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3 Inmates Face Murder Counts

Grand Jury to Sift Remington Slaying

U.S. Attorney J. Julius Levy this week will seek murder indictments against three Lewisburg Federal Penitentiary inmates accused of a fatal attack on William W. Remington, convicted perjurer, in his cell at the prison.

The grand jury for the October term of Federal Court here has been recalled and will meet Wednesday at 10 A.M. to study the charges against the three suspects.

Meanwhile, an investigation into the motive for the attack was being conducted by Lewisburg prison authorities, the FBI and the Federal Bureau of Prisons.

One of the three suspects has told investigators that he and his accomplices planned to ransack Remington's room, and that they attacked him in the process. The former government economist was beaten with a piece of brick, encased in a sock on Monday morning and died Wednesday.

There was a report Saturday from the Bureau of Prisons that robbery may not have been the only motive. There has been no further development of this idea in announcements since then.

The possibility that the attack was connected with anti-Communist feeling at the prison, or with the release of Alger Hiss, also a convicted perjurer, on Saturday, has been discounted by prison authorities.

The men accused are George Junior McCoy, 34, Grundy, Va.; Robert Carl Parker, 21, Washington, D.C.; and Lewis Cagle Jr., 17, Chattanooga, Tenn. All three are charged with murder and face the death penalty if convicted. Although a juvenile, Cagle is not exempt from a murder prosecution under federal law, according to Attorney Levy.

Remington, who was convicted of espionage in 1944, was shot to death in his cell at the Lewisburg Federal Penitentiary on Monday morning.

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3 Accused In Jail Slaying Of Remington

FBI Is Making Full
Inquiry Into Murder
At Lewisburg Pen

Lewisburg, Pa., Nov. 27. (AP) — A third convict—only 17—yesterday was charged with the slaying of convicted perjurer William Remington in Lewisburg Federal Penitentiary.

Lewisburg prison authorities meanwhile prepared for the release of Alger Hiss, due to receive his freedom and begin the restricted life of a parolee in a matter of hours.

The 50-year-old Hiss, Lee Remington was convicted of perjury in testimony he gave during investigations of the Communist conspiracy in the United States.

Remington, one-time aide in the Commerce Department, died in the prison hospital on Wednesday from a carotid beating at the hands of three fellow prisoners now accused in the FBI of murder. He was struck on the head with a brick wrapped in a sock. The assault was committed in Remington's solitary room.

The attack, coming so soon before the time set for Hiss release, led to widespread speculation that the two were somehow connected. But acting Warden Fred T. Wilkerson said he knew no such connection.

Good behavior reduced Hiss' sentence from five to three and one-half years.

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U.S. Jury Will Quiz 2 Doctors Who Strove to Save Remington

The two physicians who tried vainly to save the life of William W. Remington, 37, after the former U.S. Commerce Department economist was found beaten fatally at the Northeastern Penitentiary at Lewisburg, will testify before the federal grand jury which meets here tomorrow.

They are Dr. Charles Tomlinson, the prison physician, and Dr. Leon Witham of nearby Milton. The latter was summoned to the prison by Dr. Tomlinson after it became apparent that Remington's condition was critical.

Special Agent Norman McCabe, who is in charge of the Philadelphia office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, arrived here this afternoon, presumably in connection with the grand jury investigation into the Remington slaying. He was unavailable for comment.

The assault took place Nov. 22. Three fellow convicts of the man who was sent to jail after his conviction of perjury are being held in connection with the slaying.

They are Lewis Cagle Jr., 19, Chattanooga, Tenn.; George Juglor McCoy, 34, Grundy, Va.; and Robert Carl Parker, 21, Washington, D.C.

U.S. Attorney J. Julius Levy, who said the two doctors will be called and will outline to the grand jury the nature of the injuries and how they were inflicted upon Remington, declined to state whether the three accused men will also be called before the grand jury. Ordinarily the accused in capital (murder) cases are not required to appear. However, the federal prosecutor did not rule out their appearance. He said no subpoenas have been issued but added a number will be served later today.

In all probabilities several convicts and prison officials will be summoned. Several special agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation will also testify.

Mr. Levy stated that in the event true bills are returned, the three convicts will be placed on trial within six weeks. He said if the grand jury testimony warrants, the government will seek the death penalty.

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EDWARD Louis Eagle Jr., above of Chattanooga, Tenn., 17-year-old juvenile delinquent, has been charged along with two other convicts with the murder of William Hammington. Hammington died after being beaten in the Federal Prison at Lewisburg, Pa.

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Lewisburg Prison Probe Proposed

Washington, D.C.—Rep. Broyhill (R-Pa.) yesterday called for a Congressional investigation of the Lewisburg, Pa. prison where William W. Remington was slain.

In an interview, Broyhill recalled that he had criticized James V. Bennett, head of the bureau of prisons, and his administration in several speeches last summer. He said he will re-introduce a resolution for a prison inquiry when Congress meets in January.

"This killing is an example of what I've been talking about," Broyhill said.

"There has been a lot of carelessness in the operation of the federal prison system. And this killing is not going to be the end of it."

Broyhill said a house investigation last summer might have prevented the killing of Remington, a former Commerce department official who was sentenced to the prison in 1935 for perjury in connection with questioning on Communist activities.

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3rd Convict Held in Remington Death; Hiss Gains Restricted Freedom Today

LEWISBURG, Pa., Nov. 22 (AP)—A third convict — only 27 — today was charged with the slaying of convicted perjurer William Remington in Lewisburg Federal Penitentiary.

Lewisburg prison authorities, meanwhile, prepared for the release of Alger Hiss, due to receive his freedom and begin the restricted life of a parolee in a matter of hours.

The charging of the third convict, Lewis Cagle Jr., of Chattanooga, Tenn., provided the first clue as to possible motive for the attack on Remington.

The 30-year-old Hiss, like Remington, was convicted of perjury in testimony he gave during investigations of the Communist conspiracy in the United States.

Remington, one-time aide in the Commerce Department, died in the prison hospital on Wednesday from a savage beating at the hands of three fellow prisoners now accused by the FBI of murder. He was struck on the head with a brick, believed to be a sock. The murder



LEWIS CAGLE JR.

led to widespread speculation that the two were somehow connected. But acting Warden Fred E. Wilkinson said he found no good reason for so thinking.

Good behavior reduced Hiss' sentence from five to three and one-half years.

Wilkinson said Hiss' former high-ranking State Department assistant spent his last day in prison in routine details. He turned in his dress clothing, the odds and ends he won't need in the outside world.

"Just as in the military," Wilkinson said, "there is a lot of checking out to be done."

Planned to Ramoth Room
Norman M. McCabe, special agent in charge of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Philadelphia office of the FBI, said Cagle admitted that he and two other convicts "planned to attack Remington's room on Nov. 22 and the assault took place while there in his Remington's room."

The others, George James McCoy, 40, of Grady, Va., and Robert Earl Parker, 21, Washington, D.C., were charged with murder the day Remington died.

McCabe said that Cagle was assigned to Lewisburg penitentiary after his conviction in December 1952 under the Federal Juvenile Delinquency Act. Both McCoy and Parker are serving four-year terms for transporting stolen goods across state lines.

McCabe said that Cagle was not a particularly bad man but was a "tough" and "hard" and "wanted to kill inside Remington" as a "prison" against the "other" "convicts" Hiss, "Wilkinson" and "others."

The prison last week "had" "a" "savage" "beating" "at" "the" "hands" "of" "three" "other" "prisoners" "now" "accused" "by" "the" "FBI" "of" "murder."

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looking for Communists, but

"You might run into him at a craps table here the same way," he said.

Wilkinson said he doubted the robbery was the same as the killing of Remington but would not elaborate.

Nine is expected to be sent to the prison gate by his wife, Patricia, and their 13-year-old son. They will motor to their New York home, probably accompanied by his lawyer, Chester Lane.

Wilkinson said Nine's release will follow normal routine. Nine is expected to be checked out by several agencies, including the commission and the library. Then he will be escorted through the big gate into the open. He is expected to be released between 3 P.M. and 5 A.M. EST.

Nine was charged with a charge that he had of a federal grand jury when he denied that he passed government secrets to Walter Chambers, who says he was a courier for a pro-Soviet ring, and that he had admitted to it after Jan. 1, 1957.

The first trial in 1957 ended in a hung jury. A second trial ending Jan. 21, 1958, he was convicted on both counts. He was sentenced on March 27, 1958, to 30 years, serving his term.

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Lane, the New Yorker, said that the Federal Bureau of Investigation is the leading confidential source of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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himself against him.

He was trying to "see the picture out of the picture," he said.

His brother, Donald, said Alger is coming out of jail tomorrow. Mrs. Alger has been working in a New York bookstore to support herself and her son, Tony.

On March 21, 1958, Nine must report to the court a month before his release. He will have to tell where he is living, where he is working, how much he is earning, and how he is living.

In Washington, meanwhile, Rep. Royall, R-Va., today called for a congressional investigation of the Leavenworth prison convict.

In an interview, Royall recalled that he had acquired James V. Brown, head of the Bureau of Prisons, and his administration in several speeches last summer. He said he will reintroduce a resolution for a prison inquiry when Congress meets in January.

"This Remington killing is an example of what I've been talking about," Royall said.

"There has been a lot of carelessness in the operation of the federal prison system. And the fact is that it is not being run as it should be."

Royall said a House investigation of the prison system has been authorized. He said the investigation will be conducted by the House Committee on the Judiciary.

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Third Convict Held In Prison Slaying

Seventeen-year-old charged with murder of William Remington

Levittsburg, Pa. (AP) — A third convict, only 17—yesterday was charged with the slaying of convicted perjurer William Remington in Levittsburg federal penitentiary. Remington, one time aide in the Commerce department, died in the prison hospital on Wednesday from a savage beating at the hands of three fellow prisoners now accused by the FBI of murder. He was struck on the head with a brick wrapped in a sock. The assault was committed in Remington's dormitory room.

The charging of the third convict, Lewis Cagle Jr., of Chattanooga, Tenn., provided the first clue as to possible motive for the attack on Remington.

Robbery Planned
Thomas H. McCabe, special agent in charge of the Philadelphia office of the FBI, said Cagle admitted that he and two other convicts "planned to ransack Remington's room on Nov. 22 and the assault took place while there in his (Remington's) room."

James Earl Ray was arrested in Lewisburg penitentiary on conviction in December, 1967 under the Federal Juvenile Delinquency Act. Ray, 34, and others are serving three year terms for transporting stolen automobiles across state lines.

The Greek head turned reports that groups of prisoners were going around looking for Communists, but added:

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Grand Jury to Reconvene to Investigate Pen

LEWISBURG—A federal grand jury will reconvene at Scranton at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning to investigate the Lewisburg Penitentiary slaying of William W. Page, former government economist, convicted of perjury in a communist espionage case.

J. Julius Levy, United States Attorney for the Federal District Court, said this morning that if the jury indicts the three suspects and the facts show the killing was premeditated, "of course we'll ask for capital punishment." He noted, however, that he does not know the answer to that question at the moment because "I don't have all the facts now."

Recess of the jury, which had been in recess, was announced by Attorney Levy after an order was issued by Federal Judge Albert L. Wallace at Scranton.

Search warrants have been issued against three car thieves imprisoned at Lewisburg, where Page was serving a three-year sentence.

The three are: George James, 34, Grundy, Va.; Robert Barker, 31, Washington, and [illegible], 31, Chattanooga.

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Ex-Inmate Of Training School Here Is Accused

Suspect Said To Admit Trio Beat Victim In Robbery Attempt

By William J. Brady
and
Paul Brown

A 17-year-old former inmate of the National Training School here was charged yesterday with teaming up with two fellow prisoners at the Lewisburg (Pa.) Penitentiary to murder William W. Harrison.

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He was charged with murder in the death of the 27-year-old Pennsylvanian department store clerk in North and the post office and Robert Earl Parker in a former Washington, D. C. County Jail. He was charged with the 1968 killing of a woman, then 30, who was shot in the back and killed in a parking lot near the Washington, D. C. and Arlington County Jail. Parker was charged with the 1968 killing of a woman, then 30, who was shot in the back and killed in a parking lot near the Washington, D. C. and Arlington County Jail. Parker was charged with the 1968 killing of a woman, then 30, who was shot in the back and killed in a parking lot near the Washington, D. C. and Arlington County Jail.

Officers' Pay

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Kinnear said he believed the man was not, the wife makes it sound like she was. He said he was not sure if the man was the same man who was in the car with the woman.

With three of his prisoners under murder charges in the Hennepin County Jail, Wilkins said that would appear to be as the roundup of suspects is completed.

Rep. Carl E. Boehm of Minneapolis called for a complete investigation of the federal prison system here, which he called in earlier statements a "cancer." He pointed to the Federal Bureau of Investigation and its administration

The legislator said he was disappointed in the short session of Congress's legislation for civil inquiry. He declared that a House investigation had been set up but might have prevented the killing of Kennedys who were in the line when they were killed on Communist territory.

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taken before completion of this work after the United States had withdrawn its representation in the eyes of the world by withdrawing from the United Nations technical assistance program. A member of the American Relations Committee, House-Designs

Youth Tied To Pen Killing

N. J. GALT services this morning at St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church there.

He died at Lehigh Valley Hospital after emergency surgery failed to rally him from the effects of an aortic dissection. He was 61 years old.

Walter White said he
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All Charged Alike
The five accused in the 1935-36 All-India Congress Committee election case were charged with the same offence under the Criminal Code, viz. conspiracy to defraud the Government of India of its revenues.

Young people with a political view, looking back at the 1960s, find that the 1960s were a time of change and progress. They are proud of the achievements of the 1960s and are looking forward to the future.

Case, who was arrested on September 29, 1961, under a 10-year sentence imposed by Federal judge, and who was released on July 24, 1962.

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third Remington suspect

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After serving the morning at St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church there, he died at Levensburg Wednesday after emergency surgery failed to rally him from the effects of an arrow delivered Monday by a villain who shot him with a bolt coated in poison.

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Charged With Remington Murder

Boy Called Example of Prison Problems

By MARTHA STRAYER

Federal Prison Director James V. Bennett says the 17-year-old boy charged with murdering William W. Remington is an extreme example of problem youths like District Boys whom Justice Department has sent to Federal penitentiaries.

District Chief Justice Bolitha Laws ruled this week that all District juveniles must be confined in juvenile reformatories.

Prison Director Bennett says about a dozen District problem youngsters are in Lewisburg or Terre Haute Federal penitentiaries or in a Federal correctional institution at Danbury, Conn.

"We don't know what we'll do with them now," he said.

The 17-year-old charged with murdering convicted pe-juer Remington in Lewis Cagle Jr. of Chattanooga, Tenn., who was serving



Cagle

are another problem in this situation.

"We get a parole violator of 19 who's a man in everything but age. What do we do with him?" he asked.

A special act of Congress, passed in 1948, gave Justice Department authority to transfer such boys from the National Training School to other Federal institutions without referring such cases back to juvenile court.

Judge Cochran opposes such transfer authority without reference to her court.

Remington Funeral Today in Ridgewood

RIDGEWOOD, N. J., Nov. 27.—Services were held today for William Walter Remington, 37, former Government economist who was murdered in Lewisburg prison.

The Rev. Alexander Rodger of St. Elizabeth Episcopal Church read from Psalms and from St. Paul's Epistle to the Romans. There was no eulogy. About 45 friends and relatives, including his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick C. Remington, and his widow, Jack, were at the service.

He was found beaten to death in his cell at Northeastern Federal Penitentiary, Lewisburg, Pa., on Monday. Norman H. McCabe, special agent in charge of the FBI at Philadelphia, said robbery was the motive.

Three inmates have been charged with murder—Lewis Cagle Jr., 17, Chattanooga, Tenn., serving 15 months for juvenile delinquency; George Junior McCoy, 24, of Grundy, Va.; and Robert Carl Parker, 21, of Washington, D. C.

In Scranton, Pa., U. S. Atty. Julius Levy announced that a grand jury will be recalled Wednesday to consider charges against the three men.

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Death Penalty Is Eyed in Remington Case

SCRANTON, Pa., Nov. 17.—U. S. Atty. J. Julius Levy said today the Government would ask the death penalty for three suspects accused of slaying William W. Remington in his prison cell if the facts show the killing was premeditated. Mr. Levy, who will prosecute, said the case would go before a Federal grand jury Wednesday. "I don't know if we have the facts concerning the case," he said. (Earlier stories on Page 2.)

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RIDGEWOOD, N.J.--FUNERAL SERVICES FOR WILLIAM WALTER DEWINGTON, FORMER GOVERNMENT ECONOMIST WHO WAS MURDERED IN HIS PRISON CELL, WILL BE HELD TODAY AT THE ST. ELIZABETH EPISCOPAL CHURCH. THE BODY OF THE 37-YEAR-OLD CONVICTED PERJURER THEN WILL BE CREMATED, A FRIEND SAID.

DEWINGTON, A FORMER \$10,000-A-YEAR GOVERNMENT ECONOMIST, WAS FOUND BEATEN TO DEATH IN HIS CELL AT NORTHEASTERN FEDERAL PENITENTIARY, LEWISBURG, PA., NOV. 22.

THE FBI HAS ACCUSED THREE INMATES, ONE A 17-YEAR-OLD JUVENILE DELINQUENT, OF THE CRIME.

NORMAN H. MCCABE, SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE OF THE FBI AT PHILADELPHIA, SAID ROBBERY WAS THE MOTIVE. IN SCRANTON, PA., MEANWHILE, U.S. ATTORNEY J. JULIUS LEVY ANNOUNCED THAT A FEDERAL GRAND JURY WILL BE RECALLED WEDNESDAY TO CONSIDER CHARGES AGAINST THE THREE CONVICTS.

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All Join in Rem.

Widow Weeps Quietly.

Remington's conviction for perjury for denying he passed Oswald the secrets to a Communist spy ring always bothered the family. Several years ago, his father said Remington's alleged connection with an espionage outfit "wasn't true, it was just a lie."

By the Associated Press

Caution Council

Mr. Bennett added that he hasn't lost a "single bit of confidence" in Warden W. A. Rorer as would have been charged by the opposition nor failed in the work and he made it clear the war in Korea—that it would Red Chinese and North Koreans retreat—as the Minnesota State Prisoners would hesitate to give action was made easier, he re-emption procedure of the U. S. Lodge added he favored revision

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Prison Unit Probes Death Of Remington

William W. Remington received the last rites of the Episcopal Church yesterday, as the Federal Bureau of Prisons promised a thorough investigation of his prison murder.

James V. Bennett, bureau director, said his probe would emphasize factors different from those currently under study by the FBI, which also is investigating the Lewisburg (Pa.) Penitentiary slaying.

"We are concerned primarily with prison administration and correcting faults if any exist," Bennett said.

Three fellow inmates are charged with the murder of Remington, one-time Commerce Department economist who went to jail for lying about Communist connections. The accused are Lewis J. Cagle, 17, Robert C. Parker, 21, and George J. McCoy, 34, the FBI said.

Remington was assaulted in his cell last Monday, presumably as he slept, and died Wednesday despite surgical attempts to save his life. The death weapon, the FBI said, was a brick in a sock.

Cagle, according to investigators, declared in a statement that he and the other two suspects—all convicted auto thieves—"planned to ransack Remington's room on November 22 and the assault took place" while they were in the room.

A source close to the probe said the motive apparently was robbery, and dismissed reports that the assault climaxed a burst of anti-Communist sentiment among prison inmates.

But Bennett told a reporter he didn't want to ascribe a "single motive" at this time to the slaying.

"There may have been more than one motive," he declared. "I just don't know for sure now, and I can't comment on the anti-Communist rumors. We are conducting an investigation."

lost a "single bit of confidence" in Lewisburg Warden Fred Wilkinson and other members of the prison staff, and said if any further were found in prison procedures, they would be corrected.

Funeral services for Remington were held in Ridgewood, N. J., in the small, stucco house of worship of his boyhood.

Fifty persons attended the 124-minute service in the church, only three blocks from the home of Remington's parents.

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Remington Death Lies at Door of Dept. of Justice

By ROB F. HALL

EARLY WEDNESDAY morning the telephone rang in the modest home of the Remingtons in Levittown, N.Y. It was the prison chaplain, calling from the federal penitentiary at Lewisburg, Pa.

"I am very sorry, Mrs. Remington," said the chaplain, "your husband Bill is dead. I am very sorry. He was well liked by the other prisoners. And he is also confirmed by the wardens—that he was very well liked."

A little later reporters were knocking on Mrs. Remington's door. For her husband was William W. Remington, the former chief of the Commerce Department, tried and persecuted for alleged leftist associations during the New Deal days, and after endless witchhunt hearings and federal trials, sent to prison on a trumped-up conviction of perjury. Tuesday afternoon Mrs. Remington had been informed that her husband had been found on the floor of a prison dormitory, his skull fractured by blows of a brick in a sick wicked by "person or persons unknown."

"I did not think he was that badly injured," the chaplain said.

MRS. REMINGTON did not want to talk to the reporters. She did not want to give them the name of the little boy, 18 months old, pulling at her skirt. "Tragedy, tragedy. Bill's life was one tragedy after another," said the tearful young wife.

Out of her sorrow and despair she wrote a profound truth. Her husband, William W. Remington, was a member of the American Labor Union, and it was the tragedy of a man who was a member of the American Labor Union, and it was the tragedy of a man who was a member of the American Labor Union.

William Remington left Dartmouth College to work as a messenger in TVA in 1930, and when times got better, he returned to college and graduated in 1932, a member of Phi Beta Kappa. He began a career in the New Deal government which was rewarded by his associates as brilliant.

Then in 1948 Elizabeth Bentley, the stoolpigon queen of the House un-American committee charged that Remington as a young man in Washington had been a member of a "Communist espionage ring."

He was paid out of his \$10,000 a year job with the Commerce Department but was reinstated with full back pay after clearance by President Truman's top loyalty board. But the un-American committee wasn't satisfied. They dug up additional informers who swore that Remington as a youthful TVA messenger had been a member of a Communist group. Remington, called before the grand jury, denied the statement and was indicted for perjury.

AFTER a trial in 1951 Remington was convicted and sentenced to five years. But when his case reached the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals the judges unanimously reversed the conviction. Remington had not had a fair trial; therefore the charges were not proven, the court ruled in effect. And many, many said the court, the judge, the U.S. Attorney Irving Saypol and the grand jury were all wrong.

The Justice Department decided not to prosecute Remington on the charge. It did the unexpected thing, securing a new indictment against Remington for perjury on the basis of statements he had made in his own defense at the first trial.

In January 1953 Remington was convicted a second time and was sentenced to prison for three years. Judge Vincent LeBlond explained that he was being lenient in fixing the penalty because young Remington's career had already been ruined. In April, 1953, Remington entered Lewisburg prison and his wife was soon released.

THE FATAL blow to Remington came last Tuesday when a similar charge was made by a former Communist leader in West St. Louis last year, was believed to have been from McCarthy and a Communist Party.

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And it is also refuted by the testimony of the prison chaplain that Remington was well liked by his fellow prisoners.

The murder of Remington is therefore no spontaneous action but premeditated as a group—it was a deliberately calculated act incited by McCarthyism. And it is from McCarthyism holding influential positions in prison, in the courts and government, that the murderers will expect protection.

Remington. Like the other political prisoners who are filling our jails, should never have been sent to prison. But nothing now can undo that injustice. The Republican Administration and the Department of Justice can, however, put their hands on the guilty and prosecute them for murder. The real and most heinous responsibility for the people to see that this must not be repeated. We believe that the way to insure this is for the people and their organizations to telegraph President Lincoln and Attorney General Sawyer protesting the murder of Remington and demanding that steps be taken to protect political prisoners from such murderous attacks. And there go our greetings for the political ideas and convictions which have brought forth this protest. We shall be glad to hear from you.

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Murder at Lewisburg

Apart from the other unfortunate aspects of the murder of William W. Remington at Lewisburg Penitentiary, it will serve as a black mark against the United States in the eyes of its enemies abroad. Remington was convicted of a serious crime against the United States, and for that he was being punished. But he deserved a kind of protection which the Government did not give him. His death at the hands of two other inmates will be grist for Communist propaganda, and it will be a club for those who wish to believe that this country has sinned the Communists in its treatment of men such persons regard as political prisoners.

The reluctance of the Department of Justice and the Federal Bureau of Prisons to give the whole story did not help the case—though the FBI, fortunately, has charged two men with being the assailants. It remained for Remington's lawyer and his widow, however, to disclose what actually happened. Remington, it seems, was beaten to death not because of any ideological animosities, as might first have been suspected, but simply because he had become associated as a dormitory mate with a small group of prisoners who had for some reason incurred the hostility of another group.

That such a thing could have happened certainly implies an administrative neglect. Lewisburg is usually regarded as a model prison of the "minimal security" class. It is a prison for short-term convicts who are expected to give no great trouble during their confinement and therefore can be allowed a more wholesome environment and a less rigid regimen than is practicable or safe in such prisons as say, Leavenworth or Alcatraz. Remington, as is now disclosed, belonged to the category of "honor prisoners" who are not locked up in their dormitories during sleeping hours and who even are permitted to have private lockers for their personal belongings.

—from the statements of Remington's lawyer and

widow are correct, there are other inmates at Lewisburg who should never have been permitted to remain in a "minimal security" prison. In his letters, it is said, Remington told of bitterness and trouble between rival cliques of prisoners and even of acts of violence. On one occasion the dormitory was invaded and a mattress set afire. On another lockers were smashed and robbed. Remington said he had learned by the prison grapevine that his dormitory mates had incurred the jealousy or displeasure of the "ruling clique" at the prison and were marked for vengeance. He even mentioned the desire of the well behaved prisoners for more guards to protect them.

The tragedy of William Remington thus is complete. He was one of a number of gifted young men of his generation for whom the greatest failure of the modern world—communism—possessed a disastrous fascination, and it led him eventually into a morass of treachery and deceit. The judge who sentenced him observed that he already had been heavily punished for his folly in the ruin of a promising career. The sad manner in which his life ended cannot help but arouse compassion. His murder leaves two gnawing questions. What is to be done about the evidence of a serious defect in the Federal system of screening and assigning prisoners? And why is it that the Government which had sent Remington to prison was unable to provide him even in prison, with reasonable protection for his life?

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Cagle served parts of two sentences at the National Training School here.

Mr. McCabe said Cagle admitted in a statement that he along with McCoy and Parker, planned to ransack Remington's room on November 24 and the assailants took place while they were in his (Remington's) room.

Nothing of Value in Cell

A spokesman for the prison said an investigation was continuing along other lines, but that officials in the prison were not in a position yet to discuss what other inmates were involved.

"There was nothing in Remington's room of any value," the spokesman said. "Only cigarettes, a few candy bars and personal items. Absolutely no money."

The other two prisoners referred to were George Junior McCoy, 34, of Orange, Va., and Robert Carl Parker, 31, of Washington, D. C., who were charged with participating in the beating administered to Remington with a part of a brick wrapped in a stocking. Both have been formally charged with murder.

Remington, who was serving a three-year sentence for perjury after denying he gave Government secrets to Communists, died of a skull injury in the prison hospital. Wednesday services are to be held at 10 a.m. tomorrow at St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church, Ridgewood, N. J., with private burial following.

Anti-Red Move Doubtful

The clue as to the motive for the slaying ended speculation that the slaying might have been an act reflecting anti-Communist feeling in the prison.

The development came less than 24 hours before these same prison gates are scheduled to open for Alger Hiss, the 50-year-old former State Department official who has spent three and a half years in the jail. He will leave on probation.

Hiss' wife Priscilla is expected to meet him at the prison gates when he is released.

Acting Warden Fred T. Wilson said he has had his "confidential talk" with Hiss.

May Seek to Prove Innocence

Dozens of prisoners are expected to be on hand to question Hiss on the plans for the future. He entered the prison claiming his innocence and some indications are his immediate future might be devoted to proving it.

But at least two congressional committees have indicated they may ask first call on his time. The House Un-American Activities Committee has said it is considering calling him to testify. The Senate Internal Security subcommittee staff also was reported to be interested in questioning him.

Hiss denied his release on the basis of a "whistle-blowing" charge that cost him the highest honor in the government.

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"No Specific Precautions"

Routine Marks Hiss' Last Day Behind Bars

Officials at the Northeastern Federal Penitentiary in Lewisburg, Pa., said "no specific precautions" are being taken to protect Alger Hiss, convicted perjurer, on his last day in prison today. He goes free tomorrow.

Hiss was a prison mate of William Walter Remington, who was mortally beaten by fellow prisoners last Monday. Remington was serving time for lying about his communist associations.

The gates will open for Hiss between 8 and 9 a. m. tomorrow and Convict No. 19137 will walk out into the free society he left in March, 1951.



Hiss

Hiss was given a five-year sentence for lying when he denied giving Government secrets to a communist spy ring. He got 15 months off for good behavior.

The man who had most to do with Hiss' going to jail, Whitaker Chambers, former courier for a Soviet

spy ring, expressed sympathy for him.

Alger Hiss will be passing from the ordeal of prison to the ordeal of daily living, which may well prove more trying," Mr. Chambers said.

Hiss last day behind prison walls was the same as any other. He was awakened by a bugle call and a blast from the boiler house whistle at 6:45 a. m. He washed, shaved, cleared up his cell and stood to be counted at 7. After breakfast, he went to work in the stockroom. Work ends at 5 p. m.

He will have a lot to think about when the lights are dimmed at 9:30 for his last night there.

Meanwhile, FBI agents still refused to talk about the Remington murder. Prison officials still say anti-communist feelings among the prisoners had nothing to do with it.

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Authorized complaint charging Cagle with violation Section 1111, Title 18, U. S. Code, filed before USC Andrew L. Leiser, Jr., Lewisburg, Pa., 9 a.m., 11/26/54. McCoy reinterviewed 11/26/54 and no admission obtained. Lab examining personal effects of McCoy, Parker, Cagle and victim Remington, together with clothing worn by Remington and subject Cagle day of assault.

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Third Suspect

Boy, 17, Is Charged in Remington Killing

LEWISBURG, Pa., Nov. 26—A 17-year-old boy today was charged with the murder of convicted perjurer William W. Remington in the Federal prison here. Two others prisoners were arrested on the same charge Wednesday.

The FBI for the first time, indicated that the motive was just robbery.

The boy is Lewis Cagle Jr. of Chattanooga, Tenn. He was serving time for auto theft.

The FBI said Cagle admitted that he and the two other prisoners, Robert Carl Parker, 21, of Wash-

MOTIVE

Remington was mortally beaten with a brick wrapped in a sock while the three men were in his room, the FBI said.

This bore out statements by prison officials that Remington's death had nothing to do with anti-communist feeling among his fellow prisoners. Remington was serving a 3-year sentence for lying about his communist connections.

Remington died 30 hours after the beating. He tried to tell what had happened to him, officials said, but he couldn't speak.

His lawyer told The News that Remington had written to his wife that a gang of prisoners had fallen out with his cellmates and had made raids on their lockers.

