

South Porcupine Man Held on Charge of Murder There

Julius Niemi Dies from Wound in Head from Knife Said to Have Been in Hands of Bertoli Rinta-nohka, Only Three Months Out from Finland. Inquest Held on Tuesday at South Porcupine. Other South Porcupine News Items.

South Porcupine, Nov. 14th, 1928. Special to The Advance.

On Sunday evening on Bloor avenue just northeast of Crawford street, what appeared to be a drunken brawl took place, as the result of which one man is dead from a supposed knife-wound in his head and another man is held for trial with a charge of murder hanging over him. The dead man is a Finlander, by name Julius Niemi, who it is thought, was about thirty-two years of age. The accused is just three months out from Finland, and only twenty-one years old. His name is Bertoli Rinta-nohka. That both men were to some extent the worse of liquor was admitted by witnesses at the inquest, which was called for four o'clock on Tuesday, the following citizens being empaneled for jury duty: J. St. Paul, foreman, Stan Pearce, W. Fairhurst, T. Wilson, G. W. Hayden, E. J. Rapsey, F. Farrant, O. Rensner, Lou Taylor, Maxwell Smith, L. Sauder and Firth. The first witness called was Dr. J. D. Kinsman, of the Dome hospital, who stated that Niemi was brought to the hospital sometime around ten on Sunday night and was unconscious. It could not be definitely decided just at once whether his condition was due to the wound or to intoxication but he was put to bed and given the usual treatment for an unconscious man. For three hours there was no change then he became worse and died at four o'clock Monday morning. Assisted by Dr. W. McLaren, of South Porcupine, he made a post-mortem examination on Monday afternoon. The fatal wound was a very clean-cut one over the left temple and had pierced through the skin and skull into the brain, and there had been considerable hemorrhage into the brain substance. It must have required considerable force to strike the blow and he judged that it was done with a sharp knife. The cause of death was hemorrhage into the brain substance causing pressure on the vital centres. Dr. McLaren, being called next, corroborated Dr. Kinsman's testimony. The next witness called was Eino Kupila, the only known eye-witness of the tragedy. He required an interpreter. He stated he roomed at Mrs. Manner's Finnish Boarding House but boarded at Frank Maki's. Julius Niemi, the dead man, both roomed and boarded at Maki's place. He had known Niemi for five years but had only known Rinta-nohka a few days. He had gone up to Maki's to eat, then had been in and out of there several times during the evening, and had seen Niemi now and again all evening. Outside Maki's he claimed some of them were talking with Rinta-nohka—"talking fun"—but that Rinta-nohka was getting serious, when he said:—"Don't get mad over joking, Rinta-nohka." Rinta-nohka then wanted to wrestle but he (the witness) didn't want to, knowing what Rinta-nohka was like,—wanting a bigger wrestle. Witness said the place was too small so Rinta-nohka suggested the road and grabbed witness' sweater. Witness gave him a shove saying it might get too serious and Rinta-nohka fell. He told him he was "tight" and wanted to take him to his room, which the prisoner stated was at Mrs. Wally's. As witness did not know where this was Niemi who was standing by said he did and would show him. They started off, Kupila leading Rinta-nohka by the hand and Niemi following behind. By Cattarello's Rinta-nohka seeing a number of men around wanted witness to let go his hand for fear there might be cops who would see them. He walked the rest of the way to Wally's all right and when they knocked at the door Mrs. Wally let them in and the three of them went up to Rinta-nohka's room and were talking there. On the way over he said that the prisoner said something about getting some money from Mrs. Wally. When they were in Rinta-nohka's room Mrs. Wally came and told them there were men trying to sleep who had to go to work in the morning so she asked Niemi and Kupila to go, and told Rinta-nohka he had better go to bed. When they got about fifty metres from Wally's Rinta-nohka came after them, calling "Wait for me." When he got to them he said Mrs. Wally wouldn't give him any money and asked them if they had any, witness said, Kupila told him he had a little but that they had better go to sleep so they could go to work in the morning. With that he started hitting Kupila, who stepped out of the way every time he hit. Niemi was standing there and said "What do you want?" Rinta-nohka said "I want what I want" and started hitting Niemi. When he hit Niemi witness said, "You haven't got a knife have you?" when it is alleged, the prisoner answered "I always carry a knife," and started running. Witness guessed that he had had a (Continued on Back Page this Section)

WELCOMED BY GOVERNMENT



Sir William Clark, first British High Commissioner to Canada, who was tendered a state banquet at Ottawa by the Canadian Government as an official welcome to Canada.

