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For Annual Carnival



above are some of the key men residents in the carnival. From the left, special events; John Kunas, Saturday Robert Bardsley, advertising; Floyd al chairman; Ab Hoff, booths; George box derby; Don Rowan, general par-and Jerry St. James, merchandising.

Double Slaying Premeditated, Witnesses Say

A coroner's jury last night recommended that someone with authority and ability to deal with emergent situations be on duty during sittings at all courts.

The recommendation was contained in the verdict of a jury inquiring into the death of Judge Bruce J. McKittrick and Mrs. Irene Gray, who died following a shooting affray in the judge's juvenile and family court here June 21 in which Mrs. Gray's husband, William, took his own life as well.

WOUNDS NEAR HEART

The jury decreed that Judge McKittrick and Mrs. Gray died after being shot by Gray. The wounds were in the vicinity of the heart. The shooting, the verdict stated, appeared to have been premeditated and carried out without warning to victims.

The court was presided over by Dr. Charles Powell, Port Arthur district coroner. Crown Attorney P. V. Jbbetson examined the witnesses on behalf of the Crown.

Those who testified were Dr. Charles Johnston, who attended Judge McKittrick before he died; Dr. S. M. Schiewe, who attended Gray; Mrs. Frances Hodgson, court stenographer; William Creighton, probation officer; Arnold Southern, welfare commissioner; and S. H. Davis, Gray's lawyer, who were present at the time of the shooting, and Chief Constable George Taylor, who directed the investigation.

The witnesses, collectively, established that Gray had appeared to be in a calm and agreeable mood prior to the affray, that the shooting had taken place without warning and that Judge McKittrick and Mrs. Gray were shot and the others menaced by the pointed gun in "what seemed like no space of time."

TWO BULLETS

Witnesses stated that only the two bullets which fatally wounded the judge and Mrs. Gray had been fired when Mr. Creighton, Mr. Southern and Mr. Davis left the court room. Mrs. Hodgson was the only person who saw Gray shoot himself.

Chief Taylor stated five bullets in all were discharged, including three fired by Gray into his own body. In addition there were two other unspent cartridges which appeared to be "duds." One of these had been struck once by the firing pin of a gun and the other twice and possibly three times.

Using the murder weapon to illustrate, the chief showed that a considerable amount of deliberation was necessary to re-load the gun, which, according to Mrs. Hodgson, Gray had done after firing one bullet into his chest.

The chief showed how the two dud bullets would be rejected by Gray after his unsuccessful attempts to fire them. The gun, a 7.65 mm. automatic of European manufacture which is equivalent to .32 calibre by American standards, was found on the judge's desk by Chief Taylor when he entered the courtroom with Sgt. Dan McLeod just after the shooting.

TWO WERE DUDS

The two dud cartridges were on the floor with five empty shells. There was one ammunition clip in the gun and an extra one under a piece of paper on the desk beside the gun. Other live cartridges were later found in Gray's clothing.

The pellets from three cartridges were found embedded in the courtroom walls. These were believed to have passed through Gray's body.

Chief Taylor said Judge McKittrick was always kindly, tolerant and considerate in his court. "You could not have found a better man for the job."

The chief constable said he had always felt there should be a police officer present in the court to help maintain order. It had been his experience that there was always a great deal more bitterness during cases of domestic disputes than during criminal prosecutions.

He pointed out, however, that when the family courts were established, it was the aim to create an atmosphere as informal as possible, free from the usual dignities and restraints of a criminal court.

Dr. Johnston said Judge McKittrick had died about three-quarters of an hour after being admitted to hospital. The bullet had entered his left chest and may have, although it was impossible to say, touched the tip of the heart.

Death had been due to shock and internal hemorrhaging. The bullet did not leave the body.

Dr. Schiewe said Gray had three

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Biloski Brothers To Supply Topsoil For Sports Field

Tender of Biloski Brothers to supply approximately 6,000 cubic yards of topsoil for the High Street sports field was accepted last night at a meeting of the City Council. The firm's price of 80 cents a yard was the lowest of several submitted.

The purchase of the topsoil, together with a ton and a half of fertilizer, is expected to involve an expenditure of \$5,000. Previously, Council had spent \$15,000 on shale fill. The fill was spread last year.

Ald. T. J. McAuliffe, one of the chief supporters of a sports field in that area, said today the Municipal Board has already indicated it will approve of a further expenditure on erection of a fence. The Council discussed the fence last night and appeared to be ready to spend a further amount for that purpose later in the year.

Mayor Robinson was requested to represent the City at Canada Day observances at Duluth Friday, July 1.

Also accepted was a bylaw to set up a board of management for the Oliver Road Community Centre. The bylaw names Aldermen T. J. McAuliffe and Mrs. Eunice Wishart as city representatives and Len Holman, O. H. Kantola, George Matson, Mrs. I. Boyer and Mrs. E. Black as the association's directors. The seven directors will act for the balance of the year.

A delegation from Hull Avenue asked installation of sewer and water on their street. A report was promised on the matter shortly.

Permission was granted to T. Waugh to use a lot at 28 South Court Street as a used car sales centre to October 31.

C.C.F. Woman Elected In B.C. Constituency

By The Canadian Press
VANCOUVER, June 29—Mrs. Dorothy Steeves, C. C. F., has won the Burnaby-Richmond constituency—unofficially.

Son's Wedding, Dies at Winnipeg

or Company, remaining with that firm until 1924 when he joined the staff of the Bawlf Terminal. He was an assistant foreman at the Bawlf elevator.

From 1942 to 1945, he was employed as a liaison officer with the Wartime Prices and Trade Board. He joined the staff of the employment service in 1945 and acted for a time as manager.

He was a member of First Presbyterian Church and of the Port Arthur branch, Canadian Legion. The body will be brought to Port Arthur tomorrow for burial and will rest at the chapel, 21 North Court Street.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Lumsden leaves two daughters and one son. Daughters are Mrs. James Jarvis, Belleville, Ont., and Mrs. William McIntyre, Swan River, Man. The son, Archibald, was to have married Miss Patricia Aldridge, of Winnipeg, Saturday.

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