

Commit Trio of Alleged Gold Thieves for Trial

Preliminary Hearing Held in Court on Tuesday Afternoon. Officer Tells How Men Taken to Hospital, Put Under a Fluoroscope Which Disclosed Presence of Ore. Total Value of All Ore Brought Out Near \$170.

Choosing to be tried by a higher court, Sam Larocque, William Guay and Albert Pelouquin were committed for trial by Magistrate Atkinson after a preliminary hearing in police court on Tuesday afternoon.

The three men are alleged to have stolen high grade gold ore from the Preston East Dome Mine. Presence of the alleged gold in their bodies was discovered by means of a rectal X-ray examination.

Head of the provincial police gold squad here, Constable Bert Braney said that he and Constables Reed and Atkinson, of the Timmins police force, stopped a car on No. 11 highway at 4:50 p. m. on August 28.

He told the men that he had a warrant to search their car and persons and with the assistance of the other officers, immediately fastened elastic bands around the trousers cuffs of each of the men. They then were driven to St. Mary's Hospital.

On arrival at the hospital all of the men denied having gold in their possession. Constable Braney said, "Whereupon he searched their clothing. In one of Larocque's pockets he found a piece of high grade gold ore."

Dr. M. J. Kelly, Dr. Norman Russell and a technician, Ashmore White, then put each of the men under a fluoroscope. In three cases the presence of foreign bodies was noted in the bodies of the men.

"No," said the officer, "this is a rather new angle to the business. From information received I suspected that men were employing this method to bring gold out of the mine."

Mr. White, the x-ray technician, showed the photographs of what was shown in the fluoroscope.

Mr. Fred Mason, assayer at the Dome Mine, said that the small piece of high grade found in Larocque's pocket weighed .51 ounces, troy and was worth \$14.83.

In Larocque's body was a piece of brass tubing three and one-quarter inches in length and of a diameter of three-quarters of an inch. One end was plugged with a green rubber stopper, the other with paper. The whole tube was encased in two fingers of a rubber glove. Gold in the tube weighed 1.151 ounces and was worth \$31.43.

The gold taken from Guay's body was wrapped in a thickness of waxed paper bread wrapper, Mr. Mason said. The gold weighed 3.62 ounces and was worth \$73.14.

The gold removed from Pelouquin's possession was wrapped in two thicknesses of waxed paper, weighed 2.1 ounces and was worth \$49.93.

Total value of all the gold was \$169.33, Mr. Mason said.

After ascertaining from the Crown that the penalty for gold theft had recently been raised to five years, Magistrate Atkinson told the lawyer team to go to the district judge and get bail set for their clients.

Admits Thefts of Money from Radio Station Cash Box

Is Sent to Jail for Three Months. Eloquent Plea on Behalf of Youth.

Pleading guilty to four charges, two of breaking and entering and theft and two of straight theft, John Northgrave, 22, was sentenced to three months in jail by Magistrate Atkinson in police court on Tuesday afternoon.

The charges were that Northgrave broke and entered the general office of CKGB, of the Northern Broadcasting Company, where he was employed, on two occasions and stole sums of \$57 and \$15, and that he stole sums of \$3.50 and \$3 from the office on two other occasions.

Police said that marked money was left in a purse in the office and when the purse was stolen Northgrave was searched and found to have the money in his possession. Also found in his pocket, unopened, was an envelope which had been left in the radio station office cash drawer.

Minister of Humbercrest United Church in Toronto, Rev. Mr. Hazlewood appeared to testify on behalf of Northgrave. He knew the youth's father and mother to be the best type of Christian people, he said. When Northgrave was in Toronto he was superintendent of the junior division of his Sunday school and a regular church-goer.

Counsel for Northgrave, Gregory Evans said that his client was in some difficulty down south. He was refused a loan by the company he worked for, to solve the difficulty with money, and was not strong enough to face the trouble so he took the money.

Present Red Cross Appeal Necessary for Special Calls

Must be Ready and Equipped for Every Emergency

Toronto, Sept. 18.—Food parcels for British prisoners of war at a cost of \$1,500,000 a year, seven convalescent hospitals to be built in Canada, and increased shipments of clothing and medical supplies for victims of the blitzkrieg in the Canadian Red Cross budget for which a \$5,000,000 appeal will be made to Canadians during the coming weeks.