LOCAL DOCTORS REMOVE PIN FROM CHILD'S THROAT

Open Safety Pin Safely Removed Recently from Oesophagus of Year-Old Child

A rather remarkable operation was recently performed by local doctors when a safety pin that had been swallowed by Claire Tremblay, a year-old child's oesophagus. A few weeks ago the little son of Mr. J. Burwell, of Schumacher, swallowed a 2-inch nail and had to be taken to Toronto for an operation for the removal of the obstruction. This was the first case of the kind in the camp and at once the doctors here secured a special form of instrument to use in such cases. This instrument is known as a bronchoscopic forceps. By the use of this new instrument it was possible to remove the safety-pin without injury to the child. The youngster had picked up an ordinary medium-sized safety pin and before it was noticed had managed to get the pin in its mouth and swallow it. It stuck in the oesophagus, the passage leading from the mouth to the stomach. It was about opposite the top of the heart. On account of the fact that the pin was open, it did not pass through into the stomach. An X-ray was taken and the exact position of the pin determined. Dr. A. W. Wright, of Schumacher, performed the operation, and Dr. Robson gave the anaesthetic. Dr. Robson was able to grip the open point of the pin with the bronchoscopic forceps and to withdraw the safety pin without injury to the child. The operation was a delicate one, requiring much skill and knowledge, but it was performed with all success and the youngster is now none the worse for its dangerous experience in swallowing an open safety pin. The doctors of the Porcupine, it may be noted, have always endeavoured to be ready for any emergency, and in this case undoubtedly saved great expense for the parents and serious danger for the child. During the course of the year many delicate operations are performed here by local doctors with almost invariable success, evidencing the knowledge, skill and interest given by the medical men and the surgical equipment kept in the camp for use when occasion arises.

GUIDO ZAMMARION TAKEN TO WINDSOR FOR TRIAL

Guido Zammarion, who has been remanded several times here on a charge of conspiracy in connection with high-grade alleged to have been found in possession of his brother at Detroit, and which Guido Zammarion was charged with sending to the south, was this week taken to Windsor and it is understood that he will stand trial there with his brother in connection with the alleged theft of gold from some of the mines of the Porcupine. The charge against Guido Zammarion here was dropped when it was decided to take him to Windsor in connection with his brother's trial.

Mr. Donald McIntosh, of Kirkland Lake, was the guest of his sister, Mrs. Geo. A. Mitchell, over the week-end.

ALL URGED TO ATTEND BOARD OF TRADE MEETING

Special Session Next Tuesday Evening, Nov. 20th, for Important Business. None Should Miss This

President W. O. Langdon has called a special meeting of the Timmins Board of Trade to be held in the town hall on Tuesday evening next, Nov. 20th, at 8 p.m. Mr. Langdon is especially anxious for a large and representative meeting on this occasion, as it is particularly desired to arrange to have a strong deputation go down from Timmins to the annual meeting of the Northern Ontario Associated Boards of Trade which will be held at New Liskeard on the following Tuesday, Nov. 27th. The annual meeting of the Associated Boards of Trade is of importance to all the towns of the North but Timmins should take special interest in the meeting for several reasons. The work of the Timmins Board of Trade has been greatly facilitated by the Associated Boards of Trade in the past and this benefit can be further increased if Timmins itself will take the fullest interest.

While the arranging for a full delegation to the Associated Boards annual meeting is a primary object of the meeting of the Timmins Board of Trade called for next Tuesday evening, there will be other important matters before the local board meeting. The president will give a general review of the year that has passed and other topics of more than passing interest will be touched upon.

All interested in the progress of the town and the general welfare should make a special point of attending the meeting of the Timmins Board of Trade on Tuesday evening next, Nov. 20th, in the town hall, Timmins.

