

Truck in Shrewsbury St.



OFFICER W. B. DEEDY

TWO MOLDERS HELD IN \$300

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run away, but was captured, after running a short distance.

Malkasian, who appeared in court today with his head swathed in bandages, testified St Onge had punched him and had also followed him home on other occasions.

Dr Lemuel F. Woodward testified he bandaged the complainant's head last night when he was brought to his office by Atty. Daniel W. Lincoln counsel for complainant.

Atty John C. Mahoney requested Dr Woodward to remove the bandages from complainant's head to show the court the extent of the injuries and his request was complied with by Woodward. When the bandage was removed, the only injury apparent was a slight swelling on the right side of his face.

St Onge told the court he asked Malkasian where he was employed and the complainant replied with an oath and he just rushed him into the street. St Onge said at that moment Malkasian drew a knife and he ran away until the officer told him to stop, which he did. St Onge testified complainant was one of a crowd that chased him and Anthony Frendergast with iron bars several weeks ago on Gold street.

Hickey was charged with assaulting William Porter, an employee of the Wells Chemical Bronze Foundry on Temple street, which is also involved in a labor dispute.

Porter told the court Hickey in company with about 20 others, jumped on him at the Green street bridge several weeks ago while he was on his way from work with his brother and father and John Delaney, who is also employed at the Wells foundry.

Raymond Porter, father of the complainant, testified he saw Hickey make an attempt to strike his son but he missed and then jumped on William when he fell to the ground during the mix-up.

Detective Kerwick testified he and Lieut James J. Burke arrested Hickey and while on the way to the station with their prisoner, Hickey made a voluntary statement that "they would never have got him if Frendergast gave him the \$50 he was supposed to as he would be in Lincolnia, N. H."

Hickey denied making this statement to the officer. He admitted being near the scene of the assault but denied taking any part in the fight.

Patrolman William B. Deedy, Station 1, was instantly killed at the corner of Shrewsbury and Lyons streets at 12.30 a. m. today when he was struck by an automobile truck driven by Samuel Malta, 13 Minot street, Boston, and thrown across the street against the curbing, sustaining a fractured skull.

Samuel Malta, 133 Blue Hill avenue, Roxbury, who was driving another motor truck directly in front of the Malta truck, heard a cry, stopped his machine and looked around in time to see the body of the patrolman fall against the curbing. The unconscious form was picked up and taken to City Hospital in the Malta machine under orders from Sergeant Frederick Hays.

Upon arrival at the hospital it was discovered the officer was dead and his body was taken to the morgue.

Malta was sent to station 1 to report the accident and in his report he stated he was driving towards Boston at the rate of about 10 miles an hour, when he noticed a touring car parked against the center curbing on the south side of Shrewsbury street. Just as he was passing this touring car, which was on the wrong side of the highway, Officer Deedy stepped from behind the machine directly in the path of the truck. According to Malta's story, he stopped the machine within 20 feet from where he struck the officer.

The police were unable to locate the owner of the touring car which Patrolman Deedy was evidently examining at the time he met his death, as the machine was on the wrong side of the street, in violation of the traffic rules, and an investigation is being made today.

Patrolman Deedy was appointed to the police department on Sept. 9, 1918, and during the short time he was on the force, he made an enviable reputation as a brave and efficient police officer.

Patrolman Deedy was idolized by the Italian-speaking citizens in the East Worcester district, and his fearlessness in going after gunmen and burglars made him respected by whoever he came in contact with. Patrolman Deedy, especially distinguished himself on Muskego street last winter when he disarmed a man who was holding a crowd at bay with a revolver when the officer arrived. Several months ago Officer Deedy discovered two burglars in a store on Shrewsbury street shortly after midnight and he captured the men in a dark cellar after chasing them through several backyards.

The dead officer also performed efficient police work during the recent railroad wreck near the Hamilton-street bridge, when he assisted Dr Robert A. Northridge in caring for the injured.

A police escort, consisting of one sergeant and 12 patrolmen, will be picked today by Capt James T. Johnson for the funeral.

Officer Deedy is survived by his wife, Catherine M. (Collins) Deedy; three sons, Daniel F., John J. and William B. Deedy, Jr.; also his mother in Ireland and three brothers in this city, Edward B., Alexander J. and Morris B. Deedy; two brothers, Daniel C. and Patrick J. Deedy in Ireland, and one sister, Miss Nora J. Deedy of Ireland. He was a member of the Police Relief Association, the Holy Name society of the Church of the Sacred Heart and Worcester Aerie, F. O. E. The body was transferred to the family home, 74 Sterling street, where the funeral will be Thursday morning at 9 o'clock. A high mass of requiem will be offered in the Church of the Sacred Heart at 10 o'clock. Burial will be in St. John's cemetery.

ANARCHISTS IN JAIL SPURN FOOD

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.—The U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals handed down a decision today upholding the conviction of William D. Haywood and 33 other I. W. W. who were sentenced to prison for obstructing the draft law during the war.

