

**COW DRAGS FARMER
TO DEATH**

81.

Carman Hamilton, 49 watched helplessly as his 73 year old father was dragged to his death by an enraged cow on a Cordova Mines farm Friday.

William Hamilton, of Cordova Mines, died in Civic Hospital at 1:30 p.m. He had severe head injuries and had multiple lacerations and bruises to the whole of his body. He was admitted to the hospital in a coma and never regained consciousness.

The accident happened on a farm owned by Harry Edwards, 2½ miles west of William Hamilton's property.

The cow, a two year old holstein, had been let out to pasture on the Edwards farm. It was in calf and Mr. Hamilton and his son had taken a truck to return it to the Hamilton farm.

They were accompanied by 35 year old Claude McCarthy of Cordova Mines. Carman Hamilton gave this description of what happened: "My father put a rope around the cow's neck. He stepped back and seemed to get it tangled around his feet. The cow got mad and took off across the field. It ran about 200 yards, dragging my father. I ran right after it. It was only seconds before I got the rope off dad. The cow had stopped on a rise in the ground. My father was very badly injured. I stayed with him. McCarthy went to call Howden's ambulance in Marmora." The cow has not yet calved.

William Thomas Andrew Hamilton is survived by his wife, Bertha Moffatt and children, James Carman and Mrs. Jack Edwards (Ella) both of Cordova Mines, and Arthur of Peterborough. Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton celebrated their golden wedding anniversary only a month ago.

The body is resting at the Cordova Mines residence for the funeral service at Cordova Mines Free Methodist Church Sunday at 2:30 Burial will be in Maple Grove cemetery.

June 27, 1959

**MARMORA COUPLE INSTANTLY
KILLED IN HIGHWAY MISHAP**

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Jarvis, a well known and highly respected Marmora man and wife, were instantly killed in a highway accident near Whitby on Tuesday Oct. 6th. News of their sudden passing came as a saddening shock to their many friends in Marmora.

The accident occurred on a section of No. 401 Highway which was under repair and was using only one side of the highway for two lane traffic.

An empty car transport proceeding easterly suddenly swerved to avoid a car which came off the Whitby Cloverleaf without stopping. The driver applied his brakes and the trailer Jack-knifed on the wet pavement and slammed into the Jarvis car which was westbound. The car passed completely under the three foot space below the trailer and emerged a mass of tangled wreckage.

A car following the Jarvis car struck the rear of the transport and the driver was slightly injured.

Two other persons have been killed on the same piece of road within five days and apparently the section of road under construction was not too well marked.

Mr. and Gordon Jarvis were well known throughout the Marmora district and held in high esteem by all.

Gordon Spear Jarvis was born in Stirling, a son of the late Christopher Jarvis and Lillian Spear. He was in his 60th year. As a boy he enlisted in the C.M.R. and saw active service in France during the First World War. After the war he came to the Jarvis Settlement near Marmora. For some time he was employed by the G.B. Airhart Lumber Co. and later by Deloro Smelting & Refining Co. Ltd. He had been employed by Marmoraton Mining Co. for the past 5 years.

October 15, 1959

FUNERAL OF MR. & MRS. JARVIS

83.

A double funeral service was conducted in St. Andrew's United Church, Marmora, at 3:30 p.m. on Thursday October 8th for Mr. and Mrs. Gordon S. Jarvis who were instantly killed in a highway accident on October 6th. The church was filled of the deceased couple and Masonic Brethren and Eastern Star members.

Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis were Associate patron and associate matron of Marmora Chapter O.E.S. and the funeral service of the order was conducted at the Funeral Home on Wednesday evening.

Rev. J. Maurice D. McLeod conducted the funeral service on Thursday and the Masonic Lodge committal service was conducted at the graveside.

Pall bearers for Mrs. Jarvis were H.O. Loveless, W.J. Barlow, C.R. Whittemore, M.R. Lavender, Harold Naylor and Leighton McGinnis.

