

PROPOSAL TO WED SPURNED, KILLS HIMSELF

Chemist Takes Poison When Childhood Sweetheart Turns Him Down.

When his sweetheart, since childhood days, spurned his proposal of marriage, Mason Page Mitchell, Indianapolis chemist, killed himself by poisoning in Chicago Wednesday.

His sister, Miss Lesta Mitchell, a nurse, was called on duty in his case when he was taken to the hospital.

Entering the apartment of his sweetheart, Miss Rose Fergus, 23, Mitchell said:

"Rose, we've been sweethearts since we were school kids in Indiana. Now it is going to be me or the other fellow."

"I told him it would be the other fellow," Miss Fergus stated.

Mitchell went to the bathroom and swallowed a poison which he had compounded himself. He brought the poison with him when he went to Chicago by plane Wednesday.

Carried Letter From Girl

The poison was in a bottle which Mitchell carried in his pocket with a letter from Miss Fergus, which read in part:

"You mean nothing to me any longer. I'm going to marry someone else. If you behave as you have recently, I can never see you again."

Miss Fergus, employed as a night cashier, said she forgot to lock her apartment, and Mitchell entered shortly after she returned from work.

She called a physician after Mitchell swallowed the poison. He was taken to Lake View hospital.

Employed in City

A doctor bent over him in examination. Glancing up he saw the nurse was in grief.

"Not a chance," the doctor said. "This man has taken a deadly poison. He has—Why, nurse, what's the matter? Know him?"

"My brother," Miss Mitchell replied. "I did not even know he was in Chicago."

Mitchell was employed by the Lilly Varnish Company, 666 South California street. He has been a roofer for several months at 2947 North Meridian street but left about two weeks ago. None of his associates know where he had been living recently.

LESLIE OFFERS PLAN FOR TAX REDUCTION

Urge Elimination of Township Units, County Consolidations.

Policy of changing governmental machinery to eliminate township units and consolidate smaller counties was offered by Governor Harry G. Leslie Tuesday afternoon as the salvation for overburdened taxpayers.

He addressed the Apartment Owners Association at the Washington.

Declaring there are too many small units of government, the Governor said consolidation could be accomplished if the legislature would pass an enabling act to permit joining of townships and counties.

Although his proposals were mostly legislative remedies for the tax situation, he reiterated his stand against a special session of the legislature at this time.

WASHINGTON SHRINE TO BE DEDICATED TODAY

\$5,000,000 Memorial at Alexandria, Va., Is Tribute of Masons.

Thousands of Masons from all parts of the nation assembled here today to dedicate a great shrine to the memory of George Washington, the most revered Mason of his day.

President Herbert Hoover and most of his cabinet were to attend the exercises in the afternoon. The house of representatives adjourned until Friday as congressmen could participate.

Proceeding the dedication, there was to be a four-hour parade through Alexandria.

The \$5,000,000 memorial temple stands on a hill overlooking Washington and the valley of the Potomac.

KATE IS 'QUITTING' AGAIN

Mother Meyrick of London's Night Life Says She's Through.

LONDON, May 12—Mrs. Kate Meyrick, mother-in-law of British peers, is making an "all time retirement" from London's night life and will live in the country, she said today.

She was fined Wednesday and placed on parole after the latest of a series of convictions for selling liquor without a license.

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DEATH CLAIMS EX-POLICEMAN

Patrick Bain Is Victim of Pneumonia.

By United Press

WASHINGTON, May 12—Ralph M. Easley, secretary of the anti-Communist National Civic Federation, came to the defense of Gaston B. Means today with a denial that Means had received any money from Mrs. Finley J. Shepard, wealthy New York society woman.

Easley's statement followed indirect charges by District Attorney Leo Rover that Means had obtained larger sums from Mrs. Shepard and the Ancient Order of Hibernians. He was born in Ireland in 1876.

His connection with the police force, which began in 1909, ended in 1917. At various times since he had been on special police duty at the Brookside park community house.

His home was at 1425 Marlowe. He leaves his widow, Mrs. Mary Bain.

Blunt in speech and a born fighter, despite being physically smaller than many officers, patrolman Bain is remembered as a "copper" without fear in the days when saloons flourished.

During the 1913 flood, he was assigned to duty in a building where refugees found shelter and forced twelve tramps to take baths. The tramps had taken advantage of the situation to obtain food and shelter, but patrolman Bain was unerring in picking out the worthy and unworthy, and the enforced bath was his idea of punishing the latter.

"CLOSET PRISON" GIRL THRIVES ON FREEDOM

Child Gains 33 Pounds in Six Months After Rescue by Police.

