

638 Homicides Occurring in Buffalo: 1902-1936

Current Chart: 5/28/2013

The following table includes all of the homicides reported by the Buffalo Police from 1902 to 1936. An exact transcription is replicated from the yearly Annual Report Board of Police. These reports were submitted after the year had ended which allowed the police to often include information generated after the arrest. In 1927, there were two additional categories, "officers shot by crooks" and "persons shot by police." Two of the latter resulted in fatalities. These have been included in the table. Additional information, found from other sources, follows the information supplied by the police. That information is in italics.

The homicides are listed in the following manner. Before the date, a number from 1 to 638 has been placed in bold type. The date listed is when the incident that caused the homicide occurred. In a small number of incidents the death occurred on a later date. If more than one homicide occurred during the same incident, each is counted. After some of the numbers, letters appear, capitalized in bold type. If there is nothing in bold after the number, then none of the conditions mentioned below occurred. The following abbreviations have been included:

HS-Homicide Suicide: The perpetrator committed suicide after killing one or more people.

AS-Attempted Suicide: The perpetrator attempted to commit suicide.

LEO-Law Enforcement Officer related: Either an officer was murdered or one or more citizens was killed by the police.

E-Executed: The convicted murderer was put to death for the listed murder.

I-Insane: The perpetrator was declared insane and institutionalized.

CBH (Confirmed By Hearn) means that the execution was found in **Legal Executions in New York State: A Comprehensive Reference, 1639-1963** by Daniel Allen Hearn (McFarland & Company, Inc.: Jefferson, NC) 1997. The information about the execution is included in quotations with the page(s) cited.

The following are caveats:

The names of those involved may have a variety of spellings, even within the original police report. Case #199 is an example of this. The names were sometimes different when found in other sources, such as newspapers. There are a number of reasons. Some of those arrested did not use their real names. They may have been illegally in the country or adopted aliases because of criminal activity. In addition, many had Italian or Slavic surnames. These names were often written down phonetically by police and reporters. First names were often "Amercanized" in an attempt by the individual to be more acceptable to the dominant culture. I have included all the variations of the names encountered, unless surety of the spelling was established, to aid those conducting additional research.

The ages of those mentioned in police and newspaper reports were often estimates. Nobody carried identification with their birthdate on their person until driver's licenses were required for those who wanted to drive motor vehicles.

I have placed some additional information at the end of the table. This explains the circumstances of incidents not in the table but that have some relationship to violent events occurring during these years.

1-7 I: 1/12/1902: Joseph Supkowski set fire to a dwelling No. 1047 Broadway occupied jointly by himself and a family named Pearlstein. The Pearlstein family consisting of father, mother, and five children burned to death. Sukowski's object was to defraud Insurance Company. He was arrested, held for the Grand Jury, adjudged insane while in jail, and was committed to Mattewan prison.

Supkowski's arson for profit caused the death of the Pearlstein family(father (Harry), mother(Fanny), five children, John, Albert, Simon, Rosina(spelling ?), and Hiram). He had over-insured the building for \$8000. The floor burned from under the family. Five children from 1 ½ to 12 YOA.

8: 3/26/1902: Joseph Carlino, an Italian saloon keeper at 112 Main street shot and killed James Basso, alias Moore. Basso began a row in the saloon shooting indiscriminately at the persons in the saloon, wounding Charles Clark, bartender, and Albert Morgan and Thomas Carroll. Carlino was discharged by the coroner's jury, the verdict being

self defense.
9 HS: 6/4/1902: August Wolf shot and killed Mrs. Sophia McGiveny at No. 2 Hudson street at the same time committed suicide by shooting and both were dead when discovered. Wolf, who was a married man, was intimate with Mrs. McGiveny who was separated from her husband.
10: 6/17/1902: On the evening of June 17 th , Marion, the 6 year old daughter of Cornelius Murphy was reported missing from her home, 257 West avenue. June 27 th her body was found in Lily Pond in Forest Lawn Cemetery, the body being almost nude with the hands and feet tied and the autopsy showed that she had been strangled and outraged, investigation led to the arrest of Charles Wee, a Chinaman who operated a laundry at 285 Hudson street in the immediate vicinity of the Murphy home; the evidence being circumstantial was not convincing and he was discharged by the Grand Jury. <i>Chapter 7 in my book The Postcard Killer examines this murder in detail.</i>
11: 6/28/1902: About 11:40 P.M., this date, four men entered the saloon of Austin J. Crowe, 85 Chicago street, as Mr. Crowe was in the act of closing his place, he managing a grocery in connection with his saloon, drinks were ordered and a controversy arose over the payment of same. Mr. Crowe endeavored to eject the men and in the struggle he was shot and killed, the men escaping at the time. Charles Green and John Doyle, alias Fred Mercer, alias Timmy, both parolled men from reformatories were suspected of being implicated in the murder. They immediately left the city, later they were located in Denver, Col., where Green with another of the suspects, John Richards, was arrested. Doyle escaping, Green and Richards were extradited. Green was tried before Judge Kenefick in the Supreme Court and acquitted, Richards was discharged. <i>Crowe's body was lying on the floor in front of the bar with two bullet holes. Crowe, 38, was killed about 11:40 Saturday night. Three men ran out of the saloon and up Chicago Street. A fourth man dove through the glass in the upper part of the door and then followed the other men that were fleeing the scene. On June 30th, the Board of Aldermen posted a \$1,000 reward for the apprehension of the men that killed Crowe.</i>
12: 7/1/1902: William Rossman stabbed and killed his son-in-law, Charles Happ, at 892 South Division street. They both lived in the same house and the stabbing was the result of a family quarrel. Rossman was sentenced to Auburn prison for 7 years. <i>On September 25, 1902, a jury brought in a verdict of second degree murder with a recommendation for mercy. Rossman in a drunken rage stabbed Happ (33) in front of his wife and daughter (Happ's wife). Happ died in a few minutes.</i>
13: 7/8/1902: During a quarrel among the employees of Forepaugh's Circus showing here at the time, Dennis Bowen shot and killed Lee Bruce. Bowen was arrested by Detective Sergeant Henafelt and Sergeant Gilligan convicted of manslaughter 1 st degree and sentenced to Auburn prison for 7 years. <i>Bowen had missed hitting his intended victim, J.K. Shumate, the Superintendent of Horses, who had just reprimanded the watchman. The murder occurred as the afternoon crowd was leaving the circus tent. Three shots were fired with one striking Bruce in the head. Two detectives had to retrieve Bowen from the crowd. They had already put a rope around his neck and he was badly beaten.</i>
14: 9/1/1902: Charles Callahan, a ticket broker at 161 Exchange street, struck Patrick F. O'Brien with his fist, felling him to the ground. O'Brien's skull was fractured and he died the same evening. Callahan was indicted on the charge of manslaughter 2 nd degree, case awaiting trial. <i>On September 5th, judge found that the blow was thrown "in the heat of passion, and not in a cruel and unusual manner." O'Brien was killed on Labor Day over an argument concerning the price offered for an unused portion of an excursion ticket.</i>
15: 10/9/1902: At the Hotel Badge, 42 Broadway, Ernest Stanton, a negro, shot and killed Edna Conrad, a negress whose lover he was. He escaped after the shooting but was caught at Niagara Falls the next morning. Convicted of murder 2 nd degree and sentenced to Auburn for life.
16 HS: 10/18/1902: George J. Williang shot and killed Mrs. Elizabeth Morton at 145 Eagle street, with whom he was intimate, he then shot himself and lingered until December 23, when he died in the Emergency Hospital. <i>George Jerome Willing, a molder, shot Mrs. Elizabeth G. Morton, his housekeeper, twice in the head. He then shot himself three times in the head. Jealousy was the supposed cause. Willing had come to Buffalo from Detroit several years ago.</i>
17: 11/16/1902: Herman Julius of 192 Lemon street was struck and knocked down by Joseph Davis; his skull was

fractured and he died November 24th. Davis was discharged in the Police Court and the case was placed in the hands of the Grand Jury for their action.

18 HS: 11/19/1902: Christ Willis of Bath, N.Y., shot and killed Miss Mary Ferguson at 138 Swan street, and immediately committed suicide by shooting himself. They both belonged in Bath and were here to visit Miss Ferguson's relatives.

Christopher Willis killed Ferguson, 16, at a Swan Street boarding house. He then shot himself three times. She would have been 17 on Tuesday. Willis, 25, and Ferguson were both students at the State Normal School at Genesco. The crime was witnessed by her brother, Lee, and Miss Sadie Heathcote. The murder occurred in the front lawn. She was shot once in the skull behind the left ear. Willis was shot just above the heart.

Willis and the three others had gone to the train station because Willis wanted to return to Bath on the 2:30 train. This train did not connect so they walked back to Lee's boarding house to wait awhile before the 5:00 train. The shooting occurred when they arrived at the address. The couple had a violent quarrel that morning and Willis had an insanely jealous disposition. He had been ill with typhoid fever some time ago. Willis had taught school for five years after graduating from high school in 1895. He had a good reputation.

19: 1/26/1903: About 1:00 o'clock a.m., Rocco Navarro was stabbed in a saloon fight at 23 Evans street by Josef Tamasula, alias Joseph Thomas. Navarro died a week later at the Emergency Hospital. Tamasula was convicted of murder second degree, and sentenced to life imprisonment at Auburn State Prison.

20 I: 2/5/1903-Louis Kese, living at 838 Smith street, killed his 15-year-old daughter Elizabeth, who was keeping house for him, by crushing her head with a hammer. He was arrested the following day by Patrolmen Michael Dillon, Nicholas A. Cawl, and Jeremiah J. Kavany. Kese was judged insane and was committed to the Matteawan Prison for the insane.

Lewis Kese, 49, was arrested in the barbershop of Chris Willis that adjoined his home. After killing his daughter, he covered her body with an old comfort as it lay on the kitchen floor. According to Kese, "She was too ignorant to live and I was afraid she was going to run away from home." A lynch mob followed the patrol wagon that took him to jail. He was later transferred to police headquarters for his safety.

21: 2/26-27/1903: During the night, Edwin L. Burdick was murdered at his home, No. 101 Ashland avenue. The body was discovered early in the morning of the 27th by Mrs. Hull, the mother of Mrs. Burdick. Burdick was killed in a small room called the "den" on the first floor of his residence. His skull was battered with a blunt instrument. Although there were many rumors that the body had been mutilated, the rumors were false and without foundation; there were no marks, injuries or mutilation except on the skull.

Before notifying the police or the Medical Examiner, Mrs. Hull directed one of the maids to notify the family physician, and directed her not to use the home telephone, but to telephone from a nearby drug store. The family physician, after examining the body and talking with Mrs. Hull, notified the Medical Examiner, who, between 9 and 9:30 a.m., notified Assistant Superintendent Cusack that a murder or suicide had been committed at No. 101 Ashland avenue. Upon the inquest it developed that the family physician had suggested to Dr. Howland, the Assistant Medical Examiner, if possible, to pronounce the case suicide.

Mr. Cusack, with several detectives, immediately proceeded to the house and met the Medical Examiner, and began a thorough investigation of the case. Upon the night of the murder Mrs. Burdick was in Atlantic City, N.J., and had not lived with Burdick at No. 101 Ashland Avenue for some time, Burdick having begun divorce proceedings against her and naming Arthur Reed Pennell as co-respondent. Upon these facts Arthur Reed Pennell fell under suspicion and was subjected to a most rigid examination by the District Attorney and Assistant Superintendent Cusack, but the District Attorney did not think there was enough evidence to warrant the arrest of Pennell.

Previous to the inquest, on the evening of March 10th, and in stormy and rainy weather, Pennell, accompanied by his wife, left his residence between four and five o'clock p.m., in his automobile. While driving down Kensington avenue, near Filmore avenue, in a thinly settled section of the city, their automobile left the street and going over a curb, plunged into Gehre's stone quarry. Pennell was instantly killed, and Mrs. Pennell was fatally injured, being unconscious until her death, some hours later. This incident deepened the mystery.

The inquest conducted by Judge Murphy and District Attorney Coatsworth occupied several days. The investigation failed to identify the murderer, or establish the fact that the accident causing the death of Pennell and his wife was

premeditated, and the case remains a mystery.

Edwin L. Burdick (5'4") was killed when struck with a blunt object in the head. Burdick had begun divorce proceedings against his wife, Alice (Allie), naming Arthur R. Pennell, lawyer, as correspondent. Pennell had graduated from Yale Law School and met his future wife, Carrie Lamb, while at school. Burdick, supposedly a millionaire, had changed his will to give everything to his three daughters. Alice was 7 years older than Arthur. Three times Burdick's wife had left and he always took her back. After the last episode, Pennell promised to leave Buffalo and Alice promised to be a devoted wife. Burdick had said in front of a third party, an attorney, that Pennell said if he didn't take Alice back a fourth time, he would kill and then commit suicide. Burdick said, "Go ahead and kill." Burdick had bought a revolver a year ago and was carrying it because he felt he was being followed. When his office was first notified of his death, they assumed suicide. The murder weapon was thought to be golf putter. His gold watch was missing but not his money.

About thirty people, including the Burdicks and Pennells belonged to the Elmwood Club. It was called a dancing club. None of the members is cooperating in the investigation.

Two hours after Burdick's body was discovered on February 27th, Pennell bought a S&W .32 revolver for \$11. He had bought a .32 from the same store a month before, but told the sales clerk it had been stolen. He asked for a cheap replacement and for \$5 bought an Iver & Johnson. Mrs. Burdick was staying in Atlantic City when she received word that her husband was dead. She had met with a man in the lobby of the hotel, who fit Pennell's description.

Pennell understood why Burdick was angry with him but felt no responsibility for Alice's infatuation.

On March 9th, Pennell made his first public statement about the murder and said he had no connection with the crime and felt a woman was the killer.

Pennell was questioned by police and shortly thereafter on March 10th drove his car into a quarry, killing himself and his wife. The New York World had been dogging this case and a correspondent had an appointment at the Pennell home at 6 p.m.

On March 25th, at the murder inquest, Mrs. Burdick was questioned for five hours. She swore she had no relationship with Pennell and he was a man of mystery. She suggested that Mrs. Pennell was the woman in the den with her husband when he was murdered. Love letters were read in court where both Mrs. Burdick and Mr. Pennell spoke of suicide as their way out of their troubles. Mrs. Pennell had written to Mr. Burdick that her husband might kill himself and Mrs. Burdick too. Pennell had executed a \$50,000 bond to Mrs. Burdick which Mr. Burdick found in her safety deposit box with the love letters.

On April 8th, the D.A. was to reopen the inquest over Burdick's death. Mrs. Burdick had a \$25,000 life insurance policy on her husband that is in contention.

On April 24, 1905, the estate was ordered to give Alice \$32,381.23 belonging to the estate. On February 23, 1907, she was defeated in trying to control the \$40,000 that her children were left.

22-23 I: 4/12/1903-(Easter Sunday) Early in the evening Felix Kwiatowski, 51 years old, living at 190 Coit street, during a quarrel with his land-lady Tekla Wolinski, who occupied part of the premises, shot and seriously wounded the woman and shot and killed his 9-year-old son Peter. He then retired to his apartments, barricaded the door and made a desperate resistance against arrest, firing several shots at the officers, Sergeant William G. Jordan, Special Bogumi Laszewski and Patrolmen John J. Gunning, James Clark, Louis J. Enser and August T. Long. The officers returned his shots and after he was wounded three times, succeeded in arresting him. It is thought the shooting and killing of his son was not intentional, that in his insane frenzy he failed to recognize the boy. He was adjudged insane and was committed to the Matteawan Prison for the insane.

Joseph Kwaitkowski (51 YOA) had an argument with his landlady. His wife had died and he was left with three children. He lost his business and started drinking. He was living with Tekla Wolinski, her husband and nine children. The Wolinskis lived in the rear part of the building. The children of both families often quarreled. When Joseph arrived at the apartment, he was told he would have to move. He pulled a revolver and started to back out

as Tekla closed with him. She was shot in the breast and died. One of the bullets hit his son, Peter, (9 YOA), who died at the hospital. He then went back inside and shot it out with the five police who arrived. The officers fired about thirty shots. One officer had a bullet go through his hat and another had a bullet go through his lapel. When he ran out of ammunition, he hid in the closet. He still had a stiletto and had to be subdued.

24: 4/12/1903-About the same time of the Kwiatkowski tragedy Lawrence Rataczak, 14 years old, living at 28 Newton street, while standing on the sidewalk in front of his home, was shot and instantly killed by Joseph Nowak, 19 years old, of 43 Roberts street. Nowak went into hiding, but was located and arrested two days later by Captain Michael Regan and Special Laszewski. He was found guilty of manslaughter and sentenced to Auburn State Prison for a term of six years.

25: 5/11/1903-During a row in a saloon at 39 Kent street, Andrew Szupa, 20 years old, of 118 Playter street, shot Tony Wojda, 21 years old, of 93 Strauss street. Wojda, who was wounded in the abdomen, died a week later in the Emergency Hospital. Szupa was arrested shortly after the shooting by Captain Michael Regan, Sergeant Henry J. Girvin and Patrolman John J. Gunning. He was indicted for murder in the first degree, but was discharged after a trial in the Supreme Court on the ground of self-defense.

26 E: 6/29/1903-Nelson Boggiano murdered Harry P. Bender, his brother-in-law, at Bender's home, 1171 Michigan street. Bender was shot and his throat cut, death being instantaneous. Boggiano was arrested by Patrolman John E. Hunter, convicted Nov. 16th of murder first degree and sentenced to electrocution. An appeal was taken and case is pending.

Bender's wife had been hanging wash outside and came in on the scene. She raised the alarm and Bender was arrested. He was convicted on October 5, 1903. He appealed and was able to delay his sentence for a year.

"Nelson Boggiano, white, age 23. Murder. The crime was committed on June 29, 1903, at Buffalo. Boggiano was infatuated with a married woman. Late on the above date he crept into her house with a gun. He made his way to a bedroom where he then fired two shots into the woman's sleeping husband. When the wounds did not turn out to be fatal, the killer leapt on the injured man, Henry P. Bender (white), and pulled him out of his bed. Then he threw Bender down the stairs. When that action also failed to kill the victim, he was dragged into the kitchen. There Boggiano stood him up in a chokehold with his head and neck poised above the kitchen sink. Then, while maintaining the hold with one hand, he used his other hand to slit the man's throat with a knife. The killer maintained his grip until Bender bled to death. Boggiano was executed for this crime at Auburn on December 13, 1904." CBH, 102-103.

27: 7/4/1903-Michael Basouski, 17 years old, while leaning over railing of the fire escape on the third floor of his home, 643 Carroll street, was shot in the neck with a 22-calibre revolver in the hands of Wadislav Folan. He died from the effects of the wound at the Emergency Hospital July 7th. Folan escaped after the shooting and is still at large. There is no motive ascertainable and it is believed that Folan was shooting into the air with ball cartridges and did not notice the boy.

28 HS: 8/10/1903-Mrs. Kent Stow, 20 years old, residing at 50 Richmond avenue, was shot and instantly killed by her husband, Kent Stow, while temporarily insane. Stow shot himself in the heart at the same time, dying several hours later.

29: 8/22/1903-During a general row between a number of Italian and Polish freight and iron ore handlers on Gason street, near Michigan street, on the Island, John Clominski was shot and killed by Antonio Novara, who was arrested at the time by Patrolmen Thomas J. Milan, Patrick Bresnahan, and James Coonly. Novara was indicted for murder first degree, tried in the Superior Court and acquitted.

30 HS: 9/20/1903-James Meers, 70 years old, during a family quarrel at his home, 20 Clifford street, shot and killed his son-in-law, Michael Crotty. Meers immediately after shot and killed himself.

James Mears was a flagman for the Buffalo Creek Railroad. He lived in Buffalo and bought a house. His wife died several years ago. After that, Mears and his daughter, Mrs. William Daley, kept house for his sons, John and Frank. Three months before the incident, Crotty married his daughter. Crotty had three children by his former marriage. Mears disliked his new son-in-law. Mears kept pestering his daughter to give him the deed to the house. Wednesday night, Mears and Crotty had a loud argument. On Friday, Mears obtained a warrant against Crotty for third degree assault. In a hearing, Crotty was found guilty, and the sentence was to be given on September 21st.

31-32 E: 11/20/1903-Frank Frehr, 81 years old, and his wife Johanna, aged 83 years, mysteriously disappeared from their home, 339 Jefferson street, where they lived alone. Relatives, looking after the old couple, found a man named Charles Bonier in possession of the house and contents, with a young woman house-keeper and her two children.

Bonier claimed he bought the property from the Frehrs and that they had gone to some asylum or home. He exhibited deeds for the property. An investigation was started and it was discovered that the deeds produced by Bonier were forged. No trace of the old couple being found at any of the asylums or homes for old people, a search of the premises was made during the night of December 3rd. The bodies of the Frehrs were found buried in a shallow grave under the floor of a shed in the yard, their skulls being crushed with some blunt instrument. Bonier, who had disappeared the day previous, was arrested shortly after the bodies were discovered in Erie, Pa. He was brought back, indicted on charge of murder, first degree and is awaiting trial.

Bonnier said he had bought their house for \$1200. He had a deed which was forged by him. His explanation was on the day he paid for the house, he didn't get the deed. He showed up the next day and saw two men get in a buggy. He went into the house and nobody was there so he went and got a deed notarized and signed Franz Frehr since he had paid for it. Bonier had given his housekeeper \$70 in gold before he left Buffalo. On December 21, the Grand Jury returned four indictments, two for first degree murder and two for forgery. After deliberating 6 hours at the January trial, Bonier was found guilty and sentenced to death. He was sentenced to die during the week of February the 20th. His lawyer is trying to appeal. Bonier was given a new trial and was convicted on January 25, 1905. He was sentenced to death in the week beginning Monday, March 13th. On March 1st, an appeal was filed with the D.A. and it was to be forwarded to the warden to stay Bonier's execution.

"Charles Bonier, white, age 78, **Murder**. The crime was committed on November 19, 1903, at Buffalo. This elderly killer had led a roving existence right up to the time of his crime. It was only when he became involved with a woman 25 years his junior that he felt a desire to settle down. Before he could propose marriage, though, he reasoned that he needed to provide a home for both. With that in mind he ingratiated himself to an elderly cabinetmaker and wife named Francis and Johanna Freher (white, aged 82 and 84), living at 333 Jefferson Street in Buffalo. He wanted their house, so he circulated a story that the Frehers were going to sell out to him and move away. Then he forged a transfer deed to their property and filed it according to law. When that was accomplished he battered the Frehers to death with a hammer and buried them under a woodshed. Suspicions were aroused when relatives of the missing couple called at their house, only to find strangers (Bonier and his wife) living there. Additional inquiries spooked the killer and a search party found evidence of foul play on the premises. White-haired Bonier was electrocuted at Auburn Prison on July 31, 1907, the oldest of the 695 felons so disposed of by New York State." CBH, 106-107.

33 HS: 1/3/1904-Joseph Koehler of 97 Gittere street killed his wife Anna by cutting her throat and crushing her skull. Koehler was found at his home shortly after committing the deed, suffering from a self-inflicted pistol shot wound to the head. He was removed to the Emergency Hospital and remained there until April 1st, when he was tried and convicted on a charge of murder, 2nd degree, and sentenced to Auburn Prison for life. He died in prison shortly after being committed, from the effects of the self-inflicted injuries.

Koehler told police that during a quarrel, Annie struck him with a poker and he knocked her down with a flat iron. He then cut her throat with a razor. He had a wound to his throat. Joseph was a third term man and he released from prison for horse stealing on September 26, 1903. He was convicted of second degree murder and began a life sentence at Auburn on May 10th. He died of septic peritonitis, caused by the gunshot wound, on May 26th.

34: 1/6/1904-About 6:20 P.M., during a quarrel over a game of pool in the saloon of Carmelo Montiliou, 58 Lloyd street, Fillippo Grissonti, 35 years old, of No.42 Fly street, was stabbed in the abdomen by Guiseppe Rondazzo. Grissonti was removed to the Emergency Hospital, where he died soon after his arrival. Rondazzo escaped immediately after the affray and is still at large.

35: 1/22/1904-Early in the evening of this date 4 boys, ranging from 14 to 18 years of age, entered the small grocery store of Bernardo Balzano, No. 731 Walden avenue, for the purpose of holding up and robbing the proprietor. Balzano was shot and killed. About an hour after the deed was committed the 4 young men were arrested by Detective-Sergeants Holmlund, Solomon and Burkhardt, and were disposed of as follows: Herman Heimberger, sentenced to Auburn Prison for life; William Trueman, to Auburn Prison for 20 years, and William Draper and John Rouselett to the State Reformatory at Elmira.

Heimberger's attorney admitted the bullet came from his client's gun, but argued one of the other boys tried to take it from him and it accidentally discharged. This argument probably saved Heimberger from the death penalty. His attorney said that Heimberger had been inspired by dime novels. Heimberger felt that Truman had gone soft while in jail and should get the same punishment as he did because Truman was the leader. Heimberger mouthed the type of dialogue that would later be given to James Cagney in gangster movies (Truman was a "baby" and cried in his

cell, clutching his Bible. He was yellow.)

36 HS: 2/26/1904-Henry L. Schwartz, a member of the law firm of Baker and Schwartz, was shot in his office, 304 Marine Bank Building, by Hugh A. Knowles, a former prominent dry goods merchant, who resided at 427 Prospect avenue. After shooting Schwartz and while parleying with the officers, who were trying to arrest him, Knowles shot himself in the head, dying instantly. Mr. Schwartz was removed to the Riverside Hospital where he died at noon the same day. Mr. Knowles had met with business reverses, which it is believed, unsettled his mind, and he attributed his misfortunes to Mr. Schwartz, who had been connected in a legal way in closing up Mr. Knowles' business affairs.

Knowles walked into the Marine Bank Building at 10:30 a.m. Mr. Baker greeted him in Schwartz's outer office. Knowles went past him and fired three shots into the seated Schwartz who tried to rise and turn. Baker (who felt Knowles would kill him) and the others ran out the front door of the office and locked the door. Another attorney who had offices in the building was able to view Knowles through a transom. Knowles reloaded but did not try to escape. The police confronted Knowles and he was still armed. He told them he wanted Baker. When they advanced toward him he said, "It's all up, I might as well go to," and shot himself. When his body fell, Schwartz, who had been feigning death pushed himself up but then fell back down. Schwartz had become prominent in bankruptcy court. Knowles was old, his wife had recently died, and his business failed, but Baker said he had no idea what motivated the murderer. An antique gun was used to commit the murder but a fully loaded second revolver was found in his other pocket.

37-38 HS: 7/15/1904-Early in the morning of this date, Edward F. Washburn, a broker, shot and killed his wife, Janella, and his daughter, Gladys, while they slept in their home at No. 89 Putnam street, and then committed suicide by shooting himself in the head.

He was a partner in a grain dealing business and business troubles were evident. He killed both women while they lay on the bed, shooting his daughter first and then Janella as she rose, with a .38 revolver. His body was found at the foot of the bed. His son, Dr. E. P. Washburn, had just been married a couple of weeks before. His mother, who lived with them, was away visiting another son.

Part of the suicide letter that was sent to Mr. Heathfield, his business partner:

"My Dear Brother Billy: I am about to take a step which will be a severe blow to you and to all who have ever held me in regard and esteem. I have striven hard to make a success of life here, but there seems to be something that forever upsets my plans. I have hoped that I might succeed in business not so much that I craved the money for selfish purposes as that I might do good work in the world...

Do not feel that I think I am getting off easily. My belief in a future life teaches me that I must suffer untold agony, but I am a blight upon those whom I love and upon those who love me, and it seems best I should drop out of the lives of all of earth's children and perhaps some time, somewhere in the future, I may be permitted to work myself into a niche in life where I may be able to atone for my errors...Be lenient with me, for I love you like a brother, and if I had ten thousand lives I would give them all to save you from the pain and misery that you must suffer through me.

It grieves me to lose the esteem of my associates, and if there is any one whom I have wronged it has not been intentional and I hope that they may forgive me as they would be forgiven, for I am sincerely repentant for any wrong I have done."

Washburn was a spiritualist and often took advice from mediums concerning business.

39: 8/6/1904-About 4:15 P.M., during a quarrel, at the corner of Kent and Sears streets, Stephen Rulkowski, an old man, was struck in the vase and knocked down by Michael Wozniak, a young man. The blow felled Rulkowski and when picked up he was found to be dead. Wozniak was arrested and held for the Grand Jury, no bill being found.

40: 1/9/1905-Mrs. Joseph Desanti was found murdered in her room in the Terrace Park Hotel Building, she being found dead, with a rope tied tightly around her neck, both hands and feet also tied. Her husband was arrested and charged with the crime, tried, and acquitted.

41 HS: 1/18/1905-Nicoli Delorso, an Italian, shot and killed Mary Kiff, a prostitute, in a room at No. 6 Pearl street, and then committed suicide by shooting himself.

42: 2/3/1905-Jacob Ehrenrich, a tailor, was found dead in his shop, third floor, 42-44 Peral street, having been shot

in the head and breast by an unknown person.
<p>43: 4/7/1905-At the Pratt & Letchworth Malleable Iron Works, two of the employees, Robert Schilling and Frederick Oremus, while engaged in an altercation, Schilling grabbed a steel pattern scraper and struck at Oremus, cutting him between the ribs. Oremus died in a few minutes from the injuries. Schilling was acquitted by the coroner's jury on the ground that the cutting was unintentional.</p> <p><i>Rudolph Schilling (19 YOA) and Frederick Oremus (20 YOA) were the combatants. Supposedly, Schilling walked up behind Oremus and said, "How are you, Oremus?" Oremus replied, "I don't want to be called Oremus. I've got a handle to my name and if you want to talk to me use it." Oremus struck Schilling in the face and Schilling picked up a file and stabbed Oremus in the heart. Schilling then resumed work as Oremus tried to get assistance. Oremus died shortly thereafter.</i></p>
44 HS: 5/2/1905-John Korczynski shot and killed Franceska Skrocza on the sidewalk in front of 1121 Broadway, then committed suicide by shooting himself.
45: 6/19/1905-Vincenzo Davidiso, an aged Italian, murdered his wife at their home, 125 Illinois street, by striking her several times in the head with a hatchet. He was arrested, tried, convicted of murder in the second degree and sentenced to Auburn prison for a term of 12 years.
<p>46: 7/15/1905-Early on the morning of this date the body of John Staidle a saloon keeper, of 1171 Broadway, was found lying alongside the Buffalo Creek Railroad tracks at Clinton street. It was at first supposed to be an accident, but on investigation by Captain Regan, Sergeant O'Brien and Specials Laszewski and Patterson, sufficient evidence was collected to prove it a case of murder and further investigation led to the arrest of John Kopaczynski, a bar tender for the murdered man, who was intimate with Mrs. Staidle, who was also arrested and charged with accessory to the murder. She turned state evidence. Kopaczynski was convicted of murder second degree and sentenced to Auburn prison for life. Mrs. Staidle was released.</p> <p><i>Marks on the throat and blood on the nose and ears indicated Staidle had been choked to death.</i></p>
47: 8/19/1905-John Wengels shot Pauline Weber in front of 1151 Sycamore street, and she died from effects of the wounds a few days later; Wengels was sentenced to 15 years in Auburn Prison.
48: 9/16/1905-John Grel was shot and killed in front of 63 Lombard street by Edward Lerczak and Wayslaus Nagorski; both indicted for manslaughter, first degree, awaiting trial.
<p>49 LEO: 9/17/1905-Patrolman Nicholas B. Smith, while on post duty was shot and died at the hospital the following day. The murderer Stanislaus Sak, of 70 Sears street, escaped and is still at large.</p> <p><i>Officer Smith was shot and killed while he and his partner investigated a shots fired call. They found a boy who had been shot in the leg. He pointed out where the man who shot him was hiding and as the officer approached, Smith was hit in the abdomen.</i></p> <p><i>Stanislaus Sak (Sax) was hunted for the murder of Patrolman Nicholas Smith. He kept alluding officers. He went to Rochester, spent two weeks in Newark working in a canning factory, and then went to Weedsport, where a relative shielded him. Saks was recognized by two Polish men in Geddes. One wanted to perform a citizen's arrest but the other declined, so it wasn't attempted. The police feel that the majority of Poles won't assist them. By September 30th, a Buffalo detective who was Polish was involved and the Polish communities in Syracuse and Auburn were searched. On October 6th, a man thought to be Sak was arrested by three Buffalo officers. He was able to prove that he had been wrongly identified. Sak was never arrested for the murder.</i></p>
50: 10/12/1905-During a general fight in the saloon of Vincenzo Tarangelo, Canal street, Vario Brothers, was killed by being struck on the head with a chair. Tarangelo was arrested and charged with the crime but was discharged by Judge Murphy, at the inquest, sufficient evidence not being produced to show he struck the blow.
51: 12/23/1905-Frank Vish was stabbed to death at 38 Wilson street. Frank Fronczak arrested and held on charge of murder; case pending.
52 HS: 12/20/1905-William McCoy, 23 years old, shot and killed his wife Mable, 20 years old, in her mother's apartments, 384 Swan street, they had been estranged and he called on her to persuade her to live with him again. After killing his wife, he committed suicide by shooting himself with the same weapon.
53: 1/25/1906-About 6:00 P.M. Two Italians Luigi Cardenuta of 37 Burwell place and Raphael Sorentino, of 34 Beaver alley, had a dispute over a game of cards in the saloon of James Coppolos, corner Beaver alley and Scott street. They left the saloon and fought a duel with revolvers on the street, firing several shots at each other, Cardenuto being mortally wounded and Sorintos slightly injured. Sorintos was arrested and convicted of

manslaughter and sentenced to the Elmira Reformatory.
54 HS: 3/4/1906-Dr. Henry L. Whitbeck, a dentist, at No. 559 Main street, killed his wife in their apartments by crushing her head with a hammer. He then committed suicide by blowing top of head off with rifle. Temporary insanity supposed to have been cause of tragedy.
55: 3/31/1906-During a row in a saloon at 387 Forest avenue, William Hackett threw a cuspidor which struck a bystander, Henry Finn, who died the following day from the effects of injuries. Hackett was indicted for manslaughter, first degree; tried by jury; disagreed.
56: 4/25/1906-Joseph Newton, living in shanty foot of Dewitt street, killed his wife by knocking her down and kicking her to death; convicted of murder second degree and sentenced to Auburn for life.
57: 5/12/1906-About 7:50 P.M., Joseph Crosson, an iron moulder, who was working in the place of striking moulders, was assaulted by an unknown man on Quay street, near Main street; he died in the patrol wagon while being removed to the hospital. Patrick Flynn, an iron moulder, was arrested on suspicion; the evidence before the Grand Jury being insufficient, no indictment brought against him.
<i>Joseph Crosson (42 YOA), an iron molder, was murdered. The only witness was a little girl who said he was killed when he turned off Main Street to walk on Quay. When Crosson was on the ground he was kicked to death.</i>
58: 5/31/1906-John Campbell, 64 years old, proprietor of hotel at No. 324 Pearl street, while under the effects of excessive drinking, stabbed his wife to death in their room. He was convicted of manslaughter, 2d degree, and sentenced to Auburn Prison for a term of not less than a year, or more than ten years.
59: 6/10/1906-During a quarrel over money matters in their room at boarding house, No. 88 Michigan street, Louis Norwood struck Patrick O'Neil, knocking him down and breaking his neck causing instant death; Norwood arrested and acquitted of charge of manslaughter.
60 HS: 6/27/1906-At a rooming house kept by Mrs. Ida McAvoy, 139 Oak street, Fred Hess, 29 years old, shot and killed his wife, Maud, and shot and seriously injured the landlady, Mrs. McAvoy, and immediately committed suicide by shooting himself; domestic trouble the cause.
61-62: 8/21/1906-At 6:15 P.M., a general fight occurred between a gang of Italian laborers employed by the N.Y.C. & H.R.R.R. freight house, at the corner of Ohio and Illinois streets, in which knives and stilettos were used. Francesco Sardina, stabbed to death; Raphael Balistro, died from effect of cuts at the Emergency Hospital at 11 o'clock same night; Ospero Sardina stabbed in back and abdomen four times; Tony Sardina stabbed several times in the body; Dominici Geraci, stabbed five times in the body; Bernardo Geraci stabbed several times in the body. The Geracis were arrested, charged with the murder of Sardina and Balistro, but were acquitted on the grounds of self defense.
63: 12/18/1906-About 10:30 P.M., on the Lower Terrace near Court street, Ernesto D'Agostino, while accompanied by his wife, was shot in the back by another Italian, Bartoldo Oddo, a cousin of D'Agostino. D'Agostino died in the hospital; Oddo, arrested and in jail.
64: 1/1/1907-Tony Jurewicz, of No. 263 Sobieski Street, shot and killed George Zielinski, of Kosciuszko Street, while in a saloon at No. 388 Lovejoy Street. Jurewicz pointed a loaded revolver at Zielinski, claiming he did not know it was loaded. He was held for the Grand Jury, but no indictment was found.
65: 1/15/1907-About 10:30 P.M., James Regan 39 years old, was arrested by a special and charged with murder first degree, for killing Peter Finnigan, 30 years old, of No. 523 Elk Street, with a shotgun. Finnigan tried to force an entrance into Regan's house, No. 158 Sandusky Street. After repeatedly warning him away, Regan shot him, inflicting wounds which resulted in his death. At the coroner's inquest, Regan was exonerated.
66-67 HS: 2/10/1907-About 10:15 P.M., Grover Lockwood shot and killed Joseph Snyder and wife, Lizzie, at No. 249 Seneca Street. He then ran from the place and, on the approach of two patrolmen, shot and killed himself.
68: 2/12/1907-John Schaetzer, of No. 336 Woodlawn Avenue, was arrested by two patrolmen, charged assault first degree. Schaetzer clubbed Samuel O. Crooker, an old man, over the head with a leg of a chair, inflicting a serious scalp wound; Mr. Crooker died a day later and the charge was changed to murder, first degree. Schaetzer was held for the Grand Jury, pleaded guilty to manslaughter, and was sent to Auburn Prison for six years.
<i>Crooker was assaulted in his bicycle shop.</i>
69: 2/17/1907-Moses Hobulinski, 28 years old, of 394 Amherst Street, was killed at the corner of Amherst and Grant Streets by Adam Kazas, 20 years old, of 102 Howell Street, who hit him in the head with a beer glass while they were fighting. Kazas was indicted for manslaughter in the first degree. The case was dismissed in the Supreme Court upon the recommendation of the District Attorney.
70: 2/20/1907-About 1:00 P.M., Josiah Ross, who had a manufacturing establishment at No. 1449 Niagara Street,

was shot and killed in his office. Aloysius McGarry was suspected of committing the murder; he was arrested, tried, and acquitted.

Ross had a bullet hole in his head and revolver was found nearby. Aloysius S. McGarry, junior partner, was arrested and his attorney says that it is because he made so many contradictory statements to the police. The police believe that McGarry borrowed the pistol a day before it was found in Ross' office.

On April 29, 1907 McGarry was found not guilty. The defense pointed out that initially the police and medical examiner had thought it was a suicide. The jury was out three hours and twelve minutes. The first of the five ballots was seven for acquittal, 4 guilty, and one blank. The second and third were the same but the fourth only had one voting guilty. At 9 p.m. the 5th ballot was taken and it was unanimous.

71: 2/21/1907-About 8:40 P.M., a patrolman found Gaetano Salembine, an Italian, lying on the walk in Maiden Lane, in an unconscious condition. The officer sent the man to Police Station No. 1, where, after being examined by the police surgeon, he was sent to the Emergency Hospital in an ambulance. It was found at the Hospital that Salembine had a fractured skull. He lingered in an unconscious condition until 8:15 A.M., February 24th, when he died. Our investigations developed that Salembine was in Nick Tomasula's saloon, 23 Evans Street, during the evening of February 21st, and had a fight with Nick Pasquale, Salvatore Bomamarie and Nick Tomasula. He was struck on the head with some instrument that fractured his skull, and was then carried out of the place and laid on the sidewalk, where he was later found by the officer. Pasquale, Bomamarie, and Tomasula were arrested, but were not held because of lack of evidence.

72 LEO: 3/6/1907-About 1:00 A.M., a patrolman found the front door of Roche & Moore's Sheet Metal Works, 158 Ohio Street, open. Secreting himself in the store for a few minutes, he saw two men enter and begin picking up a lot of brass valves that, on a former visit, they had piled up near the door. The patrolman stepped out from this hiding place, took hold of one of them, and as he did so, the man struck him on the head twice with a brass valve, inflicting ugly wounds, and fearing that he might be murdered, the patrolman shot his assailant in the abdomen. The patrol wagon was summoned and the burglar taken to the hospital. It was later learned that the burglar was Charles Rickey, a well-known thief. He died in the ambulance before reaching the hospital. At the post-mortem examination the officer was exonerated from all blame.

73: 3/9/1907-About 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon, James Carnici, 11 years of age, an Italian boy, while playing with a loaded revolver in the home, No. 1 Mechanic Street, the revolver was accidentally discharged, the bullet striking his five-year-old brother, Charles, in the forehead, and the child died an hour later at the General Hospital.

74: 4/16/1907-While quarreling over some drinks in a saloon, corner Sears and Lovejoy streets, Frank Stubnicki, of 502 Peckham Street, shot Joseph Grupka in the groin. Grupka was removed to the Emergency Hospital, where he died a few days later. Stubnicki had not been apprehended.

Frank Studnicki has not been captured.

75: 5/5/1907-Edward W. Brainard was arrested by a sergeant and a patrolman on a charge of manslaughter. Early on the morning of May 5th, Brainard had a party of friends in his automobile, when at the corner of Prospect Avenue and Huron Street, he ran his machine into the curb, thrown Herman Trapper, one of the occupants, out of the automobile. Trapper was instantly killed. It was alleged that Brainard was driving the machine recklessly. He was discharged at the inquest held by the Police Justice.

76 I: 6/16/1907-About 3:00 P.M., Frank P. Jackson, age 29 years, killed his wife at their home by shooting her twice with a revolver. Jackson was adjudged insane and committed to the Matteawan Asylum.

77: 7/11/1907-At 1:15 A.M., Peter Forrestel, a saloonkeeper, at the corner of North Division and Elm streets, while seated in a chair in front of his place was stabbed in the breast with a carving knife in the hands of George H. Hodson. Mr. Forrestel died on his way to the hospital. Hobson was arrested by a patrolman as he was running out of the place. The cause of the murder was supposed to have been jealousy over Marie Smith, who was in Forrestel's employ. After stabbing Mr. Forrestel, Hodson went upstairs in the saloon and stabbed the Smith woman. She recovered from the wounds. Hobson was sent to prison for life.

George H. Hodson murdered Peter Forrestel (60 YOA) and wounded Marie Smith (32 YOA). Hodson, a painter, had lived with Smith and she left him for Forrestel. Hodson stabbed Forrestel twice with a butcher knife in front of the saloon and then went inside and upstairs and went into Smith's room and stabbed her in the breast and abdomen. Hodson, though covered in blood, said he had no memory of the stabbings.

<p><i>Forrestel's brother, Edward J., is a Buffalo Police Captain. During Hodson's trial in October, Assistant D.A. Murphy chastised him for having his hysterical mother in court. Hodson stood up, shaking his fist, and said, "You're a cowardly liar, a vampire." His mother had to be removed from the courtroom, appearing to nearly faint.</i></p>
<p>78-80 I: 9/24/1907-At 9:20 A.M., Bertha Mund, 38 years old of No. 925 Clinton Street, was arrested by the Superintendent of Police and a patrolman for strangling to death her three children. She was adjudged insane, and committed to the Buffalo State Hospital.</p> <p><i>Bertha (27 YOA) was the wife of an employee of the Pennsylvania Railroad. The strangled children were Christopher, 8 YOA, Helen, 2 YOA, and Freda, 8 months. After killing the three children she walked to the railroad yards where her husband Frederick was working and told him what she had done with a smile on her face. Her mind had been affected for months before the murders.</i></p> <p><i>She wrapped a blanket about the head of Christopher and then tied a clothesline about his neck, turning it around three times and then drew it tight and fastened it. Helen was slain next. She was in a crib and a clothesline was tied around her neck twice. Helen's body was then put on the bed and covered with a quilt. The baby was in a carriage in the kitchen and a clothesline was wrapped around once and tied in two knots. She told the police, "I killed the children because I did not want them to grow up and be crazy like me."</i></p> <p><i>Drs. Fowler and Callanan reported her insane and she was committed on October 12th. She was born in Germany in 1870.</i></p>
<p>81: 10/6/1907-Wladislaus Szpara, a saloonkeeper, of 358 Lovejoy Street, shot Joseph Dombrowski, 25 years old, of 109 Playter Street. Dombrowski was taken to the Emergency Hospital where he died a few hours later. Dombrowski got some drinks in the saloon and refused to pay for them. He was put out and then tried to force his way in, when he was shot. Szpara was held for the Grand Jury, but no indictment was found against him.</p>
<p>82: 10/26/1907-About 12 o'clock noon, Daisy Stauch, 30 years old, of 434 Seneca Street, was found in a room at 177 Ellicott Street strangled to death. She went to this place about 10 o'clock the previous night with a man who registered the pair as Mr. and Mrs. Miller. When found, her hands were tied behind her back, her feet were tied, and a cloth was tied over her mouth. She died from strangulation.</p>
<p>83 LEO: 11/7/1907-About 2:00 o'clock in the morning, a patrolman discovered Charles Charles, a stationary engineer, coming out of Tiphaine's liquor store, corner Washington and Swan streets, which place he had just burglarized. The officer commanded Charles to stop, but Charles, instead, ran away, and the officer, after commanding him a second time to stop, shot him in the shoulder; Charles was removed to the Emergency Hospital, where he died on the following day. The officer was exonerated of all blame.</p>
<p>84: 11/14/1907-Mrs. Katherine Gaiser was found in her room at 375 William Street, with a shot wound in her right temple. She is supposed to have been murdered by an unknown person.</p>
<p>85: 11/20/1907-About 6:20 A.M., Raymond Feminina, an Italian laborer, living at No. 52 Commercial Street, while on his way to work, was stabbed to death by Luigi Giambacurta, his cousin, at the corner of Scott Street and Burwell Place. Giambacurta was arrested by a patrolman. He was convicted of murder in the first degree. Cause of murder was due to failure of Feminina to pay Giambacurta a sum of money to reimburse him (Giambacurta) for the fine inflicted for carrying a concealed weapon.</p>
<p>86: 12/26/1907-About 1:00 P.M., Charles Schroff, Jr., 16 years old, killed his father, Charles Schroff, Sr., at their home, No. 253 East Genese Street, by shooting him in the temple with a 38-caliber revolver. Schroff admitted the shooting, and his case is now in the hands of the Grand Jury.</p> <p><i>Schroff, Jr. (20 YOA) said he shot his father because he was choking his mother. Schroff, Sr. (44 YOA) and proprietor of the International Hall, a saloon and bowling alley had previously been arrested for abusing his wife. The widow Schroff is supporting her son's version of events.</i></p>
<p>87: 2/11/1908-About 5:45 P.M., Angelo Rea, an Italian, married and living on Peabody street near Evans, was shot and instantly killed at the southwest corner of Canal and Evans streets, by Samuel Santangelo, another Italian, married and living at 127 Canal street. Santangelo was jealous of Rea on account of the attention of Rea to his wife, and was evidently laying in wait for Rea as immediately on meeting and without warning he drew a 38-caliber revolver and began firing at Rea. Patrolman Edward Doherty on duty on the opposite side of the street rushed across and grappled with Santangelo who had succeeded in putting four bullets in Rea. Santangelo was indicted on charge of manslaughter, 1st degree, and sentenced to Auburn Prison on an indeterminate sentence of not less than one year and three months, nor more than nineteen years.</p>

<p>88: 4/21/1908-While Peter Wrona of 232 Wilson street and Albert Moszar of 18 Kosciuszko street were quarreling in Wrona's room over Moszur's wife. Wrona threw him down a flight of stairs, injuring him so badly that he died a few hours later. Wrona was arrested by Captain Masters and Specials Patterson and Chojnacki and was held on charge of manslaughter, second degree, tried and convicted on this charge, appealed and secured a new trial and was discharged by Judge Marcus.</p>
<p>89: 5/4/1908-About 8:00 P.M., Michael Ferraro, an Italian 19 years old, married and living at 37 Scott street, went to No. 105 Beaver alley, the home of Raphael Sorrentino, his brother-in-law, to demand satisfaction of him for striking Ferraro's wife, during the quarrel Ferraro shot and fatally wounded Sorrentino, who died shortly after reaching the Emergency Hospital. The attention of patrolman Joseph Gardner on post duty was attracted by the shooting and he rushed into the hose, meeting Ferraro in the narrow hall stairway endeavoring to escape, after a sharp tussle the officer overpowered him and placed him under arrest. He was indicted for manslaughter and sentenced to the New York State Reformatory at Elmira.</p>
<p>90: 5/16/1908-About 6:30 P.M., Arthur Ireland of 48 Sweeney street, aged 25 years, and John Linsman, aged 24, of 57 Sweeney street, had a dispute about boys playing ball in front of their homes. Linsman struck Ireland a blow on the side of the head with his fist, felling him unconscious on the pavement. He died at 10:55 same night. Linsman was arrested by Specials Lawrence G. Belzer and Felix Beiter, charged with manslaughter, second degree, and was held at the inquest by Justice Simon A. Nash for the Grand Jury. The Body returned "no bill."</p>
<p>91 LEO: 6/20/1908-Special Officer Daniel McCrea, connected with the B.R.P.Ry.Co., was chasing some suspected car burglars from the railroad yard at Fillmore ave., one of the gang Stephen Jablowicz, alias Sullivan, who was on top of a car, shot McCrea down through the top of his head as he was passing underneath. McCrea was removed to the Emergency Hospital where he died June 24th. Jablowicz escaped after the shooting and has not been apprehended.</p> <p><i>McCrea's father, John C. of Bradford, is a claim agent for the same railroad and was formerly Chief of Buffalo. Daniel was 22 YOA.</i></p>
<p>92: 8/4/1908-About 3:50 A.M., the police of the Fifth precinct were called to the residence of Alexander Sutherland, 1383 Niagara street; they found Mr. Sutherland, who was a married man, 45 years of age, lying on the floor of the stairs with a bullet wound in his left breast, he was conscious at the time and said that he did not know who shot him, he was removed to the Emergency Hospital where he died shortly after. His wife, Mrs. Anna Sutherland, advanced the theory that a burglar did the shooting and told the officers that some money, jewelry, etc., was missing. The Superintendent, Inspectors Taylor, Martin, and Captain Killeen in their investigation of the case and learning the domestic troubles of the pair, decided that Mrs. Sutherland did the shooting or knew who did. In the meantime, a thorough search of the place was being made to find the gun used and Detective Sergeant Burkhardt discovered it and the missing money under the dining room table. Mrs. Sutherland was then brought to the office of the Superintendent where she made a statement admitting the shooting, and giving as the cause that the constant ill treatment that was subjected to from Mr. Sutherland became unbearable, she was charged with murder and case presented to the grand jury who returned no bill.</p> <p><i>By August 5th, Anna said that she had decided to commit suicide because of her husband's jealousy and ill-treatment and when she went to inform him, they struggled, and the gun went off accidentally.</i></p>
<p>93: 9/24/1908-During a quarrel between Walter Bloskiewicz of 982 Smith street and John Witakowski of 120 Coit street at the corner of Lovejoy and Coit streets Bloskiewicz shot Witawoski in the groin. He was removed to the Emergency Hospital, where he died September 27th. Bloskiewicz was arrested later by Captain Masters and General Sergeant Jere O'Brien and indicted on charge of manslaughter. While being tried Judge Marcus ruled the shooting was justified and ordered his discharge.</p>
<p>94: 11/18/1908-About 7:00 P.M., Mrs. Agnes Catlin of 1335 Seneca street was in front a saloon, 1323 Seneca street, looking for her husband who was drunk. Robert E. Kenny, with whom she was slightly acquainted, came along, and she asked him to go into the saloon to see if her husband was there. He being on his way home from work refused. Mrs. Catlin then drew a revolver from her breast and shot Kenney twice, killing him instantly. She was arrested a few minutes after the shooting by patrolman George J. Lotz and James J. Sheehan. She is in jail, pending report from the Grand Jury.</p>
<p>95: 11/29/1908-Frank Rychlik, of 712 Smith street, while carrying a bundle of clothing when passing along William street near Detroit street, was attacked for the purpose of robbery by John Zielinski of 379 Peckham, who succeeded in getting the bundle away from Rychlik and ran. Rychlik firing two shots after him. He escaped at the time, but was found later in the yard at 52 Townsend street unconscious with two bullet holes in his back. He was removed to</p>

his home and died a few hours later. Rychlik was arrested by Captain Masters and patrolmen George N. Claus and Nathan Dougherty, and discharged from custody at the inquest.