For Mr. Jarvis bearers were Sid Sandham, F.R. Wells, F.R. Loveless, E.C. Prentice, C.H. Buskard and Ralph Neal.

KILLED IN EXPLOSION

84.

An explosion which took place on the construction site of the prison at Warkworth on Tuesday, February 22nd, took the life of 1 man and badly injured the second.

Chancey Cox, 43 of R. 3, Havelock, father of 5 children was instantly killed when the explosion hurled him 50 feet through the air.

Rushed to Civic Hospital in Peterborough was Bruce Johnson, 35, also of Havelock who suffered neck injuries. Mr. Johnson was unable to explain what had happened, but it is thought that the men were switching propane tanks when the blast occurred.

Both men were working inside a concrete structure on top of a reservoir when the explosion took place.

The funeral of Chancey Cox of R. 3 Havelock, took place on Friday, February 25th, at 1 p.m. from the Howden Funeral Home to St. Andrew's United Church with Rev. J.M. McLeod officiating.

In his 43rd year, Mr. Cox died suddenly on Tuesday, February 22nd, at Warkworth where he was a foreman at Mitchell Construction Co.

A painter by trade, he served in the Second World War with the Manitoba Red Dragoons.

He leaves his wife, the former Bernice Young, 5 children, Shirley 15, Donna 14, Verna 12, James 11 and Wayne 9. Also surviving are six sisters, Mrs. Leonard Tryon (Helen); Mrs. Mardy Cote (Hazel); Mrs. William Cote (Marion); Mrs. Lloyd Ray (Verna); Mrs. Edmond Weber (Florence); Miss Evelyn Cox; 6 brothers, James, Victor, Nelson, Mark, Hector, and Baden. One brother predeceased him.

On Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m. members of Havelock Legion held a Memorial Service at the Funeral Home. Pall bearers were members of the Legion. Entombment was at Marmora Protestant Cemetery.

March 3, 1966

**MAN'S BODY RECOVERED FROM WATER
AT MARMORA DAM**

85.

The body of a 64 year old Marmora man was recovered from the Crowe River in front of the Marmora Dam on Saturday morning by O.P.P. divers.

Mr. Zommers and two friends were fishing from the top of the main dam on Friday evening.

Suddenly he stumbled and fell into the water on his back. Attempts by his friends to get him to grab a fishing pole were in vain and he sank from sight in approximately 12 feet of water.

Many residents heard his friends shouting for help and several headed to the dam but in the darkness he could not be seen and it was decided to look for him Saturday morning. He was found around 7 a.m. shortly after the divers entered the water.

Although we do not have the official report as yet, it is thought that Mr. Zommers had suffered a heart attack or stroke and was the reason he did not cry out or make any move to help himself.

Mr. Zommers and his wife have lived in the former residence of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Fluke on Thomas Street.

Funeral arrangements were handled by the Cassidy Funeral Home and the service took place on Tuesday, July 13th, at 3 p.m.

July 14, 1971

INQUEST POSSIBLE

86.

An inquest may be held into the death of Edward Galloway of Deloro, Ontario's Chief Coroner Dr. H.B. Cotnam said recently. Mr. Galloway, who lived near radioactive slag heaps for a number of years, died last summer of lung cancer at the age of 53.

The inquest would be the first of its kind in Canada, as an inquest has never been held to investigate a radiation related death.

Prior to his death, Mr. Galloway issued writs against Eldorado Nuclear Ltd. of Port Hope, Deloro Smelting and Refining Co., the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Environment, and the Atomic Energy Control Board of Canada. Mr. Galloway charged that carelessness on the part of all five of those bodies was responsible for his contraction of lung cancer.

For 11 years Mr. Galloway, five of his six children, and his wife Sylvia lived beside the Deloro Smelting and Refining Co. Ltd. which ceased operation in 1961.

