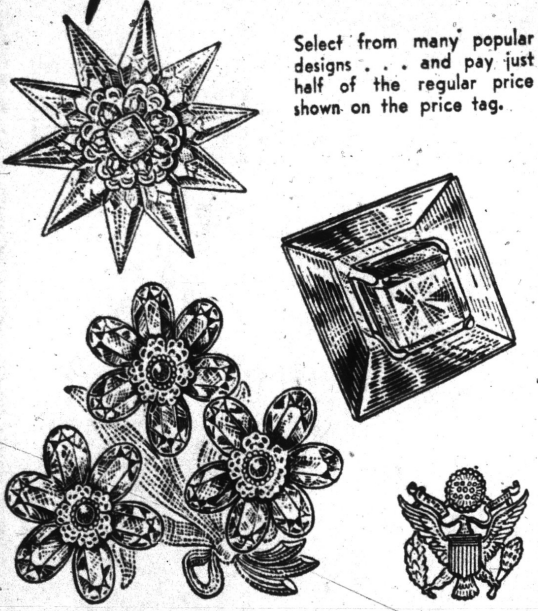


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## FIREPLACE LOG USED IN KILLING

Groundskeeper Tells of Jamming Librarian's Body in Pit.

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quest today. Police Chief Maj. Edward J. Kelly said a murder charge—punishable by electrocution upon conviction—was being prepared.

The nattily-dressed Negro, a man of moderate stature, failed to show up for work yesterday. Police searched for him throughout the day until two detectives found him last night in a restaurant.

Sighting the policeman, Fisher drew out a loaded .32 caliber revolver but one of the officers, Detective Sergeant Edgar Scott, grabbed his arm and wrested the weapon away before any shots were fired.

He was taken to police headquarters where he made the confession. He said he became irritated when Miss Reardon accused him of negligence in his work around her desk.

"I told her I did clean up there," he said. "When she insisted I didn't, I slapped her. Then I went to the fireplace and picked up the log."

Drags Body Down Stairs

He struck one blow. Miss Reardon, painfully hurt, attempted to flee, but she was trapped in another corner against the stained glass windows. Fisher choked her, according to his story, and struck her again with the log.

Then he dragged her down a 20-foot spiral steel staircase and concealed her as best he could in the sub-basement. He left her there with her slip and dress bunched under her head.

Fisher took Miss Reardon's hat, coat, pocketbook and gloves up to a dusty attic above the library reading room. It was the discovery of these articles that led to the search and the finding of the body.

After disposing of the body and the personal belongings, Fisher said, he took one of Miss Reardon's undergarments and "sopped up the blood and tidied up the basement." There was no blood on his clothing when he was arrested.

REOPEN DRAKE CASE

CHICAGO, March 3 (U. P.).—The inquest into the slaying of Mrs. Adele Born Williams, wealthy socialite, in her suite at the Drake hotel was scheduled to be reopened today after police announced the arrest of Mrs. Delphine Ranier Ward, 43, for questioning in the case.

## Slain in Church



NEA Telephone  
Catherine Reardon . . . victim of revengeful janitor.

## NAZIS DEFEATED AT BEACHHEAD

Give Up Third Assault As Yankees Exact Heavy Toll.

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infantry division and a record concentration of allied planes and cannon.

Counting their dead in the hundreds, the three crack Nazi divisions that launched the offensive against the center of the beachhead Tuesday fell back to their initial jumping-off place yesterday as the Americans completed the liquidation of the 1500-yard salient won and lost by the Germans at a staggering cost.

Lt. Gen. Mark M. Clark paid tribute to the American 3d division and identified the attacking German units as the 14th light rifles, the 362d infantry and the 26th panzer divisions.

Enemy Losses Heavy

All three suffered heavy losses in the two-day battle, and lost more than 400 prisoners to the Americans alone.

While the American infantrymen fought the Nazis to a standstill on the ground, the Mediterranean air forces threw virtually their entire striking power into the battle early yesterday in a shattering assault that proved the death blow to the enemy offensive.

The battered Germans threw up a terrific flak barrage, but only 25 enemy fighters were sighted over the beachhead and they refused to come to the aid of their ground forces.

## M'NARY SERVICES TO BE HELD TODAY

SALEM, Ore., March 3 (U. P.).—Typical of the quiet man whose career led to national recognition, funeral services will be simple and brief today for Senate Minority Leader Charles L. McNary of Oregon.

Oregon's marble state house will be jammed for the services, headed by a 22-member delegation from congress, Governor Earl Snell of Oregon and various state, county and city officials.

Salem business houses and state offices are closed in tribute to the small-town lawyer-farmer who served 26 years in the senate, was Republican floor leader the past decade, and the vice presidential nominee of his party four years ago. He was re-elected Republican leader just the day before he died.

## PVT. CARL POPE HURT IN ACTION

Local Infantryman Saw 11 Months' Service in Italy And Sicily.

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was killed on Kwajalein atoll and announced the names of 14 other Hoosiers on war casualty lists.

