

WHETHER DOUBTFUL PRUDEN IS SUICIDE

Description of Penn Student is Sent Broadcast by Fraternity Men.

FACTS POINT TO DEATH PLAN

Search for Walter R. Pruden, missing University of Pennsylvania student, continues, but no trace of the man has been found.

After an all-night hunt, Kappa Alpha Phi, fraternity brothers of Pruden and fellow members in the Orest La Guerre Club, have taken up the search again today. Descriptions of Pruden have been sent broadcast. He is described as being five feet seven inches tall, weighing 140 pounds, has dark hair and gray eyes. He wore a dark green suit, an army overcoat, cap and light-tinted collar, which he always wore to hide scars on his neck. His arms are partly paralyzed. He wore tortoise-shell spectacles.

Pruden, father of the student who hurried to this city from the West, O. refuses to believe the youth took his life in spite of the note he left, asking for forgiveness. "The cowardly fellow committed suicide," he is living in the hope Pruden has returned to Van Wert.

"His finances were good," said Mr. Pruden. "Walter was fond of his home. He would have been here long ago. The only thing he would think of was suicide. He has always led a quiet life. Just last Tuesday a neighbor of ours received a dog, cheerful letter from him."

Follow students described Pruden as quiet, unobtrusive chap.

"At times he looked worried and uneasy," said Herbert R. Kinley, with whom he boarded at 3000 Sansom street, "but he seemed to grasp his subjects easily enough."

Pruden was the organizer and president of the Orest La Guerre Club, composed of war veterans at Penn. To hold any office in a club the student must be of good standing in his studies, it is said.

"Bob was low lately in a number of studies in the Wharton School," said Kinley. "As a result he feared that he might lose the presidency of the club. That would have been more than he could stand, as he once told me. All these things might have combined to worry him. Then, too, his war-time injuries which he sustained with the 36th Infantry might have affected his mind, and for that reason there is a possibility that in a fit of despondency he may have been tempted to take his life."

Events subsequent to Pruden's departure from his boarding house on Tuesday night seem significant. He left about 11 P. M. after bidding good-bye to the Tully family, with whom he boarded.

"I am going to take a walk," he said, and started to shake hands with several persons there. When he saw they were puzzled by his formality, he said about it and walked out.

It was learned that he cashed a check for \$5 before he disappeared.

Fear that identification may not be possible even if the body is found was expressed by Kinley and the police when it was discovered after a thorough search of the youth's effects that he had left all his letters, cards, fraternity membership emblems and other articles of identification at home.

This fact also leads his friends to believe that he had planned to end his life. All of Pruden's best clothes were in his room. It was said last night that the police are now certain he was wearing an old green suit and an army overcoat when he disappeared.

Found Dead in Bed in Camden

The body of John Spear, forty-eight years old, an employee of the New York Shipbuilding Company, was found in this room at 1403 Broadway, Camden, this morning. Spear had not been seen since Tuesday and other roomers decided to investigate. They found the body lying in bed. Death is believed to be due to natural causes. Spear is said to have had a son in Philadelphia.

Hunted for Murder



FRANCESCO LANDI
157 East street is alleged to have slain Dominic di Camillo in front of a Manayunk saloon last night.

"MURDER SQUAD" ON HUNT FOR SUSPECTED KILLER

Man is Slain Near Saloon on Main Street Below Green Lane

Members of the City Hall "murder squad" are searching today for Francesco Landi, alias Pavito, of 157 East street, Manayunk, who, it is charged, shot and killed Dominic di Camillo, fifty-one years old, of 140 East street, following a drinking bout in a saloon Main street below Green lane, last night.

Witnesses of the shooting told the police that the man had started an argument at the bar of the saloon and later carried the controversy to the sidewalk. There, they said, Landi drew a revolver and fired one shot, the bullet striking Camillo over the heart. The victim was rushed to the Memorial Hospital, but was dead before arrival there.

FOUR OFF SLACKER LIST

More Mistakes Are Corrected by War Department

Four more names of Philadelphians have been taken from the list of alleged draft deserters, investigation having shown that they served in the army or navy during the war.

One of the late Cornelius Joseph McFadden, who enlisted in the navy July 20, 1917, and served until February 12, 1919.

Others taken off the list are:

Weber Watson, who enlisted in the Canadian Expeditionary Forces September 12, 1917, and served until March 17, 1919.

Alexander James Neely, who enlisted in the navy August 24, 1917, and served until June 18, 1920.

Harry Bruce, who reported for military service before August 4, 1918, and was incorrectly included in the list of evaders.

SUICIDE UNIDENTIFIED

Left Note Saying Some One Will Inquire for Him Later

The body of "C. D. Moore, Richmond, Va.," who committed suicide in a hotel in Richmond street, near Delaware avenue, yesterday, still remains unidentified at the morgue.

A card was found beside the body which reads: "My name is not C. J. Moore, of Richmond, Va. In the course of a couple of weeks some one, who is miles away and as poor as I am, will inquire for me."

"A FAILURE."

So far no word of inquiry has been received from any one. The man also left a note saying that he was fifty-three years old, had false teeth, \$1 cents, no job and all friends 1500 miles away.

The body was found by a chambermaid with a bullet wound in the forehead.

NEW FAIR RUMORS STIR MAYOR'S IRE

Report That "Governing Body" Will Direct Exposition Brings Retort.

PARK SITE HIT IN COUNCIL

A report that the Sesqui-Centennial will be managed by a "governing body" instead of a director general aroused the ire of Mayor Moore today.

"There is no such misrepresentation on the subject of the Sesqui-Centennial," he said, "that I don't want to make any comment for a few days."

