

# BATTLE DEVELOP

## NICK ZURKIN DIED OF WOUNDS RECEIVED WHILE EVADING ARREST, JURY DECIDES

Evidence Given By Four Officers Of Provincial Police Pictures Fight At Slate River Bridge

"That Nick Zurkin died at McKellar hospital at Fort William on July 10, 1922, as a result of a wound from a revolver bullet received on July 7, 1922 while evading arrest."

Such was the verdict rendered by the coroner's jury which met in the Donald street courthouse last night to hear evidence touching the fatality which occurred late last Friday night near the Slate River bridge, a short distance from the city, when Inspector Symons, of the provincial police department, and three constables, Finlayson, Ingram and Young, interrupted the transfer of twelve cases of whiskey from an automobile to a waiting truck. In the chase and capture of the four men who were making the transfer, Zurkin was shot.

Doctor McCartney, who attended the wounded man after he had been rushed to McKellar hospital by the provincial constables, stated in his testimony that deceased had died from shock and peritonitis following a gunshot wound in the abdomen. The bullet had penetrated one kidney, the gall-bladder and the stomach. It entered deceased's back near his spine and lodged under the skin over his stomach.

Inspector Symons

Inspector Symons, called into the witness stand, stated that acting upon information received, he and three constables hid themselves in the bushes along a road branching off the Slate River road a short distance from the Slate River bridge. At 10.30 o'clock Friday evening, a motor truck in charge of one man drove into the side road and stopped opposite where he and Constable Young were hidden. About half an hour later an automobile came into the side road. The man on the truck whistled to attract the attention of its occupants and motioned for them to drive alongside his truck. The car moved up, stopped and two men got out. One said: "We have only twelve cases for you this time." Immediately Inspector Symons and Constable Young left their hiding place and made for the two motors. The two men in the road saw or heard them coming through the underbrush and commenced to run. One man ran up the road and the other down towards the bridge. Inspector Symons followed the man who went up the road. He passed between the truck and the car. While the inspector was passing the truck he heard two shots but he could not tell if the man he was following had fired them or not. He did not see any flash from a gun-barrel. When they had reached the road above the truck the man he was following, who afterwards proved to be Zurkin, called to him to stop or he would shoot. He repeated the warning twice more: "Stop or I'll shoot. Stop or I'll shoot." Inspector Symons said: "Go ahead and shoot and I'll shoot too." He pulled his gun and fired once into the under-

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## TODAY'S MARKET PRICES

\$300 worth of produce was sold on the local market this morning by 17 vendors. There was an abundance of fresh fruit, white and red currants, Saskatoons, strawberries and luscious red cherries, which were grown on W. S. Stitch's farm at Sellers. Old potatoes were in great demand at \$1 per bag. The following prices were quoted:

Eggs, 45 cents per dozen.  
Butter, 35 and 40 cents per lb.  
Beef, 15 and 25 cents per lb.  
Pork, salt, 25 cents per lb.

## Eleven Years Ago Today Great Fires Swept North Ontario

TORONTO, Ont., July 11.—Today marks the anniversary of the worst disaster that ever came to the great hinterland of Ontario. It was on the morning of July 11, 1911, that the northern evergreen forests, overheated by many days of scorching heat burst into flames which, driven by a wind of unusually high velocity, swept like the crack of doom over miles of territory sweeping before it forest, town, village, prospectors camps, mines settlers homes by the hundred.

## FOG AND GALES CAUSE MARINE ACCIDENTS IN VICINITY OF THE SOO

SOO, Mich., July 10.—In the heavy gale which swept over this section Sunday night, the steamer Sultana shifted her cargo while downbound. Her crew worked hard to straighten her up and succeeded in putting her on an even keel before she reached the Soo. The steamer Mitchell, which went aground near the Black Can Buoy driving a hole in bottom, was raised and moved behind Frying Pan Island until further repairs can be made. The lighter Reliance removed all the cement she could hold and is awaiting disposition at Detour. The wrecking job was done by the favorite and Reliance of the Great Lakes Towing company.

In the heavy fog of Monday morning the steamers McCullough and Pontiac sustained severe damage to several plates in a collision. The McCullough came into Detour and the Pontiac kept on her way to the Soo, reaching here this evening. Examination was made and she was found seaworthy enough to proceed to her loading port at the head of the lakes.