First Aid Box Rifled On Tuesday Evening

The first aid box on the roadway near the Hollinger was rifled on Tuesday evening, all the contents being taken away. After stealing all the supplies in the box the miscreants responsible locked up the box again and hung the key in its place. The theft of the supplies from this box was a particularly mean form of crime. The St. John Ambulance Brigade, Timmins Division, secured the boxes from the Old Country and had them erected for the benefit of the public in case of accident. The S.J.A.B. sees that the boxes are kept filled, and they have depended upon the public to use good sportsmanship in using the boxes. To have these boxes of first aid equipment and supplies convenient may mean the saving of a life or lives in case of accident. In any event the boxes afford convenience and comfort in case of any accidents on the road. The rifling of one of these boxes is accordingly a contemptible type of crime. The police have been informed of the mean theft and it is hoped that the guilty party or parties will be brought to book and fittingly punished for their meanness and their unnecessary endangering of the public. All the earmarks of the theft point to the work of some adult who wished to secure supplies and was willing to take even this mean way to secure them.

VICTORIAN ORDER NURSES TAG DAY IS POSTPONED

On Account of Other Calls on the Public at Present, V.O.N. Defers Its Tag Day.

The Victorian Order of Nurses Tag Day planned to be held in Timmins on Saturday, Nov. 17th, has been postponed to some later date. This decision was reached this week so that the V.O.N. Tag Day would not conflict with other worthy calls upon the public at this time. Last week there was a canvass of the business part of the town for the sale of wreaths made by the disabled soldiers and on Saturday last there was the annual Poppy Day event. This week the District Children's Aid Society is putting on its canvass for funds to wipe out indebtedness on the Shelter account and to provide for the carrying on of the work for the ensuing year on a budget plan. The V.O.N. felt that to proceed with their tag day on Saturday would be to overburden the public with calls for finances at this time. Accordingly the tag day was deferred to a later date to be decided upon at a future meeting. The V.O.N. is a cause well worthy of support, providing as it does a special nursing service at rates that are especially reasonable and in case of need without charge at all. Since its establishment here the V.O.N. has done excellent work in the public service, and no doubt will receive generous support from the public when the annual appeal for funds to carry on is made.

Requiem high mass was said at the R.O. Church at Schumacher on Oct. 29th for the late J. N. Anagnon, who passed away in 1918.

NOMINATIONS NOV. 26 FOR THE TOWN COUNCIL

Election, if Necessary, Will be Held on Monday, Dec. 3rd. Hours for Nomination of Candidates.

Nominations for candidates for the town of Timmins for mayor, councillors and public school trustees will be held this year on Monday, Nov. 26th, at the council chamber, Fourth avenue at the following hours:—

For Mayor—10 a.m. to 11 a.m.
For Councillors—12 o'clock noon to 1 p.m.

For Public School Trustees—12 o'clock noon to 1 p.m.

In case a poll is necessary the election will be held on the following Monday, Dec. 3rd. In case of an election there will be sixteen polling subdivisions, fifteen of them in different sections of the town to accommodate the various wards or sections and two at the town hall. One of the latter is the poll for non-resident voters who vote for public school trustees.

With nominations only about ten days away, there is very little discussion of candidates, this being a very good sign that the present council has given very general satisfaction. The reduction in the tax rate this year has been received with general satisfaction, while there is also approval of the excellent way in which the affairs of the town generally have been conducted. From present indications there would seem to be a general feeling that the town would be greatly advantaged if the present mayor and council were returned for another year.

Capt. and Mrs. Evendon to be New S.A. Officers Here

Capt. and Mrs. Evendon, of Toronto, will be the new officers in charge of the Timmins Salvation Army, in place of Ensign and Mrs. Bond, who have been transferred to the Rhodes avenue branch, Toronto. Ensign and Mrs. Bond will conduct their farewell services here on Sunday, Nov. 18th. They will be much missed here where they have made many friends both in and outside the Army ranks. Capt. and Mrs. Evendon, the new officers will arrive in Timmins on Nov. 22nd and will be accompanied here by Major Cameron, of North Bay, who is coming here to assist in the special services for the first week under the new officers for the Army in Timmins.

PLANT MAY BE INSTALLED AT GRIMSTON-PORCUPINE

The Mail and Empire on Tuesday of this week said:—"According to Digby Grimston, the staker of the property, developments are proceeding very satisfactorily on the Grimston-Porcupine holdings in Garrison Township and it is now the intention of the operators to secure machinery for the further development of the property. It is understood that they are now dickering for a plant and it is expected that this will be taken into the property as soon as the winter road is ready for transportation."