The Atomic Energy Control Board found radiation levels to be 133 times higher than normal in the family's home in Deloro. The Galloways were ordered to move to a provincially leased home in Marmora in late 1975.

Mr. Galloway underwent treatment for lung cancer from February 25, 1975 until his death last summer. He was instructed to receive medical testing in 1975 when the province discovered the unusually high radiation levels.

Mr. Galloway told the Marmora Herald last spring that his house was originally purchased from Eldorado Nuclear Ltd. by the Deloro Smelting and Refining Co. in 1969. The house was sold to Mr. Galloway four years later.

Mr. Galloway said the Deloro company bought a quantity of nuclear waste from the Eldorado Co. removed the cobalt from it, and used the remaining material to fill a hollow adjacent to the home he subsequently bought.

March 2, 1977

When Mr. Galloway bought the house in 1964 he knew the hollow had been filled, but was unaware that 10 to 15 feet of radioactive waste slag had been used as fill, he told the Herald prior to his death.

The closure order against the Galloway home was issued last fall when a quantity of radioactive ore was reported missing from Eldorado and an investigation was launched. That investigation revealed that radon gas was exsapping from the waste used as fill. The closure order specifically states that radon gas does cause lung cancer, Mr. Galloway said in March.

"My family and I were exposed to the radioactive products for 11 years. I feel Deloro Smelting and Refining Co. is careless for dumping it there and the Atomic Energy Board should never have allowed them to handle it" Mr. Galloway stated last spring.

Mr. Galloway had a chest x-ray in 1967 when he was employed at the Deloro mine and no problems were revealed. One of 15 doctors who examined him at the Kingston Cancer Clinic in 1975 attributed his lung cancer to radioactive waste.

Other members of the Galloway family were also tested. Doctors told the Galloways at the time that consequences of radiation contamination may not appear for 20 years.

Mr. Galloway incurred further complications as a result of getting treatment for the lung cancer. He suffered from a radiation reaction and sugar diabetes.

Ontario Provincial Police officers are investigating the circumstances surrounding Mr. Galloways death. Dr. Cotnam has predicted that the police investigation will be completed early this month, and the inquest could be held within the next two months.

While the closure order issued against the house by Public Health Inspector Dr. J.H. Aitken dated October 31, 1975 said, "Persons who inhabit the said household premises are being subjected to excessive exposure to radiation with consequential risk of developing lung cancer therefrom," Dr. Cotnam has said that it would be difficult to prove that radon gas was directly responsible for death.

STORY CLARIFIED

88.

A story which appeared in the Marmora Herald last spring quoted the late Edward Galloway as saying that carelessness on the part of five bodies - Eldorado Nuclear Ltd. of Port Hope, Deloro Smelting and Refining Co., the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of the Environment, and the Atomic Energy Control Board of Canada - was responsible for his contraction of lung cancer. Those facts were again quoted in The Herald last week.

Mr. Galloway's widow Sylvia Galloway says that Mr. Galloway actually said carelessness could have contributed to his contraction of cancer, but he admitted that he might have suffered from cancer anyway.

Mrs. Galloway also said that it was incorrectly reported in that story last spring that the house the Galloways purchased in Deloro was originally owned by Eldorado Nuclear Limited. Mrs. Galloway says that in fact, Eldorado never owned the house. It was owned by the Deloro Refining and Smelting Company, from which the Galloways purchased it.

We apologize to Mrs. Galloway for any embarrassment this incorrect information may have caused.

An inquest may be held into Mr. Galloway's death. He died last summer at the age of 53 after living near radioactive slag heaps in Deloro for a number of years.

March 9, 1977

A coroner's jury ruled last week in Belleville that Edward Galloway, formerly of Deloro, died July 8, 1976 as a result of cancer which developed from both cigarette smoking and exposure to radon gas.

Mr. Galloway, his wife Sylvia and their children resided beside a radioactive slag disposal site in Deloro for 12 years.

