

SOUTH PORCUPINE AND DISTRICT NEWS

Ernest Telford's Death Mourned at S. Porcupine

Died Following Accident at Buffalo-Ankerite. Other News of South Porcupine and the Dome. Mrs. George Merritt, of Pottsville, Passes Away in Ambulance on Way to Hospital at South Porcupine.

South Porcupine, Dec. 7.—(Special to The Advance)—The death of Ernest Telford, who was injured in an accident at the Buffalo-Ankerite mine on Monday, occurred shortly before noon in the Porcupine General hospital on the day of the accident. Details will be announced after the inquest, but he died of internal injuries suffered after being struck in the mine by a timber. He had only been working at the Buffalo-Ankerite since September; previously he had worked at the Dome Mines for eight years.

Great sympathy is being expressed here toward his family. He was 29 years of age and came to the Porcupine Camp from Shawville nearly ten years ago. He was the only child of Mr. Edward Telford, of Shawville. He married Miss Adelaide McJanet and has two children, Edith aged seven, and Clayton, four. The funeral was held on Wednesday afternoon from the United Church, Rev. J. A. Lyttle conducting the service.

The church was filled to overflowing with numbers of friends and neighbors and acquaintances of the deceased whose character and steadiness had won him esteem throughout the town and whose tragic end so near Christmas filled all hearts with sympathy towards the sad little family, and the elderly father, who came up from Shawville upon news of the disaster.

The hymns, "Nearer My God To Thee," "Safe in the Arms of Jesus," and "Rock of Ages," were sung, and by special request of the family, Mr. Hunkin sang "The Old Rugged Cross." Mr. Lyttle spoke words of comfort to the mourners from the text "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in time of trouble."

The pallbearers were David Telford (cousin); Borden Lang, George MacJanet, Broden Blood, Robert MacJanet and William Martin.

A list of floral tributes will be published in Monday's issue of The Advance.

We are glad to note Dr. Harper as being able to be around again after his two weeks' illness.

Little Billy Lemmon returned this week from holiday in Kirkland Lake, with Mr. Wm. Andrew, who is on a short visit.

The Junior Catholic Women's League was entertained on Monday night at the home of Mrs. F. Lafores, hostesses being the Misses Mona and Pat Laforrest. Bingo and other games were played and a most enjoyable evening spent. And a delicious lunch was served.

All our high school students are very

proud today at having been given complimentary tickets to the carnival at Schumacher Rink on Thursday. They have chartered a special bus to take them over.

There is to be a dance in the Finn hall on Friday night, sponsored by the Loyal Order of Moose. The "usual old hop" with round and square dances to the music of the St. Louis orchestra is to be featured. The Moose Order is holding this dance to augment their Christmas Charity Fund. They do not boast of their good works, but we understand they are going to see that children not looked after by other organizations will get a happy Christmas. So patronize the dance!

Saturday afternoon from 2 p.m. to 6.30 will see the Parish hall a hive of activity. The Finnish Lutheran Church is holding a bazaar and tea. There will be articles for sale; hand embroidery, crochet and knitting done by the Lutheran ladies and the famous coffee bread will be on sale. The proceeds are to go towards the building of a new church, the foundations of which are already laid on William Ave. Their minister, the Rev. Pukkasaari, lives in Timmins.

Jimmy Phillips, of Dome Extension, is still very sick.

On Sunday the first "Fireside Hour" of the United Church took place after the evening service. All the congregation stayed and were entertained by an address by Mr. W. S. Blake on the British Empire; a solo, "Brief Life," by Jerry Trueblood; and three hymns were sung, illustrated by color slides. The next will be held the second Sunday in January.

We are glad to see Dr. Somerville out again after being in hospital for some days with ear trouble.

The Telephone Bridge was the topic of conversation yesterday (and still is). We were told officially today that from the Dome (7 tables); Buffalo-Ankerite (7 tables); Paymaster (6 tables); and South Porcupine over \$150 was taken in to headquarters. Co-operation at this end of the camp was the keynote to success and, personally we think whoever had the brain-wave to hold this community drive for the Children's Welfare had the right idea. We venture to state that in every home where a bridge was being held, the money and the prizes were the last things to be considered. As a social affair in our town it ranked high, and people got together for the fun of the thing, had a good time, and had the pleasant feeling of having done a good turn for a deserving cause. The conveners in

SCHUMACHER SCHOOL PRESENTS OPERETTA



Schumacher public school pupils this week presented the operetta, "Peter Rabbit," at their annual concert. It was a presentation that reflected the highest credit on all concerned. The costumes deserve a special note, while the scenic events made by the pupils and staff were notable works of art.

Election Assault Cases Dismissed by Magistrate

Magistrate Dismisses Charges Against Councillor as Trivial. "Thirteen on Platform" Naturally Unlucky. Magistrate Objected to Going Back Nine Years, Let Alone 26.