KILLED

Among the 114 U. S. soldiers who were killed in action recently on various war fronts are Pfc. George J. Ajdinovich, son of Mrs. Mary Ajdinovich, Whiting; 2d Lt. Richard F. Jones, son of Dr. Rhys F. Jones, South Bend, both killed in the Central Pacific theater, and Sgt. Herbert D. Bassett, husband of Mrs. Charlotte M. Bassett, Goshen, who lost his life in the European area.

Pfc. Henry C. Hess, son of Mrs. Tekla H. Hess, South Bend, and Pfc. Paul N. Mayer, son of Mrs. Blanche Mayer, Valparaiso, were killed in marine action.

MISSING

Pvt. Stephen D. Kralik, son of Mrs. Ann Kralik, East Chicago, is missing in marine combat.

WOUNDED

Hoosiers wounded in the Central Pacific zone are Pfc. Emmett L. Mull, husband of Mrs. Martha J. Mull, Salem; Pvt. Arthur E. Riebe, son of Mrs. Augusta L. Riebe, Kokomo; Pvt. Charles J. Severick, son of Mrs. Clara Severick, Michigan City; Pfc. George J. Strauss, son of Mrs. Anna B. Strauss, Laconia, and Sgt. Clifford A. Wrightman, husband of Mrs. Helen I. Wrightman, Brazil.

Mediterranean wounded lists include 1st Lt. Warren G. Beasley, son of Mrs. Clara B. Beasley, North Vernon, and Pfc. Harry R. Shidaker, husband of Mrs. Kathleen E. Shidaker, Bremen.

Pfc. Ben E. Jones, son of Mrs. Maude Jones, Hazelton, was wounded in the Southwest Pacific area.

HONORED

M. Sgt. Patrick B. Lockwood of Auburn was awarded the legion of merit for meritorious conduct in services in North Africa from November, 1942, to September, 1943.

Sgt. Lockwood, with his mechanical skill and leadership, contributed largely to successful mass operations of his squadron across the Atlantic without the loss of a single plane.

Working without the proper tools or equipment at a detached forward base, he gave his squadron an exceedingly high mechanical performance throughout the Tunisian campaign.

Pfc. Steven W. Schaefer, Gary, has been awarded the purple heart for wounds received in action with the 150th army infantry on Makin atoll last November.

His division fired the first shots at Makin and took the first losses. They plunged on the island to establish flank protection for larger units which poured through the corridor to attack the main Japanese forces.

## CATHEDRAL PUPILS SELECT PLAY CAST

The student theater of Cathedral high school has announced the cast for "The Upper Room," play to be given in the school auditorium March 26 and 28.

William Burns, Thomas Gibson, William Drummond, Maurice Farrell, Robert Claunch, Salvatore Punterelli and William Swent will play the male roles and Mary Margaret Carroll, Margie Markham and Joan Coyle, the feminine parts.

BLAST BURNS WOMAN

Mrs. Anna Borders, 60, of 3810 Aloda st., today received severe arm and leg burns when the gasoline stove she was lighting exploded. She was taken to City hospital. There was slight damage to the home.

## Capture of Escaped Porker Makes Red Cross \$5 Richer

Sooner, the Junior Chamber of commerce pig which ran away, was safely in the hands of her new master today, and the Red Cross was \$5 to the good.

The porker, escaped Wednesday night from its pen at the Theodore Pyritz home on the East road. Mr. Pyritz had been the fifth member to receive custody of Sooner as a member.

Late yesterday, Harold P. Clark, who lives three miles from Mr. Pyritz, saw his bird dog pointing toward the space underneath his barn. There was Sooner, Mr. Clark, who had seen accounts of the pig, called Mr. Pyritz, but asked to keep the pig overnight.

Meanwhile, Mr. Pyritz acquired a new member and gladly relinquished Sooner this morning to Harlan Livengood, next on the list. The \$5 reward offered for the pig, refused by Mr. Clark, will be given to the Red Cross for the war fund drive.

EX-CONGRESSMAN DIES

NEW ROCHELLE, N. Y., March 3 (U. P.).—Lucius Nathan Littauer, 85, millionaire glove manufacturer and former Republican congressman, died yesterday of a heart ailment.

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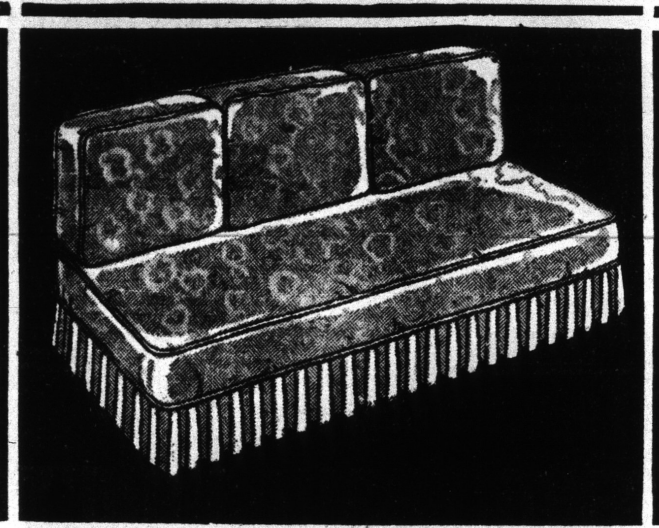
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