BOY'S RECORD

The boy, Cagle, had been convicted twice of violating the juvenile delinquency act by transporting a stolen motor vehicle across state lines, the FBI said.

The other two prisoners charged with Remington's murder were serving time for similar offenses.

Cagle first was sentenced in Chattanooga on Sept. 21, 1951, the FBI said. He was paroled a year later, but the parole was revoked because he was convicted of another offense.

A 15-month sentence for another conviction was given to Parker on Oct. 1, 1954.

DEATH

After the slaying, Remington was taken to a second room where he lay on his back with his head at breakfast. He was found an open bottle of beer and bone fragments in the room, but his chances for survival were never considered.

HIS LAST DAY

Meanwhile, prison officials said they were taking special precautions are being taken to protect Alger Hiss, who, Remington was sent to Lewisburg on a perjury conviction. Hiss, Convict No. 19137, will be free tomorrow after serving all but 15 months of a five-year sentence.



LEWIS CAGLE JR.

D. C. and George Parker of Grandy, Va., arrested in connection with Remington's slaying.

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Hiss earned his release on 10 years of a "meritorious" record while confined. His original sentence was five years.

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Fellow-Prisoners Angered at Remington Murder, Says Warden

LEWISBURG, Pa., Nov. 25.—There are quite angry about what Mrs. William Walter Remington occurred. We have taken no concerted action regarding Hiss, although we are not unmindful of our institution of security for everyone.

Wilkinson said the FBI was continuing its investigation into the fatal attack, adding that the FBI's final report would be turned over to the U. S. attorney for action. Remington's assailants, identified as George Junior McCoy, 34, of Grundy, Va., and Robert Carl Parker, 21, of Washington, are reported facing charges of first degree murder.

Records showed both men had long police and prison records. McCoy had been in prison three times in the last nine years.

CRC PROTESTS
The Civil Rights Congress, con-

menting in the prison murder of Remington, protested yesterday against "the creation of conditions that make possible violence against patriotic Americans."

"We protest," the CRC added, "the refusal on the part of the Justice Department to differentiate between political prisoners and criminals. We demand that political prisoners be accorded the kind of treatment commensurate with their position in society, as patriotic individuals. We demand that Mr. Remington's assailants be tried for murder."

"We call upon President Eisenhower to recognize the blot on American justice that is now being clearly seen by world opinion as well as by the American people, to grant amnesty to all political prisoners, and to end all

political persecution in our country."

The CRC also emphasized that the murder of Remington "follows the recent near-fatal assault on Robert Thompson, World War hero, at the West Street Jail, who was convicted for his political opinions under the Smith Act."

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Remington Dies Of Prison Attack 2 Held On Murder

Former Commerce department employe succumbed to beating at federal penitentiary. Two convicted thieves charged with murder. Remington was serving three-year term for perjury conviction. Warden discounts Communist feeling as motive.

LEWISBURG, Pa. (AP) — Walter Remington, former Commerce department official, died Wednesday of a skull fracture in the federal penitentiary here.

Remington's head was bashed in and his face badly cut when he was set upon Monday morning as he slept in a prison dormitory.

Emergency surgery was performed Tuesday on the unconscious 37-year-old Remington but he died 16 hours later.

After an exhaustive FBI inquiry which started soon after disclosure of the beating, two convicted thieves, George Junior McCoy, 36, of Grundy, Va., and Robert Earl Parker, 21, of Washington, D.C., were charged with murder.

The complaint charged that the killing was done with premeditation and intent of striking Remington in the head with a small metal object. It also charged that the two men were very angry about the slaying of Remington.

At the same time, the prison head discounted anti-Communist feeling as a motive in the Monday attack.

"It's been spoken of in the newspapers," Wilkinson told a reporter. "But we don't feel that was an experience that out here."

Remington was serving a three-year term for perjury after denying he had given government secrets to Communist agents.

The attack occurred as prison authorities were preparing to release Alger Hiss tomorrow. Hiss served 3½ years also on a perjury charge involving denial of giving government papers to the

Wilkinson said no "specific precautions" are being taken in protecting Hiss prior to his release. "Prison officials are 'not' concerned at our institution of security for everyone."

Funeral Tomorrow
Remington had been described as a "good" prisoner by an aide to Wilkinson. The body was returned to the penitentiary yesterday from a Lewisburg funeral home for services to Midland Park, N. J. Services are to be held tomorrow at St. Elizabeth's Episcopal church, Ridgewood. A private burial will follow.

Wilkinson said the FBI's report to the investigation will be presented to the U. S. attorney, "who will then decide what to do."

Remington was queried as the possibility of anti-Hiss feeling as the motive in the slaying after Remington's wife was quoted in New York as saying Remington was fatally injured by "a couple of hoodlums who got all worked up by all the publicity about Communists."

She quoted Wilkinson as telling her over the telephone on Monday night that "the attack appeared completely unprovoked and was an impersonal thing."

The New York Journal-American, however, quoted her as saying:

"They killed him. They killed him because they thought he was a Communist. Oh, my God, my God! No matter what they thought he was, he was a Communist."

Resigned Job

Mrs. Remington, his second wife, lives in New York under her maiden name. With their 14-month-old son Remington has two children by a previous marriage.

Remington resigned a \$10,000-a-year job with the U. S. Commerce department in 1950 to defend himself against the charge of perjury. His first conviction was set aside by the U. S. Supreme Court, and he was convicted a second time on Jan. 27, 1953. He started to serve a three-year jail term in April, 1954.

Remington's first wife, Anne, died. Remington was a key witness at his perjury trial. She testified he was a member of the Communist party and paid Red dues to Elizabeth Bentley, an admitted courier for a Soviet spy who first linked Remington with the Communists in 1948.

Remington filed a \$100,000 libel suit against Miss Bentley after she named him as a Communist in a 1948 television broadcast. The suit was settled for \$25,000 out of court.

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Cowardly Attack

It is the job of the investigators and officials at Lewisburg Penitentiary to learn how the weapon was brought into the prison for the fatal attack on William Remington. It already is known that it was a red brick, tied in a white sock. It was used to slug Remington over the head while he slept in a dormitory.

The victim was serving a three-year sentence on conviction of having falsely denied that he gave secret information to a Communist spy ring.

There can be no justification for such a cowardly attack in a U. S. prison. It smacks too much of the kind of treatment that has been exposed in Iron Curtain countries. All of the details of this attack must be brought out and the proper steps taken to show that this country will not tolerate such brutality and the illegal taking of a human life behind prison walls. Let all of the facts be known.

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The robbery motive and the fact that the two men had been hauled runners that the nation's death may have had a connection with communism. There had been speculation that the beating may have resulted from prisoner resentment over the accompanying the scheduled release of Alger Hiss Saturday. The Remington was jailed in New York in connection with a criminal investigation of Communist Party. Both had been honor prisoners.

June, 1954 he was indicted by a federal grand jury in New York City for perjury. He was convicted and his standing was reversed by a court of appeals on grounds the jury was charged improperly. The decision was re-indicted, having been vacated on a charge of having denied his first trial when he denied the existence of the National Student Communist League while a student at Dartmouth and when he denied giving secret documents to Miss Bentley.

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LEWIS CAGLE JR.

Juvenile Held In Fatal Beating Of Remington

17-Year-Old Faces
Charge Of Murder
Robbery Was Motive

LEWIS CAGLE JR., 17, of Chattanooga, Tenn., was charged today with the murder of Remington, 31, of Washington, D.C., in a fatal beating in his dormitory at the Federal Penitentiary here on morning of Nov. 22, 1954. The beating of the farmer, Commerce Department economist, took place while they were in his room, Cagle said.

McCoy is charge of Federal Penitentiary announced that FBI agents were murder consultant against Cagle Jr., of Chattanooga.

James Junior McCoy, 34, of Va., and Robert Carl, 21, of Washington, D.C., had been charged with in-a-sock slaying of Remington in his dormitory at the prison.

The complaint against Cagle is the first time that robbery was the motive for slaying.

ROBBERY TRY

McCoy said Cagle admitted that he, McCoy and Parker planned to smash Remington's private cell in the dormitory of the Northeast Federal Penitentiary here on morning of Nov. 22, 1954. The beating of the farmer, Commerce Department economist, took place while they were in his room, Cagle said.

Cagle was serving a sentence at penitentiary for violation of juvenile delinquency statute. He first was sentenced on Sept. 1951 in the U.S. District Court at Chattanooga to a three year term for violation of the juvenile delinquency Act arising from the transportation of a stolen vehicle. He was paroled on 1953 but the parole was revoked following another conviction in December of the same year. A 15-month sentence for the conviction was added to the term remaining on his original three year sentence.

McCoy and Parker were serving terms at the prison for in-state transportation of stolen goods. McCoy was sentenced to five years at Folsom, Ky., May 12, 1950 and Parker was given a three year term at Gretna, N.C., June 2, 1949.

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A Death in Prison

Had the death by violence of William W. Remington, serving a three-year term for perjury in the Federal Penitentiary at Lewisburg, Pa., occurred in one of the old American barilles, the case might have been used as an argument for prison reform and for better classification of prisoners. Instead, the death of this former Commerce Department official occurred in a penal institution that is generally regarded as a model of penal reform and enlightenment. Lewisburg is a relatively new institution, modern in architecture and in outlook.

Must we look into the dark background of the spy-and-courier ring for the Communists which Elizabeth Bentley described for the mainspring of this prison plot that took the life of Remington? Miss Bentley's story connected Remington with the ring. Remington denied the charge in court, and therein lay a basis for perjury indictment against him. But the plot of prison life itself cannot be ignored.

Lewisburg is administered by penologists, not by political administrators as prisons are in some states where penal standards are low. It has excellent training facilities and a first-class library. The traditional drag of prisons has been abandoned in favor of a new scheme approaching the normal environment.

But no prison, however good, is a normal environment. Tensions are present because it is a prison and life is abnormal, that are unknown outside. The

values of prison life are topsy-turvy. The professional criminal is at the top of the social pyramid of a prison community. The amateur and the adventurous offender may be looked down upon. Inside frictions between prisoners are magnified until they become intolerable insults. In such an atmosphere, though in one of the best of the present, William W. Remington has lost his life in an attack that reflects the tensions of prison life. It is a pity, for he was a young man and he deserved a chance, after he had served his sentence, to seek firm ground and the road to a re-establishment of his name.

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Suspect in Remington Killing Is Training School 'Graduate'

Cagle Served Two Car-Theft Terms at Reformatory Here

Lewis Junior Cagle, 27-year-old inmate of the Lewisburg Penitentiary, charged with the murder of William W. Remington, is a "two-time" graduate of the National Training School here, the FBI said today.

The boy, who will be 18 on December 12, was born in Chattanooga, Tenn., had a seventh-grade education and was first arrested when he was 15, charged with transporting a stolen auto across the Tennessee State line into Georgia.

Because of his youth, his sentence stipulated three years at the National Training School here. He was paroled on July 16, 1932.

Within five months he was again arrested for auto theft and taking the car into Alabama. He was returned to the Training School here to complete the original three-year term. He served another 12 months on his second offense and additional time for prison violation.

He was transferred to the Federal Reformatory at Chattanooga.



LEWIS CAGLE

On in September of last year and to Lewisburg in June of this year.

The FBI said Cagle and the other two men also charged with Remington's murder lived in rooms in the same enclosure, but were kept apart from other inmates at Lewisburg.

Cagle, according to the FBI's description, weighs 130 pounds and stands 5 feet 7 inches tall.

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The Shame at Lewisburg

The slaying of William Remington in the prison at Lewisburg is an act which the whole country deprecates. Remington was serving a sentence of conviction of perjury; he was found by the courts to have denied falsely the transmission of secret information to a Communist spy ring. The nature of the offense was serious and is not condoned when it is said that such brutality occurring within prison walls is an outrage which falls far below the American standard of justice.

The depraved individuals who fatally attacked William Remington cannot be allowed to give the enemies of America an excuse for saying that in this country illegal and barbarous punishment is tolerated. They must be held to the strictest account. All the circumstances of the incident must be set forth by officials in charge. Americans will not rest easily until the shame at Lewisburg is expunged, and they will demand doubled precautions to see that such an occurrence is not repeated.

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2 Convicts Accused in Remington Death

LEWISBURG, Pa., Nov. 21.—FBI agents and federal penitentiary authorities today investigated the death of William Walter Remington, convicted perjurer, whose wife was quoted as saying he was fatally injured by "a couple of hoodlums who got all worked up by all the publicity about Communists."

Remington, convicted of perjury after denying he gave government secrets to the Communists, died in the Lewisburg Penitentiary hospital of a skull fracture. Prison officials said he had been battered with a brick wrapped in a sock while he slept Monday. An emergency operation Tuesday failed to save his life.

Two other convicts, identified as George Junior McCoy, 34, Grundy, Va., and Robert Carl Parker, 21, Washington, were charged with murder. Both are serving auto theft terms.

The inquiry came as prison authorities at Lewisburg prepared for the release Saturday of Alger Hiss, due to be freed after serving 3½ years of a perjury sentence also involving denial he gave government secrets to the Reds.

HESS TO BE FREED

Frank L. Wilkinson, acting warden, said no prisoner demonstrations had been caused by the approach of Hiss' release and prison officials issued a letter "to convict" early to state that Remington's death had been caused by anti-Red feeling among the penitentiary inmates.

However, Remington's second wife was quoted by a New York newspaper as blaming "the publicity about Communists."

The quoted Wilkinson as telling her that "the at-

tack appeared completely unprovoked and was an impersonal thing."

Another New York newspaper quoted Mrs. Remington as saying:

"They killed him. They killed him because they thought he was a Communist."

SECOND CONVICTION

Remington who has three children, married for the second time between his two perjury trials. His present wife now lives in New York under her maiden name, with their 18-month-old son.

Remington, who received a \$10,000-a-year job with the U.S. Department of Commerce in 1939 to defend himself against the perjury charge, obtained a U.S. Supreme Court ruling setting aside his initial conviction. He was convicted for the second time Jan. 27, 1952. He began serving a three-year term in April, 1953.

At his first trial, Remington's first wife—Anne Moez Remington—testified he was a member of the Communist Party and paid dues to Elizabeth Bentley, admitted Red spy ring courier.

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MURDER IN PRISON

A 35-YEAR-OLD American father of three, crudely framed into jail because of his liberal New Deal political convictions, is dead today, murdered by the Justice Department's "anti-Communist" frameup machinery.

William W. Remington, former Commerce Department official, brutally clubbed to death in the Lewisburg Federal Penitentiary while serving a three-year term for "perjury," never should have been in jail at all. So blatant was the FBI stoolpigeon frameup against him that a first conviction was reversed and thrown out, but the insatiable Justice Department "got" him on a perjury technicality based on the first trial. And now a brick wielded under the nose of federal prison officials has done the rest.

One year ago Robert C. Thompson, a war hero and Smith Act frameup victim, was similarly assaulted in jail and barely escaped death. His assailant was tapped on the wrist with a three-year sentence for this murder attack, a direct encouragement to "open season" on political prisoners. With the Remington murder, the world will view with horror the emerging pattern of frameup victims being clubbed down while in federal custody. The shocked humanity it will smell strongly like the jails of Hitler and Mussolini, like the typical "shot while escaping" of southern lynch law.

And what do the prison officials have to say about it? Listen to this statement by Lewisburg Acting Warden Fred Wilkinson:

"You'll get pretty much the same reaction concerning loyalty in a prison climate as in any other community." (N. Y. Times, Nov. 24).

THIS IS INCITEMENT TO FURTHER MURDER ASSAULTS ON LIBERALS, NEW DEALERS AND COMMUNISTS, BOTH IN JAIL AND THROUGHOUT THE LAND.

The innocent, foully murdered William Remington is the victim of more than the brick-wielding prisoner and the shoulder-slugging warden. He is the victim of the whole frameup system which continues to undermine the Constitution and produce ever more victims for the anti-Communist headlines. Yes, he is the victim of these very headlines which scream of "treason" and "spies" in reference to people not even CHARGED with being those things.

Remington's tragic death should shock liberal America demanding an accounting from Washington. It is from the Justice Department that Robert Remington was framed.

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2 Jailed Car Thieves Accused of Slaying Remington in Prison



GEORGE JUNIOR MCCOY ROBERT CARL PARKER
... Remington murder suspect ... also charged with murder

D. C. and Virginia Prisoners Charged With Murder: Wife Blames Publicity

By [unclear] Staff Writer

William Walter Remington, the 37-year-old former Commerce Department economist who was sentenced for perjury and yesterday morning in Lewisburg Federal Prison, Pa., after being found in the prison stairs Monday afternoon with his skull bashed in.

Remington's second wife thought he might have been a victim of anti-Communist hysteria. His attorney was more inclined to look at it as prison gangsterism.

Upon Remington's death, the FBI quickly pressed first-degree murder charges against two other prisoners, both from this area: Robert Carl Parker, 21, one-time Washington resident; and George Junior McCoy, 34, of Grundy, Va.

The official FBI complaint, and Parker and McCoy, with premeditation, struck Remington over the head with a piece of red brick wrapped in a white sock while he lay in his cell bunk, presumably asleep.

Remington had a night job in the prison hospital and died during the day.

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Facing Remington Charge Have Like Records in Crime

By Robert E. Baker

Staff Reporter

The two prisoners accused transferred to Lewisburg Aug. 19 in the fatal beating of William Remington in the Lewisburg Penitentiary apparently didn't know each other before being imprisoned there. But their extensive crime records are remarkably similar.

FBI and police records show both Robert Carl Parker, 21, of Washington, and George Junior McCoy, 24, of Grundy, Va., were car thieves. Both walked away from prison camps and escaped in stolen cars.

Now both face a maximum death penalty in the slaying of the former Commerce Department economist.

Parker is a thin, blue-eyed youth with wavy blond hair who stands one inch over six feet and weighs only 145 pounds. He was born in the 700 block of 4th st. sw. on April 11, 1933. A year later, he began a 13-year term at the state penitentiary, Columbus, Ohio, for carrying a concealed weapon. He walked away from the Roseville honor farm September 21, stole a car at Philo, Ohio, was arrested in Piquette, Ky., and entered Leavenworth October 15 to serve three years.

His father, of Newport News, Va., a State Highway Department employee, said yesterday he didn't know where his son was in Washington.

Parker said the boy joined the Army for his seventeenth birthday in 1950.

On July 17, 1951, young Parker was arrested here for unauthorized use of an auto. He gave an address in the 100 block 4th st. sw. In October, he was discharged from the Army and, on October 16, was arrested in Richmond for auto theft and sent to the state penitentiary for three years.

On April 25, 1953, he walked away from Prison Camp 22, High Point, N.C., and was arrested in Greensboro, N.C., and on June 2 was sent to the state penitentiary at Atlanta, Ga., for a 10-year term.

McCoy was born June 2, 1929, in Grundy, Va., near the Kentucky line. Short and stocky, McCoy likes to play the guitar and roller skate. On January 18, 1947, McCoy, a miner and metal finisher, was arrested for auto theft and sentenced to 22 months in the Chillicothe, Ohio, Federal Reformatory for auto theft. Transferred June 13 to the Federal Correctional Institute at Ashland, Ky., he was conditionally released September 8, 1944.

Four months later, he was back in Ashland to serve a year and a day for post office robbery. On May 31, 1951, he began a 13-year term at the state penitentiary, Columbus, Ohio, for carrying a concealed weapon. He walked away from the Roseville honor farm September 21, stole a car at Philo, Ohio, was arrested in Piquette, Ky., and entered Leavenworth October 15 to serve three years.

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District Suspect Mel Remington in Prison, FBI Believes

A Washington man, with a record of auto thefts, is one of two convicts charged with the fatal beating of William W. Remington in a Lewisburg (Pa.) Penitentiary dormitory.

He is Robert Carl Parker, 21, whose mother, Mrs. Bertha M. Vagnoni, and stepfather, Martin Vagnoni, live at 81 H street N.W. Parker was charged with George Junior McCoy, 34, of Grundy, Va., of beating Remington to death with a brick concealed in a rocking chair. Like Parker, McCoy was serving a three-year sentence for auto theft, but in a separate case.

Mel in Prison

Special Agent Norman H. McCabe of the Philadelphia FBI office, said his investigation so far had turned up no evidence that the two suspects knew Remington before the three met in prison. All were housed in the same dormitory, he said.

McCabe declined to comment when asked if Remington's conviction for perjury in denying heading over secret Government documents to a Communist spy ring figured in the slaying.

Reports that Remington was a victim of gang warfare were denied fully last night by Acting Warden Fred W. Wilkinson. "This definitely was not the result of gang warfare," he told The Star. "At this time I couldn't comment on the motive for the slaying but I feel sure it will be worked out at a later time. It would not be in the best interests of the investigation for me to comment."

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Mr. Wilkinson said there was no prison record of "any overt act or physical incident" involving the three men before the actual slaying.

Parker, an Army veteran, had been released from the service in October, 1951, after serving 18 months.

A month after his discharge he was sentenced to a three-year prison term in Richmond, Va., for grand larceny of an auto. He escaped from a prison camp at Halifax, Va., and was arrested on April 29, 1953, in Greensboro, N.C., as a fugitive. He was also charged with theft of an auto and interstate transportation of a stolen auto which was taken in Mecklenburg County, Va., and abandoned in Greensboro the day he was arrested.

Last November Parker was brought to the District Jail here to await disposition of another auto case against him. The FBI said their records indicate he was given a one to three year sentence and returned to Lewisburg on January 19, this year.

McCoy Record

McCoy's arrest record began in his home town of Grundy in Buchanan County, Va., where he was charged with auto theft on January 18, 1947. He was sentenced to one year and 10 months in the Federal Reformatory at Chillicothe, Ohio. McCoy was later transferred to the Federal correctional institution at Ashland, Ky., and was given a conditional release in September, 1948.

In January, 1949, he was arrested this time on a post office robbery charge and was given a year and a day sentence.

In May, 1951, he began serving a one-to-three-year sentence in the Ohio State Penitentiary on a concealed weapon charge. He escaped and was arrested again on October 1, 1951, at Pikeville, Ky., as a fugitive and also charged with interstate transportation of a car stolen in Ohio and abandoned in Mouthcard, Ky. He was serving a three-year sentence for that offense.

McCoy is divorced and has two children who live in Grundy with his former wife.

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Records of 2 Killers of Remington

WASHINGTON, Nov. 26 (U.P.)—Federal Bureau of Investigation records show that the two convicts charged with the fatal shooting of William W. Remington in the Lewisburg, Pa., Federal prison had extensive police records.

Named as Remington's killers were George Junior McCoy, 34, of Grundy, Va., and Robert Carl Parker, twenty-one, of Washington. F. B. I. data gave these records on the two men.

McCoy—First arrested in January, 1947, in Grundy for auto theft. Served twenty-two months at the Chillicothe, Ohio, and Ashland, Ky., Federal prisons.

Convicted January, 1949, at Ashland for postoffice robbery. Sentenced to a year and a day. Released November, 1950, in Columbus, Ohio, and convicted of carrying concealed weapons. Sentenced to one to three years in Ohio Penitentiary. Escaped in September, 1953, but recaptured next month at Pikeville, Ky. Received three-year sentence at Pikeville for driving stolen auto across state line.

PARKER—Served in Gray from April, 1948, to October, 1951. First arrested in Washington July, 1951, for unauthorized use of an automobile. Before charge was settled was arrested in Richmond, Va., in October, 1951, and sentenced to three years in Virginia Penitentiary for grand larceny of an auto. Escaped from convict camp near Halifax, Va., in April, 1953. Arrested the next day in Greensboro, N. C., and charged with interstate transportation of stolen car. Sentenced to three years and served briefly at Federal prison in Atlanta, Ga., and Leavenworth and returned to Virginia for transportation of stolen car. In 1953, charged with carrying a dangerous weapon.

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GEORGE MCCOY

'He Was a Good Boy, Until—' Mother Says of Accused Killer

Mrs. Bertha Mae Varnum, construction worker and I were stated at the newspaper account of how her son by a former marriage, Robert Carl Parker, had been implicated in the murder of William W. Remington. She began to sob.

"He was a good boy," she said of her son, "until he got mixed up with some bad boys." The woman spoke as she sat in a makeshift wheelchair in the kitchen of the Varnum two-room flat at 21 H street N.W. She had had several bone operations on her left foot. Her husband walked into the room—a bent little man pulling on an ank pipe. His wife could not answer his inquiries. Her face was lined with grief. Mrs. Varnum walked across the hall out of the room. "I feel nervous," she said.

Display's Snapshot

When Mrs. Varnum began displaying her picture, there's a picture of him (Parker) when he was in the Army at Fort Monmouth, three years ago—he was 18 then, she told the reporter. It was a snapshot of Parker smiling into the camera. Another one showed a young man in a white shirt with an eagle on the sleeve.

Mrs. Varnum said her Robert was very good when he was about 18. The police had picked him up and he was later in the National Treasury

construction worker and I were divorced a long time ago, Robert was maybe 15 then—my only child and knew. He always been a quiet kid—oh, I wish he was home, she suddenly sobbed.

Never Answered Letters

Did Robert write to her during his incarceration period at Lexington?

"I wrote him about four or five times but he never wrote back," she said.

He never attended school—it's a trade school, a couple of blocks from here. I don't know the name of it, said the Varnum.

"He was awful nervous and quiet like. He was always pacing back and forth. He used to scare me. Sometimes he wouldn't talk to me for a long time. He lay around and just looked like a ghost."

Alleged Crime Shown

Robert liked to listen to the radio. He always had the crime show on. He never read too much—once in a while the crime book.

Had Mrs. Varnum read or watched pictures Remington in the newspapers—the man her son had killed with another prisoner of guarding?

She shook her head back and forth slowly.

"I never heard of him," she murmured.

What were the Varnum doing in the Washington area? "Backed pass," she said.

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 RICHARD G. GREEN, REMINGTON'S NEW YORK ATTORNEY, SAID HE BELIEVED THE ATTACK ON REMINGTON HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH COMMUNISM BUT HAPPENED BECAUSE OF TROUBLE WITH "UNDERGROUND" PRISON CLIQUES. GREEN SAID HE DID NOT KNOW ANYTHING "FIRST HAND" ABOUT WHAT LED UP TO REMINGTON'S FATAL BEATING, BUT HE SAID HE BELIEVED IT TO BE "ILLOGICAL TO SAY HE WAS BEAT UP BY AN ANTI-COMMUNIST FANATIC." HE SAID REMINGTON'S DEATH WAS DUE MORE PROBABLY THE "USUAL PATTERN OF GANGS RUNNING A PRISON." INVOLVED THE USUAL KIND OF THING," GREEN SAID. "NO POLITICS WERE GREEN SAID THE LOCKERS OF REMINGTON AND HIS FOUR "HONOR CELL-MATES" WERE ROBBED FOUR TIMES IN TWO MONTHS AND A WITNESS WAS BURNED, APPARENTLY BECAUSE OF INTERNAL FEUDING. GREEN POINTED OUT THAT LEWISBURG PRISON ALSO HOLDS ALGER HISS AND ADMITTED VIOLATORS OF THE SMITH ACT WHO HAVE NOT BEEN HARMED BECAUSE OF ANY PAST POLITICAL LEANINGS OR OPINIONS.

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F. B. I. Names 2 Convicts As Slayers of Remington

By The United Press

LEWISBURG, Pa., Nov. 24.—William Walter Remington, thirty-seven, former government economist imprisoned for perjury concerning his Communist associations, died in prison today two days after two fellow convicts smashed his skull with a piece of brick wrapped in a sock. The Federal Bureau of Investigation identified the killers as George Junior McCoy, thirty-four, of Grundy, Va., and Robert Carl Parker, twenty-one, of Washington, D. C. Both are serving sentences for transporting stolen automobiles across state lines.

No motive was announced for the attack. Remington's wife said she believed "a couple of people down there got whipped up over the accusation that my husband was a Communist and this is what caused them to attack him."

There also was a theory that Remington had become involved in one clique at the prison and that a feud with another clique brought on violent reprisals.

Attacked While Asleep

Remington was attacked as he slept in his cell at the Federal Reformatory for Men at Lewisburg, Pa. He was found a few hours later bleeding profusely and in a coma. An emergency operation to remove brain tissue failed to revive him.

George J. McCabe, special agent in charge of the Philadelphia F. B. I. office, said a complaint charging McCoy and Parker with first-degree murder had been filed before United States Commissioner Andrew A. Lefler Jr. They were charged with murder of a government employee, which carried a maximum penalty of death.

Premeditation Charged

The official complaint charged "premeditation" in the assault on Remington "with a deadly weapon . . . a partial red brick in a white sock." It was disclosed that a foreman's report said Remington died of "fractured skull, multiple lacerations of the face and damage to the brain."

Mr. McCabe said McCoy, serving a three-year term, was sentenced in Pikeville, Ky., Nov. 12, 1951. Parker, also serving three years, was sentenced at Greensboro, N. C., June 2, 1951.

Because both men already are confined to prison, they will not be taken into actual custody by F. B. I. agents, Mr. McCabe said. The murder warrant will be filed as a detainer at the prison, he said.

When the murder was committed in a Federal institution, the trial will be held in a Federal court at some date yet to be determined.

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Pavlovich, who was scheduled to be deported the day of the attack, Oct. 23, 1953, could have been sentenced to five years. In New York, Richard O. Thompson, who recovered, is serving three years for conspiring to teach and advocate forcible overthrow of the government. An additional four-year term for contempt will begin after the present sentence is completed.

F. B. I. agents were called in by Acting Warden Fred Wilkinson to investigate the assault on Remington. The county coroner planned to launch an investigation of his own at the prison later.

Theory Involves Miss

Remington was believed to have died without regaining consciousness after the two-hour operation was performed yesterday. He died at 1:10 a. m. today, sixteen hours after the operation was completed.

One theory as to what motivated the assault on Remington was that it resulted from prisoner resentment over the publicity accompanying the scheduled release of Alvin Karpis from the Federal Penitentiary at Levensworth, N. Y.

Miss Remington was taken to the prison infirmary immediately after the assault. Both have been in the hospital at the Levensworth Penitentiary since the attack. Miss Remington was taken to the prison infirmary immediately after the assault. Both have been in the hospital at the Levensworth Penitentiary since the attack.

Remington's wife, to be married between first and second trials for perjury, learned of the assault Monday night. She remained at her home in a somewhat dilapidated, two-story cottage with a porch, Alexander Pavlovich, a thirty-eight-month-old son, was seen. She had thought he was going to be sentenced in March to three years to recover, and was deeply shocked when a prison chaplain, O. Thompson, a convicted Communist leader, with a lead pipe while they were prisoners at home. "This is not a tragedy of mine," she said, "but also of the Federal Detention Headquarters country. It is terrible that something like this can happen."

She said her husband had never been a member of the Communist Party.

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He said he believed the attack on Remington resulted from internal feuding between "underground" prison groups. He said he did not know anything "first hand" about what led to the fatal beating, but that it would be "illogical to say he was beat up by an anti-Communist fanatic."

It was rather, Mr. Green said, the "usual pattern of gangs running a prison. No politics were involved."

