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CERMAK DIES OF SHOT FIRED BY ASSASSIN

Mayor Had Waged Brave
Life Battle 19 Days
After Shooting.

FAMILY AT BEDSIDE

Zangara Now Will Face
Murder Indictment
for Crime.

BY EDWARD W. LEWIS
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MIAMI, Fla., March 6.—Anton J. Cermak—Tony from the coal mines, who rose to be mayor of the nation's second city—died today from the effects of a bullet fired by an assassin, who hoped to strike down Franklin D. Roosevelt.

The heroic nineteen-day battle of the fighting may have come to a quiet end at 6:55 a. m. All through the night, Cermak had been sinking slowly.

Physicians, friends and family alike recognized that another of the amazing rallies with which he has surprised those around him before could not be hoped for this time.

Gangrenous pneumonia had set in to complicate the colitis, and heavy heart strain resulting from the bullet which cut through his abdomen, touched his lung and liver and lodged in his spine.

The expected prosecution of Giuseppe Zangara, Cermak's assassin, on a first degree murder charge was delayed until an official report could be obtained on the cause of Cermak's death.

Zangara Under Constant Guard

The death was caused by "dry gangrene of the right lung, due to infection from the bullet" fired by Zangara, Dr. E. C. Thomas, Dade county physician, said, after an autopsy today.

Cermak's relatives now plan to start back to Chicago with his body at 6 p. m.

Zangara was under constant guard in his cell on the twenty-second floor of the county building. Precautions were taken against permitting visitors, and he constantly was watched by deputies to prevent any attempt at suicide.

Unless the fact that the governor has declared a legal holiday in connection with the banking situation interposes legal difficulties, it was believed Zangara's trial would be postponed of within thirty-six hours.

Fights Bravely Until End

If he is sentenced to be executed, a delay of seven days before the sentence could be carried out would be obligatory under the state law.

Mayor Cermak's death was announced by Edward C. Kelley, head of the south park board of Chicago, who had been waiting through the night near his friend and chief.

The mayor's last night was typical of the grim tenacity which characterized his career. Before midnight, his physicians had said he could not live an hour more.

At 2:30, when he had sunk into a coma, they moved him out of the oxygen room in which a precarious spark of life had been maintained for hours following a blood transfusion.

But still the mayor, unconscious, battled on.

Relatives and friends went into his room, stood a while by his bedside and left, unable to watch the touching, hopeless fight for long at a time.

Family at Bedside

At the bedside when Cermak died were his three daughters, his brother, Joseph, and his sister, Mrs. John Kallal; Mrs. Clara Beesley, Cermak's secretary; Dr. Frederick Tice, one of the staff of consulting physicians, and Dr. R. C. Woodward, hospital superintendent.

Vivian Graham, 17, his granddaughter, who held his hand for hours during the night, also was at the bedside.

The mayor died in the same room in the right wing of Jackson memorial hospital where he had lain through most of his long fight.

He did not rouse before he died.

Kelly said.

The official medical announcement of death, signed by Dr. R. C. Woodward, hospital superintendent, said:

"Mayor Cermak passed away very quietly and peacefully at 6:55 a. m."

The mayor's daughters, Mrs. Lilian Graham, Mrs. Ella Jirka and Mrs. Helen Kenley, broke down after his death. They refused to leave his room. Weeping, they embraced the body of their father.

Day of Mourning Is Named

Arrangements had been made during the night to have the mayor's body taken to the Philbrick funeral home.

From there, according to tentative plans, it will be taken late today, escorted by mayors of the cities of greater Miami and by Shriners and civic leaders, to a train which will carry the world's fair mayor home.

Mayor Gautier of Miami declared a day of public mourning, and the flag on the courthouse was ordered at half mast for a month.

Mayor A. Frank Katzenbach of Miami Beach, a close friend of Cermak, will accompany the funeral party to Chicago.

Rose From Immigrant Home

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Traction Car Smashes Into Truck; 23-Year-Old Driver Killed Instantly



Upper—The traction car which was derailed today at Twenty-fifth street and Arlington avenue after striking a truck, driver of which was killed instantly.

Lower Left—Charles Rafferty Jr., 23, Thirtieth street and Layman avenue, driver of the truck.

Lower Right—Wreckage of the truck which Rafferty was driving.

HITLERITES WIN VOTE VICTORY

Chancellor's Rule Approved
by Tremendous Margin
in Germany.

By United Press

BERLIN, March 6.—Chancellor Adolf Hitler's command of Germany thunderingly had been affirmed.

Returns still filtering in today showed that the Nazi rule was accorded a sweeping victory in Sunday's election, both in the Reichstag and the Prussian state diet.

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Two persons were hurt, neither seriously, when the interurban was derailed, the front section dropping into a ditch along the right of way.

Driving a truck belonging to the Koehler Bros. grocery, Thirty-fourth street and Arlington avenue, where he was employed, Rafferty was en route home after being informed of temporary loss of his job.

The impact demolished the truck, crushing Rafferty in the wreckage.

William Standish of Muncie, motorman, incurred a lacerated hand from flying glass, and Miss Ethel DeShond, 401 North Illinois street, a passenger, was bruised when knocked to the floor of the interurban. Her injuries were not serious.

Rafferty, whose father is employed at the Lyman Brothers picture company, 31 Monument circle, had been given permission to use the truck for a short time during the morning. He had been employed at the store about three years.

Roy Moppin of Muncie, conductor, and William Madelin of Indianapolis, another passenger on the car, were not hurt. The traction car was inbound on the Newcastle-Muncie line.

DAVIS TRIAL POSTPONED

"Wisdom and Guidance" Needed in Capital, Is Plea.

By United Press

NEW YORK, March 6.—The trial of Senator James J. Davis of Pennsylvania, charged with federal lottery law violations, today was postponed until Monday on the plea that his "wisdom, experience and guidance" were needed in Washington because of the present economic crisis.

Firemen Break Up Jobless Meeting

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It's the Man With the Small Change Who's Popular Today

BY ARCH STEINEL

"BROTHER, can you change a five?" This was the city's newest song in the mile-square of industry today, as merchants and citizens faced locked bank doors.

"Change" became the lip-service of store managers and cashiers.

The cash register was worsened for its nickels and dimes instead of its dollar bills.

Any bill larger than \$5 was looked at askance and unless the purchaser of the article was known not to be on the endless tramp of going from store to store in search of "change," his request was denied.

The Indianapolis Railways Inc. literally acted as a mutual bank with the Indianapolis Power and

Light company, today.

Change from car token purchases was being exchanged by the utility company for currency and vice versa.

A FEW small stores doing a cash business kept their doors locked rather than be drained of their cash.

One key store of a chain drug company declared that it could hold out without change until mid afternoon, but after that it must receive a supply of coins or be forced to do business only in small amounts.

ALL hotels reported salesmen stranded in the city due to lack of funds. The salesmen awaited wired orders for money with which to return to the home office.

Bank express companies were swamped by requests for coinage. Companies farsighted enough to

conserve their supply of change were bearing the brunt of the shopping for silver by other merchants.

The fellow who tried to buy two packages of cigarettes and gave a \$5 bill for payment forced cashiers to resort to safes for change, or was turned down.

All business was being done on a cash basis with the exception of a few companies which received checks conditional with bank payment at a later date.

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Telegraph offices were busy handling messages for money requests in small amounts.

The money order window at the post office looked like a Saturday bank line as business men used

Where the firms were known, the hotels were lenient in extending credit, but a traveler who approached a hotel desk with luggage and asked for credit on lodgings felt like a newlywed on his honeymoon trip.

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