

Local Survivors of Athenia Tell of Their Experiences

Have Confessed Blower of South End Safe, Say Tisdale, Local Police

Admitted Breaking Way Into Store and Blowing Safe With Half a Stick of Dynamite, Say Police. Had Dynamite, Drills and \$1,600 in His Room Here. Arrested on Tuesday and Questioned Until Saturday When He Confessed.

Frank Penny, of Timmins, is being held here on the charge of breaking and entering the Consumers' Co-operative Store in South Porcupine on September 19, blowing the safe and stealing close to \$2,000. Tisdale and Timmins police said today that they had obtained a confession of guilt from Penny.

Penny admitted to them said Chief of Police Charles McInnis, of Tisdale, and Chief of Police Leo H. Gagnon of Timmins, that he broke into the store by boring a hole up through the floor of the storeroom at the back. He then cut a hole big enough to admit his body.

Inside the storeroom, he cut a hole through the wall into the store proper. He then located the safe, bored a hole in it and used half a stick of dynamite to blow it. Inside he found \$2,039. He took \$1,909 and left the remainder.

Penny said that he started work on the hole into the store about nine o'clock. He was finished his work and out by midnight.

Penny was arrested by Timmins police, who were co-operating with Tisdale police, on Tuesday evening at 9:15 o'clock. He was questioned for some days by police, and on Saturday broke down and told police in his room in town here. There he confessed. In the room police found hand drills and saws, which Penny said, he used on the job. He did not use electric drill as police believed, but worked by hand. Several sticks of dynamite were found in Penny's room and the sum of \$1,600 cashed in a photograph.

A mechanic by trade, Penny has lived in South Porcupine for some years and in Timmins. He has worked at the Delinte and the Broulan Mines.

Penny admitted that he wrote the inscription "Humm Deutschland Ueber Alles" on the safe and made a swastika under it. He said that he got the inscription out of a book.

KRAMARICH TO BE TRIED ON MURDER CHARGE THIS WEEK

Frank Kramarich, of Timmins, appears before the Supreme Court of Ontario in Cochrane tomorrow to face a charge of murder. He is alleged to have murdered Georgina Gillis here on April 26.

Several of the police officers who investigated the case here will testify in Cochrane. Among the exhibits will be shown the knife, presented to Kramarich by the McIntyre mine as a safety award. With the knife Kramarich is alleged to have gashed Miss Gillis' throat causing wounds from which she later died.

P. H. Laporte President of District Children's Aid Society

Annual Meeting of Society Held at Timmins on Friday Evening. Representatives Present from Various Parts of the District. Annual Reports Received.

The annual meeting of the Cochrane District Children's Aid was held in the municipal building, Timmins, on Friday evening, Sept. 22nd. The reports of the officers for the year were received and the work was found to be progressing in very satisfactory way. The reports for the year will be published in full in the next issue of The Advance.

The following were the officers elected for the ensuing year:—

- President—P. H. Laporte.
- 1st Vice-President—R. W. H. Smith, Ansonville.
- 2nd Vice-President—A. E. Wicks, Cochrane.
- 3rd Vice-President—Mrs. M. C. Eyre, Directors—E. L. Longmore, Rev. Father O'Gorman, Mrs. S. Monck, G. S. Drew, Timmins; J. W. Reginald, Ansonville; V. H. Evans, South Porcupine; Mrs. H. Darling, Mrs. C. Desautels, Fred Martyn, Timmins; R. V. Nelly, South Porcupine.
- Secretary—Treasurer—A. G. Carson.
- Auditor—W. D. Cuthbertson.

Meeting of the Alumni of St. Mary's Hospital Nurses

There will be a special meeting of the Alumni of St. Mary's Hospital Nurses in the auditorium of the Nurses' residence of the hospital at 8:30 this evening, Monday, Sept. 25th. All graduates of St. Mary's Hospital are asked to attend this meeting.

Trace Of Snow Today

Temperature Down to and Below Freezing Three Times Since Last Thursday.

There was a trace of snow in the air this morning. It is not surprising as the temperature dropped to freezing and below three times since last Thursday.

Weather to-day will be stormy and cold. It may clear later. During the next few days the weather will be unsettled and changeable.

Precipitation was as follows: Thursday, rain from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. to a depth of .05 inches. On Friday it rained off and on all days to a depth of .25 inches.

Maximum and minimum temperatures have been as follows: Thursday, 62 and 38; Friday, 52 and 28; Saturday, 42 and 30; Sunday, 48 and 32. Today at eight o'clock the temperature reading was 48 degrees.

Imperials Ask Internment of All Alien Enemies

Discuss Problems at Meeting Here.

A meeting of the Imperial Section of the Timmins branch of the Canadian Legion was held in the Legion hall on Thursday evening, Sept. 21st.

There was discussion on a number of the problems affecting veterans of the Great War, and also on how the knowledge and experience of these soldiers may be best used for the benefit of present and future war veterans. A strong resolution was passed, calling on the Government to intern all alien enemies immediately. This resolution was ordered to be forwarded to the proper authorities at once for action.