Mrs. Remington, who has been living under her maiden name and working as a living by distance selling, only last March announced a Federal judge to plead for her husband's release from prison.

"I hope to give Bill a chance to come home to all of us," she said. "It is hard for me to think of him as a man who has been in prison. I married before and I know how that is. I am not a Communist and I am not a member of the Communist Party."

Chaplain's

Today, had in his hands and obviously grief-stricken. Mrs. Remington said she was notified of her husband's death at 7:00 a. m. when a Rev. Deane, chaplain, telephoned from the prison.

"I am very sorry, your husband, Bill, is dead," she quoted him. "I did not think he was that seriously injured. I am very sorry. He was very well liked by the other prisoners. And this is also confirmed by the warden—that he was very well liked."

Mrs. Remington said she asked the chaplain to have the body sent to Ridgewood, N. Y., funeral home for cremation. It was released to the Dorchester Funeral Home in Levensworth for transport to Ridgewood, where Remington's parents and other relatives are.

The Rev. Alexander Rodger, pastor of St. Elizabeth Episcopal Church in Ridgewood, visited the parents, Frederick, eighty-five, and Lillian, sixty-two, and said the funeral would be held at a nearby Midland Park mortuary.

Headline Type

LEWISBURG, Pa., Nov. 24 (AP)—Charles R. French, a Richmond, Va., man released from the Northeast Penitentiary in a car after serving twenty-seven months on a street-car charge, said a reporter he found little news of Remington's death among the prisoners.

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Inquiry Pushed In Prison Killing Of Remington

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Convicts to Face
Charges of Murder

By The Associated Press

LEWISBURG, Pa., Nov. 25 — FBI agents and Federal penitentiary authorities today investigated the death of William Walter Remington, convicted perjurer whose wife was quoted as saying he was fatally injured by "a couple of hoodlums who got all worked up by all the publicity about Communists."

Remington, convicted of perjury after denying he gave

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Perjury: Mother Says Son Was "a Good Boy." Page A-2

Government secrets to the Communists, died in the Lewisburg Penitentiary Hospital yesterday of a skull fracture. Prison officials said his head was battered while he slept Monday. An emergency operation Tuesday failed to save his life. Two other convicts—identified as George Junior McCoy, 36, Grundy, Va., and Robert Carl Parker, 31, Washington, D. C.—were charged with murder. Both now are serving time for same theft.

How Remington Died

The inquiry into the attack on Remington came 40 prison days after the Lewisburg prison for the second time Sunday of Alvin Karpis, due to be freed after serving 14 years of a perjury sentence. The surviving convicts in the prison are expected to be freed.

Acting Warden Fred T. Wilkinson said no prisoner demonstrations had been caused by the approach of Karpis' release and prison officials issued a terse "no comment" reply to statements that Remington's death had been caused by anti-Karpis feeling among the penitentiary's inmates.

However, Remington's second wife was quoted as telling the New York Post her husband was attacked by "a couple of hoodlums who got all worked up by all the publicity about Communists." Her husband, she said, "was a victim of the times."

She quoted Mr. Wilkinson as telling her, though that "the attack appeared completely unprovoked and was an impersonal thing."

She Denies His Communism

Another New York newspaper, the Journal-American, quoted Mrs. Remington as saying:

"They killed him. They killed him because they thought he was a Communist. Oh, my God, my God! No matter what they thought, he never was a Communist."

Mrs. Remington said she received a letter from her husband yesterday.

"It was all about people and personal things," she said. "All his life he never believed people were bad."

Remington, who has three children, married for the second time between his two perjury trials. His present wife now lives in New York under her maiden name, with their 18-month-old son.

Original Conviction Voided

Remington, who resigned a \$10,000-a-year job with the Department of Commerce in 1950 to defend himself against the perjury charge, obtained a United States Supreme Court ruling setting aside his 1948 conviction. He was arrested for the second time April 21, 1952. He began a three-year sentence in April, 1953.

At his first trial Remington's first wife—Anne Mabel Remington—testified he was a member of the Communist Party and

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ington's death had come as a surprise to every one.

Prison officials said Remington had been slugged over the head and face by a brick, apparently contained in a white sock. Cass County Coroner Harry Beck said death resulted from a skull fracture, while Remington also had sustained multiple lacerations and a hemorrhage of the brain.

His preparing for his return to the outside world could not be reached for comment because of prison rules. Mrs. Remington said she will go to Ridgwood, N. J., where her husband's parents live, and Mrs. Frederick G. Remington, 54.

Funeral services are expected to be held with burial.

'Red' Charges Blasted Remington's Career

Brilliant of mind, handsome in appearance and engaging in manner, William Walter Remington was a rising young government economist of outstanding promise in 1948 when Elizabeth Bentley's Communist accusations against him blasted his career and started him on the road to prison as a perjurer.

The accusations made by Miss Bentley, self-confessed Communist spy and courier for a Russian espionage ring in this country during the war, purported to show on Remington a history of Communist affiliation from his days as an honor student in Dartmouth College. Even worse, she said he had slipped to her top government secrets while he was with the War Production Board.

For nearly five years after she told her story to the Senate group on July 30, 1948, Remington protested his innocence of the accusations that he was a Communist party member and had disclosed classified secrets to Miss Bentley.

Fought for Reputation

He fought for his reputation before loyalty review boards in two Federal jury trials and in appeals to the United States Supreme Court. His case became embroiled in politics both in the House and Senate.

After the Supreme Court in 1953 reviewed his conviction on counts of perjury arising out of his denial in an earlier trial that he had transmitted secret information to Miss Bentley and had known of the existence of a Young Communist League organization at Dartmouth College.

Born in New York Oct. 23, 1917, Remington moved with his family to Hingham, N. Y., where he attended high school. He was graduated from Dartmouth in 1939 with a bachelor's degree in economics and a minor in history. He worked for the Federal Reserve Bank in New York City and then for the War Production Board in Washington, D. C., where he was promoted to assistant economist in 1942.

As it developed in this last testimony, he soon met Miss Bentley's mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Moon, then a teacher in a private school at Croton-on-Hudson, N. Y., and a person of extremely left-wing connections.

He married Miss Moon in 1939, and through her and her mother became acquainted with Joseph North, a former editor of "The New Masses," who in turn introduced him to Jacob Golos around 1941. Golos was the head of a Soviet espionage apparatus and a close friend of Miss Bentley. It was Golos who introduced him to Miss Bentley.

During the war, Remington obtained a reserve commission in the Navy but he had already attracted attention as a brilliant young man in the government service. He had taken graduate courses at Columbia University in 1940-41, and then had worked as an economist for the National Resources Planning Board and the Office of Price Administration before obtaining a post with the War Production Board. While serving in the Navy, he was placed on leave to assist Thomas C. Blaisdell, then Minister of Economic Affairs in the American Embassy in London, and still later he served in the Office of War Mobilization and on a committee to study the European Recovery Program.

With this impressive record of service behind him, he was appointed to the Commerce Department in the last post he held when Miss Bentley exposed her charges. He quickly developed into a key figure in the investigation of his case. When he got the Commerce Department appointment, Secretary of Commerce Henry Sawyer in 1948, in a short time, Miss Bentley had repeated her accusations against him on a National Broadcasting Co. "Meet the Press" television network, and Mr. Remington quickly brought out his \$200,000 fee. Later this was settled between him and the defendants, who included the General Foods Corp., one of the program's sponsors, for the use of the fee.

Mr. Remington was named in the Commerce Department post after the Senate subcommittee disclosure, but the Citizens Loyalty Review Board soon reversed a regional board's adverse findings regarding his loyalty, and he was reinstated to his post in February, 1949.

In May, 1950, the House Un-American Activities Committee heard two former Communists testify that Remington had attended Communist party meetings during his T. V. A. employment in Knoxville, and Secretary Sawyer asked for his resignation, which he refused to give. He was then suspended.

On June 10, 1950, a special Federal grand jury indicted Mr. Remington on a perjury count for denying he had never been a member of the Communist party. The trial continued for seven weeks before Federal Judge Gregory F. Noonan in New York, and the entire case was thoroughly aired. Mr. Remington was found guilty and sentenced to five years in prison and fined \$2,000. The conviction was set aside by the Court of Appeals in a unanimous finding that Judge Noonan had erred in being too "vague and indefinite" as to what facts the jury could use to determine what constituted Communist party membership.

Mr. Remington's story of the trial was that he had been "radical" in his views and had been "indirect" in his support.

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with Miss Bentley and his associations with persons whose Communist membership was not known to him. But he had never joined the party and had never given secret information to Miss Bentley, he said.

The Court of Appeals had suggested a retrial and had let the first indictment stand, but the government obtained a new and "simpler" indictment accusing Remington of perjury on five counts. This was based on his testimony in the first trial. He went to trial the second time before Judge Vincent L. Leifheit on Jan. 13, 1953, and was convicted of two of the five counts on Jan. 27, 1953. He was sentenced to three years on each of the two counts, to run concurrently.

Remington surrendered April 16, 1953, to serve his term, and an application for a parole was denied in June.

His first marriage ended with a separation in 1946 and later a divorce. He is survived by a second wife, Mrs. Jane Remington of Levittown, N. Y., and three children, a young son by his present wife, and another boy, Frank, twelve, and a girl, Cathy, ten, by his earlier wife.

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(REMYINGTON)

FBI RECORDS SHOW THAT THE TWO CONVICTS ACCUSED OF THE FATAL BEATING OF WILLIAM W. REMINGTON IN THE LEWISBURG (PA.) FEDERAL PENITENTIARY HAD EXTENSIVE POLICE RECORDS.

NAMED AS REMINGTON'S KILLERS WERE GEORGE JUNIOR MCCOY, 34, OF GRUNDY, VA., AND ROBERT CARL PARKER, 21, WASHINGTON, D.C. MCCOY, WHO WEIGHS 180 POUNDS AND IS FIVE FEET, SIX INCHES TALL, WAS FIRST ARRESTED IN JANUARY, 1947, IN GRUNDY AND CHARGED WITH INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF A STOLEN AUTOMOBILE.

HE WAS SENTENCED TO 22 MONTHS WHICH HE SERVED AT THE CHILlicothe (O.), FEDERAL PRISON AND THE ASHLAND (KY.), FEDERAL PRISON. HE WAS RELEASED SEPT. 9, 1948.

FBI RECORDS SHOW THAT MCCOY WAS CONVICTED IN JANUARY, 1949, AT ASHLAND, KY., OF A POST OFFICE ROBBERY AND SENTENCED TO A YEAR AND A DAY.

IN NOVEMBER, 1950, HE WAS ARRESTED IN COLUMBUS, O., FOR THE MT. VERNON, O., POLICE, WAS CONVICTED OF CARRYING CONCEALED WEAPONS AND SENTENCED TO ONE TO THREE YEARS IN THE OHIO PENITENTIARY.

MCCOY ESCAPED FROM THE OHIO PENITENTIARY IN SEPTEMBER, 1953, BUT WAS REARRESTED BY THE FBI AND STATE POLICE IN OCTOBER 1953 AT PIKEVILLE, WAS ADMITTED STEALING AN AUTOMOBILE AT PHILO, O., AND DRIVING IT INTO KENTUCKY. HE PLEADED GUILTY ON OCT. 12 IN FEDERAL COURT IN PIKEVILLE TO THE INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF A STOLEN AUTOMOBILE. HE WAS GIVEN A THREE-YEAR SENTENCE AND ENTERED LEWISBURG THE SAME MONTH.

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(REMININGTON)
 MIDLAND PARK, N.J.--THE BODY OF WILLIAM WALTER REMINGTON ARRIVED
 HERE BY TRAIN LAST NIGHT FROM THE NORTHEASTERN FEDERAL PENITENTIARY
 AT LEWISBURG, PA., WHERE HE WAS SLAIN BY TWO FELLOW INMATES.
 FUNERAL SERVICES FOR THE FORMER GOVERNMENT ECONOMIST, WHO WENT TO
 PRISON BECAUSE HE LIED ABOUT HIS COMMUNIST ASSOCIATIONS, WILL BE HELD
 AT 10 A.M. TOMORROW AT ST. ELIZABETH EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN NEARBY
 RIDGEWOOD. THE BODY LATER WILL BE CREMATED.
 REMINGTON WAS BEATEN FATALLY IN HIS SLEEP LAST TUESDAY BY TWO
 FELLOW PRISONERS, ROBERT CARL PARKER, 21, OF WASHINGTON, D.C. AND
 GEORGE JUNIOR MCCOY, 34, OF GRINDY, VA. HE DIED WEDNESDAY. PARKER AND
 MCCOY HAVE BEEN CHARGED WITH FIRST DEGREE MURDER.
 AUTHORITIES HAVE OFFERED NO OFFICIAL MOTIVE FOR THE SLAYING.
 ALTHOUGH WARDEN FRED T. WILKINSON SAID HE DID NOT BELIEVE IT WAS THE
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(RE: REMINGTON)

LEWISBURG, PA.--A 17-YEAR-OLD JUVENILE DELINQUENT WAS CHARGED ALONG WITH TWO OTHER CONVICTS WITH THE MURDER OF WILLIAM WALTER REMINGTON, 37, FORMER GOVERNMENT ECONOMIST IMPRISONED FOR PERJURY IN A COMMUNIST SPY CASE.

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ADD REMINGTON, LEWISBURG
 NORMAN H. MCCABE, SPECIAL FBI AGENT IN CHARGE AT PHILADELPHIA, ANNOUNCED THAT FBI AGENTS FILED THE MURDER COMPLAINT AGAINST LEON CAGLE, JR., OF CHATTANOOGA, TENN., GEORGE JUNIOR MCCOY, 34, OF GRUNDY, VA., AND ROBERT CARL PASSY, OF WASHINGTON, D.C., PREVIOUSLY HAD BEEN CHARGED WITH THE BRICK-SHOT SLAYING OF REMINGTON IN HIS DORMITORY AT THE PRISON HERE. THE COMPLAINT AGAINST CAGLE INDICATED FOR THE FIRST TIME THAT WAS THE MOTIVE FOR SLAYING.

MCCABE SAID CAGLE ADMITTED THAT HE, MCCOY AND PARKER PLANNED TO BREAK REMINGTON'S PRIVATE CELL IN THE DORMITORY OF THE NORTHEAST FEDERAL PENITENTIARY HERE ON THE MORNING OF NOV. 22, 1954. THE BEATING OF THE FORMER COMMERCE DEPARTMENT ECONOMIST TOOK PLACE WHILE THEY WERE IN HIS ROOM, MCCABE SAID.

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ADD REMINGTON, LEWISBURG
 THE BODY OF REMINGTON, WHO ENTERED GOVERNMENT SERVICE IMMEDIATELY
 AFTER COLLEGE AND ROSE QUICKLY TO A \$10,000 YEARLY JOB AS AN ECONOMIST.
 WAS TAKEN TO MIDLAND PARK, N.J.. LAST NIGHT. FUNERAL SERVICES WILL BE
 HELD TOMORROW.

CAGLE WAS SERVING A SENTENCE AT THE PENITENTIARY FOR VIOLATION OF
 THE JUVENILE DELINQUENCY STATUTE. HE FIRST WAS SENTENCED ON SEPT. 21,
 1951 IN THE U. S. DISTRICT COURT AT CHATTANOOGA TO A THREE YEAR TERM
 FOR VIOLATION OF THE JUVENILE DELINQUENCY ACT ARISING FROM THE INTER-
 STATE TRANSPORTATION OF A STOLEN MOTOR VEHICLE. HE WAS PAROLED ON
 JULY 10, 1952 BUT THE PAROLE WAS REVOKED FOLLOWING ANOTHER CONVICTION
 IN DECEMBER OF THE SAME YEAR. A 15-MONTH SENTENCE FOR THE SECOND
 CONVICTION WAS ADDED TO THE TIME REMAINING ON HIS ORIGINAL THREE
 MONTH SENTENCE.

THE YOUTH WAS BORN DEC. 12, 1936 IN HAMILTON COUNTY, TENN., AND
 LIVED IN CHATTANOOGA BEFORE HIS PRISON SENTENCE.

BOTH MCCOY AND PARKER WERE SERVING TERMS AT THE PRISON FOR
 INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF STOLEN AUTOMOBILES.

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More Suspects in Remington Slaying?

'... We Are Investigating a Murder'



GEORGE J. MCCOY



ROBERT C. PARKER

There appeared to be a possibility today that the FBI will make more arrests in the prison murder of William W. Lemington. -
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Two prisoners, Robert Carl Parker, 21, of Washington, and George Junior McCoy, 24, of Grundy, Va., were charged with first degree murder yesterday.

Union County Coroner Harry T. Beck said Stronington was not able to tell anyone what had happened to him.

"He tried to talk but he couldn't," Dr. Beck said. "There was no help at all."

The FBI refused to say whether more prisoners will be arrested, or what the motive for the killing was.

"The only thing I can say with regard to possible further arrests is that the investigation is continuing," an FBI spokesman in the Philadelphia office said. Officials here turned the question away by saying: "You must realize we are investigating a murder."

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USED A BRICK

Remington, the former \$18,000 a year Government economist who went to prison for lying about his communist associations, was found mortally wounded on the prison stairs between his third-floor quarters and the second-floor hospital late Monday afternoon.

Prison officials said he had been beaten savagely with a brick wrapped in a white prison sock.

MOTIVE:

In New York, his attorney, Richard G. Green, said he thinks Remington was caught in the cross-fire between two rival prison gangs.

Mr. Green said Remington had written of four recent "raids" on the unlocked honor-prisoner quarters he shared with three other prisoners, and that on one raid, a mattress had been burned.

Remington wrote that prison officials were trying to straighten things out, but weren't getting far, Mr. Green said.

Remington also wrote his wife that he had "tuned in on the prison grapevine" and learned that he was in trouble, Mr. Green said.

It was considered doubtful, however, that information like this in a prisoner's letter would have got by prison censors.

OTHER THEORIES

In Levittown, N. Y., Remington's young wife insisted that Warden Fred Wilkinson told her by phone from the prison that Remington was killed by "a couple of people who got whipped up over the charges against Remington."

The third theory was that pris-

oners beat Remington in resentment over the fact that Alger Hiss will be released from the same prison on Saturday.

The FBI said it does not know whether any special precautions are being taken to safeguard Hiss.

Warden Wilkinson was not available for comment this morning. He was at Thanksgiving services with the inmates.

CELLMATES

Alvin McCoy and Parker were charged with first-degree murder yesterday. They were not formally arrested. They remained in the prison. FBI officials here said they do not know whether McCoy and Parker were cellmates of Remington, or whether they are in any kind of special custody as a result of the murder charges.

Parker's police record includes auto theft in Washington and escape from a convict camp near Halifax, Va. in April of 1933. McCoy has served time for auto theft, robbery of a Post Office and carrying concealed weapons. He once escaped from the Ohio Penitentiary.

Funeral services for Remington, who was 37 when he died, will be held at 10 a. m. Saturday in St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church in Ridgewood, N. J. The body will be cremated.

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FORMER GOV. ERNMENT AIDE DIES IN PRISON

William W. Remington, former Commerce Department economist convicted of perjury for denying he gave classified information to a Soviet spy courier, died this Wednesday morning in Northeastern Federal Penitentiary at Lewisburg, Pa., as the result of being beaten by a fellow prisoner in a dormitory there. It was reported that he had been hit on the head by a stocking covered hatch during a quarrel.

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Remington, Former Federal Official, Dies From Beating

Was Serving Prison Term for Perjury in Connection With Passing Secrets to Red Spy Ring

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 24 — (U.P.) — The F.B.I. today identified George McCoy and Robert Parker as the two prisoners who fatally beat William Walter Remington in the federal penitentiary at Lewisburg, Pa.

LEWISBURG, Pa., Nov. 24—William Walter Remington, former U. S. Commerce Department economist convicted of lying when he denied handing over government documents to a Communist spy ring, died today at the Federal penitentiary here after a beating.

The 37-year-old prisoner serving a three-year term for perjury, was attacked viciously about the face and head Monday morning. The weapon: a piece of brick wrapped in a sock.

Remington underwent emergency brain surgery yesterday in a vain effort to save his life. He died 12 hours after the operation.

F.B.I. Agent Norman McCabe at Philadelphia said his office is conducting an exhaustive inquiry but declined any information until the investigation is completed.

Remington, 35, a former U.S. Commerce Department official, was sentenced to serve three years for falsifying that he had never been associated with Red organizations.

Williamson issued this statement:

"I am sure William Walter Remington died in the institution he was in at 7:30 A. M. today, Nov. 24, 1954. On Tuesday afternoon an operation was performed by an outside surgical consultant and

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Remington was confined to the same prison as Alger Hiss, top State Department official who has served 3 1/2 years for perjury. Hiss is scheduled to be released on parole Saturday.

Remington was sentenced to three years on a charge that he lied when he denied having any one secret classified information. He was sentenced on Feb. 1, 1953 and started serving the sentence April 15, 1953.

In Philadelphia, Norman McCabe, special agent in charge of the Philadelphia FBI Office, declined comment on Remington's death. He said a statement would be issued "when we have made an arrest."

Wilkinson reported that Remington was found by his quarters officer in a dazed condition on the second floor stairway leading below his third floor dormitory quarters. He said that part of the prison was occupied by a small number of prisoners, consisting of night workers in for the day by janitors.

Remington, in the attack, suffered lacerations of the face and head and a probable fractured skull.

Remington first was indicted in 1950 on a charge of falsely swearing to a Grand Jury that he was a member of the Communist Party.

He was convicted Feb. 1, 1951, and sentenced to five years but appealed and was freed on bail. The New York Court of Appeals on Aug. 22, 1951, reversed the conviction, holding unanimously that Federal Dist. Judge Gregory E. Noonan in his charge to the jury was "too vague and indefinite."

Remington was indicted again Oct. 25, 1951, on a charge of lying at his first trial when he

stated he had passed government secrets to Elizabeth Bentley, espionage courier for a World War Soviet spy ring.

He was carried to Supreme Court where he went to trial on the espionage accusation. Remington carried a long fight against the indictment all the way to the Supreme Court, charging "oppression and deceit" by prosecutors.

He was tried in the Grand Jury room at the end of the first indictment. Among other things he contended that John Brumby, foreman of the Grand Jury, was a "financial and literary collaborator" with Miss Bentley, the espionage courier.

The Supreme Court rejected Remington's appeal on that issue. He was convicted Jan. 17, 1952, and sentenced to serve three years. His conviction was upheld Nov. 24, 1953, seven months after he entered prison.

He had a second trial in New York. The defense pictured Remington as a "glib boy" who for a time turned secret over to a Communist ring.

U. S. Atty. Myles J. Lane called Remington a "psychopathic liar" and a "philosophical Communist."

Remington's defense was that he was mistakenly but innocently used by his war production board position to obtain government secrets for Miss Bentley. He later received a \$10,000 a year support with the Commerce Department.

He testified during his two trials that he thought Miss Bentley wanted the data for a magazine, which he believed would boost his own position and that of the WFPB. The case against Remington was not unlike the one against Hiss who was convicted of perjury for denying that he gave the Department secrets to a Soviet spy ring.

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REMINGTON DIES;

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Virginia Thief Also Charged in Prison Attack

Both Are Serving
 Lewisburg Terms
 In Car Robberies

BULLETIN

LEWISBURG, Pa. — Two car thieves, inmates of the Federal Penitentiary here, were accused today of murdering William W. Remington, FBI Agent Norman H. J. McCabe identified the two as George Junior McCoy, 34, Grundy, Va., and Robert C. Parker, 21, of Washington, D.C.

LEWISBURG, Pa., Nov. 24. — William Walter Remington, former Commerce Department economist convicted of trial when he denied handing over secret Government documents to a Communist spy ring, died today at the Federal Penitentiary here after a mysterious beating.

The 37-year-old prisoner, serving a three-year term for perjury, was attacked viciously about the neck and head Monday morning with a weapon. A piece of brick landed in a sock. Remington underwent emergency brain surgery yesterday in a vain effort to save his life. He died 11 hours after the operation.

Acting Warden Fred T. Wilkinson disclosed the death, reported that the identity of the assailant "is fairly well established" and then cut questions short with the remark: "Anything further must come from the Federal Bureau of Investigation."

FBI C. Starting Probe.
 FBI A. J. Herman McCabe at Philadelphia said his office is conducting an extensive inquiry but declined any information until the investigation is completed.

"The New York Post quotes Remington's wife, a former Washington newspaperwoman, as saying the attack was made by 'a couple of hoodlums who got all worked up by all the publicity about Communists.'"

The Post reported she said Acting Warden Wilkinson told her the attack appeared to be completely unprovoked and was an impersonal thing.

Remington, married twice and the father of three children, was convicted January 27, 1953, and entered jail the following April 15. It was his second trial on charges of perjury, centering around his denial that he ever belonged to the Communist Party or was associated with a Communist group.

His in Same Prison.
 In the prison with Remington was Alger Hiss, another Government aide also serving a perjury conviction sentence for lying, too, about past Communist Party connections. Hiss, a former State Department official, was jailed three and one-half years ago and is scheduled to be released on parole Saturday.

There are never any allegations that Remington and Hiss operated in the same Communist ring.

Rumors persisted outside the prison wall that the attack on Remington represented a start of a demand for the release of Hiss, sentenced to a five-year term but getting out earlier because of time off for good behavior.

But James Stewart, secretary to Acting Warden Wilkinson, described this as far-fetched and said: "I can see no connection between Hiss and the attack on Remington."

Mr. Stewart said further that Hiss, who works in the prison library, is not being placed under any special protective guard. Remington was assaulted

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his dormitory squad room. Mr. Wilkinson said the dazed inmate was discovered by a guard on the second floor stairway landing below his third floor dormitory quarters.

When Remington's condition became worse, the prison physician Dr. Leon Witkin summoned Dr. Charles Tomkinson of nearby Milton and an immediate operation was ordered.

It was not known positively that Remington's assailant was another convict—and the FBI refused to give any hint to the attackers' identity or prison connection.

Lewisburg has never had any major internal strife or rioting. However, there have been escapes from the institution including one two years ago in which three dangerous prisoners fled.

All eventually were tracked down in New York and killed while engaged in a gun battle with police in a Harlem apartment.

The prison housing 1,000 inmates is located on a hill along the Susquehanna River overlooking Lewisburg, home of Bucknell University.

Family Is Shocked

In Ridgewood, N. J., Remington's home town, an aunt, Mrs. William E. Remington, said the death came as "a terrible shock" to the family. She said members of the family were at a Ridge-wood mortuary making funeral arrangements.

She said Remington's second wife, Jane, was "somewhere in New York."

The aunt asked that Remington's father, F. C. Remington, be disturbed because she said he was suffering from a poor condition.

Remington's mother said she heard about her son's death at about 9:30 a.m. She said she was "very shocked" and "very sad."

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William W. Remington had three children, a son, a daughter, and a son. He had a present wife and a son, B. W. 12, and daughter, Galeen, 10, of a previous marriage.

Remington's first wife, Ann Moos Remington, was a seer who predicted his death.

Remington first was indicted in 1950 on a charge of falsely denying to a grand jury that he ever was a member of the Communist Party.

He was indicted February 7, 1951 and sentenced to five years, but appeared and was freed on bail. The New York Court of Appeals on August 22, 1951 reversed the conviction, holding unanimously that Federal District Judge George F. Nathan in his charge to the jury was "erroneous and improper."

Remington was indicted again October 21, 1951 on a charge of lying at his first trial when he denied he had passed Government secrets to Elizabeth Bentley, self-confessed Soviet spy ring courier.

Before he went to trial on the new accusation, Remington carried a long fight against the indictment to the Supreme Court, charging "oppression and deception" by prosecutors in the grand jury room at the time of the first indictment.

Among other things he complained that John Brannin, foreman of the grand jury, was a "financial and literary collaborator" with Miss Bentley, the chief prosecution witness, on a book, "the success of which depended upon Remington's indictment."

Appeal Was Rejected

The Supreme Court rejected Remington's appeal on that issue. He was convicted January 12, 1952 and sentenced to five years.

unheld November 24, 1953 seven months after he entered prison.

At his second trial in New York he later admitted Remington was a member of the Communist Party. He also admitted that he had passed Government secrets to Miss Bentley, the chief prosecution witness, on a book, "the success of which depended upon Remington's indictment."

Remington's defense was that he innocently had innocently used the War Production Board position to obtain Government data on Miss Bentley. He later lost a \$10,000-a-year economic war to the Commerce Department.

He testified he thought Miss Bentley used the data for a book or a magazine which he believed would boost his own reputation as that of the WPS.

The case against Remington was not made the one against him. He was convicted of perjury and sentenced to five years. The Department sought to a pre-war Red spy ring.

Called Active Communist

The Government offered testimony to show Remington was a member of a Young Communist League unit at Dartmouth College and later an active Communist at a work with the Tennessee Valley Authority.

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over, Jacob Golos, hero of the Russian spy ring.

Through them he allegedly obtained aircraft production data plus a blueprint for a new type of bomber.

Remington's second wife, Jane, said Remington was "a seer" who predicted his death. He was indicted in 1950, charged the war with Remington when he gave data and party data to Miss Bentley.

The defense offered witnesses to show that at Dartmouth Remington had a hand in breaking up a pro-Communist student organization.

Remington testified he was "radical" but not a Communist, having no deal with the TVA.

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Fight Between Rival Convict Gangs?

Remington Is Dead After Prison Beating

ANTHONY LEWIS
William Walter Remington, former Commerce Department employee convicted of lying about his communist associations, died early today in Lewisburg, Pa., penitentiary of injuries received in a beating Monday by one or more of his fellow prisoners.

Prison officials, who announced yesterday that they had "fairly well established" who did would make no further comment. They said an FBI investigation is continuing.

But one of Remington's lawyers told The News that Remington had written his wife in recent months that he had become accidentally involved in a battle between two cliques of prisoners in Lewisburg.

FEELS CERTAIN

The lawyer, Richard C. Green, of New York, said he felt certain the assault on Remington resulted from the prison feud and not from any treatment by other inmates over the communist issue.

Mrs. Remington, however, said she thinks her husband was killed by "a couple of people down there who got whipped up" over the communist charges.

Alger Hiss has been a prisoner at Lewisburg for several years and has never been reported in any trouble with fellow prisoners. He is to be released this Saturday.

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Mr. Green said Remington shared a cell with three other prisoners who apparently got into a dispute with the controlling group of inmates. He said he thinks Remington may have got into trouble by trying to make peace for his cellmates with their enemies.

Remington and the other three were in for such nonpolitical crimes as burglary were all heavy convicts. As such they were allowed to keep their cell door unlocked and to have individual lockers with padlocks. Remington, however, never used a padlock.

LOCKERS RAIDED

Two months ago, Mr. Green said, Remington wrote his wife that there had been a search of their cell. He asked her to get him some of the lockers, but his were smashed and "andy" and "cigarette" taken.

In the second search, the lockers were rifled, still nothing. In the third and early this month, two four-drawer lockers were taken from Remington's locker.

