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Dated July 7, 1924.
PAUL D. IVES
 S. E. Swartz, Attorney for Executors.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS—Pursuant to an order of the Hon. Frederick Fraser, Surrogate of the County of Washington, New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Darius S. Chapin, late of the town of Greenwich, in said County, deceased, to present the same with the vouchers thereon, to the undersigned, Executor of the last Will, etc., of the said decedent, at the office of his attorney, Herbert Van Kirk, in the town of Greenwich, in said County, on or before the 31st day of December, 1924.

Dated June 6th, 1924.
HERBERT J. TABER
 Attorney for executor.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS—Pursuant to an order of the Hon. Frederick Fraser, Surrogate of the County of Washington, New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Lewis Henry Burdick, late of the town of Greenwich, in said County, deceased, to present the same with the vouchers thereon, to the undersigned, Administrator with the Will annexed of the Goods, Etc., of the said decedent, at the office of the undersigned, Administrator with the Will annexed of the Goods, Etc., of the said decedent, at the First National Bank of Argyle, in the town of Argyle, in said County, on or before the 31st day of January, 1925.

Dated July 24th, 1924.
HOWARD SNYDER, Administrator with the Will annexed.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS—Pursuant to an order of the Hon. Frederick Fraser, Surrogate of the County of Washington, New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against John E. Rutledge, late of the town of Greenwich, in said County, deceased, to present the same with the vouchers thereon, to the undersigned, Administrator with the Will annexed of the Goods, Etc., of the said decedent, at the office of Van Ness & Russell, Attys., in the town and village of Greenwich in said County, on or before the 31st day of March, 1925.

Dated September 4, 1924.
HOWARD J. RUTLEDGE
CORNELIUS R. RUTLEDGE
WILLIAM H. RUTLEDGE, Executors.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS—Pursuant to an order of the Hon. Frederick Fraser, Surrogate of the County of Washington, New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Charles E. Burr, late of the town of Greenwich, in said County, deceased, to present the same with the vouchers thereon, to the undersigned, Administrators of the Goods, Etc., of the said decedent, at the office of Van Ness & Russell, Attys., in the town and village of Greenwich in said County, on or before the 31st day of March, 1925.

Dated Sept. 8, 1924.
GENIE S. BURR
FLORENCE B. PATTEN, Administrators.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS—Pursuant to an order of the Hon. Frederick Fraser, Surrogate of the County of Washington, New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against David O. Fielding, late of the town of Greenwich, in said County, deceased, to present the same with the vouchers thereon, to the undersigned, Executor of the last Will, etc., of the said decedent, at his office in the town and village of Greenwich in said County, on or before the 15th day of January, 1925.

Dated June 30, 1924.
HENRY L. ROSSBELL, Executor.

SHE WANTED A REAL DOLL

By **WALTER TAYLOR FIELD**
 (G. Doubleday, Page & Co., Garden City, N. Y.)

TONY BANDINI sat on the bed in his little room over the kitchen at Caraffa's, where he boarded, and thought long and earnestly. The children were playing down stairs. He could hear little Francesca's voice begging her mother for a doll—not a rag doll, but a real doll "like the other girls had," and Mrs. Caraffa answered that if papa brought home good wages that week she should have one. Then Francesca laughed and clapped her hands, and she and her brother Bruno began to sing. They were having a good time, those children. He loved them. They were his friends. They were all that he had to love. His own children and his wife were dead. He had no kin except a brother in Italy who had disowned him. He had lost his job the week before and he had been drinking.

That was enough to make one think, but it was not all. A catastrophe had fallen upon him and upon that house—before which all lighter misfortunes were as nothing. There had been trouble last night at the Cafe Sicilia around the corner and a man had been killed. Tony was drunk at the time, but not so drunk as to be ignorant of how it was done. Caraffa had been with him. A stranger had come to their table and had picked a quarrel. There has been high words and the thrust of a knife under the stranger's heart. And it was Caraffa who had made the thrust. Tony knew that very well, though it was Tony's knife with which he did it.

