

WEIRD MURDER PLOT HINTED IN 'SEER SLAYING'

Grocer Is Shot to Death 72
Hours After Prophecy;
Relatives Quizzed.

By United Press
CHICAGO, July 18.—Last Thursday a soothsayer drew three cards from her deck. The first bore a grinning skeleton, scythe in hand. The second a woman mourning before a gravestone, and the third an advocate studying the law.

Today detectives studied the cards and their prophecy of death as they hunted the slayer of George Carl, 44, shot to death seventy-two hours after his wife heard his fate foretold.

Police investigated reports that Carl had taken out, at the behest of his brother-in-law, a \$5,000 life insurance policy with double liability in event of violent death.

Carl's 9-year-old son, Dorn, revealed to police the prophecy of his father's death.

Seer Is Quizzed
"Mother told me a fortune teller said Daddy would be killed by bandits," the child said.

Mrs. Carl confirmed the statement and named the seer as Mrs. Susie Ballow.

Mrs. Ballow informed officers she had made the prophecy. The first card, she said, indicated death, the second showed the husband would be the victim, and the third indicated the widow might come under suspicion and require services of a lawyer.

Mrs. Carl told police that she and her family were convinced by the prophecy that her husband would die.

Police Suspect Plot
"But he just laughed when I told him about the fortune teller," Mrs. Carl said. "He said it was all foolishness. Then Saturday night, we came into the shop and found him dead."

Officers who examined Carl's grocery, where he was shot, were convinced the place had been disarranged deliberately to simulate a robbery. No weapon was found.

Lieutenant Herbert Burns said he believed the man was slain by a friend while the pair were engaged in conversation.

Ivan Grice, 38, Carl's brother-in-law, was held by police for questioning. Detectives were checking his alibi, as well as those of other members of the family.

BOILER BLAST KILLS ONE
Four Others Are Scalded in Farm Explosion at Cortland.

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CORTLAND, Ind., July 18.—Five men were scalded, one fatally, when a threshing machine boiler exploded on a farm near here Sunday.

Arthur Harvey, died in a hospital of his burns. George Cortland, and John Anderson, Bedford, will recover, hospital physicians said. R. L. Brown and Jake Elkins sustained lesser burns.

CONTRACT
as the BRIDGE EXPERTS PLAY IT

BY W. E. MCKENNEY
Secretary American Bridge League

HAVE you noticed the number of people who continually complain that they hold poor cards? There is a peculiar belief among card players that if you complain about poor cards that you will continue to hold them.

The superstitions of card players are many, and I know several players who have told me that while the cards are being dealt, they actually repeat in their mind, "Come on, ace."

I believe that the prize hand luck band of the year was played in a recent duplicate tournament. It was hard luck from three different angles.

Several pairs played the hand at three hearts—one pair played it at three hearts, while one pair played the hand at two hearts and took only five tricks.

The pair who played it at three hearts managed to take six tricks, but of course were down more because they did not hold honors.

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BY BEN STERN
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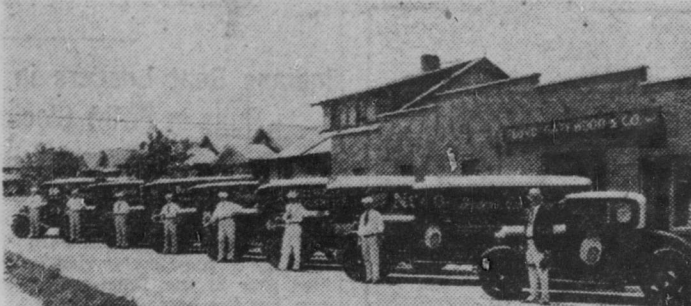
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Business and Industrial News

Truck Fleet 'Dressed Up'



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ENERGY SAVED BY PASSENGERS ON STREET CARS

Rail Line Patrons Avoid
Waste of Nerve Force
in Traffic.

BY J. J. BEDLOW

While it may not be the controlling reason, or even the principal reason, for the larger use of street cars, there is no question that economy is served thereby.

By economy is not meant the money question alone, although anybody knows that a two-mile ride by street car is much cheaper than the same distance covered by an automobile.

There is the economy of effort, for instance. Man of today has just about so much strength and so much force. These he has use for in business in these troubled days. If he expends this energy in getting about with an automobile, and the nerve force that goes with the handling of a car in traffic, he has just that much less to expend upon the problems of business.

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E. L. Yantis, the owner, has made a number of improvements. The interior of this structure has a beautiful hardwood floor, forty by eighty feet, around which there is a seating capacity for as many as 400 persons.

One of the new features is the fine outdoor dining room, shaded by a grove of picturesque trees. There is ample parking space for the many cars that take the pleasant drive to this new establishment for a cool evening's entertainment.

The various kinds of refreshments and Yantis' toasted sandwiches make an enjoyable evening. The Dutton Band and his eleven-piece orchestra have a steady engagement to furnish the music. This group of versatile musicians is well known here.

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