

# TEN YEARS AGO IN TIMMINS

From data in the Porcupine Advance Files

"Few events in Timmins have been more pleasing or successful than the Varsity Alumni dinner and All-University dance held in the Empire hotel on Friday evening of last week," says The Advance ten years ago in its report of the occasion, and the artistic decoration of the dining hall was worthy of special note. One feature of the evening was the organization of the Porcupine Branch of Varsity Alumni. Dr. H. H. Moore was elected honorary president; Angus Campbell, president; G. Langford, vice-president; J. T. Jackson, secretary; Dr. Cliff Sullivan, treasurer. The "vice-president" of 1943 is to-day professor of geology at that same university. The guest speaker at the dinner and dance ten years ago was Prof. T. Loudon, Professor of Mechanics of the School of Practical Science, U. of T. Prof. Loudon's address was a very inspiring one. The main thought was that wars, depressions and all other world ills could be traced in the final analysis to the individual, and that remedy for all world evils also rested with the individual. We must get back to first principles and to trust and belief and regard for the Higher Power, he said.

Ten years ago announcement was made that the contract for power between the Hollinger and the Canada Northern Power Corporation had been extended to remain in force until May 1950. The Hollinger, The Advance noted, was the largest user of power served by the company. Hollinger had been supplied power by the Canada Northern Power Corporation since 1910.

Joseph Brunet, 40 years old, and his son, Fernand, 16, of Connaught, lost their lives when they broke through the ice on Night Hawk Lake on Nov. 25th, 1934.

W. Rinn, W. R. Dunbar and Alf. Luxton were the three new members elected to the Timmins Public School Board ten years ago.

The Advance ten years ago said:—"Last night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Pritchard, 18 Hemlock st., a number of friends gathered to wish Mr. Pritchard many happy returns of the day" on the occasion of the 60th anniversary of his birthday. Following the birthday dinner, several tables of bridge were played. During the evening presentation of two addresses, written in light vein, was made to Mr. Pritchard, and a pen desk set will remind him for many years to come of the happy evening. Several prizes were won by those playing bridge."

Hugh Cole, who came here in the days before the 1911 fire, and who was widely known and popular in the district, died suddenly on Nov. 27th, 1934, from a heart attack. He had been one of the early prospectors in the Cobalt Camp, and also had claims in Elk Lake, Larder Lake and Kirkland Lake. He was survived by his mother, Mrs. Robt. Cole, and three sisters and two brothers.

Ten years ago A. W. Lang was appointed issuer of motor car licenses by the Hepburn government. Previously the licenses had been issued at the Marshall-Ecclestone store.

Ten years ago W. Rinn was elected president of the Timmins Curling Club, and J. Maurice Belanger, the secretary-treasurer.

R. Richardson, mayor of Timmins for 1934, and previously on the council for several years, was re-elected mayor for 1935 by acclamation. There were thirteen running for the six places on the council board.

The bazaar presented by the Ladies' Aid of the United Church, Timmins, ten years ago, was a notable success.

There was much interest ten years ago in the wedding of Prince George (the Duke of Kent) and Princess Marina of Greece. The wedding was solemnized in Westminster Abbey, and in the words of the Archbishop of

Canterbury, who officiated, "Never before in history has a wedding been witnessed by so vast a company of witnesses inside and outside the Abbey by people of all nations." Radio fans in Timmins listened in to the ceremony, the reception being unusually clear. The Advance suggested that the children of those days would not soon forget that royal wedding, because the day was proclaimed a school holiday. Youthful memory, like the public memory, is very short, however.

Thirty-two candidates were nominated for the council board ten years ago in Timmins. Only an unlucky thirteen, however, stayed on the ballot. Perhaps some of the thirteen were not unlucky, as they all could not be elected.

