

'JOE' HIRST KILLED SAVING HIS FRIENDS

'Joint's Stuck Up.' He Cries in Warning, Then Falls With Bullet in Back

TRAGEDY IN GAMING HOUSE

An attempt he made to warn gamblers in a house on Passunk avenue that the "joint was stuck up" was the real cause of the murder Sunday of "Joe" Hirst, once lightweight fighter near to championship honors.

"Joe" died in the Pennsylvania Hospital of a bullet wound in the chest. He was conscious at intervals until his last breath, but he refused to name the man who shot him.

"That's all right," he said each time he was questioned. "I'll get that guy myself when I get better."

From what little he told the police they pieced out a story that he was having a restaurant near Fifth and Bainbridge streets when a man who had followed him out fired a shot and fled.

He "Died Game"

That was not the true story. What really happened is a dark but thrilling chapter in the history of Philadelphia's underworld. "Joe" died game, defying death to live in one of the unwritten laws of the gambler's profession, that "the bunk" must be warned at all costs when trouble comes.

The real story was told today after Detective Harry Henley had left for New York with warrants in his pocket for the arrest of Jacob Furber, otherwise known as "Big Yonik," and a man known only by his alias of "New York Louie."

"Big Yonik" is widely known in the underworld here. He used to be a fighter, but never had "Joe's" class for speed and style. "Yonik," as the police know him, is of the thug type, more or less of a "binbo," a third-rate fighter. When he got too fat for the prize ring he became a plain "rough-house guy."

A week or so ago "Big Yonik," the police say, with "New York Louie" to help, robbed a rather house on Fourth street above Arch. They stored their plunder in a garage near Fifth and Carpenter streets.

Find Plunder Gone

Friday they went for the "stuff" and found it gone. Another thief had been before them with them. They got a "tip" that it was in a garage near Seventeenth and Broadway streets, but could get no trace of it there. They kept up the search all day Friday and Saturday without a clue.

Then some one told Yonik the man responsible for the theft of the stolen goods ran a big crap game in a house on Passunk avenue below Eighth street.

"Yonik" and "New York Louie" fired an automobile after midnight, and found the house on Passunk avenue closed and the blinds drawn, but heard the slight noise of a poker game.

"Big Yonik," with his revolver, opened the door and stepped into the glare of light over a stud table.

"Joe" Hirst, dealing, looked up. He recognized the big gunman.

"What's the idea, Yonik?" he asked. Then, as he saw the gun, "you oughtn't to do this."

"That's all right," said Yonik. "That guy in there pointing to a closed door beyond—'he double-crossed me, and I'm going to stick his joint up."

Big gamblers. There

In the back room were gathered some of the biggest gamblers of the city, sitting in a crap game with the roof of the limit. Yonik stepped toward the door.

"Nothing doing, Yonik, mix," cautioned Hirst, himself moving toward the door.

"Don't you dare go in there," Yonik ordered. "Watch me," said Hirst, and took another step.

"You go in that room and I'll kill you," Yonik threatened, his voice rising.

Hirst opened the door, thrusting in his head.

"The joint's stuck up," he warned. Then he fell with a bullet in his back.

"I'm sorry I had to croak that guy," Yonik said to "New York Louie." He returned to the door, saying, "He's not the fellow. I'm after I'll get that other bird yet."

"Yonik" and Louie backed out of the room before the frightened stuss players could stir. "Yonik" held the revolver with which he had shot "Joe" to the chauffeur's back and forced him to drive full speed to the Reading Ter-

PARBLEU! NO WONDER THE LADY SUES!



Mlle. Cécile Sorel, one of the leading women of the Comedie Francaise, who says she is beautiful, has sued the unknown French cartoonist "Bib," who she alleges, has made her ugly in one of his pictures. Mlle. Sorel asks 10,000 francs damages. The photo on the left shows the actress and lower one as the cartoonist delineated her

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minal, where the two gunmen took a train for New York.

"Joe" Hirst, whose real name was Harry Hirsch, fought the best lightweights in the country in his day, among them Parkey McFarland, Mike Gibbons and Young Erne. Those who knew him in his palmy days say he had everything but the "wallop" needed to carry him to championship ranks. He was still under thirty, but his fighting days were over because he no longer could make the weight.

He will be buried tomorrow from the home of his mother, Mrs. Benjamin Hirsch, 702 Pine street, in Montefiore Cemetery.

LACK OF MONEY HALTS MILLION HOMES IN U. S.