Caraffa did not seem to know what he had done. Caraffa was very drunk indeed. Joe Malato, the owner of the place, had seen the scuffle and perhaps he knew who had struck the blow, perhaps he did not. But Joe always protected his customers. He had opened the back door and told them to go, and they had gone—Tony leading Caraffa home, and leaving the stranger dead on the floor.

The crime could not be hidden long. Even now detectives must surely be on the trail. What should he do? Flight was open to him, but that would be a confession of guilt and he felt sure that he should in the end be caught. Tony had no money and no friends—except the Caraffas. Then, too, there was a terrible feeling of weakness—of incompetence. He was not equal to the effort.

Another thought struck him with terrific force. What of Caraffa? Caraffa had a family—Bruno and little Francesca—Ah, carissima! how he loved that little one! And Mrs. Caraffa was a good woman, who had been kind to him when he was sick. They were his friends—and Caraffa! What would happen to the wife and children if it should be known that Caraffa was the murderer?

An hour passed. Still Tony sat on the edge of the bed, lost in thought. Then there was a sharp rap at the door—a sound of footsteps and loud talking in the room below. The footsteps were on the stairs. They were at his door. The door swung open and two officers entered. "We want you," they said. That was all.

Downstairs all was confusion. Another officer was with Caraffa. Caraffa was protesting loudly. The children were crying. Mrs. Caraffa was gesticulating and uttering a torrent of speech. Tony said nothing. There was nothing to say. He and Caraffa went out with the officers.

At the station they were subjected to the usual grilling. Joe Malato, the owner of the Cafe Sicilia, was also

there. Caraffa maintained truly that he remembered nothing about the murder. The police captain showed Tony the knife, stained with blood, and asked him whose it was.

"It sees my knife," said Tony, simply. "And you stabbed the man, didn't you?" asked the captain.

Tony looked into the eyes of Joe Malato to see what he knew. The captain looked, too—that was his business. But the eyes of Malato were inscrutable. Then Tony thought of Bruno and little Francesca. What did it matter to him, after all?

There was a pause of not more than two seconds. Then he turned and looked fixedly at one of the brass buttons on the captain's coat while he said:

"Yes, I stabbed him."
 The captain turned to Malato.
 "Did you see the stabbing?" he asked.
 Malato had received his cue. "Yes," he answered, "Tony Bandini did it."
 "Did Caraffa have anything to do with it?" asked the captain.
 "No, he do nothing. He war asleep—He war drunk."
 The captain turned to Caraffa.
 "Go home," he said. "We don't want anything more of you."
 Caraffa went—looking with a pitiful backward look at Tony. He hesitated at the door, stopped a moment and said to the captain.
 "Tony is a good man. I think he not do it."
 "Do you know who did?" asked the captain.
 "No, I not know," said Caraffa.
 "Get along then. If you were dead drunk, you're not a competent witness," snapped the captain.
 Caraffa went out—to life and freedom. Tony looked at him curiously as he went. Then he thought again of the children. Yes, at the end of the week Francesca would have her doll.

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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a public meeting will be held on the 26th day of November, 1924, at eight p.m., at Burton Hall, on the Main Highway, in the town of Easton, Washington County, New York, upon the application of Paul G. Atkins for the consent of the Town Board of the town of Easton to operate an auto bus line, via fixed route and schedule over and upon the highways of said town as follows: Upon entering the said town of Easton, commencing at the boundary line of the town at the bridge over the Battenkill at the hamlet of Middle Falls, and running thence southerly over and upon the State Highway as far as its intersection with the Easton Highway, and thence southerly over and upon this last said Highway, through the hamlets of North Easton, Easton and Grandell's Corners, to the boundary line of the said town of Easton. Returning from Troy in a northerly direction and over the same route.
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 Town Clerk of the Town of Easton.

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