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Jury Names O'Keefe in Death of Couture

Witnesses at Inquest Tell of Shooting Affray Near Cochrane.

Cochrane, April 13.—(Special to The Advance)—On Monday afternoon a coroner's jury over which Magistrate F. R. Tucker, chief coroner for the district, presided, heard the evidence in the matter and returned a verdict to the effect that Daniel O'Keefe, 65-year-old settler of Driftwood, was responsible for the death of Felix Couture on Thursday of last week. According to the evidence the death of Couture resulted from an altercation over the movement of pulpwood. Couture had been employed to move some pulpwood from property near O'Keefe's place.

Couture died from wounds inflicted by a 16-gauge shotgun allegedly fired by O'Keefe.

O'Keefe later appeared before Magistrate Tucker in police court and was remanded for preliminary trial April 25.

Two Eye-Witnesses

Two eye-witnesses told at the inquest of the events of last Thursday. Paul Szewo who was on the sleigh with the deceased man testified that when they drew up at the woodpile on O'Keefe's property O'Keefe asked Couture what he was doing and Couture told him he had a letter to give him. O'Keefe pulled out a shot gun and shouted, "I'll give you something," and fired. Couture jumped from the sleigh and ran away, and Szewo likewise but in another direction. He also told O'Keefe firing a shot at one of the horses. Willard Anderson, who was with O'Keefe at the woodpile, said O'Keefe asked Couture twice what he was doing but Anderson did not hear anything about a letter or order. John Duquay who was sent out by the Charpentier for whom Couture worked, told of finding the body, while J. M.

Charpentier gave evidence on the wood deal which he had with O'Keefe, explaining that O'Keefe had been paid for all the wood he had cut, less the Crown dues, but had stopped hauling to the railway siding. P. Gorman, district forster, told of giving a letter to Charpentier authorizing him to draw the wood from a lot next to O'Keefe's and also giving him a letter to O'Keefe telling him not to interfere as the time for which he had been licensed expired March 31.

Sergeant Roy Elliot and Constable Noyes of the provincial police gave evidence as to their investigation, the former stating that when O'Keefe was informed around 10.30 a.m. that Couture was dead he became hysterical and acted as if he had not known the man was dead.

Funeral at Almonte of Dr. Tweeddale Kirkland

Almonte, Ont., April 13.—(Special)—The funeral of Dr. Joseph Tweeddale Kirkland, highly respected resident of Almonte and district magistrate, was held on Saturday afternoon from his late residence in William street, and interment was made in the Auld Kirk cemetery. Only immediate friends of the family were in attendance. The services at the home and graveside were conducted by Rev. A. J. Terrill, of Grafton, formerly pastor of Trinity United Church. The pallbearers were three sons, Hal, Maurice and John; two nephews, Harry and Thomas Warner, of Ottawa, and a son-in-law, Arthur Cotton.

The death of Dr. Kirkland, which occurred on Thursday afternoon after an illness of four months, caused widespread regret throughout Almonte and district, where he was well known and highly regarded.

Surviving are his wife, nee Magdalen McGreger; one daughter Mary, Mrs. Arthur Cotton, of Windsor; three sons, John, of Schumacher; Maurice, of Oshawa; Hal, of Almonte; two brothers, Frank, of Colorado Springs, Col.; and Harry, of Lancaster, Pa.

TEN YEARS AGO IN TIMMINS

From data in the Porcupine Advance Files

Because the regular meeting day ten years ago fell on Easter Monday, the town council had its regular meeting on Tuesday afternoon, April 10th, 1928. Mayor E. L. Longmore occupied the chair and Councillors A. G. Carson, W. H. Pritchard, G. S. Drew, P. Dougall, C. F. Ramsay and R. Richardson were present. A list of 1925 taxes was authorized to be written off on account of error in penalty. The matter of the remodelling of the disposal plant was before the council. The Provincial Board of Health required that something be done in regard to the plant, and on motion of Councillors A. G. Carson and W. H. Pritchard, it was decided that Mayor Longmore and Mr. Murdoch, town engineer, be authorized to visit Rouyn to inspect the disposal plant installed there and get such information as would be of value in remodelling the disposal plant here.

