

Translation from German of Herman Irion's Obit:

Elderly man's suicide

Herman Irion poisons himself with carbolic acid

The 80-year-old Herman Irion was found dead yesterday morning at approximately 9 a.m. in his room on the third floor of Himmeler's Hotel, 1901 South Broadway. A bottle of carbolic acid found lying next to his bed proved that he had committed suicide. He did not leave a note and for this reason, it is not completely clear what led him to kill himself.

He probably took his own life in a temporary fit of mental disturbance. Irion was once the respected owner of a butcher shop, but as he aged, he showed more and more instances of mental derangement. His wife, Marie Irion, separated from him seven years ago and now lives at 1820 E. 3rd Street. Irion had already spent some time in an asylum.

Mr. Näller, a guest of the hotel, discovered the body and notified the innkeeper, Mr. Himmeler, who then gave notice to the police. Mrs. Irion was also notified. The body was brought to the morgue and the coroner will perform an autopsy.