

Blames "Canned Heat" for Fury That Caused Son to Murder Two



"God will not blame my boy. He will blame the drug stores for selling him canned heat and Jamaica ginger." So sobs the mother of Bill Mussett, 42 (above), who is in jail in Wichita, Kan., facing probable life imprisonment for the slaying of Mrs. Rene McClelland, 32, and her mother, Mrs. Frank Smith, 67, with one charge of a shotgun. The shot was fired from the window of the Mussett home and struck the women as they were sitting on the McClelland porch, as indicated in the photos. Police say Mussett hated the McClellands because they complained about his drunken conduct.



SING SING RIOT QUICKLY SPIKED BY PEN GUARDS

OSSINING, N. Y., Aug. 15. (United Press)—A riot broke out in the mess hall of Sing Sing prison as enraged convicts battled among themselves with knives, razors and crockery.

The disturbance, which was accompanied by angry yells, from the combatants, finally was quelled by guards. Two prisoners were injured seriously. Eight were sent into solitary confinement.

The riot started in an argument over the "leadership" of Vincent Gaffney, picturesque murderer, whose desperate career had much to do with his elevation to the title of "supreme boss of Tammany in Sing Sing."

From words the men passed, to fists and their frenzy aroused, finally drew knives and razors and engaged in a battle for blood. Those without knives hurled crockery at their opponents.

James Cleary, leader of the "cheese party" that disputed Gaffney's leadership in prison "politics," led his men in the attack upon the murderer. Cleary suffered the loss of part of his nose during the melee.

Gaffney fared better. He received two black eyes, it was said. Later he and seven other convicts were sent into solitary confinement. Gaffney's party had won the political election in the prison. He was the natural leader because he

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boasts the most desperate career.

He escaped from the Tombs in 1918, after his conviction for murder, by a sensational leap. Cornered in a Manhattan apartment, he bested a dozen policemen in a gun battle, and again escaped capture. He was finally taken by 19 officers, who surrounded him, and was handcuffed and escorted to prison by 16 state troopers.

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MAN DROWNS IN RIVER
CLATSKANIE, Ore., Aug. 15.—John Ostrim, 49, was drowned last night near Wallace Island, in the Columbia river, while on the way from Astoria to his home here. He was in a boat with John Hildala and fell overboard.

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