"When Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Keddie boarded the afternoon train south-bound on Wednesday, a host of their Timmins friends were at the station to see them off, wish them a pleasant trip and a happy future at their new home in Vancouver," said The Advance of Nov. 29th, 1934; "Until the minute the train pulled away from the station, Mr. and Mrs. Keddie were the centre of a group that included many Timmins prominent citizens. Both Mr. and Mrs. Keddie were popular and useful citizens and their departure is much regretted. Previous to leaving here Mrs. Keddie was presented with a token of appreciation by the Ladies' Section of the Golf Club. Other expressions of appreciation and regard were given to Mr. and Mrs. Keddie before they left here. On behalf of the Golden Beaver Lodge, A.F. and A.M., the Master of the Lodge, A. Wright, presented Mr. Keddie with a handsome travelling set as a mark of appreciation and for the long and faithful services given. Mr. and Mrs. Keddie went this week to Toronto, from whence they will motor to California for the winter, proceeding to Vancouver in the spring to reside." Mr. Keddie was for years the manager of the Hollinger stores here and took active part in the Kiwanis and other community activities.

Ten years ago The Advance reported "green grass, strawberries in bloom, and rhubarb budding out" in and near the town of Timmins in the last days of the month of November.

The following is from The Advance of Nov. 29th, 1934, in part:—"Richard Mullen, the 22-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Mullen, 115 Maple St., south, returned on Tuesday from Toronto where he had been under special treatment by Dr. Hylands, a noted specialist. Dick, Jr., was suddenly taken ill some four months ago, the muscles of his eyes being affected and his local doctor diagnosed the case as one of encephalitis gravis. This diagnosis was confirmed by the leading specialists in Toronto. This disease, fortunately not a common one, is a form of paralysis of the muscles, and the cause of the disease is as yet obscure to medical science. It is very difficult to treat with success, but thanks to the early diagnosis by Dr. McInnis and the expert treatment by Dr. Hylands and other Toronto specialists, it was possible to check the disease and eventually to assure a cure."

The amount of rain in this locality ten years ago was most unusual. There were floods on Railway street, South Porcupine and on the highway at Porcupine (Golden City).

There was a wedding of special interest at the Timmins Synagogue ten years ago when Miss Ann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Max Gurvitch, of Timmins, and Mr. Steve Stern, son of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Stern, Toronto, were united in marriage. There was a wedding supper at the home of the bride's parents, the young couple leaving later for Cobalt, where the groom was on the S. Bucovetsky staff. Rabbi Linder officiated at the marriage ceremony. Another wedding ten years ago was

## Bank of Nova Scotia Shows New Highs in Deposits and Assets

New year-end highs for Deposits and Total Assets are features of the Statement of The Bank of Nova Scotia which is published today. This is the 113th Annual Statement of the Bank and the figures are for a ten months' period ended October 31st. The Bank having changed its year-end from Dec. 31st.

Total Assets at \$542,480,713 are up \$49,000,000. Total Deposits are \$472,849,484.

Cash, clearings and balances due from other banks are 23.72% of Total Liabilities to the public. Total Quick Assets, which include the above, together with Investments and Call and Short Loans secured by stocks and bonds, amount to \$383,546,705, which is 75.93% of liabilities to the public and compares with 73.33% at date of last Statement.

Current Loans in Canada are down roundly \$7,000,000; while loans elsewhere in Canada are up \$3,800,000. Call Loans are practically unchanged.

Total Deposits are up \$46,095,557. Of this, \$35,000,000 is in interest-bearing deposits, reflecting the savings of the Canadian people, in spite of heavy withdrawals during two Victory Loan campaigns. Demand Deposits of the public are up nearly \$39,000,000, while Dominion and Provincial Government deposits are down \$29,000,000.

The Bank's Investment Account now stands at \$254,650,467, of which 90.8% is in Dominion and Provincial securities, 51.9% matures within two years. Investments include \$8,446,159 in Municipal securities, \$8,614,704 in Public securities other than Canadian, and \$6,347,460 in other bonds, debentures and stocks, all at not exceeding market value.

