants, Mrs. Lewis and Miss Nell Sparrow, — the Timmins Kiwanis Club, under whose auspices the event was presented, — and each and every member of the local cast presenting this sparkling musical comedy, "The Beauty Shop", — are being complimented and commended on the outstanding success won musically, artistically, dramatically financially as a feast of fun. There were three presentations of "The Beauty Shop" at the Goldfields theatre, — the midnight show on Tuesday, March 14th, 1933, the afternoon matinee on Wednesday, and the evening performance on Wednesday night, March 15th, 1933. All three attracted big houses and deserved them to the limit. Wednesday night March 15th, the theatre was packed, and no one has yet been found crabbed enough to say that it was not the best show they have enjoyed in years. Many were noted present from South Porcupine and other outside towns and these joined heartily in praise of the event."

According to despatches received in the North ten years ago from Toronto notice was given in the Legislature in Toronto in regard to legislation authorizing an appropriation of \$3,000,000 for Northern Development purposes this year. Hon. Wm. Finlayson, Minister of Lands and Forests, gave the notice. This is the first time since the Northern Development came into operation that less than \$5,000,000 had been asked for. Mr. Finlayson had also given notice of a bill which would prevent nursery stock that was distributed free from his department being sold for a profit.

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About Canadian Red Cross Headquarters in London, England

Immense Amount of Work Done With Efficiency and Skill.

(Another in a series of articles written by W. R. Legge and C. V. Charters who represented the Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association in a recent tour overseas.)

(By Walter R. Legge)

There is a large building in the heart of London in which a band of busy workers, many of them volunteer, do their utmost to help alleviate the miseries caused by the war.

It is Canadian Red Cross Headquarters. Last August the Canadian editors went there and were shown some of the work in progress.

These Headquarters occupy five stories of a building loaned to the Red Cross by Lord Crichton. The offices overlook Berkeley Square, a spot made famous in song and drama, which would scarcely be recognized by those who knew it in peace time.

The iron railing around the square has been made into munitions. This railing was a famous Georgian relic over three hundred years old. The grass has all been trampled down and trenches have been added to the scene of desolation.

Several buildings in the immediate vicinity have been struck. Lady Willingham's house on one corner of the square has suffered a direct hit.

Inside the Red Cross building however, everything is clean and well ordered and the work goes on with quiet efficiency.

Crates of supplies are being unloaded, sorted, listed, and stored away in their proper places, or made into shipments to their requisitioners.

Few people realize the amount of work accomplished by the Red Cross, not only in quantity, but in variety. We saw them making up special parcels for prisoners of war, supplies for hospitals and for sick and wounded, articles for babies of men on active service, replacements of articles lost by men who had been shot down, torpedoed or bombed, and many other urgent needs.

It is possible in some cases, that the very lives of prisoners of war in enemy hands has depended upon the parcels supplied by the Red Cross. Each prisoner is allowed one parcel of food weekly. These parcels supplied by the

Red Cross weigh approximately eleven pounds. In addition, the prisoners are allowed a quarterly parcel from the next-of-kin.

They told us that parcels to prisoners in Germany are getting through to them fairly well and that they are now getting through to prisoners in Italy much better than they were previously.

The Red Cross received many requests for special articles. Every effort is made to supply them if possible and if they are allowed to be sent. We were shown one letter received from Flying-Officer Bruce Dawson Campbell, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Campbell, of Pointe Claire, Que., asking for elementary and advanced textbooks on Algebra and Trigonometry. This shows that many prisoners are anxious to put their enforced idleness to as good use as possible.

Those at work in the Red Cross headquarters went to great pains to show us around and answer our questions. One of them was Lady Ellison, who is doing work in the prisoners' department. She did similar work during the last war.

While looking at the boxes of goods sent over from local Red Cross groups in Canada, we were told that soldiers have an aversion to mitts, and usually will not wear them. As a result those sent over from Canada have to be made over into gloves.

The great need was stressed for turtle neck sweaters, gloves, and seamen's socks. Last named are also used by airmen.

On some shelves were more unusual items, such as maple sugar, and other supplies made in Canada. Some supplies were being assembled to replace kits lost by soldiers at Dieppe.

A constant supply of comforts to all services of the Canadian Forces is being delivered. Every week, on a regular delivery basis by Red Cross transport, and thence through the usual channels of supply thousands of woollen comforts are being issued to the troops. Every week, invalid delicacies, hospital supplies, cigarettes, chewing gum, games, pipes, etc., are being sent to General hospitals, Casualty clearing stations, Field ambulances, and to R. A. F. and civilian hospitals where Canadian patients may be.