The concert provided at the Goldfields theatre ten years ago was one of outstanding merit and much appreciated. The attendance was not as large as the event deserved, but all present expressed the greatest pleasure at the treat afforded. The choir under the leadership of Mr. Jas. Geis proved very effective. The choir was specially well-balanced and showed the efforts of both talent and training. The choral numbers were specially enjoyed and were all of high order of merit.

In The Advance ten years ago (in part): "Reports were current last week to the effect that Constable Craik of the provincial police and Constable Brooks of the Tisdale township force, were marooned in the bush between South Porcupine and Cleaver township. The story found its way into the daily newspapers and into some other outside journals, but fortunately it was not founded on fact. The two officers went to Cleaver township on a errand and returned safely to South Porcupine. When asked about the story in the outside newspapers Officer Craik said it was just a newspaper misunderstanding, or words to that effect."

At Cochrane ten years ago the death occurred of Mr. James Drinkwater, for many years roadmaster of the T. & N. O. He was also mayor of Cochrane and occupied many other public positions of trust, being widely known and highly esteemed by all. He had only been ill about a week when death came from an attack of pneumonia. The late Mr. Drinkwater was 76 years of age. He had a very wide circle of friends won by his talent, his public spirit and his generous assistance and kindness to all in need.

The marriage took place at Ottawa ten years ago at the McLeod Presbyterian church of Miss Myrtle B. Meredith and Mr. Robert Ben Fiddler, of Timmins. Rev. C. Logan, of Ottawa, officiated at the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fiddler spent the following week in Ottawa as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Cutbill.

At Cochrane ten years ago the charge of murder against Mrs. Geo. Finlay, who shot her husband at Timmins in

September of 1927, was reduced to manslaughter. Mrs. Finlay was found guilty, and Judge Wright who was presiding imposed a sentence of twelve years in prison. Chief McLachlan, Deputy Chief Orr, and Constables McCord and Ferrault were among the witnesses, though the chief witnesses were a young English woman and a boarder who had been in the house at the time of the tragedy. The evidence in the case was much the same as at the preliminary trial here. Geo. Finlay was shot on Sept. 25th, 1927, at 2 a.m., and died in the hospital on the 27th. The two women and Finlay had been out at a party where drinking had gone on, and on their return to the house a quarrel arose, Mrs. Finlay objecting to the relations between the young woman and Finlay, although previously apparently furthering the same. The stove was upset, when Finlay threw his wife out of the way. The men went outside, and Mrs. Finlay secured a gun in the house and going to the door shot at him in her fury over the quarrel. Finlay swung around to protect the younger woman and received the contents of the gun in the shoulder, the bullet passing through both lungs. The boarder fled from the house when he saw the quarrel in progress. This boarder was held in jail as a material witness, being unable to give bonds.

Ten years ago all were sorry to know that Fire Chief A. Borland was laid up with an injured foot, and all wished him a very speedy and complete recovery. In stepping over some ice he hurt his foot the other day, but did not pay any attention to it until he found that he had ruptured a blood vessel in his instep.

Ten years ago, No. 47, the Toronto train was late every night for a week, the delay in some cases running into several hours. The delay in No. 47 reaching here was due to washouts on the C.N.R. line in the Huntsville district, where the track was so badly damaged by floods that it could not be repaired to carry the train through.

Word reached town ten years ago relative to a tragedy at Fauquier. Gasoline was used to light a fire in a stove and as a result there was an explosion and two men met death, while three others were in the hospital. The tragedy occurred at Fauquier, which is about 55 miles west of Cochrane on the C.N.R. The dead were Theodore Regardt, married, Cochrane, and Alfred Parent of St. John, N.B. Alfred, Amie and Elie Thibeault, brothers, of Cochrane, were the injured men in the hospital.