The inquest into Mr. Galloway's death was ordered by Ontario's chief Coroner Dr. H.B. Cotnam. The inquest is believed to have been the first of its kind in Canada, as an inquest has never been held to investigate a radiation related death.

The coroner's jury made a number of recommendations regarding handling of radioactive wastes, following the four day inquest which ended Friday.

The jury recommended that the federal and provincial governments should work together to ensure that no one is living unknowingly within range of unacceptable levels of radioactivity anywhere in Canada.

Geoffrey Knight of the Atomic Energy Control Board told the inquest that radon gas levels inside and outside the Galloway house, tested in 1975, were higher than normal and very unacceptable. Mr. Galloway was unaware that he was being exposed to levels of radioactivity three and a half times more than the safe amount set by the Atomic Energy Control Board.

The coroner's jury also recommended that a single agency including representatives of both the federal and provincial government should have overall responsibility for monitoring and detecting radiation exposure among members of the public.

It was revealed during the inquest that no government ministry or department had the responsibility to ensure that residents are not harmed unknowingly by radioactive material.

Mr. Knight said at the inquest that technically no one is responsible for the public by legislation. The jurisdiction of the Atomic Energy Control Board only extends to protection of people working with atomic energy.

May 11, 1977

The jury also said that to facilitate more effective investigation of radioactive complaints, better communication should be developed amongst all government agencies concerned with the problem. This again involves clearly defining responsibility of each level and department of the governments.

The jury also recommended that members of the public who are ordered out of their homes because of dangerous levels of radioactivity, be compensated by the federal and provincial governments. Mr. Galloway's widow Sylvia has been paying for expenses on the house in Deloro which the family was forced to vacate. Since that time, she has been living in accommodation provided by the government, but has never been assured of long term support or restitution.

Another recommendation of the jury was that followup studies should be done for cases involving possible exposure to unacceptable levels of radioactivity.

Finally, the jury decided that methods of transporting radioactive materials should be of a standard type, property licenced by the AECSB, have appropriate markings, and that their movements should be carefully controlled by AECSB.

Mr. Galloway did part time work during 1952 driving loads of radioactive ore from Eldorado Nuclear Ltd. to the Deloro plant. The inquest revealed that the workers who transported 5,000 tons of radioactive waste to Deloro Smelting and Refining in the late 1950's did not know the waste was radioactive. They were not told to take precautions.

The final witness to testify at the inquest Dr. Ernest Letourneau of the Department of Health and Welfare, said there will be a country-wide study conducted this year to determine the normal level of radon gas naturally occurring in houses.

ROYCE KELSH SUFFERS STROKE

91.

Roy Kelsh, 63, suffered a stroke while driving a 105 ton truck loaded with ore from the bottom of the mine, on Wed., Nov. 29. It was one of the last loads at the end of the shift. Mr. Kelsh had reached about half way up, to around the 340 ft. level when he was seen to be in difficulty rubbing his face with his hands. He placed the vehicle in reverse and the safety device was triggered to turn on the emergency siren.

Frances Rothermel of the mine management, said that Roy Kelsh was fully responsible for saving the lives of other men. They might have been lost in a far worse disaster had Mr. Kelsh not used his last efforts to take measures to bring the truck under control.

Roy Frost, driving a 3 ton service truck, was close behind the huge ore truck driven by Mr. Kelsh when it began rolling backward with the siren going. Mr. Frost with great courage and presence of mind was able to by-pass the vehicle in front as Mr. Kelsh guided it back against the wall side of the road. Had it gone the other way over the edge of the winding mine access road Mr. Frost's 3 ton vehicle would likely have been swept over the side and the men working below would have been in a great danger of being crushed.

Mr. Kelsh was rushed to Belleville by ambulance after being removed from the mine truck and passed away at 3 a.m. Wed. morning.