Two counts were thrown out by the Appellate Court, but in all others the decision of the lower court was affirmed. Haywood, former general secretary of the I. W. W., and most of the other defendants have been at liberty under bond for more than a year pending hearing of their appeal.

Becoming suddenly insane, Armenak Melikian, 30 year Wellington street, held me with a loaded revolver in a shop at 9 Austin street, and ened to kill them as he put automatic revolver at them. Melikian's ignorance of things of an automatic revolver, the lives of the men, the police, as he failed to bullet in the chamber of the although it contained a clip bullets.

Gas Hearing Today

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service charge is imposed with the present rate of \$1.50, he has been informed that the people of Worcester will hold a tremendous mass meeting of protest, and do everything in their power to get what they consider a justified rate. The commission took under consideration the matter of the proposed increase in rate.

W. A. Bennett, the accountant of the Holyoke Municipal Gas Works, who compiled the figures for John J. Kirkpatrick, the Holyoke expert engaged by Mayor Sullivan, said that the estimate made by Mr Kirkpatrick after an examination of the Worcester Gas Light plant and its figures was that it cost the Worcester company \$1.43 per 1000 cubic feet to manufacturing gas. This figure is 3 1/2 cents below the estimate of cost given by the Worcester Gas Light company experts, who said the cost per 1000 cubic feet is \$1.46 1/2.

OPPOSE SERVICE CHARGE

In spite of the fact Mayor Sullivan and City Solicitor John W. Mawbey put in the stiffest kind of opposition to the imposition of an initial service charge of 50 cents for each gas meter in Worcester, unless there is a simultaneous reduction in the base price of gas. Mr Kirkpatrick came out flatly in favor of a service charge.

This charge, which he said he had not been able to impose in Holyoke, where he is manager of the municipal gas plant, because of the opposition of the citizens, he believed a perfectly fair charge for the privilege of the use of the gas connections.

He argued that the connections and piping had been installed and constituted an overhead expense to the company, whether they are used or not. Worcester's opposition to the plan which the company desires to put into operation was based solely on the ground that the company did not need the great amount of extra money which it claims it does, and Mr Mawbey announced he proposed to show this to be a fact.

Mr Bennett, who with expert Kirkpatrick, has gone over the Worcester Gas Light Co.'s figures, declared that according to his computation, Worcester should be able to sell gas at not more than \$1.54 per 1000 feet.

EXPERT UNDER FIRE

In response to questions by Atty. F. H. Dewey for the company as to why Worcester should sell gas less than Holyoke, which is now charging \$1.60, he replied that Worcester has always manufactured gas at a lower cost than Holyoke.

Questioned as to why, in his estimates, he had charged off but 1 per cent for depreciation of the Worcester, while in Holyoke 3 per cent is charged off on the same account, Mr Bennett declared that the Worcester company had never before charged off to depreciation the amounts it should have, and instead of charging off depreciation to stockholders, had put the depreciation money into their pockets.

He declared that the stockholders should not now expect the consumers to pay for the depreciation of

things which we can't perceive surface.

"They claim they expect only one billion feet this year but I can't see why they anticipate such a reduction in consumption of gas in Worcester city's figures of cost of manufacturing gas are based on an increase of but two million over last year, and I think a supposition that the consumption increase this amount is unfair to the public, than the supposition that the use of gas in Worcester will decrease forty eight million in a year.

Expert Bennett was questioned, estimates embracing a half hour's recess to give many officials a chance to go to the city's cost figures.

He stated that cost changes on a basis of an output of a billion feet would show an increase of five cents per thousand over the cost figured on a basis of 2,000,000,000.

In summing up for the City Solicitor John W. Mawbey, for a reduced rate for gas, he said, should be as low as a service charge of 50 cents is proposed. He argued that the rates were not due 6 per cent because he believed they show the expense of mismanagement. He declared that according to figures and records the Worcester Gas Light Co. is one of the best managed gas plants in the state to one of the worst, and he argued that a rate so fixed which would mean efficient management instead of extreme mismanagement.

DEWEY'S PLEA

Atty Francis H. Dewey, in the case for the Gas Co., strongly for a depreciation of \$70,000 as against the \$50,000 allowed by the city's expert. He declared that no dividend had been declared for the last year and that only 4 per cent in previous years. Before that 10 per cent was paid. He showed for the period of 30 years the dividend was but 10 per cent, 6 per cent on the money actually paid by stockholders. He stated for years past the company is giving consumers \$100,000 a year not having the increased rate company. He said that he had within a short time of some holders who had paid \$200 to stock, selling it for \$50, because they were receiving no dividends.

Mr Dewey pleaded for the protection of stockholders, of which women, 85 trust estates, as agents and corporations. He said that if the company gets the \$1.75, or a service charge of 50 cents per meter per month, it will readily to reduce the price of gas such as conditions warrant.

PRICE CUT COST FARMERS HEAVY

WASHINGTON, Oct. 5.—Prices during July and August of various farm products, the farmers of the country, approximately \$1,750,000,000, estimated today by George P. ...