

Walter W. Wilkinson

(- 9 Jan 1929)

Wilkinson, Walter W. Suddenly, on Wednesday, January 9, 1929, Walter W., husband of Mary Wilkinson and father of Walter Wilkinson, jr. Remains resting at the W.W. Chambers funeral home, 14th and Chapin sts. N.w.

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Janitor Found Dead In Gas-Filled Room

Two Tenants Seeking More Heat Discover Body of Robert Wilkinson

Robert Wilkinson, 60, janitor at the LeDroit Building, 802 F street, was found dead in a gas-filled room at the F street address this morning. His head was resting on the stove and gas was pouring from an open jet.

The Fire Department rescue squad and Emergency Hospital ambulance were summoned. Oxygen was administered for a few minutes, but it soon was apparent life was extinct. He was pronounced dead by Dr. I. Rutkoski of the hospital staff.

Charles L. Stiefel and Paul Balterman, tailors, tenants on the same floor of the building, went to Wilkinson's apartment this morning to complain about lack of heat. Smelling gas, they searched the apartment and discovered Wilkinson in a partitioned-off space he used as a kitchen. He was seated on a chair and his head was buried in his arms resting on the stove.

Coroner J. Ramsey Nevitt issued a certificate of accidental death.