FOOTBALL SMOKER WILL BE HELD NOVEMBER 24

N.O.F.A. and P.D.F.L. Combining to Stage Especially Big Event for Football Fans This Year.

This year the annual football smoker, for the presentation of medals, cups and trophies, is to be a specially big event, the Porcupine District Football League and the Northern Ontario Football Association combining their forces for the event this year. The smoker, under the joint auspices of the N.O.F.A. and the P.D.F.L., will be held in the Oddfellows' hall, Timmins, on Saturday evening, Nov. 24th, commencing at 8 p.m. All football enthusiasts are cordially invited to attend, and tickets for the occasion have been placed at the nominal figure of twenty-five cents to secure the largest attendance possible. The cups, trophies and medals of both the P.D.F.L. and the N.O.F.A. for the past season will be presented at the event on Nov. 24th. These will include the E. H. Bridger shield and medals and the several cups and trophies. It is hoped to have Mr. Bridger present for the occasion if this is possible. A very attractive programme of toasts, speeches, music and novelties will feature the event as in past years and all are sure to have a happy time. There will be abundance of smokes with the usual soft drinks, etc. In view of so many teams being interested in the trophies and medals it is expected that the 1928 smoker will attract the biggest crowd yet.

The bazaar to be given by the Ladies of the Altar Society will be held in the basement of the Church of the Nativity on Dec. 5 and 6.

Two Thousand People at the Armistice Day Service Here

Returned Soldiers and Others Headed by Timmins Citizens' Band, Parade to Cenotaph for Memorial Services. Impressive Services on Sunday Here. Many Wreaths Placed on Memorial. Over 150 Members of Canadian Legion in Line of March.

J. S. SMIT



High Commissioner for the Union of South Africa in the British capital, who has been appointed Administrator of the Transvaal in succession of Hon. Jas. Hofmeyr.

The observance of Armistice Day in Timmins was one of the most impressive events held in this North for many a year. The perfect way in which all arrangements were carried out reflected the greatest credit on the officers of the Canadian Legion who had charge for the occasion. There were over 150 members of the Legion in the line of march and this number was augmented by veterans of the Italian Army and other groups and individuals. There were fully two thousand people attending the event on Sunday.

At ten-thirty in the morning the gathering assembled at the athletic grounds and headed by the Timmins Citizens Band marched to the cenotaph. After the ceremonies at the cenotaph the parade re-formed in orderly way and marched back to the athletic grounds to disperse. The line of march was very impressive, and included:—Timmins Citizens' Band; the Canadian Legion; Girl Guides; Boy Scouts; Sea Cadets; Sons of England; Returned Soldiers of the Italian Army; St. John Ambulance Brigade; and individuals.

At the cenotaph there was a brief but very impressive service. Dr. Harrison, president of the Timmins Post of the Legion, was in charge of the memorial services. The band played in very effective way, "Abide With Me." After this there was a brief address by Mayor E. L. Longmore, who spoke of the evil of ingratitude and urged that all see that the returned men who had done so much for the cause of righteousness should not be neglected now. The playing of another hymn by the Band was followed by a brief address by Mr. Austin Neame, vice-president of the Legion, who spoke of the memorials throughout the world to the honour of the million British soldiers who had given their lives for the Empire and the right. "Can there be more potent advocates for peace through the years to come than these massed multitudes of silent witnesses to the desolation of war?" he said in referring to the memorial services held throughout the world on Armistice Day.

The "Last Post" was effectively played on the bugle by Mr. F. J. Hornby, an Imperial Army veteran, this touching number being followed by the two minutes of silence at the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month, in affectionate memory of the noble dead. The big crowd stood for the two minutes in silence and with bared and bowed heads.

"Reveille" was then played by Bugler Hornby, after which the band played, "Onward, Christian Soldiers," followed by the National Anthem, in which all joined.