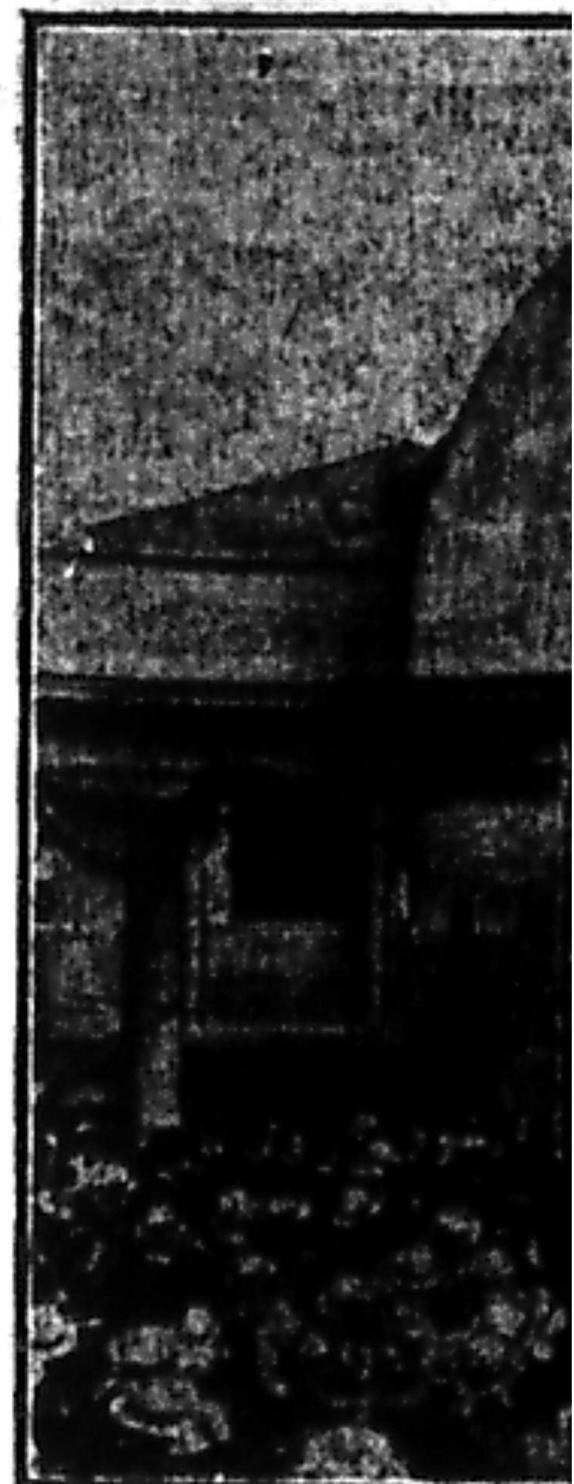
## BRITAIN'S DEBT TO U. S. MAY BE PAID IN LUMP

LONDON, July 11.—The Evening News today says: "Arrangements for repayment of the British war debt to the United States in a lump sum in the near future are in advanced stage." It declared repayment will be made by means of a loan to be raised jointly in Great Britain and the United States.

## SAMUEL BAKER



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## MORATORIUM TO GERMAN PROBABILITY

Financial Situation in German Empire Has Direct Bearing on Finance of World

PARIS, July 11.—A moratorium Germany's cash payments for the remainder of this year was thought circles close to the reparations commission to be quite probable as a result of a conference this forenoon between Dr. Fischer, chairman of the German war debts commission, and all the members of the commission. The hurriedly-called informal session Dr. Fischer told the commission the Germans would present a formal request for a moratorium at a meeting called by the commission for tomorrow.

This request, it was indicated, commission circles, will likely be acted upon by the commission without waiting to refer the matter to the various governments.

The letter asking for the moratorium which Dr. Fischer and He Schroeder, under-secretary for finance who is with the war debt commissioner in Paris, were drafting today, is expected to suggest the cancellation of all the remaining payments this year, leaving the matter of a moratorium thereafter open for the time-being. Under this arrangement the question of the further moratorium would be decided later upon full consideration and in view of what m