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## GROCER CLERK MURDERED IN STORE HOLDUP

Halts Raising Hands, to Remove His Glasses; Shot Down.

### THREE IN BANDIT RAID

Blame Victim's Poor Sight for Tragedy; Killers Flee in Auto.

Chris C. Wade, 54, father of two motherless small girls, was slain Thursday night by bandits, who fled without loot from the grocery of Otto Aldendorf, 650 South Lyon Avenue. Three suspects are held.

The slain man, a clerk in the grocery, was shot down when he halted raising his hands to remove his glasses. His sight was poor, acquaintances said.

Three men, all carrying revolvers, entered the store. Besides Wade, those in the place were Aldendorf, Jesse Rabern, a butcher, 616 South McLeod street; Charles Wilkerson of the Lyon avenue address, and Reid Phillips of the McLeod street address.

Wade entered while the robbery was in progress. Coming into the lighted store, his poor sight caused him to hesitate until his eyes became accustomed to the light.

Commanded to raise his hands, Wade lifted them, but halted to remove his glasses. A shot was fired, the bullet entering his abdomen. He died in the admitting room of city hospital.

#### Flee After Shooting

Aldendorf tried to fight the bandits, but was knocked down by a fist blow. Wilkerson was in a back room when the robbers entered.

One came near him and Wilkerson remarked, "You can't do that," as he was ordered to remain quiet. He was struck in the face with the butt of a revolver.

After shooting Wade, the bandits ran from the store to an automobile. As they drove away, Phillips fired at them with a shotgun.

Wade's daughters, Darlene, 6, and Ruth Joan, 4, are with relatives in Ooltic, Ind. The wife and mother died weeks ago after an illness of a year from cancer.

Possible explanation for the apparently unwaranted shooting of Wade was given today by Aldendorf. He said that he received a tip recently that his store was to be robbed or entered by burglars.

He arranged with Wade, who owed him for groceries, to work as a clerk during the time the store was open at night and he remained after closing. Aldendorf believes the robbers knew of this arrangement and suspected that Wade was armed, although he had no weapon.

#### Three Suspects Held

Suspects held in the case, and believed connected with a robbery which followed the slaying are Raymond Jutt, 30, and Robert White, 34, both of 347 North East street, and Archie Lawson, 29, of 436 West Norwood street.

They were arrested at Brownsburg by Everett Hudelson, town marshal, who had them at bay backed against the wall of a bank when Sergeant Noel Jones and patrolmen Charles Burkett and Chester Timmerman arrived. Hudelson arrested the men when he saw them loitering near a restaurant. He called police here for aid.

Three men held up Bert Yeager, West Newton, active in Democratic politics, while he was driving on road 67, about five miles southwest of Indianapolis, following the Wade slaying. The robbers obtained a small amount of money and a watch.

#### Autopsy Is Performed

One effort to link the prisoners with the murder failed when it was shown that the bullet which killed Wade could not have been fired from a revolver one of the men dropped in Brownsburg. This gun is a .32-caliber, while an autopsy showed the fatal bullet was of .38-caliber or larger.

Dr. William E. Arbuckle, coroner, stated that an autopsy performed by his deputy, Dr. J. A. Sabo, showed that the bullet entered the abdomen and passed through the body. Internal hemorrhage caused death. Search is being made in the store for the bullet.

#### Prisoners Deny Slaying

Albert Flynn, living near Brownsburg, brought the three men arrested there to Clermont. He said they halted him while he was driving to Clermont from Indianapolis. No attempt was made to rob him. He said they told him they were hitch-hiking to a small Montgomery county town near Crawfordsville.

According to police, White admits having served a term in the Illinois state prison at Stateville for assault and battery with intent to commit murder, and was released on parole two months ago.

The prisoners deny any connection with the slaying of Wade and robbery of Yeager. They are held on vagrancy charges under bond of \$2,000 each. Effort to identify them was to made today.

#### EXCHANGE TO CLOSE

Brokers to Pay Respect to Coolidge by Halting Business.

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—The New York Stock Exchange will be closed Saturday in observance of the funeral of former President Calvin Coolidge, the governing committee of the exchange announced today.