These obligations, entailing expenditures which could not be anticipated at the outbreak of war, are to be carried out in addition to the normal tasks of the Red Cross in providing assistance to the Canadian and British Army Medical Corps under the constitution which automatically made it "an auxiliary of the armed services on declaration of war."

In keeping with this status, tremendous quantities of materials and supplies were provided during the first year of war, ranging from ambulances for the British Red Cross to hundreds of thousands of pairs of socks for the nearly 400,000 men evacuated from Dunkirk.

And, in addition to each grant to the British Red Cross of \$200,000, Canada built and equipped a \$750,000 military hospital in England, established and filled warehouses full of medical and clothing supplies all over Britain, and created the voluntary organization to man and administer its services.

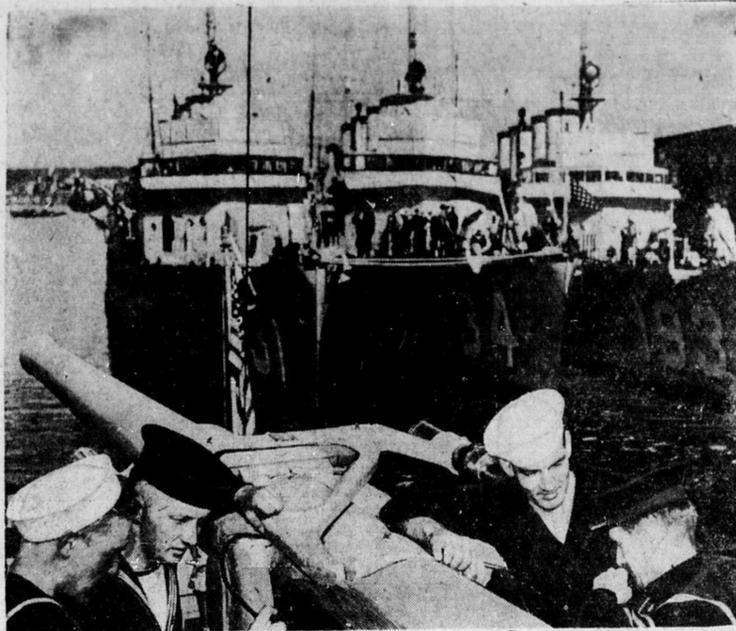
Only on a basis of anticipation, during the long months of so called "blitzkrieg," and on a policy of preparedness, was the Canadian Red Cross prepared to step into crisis after crisis during recent months. Nearly 6,000,000 articles—ranging from canned food to serum, and from bandages to seaboot stockings—were in readiness for an unforeseen Dunkirk, for the evacuation of Channel Island thousands, from the bombing of London and for countless lesser crises.

In anticipation of similar needs, unpredictable but possible, the Red Cross must face the second year of war, while it pours overseas a vast flood of things needed now by rescue workers and relief crews. And at the same time it must complete the tasks which are undertaken to relieve sorely-pressed British workers—of which feeding prisoners of war is an example.

What Results

The modern trend towards realism in thought is manifest in the following soliloquy which was muttered by a youthful philosopher who lives in Somerset, and is aged three years: "If Betsy dies, there will be no Betsy; if Paddy dies, there will be no Paddy; and if Mummy dies, there'll be no breakfast."—The Bermudan, Hamilton, Bermuda.

BRITAIN'S NEW DESTROYERS ARE TAKEN OVER



When the first group of the 50 destroyers released by the United States to Britain were turned over, the U.S. seamen took their "opposite numbers" on a tour to acquaint them with their new craft. Here the intricate mechanism of a gun is being explained to a British sailor. As they took leave of their ships, more than one of the Americans expressed the wish that they could be sailing into action themselves.

Another Couple of Little Girls Help Red Cross Society

Youngsters Sell Candy and Donate Proceeds to Red Cross.

Two little ladies, Misses Barbara Whitton, 6 1/2 Wilson avenue, and Kathleen Phizacklea, 56 Cameron street north, have donated \$1.66 to the Red Cross Society. This amount is the proceeds of a sale of candy conducted by the girls.

Another Reason for the Present Red Cross Drive

Seven convalescent hospitals in Canada, to accommodate wounded defenders of Britain and sick soldiers at home have been requested from the Canadian Red Cross which has never failed to answer a request for aid. This is one reason why the Red Cross needs at least five million dollars during the coming year. When you are asked to help, give generously and give more than you can spare.