At the meeting of the High School Board ten years ago the report of Principal J. W. Treleaven for the month was read, some interesting information being given in regard to the evening vocational classes conducted there. The classes, the report pointed out, had been discontinued for the season, after a very successful term. The total number of students in these classes was 217.

A "quiet but pretty" wedding was solemnized ten years ago in the office of the warden of the district jail in Halleybury, when two young people from the far north were made man and wife under rather unusual circumstances. It was the first time that such a ceremony had been performed in the government institution in Halleybury and caused considerable interest among those who were in enforced residence there, although very few were present. The bridegroom was spending his days at the government boarding house awaiting trial on a charge the seriousness of which the ceremony will it is hoped, reduce. The bride came to Halleybury for the purpose and when the ceremony was over she returned to the north.

The bazaar held ten years ago under the auspices of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Trinity United Church at Schumacher was the most successful event of the kind ever held in that town. On display in the beautifully decorated booths were fancy work, babies' wear, aprons, homebaking and confectionery of the finest workmanship and quality. A comfortable tea room and refreshment booths were attractive conveniences. The "fish pond" was always popular with the boys and girls and brought many thrills of joy as the fishers pulled in the "catch."

Ten years ago the St. John Ambulance (Timmins Division) held its first social evening in the Hollinger Recreation hall. About a hundred persons were present, including the members of the brigade and their ladies. The main event of the evening was the presentation of certificates to the ladies' class, this being the honour of their first examination, also second and labour certificates to the men's class. Dr. J. R. Byers made the presentations, after which he gave a short but very interesting and appreciated address. Dr. Byers said that it was a decided pleasure for him, the examining officer, to present these awards.

The eulchre and concert given by the Choir of St. Cecile in the parish hall of St. Anthony's church ten years ago proved a remarkable success in every way. The event was under the direction of Mrs. Phil Theriault and Mrs. H. Charlebois and both the returns and the pleasure enjoyed reflected the highest credit on Mrs. Theriault and Mrs. Charlebois and those assisting in making the occasion so pronounced a success.

The second annual Vimy Banquet held in the I.O.O.F. hall ten years ago, organized by the Timmins Post of the Canadian Legion, was a splendid suc-

cess, nearly one hundred Legionnaires and ex-servicemen and friends being present. The catering of the Ladies' Aid of the United Church, Timmins, was very much appreciated, the tastefully decorated tables being much admired as was the efficient service provided. The president of the Timmins Post, Dr. S. R. Harrison, occupied the chair, supported by the vice-presidents and members of the executive committee. After a really excellent repast, the programme for the evening commenced with the toast to "The King." Trench songs from the "United Trench Song Sheet" were lustily sung to the talented accompaniment of Mr. W. A. Devine, and proved without a doubt that the old war-time songs were still popular as ever.

The Porcupine Skating Rink Co. Ltd. held its annual meeting ten years ago. The same officers were again re-elected, viz.—president, Mr. Clark; vice-president, S. Kennedy; secretary-treasurer, G. T. S. Train; board of directors, J. Fell, Sr., S. Sky and R. Mansfield. As the books had not been closed during the year 1927, the two years showed a surplus of around \$1700 for the Rink Co.

The institution of the new lodge of the Sons of England Benefit Society was held ten years ago in the basement of the United Church, when a large number of members were initiated into the order. The new society thus started off under very auspicious conditions and promised to be both popular and useful. Several addresses were given in regard to the lodge work, among the speakers being the Supreme Secretary, D. J. Proctor, of Toronto.

Among the local news in The Advance ten years ago were:—"Mr. Vachon, a former member of the Canadian Bank of Commerce staff here, and who has been confined to hospital since last December through an injury to his knee, received while ski-ing, left on Monday morning for his old home at Sturgeon Falls, Ont."

"Mr. Keith Morris, a well-known journalist from London, England, was in Timmins recently to visit his brother, Mr. John Morris." "Mrs. Lasalle of Ramora, Ont., was a Timmins visitor this week."