South Porcupine, Dec. 7.—(Special to The Advance)—Charges laid against Mr. George Helmer, 1, by Mr. George Henderson and 2nd, by Mr. J. G. Harris for assault causing "actual bodily harm," on Nov. 30th, brought before Magistrate Atkinson on Tuesday here were both heard at length, many witnesses called and finally dismissed by his worship as "a storm in a teacup." During the hearing both Dr. Russell and Dr. Porter testified as to injuries noted and treated by them.

Witnesses called were Reeve Evans and Messrs. Cavanagh, Fairhurst, Starling, Arnott, Morgan, Ryan, Heino and Ferrigan.

Each gave his version of the affair which took place on the platform at the Finn hall during an election meeting.

Mr. Langdon, counsel for Mr. Helmer, tried to get evidence proving that for some time Mr. Henderson had been a source of trouble at municipal elections, but was over-ruled by the magistrate who said that the present charge was the only one being investigated and he refused to "go back nine years." Later when Mr. Tom Ryan in his evidence mentioned 26 years ago, his worship said, "It's bad enough to want to go back nine years; don't make it 26."

One witness mentioned that there were 13 men on the platform that night.

South End wish to thank the thirty-odd hostesses who helped to put this thing across.

A very sad death occurred today in Hunkin's Ambulance. Mr. Hunkin was called early this morning to Pottsville to bring Mrs. George Merritt in to the Porcupine General Hospital. Mrs. Merritt had an infant on Monday at the home of Mrs. Smith in Golden City. Complications setting in rendered her getting to hospital a necessity, and on the way over she passed away, the sad part is that she leaves a little family of six children, including the baby born this week, the oldest of whom is only nine years old. She was born Vera Penon, and was 34 years of age. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Harry Penon, of Pottsville, formerly of New Liskeard. She married George Merritt in Golden City ten years ago. Mr. Merritt was recently on the Whitney police force. The late Mrs. Merritt leaves, besides her husband and family, two sisters, Miss Alma Penon, of the University of Toronto, and Mrs. McBride, of Kerr-Addison Mine, Laker Lake; her parents are living in Pottsville. A cousin, Mrs. Austin Walker, lives in South Porcupine. The remains are resting at Hunkin's Funeral Parlors until Friday when a funeral service will be held in the Porcupine township hall at 2.30. We extend our sympathies to the sorrowing family.

which made his worship later remark that "knowing Tisdale elections, having 13 men on a platform was asking for trouble."

The points upon which all witnesses were unanimous were that the fracas started by Henderson calling Helmer a liar (and worse) on the platform, and that the two men clinched, fell over a chair, breaking it and rolled over through the wings before being separated.

Mr. Harris' charge of being roughly handled by Mr. Helmer as he left the platform was not substantiated.

The magistrate's summing up was, briefly: "Henderson was annoyed by personalities, but men in public life have to stand a lot of abuse. He called Helmer a liar. I know of nothing more likely to cause a fight. If a man has abusive language hurled at him, and slaps the other's ears one couldn't blame him much. I've been slandered. I enjoyed it when it wasn't true; when it was true I kept quiet."

Case dismissed. One drunk paid \$10 and costs. For neglecting to carry a license for a car; \$5 and costs was paid.

Two lads were charged with disorderly conduct. A constable testified that he saw the two boys come out of the Central Hotel, sensed a row starting, and saw them attack two men. Their story was that the row started inside the beer parlor and that the men were waiting outside to finish it. Five dollars and costs each was the fine imposed.

For having no "flares" on a commercial vehicle, a man paid \$50 and costs.

Croatians Observe Schumacher Event

Sixth Anniversary of Opening of Hall. Other Schumacher News.

Schumacher, Dec. 7.—(Special to The Advance)—A very enjoyable party was held on Sunday night in the Croatian hall, First Ave., when all the Croatian people gathered to celebrate the sixth anniversary of the opening of their hall in Schumacher. Dinner was served, speeches were made, and a nice musical evening was enjoyed by everyone present. After 12 o'clock the dancing was started. The Croatian orchestra supplied the music.

The funeral of Matti Simic, who met death from an accident at the Paymaster mine on Saturday evening, was held on Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock from the Croatian hall to St. Alphonsus Parish Church. Father Martindale conducted the funeral service. The funeral was a very large one. All his fellow country men attended the service. The burial was in Timmins Cemetery. He leaves a widow and one

child in the Old Country. Mrs. Fred Webber, Third Ave., entertained a number of her friends on Friday evening. Whist was played and everybody spent a very enjoyable evening.

The C.W.L. ladies are holding a benefit whist drive in the basement, of St. Alphonsus Parish Church on Tuesday, Dec. 13. This card party is to raise funds to bring Christmas cheer to the sick of the parish.

