

## Third Gasoline Fire Victim In Five Weeks

### Vote Necessary Before Annexation, Says Schumacher Lawyer

Mr. Herman Moscoe Quotes Municipal Act to Uphold His Contention. Points Out That Unkind Personalities do Not Constitute Reply to Facts.

In the last issue of The Advance Mr. Herman Moscoe, barrister and solicitor, who is a member of the Schumacher committee appointed to consider the status of Schumacher in regard to municipal matters, made very effective reply to a careless remark by Mayor J. P. Bartleman, who suggested that there was a way whereby Timmins could annex Schumacher without the electors of that community having a chance to vote on the question. Mr. Moscoe pointed out that the law did not provide for any such autocratic action. He also made it plain that it would not be in the interests of Schumacher at the present time to consider any such annexation plan as that proposed by Mayor Bartleman.

To Mr. Moscoe's careful and courteous statement Mayor Bartleman made reply that seems to be more personal than informative. Answering this rather ill-natured retort from the mayor of Timmins, Mr. Moscoe says:—

"Mayor Bartleman's reply to my statement issued on the 17th instant was entirely uncalled for. It was purely personal and did not even attempt to refute my reasons for non-annexation. The mayor attempted to read the law regarding annexation, but I repeat that the Municipal Board cannot make such an order simply on the petition of the Timmins Council and I quote the Municipal Act, Revised Statutes of Ontario, Chapter 266, Section 29, Sub-section 4: "The Municipal Board may direct that a vote be taken for determining whether or not the majority of the municipal electors of the part proposed to be annexed, are in favour of its being annexed and may fix the time and place for the taking of the vote, name the returning officer and make such other provisions as may be deemed necessary."

"I quote the statement of the Mayor issued on the 15th day of August, in which he said: "We can simply petition the Board to have Schumacher annexed. We don't need the vote of the Schumacher people."

### Charge Stabbing at South End

John Tatarich Being Held by Police Pending Court Hearing in Porcupine Tomorrow.

John Tatarich, of South Porcupine, is facing a charge of stabbing Joseph Lafrenier as the result of a fight in a Railway Street home early on Sunday morning. Tatarich is alleged to have come and found Lafrenier in his home, drawn a knife and made for him.

Lafrenier is reported by South Porcupine police to be "pretty badly cut up." He is reported to be suffering from stab wounds in the body and several cuts on the legs.

### Minor Motor Crash on Fifth Avenue on Sunday

Car Driven by Walter Kendall Collides With Rear of Auto Driven by Kapuskasing Man.

A minor motor accident occurred at the corner of Fifth Avenue and Tamarack Street on Sunday at 10.15 a.m. Walter Kendall was driving east on Fifth when he came into collision with Napoleon Griere, of Kapuskasing, who was driving north on Tamarack Street. The Kendall car is believed to have crashed into the rear left fender of Griere's automobile.

### First Drowning Victim of Year is Claimed by the Mattagami Friday

Nine-Year-Old Desler Trafford Falls From Boat into River and Drowns. Art Paul Dives and Recovers Body Two Hours Later. Four Sets of Grapples Used by Police, Firemen. Worked on Body One and Half Hours.

The dark waters of the Mattagami River which annually claim lives, took their first victim on Friday afternoon. It was nine-year-old Desler Trafford, son of Ernest W. Trafford of 26 Borden avenue. The young boy was drowned when he fell from a boat attached to a wharf near Fulham's Creek, directly across the river from the dance pavilion.

The body of the boy was in the water for close to two hours before a volunteer diver found it and brought it to the surface.

Firemen, forestry men and police worked over the still body for an hour and a half, alternately using the pulmotor and artificial respiration but they were unable to revive any spark of life.

The young boy and several companions were playing on the wharf and Desler is reported to have stepped into a small boat tied to the dock. When the boat started to move out he tried to get back to shore, and in doing so, fell into the water, which is fifteen or twenty feet deep at that point.

The cries of the boy's companions attracted notice on the far side of the river near the beach and the life guard, William Coppins, rowed over with all the speed he could command. However, when he arrived the boy was under for the final time and no trace of the body could be seen.