A huge visitors' service is maintained throughout England and Scotland. Canadian Red Cross visitors (all voluntary) maintain daily contact with Canadian patients in Canadian Army, and British and Scottish hospitals, see that they get needed supplies, shop for them, and sometimes even write letters for them. Visitors' reports in detail, are sent weekly to Berkeley Square, where information is collated, and when necessary, letters are written to next-of-kin in Canada.

Handicrafts at all Canadian General hospitals are supervised entirely by the Canadian Red Cross. Staffs at all the hospitals furnish materials for rug-making and leather work, and teach patients how to make the articles. The patients pay for the cost of the materials, and are allowed to make a small profit out of their handiwork.

The Relief Department at Berkeley Square ships out on an average fifty thousand civilian relief articles of clothing per week.

The Canadian Junior Red Cross supports and has adopted eight residential war nurseries in England, and supplies clothing for the youthful inmates. Three more such nurseries are shortly to be adopted.

Less than one hundred years ago, the sufferings of wounded soldiers and prisoners were intensified by lack of care and utter neglect. To-day, thanks to the Red Cross, there is a tremendous change. One cannot help but be impressed by the strides taken since the International Red Cross was organized by nurses drafted at a conference in Geneva in 1863.

The Canadian Red Cross headquarters in London is a reservoir into which pours supplies produced by small groups all across Canada. Thence in turn they are spread over a vast territory to fill a wide range of needs. No wonder it is a busy spot.

Haileybury Man Wants Unusual Bird Identified

J. H. Woods, of Haileybury, more popularly known in Timmins and Schumacher as "Happy" Woods is anxious to have some one identify an odd bird recently shot down near Haileybury. It is certainly an odd bird if Happy Woods does not recognize it, for he has intimate knowledge of all the birds and flowers of this North Land. Referring to the matter The New Liskeard Speaker says:—

"J. H. "Happy" Woods, Haileybury man who is always on the lookout for odd happenings, has a puzzle in the form of a bird of the falcon or hawk family, which was shot on the West Road late in January and which he hopes someone will identify. He has had it mounted by Hugh Grady and it now adorns his Blackwall Street residence, but the exact species remains a mystery. It is undoubtedly of the falcon species, Mr. Woods says, and resembles a bird he knows as the "duck hawk" with the exception that it lacks the white throat which distinguishes that type of falcon. How it came to be in the district at this time of year is a mystery, as all the hawks are known to go south for the winter. Mr. Woods mentions one or two possible solutions for the presence of the strange visitor, but cannot fix on anything definite lacking definite knowledge of the species."

ARRIVED EARLY

"If you please, ma'am," began the new maid, "there's a strange woman downstairs. She won't give her name, but she's taken off her hat and coat, opened two cupboards, rubbed her finger over the piano, and complained about the dust, and when I left her she was—"

Her mistress gasped. "Oh, dear," she exclaimed, "I didn't expect my husband's mother this week." — Globe and Mail.



WITH THE BOY SCOUTS

Field Secretary to Visit Timmins

Word has been received from Provincial Headquarters in Toronto that Mr. A. E. Paddon, Jr., Provincial Field Secretary, will pay his annual visit to Timmins between March 25-28. Mr. Paddon has long been one of the leading lights of Ontario Scouting, and many Scouts, Cubs and leaders have met him in conferences, camps, courses and other activities, and all look forward to the yearly visit he pays to this part of the Province. On the occasion of these visits his plans are made for him to meet as many of the boys as possible, and this year will be no exception. Final plans have not as yet been completed, but a full programme is in the making and a number of outstanding events are being planned. Full details will be given in the Scout Column next week.

Another B. P. Chins Up Donation Received

Another donation has been received from the Seventh Timmins Troop by the B.P. Chins Up Fund, Canadian Scouting's own war effort. This donation, amounting to \$3.85, was brought in by Scoutmaster Atkinson just before he left town to join the Air Force, and this money was collected by the Troop over the few previous weeks. Total donations from the Seventh Troop now amount to \$15.80, averaging \$1.33 per boy. This makes the Seventh Troop the second in this district to pass the objective of one dollar per boy, following closely upon the heels of the Sixth Troop. In the standings of all Troops and Packs, the Seventh replaces the First Troop in second place, the First Troop moving back to third place with an average of 86 cents per boy. Further donations will make other changes in the standings, and we are now waiting to see which Pack or Troop will be the next to reach their objective. That this objective has been reached by two Troops will not diminish their efforts to raise even more money for the aid of their Brother Scouts in other parts of the world, because each Scout knows that he is a "friend to all and a Brother to every other Scout."

