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Alleged Killer of Berne Man Dies in Prison

Berne, Aug. 10 -

Word has been received here of the death this week of Jerry Mangano, 29, at the Stateville, Ill., prison hospital from a lung hemorrhage. Mangano is the alleged killer of Anthony (Tone) Michaud, local grocer and filling station proprietor who was shot and killed in a hold-up here in August, 1939.

Mangano was identified as the killer by Mrs. Martha Scheindler, of Berne, who witnessed the shooting. However, before local authorities could get him, he was convicted for the slaying of a Chicago Park policeman, Harry Francois. He was convicted and sentenced to the electric chair but received a new trial and was sentenced to 199 years in prison. Local authorities had hoped to if Mangano ever received a pardon, bring him here to stand trial.

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