

# SLAY PRODIGY WHOSE TALENT FREED HIM FROM PRISON

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Ex-Columbia U. Student Is Shot Down in N. Y. Water Front Cafe.

## FOUR BELIEVED KILLERS

Roy Sloane Mastered Law Behind Bars to Win Freedom.

*By United Press*  
NEW YORK, May 12.—Roy Sloane, 26, boy prodigy and former Columbia university student, who attracted nation-wide attention when he won his freedom from Sing Sing prison through use of his knowledge of the law, gained while behind the bars, was shot to death today in a waterfront cafe.

His body was riddled with slugs from shotguns, operated, police said, by four men.

Sloane, who was out on bail awaiting trial on a charge of participating in a robbery barely two months after he gained his release from Sing Sing, was the son of Mrs. Anna Boegholmen Sloane, N. A. M. A. Ph. D., founder of the National Arts and Crafts Institute at Washington, D. C., a former investigator for the department of labor and an author of several books.

He had stuck by her son throughout all his difficulties.

Police said the shooting occurred in the Mad Dot Boat Club, a Dyker man street cafe, shortly after midnight. Sloane's body was not identified until several hours later.

His death recalled an assertion he made shortly after his release from prison. "When a man has seen the worst—and I have," he said, "life doesn't hold any terror for him."

**Sentenced to Sing Sing**

Sloane was convicted six years ago on a charge of stealing an automobile in Mt. Vernon, N. Y. When it was discovered he had served a sentence in Pennsylvania for two similar offenses he was sent to Sing Sing for ten years.

Hardly had the gates of the prison shut behind him than this paradox of prodigy and profligate began to study two exits from Sing Sing. One was through the law. The other over the walls. His study of the latter was interrupted by a vigilant keeper.

The keeper, who had received word of an escape plot, searched Sloane's cell and found a strangely filed tool, a guard's cap and the blue coat of a prison band uniform.

**Conducts Own Defense**

The state contended the tool was a set of "brass knuckles," possession of which, in Sloane's circumstances, constituted a misdemeanor. Sloane maintained it was a key with which he intended to escape.

Although the youth had been assigned an attorney by the court, he insisted on conducting his own defense.

Still clad in prison denim, Sloane arose in court and announced he was ready to prove the ambiguous tool was a key—if the prison guards would produce a screw driver he had hidden in his cell.

The guards, who had thought they previously had removed everything from the cell, searched the cubic again and found not only the promised screw driver, but two chisels as fine a life term in San Quentin prison.

**Years Added to Sentence**

Blandy, he showed how the tool could be used as a key. Then he rested his case. For six hours the jurors deliberated. Then they brought in the verdict that while the instrument was a key, it could have been used in the manner of brass knuckles.

So even more years in prison were added to his previous sentence. But on his return to Sing Sing, prison authorities would've no chances with the slippery genius. They put him in solitary confinement.

In solitary, the youth avidly resumed his study of the law.

Five times subsequently he sought to obtain an appeal of his second conviction.

**Planned Wholesale Break**

Then one day, prison authorities said they discovered that Sloane and two desperate long term prisoners had planned a wholesale break in his mechanical talents was to be used in crippling the prison power plant.

Sloane and his confederates were placed in the death house for safe keeping, a precaution taken only a few times in the history of the prison.

Despite his complete separation from prison society, Sloane conducted his bid for freedom by legal means.

Finally, the youth won a new trial on the automobile theft charge.

He conducted his own case—and did it with the shrewdness of a first-rate criminal lawyer.

He produced two fellow prisoners, both long termers, as his main witnesses. They testified they had stolen the car in question and that Sloane had been "framed." The jury acquitted him.

But the brass knuckles sentence still was against him and he was sent up to Dannemora.

At Dannemora, Sloane finally discovered a legal loophole which won him his freedom.

## Some Lucky City Boy to Get Trip East as Marble Champ



Here's a scene that will be repeated before long on one of the city's playgrounds. It's the final match in the 1930 city-wide marbles championship, won by Jimmy White. His prowess earned Jimmy a trip to Ocean City, N. J., and a chance at the national marbles title. He didn't win it, but he had a great time.

## GIRLS' MURDER SUSPECT HELD

Suitor Linked to Crime in San Diego.