96: 12/26/1908-At 12:25 A.M., Enoch Lytton Cordary, 24 years old, rooming at 161 Morgan street, while in a drunken frenzy in the rooming house, shot a young man named Harry Carr, without provocation. Carr died a few moments later while being removed to a hospital. Cordary also shot and severely wounded Albert Hansen, another roomer. Cordary was apprehended a few minutes after the shooting by Patrolman John P. Golden and John F. Wilson. He is now in jail awaiting trial, having been held in Police Court on charge of manslaughter, first degree.

Harry F. Carr, from Syracuse, was killed by Lytton Cordery. Cordery fired five shots from his revolver. Cordery was drunk and says he doesn't remember. Carr, 30 YOA, left his mother and young wife of six months, having to replace a man in Buffalo, who was going to see his own mother over Christmas. He worked for the Smith Premier Typewriter Company. Carr had eaten Christmas dinner at the boarding house and Cordery returned drunk and agitated. He forced his way in Rohner's room on the second floor and was wrestling around when Rohner's roommate Hansen came into the room. Carr also came in and tried to help Hansen and Rohner take Cordery to his own room. They undressed him partially and at some point Cordery believed he was being robbed. Hansen was sitting on Cordery's trunk and he ordered them out of the room. As they departed Cordery jumped out of bed and got a revolver from the trunk. Hansen grabbed him from the front and Carr grabbed him from behind. Cordery shot over his shoulder hitting Carr just above the heart. He fired four more shots and Hansen was shot in the hip, so close, his pants were singed. Cordery is about 25 years old and a bookkeeper at the Goodyear Lumber Company.

Albert Hanson is from Providence, Rhode Island.

By the 28th, the defense was going to argue temporary insanity because of drink.

On March 4th, Carr's widow, Gertrude, filed a civil suit for \$25,000 against Cordery. It was thought that Cordery had come into a recent inheritance. This was considered very unusual in New York to sue on the grounds of willful negligence. The Carrs had only been married six months.

On June 16, 1909, Cordery pled guilty to second degree murder and on June 21st was fined \$250. It is felt that when the prosecutor rejected the defense request to have an alienist examine Cordery as an unnecessary expense, it gave the judge the opportunity to suggest that the jury did not know Cordery's state of mind at the time of the murder. Cordery could have been sentenced to 15 years on the guilty plea.

97: 2/24/1909-Stanislas Duch engaged in a fight with Stephen Kowochaja, Joseph Brodka and Stephen Bolek at the corner of Perry and Red Jacket Streets, was stabbed and killed, his assailants being unknown at the time escaped. Some time later Stephen Kowochaja was arrested in the vicinity by Captain John M Lynch and General Sergeant Jeremiah O'Brien, and still later Joseph Brodka and Stephen Bolek were arrested by General Sergeant Jeremiah O'Brien and Detective Sergeants John E. Kennedy and John R. Ryan.

Kowachaja was convicted of charge of manslaughter 2d degree, and sentenced to Auburn State Prison for a term of not less than six years nor more than ten years.

Brodka was convicted of charge of manslaughter, 2d degree, and sentenced to Auburn State Prison for a term of not less than eight years nor more than ten years.

Bolek was convicted of a charge of manslaughter, 1st degree, and sentenced to Auburn State Prison for a term of not less than eight years nor more than ten years.

98: 6/12/1909-About 11:30 P.M., Carlo Cimino, Italian, 24 years old, married, residing at 30 State Street, and Tony Marinari, 32 years old, single, of 117 Scott Street, had a quarrel at the corner of Canal and State Streets in reference to a dollar owed Cimino by Marinari, upon Marinari refusing payment, Cimino stabbed him with a stiletto; Marinari was fatally wounded, dying the next day, Cimino escaped at the time but was located later and arrested at his home by Sergeant John J. Creahan, and Specials Edward J. Newton and John Murray. He was convicted of charge of murder 2d and sentenced to Auburn State Prison for life.

Marinari was stabbed twice over the heart. The \$1 loan had been outstanding for a year.

99: 6/19/1909-George Grunder of 418 Monroe Street, and Otto Steffan of 602 Broadway, became engaged in an

altercation over a quarrel between Steffans and some other children. Grunder struck Steffan with his fist, knocking him down and fracturing his skull at the base of brain. He was removed to the General Hospital where he died the following day. Grunder was arrested by Captain Eli Masters and Specials Patterson and Chojnacki. At the inquest he was held for the action of the grand jury, the body returning a "no bill."

100: 7/17/1909-About 9 A.M., Albert Preis, 10 years old, of 32 Lovejoy Street, in leaving a street car on Main Street, near Court Street, was struck by an automobile owned by Frank Hartley and driven by William Kulwich alias William Kingston. Pries died a few hours later at the Emergency Hospital. Kulwich abandoned the machine and escaped, was traced to Rochester, where he was arrested by Rochester officers on information furnished from here and brought back. He was indicted on charge of manslaughter, convicted and released on suspended sentence and to pay Pries' parents \$1,000.

101: 8/19/1909-About 4:50 P.M., Rosia Polimino, 35 years old, of 145 Lemon Street, Niagara Falls, N.Y., was shot and fatally wounded by Joseph Lamarco, 22 years old, of 152 Canal Street. Both men were passengers on a north bound N.Y.C. train for the Falls but left the train at the Black Rock station, Dearborn and Tonawanda Streets. The shooting occurred on the platform directly in front of the station. After shooting Polimino, Lamarco ran over to Niagara Street followed by a crowd which attracted the attention of General Sergeant Jeremiah O'Brien and Patrolman William Tait, who joined in the chase and caught him. Lamarco was convicted of a charge of murder, 1st degree, and sentenced to be electrocuted during the second week in January 1910.

Both men were in love with Lulu Hogan, 18, who came from Ontario but worked at a restaurant in Niagara Falls. Lamarco shot Rosio Polomino five times with a .38 caliber revolver. Lamarco may have feuded with Polimino before and told people he feared for his life. Judge Marcus said Lamarco should be executed during the week of January 2nd but the commitment papers at Auburn state during the week of January 12th. There is no record that Lamarco was executed.

102-103 LEO: 8/31/1909-At 5 P.M., Matthew Dwyer, 21 years old, of No. 192 Hamburg Street, and George Houghton of No. 71 Main Street, two striking seamen, were shot and killed by Special Officer John C. Nicolai of the William H. Watts Detective Agency, on the beach near the West Shore ore dock. Nicolai was escorting two non-union seamen to the steamer H.B. Nye at the West Shore Dock when they were attacked by the above named men, and after being warned by the officer to desist, and they refusing he shot them. Nicolai was arrested by Patrolman Leonard W. Brooks and his case was presented to the Grand Jury twice and on both occasions a no-bill was reported.

Nicolai, a private detective employed by the Lake Carrier's Association claims the men attacked both he and two strike breakers and he fired in self-defense. Nicolai said he was escorting three men along the docks so they could board one of the Lake Carrier association boats. A man stepped out of saloon and asked one of the men if he was going to work on the boat. When he said yes the man said, "You'll get yours farther on." Nicolai said just a few feet further four men stood in front of him. After warning them to desist they rushed him. Dwyer was an oiler and shot through the heart. Houghton, 27, of Liverpool, England, was shot through the eye with the bullet travelling into the brain. Police saved him from a possible lynching.

104: 9/5/1909-While in a party camping on Strawberry Island, Leo Roach, 16 years old, of 183 Cherry Street, while shooting sparrows with a 22 calibre rifle shot John C. Lang, 35 years old of 47 Myers Street, in the head. He was removed to the Riverside Hospital where he died the following day.

Roach was arrested by Captain George J. Ward and Special Malcolm S. Cornish. Roach was released at the inquest, the evidence showing that the shooting was purely accidental.

105: 9/9/1909-At 11:30 A.M., Raymond Ryan, 11 years old, of 15 Elsie Place, was fatally shot by Raymond Hartell of 41 Alexander Place with a 22 calibre rifle. Hartell ran away at the time but was later arrested in the Ninth Precinct by Special James Walsh. On investigation the killing was pronounced accidental and the boy was released on probation.

106: 10/9/1909-About 5:45 P.M., in answer to an emergency call, officers found two colored men named ----- James and Charles Payne at the corner of Washington and Ohio Streets, they showing evidence of being assaulted, claimed that they were non-union men employed on the steamer Lackawanna, and were assaulted and struck down from behind by some unknown men in front of saloon No. 40 Ohio Street; they were taken to the Emergency Hospital where their wounds were dressed and shortly after discharged as wounds were considered trivial. Two days later Payne became unconscious at his home, 12 Gay Street, and was removed to the German Hospital where he died same day, an autopsy showing death resulted from fracture of the skull at base of brain; they were unable to give any description of their assailants, they being struck down from behind, and a thorough investigation failed to fasten

suspicion on any person in vicinity.

Charles Payne was the homicide victim.

107: 10/31/1909-About 9 P.M., four or five boys engaged in a fight at the corner of Broadway and Sears Street, and one John Grabowski living at 122 Mills Street, was shot in the abdomen by Joseph Jendrasiak of 104 Warner Avenue; a week later Jendrasiak died from the wound. Jendrasiak was arrested by Captain Eli Masters, Detective Sergeant Laszewski and Specials Patterson and Chojnacki. At the inquest he was held on charge of murder, 1st degree, to await action of the grand jury, that body bringing in an indictment for carrying concealed weapons; trial pending.

108: 11/5/1909-The body of Patalo Catalano of 266 South Division Street, was found on the embankment of the D., L.&W. R.R. at the foot of Merrimac Street, with his throat cut and a bullet wound in the left temple. Investigation showed that the murder was committed elsewhere and the body brought to this spot, and suspicion fastened on Giavanna Lampresti, who boarded with Catalano, and who had disappeared. He was traced and arrested in San Antonio, Texas, by Vito Christiano, acting under orders of the Superintendent, brought back and case now pending.

Catalano, 40 YOA, was a carpenter and his body was moved after death.

109: 11/20/1909-About 8:25 A.M., Miss Elizabeth Woods, residing in the La Salle Flats, Chippewa Street, while crossing Delaware Avenue at Chippewa Street, was struck by an automobile owned and driven by George H. Simpson of 324 Delaware Avenue. She was removed to the Emergency Hospital where she died November 23d. At inquest held December 10th, Simpson was held on charge of manslaughter, 2d degree, being place under arrest by Captain Gilligan and Specials James Holmes and Thomas J. McGreevy; case now pending.

110 I: 11/26/1909-About 11:40, Frank Stendts, 70 years old, rooming at 182 Broadway, while seated in the reading room of the Buffalo Public Library, was approached from behind and shot through the head and instantly killed by William Strohl, 36 years old, of 153 East Genesee Street. Strohl, who was armed with two large revolvers, then left the Library and ran through the street, followed by Patrolman John Hannon. They exchanged several shots at each other, one of which wounded Officer Hannon severely in the left arm and shoulder; he still pursued Strohl, who, turning into an alleyway, took refuge in a barn where he stood at bay, the place being surrounded by several officers. Detective John J. Coughlin succeeded in getting close to Strohl, and suddenly dashed at him, succeeded in catching him and preventing him from using his guns. Strohl was found to be insane and was committed to the Mattewan Insane Hospital for criminals.

Stendts, a baker, worked with Charles Strohl, at a bakery, He shot Franz Stendts, who boarded with Mrs. F. Decois on Broadway. Strohl ran out and was pursued. He took a shot at a janitor who poked his head out to see what was going on. He shot an officer in the hand. Officers shot 40 or 50 shots missing their target. Strohl was in a blind alley on Mohawk. People were throwing bowling pins, bricks, and other objects at him from the rooftops. Strohl broke cover when he was out of ammunition and was cornered in a harness room. The police had to club citizens to save his life. Strohl said, "I would have blown you all to Hell if you hadn't go in back of me." He had two revolvers and half a box of cartridges. Strohl had a list of eight people he was going to kill and Stendts was at the top of the list. Strohl believed that when he came from Germany, Stendts and others had tied him to a table. Stendts drilled holes in his head and extracted nerves from his body. One nerve that was pulled out deprived him of many of his bodily functions. Stendts was 55 years old.

111: 12/10/1909-Gisidino Vincerzo, alias Lotozzo Calagero, Italian, shot and stabbed his wife to death in rooms in rear of 512 Seneca Street. He escaped and has not been arrested to date.

112: 12/14/1909-At 1:10 A.M., William Taylor alias Scotty, 30 years old, a union seamen, no permanent address, in company of Nelson Taylor and Bernard E. Sullivan, attacked Joseph F. Stewart, a non-union seaman, on the steamer Thomas Wilson, on the beach, near Cox's coal deck, and was assaulting him, when Stewart drew a razor from his pocket and cut Taylor's throat, killing him almost instantly. Stewart was arrested by Patrolmen Martin E. Burke, John M. Brown and David S. Brown. At the inquest held Stewart was exonerated.

113: 12/27/1909-At 11 A.M., George Connor, a dishwasher in the Boston Lunch room, Main Street, was stabbed and almost instantly killed by Ernie Lefren, a cook in the same place, who was at once arrested by Patrolman John Driscoll and Henry Cottrell. On investigation it was shown that the killing was accidental, Connors bumping into Lefren, who had a sharp-pointed cheese knife in his hand, the point striking and entering Connors' breast over the heart.

114 HS: 3/14/1910-About 7 A.M., Mrs. Jacob Conrad, 30 years old, living in No. 21 Peterson Street, was shot and killed near her home by her brother-in-law, John Conrad, who lived with her. Conrad then shot and killed himself.

Enraged by jealousy, John Conrad, 32, killed Mrs. Magdeline Conrad, 28, at Fillmore and Peterson Avenue. Mrs. Conrad was John's brother's widow and had two small children. She was on her way home from the grocery store.

115: 4/12/1910-About 1 A.M., Mrs. Mary Teeft, proprietess of a rooming house at the corner of Ellicott and North Division streets, was shot and instantly killed by Emil Colinlamair, a chef, who had been stopping at her house at different times during the past seven years, upon his being ordered from the premises on account of his drinking habits.

After the shooting he changed his clothing and escaped from the house before the arrival of the police, but later was found by General Sergeant Jeremiah J. O'Brien, Special Martin Murphy and Acting Special James A. Russell, in the saloon of Desire Ritters, corner Spring and Champlain streets. When the officers entered the place he was on a stair landing at bay with a revolver in hand; the officers rushed and overpowered him.

Colinlamair plead guilty to a charge of manslaughter and was sentenced to Auburn State Prison for a term of not less than 10 nor more than 20 years.

Teeft, 50 YOA, was shot and killed by Emil LeMarre, a Frenchman who posed as her husband for five years. They had separated a year ago and he went to Pittsburgh to work as a chef. He returned to live with her and they quarreled constantly. He went back to her house and she ordered him out. The second time she told him to leave, he pulled out a revolver and she ran into her bedroom, and he shot her several times. The bullet over her heart caused death. Teeft's three daughters lived there and one, Mrs. Delmont, saw the shooting. Mrs. Teeft's husband was murdered 25 years ago. LeMarre was arrested at 3 A.M.

Mary Teeft Bradfield left an estate of \$15,000 to her three daughters and two grandchildren. She was killed by Emil Colinlemaire.

116 HS: 6/19/1910-About 10 P.M., Edward M. Allen, an engineer on the L.V.R.R., 33 years old, married, and living with his family at No. 1009 Lovejoy Street, while in a front room, second floor, of No. 71 East Swan Street, with Ruth Murphy, 21 years old, a waitress living at No. 26 Walnut Street, shot and instantly killed Miss Murphy and then shot himself, quarrel being the result of jealousy on his part. Allen was removed to the Emergency Hospital by Specials Edward J. Newton and John Murray, but died shortly after his arrival there.

Allen was a former train engineer. People heard him threaten Ruth and she had a bullet in her heart and he had one in his neck.

117: 7/16/1910-In a quarrel in front of the saloon of Joseph Lapczinski, No. 28 Curtis Street, Stephen Bednarez, 22 years old, of Clark and Peckham streets, shot Michael Reguta, 25 years old, of No. 51 Townsend Street, between the eyes. He died on the following day. Bednarez escaped after the shooting and kept under cover for a few days, when he surrendered himself at Police Headquarters. He was charged with manslaughter, first degree, arraigned in City Court, and held for the Grand Jury, who returned a manslaughter second degree bill, and was sentenced by Judge Taylor in the County Court October 4th, to Auburn Prison for not less than 4 years and not more than 12 years.

118: 8/7/1910-About 1:15 A.M., Jacob Ksionzek, of No. 73 Peter Street, and James Kontorski of No. 111 Howell Street, musicians, who had been playing a dance at the saloon of Joseph Fronczak, No. 661 Tonawanda Street, and were returning to their homes, were met at the Grace Street crossing of the Erie R.R. by four young men, who stopped them and endeavored to have them play music for them. During the altercation Ksionzek was struck on the head and face by some sharp instrument. He died from the effects of his wounds at 5 A.M., August 10, 1910.

10/17/1910-Captain George J. Ward and Detective Sergeant Bogumiel Laszewski arrested one Valentine Baldo of No. 84 Bush Street, as one of the quartet, and held him as witness. Same date Detective Sergeant Laszewski arrested, in Dunkirk, N.Y., Stanley Dudeck, also one of the party. He was indicted by the Grand Jury on charge of manslaughter, first degree. Case still pending. *Relates to August 7th incident concerning death of Ksionzek.*

119: 9/4/1910-About midnight, a quarrel arose between Michael Vignera, Nicholas Polino, James Cirrito and Vincenzo Basilio, over a card game in room in rear of saloon of Pasquale Cortese, No. 117 Dante Place.

They went to the corner of Water and Erie streets to fight it out, and upon their arrival there, Michael Vignera was shot by one of them and instantly killed. Polino was arrested by Patrolman John Connors, Joseph V. McGuire and Pilot Joseph Smith of the Harbor Squad, as he was running away from the scene of the shooting. Cirrito was arrested late on Front Avenue by General Sergeant Jeremiah O'Brien, Specials Martin Murphy, James A. Russell

and Charles H. Chilcott.

Polino was held for the Grand Jury, but a no bill returned. Cirrito was discharged and Basilio has not yet been found.

120 I: 9/24/1910-About 11:30 A.M., Mrs. Louisa Hall, 50 year old, living at No. 46 Johnson Park, while in a drunken frenzy threw a child, Margaret Williams, 13 months old, out of the second story window to the sidewalk. The baby was removed to the Homeopathic Hospital, where it died from a fracture of a skull a few hours later. The mother of the child left the child in the care of Mrs. Hall where she was out working. Mrs. Hall was arrested by Special James Holmes and Matthias J. Ryan and charged with murder. When arraigned before Judge Brennan she was committed to the Erie County Jail to be examined as to her sanity and later was committed to Providence Retreat.

121: 10/8/1910-At a smoker given by the Marquette Club in its rooms in the Tech Theatre building, about 11:30 P.M., Frank Gittere, 24 years old, of No. 92 Guilford Street, and Frank Mumm, 24 years old, No. 168 Best Street, were engaged in a boxing match. Gittere received a blow on the jaw from Mumm which rendered him unconscious. He was removed to the General Hospital where he died a few hours later. Mumm was arrested early the following morning by Captain Gilligan, Special Thomas McGreevy and Patrolman Matthias J. Ryan, and charged with manslaughter. At the inquest held by Judge Brennan he was discharged.

Frederick Mumm, 21 YOA, killed Gittere ("Kid" Hyland) in the seventh round. Gittere died with a hemorrhage of the brain, probably from his head hitting the floor. Gittere, 34 YOA, had been married two weeks earlier. The Chester Times, 10/11/10, p. 5 titled their newsclip "Knocked out for Good."

122: 11/5/1910-Anna Stettenmeier, 22 years old, of No. 33 Schuele Avenue, gave birth to a full grown baby girl, in an outdoor closet in the rear of the home of Mrs. Jacob Schmitz, No. 324 Box Avenue, where she was employed. After giving birth to the child she strangled it by stuffing its mouth full of ashes and threw it into the closet vault.

She was held on the charge of murder and is awaiting trial.

123 LEO: 11/9/1910-About 11 P.M., Frank Warmus, 23 years old, of No. 187 Oneida Street, was detected in the act of burglarizing freight cars standing on the tracks of the N.Y.C. & H.R.R. at Smith Street, by Special Officer Charles Hoffman of the N.Y.C. & H.R.R., who shot at him; but as Warmus continued to run and at the time escaped, it was thought he was not hit. Later in the night his body was found in an alleyway at No. 754 William Street. He had been shot in the thigh and died from loss of blood. Hoffman was arrested by Detective Sergeant John R. Ryan. His case is still pending in court.

124: 11/20/1910-While returning from a dance held at Schwartzmaier's Hall, Jefferson and Sycamore streets about 3:30 A.M., Joseph Baumler became involved in a fight on the street. Charles Scholer, who also attended the dance, became involved in a fight and was struck on the face by Baumler and knocked unconscious. He was taken to the German Hospital in patrol wagon from No. 4 Station House, but died after reaching the hospital. Medical Examiner Danser, after holding a post mortem, declared that Scholer died from heart failure, and Baumler, who had been arrested on charge of murder, first degree, was given a hearing in the City Court and was discharged from custody.

125: 1/29/1911-Jay Fowler and Luigi Gotta, both employed as bar tenders in Michael Gaudiso's saloon, 65 Dante Place, had some words and an argument during their working hours, and about 1:45 A.M., just as Fowler was about to enter his apartments on the second floor where both had rooms, Gotta who had followed Fowler up stairs drew a large knife and slashed Fowler on face and neck.

Fowler was removed to the Emergency Hospital, where he died two days later from the effects of the wounds.

Gotta made his escape immediately after cutting Fowler and was located a few days later at Niagara Falls and brought back by Detective Sergeant Schuh. He was arraigned and upon his plea of guilty of manslaughter was sentenced to Auburn prison for not less than ten years nor more than nineteen years.

126-127: 2/12/1911-About 11:00 P.M., as the result of an argument and the spilling of a glass of beer on the lap of Lorato La Bue by Generada Guoco in the saloon of Frank Garagna, 76 Trenton avenue, they adjourned to the street to fight it out and immediately began shooting at each other. The shooting brought Vincenzo La Bue and Gaetano Cuoco, relatives of the combatants, to the scene and a general revolver fight followed, with the result that Lorato La Bue was instantly killed. Gerardo Cuoco was shot through the body and was found later in the basement at 72 Front avenue, by Captain Forrestel and Sergeant John J. Ryan, and sent to the Columbus Hospital and transferred later to the Contagious Hospital, where he died March 12th from the result of his wound.

Gaetano Cuoco was found in the rear of 72 Front avenue, about 2:00 A.M., February 13th, by Sergeant John J. Ryan, and placed under arrest and charged with murder.

Vincenzo La Bue was arrested about the same time by Specials John Smaldino and Edward J. Newton, while on his way to the Columbus Hospital, and charged with murder. They were arraigned in the City Court later and discharged, it being shown that the men killed, shot each other.

128 LEO: 2/13/1911-Thomas LaValle, 41 years old, of 573 Abbott Road, was shot and killed by William R. Joyce, a special officer of the D.L. & W.R.R., who discovered LaValle and another man throwing merchandise out of a D.L. & W.R.R. car near the Abbott Road, and when Joyce called upon them to stop they ran. He fired two shots, one hitting LaValle. Joyce was held for the Grand Jury, but no indictment was found.

129: 3/28/1911-About 4:45 P.M., Fellipi Antoni, 26 years old, living at 156 Dante place, entered the restaurant at 143 Dante place, managed by Mrs. Cantella, and was followed into the restaurant by Pietro Scarpelli, 45 years old, of 125 Dante place, and who without uttering a word shot Antoni and tried to escape, but was grappled by Antoni who succeeding in wresting the revolver from Scarpelli's hand shot and killed him instantly. Antoni was taken to the Emergency Hospital by Patrolman William Albach where he died at 9:15 P.M., same date.

130: 4/20/1911-About 2:30 P.M., John Monroe Hancock, 10 years old, of 522 Franklin street, was shot and instantly killed by Everett P. Wheeler, 10 years old, of 519 Franklin street. The boys were playing on the second floor of Wheeler's residence when young Wheeler took one of his father's rifles off the rack where it was hanging and in a playful manner, not knowing it was loaded, pointed it at Hancock, pulling the trigger and discharging the gun, the bullet entered Hancock's breast. The Wheeler boy was arrested by Patrolman Joseph D. Lynch, taken to the District Attorney's office and later released to the custody of the father.

131: 5/29/1911-About 10:50 P.M., Cologero De Rosso, 33 years old, living at Dante place, met Sabestina Gammino at the corner of Peacock and Evans streets. He drew his revolver and shot Gamino down. He ran, throwing away his gun while being pursued by Patrolmen Thompson, O'Neill and Keen who caught him. When arraigned he pleaded that his life was threatened by Gammino and that when they met he thought Gammino made a suspicious movement as if to pull a gun, when he shot to defend himself. He was found guilty of manslaughter and sentenced to Auburn Prison for a term of fifteen years.

132: 6/27/1911-About 7:30 P.M., Joseph Coons was struck and knocked down by Albert Decker of 186 East Ferry street while they engaged in a fight at the corner of Waverly and Ferry streets. He died from the effects of injuries received, on July 4th. Decker was arrested by Acting Specials George P. Maloney and Alfred H. Sendker; held for the Grand Jury, but no indictment found.

133: 7/2/1911-About 9:15 P.M., Raimondo Venzinus, a driver for the Hoefler Ice Cream Co., 296 Connecticut street, was driving by Prospect avenue just south of Connecticut street was assaulted by two men with whom he had previous trouble at the Ice Cream Works. They had started to use a baseball bat on him. He drew a knife and stabbed one of them named Robinson who was taken to the General Hospital where he died later. Venzinus escaped and is still at large. His case was taken to the Grand Jury, but no indictment found.

134: 7/11/1911-About 6:00 P.M., John Wesley, colored, 22 years old, and John Young, colored, both in the employ of the Anchor Line Steamship Co., while on board of the Steamer Tionesta, lying in the Blackwell canal had a dispute over a debt which Young owed Wesley. Wesley shot Young who died a few days later at the Emergency Hospital. Wesley was arrested by Patrolmen Connors and McGuire of the Harbor Squad, and on being arraigned plead guilty to the charge of manslaughter, 2nd degree, and was sentenced to Auburn Prison for five years.

135: 8/1/1911-About 7:00 P.M., Joseph H. Smearing of 153 Florida street was severely beaten by Charles Braun of 73 Hughes avenue in a fight at the corner of Main street and Northland avenue, and died from the effects of his injuries August 24th. Braun was arrested by Patrolmen William C. Stephenson and Bernard L. Grutzman; charged with manslaughter, 2nd degree, and held for the Grand Jury; no indictment found; Smearing being the aggressor and Braun acting in self defense.

136: 8/16/1911-Frank Gourney of 26 Lackawanna street went to the house of John Lacinski, 319 Abby street, and got into an argument with Mrs. Lacinski and began assaulting her. Lacinski who was at home at the time ran out to the assistance of his wife and struck Gourney on the head with an iron bar, fracturing his skull, he dying the following day. Lacinski was held for the Grand Jury, but no indictment found.

137: 8/23/1911-About 6:40 P.M., Christ Nolan, an inmate of the Erie County Home, had a fight in the rear of the Institution with John Crane aged 57, another inmate, over a small sum of money. Crane was struck on the head with a cane carried by Nolan and died from the effects. Nolan was later arrested by Special Thomas H. Kennedy. Sentence was suspended on him by Judge Harry L. Taylor.

138-139 LEO, E: 9/4/1911-About 9:30 P.M., Patrolman Charles E. Schaeffer arrested on suspicion of larceny, Frank Koczuch, 20 years old, of Chandler street, Cheektowaga, N.Y., whom he found in a saloon conducted by Stanley Adamski, corner Dingen street and Weaver avenue. While Schaeffer was conducting his prisoner to the patrol box on the opposite corner he was followed from the saloon by John Muraszewski who demanded the release of the prisoner and at the same time opening fire on the officer. Koczuch, the prisoner, was shot through the heart and instantly killed and the officer was shot and mortally wounded, dying from the effects of his injuries at the Emergency Hospital on the morning of September 6th. Muraszewski was convicted of murder 1st degree, and sentenced to be electrocuted during the week commencing November 30th, 1911. His attorneys secured a stay pending an appeal.

Maruszewski was in such good shape he needed two jolts of the maximum amount of electricity. He carried a crucifix in his hand.

“John Maruszewski, white, age 28. *Murder.* The crime was committed on September 5, 1911, in Buffalo. Maruszewski was drinking in a saloon when a policeman named Charles E. Schaeffer (white) came in an arrested another tippler named Frank Kosac (white) on a burglary warrant. Maruszewski butted in and demanded that the officer leave Kosac alone. The officer then told Maruszewski that he risked arrest for interference. Maruszewski pulled out an automatic pistol and started shooting. When the smoke cleared Schaeffer was dead and so was Kosac. The killer was executed at Auburn on August 14, 1912.” CBH, 123-124.

140: 9/4/1911-About 8:30 P.M., Jacob Nowacki, 26 years old, of 268 Ashley street, while in the saloon conducted by Michael Mickiewicz, 72 Koons avenue, engaged in a fight with John Kotzycki, Leo Balzarak and Leo Felski. During the fight Nowacki was stabbed, and died from the effects a few hours later at the Emergency Hospital.

Kotzycki, Balzarek, and Felski were arrested by Captain Michael Morrissey, Detective Bogumil Laszewski and Special Thomas H. Flesh. They were indicted on charge of murder, 2nd degree. Kotzycki was tried before a jury in the County Court who disagreed. The cases are still pending.

141: 9/4/1911-About 7:00 P.M., Tony Stepan, a Polish laborer of 60 Military Road, while drinking in the saloon with Frank Koscioleks, 275 Austin street, with several men, among them Stanley Katina and John Papaj of 273 Austin street. Katina shoved Stepan out of the saloon and he started to walk across the street to the corner of Austin and Keil streets, when he was followed by Papaj who struck Stepan on the head, knocking him down, his head striking the pavement hard, fracturing his skull. He was brought to the station house, later removed to the Sisters' Hospital, where he died September 10th from the effects of injuries. Papaj was arrested September 7th by Special John T. Williamson and was held for the Grand Jury and indicted for manslaughter, 1st degree, but was allowed by Judge Wheeler to plead guilty to charge of assault, 3rd degree, and sentenced to the Erie County Penitentiary for ninety days.

142 AS: 10/16/1911-At 11:15 P.M., Henry Becker, 66 years old, of 1225 Fillmore avenue and his wife, Market Becker, while walking on Landon street, became engaged in a quarrel relative to her wanting to visit a man at 224 Landon street. He then became enraged and drew his pen-knife and stabbed her in the face and abdomen, disemboweling her; he then slashed his own throat with the same knife. They were both removed to the Deaconess Hospital, where Mrs. Becker died November 3rd. Becker recovered and was arrested by Special Lawrence G. Belzer and charged with murder, 1st degree. Case still pending.

143: 1/22/1912-About 9 o'clock on the evening, Miss Nellie E. Cleveland, 40 years old, of 140 Morgan Street, who had been rooming with a man named Edward Walsh, 26 years old, in a room on the second floor over the saloon of Peter Green's, 90 East Eagle Street, was brutally beaten and kicked by Walsh. She was removed to the Emergency Hospital, where she died at 12:05 A.M. same night. Walsh was arrested later by Captain Gilligan, Lieutenant John J. Creahan and Patrolman Edward J. Steck, and charged with murder, first degree. His plea of guilty to manslaughter was accepted by the Court and he was sentenced to serve a term in Auburn Prison of not less than six years nor more than fourteen years and three months.

144: 6/1/1912-About 5:50 A.M., the body of a man was found in front of 429 Abby Street. On investigation it was learned that it was James Carroll, who resided at this address with his wife and child. It developed later that Carroll had come home about midnight, intoxicated, and quarreled with his wife. Rose, who, in defending herself, stabbed him with a large bread knife, killing him. She then dragged the body out of the house and left it there, where it was found later. She was arrested by Lieutenant James F. McDonald, Patrolman Fritz and William H. Milks, and was discharged at the inquest on the ground of justifiable homicide.

145: 6/26/1912-About 12:45 P.M., during an argument over a girl named Mary Cappollo, with whom they were infatuated, Gaetano Morino, 30 years old, of 127 Swain Street, and Dominick Musalino, 22 years old, of Dante

Place and Evans Street, in front of 170 Dante Place, Merino drew his revolver and shot Musalino twice, both bullets striking him in the region of the stomach. He was removed to the Emergency Hospital, where he died at 3:15 A.M., June 27th.

Patrolman Joseph Capelli and Special Smaldino, who were in the vicinity, were attracted by the shots; they ran there and arrested Merino in the immediate vicinity, before he could make his escape. He was indicted on the charge of murder, second degree and convicted, and sentenced to Auburn Prison for a term of not less than twenty years.

146: 7/27/1912-About 11:30 P.M., four or five Poles, attending a party at No. 11 Lathrop Street, engaged in a quarrel and one of them, named Pawel Marciniak, was hit on the head with a beer bottle, his skull fractured; from the effects of which he died July 29th. Three of the gang, suspected of the assault, namely, Waclaw Spolitabaka, his brother, Thomas Spolitabaka, and Waclaw Bartory, were arrested by Lieutenant Anthony Walsikowski and Specials John G. Lipp, Fred J. Lupke and Joseph F. Richter. They denied the assault, claiming that it was Boleslaw Spolitabaka, a brother of the two above named, who struck the blow; these three, however, were charged with manslaughter and discharged. Boleslaw Spolitabaka is still at large.

147 HS: 10/9/1912-On the morning of this date, the bodies of Philip Rhinehardt, 82 years old, and his wife Sophia, 84 years old, were found lying dead on the floor of the kitchen in their home, at 21 Peach Street. Rhinehardt had been shot through the head, as also had Mrs. Rhinehardt, with a 38 calibre revolver, the property of Rhinehardt, who had evidently killed his wife and himself.

148: 10/20/1912-About 11 P.M., Anthony Karjewski, 17 years old, of 130 Leopere Street, and Waclaw Tyx, 17 years old of 40 Woltz Avenue, when on Broadway, near Woltz Avenue, got into an altercation with Stanislaus Knyeh. Both boys struck him in the face and he fell to the sidewalk, striking his head, fracturing his skull. He died at the Emergency Hospital at 12:10 A.M., same night. The boys, Karjewski and Tyx, were arrested October 21st, about 1:05 A.M., by Lieutenant Jeremiah J. O'Brien, Detective Sergeant Laszewski, and Specials Richter and Flesh, and were charged with manslaughter, but were discharged when arraigned in City Court.

149: 10/30/1912-About 11:30 P.M., a party of young men in the saloon of Alexander Gapinski, of 1093 Broadway, started a row over the payment for drinks they had. During the quarrel Gapinski took a club, which had been behind the bar, and struck one of the party, George Streczela, on the head and he fell to the floor, receiving a fractured skull. He was removed to the Emergency Hospital, where he died at 2:15 A.M., October 21, 1912. Gapinski was arrested by Lieutenant Jeremiah O'Brien, Detective Laszewski, Specials Richter and Fleash, at 3:25 A.M., October 21, 1912, and was charged with manslaughter. He was found guilty on a charge of assault, second degree, and sentenced to the Erie County Penitentiary for a term of eight months.

150 LEO, E: 11/19/1912-About 10 o'clock P.M., Patrolman George N. Claus, of the Eighth Precinct, while on post duty, attempted to arrest Stephen Gerezszak, 22 years old, of 242 Detroit Street, Stanislaus Konieczka, of 27 Sobieski Street, and Michael Goslinski, of 207 Koons Avenue, while they were maliciously tearing off the pickets from a fence in front of 130 Sears Street; they resisted and overpowered him, and while Gerezszak and Konieczka held the officer, Goslinski reached into the officer's hip pocket, securing his revolver and then shot him under his left eye, killing him instantly. The three escaped after the affray. Later in the evening Gerezszak and Konieczka were arrested by Specials John G. Lipp, Acting Special John G. Percy and Patrolmen Richard Cronin and James McDermott. A diligent search was made for Goslinski and about 10 P.M., November 21, 1912, he was located at his hiding-place in the Eleventh Precinct and arrested by Superintendent Michael Regan.

Goslinski was tried and convicted and sentenced to be electrocuted at Auburn Prison during the week of January 20, 1913.

Gerezszak was tried and found guilty of the charge of murder, second degree, and sentenced to Auburn Prison for a term for not less than twenty years nor more than life.

Konieczka is still in jail awaiting trial.

"Michael Goslinski, white, age 22. *Murder.* The crime was committed on November 19, 1912, at Buffalo. Goslinski was an angelic-looking Aryan who had attended a raucous wedding feast on the above date. Liquor flowed freely throughout the festivities. By evening the younger set was well primed and went outside to burn off their excess energy. This they did by swaggering down Seale Street and smashing a picket fence. A woman then complained to the elders at the wedding and an off-duty police officer (who was amongst the guests) volunteered to step outside and restore order. The rowdy youths loathed discipline and opted to fight with the officer, George N. Claus (white). In the turmoil Goslinski got hold of the policeman's gun and mortally wounded him with it. He was

executed at Auburn on June 4, 1913.” CBH, 127.

151: 11/30/1912-In the afternoon, Andrew Leverage, 47 years old, of 137 Dewitt Street, and John W. Seaman, 62 years old, of 62 Carey Street, had a quarrel over a line fence between two properties owned by them. Seaman struck Leverage on the head with a club, causing a fracture of the base of the skull, he dying two days later. Seaman was later arrested by Specials John T. Williamson and Charles P. Glor and charged with murder. On the trial he was convicted of manslaughter and sentenced to Auburn Prison for a term of not less than one year and two months nor over five years.

152: 12/28/1912-About 9:15 P.M., Mrs. Julia Labonney, 21 years old, of Springville, N.Y., and rooming at No. 328 Oak Street, was visited by John Daliquette, 42 years old, a deaf mute, also of Springville, N.Y., and who was infatuated with Mrs. Labonney. Upon her refusal to marry him he stabbed her in the breast and escaped from the house before the alarm could be given. She was removed to the Emergency Hospital, where she died the same evening. About an hour after the deed Daliquette entered No. 8 station house and handed the Desk Sergeant a written slip stating that he had stabbed a woman and gave himself up. He is charged with murder, first degree, and his case is now pending.

153 E: 1/3/1913-About 5 o'clock in the evening, Severio Graganello, a saloonkeeper, living at 166 Erie Street, met Michael Sarzano, a former boarder, at the corner of Dante Place and Erie Street, and asked him for \$3.00 that was long due for board, and as a result they began fighting, when Michael Sarzano pulled a revolver out of his pocket and shot Graganello through the abdomen.

Graganello was sent to the Emergency Hospital, where he lingered until January 22d, where he died.

Sarzano was arrested, almost after the shooting, by Detective Sergeants Joseph J. Hearn and John R. Ryan and William H. Barrett, when about to board a New York Central, Niagara Falls train which was just passing Erie Street. He was charged with murder, convicted and sentenced to death during the week of April 14, 1913.

“**Michael Sarzano**, white, age 27. *Murder.* The crime was committed on November 17, 1912, at Buffalo. This Italian immigrant took up his first American address in a rooming house run by a fellow countryman named Saderro Granzanello. Having paid his rent in advance, Sarzano found better accommodations with which he wished to avail himself. Therefore, he asked Granzanello for a partial refund. The landlord refused to rebate a single dollar and Sarzano lost his temper. He stormed out of the house but returned shortly afterward with a handgun and started shooting a Granzanello. The victim was shot five times in the stomach but still managed to cling to life for three months. Sarzano was subsequently executed at Auburn Prison on December 9, 1914.” CBH, 130.

154: 2/22/1913-Shortly before midnight, Floyd Smith, 30 years old, a carpenter, residing at No. 826 Clinton Street, Niagara Falls, N.Y., accompanied by Bernard Aderman, of the same city, went into the saloon of Jack Brown's, No. 15 Oak Street, and called for some mixed drinks, and when the drink was served to Smith, he found fault with the drink and an argument ensued, and as a result Jack Brown stepped out from behind the bar, and either struck or shoved Smith, who fell, fracturing his skull.

Mr. Smith was removed to the Emergency Hospital where he expired a few minutes after being placed on the operating table.

Jack Brown was arrested by Detective Sergeants Edward J. Newton and Andrew J. Kenefick, and charged with manslaughter 1st degree. Case is still pending.

155: 3/15/1913-About 5:15 P.M., Joseph Mullach, 55 years old, of No. 376 Sweet Avenue, went into the saloon of Michael Nowakowski, No. 1012 Sycamore Street, and asked for a glass of beer. The saloon keepers son, Walter, was tending bar at the time and called Mullach's attention to the bar bill he owed him. This led to blows and Mullach was knocked to the floor from a blow from Walter's fist, which rendered him unconscious. He was sent to the Emergency Hospital, where he died, three hours later, from a fractured skull. Walter Nowakowski, 20 years old, was placed under arrest by Lieutenant John T. Mooney and Specials Lawrence G. Belzer and Felix Bieter, on charge of manslaughter second degree, and was arraigned in the City Court March 16, 1913, and held for the Grand Jury, and indicted March 21, 1913, and acquitted in the Supreme Court, presided over by Judge Brown, April 11, 1913.

156-157: 5/17/1913-Nicholas Mash, 30 years old; Angelo Palvaino, 32 years old; both boarding at No. 182 Goethe Street and Bellarminto Riccioni, 23 years old, of No. 19 North Ogden Street, were employed at the Lackawanna Freight House at Sloan, N.Y.

They had some trouble while at work and Riccioni was discharged. The same evening the three men met in a saloon

conducted by an Italian on Lovejoy Street, outside the City Line, they were drinking and got into an argument. Riccioni left the saloon about 11 o'clock P.M., went home and secured a revolver, and waited for Mash and Palvaino, at Lovejoy and Schiller Streets, this City, where the argument was renewed. Riccioni fired several shots. Mash was shot through the stomach and died in the ambulance on the way to the Hospital. Palvaino was shot and mortally wounded, dying from the effects of his injuries, at the Emergency Hospital on the morning of May 18, 1913.

Riccioni after the shooting made his escape and is still at large.

158 LEO: 5/20/1913-About 11:25 o'clock P.M., Patrolman John G. Percy, and Specials Pilarski and Jacob Latosi of the L.S. & M.S. R.R. came upon Joseph Stolz, of No. 1041 Smith Street, Walter Przybyl, of No. 281 Detroit Street, and August Serocki, of No. 217 Coit Street. They were wanted on the charge of assault 1st degree, committed on the person of Special Pilarski, on the night of May 11, 1913. When they saw the officers, they ran, and Stolz was caught by Patrolman Percy, Przybyl and Serocki were pursued by Specials Pilarski and Latosi, who commanded them to stop, which they failed to do, whereupon Pilarski drew his revolver and fired five shots, one of which struck Serocki in the stomach, and he fell mortally wounded. He was taken to the Emergency Hospital in the ambulance. He died on the morning of June 13, 1913.

At the inquest Pilaraski was held on a charge of manslaughter 1st degree, and held for the Grand Jury, and no indictment was found.

Walter Przybyl, 17 YOA, and August Serocki were both shot. Serocki was expected to die. Special Pilarski had been set upon a week ago by an East side gang and slightly injured when shot in the hip. He returned to the job the day of the shooting. Both men were brought down before they had gone 100 yards after fleeing from the police.

159: 5/24/1913-Frank Konezara, 24 years old, of No. 31 Roseville Street, was arrested at 11:25 o'clock P.M., by Patrolman Thomas J. O'Neill, and charged with murder first degree. Konczara caught his wife talking to Joseph Zakawizski, who also resided at No. 31 Roseville Street, and of whom he was extremely jealous, and stabbed him through the heart with a pocket-knife.

He was sentenced to serve seven years at Auburn Prison.

160: 5/26/1913-About 3 o'clock, Joseph Hoppey, 20 years old, of No. 70 Milburn Street, accosted Michael Halaczynski, 55 years old, of No. 125 Person Street, who was standing at the corner of Broadway and Lathrop Streets, and told him to move on, that he was a police officer.

Halaczynski refused to do so, and Hoppey struck him in the face with a fist. He fell and struck his head on the stone sidewalk, causing a fracture of the skull. He was removed to the Emergency Hospital in the ambulance and died a half hour later.

Hoppey was arrested by Lieutenant Charles F. Oberley and Patrolman George F. Michael, on charge of murder first degree, pleaded guilty to assault second degree, and was sentenced to the Elmira Reformatory, by Judge Taylor in County Court.

161 E: 10/7/1913-About 11 o'clock in the morning, Guiseppi DiGioia, 31 years old, married, employed as a watchman by the Eureka Coffee Co., 102 Carroll Street, went to Love's Livery, 121 Carroll Street, and commanded of George Gillespie, employed as a barn man, that he either refund him some money that DiGioia had given his wife or compel her to marry him, as she had promised. After a few words had passed between the men, Gillespie shoved DiGioia out of the barn on the walk, when DiGioia shot Gillespie in the left breast near the heart, and as Gillespie turned around and started to run into the barn, DiGioia shot him again in the back.

Gillespie was removed to the Emergency Hospital and died there at 2:30 P.M., same date.

After the shooting DiGioia ran away and was found at the corner of Washington and Exchange Streets, by Special Martin Murphy, patrolmen Charles F. Rogers and Albert Huber, and arrested and charged with murder and convicted, and received the death sentence.

"Giuseppe DeGoia, white, age 31. *Murder.* The crime was committed on October 7, 1913, at Buffalo. DeGoia became involved with a girl less than half his age. It was agreed that the two should marry and Degoia spent lavishly to provide his fiancée with diamond rings and other expensive gifts. When the wedding day came,

however, DeGoia got a nasty surprise. He was left standing at the altar. When the bride failed to appear, inquiries were made and it was reported that she had married another man. A stunned and angry Gisueppe DeGoia then marched over to the girl's house—still dressed in his wedding suit—and demanded the return of the gifts. The girl refused to give them up and her new husband, George Gillespie (white), ordered DeGoia to get off his property. Harsh words were exchanged and Gillespie chased DeGoia onto Carroll Street with a heavy iron stove-lid lifter. It was then that DeGoia pulled out a gun and shot his rival dead. Although the public sympathy ran in DeGoia's favor, he was executed at Auburn Prison on August 31, 1914." CBH, 129.

