

## DEATH PENALTY SOUGHT IN GIN PARTY TRAGEDY

Youths Will Claim Fall  
Caused Arlene Draves  
to Die.

*By Times Special*  
VALPARAISO, Ind., Feb. 20.—At least forty witnesses will take the stand during trial of Virgil Kirkland, 20, Gary, for the murder of Miss Arlene Draves, 17, on a gin party in Gary, Nov. 29, prosecution and defense attorneys said today.

The trial will open Monday morning in Porter circuit court when attorneys will begin a battle to select twelve jurors from a special venire of fifty talesmen ordered to appear for duty.

Kirkland is the first of five youths accused of the crime to appear for trial. The others, Paul Barton, David Thompson, Leon Stanford and Harry Shirk, are held at Lake county jail in Crown Point. Each will be tried separately at later dates.

Attorneys for Kirkland, who previously said their defense would attack prohibition as the cause of the tragedy, today declared they would contend Miss Draves fell and struck her head, with a fatal hemorrhage as the consequence.

The state charges she died after the five boys attacked her, and a coroner's jury reported death was due to shock, a cerebral and another hemorrhage.

Appearing for the defense will be Dr. Orlando Scott of Northwestern university, Dr. C. W. Yarrington, Gary, and other physicians, who O. B. Thiel, a defense attorney, said will testify that there was no attack and that no act of the youths caused her death.

The state will ask the death penalty under the Indiana statute making that punishment mandatory in event death follows a criminal assault.

Its most important witness, obviously will be Dr. J. B. Burcham, coroner's physician, who performed the post-mortem operation, and in his

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report included the state's charges as death causes.

Among others of thirty-one witnesses the state has summoned will be members of the fateful gin party in Thompson's home, including Mr. and Mrs. Earl Eiser, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Sturridge, Mr. and Mrs. Evan Madera, Miss Margaret Leuke, Josephine Rukas, Mrs. Thompson and Richard Elliott.

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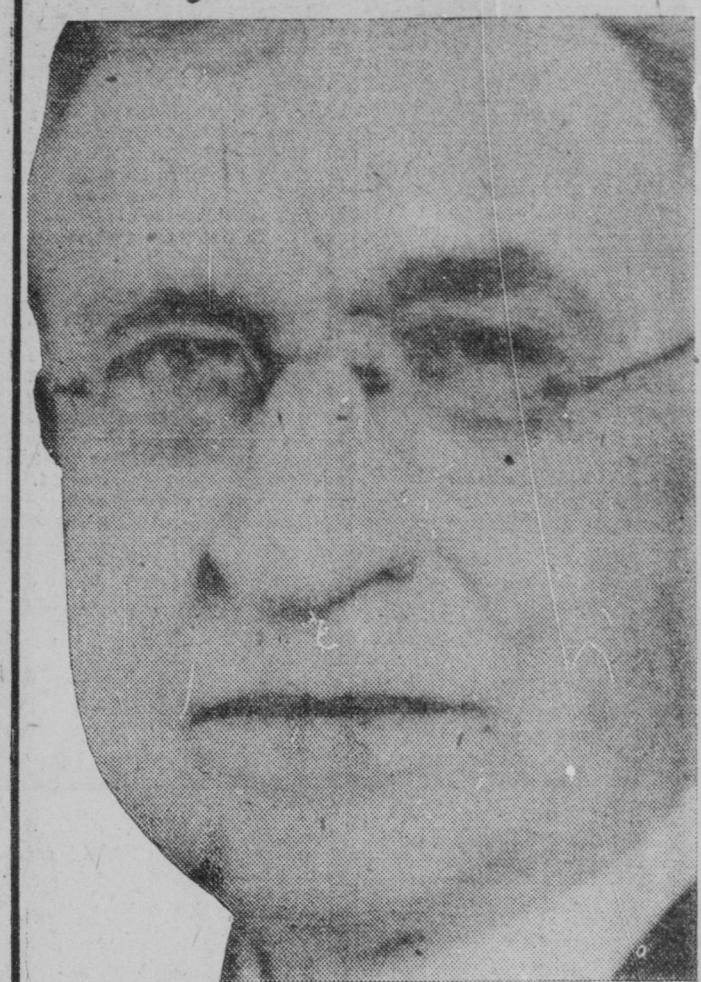
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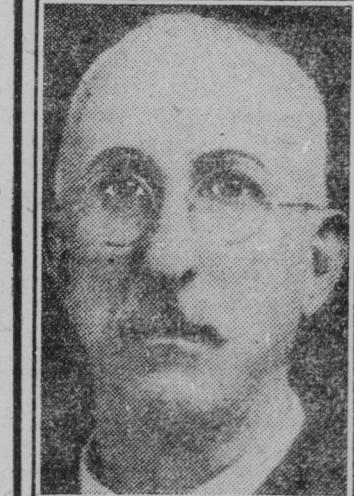
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