After taxes of \$1,736,508, of which \$203,271 is refundable, net earnings for the ten months are \$1,445,420. This compares with \$1,717,961 for the previous twelve month period, after taxes of \$1,542,488.

The 113th Annual Meeting of the Shareholders will take place in Halifax on December 6th.

## Not Proven that Radio Announcer Shouted Loudly

Magistrate's Advice was "Don't be a Fool After This." Other court Cases

As the aftermath of a disturbance near the corner of Cedar street and Second avenue, John Knox, a radio announcer, found himself in police court on Tuesday. He acted as his own lawyer. Constable Handley told of hearing loud shouting a block away from the scene where a crowd was gathered. He found two men there who apparently working up to a fight. He advised Knox to go home but arrested the other man who was quite intoxicated. Knox, the constable said, was inclined to be abusive and to interfere with the arrest. Constable Beauchamp gave similar evidence except that he said he did not hear Knox shouting. Sergt. Thompson told of Knox coming into the station later and "demanding" the release of the other man, suggesting that he was a radio announcer and would make it very bad for the police unless he had his way. He was told that the other man would only be released on \$25 bail, and then not until he had sobered up. In his own behalf the accused claimed that he had been acting the part of a peacemaker and had really assisted in having the arrest go off so quietly. He accused the constable of using bad language to him, and denied that he threatened the police. Assistant Crown Attorney Waters remarked that the accused was apparently one of those fellows who liked to "throw their weight around," and suggested that he had been officious and interfering. Magistrate Atkinson said that he could hardly convict the accused under the section used, when the one constable could not swear to hearing "shouting" when he was close enough to hear. He dismissed the case, but advised the accused not to act so officiously or interfere with the police in doing their duty. "Don't be a fool after this," were the court's parting words.

A local woman was charged with the theft of goods from Bucovetsky's store and from Kresge's. In behalf of his client, Mr. J. A. Cousineau asked for leniency. He explained that while his client had pleaded guilty, there were extenuating circumstances. Her husband had just recovered from an illness that kept him from earning money and now two of her children were ill. The goods she had taken were for her family, and no doubt it was the effects of the worry over her troubles that had caused her to do wrong. The magistrate decided to give her a chance as she had no previous record. She was bonded for \$100 and let go on suspended sentence. The goods were ordered returned to their owners.

Three lads were charged with assault causing bodily harm to another lad of thirteen. Dr. Minthorn said that the lad attacked had bruises on both sides of his head as well as scratches and abrasions on his face. The injured lad told of the one lad attacking him and when he was down he had been kicked and beaten. He did not see either of the two lads kicking him, however. Two of the lads maintained that they had not touched the boy, but simply had stood back and watched their friend beat him up. The third lad admitted doing the beating, all the beating, and doing it all himself. His friends had no part in the battle except as observers. He suggested that the other boy had been quite ready to fight and that the origin of the trouble was a sort of race fight. In dismissing the charges against the three accused boys the magistrate warned them to cut out such nonsense and not to follow the bad example of some adults.

Roland Dubreuil was charged with the theft of a quantity of furniture from a house that he had been allowed to use free. One witness said that the furniture belonged partly to his father partly to his brother who is out of town, and he himself owned half the stove. The goods had been sold to a second hand dealer, but he had stopped the paying over of any money to the accused. The accused claimed that he had been offered the use of the house free and like as if it were his own, and he was planning to sell the furniture to get money to buy lumber to make improvements. He claimed to have been drunk when the bargain was made and so was not perhaps clear on the rights of the case. The magistrate dismissed the case on the understanding that the furniture be returned to the house where it belonged.

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had not seen any marks on it to show its ownership. Most of the timber, he claimed, had come from some mining claims he had. He thought he had the right to use wood that washed up on the lake shore.

On a similar charge Walter Paul, 81 years old, was more fortunate. He had a quantity of firewood, some of the sticks being found to have the hammer mark of the Paper Co. He told the court that he had been gathering wood on the shore for several years, but was always careful not to take any that had been marked. He did not know how the marked wood had gotten on his property. He thought he had the right to take any wood cast ashore if the wood was not marked. He was given a suspended sentence, and was required to sign a bond for \$100. The marked timber was ordered returned to its owners.