162: 11/17/1913-During the evening, William Myers, 32 years old, a scooper, living at No. 125 East Eagle Street, accompanied by a friend, went into William Walter's saloon, at the corner of Eagle and Oak Streets, became seated at a table, ordered some drinks and became abusive, profane, and boisterous and refused to leave the saloon, and when Mr. Walter who had been upstairs, came down on hearing the noise, attempted to eject Meyers from the place, Meyers turned on him when it was alleged that Walters shot Meyers in the stomach.

Meyers was removed to the Emergency Hospital, where he died at 1:30 o'clock the next morning.

Walters was arrested by Detective Edward J. Newton and Cain O'Connor, and charged with murder. Case is pending.

163: 11/26/1913-About 9:45 P.M., as a result of the accidental spilling of some beer, by Leroy Daub, 26 years old, stopping at the Anchor Lodging House, 122 Main Street, over the pantaloons of Guiseppe Saverino, living at No. 99 Commercial Street, while in the rear of Joseph Crago's saloon No. 109 Commercial Street, Saverino pulled a revolver out of his pocket and shot Daub in the left side of the neck and ran away.

Daub was removed to the Emergency Hospital, where he died at 3:18 P.M. December 1, 1913.

Saverino was arrested by Specials John Smaldino and Charles P. Ryan, while at the corner of Pearl and Terrace Streets, at 11:15 o'clock P.M., December 1, 1913, but not until he had put up a fight, slightly injuring Special Smaldino, and when searched a 38-calibre revolver was found in his possession.

He was charged with murder, and his case is still pending.

164 LEO: 11/27/1913-About 4:00 o'clock A.M., Patrolman Charles Whitfield, while patrolling his post in the vicinity of Broadway and Mills Streets, heard some shots fired, and saw a man lying on the ground, who had been shot. Two men ran past him, followed by three or four young men who told Officer Whitefield that they were the two men who had shot the man that was lying on the ground, on Mills Street near Broadway.

Whitefield pursued them to Fillmore Avenue and Stanislaus Street. They halted again and pointed a revolver at him. Whitefield drew his revolver, and shot one of the men in the back. He proved to be John Einik, of No. 100 Beck Street. He was hurried to the Emergency Hospital in the patrol wagon, but died before reaching there.

At the inquest the officer was exonerated.

165: 12/8/1913-About 4:00 P.M., Alexandra Karnus, 20 years old, residence unknown, called at the residence of Ignatz Zayon, No. 101 Gittere Street, and complained of a severe headache and asked permission to lie down. Several hours later the Zayon family heard the stranger moaning and sent for Dr. Vincent B. Berczynski, of No. 1022 Sycamore Street, and when the Doctor examined her he found that she had given birth to a male child, strangled it with a handkerchief and placed it in a suit case.

Medical Examiner Earl G. Danser investigated and sent the body to the morgue. Lieutenant George D. Richards and Patrolman William W. Reese, placed her under arrest and charged her with murder first degree, and had her removed to the German Hospital, under police surveillance.

The officers presented the evidence before the Grand Jury and that body returned an indictment of murder second degree, December 12, 1913. She will be tried at the next session of the Supreme Court.

166: 1/24/1914-William McGlocklin, 33 years old, of 425 Michigan Avenue, and Thomas Starr, 35 years old, of 390 Michigan Avenue, both colored, engaged in a quarrel, during which McGlocklin struck Starr over the head with a club inflicting a severe and long laceration of the scalp, when Starr stabbed McGlocklin over the heart with a pocket knife.

McGlocklin died in an ambulance on his way to the Emergency Hospital. Starr was arrested a few minutes after the stabbing by Patrolman James Martin, detailed at the N.Y.C. depot, and was charged with murder.

At an inquest held by Hon. Judge Hartzell, Starr was discharged on the grounds that he acted in self defense.

William McLaughlin, a sleeping car porter, had his skull fractured by Thomas Starr, a chef at an Exchange Street Hotel. McLaughlin waylaid Starr and accused him of paying attention to his wife. Starr ran into the hotel and picked up a knife and stabbed him.

167: 3/14/1914-As the result of a quarrel over a card game in the saloon of Peter Petrella, 1565 Fillmore Avenue, between Salavatore Giolando, 40 years old, of 18 Sidway Street, and Tony Vachore, 30 years old, of 27 Winchester Avenue, they were ejected from the place. When on the street Vachore attacked Giolando, striking him on the head with a club, fracturing his skull; removed to the Emergency Hospital where he died shortly after. Vachore escaping made his way to Pittsburgh, Pa., where he was located a few days later by Special John Smaldino of the First Precinct; brought back, indicted by the Grand Jury, allowed to plead guilty to a charge of murder second degree, and sentenced to Auburn Prison on April 17th, 1914, by Judge Herbert P. Bissell in the Supreme Court for not less than ten years nor more than nineteen years and three months.

168 LEO: 3/29/1914-Early in the morning, the attention of Patrolman Edward Tigie, who was off duty and in citizen's dress, was attracted to a row on the street near the corner of Landon Street and Wohlers Avenue between several men who came from a dance hall in the vicinity, among whom was Edward Keller, 27 years old, of 586 North Division Street. Officer Tigie notified them that he was an officer, showing his badge and attempted to arrest Keller who was the principal disturber; he resisted, knocking Tigie down. The officer drew his revolver and in the ensuing scuffle Keller was shot in the abdomen, dying before the arrival of an ambulance. At the inquest Officer Tigie was exonerated by Hon. Judge Thomas Noonan of the City Court.

169 LEO: 4/2/1914-While burglarizing the residence of William S. Gubelman, 773 Richmond Avenue, at 11:30 P.M., Richard Ryer (residence unknown) was shot and killed by Special John T. Williamson after he had attempted to kill the officer with a knife in the above residence. Special Williamson was exonerated.

170 E: 5/8/1914-About 7:00 o'clock A.M., Peppo Cino, 23 years old, a boarder, living with Mrs. Luigina Rizzo, 38 years old, married, living at 37 Front Avenue, attempted to criminally assault Mrs. Rizzo, she resisted, he stabbed her to death and made his escape from the house. A short time later he was located and arrested by Patrolmen James J. Meegan and Thomas F. Hayes.

Cino was tried in the Supreme Court, Hon. Judge Emery presiding. Found guilty of murder first degree, sentenced to be electrocuted August 9th, 1914. A stay of execution was granted on appeal, still pending.

A priest accompanied him to the electric chair. New legislation will require Sing Sing to take over all executions for sentences passed after September 1, 1914.

"Giuseppe Cino, white, age 23. Murder. The crime was committed on May 8, 1914, in Buffalo. This man is described as a "dwarf-like" Italian. He boarded at the home of a Mrs. Luigina Rizzo (white) at 37 Front Street and had an affair with her behind her husband's back. When the woman told Cino that it would be wise to end it, he stabbed her to death. The crime took place in the woman's bedroom just after she had had sex with the killer. Cino was caught when the woman's 10-year-old son followed him from the scene of the crime and summoned police along the way. He was executed at Auburn on March 22, 1915." CBH, 132.

171: 6/16/1914-Elmer Boll, 19 years old, chauffeur for the Buffalo Evening News, while running one of their delivery automobiles about 7:15 P.M. west bound on Elk Street, struck Joseph Wesolonski, of 73 Mohr Street, who died at the Emergency Hospital shortly after. At an inquest held before Judge Maul of the City Court, June 24th, a warrant was issued for Boll, charging manslaughter second degree. He was arrested same day, held for the Grand Jury, admitted to bail. The Grand Jury failed to return a bill.

172: 6/28/1914-Biagro Mineo, 58 years old, of 54 Maiden Lane, and Peter Campagna, 21 years old, of 58 Dante Place, met at the corner of Washington and Scott Streets about 7:30 P.M., this date and had an argument in reference to a debt of \$2.00 which Campagna owed Mineo. They were joined by Gaetano Mineo, 32 years old, a son of Biagra Mineo, who took part of the quarrel on the side of his father. During the fight which resulted Campagna was shot twice and also received several stab wounds. He was rushed to the Emergency Hospital and lingered along until 8:00 P.M. July 2d, when he died from the result of the wounds.

173: 7/14/1914-About 1:50 in the morning, as Martin Cook, 39 years old, of 99 Illinois Street, was about to enter his

home, he was attacked by two unknown men and beaten around the head with a piece of iron. He managed to get into the house arousing his father and died within a few minutes from his wounds. As he had a large amount of money and jewelry on his person which were not disturbed, it is thought the assault was the result of some grudge.
174: 8/19/1914-Gitano Domzio, 28 years old, of No. 325 Seneca Street, and Joseph Fontano of same place, quarreled in saloon at 331 Seneca Street. They were ejected by the proprietor and continued their quarrel on the street, joined by Antonia Dascola, 26 years old, a cousin of Fontano's, and took part in the row, during which he was shot four times; removed to the Emergency Hospital, where he died the same evening. Shortly after the shooting Gitano Domzio was arrested by Patrolman John Murphy, No. 1, and Perry V. Phillips. He was held on charge of murder, tried, and jury disagreed. Case still pending.
175: 8/22/1914-About 9:30 P.M., Ferdinando Tursini, 28 years old, of 189 Seneca Street, and Joseph Di-Nardo, of 166 Carroll Street, were talking at the corner of Seneca Street and Michigan Avenue. They made some remarks to Williams, alias Doc Elkins, a bartender at the Southern Hotel, as he was passing. Elkins turned back and struck Tursini knocking him unconscious to the pavement. He was removed to the Emergency Hospital dying shortly after arriving there. Elkins surrendered to the custody of the police and was later arraigned on charge of manslaughter, but was acquitted.
176 HS: 8/24/1914-Frank Krupa and his wife, Mary, of 341 Amherst Street attended a wedding at 930 Grant Street and left home at 1:10 A.M., making a short cut through a large field. Krupa appeared at their boarding house about 1:30 A.M. and told the landlady that his wife was murdered and then left the house. The body of the woman was found shortly afterwards with four stab wounds in her neck and face. On August 28 th the body of Krupa was found floating in Scajaquada Creek. At an inquest held before Judge Brennan of the City Court the verdict was that Krupa murdered his wife and then committed suicide.
177: 10/3/1914-At 12:05 A.M., John R. Lerczak of Lackawanna City, N.Y., operating an automobile on Fillmore Avenue, struck a telephone pole wrecking the machine. Andrew Jaska, boarding at 775 Perry Street, was thrown out fracturing his skull, dying about 15 minutes after the accident. It was claimed Lerczak was operating the machine in a reckless manner; had no chauffeur's license or license number on his vehicle. Lerczak was arrested, charged with manslaughter; he was arraigned in, the City Court and discharged.
178: 10/12/1914-About 7:40 P.M., Daniel Tronolone, 32 years old, a saloon keeper at 136 Niagara Street, and an unknown Italian, had a quarrel in the rear of 144 Niagara Street, during which Tronolone was stabbed in the abdomen. He was removed to the Emergency Hospital where he died from the effects of his wounds 2:00 A.M., October 15 th . Tronolone knew who was his assailant was but absolutely refused to tell who it was, and no arrests were made.
179: 10/24/1914-Salvatore Cavaretta, 39 years old, of 290 Maryland Street, while in a drunken frenzy started a quarrel with his wife Rose, 36 years old, in the kitchen of their home because she was trying to get a separation from him. He cut her throat with a large bread knife, she dying instantly. He escaped after the murder and has not been apprehended.
180: 11/7/1914-During a row in the saloon 205 Main Street, Antonio Bonadonna, 17 years old, living at 111 South Division Street, stabbed Harry Miller, 24 years old, of 80 South Division Street in the abdomen with a stiletto, Miller dying in the bar room a few minutes after being stabbed. Bonadonna rushed from the place. Specials John Smaldino and George W. Patterson, who were near by and attracted by the uproar, chased after him and arrested him on the Terrace. Bonadonna has been indicted by the Grand Jury on charge of murder second degree, and is in jail awaiting trial.
181: 11/29/1914-About 10:00 A.M., Theodore Zakrzewski, 21 years old of 241 Coit Street, while on his way home from church was stopped at the corner of Smith and Lovejoy Streets by Frank Tadrowski of 209 Coit Street, who was particularly intoxicated, and who struck at Zakrzewski, who returned the blow, Tadrowski falling and striking his head on the pavement fracturing his skull. He was removed to his home dying the same afternoon. Zakrzewski was arrested by Captain O'Brien and Lieutenant Oberly on charge of murder, taken to City Court, where charge was reduced to manslaughter and he was discharged by Hon. Judge Noonan.
182 LEO: 12/2/1914-About 5:00 A.M., Patrolman Richard Cronin while on post on Fillmore Avenue, in front of 576, met three men who acted in a suspicious manner; he stopped them and started to search them. A revolver was found on one, Stanislaus Wroblewski of 212 Loepere Street. The officer was searching him further when Wroblewski pulled another revolver and shot Cronin twice, once in the neck and once in the face. After being wounded the officer pulled his revolver and shot Wroblewski twice, killing him instantly. Cronin who was

dangerously wounded will recover; he was justified in the shooting.
183-184: 1/5/1915-During an argument in Palesce's saloon, 103 Dante Place, about 2 o'clock A.M., January 5, 1915, Alfonso Amato shot Harry Finaldo in the abdomen and right hip. Frank Orlando tried to take the revolver away from Amato, and during the struggle was himself shot in the abdomen and right leg. Finaldo finally succeeded in getting the weapon away from Amato and shot him in the abdomen and right side. The three men were removed to the Emergency Hospital in No. 1 auto patrol. Orlando died at 6:45 A.M., January 5, 1915, and Amato died at 1:15 A.M., January 6, 1915.
185: 1/23/1915-On that night, a fight started in the saloon of Joseph Gazuba, 371 Peckham Street, between Stanley Bogucki, 21 years old, of 95 Detroit Street, Leo Lempka, 24 years old, of 82 Wilson Street, Frank Zwolenkiewicz, 25 years old, of 132 Detroit Street, and Frank Gwozdz, 23 years old, who boarded at Gazuba's. Gwozdz was stabbed in the head with a jack knife, the blade of which penetrated his skull and broke off. He died February 22, 1915, from the effects. Bogucki, Lempka, and Zwolenkiewicz were arrested by Capt. J. O'Brien and specials Courtney and Richter on a charge of manslaughter, first degree, and were arraigned in City Court, where they were discharged.
186: 2/6/1915-About 3 o'clock, Cologero Galatioto, 22 years old, living at 66 Dante Place, had an argument with his brother-in-law, Vito Montano, 28 years old, in front of the latter's boarding house, 22 State Street, and stabbed him several times in the abdomen with a knife. Montano was hurried to the Emergency Hospital in No. 1 auto patrol, where he died some time later. Galatioto escaped and up to the present time had not been apprehended.
187 3/4/1915-While quarreling in their home, 977 Sycamore Street, about 5 P.M., Joseph Sikorska, 32 years old, kicked his wife, Josephine, in the stomach. She seized a stove lifter and struck him on his head, fracturing his skull. Sikorska was removed to the Emergency Hospital, where he died. Mrs. Sikorska was arrested by Capt. J. O'Brien, specials Richter and patrolman Nowak on charge of manslaughter, arraigned in court and was discharged.
188: 5/5/1915-John J. Hoth, 38 years old, of 150 Imson Street, was shot and instantly killed about noon March 5, 1915, by his sixteen-year-old son, Leo Hoth. Hoth had been drinking for some time and had been abusing his wife and family. Just before the shooting Hoth seized a butcher knife and had his wife by the throat, when young Hoth secured a shot gun and told his father to leave her alone. Hoth then started for the boy with the knife in his hand, and the boy fired the gun, the charge entering his father's body, just above the heart. The boy was arrested by patrolman Patrick J. Ryan, and was arraigned by the City Court. Judge William P. Brennan discharged young Hoth on the grounds of self defense and the defense of his mother.
189: 4/17/1915-Some time after 1 o'clock A.M., several men tried to gain admission to the saloon of George Llekszak, 1845 Clinton Street, after the saloon had been closed and the lights turned out. Several attempts were made to enter the place by raising windows. The bartender, Philip Rubach, of 103 Liddell Street, who slept in the saloon, warned the men to keep away or he would shoot, and when his warning was not heeded he shot Frank Kaczmarek, of 45 Bernard Street, through the stomach. Kaczmarek died from his wounds at the Emergency Hospital several days later. Rubach was arrested by Lieutenant Frank C. Stoner, Special James S. Walsh and patrolmen Martin E. Burke and Joseph E. Renowden. He was arraigned in City Court and held for the grand jury on a charge of murder, first degree. The grand jury returned an indictment as charged, and Rubach is waiting trial.
190: 6/22/1915-While John Remming, 23 years old, of 42 East Woodlawn Avenue, and Herman Jauch, 22 years old, of 501 Goodyear Avenue, were assaulting August Engessor, 25 years old, in his saloon at 1077 East Ferry Street, about 6 o'clock P.M., Remming was struck on the head with a "billy" which resulted in his death the next day. Engessor was arrested by Special Lawrence G. Belzer on a charge of manslaughter, first degree, but was exonerated by Judge Patrick J. Keeler in the City Court.
191-192: 6/26/1915-About 11 o'clock P.M., Joseph Koszynski, 23 years old, of 83 Milburn Street, Frank Stefanick, 24 years old, of 16 Warner Avenue, Andrew Sredzinski, 18 years old of 64 Person Street and Steve Strojny, 18 years, of 65 Person Street, were quarreling in the saloon of Walter Saranowski, 56 Grimes Street, and during the controversy Strojny pulled out a knife and stabbed Koszynski in the back. Sredzinski ran out of the saloon, but returned almost immediately, and while standing in the doorway, he fired two shots, one bullet striking Koszynski in the breast, the other striking Stefaniak in the groin. They were removed to the Emergency Hospital, where Koszynski died June 27 th , and Stefaniak died July 10 th . Sredzinski was arrested July 5, 1915, by Superintendent Michael Regan, on charge of murder, first degree, and Strojny was arrested September 13, 1915, by Special Thomas H. Flesh on a charge of assault, first degree. Their cases are pending.
193-194: 8/14/1915-At a social gathering at Sicilian Hall, Georgia and Trenton Streets, on that night, to celebrate the approaching wedding of Antonio Penasco and Marie St. George, some words were exchanged among the men because Miss St. George refused to dance with one of the Speziali brothers. The latter left the hall and were followed by some of the guests, and when they arrived at the corner of Georgia and Trenton Streets, Fortunato

Spezialli was shot beneath the heart, and his brother, Guiseppi, was shot in the groin. The two brothers were taken to the Columbus Hospital in the No. 1 auto patrol, where Fortunato died at 3:20 A.M., August 15, 1915, and Guiseppi at 4 P.M., August 22, 1915. Antonio Penasco was arrested September 1, 1915, by Special John Smaldino on a charge of murder, second degree, was arraigned in city court and was held for the grand jury on a charge of manslaughter, second degree. His case is still pending. Samuel Senatroy was arrested by Patrolman William E. Jordan on charge of murder, second degree, but owing to lack of evidence he was not held by the grand jury. He will be brought before the next grand jury.

195: 9/5/1915-On that morning, Mrs. Donald Campbell, 55 years old, living at 214 South Division Street, was found strangled to death in her bedroom. Both hands and feet were bound, and a gag forced into her mouth. Guy Owens, who was suspected of the murder, was arrested in Cairo, Ills., January 11, 1916, and brought to Buffalo by Detective Sergt. Thomas Riordan. His case is pending.

196: 9/12/1915-At 9:15 o'clock P.M., while celebrating a christening at his home, 16 Hilton Street, Joseph Pieczonska, 43 years old, was shot in the right side by Frank Slawiak, 18 years old, of 62 Houghton Street, who had not been invited to the celebration. Pieczonska died a few minutes later. Slawiak was arrested by Capt. J. O'Brien and Detective Sergt. John R. Ryan on a charge of murder, first degree. The charge was later reduced to manslaughter, second degree, and Slawiak was sentenced to Auburn Prison for not less than 10, and not more than 20 years.

197: 9/14/1915-About 8:15 o'clock P.M., Timothy McDonnell, 60 years old, was found lying unconscious at the foot of a flight of stairs in his home, 31 Vandalia Street, and was sent to the Emergency Hospital. Sometime later he regained consciousness, and accused his wife, Mrs. Mary McDonnell, of throwing him down the stairs. Mrs. McDonnell was arrested on a charge of manslaughter, but was discharged in City Court by Judge William P. Brennan.

198: 10/7/1915-During an exchange of revolver shots between the three car burglars and special officers William W. Elkins, in the Erie Railroad yards at Hamburg Street, at 1:20 o'clock A.M., Vincent McKenna, 19 years old, of 804 Clinton Street, was shot and fatally wounded. He was sent to the Emergency Hospital in an ambulance, where he died a few hours later. Elkins was arraigned in City Court, and was discharged by Judge William P. Brennan.

199: 11/15/1915-About 7 o'clock A.M., Guiseppi Rao went to the room of Angelo Cantavenere, on the third floor of 99 Commercial Street, and unbraided him for not opening the door on the previous night, when he, Rao, rapped to get in. Some words were exchanged between them, and Cantravenere became so enraged that he shot Rao in the mouth with a revolver and ran away. Rao was removed to the Emergency Hospital in No. 1 patrol auto, where he died at 11:30 P.M., November 15, 1915. Contavenere was arrested on the evening of November 16, 1915, at the railroad station in Dunkirk, N.Y. by Officer Emil Neuber, of the Dunkirk Department, was brought to Buffalo by Superintendent Michael Regan and Special Smaldino. He was arraigned and held for the grand jury on a charge of manslaughter. Case still pending.

200: 12/19/1915-James Magliarisi, 24 years old, a construction foreman, living at Clymber, N.Y., was found lying on the sidewalk at the corner of Commercial and Pearl Streets, about 5:15 P.M. He had been shot in the abdomen and was unconscious. Magliarisi was rushed to the Emergency Hospital in No. 1 auto patrol, where he died fifteen minutes later. His assassin is known and every effort is being made to arrest him.

201 E: 1/1/1916-About 1 o'clock P.M., Francesco Damanti, 42 years old, employed as watchman on a derrick scow lying abreast of the old Breakwater, Erie Basin, was found murdered on the cabin floor of the scow, having been shot through the head with a bullet from a revolver. Robbery was evidently the motive for the crime. Harry Scott, 19 years old, of 152 Seneca Street and Charles Kumrow, 20 years old, of 765 Elk Street, were suspected of committing the murder. They were arrested sometime later by Specials Martin Murphy and Charles P. Ryan and Acting Special William E. Jordan. The prisoners implicated John Kump, 22 years old, of 128 Walden Avenue. Kumrow was convicted of murder in the first degree. Scott was convicted of manslaughter and sentenced to Auburn prison for 16 years. Kump is still at large.

Kumrow was executed with another young man. They actually were to be executed three days later but both decided to move up their executions so they wouldn't disrupt the holidays of their families. Joseph Kumrow, the father of the prisoner, was not allowed to see his son before the electrocution because he arrived at the prison after midnight and state law prohibited his presence. He sat in the warden's office from 3 a.m. on until his son got the customary three shocks. The priest said Kumrow clutched the crucifix and had made his peace with God.

"Charles Kumrow, white, age 19. **Murder.** The crime was committed on January 1, 1916, at Buffalo. A young man named James Scott had been fired from his job aboard a Lake Erie barge after being suspected of theft. The

suspicion later proved well-founded when it was determined that Scott had taken a revolver from the barge's arms chest. Nonetheless, seething with resentment, Scott schemed to take revenge on his ex-boss. He reasoned the surest way to hurt the man to maximum effect would be to steal his money. So he joined with Charles Kumrow (another teenager) and they planned to rob the barge. On the above night these two young men went to the foot of Erie Street and boarded the barge. When they were challenged by a watchman named Francisco Damonti (white, age 41), one of them fired two bullets into the man's head with the stolen revolver. They then stripped the murdered man of \$11 and fled.

Scott pled guilty in exchange for a life sentence. Kumrow tried his luck with the jury and lost. He was executed on December 19, 1916." CBH, 142.

202: 1/1/1916-A number of young men, known as the "Kotzie" gang, went into the saloon of Anthony Azkrzewski, 52 Ashley Street, about 9 P.M., and attempted to wreck the place, claiming that one of their number had been beaten up in the saloon earlier that evening. As they entered the place a free-for-all fight began, and several shots from revolvers were fired. The saloonkeeper's daughter, Anna, 20 years old, was tending bar at the time. She took her father's revolver and ordered the men to stop fighting or she would shoot, but the fighting and wrecking continued. She fired three shots into the crowd, one of them striking Steve Grablewski, 28 years old, of 181 Stanislaus Street. He was found dead when the fight was over. Miss Zakrzewski was arrested by Captain George Kress and Specials Thomas H. Flesh and Charles H. Chilcott on a charge of manslaughter first degree. She was held for the grand jury, but no indictment was found. A number of the gang were arrested later and some sent to the penitentiary and one to Auburn prison on charge of rioting.

203: 1/23/1916-Salvatore Coniglio, 43 years old, a butcher, living over his shop at 136 Georgia Street, was robbed and murdered while in his bed about 3 A.M., having been struck on his head with a "billy" and shot through the heart and liver. John Giambrone, 52 years old, living in the rear of Conglio's shop, and his two sons, Joseph, 20 years old, and Peter, 18 years old, were suspected of doing the deed. They were arrested by Inspector Henry J. Girvin, and were charged with the murder first degree. John Giambrone and his son, Peter, were held for the grand jury, and no bill having been found, they were discharged. Joseph Giambrone, the eldest son, was not held.

204: 2/13/1916-About 1:30 P.M., Peter Golynski, 19 years old, boarding at 125 Kail Street, went into the bedroom of another boarder named Valentine Lesiak, 20 years old, and hit him on the head with a brick while Lesiak was asleep in bed. Lesiak was sent to the Sisters' Hospital, where he died February 19, 1916, from compression of the brain. Golynski was arrested on charge of manslaughter first degree by Patrolman William G. Duzen. He was indicted by the grand jury, but the charge was reduced in the county court to assault first degree, and Golynski was sentenced to Erie County Penitentiary for four months.

205: 2/22/1916-While visiting at the home of Mrs. Stella Witkowski, upstairs at 78 Milburn Street, in the company with Bronislaus Krywalski, 19 years old, of 15 Boll Street, Sloan, N.Y., about 9 P.M., Lottie Broniszewski 23 years old of 42 Woltz Avenue, was shot in the right breast with a .38 calibre revolver in the hands of Krywalski. The girls died at her home February 27, 1916. Krywalski was arrested on charge of manslaughter second degree by Special Thomas H. Flesh, and held for the grand jury, but no indictment was found and he was discharged. Krywalski claimed that during the girl's absence from the room, Walter Witkowski, 17 years old, handed him a revolver to look at. While he was examining it he heard the girl coming upstairs and he made the remark that he was going to hold her up. As she entered the doorway he pointed the revolver at her and pulled the triggers. He claimed he didn't know the revolver was loaded.

206 HS: 3/24/1916-About 5:10 P.M., William L. Schmitt, 33 years old, a stenographer, shot and killed his wife with a revolver at the home of his parents, 178 Orange Street. They had been separated for some time, and Mrs. Schmitt had brought her baby daughter to the house to visit its father. Schmitt had been brooding continually over his inability to find employment and his family troubles. After committing the deed, he escaped, but was found dead on the Towpath of the canal outside of the city, having shot himself with the same revolver he used to kill his wife.

He shot himself through the heart, left a note he had killed his wife, and had also been in ill health.

207: 4/16/1916-During a fight on Koons Avenue near Sycamore Street, about 12:10 A.M., John Boinski, 24 years old of 299 Sweet Avenue, was stabbed to death, his jugular vein having been severed. John Wydro, 24 years old, of 207 Sears Street, Julius Widziski, 19 years old, of 33 Kosciuszko Street, and James Andrezejewski, 18 years old, of 374 Sweet Avenue, were arrested on the charge of murder first degree by Captain Michael Morrissey, Special Thomas H. Flesh and Patrolman Lemuel H. Cassety. Wydro pleaded guilty to manslaughter second degree and was sentenced to Auburn prison for 10 years. No indictment was found against the other two.

208 I: 4/18/1916-Edward Wind, 5 years old, of 223 Winona Street, was shot over the heart with a .32 caliber

<p>revolver by Edward Daniels, 18 years old, of 3 Bradford Street, about 1:45 P.M., while they were in a vacant house at 1102 Elk Street. The Wind boy died later at the Emergency Hospital. Daniels was arrested by Patrolmen John Masters and Patrick J. Ryan. He claimed the little boy had called him names. Daniels was sent to the Matteawan Asylum for Criminal Insane.</p>
<p>209: 5/13/1916-John Miescikowski, 17 years old, of 105 Kail Street, held up George Kletzel, 41 years old, of 22 Deer Street, just north of the N.Y.C.R.R. subway on the Military Road, about 11:50 P.M., and demanded fifty cents. Upon being refused Miescikowski drew a revolver and shot Kletzel in the stomach. The latter was sent to the Lafayette-General Hospital, where he died May 19, 1916. Miescikowski was arrested an hour later by Captain William Gruss and Specials Michael J. Duggan and William Tait on a charge of murder first degree. Miescikowski pleaded guilty to manslaughter second degree, and was sentenced to Auburn prison for not less than 5, nor more than 14 years.</p>
<p>210: 5/14/1916-Frank Fedesco, 26 years old, of New York City, came here and called on Rose Ferro, who was visiting over 98 Dante Place, and while they were tussling for a revolver, which Fedesco had in his hand, the woman shot him in the abdomen. Fedesco staggered out of the place and collapsed in the corner of Dante Places and Evans Street, where he was found by Patrolman Michael Driscoll, who sent him to the Emergency Hospital. Fedesco died at the hospital May 26, 1916. Rose Ferro was arrested Mary 15, 1916, by Captain George J. Ward and Specials Martin Murphy, Charles P. Ryan and John Smaldino, charged with murder first degree. She was arraigned in City Court, but was discharged.</p>
<p>211: 5/28/1916-During an altercation about 10 P.M., on the Supper Terrace, just south of Eagle Street, John Murphy, 44 years old, of 170 Church Street, was pushed and knocked down by Andrew Farrell, 24 years old, of 80 Elmwood Avenue. Murphy's skull was fractured. He was sent to the Emergency Hospital, where he died May 29, 1916. Farrell was arrested, charged with manslaughter second degree. Was tried and found guilty and sentenced to Auburn prison for not less than 2 ½ years, nor more than 5 years.</p>
<p>212: 6/15/1916-As the result of an argument about a debt, Joseph Puleo, 27 years old, a mason contractor, of 537 Front Avenue, shot Luigi Roduo, of 118 Caroline Street, in the left eye, in the latter's home about 11:20 P.M. Roduo was removed to the Columbus Hospital, where he died June 21, 1916. Puleo was arrested by Captain George J. Ward, Detective-Sergeant John J. Kennedy and Specials Martin Murphy, John Smaldino and Charles P. Ryan, one a charge of murder. Puleo was held for the grand jury, arraigned in Criminal Court, and was discharged on his plea of self-defense.</p>
<p>213: 9/9/1916-James Blake, 20 years old, of 2 Harvey Place, and Albert Parker, 24 years old, of 182 Abbott Road, engaged in a scuffle in a saloon at 82 Abbott Road about 11:30 P.M. Blake dropped dead. Parker was arrested on a charge of manslaughter by Captain John S. Marnon and Specials Nolan and Whalen. He was discharged in City Court. The Medical Examiner reported that cause of death was due to dilation of the heart.</p>
<p>214: 9/12/1916-About 1 A.M., James Noonan, 19 years old, of 1103 Seneca Street, was found lying unconscious on the cement walk near the rear door of 117 Selkirk Street. He was removed to the Emergency Hospital, where he died some hours later. An autopsy revealed the fact that Noonan had a fractured skull. At the inquest the court held that Noonan died from a fractured skull inflicted by some person or persons unknown. Up to the present time nothing had been learned of the identity of the ones responsible for Noonan's death.</p>
<p>215 AS: 9/24/1916-While walking in front of 99 Oak Street, about 8 P.M., Mrs. Corrine Evans, 26 years old, of Portville, N.Y., had her throat slashed with a razor in the hands of her husband, Harry Evans. She died in the ambulance on the way to the Emergency Hospital. Evans attempted suicide by cutting his throat with a razor. He was arrested on charged of murder first degree, by Patrolman Albert H. Smyth and James McDonald. He was sentenced to Auburn prison for not less than 3, nor more than 16 years.</p> <p><i>This crime occurred at midnight at Oak and Eagle Streets. May 9th, he was indicted by the Grand Jury. Harry E. Evans' attorney declared him to be indigent but concerned citizens were raising money for his defense. Evans trial moved up to September because two witnesses had been held in jail.</i></p>
<p>216: 10/2/1916-John E. Welch, 40 years old, a N.Y.C.R.R., brakeman, of 187 East Eagle Street, was shot three times with a revolver by Frank Harlander, 28 years old, of Rome, N.Y., while quarrelling over money matters in front of 148 Exchange Street, about 12:55 A.M. Welch was sent to the Emergency Hospital, where he died the following night. Harlander was arrested by Patrolman James Martin at the time of the shooting, and was charged with murder. He was allowed to plead guilty to a charge of manslaughter first degree, and was sentenced to Auburn prison for a term of not less than 7, nor more than 19 years.</p>
<p>217 LEO: 10/21/1916-About 2:30 P.M., Michael Sheehan, 19 years old, of 3 Sidway Street, was shot and killed in the railroad yards of Elk and Van Rensselaer Streets by Edward Fallon, a Special Officer employed by N.Y.C.R.R.</p>

<p>Fallon claimed that he saw Sheehan and another man carrying bundles of clothing through the railroad yards and ordered them to halt. They dropped the clothing, and the man with Sheehan pulled out a revolver and fired several times at Fallon, and ran. Fallon drew his revolver and fired at the men. One of the bullets struck Sheehan, killing him instantly. Fallon was arrested on charge of manslaughter first degree by Capt. John S. Marnon and Patrolmen Donald K. Carr and John F. O'Connor. The grand jury found no bill against him and he was discharged.</p>
<p>218: 10/29/1916-While visiting the family of Aaron Marcus, 1980 Niagara Street, Victor Sebosct, 7 years old, of Welland, Ontario, picked up a 22 calibre rifle, which was lying on a table, and accidentally shot his five-year-old sister, Mary, over the left eye, about 2 P.M. The child was sent to the Columbus Hospital, where she died two hours later.</p>
<p>219: 11/23/1916-William Rose, colored, 25 years old, of 227 Clinton Street, shot and killed Gregory Sifkowitz, an Austrian, of 241 Watson Street, about 1 A.M. Rose claims that he was coming out a saloon in Clinton Street near Union, a white woman, who is unknown to him, came up to him and said that a man had been following her, at the same time pointing to Sifkowitz. Rose started after him. Sifkowitz ran down Clinton and turned south in Union. Rose fired four shots from a revolver, one taking effect, which caused Sifkowitz's death at the Emergency Hospital December 6, 1916. Rose was arrested by Lieutenant Joseph J. Godfrey and Detective-Sergeants Kenefick and Laszewski. He is awaiting trial on a charge of murder.</p>
<p>220: 11/25/1916-John Machelski, 33 years old, of 128 Ashley Street, and Vincent Borucki, 34 years old, of 121 Krupp Street, got into a fight in the N.Y.C.R.R. yards near Ideal Street, about 5 P.M. Machelski struck Borucki over the head with a stick of wood, fracturing his skull. Borucki died at the Emergency Hospital November 29, 1916. Machelski was arrested on charge of manslaughter, but was exonerated in City Court, following an inquest held December 6, 1916.</p>
<p>221: 12/17/1916-Boleslaw Chojnacki, 20 years old, of 94 Woltz Avenue, got into an argument with Walter Przybyl, of 281 Detroit Street, John Krzyzan, of 52 Pulaski Street, Joseph Zygaj, of 25 Waverly Street, Forks, N.Y., and Joseph Kopacz, of 1428 Broadway, in front of 189 Townsend Street about 8 P.M. Chojnacki was shot four times by the men. He was sent to the Emergency Hospital, where he died 15 minutes later. The four men escaped and have not been apprehended.</p> <p><i>Przybyl seems to have recovered from the gunshot when wounded by the police (homicide #158). On November 14, 1929, five masked men robbed the Carson pre-nuptial party of \$300,000 in Buffalo. The last of the bandits, Stanley Przybyl (the millionaire kid), was arrested on January 21, 1930, in Miami. He was found in an apartment with Ethel Mason from Buffalo. Stanley was also wanted in Buffalo because he forfeited a \$10,000 bail bond when he failed to show up in court for a burglary charge in September of 1929. He had a dozen arrests in Buffalo and in the previous robbery last year he supposedly accompanied Frank "Big John" Korwalski, who was executed in Sing Sing for murdering Patrolman Harold Haltam.</i></p> <p><i>One of the four others who had been caught and convicted was Eddie Przybyl. Eddie, 19 YOA, was sentenced to 25 years and was housed at Auburn. His attorney, on February 14, 1931, said Eddie was on the verge of going insane, which was denied by the acting warden. The lawyer said he only was allowed out of his cell one hour a day on the segregation block.</i></p>
<p>222: 12/21/1916-In the afternoon, while playing cards with Giagento Bosanto, 23 years old, address unknown, in the saloon of Rocco Papenna, 408 Chicago Street, Tony Orrino, 28 years old, of 90 Myrtle Avenue lost the game and refused to pay for it, and, during the argument he slapped Bosanto in the face. Bosanto left the place, and a half-hour later the men met on Seneca Street, near Seneca place. Orrino again slapped Bosanto who then stabbed Orrino several times. Orrino walked to the Emergency Hospital with the knife sticking in his left shoulder. He died there on the morning of December 25th. Bosanto escaped and has not been apprehended.</p>
<p>223: 12/25/1916-While in a saloon at 254 Peckham Street, about 11:30 P.M., Stanislaus Sielejko, 32 years old, of 228 Oneida Street, was stabbed in the head and his skull fractured with a pool cue. He died at the Emergency Hospital on the morning of December 28, 1916. Roman Rucincki, of 254 Peckham Street, the saloon keeper, Jacob Kuszka, 34 years old, and Bronislaw Rola, 26 years old, both of 706 Carroll Street, were arrested on charge of murder first degree by Acting Captain Reville, Detective-Sergeant Kennedy, Special Richter and Patrolman W.R. Connolly. Case pending.</p>
<p>224 HS: 12/27/1916-At 11:45 A.M., Sophia Snitzer, 22 years old, of 53 Grey Street, was shot and killed by Morris Gold, 35 years old, of 913 North Orienta Street, Philadelphia, Pa. Gold committed suicide at the same time.</p>
<p>225: 1/26/1917-Henry V. Smith, 23 years old, of 61 Orlando Street, and Bentley J. Waters, 22 years old, of 288 Baynes Street, employed as Special Police Officers by the D., L.&W.R.R. Co., were arrested at 12:10 A.M. by Capt.</p>

George J. Ward and charged with manslaughter, first degree. It is alleged that the two officers shot and killed Cologero Pierera, of 87 Main Street, at midnight on above date while on the railroad company's property at the foot of LeCoutelux Street, while in the act of burglarizing a freight car.

Smith and Waters were arraigned in the City Court before Judge Hager was discharged.

226: 1/30/1917-Frank Nolan, 40 years old, rooming at the Alamo Hotel, 278 Pearl Street, while drinking with a woman in the Florence Café, 592 Washington Street, about 10:30 P.M., was struck on the head with some instrument. He was taken to his rooming place where he became unconscious and was later removed to the Emergency Hospital, where he died at 2:10 A.M., the next day, from a fractured skull. Pasquale Guibano, 25 years old, a waiter in the café, was arrested by Detective Sergeants Thomas J. Riordan and John Elsaesser on a charge of murder, first degree. He was tried before a jury and was acquitted.

227HS: 2/2/1917-At 8 o'clock P.M., Jacob Adomski, 30 years old, living at 288 Perry Street with his wife and two children, shot and killed Mrs. Anna Mehalski, 35 years old, who boarded there with her two children. After the shooting Adomski committed suicide by shooting himself. Family trouble was the cause of the shooting.

228: 3/4/1917-About 12:05 P.M., during a quarrel over family matters, Joseph Spinella, 36 years old, of 224 Broadway, was shot and killed by John Vitelo, 24 years old, of same address. Vitelo ran away from the place and was later captured by Lieut. William G. Jordan and Patrolman John G. Gangloff. Vitelo was charged with murder, first degree, and he was sentenced to Auburn Prison for a term not less than 10 nor more than 20 years.

229 AS: 3/7/1917-Mrs. Morris Foster, 25 years old, was found in her rooms at 194 Maple Street, with her head battered and her throat cut, about 4:30 P.M. Edward Gooley, 53 years old, who roomed with Mrs. Foster, was arrested on a charge of murder, first degree, and later pleaded guilty to murder, second degree, and was sentenced to Auburn Prison for a term of 20 years. After murdering Mrs. Foster, Gooley tried to commit suicide by cutting his throat.

Two weeks after the murder, Gooley was indicted for 1st degree murder for killing Louise Foster.

230: 4/8/1917-About 7:40 P.M., Joseph Petrola shot his father-in-law and his mother-in-law, Armonda Mosa and Mrs. Mosa while they were seated at their supper table in their home, No. 4 Pearl Street. Mrs. Mosa died at Columbus Hospital an hour later. Mr. Mosa was shot in the arm. The shooting was the result of quarreling. Petrola made his escape and has not been apprehended.

231: 6/8/1917-Stephen Bush, 44 years old, of Sweethome Road, Williamsville, N.Y., was struck in the head with a shovel by Stephen Kerocki while in a saloon at 273 Grote Street, Friday morning. Bush drove home in his buggy, became unconscious and was taken to the Erie County Hospital, where he died two days later. Kerocki was arrested by Lieut. Arthur McDonald and Specials William Tait and Michael J. Duggan, and charged with murder, first degree. He was tried and found guilty of manslaughter and sentenced to one day's imprisonment in the Erie County Penitentiary and ordered to pay a certain sum of money to the dead man's family. The fatality was the outcome of a friendly scuffle in which Kerocki claimed Bush had torn his clothes.

232 HS: 6/21/1917-At 12:40 P.M., Bert M. Maxin, 31 years old, was murdered while sleeping in his bed at 2140 Niagara Street, by his wife, Mary, who crushed his skull with an axe. Mrs. Maxin then committed suicide by hanging herself. Domestic difficulties was the cause.

233 E: 7/5/1917-Charles Spang, 45 years old, a collector for the Broadway Brewing Company, while counting money at a table in the saloon at 86 Georgia Street about 2 o'clock P.M., was shot and killed by three Italians, who robbed him of several hundred dollars. The murderers escaped from the city in an automobile. Sometime later Joseph Roberto, one of the murderers, who did the shooting, was traced to Holyoke, Mass., where he was arrested by Detective Sergeant John R. Ryan.

Roberto was tried, found guilty, and sentenced to be electrocuted.

Over \$2,000 was taken. Two of the holdup men had revolvers and one robber fired twice. One bullet went through Spang's hat lodging near his left ear and the other bullet with through both cheeks.

A Joseph Roberto was arraigned in Bridgeport, CT. on for ripping a carnival tent. He claimed he had worked for a week and not been paid. He was fined \$10 and given 16 days probation. George Milo(spelling ?) was fined \$2 for interfering and trying to protect Roberto from arrest.

"Giuseppe Roberto, white, age 23. *Murder*, The crime was committed on July 5, 1917, in Buffalo. Roberto was

one of a three-man holdup team that burst into a saloon at the corner of 4th and Georgia streets, just as a brewery collector named Charles Spang (white) was accepting a delivery payment. The bandits demanded that Spang turn over the \$126 that he had just received, and they put three bullets in his head when he hesitated. Giuseppe Roberto, a local man was later identified as the shooter. He was executed on August 30, 1918.” CBH, 147.

234 LEO: 7/14/1917-Special Patrolman Albert H. Behrends was shot in the abdomen and left wrist by Leo Jankowski, while attempting to arrest him for carrying a revolver, while in a saloon at 268 Walden Avenue, about 8:45 P.M. Behrends was removed to the General Hospital, where he died shortly after his arrival. Jankowski escaped, but was captured the next afternoon by Capt. M. Morrissey, Special Thomas H. Flesh and Patrolmen Cassety, Ring and McCulle of the 11th Precinct. Jankowski was tried on charge of murder, first degree, was found guilty of murder second degree, and sentenced to life imprisonment.

Leon Jankowski was arrested the next day when a storekeeper called police saying the suspect was eating ice cream in his store. When he saw the police coming he fled. He was captured, taken to the police station, Bertillion measured, and gave a statement. Leon said he didn't know the officer was dead and shot him because he knew he would go to prison for carrying the revolver. Leon (22 YOA) with no permanent address was shown a revolver recovered near the scene with three cartridges expended and said it was his. Behrends (32 YOA) was called to a tavern by the owner's wife who said two men were flashing guns. He went up to the table that four men were seated around. He asked if they had any guns. Two men put up their hands, one handed his gun to him, and Leon shot him three times. Special John Klauwitter(spelling ?) saw the men run, pursued, and shot at them. Jankowski had only been in Buffalo a couple of days, coming from Olean, where he worked as an RR brakeman. He had served time in Elmira Reformatory and Auburn Prison. He was released from Auburn 10 months ago after serving 2 years and 8 months for robbery.

Jankowski, while at Dannemora, was on the consumption ward on April 17, 1919. He and another prisoner beat Charles Gunter, a corrections officer, with a fire hose nozzle in an escape attempt. They were both executed for this murder on May 28, 1920.

235 HS: 7/18/1917-At 9:30 P.M., John Spectzer, 17 years old, of 493 Emslie Street, was shot and killed at Kensington and Fillmore Avenues by John Zink, 24 years old, a boarder at Spectzer's family. Zink then shot and killed himself. It was never learned what caused the shooting.

236: 7/24/1917-While in the Plaza Lunch Room, 361 Jefferson Street, about 5 A.M., Daniel O'Connell, of 601 Clinton Street, and John Groll, of Forks, N.Y., got into an argument with Guiseppe Leteder, proprietor of the lunch room. Leteder ordered them out and one of the men reached for a knife. Leteder started shooting with an automatic revolver, killing Daniel O'Connell and wounding Groll. The latter recovered from his wounds. Leteder was arrested by Patrolman Louis H. Rosenow, but was discharged at the inquest.

237: 7/30/1917-While arguing about a taxicab bill in Connolly's saloon, corner Amber and South Park Avenue, about 7:30 P.M., John McGowan, of 151 Lockwood Avenue, was stabbed in the thigh by Fred N. Jones, of Hamburg, N.Y. McGowan was removed to the Emergency Hospital where he died a short term later.

Jones was arrested by Lieut. John J. Creahan and Patrolman William H. Milks on charge of murder, but was discharged in the City Court on his plea of self defense.

238 9/23/1917-While asleep in a chair in his saloon at 186 Weimar Street, about 1:20 A.M., Stephen Ziemba, of 40 Fredro Street, was attacked and severely beaten by John Diazek, 192 Weimer Street, Stephen Kaitanowski, 135 Weimer Street, Frank Sobiecki, 124 Cable Street, and Stanley Ptaszynski, 147 Barnard Street. Ziemba died on the way to the Emergency Hospital. The murder was the result of an old grudge. The four men were later arrested by Lieut. John J. Creahan and James Kennedy, Special James S. Walsh and Patrolman Charles H. McPhee and James C. Brennan, and charged with murder, first degree. Case still pending.

239: 9/24/1917-Tony Rossi, 27 years old, a storekeeper for the Erie R.R. Co., was found dead in a chair in an Erie R.R. box car in the Black Rock yards just north of Austin Street at 5:40 P.M. He had been stabbed through the heart. During the afternoon of the date Rossi and an Italian had an argument in a saloon close by and left the saloon together, going towards the box car. It is supposed this Italian committed the murder. No clew to his identity has ever been found.

240: 9/29/1917-Walter Krauza, 25 years old, of 430 Curtis Street, and Paul Alicki, 28 years old, of 28 Hilton Street, got into a fight in front of a saloon at 1219 Broadway about 7:45 P.M. During the fight Krauza stabbed Alicki with a long knife. Alicki died in the saloon a few minutes later. Krauza was arrested by Patrolman Louis H. Rosenow. He was convicted of manslaughter and sentenced to serve a term of not less than 3 ½ years in Auburn Prison.