*By United Press*

SAN DIEGO, Cal., May 12.—Moss Edward Garrison, 37-year-old suitor of Hazel Bradshaw, 22, who was stabbed to death a week ago, was ordered arraigned today on a charge of murdering the girl.

Thomas Whelan, district attorney, formally charged Garrison with the crime late Monday, after a coroner's jury found the girl had been stabbed to death by a person or persons unknown, but with evidence pointing toward Garrison.

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## Marble Turney Entry Blank

Name .....

Address .....

Playground Near My Home .....

Age Limit: Boys who are 14 years and under, and who will not be 15 until July 1, 1931.

I was born ..... (month) ..... (day) ..... (year)

READ THE TIMES FOR NEWS OF THE MARBLE TOURNAMENT

## MANIAC-SLAVER IS CAPTURED IN 'ARSENAL' LAIR

Fights Off 40 Officers in  
Gun Battle Before He  
Is Taken.

*By United Press*  
M'CONNELLSBURG, Pa., May 12.—Marshall Lodge, 31, an insane man who shot and killed Sergeant Timothy G. McCarthy, 42, of the Pennsylvania state police, and wounded Russell K. Knies, 24, a state trooper, was captured in a barricaded house today.

He was overcome by tear gas and shot in the arm before officers could reach him.

The man was armed with pistols, rifles and shot guns and held off more than forty state policemen, sheriffs and other officers before he was overcome.

**Threatened Neighbors**

According to authorities Lodge recently had been threatening the lives of neighbors and several times engaged in shooting escapades.

Frank Lodge, father of the man, threatened authorities to place his son in a state institution. Young Lodge had been in the habit of wandering into the woods during the night, so it was decided to apprehend him this morning.

F. Glen Younker, sheriff, of McConnelsburg, a deputy and three state policemen were detailed to take Lodge into custody. The officers were fired upon by Lodge, and McCarthy fell, fatally wounded. Knies was seriously wounded.

The maniac then leaped through his bedroom window and escaped.

State police were sent into the mountains and sheriff and county officers joined in the pursuit.

**Barreled in Old House**

Police barricaded himself in an old house and began sniping at the officers. Hundreds of shots were fired and then tear gas bombs were used.

State policemen shot at the man every time he appeared near a window. The parents of Lodge hid in the kitchen of the house, outside of the gun-fire range.

Lodge roamed from the cellar to the attic, taking pot shots at the officers. As he moved about his father and mother changed their positions. Hundreds of shots were used before tear gas bombs were brought into play. These led to Lodge's capture.

**Even as You—**

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*NEW YORK, May 12.—Alexandre Gastaud, the best cook in America (by Park avenue standards), made the remark today that he likes ham and eggs, with the eggs turned over.*

*Alexandre has been engaged as chef, which means over-*

*lord, of the new Waldorf-Astoria hotel, where he will*

*have 150 cooks.*

**Guns, Armor Problem**

Such a battleship could make the trip from the Pacific coast to the Philippines and return, and still have fuel left for another 6,000 miles.

Or it could do the round trip from Honolulu to Manila twice without taking on oil, and still have a lot of distance left in her.

If the British designs live up to expectations, the American argument for 35,000 toners would seem to fall of its own weight.

**RAPS TRADE CHIEFS**

Borah scoffs at C. of C. on

Business Depression.

*By United Press*

WASHINGTON, May 12.—

pressing dissatisfaction with

achievements of both the U.

States Chamber of Commerce and

the international chamber at their

recent meetings, Senator William

Borah (Rep., Ida.) Monday night

urged a meeting of business men

"unfettered" by connection with any such organization.

Such a meeting, presumably,

would include such men as Sen-

ator James Couzens (Rep., Mich.),

whose suggestions for combating

the business depression to its

Atlantic City convention, met with

a cool reception.

Borah said results of the At-

lantic City meeting largely were

negative.

He attributed this to inability to

agree and to fear of antagonizing

the present United States adminis-

tration.

**FULL WEIGHT DEMANDED**

*City Official Says Stores Must Give*

*Ful Potato Value.*

*After a conference with Grover*

*Parr, city weights and measures in-*

*dependent groceries have agreed to*

*weigh potatoes before selling them*

*to retail customers, Parr told the*

*safety board today.*

The dog belonged to a neighbor

and is under observation in a local

dog hospital. So far no rabies

has developed in the dog, but the little