## Mother and 2 Children Injured as Home Burns



Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Helms and their children, routed early today from their burning home at 344 South Taft street, Ralph, 2, held by Mrs. Helms, was carried from the house by his mother as the roof fell. The father is holding Bernice, 5. The other children are Earl, 7, and Fred, 4.

## Woman Braves Possible Death in Flames to Rescue Baby of Family Left in Blazing House.

Braving smoke and flames, Mrs. Clara Helms, 21-year-old mother of four children, was aided by her husband, Joe Helms, 32, in rescuing them barely in time early today when the family home at 344 South Taft street, was destroyed.

## BANDIT OUTWITTED BY AGED WIDOW

Darts Inside Door, Calls for Neighbors' Aid.

Mrs. Julian Ooghe, 70-year-old widow, outwitted a bandit today at her home, 1448 West Washington street.

Answering the doorbell, Mrs. Ooghe faced a man about 30, who walked in.

"I'm an agent," he said. "Give me all your valuable papers."

"I have none," Mrs. Ooghe said.

Drawing a revolver, the intruder said:

"This is a hold up. Give me everything valuable you've got."

Mrs. Ooghe backed away. Reaching a bathroom, she darted inside and locked the door. Raising a window she called for help. Neighbors began running toward the house and the intruder fled.

## LESLIE REFUSES TO WEAR 'STOVE PIPE'

Governor Will Not Use Top Hat at McNutt Inauguration.

Governor Harry G. Leslie will not wear a top hat at the inauguration Monday of Paul V. McNutt as his successor. Leslie said today the arrangements committee had asked if he would wear a "stove pipe" and he replied:

"I never wear one if I can get around it. I didn't at my own inauguration and I certainly won't Monday."

The hat matter disposed of, the Governor said he and Mrs. Leslie will hold open house tonight at the executive mansion, preparatory to moving to the Adminal apartments. Thirtieth and Meridian streets.

"What are you going to do when your term as Governor ends?" he was asked.

"Well, I'm going to take a vacation, but I hope it won't be too long," he replied.

Leslie will join the unemployed Monday.

## TENNESSEE TROOPS HURRY TO MINE AREA

Tense Situation Reported From Strike District in Hills.

By United Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 6.—The One hundred ninth cavalry of the Tennessee national guard was ordered to return to duty at Wilder, Tenn., today as a result of fresh outbreaks of violence.

About 500 striking coal miners have created a tense situation in the little mining town far back in the hills of Tennessee, Adjutant-General W. C. Boyd reported to Governor Henry Horton.

Home Loan Council Resigns

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—Charles P. Sisson, general counsel for the federal home loan bank board, today resigned to return to private law practice in Providence, R. I.

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## Read Times Want Ads

IN TONIGHT'S WANT ADS

Under Classification 41, a party wishes to buy a Baby's play pen. If you have a baby pen which you can not use, we will sell it and at the same time help this advertiser?

Washington, Jan. 6.—Calvin Coolidge told me in the quiet of his Northampton (Mass.) law office that such success as credited to him as President was due to the fact that "when there was a job to be done, I found the best man to do it and let him do it."

The former President cocked his high-topped tan shoes on his time-stained golden oak desk as he paused to talk, and drew at the white paper holder, which held his long cigar tipped by an inch of undisturbed white ash.

I had climbed the worn steps of

the old brick Masonic temple in Northampton to talk about business conditions, for we then were in one of the more hopeful periods of the depression. We talked from 9:30 until noon.

Book cases in the small room held ancient law books. A faded facsimile of the Declaration of Independence hung on one wall. His desk, unlike that he used at Washington, was piled high with all sorts of papers.

The former President wore a business suit that appeared not to have been creased by the overpunctilious

## CALVIN COOLIDGE TO REST IN NATIVE VERMONT HILLS

### Hoover Proclaims 30 Days of Mourning; Leaves Tonight to Attend Funeral

BY FREDERICK C. OTHMAN  
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WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—The nation entered a thirty-day period of mourning for one of its most beloved Presidents today as President Herbert Hoover prepared to attend the funeral of Calvin Coolidge.

The country's flags were at half staff. Its military officers were in mourning insignia. Its citizens grieved. The capital was still stunned by the suddenness of the news.