Geraldton Times: The ability to forget is often as great an asset as a good memory.

A Toast to the "Forty-Niners"

Private H. G. Allen ("Paddy" to you, bo!) 2B. Company, Veteran Home Guard, Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario, a popular old-timer of the Porcupine, and a veteran of the last war, has been kind enough to send the following Regimental Ode to The Advance:—

A TOAST TO THE "FORTY-NINERS"

They call us Forty-Niners, 'cause it's really very queer That we never reach the fifty mark, Though some look mighty near. Perhaps, we have led a hectic life, to make our hair so gray, But the bearing of the Veterans is the same as yesterday.

We rise and shine at six o'clock, without complaint or fuss, While young recruits of half the years, Most certainly would cuss. The sergeant-major then takes charge and gives the boys P.T. And though a score of years have passed, the change is hard to see.

Their bearing is remarkable. Old soldiers never die. They set a fine example To the recruits who drill near by. They grip their rifles, bayonets, in that old familiar style, Though twenty years without the feel is quite a little while.

At seven a. m. it's time to eat; they are grateful for the break; Their hunger is amazing. At Niagara-on-the-Lake. At home their lack of appetite depressed the loving wife; Surprising how it sharpened up by military life.

And then they put their tents in shape—parades take place at nine. The N.C.O.'s then do their stuff, And snap them into line. They put them through the rifle tests, and march them round the grounds. With memories surging through their minds, they do the well-known rounds.

At quarter past eleven, the boys are then dismissed, And for fifteen endless minutes, From a beer they must desist. The canteen opens with a bang, the ale is nice and cold, Till twelve o'clock they're thus engaged, and oh the beer that's sold.

At two they do the same routine, and break the ranks at four, And prowl around for half an hour, Till the canteen opens once more, And then the bar is open wide, and they are free with song and noise. At half past ten the lights are out—and so are half the boys.

The colonel and the major often spare a drink or two. The captains and lieutenants Like to bend an elbow too. Their spirit is congenial; "Good Fellows" is the phrase When speaking of the officers, the boys are full of praise.

And fifteenth day of every month, they get their longed-for pay And so towards the wet canteen They wend their joyful way. And if for that day only he is worth his weight in gold, The canteen sergeant's duties are increased a hundred-fold.

And so I pay a tribute to the boys of Company B A military unit That's as fine as you could see. And if they had us over there to do our part once more There would be lots of changes in this long and bloody war.

Programme for Next Meeting of Music Teachers' Assoc.

Associate Membership Available for Those Interested in Progress of Music

The Porcupine Music Teacher's Association will hold its first open meeting on Thursday, September 19th (this evening) at 8:30 o'clock in Studio C of the Radio Station.

Written invitations will be given on request by members of the association to anyone wishing to attend.

The following artists will render a musical programme: Mr. H. Trener, organist; Mrs. McClinton, vocal soloist; Mrs. Gabel, pianist.

This year it will be possible to obtain associate membership by anyone vitally interested in the progress of music in the North.

Timmins Red Cross Now Organized for Extended Activities

Members of Various Committees and Chairmen Appointed.

The executive of the Timmins Red Cross Society recently elected held a special meeting last week and now is fully organized to carry on the good work.

Officers

The following is a complete list of officers for the coming year:— President—Mr. M. E. Williams. First vice-president—Mrs. N. H. Russell. Second vice-president—Dr. S. R. Harrison. Secretary—Mrs. H. R. Channen. Treasurer—Mr. A. H. Munroe.

Committees

The following are the chairmen of the various committees:— Women's War Work—Mrs. S. R. Harrison. Oil and Milk—Miss Farr. Home Nursing—Mrs. Goodings. Motor Corps—Mrs. J. Douglas. Purchaser—Mrs. I. K. Pierce. Nutrition—Mrs. Graham. Social—Mrs. J. Douglas. Auxiliary—Mrs. Russell.

Advisory Committee

Mrs. Barry, Mrs. R. J. Sullivan, Mrs. Theriault, Mrs. Desaulnier, Mrs. Transome, Mrs. F. A. Burt, Mrs. Travers, Miss L. Hall, Chairman Campaign Committee.