Police and firemen were called and responded immediately. Boats were obtained and four sets of grapples roped into operation. In addition volunteers were diving. It was one of the latter, Arthur Paul, who finally located the body and brought it to the surface.

Firemen began work immediately with the pulmotor but to no avail. After almost two hours the boy was pronounced dead.

The body was in the water about an hour and forty-five minutes. The call was received by firemen and police at 3.45 o'clock and the body was on the dock at 5.50 p.m.

Dr. Minthorn, coroner, said today

that an inquest into the death was unlikely.

### Northern Veterans May be Treated at Timmins Hospital

Plan Proposed for Hospitalization Here Instead of at Christie Street Hospital.

One of the questions that came before the recent provincial convention of the Canadian Legion at Brantford was the proposal that ex-servicemen in the North who are in need of hospitalization be given treatment in Northern hospitals instead of being transferred to Christie Street hospital in Toronto. The various features of the case were carefully considered and discussed and eventually it was decided to have Northern hospitals act as contract hospitals for the North. After the convention decided on the matter the question had to be submitted for approval to the Department of Pensions and National Health at Ottawa.

It is understood, however, that the Department is quite in favour of the proposal as it will mean a material economy both for the Department and for local authorities. It will afford more convenient opportunity for hospitalization of ex-servicemen. The plan is to have the contract hospitals provide and reserve a stated amount of accommodation for the treatment of cases of ex-servicemen in need of hospitalization. Contracts to this effect will be entered into by the Department and the hospitals selected. It is understood that the hospital at North Bay will be one of these contract hospitals, and that the other for the North will be one of the Porcupine Camp—either the Timmins hospital or the Porcupine General hospital at South Porcupine.

### STRIVE VAINLY TO REVIVE BOY



### Several Hurt In Crash At Connaught Saturday

Cars Driven by Alex Kalenchuck, Messines Road and James Reilly, Lake Shore Road, Crash Near Connaught. Two Men Receive Broken Arms. Passengers of Both Cars Badly Cut and Lacerated. Kalenchuck Faces a Traffic Charge.

Several Timmins people were injured near Connaught on Saturday night when two cars smashed on the highway. They were driven by Alex Kalenchuck, Messines Avenue, and James Reilly, Lake Shore Road, Timmins.

Kalenchuck was driving a light coupe. He is alleged by police to have been responsible for the accident and has been charged in police court.

In one car were two men, Wilfred Thomas and Lloyd Gloucester. They each had an arm broken and received bad cuts.

The owner of the second car, Douglas Bound, received lacerations about the face and head. In the Reilly auto were two girls, Simone Courcelle and Lea Boissoneault. They were badly bruised and lacerated.

Police did not state whether or not reckless driving would be the charge.

### Sudden Death on Friday Evening of Lino Morandin

Popular Young Man Succumbs While at Party on Friday Night.

Large circles of friends in town regret very deeply the sudden death of Lino Morandin on Friday evening while attending a party, death being due to a heart attack. He was very popular in town and had hosts of friends, being especially popular in sporting circles. Lino Morandin was the son of Mr. and Mrs. P. Morandin, of Timmins. He was born in Timmins and was 21 years of age at the time of death. He was a graduate of Timmins High and Vocational School. In recent years he has been employed in his father's dairy business.



On Saturday night at the Riverside pavilion Ernest Manero's orchestra held a minute of silence and then played "Taps" in honour and regret for their dead comrade, Lino Morandin having been a valued member of the orchestra.

In addition to the bereaved parents he is survived by one brother, Guido, eleven years old, and one sister, Clara, seventeen years old.

The funeral took place on Sunday, service being held at the Sacred Heart Church, the funeral being very largely attended and there being many beautiful floral tokens.

### Unsettled Weather Predicted

Rain to Depth of 1.19 inches Fell Over Week-End, Mostly During Storm.

Unsettled weather with occasional rainstorms was the prediction this morning for the next day or so. Weather will be warm but will be punctuated with spells during which it will rain.

Maximum and minimum temperatures since Thursday have been as follows: Thursday, 80 and 58; Friday, 81 and 57; Saturday, 80 and 57; Sunday, 82 and 53. At eight o'clock this morning the temperature was 79. Last night's minimum was 79.