**A WEEKLY EDITOR LOOKS AT Ottawa**  
Written specially for the weekly newspapers of Canada

The Chief of the Fur Grading and Inspection Services in Ottawa reports that fur farming is really a big business in Canada, representing an investment of some \$40,000,000. In 1943 the value of Canadian raw fur production, pelts sold from fur farms and caught by trappers hit a new record, \$27,694,000. Mink topped the list with nearly \$6 million, muskrats second with a value of \$5 1/2 million; then silver fox with \$4 1/2 million and coyotes or prairie wolf, \$3 million. He states that with lifting of restrictions recently Persian Lamb promises to be a leader for women's coats this coming winter, pelts coming principally from South-west Africa and Persia. Before the war Britain marketed about 65% of the output of Canadian silver fox pelts, but that market being closed since 1939, the U.S.A. market has been open for about 70,000 pelts per year. We produced about 385,000 silver fox pelts in 1939, but production was down to 140,000 last year. Quality however, was definitely higher.

Books by the thousand have been packed and shipped by Canadian Army personnel in Toronto for Canadian prisoners of war in Germany. The German government, of course, stipulates what they can or cannot read. Many prisoners request books providing "food for thought". Many are meeting Shakespeare and Dickens for the first time. Favorites are the stories of Sabatini, Galsworthy, Buchan, Dumas. Prisoners watch eagerly for Canadian writers and works.

## Combines Win First Game in the Senior Hockey Series

The local Senior hockey league started when the Porcupine Combines played the Schumacher team at the McIntyre Arena last night. During the game, the Combines had a marked superiority over their opponents. A very small number of spectators attended.

In the third period Senuik attacked Casanto and was given a major penalty.

**First Period**  
1. Schumacher—Wilson from Kovich. (2:43).  
2. Combines—Curik from Delmonte. (8:03).  
3. Schumacher—Small from McDonald, Vail. (10:00).  
4. Combines—Curik from St. Pierre. (13:26).  
Penalties: Senuik, Barliko.

**Second Period**  
5. Combines—Curik. (6:47).  
6. Combines—Delmonte from Curik. (9:48).  
7. Combines—Moskarello from Davidson. (13:37).  
8. Schumacher—Hannigan. (16:40).  
9. Combines—Moskarello from Zeidel. (18:21).  
Penalties: Kovich.

**Third Period**  
10. Combines—St. Pierre. (14:03).  
11. Schumacher—Hannigan. (16:15).  
12. Combines—Lucciantonio from Stanley. (18:04).  
13. Schumacher—Vail from McCann Wilson. (18:30).  
Penalties: Delmonte, Senuik, Major Senuik.

Combines—Goal, Porter, Defence, Zeidel, Stanley, Centre, Delmonte, Wings, St. Pierre, Curik, Alternates, Belanger, Moskarello, Lucciantonio, Davidson, Casanto, Barliko.  
Schumacher—Goal, Porter, Defence, Senuik, McCann, Centre, Wilson, Wings, Kovich, Baker, Alternates, McDonald, Small, Hannigan, Beland, Exatt, Vail, Beare.

## WITH THE BOY SCOUTS

Once again our Scout Column is coming back into the local newspapers every Monday. A complaint was made by one of the Scouters that all the news appearing in the column was about one troop in the past. Well gang, it is quite easy to see why only one troop has been mentioned in the news. Here it is 1400 hrs. Sunday afternoon and the only troops who have reports in are the 3rd (Irish Church) and the 7th (Canadian Legion) troops. Thanks to the Scouters and Troop Scribes. Keep up the good work. The first troop to get the news in will head the column.