Conveners

Surgical Supplies—Mrs. Barry. Sewing Room—Mrs. Watson and Mrs. Loney. Refugee Clothing—Mrs. McCoy. Wool Room—Mrs. Douglas. Cutting—Mrs. Neame. Shipping—Mr. Cain and Mrs. Walker; Mrs. C. E. Taylor. Mr. Cain and Mrs. Walker are shipping from the Bardessono Home, and Mrs. C. E. Taylor from the wool rooms.

Campaign Committee

A committee of three of the executive members, Mr. M. Williams, Mr. A. H. Munroe, and Mr. F. A. Burt, were empowered to meet and select a representative group of men to form a campaign committee, they are to elect their own chairman, and to enlarge the number to meet requirements.

It was decided that in future all mail for the Red Cross was to be sent in care of the Secretary for distribution to proper departments. The collection of waste materials has been turned over to the Kiwanis under

Over Four Thousand Enjoy Delightful Time At Gracie Fields Concert

Event at McIntyre Arena on Tuesday Night for Benefit of Navy League. Sponsored by Legion and Service Clubs. English Stage and Screen Star Makes Big Hit.

Forty-one hundred pairs of hands eagerly applauded as forty-one hundred hearts warmed to the knowledge that Gracie Fields, the darling of the British Empire, had honoured the Porcupine camp with a visit. The occasion was the concert at the McIntyre Arena on Tuesday evening, sponsored by the Service Clubs and Legion branches in this district, with proceeds donated to the Navy League of Canada.

Miss Fields arrived at the airport at South Porcupine by McIntyre plane on Monday afternoon at 4:15 o'clock, and was greeted by a cheering crowd of thousands from the district, men, women and children. She was accompanied by her publicity manager, Karl Eayre, her accompanist, Parr Davies, and her secretary, Mrs. Marg. Agosti. Pilot Jas. Towne had the honour to be in charge of the plane which brought the "soldier's favourite" to the district.

At the airport, "our own Gracie" thrilled the gathering by singing "Wish Me Luck" in answer to the requests of the children, and after a visit to the clubrooms, toured South Porcupine, Schumacher and Timmins by motor.

On Tuesday evening, when Miss Fields appeared on the stage at the arena, she was greeted with cheering and applause, and as she started to sing, a thrilled and expectant hush fell over the largest audience ever gathered together in this district. Her personality and charm endeared her to each person, and made her a friend—a friend whose geniality will live forever in the hearts of those honoured by her presence.

Gracie, the highest paid entertainer in the world, who is at present donating her services to the Navy League, chose a variety of selections included among which were: "The Sweetest Song in the World," "The Biggest Amphidra in the World," "The Old Violin," "What's the Good of a Birthday," "Keep Smiling," "Blue Heaven," "Imagination," "I'll Never Smile Again," "Keeping Up With the Joneses," "Wales," "I Never Cried So Much in All My Life," "Walter, Walter," "When I Grow Too Old to Dream," "Just a Song at Twilight," "Annie Laurie," "Little Sir Echo," "Sally," "There'll Always Be an England," and Gracie's own song "Wish Me Luck."

In performing her songs, Miss Fields portrayed the characters that she sang about, and made each selection a real and living thing.

She is a master of the art! Such songs as "Wish Me Luck," "I Never Cried So Much in All My Life" and "The Biggest Amphidra in the World," which symbolize "Gracie Fields" to every Britisher, were the special hits, but each selection was given a new significance by the fact that Gracie was singing it.

An especially gracious gesture on the part of Miss Fields was the presentation of her lovely corage to Mr. Dave Cotcher, hero of two wars—the Boer War and the Great War. Mr. Cotcher had risen from a sick-bed to attend the performance, and his pleasure at hearing and seeing Miss Fields was some of the best medicine in the world.

Following the concert, Miss Fields received two bouquets of mixed flowers, one of which was presented by the four darlings, E. Perron, D. Brunette, T. Perron and R. Brochu. Then, to the delight of the audience, Miss Fields said that she had especially enjoyed singing to the gathering "because when you enjoy it, I enjoy it too," and added that although this was her first visit to Canada and to the Porcupine camp "it is not going to be the last."