Rain fell to a depth of 1.19 inches. The greater part fell on Sunday morning early.

### Results Upper School Examinations at Timmins H. & V.S.

Number of Outstanding Students. Meyer Bucovetsky Won Nine First Class Honours. Miss Betsy Dodge Had Seven Firsts and Three Seconds.

Following are the results of Timmins High and Vocational School Upper School examinations:—

Nomenclature: I—75% or over; II—66 to 74%; III—60 to 65%; C—60 to 59%  
Baderski, Julien—Geom C, Trig II, Phys C, Chem C.  
Bandiera, Leo—Alg II, Trig I.  
Bauman, Ben—Alg II, Geom I, Phys II, Chem II, Fr. A, II, Fr. C, I.  
Bauman, Synese—Trig C.  
Beauline, Emile—Alg II, Trig II, Sp. Fr. L, II, Sp. Fr. C, II.  
Brown, Angus—Geom I, Trig I.  
Bucovetsky, Meyer—Comp I, Lit I, Alg I, Geom I, Trig I, Phys I, Chem I, Fr. A, I, Fr. C, I.  
Clatworthy, Elsie—M. Hist II, Alg II, Trig I, Chem I, Lat. A, I, Lat. C, II, Fr. A, III, Fr. C, II.  
De Luca, Fernando—Comp II, Lit C, Alg I, Geob C, Trig II, Phys C, Chem

II, Fr. A, II, Fr. C, II.  
Dodge, Elizabeth—Alg I, Trig II.  
Doucet, Anita—Alg C, Trig III.  
Duggan, Francis—Comp II, Lit II, Alg II, Geom C, Trig I, Phys II, Chem I, Fr. A, C, Fr. C, II.  
Fournier, Aurelia—M. Hist C, Alg II, Trig II.  
Gagnon, Cecile—Sp. Fr. C, II.  
Greenidge, Herbert—Comp C, Trig II, Bot C, Zool II, Chem I, Fr. A, C, Fr. Comp C.  
Hale, George—Alg I, Trig II.  
Hardy, Donald—Comp III.  
Heinonen, Ellie—Comp C, Alg II, Trig II, Lat. Auth C, Lat. Comp III, Fr. Comp III.  
Helperin, Maurice—Alg II, Trig III.  
Helperin, Ruth—Comp C, Lit I, M. Hist II, Bot II, Zool I, Chem II, Fr. Auth C, Fr. Comp C.  
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### Burned While Working On Car, Young Man Dies In Hospital Saturday

Third Death In Five Weeks. First on Saturday, July 15, When Baby Trapped in Blazing Home After Father Lighted Stove with Gasoline. On July 22 Lionel Carriere Dies From Burns Caused by Gasoline Fire. Handley on Saturday Last.

### Senator O'Connor Dead

Hon. Frank P. O'Connor, who built the huge chain Laura Secord candy shops in Canada and the Fanny Farmer Shops in the United States, died at his home in Toronto early today. Recently he sold out his huge candy interests.

Born in Deseronto in 1885, Mr. O'Connor was summoned to the Senate in 1935 during the term of Mackenzie King as Prime Minister. His death raised the number of senate vacancies to ten. The late Senator O'Connor was a close personal friend of Premier Hopburn.

The third death in five weeks from burns caused by flaming gasoline occurred in St. Mary's hospital on Saturday afternoon. William Handley, 17, who was badly burned about the hips and thighs when a fire and explosion took place in a car he and a friend were working on, died three days after he was injured.

All three deaths occurred on Saturdays. On July 15, the fourteen-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jean Drummond died in her father's home when a stove he was attempting to light with gasoline, exploded. The baby was trapped in the home and the agonized father and mother were forced to stand on the outside and watch their home burn with their baby in it. A coroner's jury, enquiring into the Drummond death, pointed out, in its verdict, that the father had been careless in his use of gasoline.

On the following Saturday Lionel Carriere, young son of Mr. and Mrs. Jean Carriere, 66½ Wilson avenue, died. The boy was burned about the face and hands when a young companion dropped a lighted match into an open pail of gasoline. The young boy was standing over the pail and received the full force of the puff of flames on his neck, face and head.