<p>241: 10/8/1917-Salvatore Lafata, 29 years old, married, of 232 Whitney Place, was lured to an unfrequented locality in Maiden Lane near Water Street about 7:45 P.M., and was shot five times in the head and instantly killed.</p> <p>There is no known motive for the crime, but it is supposed that the killing was the result of an old time feud. His assailants, who are unknown, escaped.</p>
<p>242 LEO: 10/20/1917-At 4 P.M., N.Y.C.R.R. Special Officer Harry J. O'Neill, while chasing three car burglars, fired four shots at them. One shot struck Andrew Czernek, who was passing through the N.Y.C.R.R. yards. Czernek died from the wound. O'Neill was arrested by Capt. O'Brien. No indictment was returned against O'Neill and he was discharged.</p>
<p>243: 12/1/1917-Gilmour Featherstonhough, 24 years old, of 74 West Avenue, foreman for the Eastern Concrete Steel Co., was struck on the head with a shovel by Emil Jayczinski, 42 years old, of 404 Hertel Avenue, a laborer employed by the same firm, at 10:30 A.M. They were working on the N.Y.C.R.R. viaduct on Hertel Avenue near Military Road, and Featherstonhough had discharged Jayczinski, which was the cause of the assault. Jayczinski was arrested by Lieut. Frank C. Stoner and Patrolman Frank H. Horner on a charge of assault, second degree. Jayczinski was held for the Grand Jury. Case pending.</p>
<p>244 HS: 12/14/1917-Dr. John Schaeffer, 35 years old, a dentist, was shot and instantly killed by his father-in-law, Albert Rochevot, 54 years old, in their home at 160 Woodward Avenue, at 7:25 P.M. Rochevot then went to his paint shop at 1045 Jefferson Street and shot himself in the left breast just as police officers were forcing an entrance to the place. He died at the General Hospital the next day. Business troubles was the cause.</p>
<p>245: 12/18/1917-Joseph Marino was shot and instantly killed about 11 o'clock P.M., by Louis Calfata, in a restaurant at 152 Dante Place. Marino was killed because he had refused to loan \$50 to Calfata. After the shooting Calfata ran away from the restaurant with the smoking revolver in his hand and was arrested by Patrolman Michael Connors.</p> <p>Calfata was arraigned and held for the Grand Jury on a charge of murder. Case pending.</p>
<p>246: 12/23/1917-Pino Perrino, an Italian, 25 years old, of No. 1 Seneca Place, was shot and killed in a driveway alongside of 223 Seneca Street, about 8 P.M. Three men were seen running away, but the police were unable to obtain any description of them. No arrests have been made.</p>
<p>247: 12/29/1917-While seated at a table eating supper in Sylvester's Amato's restaurant 143 East Eagle Street, about 6:30 P.M., Tony Tolino, 32 years old, a saloonkeeper of Niagara Falls, N.Y., was shot in the left side by Tony Greco, of Tonawanda, N.Y. Tolino died shortly afterwards. Greco was arrested shortly after the shooting by Special Patrolman William J. Condon.</p> <p>Greco has been held for the Grand Jury on charge of murder, first degree. Case pending.</p>
<p>248: 1/28/1918-Shortly after 6 o'clock P.M., Luigi Lauria, 27 years old, living at 52 Commercial Street, was shot in the head and instantly killed at the corner of Peacock and Evans Streets. The murder was committed apparently without cause of provocation. Salvatore Farra, 30 years old, residing at 11 Peacock Street was arrested shortly after the shooting by acting chief of detectives John R. Ryan and patrolman, Ralph Gustafarro and charged with murder first degree. Farra plead guilty to murder second degree and was sentenced to Auburn prison for life.</p>
<p>249: 2/2/1918-Sunday, about 1 o'clock A.M., Stanley Staszak, 21 years old, living at 135 Lathrop Street, was shot and killed in the side yard of 14 Arsenal Place. Staszak and several men had been around drinking during the earlier part of the night. One of them, Felix Frankowski, 21 years old, living at 199 Sweet Avenue was arrested by Lieutenant Charles Oberly and specials Joseph Richter and William Courtney of the eighth precinct on suspicion of having done the shooting. Sufficient evidence to indict him on a charge of murder could not be found, but he was indicted for pointing a revolver at Lillian Schwartz, proprietress of a cigar store at 483 Michigan Avenue, earlier on the same night. He was convicted and sentenced to a term of three years and three months in Auburn prison.</p>
<p>250: 2/21/1918-About 10:20 P.M., Richard Maroney, 48 years old, residing at 63 Seymour Street, received a wound from a bread knife in the hands of his wife, Julia, resulted in his death almost instantly. Maroney had been drinking more or less on the date in question, and was in an ugly mood. Mrs. Maroney was about to make some sandwiches and had a breadknife in her hand where her husband called her a foul name and made a rush for her. He ran into a knife, receiving a wound which caused his death. A charge of murder in the first degree was placed against Mrs. Maloney, but she was acquitted June 5, 1918. Mrs. Maroney was arrested by Lieutenant Thomas J. Maloney.</p>
<p>251: 4/19/1918-About 11:20 A.M., Frank Romano, an Italian, 20 years old, boarding with his sister Angelina De Logolbo, of 412 Chicago Street, was shot and killed in Booth Alley, about 100 feet east of Pine Street. A .38-calibre Harrington and Richardson revolver with five empty shells was found near the body. A man supposed to be Joseph</p>

Galito, who formerly resided at 199 Potomac Avenue, was seen leaving the alley after the shots were fired. Up to the present time he has not been apprehended. Jealousy was given as the motive for the crime.
252: 5/6/1918-At 11 o'clock P.M., Pete Vukram, 30 years old, of 450 Gates Avenue, Lackawanna, N.Y., was shot through the breast while in the saloon of John Munich, 646 Abbott Road, by Mike Milekovic, 25 years old, of 308 Germania Street. According to the witness Vukram was singing and was told to stop by Milekovic and when he refused Milekovic shot him. Vukram died a few minutes later. Milekovic was arrested shortly afterwards by Special Frank J. McCarthy and Patrolmen John Bunce and Charles H. Boyle, on a charge of murder first degree. Charge was later reduced to manslaughter second degree and Milekovic was sentenced to from three to ten years in Auburn prison.
253: 5/23/1918-While a number of Italians were arguing in front of 107 Commercial Street, at 11 P.M., Mrs. Catherine Micheli, who lived upstairs over this number, came down and stepped in between her husband and Nicholas Calieri, of 100 Georgia Street, inquired what the trouble was and was shot in the abdomen by Calieri, who then ran away with the other men. Mrs. Micheli was removed to the Emergency hospital and later to her home where she died of a result of the wound. Nicholas and Alphonso Caliseri, brothers, were arrested by specials Martin Murphy, John Smaldino and Charles P. Ryan charged with assault first degree. Alphonso Calieri was discharged. Nicholas Calieri was held for the Grand Jury.
254: 5/26/1918-About 3:30 P.M., Sunday, Amadia Mosa, 41 years old, of 236 Court Street, was shot three times, twice through the body and once in the arm. He was removed to the Columbus Hospital where he died at 7:10 P.M. the same day. At the time of the shooting Mosa was in company of Guiseppi Brunetto, Guiseppi Gambino and Guiseppi Sciabarassi, and when in front of 317 Fourth Street, the men started shooting. Mosa receiving wounds as above stated. Motive for the crime could not be determined, but it was thought to have resulted from a quarrel between the men. Gambino and Sciabarassi were arrested a few days later by Detective Sergeant John R. Ryan. The Grand Jury failed to indict them for murder, but they were indicted on a charge of violation of section 1897 of the penal law (carrying pistol without permit) and were fined fifty dollars apiece.
255: 6/16/1918-About 1:30 o'clock in the morning, the lifeless body of Pasquale Colesce, 40 years old, of 35 Evans Street, was found lying on the sidewalk in Jackson Street, about 150 feet east of Court Place, having been stabbed eight times in the left side and chest. There was no clue to the murderer. Robbery was not the cause of the crime as Colesce's valuables were not disturbed.
256: 6/19/1918-The body of James Mommone, 38 or 40 years old, who had boarded at 1722 William Street, was found corner of Schiller and Ludington Streets at 1:05 A.M. He had been stabbed in the abdomen which caused his death. For about three weeks before his death Mommone had been frequently seen in the company of two strangers. About 9 A.M., on June 18, 1918, Mommone and the two strangers left the former's boarding house. About 8 P.M. the same day Mommone and one of the strangers were in a saloon on Lovejoy Street, had a drink and left the place, that is the last seen of Mommone until his body was found. Mommone and the two strangers seemed to be dicker about money that had been collected in Tonawanda, N.Y., Niagara Falls, N.Y., and Niagara Falls, Ontario. No arrests have been made in this case.
257: 7/15/1918-Lawrence Skrzypinski, 42 years old, living upstairs at 633 William Street, during a quarrel with his wife, Teofila, 38 years old, was cut in the lower abdomen with a razor at 5:00 P.M. He was sent to the Emergency Hospital where he died three days later. Mrs. Skrzypinski was arrested on a charge of assault first degree by Lieutenant Alfred M. Higley and Specials William J. Courtney and Joseph F. Richter. She was acquitted.
258: 7/21/1918-In the morning at 3:10 o'clock, John Swiatek, 38 years old, saloon-keeper, of 1661 Clinton Street, was found unconscious on the floor of his bedroom with a bullet wound in his forehead. His trousers pockets turned inside out and papers scattered on the floor. Robbery evidently being the motive for the crime; Swiatek was sent to the Emergency Hospital where he died at 8 o'clock A.M., the same day. Three days later Samuel Dudak, of 74 Dingens Street, was arrested by Captain James E. Short and Specials Thomas O'Connor and Frank J. McCarthy. He was detained at the station house for several days, but as no evidence could be found against him was taken to court and discharged. During the month of October, 1918, Dudak was arrested by the O'Grady Detective Agency. He was indicted for murder in the first degree and indictment was dismissed later.
259 LEO: 8/20/1918-At 1:25 A.M., Patrolman Vance L. Yount arrested John Lalasiewicz, 20 years old, of 304 Sweet Avenue, and Frank Szyzborski, 25 years old, of 89 Woltz Avenue, on suspicion of burglary and took them to the patrol box at the corner of Loepere and Stanislaus Streets. When he let go of Lalasiewicz to get his patrol box key, Lalasiewicz wrenched Yount's night stick from his hand and attacked him with it. Both prisoners ran away in different directions. Lalasiewicz with Yount's night stick ran north on Loepere Street, and when Yount called for him to stop refused to do so. Yount fired a shot at him which struck him in the body. Lalasiewicz died in about ten minutes. Both men were car burglars and had police records. Yount was exonerated.

260: 9/4/1918-Arthur Smith, 21 years old, of 72 Herkimer Street, was struck on the head with the butt of a shotgun and then shot in the back by Albert Miller, 58 years old, of Bird Island Pier on the towpath, between Breckenridge Street and Auburn Avenue, at 8:00 P.M. Smith was sent to Columbus Hospital where he died the next morning. Miller was arrested shortly after the crime by Inspector Charles N. Miller and was charged with murder in the first degree. He was held for the Grand Jury and after due trial was discharged.

261 AS: 9/17/1918-At 7:55 P.M., Frederick K. Miner, 31 years old, a chief petty officer in the United States Navy, stationed at the Naval Barracks, corner of Massachusetts Avenue and Chenango Street, and rooming with his wife at 521 Massachusetts Avenue, shot and instantly killed his wife, Gertrude, 28 years old, and a few minutes later shot himself in the left breast above the heart. He was taken to the Homeopathic Hospital, where he recovered. Miner was held for the Grand Jury and tried on charge of murder in the first degree. He was acquitted.

262AS: 10/2/1918-At 2:15 A.M., William Cody, a contractor and builder, 44 years old, of 81 Gallatin Avenue, was arrested by Special William Tait and Patrolmen John W. Howard and William A. Smith, on charge of murder in the first degree. Cody had been drinking heavily for some time and while quarreling with his wife in their bedroom about 2:00 A.M. on the above date shot and instantly killed her. Cody then shot himself in the left side below the heart. He was taken to the Lafayette General Hospital and on November 6, 1918, he was held for the Grand Jury and was indicted on the charge of murder in the first degree. When tried he was found guilty of manslaughter in the first degree and was sentenced to a term of nine years to nineteen years in Auburn prison.

263: 10/4/1918-About 1 o'clock in the morning, Dominick Lupino, 25 years old, of 468 Seventh Street, was shot in the right thigh by a stranger in front of 243 Front Avenue. Lupino was removed to the Columbus Hospital where he died December 13, 1918, from gangrene poisoning. It transpired that Lupino in company with Diego Simons, or 468 Seventh Street, Joseph Nostro, of 249 Front Avenue, and Anthony Caruanna, of 407 Front Avenue, were drinking in the saloon at 81 Virginia Street, when the stranger came in and talked with Lupino. They disagreed about something and shortly afterwards Lupino and his party left the place and started north in Front Avenue. They were overtaken by the stranger in front of 243 Front Avenue, who called Lupino to one side. They scuffled and the stranger pulled a revolver and shot Lupino. The stranger was not apprehended.

264: 10/11/1918-While in the rear room of Stephen Kuyczisk's saloon, 71 Fulton Street, Alexander Kalmouska, 38 years old, no home, shot Andrew Pasterianik, about 30 years old, in the neck under the chin at 9:05 P.M. Pasterianik died instantly. About two weeks later Kalmouska was arrested by Inspector Charles N. Miller and Detective Bogumil Laszewski near Batavia, N.Y., where he was working on a farm. Kalmouska was convicted on a charge of manslaughter and sentenced to twenty years in Auburn prison.

265: 11/5/1918-About 8:55 o'clock, Clarence Malloy, 35 years old, of 216 Prospect Avenue, was stabbed in the neck with a knife while in front of the saloon at 382 Font Avenue, by Santa Santascero, 38 years old, of 389 Trenton Avenue. Malloy was sent to the Emergency Hospital where he died at 1:40 P.M., November 6, 1918. Santascero was arrested by Special Charles A. Sparacino and Captain Edward Simon on a charge of murder.

When arraigned in the city court before Judge Hager charge was reduced to manslaughter first degree and Santascero was held for the Grand Jury. He was later discharged.

266 E: 11/8/1918-About 11:45 A.M., Walter Bojanowski, alias Walter Warren, 28 years old, of 31 Lovejoy Street, and William Marweg, alias William Weber, alias Werner, etc., 289 Cherry Street, entered the jewelry store of Albert Zilliox, 1559 Genesee Street, and asked to be shown some rings. The manager of the store, George Weitz, 30 years old, waited on them, they drew revolvers and ordered him to throw up his hands. Weitz resisted and was struck on the head with the butt of a gun by one of the men and he fell to the floor. The two men then grabbed up some jewelry and ran from the place. Weitz followed and attempted to hold one of the men, Weitz was thrown down and Bojanowski shot him in the neck and groin. Patrolman Herman Radel of the third precinct who was passing on a street car, jumped off the car and gave chase to the two thieves, and shot Bojanowski in the left arm, Radel was shot in the right arm. Patrolman Charles Schmidt, Peter C. Thomas and John G. Pauley also joining in the chase and found Bojanowski in a chicken coop at 102 Burgard Place. Marweg escaped at the time, but was arrested December 24, 1918, by patrolmen John B. Murphy and William O'Neill of the tenth precinct. Bojanowski and Marweg were charged with murder in the first degree, they were indicted by the Grand Jury and after trial were sentenced to be electrocuted.

“Walter Bojanowski, white, age 26; **and William Marweg**, white, age 42. *Murder.* The crime was committed on November 8, 1918, in Buffalo. On the above date Bojanowski and Marweg pulled an armed holdup at the Genesee Street jewelry firm of R. Zilliox. After holding the employees at bay with their guns and backing out of the front door with their spoils, they were chased down the sidewalk by the angry manager of the place, George Weitz (white). The chase went on for several blocks until Weitz caught up with Marweg and began beating him. At that

point Bojanowski turned around and came to the rescue of the accomplice. He shot Weitz dead on the spot, enabling both of them to escape. Bojanowski was caught soon afterward. On September 9, 1920, he was put to death. Marweg remained at large for a longer time, but eventually met the same fate on January 12, 1922." CBH, 152.

267HS: 12/17/1918-In the morning, the body of Mrs. William H. Danford, 60 years old, of 106 Elmwood Avenue, flat 8, was found in the bathroom of her flat by Special John G. Percy and probation officer Louis Chase. Her husband, William H. Danford, had left a letter in which he stated he killed his wife and that her body would be found in their flat, the same morning the body of William H. Danford was found hanging in rear of his brother's store, 616 Washington Street. Domestic trouble was supposed to have been the cause of the murder suicide.

268: 1/1/1919-In an endeavor to save a woman from receiving injuries at the hands of her husband, Mickey Balkovic, a U.S. sailor of 232 South Fourteenth Street, Omaha, Neb., was obliged to shoot and kill Frederick R. Peltier, 29 years old, of Mt. Clemens, Michigan.

Peltier, at the time, was employed as a shipkeeper of the Steamer Angeline, lying at the breakwall of the Buffalo Harbor.

The affair occurred at the corner of Ohio and Indiana Streets at 2:00 A.M., near the D.L. & W.R.R. freight sheds, where Balkovic was doing duty as a Government guard. He interfered while Peltier was attacking his wife and was in turn attacked by Peltier. He shot Peltier dead.

Balkovic was arrested on a charge of murder by Detective George W. Patterson and Patrolmen Mehigan, Donahue and Rice. Mrs. Peltier was held as a witness. Both were later discharged in City Court, the act being held as self-defense.

269: 2/9/1919-While attending a party in the apartment of Mrs. Anna Reichlmayer and her two sons, 218 Broadway, at 2:30 A.M., Fred Obermeyer, 27 years old, of 14 Johnson Street, was shot in the heart and instantly killed by Thomas J. Gardner, a negro, 47 years old, who lived with his wife at 218 Broadway.

The Gardner apartment was across the corridor from the Reichlmayer flat. These two families have been having difficulties for some time. Gardner came home about 2:30 A.M., on above date and going to the door of the Reichlmayer apartment knocked for admittance. Obermeyer answered the rap, and Gardner, thinking it was one of the Reichlmayer boys, fired one shot which pierced Obermeyer's heart.

Gardner was arrested at 14 Myrtle Avenue, at 5:30 A.M., same date, by Detectives Fred Howell and Charles H. Millbach. He was allowed to plead guilty to a manslaughter charge and was sentenced to from 10 to 15 years in Auburn Prison.

Gardner was placed on trial for 1st degree murder on April 22, 1919.

270: 2/22/1919-At 6:50 P.M., John Zaczynska, 36 years old, of South Penora Street, Depew, N.Y., was found lying on sidewalk in front of 23 Gibson Street. He was suffering from a stab wound in the region of his heart and died as he reached the Emergency Hospital.

Frank Ryndrzak, 22 years old, of 83 Shumway Street, was arrested by Detective-Sergeants Newton, O'Neill, Connolly and Zimmerman, on a charge of murder. Witnesses would not or could not positively identify the defendant and he was discharged in City Court.

271: 3/12/1919-About 11:00 P.M., the body of John R. Hutchinson, an iron worker, about 36 years old, was found in bed, upper room of Charles Jacobson's saloon, 145 Main Street.

The man had been choked to death, his arms and feet were strapped to the bed-posts and a gag was in his mouth. Robbery was the motive of the crime.

Jack Neeley, 31 years old, of above address, was arrested by Captain James F. McDonald, Detectives George W. Patterwson and William Hunt on the charge of murder. He was later discharged in City Court.

The crime remains unsolved.

272: 3/14/1919-William Thomas, a negro, 42 years old, employed as a Pullman porter, whose home was Pittsburgh, Pa., was shot and killed at 6:10 P.M., as he was about to enter his boarding house, 172 Clinton Street.

The shooting was committed by William Warmick, colored, 45 years old, who roomed at the Clinton Street address. He was arrested, same date, by Patrolmen George N. Beebe and Eugene L. Duchene on a charge of murder.

The month previous to the shooting, a woman named Mary Cardwill, came here from Pittsburgh and was stopping with Warmick. The day previous to the crime, Charles Stone, colored, a former lover of hers, had made inquiries at the Clinton Street address for her. Warmick was jealous of this man. Thinking it was Stone returning to the house on the night of the 14th Warmick shot Thomas twice. Thomas died in No. 4 auto patrol on the way to the Emergency Room.

Warmick was found guilty in the first degree and was sentenced to die in the electric chair, September, 1919. A Stay of Execution was granted, pending an appeal. The case has not been disposed of to date. There was no record of his execution.

273: 3/22/1919-Joseph Sobczak, 32 years old, of 66 Joslyn Street, was shot and killed at 8:30 P.M., by Special Raymond Kibbler.

The officer had arrested the man while he was burglarizing freight cars of the New York Central R.R., in the yards at the foot of Joslyn Street. While Sobczak was under arrest and awaiting arrival of the auto patrol, he attacked the officer who shot him.

He died the same night in Lafayette General Hospital.

The act was justifiable homicide.

274 AS: 4/8/1919-Mrs. Emma Casey, 43 years old, of 87 Emslie Street, was murdered by Walter DeTemple, 39 years old, of 424 Perry Street, at 2:30 P.M.

DeTemple was in conversation with Mrs. Casey and her sister at the time and calling Mrs. Casey to one side he slashed her throat with a razor. She died almost instantly. He then cut his own throat with the same razor. DeTemple was taken to the Emergency Hospital, where he recovered in 5 weeks. He was arraigned by Acting Captain John G. Reville, Specials Percy and Burns and Patrolman Harry Watson, on a charge of murder 1st degree. A plea of guilty was accepted to manslaughter 1st degree, and he was sentenced to from 10 to 15 years at Auburn Prison.

The fact that the Casey family was moving that day and had made no provisions for DeTemple, who was a boarder, is believed to have so enraged him that he committed the crime.

275 LEO, HS: 4/20/1919-Precinct Special John M. Dumke, 32 years old, residing at No. 831 Glenwood Avenue, assigned to the 4th Police Precinct of this Department, was shot and killed at 8:00 P.M., by Otto Kissinger, 28 years old.

The shooting occurred at the home of Mary Scinta, of 45 Cypress Street. Dumke went there to arrest the defendant, who was wanted on a charge of Grand Larceny, 1st Degree. As he entered the bedroom where Kissinger was hiding, a bullet struck him in the neck penetrating the spinal column. He died, in No. 4 auto patrol, on the way to the hospital.

Kissinger's lifeless body was found, 2:30 P.M., April 23, 1919, in the attic of a building at 434 Broadway, by Mrs. Mary Simon, who went there to hand up her laundry. He had shot himself.

The day after the shooting, the Olean police received the following description of Kissinger. Twenty-six years old, 5'9", 130 lbs. He has an American flag and U.S.A. tattooed on his right arm and a cut scar on his forehead. He was wearing a brown overcoat with green dots when last seen.

276: 4/23/1919-During a fist fight, which occurred about 6:30 P.M., at the corner of North Division and Oak Streets, between two Canadian soldiers, Edward F. Nugent, 30 years old, of 221 Second Street, Watervliet, N.Y., fell to the street and struck his head on the curbstone. He was taken to the Emergency Hospital in No. 1 auto patrol, where he died April 29, 1919, of a fracture at the base of his skull. Nugent remained unconscious until his death.

No arrest was made in this case because of the large number of Canadian soldiers passing through the city at the

time and no witnesses to the assault could be found.
Investigation by Precinct Special Ralph Guastafarro
<p>277: 5/11/1919-About 1:20 A.M., Mrs. Nellis Basile, 28 years old, of Paris Junction, Ont., who was visiting her mother at 428 Front Avenue, shot and killed Patsy Benn, a 30-year old Italian of Lackawanna, N.Y.</p> <p>The shooting occurred at the Front Avenue address. The man had been forcing his attentions upon Mrs. Basile and had tried to persuade her to leave her home, children, and husband, and for this reason she killed him.</p> <p>She was arrested by Captain Edward Simon, Specials James E. Quigley and George J. Bardgett on a charge of murder. The Grand Jury failed to indict her and she was released.</p>
<p>278 HS: 5/14/1919-Sometime during the night, Fred Granville, 45 years old, of 31 Kentucky Street, shot and killed his wife, Elizabeth, 34 years old, and then shot himself with the same weapon. The wife was shot through the right lung and he through the head. Both were dead when found by the son, Fred, at 8:30 A.M., May 15, 1919. They are survived by seven children ranging in ages from 2 to 18 respectively.</p> <p>Investigation made by Captain John Driscoll, shows that the man evidently became insane before committing the act. An injury to his back and spinal column at a previous date was evidently responsible.</p>
<p>279: 6/1/1919-About 5:45 P.M., Ruth McCall, 11 years old, of 74 Bogardus Street, was struck by auto owned and driven by Joseph Gradl, 27 years old, of 229 Mills Street.</p> <p>The girls had just alighted from a street car, at the corner of Broadway and Bogardus Streets, when struck by the auto. She was knocked to the pavement and two wheels of the auto truck passed over her body. She was taken to the Emergency Hospital where she died the following morning.</p> <p>Gradl was arrested by Special John G. Pauley on a charge of manslaughter, but was later discharged in City Court.</p>
<p>280 HS: 6/7/1919-About 7:30 A.M., Mrs. Minnie Becker of 21 East Eagle Street, went to the room of her daughter, Mrs. Ida Barrett, aged 45 years, with the intention of calling her. She found the daughter's dead body lying on the bed. On the same bed was the body of Josiah H. Burris, 58 years old; in his right hand was clutched a .38 calibre revolver with which he had shot the Barrett woman and himself.</p> <p>Mrs. Barrett was a divorced woman and had been living with Burris for several years and had threatened to leave him. In a rage of jealousy he killed her and himself.</p> <p>Investigation by Acting Captain John J. Creahan.</p>
<p>281 AS, I: 7/10/1919-Mrs. Anna Griffin, 33 years old, of 494 Northland Avenue, slashed the throat of her one month old baby boy and then cut her own throat, in the bedroom of their home.</p> <p>The crime was committed during the afternoon and was discovered by her husband upon his arrival home at 6:00 P.M. The baby had been dead about 4 or 5 hours, but the woman was alive and was rushed to the Emergency Hospital, where she recovered. She was placed under arrest by Chief of Detectives John J. Ryan and Detective William E. Burns and upon recovery was taken before a Grand Jury and indicted.</p> <p>A Commission, was appointed by Supreme Court Judge Harry L. Taylor, declared insane an she was committed to the Matteawan Hospital for the insane, December 1, 1919.</p>
<p>282: 8/6/1919-During an argument over a dice game, 12:50 A.M., in saloon of Barnet Bloom, 54 William Street, William Jesse Perry, 32 years old, colored, residing at 58 William Street, was stabbed in the arms and chest with a large pocket knife. He died a few minutes later, as he was staggering out the side door.</p> <p>Joseph Baker, colored, 39 years old, of 58 Mortimer Street, was arrested by Detectives John G. Percy and Clarence H. McGee on a charge of murder, 1st degree. He was allowed to plead guilty to a manslaughter charge and was sentenced to 15 years in Auburn Prison.</p>
<p>283: 8/13/1919-Wilbur Metz, 44 years old, employed as an engineer for the New York Central R.R., residing at 78 Brinkman Street, was shot in the back of the head about 12:30 A.M., and died a few minutes later.</p>

<p>His wife, Emma, 38 years old, was arrested by Chief of Detectives John R. Ryan and Detective Sergeant Thomas J. Riordan on a charge of murder. The Grand Jury indicted Mrs. Metz, but when the case came to trial the jury disagreed and the case is still pending.</p>
<p>284 LEO: 8/15/1919-About 4:45 A.M., as he was about to board a standing street car, at the corner of Broadway and Fox Street, Amos Zentland, 55 years old, of 709 Sycamore Street, was struck and instantly killed by an automobile going west on Broadway. The auto did not stop.</p> <p>Charles Mooney, 28 years old, of 99 Potomac Avenue, was arrested the same date, by Captain Jeremiah O'Brien and Lieutenant James McDonald, on a charge of manslaughter. He has been indicted by a Grand Jury, but to date his trial is pending. Mooney was a probationary patrolman in this department, having been such only a short period. He was dropped from the rolls of the department immediately after his arrest.</p>
<p>285: 8/28/1919-Lieutenant Anthony F. Walsikoski and Patrolman Ray J. Bundschu, while patrolling at 2:00 A.M., found Felix Falkowski, 30 years old, of 114 Lathrop Street lying in a doorway on Broadway, corner of Lathrop Street. He was suffering from a stab wound in the stomach and was sent to the Emergency Hospital where he died September 1, 1919.</p> <p>Nothing could be learned as to who committed the crime.</p>
<p>286: 9/11/1919-The crime was committed about 2:50 A.M., by person or persons unknown. A .35 calibre revolver of very distinctive type was used in the commission of the crime.</p> <p>An exhaustive investigation was carried on by Chief of Detectives John R. Ryan and Detective-Sergeants William R. Connolly and Frank J. McCarthy. A definite motive for this crime has never been established and to date it remains unsolved.</p> <p><i>The only handgun ever made to shoot .35 ammunition was the S&W .35 caliber automatic manufactured from 1913 to 1922. Approximately 8,350 were sold.</i></p>
<p>287: 10/8/1919-Harry H. Selling, who conducted a confectionary and cigar store at 783 West Avenue, was shot by a hold-up man, who entered the store about 11:00 P.M. Selling was counting his day's receipts at the time.</p> <p>The bullet took effect in the stomach. Selling gave fight but the hold-up man escaped. He was taken to the Homeopathic Hospital, where he died an hour later. Before his death he furnished a description of his assailant.</p> <p>Elmer Sabin was sought and apprehended on charge of murder, but owing to lack of sufficient evidence and identification was released. However, he was taken to Elmira, N.Y., where he was wanted on a charge of burglary, 1st degree.</p>
<p>288: 12/6/1919-Charles Sanfilippo, about 38 years old, of 26 Newell Street, Lancaster, N.Y., was shot in the back with a 38 calibre revolver and instantly killed at 5:50 P.M.</p> <p>The shooting occurred in front of the premises at 79 Trenton Avenue while Sanfilippo was on his way to visit relations at 124 Trenton Avenue. He had arrived in this city only a few hours previously.</p> <p>Cologero Lauricello of Lancaster, N.Y., is wanted on a charge of murder. So far he has evaded arrest.</p> <p>Sanfilippo's objection to the marriage of Lauicello to his sister-in-law, who is Lauricello's cousin, is alleged to be responsible for this murder.</p> <p>Investigation by Detective Sergeants William E. Connolly and Frank J. McCarthy.</p> <p>Sanlfilippo was Lauricello's brother-in-law.</p> <p><i>The police that Lauricello first intended to kill his mother-in-law. His wife, who was the sister of the wife of the man that he murdered, had disappeared with another man and he felt his mother-in-law was involved in that decision.</i></p>
<p>289: 2/5/1920-Julino Capaccandy, living at Stop 11, Military Road, was struck by a coasting sled as he was walking along Gladstone Street, at 8:30 P.M. The sled was in the possession of Walter Ogozoty, 11 years old, of 49 Gladstone Street. Kapaccandy chased the boy into his home where he became engaged in an argument with the boy's step-father, Walter Tychosion. The men left the house and while in the yard engaged in fisti-cuffs.</p>

<p>Kapaccandy struck Tychosion on the temple with his fist inflicting a small cut. The injured man was attended the next day by Nicholas Urbanski, of 472 Amherst Street, who sent him to the Sister's Hospital, where he died at 4 P.M., February 7, 1920, of a fractured skull. Kapaccandy left town and has not been apprehended.</p>
<p>290: 3/6/1920-Joseph Guarina, who runs a store at 144 Hudson Street, was shot in the left side of the abdomen by three men who entered his store at 10:45 P.M. He died a few hours later at the Columbus Hospital. Salvatore Macaluso, of 116 Georgia Street, was arrested by Detective Sergeant Quigley but owing to lack of evidence was discharged in City Court.</p>
<p>291: 3/21/1920-Joseph SanFillippo, 28 years old, killed his wife Josephine, 28 years old, by cutting her throat with a knife about 2:30 P.M., at their home 382 Trenton Avenue. SanFillippo was arrested shortly after the commission of the crime by Detective Sergeant James E. Quigley and the Italian Squad. He was convicted of manslaughter and sentenced to ten years in Auburn Prison.</p> <p><i>Sanfillippo claimed he and his wife never quarreled, but he purchased a paring knife the day before the murder. This may be associated with homicide #288.</i></p>
<p>292: 4/11/1920-Jacob Barczak, 24 years old, of 138 Lathrop Street, was shot in the side by Adam Wesolowski, 25 years old, of 211 Loepere Street, while they were engaged in a fight in front of 159 Mill Street, at 1:00 A.M. Barczak died in the Emergency Hospital the following day. His assailant was arrested by Patrolman Carl D. Parker and Patrick J. McGown shortly after the crime was committed. Wesolowski was sentenced to five years in Auburn Prison by Judge Lang after being convicted of the crime.</p>
<p>293: 5/9/1920-Frank Solinardi, 21 years old, 119 Myrtle Avenue, was shot in the head with a 32 calibre revolver at 6:00 P.M., on the second floor of the premises located at 278 Seneca Street. He was taken to the Memorial Hospital where he died the same evening. Antonio Villani, 37 years old, of the same address has been indicted on a charge of murder first degree and is being sought as the slayer. Solinardi entertained an affection for Marie DiVito, 20 years old, of 77 Myrtle Avenue, which was resented by Villani, even though his attention was welcomed by the girl.</p>
<p>294: 6/8/1920-Frank Sterlacci, 55 years old, was shot and killed by his son, Nicholas, 25 years old, at their home, 16 Winchester Street, at 6 A.M. The father frequently abused the mother and on this occasion threatened the son when he interfered. The son procured a revolver and the shooting followed. He has not been apprehended.</p> <p><i>Wellsville Daily Reporter stated that Nicholas had been arrested at his home on June 8th and that he shot his father while he was attacking his mother.</i></p>
<p>295: 8/8/1920-Isadore Crocevera, 46 years old, of 63 Dufella Street, Brooklyn, N.Y., was found lying on the sidewalk at the corner of Virginia and Seventh Streets, at 2:00 P.M., by Dr. A.J. Barone and Dr. J.C. Lofona. He was suffering from gun shot wounds in the back and was removed to the Columbus hospital where he died soon after.</p> <p>Vincent Vacarro, 23 years old, of 154 Front Avenue, was arrested August 26, 1920, by Assistant Chief of Detectives Newton, Detective Sergeants Riordan, O'Leary, Conley and Guastaferrro on a charge of murder. He was discharged in City Court owing to lack of evidence.</p>
<p>296: 8/20/1920-At 9:30 P.M., while Anthony Catalfano, 30 years old, and his father, Carmelo, both of 442 Front Avenue, were walking along Front Avenue when in front of 218, they were shot by Frank Crisafulli, 32 years old, of 218 Seventh Street. The father and son were removed to the Columbus Hospital where the son died five days later. Frank Crisefulli made his escape. He has been indicted on a charge of manslaughter first degree.</p>
<p>297 E: 8/25/1920-Luigi Campagna, an Italian, 40 years old, of 210 Jersey Street, was killed by Emilio Semione, 36 years old, of 102 Main Street and Joseph Paolo, 35 years old, of 84 Dante Place, at 11 P.M., near the corner of Louisiana and Carroll Streets. The man lured to this spot by his assailants and the assaulted by a black jack until he was unconscious. Semione then picked up a large piece of broken concrete, weighing about fifteen pounds, and crushed in the head of Campagna. The men walked east on Carroll Street but were only a short distance from the scene of the crime when they were met by Pennsylvania Railroad Specials Charles Sciandria and Charles McCarthy. The officers stopped the men intending to question them as to their movements. Upon noticing that their faces were smeared with blood they called for the regular police and the men were taken into custody by Patrolman Thomas J. McMahon and Buffalo Police Reserve Officer Julius Freedman. The Grand Jury returned an indictment against the two assailants and upon trial were found guilty of murder first degree and sentenced in the electric chair. Campagna was attentive to the sweetheart of Semione which is believed to have been the motive for the crime.</p>
<p>"Emilio Semione, white, age 36. Murder. The crime was committed on August 25, 1920, in Buffalo. Joseph</p>

DePaula and Luigi Campagna (white, age 35) were rivals for the affections of a woman. DePaula determined to get rid of Campagna and so joined up for such a purpose with an acquaintance named Emilio Semione. Together they jumped Campagna as he walked down Carroll Street late on the above night and beat him without mercy. Then they finished him off by crushing his head with a 25-pound chunk of cement. Both of the killers were sentenced to death. However, DePaula gained a retrial and received a life sentence. No loopholes were found for Semione and he was put to death on December 6, 1923.” CBH, 163.
298: 9/3/1920-Walter M. Giese, 33 years old, of 378 Woodlawn Avenue, was assaulted in the soft drink place of William Metzger, 607 Michigan Avenue, about 10:15 P.M. and died shortly after 1:00 o'clock the following morning. It is supposed that while the bartender was in the rear room some unknown person entered the barroom and struck Giese in the face knocking him to the floor. He sustained a fractured skull which resulted in his death. Edward F. Kaderabeck, 30 years old, of 308 Hickory Street, was arrested for this crime but was discharged in court owing to the lack of evidence.
299: 9/3/1920-Mrs. Jacek, 27 years old, 69 Jones Street, was shot and killed at 5:30 P.M., by one of her boarders named Frank Gratkiewicz, 36 years old. Gratkiewicz resented Mrs. Jacek's intimacy with another boarder and killed her during a fit of jealousy. He was arrested by Lieutenant James McDonald as he left the scene. The case is pending.
300 HS: 10/8/1920-Teofala Gisterek, 27 years old, of 51 Young Avenue, was killed by her husband Anthony Gisterek, 40 years old, at 1:45 A.M. The man suspected his wife was unfaithful to him. When shot she fell to the kitchen floor and he struck her several times with a flat iron fracturing her skull. He then picked up a butcher knife and stabbed her in the left side. She died immediately. Gisterek was arrested immediately after the commission of the crime by Lieutenant William Coughlin, Detective John Scheller and Patrolman Oscar F. Schurpf. On November 3, 1920, while confined in the Erie County Jail, awaiting trial, he committed suicide by hanging himself. <i>Anthony put his belt over a cross bar in the cell. His two children, who had witnessed their mother's murder, were scheduled to testify at his trial.</i>
301: 10/18/1920-Vincent DiBeneditto, 36 years old, of 95 Whitney Place, was shot in the back and instantly killed at 2:30 P.M., while in the upper flat at the home of his uncle, Giancino Tortice, 468 Seventh Street. It is alleged that he threw his aunt to the floor and threatened to kill her and while doing this was shot. The man suspected of doing the shooting is Michaelangelo Sgammeglia, 34 years old, of Lancaster, N.Y. He has not been apprehended.
302: 10/19/1920-Katherine Altmeyer, 18 years old, of 69 Gladstone Street, gave birth to a child at 7 P.M. She killed the child by severing it's head with a table knife. Stanley Siwula, living at 61 Gladstone Street, discovered the body in his rear yard when he returned home at 7:10 A.M., October 20, 1920. The woman was arrested by officers from the Thirteenth Precinct on a charge of Murder. The case is pending.
303: 10/24/1920-Stanley Piechocki, 26 years old, of 83 Oberlin Street, was shot and killed by Stanley Jendrasiak, 27 years old, in the latter's soft drink place, at 1249 Sycamore Street, at 4:10 A.M. Two shots were fired at Piechocki, one bullet striking him in the neck and the other taking effect in the breast. Death was instantaneous. Piechocki was accused by Jendrasiak of immoral relations with his sister. The slayer escaped and has not been apprehended.
304: 11/7/1920-Carmen Calapitro, an Italian, 32 years old, of 215 Swan Street, was seriously assaulted in the soft drink place of Peter Fantozzi, 328 Seneca Street, at 1:00 A.M. The man was struck on the head with the butt of a gun and then stabbed in the left hip with a knife. The knife severed an artery causing his death, which occurred at the Emergency Hospital, November 7, 1920. Three hours after the crime was committed Sebastian Rigoli, 29 years old, of 317 South Division Street, and Benjamin Sandilla, 23 years old, of 184 Carroll Street, were arrested on a charge of assault first degree, by Lieutenant Thomas J. Maloney, Detectives Martin Murphy and Peter J. Perry. This was later changed to manslaughter first degree and they were indicted by the Grand Jury. The trial is now pending. An argument and the assault followed a dispute during a game of cards. Rigoli is the man who used the knife.
305 E: 11/25/1920-About 9:30 A.M., Raymond Mulford, 28 years old, Floyd C. Slover, 22 years old, and Harold Webber, 23 years old, all rooming with Lillian Gusse, 24 years old, of 236 North Division Street, went to the second hand store of Abraham Yellen, 194 Seneca Street. Mulford and Slover went into the store while Webber remained on the outside. Slover after trying on an overcoat attempted to walk out without paying for it. He was stopped by Mr. Yellen, who demanded that he be paid for the coat. Slover drew a 32 calibre revolver and shot at Mr. Yellen three times. Two of the shots took effect; one in the wrist and the other in the left lung. He died at the Columbus Hospital, at 2:45 P.M. November 26, 1920. Detective Daniel M. Condren was nearby at the time and being informed of the shooting commandeered a passing auto and gave chase. He captured the men at the point of a revolver, at the corner of North Division Street and Michigan Avenue. They were charged with murder first degree.

Webber pleaded guilty to murder second degree and was sentenced to Auburn Prison for not less than twenty years. Mulford and Slover were sentenced to die in the electric chair during the week of March 7, 1921. Lillian Gusse was charged with robbery in which she had participated last summer at Gardenville, N.Y., and upon conviction was sentenced to two years in prison, but sentence was suspended during good behavior. She was not present at the time of the shooting of Yellen.

At the arraignment of the three men on November 27th, Yellen's two sons were present, J. Zelig Yellen and Max M. Yellen. Both tried to strike Frank Barnes but without effect.

On January 4th, two men positively identified Slover as Yellen's killer, during Ramond Mulford's trial. Lillian Gusse was supposed to be involved in crimes committed by the trio which included Edward Webber. The D.A. told the jury he could prove that Mulford went out to commit a crime with "murder in his heart." D.A. Moore asked Mulford if he poisoned his wife 7 or 8 years before because she was going to give birth. Mulford declined to answer. The jury was out 50 minutes.

The trial of Floyd E. Slover was halted on January 20, 1921 when the judge's brother died. Mulford and Glover sentenced to death at Sing Sing. On December 18, 1921, the court of appeals affirmed Slover's death penalty. On January 12, 1922, the Governor rejected Mulford's plea for commutation.

"Raymond Mulford, alias Roy Brown, white, age 29; and **Floyd Stover**, alias Frank Barnes, white, age 21. **Murder.** The crime was committed on November 25, 1920, in Buffalo. Mulford and Slover were professional brigands who *ranged* all the way from St. Louis to Niagara Falls. Traveling with them was another man, Frank Webber, alias Jack Smith, and a female named Lillian Clayton, alias Gusse. By the time these bandits got to Buffalo it was late November. They were without funds and hankering for "a real Thanksgiving dinner," in their own words. So they looked for a vulnerable merchant and settled on a haberdashery at 194 Seneca Street. The three men entered the shop on the pretense of looking at overcoats and then announced it was a stickup. When the haberdasher, Abraham Yellen (white), did not immediately yield, he was shot dead and his premises looted. Mulford was executed for this crime on January 12, 1922. Slover met the same fate three weeks later on February 2, 1922." CBH, 157.

306 HS: 1/12/1921-Mrs. William H. White, 44 years old, of 155 Good Avenue, was shot and killed at 6:00 p.m., by Ralph Toulman, 24 years old, a boarder at her home. Toulman then shot and killed himself. The man was evidently despondent, owing to lack of employment, sickness, and a recent dishonorable discharge from the army. He was a musician and had been requested by Mrs. White, shortly before the shooting, to stop playing, as she was ill. This evidently angered him, and words followed. Toulman had been a boarder at the White home for several years.

307 HS: 1/13/1921-William White, 39 years old, of 396 Madison Street, murdered his wife, Erma, 29 years old, at 2:30 a.m., but cutting her throat with a razor. He then committed suicide in the same manner. They were found dead in their bed at 8:45 a.m., January 13, 1921. The loss of his wife's affections caused White to commit this act, according to the note he left.

308: 2/20/1921-Dominic Jobloneczki, 31 years old, of 326 Ohio Street, threw a brick at Joseph Karasiervic, 30 years old, of the same address, striking him on the head. The assault occurred at 3:45 p.m., and the death of Karasiervic followed three days later in the Emergency Hospital. Jobloneczki was arrested on a charge of murder. The case is pending.

309: 3/7/1921-George Supowich, 42 years old, of 132 Esser Avenue, was shot and killed at 11:00 p.m., by his step-son, Thomas Kizelick, 25 years old, of 127 Esser Avenue. The shooting took place in the home of the murdered man and was the culmination of a six week quarrel between Supowich and his wife. Mrs. Supowich appealed to her son for protection from the beatings which her husband was inflicting on her. The son went to the house, became embroiled in an argument with the husband, and the shooting followed. He was arraigned in court, held for the Grand Jury, and discharged when the body failed to indict him.

310: 3/17/1921-Luther P. Graves, 28 years old, of 230 West North Street, was shot at 11:45 p.m., by an unknown assailant, while walking through the yard in the rear of 267 West North Street. Graves was taking a shortcut to his home after placing his auto in the garage for the night. He was removed to the Buffalo General Hospital where he died at 5:00 a.m., March 18, 1921. The case has not been solved.