The Young People's Society of Trinity United Church held their meeting on Monday night. The program, under the direction of Miss E. Flowers, was "An Evening with Christmas Carols." This program was very interesting and was enjoyed by everyone present. The hall was converted into an old-fashioned living room and all joined in singing carols. Jack Tomlinson was the soloist. All young people are invited to attend this meeting every Monday evening.

Mr. J. F. McDonald, of Schumacher Sub-station, has been transferred to New Liskeard. Their friends are sorry to lose such good citizens as Mr. and Mrs. McDonald, but wish them every success in their new home. Mr. and Mrs. J. F. McDonald will take up residence in Halleybury.

The children of Schumacher public school held their annual concert in the Croatian hall on Monday and Wednesday of this week. "Peter Rabbit" was the name of the play and the children certainly did wonderfully well. Great credit is due to Mr. Boyce and his staff for their patience in training the children for all the different parts there were in the play. Everybody was pleased to see how well the people turned out to see the play, for the hall was filled each night. The Croatian orchestra played during the evening.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of Trinity United Church are holding their Christmas bazaar in the basement of the church on Saturday, December 10th. There will be lots of novelties for sale, suitable for Christmas gifts. There will be a home baking table, and tea will be served. There will also be a fish pond for the children.

The Strollers Club met at the home of Mrs. Norman Tario, Fourth Ave., on Tuesday evening. Five hundred was played and the prize winners were: 1st, Mrs. Brown; 2nd, Mrs. Ted Jones; 3rd, Mrs. Bill Soucie. After the cards Mrs. Tario served a nice lunch.

Mrs. Alexander Forsyth spent the week-end visiting friends in Montello. Mrs. Edlund, 115 Second Ave., entertained on Monday evening at a miscellaneous shower in honor of Miss Marion Wickston, who will be married on Dec. 14. There were thirty friends at the shower and a very pleasant social evening was spent.

During the evening Miss Wickston received many beautiful gifts for her new home.

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MONDAY AND TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12th and 13th
MIDNIGHT SHOW, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11th
BETTE DAVIS, HENRY FONDA and IAN HUNTER in
"THAT CERTAIN WOMAN"

Plus: ROBINSON CRUSOE'S BROADCAST (Cartoon) News

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14th and 15th
LUISE RAINER, MELVYN DOUGLAS and ROBERT YOUNG in
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Reeve and Councillors for 1939 Express Thanks

Meeting Held on Evening of Election Night. Appreciation Expressed for Confidence Shown in Those Elected for the Coming Year in Tisdale Township.

South Porcupine, Dec. 7.—(Special to The Advance)—Elections are once more over and Tisdale can settle down to a peaceful Christmas!

The present Reeve and Council have the best wishes of all for a co-operating and successful year.

One new councillor, Mr. Emil Heino—taking the place of Mr. George Starling, is the only difference between 1938 and 1939 council.

After the poll was declared on Monday in the council chambers, an orderly crowd congratulated the successful candidates. Details of returns from the different parts of the township are listed in this issue.

Reeve V. H. Evans (by acclamation) spoke from the platform. He announced the new councillors for 1939 amid applause.

He congratulated the people on the substantial majority given to the successful candidates, and said that they had worked strenuously last year in the people's interests and had well and faithfully served the township. He had every confidence in the new council and promised that the council as a whole, would do the same for the people this year.

Later he expressed his gratification that the bi-year giving authority for the raising of \$55,000 by debentures for the building of a new town hall had carried by a substantial majority.

"We shall feel proud of being residents of a bigger and better township of Tisdale said the reeve.

Mr. Helmer thanked his supporters for again making it possible for him to head the poll. He promised honest administration in the future as in the past, and said: "It takes a fighter to do anything."

Mr. Cavanagh also thanked the rate-payers for re-electing him to office after having served them only one year on council. He said that as chairman of finance committee the vote given him was a vote of confidence and he appreciated it. The people will be well served by Mr. Cavanagh this year, he promised.

Mr. Fairhurst was grateful for the

appreciation shown by the people for what was done this year. "We are all set to go to town this year," said Mr. Fairhurst, "and we hope to have said at the end of 1939, that we did as good a job as in 1938."

Mr. Emil Heino, the new councillor, also expressed thanks to his supporters and promised that he would do his utmost to fight to amend the clause in the act concerning the assessment of mines' buildings. He offered sincere support and co-operation with the new council.

Annual Concert of Birch Street School, Dec. 15-16

The Birch Street Public School will present its annual concert on Thursday and Friday, December 15th and 16th. This is the second annual concert to be presented by the school, and the first concert last year proved that there was a great deal of talent at the school. The students and staff, in co-operation with the parents, have worked hard to make the second concert as successful as the 1937 Christmas concert, and it is hoped that a large number of local people will attend the event.

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M. CAVANAGH
COUNCILLOR

TO THE ELECTORS Township of Tisdale

I take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks to those who so whole heartedly supported me in Monday's Election.

GEORGE HELMER
Councillor