

# Lifer Admits Murder Victim 1940 Killing Of Student

(Continued from page one) sheriff Edward R. Miller, now a grocer in the borough, commented on the confession.

**Earlier Confession**  
"We had a confession once before from a man arrested for another crime, but when it came to reenacting the crime he couldn't do it," he said.

District Attorney Miller said he would prepare an indictment on the basis of present information for submission to the Centre County Grand Jury. If a true bill is voted, Ray could be held for Pennsylvania authorities, pending his release from his current term.

District Attorney Miller said he doesn't see any chance of bringing Ray back to Centre County, until he has completed his term in Oklahoma.

"If the life term there means life, he may never be brought back," he said.

Pfc. Andrew Royko of the state police at Lewistown, one of the investigating officers, said he would want to talk to Ray himself, or see the statement.

"There are a lot of details that would have to tie in," he said.

**Juba Comments**  
Chief of Police John R. Juba said he wouldn't be satisfied until he heard more details on how the crime was committed, as described by Ray.

"All I've heard is that a fellow in a prison out west has confessed," he said.

Ray said in his confession he came here under the guise of being a sweater salesman and sold



**A NEW DEVELOPMENT** in the 14½-year-old murder case of Rachel Taylor, University freshman, on March 28, 1940, links a life term convict in Oklahoma with the brutal slaying. Ray said he killed Miss Taylor to cover up his connection with a dope ring. Ray's confession is not the first made in the case.

dope on campus for the leader of a ring at the University. He said he even wore a letter jacket and posed as a student.

Ray said he dated a narcotic user on campus for three months, before she became angry with him and wrote a letter to Miss Taylor exposing the dope ring.

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Fearing detection, he decided to get the letter. He said he watched Miss Taylor arrive at the State College bus station and gave her a ride as she walked toward

Atherton Hall. Ray said she refused \$500 he offered for the letter. He said he then pulled out his gun to scare her.

According to the confession Miss Taylor ran from the car and Ray caught her. He said he hit her with the pistol "not more than four times over the head," until she fell to the ground.

He said he found the letter and was given \$300 by the head of the dope ring and left for Dallas. He was arrested later for driving a stolen car.

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The freshmen were judged according to extra-curricular activities and participation in sports. Scholastic average was a minor point in the selection.

All-University Cabinet appropriated money for the purchase to present to these men. The committee who selected these men suggested that they be given points toward a hat society.

The number of men selected depend upon the number of freshmen who fulfilled the committee's requirements. The only limitation was that the number of selected should not exceed 25.

Hugh Cline, last year's sophomore president stated, "I hope that the sophomore classes continue this project in the future. We feel there is a real need for honoring outstanding freshmen men."

Class meetings are held during the year. A meeting is always held before the class dance to select a theme and set up committees.

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