

HUNT GIRL TO EXPLAIN GUN IN COURT SLAYING

Friend of Dead Criminal Slipped Him Revolver, Police Believe.

By United Press
NEW YORK, Dec. 6.—Detectives today sought a girl who, they believe, can tell them, if she will, how she slipped a revolver to Sidney Weiss, 30, gangster, as he passed into general sessions court here Wednesday to be sentenced to life imprisonment.

Weiss was shot to death by John Doyle, captain of court attendants, in a corridor leading to the courtroom. Weiss dropped the revolver with which detectives believe he intended to kill Judge George L. Donnellan, who was on the bench. When the gun was dropped Leo Karlstrand, an attendant, reached for it, but Weiss had retrieved it. In the scuffle which followed Karlstrand and Al Williams, another attendant, were wounded.

Detectives today worked on the theory that one of Weiss' girl friends had carried out an earlier threat to slip Weiss a gun so he could escape a possible life sentence for having been convicted of felonies four times.

Judge Donnellan today would not discuss the incident beyond saying, "Weiss impressed me as the coldest and most calculating criminal I ever dealt with."

HOLD RITES FOR CIVIL WAR VETERAN TONIGHT

Funeral services for James Leggett, 91-year-old Civil war veteran and pioneer Indiana resident who died Wednesday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. B. J. Miller, 1315 Pleasant street, will be held at 7:30 tonight at the J. C. Wilson undertaking establishment. Burial will be at Greensburg.

Mr. Leggett, who was born in Philadelphia, moved to Indiana and settled in Greensburg. He enlisted in the Seventh Indiana infantry at the outbreak of the war and served until 1864.

He was a member of the G. H. Chapman post, G. A. A., and was active in G. A. R. affairs in the state.

Besides Mrs. Miller he is survived by two granddaughters.

Disappears From Home
Donald Seaman, 25, of 53 Richelle annex, 614 North East street, disappeared from his home Wednesday. R. L. Seaman, father of the missing man, said he feared his son had suffered a nervous breakdown, and requested the police to search for him.

FALLS DEAD AT WORK

Succumbs to Heart Attack on Reaching Factory.

Less than five minutes after he had reported for work at the Swartz Manufacturing Company this morning Bert Brown, 64, of 3419 Roosevelt avenue, fell dead of heart disease.

He had been taking treatments for heart trouble for several months, records at city hospital show.

Mr. Brown is survived by a sister-in-law, Mrs. Anna Froike, with whom he lived, his only relative.

DRY SPLIT IS DENIED

Browning Says Indiana Not to Become Enforcement Districts.

James G. Browning, acting deputy dry administrator for Indiana, today said he had not received word that Indiana would be divided into two prohibition enforcement districts, as was reported at South Bend Wednesday by Conrad F. Bivens.

Bivens said he had been informed the change would be made Dec. 15, two deputy administrators being named and working under jurisdiction of the Twelfth district administrator at Columbus, O.

Henning Appointed Judge
Edwin C. Henning, Evansville attorney, has been appointed by Governor Ed Jackson to succeed Judge Edgar Durre on the Vanderburgh county superior bench. Judge Durre has resigned, effective Jan. 1, to accept a position as counsel for an Evansville bank.

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Pneumonia Attack Fatal to Captain Paxton Hibben

Noted Scholar, Born Here, Succumbs in New York Hospital.

Captain Paxton Hibben, 48, native of Indianapolis, and well-known scholar, soldier, author, and diplomat, died at St. Vincent's hospital, New York City, of pneumonia. He has been ill since Thanksgiving.

Born in this city, Dec. 5, 1880, the son of Thomas Entrekkin Hibben, and Jennie Merrill Ketcham Hibben, he had a distinguished and colorful career.

The author of numerous books, his latest work was "Henry Ward Beecher: an American Portrait," which created a stir in critical circles.

At the time of his death he was working on a life of William Jennings Bryan.

In 1924 Captain Hibben ran for congress on the LaFollette ticket and was defeated. After the election he accompanied the late Albert J. Beveridge, former United States senator, to Europe as his secretary.

Educated in City

Captain Hibben was educated at the old Benjamin Harrison graded school and Shortridge high school. He then went to Princeton and Harvard. In every school he was graduated with highest honors. He was admitted to the Indiana supreme court bar in 1906.

After leaving Harvard, he entered the diplomatic service and held secretarieships at the American embassies at Leningrad, Mexico City, the Hague, Luxembourg and Santiago, Chile. He retired from the diplomatic service in 1912 to campaign for Theodore Roosevelt.

He married Miss Cecile Craik of Montgomery, Ala., in Athens, Greece, Oct. 17, 1916.

He was for several years a war correspondent in Europe for the Associated Press, Leslie's, Collier's and the Chicago Tribune.

Won Honors in War

When the United States entered the World war, he entered the officers' training school at Ft. Benjamin Harrison. He served overseas, winning numerous decorations, and retired with the rank of captain.

Surviving him are the widow and 7-year-old daughter, Jean Constantine, who were with him when he died; two brothers, James Hibben, chemistry professor at Princeton, and Thomas Hibben, a New York architect; two sisters, Helen and Hazel Hibben, Indianapolis; and three cousins, Dr. Freeman H. Hibben, Harold J. Hibben, and Mrs. Ward H. Hackleman, all of Indianapolis.

HARD ORGANIST FOR BIGAMY

First Wife Attends Second Wedding.

By United Press

NEW YORK, Dec. 6.—Herbert J. Leigh-Manuell, organist in St. Anne's Protestant Episcopal church at Sayville, L. I., was married Wednesday and was arrested for the marriage.

For ten years Leigh-Manuell has lived presumably with his wife and their children at Sayville.

Then he confided to the woman who supposedly was Mrs. Leigh-Manuell that he was in love with 19-year-old Martha Van Weyen, a music student he had instructed.

"Mrs. Leigh-Manuell" went to the Van Weyen home, had the girl leave with her on the pretext of going to the dentist, and then served as matron of honor at the church wedding of Leigh-Manuell and the girl. In applying for the license Leigh-Manuell had described himself as single.

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DR. T. B. RICE TO TALK AT SUNDAY MEETING

By United Press

Tuberculosis Society to Further Plans for Christmas Seal Drive.

Fifteenth annual meeting of the Marion County Tuberculosis Society will be held Sunday, National Tuberculosis Sunday, at Sunnyside sanatorium.

Plans for assuring the fund goal in the Christmas seal drive now in progress will be discussed, and society members and the public will hear an address by Dr. Thurman B. Rice, associate professor of bacteriology and public health, Indiana university hospitals, the principal speaker.

Fred A. Sims, president of the society, will preside over the meeting which begins at 3:30 p. m. A playlet, "What Price Pep," to be presented by patients at the sanatorium will be a feature.

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