"He wrote that until then he had thought he was out of this thing," Mr. Green said.

According to Mr. Green, Remington wrote his wife that a "hotter" prisoner would have liked more guards to come in to trouble between prisoners. In the same letter he said he thought the prison administration was doing its best but not succeeding in eliminating the cliques.

GRAPEVINE RUMOR

Recently, Remington and his three cellmates came back to their cell to find a mattress on fire. And he wrote his wife that he had "tuned in on the prison grapevine" and discovered that his cellmates were in trouble with convict leaders.

The unlocked door on his cell may have led to Remington's death. He had a night job in the prison and slept during the day. Sometime Monday afternoon, apparently, one or more inmates entered his cell and beat him about the head with a brick wrapped in a sock. He was found at the foot of a nearby flight of stairs.

Warden Fred Wilkinson called Mrs. Remington Monday night in her Leavittown, N. Y., home and told her the news.

Remington's family called Mr. Wilkinson and Federal Prison Director James V. Brannan in Leavittown to help.

Remington was 44 years old when he was convicted in 1951 of lying about his communist associations. He was sentenced to 30 years in prison. He had been in prison for about 10 years when he was killed. He was a member of the American Communist Party and had been active in the party for many years. He was also a member of the National Labor Relations Board and had been active in the board for many years.

"When you're in prison you give up arguing the right or wrong of your conviction and try to be the best prisoner," Al Green said. "I think that's what Bill Remington did."

Remington was killed with a single blow today. His mother at 1100 E. 12th St. N. J. and his wife at 1100 E. 12th St. N. J. were notified from Leavittown.

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Commerce Aide Attacked in Prison

Remington Beating Cloaked in Mystery

Federal officials today kept the beating of William W. Remington in the Lewisburg, Pa., penitentiary shrouded in mystery.

Remington, former Commerce Department employee here who is serving a three-year term for lying about his communist connections, was found badly beaten and dazed on a stairway landing in the prison Monday.

No announcement was made until midday yesterday. Only these facts about the case had been disclosed.

Remington, 37, was beaten with a brick wrapped in a sack.

He suffered serious injuries, including a fractured skull and multiple lacerations of the head.

Prison officials have been well established who did it.

The FBI was handling an official inquiry, with help from the FBI headquarters. FBI headquarters here today would say only that its investigation is continuing.

FEDERAL CASE

James V. Bennett, director of the Bureau of Prisons, said the persons who beat Remington will be prosecuted under regular Federal law, the crime being on a Government reservation.

All information on the case will be turned over to the U. S. Attorney in Scranton, near Lewisburg, to handle like any criminal matter, Mr. Bennett said.

He declined to say how many of Remington's fellow prisoners were believed involved in the assault.

ROAD TO JAIL

Remington was first accused of communist associations by Elza Ruth Bentley, admitted former Red agent. He was charged under the old Loyalty Program, was eventually cleared, and then was indicted for perjury in denying communist associations.

He was convicted in a 1951 trial, but the conviction was reversed on appeal. He then was reindicted on the charge that he lied in his courtroom testimony. He was convicted in two counts.

He was with and had not been in Lewisburg, N. J., the court said in its opinion.

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LEWISBURG, Pa., Nov. 24
 —William W. Remington, former Commerce Department employe convicted of lying about his communist associations, died in the Federal penitentiary here today after a beating by one or more of his fellow prisoners.

Remington was found badly bludgeoned and dazed at the foot of a flight of prison stairs on Monday. Officials said he had been beaten about the head by a brick wrapped in a sock.

Warden Fred Wilkinson told The News: "Inmate William Walter Remington died in the institution hospital at 7:33 a. m. today." He said an operation was performed on Remington yesterday by an outside surgeon and the prison doctor.

Mr. Wilkinson said the FBI's investigation into the beating is continuing, but no findings are ready to be announced. (See earlier story on Page 5.)

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WILLIAM REMINGTON
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Remington Badly Hurt in Prison Attack

LEWISBURG, Pa., Nov. 23 (AP)—Acting Warden Fred Wilkinson said today William Walter Remington, former United States Commerce Department economist serving a three-year term for perjury, was attacked with a brick concealed in a stocking in a dormitory of the Federal penitentiary here yesterday morning.

Wilkinson said Remington suffered multiple lacerations of the face and head and has a probable fracture of the skull. He said the prisoner lost much blood and is being treated in the prison hospital.

Remington, 36 years old, has served slightly more than one half of his three-year sentence. He was convicted January 27, 1953, in New York of lying when he denied giving secret Government data to Elizabeth Bentley for transmission to Russia, and denied knowledge of a Young Communist League Unit at Dartmouth College.

Remington admitted turning over data to Miss Bentley, described courier for the spy ring, but said he believed she wanted it for a book or magazine articles.

In Philadelphia, Special Agent Herman McGee, chief of the Philadelphia office, said the attack was the first of its kind in the prison.

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Remington Dies Of Injuries in Prison Attack

Ex-U. S. Economist Was Serving 3-Year Term for Perjury

By the Associated Press

LEWISBURG, Pa., Nov. 24.—William W. Remington, former Commerce Department economist serving a three-year term for perjury, died today at the Federal Penitentiary here from injuries suffered in an attack at the prison.

Remington's death was announced by Acting Warden Fred T. Wilkinson. He suffered head injuries Monday when hit on the head with a stockade-swinged pole in his dormitory-lined room.

Mr. Wilkinson reportedly had said the identity of Remington's assailant was fairly well established, but he did not disclose whether it was another convict or some the reason for the attack.

Serving 3-Year Term.

Remington, 36, was sentenced to three years for admitting that he had never been associated with Red organizations.

He denied giving secret Government data to Elizabeth Bentley for transmission to Russia, and denied knowledge of a Young Communist League unit at Dartmouth College while he was a student there.

Remington admitted turning over data to Miss Bentley, self-described courier for a Red spy ring, but said he believed she wanted it for a book or magazine article.

He was sentenced on February 6, 1951, and entered prison on April 15, 1951.

Operation Performed.

Mr. Wilkinson issued this statement:

"Inmate William Walter Remington died in the institution hospital at 7:39 a.m. today, November 24, 1954. On Tuesday afternoon an operation was performed by an outside surgical consultant and the institution medical officer."

"The investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and prison officials is continuing and all information will be presented the U. S. Attorney."

Remington was confined in the same prison at Alton, Ill., former top State Department official, who was served 10 years for perjury. His scheduled release on parole Saturday.

FBI Declines Comment.

In Philadelphia, Norman M. Case, special agent in charge of the Philadelphia FBI office, declined comment on Remington's death. He said a statement would be issued when it was made an arrest.

Mr. Wilkinson had reported that Remington was found in his dormitory cell in a naked position on the second floor of the building where he lived. He said that part of the body was covered by a small number of prisoners consisting of night clothes for the day and night.

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Ex-Commerce Aide Attacked in Prison

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Remington, former Commerce Department employe here who is serving a three-year term for lying about his communist connections, was found badly beaten and dazed on a stairway landing in the prison Monday.

No announcement was made until midday yesterday. Only these facts about the case had been disclosed:

- Remington 37 was beaten by a 1960 Ford Mustang.



Remington

head of the FBI Headquarters here said. "I say only that the investigation is continuing."

FOR THE READER

James V. Bennett, director of the Bureau of Prisons, said the person or persons who beat Remington will be prosecuted under regular Federal law, the crime being on a Government reservation.

All information on the case will be turned over to the C. S. Attorney in Scranton, near Lewisburg, to handle like any criminal matter, Mr. Bennett said.

He declined to say how many of Remington's fellow prisoners were believed involved in the assault.

ROAD TO JAIL

Pemington was first accused of communist associations by Elizabeth Bentley, admitted former Red agent. He was charged under the old Loyalty Program, was eventually cleared, and then was indicted for perjury in denying communist associations.

He was convicted in a 1953 trial, but the conviction was reversed on appeal. The third was reintroduced on the charge that he lied in his court-ordered testimony. He was convicted on five counts.

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LEWISBURG, PA.--WILLIAM WALTER REHINGTON, FORMER COMMERCE DEPARTMENT
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WILKINSON SAID THE FBI AND PRISON OFFICIALS WERE CONTINUING THE
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ADD REMINGTON, LEWISBURG
 REMINGTON'S BODY WAS RELEASED TO THE BORNHISE FUNERAL HOME IN
 LEWISBURG.
 HARRY BECK, UNION COUNTY CORONER, SAID HE WOULD CONDUCT AN INQUEST
 INTO REMINGTON'S DEATH AT THE PENITENTIARY. HE DID NOT SET A DEFINITE
 TIME FOR THE INQUEST.

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ADD REMINGTON, LEWISBURG

PRISON AUTHORITIES AND THE FBI REFUSED AT THIS TIME TO IDENTIFY THE PERSON OR PERSONS WHO KILLED REMINGTON, BUT THERE WERE PERSISTENT REPORTS HE WAS ATTACKED BY TWO PRISONERS.

THE FBI AND THE PENITENTIARY WARDEN, FRED WILKINSON, CONSISTENTLY REFUSED TO IDENTIFY THE PERSON OR PERSONS WHO ATTACKED REMINGTON. THEY SAID ONLY THAT "ALL INFORMATION WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE U.S. ATTORNEY."

IT WAS THEORIZED IN SOME QUARTERS HERE THAT THE ATTACK ON REMINGTON STEMMED FROM RESENTMENT AMONG PRISONERS INCENSED OVER THE PUBLICITY ACCOMPANYING THE SCHEDULED RELEASE OF ALGER HISS THIS COMING SATURDAY. HISS IS GETTING 15 MONTHS OFF HIS FIVE-YEAR TERM IMPOSED FOR LYING IN THE FAMED "PUMPKIN PAPERS" SPY CASE.

MS. REMINGTON SAID THE PRISON CHAPLAIN, WHO INFORMED HER OF HER HUSBAND'S DEATH AT 7:40 A.M., EST. TOLD HER REMINGTON WAS "WELL LIKED" BY THE OTHER PRISONERS. SHE SAID THE CHAPLAIN ADDED THAT THE WARDEN ALSO CONFIRMED THIS--"THAT HE WAS VERY WELL LIKED."

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WILLIAM REMINGTON
... attacked with a brick

Remington Badly Hurt in Prison Attack

LEWISBURG, Pa., Nov. 23 (AP)—Acting Warden Fred Wilkinson said today William Remington, former United States Commerce Department economist serving a three-year term for perjury, was attacked with a brick concealed in a blanket in a dormitory of the Federal penitentiary here yesterday morning.

Wilkinson said Remington suffered multiple lacerations of the face and head and has a probable fracture of the skull. He said the prisoner lost much blood and is being treated in the prison hospital.

Remington, 36 years old, has served slightly more than one half of his three-year sentence. He was convicted January 27, 1953, in New York of lying when he denied giving secret Government data to Elizabeth Bentley for transmission to Russia, and denied knowledge of a Young Communist League unit at Dartmouth College.

Remington admitted turning over data to Miss Bentley, self-described courier for a Red spy ring, but said he believed she wanted it for a book or magazine article.

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(MRS. REMINGTON)
 LEVITTOWN, N.Y.--MRS. WILLIAM WALTER REMINGTON SAID HER HUSBAND, WHO
 DIED OF A BEATING IN LEWISBURG PA., FEDERAL PRISON, NEVER WAS A
 COMMUNIST.

MRS. REMINGTON, OF (277 RED MAPLE DRIVE) LEVITTOWN, LONG ISLAND, SAID
 THE REASON FOR THE ACCUSATION AGAINST REMINGTON WAS BECAUSE OF HIS
 ASSOCIATION WHEN HE WAS 17-YEARS-OLD WITH PEOPLE WHO HAD LEANINGS
 TOWARD COMMUNISM. REMINGTON WENT TO PRISON ON A PERJURY CONVICTION
 GROWING OUT OF SOVIET SPY CHARGES.

"I KNOW MY HUSBAND WAS NEVER A MEMBER OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY," MRS.
 REMINGTON SAID.

"THIS IS NOT A TRAGEDY OF MINE ALONE--BUT ALSO OF THE COUNTRY.
 ANYONE CAN BE ACCUSED OF BEING A COMMUNIST--WHICH IS A DREADFUL THING--TO
 BE ACCUSED WRONGLY. IT IS TERRIBLE THAT SOMETHING LIKE THIS CAN HAPPEN."

MRS. REMINGTON SAID SHE VISITED HER HUSBAND TWO WEEKS AGO.
 "WE DISCUSSED MANY THINGS," SHE SAID, "ONE OF THEM WAS WHEN HE WOULD
 BE RELEASED AND SHOW HE WAS A GOOD AMERICAN AND NOT A COMMUNIST."

THERE WERE OTHER PERSONAL THINGS WE DISCUSSED WHICH I CANNOT TALK
 ABOUT."

MRS. REMINGTON CRIED THROUGHOUT THE INTERVIEW IN THE RANCH-TYPE HOUSE
 WHERE SHE HAS LIVED FOR THE LAST THREE YEARS. SHE SAID SHE WAS
 "HEARTBROKEN" AND "SHOCKED" AND DOES NOT KNOW WHAT HER FUTURE PLANS
 WILL BE.

ASKED WHY SHE THOUGHT HER HUSBAND WAS ATTACKED, MRS. REMINGTON SAID.
 "A COUPLE OF PEOPLE DOWN THERE GOT WHIPPED UP OVER THE ACCUSATION THAT
 MY HUSBAND WAS A COMMUNIST AND THIS IS WHAT CAUSED THEM TO ATTACK HIM."
 MRS. REMINGTON SAID THERE HAD BEEN TRAGEDY AFTER TRAGEDY IN THEIR
 LIVES. SHE REFUSED TO ELABORATE AND SAID, "PLEASE LEAVE NOW--I CAN'T
 STAY ANY LONGER."

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(RENTINGTON)

PHILADELPHIA.--THE FBI IDENTIFIED THE TWO PRISONERS WHO FATALLY BEAT WILLIAM WALTER REMINGTON IN THE FEDERAL PENITENTIARY AT LEWISBURG, PA.

NORMAN H. MCCABE, SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE OF THE PHILADELPHIA FBI OFFICE, IDENTIFIED REMINGTON'S ASSAILANTS AS GEORGE JUNIOR MCCOY, 34, GRUNDY, VA., AND ROBERT CARL PARKER, 21, WASHINGTON, D.C. MCCABE SAID A COMPLAINT CHARGING THE TWO PRISONERS WITH FIRST DEGREE MURDER IN THE BRICK-IN-A-STOCKING SLUGGING OF REMINGTON IN HIS SLEEP LAST MONDAY WAS FILED TODAY BEFORE U.S. COMMISSIONER ANDREW A. LEISER, JR., HERE.

MCCOY AND PARKER WERE CHARGED SPECIFICALLY WITH MURDER ON A GOVERNMENT RESERVATION. THE MAXIMUM PENALTY UPON CONVICTION IS DEATH.
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ADD REMINGTON, PHILADELPHIA
 MCCABE SAID BOTH MCCOY AND PARKER HAD BEEN CONVICTED OF VIOLATING
 THE INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF STOLEN MOTOR VEHICLE STATUTE.
 HE SAID THAT BECAUSE BOTH MEN ALREADY ARE CONFINED TO THE
 PENITENTIARY, THEY WILL NOT BE TAKEN INTO ACTUAL CUSTODY BY FBI AGENTS
 AND THE MURDER WARRANT ISSUED BY LEISER WILL BE FILED AS A DETAINER
 AT THE PRISON.
 THE MOTIVE FOR THE SLAYING WAS NOT ANNOUNCED.

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ADD REMINGTON, PHILADELPHIA

MCCABE SAID MCCOY, A NATIVE OF GRUNDY, WAS SENTENCED TO A THREE
 YEAR TERM IN THE PRISON IN FEDERAL COURT AT PIKEVILLE, KY., ON NOV.
 1933. HE SAID PARKER, A NATIVE OF WASHINGTON, WAS SENTENCED TO A THREE
 YEAR TERM IN THE FEDERAL COURT AT GREENSBORO, N.C., ON JUNE 2, 1933.

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ADD REMINGTON, PHILADELPHIA
 THE COMPLAINT AGAINST MCCOY AND PARKER, HANDED TO LEISER BY AN FBI
 AGENT, TERMED THE FATAL BEATING OF REMINGTON "PRE-MEDITATION WITH A
 DEADLY WEAPON...A PARTIAL RED BRICK IN A WHITE SOCK." LEISER SAID A
 HEARING WILL BE HELD AT A LATER DATE.
 IT WAS DISCLOSED THAT A CORONER'S REPORT GAVE THE CAUSE OF
 REMINGTON'S DEATH AS A "FRACTURED SKULL, MULTIPLE LACERATIONS OF THE
 FACE AND DAMAGE TO THE BRAIN."

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WM. REMINGTON AFTER JAIL BEAT 2 NAMED AS KIL

LEWISBURG, Pa., Nov. 23.—Penitentiary here were named William W. Remington, formerly on for perjury in a commitment in the penitentiary earlier in the year. The FBI identified the Parker, 21, of Washington, D.C., of Grundy, Va.

A complaint charging the murder in the brick-in-a-slice filed today before a U. S. court. McCoy and Parker were on a Government reservation. The FBI said both had been state transportation of stolen story on Page 3.)

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Weather

Cloudy, occasional rain. High 51. Windy, colder tonight. Low 37. Windy, colder tomorrow.

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REMINGTON DIES R JAIL BEATING; MED IS KILLERS

LEWISBURG, Pa., Nov. 24—Two inmates at the Federal Penitentiary here were named this afternoon as the slayers of William W. Remington, former Government economist imprisoned for perjury in a communist spy case. Remington, 37, died in the penitentiary earlier today from a beating.

The FBI identified the alleged assailants as Robert Carl Parker, 21, of Washington, D. C., and George Junior McCoy, 31, of Grundy, Va.

A complaint charging the two prisoners with first-degree murder in the brick-in-a-stocking slugging of Remington was filed today before a U. S. commissioner here, the FBI said.

McCoy and Parker were charged specifically with murder on a Government reservation. The maximum penalty is death.

The FBI said both had been convicted of violating the interstate transportation of stolen motor vehicle statute. (Earlier story on Page 3.)

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PARKER, WHO IS SIX FEET, ONE INCH TALL AND WEIGHS 145 POUNDS.
SERVED IN THE ARMY FROM APRIL, 1950, UNTIL OCTOBER, 1951.
WAS ARRESTED BY DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA POLICE IN JULY.

HE WAS FIRST ARRESTED BY DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA POLICE IN JULY, 1951, AND CHARGED WITH THE UNAUTHORIZED USE OF AN AUTOMOBILE.

THIS CHARGE WAS NOT SETTLED IMMEDIATELY, BUT RICHMOND, VA., POLICE LATER ARRESTED HIM IN OCTOBER, 1951, FOR GRAND LARCENY OF AN AUTOMOBILE. HE WAS SENTENCED TO SERVE THREE YEARS IN THE VIRGINIA PENITENTIARY AT RICHMOND.

PENITENTIARY AT RICHMOND. PARKER ESCAPED FROM THE CONVICT CAMP NEAR FALIFAX, VA., IN APRIL, 1933, WAS PICKED UP AT GREENSBORO, N.C., THE DAY AFTER HIS ESCAPE AND CHARGED WITH INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF A STOLEN AUTOMOBILE. HE WAS FOUND GUILTY IN THE FEDERAL COURT THERE AND WAS SENTENCED TO

1955, WAS PICKED UP AT MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OF A STOLEN AUTOMOBILE. AND CHARGED WITH INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF A STOLEN AUTOMOBILE. HE PLEADED GUILTY IN THE FEDERAL COURT THERE AND WAS SENTENCED TO THREE YEARS IN PRISON. HE SERVED HIS TERM AT THE ATLANTA (GA.), FEDERAL PENITENTIARY.

HE BEGAN SERVING HIS TERM AT THE ATLANTA (GA.) FEDERAL PENITENTIARY
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STILL LATER, HE WAS TRANSFERRED TO THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA JAIL
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TEMPORARILY WHILE THE 1931 DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CHARGE AGAINST HIM WAS
SETTLED. HE WAS SENTENCED TO SERVE FROM ONE TO THREE YEARS ON THAT
CHARGE AND WAS SENT BACK TO LEWISBURG LAST JANUARY.

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REMINGTON Prison Beating Is to Ex-Federal Of

LEWISBURG, Pa., Nov. 24

William W. Remington, former Commerce Department employe convicted of lying about his communist associations, died in the Federal penitentiary here today after a beating by one or more of his fellow prisoners.

Remington was found badly injured and dazed at the foot of a flight of prison stairs Monday. Officials said he had been beaten about the head by a brick wrapped in a

Warden Fred Wilkinson told The News: "Inmate William Walter Remington died in the institution hospital at 7:35 a. m. today." He said an operation was performed on Remington yesterday by an outside surgeon and the prison doctor.

Mr. Wilkinson said the FBI's investigation into the beating is continuing, but no findings are ready to be announced. (See earlier story on Page 2.)

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Beating Is Fatal

Federal Official

Fred Wilkinson told
at: "Inmate William
emington died in the
n hospital at 7:15
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Dishonored Death Comes to a Rebel

Remington for Own Obscure Reason Lived His Life in Stubborn Revolt

By GEORGE MONTGOMERY
Staff Writer.

William Walter Remington's revolt is over forever.

The story of his controversial life had a typical enough beginning—the bright, promising boy who sang in the church choir in Ridgewood, N. J.

It had a fruitless and violent death in a Pennsylvania prison where he had been sent in 1953 for lying about his alleged Communist activities while working for the U. S. government.

William Remington's father, Frederick C. Remington of Ridgewood, had been an insurance company executive before he retired. It is there, perhaps, that the story of his son's rebellion begins.

Called Father a "stooze."

In 1927 Remington, then 16, in January, 1923, a former classmate at Dartmouth College testified that the defendant told him in 1935 that he was a member of the Communist party because his father, now 83, had always been "a stooze for the capitalists."

Remington's lawyer once said his client was "immature when he fell under the spell of communism, and when they first got their grip on him he was 16 or 17 years old."

Remington was a Phi Kappa honor graduate of Dartmouth, Class of '39. He went into government work a year later after getting a master's degree in economics at Columbia University.

Accused by Miss Bentley.

Elizabeth T. Bentley, admitted former Red spy courier, first accused him of Communist activities in 1946, saying he had passed War Production Board secrets to her five years before. When he hit the front pages, Remington was making \$1,000 a year as a Commerce Department economist, concerned with exports to Russian satellite countries.

Remington, 24, then, was a big man, blond and handsome, but stubborn to the point of being obstinate.

He had testified that he had definitely called himself a Red, even though he really wasn't.

Blond and Handsome.

A big man, blond and handsome, Remington was pictured as a fellow who'd dressed so loppily it had been embarrassing to his Communist pals.

His first marriage, according to court testimony, was an unusual affair. His ex-wife, Mrs. June Moss Remington, testified that they first had a trial marriage and that she finally wed him in 1938, not only after he

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had refused her to remain a Communist.

Remington's first perjury conviction, in 1951, was upset on a technicality.

His second wife, Jane, who married him between his two trials, lives at 277 Red Maple Dr., Levittown, L. I., with their 15-month-old son. She denied today that her 36-year-old husband had ever been a Communist party member.

"This is not a tragedy of white alone, but also of the country," she said. "Anyone can be accused of being a Communist. A dreadful thing . . . to be accused wrongly."

Mrs. Remington said she had asked prison authorities to send her to a Ridgewood for cream. Her husband left two children, a boy and a girl, by his first marriage.

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'Murder!' Cries Widow

By WILLIAM McCILLIAM.

The hysterical widow of William W. Remington today screamed into a telephone:

"They killed him! They killed him because they thought he was a Communist! Oh, God! Oh, my God! No matter what they thought, he never was a Communist!"

Mrs. Jane Remington was reached by a New York Journal-American reporter who had come at 377 East 86th St. in Lower Manhattan after receiving word of her husband's death in Lewisburg, Pa. Federal

Penitentiary.

"It was murder," she shrieked. "What will happen to our baby?"

ECONOMIST'S 2D WIFE

Mrs. Remington, second wife of the former \$10,000-a-year Government economist convicted of perjury in 1948, is now up for Rumsfeld's charge as not drunk enough to say anything.

"This is not only my tragedy. It is a tragedy for the country."

"It is a dreadful thing when anybody can be accused of a

Communist just because they associated with some of them when they were young."

The Remingtons have a son and daughter, 12 and 10 today, and she said she refused to see them.

"Must he be sacrificed too?" she asked. "The poor little thing is now all around right now, holding his head off."

"He knows something is wrong."

After a long silence, she

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Reached at L. I. Home:

'It Was Murder?' Widow Screams

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husband who died as the result of a beating in prison, had been attacked because of his political background, she declared.

"I just knew it. Both the warden and the chaplain told me Bill was a model prisoner and was well liked by most of the others.

"And the warden himself said that so far as he knew the attack was not personal, but was done by a couple of hoodlums who got all worked up by all the publicity about Communists."

GOING TO JERSEY.

The widow, during the course of a number of other break-downs, said before hanging up that she intended leaving later

today for the home of Remington's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Remington, at 150 Upper Road, Ridgewood, N. Y.

"He will be buried in Ridgewood," she declared. "That was his home. He will be cremated, because that was what he always wanted."

A curious incident to Remington's death came when a schoolmate of his in the class of 1934 at Ridgewood High School produced a yearbook.

In it Remington had written that his aspiration was "to be a genius of the first water, unrecognized."

Under it was the, claim prophecy:

"His ambition will be realized in 1944."

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A Young Widow's Lament: 'He Was a Victim of His Time'

By ARTHUR MASSOLO

The long lonely hours of helpless waiting ended at 8:30 a. m. today for Mrs. William W. Remington.

All night, alone except for her baby son, she had waited for the news she knew must come—that her husband had died in the federal prison at Lewisburg, Pa., victim of a beating Monday.

Mrs. Remington was notified of his death by the prison's Protestant chaplain. He told her that her husband never regained consciousness after the attack and did not suffer.

Although the attack occurred early Monday, Mrs. Remington did not learn of it until 6 p.m. that day when Acting Warden Fred Wilkinson phoned her. Her husband had been slugged by two men, one of whom was holding a brick in a stocking, the warden told her.

Mrs. Remington, a gracious woman in her late 20s, held their 15-month-old son while she talked to this reporter today.

"Please don't use his name in the story," she said, stroking the youngster's blond hair. "It's always the children who suffer."

She consented to the interview only on condition that her maiden name, which she now uses, would be withheld. She and Remington were married between his first and second perjury trials.

The Cape Cod cottage in Levittown, L. I., in which she and her son live, is the "moon home"

she and the former Commerce Dept. economist occupied for 10 months before he went to prison in April, 1953.

"The warden told me," she said, "that as far as the knew it was not a personal attack against Bill for what he had done."

but just the actions of a couple of hoodlums who got all worked up by all the publicity about Communists. He said the attack appeared to be completely unprovoked and was an impersonal thing. He said Bill got along well with his fellow prisoners.

"The warden said Bill was an honor prisoner, sharing a dormitory with three other better inmates. Bill had been working the midnight to 8 a. m. shift as an attendant in the prison hospital."

After talking with the chaplain, Mrs. Remington said he told her the majority of the men were upset by the attack on her husband.

"They liked Bill," she said. "He was always trying to help men in their studies, their legal problems and with writing letters. They respected him for being a gentleman and they also respected his athletic ability in the prison."

"I know my husband was never a member of the Communist Party," Mrs. Remington said. "He

was a victim of his time. His only error was that he was a human being."

"It's a simple person's tragedy. It's the country's tragedy."

Ironically, Mrs. Remington said she had received a letter from her husband in this morning's mail.

"It was all about people and personal things," she said. "All his life he never believed people were bad."

She said she had visited her husband two weeks ago.

"We discussed many things," she said. "One of them was when he would be released and show he was a good American and not a Communist. There were other personal things we discussed which I cannot talk about."

Mrs. Remington is 34.

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'Victim of His Times,' Says Widow

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her Washington newspaper. She said she had managed to live with her small earnings as a freelance writer. But she said: "I'm running out of money, and pretty soon I'll have to get a regular job."

She said none of her old friends had deserted her and many had helped her. Only a few neighbors and close friends know her real identity, she added.

"There is so much fear about it it is frightening," she said. "The beating that Bill got could have happened to anyone."

Mrs. Remond was the former Ann Moore. Her husband was divorced, was a model and a witness at the trial. They had a son, Bruce, 12, and a daughter, Susan, 10.

Tommy, Mrs. Remond's son, said she was in Houston, Tex., where her husband was arrested.

Bill Remond, 34, was arrested April 10 and is now in the Federal House of Detention in Washington, D. C. He was charged with the murder of a man who was brought to the police station. Funeral services are expected to be held at a later date with burial in the city.

The Remonds were a happy couple and he was a well-known one for his work. He was a well-known one for his work.

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Knoxville
Journal,
Knoxville, Tenn
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Remington's Head Socked In Prison

LEWISBURG, Pa., Nov. 23 — William W. Remington, a former government employee convicted of perjury for denying Communist Party associations, suffered serious head injuries when attacked

William Remington at one time worked for the TVA here. He made his home on Temple Avenue.

with a steel rod covered with the Federal Penitentiary here. News of the attack on Remington was followed by Acting Warden Fred Wilkerson and confirmed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

DETAILS WITHHELD

Details of the attack were withheld pending an FBI probe. Remington is confined in the same prison where Alvin Karpis, former top State Department official and advisor to the late President Franklin Roosevelt, served the last 3½ years of a perjury conviction. Karpis also convicted for lying about his Red associations, is to be released Saturday on parole.

QUIZZING POSSIBLE

He still faces possible questioning by congressional committees after his release from prison, issue sock.

The acting warden said "the identity of the assailant is fairly well established" but whether it was another convict was not disclosed. The reason for the attack for not made public.

Remington, former U. S. Commerce Department official, is serving a three-year term for lying that he had never been associated with Red organizations.

Remington denied that he had given secret government data to Elizabeth Bentley for transmission to Russia. Miss Bentley said she was a former courier for a Soviet spy ring.

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Murder at Lewisburg

Apart from the other unfortunate aspects of the murder of William W. Remington at Lewisburg Penitentiary, it will serve as a black mark against the United States in the eyes of its critics abroad. Remington was convicted of a serious crime against the United States; and for that he was being punished. But he deserved a kind of protection which the Government did not give him. His death at the hands of two other inmates will be grist for Communist propaganda, and it will be a club for those who wish to believe that this country hasaped the Communists in its treatment of men such persons regard as political prisoners.

The reticence of the Department of Justice and the Federal Bureau of Prisons to give the whole story did not help the case—though the FBI, fortunately, has charged two men with being the assailants. It remained for Remington's lawyer and his widow, however, to disclose what actually happened. Remington, it seems, was beaten to death not because of any ideological animosities, as might first have been suspected, but simply because he had become associated as a dormitory mate with a small group of prisoners who had for some reason incurred the hostility of another group.

