

AUSTRIAN SHOT BY TWO THUGS IN MINNEAPOLIS

Had Made His Escape From Canadian Internment Camp

(Western Associated Press.)

MINNEAPOLIS, Oct. 26. — Shot through the abdomen when he resisted two men who attempted to hold him up in an alley between First and Second streets on Third avenue south, about 2 a.m. today, John Kupczanko, an Austrian laborer, who came to Minneapolis September 29 from Canada, died at the city hospital three hours later.

Though the police rounded up more than a score of suspects in the lower end of the city, immediately after the shooting, all were later released after being questioned at central station.

Kupczanko was known in Minneapolis as Alexander Apie. He lived at 310 Fourteenth avenue south. His friends told the police he fled from Canada after being interned by the Canadian government there, and that he took an assumed name to avoid detection.

From information gathered by detectives during the night, the police have learned that Kupczanko met the two men who killed him early in the afternoon, and together the three made the rounds of the saloons in the gateway district.

Kupczanko was taken to the city hospital, where he gave details of the robbery and the shooting. He said the two men shot him when he resisted their efforts to rob him, and that they took \$65 from his pockets as he lay on the ground mortally wounded. He was unable to give the detectives a description of the assailants.