Mobsters
Raid Jail,
Kill Youth

Victim's Body Riddled
With Bullets; Probable
Atrocity

LEGRANGE, Ga. — A mob
of masked white men, armed
"to the teeth" with pistols,
shotguns and other weapons,
broke into the city jail,
dragged a defenseless youth
from his cell and lynched him
Monday.

The victim, Austin Callaway, 16,
was found hours later on a road eight
miles from town by a searching party.
He was taken to a hospital, where he
died shortly afterwards from bullet
wounds.

Chief of Police J. E. Matthews said
that Callaway had been arrested on
a charge of attempting to attack a
white woman.

When the mob crashed into the
jail, six men forced Acting Jailer S.
J. Willls to release the prisoner, Chief
Matthews reported.

After marching Willls to the cell
where Callaway was held, the men
forced him to open it. The jailer
said he felt a gun pressed to his back.

The victim was then placed in an
automobile and driven away. When
he was found, there were three bullet
holes in his head and several in his
hands and arms, the chief said.

Authorities later reported they were
working on the case, but had few
cues to aid them. Willls said he was
unable to recognize any of the men
who dragged Callaway out the jail.

The lynching victim was arrested last
Sunday afternoon in Lagrange near
the residence where the attempted
assault was said to have taken place.

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