

Kokomo Coroner Calls Triple Hotel Slaying Murder and Suicide

Shooting Follows Family Quarrel; Neighbors Report Hearing 'Nagging'

KOKOMO, Nov. 21—An unofficial coroner's verdict of double murder and suicide was returned last night in the deaths of two women and a man found shot in a downtown hotel.

Both women were dead when police arrived at the Union Hotel and the man died a few minutes later.

Police identified the victims as:

Harold Fouse, about 35, part time cab driver.

Mary Fouse, about 28, his wife.

Mrs. Nellie Jackson, about 55, Mr. Fouse's mother.

Five shots had been fired from a .38 caliber pistol, police said.

Coroner E. H. Showalter said Fouse apparently did the shooting following an argument in the hotel room where he lived with his wife.

Reports Nagging

They had been residents of the hotel since Nov. 8.

Police were told by an employee of the hotel that Mr. Fouse came downstairs about 11:30 a. m. and met his mother. They both went upstairs and the shots came about five minutes later.

Officers were called by hotel employees, who did not enter the room until authorities arrived.

Mr. Fouse drove a cab "off and on" police said, but had no regular job. He was divorced from his first wife, Anna Beth, in February, 1947.

Mrs. Louise Frye, who occupies a hotel room next to the murder room, testified at the coroner's inquest that Mrs. Fouse "nagged" her husband because of his continual unemployment.

Mrs. Frye said she rushed to the door after hearing the first shot. Through the open door of the Fouse room she saw Mrs. Fouse crying and apparently trying to get out to the hall.

Sent to State Farm

Mr. Fouse ran across the room and slammed the door shut, Mrs. Frye testified.

Mr. and Mrs. James F. Gibson, also residents of the hotel, substantiated Mrs. Frye's testimony as to the "nagging."

Police said Mr. Fouse had twice been summoned to court for non-support of his former wife and their two children who were in her custody.

He had served 90 days on the State Farm for petit larceny, police records showed.

The investigation was placed in charge of Capt. Francis Fisher, detective head and assistant chief of police, and Coroner Showalter.

Gunman Holds Up News Substation Chief, Nets \$520

A gunman robbed an Indianapolis news substation manager of \$520 in cash and \$80 in personal checks last night as he closed the station for the week-end.

The robber fled the scene in his victim's 1948 automobile.

Herman Harrell, 30, of 546 S. Webster Ave., who operates the station at 513 E. 29th St., said the holdup man stepped from behind a tree with a gun in his hand and said, "Let's go," as Mr. Harrell went to his car.

FORCING Mr. Harrell into the front seat, the gunman climbed into the rear and took the cash box containing the day's collections.

A short distance from the station, Mr. Harrell was ordered from the car and the gunman used it for his getaway.

Police believed the holdup man to be the same who robbed a Times substation manager last Saturday night.

Assessors to Meet At IU This Week

BLOOMINGTON, Nov. 20—More than 200 tax assessing officials from 28 southern and southwestern Indiana counties will meet at Indiana University Tuesday and Wednesday for a study school.

The meeting is sponsored by the Indiana State Board of Tax Commissioners and the IU Business School.

It is one of three planned in the state. J. G. Newsome, administrator of reassessments of the State Board of Tax Commissioners, is in charge.

Suspect in Boy's Death Sought Here

Local Police Aid St. Louis Officials

Indianapolis police today had made a city-wide search for a suspect wanted by St. Louis law enforcement officers in connection with the murder of a 3-year-old boy in a hotel room.

The body of the boy was found stuffed into a dresser drawer, police said, shortly after a couple registered from Bolivar, Mo., had checked out of the room. The couple moved into the room Wednesday night.

A third suspect had registered as Joseph Nichols, Markham Terrace, apartment 22½, Indianapolis. St. Louis police informed local authorities.

He checked into the American hotel Tuesday night and left after 8 p. m. Wednesday. He stayed in the same room in which the child's body was found.

No Record Found

Police here notified St. Louis authorities they found no Markham Terrace and there was no record of the man they sought in the post office, directories, telephone book, hospitals or with any local police office.

Police Chief Jeremiah O'Connell of the St. Louis Police Department said the child was "apparently murdered."

The boy was dressed in a blue snow suit, the lips and nose were swollen, and there was dried blood at one corner of the mouth.

Officers said an elevator operator, Vincent Badalamenti, told them he had seen the blond-haired boy carried up in his elevator last Wednesday night in the arms of a man.

Police said the boy had been dead from 12 to 24 hours.

Kokomo Has First Traffic Fatality in 20 Months

KOKOMO, Nov. 20—Edward W. McNeal, 77, died today in St. Joseph Hospital of injuries received Wednesday in a traffic accident.

Death of Mr. McNeal was the first traffic fatality in Kokomo in 20 months.

The last was in April, 1947, when a 6-year-old girl was fatally injured by a truck as she stepped from between parked cars.

Driver of the car which struck Mr. McNeal was Mrs. Joseph Wenger Sr. She told police she did not see the pedestrian as he crossed the street during Wednesday's storm.

Farida Gets Custody Of 1 Child, Paper Says

CAIRO, Egypt, Nov. 20. (UP)—Farida, the beautiful ex-queen of Egypt, received a new title today and will keep only one of the three daughters she bore King Farouk, the usually well-informed weekly Akhbar Elyom said.

Farida will be known henceforth as Madame Hafizah Hanum and for the time being will stay at her parents' home here, the paper said. She reportedly will keep Farida, youngest of her daughters.

According to Akhbar Elyom, the other two, Ferial and Fawzia, will remain at the royal palace with Farouk, who divorced his queen Wednesday after 10 years of sonless marriage.

