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Judge Brancato Sentences to Death Men Who Shot Miccio

Kings County Judge Peter J. Brancato, in sentencing two men yesterday to the electric chair, took time to eulogize Detective Joseph Miccio, whom they killed, for his outstanding heroism in the first World War. The men sentenced were Joseph Palmer, 28 years old, of 1723 Lexington Avenue, Manhattan, and Vincent Solami, 26, who never gave a home address. Both men had been convicted by a jury last week.

"Detective Miccio, a veteran of the first World War, saw active duty overseas in seven battles, was wounded and taken prisoner, and for this heroic work during that war was thrice decorated," Judge Brancato said. "It seems, however, that Miccio was destined to sacrifice his life upon the altar of duty, for it was when questioning the two defendants in line with his duties as a detective that he met death at their hands."

The sentence yesterday called for death in Sing Sing in the week of July 25, but both defendants will have automatic appeals.

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