

Claude M. Cozzens **(- 16 Oct 1927)**

Cozzens. Suddenly on Sunday, October 16, 1927 at Brentwood, Md., Claude M., beloved husband of the late Laura A. Cozzens. Funeral on Thursday, October 20 from Gasch's Sons funeral parlors, 46 Maryland avenue, Hyattsville, Md. at 1 p.m. Funeral private. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

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Brentwood Man Killed By Train Body of Claude M. Cousins [sic], 64, Discovered on B & O Tracks at Early Hour Special Dispatch to The Star

Brentwood, Md., October 17 –

The mangled body of Claude M. Cousins, 64 years old, a carpenter, was found early yesterday on the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad tracks about 300 yards south of the Brentwood station.

Charles Hephill, while picking up coal along the tracks, made the discovery. He notified Deputy Sheriff Arthur Hepburn. Identity was established by Lem Baldwin, who recognized the victim's coat as one he had given the man, and by Harry Clark, who said the shirt was the same that Cousins was wearing the night before.

Hepburn believes Cousins was struck by a train proceeding toward Baltimore between 2 and 6 o'clock yesterday morning.

An inquest will be held Wednesday night at 8 o'clock in Firemen's Hall, at Hyattsville. It will be conducted by Justice of the Peace Herbert J. Moffatt, acting coroner. The body was removed to Gasch's undertaking establishment at Hyattsville.

Surviving Cousins are a son, William J. Cousins, of Bradley Beach, N.J.; three brothers living in Georgetown and Cherrydale, Va., and a grandson, Everett Stormer, of Brentwood. Cousins' wife died three years ago. For nearly a year he had been living alone.

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Body Of Man, Killed By Train, Is Sought Head of Brentwood Carpenter Found in Philadelphia – Hunt Covers Many Miles

Special Dispatch to The Star

Brentwood, Md., October 18 –

Word was received here this morning from Philadelphia that the head of a man, identified as that of Claude M. Cousins, Brentwood carpenter, who was believed to have been killed by a train here Saturday night, was found in the freight yards of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad along the Schuylkill River.

Portions of a man's body were found here early Sunday and were identified by means of a shirt by Cousins' friends as his. Today Baltimore & Ohio police have been ordered to search all cars for the torso, which has not been found. Hundreds of section men from Baltimore to Jersey City and as far west as Cumberland, Md., last night and today were searching the right of way for the body, which is believed to have been carried on the trucks of the freight cars. Tracks of the Central Railroad of New Jersey and the Reading lines also are being searched.

An inquest will be held here as soon as authorities are able to ascertain definitely what train struck the man.