

Charles R. Hutchinson, Sr.

(- 21 Feb 1937)

Hutchinson, Charles R., Sr. Suddenly on Sunday, February 21, 1937, Charles R. Hutchinson, Sr., beloved husband of Rose Mae Hutchinson (nee Garner) and father of the late Charles R., jr., and beloved son of Mrs. Lena Hutchinson. Funeral from his late residence, 1628 33rd st. n.w., Wednesday, February 24, at 2 p.m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

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Grief Over Loss of Only Child Blamed in Acid Death of Man

Grief over the loss of their only child was blamed today by Mrs. Rose Mae Hutchison, 1628 Thirty-third street for the death of her husband, Charles E. Hutchinson, 31, a commercial photographer, who died last night shortly after being found unconscious outside a restaurant at 1264 Wisconsin avenue.

Mrs. Hutchinson said her husband had been despondent since their 3 -year-old son, Charles, jr., died of spinal meningitis last August 31. Recently, she told a reporter, he had "become bitter towards even his closest friends."

The wife herself has been ill, and left her sick bed last night to identify her husband's body at the morgue. She had been suffering from an attack of influenza.

Hutchison's body was discovered on the steps outside the restaurant by William Martin, owner of the establishment, and George Williams, cook. His face had been burned with acid, police said, and he was dead when an Emergency Hospital ambulance physician arrived.

Two notes and a picture of himself were found in Hutchinson's pockets. The contents of the notes, addressed to his wife and mother, were not disclosed, but Coroner A. Magruder MacDonald said he understood they indicated Hutchison had been in a despondent condition over the loss of his son.

An autopsy was to be performed at the morgue today to determine the cause of death, Dr. MacDonald said.