Mr. Kelsh was predeceased by his parents, Wallace Kelsh and the former Gertrude Ellis, his wife, the former Marguerite Robertson, and one brother, Reginald. He is survived by two daughters: Carol (Mrs. Robert Moore) of Havelock; June (Mrs. Ray Hartin) of Bancroft; and four sons: Glenn of Bowmanville; Donald of Cordova Mines; Ronald of Peterborough and Elgin of Milton. He also leaves ten brothers and sisters: Bernice, Geraldine, Evelyn, Doris, Joyce, Daisy, Ruby, Donald, Harry and Harold.

Pallbearers were: Graham Bell, Leslie Bell, George Roche, Gordon Robinson, Edward King and Percy Ellis.

December 7, 1977

**MONTREAL MAN DROWNED
IN BEAVER CREEK**

A tragic accident occurred last Friday afternoon, just east of Beaver Creek Bridge about a mile north of Marmora when a man fell from a boat and was drowned.

The victim was Francis Joseph Lamontagne, aged 21, of Montreal, who was an employee of Dominion Structures who are at present engaged in the construction work at the Bethlehem Mines.

Lamontagne and a companion Bill Lesperance, had taken the afternoon off and were fishing near Wanganui Lodge. Lesperance was running the motor and it is reported the boat tipped and Lamontagne lost his balance and was thrown into the river. Both men were non-swimmers and although Lesperance made an attempt to rescue his companion he was unable to help him. When help arrived it was too late, the body having been in the water for about three-quarters of an hour, and although artificial respiration was carried out for some time and a pulmotor was used all efforts at resuscitation were unsuccessful.

Rescue attempts were carried out under the direction of the Madoc Provincial Police. Dr. R. C. Shatford of Marmora was called to render assistance.

Dr. Russell Scott, of Belleville, attended as coroner and decided an inquest was not necessary.

The body was removed to the Cassidy Funeral Parlors and was conveyed to Montreal on Saturday, where the funeral was held on Monday morning.

Date Unknown

**OHIO MAN DROWNED IN
CROWE LAKE**

93.

Harry F. Stantz, aged 59, of Canton, Ohio, was accidentally drowned in Blairton Bay at the western end of Crowe Lake on Saturday evening. He and his wife were staying at their summer cottage at Blairton and Mr. Stantz had gone out in the boat to try out a motor.

When he failed to return his wife became alarmed and went to look for him. The boat was found capsized in the water but there was no sign of Mr. Stantz.

A call for help was sent out and a search started. Provincial police from Peterborough and Campbellford dragged the lake and the Peterborough O.P.P. boat was brought to the lake.

The search continued on Sunday with members of Marmora Underwater Club, Jack Fraser, Doug Vilneff and Donald Shannon assisting but without success.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Smith, the latter a sister of Mrs. Stantz, and a nephew, Robert Schario, of Canton, drove to Blairton to be with Mrs. Stantz on Sunday morning.

On Tuesday morning Mr. Smith sighted the body from shore and Constable Eady of the O.P.P., Campbellford, and Chief Charles Lockwood of Marmora towed the body ashore. It was later removed to the Wells Funeral Home at Marmora and will be sent to Canton for burial.

Mr. and Mrs. Stantz and Mr. and Mrs. Smith had been summer visitors at Crowe Lake for many years, the two sisters having owned the cottage since 1928.

Date Unknown

**HELEN JACKSON DROWNS
NEAR CORDOVA**

94.

Helen Jackson, fourteen years of age, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Jackson of Deer River fish hatchery, was drowned in Deer River at the High Rollway about 2½ miles above Cordova.

The girl decided to ride her bicycle to the river for a swim. Not conscious of the risk she was taking, she got into an eddy which bore her to a deep hole. Her mother and sister, Mrs. Ethel Forsyth, arrived at the river's edge to witness her coming up for the last time. Her sister waded out a little ways, but knowing of the deep hole, realized she was powerless to be of any assistance.

The mother then went to the residence of Mrs. Edward Bowen, some distance away, to get help. Ray Bowen, 18, who returned with her, rescued the body, upon which artificial respiration was tried for about an hour without success. Dr. Donald Holdcroft, of Havelock, who was called, decided an inquest was unnecessary.