The accident which caused the Handley death occurred on last Wednesday. Young Handley and another boy, Peter Landry, were cleaning out the gasoline tank of an old model car they intended to repair and use. They were running the gasoline into an open pail. A wire is believed to have circled and the spark caused the fire.

Peter Landry, holding the pail of gasoline, lost his balance in the confusion, and the gasoline spilled over his friend's legs and hips. Immediately young Handley became a flaming torch. His chum got him out of the car and rolled him in the sand to extinguish most of the flames but, by that time the boy was badly burned. He was rushed to the hospital immediately.

Physicians gave him a fair chance for life up until Saturday when his condition, caused by the extensive second degree burns he received, grew worse. The end came on Saturday afternoon.

An inquest will probably be held into the death although no date has been set as yet.

Because Handley's death is the third from similar causes, the inquest will create a good deal of interest.

### Warren Opens New Hollinger Road Lighting System

New lighting fixtures along the road between Timmins and Schumacher were officially put into operation on Friday evening. Councillor Herbert Warren pressed the button which flooded the road between the two municipalities with white light—a light which is expected to be of great assistance in cutting down the number of automobile accidents on the highway.

The lamps, which are extended out well over the road on bars, have more than doubled the illumination on the road. Fixtures are the property of the Northern Power Company and the Town will bear the cost of an increased amount of power consumption.

Over the Town of Timmins this year lighting has been improved in many sections. The increased cost of power over the town is expected to total in the neighbourhood of \$1,000.

The formality of officially turning on the lights on Friday night was simple. Councillor Warren remarked that he was in the Porcupine at a time when no one would ever have dreamed that such an elaborate lighting system between the towns would be necessary.

With that he mounted a ladder and pressed a button installed in a special switch box on a power pole just on the other side of the subway bridge.

### D. Laprairie's Store Struck by Lightning in Storm Sunday Morning

Spectator Said He Saw Ball of Fire on Roof and Fire Following. Struck Roof of Warehouse at the Rear of Store. Actual Fire Damage Believed Small Saturday Morning Fire in Shack Destroys Bedding and Furniture.

### Tag Day in Timmins for Chinese

Funds to be Devoted to Giving Medical Attention to Wounded Civilians.

To-morrow (Tuesday) is Tag Day for helping the wounded Chinese civilians. Some weeks ago a similar tag day was held in the township of Tisdale and the response, as would be expected in so worthy a cause, was very generous. It is hoped that the tag day here to-morrow will be equally helpful.

It is generally known that it is the Chinese civilians—men, women and children—who have been the chief sufferers from the present attack of Japan upon Chinese. The bombing of undefended towns and villages has been a special feature of the Japanese tactics in this war. So many civilians have been injured by air raids and other attacks upon non-combatants that the resources of the Chinese Red Cross have been strained to the utmost to meet the needs. It is to be provided further funds to allow medical aid to the wounded Chinese civilians that these tag days are being held. The tag day here to-morrow is under the auspices of the local branch of the Friends of China.

Lightning struck the store of David Laprairie on Wilson Avenue, early Sunday morning during one of the worst electrical storms of the year. Fire was started from the bolt and damaged the roof of the warehouse at the rear of the store.

The man who turned in the alarm and brought firemen out in the middle of the storm told them later that he saw a ball of fire on the roof of the store. Soon after the store appeared to be on fire.

Actual fire damage is small as fire department members arrived soon after the blaze started. They laid three lines of hose although it was not necessary to use all of them. Principal damage is to stock, some of which is believed to be damaged by water.

Damage was not estimated today. On Saturday morning early a call was received from 124 Poplar Avenue to a home owned by J. B. Gastonia and occupied by B. Veillette. The fire started inside the small shack when it was empty. Cause of the fire is unknown.

Before firemen could get water on the light shack the flames raced through it and did \$100 damage to bedding and \$200 to furniture.

There was one call last Thursday, two on Friday, both for minor fires.

Early last evening an automobile owned by B. Ligier took fire on Fourth Avenue and Balsam Street. Damage amounted to only about \$5.

This morning a call was received to 281 Elm Street North, where a lady's oil burning stove overflowed.