

FIREMAN SLAYER SENTENCED

Negro Goes to State Prison for
Twenty-Five Years

Clem Ridgway, the negro who slashed to death former City Fireman Herbert Hibbs early last Christmas morning, was sentenced to twenty-five years in State Prison by Supreme Court Justice Garrison in Camden yesterday. He entered a plea of non vult.

The tragedy occurred while Hibbs was on his way home with some presents for his children. There was a fracas at Seventh and Baxter streets while Hibbs was passing. He tried to pacify the disputants, but his efforts resulted in his being nearly decapitated by Ridgway, who used a knife. With his presents clutched in his arms, Hibbs sank to the pavement, dead.