The Imperial Section also offered their services to the Government—"one hundred per cent", as they phrased it—for any duty or service, anywhere, any time.

In Ticklish Spot



In one of the most ticklish spots in Europe is King Carol of Rumania. (Above), for his most powerful aide, Premier Armand Calinescu, was assassinated. Both their lives had previously been threatened by the suppressed pro-Nazi Iron Guard. The assassins were promptly executed in public.

TIMMINS MARKET A BUSY PLACE



Voluntary Registration of Women in Timmins All Next Week

Number of Places Secured Where Women May Register for Service During the War. Registration from 2 to 6 p.m. and from 7 to 9. All Women Asked to Register.

Voluntary registration for women in Timmins is to be carried on all next week, from Oct. 2nd to 7th inclusive.

The Voluntary Registration of Canadian Women committee have obtained the use of the Hollinger Hall for the afternoons; and the Legion Hall, afternoons and evenings; the Church of Nativity hall afternoons; the Town Hall, afternoons; the Notre Dame des Lourdes Roman Catholic Church, afternoons; the Sacred Heart Italian Church, Cedar street, afternoons; and the Polish White Eagle Hall, Sixth avenue, afternoons.

The time for registrations will be from 2 to 6 in the afternoons and 7 to 9 in the evenings. All women interested are asked to register at any of these points, to assist in any way that they can in the war work.

There will be a meeting at the town hall on Monday evening at 8 o'clock for the executive of the V. R. C. W.

More Than Twenty Stalls Occupied at Town Market

Large Sale of Meat and Staple Vegetables. Garden Crops Diminish in Size.

More than twenty stalls were occupied on Saturday morning at the market in the curling rink. Farmers from the immediate vicinity of Timmins and from more distant agricultural areas were there with produce, which was being bought in large quantities by Timmins housewives.

The market has steadily been increasing in size. Each week sees the addition of a few more booths.

There was a large sale of meat on Saturday morning. Staple root vegetables were much in evidence. There was only one large lot of garden greens. That was a huge pile of head lettuce shown by one exhibitor.

Although it was impossible to estimate the number of customers, there were certainly several hundred who filed in and out of the building during the morning.

The price of eggs on the market was 45 cents a dozen, an increase of two cents over the price two weeks ago. Butter sold for 30 cents a pound, a five-cent increase over the price a fortnight ago.

Highlights and Sidelights OF THE WAR NEWS

Over a hundred leading men of Canada have offered their services to the Dominion in any capacity they may be able to serve, the service to be without remuneration. The volunteers include one man who recently retired from a position that paid him \$50,000 a year.

Germany and Russia have agreed on the partition of Poland, Russia receiving more of the territory than the Soviet expected. The Russian part of the spoils extend almost to Warsaw.

Opening the Dykes. Suggestions that Germany may attempt to use the neutral territory of Holland and Belgium to get at France has been flatly denied by Germany. Neither Belgium nor Holland, however, take the German denial at its face value. Instead, both these small nations have been looking to their de-

Epidemic of Bicycle Thefts Here

Woman Arrested on Charge of Keeping Liquor for Sale.

A woman, Ona Peters, was arrested at her home at 115 Birch street north, rear, for keeping liquor for sale, over the week-end. At the same time Stewart Hurley was arrested in the same premises. The charge against him is one of having beer in a place other than his legal residence.

The usual number of drunks were brought in and several charges of driving with defective brakes were laid.

An epidemic of bicycle thefts has taken place in the camp in recent weeks. A large number have been reported stolen in Timmins and at least two in South Porcupine.

New Canadian Societies Offer Their Assistance

Croatians Pledge Themselves to \$5 a Member to Red Cross as Well as Other Help.

Representatives of two societies of New Canadians have offered their services to the Timmins Red Cross Society. They are the Croatian Patriotic Society, which held a meeting in Schumacher last night and the Italo-Canadian Society of Timmins.

At the meeting, held in the Croatian hall in Schumacher last night, the members of the first organization each offered to donate \$5 to the Red Cross Society. In addition the women offered to do what they could.

The society testified its loyalty to Canada and claimed to be anti-Fascist and anti-Communist.

The president of the Italo-Canadian Society, promised, on behalf of the members of his organization, to do all he could. The women of the organization would do what they could in the way of making bandages and knitting.

As a measure of precaution Holland has opened the sluices in order to flood part of its territory, and the area around Utrecht is reported to be already under water. Belgium is adopting the same plan, the water from the Albert canal pouring into the country between Leige and Antwerp.

"Submarines Licked" The Royal Navy is credited in London, England, with already defeating the submarine menace. At the same time Britain is building and equipping the most powerful submarine-hunting fleet the world has ever known, to be ready for any second campaign of German undersea boats.

Canada's Part Canada would be called upon to assist the Motherland, not only with men, armaments and food supplies, but taken.