Here is a troop hard at work and going places quickly as for proficiency badges. 3A and 3B are taking a course from one of the Scouts' best friends, Deputy Chief Morton of the local fire department, who started giving instructions for the Firemen's badge on Friday evening of the past week. Perhaps we shall have some future firemen in this troop.

Three new recruits brought into the troop last week-end. The names will be in the column as soon as they are invested.

Rumour has it that this troop is busy with big plans for a Parents' Night in January.

**Seventh Troop**  
This troop is now well organized and everything is going along fine. The Court of Honour meets regularly and plans are being made for Hobby Show and Boy Scout Week. The meeting being planned will prove of value to all.

Robert Wheeler was invested into the troop with a very interesting campfire ceremony. This is a creation all our own, and the fire which is made is a work of art, real flames billowing forth. Even if some Scouters say it is too short, still it is our own and we like it short and impressive.

The D. S. M. visited the troop with Scouters Boni, of Schumacher, who intends to start up in Schumacher very soon.

A new game was presented to the troop and the only Patrol to finish was the Eagle Patrol. A few more games like this will soon show what the rest of the troop know.

There are no reports from Cubmasters and we wonder are there any Cub meetings in town? Sorry! All the Cubmasters will meet at Akela Gallagher's this evening to meet Jack. Who is Jack? That is the wandering Scout and Cub from headquarters who was so busy on Saturday night. So, let's all be there.

In closing this week here are a few things to think over:—  
Scouters, check on the boys who

## Severe Terms Given at Rouyn for Jail-Breaking

When Quebec courts are stirred they do not show much appeasement in the way of easy terms. There was illustration of this at Amos last week when five men were before the court for breaking jail at Rouyn some weeks ago. The escape was well planned, but the men only had their freedom for 36 hours before they were re-captured. One of them pretending illness induced one of the guards to enter his cell. As the guard entered he was smashed on the head with a heavy water jug that had been left in the cell. The prisoner then took the guard's keys and unlocked the cells to free the other four prisoners. A second guard who encountered the prisoners on their way out of the jail was overpowered like the first. The men were serving terms for various offences from theft of cars to breaking and entering and back again to illegal possession of firearms and wholesale theft of beer. The sentence meted out at Amos was as follows:—Larry Poulin, 23 years of age, 21 years in penitentiary; Fernand and Rene Dallaire, 14 years each in penitentiary; Roland Marier, Roland Lavergne, and Albert England, each to five years in penitentiary. Lionel Massicotte, who was in hospital at the time of the escape, but who was accused of complicity in the planning of the break, was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. The latter young men ranged in age from 17 to 19 years.

## Sent to Jail for Taking Company Lumber from Lake

For the benefit of those who believe that "findings is keepings" attention is called to cases at Halleybury court last week. Isaiah Proctor, of Buckle township, was convicted of having illegally in his possession a quantity of timber belonging to the International Paper Co. and was sentenced to three months in jail. An inspector told the court that Proctor's place was "practically all built of spruce that had been in the water," and that several pieces with the hammer mark of the International Paper Co. had been seen. There were such marked pieces even among the firewood on Proctor's place. Proctor admitted that some of the wood he had used had been picked up by him on the lake there but that he

## Men, Women Over 40 Feel Weak, Worn, Old?

The agricultural Division of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics gives an interesting comparison of the net farm income, including government payments, as follows:

1940	\$534,401,000
1941	\$632,522,000
1942	\$1,154,313,000
1943	\$974,094,000

Indications from Ottawa are that the different allied governments will take all the surplus poultry of the higher grades that Canada can offer. The export price is the ceiling price in Canada at point of shipment. Current shipments are going forward in the form of fresh frozen poultry to avoid long holding and conserve storage space. Arrangements are also being made for some of the surplus poultry to be exported as canned poultry. This is all welcome news to farmers and specialized poultry growers, who hope for a continuous and stable industry.

Marketing of Christmas trees will be more difficult than ever this year, according to a joint statement from departments of Labor, Transport, Munitions and the WPTB. Cutters, dealers, shippers and retailers have been given

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