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FOUR IMPORTANT STATE WITNESSES IN GUNMEN CASES MISSING

*Men Who Witnessed the Shooting of Conductor Witt by
Hearst Gunmen Fail To Appear When Trial
Comes Up—State's Attorney's Office
To Do Some Probing.*

Four of the most important state's witnesses against Ed and Charley Barrett and Arthur Friedman, Hearst sluggers, now on trial on a charge of murdering Conductor Frank Witt during the newspaper strike, in 1912, have disappeared under mysterious circumstances.

This was the startling announcement made today by Assistant State's Attorney James C. O'Brien, who is prosecuting the case against the Hearst sluggers.

The four witnesses are Frank Gor-

don, Benny Feldman, Francis Burns and one Grossheorth.

They were expected to testify concerning the manner in which Witt was shot down by the three strike-breakers.

O'Brien said today that the state's attorney's office had been searching for the witnesses for several weeks and the investigation has even been carried on across state lines, but to no avail.

Behind the latest development there seems to be a scheme to further