By March 23rd, two suspects had been arrested. The district attorney felt that Graves was mistaken for a either a man bootleggers wanted to kill or a watchman that would thwart the theft of liquor stored in a nearby cellar. On April 5th, the District Attorney said that a Grand Jury hearing reinforces his theory that bootleggers shot him over a

<p><i>mistaken identity. Graves was an athlete when he matriculated at Yale and became a prominent businessman. William Sherwood (Burns Detective Agency) was hired by the city of Buffalo to solve the crime.</i></p>
<p>311: 3/21/1921-Anthony Ciocca, 38 years old, of 58 Myrtle Avenue, shot Frank Marconio, 23 years old, of 143 Myrtle Avenue, at 5 p.m., during an argument over a card game which was in progress in the soft drink place of Sebato Bevilacqua, at 331 Seneca Street. The wounded man died the next morning in the Emergency Hospital. Ciocca was arrested at 10:45 p.m., March 21, 1921, by Captain John Creahan, Detectives Martin Murphy and Peter J. Perry, on a charge of murder. In the trial which followed the defendant was found guilty and sentenced to not less than twenty years at Auburn Prison.</p>
<p>312 I: 4/16/1921-Panteno Ranero, 28 years old, of 14 Myrtle Avenue, shot Albergo Illardi, 33 years old, 14 Myrtle Avenue, at 10:00 p.m., while both parties were visiting at the home of mutual friend, Oresti Fonati, 313 Seneca Street. Illardi died at the Emergency Hospital on April 19, 1921. Ranero was arrested by Patrolman Edward L. Scanlon while attempting to make his escape from the house after the shooting. A commission of doctors declared Ranero insane and he was committed to the Mattewan Asylum for the criminal insane.</p>
<p>313: 4/17/1921-Adam Nowak, 28 years old, 168 Parish Street, and Joseph Wasmuth, 32 years old, of 304 Amherst Street, laborers at the Bond Plant of the American Radiator Company, were seriously assaulted at 2:10 a.m. while working in a yard at the rear of the above plant. Both men were struck on the head with some blunt instrument. They were removed to the Homeopathic Hospital where Nowak died on April 30, 1912. Wasmuth is still confined to that institution. Robbery was evidently the motive for this crime. No person has been apprehended.</p>
<p>314 E: 5/6/1921-Stephen Rose, 55 years old, of 184 Niagara Street, employed as night watchman at Louis' Restaurant, 535 Main Street, was severely beaten on the head with some blunt instrument, from which injuries he died at 7:00 a.m. Lawrence Terrance, negro, 31 years old, of 142 Oak Street, was arrested in Philadelphia on May 22, 1921, by Detectives Percy, Duchene and Patrolman George Sarsnett on a charge of murder. He was found guilty and sentenced to die in the electric chair.</p> <p>"Lawrence Torrence, black, age 24. Murder. The crime was committed on May 6, 1921, in Buffalo. Torrence had been a night watchman at an upscale restaurant and cabaret located at 525 Main Street in Buffalo. He stole a saxophone from there and pawned it, only to get caught and lose his job. A week later he gained entry into his former place of employment intending to rob it. He knew that cash was kept in a secret strongbox in the cellar and this was the object of his attention. However, he encountered his replacement, Samuel A. Rose (white, age 40), stoking the furnace at the time and struck him from behind with an ax. Then he took \$820 from the strongbox and fled. The slain man was found with seven separate ax wounds in his skull. He had also been run through the neck with a screwdriver and had one of his eyes gouged out. Torrence was put to death for this crime on April 20, 1922." CBH, 157-158.</p>
<p>315: 5/6/1921-John Keyes, 68 years old, of 58 Forest Avenue, was found dead in bed, at 8:00 p.m., by his son, Henry Keyes. The man had been bound and gagged and a heavy quilt thrown over his head. This had caused suffocation. Daniel Ostrander, a half-breed Indian, 40 years old, was arrested in Kansas City, Mo., a few days later and charged with this crime. He was brought to this city, charged with this crime, found guilty after a trial, and sentenced to twenty years in Auburn Prison. Keyes held a chattel mortgage on Ostrander's furniture for \$100.00, and it was for the purpose of evading this payment that Ostrander had bound Keyes in his bed so that he could make his escape with the furniture to another city.</p>
<p><i>Oleander used an alias of Murphy.</i></p>
<p>316: 5/17/1921-Mrs. Teresa Herman, 40 years old, of 238 Carolina Street, was shot and killed at 7:30 p.m., by George Schoenle, 38 years old; of the same address, Schoenle at the same time shot Tony Cortesis, 34 years old, who was visiting Mrs. Herman. Schoenle was arrested by Patrolman John L. Cofield as he was making his escape. After due trial the defendant was sentenced to twenty years in Auburn prison.</p>
<p>317 LEO: 5/27/1921-Police Reserve Sergeant Edward Wilson, 35 years old, of 490 East Eagle Street, was shot and killed at 11:10 p.m., by Oscar Edwards, negro, 28 years old, of 235 Clinton Street. The shooting occurred on the front hall stairs of the house at 235 Clinton Street, to which place Sergeant Wilson had gone to answer a complaint. The negro before making his escape shot four other inmates of the house, including his own wife. He has not been apprehended.</p> <p><i>Edward A. Wilson was shot in the heart and mouth while chasing Edwards. John Wilson (24) was shot in the left arm and his wife Anna (25) was shot in the side. Mrs. Una Haynes (22) was shot in the shoulder and Edwards' wife, Anna, was shot in the left hand. Police had arrived after receiving a call from the house about a threatening</i></p>

<i>and drunk Oscar Edwards. After he shot the occupants he went out the back door.</i>
318: 5/30/1921-George Kozirug, 38 years old, of 54 Pink Street, was fatally shot at 11:00 p.m, by John Karwaczynski, 22 years old, of 23 Cochrane Street, who was a visitor living at the Kozirug home. An argument started over Kozirug living with Fatyna Kasuba, a woman not his wife. Karwaczynski escaped at the time, but was apprehended a week later by Detective Sergeants Michael Murphy, George Maloney, William Courtney and John Pauley as he was about to enlist in the United States Navy. After due trial he was sentenced to Elmira Reformatory until discharged by law.
319: 6/25/1921-Isabelle Hall, colored, 30 years old, of 44 East Peckham Street, was assaulted with a flat iron at 2:00 p.m. Fred Ray, colored, 26 years old, was arrested shortly after the commission of the crime by Captain Jeremiah O'Brien, Detective Edward Stribick, and Patrolman John J. Fitzgerald. The officers had the woman removed to the Emergency Hospital, where she died an hour later. Ray was arraigned in court and after a trial was sentenced to Auburn Prison for not less than seven years and not more than fifteen years.
320 I: 7/21/1921-John Veroskey, alias Harvey Reynolds, 27 years old, of 103 Cliff Street, Pittsburgh, Pa., murdered his wife, Barbara, 20 years old, at 4:45 p.m., by pouring a pint of carbolic acid on her face and down her throat. The woman was employed at the Thompson Hair Dressing Shop, 242 Franklin Street, and it was there that her husband found her and committed the deed. Veroskey made his escape from the shop, but was taken into custody a few minutes later by Patrolman Thomas R. Eggleston at the corner of Chippewa and Delaware. Mrs. Veroskey, who resided at 438 Sherman Street with her family, died in the Emergency Hospital. Alienists, after due examination of Veroskey, declared him insane and he was committed to the Mattewan Hospital.
321: 7/26/1921-Flippo Re, 45 years old, of 357 North Division Street, was shot and killed at 11:35 p.m., while walking on Cedar Street near Division Street. Two men who fired the shots were seen running west of South Division Street, but no description could be obtained. One arrest was made in this case, but the defendant, Paul Dinaggio, 26 years old, of 102 Dante Place, was discharged owing to lack of evidence.
322: 8/19/1921-Joseph Gaglione, 27 years old, of 121 Erie Street, shot and killed Joseph Quattrocchi while in the latter's tin shop, 1 Court Place, at 9:15 a.m. The shooting followed an argument over the payment of a \$10.00 debt. Gaglione was arrested by Patrolman Thomas G. Sinclair as he was leaving the shop. The case is pending.
323: 8/20/1921-Douglas Gibson, colored, 37 years old, of 55 Mortimer Street, stabbed Oliver Allison, 35 years old, of 192 Hickory Street, at 2:30 a.m., from which stab wounds Allison died two days later in the Emergency Hospital. Allison, accompanied by two other men, is alleged to have made some insulting remarks to Mrs. Gibson, who was accompanying her husband. An argument started and the stabbing followed. Gibson was arrested several days later by Captain William H. Milan on a charge of murder. The Grand Jury failed to indict him and he was subsequently discharged.
324 LEO: 8/21/1921-Patrolman Winfield S. Willis was shot at 9:10 p.m., while making an investigation of a street fight at the corner of Amherst and East Streets. He was taken to the Columbus Hospital where he died at 3:10 p.m., August 22, 1921. Salvatore Buffone, 31 years old, and Nick Mingarelli, 31 years old, both of 128 Dearborn Street, were arrested by our officers on a charge of murder. The case is pending. <i>On February 10, 1922, after Buffone had been in jail since August 21st, he had not been to trial for killing W.S. Wilkes. He can't get a speedy trial because he has \$390. No lawyer will take his case because they would get \$500 if he was indigent. The District Attorney is trying to find a solution.</i>
325: 10/1/1921-Michael Lankes, 32 years old, of 50 Dorris Avenue, was shot at 9:50 p.m., as he came from his store at 1095 Seneca Street. Three men made their escape. They intended to rob him of this collections he carried with him. On October 23, 1921, Arthur Mullady, 24 years old, of 318 West Forty-seventh Street, New York City, was arrested there by Detectives William J. Burns and Daniel Mahoney. The prisoner implicated Herman Radice, tax-cab driver, of 414 Front Avenue, the city, and Michael Honan, 23 years old, of 425 West Fifty-seventh Street, New York City. Radice was taken into custody by Detective Sergeant George Maloney, but Honan could not be located. Mullady and Radice were indicted by the Grand Jury and are now awaiting trial. <i>Herman Radice and Sambo Perkins were arrested in Buffalo and another suspect was arrested in New York.</i>
326: 11/14/1921-John Krause, 50 years old, of 463 Riley Street, was seriously assaulted in his shoe repair shop in the rear of the above number at 4:20 p.m. The assailant struck Krause in the back of the head with some blunt instrument as the shoemaker stooped to pick up a pair of shoes. Krause was removed to the Deaconess Hospital where he died at 12:10 p.m., November 18, 1921. The motive for this crime was evidently robbery but nothing was taken from the shop, the murderer being evidently frightened away. No arrests have been made in this case.
327 HS: 11/19/1921-Mrs. Martha Gast, 35 years old, of 19 Moeller Street, was seriously assaulted with a hammer at

9:30 p.m., while lying on a couch in the dining room of her home. Her assailant was her husband, John Kast, 40 years old, who, after assaulting her went to the kitchen of his home and he cut his own throat with a razor. He died a few minutes later. The wife was removed to the Emergency Hospital where she died November 29, 1921. It is believe that the husband became mentally deranged from heavy drinking.
328: 11/20/1921-Joseph Krystolowitz, 38 years old, and Ludwig Scaraha, 43 years old, both of 127 Van Rensselaer Street, shot each other at 11:30 a.m., from which wounds Krystolowitz died a few hours later in the Emergency Hospital. The shooting occurred in front of the premises at 412 Fulton Street. The shooting was interrupted by the timely arrival of Patrolman George F. Elliott, who disarmed Scaraha and sent both men to the hospital. Krystolowitz is alleged to have run away with Scaraha's wife. Scaraha was indicted by the Grand Jury. The case is pending.
329 AS: 12/14/1921-Mrs. Loretta Rieman, 29 years old, shot and killed her 10 year old daughter, Alta, at 7:00 p.m., in a room of their home at 77 Inwood Place. After killing the child Mrs. Rieman attempted suicide by shooting herself in the left breast and by inhaling gas fumes. The wound did not prove fatal and the woman was brought to trial on a murder charge. The case is pending.
330: 12/19/1921-Jack Labue, 23 years old, shot his step-father, Anthony Merlo, at 2:25 p.m., from which wounds Merlo died at 1:20 a.m. Labue was also shot during this affair, but his wounds proved superficial. Merlo's inhuman treatment of his wife, Labue's mother, extended over a long period of time and was the cause of disagreement which resulted in the shooting. Labue was arrested on a charge of murder. The case is pending.
331: 12/24/1921-Cologero Terrana, alias Puccinia, 35 years old, shot and killed Luigi Avacello, 30 years old, in his room at 90 Commercial Street, at 8:30 a.m. The man was shot lying in bed. The murder followed an argument over money matters. Terrana escaped and has not been apprehended.
On January 4, 1922, Irene Malvane, signed a sworn statement that she was in the room when Terrana killed Avacello.
332 LEO: 1/9/1922-At 8:45 p.m., Henry Pawlowski, 18 years ago, of 66 Peck Street, was shot in the left groin, by Nelson P. Ryan, 25 years old, of 669 South Park Avenue, a New York Central Railroad special officer. Pawlowski died in the Emergency Hospital on January 15, 1922. Ryan had discovered three men burglarizing a car at William and Babcock Streets. They did not stop at his command and in the firing which followed Pawlowski was struck. Ryan, after making a statement, was ordered released by Medical Examiner Earl G. Danser.
333: 1/10/1922-James Granger, 67 years old, of 340 East Utica Street, was shot twice in the abdomen at 11:55 p.m., by two men who attempted to hold him up at Pat Toal's gasoline station, Main Street and East Delavan Avenue, where he was employed. He died the following day at the Sisters' Hospital. The men, who have not been apprehended, escaped in automobile which had been stolen the same night. The machine was recovered the next day in the Tenth Precinct.
334 HS: 2/12/1922-Mrs. Augusta M. Miller, a widow, 39 years old, keeper of a rooming-house at 202 East Eagle Street, was shot and killed by Michael Tozzo, 35 years old, of 444 South Division Street at 11:35 p.m. Tozzo committed suicide by shooting himself through the right temple. He was a former roomer at the Miller home and was infatuated with Mrs. Miller, who had spurned his attentions.
335: 4/23/1922-Anthony Szaralatta, 21 years old, of 120 Playter Street, and Kasmir Nowak, 20 years old, of 303 Howard Street, became involved in a quarrel at 6:45 p.m., March 23, 1922, while in the poolroom of Stanley J. Michalak, 970 Broadway. Knives were used by both men and both received stab wounds in the groins. Szaralatta was taken to the Emergency Hospital, where he died at 4:00 a.m., April 2, 1922. Nowak was arrested by Lieutenant Charles F. Oberly and James McDonald and Detective Edward Mandel and Patrolmen John Czajkowski and Frank Wojciehowski at his home several hours after the assault. He was found guilty of manslaughter, first degree, and sentenced to not less than ten nor more than fifteen years in Auburn Prison.
336: 5/15/1922-Annabelle Barnes, colored, 29 years old, of 146 Hickory Street, was killed in the kitchen of her home by Sikes Massey, colored, 50 years old, of 406 William Street, at 7:30 p.m. The woman was struck over the head with a flat iron and her throat was cut. She had refused the man some liquor which he craved. Massey was arrested May 17, 1922, by Patrolman John Downey at the New York Central Railroad depot. In the trial that followed he pleaded guilty to murder second degree and was sentenced to not less than twenty years in Auburn Prison.
337: 5/16/1922-Thomas Lee, colored, 30 years old, of 88 William Street, was shot and killed by his wife, Alma, 24 years old, while in the bedroom of their home at 7:30 a.m. He is supposed to have been threatening her with a revolver and she to have acted in self-defense. She was arrested by Lieutenant Frank C. Stoner, Detectives Louis Scheu and Eugene L. Duchene and Patrolman Dorance D. Lounsbury on charge of murder, first degree. The Grand

Jury failed to indict her and she was discharged.

Thomas Lee was known to the police as Jellyroll and was from Birmingham, Alabama. Anabella Barnes was also found the same day with her throat cut.

338: 6/12/1922-Valentine Czechowski, 22 years old, of 135 Ashley Street, was shot and killed at 12:05 a.m., by Adam Kasprzyk, 20 years old, of 26 Peck Street. Czechowski chased Adam and his brother Casimer into their yard, when Adam ran into his home, procured a shotgun and shot Czechowski in the left side. The man died in the ambulance on the way to the Emergency Hospital. Kasprzyk was arrested by Lieutenant William Coughlin, Detective Melvin C. Henshaw and Bart J. O'Leary and Patrolmen William B. Wilkie and Theodore F. Hammermiller. Jealousy over a girl is believed to have caused the quarrel which resulted in the death of Czechowski. The case is pending.

339: 6/25/1922-At 12:15 a.m., Leo Lewandowski, 24 years old, of 134 Loepere Street, was shot and killed in an outhouse in the rear of his home. His wife, Martha, heard three shots fired and found her husband dead upon her arrival at the scene. His brother-in-law, John Zydlewski, 26 years old, of 134 Loepere Street, had threatened Lewandowski and his family on several occasions and is suspected of doing the shooting. He disappeared and has not been apprehended.

340 LEO: 7/8/1922-At 9:45 a.m., Michael Zelasinski, 25 years old, of 35 Krupp Street, was shot by Roman C. Kroll, 23 years old, of 994 Fillmore Avenue, a New York Central Railroad special officer. Zelasinski is alleged to have insulted Kroll and another railroad guard by calling the names. It is claimed that he threatened the officers with a revolver. Kroll chased Zelasinski and shot him as he was about to open the door of his home. Kroll was arrested on charge of manslaughter, first degree, by Detectives Melvin C. Henshaw and Bart J. O'Leary. The Grand Jury failed to indict the officer and he was discharged.

341: 7/18/1922-At 10:45 p.m., during a family quarrel, Carolina Jones, colored, 32 years old, of 390 East Eagle Street, shot her husband, Wesley, 32 years old. He was taken to the Emergency Hospital where he died the following day at 2:30 p.m. The woman stated she had fired in self defense. She was arrested by Detective Sergeants John Percy and John Masters on a charge of murder. At the trial the charge was reduced to manslaughter and she received one year in the Erie County Penitentiary.

342: 7/18/1922-At 2:45 p.m., Joseph Zielinski, 33 years old, of 205 Miller Avenue, while visiting at the home of John R. Kwiatkowski, 31 years old, of 289 Rother Avenue, became involved in an argument with his host over some remark which he made about the latter's wife. Kwiatkowski ordered Zielinski from the house and followed him until they reached 305 Rother Avenue, where they commenced to fight. Kwiatkowski struck Zielinski and knocked him down. He fell on the running board of a standing automobile. The ambulance of the Emergency Hospital was summoned by witnesses, but the man was dead before it arrived. He died from a fractured skull. Kwiatkowski was arrested the following morning by Detectives Daniel P. Snyder and John T. Fagan and Patrolman Franklin A. Dreshler on charge of manslaughter, first degree. The case is pending.

343 HS: 7/19/1922-Etta Kenyon, 16 years old, of 19 Spaulding Street, was shot by her step-father, George Green, 45 years old, at 1:00 p.m., while at the home of Mrs. Anna Kenyon, with whom they boarded. Mrs. Anna Kenyon and Etta Kenyon were half-sisters and George Green was the step-father of both. Green shot himself immediately after and died at 1:45 p.m. July 21, 1922, in the Emergency Hospital. The man was infatuated with his step-daughter and wished to marry her. She repulsed him and this brought about the quarrel which ended in the death of both.

344: 7/20/1922-Martin Dillon, 35 years old, of 1331 Seneca Street, was arrested at 10:00 a.m., on a charge of manslaughter, first degree. He is alleged to have struck Clara Ehlers, 38 years old, of 1331 Seneca Street, at 10:30 p.m., July 3, 1922, from which blow the woman died on July 27, 1922.

345 HS: 7/25/1922-At 9:45 p.m., Albert Reil, 36 years old, of 542 Glenwood Avenue, called upon Miss Lee Stouth, 34 years old, of 66 Johnson Street. He had been keeping company with the woman for some time. A quarrel ensued, during which Reil drew a .38 calibre revolver and shot Miss Stouth, in the lower part of her left lung. He then shot himself in the head and died immediately. Miss Stouth was taken to the Emergency Hospital, where she died at 6:00 p.m., August 10, 1922.

346 LEO: 8/2/1922-John Chrosniak, 30 years old, of 96 Hirschbeck Street, a striking street car man, was shot by Patrolman Elmer Sisson at 10:30 p.m. The victim was one of a gang of strikers who were throwing stones at a westbound Sycamore Street car at Sycamore and Oberlin Streets. The officer was guarding the car and crew and when acid had been thrown in the face of the motorman of the car he shot into the crowd and struck Chrosniak. The wounded man died almost instantly. The motorman was removed to the Emergency Hospital suffering from acid burns. Medical Examiner Earl G. Danser held an inquest before Chief Justice Woltz of the City Court a few weeks later and the officer was exonerated.

<p><i>It was the 33rd day of streetcar strike and Chrosniak supposedly threw a stone and acid at motorman J.J. McCluskey of Philadelphia. His face was badly burned and may lose an eye. Two other people were injured by he officer. Casimer Kiazewski (21) was shot in the heart and it may be fatal and Harold Lang (12) was shot in the right leg.</i></p>
<p>347: 8/5/1922-Angelo Bonfiglio, 30 years old, of 100 Washington Street, was shot twice in the abdomen and twice in the chest, at 11:20 p.m., while standing at the corner of Scott and Washington Streets. He died a short time later in Columbus Hospital. Bonfiglio had approached Joseph Lauria, 30 years old, of 117 Commercial Street, and Bartol Consagra was placed under arrest by Lieutenant John B. Heusinger of the Lehigh Valley Railroad police. He was indicted on a charge of murder and later discharged. Lauria, a city employee, made his escape and has not been apprehended.</p>
<p>348: 8/10/1922-Roy Barber, 16 years old, of 224 Moselle Street, was struck and killed by an automobile in front of 412 Linwood Avenue, at 4:30 p.m. The machine, which was driven by Jay D. Fultz, of 644 Humboldt Parkway, did not stop, but continued on until pursued and caught by another machine. Fultz was arrested on a charge of manslaughter, second degree. The Grand Jury failed to indict him and he was discharged.</p>
<p>349: 8/13/1922-Mrs. Katherine Hanover, 57 years old, of 106 Shumway Street, was shot in the right lung, at 2:35 a.m., while watching from her front window, a fight which was taking place in front of her home. She was removed to the Emergency Hospital, where she died at 8:00 a.m. All the men who participated in the fight were arrested and charged with murder, first degree. Mr. Hanover, is a foreman for a railroad company and it is believed that strike difficulties occasioned the visit of the men in front of his home for the purpose of attracting him to the window to shoot him. The case is pending.</p>
<p>350: 8/16/1922-At 8:00 p.m., George Woelfling, 30 years old, of 105 Rose Street, struck and killed his brother, Joseph, 26 years old. Joseph was taken to the Memorial Hospital, but died before his arrival there. The mother of the boys was in the Memorial Hospital and Joseph had refused to assist George to pay the expenses. This provoked the fight which occurred at the corner of Jefferson Avenue and High Street. George Woelfling was arrested on a charge of manslaughter, second degree. He was held for the Grand Jury, which body failed to indict him and he was discharged.</p>
<p>351: 8/28/1922-Abraham Swerdloff, 36 years old, of 31 Grote Street, was shot at 4:14 a.m., in the dining room of his apartments by a burglar whom he had discovered in the act of burglarizing his furnishing store on the first floor. Swerdloff was removed to the Homeopathic Hospital, where he died at 10:00 p.m., August 30, 1922. A quantity of clothing taken from the store was found in the rear yard. No arrests were made in this case.</p>
<p>352: 9/23/1922-Joseph Lewis, 41 years old, of 221 Purdy Street, was arrested on September 23, 1922, for an alleged assault which he committed upon the person of Catherine Weiland, 86 years old. The woman was the mother-in-law and at 8:00 p.m., September 10, 1922, he is supposed to have kicked her, from which injuries she died on September 23, 1922. Lewis, was charged with manslaughter, second degree, indicted, convicted, and sentenced to from five to ten years in Auburn Prison.</p>
<p><i>Weiland was taken to the hospital with what was thought to be a fractured hip.</i></p>
<p>353 LEO: 9/23/1922-At 6:30 p.m., Walter Zalikowski, 29 years old, of 45 Deshler Street, was shot and killed by Patrolman Ferdinand E. Rebhan of the Ninth Precinct, who was doing duty in the Eleventh Precinct. While riding in a Broadway car the officer observed Zalikowski and two other men holding up Harry E. Morgan of 121 Franklin Street, Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, on Broadway, just east of the Erie Railroad Company's bridge. He alighted from the car and started to run for the scene. At this approach the men began to run away. The officer ordered them to halt and when they did not comply with his command he fired several shots at them. Zalikowski was struck by one of the bullets and died in the ambulance on the way to the Emergency Hospital.</p>
<p>354: 10/8/1922-At 9:10 p.m., Thomas Coyle, 62 years old, of 610 Fargo Avenue, was struck with an automobile driven by Samuel Sciandara of 454 Plymouth Avenue. The unfortunate man was crossing the street at Pennsylvania and Seventh Streets. He was taken to the Columbus Hospital, where he died at 4:40 a.m. The driver of the machine did not stop at the time, but was later arrested by Detective-Sergeants Connolly and Wienand and Detectives Tripi and McGee. He was discharged in City Court.</p>
<p>355: 11/14/1922-Charles McGovern, alias Carol Balicki, 24 years old, of 60 A Street, was stabbed at 10:20 p.m., while on the bowling alleys of the London Bowling Alley at 688 Broadway. He was taken to the Emergency Hospital, where he died November 24, 1922. Felix Kopacz, of 1428 Broadway, was arrested on November 15, 1922, by Detective-Sergeants Courtney, Whalen and Pauley on a charge of murder, first degree. The case is pending.</p>
<p>356 LEO: 11/19/1922-At 11:45 a.m., Detective Martin Murphy shot and killed Thomas J. Morgan, 34 years old of</p>

<p>97 Imson Street. The officer had entered the soft drink place of Burns and O'Day, at the southeast corner of Ellicott and Swan Streets, when he was attacked by Morgan. The officer lost his billy in the fight which followed and drawing his gun shot once into the floor in order to stop the assailant. The second shot took effect in the neck of Morgan, who fell mortally wounded. He died the following morning at the Emergency Hospital. An inquest was held and the officer was exonerated for his act.</p> <p><i>Morgan, a former boxer, was immediately paralyzed. Two other men responded to police commands but Morgan attacked.</i></p>
<p>357: 11/29/1922-At 2:30 p.m., Carmelo DiSalvo, 54 years old, of 58 Virginia Street, was shot while standing in the southeast corner of Virginia Street and Front Avenue. He died a few minutes later in the Columbus Hospital, the bullet having grazed his heart. His assailant, who was an Italian named Pillican, 60 years old, escaped. The motive for the shooting could not be learned.</p>
<p>358: 12/16/1922-At 11:10 p.m., Frank Mason, 50 years old, of 948 Washington Street, was struck by an automobile while crossing Main Street between Allen and Virginia Streets. He was taken to the Buffalo General Hospital where he died a few minutes after his arrival there. The automobile, which was owned by Sheldon Myers of 15 Hauf Street, had been stolen from in front of 2500 Main Street some time previous to the accident. It was abandoned at Main and Virginia Streets a few minutes after the fatality. No one was arrested for the crime.</p>
<p>359 AS, I: 1/30/1923-Edward Brendel, forty-one years old, of 63 Spruce Street, was arrested at 12:15a.m., by Patrolman Stephen J. Qualey, after Brendel had shot Frank Radice, twenty-eight years old, of the Carlton Court Apartments, through the left breast while Radice was seated at a table in Child's Restaurant, 577 Main Street. After shooting Radice, Brendel turned the gun upon himself, but it failed to explode, as he had used all the shells. Radice died a few weeks later. Brendel, who had been a user of drugs for twenty years, harbored ill feeling toward Radice for his supposed connection with the Klu-Klux-Klan. Brendel was committed to the Mattewan Prison for the criminal insane.</p>
<p>360: 2/4/1923-About 10:10 p.m., John Sciabone, thirty years old, of 373 James Street, Hamilton, Ontario, was found dead on the sidewalk in front of 140 Carolina Street. An extensive investigation, which extended into Canada, was made and much learned about the man. While we were unable to apprehend anyone for this crime it is evident that he was killed as a result of a feud.</p>
<p>361: 2/22/1923-Mrs. Winnie Smith, colored, twenty-five years old, of 429 Clinton Street, was found dead in her home at 6:10 p.m. Her throat had been cut with a razor. Samuel Hunter, who was a frequent visitor at the Smith home, was arrested the next day on a charge of murder. He had entered a pact with the Smith woman whereby he was to cut her throat and then kill himself. After committing the murder he found he had not the nerve to kill himself. He was found guilty of murder in the second degree and sentenced to Auburn Prison for life.</p>
<p>362 AS: 3/8/1922-At 5:30 p.m., Jennie Puminelua, twenty years old, of 122 Seventh Street, was shot in the head of Anthony Cheradi, thirty-eight years old, of 31 Stahl Street, Brooklyn, N.Y. Cheradi had been separated from his wife, who was living at the Seventh Street address with Miss Puminelua, her sister. He came to the house and started shooting at his wife who had refused to return to live with him. She was wounded in the breast. The sister-in-law was struck by one of the bullets and died instantly. Cheradi after running a short distance from the scene shot himself in the jaw. He was taken by a passer-by to a drug store, where he was arrested. The case is now ready for trial.</p> <p><i>Nunzio Cheradi was the name used in a newspaper story.</i></p>
<p>363: 4/18/1923-About 12:30 p.m., Oscar Cornish, colored, of 428 Abbey Street, struck Albert Lowe, colored, of 429 Abbey Street, with a pool cue during a fight in the soft drink place at 327 Abbey Street. Lowe then drew a knife and stabbed Cornish in the left side. Cornish Died April 20, 1923. Lowe was arrested, indicted, tried and acquitted.</p>
<p>364: 4/23/1923-About 11:00 p.m., Michael Iacuzza, twenty-nine years old of 145 Virginia Street, was shot five times while standing in front of his home. He was taken to Columbus Hospital, but expired before his arrival at that institution. No motive for the shooting could be learned and no arrests have been made.</p>
<p>365: 4/29/1923-At 11:00 p.m., Charles DiRose, forty years old, of 152 Erie Street, was found dead on the sidewalk on Erie Street, just north of the Erie Canal Bridge. He had been shot through the left lung and the intestines with a .38 calibre revolver. Anthony Carrota, thirty-four years old, of San Francisco, California, a suspect, was arrested by Detectives Joseph Stribick and James Ryan. He was discharged when giving a hearing in City Court.</p>
<p>366: 5/5/1923-Some time during Saturday, Mrs. Pauline Kessler, sixty-eight years old, was shot and killed by her step-son, Julius Kessler, forty-nine years old, while in their home at 28 Lisbon Avenue. Kessler was arrested shortly after by Assistant Chief of Detectives Schuh and Detective Sergeant Connolly. Kessler confessed to the crime, was</p>

found guilty of murder second degree, and was sentenced to not less than twenty years in Auburn Prison.
367: 6/7/1923-About 8:30 a.m., the body of Patrick Barrett, sixty-eight years old, of 135 Main Street, was found floating in the Buffalo River at the Evans Slip, by Captain Daley of the U.S. Coast Guard Station. Barrett's hands were tied and his mouth was stuffed with a muffler. His death was caused by drowning. He had been missing from his lodging since May 31, 1923, and as he was without money no motive could be learned for his murder. <i>Barrett was a grain shoveler.</i>
368: 8/5/1923-Bronislaus Smech, thirty-four years old, proprietor of a soft drink place at 440 Ohio Street, was held up by three men at 10:45 p.m. Smech tried to get a revolver and was shot through the shoulder. He died in the Emergency Hospital at 1:50 a.m., August 6, 1923. No arrests have been made in this case.
369: 8/25/1923-John McCormick, thirty-four years old, 548 Willett Street, was shot in the left side by Thomas Bracanto, alias Wolgast, twenty-eight years old, of 169 Ellicott Street, at 7:45 a.m. Bracanto and McCormick became involved in an argument in a restaurant at 684 Sycamore Street and the proprietor put them out. Bracanto left in an auto and returned a few minutes later with a revolver. He walked up to McCormick and shot him. McCormick died the next day in the Emergency Hospital. Bracanto escaped and has not been apprehended.
370: 9/8/1923-At 11:00 p.m., Catherine Zarcone, twenty-eight years old, of 89 Trenton Avenue, shot and killed her husband, Joseph, thirty-nine years old, as he was about to board a street car at Rhode Island and Niagara Streets. She was arrested a few minutes after the shooting on a charge of murder, first degree. Mrs. Zarcone testified that her husband had threatened to kill her and her four children. She had found that he had a wife and a son in New York City. She was allowed to plead guilty to manslaughter, second degree, and was sentenced to one year in the Erie County Jail.
371: 9/23/1923-At 4:15 p.m., John Zielinski, forty years old, of 47 Houghton Street, was struck by some unknown person at the corner of Sweet Avenue and Sycamore Street. He fell on the sidewalk and died a few minutes later from a fractured skull. No arrests have been made in this case.
372 HS: 9/28/1923-At 5:30 a.m., Harry Haskins, forty-seven years old, a Spanish-American War Veteran, of 140 Hertel Avenue, shot and killed his wife, Mathilda, forty-five years old, while she was asleep in bed. He then shot himself. Both were dead upon arrival of medical attention. Haskins had been acting strangely and was thought to have been insane. <i>Matilda had been married five times and it was Harry's second marriage. Haskins had been employed as a special park policeman in Elmira for 18 years. They were married in November of 1922 and moved to Buffalo in February. Matilda had confided to her father that a month before Harry had threatened suicide and she tried to hide his revolver from him. Harry's daughter, Julia Webb, was sleeping in an adjacent room with her husband, when the incident occurred.</i>
373: 9/30/1923-George Mohler, forty-three years, and John Sparks, twenty-five years old, of 222 Cedar Street, became engaged in a street fight at 4:00 p.m., on Union near William Street. Sparks struck Mohler, knocking him to the street. In falling Mohler struck his head on the curb. He died the following day at the Emergency Hospital. Sparks was arrested on a charge of murder, second degree. At his trial he was allowed to plead guilty to manslaughter, second degree, and was sentenced to from six to ten years in Auburn Prison.
374: 11/9/1923-Michael Terranova, twenty-one years old, of 393 South Division Street, shot and killed Elizabeth Bonadio, eighteen years old, in her home at 371 South Division Street, at 7:35 p.m. Terranova was a friend of the family and had called there that evening. He was apparently infatuated with the girl, who did not care for him. Without warning Terranova pulled a revolver and shot the girl who died immediately. The murderer escaped and has not been apprehended. <i>Bonadio shot her through the heart. He had been seeing her for a year.</i>
375 E: 11/11/1923-Five hold-up men entered the drug store of Bigham-Dambach Co., 720 Elmwood Avenue, at 11:30 p.m., and held up George T. Bigham, his wife, and three clerks. Mrs. Bigham was in the office in the back of the store. While the hold-up was taking place one of the men shot Mrs. Bigham, killing her instantly. A few weeks later the five men were arrested in different parts of New York State by police authorities co-operating with this department. Harold F. Malcolm alias Harry Martin, Patrick Murphy, Ambrose Geary and Edward Smith have been sentenced to die in the electric chair. The trial of James Monks is pending. <i>During the robbery of the Bigham-Dambach drug store, Mayme Bigham was shot in the head and killed on November 12, 1923. Three of the robbers robbed the proprietor and his clerks. Everitt Sherwood, a clerk, was shot</i>

in the leg. They were in the front of the store. Mayme tried to close the safe in the back when the fourth robber shot her. They fled in an automobile. Patrick Murphy and three other men robbed the safe of D. Armstrong & Co. on November 17, 1923. The state police arrested them the same day. Murphy was also implicated in the theft of \$1,000,000 in alcohol. Murphy appealed his conviction to no avail.

“Ambrose Geary, white, age 38; **Harry Malcolm**, white, age 34; **Edward Smith**, white, age 37; and **Patrick Murphy**, white, age 30. *Murder.* The crime was committed on November 11, 1923, in Buffalo. These men were Bison City bandits notorious for their holdups and assaults. On the above date they joined with a fifth member of their band named James Monks and burst into a pharmacy at the corner of Elmwood Avenue and Breckenridge Street. After cleaning out the cash register (pennies included), they hustled the proprietor into the back room where the man’s wife, Mrs. Mayme Bigham (white), was doing paperwork. She became hysterical and was shot dead by the irritated bandits. Quickly rounded up, the gang was betrayed by one of its own. James Monks saved his own neck by turning informant. Four convictions for capital murder followed. Geary, Malcolm, and Smith were executed on January 25, 1925, and Patrick Murphy was likewise on March 12, 1925,” CBH, 165.

376 LEO: 11/11/1923-Federal Prohibition Agent George H. Stewart, fifty years old, of Salamanca, N.Y., was shot and killed at 3:20 a.m., while gathering evidence at the restaurant and soft drink place known as the Geneva Inn, 822 Hertel Avenue. Samuel Pinnavia, proprietor of the place, and his brother, Ralph, age twenty-nine and twenty-five respectively, are suspected of doing the shooting. They disappeared after the shooting and have not been apprehended.

The murder took place in the checkroom of the Geneva Inn when a woman identified Stewart as an agent. Twelve shots were fired, nine entering the agents’ body. Both suspects lived on Seventh Avenue and Ralph worked as a waiter.

“Lucky Lou” Kelley was Stewart’s partner. A month later, in a shakeup of the agency, only four of the 11 in the Syracuse office weren’t transferred. Graft and corruption was mentioned as a problem. One of those not transferred was Kelley who had been assigned to Syracuse after the murder. A case in federal court had to be dismissed because the evidence to be presented had been collected by Stewart and another agent Chadwick, who had died in an automobile accident.

It was rumored that Salvatore “Sam” Pansavaia and his brother Sam, had tried to surrender to authorities through and intermediary on November 15th. Police said a woman may have been involved in the murder. Stewart was buried on he 15th. Pannavia and Pinnavaia spelled in the same newspaper article.

377 LEO, E: 1/15/1924-About 12:45 P.M., Patrolman William T. Hunt, placed under arrest, Florencia Lerma, alias Martin Flores, Mexican, 25 years old of 15 Church Street, Lackawanna, N.Y., and a colored man named Mack (first name unknown), and was taking them to a patrol box at North Division and Chestnut Streets. While sending in a call for the patrol wagon Lerman drew his revolver and attempted to shoot Patrolman Hunt, but the gun did not discharge and Lerma used it as a club and struck the officer over the head several times rendering him unconscious. Hunt was taken to the Emergency Hospital where he died January 17th, 1924. After the assault both prisoners escaped. Lerma was arrested at his rooming house, 195 Seneca Street. He was tried and convicted of Murder 1st degree and was electrocuted in Sing Sing Prison, January 22nd, 1925. Mack was not apprehended.

Hunt was a member of the pawnshop squad. He had been an officer since 1892. He was 63 years old. The trigger was pulled three times and it never fired.

“Florencio Lerma, alias Martin Flores, Latino, age 26. *Murder.* The crime was committed on January 15, 1924, in Buffalo. This petty thief was known to every pawnbroker in Erie County. On the above date a plainclothes detective named William Hunt (white, age 63) happened to spot Lerma at the corner of Chestnut and North Division streets and arrested him on an outstanding warrant. So negligent was the detective, however, that he neither cuffed nor frisked his prisoner. Instead, he merely called the paddy wagon. It was then that Lerma pulled out a pistol and tried to shoot the detective three times. Each time the weapon misfired. So Lerma leapt upon the aging cop and pistol-whipped him to death. Lerma was executed on January 22, 1925.” CBH, 166.

378 I: 2/19/1924-At 12:45 P.M., Thomas J. Lighton, a patient at Erie County Hospital, was arrested by Lieutenant Austin J. Roche, Detectives Louis Scheu, William Fallon and Edward W. Tigue, on a charge of Murder 1st degree.

Lighton, while in the ward kitchen of the hospital slashed the throat of William Burton, another patient, severing the

jugular vein, causing instant death. Lighton, who had been doing the barber work at the hospital said the Lord came down and told him to get Burton out of the Way. Lighton had been a patient in an insane hospital for about ten years prior to coming to the Erie County Hospital.

He was arraigned in court, examined and pronounced insane and committed to the Matteawan Hospital for the Criminal Insane.

379-380 LEO: 3/28/1924-About 10:00 P.M., Mrs. Mary Schultz, 39 years old of 891 Perry Street, and Andrew Szygiel, 38 years old, of 139 Lord Street, were shot and killed after a quarrel in Mrs. Schultz's home by Desk Lieutenant John A. Hayes of the Ninth Precinct.

There had been a party at the Schultz home, and Szygiel and Mrs. Schultz' husband, Joseph, objected to Hays attention to a woman who was there. During the party, a fight started and the two men tried to take Hays' revolver away from him. Szygiel struck Hays over the head with a clock, and with Schultz knocked Hayes down. Hays then started to shoot, killing two about mentioned people. Hays was arrested by Captain Short, Detective Sergeant William E. Burns and Detective John Schmelzer and Simon Crotty, charge Manslaughter 1st degree, but was discharged in City Court. Hays resigned from the department April 7, 1924.

381: 4/11/1924-The residence of Mrs. Anna Telford, 12 Exeter Terrace was entered about 11:30 P.M., through a cellar window. Mrs. Telford hearing the noise, started downstairs and she opened a bathroom door was shot by a burglar. She died four days later in the Sisters Hospital. The murderer escaped and a stolen automobile was found at the foot of the street stuck in the mud. This car was evidently used by the burglar to escape. No one had been apprehended for this crime.

Telford had been shot twice with a 45 caliber revolver. Her husband stood at the top of the stairs with a revolver which jammed. Neighbors reported three men ran from the house and got into the car driven by a fourth. The Telfords had come from Buffalo two years before from Beaver Falls, PA where Mr. Telford had published a paper.

382 E: 5/10/1924-At 9:50 P.M., Frank Minnick, 1403 Third Avenue, Roanoke, Va., and Vera LaMont, 131 Burton Avenue, Plainsville, Ohio, went into the jewelry store of August Hoyler, 315 East Genese Street, and asked the clerk Rufus Eller, 566 Elm Street to show them some rings. When Eller was displaying the rings, Minnick grabbed the tray and started to back out the door, shooting Eller in the head as he did. George Biddell, 236 Adams Street was waiting outside the store with an automobile to carry away the three of them after the holdup had been completed. The following day all were arrested, and Eller died in the Emergency Hospital. Minnick was convicted of Murder 1st degree and is now awaiting electrocution. The trials of the Biddle and Miss LaMont resulted in disagreements of the juries and they are now confined to jail, pending new trials.

Frank H. Minnick, 29, George W. Bittle 26, and Vera Lamont (Estelle MacKosky), 19. Lamont supposedly ran out of the store with \$5,000 worth of diamonds while Bittle acted as a lookout. On May 11th, a taxi cab driver had Minnick as his fare and when he paid them, a price tag for \$76 fell out of his pocket. The cab driver contacted the police and Minnick was arrested the next day. All supposedly confessed.

“Frank Minnick, white, age 28. **Murder.** The crime was committed on May 10, 1923 (Hearn has the year wrong). Minnick was a drifter who came into town with two kindred spirits named George Bittle and Stella Mackowski, the latter being a 19-year-old girl whom both men shared. Finding themselves with empty pockets and empty stomachs, the trio robbed a jewelry store at 313 Genesee Street. A sales clerk there named Rufus Eller (white, age 25) was fatally shot in the head by Minnick. All three of the bandits were rounded up in short order and convicted of capital murder. Bittle and the girl received retrials and subsequently lighter sentences. No error was found in Minnick's case. He was executed at Sing Sing Prison on March 12, 1925. Guards and witnesses passed a hat around for the relief of a widow and orphan he had abandoned.” CBH, 166.

383 HS: 5/12/1924-About 4:40 P.M., May 12, 1924, Harold Ackerman, 29 years old of 157 Bird Avenue, shot and killed his wife, Ella, 25 years old, and then shot himself. This murder and suicide happened in their bedroom at the above address. The reason for these crimes was domestic trouble.

384: 5/15/1924-About 9:50 P.M., Adam Wojcik, 34 years old, residing at 848 Broadway, was found lying on a couch in the kitchen of his home with a bullet wound in the right temple. He was taken to the Emergency Hospital where he died a few hours later. His wife and five children were in the house at the time, but were unable to give any information as to who the assailant was.

385: 5/29/1924-At 9:45 P.M., Joseph Basile, alias Brazil, 337 James Street, North Hamilton, Ontario, was shot and killed by two men as he was walking up Front Avenue, near Carolina Street. Up to the present no one has been

apprehended for this crime, but investigation showed that the murder was the result of the grudge.
386: 6/28/1924-At 8:55 P.M., Joseph Magistrale, 167 Jefferson Avenue, stabbed and killed William Bater, 44 years old and wounded his brother Harry in the Bater home at 132 Jefferson Avenue. Magistrale escaped after the assault, was arrested at 11:30 P.M. at Bailey Avenue and Broadway by Mounted Patrolman Raymond E. Doyle, as he was attempting to leave Buffalo in his automobile. Magistrale was indicted for Murder 1 st degree and his trial is pending. Investigation showed that the quarrel was the outgrowth of trouble over a card game. Harry Bater has since recovered from his wounds.
387: 7/16/1924-About 6:50 P.M., a revolver in the hands of Anthony Pignone, was discharged and one bullet, which was the only one in the gun struck his step-mother, Rose Pignone, in the stomach, fatally injuring here. She died a short time later in the Columbus Hospital. The shooting occurred in the bedroom of their home at 497 Seventh Street. It was thought that gun was accidentally discharged as there was only one cartridge in it. Subsequent investigation developed that there were four more cartridges of the same caliber secreted in the house and Anthony was arrested, charge Manslaughter, 1 st degree. When the case came to trial the defendant was discharged.
388: 7/29/1924-Clifford Fuller, 24 years old and Perry Gillman, 26 years old, both colored, roomers in a boarding house conducted by Idella Butler, 488 Seneca Street, got into a fight over the woman. Mrs. Butler heard the commotion and went into the room of another boarder and procured the revolver. Coming out into the hall she shot Fuller in the stomach. He was taken to the Emergency Hospital where he died. The shooting took place about 9:15 P.M. and Fuller died July 31 st . The Butler woman was arrested by Captain John Driscoll, Detectives Martin, Murphy, William P. Donohue and Patrolman Timothy F. Harrington and a charge of Murder 1 st degree was lodged against her. The case has not come to trial yet.
389-391 HS: 8/7/1924-About 12:15 A.M., Henry H. Lyon, 45 years old of 122 Claremont Place, shot and killed his wife, Agnes, 40 years old, and his two sons, Roger W., and Henry Jrs., 8 and 5 years old respectively, while all were asleep at the above address. He then went to the bedroom and killed himself. No motive was learned from these crimes. <i>Harlow M. Davis, who lived in the apartment above, called the police, just after midnight. The police found Agnes dead while she slept in bed in a room off the dining room. Roger (10) and Henry (5) were both shot through the left eye. Henry shot himself through the left side of his head and was found lying in a bed in the front room.</i>
392: 8/13/1924-At 9:15 P.M., William White, colored, 24 years old, rooming at 279 East Eagle Street was stabbed by another negro, whose identity was unknown. Descriptions, such as could be obtained were sent out and a suspect named Isaac Harris, a negro was arrested at Syracuse, N.Y., and returned to this city. He was indicted for Murder 1 st degree. Later the indictment was dismissed, for lack of evidence. White's assailant is still at large.
393-394: 8/31/1924-At 10:20 P.M., Edward Oberteau, 35 years old, of 159 Kensington Avenue and Thomas Austin 28 years old, stopping at the Graystone Hotel, became involved in a Klu Klux Klan argument, killing each other in a gun fight in front of 128 Durham Street. George Bryant, age 40, of 465 Colvin Street, and Charles Sturm of 90 Rugby Road who were with the above two men were both wounded. Neither Bryant's or Sturm's wounds proved serious. <i>September 8th:</i> Thomas H. Austin was reportedly a Klan investigator and Oberteau was supposedly an undercover police informant with membership in the Klan. Bryant was shot in the abdomen was a local Klan organizer and Carl W. Sturm, shot in the leg, a companion. On September 2 nd , Guy B. Moore, prosecutor returned to Buffalo because of the Sunday shooting. Austin had been in the city for four months and was staying in a hotel. Edward C. Oberteau was a dismissed ex-police officer and found on his body was Klan I.D. card and a unnumbered police sergeant's gold badge. His sister says he was a Roman Catholic. Five men were involved in the gun battle on Durham Avenue, Kensington. The theft of documents from the local Klan office may be a factor. Floyd H. Victor was the fifth man and left in an automobile. The police chief would neither confirm nor deny that Oberteau was a special investigator for the Mayor Schwab. <i>On November 7, 1924, Supreme Court Justice Pooley ruled the Walker (anti-Klan) Law Constitutional. Mayor Schwab had handed over a Klan roster for Western New York without telling where he had obtained it. George C. Bryant had been arrested on a warrant weeks ago when he left the hospital and the prosecutor was waiting for a ruling. The Walker Law requires the registration of all members of incorporated secret fraternal organizations.</i>
395: 9/17/1924-At 4:30 P.M., Robert James, 30 years old, married, living at 234 Kehr Street, in company with Mrs. Maude Prime, 23 years old, also married of 645 Northland Avenue, alighted from a street car at Box Avenue and Kehr Street. As they approached the curb they were met by Claude Prime, husband of the woman, who called James

to one side and got into an argument. Prime pulled a large butcher knife from his pocket and struck James in the throat severing the jugular vein. James staggered out into the middle of the street where he died. Prime made no attempt to escape and was placed under arrest by Detectives Boye and Morlock and Patrolman Charles Luh. The motive for the crime was jealousy as James and the woman had been going together for some time. Prime was tried for Murder 1st degree, but was allowed to pled to Manslaughter and was sentenced to Auburn Prison from 5 to 10 years.

396 HS: 9/19/1924-A 3:30 P.M., Mrs. Teresa Schuster, 55 years old was shot by her son-in-law, Louis Gielow, 36 years old of 318 Dearborn Street. The shooting occurred in Mrs. Schuster's home at 49 Sunnyside Avenue. Mrs. Schuster died September 24th, 1924, and Gielow had apparently escaped. On the same day Mrs. Schuster died, Gielow shot himself through the head and was found dead in a field on Ganson Street and the Hamburg Turnpike. Gielow and his wife had been separated for about four years and he blamed his mother-in-law for the breaking up of his home.

397: 10/11/1924-About 11:50 P.M., Alfred Alexander, 23 years old, colored of 18 Williams Street, was stabbed in the breast by Essie Lynch, also colored, 25 years old, of 298 Cedar Street. The stabbing occurred in a yard at 376 Spring Street, where the men had been arguing over some unknown matter. Alexander died several days later and Lynch was arrested, charge Murder 1st Degree. Case pending.

398-399 I: 10/16/1924-About 2:30 P.M., Martin Warren, 40 years old, of 301 Pennsylvania Avenue, shot and killed Mrs. Anna Pilski, 58 years old, and her daughter Sophia, both of East Amherst, N.Y., and wounded Irving Templeton, a lawyer, of 365 West Ferry Street. The shooting happened in the law offices of Coatesworth and Diebold, 2nd floor Main and Court streets, where a hearing was being held to determine how Warren's estate should be given to his wife and children as he was declared incompetent. Warren was objecting to the statements of the lawyers and declared they were trying to take his estate from him. Warren was arrested in the office by Patrolman George Schulz and John F. Hentges and charged with Murder 1st degree. He was examined by a lunacy commission and declared insane and sent to Matteawan Hospital for the criminal insane.

Martin L. Warren had been an inmate of the State Hospital at Buffalo. Less than an hour into the hearing, Warren drew two .38 revolvers from his pockets. His wife was outside the room and heard someone call Warren a "lunatic" and then gunfire erupted. Eleven other people were in the room with Warren. Two police officers heard the shots and when they got there Warren had dropped his guns and gave up without incident. Each revolver contained five cartridges and only one unfired round was left. Warren had been in the State Hospital for five months and was released on September 23, 1922. He was committed based on complaints from his relatives. Mrs. Pilski was his mother-in-law. Warren was a retired farmer and had lived apart from his wife for several years. They had three children.

400: 10/16/1924-About 6:40 A.M., George Smith, 38 years old, of 33 Sidney Street, and John Campbell, 38 years old, 42 Potter Street, both colored, got into an argument over money matters, while both were standing in a driveway at 478 Michigan Avenue. Smith had a revolver in this pocket and fired one shot through his coat and struck Campbell in the stomach. Campbell was taken to the Emergency Hospital where he died October 20, 1924. Smith was arrested by Patrolman William H. Kennedy of the 4th precinct. He was tried for murder 1st degree and was acquitted on the grounds that Campbell shot himself.

401 HS: 11/27/1924-About twelve o'clock noon, Salvatore Giglia, 40 years old, shot and killed his 14 year old daughter Mary, in their home at No. 5 Trenton Avenue and then killed himself. The shooting was a result of the girl refusing to marry the man of her father's choice.

Before he killed Mary, he took his ten-year-old daughter to his parents' home. Giglia had come to the United States nine years ago and his wife had died a year ago. He was a consumptive and had been to state hospitals. Mary had tried to get work but was told the law mandated she go to school. Giglia had found an elderly man to marry her but Mary and he argued about his choice.