That such a thing could have happened certainly implies an administrative neglect. Lewisburg is usually regarded as a model prison of the "minimal security" class. It is a prison for short-term convicts who are expected to give no great trouble during their confinement and therefore can be allowed a more wholesome environment and a less rigid regimen than is practicable or safe in such prisons as, say, Leavenworth or Alcatraz. Remington, as is now disclosed, belonged to the category of "honor prisoners," who are not locked up in their dormitories during sleeping hours and who even are permitted to have private lockers for their personal belongings.

But if the statements of Remington's lawyer and

widow are correct, there are other convicts at Lewisburg who should never have been permitted to remain in a "minimal security" prison. In his letters, it is said, Remington told of bitterness and trouble between rival cliques of prisoners and even of acts of violence. On one occasion the dormitory was invaded and a mattress set afire. On another, lockers were smashed and robbed. Remington said he had learned by the prison grapevine that his dormitory mates had incurred the jealousy or displeasure of the "honor cliques" in the prison and were marked for vengeance. He even mentioned the desire of the well-behaved prisoners for more guards to protect them.

The tragedy of William Remington thus is complete. He was one of a number of gifted young men of his generation for whom the greatest fallacy of the modern world—communism—possessed a disastrous fascination, and it led him eventually into a morass of treachery and deceit. The judge who sentenced him observed that he already had been heavily punished for his folly in the ruin of a promising career. The sad manner in which his life ended cannot help but arouse compassion. His murder leaves two gnawing questions. What is to be done about the evidence of a serious defect in the Federal system of screening and assigning prisoners? And why is it that the Government which had sent Remington to prison was unable to provide him, even in prison, with reasonable protection for his life?

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FBI Silent On Motive In Death of Remington

**Prison Murder
Probe Continues;
Body Sent to N. J.
For Funeral Rites**

By Robert E. Baker
Staff Writer

The body of William Walter Remington yesterday was taken aboard a train at the Lewisburg, Pa., Federal penitentiary for shipment to Ridgewood, N. J., for funeral services, cremation and burial on Saturday.

The FBI refused to comment on a possible motive for the murder of the 51-year-old former Commerce Department economist, who was serving a three-year term for perjury.

Remington, asleep in the cell, he occupied as an honor prisoner, was beaten on the head Monday by two car thieves without a record of personal trouble. He died Wednesday.

The FBI in Washington and Philadelphia would neither affirm nor deny reports that additional prisoners were involved in the beating, saying only that "the investigation is continuing."

Beats Anti-Red Motive

The two convicts charged with the slaying, Robert Carl Parker, 31, one-time Washington resident, and George Junior McCoy, 34, of Grundy, Va., weren't taken into custody by the FBI, but remained in Lewisburg prison. They face a possible maximum penalty of death.

The motive behind the slaying, accomplished with a sock-infused brick, was the subject of speculation.

Acting Warden Fred T. Wilkinson discounted one widespread theory: that the death resulted from an anti-Communist feeling and resentment among prisoners over the scheduled release of Alger Hiss on Saturday.

Remington's sentence followed his denial he had given Government secrets to Communist agents. Hiss has served three and a half years on a perjury charge also involving denial of passing Government papers to Reds.

Prisoners "Sorry"

Although it is known convicts resent Communists or inmates whose loyalty to the country has been questioned, Wilkinson said, "we don't feel we are experiencing that here."

Actually, he said, Lewisburg prisoners are "very sorry" about the slaying of the tall, handsome and brilliant Remington.

The prison head said no "speculation REMINGTON, Pg. 2, Col. 1

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Find Remington Beaten in Jail

LEWISBURG, Pa., Nov. 23 (UP)—William Walter Remington, 37, former Commerce Department economist convicted of perjury for denying he gave classified information to a Soviet spy courier, was found battered and beaten in his prison dormitory at the North-eastern Federal Penitentiary. It was disclosed Tuesday.

Remington, who suffered multiple cuts of the face and head and a probable skull fracture was in the prison hospital in serious condition. He had lost considerable blood and physicians said it would be several days before the extent of his injuries could be determined.

A STATEMENT issued by acting Warden Fred Wilkinson said Remington, one time \$10,000-a-year economist, was found Monday in a dazed condition on the second floor stairway landing below his third floor dormitory quarters. The weapon used in the attack was believed to be a piece of brick wrapped in a prison issue sock.

The identity of his assailant

"was fairly well established" by an FBI inquiry, Wilkinson said.

The assault came just six days before Alger Hiss, one time State Department official, was scheduled to be released from the penitentiary. Hiss will be released Saturday after serving three years and eight months of a five-year sentence for perjury in denying complicity with Win-

ston Chamberlain, a Communist spy ring in the 1940's.

PRISON AUTHORITIES declined to elaborate on the assault on Remington, nor would they say that more than one prisoner was involved despite rumors that a gang beat the former Federal employee. The FBI comment was "We are working on the case."

Directly after Remington was found, the three floors of the dormitory were closed off. The small number of night workers in the building and the janitorial staff were questioned.

Remington, from Ridgewood, N. J., was a member of the central staff at the prison hospital, was announced. He is serving a three-year term.

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Remington Found Beaten In Prison, Seriously Hurt

By Associated Press
 LEWISBURG, Pa., Nov. 22. — A man in a dazed condition on Wednesday, Nov. 22, a slumbering inmate. The weapon — William Walter Remington, used in the attack was believed to be a piece of wood wrapped in Department economist convicted a spy. of penalty for denying he gave The identity of his assailant classified information to a Soviet was fairly well established by spy council, was found battered a Federal Bureau of Investigation and beaten in his prison dormitory. Mr. Remington said today at the Northeastern Federal Penitentiary, it was disclosed to-day. The F B I preliminary comment was restricted to, "We are working on the case."

Remington, who suffered multiple lacerations of the face and head and a probable skull fracture, was in the prison hospital in a serious condition. He had lost considerable blood and physicians said it would be several days before the extent of his injuries could be determined.

A statement issued by Acting Warden Fred Williamson said Mr. Remington, a one-time \$18,000-a-year, was found yesterday.

The assault on Remington came just five days before Alger Hiss, former State Department official, was scheduled to be released from the penitentiary after serving three years and eight months of a five-year sentence for perjury in denying complicity with Whittaker Chambers in a Communist spy ring in the 1930s.

Prison authorities declined to comment on page 16, column 8

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William W. Remington as he appeared when sentenced to prison in 1953.

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elaborate on details of the assault on Remington, nor would they say that more than one prisoner was involved, despite the fact that a sign near the front of the Federal employee.

Mr. Wilkinson's statements said Remington was found severely assaulted and that he had been under constant medical treatment in the hospital.

After Remington was found, the three floors of the dormitory were closed off. The small number of night workers in the building for the day and the janitorial staff were questioned.

The F. B. I. was called in when it was determined that Remington was assaulted. Mr. Wilkinson said. Their interrogation continued for more than twelve hours.

Remington, from Ridgewood, N. Y., was a member of the clerical staff at the prison hospital. It was announced. He is serving a three-year term.

He first was convicted Feb. 7, 1951, of lying to a Federal grand jury when he denied membership in the Communist party. His conviction was reversed by a Court of Appeals on a technicality.

A two-count perjury indictment was returned at the time that was obtained by the government. He was convicted.

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Irrespective of the fact that he was jailed for perjury involving national security, William W. Remington, former Commerce Department economist, was entitled to the full protection of the United States government while serving his sentence in Lewisburg Federal Penitentiary. Mr. Remington died this morning of injuries received when assaulted by another prisoner. Even though Mr. Remington's sentence was fully justified and he was not entitled to public sympathy, his murder behind the walls of a federal prison is nothing short of a disgrace which reflects seriously upon the prison administration.

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Remington, Ex-Economist, Attacked With Brick and Badly Injured in Prison

By the Associated Press

LEWISBURG, Pa., Nov. 23.—Acting Warden Fred Wilkinson said today William W. Remington, former Commerce Department economist serving a three-year term for perjury, was attacked with a brick concealed in a stocking in a dormitory of the Federal Penitentiary here.

Mr. Wilkinson said Remington yesterday suffered multiple lacerations of the face and head and may have fracture of the skull. He said the prisoner lost much blood and is being treated in the prison hospital.

Mr. Wilkinson said the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Federal Bureau of Prisons are investigating.

Both the FBI and the Bureau of Prisons in Washington declined to discuss the incident pending the outcome of their investigation.

Mr. Wilkinson said in a statement that from investigation "the identity of the assailant is fairly well established." He added that further information concerning the assailant should come from the FBI since it was that agency's responsibility to develop the situation for presentation to the United States attorney.

The 36-year-old Remington was convicted in January, 1933, of lying when he denied at an earlier trial that he transmitted



WILLIAM W. REMINGTON.

classified Government documents to Elizabeth Bentley for sale to Russia.

He also was convicted of a second count for falsely denying knowledge of the existence of a unit of the Young Communist League at Dartmouth College when he was a student there in the 1930s.

Mr. Wilkinson's statement follows:

"Sometime during the morning of November 22, 1934, inmate William Walter Remington was severely assaulted in his dormitory squad room apparently with

a piece of brick concealed in a prison issue sock.

The injuries were discovered about 10:30. Remington is under constant medical care in the prison hospital. His injuries are considered serious and doctors state several days will be needed to determine his condition. He has immediate dental and possible lacerations of the face and head and a probable fracture in the right arm.

Remington was found by his quarters officer in a squad room in the second floor dormitory, which is a place having three dormitory quarters. He was taken to the hospital and all three doors of the housing unit were kept closed off to prevent movement of the small number of prisoners consisting of about 100 men for the day and nights.

Prison officials started an investigation immediately and determined the incident was not from accidental causes. After it became known Remington had been assaulted, the Federal Bureau of Investigation was called and immediately joined in the investigation. Questioning and investigation continued beyond midnight and the identity of the assailant is fairly well established. Since the FBI has the responsibility of developing the information for presentation to the United States attorney, I am not in a position to comment further about the assailant."

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Remington Injured In Prison Beating

LEWISBURG, Pa., Nov. 23 (AP)—Acting Warden Fred Wilkenson said today that Remington, former United States Army sergeant, was injured in a beating in a cell in a prison here today.

Wilkenson said Remington suffered multiple lacerations of the face and head and has a probable fracture of the skull. He said the prisoner had much blood and was treated in the prison infirmary.

Wilkenson said the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Federal Bureau of Prisons are investigating the attack.

In Philadelphia, Special Agent Norman McCabe in charge of the Philadelphia office of the FBI, said the incident is being investigated.

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Remington still on critical list and Philadelphia
unable to interview. Parker interviewed 11/23/54
and denies crime. Brick recovered which may be
weapon used; however, no sign of blood on it.
Investigation continuing.

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Remington Found Beaten

By United Press

LEWISBURG, Pa., Nov. 21—William Walter Remington, former Commerce Department economist who was convicted of perjury in a communist testimony investi-

gation, was found beaten severely in his dormitory at the Federal penitentiary here yesterday, it was disclosed today.

Warden Fred T. Wilkinson said Remington apparently was assaulted with a piece of brick encased in a sack.

Remington, serving a three-year term, was taken to the prison hospital for serious treatment.

Doctors said he lost considerable blood, had multiple lacerations of the face and head and a possible skull fracture.

ASSAILANT KNOWN

Warden Wilkinson said the identity of Remington's assailant is "fairly well established." He said FBI agents took charge of the investigation and questioned prisoners until well past midnight.

There were reports that Remington was assaulted by other prisoners.

Remington was convicted of perjury in connection with charges that he lied when he denied giving anyone secret classified information. He was sentenced Feb. 4, 1953, and was on appeal until April 15, 1953, when he began serving his term.

Warden Wilkinson issued this statement:

"Sometime during the morning of Nov. 21, William Walter Remington was severely assaulted in his dormitory squad room apparently with a piece of brick encased in a sack. The inmate who assaulted him was not identified."

SEVERAL DAYS

Remington is under medical care in the prison hospital. His injuries are considered serious, and he may be kept in the hospital for several days, it was reported today.

Remington was found in a state of unconsciousness in his dormitory room at the Federal penitentiary here yesterday. He was taken to the prison hospital for treatment. Doctors said he lost considerable blood, had multiple lacerations of the face and head and a possible skull fracture.

A report was received from Remington's attorneys that he was in good health and was being treated in the prison hospital.

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Mr. Wilkinson said Remington yesterday suffered multiple lacerations of the face and head and may have fracture of the skull. He said the prisoner lost much blood and is being treated in the prison hospital.

Mr. Wilkinson said the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Federal Bureau of Prisons are investigating.

Both the FBI and the Bureau of Prisons in Washington declined to discuss the incident pending the outcome of their investigations.

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WILLIAM W. REMINGTON

classified Government documents to Elizabeth Bentley for relay to Russia.

He also was convicted of a second count for falsely denying knowledge of the existence of a unit of the Young Communist League at Dartmouth College when he was a student there in the 1930s.

Mr. Wilkinson's statement follows:

"Sometime during the morning of November 22, 1954, inmate William Walker Remington was severely assaulted in his dormitory squad room apparently with

a piece of brick crushed in a prison issue sock.

The injuries were inflicted about 10:30. Remington is under constant medical care in the prison hospital. His injuries are considered serious and require state medical attention. He has lost considerable blood and has a compound fracture of the face and head and a possible fracture in the cervical area.

Remington was found by the quarters officer in a squad room on the second floor of the way lounge where the inmate was doing his laundry. He was taken to the hospital and the state medical attention was given. The inmate was held in the hospital and the medical attention of the prison hospital was given. The inmate was held in the hospital and the medical attention of the prison hospital was given.

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LEWISBURG, PA.--FORMER COMMERCE DEPARTMENT CLERK WILLIAM WALTER
 REMINGTON, CONVICTED OF PERJURY IN COMMUNIST INVESTIGATION TESTIMONY,
 WAS FOUND BEATEN SEVERELY IN HIS DORMITORY SQUAD ROOM AT THE FEDERAL
 PENITENTIARY HERE TODAY.

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 WARDEN FRED T. WILKINSON SAID REMINGTON APPARENTLY WAS ASSAULTED
 WITH A PIECE OF A BRICK ENCASED IN A PRISON ISSUE SOCK.
 REMINGTON, SERVING A THREE YEAR SENTENCE, WAS TAKEN TO THE PRISON
 HOSPITAL IN SERIOUS CONDITION.
 DOCTORS SAID HE LOST CONSIDERABLE BLOOD, HAD MULTIPLE LACERATIONS
 OF THE FACE AND HEAD AND A PROBABLE SKULL FRACTURE.

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WILKINSON SAID THE IDENTITY OF THE ASSILANT WAS "FAIRLY WELL ESTABLISHED." HE SAID FBI AGENTS TOOK CHARGE OF THE INVESTIGATION OF THE INCIDENT AND QUESTIONED PRISONERS UNTIL WELL PAST MIDNIGHT. THERE WERE UNOFFICIAL REPORTS REMINGTON WAS BEATEN BY A GANG OF PRISONERS.

REMINGTON WAS CONVICTED OF PERJURY IN CONNECTION WITH CHARGES HE LIED WHEN HE DENIED GIVING ANYONE SECRET CLASSIFIED INFORMATION. HE WAS SENTENCED TO HIS PRISON TERM FEB. 4, 1953. HE BEGAN SERVING HIS SENTENCE APRIL 15, 1953.

WILKINSON ISSUED THIS STATEMENT:

"SOMETIME DURING THE MORNING OF NOVEMBER 22ND, WILLIAM WALTER REMINGTON WAS SEVERELY ASSAULTED IN HIS DORMITORY SQUAD ROOM APPARENTLY WITH A PIECE OF BRICK ENCASED IN A PRISON ISSUE SOCK. HIS INJURIES WERE DISCOVERED ABOUT 10:30 A.M.

"REMINGTON IS UNDER CONSTANT MEDICAL CARE IN THE PRISON HOSPITAL. HIS INJURIES ARE CONSIDERED SERIOUS, AND DOCTORS STATE SEVERAL DAYS WILL BE NEEDED TO DETERMINE HIS CONDITION."

THE ATTACK ON REMINGTON OCCURRED AS PREPARATIONS WERE UNDERWAY FOR THE RELEASE OF ALGER HISS, FORMER STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICIAL, ON SATURDAY. HISS IS GETTING 16 MONTHS OFF HIS FIVE-YEAR TERM IMPOSED FOR LYING IN THE FAMED "PUMPKIN PAPERS" COMMUNIST SPY CASE.

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REMINGTON WAS FOUND IN A BAZED CONDITION ON THE SECOND-FLOOR STAIRWAY LANDING BELOW HIS THIRD-FLOOR DORMITORY QUARTERS.

HE WAS TAKEN TO THE HOSPITAL AND ALL THREE FLOORS OF THE HOUSING UNIT WERE "ZEROED" TO PREVENT MOVEMENT OF THE SMALL NUMBER OF PRISONERS AND JANITORS AND NIGHT WORKERS IN THE AREA AT THE TIME.

AFTER IT WAS DETERMINED REMINGTON'S INJURIES WERE "NOT ACCIDENTAL" AND THAT HE HAD BEEN ASSAULTED, THE WARDEN SAID, THE FBI WAS CALLED IN.

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REMINSTON, FORMER \$10,000-A-YEAR ECONOMIST FOR THE COMMERCE
DEPARTMENT, FIRST WAS CONVICTED FEB. 7, 1951, OF LYING TO A FEDERAL
GRAND JURY WHEN HE DENIED MEMBERSHIP IN THE COMMUNIST PARTY.
THE COURT OF APPEALS REVERSED THIS CONVICTION ON A TECHNICALITY.
THE GOVERNMENT THEN OBTAINED A NEW FIVE-COUNT PERJURY INDICTMENT
BASED ON TESTIMONY AT HIS FIRST TRIAL. HE WAS CONVICTED ON TWO COUNTS
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'Cons' Hearing Set for Feb. 3

Motions of Counsel Heard by Follmer

The case of the government against three federal convicts charged with murder was still in the air today after Federal Judge Frederick A. Follmer continued for the second time the arraignment.

Judge Follmer set Feb. 3 as the date for arraignment. He heard after defense attorneys charged coercion in obtaining a statement from one of the accused and also claimed the government failed to identify the alleged slayer.

The convicts, inmates of the Northeast Federal Penitentiary at Lewisburg, are Robert Earl Parker, 21, Washington, D.C.; Cagle, 37, Chattanooga, Tenn.; and George Lamar McCoy, 34, Grundy, Va.

They are accused of the murder last Nov. 24 of William W. Lemington, former government economist, who was serving a term in the prison.

The charge of coercion was made yesterday by Attorney James H. Mattie, this city, counsel for the convicts. It came during argument to quash the murder indictment against the convicts. Attorney Mattie told Judge Follmer that Parker's statement was taken under duress and was made by the FBI or the attorney.

Attorney Mattie's statement touched off a sharp report by U.S. Attorney General Louis Levy, who vigorously denied the allegation and de-

clared that the government knows what a great deal of work has been done on the FBI's. I have been given such a slur as that they obtained a confession by coercion.

Attorney Mattie contended for the convicts a statement was taken on auto the day after the murder. He contended the statements were "improper" because the grand jury sat at 10 miles from Lewisburg and in another county.

Attorney Mattie contended that in the statement Parker said he was kept in separate solitary and disciplinary confinement commonly known as "The Hole."

Attorney Mattie claimed that during this time section lights were kept on day and night so that the prisoner lost track of time.

"He wanted to believe he was put in the hole because he had made no statement," the Attorney said, adding.

The attorney for McCoy, Charles R. Bidelspacher Jr., Williamsport, contended the indictment "does not say who committed the murder."

Mr. Bidelspacher asked how three men could wield one sock. He referred to the brick encountered in a sock which authorities claim was the murder weapon.

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'Coerced' Into Confession, 1 of 3 Held in Remington Bludgeon Slaying Charges

LEWISBURG, Pa., Jan. 24 (AP)—several lights were kept on day Defense counsel, charged in U. S. and a motion picture that the prisoner lost District Court today that one of three of three convicts charged with murder in the bludgeon slaying of William W. Remington, former government economist, was "coerced" into confessing a part in the slaying.

Roger Mattes, Scranton, a court-appointed attorney for Robert Carl Parker, 21, Washington, D. C., told Judge Frederick J. Pollmer, in arguments on a motion to quash the murder indictment.

"The statement was taken under duress and coercion," referring to Parker.

Mattes said he referred to the FBI or the police that he "J. Julius Le... U. S. attorney, immediately denied Mattes statement."

Died 2 Days Later

Parker, along with Lewis Cagle, 27, Chattanooga, Tenn., and George Junior McCoy, 34, Grundy, Mo., were indicted by a U. S. grand jury at Scranton. The indictments came after the grand jury investigated Remington's death on Nov. 23, two days after he was found beaten in his quarters at the Lewisburg Federal Penitentiary.

Remington, 37, was serving a three-year term for perjury. The trio charged with his slaying were serving terms on automobile theft charges.

Judge Pollmer, after listening to all-day arguments, continued the case until Feb. 1.

Counsel for the three convicts also contended in seeking to dismiss the indictment that it was "improper" because the grand jury sat at Scranton, 100 miles from Lewisburg, and in another county. Scranton is county seat of Lackawanna County. The Lewisburg Penitentiary is located in Union County.

Mattes told the court that Parker in a statement said he was kept in separate solitary and disciplinary confinement commonly known as "the hole."

Lights Kept On

Mattes said that while Parker was confined in the disciplinary

"He was led to believe he was put in the hole because he had made no statement," Mattes said.

"We are further charging that this statement is the only evidence against the defendant," he said.

The statement has never been made public.

Charles R. Bidelspacher Jr., Williamsport, who represents McCoy, questioned the indictment.

"does not say who committed the murder."

"How could three men wield one sock?" Bidelspacher asked, referring to the brick encased in a sock claimed to have been the murder weapon.

The indictment specified a charge of murder generally against the three prisoners.

Remington's body was found in a cell badly beaten about the head. He died two days later in the prison infirmary.

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'Coercion' - Charged in Pen Killing

LEWISBURG, Pa., Jan. 15 (U.S. District Court) - A federal grand jury today returned a three-count indictment charging that one Frederick V. Folmer, accused of the bludgeoning of a former government official, William W. Remington, was coerced into confessing a part of the slaying.

The charges were made yesterday by Roger W. Folmer, the court appointed attorney for Robert Carl Parker, Jr., Washington, D. C., in an attempt to quash the murder indictment against the three men.

Matters involving Frederick V. Folmer, the federal state-court "was taken under protest and coercion" by the FBI in the past, that he said.

ATTACK INDICTMENT

Parker, 34, and Elias Cagle, 27, Charles W. Jones, and George Junior, 21, all of Scranton, Pa., were indicted by a U. S. grand jury at Scranton, Dec. 1, Remington died Nov. 14, two days after he was found beaten in his quarters at Lewisburg Federal Penitentiary. The 41-year-old Remington was serving a three year term for robbery.

Counsel for the convicts, all serving terms on auto theft charges, so contended the indictment was improper because the grand

jury was not properly constituted. The grand jury was composed of 12 men, but only 10 were present at the hearing. The grand jury was composed of 12 men, but only 10 were present at the hearing. The grand jury was composed of 12 men, but only 10 were present at the hearing.

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Remington Case Continued to Feb. 3

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LEWISBURG—Judge Frederick V. Follmer late yesterday in U.S. District Court continued the case of three convicts charged with murder in the bludgeon slaying of William W. Remington, former government economist, and said he will give a ruling Feb. 3 on whether the murder indictments will stand.

Defense attorneys, appointed by the court yesterday gave arguments on a motion to quash the indictment.

Roger Mattes, Scranton lawyer, charged that his client, Robert Carl Parker, Jr., Washington, D.C., was "coerced" into confessing his part in the slaying.

Mattes said:

"The statement was taken under duress and coercion," referring to Parker.

Mattes said he referred to "the FBI or the powers that be."

J. Julius Levy, Scranton U.S. attorney immediately denied Mattes' statement.

"The court knows what a great institution the FBI is," Levy said, referring to the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

"We never heard such a slur as they wanted a confession by Parker," Levy told the court. "It is a slur on Lewis Case, 17, Chattanooga, Tenn., and George Junior McCoy, 34, Grundy, Va., who were indicted by a U.S. grand jury as Scranton. The indictments came after the grand jury investigated Remington's death on Nov. 24, two days after he was found beaten in his quarters at the Lewisburg Federal Penitentiary.

Park, v. Sentence

Remington, 37, was serving a three-year term for perjury. The slaying was charged with his slaying were given terms on automobile theft charges.

At the outset of yesterday's hearing, Judge Follmer announced he had engaged psychiatrists to examine the defendants.

The examination was conducted last Friday and Saturday by Dr. Francis Perkins of St. Luke's Hospital, Washington, and Dr. Edward R. Janney of the Veterans' Administration Hospital at Wilkes-Barre.

As the jurist prepared to read the report of these experts, Charles Redelph, Jr., Washington attorney representing McCoy, objected. He told the court: "I know nothing about this." He asked for the right to interrogate the psychiatrists and to gain access to psychiatric records of his client held by the acting warden of the penitentiary.

U.S. Attorney J. Julius Levy, of Scranton, protested that he could not control B. T. Williamson, acting warden, to release penitentiary records. At this point, Mr. Redelph threatened to withdraw from the case because he was being denied the means of compiling a reasonable defense for his court-assigned client.

He said: "Either I'm going to find out the facts in order to defend McCoy properly, or I'm going to pull out of this case."

HIS STATEMENT brought a quick reply from both Judge Follmer and U.S. Attorney Levy. The judge said: "No one is more interested in safeguarding the rights of these defendants than I am." And

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The U.S. attorney pointed out that his function is to safeguard the rights of federal prisoners, as such as it is to prosecute offenders.

Bidelspinner made his point and Judge Folmer ruled that the psychiatric reports be given to the defense attorney.

M. S. Myers, Scranton attorney, asked that indictments be quashed because the grand jury at Scranton did not have jurisdiction.

He pointed out that the Scranton jury sat on Dec. 1, 1954, to hear a case outside the limits of the counties assigned to it. There was then existing at Lewisburg a grand jury which had been convened last May 12, 1954 and which did have jurisdiction. Myers said the case should have gone before that body.

Matthes contended the present indictments are "too vague." They do not say which of the three prisoners committed the actual assault upon Remington, or which of them were accessories.

William Garvey, attorney for Lewis Cagle, Jr., opposed the indictments with an argument that defense counsel has been denied the means of preparing a full and fair defense. He argued the defense attorneys have the right to inspect grand jury minutes.

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TESTS TO 3 PEN SLAYERS COURT REVEALS

Accused Remington Underwent Psychological Examinations, Lawyers Told.—Legal Sparring Develops.

Legal sparring developed today in U. S. Middle District Court at Lewisburg at the opening of arguments on motions on behalf of three Federal Penitentiary inmates charged with the slaying of William W. Remington, former government economist, in November while serving time at the penitentiary on a perjury charge.

The sparring turned into a triangular affair between J. Julius Levy, U. S. Attorney, the counsel for the defendants and Judge Frederick V. Follmer, who presided at the court session.

Actual arguments did not get underway until this afternoon on motions presented by defense attorneys to grant the murder inmates a hearing December 1st before the trial and to inspect records of the Scranton grand jury which indicted the three men.

Objections in court this morning said a possible decision in the motions might be made today by Judge Follmer, and that the court appeared anxious to proceed with the matter leading to a trial.

Defendants in the case and their counsel are: George J. McCoy, 34, of Grundy, Va., represented by Attorneys Charles R. Bidelspacher, Jr., and Charles Szybert, Williamsport; Robert C. Parker, 31, of Washington, D. C., represented by Attorneys Morry S. Myers and Roger Mathis, Scranton, and Lewis Cagle, Jr., 27, of Chattanooga, Tenn., represented by Attorneys William Garver and David J. Conroy, of Scranton.

Court Ordered Tests When court opened at 11:25 a. m., Judge Follmer informed defense counsel that he had arranged for psychiatric examination of the three defendants at the penitentiary.

Judge Follmer said the examinations were given Friday and Saturday and that he had in his possession the results of these tests.

Attorney Bidelspacher objected, explaining that he knew nothing about the examinations and that only the court knew of them. Bidelspacher said "I should have been notified."

Judge Follmer replied that he ordered the tests at his own initiative.

Immediately Bidelspacher, Myers and Conroy moved for a recess to study the report, but the motion was overruled by the court.

Denies Request

Attorney Levy then informed the court that he had not received any request to inspect records of the defendants at the penitentiary, although defendants' counsel last week said they had written the U. S. Attorney seeking information from these reports.

According to Levy, it was not until Friday, when he was informed by a Lewisburg court clerk that an affidavit had been filed there by Bidelspacher requesting such information, that he knew of the move. Levy said he did not receive a written request for permission to inspect the records until Sunday.

Levy continued, "If there is such a psychiatric report at the penitentiary as counsel claims there is, then it seems to me the defendant and his counsel are entitled to see it fully. To this Bidelspacher replied, 'Let us stipulate now for an order no longer denying these records.'"

Bidelspacher then launched into a description of the reports he desired on McCoy, his client. He said the reports were kept in a brown manila envelope, with one a brown-fronted piece and the second a white-fronted piece. He asked the court for an opportunity to inspect these records "at once."

When the court asked if Bidelspacher meant the entire institutional record, Attorney Levy objected and said that only the psychiatric reports are to be included.

Bidelspacher replied "I want all those records and there is no reason why I should not have them."

Levy then pointed out there is a legal and orderly way to go about it, to which Bidelspacher replied, "I don't need to learn law from you."

Judge Follmer interrupted the two attorneys and said the procedure in the case should be orderly. "There are three lives at stake, and there is no need for this bickering."

Levy then launched into a discussion on law procedure and said there was no reason why McCoy was "not able to enter and enter his plea."

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Motions Follow
Attorneys Myers and Conroy, representing Parker and Cagle, then moved to make examinations of the same records, but the court denied them that in a conference with Acting Warden Fred T. Wilkinson, the court was informed there was no psychiatric information contained in the records referred to by the two attorneys.

In response to a request for records of all men recently released by the penitentiary to check on conditions, the court replied: "Suppose every single man over there (meaning the penitentiary), was armed, what does that have to do with it. We are trying three men. Whether the institution is run properly is not for me to say. I can't run it and that has no bearing on the case."

Bidelspacher then approached court and said he had been informed that records kept on McCoy showed he had an intelligence test and had been rated 62, which is the lower limits of a moron. He reiterated his request for information on the report and said Warden Wilkinson had told him there was such matter in McCoy's records.

The court then ordered Levy to contact Wilkinson during a recess to learn what the records contained, when Bidelspacher said Wilkinson was in the courtroom and should be called to testify.

Levy objected to this move and said it was not proper to put anyone on the stand, that two motions were before the court and to hear a witness "would prejudice the interests of the case."

Attorney Garvey then addressed the court and said he required preparation of his case. In normal preparation of his case, in normal cases, the attorneys are sought out, but in this case, the attorneys are appointed and a denial of important information makes it difficult to prepare a defense," he said.