WASHINGTON, May 12—Teenage girl Edith Riley has gained thirty-three pounds in six months since she was rescued by police from a closet prison in which her parents had incarcerated her for years. She now weighs 71 pounds.

Psychiatrists also reported to juvenile court that Edith, under hospital care, has made a "remarkable improvement" mentally.

The child's father and step-mother are serving two-year prison terms for mistreating her.

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Orr Assails 'Bone Dry' Act in Kiwanis Talk.

By United Press

LAFAYETTE, Ind., May 12—Property is being confiscated to make a bootlegger's holiday. Lawrence F. Orr, chief examiner of the state board of accounts and candidates for Governor, declared here today.

Orr was principal speaker at a luncheon of the Kiwanis Club. He made a plea for repeal of the Wright "bone-dry" law and immediate modification of the Volstead act to permit sale of light wine and beer.

Women, he said, are more willing than men to bring about these changes, since they are not yet used to "political pussyfooting."

"If our male citizens in congress and political party will get some backbone and face this issue without political sparring and pussyfooting we can set our government in order without delay," Orr declared.

"The people must have relief and will not continue to endure suffering brought about by spineless politicians."

I am not opposed to a referendum of the eighteenth amendment. I am opposed to its being offered as the real remedy for the present situation. Such an amendment or repeal can not be accomplished without delay."

Miracle Brain

Bandit, Wounded in Holdup, Recovers With Shot Still in Head.

By United Press

CHICAGO, May 12—A month ago Tony Canino, 32, was taken to a hospital, a bullet in his head, after being shot in an attempted holdup, and physicians despaired of his life.

Today Canino, the 45 caliber lead pellet still embedded in his brain was discharged from the hospital, virtually recovered.

The bullet lodged two inches behind the left eye and physicians finding it would be fatal to attempt to remove it, concentrated on healing the wound.

Having survived, Canino is on \$10,000 bond and will face charges of attempted robbery.

KILLER LOSES MERCY APPEAL

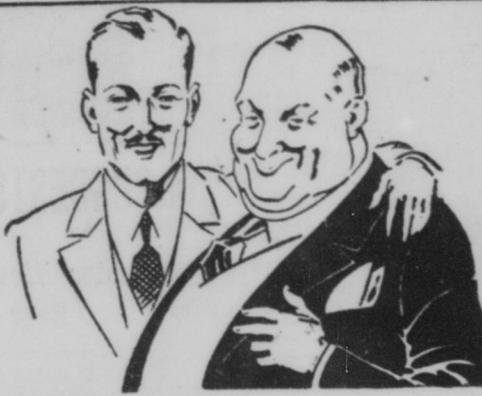
Pardon Only Recourse Left to Baltimore Youth.

By United Press

BALTIMORE, Md., May 12—Herman W. Duker, confessed slayer of a milkman, was one step nearer the gallows today, following a denial of his plea for mercy by the Maryland court of appeals.

A pardon or commutation of sentence by Governor Abert C. Ritchie, now is the last hope of saving the scion of a prominent Baltimore family.

Duker and Dale H. Lambert killed John W. Anderson, dairy employee, during an attempted hold up here on April 20, 1931. Lambert confessed and was given a life sentence in the Maryland penitentiary.

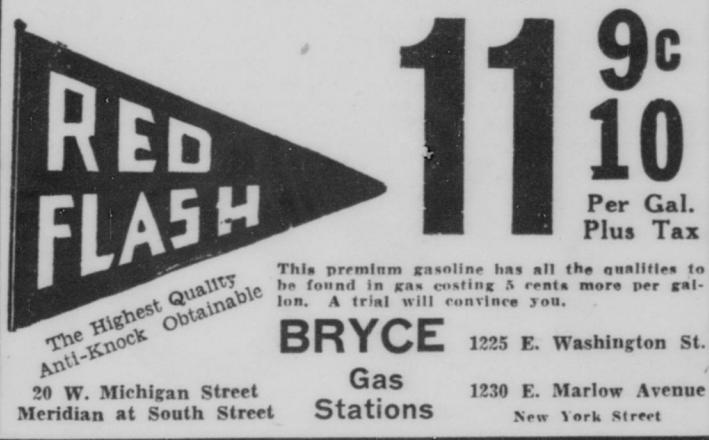


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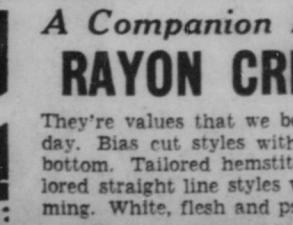
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