Helen is survived by her sorrowing parents; two brothers, Lloyd of Simcoe and Nagel at home; and two sisters, Mrs. Ethel Forsyth of Simcoe and Mrs. Harry Barrons of Cordova. The remains were taken to Normandale for burial, Rev. W. E. McMillen, rector of Simcoe, officiating.

The bearers were Bruce Guiler, Reginald Card, Raymond Ferris, Glen Ferris, Ernest Post and Harry Thompson.

There were many floral emblems, showing the respect in which the deceased girl was held.

Date Unknown

**BERNARD CARMAN INSTANTLY
KILLED BY POLICE CRUISER**

95.

A tragic accident occurred at Eldorado last Friday evening when Bernard Wesley Carman was struck by a police car, said to have been driven by Provincial Police Constable Arthur Bulyea, and instantly killed. The accident occurred just after the close of the Orange Lodge at Eldorado and there was a number of witnesses. It is reported that Bernard Carman had been standing at the side of the road talking to Albert Hagerman, who was parked on the east side of the road. He had turned to cross the road to his brother's car when he was struck by the cruiser.

Police claim the officer was blinded by the light of a car parked on the opposite side of the road and did not see Carman. They also claim the cruiser was not travelling fast at the time. Members of the Lodge, who witnessed the accident claim it was travelling about 45 miles an hour. An inquest was ordered by Coroner Dr. S.R. Beatty and the facts should be brought out then.

Bernard Wesley Carman, who lived on R.R. 1, Eldorado, was born in Madoc township, son of Mrs. C. Carman and the late Colingwood Carman. He was fifty one years of age and had lived all his life in Madoc township where he was highly esteemed and had many friends.

Besides his mother he is survived by his wife, the former Vivian Clemenger and three daughters, Beulah, 19, Barbara, 18, and Wilma, 15, all at home. He had no sons.

He is also survived by six brothers, Percy, Ross and Arthur, of Marmora township, and Everard, Delbert and Ezra all of Madoc township.

The funeral was held on Sunday afternoon and was one of the largest held in that part of the township. It proceeded from his late residence to Fox's United church for service. Rev. J.F. Lane of Madoc officiated, assisted by Rev. J. Watson, of Madoc, and Rev. J. Crabble, of Eldorado. At the graveside the Royal Black Preceptory service was conducted by Sir Knight W.J. Cottrell, of Marmora.

Date Unknown

**GIRL IS DROWNED IN SMALL POND
NEAR MARMORA**

96.

Margaret Kirby, 24 year old Peterborough girl, was drowned in a pond two miles east of Marmora on the north side of Number 7 highway on Saturday afternoon.

Miss Kirby had been a Bell Telephone operator in this city for the past year, lived with her brother and two sisters at the Nova Scotia apartments on George Street. She had been in ill health and had been on sick leave from work for about a week. She was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Kirby.

With a sister, she had been a guest of her uncle, Mr. and Mrs. E.D. O'Connor of Marmora for about a week. The C.N.R. track passes the O'Connor residence about 700 yards north of the pond. With her sister, agnes, and two cousins, the deceased had planned Saturday to walk down to the pond as had been their daily routine for the past week.

As the other girls were busy with household duties the deceased strolled ahead. After some minutes had passed neighboring children went to the pond to bathe, noticed her form lying face downwards at the edge of the water. The alarm was quickly spread but all efforts to revive her failed. Dr. H. Crawford and Constable P. Gray of Marmora were on the scene promptly, but were unable to revive her. Dr. S.S. Eagleson of Madoc, county coroner, said an inquest would not be necessary.

The circumstances pointed to the fact that the girl had either been subject to a fainting spell or had suffered a heart attack. The body was later removed to the residence of her aunt and uncle. The funeral will be held from that residence on Tuesday morning.

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