402: 12/18/1924-Shortly after 7 A.M., Daniel Rogers, 39 years old, 11 Whitney Place, Joseph Anzalone, 31 years old, 136 Caroline Street, and Louis Vacanti, 37 years old of 61 Lakeview Avenue, went into the Waldorf Lunch, 16 West Chippewa Street. They were all somewhat under the influence of liquor and after ordering some food they all sat down at one of the tables. A customer who was eating his breakfast complained to the manager, Arthur H. Barker, 41 years old of 52 Goodell Street to request the three above named men to refrain from spitting on the floor. Mr. Barker spoke to the three men in a low tone and went to the cashier's desk. In ten to fifteen minutes, Rogers, Anzalone and Vacanti came over to where Barker was standing and had some words with him and Anzalone and Vacanti struck Barker who slowly sank to the floor and died. Patrolman Thomas R. Eggleston and Edward Funcheon who were passing arrested the three men charge Manslaughter 2nd degree. Rogers was discharged in a

<p>City Court hearing and Anzalone and Vacanti were indicted by the Grand Jury. The case is now pending.</p> <p><i>Barker, 50 years old, was murdered. Daniel Rogers, manager of lightweight Rocky Kansas, Louis Vacanti, manager of a soft drink establishment, and Joseph Anzalone, a forme deputy sheriff, were arrested. Lawrence Ingram, manager of the restaurant chain, had warned two of the men for being boisterous. Anzalone knocked him down and when Barker came to help him up, was struck in his right temple. The three men tried to revive the dead man but nobody called a doctor.</i></p>
<p>403: 1/26/1925-About 5:45 p.m., Frank Sheehan, twenty-four years old, of 204 Miami Street, a conductor on the B. & L.E.Ry. Co., was assaulted on the street car by three passengers. He resigned his position the next day, was taken sick shortly after, and died at the City Hospital at 7 a.m., February 6, 1925, from a fracture at the base of the skull.</p>
<p>Harry Bomberry, Indian, of 200 Ellicott Street, Thomas Scorona of 926 ½ Main Street, and Vitora Seneca, Indian, of Irving, New York, were arrested on a charge of manslaughter, first degree. Case pending.</p>
<p>404 AS: 2/16/1925-About 10:50 o'clock a.m., Herbert Farrey, colored, while intoxicated, cut his wife with a razor, in the dining room of their home at 474 East Eagle Street. The woman died in a few minutes. The husband ran to the street and then slashed his own throat. He was later tried and sentenced to life imprisonment for murder, second degree.</p>
<p>405: 3/5/1925-At 12:10 o'clock a.m., Joseph Monasteri, thirty-five years old, of 275 Court Street, was found dying at the corner of West Seneca and Erie Streets. He had been shot through the head and died before the arrival of the ambulance. No one has been apprehended for this crime.</p>
<p>406 HS: 3/13/1925-About 12:20 p.m., William S. Richards, forty-five years old, a roomer at 539 Linwood Avenue, shot and killed William Murray, fourteen years old, of 83 Grant Street. The boy was walking on West Ferry Street just east of Linwood Avenue when shot from behind. Richards shot himself immediately after and died instantly. He was not related to the boy, but is believed to have been insane.</p> <p><i>Richards, 39, crossed the street quickly, grabbed Murray by the collar and shot him in the back of the head. As he backed away from the victim, several men began to approach him, and he put the gun to his own head and pulled the trigger.</i></p>
<p>407 HS: 3/15/1925-Mrs. Rose Klick Of 375 Michigan Avenue was shot and killed by a former boarder, Paul Rapp, at 4:15 p.m. The boarder returned to the house to force his attention on Mrs. Klick and when she resisted him he shot her. He then killed himself.</p>
<p>408: 3/26/1925-At 10:00 o'clock p.m., Joseph LaPaglia, forty years old, of 100 Front Avenue was found dead at the corner of Georgia Street and Front Avenue. He had been shot and killed by some unknown person or persons. No one has been apprehended for this crime.</p>
<p>409: 4/7/1925-At 12:40 p.m., Morris Feldman, fifty years old, of 242 Spring Street, was shot and killed by his son, Abraham A., who had become involved in an argument with his father while on a visit to his parents' home. The son was tried on a charge of murder and acquitted.</p>
<p>410 HS: 4/11/1925-At 8:20 p.m., Frank Romane, sixty-eight years old, of 50 Wagner Place, shot and killed his wife, Helen, and then committed suicide. Mr. Roman had previously been confined I the Gowanda State Hospital and was released but shortly before he committed the act.</p>
<p>411: 4/12/1925-About 12:00 o'clock midnight, Rose Conley, twenty-three years old, white, was found dead in the bedroom of the home of Walter C. Brown, forty-three years old, 420 Clinton Street. Brown was convicted of murder, second degree, and sentenced to life imprisonment.</p>
<p>412 I: 4/29/1925-About 9:00 p.m., Mary Kuhn, fifty-three years old, of 132 Englewood Avenue, was found unconscious in the front parlor of her home. She had been assaulted and beaten and died May 6th from a fractured skull. Robert Mann (alias Leo Libby), was arrested, and after examination, was sent to Mattawan Hospital. James Smith, the instigator of the crime, was arrested and sentenced to life imprisonment.</p>
<p>413: 5/4/1925-At 4:00 p.m, Harry Ketola was found murder in bed, at a rooming house, 229 Swan Street. He had been beaten to death. Search is being made for Arthur H. Smith.</p>
<p>414: 6/13/1925-At 9:00 p.m., Thomas Quigley and David Silver, both of 211 South Division Street, became engaged in an argument over a suitcase. Silver struck Quigley over the head with a hammer, from the effects of which he died at the Emergency Hospital, August 20, 1925. Silver pleaded self defense and was discharged after a hearing.</p>
<p>415: 6/24/1925-At 2:00 p.m., Jack Kelly, colored, twenty-two years old, of 214 Michigan Avenue, was struck in the face by Joseph Giancontieri of 204 Seneca Street. The fight occurred at Michigan Avenue and Swan Street while Kelly was being pursued by the crowd. Giancontieri was held by the grand jury on a charge of manslaughter, first</p>

degree.
<p>416: 7/1/1925-About 7:15 a.m., Samuel Wexler, thirty-six years old, of 108 Pratt Street, entered the cleaning store of Harry Loonsk, at 324 Broadway and threw a glass of sulphuric acid at Loonsk. The acid struck Loonsk in the face, burning him so badly the he died on July 6, 1925. Wexler was convicted of manslaughter, first degree, and sentenced to thirteen years in prison.</p> <p><i>Wesler was Loonsk's brother-in-law. Loonsk fired him from the cleaning store around 7:30 a.m. Wesler went back to the store to ask for his job, found a replacement worker, and Loonsk laughed at him. Wesler picked up a nearby can containing the acid.</i></p>
<p>417: 7/8/1925-Gilbert Wertz, nine years old, of 214 Grape Street, was shot and killed by Fred Hanssler, age nine, of 43 Ralph Place. The boys were companions and were examining guns in the home of Hanssler when a revolver exploded, killing Wertz. Fred Hanssler was discharged, the shooting being accidental.</p>
<p>418: 7/13/1925-At 11:15 p.m., John Gambino, 52 Seventh Street, thirty-five years old, was shot and killed on the Lower Terrace, between Church and Court Streets. No one has been apprehended for this crime.</p>
<p>419: "Michael Kosmowski, alias Peg Leg Kosmowski, age 34. <i>Murder.</i> The crime was committed on July 17, 1925, at Buffalo. Kosmowski had lost a leg in a railroad accident at the age of 14. The disfigurement made him extremely self-conscious and also made him envious of all who were not so maimed. Fitted with a metal leg, he was still unable to walk and run like others, but did succeed in learning how to drive a truck. It was in that capacity that he earned his keep. In matters of the heart he was tortured by feelings of inadequacy. He loved a young woman named Mildred Durkee (white, age 19), and brooded when he learned she was seeing other men. He supposed that his handicap had rendered him less than desirable in her eyes. So, seething with indignation, he resolved that if he could not have the girl then neither would anyone else. He talked her into going for a drive with him and shot her dead in the passenger seat, dumping her body in a rural area. Kosmowski's metal leg had to be removed preparatory to his execution because it would have affected the lethal current meant to kill him. Guards had to carry his crippled form to the chair and attach an electrode to his remaining leg. He was put to death on January 20, 1927." CBH, 173.</p> <p><i>In the Annual Report Board of Police, homicides were reported based on the precinct where they were committed, and this was not reported because the corpse was discovered outside the city. It was determined Mildred Durkee was shot to death while on a Buffalo city street.</i></p>
<p>420: 8/4/1925-About 6:00 a.m., Joseph Oddo, sixty-eight years old, living with his daughter at 425 Normal Avenue, was shot and killed in his bedroom by his son-in-law, Nunzio Guzzo, twenty-nine years old. It is claimed that the attempt of the father to criminally assault his daughter, Mrs. Guzzo, led to the homicide. Guzzo was sentenced to from seven to twenty years in Auburn prison.</p>
<p>421: 8/8/1925-At 9:00 p.m., Ralph Nicola of 358 Seneca Street was stabbed in the right temple with an ice pick by William Rose, colored, who was an ice peddler employed by Nicola. Rose was apprehended by New York Central Railroad police and after trial was sentenced to life imprisonment on charge of murder, second degree.</p>
<p>422 I: 8/11/1925-At 9:30 p.m., John Polczak, forty-one years old, of 15 Buell Avenue, shot and killed his wife, Mary, forty years old. Polczak was later committed to the Mattawan Hospital for the criminal insane.</p>
<p>423: 8/12/1925-At 5:30 p.m., Ward J. Pierce, forty-five years old, of 751 Seventh Street, paymaster for the Art Work Shop, was shot by hold-up men who had entered the office for the purpose of robbery. He died August 15, 1925, at the Deaconess Hospital. Edward Larkman was arrested and convicted of murder, first degree.</p> <p><i>The four robbers got \$1,500 of the \$8,000 payroll about 5:30 p.m.. One bullet entered Pierce's abdomen and another hit his arm. Another employee, Stephen Fisher, was shot in the thigh. They escaped in a stolen car. Joseph Maroza was arrested on August 20th. Larkman was convicted on March 4, 1926, primarily on the testimony of eyewitness Dorothy Littleworth. Larkman's attorney insisted he was at a dance when the robbery was committed. The jury deliberated for 48 hours. Larkman was sentenced to electrocution during the week of April 12th. After appeals, Larkman had his last meal, said goodbye to his wife, and was going to the chair on January 13, 1927, when Governor Smith commuted his sentence. Smith gave three reasons: the length of the jury deliberation, two of the seven judges felt he deserved a new trial on appeal, and that the Larkman's had three small children. In March of 1929, Larkman and two others escaped from Auburn. They were captured. On January 10, 1930 at Sing Sing, Anthony Kalkiewicz, awaiting execution, said Larkman had nothing to do with the 1925 robbery. He said a gang called the Big Korney was responsible. Governor Roosevelt requested the Dean of the Buffalo Law School to look into the case. On April 12th, Roosevelt requested a new trial. The prosecutor ignored the request. Governor Lehman granted Larkman a pardon on December 18, 1933.</i></p>

424: 8/18/1925-At 1:30 o'clock p.m., Joseph Gervase, age twelve years, of 107 Commercial Street, was found strangled to death on the Towpath at the foot of Georgia Street. The body was found by Biagio Grecanti, 61 Seventh Street, while he was walking through the weeds. The boy had been attacked and killed by a degenerate. Elmer Thompson, sought for the crime, has not been apprehended.

At the 11 year old boy's funeral, on August 21st, Albert Errman told the police that he saw Thompson. The body was found near the Niagara River.

425: 10/3/1925-About 11:00 p.m., Anthony Sikorski, twenty-four years old, of 132 Weiss Street, was shot and killed when he attempted to force an admission to a party to which he was not invited. John Skrzypkowiak, alias Casper, twenty-one years old, of 39 Kopernik Street was arrested and discharged.

426: 10/11/1925-At 3:15 o'clock a.m., Harold K. Brotherston, thirty-six years old, an employee of the International Railway Company, was shot and killed by two men who entered the car barns for the purpose of robbery. These men have not been apprehended.

427-428: 10/29/1925-At 9:15 o'clock a.m., the pay-wagon of the Bank of Buffalo was held up at the bank entrance of North Division Street, near Main Street. Five or six men participated in the hold-up. Two guards, Louis M. Yarrington, 242 Minnesota Avenue, and Charles Clifford of 23 Landon Street, were shot and killed. Another guard was wounded. The bandits escaped with a money bag containing \$93,000.00

Richard Whittemore was tried on a charge of murder for his crime, but the jury disagreed and he was turned back to the authorities of New York City.

George "Dutch" Anderson and Harry Harris were suspects the day after the crime. They robbed the Marine Trust Company. It was thought that Anderson went to a dispensary at 4 a.m. for treatment of a gunshot wound over his right eye. He left in a car with a Michigan license plate. Clifford was shot through the head and Yarrington through both lungs. Yarrington died in the hospital. A reward of \$10,000 has been posted.

In Buffalo, the jury deadlocked on Whittemore on April 28, 1926 after deliberating for 29 hours. At the end of 12 hours, it had been nine to three for acquittal. He was charged with the murder of Charles Clifford. Richard Reese Whittemore (26) was found guilty killing a Maryland penitentiary guard. He killed Robert H. Holtman on February 20, 1925 and escaped while serving a term for burglary. He was hanged in Maryland on August 13, 1926. Whittemore headed a robbery gang specializing in jewelry. One of the gang members, Paladino, informed.

429: 1/4/1926-About 6:05 a.m., Carlo Cardello, 52 years old, of 853 Niagara Street, was shot and killed while on his way to a delicatessen store which he conducted at 851 Niagara Street. The men who committed this crime escaped in the automobile. No motive could be learned. No one has been apprehended for this crime.

430: 1/25/1926-About 11:00 a.m., Mrs. Julia Walker, 42 years old, was found dead in a bed-room at 130 Niagara Street. It was evident that a struggle had taken place. Her husband, Charles Walker, 47 years old, of the same address, was later arrested and confessed to killing his wife. The killing took place during a drunken brawl. The husband pleaded guilty to manslaughter first degree and was sentenced to seven years in Auburn Prison.

431 AS: 2/4/1926-About 9:30 a.m., Frank Hines, 47 years old, of 196 Riley Street, attempted to commit suicide by cutting his throat with a butcher knife. Mrs. Sarah Hines, 46 years old, his wife, grappled with him and attempted to take his knife away. In the scuffle that followed Sarah Hines sustained a wound in the breast. She collapsed and died. Frank Hines was charged with murder first degree. The case is pending.

432: 2/28/1926-About 11:55 p.m., Angelo Delbosco, of 58 Dane Place, was shot in the chest by Carmelo Bellissimo, of 121 Dante Place. The shooting followed an argument between the men in the restaurant conducted by Bellissimo at 112 Dante Place. Bellissimo escaped but later surrendered. He was indicted for manslaughter and acquitted.

433: 3/29/1926-Pauline Sokolowski, 15 years old, of 19 Troupe Street, was found dead in bed in her room at 276 Sterling Avenue, where she was employed as a maid by Fletcher J. Burke, at 3:30 p.m. She had been shot through the body. Louis Venneman was arrested for this crime, convicted of murder second degree and sentenced to Auburn Prison for twenty years.

On April 14th, James Louis Venneman was found sane and ordered to stand trial. He killed the girl during a robbery at the home of Burke. He was arrested in Pontiac, Michigan. He said he would rather be electrocuted than to go the insane asylum. His parents say he has been insane since being kicked in the head by horse in his youth. He has a long record. Sokolowska was found in her bed, shot through the breast, with a head injury, and she had been abused. After the murder, Venneman said he picked up his girlfriend at her workplace and they went to a

<i>movie. He then went home and he said his father gave him the money to flee to Michigan. On June 18th, he plead guilty to second degree murder and received twenty years to life.</i>
434 LEO: 5/8/1926-Patrolman Timothy J. Nagel, 41 years old, of 2001 Seneca Street, and attached to the Ninth Police Precinct, was stabbed by his wife, Margaret, 38 years old, in the dining room of their home at 1:10 a.m. He died at the Emergency Hospital at 5:35 p.m., the same day. Mrs. Nagel was indicted for manslaughter first degree, convicted, and sentenced to from 3 to 5 years at Auburn Prison.
435: 5/26/1926-At 7:50 P.M., Charles Craig, colored, 28 years old, fatally stabbed, at the corner of Eagle and Michigan Avenue, a former sweetheart by the name of Alice Beauford, 26 years old, of 224 East Eagle Street. The parties had previously lived together and jealousy is believed to be the motive for the killing. Craig has not been apprehended.
436: 5/30/1926-About 7:00 A.M., Anthony Piccilo, 29 years old, of 122 Seventh Street, was found dead at the corner of Carolina and Virginia Streets. Frank DeGoris, 24 years old, 5 feet 5 inches, 125 pounds, of 444 Fargo Avenue, is wanted for this crime.
437: 6/1/1926-Charles D. Odom, 42 years old, of 16 West Sixth Street, Peru, Indiana, manager of Hagenbeck Wallace Circus, shot James Warren, colored, an employee of the circus, at 7:10 p.m., while a carnival was in progress at Bailey Avenue and Broadway. Warren died at 12:30 p.m., June 2, 1926 at the Emergency Hospital. Odom was arrested on charge of murder but was discharged at the hearing on the grounds the he had shot in self-defense. <i>Odom was trying to break up a crap game behind the big tent. Warren was a circus roustabout who had been fired. On June 10th, the 1st degree murder charge was dismissed by the judge.</i>
438: 6/4/1926-About 3:40 p.m., Isaac Hunter, negro, entered the home of Sarah Simmons, 27 years old, of 113 Mortimer Street, and while there stabbed the Simmons woman with a large knife. The woman died instantly. Hunter has not been apprehended.
439: 6/18/1926-During the forenoon, the body of Jacob Benderson, 45 years old, of 970 Lafayette Avenue, was found in the boiler room of the American Lithographing Co., at 111 East Swan Street. Mr. Benderson had been struck on the head and killed. The body was discovered by Edward Roessler, 28 years old, of 68 Herman Street, a chauffeur for the company, who had called there to inspect the building. Several persons were arrested in connection with the case but all were released. <i>Benderson's family had contacted the police after he withdrew some money from they bank and did not return home. When found, he had been robbed and his \$1,000 diamond ring was missing. The police think that he was hit with a brick wrapped in burlap.</i>
440: 7/1/1926-About 11:55 p.m., Joseph Cikatello, a tailor at 83 Dante Place, was shot and killed at the corner of Dante and State Streets. He had been shot five times in the stomach, and died shortly after in the Emergency Hospital. Five men in a touring car escaped and have not been apprehended. <i>Cikatello was sitting in front of his store when murdered.</i>
441: 7/15/1926-About 9:55 p.m., Peter Rizzo, 39 years old, of 70 Efner Street, was shot and killed in front of 53 Front Avenue. The person or persons who committed this crime has never been apprehended. <i>He was riddled with bullets as he was walking.</i>
442 E: 7/17/1926-About 5:25 a.m., David Karum, 40 years old, proprietor of the Liberty Lunch, 424 Michigan Avenue, was shot and killed by two negroes who had previously ordered food. Robbery was the motive. Julius Gibbs, colored, was subsequently arrested in Syracuse for the crime. “ Louis Mason , alias Little Red, black, age 27. <i>Murder.</i> The crime was committed on July 17, 1926, at Buffalo. Mason teamed up with an accomplice named Juius Gibbs (black, age 21) on the above date and held up a lunch counter at 424 Michigan Avenue. After robbing the till of \$23, Mason gunned down the owner of the place without any warning. The victim was a white man named David Karam. Both of the bandits were caught. They were then tried separately. Gibbs was the first to be convicted. He was sentenced to death but gained commutation by agreeing to testify against Mason. As a result, Mason was convicted of being the trigger man. He also was charged with having a depraved indifference to human life. He was subsequently put to death on January 5, 1928. CBH, 176.
443: 7/20/1926-John A. Vassalo, 23 years old, of 212 Front Avenue, was shot at 12:30 a.m., while standing in front

<p>of 497 Seventh Street. He staggered to No. 10 police station where he collapsed. He was taken to the Columbus Hospital where he died later the same day. He stated that the shooting was done by three men in a large automobile, but further than this he would not talk. No one has been apprehended for this crime.</p> <p><i>Two men had gotten out of a car in front of Vassallo's home. A neighbor heard him plead for his life before he was shot. He was hit three times. The shooting had many of the elements of the Cicatello murder three weeks prior and Joseph Rizzo a week prior.</i></p>
<p>444: 8/14/1926-At 1:50 a.m., Frank Pilizzi, 28 years old, of 174 Seventh Street, was found dead on the sidewalk in front of 130 Carolina Street. He had been shot seven times in the body and head. Nothing further could be learned regarding this crime.</p>
<p>445: 8/20/1926-John W. Williams, 40 years old, of 677 Jefferson Avenue, came home intoxicated at 9 p.m. He became involved in an argument with his wife, whom he stabbed in the back with a bread knife. The wife, Mary, expired shortly after in the Emergency Hospital. Williams was convicted of murder second degree and sentenced to thirteen years in Auburn Prison.</p>
<p>446: 9/1/1926-About 10:15 p.m., William Mueller, 33 years old, proprietor of a cigar store, located at 60 East Huron Street, was shot and killed by some unknown person. The shooting took place in the store. Mueller resided at 304 Bryan Street. No one has been apprehended for this crime.</p>
<p>447: 9/19/1926-About 1:45 p.m., Abe Spector, 32 years old, of 112 Lutheran Alley, was found dead on the floor of his automobile, which was standing at the corner of North and Maple Streets. He had been dead about twelve hours when found. It is believed that he was killed and the car driven to the point where it was found. No one has been apprehended for this crime.</p>
<p>448: 9/26/1926-About 1:10 a.m., William McGarrity, 23 years old, of 350 Jefferson Avenue, became engaged in an argument with his wife, Eldora, 22 years old. McGarrity pulled a gun and during the scuffle shot and killed his wife. The grand jury failed to indict him and he was charged with carrying concealed weapons.</p>
<p>449: 9/28/1926-At 1:45 p.m., a baby was found under the viaduct at the northeast corner of Seneca and Hamburg Streets. The baby died while awaiting the arrival of the ambulance, exposure being the immediate cause. The parents proved to be Felix and Rose Centinello, aged 29 and 19 years respectively, brother and sister living at 502 Swan Street. Felix was indicted for murder, convicted of manslaughter, and sentenced to 7 ½ years to 20 years at Auburn Prison. The case of his sister Rose is pending.</p>
<p>450: 1/21/1927-About 6:30 o'clock A.M., Mrs. Mary McClure, 67 years old of 95 Louisiana Street was strangled and her body thrown into the kitchen, which was then set on fire. Charles Dowd, 29 years old of 125 Swan Street, a son-in-law of Mrs. McClure, was arrested for the crime, charged with Murder 2nd Degree, pleaded Guilty and was sentenced to Auburn Prison for a term of 20 years to life imprisonment.</p>
<p>451: 1/23/1927-While attending a party at the home of Kate Kulenecz, 215 Lombard Street, about 3 o'clock A.M., Frank Stefaniak, 32 years old of 103 Loepere Street, was shot in the left hip with a shotgun. Joseph Chojnacki, 23 years old of 48 Beck Street brought the shotgun to the party, intending to loan it to a friend for hunting. Stefaniak and Chojnacki got into a drunken scuffle for the gun and it was discharged the shot striking Stefaniak in the left hip. Chojnacki was arrested on a charge of Manslaughter 1st Degree on April 7, 1927 and arraigned in Supreme Court before Judge Hinckley and was discharged.</p>
<p>452: 1/25/1927-About 3 P.M. Mrs. Rose Hieber, alias Huber, alias Rose Frank, 41 years old, rooming house proprietor, second floor, 28 Broadway, was found dead in her bed by a roomer Jacob Funk. Mrs. Hieber's head had been crushed with some sharp instrument. No motive has been found and no one has been apprehended for this crime.</p>
<p>453: 1/25/1927-About 10:15 P.M. Max Zubin, 48 years old, was held up in his grocery store at 388 Spring Street by a negro who shot him in the head. Zubin was removed to the Emergency Hospital where he died the following morning. George Brodie, colored 25 years old of 43 Mortimer Street was subsequently arrested for this crime, was tried on a charge of Murder 1st Degree and was acquitted.</p> <p><i>Supposedly, Zubin found the man rifling his cash register.</i></p>
<p>454: 2/27/1927-About 6:25 P.M. Sunday, Jack Pisano, age 38 of 7 East North Street, was shot through the back, at the corner of Trenton Avenue and Virginia Street by an unknown assailant, who ran north in Trenton Avenue after the shooting. A bullet entered Pisano's heart and he died before making a statement. No one has been apprehended for the crime.</p>
<p>455: 3/3/1927-About 9:45 A.M. two men went into the second hand store at 194 Seneca Street, and asked the proprietor Oscar Leifer to show them some suits. Leifer did so and one of the men picked out a suit which he said</p>

was satisfactory and told Leifer to do it up. Leifer started to do up the suit and was grabbed by one of the men; the other struck him on the head with a billy. Leifer fought them and one of the men pulled a .38 calibre revolver from his pocket and fired a shot; the bullet struck his partner in the neck, and he fell to the floor. The other then dropped the gun and ran out of the store. Leifer picked up the revolver and ran out of the store. James Fabozzi of 194 ½ Seneca Street a shoe merchant responded.

The injured man was removed to the Columbus Hospital where he gave a name as Alfred Campanelli of 288 Virginia Street; he died the next day.

The man who fired the shot has not been apprehended.

456: 4/22/1927-About 8:55 P.M. John Newland, 34 years old of 90 Smith Street shot and killed his brother-in-law Edward Wilson, 18 years old, of the same address, and then shot his wife Alice Newland, 33 years old, in the right leg above the knee, in their home. Newland became enraged when his brother-in-law brought home Jeremiah J. Moynihan, a chum, with whom he had been drinking, and put him to bed; he being discovered there by Newland. Motive believed to be jealousy. Newland escaped and has not been apprehended for this crime.

457: 5/8/1927-About 8:55 P.M., Sophia Strzegowski, age 17, single, residing with her parents at 123 Young Avenue, was arrested by Detectives Cornell, Duchene and Wilkie on a charge of Murder 1st Degree, upon the complaint of Dr. Earl C. Danser, Medical Examiner.

The girl gave birth to an illegitimate child and dropped it into the toilet of her home, causing the infant's death. The Grand Jury failed to indict her and she was discharged.

458 LEO: 5/12/1927-Dominic Napoli was shot and killed and Daniel Sansanesi was wounded by Patrolman Howard Weber, who caught them in the act of holding up and robbing clerk in Dambach drug store, 942 Main Street.

One of four bandits was killed and one, Daniel Sansan, was seriously injured. Three entered the drug store and robbed clerk Donald Dowling of \$40. Weber had entered the store for a drink and clerk Gowlan jokingly told him "to get away from the counter" which he did by going up the stairs to a little balcony. Weber came down the stairs firing his revolver. Fire was returned but he wasn't hit. More than a dozen shots were fired. The third robber inside escaped to a waiting car. Sansanisi, 18, has a police record.

459: 5/12/1927-About 8:15 P.M. Howard White, colored, 25 years old of 12 Mortimer Street, was stabbed in the right eye by Sherman Cogwell, colored 27 years old of the same address, during a quarrel. White died at the Emergency Hospital a few hours later. Cogwell was arrested on a charge of Murder 1st Degree, which was afterwards reduced to Assault 2nd Degree. Was sentenced to Auburn Prison for a term of two to five years.

460: 5/19/1927-Julius Ramond, 12 years old of 261 Emslie Street, with several other boys went into the yard of the American Agriculture and Chemical Co., 129 Lewis Street, and were playing on a pile of scrap leather when seen by Watchman Charles Michaels, 64 years old of 688 Genesee Street. Michaels fired a shot from his .38 calibre revolver into the bottom of the leather pile to frighten the boys, and fired another shot just as Raymond was coming up from the left side of the pile. The bullet struck the boy in the small of the back, took an upward course and lodged under the skin of the left breast, he died instantly.

461 LEO: 5/20/1927-Theodore Guzowski was shot and killed by Detective Arthur Werner when he attempted to escape in a stolen automobile.

462: 5/23/1927-At 2:30 P.M. Joseph Majerowicz, 24 years old of 268 Walden Avenue, who was separated from his wife Clara Majerowicz, living with her mother at 220 Coit Street, went to the latter address, and while there quarreled with his wife over the possession of their four year old child. Majerowicz took a butcher knife from the table and stabbed his wife in the stomach. She was removed to the Emergency Hospital where she died the following morning.

Majerowicz made his escape at the time but the next day was arrested at 97 Weimar Street by Lieut. Philip C. Pohlman and Detective Fred F. Boye, on a charge of Murder 1st Degree. The charge was later reduced to Manslaughter 1st Degree, he was tried in Supreme Court, convicted and sentenced to Auburn Prison for 25 years.

463: 5/30/1927-Sometime between the hours of midnight and 8:30 A.M. Mrs. Jennie Randolph, age 55 of 175 Plymouth Avenue, was murdered by strangulation in her home at the above address.

It is believed the crime was committed by a man who rented a room there the day previous, and gave his name as Charles Harrison.

Harrison, alias Nelson, 35 years old has since been arrested in Winnipeg, Manitoba for another murder of the same kind. He was positively identified from a picture sent here by the Winnipeg police as Harrison. He was convicted of Murder in Winnipeg and sentenced to be hanged; the sentence has been carried out.

Nelson had roomed at Randolph's house for three days and her body was found under his bed after he had left.

Earle Nelson (The Strangler, The Gorilla) was indicted in police court in Canada on June 20, 1927 for the murders of Lola Cowan (14 YOA) and Mrs. Emily Patterson. The Attorney-General promised no delay in the proceedings. Jury took an hour to decide he was guilty. Buffalo was going to seek an indictment (Virgil Wilson was another alias). Four other cities think he committed murders there. He was hanged on January 13, 1928. He had spent time in San Quentin and a mental hospital. May have killed 22 people. He usually preyed on matronly landladies. Alfred Hitchcock based his motion picture Shadow of a Doubt on his crimes.

464: 6/4/1927-About 2 A.M. Joseph Loffredo, 274 Prospect Avenue and three other young men took Frances Zienecka, 17 years old and her sister Clara, 20 years old, to their home 56 Beck Street, in Loffredo's car. After leaving the girls the men started home and when at Fillmore and Broadway picked up Frank Valvo, 19 years old for 459 Niagara Street. Loffredo states that he became worried about the Zienecka girls, being engaged to Francis, and he drove out to Beck Street, and was just about to turn into the street when he was several young men peeping from behind a house. Loffredo started to drive west into Stanislaus Street and the men followed firing at the car. A bullet struck Frank Valvo in the forehead and he toppled out of the car; the men ran away. Valvo was brought to the Emergency Hospital by Loffredo and his companions where he died.

10/10/1927-Joseph Plucinski, 19 years old of 41 Mills Street was arrested on a charge of Murder 1st Degree, by Captain O'Brien, Detectives Hoffman and Wypijewski, and held for the Grand Jury, case pending.

Before firing at the car, stones and bricks had first been thrown at the vehicle. Plucinski was charged with 1st degree murder.

465: 6/30/ 1927-About 2 o'clock A.M. Henry Gawrosch, 35 years old of 225 North Division Street, was shot by Frank Battaglia, 44 years old of 213 North Division Street.

The two men were playing cards in the home of the latter and became involved in a dispute over the play. Battaglia pulled a revolver and struck Gawrosch over the head with it several times, and then shot him in the head. Gawrosch was taken to the Emergency Hospital and died a short time later.

Battaglia was arrested by Captain John Driscoll, Lieutenant Richard Cronin, and Detectives Murphy and Bingeman, on a charge of Murder 1st Degree. The charge was later reduced to Manslaughter by the District Attorney. Battaglia was tried by County Court before Judge Rowe, was convicted and sentenced to Auburn Prison for from 10 to 20 years.

Mrs. Ann Whalen was arrested on the same day as a material witness. She insisted on taking her four week old baby to jail with her. Gawrosch was the proprietor of a soft drink place.

466: 8/4/1927-About 1:15 P.M. Luther Brodenax, colored, 40 years old, of 301 Spring Street, during an argument with Isaac Orr, 51 years old, colored, of the same address, was stabbed twice over the heart with a long knife by Orr and died an hour later in the Emergency Hospital. Orr was arrested on a charge of Murder 1st Degree, which was later reduced to Manslaughter 2nd Degree, and was sentenced to Auburn Prison for a term of three to six years.

467: 8/6/1927-About 10:45 P.M. Joseph Lipczynski, 25 years old of 55 Pink Street went to the home of Rose Nazarek, 22 Oneida Street, in an intoxicated condition. While there he made vile remarks to the Nazarek woman, which were resented by another man present. A fight resulted during which Lipczynski was stabbed in the left arm. He was taken to the Memorial Hospital where he died a few hours later, his assailant disappeared.

On December 19, 1927, Joseph Salewski was arrested at Rochester, N.Y., by Detective Sergeants James E. Quigley and Walter Holz and returned to Buffalo, and accused of the crime. It is alleged that Salewski, whose home is in Erie, Pa., was at the Nazarek home that night, and disappeared immediately after the stabbing took place. Case is pending.

468: 8/15/1927-About 11 o'clock P.M. Stanley Baginski, 21 years old of 13 Dover Street was shot in the back of the head and twice in the body. He was taken to the Emergency Hospital and died a few hours later.

Baginski and two other young men all intoxicated, accosted Celia Lowiska, 17 years old and her sister Hattie, 19 years old in front of their home, No. 1 Geneva Street, and upbraided them. Bernard Lembisz, 26 years old, of 829 Fillmore Avenue, a cousin of the girls, was sitting in an automobile a few doors away and went to the girls' assistance. Baginski threw stones at Lembisz who went into a shed at No. 3 Congress Street where he kept a hunting rifle. He took the gun and while coming out of the yard Baginski again threw stones at him. Lembisz then fired at Baginski striking him in the head and body.

Lembisz was arrested by Captain O'Brien, Detectives Richter, Syhakiewicz, Wypijewski and Hoffman, on a charge of Murder. The Grand Jury returned a no bill and he was discharged.

469: 8/17/1927-At 9 o'clock A.M., Herbert L. Cole, 29 years old, single, rooming at 184 East Genesee Street, was found dead in bed by Nathan Miller of 62 Butler Avenue, who called to ascertain why Cole had not reported for work. Examination of Coles' body showed a bullet wound in the head. No motive has been found and no one has been apprehended for the crime.

470: 9/5/1927-About 1 o'clock A.M. Peter Wojnowski, age 34 of 38 Concord Street, went to the home of Frank Brink, age 32 of 8 Concord Street, and threatened him with bodily harm. After quarreling for some time Wojnowski left the house. He returned after 8 P.M. the next evening and again started to quarrel with Brink who was sitting on the front porch threatening to kill him. Brink went up into the house, Wojnowski followed, calling him vile names. Brink went into a bedroom and picked up a shotgun; Wojnowski had picked up a butcher knife from the kitchen table and went for Brink. Brink put the gun in front of Wojnowski's stomach and started to back him out of the house; the gun was discharged the charge entering Wojnowski's stomach. He died in the Emergency Hospital a few hours later.

Brink was arrested in his home by Lieutenant Courtney, Detective Sergeant Wienand and Detective Hoffman. The Grand Jury returned a no bill and he was discharged.

471: 9/28/1927-About 10:45 P.M. Adam Strong, 66 years old, a roomer living with Henry J. Bergo and his wife Otilia Bergo, an old couple, ages 75 years and 63 years respectively at 25 West Ferry Street, got into a fight with Bergo in the latter's home and was struck by Bergo with his fist. In falling he struck his head on the corner of a chair and fractured his skull. Strong was taken to the City Hospital where he died the next day. According to Mrs. Bergo Strong attempted criminal assault upon her and when her husband came home she told him; the fight resulting. Bergo was arrested on a charge of Manslaughter 2nd Degree and was discharged in Court.

472: 10/10/1927-About 8:50 P.M. Ernest J. Rambow, 36 years old, 31 Juneau Avenue, Milwaukee, Wis., an oiler and Edward A. Bray, 26 years old, of 1419 South Ewing Street, St. Louis, Mo., a fireman, both members of the crew of the Steamer Thomas Maytham of The General Transit Company line, quarreled over fifty cents worth of tobacco, in the galley of the boat. Bray became enraged and seized a large butcher knife and stabbed Rambow in the left side of the chest near the throat, he died before arrival of the ambulance. Bray disappeared. The police were not notified until fifty minutes later and up to this time Bray has not been apprehended. He has been indicted for Manslaughter 1st Degree.

Rambow had just been fired and tried to leave the ship without paying Bray for some tobacco bought on credit days before.

473: 10/12/1927-About 6:30 P.M. Luther Cunningham, 29 years, colored, of 103 Walnut Street, was shot by Daniel Culp, colored, 25 years old of 17 Milnor Street. The two men quarreled earlier in the day and when they again met at the southeast corner of William and Sylvan Alley, Culp fired six shots at Cunningham, some of the bullets taking effect. Cunningham died at the Emergency Hospital later in the evening. Culp was arrested at 130 William Street on a charge of Murder 1st Degree, case pending.

474 HS: 10/23/1927-About 11:45 P.M. Mrs. Anna Matthews, 50 years old proprietor of a rooming house at 68 Sycamore Street, Jean Graham, 43 years old of 9 Cottage Street and Marie Rabb, 27 years old of Carlton Court, were shot by Louis Helfenstein, a porter, formerly employed by Mrs. Matthews. The three women were in the rooming house 68 Sycamore Street at the time. The Graham woman died a short time later. After shooting the women Helfenstein went into the cellar and committed suicide by shooting himself with a .32 calibre revolver. Mrs. Matthews and Miss Rabb have since recovered from their wounds. Motive believed to be jealousy.

Helfenstein had been employed by Mathews but she didn't save him from going to prison. He got out a week ago and came into her home shooting. When police arrived he retreated into the cellar.

475: 11/24/1927-About 12:06 A.M. while attending a party at 440 Ohio Street William Mazuckwicz, 40 years old of 229 Ashley Street quarreled with John Majewski, 33 years old of 394 Ideal Street, because of attentions to Mazuckiwicz's niece with whom Majewski was dancing. Both men left the house going outside and renewed the quarrel, Mazuckiwicz was stabbed in the left thigh severing an artery, and died before the ambulance arrived. Majewski was later arrested at his home by Capt. Milan, Detective Sergeant Laszewski, Detective Edwin J. McGuire and Patrolmen Shanahan and Labby, on a charge of Murder 1st Degree, case pending.

476: 11/24/1927-At 6:30 P.M. William Carter, 25 years old, colored and William Keiver Montague, 22 years old, both of 47 Rano Street, quarreled over a game of dice which took place that afternoon. At the time the men were on the sidewalk in front of 49 Rano Street. Montague stabbed Carter which resulted in a fatality in the City Hospital two hours later.

Montague was arrested on a charge of Murder 1st Degree, and was discharged in City Court on the grounds he acted in self defense.

477: 11/30/1927-About 2 o'clock Herbert C. Peter, Jr. of 297 Highland Avenue was awakened and found a burglar in his home. While making an attempt to capture the burglar Mr. Peter was fatally shot, and died a short time later. No one has been apprehended for this crime.

Peter, graduate of Williams College, was the writer of the "Oatmeal and Mackerel" column in the Buffalo Express. Peter was found alive and said that he had gotten out of bed early Wednesday morning to close a window and saw a light in the hallway. The burglar fired a bullet into his neck that lodged in his spine. He was unable to move or speak. His sister, Mrs. Burrows Matthews found him on the morning of December 1st. He died in the hospital that evening.

About a month before, on October 24th, Peter and two others, a teacher and student, were slightly injured when an explosive went off prematurely. It was to have signaled the start of a fund drive for Hutchinson High School.

478: 12/4/1927-At 11:45 P.M. Walter Gospodarski, age 23 of 1779 Clinton Street, quarreled with Matthew Machynski, age 36 of 25 Cable Street in front of Buddys Restaurant, Clinton and Weimar Streets. Gospodarski struck Machynski with his fist knocking him over an ice cream sign. Machynski was carried home by companions and later taken to the Emergency Hospital but was dead when he arrived there. Death being caused by a hemorrhage of both lungs.

479: 12/15/1927-About 6:30 P.M. this station house was notified by telephone that a stabbing had occurred at 192 Seneca Street. On arrival there the officers found that Alice Brockman, alias Allen, colored, 26 years old, had stabbed Brud Allen over the heart with a pocket knife. Allen died before the arrival of the ambulance.

Allen and the Brockman woman had been living as man and wife, for the past three years, and the stabbing was the result of the quarrel between the two. She was placed under arrest by Captain John Driscoll, Detectives Murphy and Goetz, Lieutenant Gardner, and Patrolmen Holloran and O'Meara on a charge of Murder 1st Degree. Case pending.

480: 12/17/1927-About 9 o'clock P.M. two negroes entered the poultry store at 37 Pine Street. One of them drew a revolver and covered Cologero Marino, who was in the store. Orazio Ridino the proprietor was sitting behind poultry crates in the rear of the store and as he stood up to see what was going on one of the negroes fired three shots at him, all taking effect; the men then ran from the store. Ridino was removed to the Emergency Hospital where he died a short time later. Wilbert Jackson and John Allen, both colored of 200 Clinton Street, were subsequently arrested and identified for this crime. Motive Robbery. Officers Detective Sergeant William J. Madigan and squad and Detective Sergeant Cy. Flynn and squad.

481: 12/22/1927-About 8:30 P.M. Philip Mazzara, 38 years old of 203 Porter Avenue, while driving his car on Maryland near Cottage Street was shot and killed by the occupants of a Cadillac sedan. It is believed that a shotgun was used as Mazzara's head was crushed and he died instantly. The license number of the car was not obtained. No one has been apprehended for this crime.

A month later, on January 27, 1928, Phillip Mannor was murdered in Erie, PA at 4 a.m. He was shot six to 12 times and three men fled towards Buffalo in a car. Pasquale "Patsy" Corda was taken into custody in Buffalo on an open charge. Corda's car was used by the shooters. He told police that he left the car in Erie because of bad weather and took the train to Buffalo arriving at 9 a.m. He suggested his car could have been stolen. Mannor had lived in Buffalo but moved to Erie because of gang activity. He owned a café. Police believe that Mannor's murder was a sequel to Mazzara's murder. They had been business partners until the arrest of Mannor for violating prohibition.

482: 12/25/1927-About 7:15 P.M. Joseph Kemper, 40 years old of 94 Mulberry Street was shot and killed by Gasparro Zangano, alias Gaspano, alias Gasper Zanchi, 46 years old of 136 Erie Street, while in a soft drink place at 132 Erie Street, conducted by Sante Billengheir. Kemper became involved in an argument with Zangnino who shot him with his double barrel shotgun, which was later found in his room.

Zangnino was arrested about three hours later by Assistant Chief of Detectives John G. Reville, Detective Sergeants William J. Madigan, John Fagan and Frank J. Leigh, and Detectives Edward A. Bingeman and Soldano Fascella and Patrolman Lawrence A. Cronin of the First Precinct on a charge of Murder 1st Degree.

483: 1/1/1928-About 2:45 A.M., during a shooting affray in the Peacock Inn, 544 Washington Street, Michael George the proprietor of the place was killed and the following named patrons were injured: Wilbur Metz, 25 years old of 422 Pearl Street, shot in the right leg. Joseph Baggs 26 years old of 103 Rodney Avenue, shot in the right arm, Eugene Grayson, 26 years old of 422 Pearl Street, shot in the left foot. Charlotte Gaiser, 20 years old of 495 Moselle Street, shot in the right temple.

A short time before the shooting three men entered the place, and started a disturbance and interfered with some of the patrons. The proprietor remonstrated with the men and during the argument revolvers were drawn, some wild shooting was done with the above mentioned results.

Arrests were made in this case but no positive identification of the men wanted was obtained and no one has been brought to trial.

Galser was an employee of the prohibition office in Elmira. Roger Lavin, an ex-boxer, was thought to be involved.

484: 3/6/1928-About 7:15 P.M., Salvatore Cuagliano, 38 years old, of 23 East Murray Street, Hamilton, Ontario, was shot and killed on Front Avenue between Carolina and Georgia Streets. Two men believed to be Italians jumped out of an automobile, shot Cuagliano, reentered the car which was driven rapidly away. No motive established and no persons arrested for the crime.

485: 4/25/1928-About 11:10 A.M., Sherbourne Wilder, age 32, married, of 21 Tacoma Avenue, an electrician employed by the Lovejoy Electric Company, 1144 Lovejoy Street, was shot in the neck by an unknown man who attempted to rob the cashier in the store. Wilder died a few minutes later. His assailant has not been apprehended.

486: 5/6/1928-At 9 P.M., Stanley Lutz, age 29, of 68 Efner Street, was shot and killed in front of his home by two men. After the shooting the assailants were seen getting into a large dark colored sedan and left the scene hurriedly. No motive established and no persons arrested in connection with this crime.

487: 5/7/1928-About 10:15 P.M., Santo Falsone, 46 years old, of 1242 Niagara Street, was shot and killed in front of 168 Georgia Street while walking with his wife. Three men who took part in the killing of Falsone, left the scene in a large blue colored sedan. No motive established and no one arrested for the crime.

488 AS, I: 5/14/1928-About 11:30 A.M., Elizabeth Piotrowska, age 33, married, of 55 Brownell Street, cut the throat of her year-old son as he lay in his crib, causing his death. She then attempted suicide by cutting her own throat and wrists with the same razor. She was committed to the City Hospital for treatment and observation as to her sanity, and later was declared insane by the examining physicians and committed to the State Hospital for the insane.

489: 5/17/1928-About 1 A.M., Russell Borzelleri, age 33 of 288 Front Avenue was shot four times and killed as he was coming down the rear stairway of his home. Rose Borzelleri, his wife, age 32 was arrested by Detective Sergeants Kenny, Smaldino and Gustafero, accused of the crime and a charge of Murder 1st Degree placed against her. She was tried and convicted of Manslaughter 1st Degree and was sentenced to Auburn Prison for a term of 6 to 10 years.

490: 6/10/1928-At 7 o'clock A.M., Florence Topping, a rooming house keeper at 78 West Tupper Street, was found with her throat cut and died a short time later. Charles Zieman, 38 years old, a roomer, was accused of the crime, arrested and charged with Murder 1st Degree. He was tried and convicted of Manslaughter 1st Degree and sentenced to Auburn Prison for a term of 25 years. The crime was the result of a violent quarrel between the two.

491: 6/15/1928-About 1:30 P.M. Joseph Weichman, age 46, a boarder in the home of Mrs. Katherine Wattles of 734 Perry Street was fatally shot in the head with a shotgun by Fred Wattles, 21 years old, son of Mrs. Wattles.

Weichman had been drinking heavily for some days and Mrs. Wattles had sworn out a warrant on him. He came to the Wattles home at this time, was denied admittance and threatened Mrs. Wattles. He attempted to enter the house by crawling through a window; while doing so he was shot. Fred Wattles was placed under arrest by Captain John

Driscoll, Lieut. James Kennedy, Detectives Goetz, Murphy and Hofmeister, and Patrolman Leonard W. Brooks. A charge of Manslaughter 1 st Degree was placed against him and he was exonerated by the Grand Jury; a no bill being returned in this case.
<p>492: 7/12/1928-About 5:45 A.M., John J. (Dot) Moriarity, 37 years old of 111 Crystal Avenue, was shot in the abdomen by Lloyd Danahy, age 28 of 385 McKinley Parkway, and died a short time later.</p> <p>The shooting occurred in the soft drink place at 574 Washington Street conducted by John Danahy; the men quarreled over a liquor transaction and then the shooting resulted. Danahy left the scene of the shooting and evaded arrest for the time. Some hours later he was picked up at Port Colborne, Ontario, after an automobile accident and was turned over to our officers and returned to Buffalo. He was tried for Murder 1st Degree and was acquitted.</p>
<p>493: 7/18/1928-At 12:50 P.M., Michael Magker, 50 years old of 74 Abbott Road was arrested by Lieut. Henry J. Finsterbach, and Detectives Edwin J. McGuire and Roger Kane on a charge of Assault 1st Degree. Magker was accused of striking his wife Mary Magker, age 45 on the head with a hammer while she was lying in bed. She was removed to the Emergency Hospital and died July 23rd from a fractured skull. Magker was then charged with Murder 1st Degree and on December 10th pleaded Guilty to a charge of Murder 2nd Degree and was sentenced to Auburn Prison for a term of 20 years to Life.</p>
<p>494: 7/27/1928-About 3:30 A.M., during a quarrel at Allen and Wadsworth Streets, John Murphy, 27 years old of 78 Days Park struck Fred Gamlin, age 52 of 109 Mariner Street with his fist, felling him. His head struck the sidewalk and he became unconscious. He was removed to the hospital and died a few hours later from a fractured skull. Murphy was held on a charge of Manslaughter 1st Degree and was convicted of Assault 3rd Degree and was sentenced to one year of the Erie County Penitentiary.</p>
<p>495: 7/28/1928-About 9 P.M., Charles Salsbury, colored, rooming at 18 Myrtle Avenue, was fatally stabbed by James Johnson, colored man of the same address. The two men quarreled over Ella Johnson, the common-law wife of James Johnson, the stabbing result. Salsbury was removed to the Emergency Hospital where he died.</p>
<p>496 AS: 8/4/1928-About 1:40 P.M., Milton A Harris, age 25 of 1464 Michigan Avenue, shot and killed Louise Friday, 20 years old of 237 Connecticut Street, a telephone operator for the New York Telephone Company, in the Tupper Exchange. Harris followed the girl in an automobile to the corner of North and Arlington Place where the shooting took place. The motive for the crime appears to have been jealousy, and due to the girl refusing further attentions from him; the two had been keeping company and quarreled. After shooting the girl Harris turned the gun on himself, the bullet causing a slight flesh wound in the head. He was tried for Murder 1st Degree, convicted and sentenced to death in the electric chair.</p> <p>Arresting officers, George T. Melody and Alfred M. Reidel.</p> <p><i>Friday was walking along North Street toward Arlington with Miss Margaret Blackmon. Harris fired three shots at her, all hitting her. He then tried to shoot himself in the head but only scorched his temple. He thought he was dying and lay down by the road where the police found him. Harris had been bothering the woman and she told him to leave her alone and he began stalking her. When taken to jail, Harris tried to kill himself with a belt strap. On October 16th, the defense attorney was given a week delay before trial was to be started. On January 11, 1929, he was found guilty of first degree murder. Harris was to be electrocuted on August 29th and an appeal was made for clemency to Governor Franklin Roosevelt. There is no record that Harris was executed</i></p>
<p>497: 8/12/1928-About 11:30 A.M., Henry Suggs, colored, 37 years old of 27 Union Street, was shot and killed by Vivian Wilkeson, age 21, colored woman, in the house at 39 Pine Street, home of Mrs. Wilkeson.</p> <p>At the above mentioned time Suggs came there looking for his wife and when told she was not here became angry and quarreled with Mrs. Wilkeson; left the room threatening her. She procured a revolver from her bedroom and when Suggs returned with a bottle in each hand and advanced to strike her she fired two shots killing him instantly. She was arrested by Acting Captain James Kennedy, Detective Matthew G. Goetz and Patrolman William J. Leary on a charge of Murder 1st Degree. Mrs. Wilkeson was exonerated by the Grand Jury who returned a no bill in the case.</p> <p><i>Suggs, 30, was a Pullman porter.</i></p>
<p>498: 8/20/1928-At 9 P.M., Arthur W. Rodgers, 55 years old of No. 140 Macamley Street, went to the assistance of a young woman who was attempting to get out of her automobile which was parked across the street from his home. During the fight which ensued with Gerald Dempsey, 20 years old of 356 Cumberland Avenue, the driver of the car,</p>

Rodgers was struck in the face by Dempsey and fell to the street and became unconscious. He was removed to the Mercy Hospital where he died on September 2nd from a fracture of the skull.