Then the wreaths were placed on the cenotaph. There were many beautiful wreaths, that of the Women's Royal Air Force, from London, England, laid on the cenotaph here by Mrs. Chulak as representative for the W.R.A.F., was especially handsome and impressive. Other wreaths included one from:—Sons of England, laid on the cenotaph by S. Wheeler; Canadian Legion, by Dr. Harrison; I.O.O.F., by A. G. Carson; Kiwanis, by President Keddie; Kiwanees; I.O.D.E.; by the Regent, Mrs. I. K. Pierce; L.O.B.A.; Fire Dept., by Chief A. Borland; Town Council, by Mayor Longmore; St. John Ambulance Brigade, by Supt. T. Richards; Royal Arch Masons, by S. T. Walker; A. F. & A. M.; K. of C., by J. D. MacLean; Ladies' Auxiliary, by Mrs. McLaughlan, president; Boy Scouts, by E. Ansara; Girl Guides, by Mrs. L. Groves; Sea Cadets; Italian Soldiers; and many individual wreaths.

A feature of the event was the presence of fifty or more veterans of the Italian Army, now in Timmins. Many of these wore their service ribbons. They also carried Italian flags of special beauty. President Harrison expressed the general pleasure at the presence of this large group of Italian soldiers—"gallant men of an Allied nation who had given such splendid service to the cause overseas."

MEETING OF SCOTTISH MEMBERS OF THE MASONS

All Scottish members of the Masonic Order are hereby invited to attend a meeting to be held in the Masonic hall on Sunday, Nov. 18th, at 2 p.m., with a view to co-operating in the celebration of St. Andrew's Night on November 28th.

The North Bay Nugget reproduces from its files of fifteen years ago an item telling of a deputation from Porcupine, South Porcupine and Timmins meeting the T. & N. O. Commission to urge better train connections between Northern towns.

OVER \$300 FROM SALE OF POPPIES IN TIMMINS

Wreaths Also Brought in Good Sum. Ladies' Auxiliary of Legion Does Good Work.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Timmins Post of the Canadian Legion had full charge of the annual sale of wreaths and poppies here and made an outstanding success of the effort. The total received from the sale of poppies on Saturday last was \$805.50, while for the wreaths the total was \$350.00. The wreaths and poppies were made by the disabled soldiers in Toronto and so the sales benefitted these soldiers. The balance of the amount collected goes to the Benevolent Fund of the Timmins Legion to be used for the assistance of any returned men in need here. Last year \$600.00 was expended in this way. For the coming year, thanks to the good work of the Ladies' Auxiliary, there will be a fund of around \$900.00. This is much better than last year and reflects the highest credit on the Ladies' Auxiliary and the energetic and capable helpers who sold the wreaths and did the selling of the poppies. The Legion is grateful to the ladies for their excellent work and the Ladies' Auxiliary is very thankful to the workers and to the public for the success achieved.

The wreaths were sold to merchants for window display purposes and to the public for placing on the cenotaph or displaying in stores or houses on Armistice Day. The following members of the Ladies' Auxiliary gave untiring service in the sale of wreaths, their generous contribution of time and effort being much appreciated:—Mrs. L. McLaughlan, president; Mrs. D. Maxwell, Mrs. W. A. Devine, Mrs. A. J. Shragge and Mrs. D. Bough, of Timmins; and Mrs. J. G. Harris and Mrs. Elms, of Schumacher.

Saturday, Nov. 10th, was Poppy Day and tagging was done in very systematic and effective way. There were about 50 assisting in the sale of the poppies, and few escaped opportunity on Saturday for the buying of a poppy to aid the soldiers. The prize winner in the sale of poppies was Miss Vivian Ray, who collected \$50.65. The next three highest in collections were:—Mrs. Elms, Schumacher, \$49.00; Mrs. D. Bough, Timmins, \$48.75; Mrs. J. G. Harris, Schumacher, \$27.45. A number of boys and girls assisted the ladies in the sale of the poppies and there is general appreciation by the Ladies' Auxiliary and by the Legion for the fine effort made by all, and for the public response.

CAMPAIGN IN PROGRESS FOR DISTRICT CHILDREN'S AID

The campaign for the raising of funds for the District Children's Aid is in progress this week and is meeting with good results. The town and district are being thoroughly canvassed and it is expected that the objective will be reached. The canvass will continue this week and next, and all approached should give the canvassers a good welcome and as generous a donation as possible. The tickets are \$1.00 and up—as much "up" as possible.