"Mr. Jas. Cran, of Sudbury, and formerly of Timmins, was a visitor to town over the Easter holiday." "Many friends will regret to learn that Miss Ruby McCarthy is ill with pneumonia."

"Mr. J. D. Bracy, of the staff of the Geo. Taylor Hardware Ltd., spent the Easter holiday at his old home at Feather, Ont." "Mr. J. Boyd is among those on the jury at Cochrane this week. Mr. Boyd, whose home is in Timmins, has been at Red Lake for some time past and had to travel from the newer gold camp to serve on the jury."

"Miss W. Rutherford is spending the Easter holidays in the South." "Dr. Gerald Brisson, who spent the winter in New York, taking special courses in surgery and women's diseases, has come back to Timmins to practise." "Mr. Z. P. Martin, of Bridgewater, Nova Scotia, has been in town visiting his brothers, Messrs. Blake and Osborne Martin, and also to pay his sad respects to the grave of his brother, the late Frank Martin, who was one of those losing his life at the Hollinger mine on Feb. 10th."

Mr. Z. P. Martin returned on Wednesday to Bridgewater, N.S., where he is on the staff of the C.N.R. He is president of the Railroad Brotherhood and had been at Montreal to attend a convention there, taking advantage of this opportunity to pay a visit to Timmins." "Miss Gifford, of New Liskeard, is visiting Mrs. Gordon Eplett, of Timmins." "Mr. Fred Hamilton, chief fire ranger for the District of Cochrane, is in Toronto this week."

"Miss Edna Gannon and Miss Gladys Gannon, of Kirkland Lake, spent Easter with friends at Timmins." "All will regret to learn of the illness of Mr. Alf Prout, but all will be pleased to hear that he is recovering nicely." "Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Noble, of Kapuskasing, were the guests of friends in town during the Easter holidays." "Born—in Timmins, on Thursday, April 5th, to Mr. and Mrs. P. Marion, 12 Hollinger Lane—a son. Both mother and baby doing well." "Born—in Timmins, Ont., at 27 Middleton avenue, on Monday, April 9th, to Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Rice—a son." "Mr. Jack Munro, noted old-timer of the North, and one of the originals of the Princess Pats, was a visitor recently to the Porcupine Camp, returning to his home in Toronto on Thursday last. While in the North Jack flew in to Red Lake and back, inspecting some claims in which he is interested along with some other South Porcupine old-timers."

Scouts at Iroquois Falls Enjoy Event

Church Services at Iroquois Falls for Easter. Other Iroquois Falls News.

Iroquois Falls, Ontario, April 10, 1938.—(Special to The Advance)—The First Iroquois Falls Boy Scouts turned out in full numbers on Saturday afternoon, to participate in an outdoor game, which required the keen thought and sharp wits of each individual entered. They were instructed to follow the orders as outlined in the sealed messages, which were in semaphore and had to be deciphered.

Starting from headquarters, the boys were told that their achievements would be rewarded with points, to count in their contest, and as each patrol left in the spirit of sport, enthusiasm was the keynote.

Five points included in Second Class work were taken, and distributed in strategic points were assistants to watch the progress of the Scouts, and make notations of their work. It was so arranged that no Patrols were at the same point together.

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Church Services for Easter

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At St. Mark's Anglican Church services will be held on Good Friday, Saturday and Easter Sunday by Rev. F. Joy. On Easter Sunday, Holy Communion will be held at the Anson General hospital for patients, at 6.00 in the morning. From 7.00 a.m. till 9.00 a.m. Communion will be held at the church, and at 9.30 a.m. at Porcupine Junction. Eucharist at 11 a.m. and Evensong at 7.30 p.m.

At the United Church, Dr. J. C. Cochrane will again take charge of the services, both at Iroquois Falls and Ansonville.

Brampton Conservator—Let no one speak unkindly of March from this time forth. In 1938 it can be truthfully said she behaved like a lady. The 21st day of the month was the warmest in 90 years.



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