

## James C. Woodward

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**Woodward, James C.** Suddenly, on Tuesday, March 5, 1929, James C., son of the late Eliza Chatten and Amon Woodward. Funeral services will be held privately at Zurhorst's funeral parlors, 301 East Capitol st., on Friday, March 8.

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### **Mystery Death Of Man Is Probed**

#### **Police Hunt Stranger Who Is Believed to Have Been in Room**

Circumstances surrounding the death of James C. Woodward, 60 years old, who was found in his room at 607 Louisiana avenue this morning with a bullet hole through his head, started police on a search for a man who is believed to have been in the room this morning.

Despite indications that the fatal wound was self-inflicted, detectives feel that the man thought to have been in the room may be able to throw some light on Woodward's death.

Woodward was seen going into his room last night, accompanied by a stranger. Early this morning the other man went into a repair shop on the ground floor of the hose and told the proprietor that Woodward was dead. The proprietor of the repair shop investigated and, after finding the body, notified the police.

Woodward, an awning worker, was found sprawled on his bed. The pistol was lying on the floor under the bed. He apparently had been dead several hours. A dozen empty whisky bottles were found in the room.

He is survived by three nieces.

Headquarters Detective Harry Cole is conducting the police investigation. Coroner J. Ramsay Nevitt was notified.

Charles George Nauck, 45 years old, a plumber, who gave his address as 1349 G street southeast, was arrested by Policeman Albert Houch of the sixth precinct and questioned in connection with the investigation of the shooting.

Nauck, companion of the dead man, is reported by the police to have said he was with Woodward the past two days and that they had been drinking. Nauck said he tried to induce Woodward to go to a hospital yesterday, but he refused to go.

Police also report Nauck as having said he purchased food for his companion yesterday.