Dempsey evaded arrest at the time but was later apprehended and held. He was indicted for Manslaughter 1st Degree, tried and acquitted.

499: 9/19/1928-Sometime between 1:30 and 1:45 A.M., Anthony Wietrzynski, 23 years old, of 149 Lombard Street, employed as a garbage wagon driver, was shot in the abdomen while in the basement of a soft drink place at 47 East Eagle Street, conducted by Eddie Przyble. Wietrzynski died a few hours later in the hospital. Later Lyman Miller, age 26, of 422 Jersey Street, was arrested and charged with Murder 1st Degree by Chief of Detectives John G. Reville, Detective Sergeants Phillips and Bingeman, Patrolman Thomas F. Caulfield and Francis W. Harrington and was indicted for Manslaughter. Case is pending.

Five months later, on February 27, 1929, during Miller's trial, two cars of rival hijackers engaged in a gun battle. One car escaped. Edward Tucholka, 20, was seriously wounded and Felix Slowick, 22, was shot in the leg. Eddie Bates, alias Kenny, was also arrested. They provided no information.

Alexander Tucholka, a lifer, was in town for Miller's trial. Miller is in a rival gang.

500: 10/3/1928-Shortly before 9 P.M., Alice Torpy, 26 years old and her mother, Mrs. Mary Rossiter, age 56, both of 812 Eagle Street, were cut with a razor by Vincent J. Torpy, husband of Alice Torpy. Torpy had been estranged from his wife for some time and called there to try to effect a reconciliation with his wife; Mrs. Rossiter interfered, picked up a hammer and struck Torpy on the head. The cutting resulted.

Mrs. Rossiter died in the Emergency Hospital from her wounds, her daughter recovered. Torpy was later arrested in an attic at 816 Eagle Street by Captain Driscoll, Lieutenant Hastings, Detectives Goetz, Hofmeister and Patrolman Sparacino, Lynch, Harrington and Pilarski and a charge of Murder 1st Degree placed against him. An indictment for Manslaughter 1st Degree was returned against Torpy; the case is still pending.

The Torpys had been married a year. Vincent Torpy worked for the railroad and wanted to move his wife into their own abode, but his mother-in-law disagreed. When Torpy told his wife he had a furnished house, she still did not want to move. He slashed her with a razor in the back of the neck. She screamed and her mother rushed in and was killed by a razor slash to the throat. Mary Rossiter was clubbed and slashed to death.

501: 10/3/1928-About 8:30 A.M., Arthur Probst, age 49 of 67 Auburn Avenue was stabbed in the left groin with a pocket knife by Joseph Grifasi of 36 Ehlen Place, and died in the hospital on October 7th. Grifasi is the owner of the property at 67 Auburn Avenue and called there to collect the rent. The two men had an argument about the rent and during the quarrel Grifasi stabbed Post. Grifasi disappeared but was later arrested by Detective Soldano Frascella of the First Precinct and charged with Manslaughter 1st Degree. Case is pending.

502: 10/8/1928-About 12:55 A.M., John Moore, alias Nappy Chin, age 46, of 437 Jefferson Avenue was shot in the right side and killed in front of 62 Mortimer Street. Moore and Pete Carson, both negroes, had been shaking dice in the house at 48 Mortimer Street, and the shooting is said to have been caused by a quarrel between the two over a game. Carson evaded arrest and has not been apprehended.

503: 10/31/1928-At 1:30 P.M., Mrs. Mary Ladowski, age 70, proprietor of the Swan Hotel, 190 Swan Street was shot and killed in the kitchen of the hotel by her son Stephen Ladowski, 30 years old of Forks, N.Y. Stephen came to see his mother and was under the influence of liquor. She uprated him for his conduct, and when he asked her for financial assistance she refused him. He drew a revolver and shot her. Mrs. Ladowski died in the Emergency Hospital on November 5th.

Stephen was arrested some hours after the shooting at Forks, N.Y., by Captain Joseph Godfrey, Lieutenant William E. Downey, and Detectives Downey, Murphy, Fitzgibbons, Rogers, McNamara and Dewey of the Auto Squad. A charge of Murder 1st Degree was placed against him; an indictment charging Murder 2nd Degree was returned by the Grand Jury. Ladowski was allowed to plead guilty to a charge of Manslaughter 1st Degree and was sentenced to Auburn Prison for twenty years by Judge Rowe in the County Court.

On February 5, 1929, Judge Rowe complained about the Baumes law that made him sentence Ladowski as a second time offender. Ladowski had been convicted of deserting his wife. Abandonment was classified with robbery. Rowe thought he deserved ten years.

504: 10/31/1928-About 9:30 A.M., Frank Merolla, age 43 of 496 Seventh Street, engaged in the painting and

decorating business, went to his garage for his truck. According to his wife he was gone from the house and about five minutes when there was an explosion. Investigation showed that Merolla evidently stepped on the starter of the truck, which set off a bomb, connected with the starter. The explosion wrecked the garage completely, both of Merolla's legs were blown off and he was severely burned about the body, death resulting a short time later in the Columbus Hospital. No motive was definitely established for the crime and no one brought to trial up to this time.

Frank Mirolin had a dispute with neighbors, according to his wife. Frank Mirolla's body was blown 30 feet.

505 HS: 12/8/1928-About 6:30 P.M., George Faxlanger, age 51 of 34 Demond Place shot and killed his wife Mary Faxlanger, age 50 of 20 Martha Street, in front of 3006 Bailey Avenue with a Winchester rifle.

The Faxlangers had been separated about six months. Faxlanger waylaid his wife as she was returning from a store and fired one shot which struck her in the head; a stray shot struck Albert Novy, age 15 of 163 Hastings Street, who was passing at the time, in the right arm. Faxlanger then turned the gun on himself, firing a shot into the top of his head which resulted fatally. He carried the rifle in two lengths of stove pipe to conceal it from view as he approached his wife. Both were dead when the City Hospital ambulance arrived.

Investigating Officers, Captain Edward N. Rast, Lieut. Eugene H. Radtke, Detective Charles T. Vickers and Patrolman George C. Craine.

Four weeks earlier, he had shot Mary in the right hand. George was out on bail for the assault.

506: 12/14/1928-About 6:10 P.M., Martin Ness, 39 years old, of 151 E. Eagle Street, became involved in an argument with Alex Bach, 41 years old of 267 North Division Street, at North Division and Michigan Streets. Bach struck Ness on the jaw with his fist felling him; his head struck the curb and he became unconscious. He was removed to the Emergency Hospital and found to have a fractured skull. He died later. Bach was arrested by Captain William Coughlin, Detectives Phillips and Bingeman, Patrolman Thomas F. Caulfield and Francis V. Harrington and was indicted for Manslaughter. Case is pending.

507 LEO, E: 12/22/1928-At 1:25 A.M., Patrolman Harold Haltam was shot four times in the back and legs while attempting to arrest three men whom he surprised burglarizing the packing house of Armour & Company, 228 Perry Street. A window had been jimmied by the burglars and one of them was inside the building while two stood outside when surprised by the officer. After shooting the officer the three men made their escape abandoning an automobile on a nearby street. Haltam was removed to the Emergency Hospital where he died at 10 P.M. the same day.

At 2:50 A.M., about one hour late Patrolmen Peter Dominack and Robert Kuhn arrested two men whom they found near the Keystone Warehouse at Hamburg and Seneca Streets and sent them to No. 2 Police Station. They proved to be Arthur W. Brown, age 36 of 43 Florida Street and John Schlager, 32 years old of 51 Kilhoffer Street; both men had bad criminal records. Further investigation connected them with the killing of Patrolman Haltam and they were held on a charge of Murder 1st Degree. At 7:30 A.M. December 24th, Frank Kowalski, aged 25 was arrested in his home at 239 Peckham Street, by Chief of Detectives Reville, Detective Sergeants Burns, Mahaney, John J. Fitzgerald, Walter Holz and Patrolman Daniel Goodman. He was found to be suffering from bullet wounds believed to have been inflicted by one of his pals when firing at the officer. A charge of Murder 1st Degree was also placed against him.

The three men have since been tried and convicted of the crime charged and sentenced to die in the electric chair.

Harold G. Haltam, 26, tried to stop burglars of an Armour & Company packinghouse. He was shot three times in the leg and once in the back. Haltam had seen the suspicious men earlier and another officer was helping him search. Two burglars were inside and one was on guard outside. Haltam returned fire from the ground. Brown's auto was found nearby with burglar tools in it.

Brown and Kowalski sentenced on February 1, 1929. Schlager to be tried separately.

“Arthur Brown, white, age 34; **Frank Kowalski**, white, age 25; and **John Schlager**, white, age 32. *Murder.* The crime was committed on December 22, 1928, at Buffalo. This trio had made a name for themselves on police blotters nationwide. Brown and Schlager had extensive records for robbery and were both on parole when they teamed up with Kowalski, alias Polak Jeff, a known car thief. They formed a safe-cracking trio with Kowalski in

charge. On the above night they broke into the Armour Company meat-packing plant on Perry Street in Buffalo and went to work on the office safe. A police officer named Harold C. Haltam (white, age 26) caught them in the act but was fired on by all three before he could disarm them. Four bullets ended the policeman's life. The electric chair ended the lives of Brown and Kowalski on January 2, 1930. Seven days later (on January 9), Schlager was also sent to the chair." CBH, 182.

508: 1/19/1929-MANSLAUGHTER-Joseph Gancasz, age 14, of 220 Amherst Street, was arrested on January 19, 1929, and accused of causing the death of Steve Wojcieszak, age 13, of 24 Clay Street. About 6:25 p.m., that day, while the two boys and other companions were playing in front of 30 Kail Street, Gancasz took a revolver from his pocket and Wojcieszak tried to take it from him. During the scuffle the gun was discharged, the bullet striking Wojcieszak in the lung, causing death in the Millard Fillmore Hospital a half hour later. Investigation disclosed the fact that the gun was one stolen from the Marine Trust Bank at Niagara and Tonawanda, which was entered January 1st by Gancasz, who stole two revolvers and a small sum of money. Gancasz was sentenced to the State Agricultural and Industrial School, Industry, N.Y., on a charge of burglary.

509: 2/26/1929-MANSLAUGHTER-About 9 p.m., John Newman, age 31, of 56 Kosciuszko Street, was fatally slashed with a razor by Stanley Wasierski, his father-in-law, of the same address. Wasierski had been drinking and when Newman came into the house, looking for his wife, a quarrel started between the two and ended with the cutting of Newman. He was taken to the Emergency Hospital where he died a short time later. Wasierski was arrested and indicted for Manslaughter 1st degree. On April 19th a plea of guilty to Manslaughter 1st degree was accepted, and he was sentenced to Auburn prison for 7 ½ to 15 years by Judge Hinkley.

510: 2/27/1929-MURDER 1st-Joseph Dibenedetto, aged 35, at 710 Seventh Street, was shot and killed about 5:45 p.m. Two shots were fired by Dibenedetto by another Italian in front of Paladino's grocery at 116 Dante Place. He tried to escape by running into the store but was followed and shot to death. No motive was established for the crime, and no one has been apprehended.

511: 4/14/1929-MANSLAUGHTER-About 4 o'clock a.m., April 14, 1929, Joseph Jastrzembki, a soft drink place proprietor, 500 Spring Street, was shot by Casimer Gorski, age 28, of 85 Wilson Street. Gorski was refused admittance to the place and fired a shot which struck Jastrzembki in the face, causing death a few days later. Gorski escaped at the time but was arrested on May 11th and was indicted for Manslaughter 1st degree. A plea of guilty to Manslaughter 2nd degree was accepted, and on July 1st Judge Larkin sentenced him to Auburn prison for 5 to 10 years.

512: 4/15/1929-MURDER 2nd-Joseph Tostichal, age 54, of 87 Halstead Street, Sloan, N.Y., was struck on the head by George Lasota, a fellow employee of the Standard Foundry Company, 743 Hertel Avenue, about 9:50 p.m. Both men were working at the time; Tostichal, also known as Miller, was a sub-foreman and a few nights previous reprimanded Lasota for not doing his work properly and was said to have called Lasota a vile name. At the time he was attacked by Lasota he was reprimanding another workman, and was struck with the sand hammer from behind, receiving a fractured skull. Lasota was arrested for Murder 1st degree, tried and convicted of Murder 2nd degree, and on June 7th was sentenced to Auburn prison for 20 years to Life by Judge Larkin.

513: 4/24/1929-MURDER 1st-Mabel B. Fletcher, age 34, married of 87 Bradley Street, was shot and killed in her home about 10:40 p.m. George A. Nicholls was arrested for the crime. Nicholls was rooming with the Fletchers and about two months previous to the killing of Mrs. Fletcher, her husband John W. Fletcher, separated from his wife and left home because of Nicholls' attentions to her. On April 22nd the Fletchers settled their difficulties and he returned home; Nicholls continued to room there. On the night of April 24th the couple attended a meeting down town and after they returned home, started upstairs for their bed-room Nicholls fired at Mrs. Fletcher with a Colt 45 automatic, killing her. He then went to No. 5 Police Station, and gave himself up. Nicholls was indicted for Murder 1st degree. Later a plea of guilty to Manslaughter 1st degree. Later a plea of guilty to Manslaughter 1st degree was accepted, and he was sentenced to Auburn prison by Judge Larkin, for a term of 10 to 20 years.

The Fletchers had separated six months ealier and John, 32, had moved in with his parents. Two shots were fired at Fletcher by Nicholls. One bullet went wild and one hit her in the forehead.

514 E: 4/26/1929-MURDER 1st-About 1:35 p.m., Alvin W. Daigler, Assistant Treasurer of Fedders Mfg. Co., 57 Tonawanda, was held up and a pay roll taken. At the time Daigler was leaving the vault in the sub-cellar of the plant with \$8,131.38 in pay envelopes, when three men entered and held him up with guns, seized the pay-roll and started away. As they were leaving the main entrance of the plant, John Perraton, an employee jumped on one of the bandits and was shot and killed. The men got away in a Nash Sedan, but were followed by Theodore Sipowicz, of 618 Military Road, and John Slazcyk, of 98 Amherst Street, to a garage in the rear of 350 Potomac Avenue. Sipowicz and Slazcyk hurried to No. 5 Police Station and notified the police. Detective Sergeant Charles P. Glor,

Detective Richard Reed and Patrolman Neil Murray left in the police car, and when they reached 350 Potomac, saw a Ford Sedan occupied by two men leaving the yard. Officer Murray was in uniform and when the police car was seen one of the men pushed a gun, presumed to be a machine gun, through the rear window of the Ford Sedan and kept it trained on the police car. After a chase the two abandoned the Ford car on Abbottsford Place, near Forest Avenue, and at this point firing took place between officers and bandits; Glor was shot in both arms, with bullets from the machine gun. The bandits then held up an approaching automobile, forced occupants to leave and got away. They abandoned a bag of money in the Ford Sedan, amounting to \$6,710.65, which was recovered by police.

The following were arrested for this offense: April 29th, Anthony Kalkiewicz, of Depew, N.Y.; May 2nd, John Kwitakowski, of 968 Sycamore Street, and on May 28th, Steve Ziolkowski, 95 St. Joseph Avenue. Ziolkowski, alias Bolly, was arrested at Binnington, N.Y., by Detective Sergeants John Whalen and John Czajkowski, tried to escape and was shot by Whalen and seriously wounded, but recovered.

The three men were indicted for Murder 1st degree, Kwiatkowski was tried and acquitted, Kalkiewicz and Ziolkowski were convicted as charged, and sentenced to death.

On November 10, 1930, it was discovered that Daigler was arrested a week ago after leaving a note. He stole possibly \$50,000 in 12 months. He had been acclaimed a hero after locking himself in a vault during the robbery. He was carrying \$80,000 but dropped some of the pay envelopes, which were retrieved by the robbers. The vault had been opened before he suffocated. He was required to carry no bond after the robbery.

“**Stephen Ziolkowski**, white, age 24. *Murder.* The crime was committed on April 26, 1929, in Buffalo. Ziolkowski belonged to the Big Korney gang, an Erie County bunch led by John, Big Korney, Kwiatowski. On the above night these bandits broke into the Fedders Company plant in Buffalo with the intentions of robbing the office safe. When a night watchman named John Perraton (white) observed them in the act, he was shot dead. One month later, Ziolkowski, alias Bolly, was traced to a Wyoming County farmhouse and badly wounded by lawmen in a gun battle there. Taken to a hospital more dead than alive, he was not expected to live. Somehow, though, he did manage to hang on.

He recovered sufficiently to face trial and was capitally convicted. Another gang member, Anthony Kalkiewicz, was also condemned but earned a commutation by agreeing to testify in subsequent proceedings. A third gang member named Zigmund Plocharski was never caught, but is believed to have died in underworld violence. Big Korney himself was acquitted of the capital charge but was jailed for perjury. Stephen Bolly Ziolkowski faced the executioner on May 29, 1930. His last words were “Whoopie! Let ‘Er Go!’” CBH, 182-183.

515 LEO: 5/17/1929-MURDER 1st-Clarence F. Schreiber, a patrolman attached to the 16th Precinct Station, was arrested and accused of shooting and killing his wife, Pauline, in their home at 23 Humason Avenue, about 1:45 a.m. The woman was in bed at the time and according to Schreiber, she shot herself with his service revolver, which he placed on the dresser a few minutes before. He was indicted for Murder 1st degree, tried and found guilty of Manslaughter 2nd degree, and on December 2nd was sentenced to Auburn prison for 7 ½ to 15 years by Judge Thorn.

Two years prior to the murder, on June 7, 1927, Schreiber had been shot in the forearm while making his rounds in Humboldt Park.

On December 11, 1929, George A. Durnford was murdered. He was Principal Keeper at Auburn. Eight in mates were killed in the six-hour revolt. Governor Franklin Roosevelt ordered a special term of the Supreme Court to convene to try those involved. Clarence Schreiber was wounded and indicted for Wednesday’s revolt with two others. (It is not certain that this is the same Schreiber because this Schreiber had been sentenced for 21 years.)

516: 6/25/1929-MURDER 1st-Joseph Syracuse, age 33, of 95 Tenth Street, a shoe-repairer with shop at 2528 Delaware Avenue, was shot and killed at 7:10 a.m., at Virginia and Tenth Streets. Syracuse left his home a few minutes before to go to work and was fired on by two men. A large dark touring car, occupied by another man, picked the two up and drove rapidly away. Several suspects were brought in and questioned but because of insufficient evidence were not held. No one brought to trial for this offense.

Syracuse worked at night as a musician who played the banjo at nightclubs. Two men put five bullets into him leaving their revolvers. Police think a local feud was the cause.

517: 7/5/1929-MANSLAUGHTER-About 10 p.m., Vincent Torpy, age 33, of 445 Winspear Avenue, was attacked

by Michael Rossiter, his brother-in-law, of 812 E. Eagle Street, in an alley off Smith Street a short distance north of Eagle Street. Torpy was kicked and beaten so badly that death resulted in the Emergency Hospital a short time later. The attack was the sequel of a family fight on Oct. 3, 1928 in which Mrs. Rossiter his mother-in-law, was slashed by Torpy and received injuries that caused her death. Torpy was out on bail for Manslaughter when attacked by Rossiter and was visiting in the neighborhood where he formerly lived. Rossiter was indicted for Manslaughter 1st degree. Case is pending.

This relates to homicide #500.

518 E: 7/27/1929-MURDER 1st-About 11 o'clock a.m., Fred Fechter, proprietor of a soft drink place 984 East Delavan Avenue, at Northumberland, was shot and killed at that location, by three bandits who waylaid him when he returned from the bank with \$8,396.00, to cash checks of employees at the nearby plants. After shooting Fechter the men took the package containing the money and left the scene in an Essex sedan, stolen of July 18th.

On September 8, 1929, the following named were arrested and charged with the murder of Mr. Fechter:

Max Rybarczak, of 250 Wilson Street; Alex Bogdonoff and Steve Grzedhowiak, of Sloan, N.Y. All were tried and convicted in the County Court before Judge Rowe, and sentenced to be put to death.

Ferdinand Fechter, 52, was killed when he stepped out of his car at his home by one of three bandits. His wife and children were witnesses. The shooter was the one wearing overalls. When he grabbed the black bag filled with money, Fechter resisted, and was shot in the head. On September 10, 1929, Max the Goose, under interrogation, told the police what happened.

On July 10, 1930, Bogdanoff tried to save the other men's lives by claiming he and two Chicago gangsters were involved. One of the men named was murdered by Bogdanoff according to an earlier confession.

"**Alex Bogdanoff**, alias Little Alex, white, age 25; **Stephen Grzechowiak**, alias Big Bob, alias Bob the Weeper, white, age 35; and **Max Rybarczyk**, alias Max the Goose, white, age 31. *Murder.* The crime was committed on July 27, 1929, in Buffalo. These men were known as the Blue Ribbon Slayers. They sensed rich pickings in the person of a West Devalan Street restauranter named Ferdinand Fechter (white), who also happened to be one of the important bookies in Buffalo. Accordingly, these three men went to Fechter's place of business, the Blue Ribbon Restaurant, and shot the man dead in his doorway. Then they rifled the victim's pockets and came away with \$8,000 in cash. All three of the killers were rounded up in short order, and were all executed on July 17, 1930." CBH, 183.

519 AS: 8/20/1929-MURDER 1st-During a drunken quarrel about 7 p.m. at 182 Swan Street, John Weiss, alias Dutch, of the same address, slashed the throat of Julia Bingo, of 185 Cedar Street, causing death, and then cut his own throat slightly. He was taken to the Emergency Hospital and recovered. Was indicted for Murder 1st degree and later allowed to plead guilty to Manslaughter 1st degree. On January 24th he was sentenced to Auburn prison by Judge Rowe for a term of 25 years.

520 HS: 9/4/1929-MURDER 1st-Henry E. Schwarzott, age 54, of 418 Street, killed his wife Mary, age 55, about 3 p.m., in the wood-shed of their home, by slashing her throat with a knife, and then committed suicide by hanging. Schwarzott had been out of work for five months, and became despondent because of being unable to find employment. No other motive could be found for the crime as the couple had no domestic trouble.

521: 10/10/1929-MURDER 2nd-Mrs. Lorenzia Daniels, age 25, of 113 Hickory Street, was fatally stabbed in the left breast about 9:15 p.m., in the front room of her house, by Mrs. Mary Bradley, of 493 Jefferson Avenue. The two are colored women and the stabbing was the outcome of a quarrel between them. Mrs. Bradley was permitted to plead guilty to Manslaughter 1st degree, after indictment for Murder 2nd degree, and Nov. 15th was sentenced to the Women's Prison for a term of 10 to 20 years by Judge Noonan.

522: 10/13/1929-MURDER 2nd-Giovannia Turielloi, of 215 Swan Street, was arrested on October 13, 1929, accused of shooting Louis Magnotti, of 444 Eagle Street, who was found dead in front of 81 Myrtle Avenue, about 8:20 p.m. The two had been playing cards with other acquaintances earlier in the day and the shooting was the outcome of a quarrel which started during the game. Turielloi was indicted for Murder 2nd degree, was permitted to plead guilty to Manslaughter 2nd degree, and on Dec. 6th, Judge Thorn sentenced him to Auburn prison for 7 ½ to 15 years.

523: 11/10/1929-MURDER 2nd-During a drunken quarrel Charles Hayes, colored, of 26 Milnor Street, was shot by Thomas Kelly, colored, about 5:20 a.m., in front of 486 Michigan Avenue. The two men had been drinking, and argued over the possession of a five dollar bill, which, according to Kelly, he placed on a table to pay for drinks; the

money was taken by Hayes, who refused to return it. The men resumed the argument on the street, and the fatal shooting of Hayes followed. Kelly was arrested, indicted for Murder 2nd degree, was permitted to plead guilty to Manslaughter 2nd degree, and because of a previous felony conviction was sentenced to Auburn Prison for 20 years by Judge Thorn.

524: 11/29/1929-MURDER 1st-Antonio Moretta, age 55, of 600 North Division Street, was found in an unconscious condition in his shoe repair shop, 121 ½ Swan Street, at 11:18 a.m., by Samuel Haffager of 277 Swan Street, a customer. Moretta was taken to the Emergency Hospital and was found to have a fractured skull caused by being hit with some blunt instrument. Investigation failed to disclose a motive for the crime or find any witnesses to it. No one has been apprehended up to this time.

525: 1/5/1930-Adolph Caraducie, age 32, of 249 South Division Street, was stabbed in the face and in the region of the heart, about 9:15 p.m., while in the home of Louis Fini, 40 Chestnut Street. Some time previous Caraducie boarded at 265 South Division Street, with the family of Luigi Gambinni, and because of some disagreement, he was ejected from the Gambinni home. On the above mentioned date Gambinni, also a visitor to the Fini flat, met Caraducie there and the old quarrel was renewed and resulted in the fatal stabbing of Caraducie. Gambinni escaped from the house and has not been apprehended. After considering the case the Grand Jury returned an indictment against Gambinni for Murder second degree.

526: 1/10/1930-Peter Bazicki, age 41, of 128 Goodyear Avenue, was stabbed in the abdomen, about 3 p.m., at Lovejoy and Playter Streets, by Stephen Maj, age 16, of 137 Playter Street, and died in the Emergency Hospital the following morning.

Maj and two companions were snowballing at the time, Bazicki came along and after some words with Maj, struck and felled him. Maj drew a pocket knife and cut Bazicki in the stomach. Maj was indicted for Manslaughter first degree. He was tried and found guilty of Manslaughter second degree and on March 7th was sentenced to Elmira Reformatory, by Judge Thorn. Execution of the sentence was suspended and he was placed on probation.

527: 2/1/1930-About 9:30 p.m., Adam Lamka, age 42, of 223 Coit Street, conducting a meat market at 542 East North Street, was shot and killed by two men, whom it is believed attempted to hold up his shop. Lamka, who was alone at the time, succeeded in attracting the attention of a passerby, and then collapsed and died in a few minutes from a wound in the neck. Two young men were seen running from the shop and made their escape.

528 LEO: 2/3/1930-Patrolman Carl Wunderlich, of the Twelfth Precinct, was shot about 8:30 o'clock a.m., and died later in the hospital. The officer was on duty at the time, in the A. & P. Company store, at Sycamore and Sherman Streets, where he was detailed to watch for a man who had been holding up the stores of this concern. The bandit fired as soon as he sighted the officer in the store, disabling him with the first shot, and made his escape.

Wunderlich was shot once in the head.

529: 3/6/1930-Mrs. Clotilde Marchand, age 50, of 576 Street was found dead in her home about 3 o'clock p.m. by her youngest son, Henry Marchand, Jr., upon his return from school. Mrs. Marchand was the wife of Henry Marchand, an artistic painter and sculptor, employed at the Buffalo Museum.

Examination of the body disclosed that a paper was saturated with chloroform had been forced down her throat, and there was also a bad wound on the head. Upon inquiry the police learned that two Indian women visited Mrs. Marchand about noon that day. Detectives sent to the Cattaraugus Indian Reservation returned with Mrs. Nancy Bowen, also known as Taylor, of Lawtons, N.Y., and Lila M. Jimerson, of Versailles, N.Y. Miss Jimerson was well known to Henry Marchand, acting as a model for Indian types he was preparing for the Indian exhibit in the museum.

During the police examination of the two women, it was learned from admission made by them, that Mrs. Marchand was murdered by Mrs. Bown, the older of the two Indians, who accused her of being a witch and causing the death of her husband, Charley Bowen, some time previous. It appears that Miss Jimerson became infatuated with the artist, and desired the death of Mrs. Marchand. She resorted to the use of magic and Indian superstition, telling the older woman that Mrs. Marchand was a witch and caused the death of Charley Bowen, and that she should be killed, that messages were received through the Ojija board from the spirits advising that this be done, or other Indians would be killed. She finally prevailed on Mrs. Bowen to kill Mrs. Marchand, which she did by hitting her on the head with a small hammer, and forcing a chloroform soaked wad of paper down her throat. Both women were placed under arrest on a charge of Murder first degree.

Lil Jimerson collapsed just before the close of trial, necessitating her removal to the hospital for treatment. While

there a plea of guilty to Murder second degree was accepted from her by Judge Thorn which was later withdrawn. Both women are held in jail pending trial.

Two days after the trial, Bowen, 60, confessed. She is a Seneca. Henry Jr., 12, found the battered body Thursday afternoon. They hit her with a hammer on the head before the chloroform. Both charged with first degree murder. Lila had told Bowen to kill the white witch. Marchand had given them lunch at her home.

Jimerson was tried twice and finally acquitted on February 28, 1931. Defense argued she knew nothing of Bowen's actions. Henri mentioned during the first trial he was intimate with Lila but only to induce her to pose. At the second trial, Bowen was the main witness against Lila. Lila said Henri plotted the death of his wife.

530: 3/8/1930-Philip Valenti, of 188 West Genesee Street, was shot and killed during a drinking party in his home about 7 p.m., Saturday. Leonardo Scavone, alias Louis Sarle, accused of the murder, fled the scene after the shooting of Valenti, and has not been apprehended. Scavone was indicted for Murder first degree.

531 LEO: 3/23/1930- About 12:30 a.m, March 23rd, members of the automobile squad gave chase to a car which had been reported stolen, and fired at the driver at Sycamore and Walnut Streets, when he did not stop and killed him.

The dead man was found to be Walter Krajewski, of 785 Fillmore Avenue, who was identified by witnesses, as the slayer of Patrolman Wunderlich, and wanted in connection with seven other cases of robbery.

"Lone Wolf" Krajewski, 21, was killed.

Detectives Louis M. Klein, George Tourjie, John W. Cratty, and John Hanrahan got the stolen car report. Krajewski was driving. They were shot at and not hit. Krajewski was thrown from the car. His revolver had five expended cartridges.

532-534 LEO: 3/23/1930-Early in the morning members of the automobile squad shot and killed three men in a gun fight at Genesee and Hagen Streets, while attempting to arrest them for a series of robberies. From a reliable source it was learned that John Dzadzynski, alias Sensen, age 20, of 218 Townsend Street, and Edward Dombkiewicz, age 17, of 74 Woltz Avenue, two of the three slain men were the bandits who shot and killed Mr. Lamka, while attempting to rob him.

At 2:30, they got news of two holdups. Detectives Guy C. Dewey, William Fitzgibbons, and Fred H. Rambuss were assigned. Pitrowski was at the wheel of the stolen car. Detectives said the bandits continued to fire at them.

The three killed were Henry Pitrowsky, 20, John Dzozezynski, 20, and Edward Domkiewicz, 17. Dombkiewicz's brother Peter had just been sent to Auburn for 20 years. A fourth who was thought to be fatally wounded escaped from the hospital while in the operating room.

Krajewski died first after he was shot in the head and his car hit a hydrant. A second stolen car with the others in it was engaged by the police. Pitrowski had eleven wounds in the back by shotgun slugs and bullets. Dzazezynski was shot once in the head. Dombkiewicz had two bullets through the back of the neck, one in the breast, and a finger partially shot off.

On March 26th, Edward Kujawn, who escaped from the operating room was arrested at his home.

Henry Wunderlich, Carl's brother, was a member of the automobile squad.

535: 4/23/1930-John C. Schroeter, age 48, of 172 Purdy Street, was shot and killed in his soft drink place at 173 East Ferry Street, about 6:10 p.m. John Flynn, age 54, of 229 Florida Street was arrested by police of the Sixth Precinct, on a charge of Murder first degree. Flynn was the former owner of the soft drink place, and sold the business to Schroeter. The two men quarreled about the payments for the business, Flynn had been drinking and drew a revolver and shot Schroeter.

Flynn was indicted for Murder first degree. He was permitted to plead guilty to Manslaughter first degree, and on June 13th was sentenced to Auburn Prison, by Judge Noonan, for a term of ten to twenty years.

<p><i>Schroeter was a former boxer. Flynn was arrested a block away from the scene.</i></p>
<p>536: 5/30/1930-Benjamin Snyder, age 50, of No. 25 West Ferry Street, was arrested on a charge of Murder first degree, by police and the Fifth Precinct. Snyder was accused of beating Florence Snyder, his wife, age 52 years, and causing injuries which resulted in her death. Snyder was indicted for Manslaughter first degree, and on June 25th was placed on trial, and found guilty of Manslaughter second degree. He was sentenced to Auburn Prison, by Judge Noonan, for a term of fifteen years.</p>
<p>537: 6/29/1930-During a fight in front of 122 Main Street at 7:30 p.m., Anthony Donkowski, age 43, of 76 Townsend Street, was cut over the heart with a pocket knife by Mike Bubnich, age 36, of 86 Lloyd Street, and died in the Emergency Hospital a short time later.</p> <p>Bubnich was arrested by officers of the First Precinct on a charge of Murder first degree. He was indicted for Manslaughter first degree, and on November 5th, he was tried in the Count Court before Judge Thorn and acquitted by the jury.</p>
<p>538: 7/1/1930-Fotis Patsiloros, a Greek, of No. 9 Sycamore Street, was stabbed under his heart about 5:15 a.m., Alex Pateras, a fellow countryman of the same address was arrested by the police of the Third Precinct and accused of the crime. According to the witnesses the two had an argument, respecting their ability as workmen, while employed at the Ford Company's plant at Detroit, a fight started which ended in the fatal stabbing of Patsiloros.</p> <p>Pateras was indicted for Manslaughter first degree, and was allowed to plead guilty to Manslaughter second degree. On October 24th Judge Rowe sentenced him to Auburn Prison for a term of five to fifteen years.</p>
<p>539: 7/23/1930-During a fight in a vacant house at 36 Mortimer Street about 11:30 p.m., Charles Denman, colored, of 34 Mortimer Street, was stabbed in the abdomen by George Morgan, age 32, colored, of 44 Mortimer Street, and died the next day.</p> <p>On July 24th Morgan was arrested by officers of the Fourth Precinct on a charge of Murder first degree, indicted for Manslaughter first degree. A plea of guilty to Manslaughter second degree was accepted, and on November 3rd he was sentenced by Judge Rowe to the Erie County Penitentiary for one year and fined \$500.00.</p>
<p>540 E: 7/31/1930-Edward Feist of 952 Michigan Avenue, night attendant in the Library Garage, No. 22 Broadway, was found dead in the office of the garage about 7:30 a.m. Feist had been shot in the left groin an hour or two previous, and bled to death. The motive for the crime was robbery, the cash register had been jimmied open and \$34.63 in cash stolen.</p> <p>Subsequently Nick Melski, alias Andrew F. Mitelski, age 25, of Gatestown, Michigan, was arrested in Detroit and accused of this crime. He was returned to Buffalo and on September 9th a charge of murder was filed.</p> <p><i>Feist was 29. Metelski did not have one visitor while in prison A sanity test was ordered on July 17th. At his execution, he wore a red rose on his lapel.</i></p> <p>"Andrew Metelski, white, age 21. Murder. The crime was committed in Erie County. Metelski broke into downtown Buffalo's library garage and attempted to crack the safe there. When he was caught in the act by a night attendant named Edward Feist (white), he shot the man in the head and fled empty-handed. Some weeks later Metelski was picked up in Detroit for a burglary there and found to have fingerprints identical to some that were found on a light bulb at the scene of the Buffalo slaying. Metelski was executed on July 23, 1931." CBH, 185.</p>
<p>541: 9/1/1930-Christina Ford, colored, age 35 of 152 Pine Street, was fatally stabbed in the neck and body about 11 p.m., in front of No. 9 Union Street, by her husband, John Ford. The couple quarreled over domestic affairs at short time before, and when Mrs. Ford left the house to visit a neighbor, he followed and ordered her back into the house and when she refused, he stabbed her, death resulting the next morning.</p> <p>Ford escaped at the time but within an hour he was picked up on Ohio Street near Chicago, by police of the 7th Precinct. He was charged with Murder first degree, and was so indicted. Later a plea of Guilty to Murder second degree was accepted from Ford, and on November 3rd Judge Rowe in the County Court, sentenced him to Auburn prison for twenty years to life.</p>
<p>542: 9/12/1930-During a gun fight in front of 575 Niagara Street, about 11:15 a.m., Anthony Infantino, age 37, of 544 Busti Avenue, was shot and died twelve days later in the hospital from his injuries. Alfio Buscarino, of 258 Bay Street, Rochester, N.Y., who fired the shots at Infantino, received a leg wound from Infantino's fire. He was</p>

arrested by police of the Tenth Precinct on a charge of Murder first degree.

Some months previous the two men had a similar gun fight in Rochester, in which Buscarino was shot and wounded. Infantino was arrested in connection with this affair, was convicted, and was at liberty on bail, pending appeal of his case. The shooting in Buffalo was a continuation of the old feud, when the men met on the street here. The Grand Jury returned a "No Bill" in this case and Buscarino was released from custody.

Infantino was shot five times. The shooting took place in front of the police station. Boccarino's face was scorched by a bullet. He was with John Oliverio, both from Rochester. Police say all three are bootleggers.

543: 9/20/1930-About 8 p.m., Florence Mickens, colored, age 36, of 593 Clinton Street, was stabbed in the throat, in front of 561 Clinton Street, by Julius Mickens, age 28, her common-law husband, and died in the Emergency Hospital. A quarrel over some trivial matter is said to be the cause of the deed.

544: 11/17/1930-About 6:30 p.m., an Italian was found in Davenport Alley, near Fly Street, suffering from bullet wounds. He was sent to the Columbus Hospital, where he died. The dead man was identified as John Arlia, age 38, of 15 Pearl Street, Bradford, Pa. Detectives investigating the case learned that the killing of Arlia was the result of a fight, originating in Bradford, between rival gangs of bootleggers, and the man wanted for the murder of Arlia was John Santaro, of Bradford. On December 26th, Santaro was arrested in Bradford, for the killing of another Italian in a gun fight, in which Santaro was wounded. County Detectives of Bradford have been notified of the particulars of the case here, and requested to hold him for Buffalo police, in the event he is not disposed of in Buffalo.

Arlia had arrived in Buffalo November 14th. It was first conjectured he was killed because a higher up they wanted dead couldn't be killed as easily. He was recently released from a six month bootlegging sentence. His rivals may have conjectured his early release was given by informing. He was shot three times with two other bullets missing and hitting the walls of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church. Arlia was harmless and known as a "rap man." Another theory was his gang may have killed him for leaving.

John Santaro was arrested in Buffalo on September 13, 1930, for having policy slips. He may be implicated in the Shisler kidnapping.

545: 12/7/1930-During a drunken quarrel about 5 o'clock a.m., in the yard of 270 Peckham Street, Daniel Polczynski, age 40, of No. 785 Fillmore Avenue, was severely beaten by two men, and died in the City Hospital two days later. A number of persons were questioned and several were held for investigation to determine the identity of Polczynski's assailants, but owing to insufficient evidence, they were not held for trial.

546-547: 2/17/1931-During a fight among members of Italian families occupying the tenement at 154 Dante Place about 6:30 P.M., Anthony Lachina, age 37 years was shot and killed, and Sam Cala, age 22, was shot and died early the next morning from his injuries. The shooting was an outcome of a quarrel between the women of the two families over differences with the children.

Leonard Zarbo, age 44, of 14 Dante Place, was arrested on a charge of Murder first degree, and Anthony Cala, age 18, a younger brother of Sam, was held for violation of Section 1897 Penal Law. After a Grand Jury investigation the charge against Zarbo was dismissed because of insufficient evidence. On March 6th Anthony Cala was sentenced to the Erie County Penitentiary for one year, sentence suspended during good behavior and placed on probation.

A snowball prank seems to have started the quarrel. Two Lachina children threw snowballs at Mary Cala, 43. Anthony Lachina and neighbor Zarbo walked into the Cala home to get an apology for Mary's harsh words to the children. Lachina was the first killed. Mary was cut by a woman assailant.

548: 3/8/1931-About 9:45 A.M., Joseph Chiarello, age 55, druggist, was found dead in the prescription room of his store at 335 Niagara Street, conducted by his son, Joseph Chiarello Jr. Examination disclosed that death was caused by a fracture of the skull, and that he had been struck heavy blows with a sharp weapon. Investigation by the police failed to disclose a motive for the deed, and the assailant had not been arrested up to this time. On March 30th a John Doe bench warrant was drawn in this case.

549: 4/12/1931-About 5 o'clock A.M., George Adams, age 55, room 312, Niagara Hotel, 50 Niagara Street was found dead in his bed, by Deputy Commissioner William R. Connolly, and Detectives John J. Crotty and William Murphy. The officers were investigating another case and went there to interview Adams. Death was found to have been due to a fractured skull caused by an assault with some blunt instrument. Later the same day Anthony Trapeni, age 20, of 527 Rhode Island Street, and Claude Crandall, age 20, of 266 Adams Street, were arrested and charged

with Murder first degree, both indicted for the offense. A plea of guilty to Manslaughter second degree was accepted from Crandall and on May 22nd Judge Rowe sentenced him to Auburn Prison for fifteen years as a second offender. Trapeni plead guilty to Manslaughter first degree and on May 22nd he was sentenced to Auburn Prison for a term of ten to twenty years by Judge Rowe.

Adams, was robbed of \$30, and died of a cerebral hemorrhage. They arrested Trapeni for robbing another man, found a check signed by Adams, and then found his nude corpse in his room at the Niagra Hotel.

550: 4/26/1931-Joseph Encino, age 35, of 198 Trenton Avenue, was shot and killed by Sam LaGreca, age 37, of 196 Trenton Avenue, about 10:40 P.M. The two men quarreled on the street in front of 208 Trenton Avenue and settled their differences by shooting it out. LaGreca was shot on the right side of his chin and under the left arm, but recovered from his wounds. After his release from the Columbus Hospital a charge of Murder first degree was placed against LaGreca. After considering the case the Grand Jury returned a no bill and the charge against him was dismissed.

551: 5/4/1931-About 2:30 P.M., Mrs. Frances Kopcioska, age 35, living at 5 Ormond Place, was thrown down a flight of stairs at that address, receiving injuries that caused her death in the Buffalo City Hospital later that day. Mrs. Kopcioska was a widow and for some time had been living at the Ormond Place address with Thomas Bondarek, age 38. Investigation disclosed that Bondarek and the woman drank heavily and quarreled frequently and on the above mentioned date after giving the woman a severe beating Bondarek threw her down the stairs. He was charged with Manslaughter first degree and was so indicted. A plea of guilty to Manslaughter second degree was accepted and on June 26th Judge Harris sentenced him to Auburn Prison for a term of 7 ½ to 15 years.

552: 5/18/1931-During a quarrel in the house at 29 Randall Street about 12:45 A.M., Henry Washington, colored, age 31, of 285 Madison Street, was cut on the neck and chest with a knife. He was removed to the Emergency Hospital where he died from his wounds. Eloise Richardson, colored girl, age 19 to 20, who according to witnesses cut Washington, escaped from the house and has not been apprehended up to this time.

553: 9/5/1931-During a drunken brawl at 49 West Avenue about 5:10 A.M., Allen Morgan, age 24, a roomer at that address was stabbed in the lower abdomen with a pocket knife and died shortly after. William B. Crawford, age 34, of the same address was arrested and accused of the murder. He was arraigned on a charge of Murder second degree, indicted for Manslaughter first degree. On November 7th he was tried and convicted of that offense. On December 28th Judge Noonan sentenced Crawford to Auburn Prison for a term of five to ten years.

554: 11/2/1931-Drake Ford, colored, age 25, of 207 Pratt Street, was shot in the stomach about 2:45 P.M., while in a room at that address talking with other colored people. Ford died in the Emergency Hospital a few hours later from his injury. James Gibbs, age 24, of 153 William Street, was arrested on charge of Murder first degree. According to eye witnesses there was no apparent cause of the shooting of Ford. Gibbs was indicted for Manslaughter first degree but was allowed to plead guilty to Manslaughter second degree. On December 4th Judge Noonan sentenced him to Auburn Prison for a term of five to ten years.

555: 11/21/1931-Falkner E. Vanderborg, age 42, of 330 Saunders Road, a collector for the General News Bureau, Market Arcade, 617-619 Main Street, was shot and killed about 3:55 P.M., on the rear stairway of the apartment house at 421 Niagara Street. The motive for the crime is believed to have been robbery, or resistance to an attempted assault upon Vanderborg. A number of persons were questioned and several were held for further investigation to determine the identity of Vanderborg's assailants, but owing to insufficient evidence were not brought to trial. A John Doe bench warrant charge Murder first degree has been drawn in this case.

556-557: 1/7/1932-About 9:30 P.M., Walter Mazur, age 38, no home living in a dugout on the city dumps, foot of South Michigan Avenue, was shot in the stomach with a double barrel shot gun, and died in an Emergency Hospital a short time later. At 11:59 P.M. of the same day, Fred Hughes, age 39, of 414 Auburn Avenue, a watchman on the West Shore Ore Docks, was found dead about one hundred and fifty feet distant from the scene of the shooting of Mazur. Death was caused from a small knife wound on the left side of the heart.

According to witnesses Mazur was shot by Hughes, who was evidently knifed by Mazur. A few minutes previous Mazur assaulted John Dures, age 19, of 44 Mackinaw Street, who was walking through the dumps with three other boys and made some remarks offensive to Mazur and another occupant of the dug-out. Hughes took his shotgun and went after Mazur. A struggle took place resulting in the death of the two men.

The police investigation failed to disclose evidence connecting others with the affray.

558: 2/24/1932-Esther Thompson, colored, age 39, of 418 Jefferson Avenue, was stabbed about 2 P.M., by her husband Henry Thompson, age 40, colored, rooming at 347 William Street.

Thompson went to the Jefferson Avenue house to visit his wife, the two quarreled and he cut her with a knife, death resulting in a short time. Thompson was arrested by police of the Fourth Precinct and indicted for Murder first degree. A plea of guilty to Murder second degree was accepted and on March 28th Judge Thorn in County Court sentenced Thompson to Auburn Prison for a term of twenty years to life.

559: 3/26/1932-About 11:40 P.M., Edward Meyers, age 27, of 12 Heussy Avenue, was killed by a bomb place in a storm shed of a soft drink place at 74 O'Connor Avenue. After the discovery of the bomb, Meyers attempted to throw it outside, but before he could do so, the bomb exploded, injuring him severely, and causing his death in the Mercy Hospital within a short time.

A John Doe bench warrant charging Murder first degree, has been drawn in this case. No arrests made up to this time.

This Saturday night bombing was the fifth in a week. Nobody else had been injured in the other bombings. There were six customers in the establishment Bonvissuto, owner of the building, was with his wife and four children on the second floor. The dynamite may have been the work of the Black Hand.

560: 5/3/1932-About 6:30 A.M., William H. Lewis, colored, age 46, was slashed on the neck with a razor by Earl Haymon, age 26, and died shortly after. Both men were lodgers in the municipal lodging house in the Broadway Auditorium and fought over the disappearance of a towel which Lewis accused Haymon of taking.

Haymon was arrested by police of the Fourth Precinct and indicted for Murder second degree. He was tried and found guilty as charged, and on June 1st Judge Rowe in the County Court sentenced him to Auburn Prison for life as a second offender.

561: 7/4/1932-Walter Gorkiewicz, age 41, of 749 Smith Street, was assaulted in the soft drink place which he conducted at that address about 11 P.M. Gorkiewicz became involved in an argument with John Grzeskowiak, age 21, of 61 Pink Street. In the fight that followed Gorkiewicz was knocked to the floor, receiving a broken leg and other injuries, and died later in the Emergency Hospital.

Grzeskowiak was arrested by members of the radio division, and was indicted for Manslaughter second degree. A plea of guilty to Assault second degree was accepted and on November 7th, he was sentenced to the County Court by Judge Rowe to a term of five years in Auburn Prison. The said sentence being suspended during good behavior, he was placed on probation.

562: 7/9/1932-Louise Aquisto, age 17, of 179 Fourth Street, was shot in the body below the breast about 2:30 A.M., and died later in the Columbus Hospital. The girl was visiting the home of Samuel Maidai, 419 Normal Avenue, and while there Ralph D'Avanzato, age 19, of 367 Trenton Avenue, called to see her. The two quarreled and D'Avanzato shot the girl as above stated. He later claimed the shooting was accidental.

Police were pursuing a car for traffic violations when Louise's body was thrown from the car. The police took the nude Louise to a nearby hospital where she died 10 minutes later.