A.C.M. Trevelyan Hears From England

Some of our readers may recall that some time ago we recounted a very vivid description of an air raid as told by an English Scout in a letter to Basil Trevelyan, Assistant Cubmaster of the First Timmins Pack. Basil has recently received another letter from this Scout, and he has passed it on to us that we may give you the news. The English Scout, John Cutbush, of Seven Kings, Essex, tells about a great gathering of Air Scouts in London, coming from all over the country in thousands, to take part in a monster exhibition. John's older brother has recently returned to England from Canada where he attended a western R.A.F. school and graduated as a Sergeant-Pilot. John himself is now a member of the Anti-Aircraft Regiment Royal Artillery Cadet Force, and this occupies a great deal of his spare time. Through his Scout training he quickly qualified as a lance corporal, and expects to be promoted to sergeant very soon. The training he is receiving in the cadets will qualify him for a commission in the army when he becomes of age. Scouting activities are still a big part of his life, and his Troop has continued their regular weekly meetings in spite of many difficulties. Letters such as these, which show how our brothers are carrying on under often trying circumstances, demonstrate the big part that Scouting is playing in this war, and make us more firmly determined to do all we can to help. In closing John Cutbush sends best wishes for the New Year from all his Troop to all Canadian Scouts. Let's all send our good wishes in the form of donations to the B. P. Chins Up Fund.

New Recruits Swell Ranks of Fifth Pack

Quite a number of recruits have applied for membership in the Fifth Timmins Cub Pack during recent weeks, and last week, with sickness keeping some away, the meeting opened with 31 boys present. Several Scouts of the Fifth Troop have been taking an active part in the Cub programmes, and have been lending valuable assistance to Akela Joe Lucciantonio. These boys instruct the Cubs in such arts as knotting, signalling, flags and other Cub activities, and also play a big part in the programme of games. Last week P. L.

decided that the Court of Honour would meet every week, immediately following the regular Troop meeting, and that the weekly programmes would be decided upon by the Patrol Leaders and Seconds, after consulting with the Scouts in their patrols. The Troop Scribe will take over the job of keeping the minutes of the meetings, and a Troop Quartermaster, who will be responsible for all Troop equipment, will be appointed. Plans were made for a number of the boys to pass their Scout Pace and a number of recruits are ready to pass their Tenderfoot tests. Interesting games were played, and the Troop had as visitors for the evening Group Committee members Mr. L. Nicholson and B. Ketyley, and Mr. Lou Hudson, who assisted the boys with the meeting. A rousing council-fire programme rounded out the meeting, the Scouts showing just what could be done with a good song. More than 500 additional books and magazines were brought in by the boys for distribution to the armed forces, putting the total to date up near the 2000-mark.

Eighth Troop Prepares For Ambulance Badge

The Court of Honour of the Eighth Timmins Troop last week made plans for the members of the Troop to earn the Scout Ambulance Badge, and some of the members are also working on the Knotted Badge. The Ambulance Badge is an important King's Scout Badge, of particular importance at this time of civilian preparation, and the Knotted Badge is an important one in real Scouting. Best of luck to these aspirants. Three new recruits have joined the Troop, and the Beaver Patrol has held on to their lead in the competitive standing of the patrols. Last week the meeting was under the direction of P. L. Hubert Lafleur, and P. L. Paul Cote will conduct the meeting this week. This method of conducting meetings was decided upon by the Scouters as a means of giving the boy leaders an opportunity of putting some of their own ideas into practice, and the plan is working out very successfully.

Map-Reading Instruction

Advancing along the trail to First Class with a steady pace, the Fifth Timmins Troop last week followed up on their map-making attempts of previous meetings with some instruction in map-reading. This is the type of work that is particularly appealing to the boys, having a real taste of outdoors and the wide-open spaces and the Scouts are lapping it up. Competition between the patrols is keen and close, and the plan whereby the Patrol fund of the winner is substantially increased has the boys right on their toes. In a knot-tying competition, with the Eagles and Wolves coming out on top. Special inspection of patrol corners has the patrols all working on new screens and equipment.