Mr. Hoover and his party will leave for Northampton tonight. At sun up Saturday, naval guns in all shore stations and afloat will begin their day-long booming at half hourly intervals, in recognition of the funeral in the afternoon.

The President and congressional delegations will attend the Northampton services. They will return immediately to Washington. The trip home will be made while Mr. Coolidge's body is being lowered in a grave next to those of his forbears and his son in the Rocky Little cemetery near Plymouth, Vt.

After adjourning Thursday in respect to Mr. Coolidge, Congress planned to continue its deliberations today. Most of its members, Republicans and

Democrats alike, together with practically every citizen of the capital, sent condolences to Mrs. Coolidge. She was one of the most popular first ladies in Washington's history.

As servants packed Mr. Hoover's bags for the fourth presidential funeral he has attended, the sadness at the White House was tempered with involuntary smiles as Mr. Coolidge's friends recalled famous instances of his dry wit.

Two of his closest friends revealed they had received prophetic letters from Mr. Coolidge before he died.

"My work is finished," he wrote E. T. Clark, his ex-White House secretary.

He was "always tired," he told Colonel E. W. Starling of the secret service.

News of his death electrified an almost somnolent day at the White House. President Hoover was enjoying his luncheon in the sunny dining room with State Secretary Henry L. Stimson when the flash came in:

"Calvin Coolidge is dead."

The President seemed stunned. Silently he pushed back his plate. Carefully he folded his napkins.

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Last Rites Saturday Will Be Simple, in Keeping With Life Habits of Late Former President.

### NATION'S GREAT TO PAY TRIBUTE

Simple Funeral Services Will Be Held at Northampton Church; Wife Bears Death Shock Bravely.

BY SYDNEY B. WHIPPLE  
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NORTHAMPTON, Mass., Jan. 6.—Calvin Coolidge, the thirtieth President of the United States, will rest Saturday beside his father in the granite hills.

His burial, on a cold hillside of Plymouth, Vt., where his ancestors were buried, will be as he wished it, without undue solemnity, and without pretense.

The former President, in death as in life, was a symbol of the simple mode of life which had been his code, which had characterized his every act, from obscure lawyer to the presidency.

It was the wish of his wife that his burial would be the same—unostentatious, unmarked by pomp or ceremonious circumstance.

Harry Ross, his secretary and perhaps his only real confidante outside his immediate family, said he would be buried with all the simplicity that marked his life and the lives of his ancestors.

### Nation's Great to Pay Last Tribute

It was Mrs. Coolidge's wish, Ross said, "that the usual grandeur be absent from these rites. She would have him buried as simply as was his mother, his father and his son. It was his way."

Calvin Coolidge might have been buried in Arlington cemetery, to rest alongside the great of the nation.

Mrs. Coolidge, who knew him best chose for his final resting place the cemetery in the hills that are white through the winter and green through the summer.

His ancestors, "for generations back," had been buried there.

Funeral services will be at the Edwards Congregational church, where the former President and Mrs. Coolidge were regular attendants. They will be conducted by the Rev. Albert J. Penner, pastor. The church was named for Jonathan Edwards, eighteenth century divine, who made his home here.

The nation's great and this little Massachusetts city's humblest will gather in the church at 10:30 a. m. After simple services the body will be taken by automobile, if road conditions permit, to Plymouth, Vt., for burial, presumably about 3 p. m.

### Last Hours Typical of His Life

Mr. Coolidge's last hours were much the same as those of his routine existence since his retirement from the presidency and his assumption of the duties of an ordinary citizen.

He had insisted, ever since he relinquished the cares of office, that he was no more than a private citizen, that no special significance be attached to his daily comings and goings.

He arose as usual about 7 a. m., breakfasted with Mrs. Coolidge, and arrived at his office at 8:30 a. m.

"It wasn't that he was connected with the law firm of Hemenway & Hemenway," said Ross. "It was just that it gave him some place to go. He read his mail, signed whatever letters demanded his attention, and read the paper. Then he said to me, 'Let's go home'."

Mr. Coolidge and Ross were driven home. They sat in the study from 10 o'clock on. Mrs. Coolidge dropped in for a few words. She said she was going shopping.

"Take the car," her husband offered.

"No," Mrs. Coolidge replied, "it's too far a day." I'll walk."

She left the house.