Judge Follmer then informed Garvey that the court made a

searching and confidential study of the motions in the past ten days and that there is no action on the part of the court to deny getting any information necessary for the defense.

Morey Myers, Scranton, counsel for Parker presented the first defense argument that the indictment was "improper" because it was returned in Scranton, about 100 miles away from Lewisburg, Union county, where the federal penitentiary is located.

"There has to be some reason for holding a grand jury hearing in Scranton," Myers told Judge Follmer.

"The grand jury was improper in that it did not include jurors from the county (Union) where the offense was committed," Myers said.

Parker's attorney leaned back into court records for a case held in 1799 to back up his contention. In that case, a grand jury returned an indictment in the county but the trial was held in another—the county in which the crime was committed. The court at that time ruled such action was improper.

Bidelspacher objected to an attempt by Judge Follmer to read into the proceedings a psychiatric report on the prisoners.

Bidelspacher objected on the ground that he and the other attorneys were not informed of the examination.

"We have endeavored to find all the facts in this case," Bidelspacher told the court, "but we were denied the right to go over those prison records."

"We are put in the position by the government (prosecution) of going into this case without proper examination," he added.

Judge Follmer, because of the objections, withheld the psychiatric report for the time being.

Follmer said that as far as he knew there never has been any psychiatric examination of the prisoners at the prison.

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Prison Murder Case Opens With Action for Dismissing Indictments

By STAFF REPRESENTATIVE

LEWISBURG — Attorneys for three convicts accused of the prison murder of William Remington, former government economist, appeared before Federal Judge Frederick V. Follmer, in U.S. District Court, here, this morning, to argue for dismissal of indictments against the prisoners.

The hearing opened at 11 a.m.

The attorneys, appointed by the court, represent George Junior McCoy, 34, of Grundy, Va.; Lewis Cagle, Jr., 17, of Chattanooga, Tenn.; and Robert Carl Parker, 21, of Washington. These three have been indicted for the fatal bludgeoning of Remington last Nov. 21 in the Federal Penitentiary, a mile north of Lewisburg.

The 37-year-old Remington was serving a three-year term for perjury. He had been convicted of lying about furnishing government secrets to a Communist spy ring.

Attorneys for the defendants are seeking dismissal of the indictments on the ground that they were not returned "in accordance with the law."

AT THE OUTSET of today's hearing, Judge Follmer announced he had engaged psychiatrists to examine the defendants.

The examination was conducted last Friday and Saturday by Dr. Francis Pagano, of St. Luke's Hospital, Washington, and Dr. Edward E. Jungman, of the Veterans' Administration Hospital at Wilkes-Barre.

As the jurist prepared to read the report of these experts, Charles Bidlspacher, Jr., Williamsport attorney representing McCoy, objected. He told the court: "I know nothing about this." He asked for the right to interrogate the psychiatrists, and to gain access to psychiatric records of the three held by the acting warden of the penitentiary.

U.S. Attorney J. Julius Levy, of Scranton, protested that he could not compel F. T. Wilkinson, acting warden, to release penitentiary records. At this point, Mr. Bidlspacher threatened to withdraw from the case because he was being denied the means of compiling a reasonable defense for his court-assigned client.

He said: "Either I'm going to find out the facts in order to defend McCoy properly, or I'm going to pull out of this case."

His STATEMENT brought a quick reply from both Judge Follmer and U.S. Attorney Levy. The judge said: "No one is more interested in safeguarding the rights of these defendants than I am." And the U.S. attorney pointed out that his function is to safeguard the rights of federal prisoners "as much as it is to prosecute offenders."

Judge Follmer said Warden Wilkinson had reported that no psychiatric report exists on McCoy. On the basis of intelligence tests, however, McCoy was said to be lower than the average intelligence quotient.

M. S. MYERS, Scranton attorney representing Robert Parker, opened today's argument. He asked that indictments be quashed because the "grand jury at Scranton did not have jurisdiction."

He pointed out that the Scranton jury sat on Dec. 1, 1954, to hear a case outside the limits of the counties assigned to it. That was then existing at Lewisburg, grand jury which had been organized last May 12, 1954, and which did have jurisdiction. Myers

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William Garvey, attorney for Lewis Cagle, Jr., opposed the indictments with an argument that defense counsel has been denied the means of preparing a full and fair defense. He argued the defense attorneys have the right to inspect grand jury minutes.

A recess was taken at 1 o'clock this afternoon. The hearing will resume this afternoon but it was impossible to predict whether or not it could be concluded today.

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Lawyers For Cagle And Parker File Motions In Court

Attorneys for two of the three accused slayers of William W. Remington, former government economist who died Nov. 24 following a beating in the Lewisburg Federal Penitentiary, have filed motions in U.S. Court at Scranton, objecting to the arraignment, and asking for dismissal of the indictments and permission to inspect certain records concerning the indictment and arraignment.

George J. McCoy, 34, of Grundy, Va., Lewis Cagle, Jr., 17, of Chattanooga, Tenn., and Robert C. Parker, 21, of Washington, D. C., are charged with the slaying of Remington, using a brick capped in a prime neck.

Attorneys Charles Hadelspacher, Jr., and Charles Seybert, of Williamsport, Pa., represent McCoy.

Cagle is represented by Attorney William Garvey and David J. Conroy, of Scranton, and Parker by Attorney Monte S. Myer and Roger Smith, of Scranton.

Basically, the motions filed in Scranton Friday and received in Lewisburg Monday, are the same as those filed by Hadelspacher.

However, there are a number of changes, in one of which the Scranton attorneys attack the refusal of U. S. Attorney J. Julius Levy, of Scranton, for the right to inspect certain records.

Objections, Motions

Counsel for the two men filed three motions and two objections, covering the arraignment, indictment and minutes of the federal grand jury which December 1 indicted the three prisoners.

Argument on the motions is scheduled for Middle District Court, Lewisburg, January 24, before Judge Frederick V. Folsom.

Also included in the case are two motions by Attorney Hadelspacher, of Williamsport, filed Friday at Lewisburg.

In objection to the arraignment of Cagle, his attorneys said the action was premature because

the matter pending and the proceedings instituted had not been disposed of before U. S. Commissioner A. A. Leiser, Jr., at Lewisburg.

The attorneys pointed out they are unable to determine if Cagle is capable of understanding the proceedings, or if he can properly assist in his defense.

In their motion to dismiss the indictment against Cagle, Attorneys Garvey and Conroy said the grounds upon which the grand jury proceeded were irregular and improper. The motion points out the grand jury personnel was drawn entirely from northern tier counties of Pennsylvania and that this "violates Cagle's constitutional rights." Evidence was irregular and improperly obtained and the indictment is not based upon competent legal evidence with the facts insufficient to constitute a case against the United States.

Motion on behalf of Cagle further contends that the indictment is defective and that the grand jury lacked the power of jurisdiction to indict under federal rules. Because Cagle was denied the right to appear before Commissioner Leiser, where a warrant had been issued for the arrest of him and his two alleged accomplices, the indictment is defective, according to the motion.

Attorneys Garvey and Conroy also contend Cagle was not informed of the charges against him; was not informed that statements made by him could be used against him and that the indictment is vague and indefinite.

The attorneys contend further that unauthorized persons were permitted in the grand jury room, that evidence was illegal and improper, the grand jury foreman failed to keep and the accurate records of the proceedings that came before the jury and that there was no lawful evidence to support the charge.

A second motion made on behalf of Cagle seeks the right to inspect the minutes of the grand jury proceeding. A request to U. S. Attorney Levy for these rights was denied, the motion points out. Because of the seriousness of the offense, the denial to inspect these records is unconstitutional.

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and the rights of the defendant cannot be properly and legally pleaded," they contend.

Attorneys Myers and Mattes, who represent Parker, attacked the denial of Attorney Levy for them to inspect certain records and ask in their motion that other records be made available to them for study.

In objecting to the arraignment, the attorneys on behalf of Parker called it "premature and without prior disposition."

Concerning the request in a letter dated January 6 for Levy to produce certain records, the attorneys now ask the court for these records.

They include examination of all statements, alleged admissions in regard to the assault upon Remington; complete prison file on the three defendants; complete files of any and all defendants with regard to other places of confinement; list of all inmates transferred to other prisons, and the reasons for transfer, from November 22 to the present date; list of all employees and personnel transferred from the Lewisburg penitentiary to other institutions from January 1, 1933 to the present date, and the reasons for transfers, place of present employment and complete addresses; list of all employees and personnel released, re-assigned and present addresses, from January 1, 1933; inspection of the alleged weapon or weapons used in the assault, and all correspondence confiscated from Remington which was sent out to any and all persons.

In their motion to dismiss the indictment and inspect the minutes of the grand jury, the Scranton attorneys claim the indictment does not state facts to constitute an action against the United States. The motion further contends that the indictment does not state which of the three defendants is alleged to have inflicted the injury upon Remington, nor does it describe the offense with a certainty that will permit the preparation of a defense.

In a new angle, the two attorneys claim incompetent testimony was acquired through duress and coercion on the part of the investigators who questioned Parker.

The motion attacks the legality of the grand jury action, citing points contained in Cagle's motion, and for the inspection of the grand jury records the two attorneys ask to be permitted to inspect these minutes to learn what statements had been made out of the presence of the two attorneys.

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Justice For Pen Slayers Blocked, Lawyers Charge

**J. S. Attorney Levy
Attacked In Motions
Seeking To Throw
Out Indictments,
Stay Arraignment
In Remington Case.**

U. S. Attorney J. Julius Levy, Scranton, Pa., charged with obstruction of justice in motions filed late yesterday afternoon in the United States District Court in Scranton, Pa., seeking three preliminary injunctions to prevent the federal grand jury from investigating the murder of William W. Remington, Sr., a Scranton area businessman and industrialist, who was shot and killed in a hotel in Scranton, Pa., on Jan. 15, 1955.

Among other points entered in similar motions at Scranton and Lewisburg, Pa., Levy is specifically charged with refusing the defendants' lawyers access to necessary evidence, with taking the case before a Scranton area grand jury when a Lewisburg grand jury was available, with bypassing the U. S. commission on Lewisburg in contravention of the constitutional rights of the accused and with obtaining an indictment on "non-existent evidence unlawfully obtained."

Charles Budesbacher, of Williamsport, co-attorney for George Junior McCoy, 34, one of the three men accused, in an interview today further amplified certain aspects of the motions, pointing out that a psychiatric report McCoy showed that he had

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"This is an armed camp. The prisoners making a commo. of carrying weapons. I show this, and am prepared to call about 50 ex-prisoners at the institution as witnesses when the case comes to trial."

Arguments on the motions are scheduled for January 24 at 11 a.m. in the Federal Court building at Lewisburg.

The three men are charged with the killing of Hennrich. Hennrich's government economist brother-in-law, is denying that anything at the parliament on September 21 with such ferocity that he died two days later in the same hospital.

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The motions were entered into several special sessions and entitled "Motion to Dismiss to Dismiss Indictment," "Motion for Inspection of the Material in the Grand Jury," and "Motion to Stay Arraignments for Inspection of the Material in the Psychiatric Record of the Defendant." The record of the defendant McCoy. The same motions were entered in the names of the other two defendants.

The most telling point in the charge of "incompetent evidence, unlawfully obtained," is that the defendants were denied their legal right to appear before the U. S. commissioner Andrew A. Lohr, Lewisburg.

The purpose of this hearing is to inform the professors of their constitutional rights, to inform them of the nature of the charges against them, to inform them they did not need to make a statement, and that any such statement might be used against them, and to inform them of their right to counsel. Buelspacher said.

A criminal action had actually been instituted before Commissioner Leiser on November 24, with McCoy and Parker scheduled to appear before the commissioner that day, while Cagle was to appear later.

Bidelapacher says Attorney Levy completely by-passed this sharing the men never appeared, and instead Levy got an indict-

His client never had a chance to appear, he says.

Explaining the "unlawful" term used in his motion, Bodelschwinger said that he understood that much of the evidence obtained against the client was taken from him after the date set for a hearing, which he termed unlawful procedure.

"'Incompetent evidence,' he summed up, briefly, by pointing out that he has information to show that McCoy has an intelligence of a person on the part of a 1-year old child. 'He can neither read nor write.' Bidsapacher said, 'yet the grand jury action was based in part on a signed statement of McCoy. I understand. How can a man who can't read or write make out a signed statement?'"

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One of the strongest motions made by the lawyers, Bidelapacher said, is the point that Levy, as U. S. Attorney, completely bypassed Lewisburg where the hearing should have been held, and where a grand jury was available, taking a detour from the Scranton office.

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LAWYERS OPEN FIGHT TO SAVE 3 PEN SLAYERS

Bidelspacher Leads All-Out Attack To Upset Grand Jury Indictment Of Convicts Accused In Remington Killing.

An all-out attack to upset the grand jury investigations and indictment of three convicts now in Northeastern Federal Penitentiary at Lewisburg and charged with the murder of William W. Remington, former government economist, was promised today by Attorney Charles R. Bidelspacher, Jr. of Williamsport.

Bidelspacher, counsel for George Junior McCoy, 34, Grundy, Va., one of the accused men, told newspaper reporters that he will file motions in Federal Court later today demanding that the indictment against the defendants be quashed.

At the same time, the Williamsport lawyer charged U. S. Atty. J. Julius Levy with making it impossible for him to prepare a proper defense for his client by reason of blocking all defense efforts to obtain "highly important" prison records.

McCoy, Lewis Cagle, Jr., 17, of Chattanooga, Tenn., and Robert Carl Parker, 21, Washington, D. C., were indicted last Dec. 1 by a grand jury in Scranton. They were charged with the fatal beating inflicted upon Remington while the latter was an inmate of the penitentiary last Nov. 22. He died November 24.

Attorney Bidelspacher will move to quash the indictment on the grounds that it was a fealty, he said after the original arraignment proceedings had been postponed on Dec. 13.

Among facts he said existed as failure of the grand jury to

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a eddy which of the three men had committed the murder — a very important one, since obviously three men cannot hand on to one sock loaded with a brick and swing it simultaneously, he added.

At the time of the first arraignment proceedings, he indicated that unless postponement was made, he would additionally fight the indictment on the basis of the hasty haste with which it was being rushed to court, none of the attorneys for the three accused men having had a chance to visit

them before the date set for arraignment.

Federal court officials at Scranton said they expected to receive the motions by 4 p. m. today, the Scranton attorneys named to defend two of the three alleged murderers, indicating at noon that they would appear in the clerk's office at about that time.

The attorneys have until 5 p. m. to present their papers to the court.

Attorneys Morey S. Myers and Roger Marter, of Scranton, are counsel for Parker, while Attorney William Garvey, Scranton, is counsel for McCoy. Attorney Charles Saybest, of Williamsport, is associated with Bidelspacher.

When the trio was brought into Middle District Court at Lewisburg, December 13, the court set January 24 to hear argument on the motions.

It was believed Bidelspacher might file his motions in Lewisburg rather than take them to Scranton, which is a greater distance to travel.

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Dismissal of Charge Asked by Prisoner in Remington Slaying

By the Associated Press

LEWISBURG, Pa., Jan. 13 — The court-appointed attorney for one of three men accused of the penitentiary murder of William Remington, former Government economist, yesterday asked the United States District Court here that a grand jury murder indictment against George Junior McCoy of Grundy, Va., be dismissed.

McCoy, 34-year-old inmate, is charged along with two other inmates of the Federal prison with the bludgeoning of Remington in his cell last November 22.

Charles R. Bidelispatcher, Williamsport, filed two motions. He asked for an inspection on the minutes of the grand jury which returned the indictment and asked a stay of arraignment for his client. He also asked that an inspection be made of the penitentiary social and psychiatric records of McCoy.

In his motion for dismissal of the indictment, Mr. Bidelispatcher said the indictment by the grand jury was "not done in accordance with the law in that the jury panel was collected in such a way as to exclude jurors from 21 Pennsylvania counties."

At the same time the attorney said United States Attorney J. Julius Levy made it impossible for him to prepare a proper defense for his client by reason of blocking all defense efforts to obtain "highly important" prison records.

McCoy, Lewis Cagle, Jr., Chattanooga, Tenn., and Robert Carl Parker, 21, of Washington, D. C., were indicted December 1 on the murder charge.

Remington, 37, was serving a three-year term in the penitentiary for allegedly lying about furnishing Government secrets to a spy ring. He died November 24, two days after he was found beaten in his cell.

The defendants are scheduled to be arraigned before Federal Judge Frederick B. B. on January 24. Mr. Bidelispatcher said he will request the hearing be delayed until 25.

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Per Philadelphia tel 1/14/55, motions filed
will be heard 1/24/55 at Lewisburg, Pa.

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Remington Suspect Fights Indictment

LEWISBURG, Pa., Jan. 14 (AP) — The court-appointed attorney for one of three men accused of the penitentiary murder of William Remington, former Gov-
ernment economist, today asked United States District Court here that a grand jury murder indictment be dropped against his client.

Charles E. Bidelspacher, Jr., Philadelphia lawyer, filed two motions in the court here today asking that the indictment against George Junior McCoy, 37, of Camden, Va., be dismissed.

In his motion for dismissal Bidelspacher said the indictment by the grand jury was "not done in accordance with the law in that the jury panel was collected in such a way as to exclude jurors from 12 Pennsylvania counties."

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Pending prosecution.

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Rep. Emanuel Celler (D., N. Y.)
will meet with Federal Prison Di-
rector James V. Bennett next week
to find out the latter's version of
the death of William W. Remington
at Lewisburg (Pa.) Federal Prison
in September. Rep. Celler said he
will schedule a hearing on the beat-
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Arraignment scheduled 1/14/55 in
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Celler Plans Quiz on Death Of Remington

Representative Emanuel Celler (D-N.Y.) will meet next week with Prison Director James V. Bennett to discuss the November death of William W. Remington at Lewisburg (Pa.) Federal Prison.

Remington, 37, former Commerce Department economist serving a term for perjury, died as a result of a beating by fellow prisoners, including a former District resident.

Celler yesterday said he wanted to hear Bennett's version of the attack on Remington. Celler will become chairman of the House Judiciary Committee when the Democrats resume majority control Wednesday, the opening of the Eighty-four Congress.

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House Committee May Quiz Bennett On Prison System

Washington — Rep. Emanuel Celler, (D-N.Y.) said today the recent slaying of William W. Remington may result in a congressional investigation of the federal prison system.

Celler will become chairman of the House Judiciary Committee when the 84th Congress convenes Jan. 6.

The Congressman said the brutal slaying in Lewisburg Federal Penitentiary of the former government economist serving a three-year term for perjury, might indicate

existence of conditions in federal prisons which require correction.

He said: "I am not yet prepared to say that an investigation is needed. However, the brutal slaying of Remington may bear looking into."

"I will probably take the matter up with James V. Bennett, director of the Federal Bureau of Prisons. Possibly the committee may want to call him for questioning," Celler added he had the highest personal regard for Bennett. He praised the federal prison director "for having done an excellent job over the years."

Bennett has been under attack in some congressional quarters and previous demands have been made for a general investigation. "The public have increased their interest in the slaying of Remington by fellow prisoners."

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LET PUBLIC HAVE THE FACTS

Within a few days after three fellow convicts of William W. Remington, former government economist, had been charged with his murder behind the walls of Lewisburg Federal Penitentiary. The Times called for a complete investigation of the prison either by a United States grand jury or some other outside agency. The public, we contended, was entitled to know if official laxity was responsible for repeated acts of violence, including three murders, at the institution where Remington was serving a term for perjury when given a fatal beating.

Since then a federal grand jury convened in this city and indicted two men and a 17-year-old juvenile delinquent for the Remington murder. While this action may have fulfilled the Justice Department formula for official steps when a murder takes place in a federal prison, it failed to answer many questions, not the least of them concerning the policy responsible for confining teen-agers with hardened criminals shown capable of murder.

As for any independent investigation, such as demanded by this newspaper, nothing has developed. Justice Department officials, according to the latest dispatches from Washington, refuse to discuss the report of an aide to James V. Bennett, director of the U.S. Bureau of Prisons, who made an on-the-spot investigation. Neither will the officials state whether the report will be made public.

In letters written to his wife, and recently made public, Remington charged there was "open warfare among inmate gangs" and that prison authorities did nothing about it. Remington professed to be shocked that "bad cliques" could hold sway even in "honor quarters." Other similar disclosures confirm the need for a complete probe of the prison administration.

As matters stand the public is even being denied the results of the Prison Bureau's investigation of itself. The public is certainly entitled to this report without delay. As The Times said earlier, anything less than a complete investigation "will be ground for suspicion that an attempt is being made to cover up inefficiency or possible wrongdoing" on the part of the prison authorities. We insist, as we did in the beginning, that the "public wants the facts" concerning the administration of Lewisburg Penitentiary.

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Mr. Levy's statement came after the scheduled arraignment of the trio, Carl Parker, 21, of Washington, D. C.; George McCoy, 34, of Grundy, Va., and Lewis Cagle, Jr., 17, of Chattanooga, Tenn., was continued at Lewisburg Monday.

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Mr. Levy said Monday's action by Judge Pollmer ruled out—in the event pleas of innocent are eventually entered—any possibility of a trial before the June term.

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**Lewisburg Prison Un-
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Funds, With Cotes Like
Remington Slaying, Re-
sulting, Royle Says.**

Some of the problems facing
federal government employees
were discussed at a meeting
Local 479, National Federation
Federal Employees, representing
workers at the Lewisburg Peni-
tentiary, Tuesday night
in the club house on the rear
of the building.

John J. Royle, second
vice president of the national
organization, with headquarters
in Washington, D. C., was the
principal speaker.

Mr. Royle pointed out
one of the problems
facing the Bureau of
Prisons is the fact that
through the years, the
appropriation money for
custodial work has been
cut off. He said that the
Bureau of Prisons is
directly connected with
the Department of Justice
and the Department of
Prisons.

He said that the
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not a government agency
and that the employees
are not government
employees. He said that
the Bureau of Prisons is
a private institution and
that the employees are
private employees.

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difficulties, but take them to your
representatives. Mr. Royle said.

Later in a discussion period in
which members asked questions
concerning union activities, the
national head said it was up to
the individual member to combat
apathy toward the union among
federal employees. He pointed out
that of the 157,000 federal work-
ers in Pennsylvania, only about
10,000 are members of unions.

In closing his talk Mr. Royle
said: "Federal employees are not
in the public trough. We do
not ask for handouts, but we are
anxious to protect the interests
of our members. We can't rest on
our laurels, but must continue to
remain active protecting our
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Mr. Brown
Mr. Taylor
Mr. Scott
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Mr. Green
Mr. Hall
Miss Gray

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"It is not my job to do these things, though. My job is to do the best I can with what I have."

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• If the death of William Remington turns the light of pitiless publicity upon this situation through a fair and thorough Congressional investigation, he will not have died in vain.

Mr.

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GEORGE JUNIOR MCCOY;
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Mr. Levy's statement came after the scheduled arraignment of the trio, Carl Parker, 24, of Washington, D. C.; George McCoy, 24, of Grundy, Va., and Lewis Cagle, Jr., 17, of Chattanooga, Tenn., was continued at Lewisburg Monday.

United States District Judge Frederick V. Pollmer ordered the arraignment set back to January 24 after counsel for the defendants said they required more time to study the indictments.

Mr. Levy said Monday's action by Judge Pollmer ruled out—in the event pleas of innocent are eventually entered—any possibility of a trial before the June term.

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Prison Official Denies Gang Clashes Caused Killing of Remington

By the Associated Press

LEWISBURG, Pa., Dec. 11.—Acting Warden Fred T. Wilkinson says gang warfare was "positively" not involved in the recent slaying of William W. Remington, the former Government economist, at Northeastern Federal Penitentiary here.

Remington, convicted of perjury in a Government spy-ring case, died at the prison last month after he was beaten with a half brick encased in a sock. Three fellow convicts have been indicted for murder in the case.

In commenting last night on possible motives, Mr. Wilkinson said, "I personally discount reports of immorality, gang warfare or similar defects as a basic cause for the murder of Remington."

Mob Stories Denied

Earlier this week the New York Post published excerpts of letters which the Post said were written by Remington to his wife which said "gangs" operated in the prison and that authorities had done nothing about them.

"There are no mobs, gangs or cliques (of prisoners) . . . in charge or in control of Northeastern Penitentiary," Mr. Wilkinson said. "There may be a few undesirable . . . majority (of inmates) are decent men."

Meanwhile, in Washington, James W. Bennett, director of the Federal Bureau of Prisons, said yesterday he is continuing an inquiry into activities at the prison at the time of Remington's slaying.

Arraignments Monday

The three convicts accused of killing Remington will be arraigned here next Monday before United States District Judge Frederick V. Pollmer.

Indicted on charges of "murder generally" are George (Junior) McCoy, 34, of Grundy, Va.; Robert Carl Parker, 21, of Washington, D. C.; and Lewis Cagle, Jr., 17, of Chattanooga, Tenn.

United States Attorney J. Julius Levy said in Scranton that if the three convicts plead not guilty, they will be placed on trial sometime next month, unless a continuance is requested and granted. The trial is expected to be held in Lewisburg, with Judge Pollmer presiding.

Chief Judge Albert L. Watson of the United States District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania has appointed counsel for the defendants. David Conroy and William Garvey, both of Scranton, will represent Cagle; Morey Myers, also of Scranton, will represent Parker; and Charles R. Bidel-spacher, Jr., of Williamsport, will defend McCoy.

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Remington Letters Tell Of Prison Gang Warfare

New York, Dec. 8—(AP)—Letters from William Remington, who was slain in the Lewisburg, Pa., Federal penitentiary, revealed there was open warfare among inmate gangs but authorities did nothing about it, the New York Post reported today.

FBI agents previously said they were told robbery was the motive. Three inmates have been indicted in the murder. One of them told of the robbery motive. The newspaper published excerpts of letters from the former government economist, imprisoned as a perjurer, to his wife, Jane, who lives in Levittown, N. Y.

Contents of Letter

One letter said in part: "The shocking thing is that the administration has either so little knowledge or such inadequate

means of control that such 'bad' cliques take over effective away even in 'honorable' quarters.

"Ordinarily any man detests the idea of being under surveillance. Here, in many quarters, the relatively decent element often wishes to goodness there were more."

The Post held that prison authorities must have known what was going on because prisoners' mail is censored. It called Remington's writing "an appeal for more guards, more protection, and directly as it could be made with safety."

Discount Anti-Red Theory

Prison officials have discounted theories that Remington was fatally beaten with a brick last November 22 because of anti-Communist feeling among inmates. Remington was convicted of lying when he denied he passed government secrets to a Communist spy ring.

The Post said that the inmate honor roll Remington shared with three other prisoners had been the target of "threats, abuse and threats of physical violence." The newspaper quoted one letter in which Remington told of his offering to act as a body guard for a threatened roommate.

"A curious note for me to keep with these anti-intellectual, tough guys," he wrote his wife.

The quoted letters said Remington's roommates' lockers were the targets of thieves several times before he himself lost anything.

Once he wrote that some inmates suspected one of his own roommates of "at least unconsciously" agitating some unnamed but "quasi-morose" friend of his to do the stealing.

In his last letter Remington reassured his wife:

"Things have quieted down nicely in our dormitory. The fellows who were so hot against two of my roommates have another target now."

The indicted trio shared a room opposite Remington's. One, 17-year-old Lewis Cagle, Jr., of Chattanooga, Tenn., has been quoted by prison officials as the chief instigator in the beating. Cagle's beating was entirely voluntary.

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Accused Murderer Asks for Counsel

Federal Judge Albert L. Watson today was petitioned by Robert Carl Parker, 21, a prisoner in the Northeastern Penitentiary at Lewisburg and under indictment for murder, to appoint counsel for him.

Parker and two fellow convicts, Lewis Cagle Jr., 17, Chattanooga, Tenn., and George Junior McCoy, 32, Grundy, Va., were indicted last week by a federal grand jury in this city for the murder of William W. Remington at the Penitentiary Nov. 28.

Remington, former government economist, was serving time after his conviction of perjury. He was convicted of denying Communist affiliations.

Clerk of the U.S. Court T. Harold Campion, who received Parker's petition, said it would be turned over to Judge Watson for "immediate consideration."

At the same time Mr. Campion said he has been informed by F. T. Wilkinson, acting warden, that McCoy has indicated his family will provide counsel for him. Last week Judge Watson appointed Attorney William J. Garvey, this city, to represent Cagle.

U.S. Attorney J. Julius Levy previously stated he hopes to bring the trio to trial the second week of January. They are accused of beating Remington over the head with a brick encased in a sock.

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SCRANTON, PA.--ROBERT CARL PARKER, 21, OF WASHINGTON, D.C., ONE OF THREE PRISONERS CHARGED WITH THE MURDER OF WILLIAM W. REMINGTON IN HIS CELL, AT LEWISBURG (PA.) FEDERAL PENITENTIARY, ASKED FEDERAL COURT TODAY TO APPOINT COUNSEL TO DEFEND HIM AT HIS COMING TRIAL.

THE COURT CLERK, T. HAROLD CAMPION, SAID THE PETITION WAS TURNED OVER TO FEDERAL JUDGE ALBERT L. WATSON FOR "IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION."

WATSON ALREADY HAS APPOINTED WILLIAM J. GARVEY, SCRANTON ATTORNEY, AS COUNSEL FOR LEWIS CAGLE, JR., 17, OF CHATTANOOGA, TENN. THE THIRD PRISONER, GEORGE JUNIOR MCCOY, 32, OF GRUNDY, VA., HAS INDICATED HIS FAMILY WILL PROVIDE COUNSEL FOR HIM.

U.S. ATTORNEY J. JULIUS LEVY HAS SAID HE HOPES TO BRING THE THREE PRISONERS TO TRIAL ON MURDER CHARGES DURING THE SECOND WEEK OF JANUARY.

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NOBODY HAS COME FORTH to raise a protest about a 17-year-old boy being locked up with some of the nation's top criminals in the Lewisburg Federal Penitentiary, but it is a matter of record that Lewis Cagle Jr., one of three inmates of that institution indicted this week for the murder of William Remington, former government economist, is in that age bracket.

In most of the states commitment of a 17-year-old to the relatively harmless confines of a county jail is forbidden by statute. How a youngster of this age was sent to a federal penitentiary is an interesting question.

answering the statement that the U. S. as an "unusually" official "cannot afford to pick and choose their inmates, so the only explanation is that here is additional evidence that the U. S. Department of Justice, and more particularly its arm which deals with such matters, is in a state of itself, a most unhealthy condition, to say the very least.

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Attorney Assigned In Murder Case

LEWISBURG—Judge Albert L. Watson, Scranton, named William J. Garvey, Scranton, as defense counsel for Louis Cagle, Jr., one of the three Lewisburg prisoners indicted for the slaying of William Remington on Nov. 22.

Mr. Garvey is a former FBI agent and has been practicing law in Scranton since 1930.