Realty Board Chief Cites Reason for House Shortage in Address Here

Lack of money for legitimate building enterprises has caused a shortage of more than one million homes in the United States.

This was one of the causes for house shortage cited by Fred E. Taylor, president of the National Association of Real Estate Boards in a luncheon address before the Philadelphia Real Estate Board at the Bellevue-Stratford today.

Mr. Taylor, who is from Portland, Ore., and Tom S. Ingersoll, of Chicago, were guests of the local organization. More than five hundred realtors of this city and nearby towns were present. William H. Wilson, president of the local board, presided.

Necessity of conducting the real estate business on the highest plane was pointed out by Mr. Taylor. No one should be allowed to masquerade under the title of realtor, he said, unless he is willing at all times to observe both in letter and in spirit the code of ethics laid down by the National Association of Real Estate Boards.

The speaker urged establishment of comprehensive real estate educational courses in universities, colleges and schools.

Mr. Taylor also discussed federal taxation. He asserted the income and excess profit taxes not only placed a very heavy burden on the people but also retarded a return to the normal business of the life of the nation.

DIAMONDS advertisement featuring a portrait of Wm. J. Fulton and a diamond illustration.

Be Modern LILY CUP Progress advertisement with a woman's face illustration.

Copies from Old Photographs advertisement with a photograph illustration.

MacDonald & Campbell Standard Quality Straw Hats \$3 to \$6 advertisement with a hat illustration.

VAUCLAIN IS SPEAKER

Delivers Address at Luncheon of Speech-Reading Club

Samuel M. Vauclein was the speaker at a luncheon today at the Speech-Reading Club, 1004 Locust street, where reports were given by the leaders of the eight groups that are working to establish permanent headquarters for the club.

More than \$23,000 has been raised. The workers are endeavoring to obtain \$50,000, the sum necessary to purchase the present building in which the club is conducted. Among them are thirty ex-service men who lost their hearing as a result of their war experiences.

The former soldiers appealed to the members of the American Legion for assistance in the campaign to preserve their club. Failure to obtain the necessary funds means the loss of a center where those who are deafened have been supplied with the social and educational contacts from which their calamity ordinarily would bar them.

"Gold Fever" Near Ottawa

Ottawa, May 2.—Gold has been struck on a farm forty-five miles due north of Ottawa. The first gold rush in this part of Canada followed, and 3000 acres have been staked.

HENRY F. WALTON BETTER

Prothonotary, Stricken at Summer Cottage, Brought to Hospital Here

Henry F. Walton, prothonotary of Common Pleas Courts, who was taken seriously ill at his summer cottage, Harvey Cedars, N. J., is reported this morning to be slightly better. He has been brought back to this city and taken to the Medico-Chirurgical Hospital.

Gets Byberry Hospital Post

Nathan R. Hall, of Gladwyn, Pa., will be appointed assistant superintendent of the Philadelphia Hospital for Mental Diseases at Byberry. Announcement of his selection for the post was made today by the Department of Public Health. In a recent examination Mr. Hall attained the highest average and was appointed provisionally to the position. The post carries a salary of \$3000 a year.

U. S. SAILOR IS HELD IN CHUM'S MURDER

First Case of Kind in Federal Courts Here in Twenty-six Years

KILLING ABOARD SHIP

Raymond P. Gill, a sailor aboard the U. S. S. Columbia, was held without bail by United States Commissioner Manley this afternoon, charged with killing another sailor.

The alleged murder was committed on the night of March 13 when the battleship was anchored at Guantanamo bay. When the ship came to the water yard here, Gill was turned over to the federal authorities.

Assistant District Attorney Brande, who is handling the case, said this was the first murder case the federal courts have handled here in twenty-six years. It is doubtful, he said, whether a death penalty would be inflicted even if the man is found guilty.

According to E. D. Clark, agent of the bureau of investigation of the local Department of Justice, Gill and Samuel J. Diamond, the murdered man, were engaged in manufacturing counterfeit half-dollar pieces aboard the ship. The next day Diamond is said to have threatened to confess to his superiors.

During the night, while Diamond was sleeping, his head was crushed in with a wrench. Gill is said to have run from the room and shouted to the officers: "Arrest me, arrest me! Something terrible has happened."

Clark said that a naval board of inquiry found that Gill murdered Diamond. The body of the murdered man is at the navy yard.

Following the alleged murder, divers were lowered in the bay in an endeavor to locate the missing wrench with which the murder is said to have been done, but it was not found.