With Mr. Paddon's visit just a little more than a week away, don't you think it would be very nice if he were able to go back to Toronto and tell the authorities that your Troop or Pack had passed their objective with B. P. Chins Up Donations? It's just a suggestion, but I'm sure it would give him a great deal of pleasure, too.

Till next week, Good Scouting and Cubbing.

Another Name For Scout Honour Roll

Another name to take its honoured place with the others of former Timmins Scouts and Scouters who have joined the forces is that of R. H. "Ron" Tonkin. Ron is now a Sapper of B. Company, 4 Battalion, Royal Canadian Engineers, and has been overseas for some time. Ron had considerable experience as a Scout and shortly before joining up was assistant leader of the First Timmins Cub Pack. Best of luck, Ron, and come back soon!

First Pack Cubs Pass Tests

The regular meeting of the First Timmins Cub Pack last week featured the passing of a number of tests. Keith Cannel, James McEwee, and Enrico Eskaline all passed the ball throwing test, and Doug Walli was successful with the Compass and Flag tests. A fast game of knot-tying was keenly enjoyed by the boys, and they are getting to be almost experts with knot ropes. Special instruction was given the Pack as a whole by the leaders, and the Sixes also gave instruction to their own Sixes. Several other games were played by the boys and the meeting closed with the Grand Howl and the singing of the National Anthem.

Fifth Troop Receives Map-Reading Instruction

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— D.S.M.

Where to Apply to Secure Ration Book Number Two

Due to blocked roads, sickness or other unavoidable circumstances the Ration Administration estimates that many ration book holders were unable to obtain their No. 2 Ration Book during the eight day period between February 19th and March 1st.

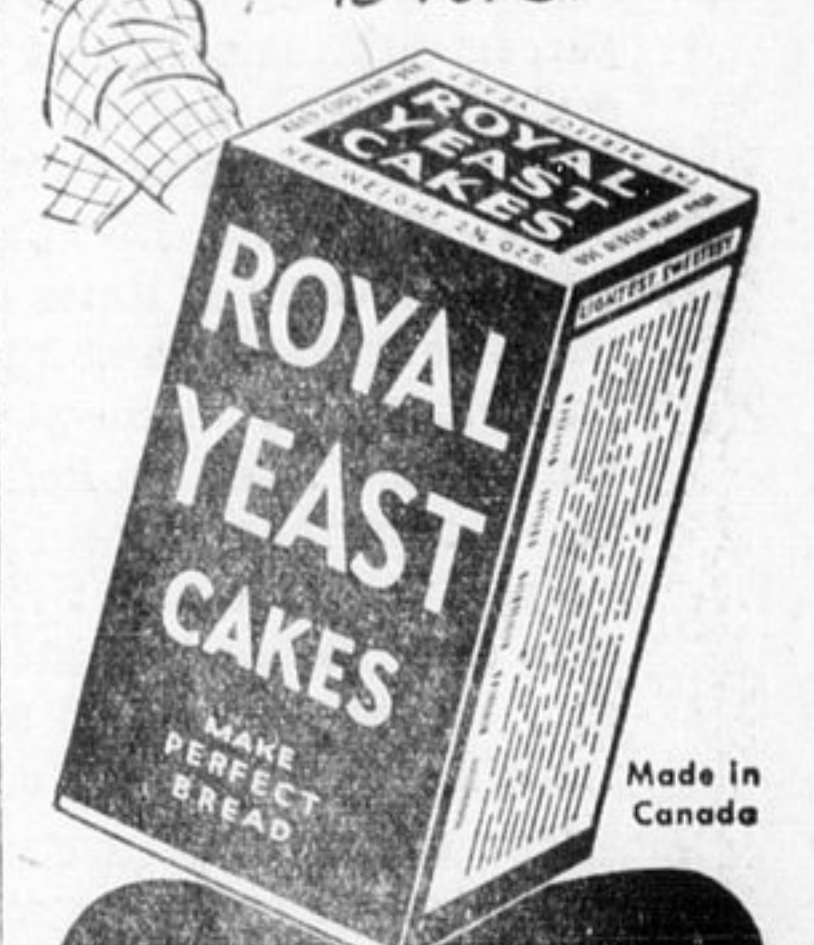
Those who have not yet secured Ration Book No. 2 should fill in the application card at the back of Book No. 1. This card should be mailed to the nearest Ration Office of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board as indicated in the ration book.

It is urged by the Ration Administration that the card from the old book be mailed immediately.

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