Recount Graphic Story of Hardships Aboard the Torpedoed Athenia

Schumacher Survivors Spent Eleven Hours in Lifeboat Before Picked up by British Destroyer. Ship on Which they Returned from Scotland, Duchess of York, Was Fired at. Convoy Destroyer Sank Submarine.

Tag Day For Salvation Army War Work

To be Held in Timmins on October 17th.

Announcement was made last week if the tag day to be sponsored by the Salvation Army in Timmins on Tuesday, Oct. 17th. This tag day is strictly for funds to be used to carry on the war work of the Salvation Army. During the last war the Salvation Army did notable war work. Any returned soldier can tell you about it, and what a blessing and comfort it was especially to the men just coming from the firing line. Whether the soldier had a dime or not he was always sure of coffee and supporting items at the Salvation Army, and there were other comforts for him if he needed them, regardless of his financial standing at the time. The Salvation Army worked in Britain, France and other fields of war and go as close to the firing line as they were allowed. They were always ready to help the soldiers in need. Already there are fifty of the famous S.A. Huts already going in England, with more to be established there and in France. Every dollar taken in the S. A. War Work fund goes to this specific purpose and it deserves the strongest support from all loyal people.

Remember every contribution to the Salvation Army Tag Day goes to patriotic work.

Next Friday Official Closing of Ladies' Golf

Due to the rainy weather on Friday, there was no Ladies' Golf, the members choosing to spend the afternoon playing bridge. Next Friday will be the official closing date of the Ladies' Golf, when cups and trophies will be presented.

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Report Zeppelin Factory Bombed by French. Naval Battle in North

French Preparing for Attempt at Big Push by Hitler. Germans Sinking Neutral Ships in Attempt to Stop Neutral Trade. Debate on Repeal of Neutrality Act at Washington.

There is little change in the war situation. Probably the two most interesting items came over the B.B.C. to-day at noon. The one item told of the bombing of the Zeppelin aircraft factory. The raid occupied a couple of hours, but there is no word as to the amount of damage done, but Swiss correspondents report terrific explosions. The raid is believed to have been carried out by French aircraft.

The other item reports heavy cannonading off the Norwegian coast, suggesting a naval battle of some importance. There was no word to-day from Warsaw but last night told of artillery and bombs destroying the city. Half of Warsaw is said to be burning. There were 100 fires and 1,000 civilians killed in 24 hours. German batteries of 100 heavy guns are firing unceasingly on Warsaw, but the city still holds out, and the Mayor still flaunts defiance at the enemy.

The sinking of three neutral ships by German submarines is taken at London as portending unrestricted submarine warfare or an effort to frighten off all neutral trade.

The British Information Dept. says the British Expeditionary force is hitting its stride in action on the Western front. The French are preparing for the arrival of Hitler on the Western front, it being expected that his arrival will be followed by a heavy onslaught on the Western front. The French have greatly improved their local positions. The French are now shelling the main section of the Siegfried line.

Berlin radio announces that a German submarine sank a British destroyer. Also claim that air force brought down eight French planes, and that the sub war against British shipping is showing good results.

The debate on the Neutrality Act is on at Washington. Word from Ottawa is to the effect that supplies of sugar will be adequate as a result of the agreement concluded with United Kingdom. The British Sugar Controller will re-sell at cost to Canadian refineries enough raw sugar for the needs of the British Dominions.



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Shaken and with bad colds from eleven and a half hours' exposure in a lifeboat, but otherwise recovered from the effects of their terrifying experience, two of the survivors of the torpedoing of the Athenia, Mrs. C. McKie, and her brother, James Cullen, arrived at their home in Schumacher last night.

"We were in the lounge when the explosion came," said Mrs. McKie today in an interview with The Advance. "We heard two distinct explosions and the lights went out. At the same time we were thrown to the floor and chairs and things tumbled on top of us. We managed to pull ourselves out. We could smell a gas—I guess it was cordite—and we decided to go downstairs to our cabins and get out our gas masks. The ship had a list to it. We groped our way down the companion-way.

"Suddenly ahead of us someone flashed a flashlight through the murk and mist. It was lucky that he did as there was a huge hole ahead of us where the explosion had torn away the floor. Another step and we both would have pitched into it.

"We got back up in a hurry as we were afraid the stairs were on we were going to fall. The stairway did fall a minute or so later."

"Everybody kept their heads pretty well," said Mr. Cullen. "Children were crying and the most confusion was caused by parents running around trying to find their children. I saw one woman sitting on the deck. There were two big cuts on her head and the blood was streaming down her face."

Mrs. McKie recalled that the force of the explosion literally blew some of the people off the deck into the water, some people, thinking the ship would go down immediately, jumped into the water. Some people were half nude having gone to bed just after dinner and some who were seasick rushed out of their beds without sufficient clothing.

Finally, they managed to get into a lifeboat, said Mr. Cullen. They tried several but finally were sent to a lower deck where they found room in one.

Asked if they suffered from exposure during the hours from eight in the evening, when they left the boat, until

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Governs Poland



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