The court said Mr. Garvey will represent Cagle unless the youth's family desires to hire another lawyer. Cagle was to have been released from the Lewisburg prison Monday.

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Three Convicts May Face Trial Early Next Year

U. S. Attorney J. Julius Levy said yesterday it is possible the trial of the three prisoners at Lewisburg Penitentiary, indicted here Wednesday for the murder of William W. Remington, \$10,000-a-year government employee who was serving time as a perjurer at the prison, likely will be held Jan. 11 or 12. He did not say where the trial would be held, except that it will be in the Middle District, which stretches from the New York State Line to the Mason and Dixon line.

The three men under indictment are: Lewis Cagle, 37, Chattanooga, Tenn., who was scheduled for release next Tuesday; Robert Carl Parker, 21, Washington, D. C., and George Junior McCoy, 22, Grundy, Va.

Counsel already has been appointed by Judge Albert L. Watson for Cagle. He is Attorney William J. Garvey, this City, a former FBI agent. Attorney Levy said the other prisoners also will be given the chance to ask for court-appointed counsel.

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Protection of Prisoners

Society should protect to the utmost its helpless prisoners, suggest as a remedy for the situation which permitted the death of Mr. Remington that all prisoners who have the privilege of sleeping in unlocked cells should be allowed to lock their own cells from the inside. Pass keys should be given to the prison guards, so that they could not be locked out. Also such prisoners who wish to sleep alone should be allowed to do so.

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Jury Indicts 3 For Jail Slaying Of Remington

Special to The Inquirer
SCRANTON, Dec. 1.—Three prisoners at Northeastern Federal Penitentiary, Lewisburg, were indicted today by a Federal grand jury for the Nov. 22 murder of William W. Remington, 37, former Government economist serving a three-year sentence for perjury.

The indictments were handed up to U. S. District Judge Albert L. Watson at 3 P. M. after less than a day's consideration.

Those named in the true bills were Lewis Cagle, Jr., 17, of Chattanooga, Tenn.; Robert Carl Parker, 21, of Washington, D. C., and George Junior McCoy, 34, of Grinnell, Va., a nephew of the late Jack McCoy, of Hatfield and McCoy feud fame.

BEATEN TO DEATH

Remington, convicted on the perjury charge after he denied he ever passed Government secrets to a Communist spy ring, died of a beating at the penitentiary.

Alger Hiss was released from the same prison last Saturday after serving three and a half years of a five-year sentence of a similar perjury conviction.

Witnesses heard by the grand jury included Dr. Leon A. Witkin, the prison's physician; Thomas T. Lawrence, records clerk, and Special FBI Agents Wayne G. Hunt and George P. Gambelin, of the Lewisburg FBI office.

APPOINTS COUNSEL

After the true bills were returned, Judge Watson asked U. S. Attorney J. Julius Levy whether any of the indicted prisoners were juveniles. Levy informed him that Cagle would not be 18 until Dec. 12. Then the court named William J. Garvey, of Scranton, as counsel for him. However, Levy pointed out that Cagle's family might wish to obtain private counsel.

Judge Watson said he was agreeable to this.

Leaving the Federal building, Dr. Witkin would say only that Remington died of a fractured skull. He said he did not know what kind of a weapon was used.

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Prison Murder

3 Indicted In Death of Remington

SCRANTON, Pa., Dec. 1 (AP).—A Federal grand jury this afternoon indicted three prisoners at the Northeastern Federal Penitentiary at Lewisburg on a general charge of murder in the fatal beating of William W. Remington, former Government economist, on November 22.

Remington also was a prisoner at the penitentiary at the time, serving a sentence for perjury in denying he passed Government secrets to a Communist spy ring.

Indicted were Lewis Cagle, Jr., 17, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Robert Carl Parker, 21, Washington, D. C., and George Junior McCoy, 34, Grundy, Va. None of the defendants appeared before the grand jury.

The grand jurors handed up the indictment to Federal Judge Albert L. Watson shortly after 3 p. m., after less than a day of testimony.

When Judge Watson learned that Cagle, one of the three indicted, would not be 18 years of age until December 12, he appointed Attorney William J. Gentry of Scranton, as counsel for him. Cagle had been scheduled for release from prison on December 8.

United States Attorney J. Julius Levy requested the court to issue bench warrants for the three defendants formally charging them with Remington's death.

Two special agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation were among witnesses before the grand jury today, along with Dr. Leon Watkins of Milton, Pa., and Thomas Y. Lawrence, prison records clerk.

Dr. Watkins was called to the prison when Remington's condition became critical after he was beaten with a half-brick encased in a sock. Remington died of a skull fracture.

James V. Bennett, director of the Federal Bureau of Prisons, has said more than one motive may have been involved in Remington's death.

There has been speculation that the attack upon the former Government economist was a Communist plot. The Federal Bureau of Investigation is conducting an investigation of the matter.

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Remington, 37, was a prisoner at the penitentiary Nov. 22 when he was assaulted with a piece of brick stuffed in a sock. He was serving a sentence for perjury in denying he passed government secrets to a Communist spy ring.

After hearing less than five hours of testimony, the federal grand jury indicted Lewis Cagle, 36, of Chattanooga, Tenn.; Robert Cal Parker, 21, Washington, D. C.; and George Junior McCoy, 24, Grundy, Va.

The prison at Lewisburg is the same one where Alger Hiss, also convicted of lying in a Communist spy ring investigation, was released last Saturday.

There had been speculation the attack on the former U. S. Commerce Department official, might have been a protest action against Hiss' release or the result of intense anti-Communism. Prison officials denied both possibilities.

Cagle, who was scheduled to be released on Dec. 6, six days before his 18th birthday, was quoted by prison officials as saying the motive was entirely robbery. All three were serving short terms for state transportation of stolen goods.

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Jury Indicts 3 Convicts In Death of Remington

Lewisburg Prisoners Face Murder Trial; Prison Physician, Robert McCoy, Indicted

The Federal Grand Jury returned an indictment yesterday charging murder against three prisoners at Lewisburg, Pa., and a prison physician, Robert McCoy.

The indictment was returned by the grand jury at 2:15 p. m. to Chief Judge Albert E. Watson after a Lewisburg prison physician and records clerk had appeared before the court in closed session to explain how government worker Remington met his death in the prison.

The indictment charged that George Junior McCoy, Robert McCoy, and Lewis Cagle Jr., all of Lewisburg, Pa., conspired to murder William Walter Remington by striking him on the head with a deadly weapon which crushed his skull and severely injured his brain, the effects of which he suffered an aphasia and lapsed into a coma for a time and died Nov. 24.

The assault occurred Nov. 24, the indictment showed.

U. S. Attorney J. Julius Watson had little to say; neither Judge Watson.

The latter, however, asked that Cagle was a juvenile and

...the fact that fact," said Judge Watson. "I will appoint counsel for the young man."

Mr. Levy said he had referred to petition court to the U. S. Attorney said, however, that perhaps the Cagle family could want to name their own counsel.

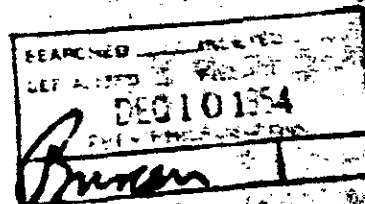
"That may be," replied Judge Watson.

Soon afterward, Judge Watson signed warrants for the arrests of the three men. Detainers will be held by Clerk T. Harold Watson at the penitentiary.

No indication was given as to when the trial may be held.

The Grand Jury was reconvened for further notice—possibly the first of the year.

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TESTIFY BEFORE GRAND JURY—Dr. Leon A. Wilk, 46, (left), is pictured at the Federal Court here after he testified before the Grand Jury as to the murder of William W. Remington, former Government employe, who was fatally beaten Nov. 22 at Lewisburg Penitentiary. Three prisoners alleged to have killed the convicted perjuror were indicted. Dr. Wilk performed the autopsy on Remington after his death Nov. 24. With him, are T. Y. Laurence, (center) chief record clerk at the Penitentiary, and Gordon Williams, Tribune staff reporter. (Tribune Photo by Stanley Olds)

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Special to The Inquirer
SCRANTON, Dec. 1.—Three prisoners at Northeastern Federal Penitentiary, Lewisburg, were indicted today by a Federal grand jury for the Nov. 22 murder of William W. Remington, 37, Government economic services, a three-year sentence for perjury.
 The indictments were handed down by U. S. District Judge Arthur J. Watson at 3 P. M. after a day's consideration.
 Those named in the three indictments are: Robert C. Parker, 34, of Washington, D. C., charged with the murder; George P. O'Connell, 34, of Philadelphia, charged with the murder; and George P. O'Connell, 34, of Philadelphia, charged with the murder.
DEATHS TO DEATH
 Remington, convicted perjury charge after he covered up Government spy ring, charged at the penitentiary.
 After Elias was released from prison last September serving a three and a half year sentence for perjury conviction.
 Witnesses heard by the grand jury included Dr. Leonard, the prison's physician; Lawrence, records clerk; and FBI Agents Warren and George P. O'Connell, Lewisburg FBI office.
POINTS COUNSEL

After the true bills were returned, Judge Watson asked U. S. Attorney Julius Levy whether any of the indicted prisoners were available. Levy informed him that O'Connell could not be in until Dec. 12, when the court named William J. O'Connell, of Scranton, as counsel for Parker. However, Levy pointed out that O'Connell's family might wish to consult private counsel.
 Judge Watson said he was agreeable to this.
 During the Federal building, O'Connell would say only that Remington died of a fractured skull. He said he did not know what kind of a weapon was used.
 "You have to ask the FBI about it," he said.
 After the indictments were returned, Levy stated that Parker would be charged with the murder with the slaying. The first step will be service of copies of the indictments on the three prisoners. Later the prosecutor may request that the court appoint counsel for Parker and O'Connell, who are said to be without funds for attorneys.
PLANS SPEEDY TRIALS
 Levy said the time of the trial would be "concurrent with the rights of the defendants and the Government to meet the ends of justice as speedily as possible."
 "But the U. S. Attorney said he did not take place "about Jan. 11 or 12."
 In regard to the question of whether he would press for the death penalty, Levy said a full and complete study of the case would have to be made.
 Judge Watson is asked about one of the three indictments. He pointed out that the Federal Government prosecutes capital cases.

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Two FBI special agents were among witnesses before the grand jury, along with Dr. Leon Whitman, of York, Pa., and Thos. Y. Lawrence, prison records clerk.

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U.S. Indicts 3 for Murder In Beating of Remington

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Cagle was quoted by prison officials as saying the motive was robbery. Mr. Bennett said suspects occupied a room taken from Remington's. But, commenting on the possibility of the robbery motive, he said prisoners are housed in community units and don't have much of a personal possession.

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By the Associated Press

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No date has been set for the trial.

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Remington died November 24 of a fractured skull.

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United States Attorney J. J. Levy requested the court to issue bench warrants for the defendants formally charging them with Remington's death.

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Indict Felons in Slaying of Remington

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Remington, 37, was assaulted with a piece of brick stuffed in a stocking Nov. 22 while serving a sentence for perjury in denying he passed government secrets to Communist spies.

After five hours of testimony, the federal grand jury indicted Lewis Cagle Jr., 17, of Chattanooga, Tenn.; Robert C. Parker, 21, of Washington, D.C., and George Junior McCloy, 34, of Grundy, Va.

All three were serving short terms for interstate transportation of stolen vehicles.

The prison at Lewisburg is the same one where Alger Hiss, also convicted of lying in a Communist spy ring investigation, was released last Saturday.

There had been speculation that the attack on Remington might have come from prisoners' resentment against Hiss' release or the result of intense anti-communism. Prison officials denied both possibilities.

Cagle, who was scheduled to be released next Monday was quoted by prison officials as saying the motive was entirely robbery.

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Remington also was a prisoner at the penitentiary at the time, serving a sentence for perjury in denying he passed government secrets to a Communist spy ring.

Indicted were Lewis Eagle, Jr., 37, of Chattanooga, Tenn.; Robert Carl Parker, 31, of Washington, D. C., and George Junior McCoy, 34, of Grundy, Va. None of the defendants appeared before the grand jury.

The grand jurors handed up the indictment to Federal Judge Albert L. Watson after less than a day of testimony.

When Judge Watson learned that Eagle, one of the three indicted, would not be 18 years of age until Dec. 12, a appointed attorney William Garvey, of Scranton, as counsel for him. Eagle had been scheduled for release from prison on Dec. 4.

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Grand Jury Indicts Three Inmates for Remington Slaying

LEWISBURG — A grand jury of the United States Court, Middle District of Pennsylvania, in session yesterday at Scranton, indicted three prisoners at the Lewisburg Penitentiary on a charge of murder in the slaying of William W. Remington, former government economist.

They are: Lewis Cagle, Jr., 17, of Chattanooga, Tenn.; Robert Carl Parker, 21, of Washington, D.C.; George Junior McCoy, 34, of Grundy, Va., a nephew of the notorious Jack McCoy, of Hatfield-McCoy feud fame.

No date has been set for trial of the three. It is understood that there is a possibility of having the trial at the regular annual federal court session in Lewisburg. Date of the opening of the Lewisburg term is the third Monday of January.

It was further learned that if the case is not ready for trial by the January term, there is a possibility the case will be tried in Williamsport. The annual session in Williamsport opens the first Monday in June.

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Remington, 37, a prisoner at the penitentiary, was assaulted with a ball-trick stuffed in a stocking Nov. 22. He was serving a sentence for perjury in denying he passed government secrets to a Communist spy ring. He died Nov. 24.

Cagle was quoted by prison officials as saying the motive was robbery.

LATE YESTERDAY afternoon, the grand jury filed its report before Judge Albert L. Watson.

Two special agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Walter J. Hunt and George P. ... were among those who testified before the grand jury.

The panel also heard testimony from Dr. Charles Tomlinson, chief physician at the prison, and from William L. Lawrence, records clerk.

U.S. Attorney J. Julius Levy was in charge of presentation of the evidence to the grand jury. It

is also understood that photographs of the victim's body, showing the fatal head wounds, were introduced as evidence.

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After hearing less than five hours of testimony, the federal grand jury indicted Lewis Cagle, 37, 17, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Robert Cal Parker, 21, Washington, D.C., and George Junior McCoy, 34, Grundy, Va.

The prison at Lewisburg is the same one where Alger Hiss, also convicted of lying in a Communist spy ring investigation, was released last Saturday.

There had been speculation the attack on the former U.S. Commerce Department official might have been a protest action against Hiss' release or the result of intense anti-communism. Prison officials denied both possibilities.

Cagle, who was scheduled to be released on Dec. 6, six days before his 19th birthday, was quoted by prison officials as saying the motive was entirely robbery. All three were serving short terms for interstate transportation of stolen vehicles.

Remington died in the prison hospital two days after the attack.

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Indicted were Lewis Cagle, 37, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Robert Carl Parker, 21, Washington, D. C.; and George Junior McCoy, 24, Grundy, Va. None of the defendants appeared before the grand jury.

The grand jurors handed up the indictment to Federal Judge Albert L. Watson shortly after 1 p. m., after less than a day of testimony.

When Judge Watson learned that Cagle, one of the three indicted, would not be 18 years of age until December 12, he appointed Attorney William J. Jarvey of Scranton as counsel for him. Cagle had been scheduled for release from prison on December 6.

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Prisoners Face Murder Trial

A federal grand jury this afternoon indicted three prisoners at the Northeastern Federal Penitentiary at Lewisburg on a general charge of murder for the killing of William W. Remington, convicted perjurer, last Nov.

The grand jurors handed up the indictments to Federal Judge Albert L. Watson this afternoon after less than a day of testimony from witnesses who included police officials and agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Indicted for the murder are:

② Louis C. Jr., 17, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Robert C. Baker, 31, Washington, D.C., and George Junior McCoy, 26, Grassy, Va., the latter a nephew of the late George McCoy of Hatfield-McCoy feud fame. None of the three appeared before the grand jury.

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The true bill was returned at 3:05 P.M. and Judge Watson announced that "three prisoners at the Northeastern Penitentiary have been indicted for the murder of one William Walter Remington."

Judge Watson then asked U.S. Attorney J. Julius Levy if any of the defendants are juveniles. The federal prosecutor pointed out that Cagle will be 18 years of age on Dec. 13 but that the Federal Juvenile Act does not apply in capital offenses.

Garvey Named Counsel

Judge Watson then announced he would appoint Attorney William J. Garvey of this city as counsel for Cagle. Mr. Levy said the Cagle family may wish to hire their own attorney. Judge Watson said that would be agreeable to Court and then Mr. Garvey requested Court to authorize bench warrants for the three defendants formally charging them with Remington's killing.

Ironically, Cagle was scheduled to be released from the federal prison on Dec. 6.

Among those who testified before the grand jurors were Leon A. Witkin, chief prison physician at Lewisburg, and Thomas Y. Lawrence, records clerk.

Dr. Witkin testified for slightly more than one-half hour and after the grand jury room declined comment, other than to say Remington died of a fractured skull. Dr. Witkin said he did not know what kind of an instrument Remington was struck with.

"You'll have to ask the FBI about that," he said. Dr. Witkin has served with the U.S. Public Health Service for 15 years and has been at Lewisburg about five months. He served as physician in six other federal prisons.

Special Agents Wayne G. Hunt and George P. Gambin of the Lewisburg office of the FBI followed Mr. Lawrence and Dr. Witkin into the grand jury room.

Mr. Lawrence made a brief appearance before the grand jury presumably to introduce the prison records of Remington's three assailants. It was also understood that photographs of the victim's body showing the head wounds were introduced into grand jury evidence.

Agents Hunt and Gambin conducted the investigation. Remington died as a result of the beating inflicted upon him. Remington was serving time after conviction of perjury in a communist espionage case. Hunt was formerly stationed at the Scranton office of the FBI.

Mr. Levy said proceedings would begin for the setting of a date for their trials. Fixing of

date, he explained, will be consistent with the rights of the defendants and the government to meet the ends of justice as speedily as possible.

The federal prosecutor previously stated that should the grand jury return true bills, the trials will take place "around Jan. 11."

The grand jury was sworn in by Judge Watson at 10:30 A.M. and returned true bills for the murder of William Walter Remington.

Remington was a 35-year-old man who was born in 1904 and was a native of Pennsylvania.

His name, Remington was a government official accused of being when he denied he had passed secrets to a Communist spy ring. He was serving a three-year term.

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There has been speculation that the work upon the former Communist department economist may have been a protest against the work of Hiss or against communism in general. But prison officials denied both theories.

He was quoted by prison officials as saying the motive was robbery.

Mr. Bennett said the man occupied a room across from Remington's. But commenting on the possibility of the robbery, he said prisoners are restricted in commissary purchases and don't have much of value in their possession.

The director said all the facts are going to come out during an investigation by the Bureau of Prisons. The FBI also is probing the case.

Following Remington's death, Rep. Joe T. Broyhill (R-Va.) promised to reintroduce in Congress during January a resolution calling for an investigation of the Lewisburg penitentiary.

Broyhill said a House investigation of the prison last summer might have prevented the killing. He described the situation at Lewisburg as a "bomber box."

The representative said his proposal for an investigation, which was rejected, resulted in reports by several former prison officials of alleged improper administration at the penitentiary.

Special Agent Norman McCabe in charge of the Philadelphia Office of the FBI arrived in this city yesterday and conferred with Attorney Levy for several hours, presumably in regard to the Remington case. He returned to Philadelphia early last night.

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Two Pen Murder Witnesses



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Dr. Leon A. Wittin (right), physician at Northeastern Federal Penitentiary, Lewisburg, and Thomas Y. Lawrence, records clerk of the prison, are pictured as they left the Federal Building after testifying before a federal grand jury investigating the prison murder on Nov. 22 of William W. Remington, former government economist serving a term for perjury. Three prisoners were indicted for the murder late today.

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Grand Jurors Sift Death of Remington

SCRANTON, Pa., Dec. 1.—A Federal grand jury was called into session here today to investigate the slaying of William W. Remington, former government economist convicted of perjury in a Communist espionage case.

Two physicians who tried vainly to save Remington's life at Lehigh Valley Hospital in Allentown, Pa., were slated to testify today before the grand jury. They are Dr. Charles Remington, senior physician, and Dr. Leon W. Smith, of Allentown, Pa.

BEATEN WITH BRICK
The witness who died in the prison when Remington's condition became critical after he was beaten with a brick, encased in a sock Nov. 21. Remington died of a skull fracture Nov. 24.

Three convicts at the prison are charged with Remington's death. They are Lewis Cagle Jr., 17, George Junior McCoy, Grundy, Va., and Robert Carl Parker, Washington, D.C.

The prison is the same from which Alger Hiss, convicted of lying in a Communist spy ring investigation, was released last Saturday after serving three and a half years of a five-year sentence.

3-YEAR SENTENCE

Like Hiss, Remington was a former government official accused of lying when he denied he ever passed secrets to a Communist spy ring. He was serving a three-year term.

U. S. Attorney J. Julius Levy said the two doctors will outline to the grand jury the injuries suffered by Remington and how they were inflicted.

Levy said that if the jury indicts the three subjects and the facts show the killings was premeditated, "of course we'll ask for capital punishment."

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Grand Jury Probes Remington Death; 2 Physicians Called

By the Associated Press

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Two physicians who tried vainly to save the 37-year-old economist's life at Lewisburg (Pa.) Federal Penitentiary last week, were slated to testify. They are Dr. Charles Tomlinson, prison physician, and Dr. Leon Wilkin of Milton, Pa.

Dr. Wilkin was called to the stand when Remington's condition became critical after he was hit with a ball-thrower in a riot November 23. Remington died of a heart attack last Wednesday.

Three inmates of the prison are charged with Remington's death. They are Robert Earl Parker of Washington, D. C.; Lewis Cagle, Jr. of Chattanooga, Tenn.; and George Junior McCoy, 34, Granger, Va.

Hiss Was in Same Prison

The prison is the same from which Alger Hiss, convicted of lying in a Communist spy ring investigation, was released last Saturday after serving 3½ years of a five-year sentence.

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The jury was reconvened by Judge Levy at Friday on an order from Federal Judge J. Edgar Hoover.

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Jurors Indict 3 In Remington Case

Scranton, Pa., Dec. 1—(AP)—
 —A Federal grand jury this after-
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 der for the killing of William W.
 Remington, former government
 economist and convicted perjurer,
 on November 22.

Indicted for the murder are:
 Lewis Cagle, Jr., 37, Chattanooga,
 Tenn.; Robert Carl Parker, 21,
 Washington, D. C., and George
 Junior McCoy, 24, Grundy, Va.
 None of the defendants appeared
 for the grand jury.

The grand jurors handed up the
 indictment to Federal Judge Al-
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Two to Testify in Remington Case

SCRANTON (AP) — Two physicians who tried in vain to save the life of William W. Remington III, after the former U.S. Commerce Department economist was found beaten over the head in his cell at Northeastern Penitentiary in Lewisburg last week, will testify before a Federal Grand Jury here today. U.S. Attorney J. Julius Levy said the men are Dr. Charles Tompkins, prison physician, and Dr. John Winkie, of Milton, who was called to the prison after it became apparent Remington's condition was critical.

U.S. Attorney Levy said the doctors will outline to the grand jury the injuries suffered by Remington and how they were inflicted. The grand jury will make a thorough investigation of the Remington case, Levy said. Remington was allegedly beaten by three convicts at the Lewisburg prison.

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Mystery Death Of Remington Goes To Jury

Prison Chief Hints There Was More Than One Motive

Scranton, Pa., Dec. 1 — A federal grand jury was called into session here today to investigate the slaying of William W. Remington, former government economist convicted of perjury in a Communist espionage case.

Two physicians who tried vainly to save the 35-year-old economist's life at Lewisburg (Pa.) Federal Penitentiary last week were slated to testify on Remington's injuries. They are Dr. Charles Tomlinson, prison physician, and Dr. Leon Wilkin, of Wilkes, Pa.

Dr. Wilkin was called to the prison when Remington's condition became critical after he was beaten with a half-brick tossed in a cask Nov. 22. He died of a skull fracture Nov. 24.

Three convicts are charged with Remington's death. They are Louis Castle Jr., 37, Chattanooga, Tenn.; George Arthur McCoy, 34, Chicago; and Robert Earl Parker, 31, Washington, D.C.

More Than One Motive?

Remington, a former Commerce Department official, was accused of lying when he denied he ever passed secrets to a Communist spy ring. He was serving a three-year term.

James V. Bennett, director of the Federal Bureau of Prisons, has said more than one motive may have been involved in Remington's death.

There has been speculation that the attack may have been a protest against the release of Alger Hiss, paroled Saturday from the prison, or against communism in general. But prison officials denied both theories.

"All Facts To Come Out"

Castle was quoted by prison officials as saying the motive was strictly robbery.

Bennett said the suspects occupied a room across from Remington's. But commenting on the possibility of the robbery motive, he said prisoners are restricted in commissary purchases and don't have much of value in their possession.

He said "all the facts are going to come out" during an investigation by the Bureau of Prisons. The B-1 is also probing the case.

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Prisoners Apart

I refer to the murder of William Remington in Lewisburg Federal Prison. In the account of life in So let prison camps by Gustav Herling we are shown what may be expected along these lines. The *urkas*, or hardened criminal, is an institution in the prison camp. Herling describes how the *urkas* in groups dominate the prisoners, how his prestige rests not only on the seriousness of his crime record but frequently on the murder of *byelorutchki*, as political prisoners are called — the word means "white hands." The *urka* judges the political orthodoxy of the prisoners in his section.

"No guard," says Herling in *A World Apart*, "would dare show himself inside the barracks after dark, even when the horrible moans and cries of political prisoners who were being slowly murdered could be heard all over the camp."

While we do not, of course, have political prisoners in America, can we expect our *urkas* to know it? To avoid misleading them, could not such prisoners as Remington be kept separate from those who have committed crimes of violence?

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Grand Jury Probes Remington Death; 2 Physicians Called

By the Associated Press

SCRANTON, Pa., Dec. 1.—A Federal Grand Jury was called to session here today to investigate the slaying of William W. Remington, former Commerce Department economist convicted of perjury in a Communist espionage case.

Two physicians who tried vainly to save the 37-year-old economist's life at Lewisburg (Pa.) Federal Penitentiary last week were slated to testify. They are Dr. Charles Tomlinson, prison physician, and Dr. Leon Wilkin of Milton, Pa.

Dr. Wilkin was called to the scene when Remington's condition became critical after he was beaten with a hair-brush ending in a sick November 22. Remington died of a heart fracture at Lewisburg.

Dr. Tomlinson, who is the prison physician, said Remington's death "was a tragedy." He said that Remington was a "good fellow" and that he was "very cooperative" in the prison. He said that Remington was "very cooperative" in the prison and that he was "very cooperative" in the prison.

Hiss Was in Same Prison

The prison is the same from which Alger Hiss, convicted of lying in a Communist spy ring investigation, was released last Saturday after serving 3½ years of a five-year sentence.

Like Hiss, Remington was a former Government official accused of lying when he denied he ever passed secrets to a Communist spy ring. He was serving for a three-year term.

United States Attorney J. Julius Levy said the two doctors will outline to today's grand jury session the injuries suffered by Remington and how they were inflicted.

Mr. Levy said if the jury indicates three suspects and the facts show the killing was premeditated, "of course we'll ask for capital punishment."

The jury was reconvened by Mr. Levy last Friday on an order from Federal Judge Albert J. Watson.

Speculation on Motives

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Three Prisoners Sentenced For Slaying at Lewisburg

Lewisburg, May 22—Three penitentiary inmates have been sentenced in the killing Nov. 24, 1954, of William Walter Remington, 37, former Commerce Department official serving a sentence at the Lewisburg institution for perjury.

George Junior McCoy, 34, of Grundy, Va., and Lewis Cagle, Jr., 31, of Chattanooga, Tenn., each received life sentences for wielding a sock-encased brick used in the killing.

Robert Carl Parker, 21, of Washington, D. C., member of the trio not physically involved in the actual killing, was given a sentence of 20 years.

Sentences were handed down by Federal Judge Frederick W. Pollack in Middle District Court after counsel for the three men—Charles Bidelispacher, Jr., of Williamsport, for McCoy; David Conroy and William Garvey, both of Scranton, for Cagle and

Mattes and Morrie Myers, also of Scranton, for Parker—had sought clemency for their clients.

Charles Szybest, an associate of Bidelispacher, did not make a plea. McCoy asked the court for mercy and Parker asked that he be sent to an institution for rehabilitation, education, and the learning of a trade prior to the handing down of sentences. All counsel were court-appointed and served without recompense.

United States Attorney J. Julius Levy, of Scranton, outlined the killing, indictment, appointment of counsel, arraignment and plea change of plea from not guilty to guilty to murder in the second degree.

He told of the killing and the efforts to save the life of Remington, who died two days after the brutal attack. Testimony offered by defense counsel indicated that all three defendants had looked forward to the killing.



Lewis Cagle, Jr., George McCoy, and Robert Carl Parker being sentenced by federal court after being indicted. Back of them are federal prison officials.

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PERJURY

Remington was convicted of perjury in denying that he had given Elizabeth Bentley any secret information and in denying that he knew of the Young Communist League while a student at Dartmouth College.

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Sentenced in Remington Death

LEWISBURG, Pa., May 26 (AP) — Two convicted car thieves were sentenced to additional life terms in Federal Court here today for the slaying of former government economist William Remington in prison.

They were sentenced to life by Judge Frederick V. Palmer were: Lewis Cable, Jr., 37, Chattanooga, Tenn., and George Junior McCoy, 34, Grundy, Va. Robert Carl Parker, 21, Washington, received the 20-year sentence.

They will serve their terms in the Federal Penitentiary at Lewisburg, the same prison in which Remington was killed last November 22.

Remington, 37, was found unconscious and badly beaten on the floor of his cell. He died

two days later. Once employed in the United States Commerce Department, he was serving a

three-year sentence on a jury conviction. Charles Eidelsbach, Williamsport attorney, asked the court to be "lenient" with McCoy, his client. He told the court that McCoy had the mentality of a "6 or 7-year-old boy."

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By teletype yesterday, Philadelphia advised that McCoy and Cagle were sentenced to life imprisonment each and Parker to twenty years.

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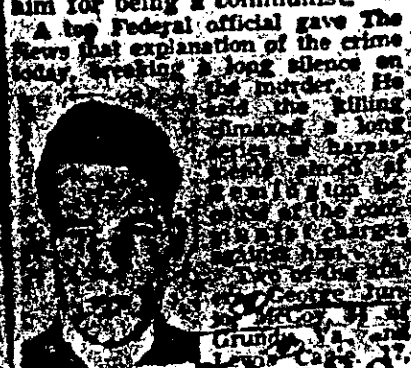
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Prison Slayers Are Sentenced

Three Get Terms in Remington Killing

LEWISBURG, Pa., May 26 (AP) — Two Federal convicts, already serving for theft terms, were sentenced to additional terms by a Federal Court here today for the slaying in prison of John W. Remington, former U.S. agent economist.

A third convict was given a 10-year prison sentence for the slaying beating.