D'Avanzato was arrested by members of the Radio Division while taking the girl to the hospital and was indicted for Murder second degree. Later a plea of guilty to Manslaughter second degree was accepted and on October 31st Judge Rowe in the County Court sentenced him to Auburn Prison for a term of three to ten years.

The shooting took place in the home of Samuel Maida, 22, where Aquisto was visiting D'Avanzato said he thought the .32 was unloaded and he was showing it to Aquisto. He pulled the trigger four times and it discharged once hitting her in the chest. "Bubbles," 16, died at the hospital. The police found the revolver at the scene fully loaded with one chamber discharged. There were no marks on the other primers. Louise had tried to commit suicide twice.

563: 7/27/1932-Richard Edwards, age 55, colored, of 237 Spring Street, was shot and instantly killed about 1:15 A.M., in the yard in rear of 157 Hickory Street. Elisha Dykes, age 53, colored, of that address was arrested by police of the Fourth Precinct, and accused of the crime. The killing was the outcome of a quarrel between the two over the ownership of four crates of fish.

Dykes was indicted for Murder first degree, but was permitted to plead guilty to a charge of Murder second degree. On October 21st he was sentenced by Judge Rowe in the County Court to a term of 20 years to life in Auburn Prison.

564: 8/4/1932-About 10:40 P.M., Hillard Smith, age 35, colored, of 201 Hickory Street, was stabbed on both arms

and the shoulder, in front of 267 William Street, by Norman Clay, age 40, colored, rooming at 272 Clinton Street. Smith's wounds resulted fatally on October 17th. The assault was the outcome of a quarrel, the two having had some differences on a previous date.

Clay escaped arrest and has not been apprehended up to this time. A bench warrant charging Manslaughter first degree was issued on October 31st.

565: 9/3/1932-Sims Reid, age 32, of 321 Spring Street, was shot about 5 P.M., in front of 89 Mortimer Street, and died on September 8th in the Emergency Hospital.

Charles Glasgow, age 41, of 460 Jefferson Avenue, was arrested by police of the Fourth Precinct, and accused of the crime. He was charged with Murder first degree and was so indicted. Both men are colored and quarreled over a trifling matter, the shooting resulted. Glasgow was not permitted to plead guilty to Murder second degree, and on November 7th he was sentenced by Judge Rowe in the County Court, to Auburn Prison, for a term of twenty years to life.

566: 10/3/1932-Shortly after midnight, Clifford Hardy, age 28, of 579 South Division Street, and Joseph Caldwell, of 95 Pratt Street, both colored, employed on the freight docks, were walking north on Chicago Street on their way home. When about seventy feet north of Elk Street, Hardy was assaulted by a white man who knocked him down, his head striking the pavement. He was removed to the Emergency Hospital where he died from a fractured skull.

The Seventh Precinct Police arrested Patrick Ferris, age 20, of 117 Sidway Street, on a charge of Manslaughter second degree. He was discharged in City Court by Judge Keeler, on the grounds of self defense, evidence being presented that Hardy attempted to knife him.

567 LEO: 10/8/1932-At 6:30 A.M., Frank Glanowski, age 17, of No. 8 Andrew Alley, was shot in the spine and died in the Mercy Hospital on October 14th.

Glanowski is said to have been stealing coal from cars on the switch between the Erie and Nickle Plate Railroads, when seen by Detective William Burd of the Erie Railroad Police, and attempted to escape arrest. Burd fired a shot which struck Glanowski in the back. Burd was arrested by police of the Ninth Precinct and indicted Manslaughter second degree. Case is pending.

After Detective Burd took the wounded boy to the hospital, he fled. The boy had been supporting his mother and five other siblings by working as a huckster. She said he took a shortcut to work through the RR yard. He died on the 14th. Burd, 36, said he only shot after giving a warning to the boy and two others and he tried to fire a warning shot.

At the trial, an expert witness testified that the bullet entered the spine at a 45-degree angle typical of a ricochet. The prosecution's expert disagreed. A witness said he saw the gun fired straight after two men got out of a car.

The boy, while at the hospital, told the police he was not picking up coal.

568-569 HS: 10/31/1932-About 11 A.M., Mrs. Elizabeth Hausbeck, age 56, and Mrs. Margaret Cowan, age 29, a daughter, were shot and killed by their father Michael Hausbeck, age 63, in the home 414 Dewey Avenue.

Because of domestic trouble, Hausbeck had been separated from his family for the past two years and was rooming at 2471 Bailey Avenue. After shooting his wife and daughter, Hausbeck committed suicide by shooting himself in the right temple.

The killer said "Let's settle this once and or all" before killing Cowan in the kitchen. His two other daughters left the house as he rushed up the stairs to kill his wife.

570-571: 11/10/1932-About 6:45 P.M., Charles Centinello, age 27, of 267 Cedar Street, and Anthony Bonavito, age 30, of 351 Seneca Street, were shot and died within an hour in the Emergency Hospital, from the injuries received. The shooting followed an argument which developed into a fist fight and ended on the sidewalk in front of 275 Michigan Avenue.

On November 18, 1932, Anthony Privitera, age 23, of 141 Prospect Avenue, accused of shooting the two men, surrendered to the Sheriff. He was indicted for Murder second degree, and was placed on trial December 5th in the County Court, before Judge Thorn. The jury disagreed and Privitera was remanded to jail pending further action in

the case.

(Privitera was tried a second time, found guilty of Manslaughter Second Degree. On Jan. 27, 1933, Judge Rowe sentenced him to Auburn Prison, for fifteen years, because of previous felony conviction.)

572-573 LEO: 11/19/1932-About 1:40 A.M., Patrolman Russell E. Greeley, age 30, of the 8th Precinct, was shot twice in the body in front of 965 Broadway, and died the next morning in the Emergency Hospital.

Greeley has placed Charles Tulmello, age 37, of 145 Cedar Street under arrest for damaging a safety zone platform at Broadway and Fillmore, and was taking him to No. 8 Station. Tulmello drew a revolver and shot the officer. He also fired three shots at Patrolman Walter Weising who gave chase and shot Tulmello in the right shoulder bringing him down at the corner of Gibson and Szynakiewicz Streets. He was removed to the Emergency Hospital where he died on the morning of November 21st.

574: 12/18/1932-Nicholas Cheviello, age 37, of 526 North Division Street, was shot in the left leg, in his home about 9:45 P.M. and died in the Emergency Hospital on December 20th. Cheviello, Pasquale Rescigano, age 45, of 473 Swan Street and two other Italians were playing cards in the home of Cheviello. The men were drinking during the progress of the game, and a dispute arose which developed into a fight; Rescigano being worsted. He went to his home secured a shot gun and returned to Cheviello's house. There the fight renewed and during a scuffle Cheviello was shot.

Rescigano was arrested by police of Second Precinct, indicted on a charge of Murder first degree. Case is pending.

575: 12/24/1932-William Tuggle, age 72, colored, was found dead in his room at 403 William Street, about 7:30 P.M. Tuggle had been struck on the head with a hammer, and died from a fractured skull. Several colored men known to have played cards in Tuggle's room earlier in the evening were brought in for investigation, but owing to insufficient evidence were not held for trial. A John Doe indictment charging Murder first degree was returned in the case.

576: 12/29/1932-Alex Budzinski, age 45, of 49 Kennedy Road, Forks, N.Y., and Anthony Janiga, age 46, of 412 Wilson Street, became involved in a quarrel in front of the latter's home about 6 P.M. Janiga struck Budzinski knocking him to the sidewalk. He received a fractured skull and died in the City Hospital the next day.

Janiga was arrested by Eighth Precinct Police on a charge of Manslaughter first degree.

577: 1/13/1933-Angel Perillo, age 21, of 124 Dante Place was shot and killed by Sam Varisco, age 32, of 561 Fargo Avenue, at the corner of Dante Place and Evans Street, at 6:10 P.M.

The shooting was the sequel to an argument which took place some hours before between the two men while playing pool at 124 Dante Place.

Varisco was arrested by officers from the Detective Bureau, and charged with Murder, first degree. He was indicted for violation of Section 1897 Penal Law, tried and found guilty. One June 2, 1933, he was sentenced to the Erie County Penitentiary for one year by Judge Thorn. Sentence suspended during good behavior.

Samuel Varisco, a Republican district committeeman, first said he slapped Porello when he wouldn't end a game of pool. He then said Porello and a friend accosted him and Porello started shooting at him. Varisco jumped behind a car and returned fire. Porello recently arrived from Cleveland. The Porello family was in the corn sugar racket. On February 2nd, over the district attorney's objections, the grand jury met but did not charge Varisco with first degree murder.

In 1925, Varisco had been convicted of illegal possession of firearms and fined \$100. On May 23, 1933, he was charged with felony gun possession because of his prior conviction, he pled guilty to a misdemeanor charge.

578 HS: 1/14/1933-Mary Heigl, age 49, of 86 Haven Street, was shot in the breast by Michael Schultz, age 47, of 2266 Bailey Avenue, about 9:25 A.M. Mrs. Heigl and Schultz were the proprietors of "George's" Restaurant at 2266 Bailey Avenue, and quarreled over business affairs. At the above mentioned time the two had a heated quarrel in the restaurant, and after shooting the woman Schultz committed suicide by shooting through the right temple. Mrs. Heigl died the next day in the City Hospital.

Heigl continued to refuse Schultz's marriage proposals. Schultz lived in the rear of the restaurant. Heigl was able to reach a garage next door before she collapsed.

579 HS: 1/18/1933-Sarah Sapienza, age 25, of 534 Busti Avenue, was and shot and killed about 1:50 P.M., by Joseph Orlando, age 42, of 150 Fourteenth Street, who then committed suicide by shooting.

Orlando drove Miss Sapienza in his car to a parking space on Scajaquada Creek Boulevard between Grant and Elmwood, where the shooting took place. Jealousy and revenge because the girl was about to marry another man is given as the motive for Orlando's act.

Jasper P. Orlando had become jealous over a Pittsburgh man. Orlando, 35, was president of the Buffalo Tailors and Cleaners' Association, Int. Sapienza was found a few feet from the car. She was trying to end the relationship and return a watch.

580: 1/30/1933-About 7:05 A.M., Joseph Mogaveno, alias Minor, aged 44, of 947 West Avenue, was fatally injured by the explosion of a bomb, attached to the starter of his car. He was about to drive away from in front of his house when the explosion took place. In a statement to the police before his death, Mogaveno accused Frank DeGoris, a brother-in-law, of 856 Niagara Street, of placing the explosive in his car.

DeGoris and his sister, Mrs. Minor, wife of the slain man, were held by police for investigation. They were later released by the District Attoreny because of insufficient evidence. No one has been brought to trial in this case.

581: 2/14/1933-During a fight which followed an argument in the Quill Athletic Club, 228 Carolina Street, about 7:40 P.M., Edward Price, age 40, of 107 Prospect Avenue, received a fractured skull and died in his room some hours later.

The police of the Third Precinct arrested Edward Glynn, age 33, of 45 Whitney Place, bartender of the Club, and charged him with Manslaughter first degree. The case is pending..

582: 5/18/1933-About 4:30 A.M., Julius Daniels, age 35, colored, of 393 Clinton Street, was shot and killed at the corner of Elk and Chicago Streets.

Daniels and Lee Jones, colored, of 102 Main Street, were on their way to work on the docks, and as they reached the above location an automobile northbound on Chicago Street stopped for the traffic signal. Occupants of the car yelled some objectionable remarks to the colored men, who retorted in kind. A shot was fired from the car which struck Daniels in the neck, killing him instantly. The automobile was driven away quickly and the license number was not noted by anyone. The identity of the occupants of the car has not been learned.

583: 5/20/1933-During a fight in a room in the tenement at 84 Dante Place about 9 P.M., Frank Zarbo, age 45, of 127 Dante Place, was fatally stabbed, Vincenzo Ammato, age 47, of 24 State Street, was stabbed in the abdomen, and Joseph Triardo alias Guiseppe Tealdo, age 54, of 84 Dante Place was cut about the neck and face. Zarbo died in the Emergency Hospital the next day. Ammato recovered from his injuries in the Columbus Hospital.

Triardo was arrested by police of the First Precinct, and admitted stabbing the two men but claimed it was in self defense. He was charged with Murder first degree, but the case against him was dismissed after the Grand Jury returned no bill.

Joseph Talardo, 54, was held by the police.

584: 6/9/1933-Mrs. Susan Johnson, age 54, of 209 Waverly Street, was injured in by a fall received when struggling with a man in front of 145 Waverly Street, about 11:05 P.M. Mrs. Johnson and her daughter Mrs. Emil Delaney of Rochester, N.Y., were walking along the street when a man attempted to snatch her purse. She resisted him and fell and struck her head. Death occurred in the Sisters Hospital a few hours later from the effects of a fractured skull.

Her head hit the curb and she kept her purse.

585: 6/10/1933-At 8:35 P.M., during an argument ove some laundry at 481 West Avenue, Wong Chow, age 63, Chinese laundryman at that address, was assaulted by Edward V. Brown, age 33, of 222 Jersey Street.

Wong Chow died in the Columbus Hospital a few hours later from the effects of fractured ribs. Brown escaped and has not been arrested up to this time. A bench warrant charging Manslaughter second degree was issued for his arrest.

Chow had refused to return laundry to two men without receiving payment.

586: 7/13/1933-About 5 A.M., Harrie Wright, alias Hollis, colored, age 21, of 103 Mortimer Street, was shot and killed while in bed. The shots were fired through the window, setting fire to the curtains.

Sammie Fuller, age 21, colored boxer, no address, was accused of the crime. He escaped and has not been arrested up to this time. Fuller and the girl had been keeping company and broke off their relations about two months previous to the shooting. Revenge for some fancied wrong is believed to be the motive for the murder. A bench warrant charging Murder first degree was issued for the arrest of Fuller.

587: 7/25/1933-About 7 P.M., Richard Fox, ag 42, of 117 E. Eagle Street and Edward McGovern, age 23, of 123 North Division Street, became involved in an argument on Eagle Street between Oak and Elm. McGovern struck Fox with his fist, he fell striking his head on the sidewalk.

Fox was taken to the Emergency Hospital where he died the next day from cerebral hemorrhage caused by fractured skull.

McGovern was arrested by First Precinct police and charged with Manslaughter second degree. He was discharged in City Court.

588-589: 8/25/1933-About 11:10 P.M., Sam Callea, age 37, of 179 Auburn Avenue, and his brother James Callea, age 42, of 309 Potomac Avenue, both Italians, were shot and killed in front of their place of business at 367 Connecticut Street. June Bauder, age 14, of 325 Porter Avenue and Joseph Pariso, age 41, of 110 Fifteenth Street, pedestrians, were injured by stray bullets.

The Callea brothers conducted a beer place at this address, and were shot by several Italians who drove there in a Ford coach. No motive has been definitely established and no one brought to trial in the case up to the present time. A number of persons were brought in for investigation but because of insufficient evidence were not held. Three bench warrants charging Murder first degree have been issued in this case.

Pariso was wounded in the leg and Bauder hit in the back of the head by a ricocheting bullet. An automatic shotgun and two revolvers were the weapons used by the killers. James, 38, was found dead in the sidewalk, and Samuel, 36, was found in a car. They ran the largest bootlegging operation in Western and Central New York. Witnesses said that at least five men were involved. An abandoned car with the two weapons was found nearby. Deputy Police Commissioner believed a Cleveland gang put them pn the spot and added the only way to deal with gangsters was to use machineguns.

Three men were arrested by police without charge: Joseph Bonvissuto, Charles Manguso, and Joseph Sanfillipo. It is probably this is the Sanfillipo who committed homicide #291.

On October 13th, Jamestown police arrested Joseph Callea of Buffalo for a still. Callea gave an alias but had papers on him that suggested he was Callea. Callea had been missing from the city when his two cousins Vincenzo and Salvatore were slain. He also is under suspicion for the Buffalo bombing of an expensive sedan owned by Vincent Marinello in a garage at 383 Hudson Street on September 26th. Callea had been arrested by federal agents some time ago and Marinello had furnished bond, which Callea jumped. Callea admitted his identity after a fire burned the 1000-gallon still during the night of his arrest.

In 2013, a website, Buffalo Police Then and Now-The Callea Brothers Murder 1933 (<http://www.bpdthenandnow.com/calleabro.html>) examined the incident in detail.

590: 9/7/1933-During an argument in a social club at 302 Clinton Street, about 4 A.M., Lee Taylor, age 23, colored, of 571 Jefferson Avenue, was stabbed in the left breast, and died in a short time.

Milton Barlow, age 34, colored, no address, stabbed Taylor and escaped from the place. He has not been arrested up to this time. A bench warrant charging Murder first degree has been issued for his arrest.

591: 9/8/1933-Lee Davis, age 29, colored, of 301 Spring Street, was fatally stabbed about 11:45 P.M., in the house of the above address, and died in the Emergency Hospital a short time later.

Davis, with George Hyde, age 19, of 190 Cedar Street, and several other colored men were shooting dice when a quarrel started among them. In the scuffle that followed Hyde stabbed Davis several times.

Hyde was arrested by Fourth Precinct police on a charge of Murder first degree, and was so indicted. Later a plea of guilty to Manslaughter first degree was accepted and on October 9, 1933, Judge Harris sentenced him to Attica Prison for a term of 8 to 10 years.
<p>592: 10/8/1933-Elmer Enney, age 26, of 640 Plymouth Avenue, and James Tucker, age 35, of 501 Plymouth Avenue, quarreled over the payment of some drinks, while in the restaurant at No. 12 Grant Street, about 7:20 P.M.</p> <p>Enney struck Tucker with his fist knocking him to the floor. He became unconscious and died shortly after from the effects of a fractured skull. Enney was arrested by police of the Fifth Precinct on a charge of Manslaughter first degree. The charge was dismissed in City Court.</p>
<p>593-594 HS: 10/25/1933-About 6:30 A.M., Mrs. Mary Rueckert, age 55, and her son Clayton, age 23, of No. 33 Blaine Avenue, were shot and killed by Henry Rueckert, age 58, the woman's husband and father of the boy.</p> <p>The police of the Sixth Precinct answering a call from a neighbor that something was wrong in the house, forced a window and found the dead bodies of Mrs. Rueckert and her son, lying on the boy's bed. Upon further search the body of Mr. Rueckert was found in the basement. After killing his wife and son with a shot gun, it appears that Rueckert went to the basement and committed suicide with the same gun. Mental derangement from business worries is believed to have caused the act.</p> <p><i>It is thought that Clayton had two loads shot into his head as he slept. Mary rushed into the bedroom and threw her body on her son's. She was shot twice in the back of her head.</i></p> <p><i>Haney had been laid off from Buffalo Foundry and Machine for 18 months. His only income was from his Spanish American war pension which Congress cut. Clayton, 21, agreed to quit architecture school because of the family's diminishing finances.</i></p> <p><i>Henry went voluntarily to an alienist who said he was having a mental breakdown. He had no money for treatment. The double murder occurred on his birthday.</i></p>
<p>595 11/5/1933-The dead body of William Sieczkarek, age 32, restaurant proprietor at 1202 Broadway, was found in his bedroom after fire was discovered in the place about 4:10 A.M. The bed in the room had been set on fire. Examination of the body disclosed a fractured skull and severe burns.</p> <p>The police investigation developed that Sieczkarek and his brother-in-law, Aloysius Joba, age 19, of the same address, had had a fight and that Joba struck him on the head with a billiard cue.</p> <p>Joba was arrested on a charge of Murder first degree and Arson first degree, by police of the Eighth Precinct, and has been indicted for Manslaughter first degree and Arson first degree. Case is pending.</p> <p><i>The victim's partly burned body was found in his bed. Joba, who resided there, said that his brother-in-law objected to his heavy appetite and struck him. Joba hit him with a pool cue cut down to a billy. He then tried to burn the body. Mame, the wife, had not been speaking to William for four years. It was alleged that she was intimate with the butcher. On November 14th, the court ruled self-defense.</i></p>
<p>596: 12/31/1933-Mervin Pfarner, age 40, of 918 South Park Avenue, former Supervisor from the town of Boston, was shot and killed in his home about 5 A.M.</p> <p>Timothy O. Lynch, age 22, of the same address, brother-in-law of Pfarner, was arrested by officers from the Detective Bureau and the 15th Precinct. He confessed to the shooting of Pfarner saying he believed his life was in danger and that he fired in self defense. He was charged with Manslaughter first degree but was released after the Grand Jury returned a no bill in his case.</p>
<p>597: 1/6/1934-Irene Timmerman, age 22, of 38 Oschawa Street, while in the New Terminal Restaurant, 53 Newton Street, at 2:40 A.M., was shot in the abdomen and died in the Emergency Hospital the next day.</p> <p>Police of the Eighth Precinct arrested Fred J. Nowicki, age 22, of 31 Newton Street, a waiter employed in the restaurant, on a charge of Manslaughter first degree and Viol. Sec. 1897 Penal Law. Nowicki was carrying a revolver in his hip pocket and while removing his handkerchief from the same pocket, the revolver was discharged.</p> <p>The Grand Jury failed to indict Nowicki for Manslaughter. A plea of guilty to Viol. Sec. 1897 Penal Law</p>

(misdemeanor) was accepted from him. On March 2 nd Judge Noonan gave him a suspended sentence.
598: 4/8/1934-About 2:20 A.M., during a quarrel in their rooms at 153 Hickory Street, Agnes Simmons, age 29, colored, struck her husband James Simmons, age 40, on the head with a piece of gas pipe.
599: 4/14/1934-During a fight in the rooms on the third floor of 273 Clinton Street about 8 o'clock A.M., Willie Johnson, colored, age 31, was fatally stabbed by Willie Wilson, age 28, colored, both of the above address. Wilson was arrested by police of the 4 th Precinct and indicted for Manslaughter second degree. On July 20 th , he was permitted to pled guilty to a charge of Assault first degree, and was sentenced to Attica Prison for a term of 4 ½ to 9 years by Judge Lytle.
600: 4/29/1934-Mariantonio Palamara, age 44, of 860 Niagara Street, also known as "Mike the Undertaker," was shot and killed, while in the Caruso Restaurant, on the second floor, 93 Chippewa Street, about 1 A.M. Palamara was shot by two young men who made their escape and have not been apprehended up to this time. No motive has been definitely established for the murder.
601: 5/10/1934-During a fight on a northbound Jefferson Street car about 11:10 P.M., Frank Bittle, age 75, of 33 Winslow Avenue, was struck by Jesse Hayes, age 45, colored, of 21 Monroe Street. His head struck the floor of the car receiving injuries which resulted in his death in the Emergency Hospital some hours later. Hayes was arrested by police of the Twelfth Precinct on a charge of Manslaughter second degree. On October 10 th he was placed on trial in County Court before Judge Rowe and found not guilty.
602: 5/19/1934-John Curran, age 38, of 639 Grant Street, while in a restaurant at 392 Grant Street, conducted by John M. Green, was shot in the upper part of the chest and died in the Lafayette General Hospital a short time later. Police of the Fifth Precinct arrested David Thomson, age 50, of 359 Parkdale Avenue, and accused him of shooting Curran. About 3 o'clock A.M., an argument started between Thomson and another man who accused Thomson of putting his hand in his pocket. Curran became involved and was shot by Thomson. A charge of Murder first degree was placed against him. Case is pending.
603: 5/25/1934-Andrew Kowalski, age 74, of 827 Broadway, harness maker, was found dead on the floor in his living apartment, in the rear of his shop about 2:20 P.M. Death was caused from a fractured skull, severe lacerations on the scalp and a fractured nose. The weapon was not found although a thorough search of the premises was made by the police. Drawers in the room were found to have been ransacked. The body was discovered by Benjamin Kowalski, a son, age 28, of 880 Smith Street, who came there to visit his father. He was held for a time in connection with the investigation of the case. No one has been brought to trial up to this time.
604 LEO: 6/23/1934-About 12:40 A.M., Sterling Forden, aged 26, a young patrolman attached to the vice squad, was fatally stabbed while attempting to arrest a colored woman at 96 Lutheran Alley. Ethel Davidson, age 33, of 274 William Street, was arrested by Patrolman Michael Quinn and other members of the vice squad. While effecting the arrest Quinn was stabbed in the arm by the woman. She was charged with Murder first degree and so indicted. A plea of guilty to Murder second degree was accepted from Miss Davidson, and on July 6 th Judge Noonan sentenced her to Westfield State Farms for a term of 20 years to life.
605: month and day omitted/1934-Floyd Dew, age 25, colored, a roomer at 241 Cedar Street, was stabbed in the chest and died in the Emergency Hospital later in the day. According to the witnesses Dew was stabbed by Marshall DeBose, age 28, colored, of No. 3 Semet Solvay Road, Tonawanda, who called there on a visit and was ordered to leave by Dew. Police of the Fourth Precinct arrested DeBose on a charge of Murder first degree. Case is pending.
606: 7/13/1934-Clarence Kaska, age 34, of 9 Tenth Street, was arrested by officers from the Detective Bureau and Third Precinct, on a charge of Manslaughter first degree, in connection with the death of James Lennon, his father-in-law, of the same address. About 10:30 A.M. that date, the two men quarreled. According to witnesses Kaska attacked the older man, beat him and knocked him down stairs. Lennon suffered a fractured skull and died from its effects. Case is pending.

607: 8/2/1934-At 11:15 A.M., Anthony Gasdomski, age 25 of 133 Peck Street, was found dead in bed.

An autopsy performed by the Medical Examiner revealed that Gasdomski died of a fractured skull, caused by either a blow or a fall.

Police investigation developed that Gasdomski was involved in a row at Ashley and Krupp Streets, the previous midnight, and that he was struck and knocked down by Anthony Stelter, age 32, of 257 Ashley Street. He was arrested by police of the Eleventh Precinct and charged with Manslaughter second degree. At the hearing in City Court on August 8th he was discharged by Judge Joseph J. Kelly.

608: 8/25/1934-Robert Johnson, age 60, of 75 Unger Avenue, motorman for the International Railway Company, Clinton Street line, was assaulted with a controller handle from his car about 1 A.M., and died from the effects of a fractured skull.

Johnson and a passenger Stephen Hejna, age 40, of 91 Cochrane Street, Cheektowaga, became involved in an argument at Clinton and Wheelock Streets, terminus of the line, the outcome of which was the fatal assault of Johnson. Hejna escaped at the time but was later arrested by officers attached to the Detective Bureau and Eleventh Precinct. He was charged with Murder first degree and indicted for Murder second degree. Case is pending.

Hejna, father of seven, was allegedly annoying an 18 year-old girl by twice pulling down her collar. A dispute about the validity of his transfer arose. Hejna says he only responded after being struck twice by Johnson.

609 LEO, E: 8/31/1934-About 2:30 A.M., Lieutenant George L. Uhl of the Twelfth Precinct, was shot and killed in front of 492 Dodge Street.

The lieutenant together with Patrolman Harold Millhauser, in the precinct automobile, intercepted a car occupied by two men, for a traffic violation. Millhauser searched one of the men and found him armed. Lieutenant Uhl while going to the assistance of his brother officer was shot three times in the chest by the driver of the car and died in the Sisters Hospital.

At 9 P.M. of the same day, Salek and Pludzrak boarded a Pontiac Sedan, stopped at the intersection of Delaware and Bryant Street for a signal. They held up the driver, Theodore Keating, of 25 St. Catherines Court, and forced him to lie on the floor in the rear of his car. The pair later picked up Alice Zimmerman, a friend of the two men, and was then driven out of the city. About five miles from Olean near the New York State line, Keating was put out of the car and made his way to Olean on foot.

Early the next morning Buffalo police were notified that the Pontiac Sedan was wrecked in Circleville, Ohio, and its occupants were held by the police. Salek was injured in the accident and taken to the hospital and treated for head injuries. Officers from the Detective Bureau returned the prisoners to Buffalo. They were charged with Murder first degree, indicted, tried and found guilty of this charge. On September 27th Judge Norton sentenced both men to be put to death.

Alice Zimmerman, 25, was one of the occupants of the wrecked car. She may be charged with carrying concealed weapons. Stopped for running a stop sign, Uhl wanted to question them about a holdup of a small theater.

On September 29th, Bruno Salek, 17, and Stanley Pluzdrak, both from Niagara Falls, were delivered to death row at Sing Sing. They are scheduled for execution the week of November 5th.

“Stanley Pluzdrak, white, age 17, and Bruno Salek, white, age 20. Murder. The crime was committed on August 31, 1934, in Buffalo. Pluzdrak and Salek were Niagara Falls residents. They both had also been credible members of the Boy Scout troop there. To the amazement of everyone who knew them, they robbed a theater box office and fled from the scene in a stolen car. When a Buffalo police lieutenant named George H. Uhl (white) pulled their vehicle over, Salek shot him to death. Then the two miscreants abandoned their vehicle and fled in the policeman’s car. After an hour they left the vehicle and car jacked a vehicle driven by a male civilian. They then forced that person to drive them to Olean. They intended to kill him but changed their minds when they took his wallet and saw pictures of his children. So they released the man unharmed and kept his car. Two days later they wrecked the vehicle in Ohio and were caught. They were both executed on April 25, 1935.” CBH, 203.

610 AS: 9/5/1934-Mrs. Harriet Goode, age 47, was shot and killed in her apartment at 1201 Hertel Avenue, about

11:55 P.M. The shooting was the outcome of an argument between the woman and Elba Green, age 54, a roomer. Green then shot himself in the left breast. He was taken to the Millard Fillmore Hospital where he recovered.

After his release from the hospital Green was placed under arrest by police of the Seventeenth Precinct on a charge of Murder first degree. He was indicted on this charge by a plea of guilty to Manslaughter first degree was accepted from him. On December 7th he was sentenced to Attica Prison for a term of 7 ½ to 20 years by Judge Samuel Harris.

611: 11/17/1934-About 7:40 A.M., the dead body of William McGuire, age 64, of 259 North Street, was found about forty feet from Elmwood Avenue in a narrow areaway between the house at 168 Elmwood Avenue and a church next door, by Dominic Longo, 457 Busti Avenue, a roller in the City ash and garbage collection service. Head injuries cause McGuire's death. The case was presented to the Grand Jury but owing to insufficient proof that death was caused by some criminal act no indictment was returned.

New information obtained about a year later caused the reopening of the case. On June 28, 1935, Detective Bureau officers arrested the following named and charged them with Murder First Degree: Stanley Koczaja, age 22, of 123 Sears Street; Roman Marcinkowski, age 22, of 13 Newton Street and Henry F. Michalski, alias Myers, age 20, of 143 Sears Street. All three were indicted for Murder First Degree, motive robbery. Michalski was allowed to plead guilty to Murder Second Degree and on October 4, 1935, was sentenced to Attica Prison for a term of 20 years to life by Judge Thorn. Marcinkowski was tried on September 24th, found guilty of Murder Second Degree and on October 4th was sentenced to Attica Prison for a term of 35 years by Judge Hinkley. A plea of guilty to Manslaughter First Degree was accepted from Koczaja and on November 8th, Judge Thorn sentenced him to Attica Prison for a term of 5 to 10 years.

McGuire, 59, was the proprietor of a small clam stand, and was robbed by the three men of less than four dollars after they beat him to death. After buying gasoline and breakfast, each man was left with 60 cents.

612 HS: 11/9/1934-At 10:05 A.M., George H. Vesper, age 35, estranged from his wife Loretta Vesper, age 33, shot and killed her during a quarrel in the apartment on the second floor, 2519 Main Street.

Vesper then turned the gun on himself committing suicide. Domestic trouble was given as the cause for the deed.

613: 11/25/1934-About 2:17 A.M., Walter Poltowicz, alias Frisco, age 37, of 16 Reed Street, was shot and killed on the lawn near 143 Coit Street.

Police of the Eighth Precinct arrested Louis S. Karkowski, age 30, who lived at 125 Coit Street with Mrs. Josephine Poltowicz, mother-in-law, in connection with case.

According to witnesses, Poltowicz, came to his mother's home about 1 A.M. and after being admitted by his mother, started abusing her and other occupants of the house. He had an open pen knife in his hand, with which to strike his mother. She had escaped from him and ran out of the house. Karkowski and other relatives tried to reason with Walter, and asked him to leave the premises, but they were unable to quiet him. Karkowski then secured a shot gun from the attic and in the scuffle that followed, Walter was shot and died in the Emergency Hospital a short time later.

Karkowski was charged with Murder first degree, but at the hearing in City Court, he was discharged from custody by Judge Woltz.

Poltowicz was a third rate boxer known as the Frisco Kid. Woltz said no jury would find the defendant guilty.

614: 12/23/1934-About 8:30 P.M., during a quarrel between Mike Bitos, age 56, and his wife Mary Bitos, age 80, in their basement bedroom at 119 East Eagle Street, Bitos beat and kicked his wife, severely injuring her. She was taken to the Emergency Hospital where she died a few hours later from the effects of a fractured skull.

Bitos was arrested by officer from the Detective Bureau and the First Precinct and charged with Murder second degree. Case is pending.

615: 1/1/1935-About 3:25 A.M., William Abbott, age 31, was stabbed in the left chest in his home at 415 Benzinger Street, and died a short time later. Police of the Eleventh Precinct arrest Mae Abbott, his wife, age 26, on a charge of Murder Second Degree.

The couple had been celebrating the New Year in neighborhood drinking places and quarreled on their way home

and after arriving there. Mrs. Abbot claimed her husband beat her severely and dragged her around the kitchen by the hair. She seized a bread knife from the pantry and held it in front of her, and when Abbott rushed at her the point of the knife entered his chest. On January 10th after hearing the case in City Court, Judge Keeler discharged her from custody.

616 I: 3/4/1935-At 10:20 P.M., John Kloes, age 38, was shot and killed in his home at 166 Pries Avenue, by his son, Richard John Kloes, age 11.

The police investigation developed that Kloes was killed by the boy at the instigation of his wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Marion Kloes, age 37. A charge from a shot gun entered the back of his head killing him instantly.

Mrs. Kloes was arrested by police of the Fifteenth Precinct on a charge of Murder First Degree, but because of her condition she was removed to the City Hospital where she was detained under guard. She was indicted on a charge of Murder First Degree.

On May 2, 1935, Mrs. Kloes was removed to the State Hospital for Criminal Insane at Matteawan.

Mrs. Kloes bought the shotgun a month earlier for a hunting party. The sixth grader shot his father in the head as John was sitting in an armchair reading a magazine late Monday night. Mrs. Kloes was at a movie. Richard seemed to be unconcerned when questioned by the police. He told them he killed his father because "he was mean to mother and me." On March 22nd, a sanity board was requested for Elizabeth.

617 HS: 4/25/1935-At 5:30 A.M., Boleslaus Kaperzinski, age 51, rooming at 783 Fillmore Avenue, estranged from his family, went to 53 Bissell Avenue, and after an argument shot and killed Anastasia Kaperzinski, his wife, age 51, shot his daughter Frances, age 18, in the stomach, Mrs. Estell Gordon, age 24, another daughter in the left arm, and his son Alfred, age 27, in the left leg. At noon the same day Kaperzinski was found back of a garage at 22 Littlefield Avenue dying from a self inflicted bullet wound of the head. He died on the way to the Emergency Hospital. Domestic trouble, going on for some time, caused the shooting.

618: 7/12/1935-During an argument at the foot of Amherst Street about 1:45 A.M., between Frank Masset, age 38, of 118 Rano Street, and Bert A. Spinney, age 42, of 309 Roesch Avenue, Spinney struck Masset with his fist, felling him. Masset's head struck the pavement and he became unconscious. He was taken to the Lafayette Hospital where he was pronounced dead from a fractured skull.

The two men were members of the American Legion Post. No. 1041 at 927 Grant Street, and were returning from an outing down the river with the Post. They quarreled over the disposition of some glasses which were being place in Spinney's automobile.

Spinney was arrested by officers from the Detective Bureau and the Thirteenth Precinct on a charge of Manslaughter First Degree. The Grand Jury returned a "No Bill" in the case.

619: 7/14/1935-Richard Faggin, colored, age 34, of 451 Vermont Street, was stabbed with a butcher knife by his wife Elizabeth Faggin, age 27, white woman, in their home, about 3:15 A.M. Faggin died in the Emergency Hospital on July 19, 1935. The stabbing was the outcome of a quarrel between the two, Mrs. Faggin accusing her husband of undue attentions to another woman. She was arrested by officers from the Detective Bureau and the Tenth Precinct on a charge of Murder Second Degree, and was so indicted. On October 3, 1935, she was tried and found not guilty.

He was stabbed in the abdomen. The whole trial procedure, including jury selection, lasted less than 10 hours.

620: 8/14/1935-Corrine Bowen, age 20, of 72 Richlawn Avenue, employed as a maid in the home of Moses T. Day, 281 Huntington Avenue, was shot in the region of the heart about 5 P.M. Edwin W. Brown, age 28, rooming at same address attacked the girl and when she resisted he shot her. He then turned the weapon upon himself and fired a bullet into his head. Brown was removed to the Sisters Hospital where he died at 11 P.M., the same day. Miss Bowen was taken to the Central Park Clinic where she died on October 20, 1935.

Anna Corrine Bowin was shot on the stairs and then Brown descended seven steps and shot himself over the left ear.

621: 8/18/1935-About 2:35 A.M., Anthony Palmaro, age 32 of 860 Niagara Street, was shot and killed while sitting in his automobile on Fargo Avenue at the southeast corner of Porter Avenue. His assailant is believed to have been sitting alongside Palmaro in the front seat.

Several men were brought in for investigation in this case but were discharged because of lack of evidence. No one has been brought to trial up to this time. Gang killing.

He was shot six times in the head and once in the side. His brother was murdered on April 29, 1934 (homicide #600).

622: 8/31/1935-Hyman Griesdorf, age 55, poultry dealer at 401 William Street, residence 189 Brunswick Boulevard, was shot and killed in his store at 11:40 P.M. Homer Gill, age 34, negro, of 77 Bennett Street was arrested by officers from the Detective Bureau and Fourth Precinct and charged with Murder First Degree, motive robbery. Case is pending.

623: 10/11/1935-At 10:45 A.M., Norman Thomas, age 36, colored, of 48 Mortimer Street, was stabbed in the left side with a pocket knife at the corner of William and Mortimer Streets, Thomas told the police that he cut himself by falling on the knife. His story was discounted by Police of the Fourth Precinct and Detective Bureau, after they learned he had quarreled with his wife, Annie Thomas, age 32, about her behavior, staying out late at night. She was arrested on a charge of Assault First Degree.

On December 12th Thomas died in the Emergency Hospital from the effects of his wound. The case was taken to the Grand Jury and a "No Bill" returned.

624: 10/16/1935-During a fight about 12:30 A.M. in Butler Alley, between Albert Vandell, age 24, of Duluth, Minn., employed as a porter on the Steamer Sullivan, and Adam Gonsky, age 33, of Erie, Pa., a watchman on Steamer McGean, Vandell was knocked down, his head striking the pavement. He was removed to the Marine Hospital where he died a few hours later from a fractured skull.

Gonsky was arrested by First Precinct Police on a charge of Manslaughter Second Degree. On October 29th he was discharged in City Court by Judge Robt. J. Summers.

Gonsky was released because Vandell had a naturally thin skull.

625: 10/18/1935-Theodore Vactor, colored, age 34, of 415 Michigan Avenue, died in the Emergency Hospital from wounds in the stomach and shoulder. About 3 A.M., October 14, 1935, Vactor and his common-law wife, Betty Judson, age 24, became involved in a drunken brawl on their way home. At the corner of Clinton and Union Streets, Vactor struck the woman and she stabbed him in the shoulder. She stabbed him again in the stomach in front of 415 Michigan Avenue when he struck her a second time. She was arrested by Police of the Second Precinct on a charge of Murder Second Degree and held for the Grand Jury. Case is pending.

626: 1/30/1936-About 4:55 P.M., Clinton W. Cameron, age 50, of 924 Brighton Avenue, Tonawanda, N.Y., a supervisor for the International Railway Company was assaulted at the junction of Main St., and Jefferson Avenue, and knocked down, his head striking the pavement. He was removed to the Sister's Hospital, where he died the following day from a fractured skull.

At the time Cameron was involved in a dispute with a group of working-men, who pulled a trolley pole on a car which failed to stop at the location, and allow them to board it. One of their number struck the supervisor, causing his injury.

(On January 7, 1937, headquarters police arrested Carl Reid, colored, age 40, of 122 Madison Street, and charged with Manslaughter First Degree. He was indicted, tried and convicted of the same charge on March 16th, 1937, and sentenced to Attica Prison for a term of 10 to 20 years.)

627 HS: 4/29/1936-Edward Boettger, age 63, of 327 Crescent Avenue, a masseur, was beaten on the head with a large wrench, in his home, about 8 P.M., and died almost instantly from severe injuries. John Tryka, age 39, of 110 Sweet Avenue, had gone to Boettger's office to complaint that his wife and daughter who had been receiving treatments from Boettger over a four year period, and who had paid him a large amount of money, were not benefited by the treatments. A heated argument ensued between the two men during which Tryka assaulted Boettger with the wrench. Mrs. Magdalene Boettger and her son William who attempted to interfere were both struck with the wrench but not seriously injured.

Tryka was arrested at this home and taken to the 14th Precinct Police Station, where he was charged with Murder first degree. About 10 A.M., next day he committed suicide by hanging in the cell in which he was confined.

Tryka, a meat packer, told police that his victim, Adolphe Boettger, had placed an evil curse on him. Tryka said he

had paid over \$400 to keep the spirits away. Tryka tied a green and white handkerchief around his neck, tied it to a cell bar, and then jumped off a bench.

628: 5/4/1936-About 6 P.M., Grace E. Matice, age 38, beauty parlor operator, was found strangled to death in a room in the rear of her beauty shop at 531 East Ferry Street.

The police later arrested Hilton T. Cullins, age 43, a roomer in the Matice home. He admitted choking the woman to death with his hands, after a quarrel which he accused her of attentions to another man.

Cullins was charged with Murder First Degree, and so indicted. He was tried, and convicted of Manslaughter First Degree. On June 30, 1936, he was sentenced to serve 10 to 20 years in Attica Prison.

Cullen was arrested at a bus terminal three hours after the murder. He said that she called him vile names.

629: 5/22/1936-John Lombardo, age 39 of 296 Busti Avenue was shot through the heart and killed instantly about 9 P.M., while standing at the southwest corner of Virginia Street and Busti Avenue. His assailant, who has not been identified, left the scene in an automobile driven south on Busti Avenue. Case unsolved.

630: 6/19/1936-About 3:05 P.M., George Hayek, a Syrian, age 55, of 579 North Division Street, storekeeper at 226 Jefferson Avenue, was found in his store by Catherine Hasick, of 276 Jefferson Avenue, suffering from injuries about the head. He told officers who responded to the call that he had a dizzy spell and fell.

Hayek was removed to the Emergency Hospital where he died on June 24th. An autopsy performed by the Medical Examiner disclosed a severe skull fracture with resultant injuries to the brain. The opinion of the Medical Examiner was that the injury was too severe to have been caused by a fall, and that the man had been struck with some blunt instrument.

Case was taken before the Grand Jury and a John Doe indictment charging Murder First Degree returned. The case remains unsolved up to this time.

Hayek died on June 25th.

631: 6/27/1936-Frank LoTempic, age 38, of 24 Trumbull Parkway, Batavia, N.Y. was shot and killed about 11:25 A.M. The murdered man had attended a wedding at 541 Seventh Street, and was walking across the street in front of that address when accosted by two men and shot. They escaped in a new black Ford car going north on Seventh Street.

Case unsolved.

Frank LoTemplo was a bookmaker. His brother-in-law was Alfred Panepino, was murdered in Batavia on August 14, 1937. He was shotgunned while playing cards in a poolroom run by Joseph LoTemplo. Russell LoTemplo died in a car bombing in Medina.

632: 7/26/1936-About 1 A.M., Sunday, William Fridgens, age 23, of 150 East Street, and Thaddeus Konieczko, age 22, of 520 Amherst Street, while drinking in a restaurant at Niagara and Amherst Streets, became involved in an argument, and decided to fight it out on the bridge at the foot of Amherst Street.

During the tussle Fridgens fell through a hole in the bridge planking, to the tow-path below, a distance of about fifteen feet, fracturing his left arm. Blood poisoning developed while he was in the General Hospital and he died from its effects on July 28, 1936.

Konieczko was arrested of a charge of Manslaughter Second Degree, and at a hearing in City Court was discharged.

Fridgens died because of complications to a fractured left arm.

633: 8/23/1936-On August 23, 1936, about 10:10 P.M., William Moody, age 63 of 131 Carroll Street, while in his room at that address, was shot in the upper part of the chest, and died in the Emergency Hospital on August 29th from injuries received. The police investigation failed to develop a definite motive, although a number of his associates were examined in search of a clue. Case not cleared up to this time.

On September 12th, Rudolph Ray, colored, was arrested.

634: 8/26/1936-Sam Izzo, age 38, of 216 Ellicott Street, Batavia, N.Y., was shot and instantly killed about 3:30 A.M., while standing at the southeast corner of Virginia and Seventh Streets. Izzo was shot by two men who escaped by running west in Virginia Street.

He was shot near the scene of the LoTemplo slaying. Police think the killings are connected (homicide #631).

635: 10/3/1936-William Halliday, colored, age 40, of 183 William Street, was shot in the breast by William Calhoun, alias Dixon, colored, age 53 of 25 Walnut Street, at 8:40 A.M.

The shooting took place in the room of Eugene Robinson, another colored man, at 379 William Street, and was the outcome of a quarrel between the two, over money involved in a gambling game.

Halliday died in the Emergency Hospital a short time after he was admitted.

The Grand Jury returned an indictment charging Manslaughter First Degree, against Calhoun, who fled the scene and has not been arrested up to this time. The case has been circularized and search is still being made for him.

636 HS: 10/18/1936-At 1:35 A.M., John Edwards, age 24, of 361 Fulton Street, shot his wife Julila and her parents Eugene Cavanaugh, age 55, and Julie Cavanaugh, age 52, at their home, 275 Hamburg Street.

Edwards was estranged from his wife, and called at the Cavanaugh home to see her. Upon being admitted, he asked if she would agree to live with him again. Mrs. Edwards refused and he then drew a revolver and shot her, death resulting a short time later. Edwards shot his wife's father in the upper left arm, and her mother in the forehead, when they attempted to interfere. He then turned the gun on himself, inflicting a wound which caused his death in the Emergency Hospital shortly after. The parents recovered.

Edwards had a bad criminal record, dating back to 1921, when he was but 9 years old. He had served a sentence in the New York State Reformatory at Elmira, for Grand Larceny Second Degree. In 1930 he was arrested for attempting to wreck a railroad train, was convicted, but sentence suspended. Later he was sent to Auburn Prison for 2 ½ to 5 years on a previous conviction.

637: 10/20/1936-At 4 A.M., John Wilson, colored, age 28, of 223 Cedar Street, was stabbed several times in the neck, in front of 216 Eagle Street. Wilson made his way alone to the corner of Michigan Avenue and Eagle Street, where bystanders assisted him into an auto and took him to the Emergency Hospital where he died at 5:10 A.M., the same day.

Police questioned Wilson before his death but he apparently was unable to identify his assailant, and gave no reason for the assault. His movements the previous evening were traced, but sufficient evidence for an arrest was not obtained.

638: 12/24/1936-Edward Tyman, age 21, of 152 Woltz Avenue, was shot in the head and killed, at 3:30 A.M. at 986 Sycamore Avenue.

Michael Abroszek, age 42, conducts a restaurant at that address and discovered Tyman escaping through a rear window after burglarizing the place. Tyman was found to have a criminal record, and Abroszek was released from custody. Case cleared as an excusable homicide.

The following is a homicide of a Buffalo police officer not listed in the Report to the Mayor. On May 22, 1922, Lieutenant Edward Steck, 56 YOA, was shot and killed while attempting to arrest a burglary suspect. He had served with the agency for 24 years and was assigned to Precinct 12. It may have been a situation where he surprised a criminal outside the city limits. The only other information is as follows:

(Promotion as well as \$1,000 in reward await the policeman who captures the murderer of Lieutenant Edward Steck of the Buffalo police force. "Any member of the force who gets information resulting in the arrest of the murderer of Lieutenant Streck will be advanced one grade in rank," said Mayor Schwab.) May 25, 1922, Wellsville Daily Reporter, p. 3.

On March 10, 1903, Mr. and Mrs. Pennell were killed in an automobile accident (see #20, the murder of Burdick). This case may have been a homicide suicide or a double suicide.

In the same newspaper article on the Crosson murder (see #57), William H. Robinson (32 YOA), who had only been in Buffalo (Erie County) two weeks was shot to death. He was probably killed at the Lackawanna Plant.

Thomas Milburn was arrested Thursday night (pub. 11/1/07) for assault. He tried to strangle a woman, Mrs. Ethel Dolan, in his cab. May be related to #82.

The following was in the Report to the Mayor but was actually only a suicide:

10/2/1917-During a family quarrel at their home, 426 Abby Street, Peter Koss, 37 years old, shot and seriously wounded his wife, Victoria, then he committed suicide by shooting himself in the right temple. Koss died almost immediately. His wife recovered. *Koss was a steel worker and they quarreled over money matters.*

Another example: "George Denning, 55 years old, had been separated from his wife for some time. He called upon her and tried to induce her to resume marital relations. She refused. He drew a revolver and fired. She fell to the floor in a faint, and, believing he had killed her, Denning ran away. His body was found later in a Salvation Army lodging house. He had taken poison." Coshocton Age (Ohio), 4/24/1903, p.1, Epidemic of Crime in Bloody Buffalo.