Gill, who is a nephew of William C. Gill, city editor of the Elmira Telegram. His home is at 309 Washington street, Elmira, N. Y.

Diamond came from one of the western states. Both men were printers on board the Columbia.

Clark told the commission that Gill recently served a seven-year term in the prison at Auburn for a shooting in which he was involved. The accused man declined to make a statement at the hearing, although in a statement made to the authorities he is said to have told them he found Diamond murdered and was so shocked to make an immediate outcry.

His family at Elmira will be notified today by Brande.

DROP FIFTH WARD CASES

Prosecution Discontinues Several Indictments—Acquits One

Before Judge Barnett in Quarter Sessions Court today several cases involving the factional political row in the Fifth ward during the primary election in September, 1917, were dropped by agreement of the prosecutors, who were defendants in other cases, and several of the cases were continued until Monday.

Indictments against the following defendants were nolle prossed: Thomas Quinn, Michael Martig, Edward Greaves, George Midway and two against Emanuel Uram, charging assault and battery; Robert Levine, charging rescue of prisoner; Paul Boone, false registration, and Emanuel Uram, William Falls and Thomas Quinn, conspiracy to imprison.

An indictment against Emanuel Uram, charging aggravated assault and battery, was submitted to a jury for a verdict of not guilty, the prosecutor having since died.

TODAY'S MARRIAGE LICENSES

Archibald J. MacLean, New Britain, Pa., and Queen Elizabeth M. Brown, Greensboro, Ill. Andrew J. McLaughlin, 1120 S. 47th st., and Ethel G. Brooker, 1718 Woodland ave. George Frank, 2122 N. 30th st., and Anna C. Dolch, 130 W. Huntington st. Henry Rockfield, 2437 S. Jones st., and Jennie Cohen, 2441 S. 11th st. William P. Gensbach, 528 S. Park st., and Agnes G. Monahan, 2613 S. 4th st. Thomas Hadden, 1012 W. West Chester st., and Mary Van Belle Esweller, 2531 W. Venango st. Sidney P. Turksheden, Atlantic City, N. J., and Helen S. Gentry, 2207 Chestnut st. Charles E. Peble, 463 S. 90th st., and Minnie K. Jank, 852 S. Harbor st. Benjamin Fold, 3802 S. Marshall st., and Sophia Shoop, 2427 Erie st. John J. Andrews, 1846 Rowan st., and Margaret Woodruff, 106 Ashwood st. John D. Gault, 3412 N. Front st., and Johanna Ebert, 624 W. Russell st. William W. Mendenhall, 424 Winton st., and Kate Wagner, 308 Mantoloking, Newark, N. J., and Rose Huber, 1731 N. 33d st.

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JOYRIDER LEAVES WRECKAGE IN WAKE

Supposed Soldier Caught After Cracking Telegraph Poles and Hitting Car

TRIP IN STOLEN AUTO

An early morning joy rider in a stolen automobile collided with another car this morning, cracked two or three telegraph poles and was finally captured after a chase on the White Horse pike, near Camden, by County Detective Duran.

The prisoner wore a soldier's uniform and said he was Roy Haley, of 4100 Dix. He was charged with larceny and operating an automobile when intoxicated.

The car Haley used to take his wild ride belonged to Joseph White, a saloon keeper of Second and Chestnut streets, this city.

Shortly after 2 o'clock this morning Camden police headquarters received word that a man was tearing down Broadway at the rate of forty miles an hour. A few minutes later they received a report that a telegraph pole had been bent by a man in an automobile. Still later they got word that two automobiles had met on the sidewalk near Sixth and Linden streets.

While these reports were being investigated a milkman telephoned headquarters that a "wild" autoist was tearing up everything in sight. A couple of mounted men were sent out. They discovered the car of Thomas Leidy, 540 South Sixth street, all battered on the sidewalk. Later developments showed that this was the car which had been struck by Haley.

While the police were galloping about looking for him Duran saw an automobile speeding along the White Horse pike. He chased the car, and it suddenly came to a stop. Haley was inside. He surrendered willingly.

\$1 FIGHT CALLS 50 POLICE

Man Beaten for Refusing to Buy "Ad." is Report

A riot call telephoned to the Electrical Bureau brought four patrolmen and fifty patrolmen to South and South streets at 11:45 o'clock this morning.

The call was sent by a pedestrian when twenty men attacked Philip Kilgman in front of his shoe store at 917 South street, after he had refused to give them \$1 to have an advertisement placed in a club paper.

Kilgman was severely bruised by his assailants, who fled at the approach of the police.

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