All three had pleaded guilty to second-degree murder.

Sentenced to life by Judge Frederick V. Pollner were:

Louis Carlo, 37, Chattanooga, Tenn., and George Junior McCoy, 41, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Robert Carl Parker, 40, Washington, D.C., was sentenced to 10 years.

The three were arrested in the slaying of Remington, who was killed on the floor of his cell here last November 22. He died two days later.

Remington, once employed in the Commerce Department in Washington, was serving a three-year term on a perjury conviction.

McCoy and Parker both addressed the court. McCoy asking that he be "granted mercy" and Parker requesting that he be sent to "a place for rehabilitation."

The three men originally pleaded not guilty to first-degree murder charges and then switched their pleas to guilty.

"Had these men not changed their pleas to guilty of second-degree murder and been taken to trial, I am firmly convinced they would have been convicted and sentenced to death," Judge Pollner said.

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(1) **Emington Killers Sentenced to Life**

LEWISBURG, Pa., May 25.—Two fellow-prisoners who killed former Government economist William Emington in the Federal penitentiary here last Nov. 22 were sentenced to life imprisonment today. Lewis Cagle, 37, of Chattanooga, and George Junior McCoy, 34, of Grundy, Va., had pleaded guilty to second degree murder. A third prisoner, Robert Carl Parker, 21, drew a 24 year sentence after the Government said he was in on the affair but did not actually wield the murder weapon, a brick wrapped in a sock. In court today the Government continued to keep absolute silence on the motive for the killing.

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EXPECTED DISCLOSURES concerning conditions in the Lewisburg Federal Penitentiary have again been sidetracked as a result of reluctance on the part of the United States Department of Justice to place on trial three inmates charged with the murder of William W. Remington, former federal government economist.

Acceptance of a plea of guilty on a charge of second degree murder eliminates a jury trial with all of the revelations that accompany such a proceeding. It could be argued in this connection that court costs are being saved and that justice of a sort will be done. The alleged killers, it should be noted, would have risked the death penalty or life imprisonment had they gone to trial, but upon a plea of guilty to second degree murder the maximum punishment is ten to twenty years imprisonment.

The action of the Department of Justice in arranging a quick and easy way out of a court trial that undoubtedly would have pin-pointed the glaring weaknesses of its Bureau of Prisons is not at all unusual. The ends of expediency have again been served, but the long-range effect of this deal upon conditions which led to the brutal killing of William Remington is a matter for real concern.

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3 Plead Guilty In Jail Killing

LEWISBURG, Pa., May 6 (AP)—Three convicts pleaded guilty in Federal Court today to second degree murder for the slaying of William W. Remington, former government economist, in his prison cell.

Remington, 37, was serving a three-year sentence for perjury in denying that he passed U.S. secrets to a Communist spy ring.

The pleas were entered before Judge Frederick V. Follmer by:

Lewis Eagle Jr., 17, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Robert Carl Parker, 21, Washington, D. C.; and George Junior McCoy, 34, Grundy, Va.

They previously pleaded innocent and May 18 had been set for trial.

The court fixed May 18 for imposing sentence, provided McCoy's attorney can be on hand. Otherwise, the date will be deferred. McCoy's lawyer, Charles Hodelspacher, of Williamsport, Pa., was unable to attend today's court session.

Remington was found on the floor of his cell in the Lewisburg Federal Prison last Nov. 22, badly beaten on the head by a brick wrapped in a sock. He died the next day.

U.S. Atty. J. Julius Levy said the U.S. attorney general had authorized him to accept a second degree murder plea.

Eagle was taken to the courtroom here from Harrisburg where he had been held in the Dauphin County Prison since March 23. The other two were brought from the Lewisburg Prison.

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May 18 Set By U. S. Court To Sentence 3 In Pen Slaying

Guilty pleas to second degree murder were entered in U.S. Middle District Court, Lewisburg, Friday at 3:15 p. m., by three Lewisburg Federal Penitentiary inmates charged with the November slaying of William W. Remington, 37, a former U.S. economist.

Withdrawing previous pleas of innocent and submitting new pleas of guilty to the murder charge were: Lewis Cagle, Jr., 18, of Chattanooga, Tenn.; George J. McCoy, 34, of Grundy, Va., and Robert C. Parker, 21, of Washington, D.C.

Judge Frederick V. Follmer, who presided, set May 18, at 10 a. m., for sentencing.

The trio was scheduled to come before the court at 2 p. m., but it was not until 3:15 p. m., that the court session began.

First, Judge Follmer asked the three men if they were familiar with the charge of their pleas and all answered in the affirmative. When U.S. Attorney J. Julius Levy was asked if the change of pleas was acceptable to the government, he informed the court that the U.S. Justice Department had authorized him to accept the new pleas.

Judge Follmer then announced that it was agreeable to the court and had the defendants sign the necessary papers.

The court questioned the convicts as to their willingness to enter the new pleas. Cagle answered first, followed by McCoy and Parker.

May 18 will be the date for sentencing provided Attorney Charles E. Bidelspacher, Jr., of Williamsport is available on that date. Counsel for McCoy, he recently underwent surgery and is recuperating.

McCoy and Parker were brought under heavy guard from the Penitentiary. Cagle was transported to Lewisburg from the Dauphin county prison. All were heavily guarded and the courtroom was heavily guarded to prevent an escape.

All the court-appointed attorneys, with the exception of Mr. Bidelspacher, were in attendance.

McCoy wore a gray colored shirt and green trousers, while Parker was attired in green trousers and shirt. Cagle wore blue shirt and trousers.

It was indicated that in the morning the court will hear the pleas of the three men. The court will then proceed to sentence them.

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In 2d Degree Remington Slayers Plead Guilty

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 LEWISBURG, PA.--THREE CONVICTS CHARGED WITH THE MURDER OF FORMER
 GOVERNMENT ECONOMIST WILLIAM REMINGTON AT THE LEWISBURG FEDERAL
 PENITENTIARY WITHDREW PLEAS OF INNOCENT AND PLEADED GUILTY TO SECOND
 DEGREE MURDER.

THE THREE DEFENDANTS ARE: LEVIS CAGLE, 17-YEAR-OLD CHATTANOOGA,
 TENN., JUVENILE DELINQUENT; ROBERT CAGLE PARKER, 21, WASHINGTON, D.C.,
 AND GEORGE JUNIOR MC COY, GRUNDY, W.VA.

THE NEW PLEAS WERE ACCEPTED IN THE U.S. DISTRICT COURT HERE BY
 JUDGE FREDERICK V. FOLLMER, WHO HEARD THE ORIGINAL PLEAS WHEN THE MEN
 WERE ARRAIGNED LAST YEAR. REMINGTON, CONVICTED OF PERJURY IN TESTIFYING
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NO. 2 REMINGTON, LEWISBURG
 JUDGE FOLLMER ASKED EACH MAN IF HE REALIZED WHAT HE WAS DOING AND THEN ASKED IF THE CHANGE IN PLEAS WAS ACCEPTABLE TO U.S. ATTORNEY J. JULIUS LEVY.

WHEN LEVY SAID HE HAD BEEN AUTHORIZED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TO ACCEPT THE GUILTY PLEAS, FOLLMER SAID THE COURT AGREED. THE JUDGE THEN SET MAY 18 AS THE TENTATIVE DATE FOR SENTENCING, PENDING THE RECOVERY OF CHARLES BIDELESPACHER, JR., A DEFENSE ATTORNEY NOW RECOVERING FROM AN OPERATION.

FOLLMER SAID THE COURT WOULD CONSIDER A POSTPONEMENT IF BIDELESPACHER WAS UNABLE TO APPEAR ON THAT DATE. LEVY, BEFORE THE MEN ENTERED THEIR GUILTY PLEAS, SAID "THE END OF JUSTICE HAVE BEEN MET."

BIDELESPACHER MADE A PUBLIC STATEMENT TODAY, SAYING HE HOPED THE COURT WOULD CONSIDER ESPECIALLY THE MENTAL ABILITY OF "CCOY, WHOM HE DESCRIBED AS A MAN WHO "CANNOT READ OR WRITE." THE DEFENSE LAWYER SAID "CCOY'S IQ OF 61 IS "THE RATING OF A POOR GRADE "BORN."

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Lewisburg Convicts Brought Before Court In Murder Of Former Government Economist Remington Last November.

Three Lewisburg Federal Penitentiary inmates charged with the murder of William W. Remington, 37, a former government economist, while he was serving a term for perjury at the penitentiary last November, entered pleas of guilty to second degree murder today at 2 p. m. in U.S. Marine District Court, Lewisburg.

The pleas were heard by Judge Frederick V. Paulsen, who was expected to set a date to take testimony to determine the penalty to be imposed.

The three defendants, Leas Cage, Jr., 19, of Chattanooga, Tenn.; Robert C. Parker, 21, of Washington, D. C.; and George J. McKinn, 34, of Grapely, Va., were indicted by a federal grand jury at Scranton last December 1. They pleaded not guilty February 3 at arraignment in Lewisburg.

Cage was brought to Lewisburg from Dauphin County prison at Harrisburg where he had been held since his transfer from the federal penitentiary March 2.

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upon expiration of sentence for parole violation and auto theft. Deputy Marshal Mark Blank, Lewisburg, took Parker and McCoy from the prison to the federal building.

All three convicts were under heavy guard. Parker and McCoy also were serving terms for interstate transportation of stolen vehicles when the slaying occurred.

Today's turn of events wiped out plans for a formal jury trial which had been scheduled to open at Lewisburg May 18.

Remington, who was serving a three-year term, was beaten about the head with a brick encased in a prison-issue sock at the penitentiary last November 22. Despite emergency surgery, he died two days later.

Remington was found a short distance from his cell where he had staggered after the beating.

Cagle, youngest of the trio, at one time told Federal Bureau of Investigation officers that robbery was the motive.

U.S. Attorney J. Julius Levy arrived at Lewisburg about 1 p. m. and Attorney George Saybest, of Williamsport, one of two court-appointed attorneys for McCoy, was in Lewisburg at noon. Saybest is associated with Attorney Charles E. Elderspacher, Jr., of Williamsport, in defending McCoy. Elderspacher was discharged from a hospital this week following surgery, but was unable to be present at the hearing.

Have Long Records

The trio have long prison records which date back to their early lives.

Cagle, a juvenile delinquent, is serving a 15-months term at the pen for violation of the juvenile delinquency act imposed by U.S. District Court at Chattanooga, December 12, 1952. He was 17 years of age at the time of the attack on Remington, and reached his 18th birthday last December.

He had previously been sentenced on September 21, 1951 in U.S. District Court, Chattanooga, to serve three years for violation of the juvenile delinquency act, arising out of interstate transportation of a stolen motor vehicle.

He was paroled on July 18, 1953 and his parole was revoked following conviction in December, 1952, when the remainder of his three year prison sentence was

added to his second conviction. Records show Cagle was born December 12, 1936 in Hamilton county, Tenn., and his home is in Chattanooga.

McCoy is a former inmate of the federal reformatory at Chillicothe, Ohio, where a serious uprising occurred several years ago, leading to transfer of a number of "toughies" to Lewisburg.

He was first arrested in 1947 in Grundy, his home town, for auto theft and served 22 months at Chillicothe and Ashland, Ky., a federal prison. He was convicted in January, 1949, at Ashland for post office robbery and was sentenced to one to three years in the Ohio penitentiary from where he escaped in September, 1953.

A month later, he was arrested at Pikeville, Ky. and given a three year sentence for driving a stolen car across a state line.

Parker, an army veteran from April, 1950, to October, 1951, was first arrested in Washington, D.C. in July, 1951, for unauthorized use of an automobile. Before that charge was settled he was arrested in Richmond, Va., in October, 1951, and sentenced to three years in the Virginia penitentiary for larceny of an auto.

He escaped from a convict camp near Halifax, Va., in April, 1952, but was arrested the following day in Greensboro, N.C., and charged with interstate transportation of a stolen car. He was sentenced to three years and one day of probation and served briefly at Atlanta, Ga., and Lewisburg until returned temporarily to Washington for settlement of the 1951 charge and then was returned to Lewisburg.

Parker is represented by court-appointed attorneys Morey Myert and Roger Mattes, of Scranton. Cagle's court-appointed attorneys are William Garvey and David J. Conroy, both of Scranton.

Near End of Battle

Today's action was the beginning of an end of the legal battle that has raged the past four months between the court-appointed attorneys for the defendants and U.S. Attorney Levy.

The defendants were scheduled to go on trial on May 18, with two day panels summoned for that date. An original panel for the jury court term was ordered to report that day along with another panel of 80 jurors

who were summoned last week. In all, 138 jurors were summoned for possible duty.

Soon after the trio was indicted last December, their attorneys began a vigorous attack on the action, first alleging faulty indictments and later expanding to include the grand jury action and asking for more particulars in the case.

Numerous hearings were held at Lewisburg court on the matter with the court-appointed attorneys having motion after motion denied by Judge Folmer.

At one time the defense attorneys asked to inspect the records of the Scranton grand jury.

Another time the method of selection of grand jury members was attacked, but the defense made no headway. In another instance, the defense had its motion for a bill of particulars to name the actual killer denied by the court.

In recent weeks, counsel for Parker and Cagle brought a misdemeanor action against Fred Wilson, warden at the penitentiary for refusing information and an on-the-spot investigation by the attorneys. This matter is pending before the court, but will now be dismissed with the defendants changing their pleas.

The government has not named any individual responsible for the actual assault on Remington, and refused earlier to do so on grounds that the government's list of prosecution would be weakened. Defense attorneys strongly attacked the government's failure to single out the person responsible for the attack.

Early this week it was reported the government was seeking to have the defendants change their pleas so that a trial would not be necessary. Apparently, conferences between Mr. Levy and the defense attorneys took place in which the second degree murder charge was agreed upon.

It was reported at the same time that the government was not anxious to go to trial, although much time and energy was spent by both sides in preparing the case.

Judge Folmer returned to his Lewisburg court office Thursday after having been in Harrisburg for the first three days of this week handling criminal actions there.

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Guilty Plea in Murder of Remington

SCRANTON, Pa., May 8 (AP)—
Three convicts accused of slaying
former Government economist Wil-
liam Remington will plead guilty to
second degree murder charges in
the U. S. District Court at Lewis-
burg, Pa., this afternoon, U. S. At-
torney J. Julius Levy announced.
The new pleas will be heard at
2 p. m. by U. S. District Judge Fred-
erick V. Follmer in the Lewisburg
courtroom.

The prisoners, Lewis Cagle, 37,
of Chattanooga, Tenn.; Robert C.
Parker, 21, of Washington, D. C.;
and George Junior McCoy, 34, of
Gaundry, W. Va., were accused of
beating Remington to death last
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SCRANTON, Pa.--THREE CONVICTS ACCUSED OF SLAYING FORMER GOVERNMENT ECONOMIST WILLIAM REMINGTON WILL PLEAD GUILTY TO SECOND DEGREE MURDER CHARGES IN THE U.S. DISTRICT COURT AT LEWISBURG, PA., THIS AFTERNOON, U.S. ATTORNEY JULIUS LEVY ANNOUNCED. "THE ENDS OF JUSTICE HAVE BEEN MET," LEVY SAID IN ANNOUNCING THE MEN'S CHANGE OF THEIR ORIGINAL INNOCENT PLEAS.

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SCRANTON, PA. --THREE FEDERAL PENITENTIARY CONVICTS ACCUSED OF
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 PLEAS. LEVY REFUSED TO COMMENT ON THE REPORT.

GEORGE JURINOR MC COY, with aliases, et al.
 WILLIAM WALTER REMINGTON - VICTIM
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 IRREGULARITIES IN FEDERAL PENAL INSTITUTIONS

SAC McCabe, Philadelphia telephonically contacted at 8:45 a.m.
 today re this development. He stated he had just returned to the
 office from law enforcement conferences and was not fully advised
 of all the developments yet. He is checking to determine whether
 Philadelphia has been advised by the United States Attorney's
 Office and will call to advise the Bureau to this and any other
 pertinent details.

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Lewisburg Warden Bans Inspection, Charged in Suit

LEWISBURG—In a civil federal court action, Fred Wilkinson, warden of Lewisburg Penitentiary, is named defendant in a mandamus suit in which he is charged with failure to permit attorneys to visit the institution to make a personal on-the-spot investigation on behalf of Robert C. Parker, 21, of Washington.

Parker is one of the three inmates charged with slaying Warden W. Remington in the penitentiary last November.

A trial of the trio is scheduled to start in the federal court room at Lewisburg before Judge Frederick V. Follmer at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon, May 16.

Five new actions on behalf of two of the three defendant-inmates were filed this week in the United States Court, Middle District of Pennsylvania.

Two petitions and two motions on behalf of Parker and Louis Cagle, Jr., 18, of Chattanooga, requesting the court to reconsider a recent denial of previous motions to inspect records, to interview inmates and personnel, to permit a hearing as to the possibility of an interview and to inspect medical records of Cagle and Remington have been referred to Judge Follmer.

In the mandamus action, two Cranston attorneys, who were ap-

pointed by the court to represent Parker, filed suit against Warden Wilkinson in which it is charged he refused the two permission to visit the penitentiary and make a personal investigation.

The complaint avers the warden has the authority to permit such a visit and that an earlier request to visit the pen was denied by Wilkinson.

The same two attorneys have presented two petitions and a motion before Judge Follmer on behalf of Parker.

In the first petition, they ask the court "to reconsider the motion filed March 12 to examine, inspect and copy statements given by the three defendants and that the court set a time and place for hearing argument." An original petition was denied April 8.

The second petition seeks permission to interview inmates at the pen and inspect the penitentiary. An inspection of the penitentiary areas is also sought.

On behalf of Louis Cagle, the two court-appointed attorneys filed a motion with the court to inspect medical data at the penitentiary.

It is stated a request to Warden Wilkinson for this information April 13 was refused in a letter received by the attorneys April 18.

The motion points out in order to prepare a proper defense, these records are necessary and an examination should be permitted so as to ascertain the alleged injuries sustained by Remington and the cause of death.

The other defendant is George Junior McCoy 24, of Grundy, Va. Two Williamsport attorneys, Charles Bidelapacher, Jr., and Charles A. Szybiak, are counsel for him, being appointed by Judge Albert L. Watson.

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Petition Is Filed In Remington Case

Scranton counsel for one of the three men indicted for the alleged murder of William Remington, \$10,000 a year Government economist, petitioned in Federal Court here yesterday for permission to interview prisoners at Lewisburg Penitentiary—where Remington died last November—and subsequently to call them as witnesses when the trial is called for Lewisburg this Spring.

The motion was made by Attorneys Moray Myers and Roger Mathe, this City, in behalf of Robert Carl Parker, who, with George Junior McCoy, and Lewis Cagle Jr., is under indictment in the Middle District for Remington's alleged murder.

The petition was directed to the Court and also to Warden Fred Wilkinson, of Lewisburg Penitentiary.

In it, the lawyers, who were appointed by Court to defend Parker, said they had requested the warden orally and by letter to have private interviews with

prisoners and to call them as witnesses.

The petition asked that the Court order and direct the warden to permit the counsel to make private interviews and "such personnel or inmates as they shall identify by name, number or other adequate description, make notes, stenographic or mechanical record of such interviews which shall not be subjected to governmental inspection."

The two lawyers also requested that they "be permitted to view such areas of the prison as they shall request and that the warden be further directed to allow the petitioner to participate in such interviews and views; and that the petitioner have such other and further relief as to the Court may seem just and proper."

Attached to the petition is a letter to Warden Wilkinson asking for permission, citing the fact that the trial of the three men is imminent.

Also attached is the Warden's refusal to let the lawyers indiscriminately make interviews throughout the prison. Wilkinson said, in part, "Under no circumstance is any prisoner ever permitted to inquisition another."

The lawyers also asked to talk to 'segregation' prisoners, but the warden wrote back, "In relation to the request to talk to 'segregation' areas of the institution, I can see no reason in such an inspection to the warden orally and by letter your assignment to defend you to have private interviews with

them on a charge of murder.

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Slaying Suspect Leaves Prison

LEWISBURG, PA., March 23 (AP)—One of three convicts charged with murder in the slaying of former Government economist William Remington, was released from the Federal penitentiary here today in the custody of five deputy United States marshals.

The marshals started immediately with their prisoner, Lewis Cagle, 37, of Chattanooga, Tenn., for Harrisburg by automobile to commit him to jail to await trial on the murder charge.

Cagle was released on expiration of his term for parole violation and auto theft. Along with George Junior McCoy, 34, Grundy, W. Va., and Robert C. Parker, 21, Washington, D. C., he was indicted for the fatal beating last November of Remington at the penitentiary.

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Philadelphia has previously advised the trial date is set for 5-16-55 for subject's instant case.

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Remington Murder Suspect Awaits Trial

Harrisburg, March 24—AP.—A baby-faced former federal penitentiary inmate arrived at Dauphin County prison here yesterday to await his trial for murder in the slaying of former government economist William Remington.

Louis Eagle, 27-year-old Chattanooga, Tenn., convict, was brought to the downtown Harrisburg prison from the federal penitentiary at Lewisburg, Pa.

The curly-haired youth, along with two other inmates of the penitentiary, is charged with murder in the fatal strangling of Remington while all four were in federal custody at Lewisburg.

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SCRANTON, PA.--U. S. ATTORNEY J. JULIUS LEVY REVEALED THAT THREE
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COURT DENIES CONVICT'S PLEA IN PEN SLAYING

Motion For Bill Of Particulars Thrown Out In Court At Lewisburg Remington Killers' Trial In March.

Judge Frederick V. Folger, Wednesday in U. S. Middle District Court, Lewisburg, denied a motion for a bill of particulars brought by counsel for one of three convicts accused in the slaying of William W. Remington at the Lewisburg Federal Penitentiary last November.

Attorneys Morry M. Myers and Roger Matthes, of Scranton, counsel for Robert C. Parker, 34, of Washington, D.C., one of the three alleged killers, presented the motion last week in U.S. District Court with Judge Folger sitting Wednesday for argument.

The court on Thursday had refused a similar motion presented by attorneys William Garvey and David J. Kelly, of Scranton, counsel for George J. McCoy, 34, of Grundy, Va., a second alleged killer. Refusal of the court came without argument.

In Wednesday's argument, Attorneys Myers and Matthes brought out points in their request for particulars. First, they desired the government to name the defendant or defendants who actually wielded the weapon (a brick encased in a prison-issue

sock) which caused the death, and secondly that the government give exact action of Robert C. Parker in connection with the death.

The two attorneys cited a number of cases in which such particulars were demanded in similar cases and the court ruled in favor of the defendants.

U.S. Attorney J. Julius Levy noted for the court that the Supreme Court had set up certain rules of procedure in murder indictments and said the "man is killed in his bed, fast asleep in his room with three men in the same room, who can tell what took place." Mr. Levy, who was accompanied to court by his assistant, Stephen Teller, asked the court to deny the motion so the government would not have to disclose its intended line of prosecution.

A third prisoner charged in the slaying of Remington, George J. McCoy, 34, of Grundy, Va., did not figure in Wednesday's argument. He is represented by Charles Hidelspacher Jr., of Williamsport.

The court gave no indication when the trio will come to trial but reported it would be "soon." A possible date in March, if all members of counsel can agree upon an exact date, now appears likely.

Remington died at the Penitentiary November 24, two days after he was attacked in his dormitory cell at the institution.

No motive for the attack has been officially listed, but it was reported by the FBI that Cagle said the three men entered the cell for the purpose of robbing Remington. However, prison officials reported at the time that only candy bars, cigarets and personal items were in the room and there was no money.

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Three Held in Prison Slaying To Stand Trial in U. S. Court

Lewisburg, Feb. 5—Three United States Northeastern Penitentiary inmates charged with the killing Nov. 24, 1954, of William W. Remington, former government economist, lost the first round in their legal battle this week when Judge Frederick V. Follmer in Middle District Court refused all motions by defense counsel and had the three men arraigned for the murder.

Pleas of not guilty were entered by George McCoy, 34, of Grundy, Va.; Robert C. Parker, 21, of Washington, D. C.; and Lewis Cagle, 37, of Chattanooga, Tenn., all alleged members of the brick entased in a house, which reportedly the murder weapon.

The pleas were entered after an affidavit filed by Parker charging his confession had been obtained by the FBI by means of "duress and coercion" was amended without mention of the FBI and after an argument by his attorney. Morey S. Myers, of Scranton, failed to influence the court that the grand jury at Scranton had been improperly drawn.

Insanity Plea Refused

Charles Bidelspacher, 39, of Williamsport, counsel for McCoy, successfully attempted to enter a plea of "not guilty by reason of insanity" in addition to the regular plea of not guilty, but this second

plea was found not acceptable by the court.

Bidelspacher was more successful, however, in obtaining court approval of his motion for a transcript of the entire proceedings of the previous hearing, although the court temporarily ruled against the transcript until defense counsel offered to secure such information with the cost to be borne by counsel rather than the government.

Judge Follmer, after dismissing the motions and accepting the not guilty pleas, said he would attempt to set the date for the trial at a time convenient to all defense counsel, although he cautioned that a case of this nature should not be allowed to drag out.

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Convicts Enter Innocent Pleas

LEWISBURG (AP)—Three convicts entered pleas of innocent yesterday at their arraignment here on a charge of murder in the fatal prison bludgeoning of former government economist William W. Remington.

U.S. Dist. Judge Frederick V. Vollmer arraigned the three after he denied defense motions to dismiss the indictments against them.

Judge Vollmer withheld fixing a date for the trial to give court-appointed defense attorneys time to prepare their case.

Charged with murder in the November slaying of the 37-year-old Remington are:

Robert Carl Parker, 21, Washington, D.C.; Lewis Cagle, 17, Chattanooga, Tenn., and George Junior McCoy, 24, Grundy, Va.

Remington was found severely beaten near his cell in Lewisburg penitentiary last Nov. 24. He died two days later. The three convicts then were indicted on the murder charge.

Remington was serving a term for perjury.

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3 Deny Guilt In Remington Death

LEWISBURG, Pa., Feb. 3 (U.P.)—Three convicts pleaded innocent today to charges they beat former government economist William W. Remington to death in his cell in the Federal Penitentiary here.

Remington, convicted for perjury during testimony on a Russian spy ring, was found fatally injured on the stairs leading to his cell. The three prisoners were accused of beating him with a brick wrapped in a sock during a robbery attempt in November.

George Junior McCoy, thirty-four, of Grundy, Va.; Robert Carl Parker, twenty-one, of Washington, and Lewis Cagle Jr., seventeen, of Chattanooga, Tenn., were arraigned before Federal Judge Frederick V. Pollmer. The judge announced he would set a trial date after conferring with defense attorneys. United States Attorney J. Julius Levy moved that a trial date be set immediately after the convicts' attorneys entered their pleas. "There won't be any rushing about it," Judge Pollmer said in denying the prosecution motion. "On the other hand, it is the type of case that shouldn't be dragged out. However, I will allow plenty of time for defense counsel to arrange and prepare for the trial."

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Three Convicts Plead Not Guilty in Prison Slaying of Remington

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LEWISBURG—Robert Carl Parker, 21, of Washington, Lewis Cagle, 17, of Chattanooga, Tenn., and George Junior McCoy, 34, of Grundy, Va., were arraigned today in Middle District Federal Court on the charge of slaying William W. Remington in the Federal Penitentiary, near here, last Nov. 22. They pleaded not guilty.

Remington, a prisoner at the time of his fatal beating, was serving a three-year sentence for perjury in connection with Communist activities.

When today's defendants were called before Federal Judge Frederick V. Follmer for arraignment, they attempted—on the advice of their court-appointed attorneys—to plead not guilty by reason of insanity. Judge Follmer rejected this plea and over-ruled objections from the attorneys.

He insisted on a plea of "guilty" or "not guilty," explaining that any question about the sanity of the defendants would be considered "in its proper time."

Charles Hildegarth, Jr., representing McCoy, entered formal objections to the court ruling. However, the formal plea which was accepted from each of the defendants was that of "not guilty." No qualifying statement was appended.

THIS ACTION came this afternoon. Earlier, Judge Follmer had refused all motions presented at the hearing of Jan. 24. There were six of them, two for each prisoner.

He refused to quash the indictments and he refused to permit defense counsel to inspect the grand jury minutes.

A DATE HAS not been set for the trial. Judge Follmer said sufficient time will be allowed for defense attorneys to prepare "adequately" for the trial. "I don't think a case of this kind should be postponed indefinitely or dragged out," the jurist said in explaining his desire for prompt trial.

U.S. Attorney J. Julius Levy said the trial will have to be conducted at Lewisburg, in conformity with "the statutes."

The court granted copies of the transcript of the Jan. 24 hearing to defense counsel.

At another point in today's proceedings he pressed Roger Mattes, attorney for Parker, duty to furnish the report of an affidavit which Mattes filed for his client, the affidavit related circum-

stances surrounding the original questioning of Parker. Judge Follmer demanded of Mattes: "Are you claiming that Parker was coerced by the FBI?"

When the attorney evaded a forthright reply, the jurist recessed court to permit a conference between Mr. Mattes and Parker. Following this, the attorney told the court: "We cannot state who gave the order permitting the questioning of Parker. The circumstances under which the statement was taken amounts to coercion." He said his client couldn't say positively that the FBI was involved.

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Dismissal Denied In Remington Case

LEWISBURG, Pa. — Federal Judge Frederick V. Follmer today denied a motion to dismiss murder indictments against three convicts in the fatal bludgeoning of William W. Remington, former government economist.

The Court immediately ordered the three arraigned on the charges. Brought into the courtroom from the nearby Lewisburg Penitentiary were Robert Carl Parker, 21, Washington, D.C.; Lewis Cagle, 17, Chattanooga, Tenn.; and George Junior McCoy, 34, Grundy, Va.

They were indicted on the charge after Remington, 37, died in the penitentiary last Nov. 24. Two days after he was found near his quarters beaten about the head, Remington, 37, was serving a three-year term for perjury.

Court-appointed counsel for the trio sought dismissal of the indictment on the ground that the U.S. district grand jury returned it in Scranton, Lackawanna County, whereas the crime was committed in Union County, 100 miles away. The penitentiary is located in Union County.

At the last hearing on Jan. 24, Roger Mattes, Scranton, Parker's attorney, contended in arguments that his client was "coerced" into confessing a part in the slaying by the FBI or the powers that be.

U.S. Attorney J. Julius Levy denied Mattes' statement at the

"The court knows what a great institution the FBI is," Levy told the court then, referring to the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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3 Convicts Arraigned In Remington Death

Lewisburg, Feb. 3 — (AP) — Federal Judge Frederick V. Folmer today denied a motion to dismiss a murder indictment against three Lewisburg Penitentiary convicts accused of the fatal bludgeoning of William W. Remington, former government economist.

The three then pleaded innocent. They are Robert Carl Parker, 22, Washington, D. C.; Lewis Cagle, 17, Chattanooga, Tenn.; and George Junior McCoy, 24, Grundy, Va.

They were accused after Remington, 37, died in the penitentiary last November 24.

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