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Rail Crossing Accident Claims Lives Of Four Men In East Kildonan

The death toll in Tuesday morning's tragic level crossing accident at Melrose avenue and Gateway Road rose to four Tuesday afternoon with the death of David Parkes. East Kildonan police are continuing an investigation, but at time of going to press Chief Russell had no new developments to report. The victims of the train-truck collision

were:

Robert Peterson, 22, 158 Melrose ave.

John Doherty, 19, 80 Atkins st.

George Parkes, 27, 479 Martin ave.

David Parkes, 20, 267 Greene ave.

The four were the crew of a garbage truck into which a south-bound C.P.R. passenger train smashed as the truck was travelling west on Melrose ave. at the Melrose-Gateway Road rail crossing.

Impact of the crash scattered debris down the track for more than 100 yards. The train, bound from Lac du Bonnet to Winnipeg, was

East End Club Annual Winter Carnival Saturday

The East End Community Club, Montrose ave., has completed arrangements for the holding of the annual ice carnival on Saturday. The starting time is 2 o'clock.

This year's carnival is under the capable direction of C. Bevan. The committee is composed of the following: Catering, P. Trosky; entertainment, Mrs. E. Taylor and Miss Marion Ellett; prizes, Red Paget; publicity, Mrs. Hurley; sports, P. Trosky; tickets, J. Kovacs.

The afternoon program will begin with a girls' broomball game, followed by figure skating and speed skating provided by the Winnipeg Winter Club. As an added attraction, the local talent will participate in a costumed figure-skating event under the instruction of Miss Marion Ellett. Last feature in the afternoon will be a Bantam hockey game, with speed skating races during the intermission.

The evening activities will commence with a ladies' broomball game, followed by the men's broomball game, whose opponents will be Morse Place. A moccasin dance is planned for 9 p.m.

The climax of the day will be the coronation of the carnival queen by Mayor J. Leslie Bodie at 10 p.m.

The tragic accident which occurred at the Melrose ave. crossing on Tuesday morning, taking the lives of four young men of this community, came as a great shock to the residents of East Kildonan.

The Parkes brothers were known personally to many, but during the past year this team of four in their white uniforms had come to be well and favorably known to every home by their pleasant and efficient performance of their daily duties.

To the bereaved members of their families I wish to extend, on behalf of the Council and residents of East Kildonan, our deepest sympathy.

Sincerely,

J. L. BODIE.

due at the C.P.R. station at 10.15