The Mayor was entering his City Hall office as he expressed this view. He paused, turned, and continued: "It looks as if some one were trying to destroy the Sesqui-Centennial." The attack in Council yesterday on the Fairmount Park site for the fair was brought to the Mayor's attention.

"Those who are opposed to the Sesqui-Centennial should come out now," he said. "That includes editorialists."

Mr. Moore then said an appointment with President Harding has been arranged for Monday. The Mayor said he has telegraphed to Richard Wiegman, president of Council, now at St. Louis, Fla., inviting him to the White House conference, when the President will be asked to give national support to the exposition.

Edward W. Bok has offered to pay \$50,000 a year for five years as the salary of the director general, provided Herbert Hoover is selected and accepts the office.

Delay in opening the Sesqui-Centennial Exposition is predicted by Councilmen Gaffney and Von Tegen if the Fairmount Park site is chosen. The two Councilmen have lined up with those opposing the Park site.

The Councilmen were permitted to state their views without interruption by Councilman Cox, who presided at the Council session, as he said he thought the talk was a healthy sign.

In a way the members took advantage of the absence from the city of Richard Wiegman, president of Council, who heartily favors the Park site, and who probably would have curtailed the statements.

"The Park is the people's playground and should be preserved," observed Mr. Cox from the chair as he recognized Mr. Gaffney. The latter told how the holding of the fair at St. Louis at Forest Park had destroyed that breathing space so effectively that it was soon "carved up into building lots."

The Aero Club yesterday sent a communication to Council requesting that ample space be afforded flying machines for the world fair in 1926. The letter suggested that a spacious aerodrome be erected and a flying field capable of accommodating from 100 to 500 flying craft be provided.

The ranks of the West Philadelphia trade associations, previously listed as Park-site advocates for the Sesqui-Centennial Exposition, were broken last night, when a movement embracing strenuous opposition to the Park site and closer co-operation in support of the Hog Island site was launched at a meeting of the West Philadelphia Business Men's Association at Fifteenth street and Baltimore avenue.

A meeting of the Sixtieth and Market Streets Business Men's Association is scheduled for tonight, when it is expected similar action will be taken.

ESTATE GOES TO FAMILY

Elizabeth L. Williams' Will Divides Property Valued at \$40,800

The will of Elizabeth L. Williams, 500 South Forty-second street, probated today, provides that her estate valued at \$40,800 is to be divided among a brother, sister and other relatives.

Other wills probated were those of Mrs. Maria L. Lukens, 2111 West Toga street, \$22,500; Campbell Cunningham, 6038 Upland street, \$7850, and Charles C. Van Ripper, 4501 North Twentieth street, \$5000.

Inventories were filed for the estate of Catherine E. Rapp, \$38,489.17; Annie B. Smith, \$14,364.41, and Mary H. Paxson, \$10,776.13.

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FUND FOR BLAINE SCHOOL Association Gives Annual Entertainment in Moose Hall

A variation of sketches, shadow plays, dances and orchestral and vocal selections featured the annual entertainment last night of the Blaine Home and School Association, in Moose Hall. The proceeds of the entertainment will be devoted to equipping the James G. Blaine public school, Thirtieth and Norris streets, with educational paraphernalia.

The sketch given by members of the association was "A Pot of Broth."

This was followed by ballet, Spanish and Russian dances. Then came the shadow plays, which several of the school students took part. As a finale to the entertainment a minstrel show was staged.

The Home and School Association has equipped the school with moving-picture machines, sewing machines and printing presses which are operated by the students of the seventh and eighth grades.

HAS TOO MANY HUSBANDS

Man Arraigned for Non-Support Makes Charge—Wife Admits It

When William Ubr, Jr., 1281 Mechanic street, Camden, was arraigned before Magistrate Stackhouse for non-support, he charged his wife has two husbands living.

Under questioning the woman admitted she had been married three times, that the first husband disappeared and she does not know what happened to him, and that she agreed with a second husband to separate, without the formality of divorce. She has one child by William Bailey, the second husband. The case was referred to a Court in Chancery.

PROTEST GILBERT SCHOOL

Chestnut Hill to Air Conditions Tonight at Meeting

Alleged insanitary conditions prevailing in the fifty-one-year-old Joseph R. Gilbert Public School at Chestnut Hill will be made public tonight at a protest mass-meeting of the Chestnut Hill Public School Association in the Recreation Center, Abington avenue and Anderson street.

The principal speakers will be Franklin Spencer Edmonds, Councilman William W. Roper and Senator George Woodward. Gregor Clemons will read the report of the Executive Committee.

Admits Stealing Automobile

Thomas Pratt, of 1030 Shackamaxon street, was held in \$1500 bail for the Grand Jury today after he had confessed to taking an automobile and abandoning it after he had smashed it into a telegraph pole.

The owner of the car, who gave his name and address as Peter Sick, 778 Germantown avenue, did not appear against Pratt.

VOGTMAN MAY NOT BE NAME OF BOY WHO TRIED SUICIDE

Brother, Here From Baltimore, Refuses to Reveal Identity

A brother of Robert W. Vogtman, sixteen-year-old boy, who attempted suicide yesterday at 2130 Arch street, arrived in Philadelphia from Baltimore today and told Detective Hinnegan that young Vogtman had apparently squandered about \$150 in two days while in this city. The brother refused to give his name, causing the impression that Vogtman might not be the correct name of the boy now in the Medical-Chirurgical Hospital. The victim first gave his name as Guy Foster.

According to the brother, young Vogtman left home about ten days ago and, after visiting North Carolina and Washington, came to Philadelphia with about \$100 in his pocket. Before slaying himself, he wrote to his mother, saying that by the time his letter reached her he would be dead; and advising her to sell his clothing so as to "get some of the money back."

At the hospital it was said today that young Vogtman was recovering.

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