Miss Fields had made special request that no social functions be arranged in her honour, so that she might enjoy a quiet and restful visit. When leaving the district on Wednesday, she said that this had been the most enjoyable visit she had made in the past three years. From the Porcupine, Miss Fields will go to Kitchener, and then to Montreal and other points where she will continue to contribute to the Empire's war work by donating her services to the Navy League. And at every point she will be cheered by new fans and delighted audiences, of whose cheers will be added the best wishes of all Porcupiners.

MANY WAYS

One time after Edison had been working for months trying to perfect the storage battery, a reporter managed to break through all the barriers and face the irate inventor with the question, "Do you know any more about batteries now than you did a year ago?" To which Edison replied, "Yes, I know 9,874 ways of making a storage battery that won't work."—Herbert B. Nichols in Christian Science Monitor, Boston.

Exchange: The modern trail blazer is the one who blazes along at 70 per.

Local and Other Artists Assisted on Programme Of Gracie Fields' Concert

Selections by McIntyre Concert Band. Henry Bergeron and Pupils Win Applause for Outstanding Numbers. Noted Ukrainian Tenor Also Adds His Talent to Programme. Mrs. Burt's Pupils Delight Audience.

The Gracie Field Benefit Concert at the McIntyre Arena on Tuesday evening, was one of the special events of this or any other year, and featured the work of local artists as well as the talented and charming performance by Miss Fields. (Today's issue of The Advance carries a complete account of Miss Fields' performance.)

The McIntyre Concert Band, directed by G. E. Badin, opened the programme with several rousing selections, played in the fine style which won them favorable comment at the Class A band contest of the Canadian National Exhibition, and entertained during the intermission and throughout the performance.

Pupils of Henry Bergeron, as well as Mr. Bergeron himself, were featured in tap dance numbers that won much favour. In "It is the Navy," R. Guoy, R. Menard, I. Dubois, L. Menard, M. McDermott, G. McAlendine, H. Major, J. Carson, C. Patry, B. Taylor, R. Irving and Betty Giroux performed a military tap. The Four Darlings, tiny young ladies whose daintiness and charm have made them favourites with Timmins audiences, gave a fast tap, keeping perfect time, and dancing with a youthful grace. They were E. Perron, D. Brunette, T. Perron and R. Brochu. Another group, B. Giroux, J. Thompson, R. Irving and B. Richards performed especially well in a military tap number.

Michael Holynsky, noted Ukrainian tenor, who is visiting the camp, sang three selections, "Dumka," (M. Lysenko), "Ejsklemicko" (Slovakian Folk Song) and "Aria from Opera, Andrea Chenier Improviso di Chenier" (Umberto Giardano), and was ably accompanied by Mrs. Wilkins at the piano.

Mr. P. Molsley. The proceeds from which are to be divided between the Kiwanis and the Red Cross. Regular collections will likely soon be under way, but any information in this connection can be obtained from Mr. Molsley at phone 147.

Helen Spinks made a special hit when she sang "She is a Lassie from Lancashire," paying tribute to the star of the performance, Miss Gracie Fields, and returned to delightfully render "Brahms Lullaby." With the singing of the first selection, Helen Spinks also performed a tap dance number.

A fine presentation of perfect timing and military precision was given by M. Shragge, J. Sweet, M. Howard, L. Gustini, E. McFadden, J. Fitzgerald, M. Rogers, M. Thompson, A. Stefanik, L. DeMarco, S. Malonoski and N. O'Connor in "Robot," a combination drill-dance number.

Miss Fields led the singing of the National Anthem at the conclusion of the programme.

Summer in Shanghai



This French gunner in his armoured car is no sissy, despite the umbrella which protects him from the blazing sun. His machine gun is held at alert as he guards the American owned Shanghai Evening Post and Mercury building.

Wins Victoria Cross



Acting Flight-Lieutenant R. A. B. Learoyd, who has received the Victoria Cross for most conspicuous bravery during an attack on the Dortmund-Ems canal in Germany.

Canadian Red Cross Helps British Prisoners-of-War

British prisoners of war in Germany must be supplied each week with 10,000 parcels of food and clothing by Canada, a duty assumed by the Canadian Red Cross to relieve the Motherland of the necessity of shipping foodstuffs out of the British Isles. It is estimated that this will cost one half million dollars a year. Help the Red Cross when it appeals to you. Give more than you can spare.