

FORMER CITY COUNCILMAN AND SISTER-IN-LAW PERISH WHEN FIRE SWEEPS HOME

Fire Officials Puzzled Over Origin of Blaze Which Razes Interior of J. D. Moriarty Residence at 2623 Paris Avenue.

Authorities today were seeking the cause of the fire Monday night at 2623 Paris avenue, which caused the death of James D. Moriarty, 50, inspector in the city engineer's office and former city councilman, and Miss Mary Curran, 51, his sister-in-law.

Moriarty's body was found at the foot of the stairs, his clothing burned off. Miss Curran was found half way out of bed.

Fire officials were baffled by origin of the blaze which ravaged the interior of the house, but believe it due to a cigarette left burning in the living room. The cigarette is believed to have smoldered in the davenport until it generated such heat that some form of combustion took place, causing several rooms to burst into flames simultaneously.

All furniture and all rooms except the kitchen and bathroom were reduced to embers.

Victim Prominent in Politics

The fire was discovered at 10:30 Monday night when a passerby knocked at the home of Norman Riley, 2630 Paris avenue, and asked that the fire department be called.

Miss Helen Moriarty, daughter of the dead man, was on duty as a matron in the women's division at the county jail, and collapsed when taken to the scene of the tragedy in a sheriff's emergency car.

She was able, however, to direct firemen to a secret panel in her father's room which disclosed a compartment in which insurance papers and jewelry were untouched by the flames.

Moriarty was prominent in Democratic politics, having served one term as city councilman.

Before entering politics, he was proprietor of Moriarty's bar at Alabama and Ohio streets.

Employed by City Engineer

He became involved in 1909 in the railroad switchmen's strike, and was given a short prison sentence by Federal Judge A. B. Anderson for violating an injunction in connection with a strike.

Moriarty had been employed as engineer by the school board at Technical high school and, before appointment as inspector in the city engineer's office, was a special policeman at the Claypool.

Survivors of the two victims are the daughter of Mr. Moriarty and two brothers of Miss Curran, John and Michael Curran, 1214 Bates street.

JAILED: SUES SHERIFF

\$10,000 Damages Asked; Unlawful Imprisonment Is Charged.

Suit demanding \$10,000 for unlawful imprisonment against Sheriff Charles L. Sumner has been filed by Howell S. Holt in superior court one.

Holt's suit alleges that he was confined in county jail from Aug. 13, 1931 until Dec. 15, 1931, without a charge being lodged against him.

Sumner stated that Holt was arrested by police after an alleged failure to pay a \$90 fine assessed in municipal court for carrying concealed weapons.

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A book, "The Forgotten Man," was one of the objects spared by flames which Monday night destroyed the interior of the home of James D. Moriarty, 2623 Paris avenue, burning to death Mr. Moriarty and his sister-in-law, Miss Mary Curran.

Patrolman L. A. Baker is shown holding the charred book which was found open as if just laid down by one of the two victims. Inset is of Mr. Moriarty.

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RESCUE MISSION TO CELEBRATE

Committees Named for Fete on 40th Anniversary of Institution.

Committees were named Monday night at a conference of board members of the Wheeler City Rescue Mission for celebration, April 24, of the fortieth anniversary of the mission.

The anniversary meeting is scheduled to be held in the First Baptist church with open house in the mission.

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Cox's ruling was made after hearing on a suit filed by Mrs. Ruth Brown, mother of Charles (Chuck) Wiggins, local pugilist, to restrain County Auditor Charles Grossart from selling her property at 1716 Broadway.

Decision on the restraining order will be given after consideration of briefs which Cox ordered attorneys to file.

According to Mrs. Brown's testimony, the loan on the property was obtained without her knowledge and she did not share in division of the \$2,000 loaned from the school fund.

Frank Woehler, vice-president of the Fletcher American National bank, gave testimony on the signatures.

Another witness was Dunn, who denied having personal knowledge of the loan, but identified forms and other records.

"It appears to me that some one in the office should have detected this apparent forgery," Cox declared. "It does not seem possible that a husband could have mortgaged property held jointly with his wife without the act being detected."

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CHURCHES JOIN FOR SERVICES IN HOLY WEEK

Speakers Are Selected for Rites Starting April 9 at English Theater.

Annual Holy week services, starting April 9, are to be held in the English theater, under auspices of the Church Federation of Indianapolis.

Announcement of the speakers was made by Dr. Ernest N. Evans, executive secretary of the federation.

Speakers are:

Monday—Dr. Richard M. Millard,

pastor of the Broadway M. E. church.

Tuesday—Dr. Carl G. Atwater, pastor of the First Baptist church.

Wednesday—the Rev. E. G. Homigausen, pastor of the Carrollton Avenue Reformed church.

Thursday—the Rev. R. H. Mueller, pastor of the First Evangelical church.

On Good Friday, a three-hour service will be held with Dr. George A. Frantz, pastor of the First Presbyterian church; Dr. A. E. Cory, director of the Disciples of Christ pension fund, and Dr. John G. Benson, superintendent of the Methodist hospital in charge.

Choir music for the services will be under the direction of the Rev. Virgil P. Brock, executive secretary of the Christian Church Union of Indianapolis.

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