Superior court deputies are Anthony Champa, Sheldon M. Wheeler, Robert Robb, Sheldon A. Key and Max Klezmer.

Other deputies include Samuel E. Garrison, briefing and pleading; Joseph F. Quill, Municipal Court 3; John P. Korbly, Municipal Court 4; Fred W. Hoffmark, probate court; Bernard Korbly, circuit court; Lynville G. Miles, labor court; Louis A. Whitesell, juvenile court; P. L. Hardin, bond default; Patrick E. Chavis, magistrate, and R. B. H. Smith, J. P. court.

Charles Burkett and George Gilby were named police investigators.

Other aids include Lawrence Turner Jr., assistant municipal court supervisor; Floyd Leslie, civilian investigator; Clyde E. Baker, advisor to police department; Betty J. Roberts, criminal court stenographer; Marie T. Lauck, secretary to prosecutor and grand jury reporter; Helen Alexander, municipal court stenographer, and Elva Power, municipal court clerk.

Three key deputies announced yesterday by Mr. Dailey are Robert L. Carrico, chief deputy; Robinson Hitchcock, grand jury deputy, and Patrick J. Fisher, municipal court supervisor.

Henry have had to save their pennies week-by-week in order to have their second baby.

"Now we shall be able to have many more," the young mother said. "We never dreamed people could be so kind."

The gifts have come like Christmas to the Philips. Married eight years, five of which Henry spent in the Army, they have never had a home of their own.

Their badly battered furniture has been borrowed from friends and their clothes were given them by welfare centers and wealthy couples.

In a week the mother will return from the maternity ward to their hut in the docklands.

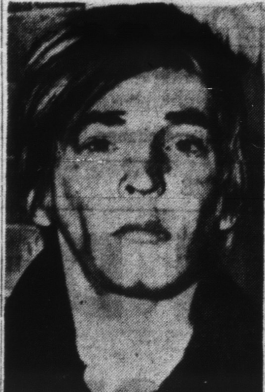
"To think of it," she said. "No more diapers to wash and a real silk nightdress to wear."

Among the gifts were the promise of free diaper service and a \$50 nightdress already shipped here by air freight.

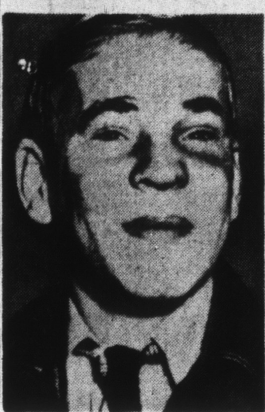
What did the father have to say?

"When is Princess Elizabeth going to have her next baby?" Henry Philip asked with a grin.

Can Smile Now



A month ago photographers at Toronto, Ontario, asked Gordon Kelley to smile after he was found, half clothed and emaciated, in a dark closet where he said he had been imprisoned for a year. But he didn't know what the word "smile" meant.



Yesterday, after a month of good food and medical attention, Gordon showed the cameramen that he has learned the word. At first thought to be about 14, he later was discovered to be 23. The couple in whose home he was found face possible prosecution.

5 Firms to Fete Fund Solicitors

Volunteer solicitors of the 29th annual Indianapolis and Marion County Community Fund drive will be fêted at a special closing campaign dinner at 6:30 p. m. tomorrow at the Columbia Club.

Five city business firms will serve as hosts for the closing banquet and have agreed to underwrite the entire cost in addition to their regular fund contributions.

The firms are Allison Division of General Motors, P. R. Mallory Co., Klingan & Co., Merchants Association and Diamond Chain Co.

SUB FOR GEIGER COUNTER

NEW YORK, Nov. 20 (UP)—A new radiation detector that is more effective than the Geiger counter, now is being used to measure radioactivity and is expected to facilitate the use of tracer isotopes in medical research, it was announced today.

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Communists Pounded Hard in Pincers

(World Report, Page 38)

NANKING, China, Sunday, Nov. 21 (UP)—Communist Gen. Liu Po-Chen's defeated forces fleeing northward from Suichow have been caught and sandwiched between two Nationalist armies and are suffering heavy casualties, government reports said today.

Armored forces of the government were said to be pursuing Liu's remnants across northern Kiangsu province to the southern borders of Shantung province into southern Shantung, capturing Mengchen and blocking Liu's escape route.

And at the same time, the Nationalists said they were making headway in a drive to clear Communists from the 35-mile railway strip from Suichow south to Fuh-sien, which is still straddled by the Reds. Government forces were reported continuing their advance from Pengpu to Fuh-sien.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20 (UP)—The State Department said today it has received no word from U. S. officials in Mukden since Thursday when Chinese Communist captors of the Manchurian city shut down radio communications.

Business Leader, Once A Newsboy, Is Dead

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Nov. 20 (UP)—A heart ailment today claimed the life of Frederick Smith, 53, ending a rags-to-riches career that took him from newspaper carrier boy to big-time business.

Smith was chairman of the Dixie Greyhound Bus Lines and president of the National Trolley House Corp.

Save 100 Stranded by Storm



Rescuers bucked a 65-mile-an-hour gale today to reach this scene three miles from Dodge City, Kas., where 100 persons in two buses and 35 autos were stranded for 30 hours. The tieup was caused by a collision [center] of one of the buses and a truck. The storm refugees were taken to homes in Dodge City.

Hormel to Give \$2.4 Million Bonus

AUSTIN, Minn., Nov. 20 (UP)—Smallest check any employee will receive in the Thanksgiving bonus, the company said, is \$353.97. It is based on the minimum weekly salary of \$47.50.

Part of the company's year-end earnings distribution made annually, the \$2,401,585 total is the largest in Hormel's history, officials said. Employees and stockholders share in all income after expenses, on an established sliding scale.

Train Kills 3 in Car

TAYLORVILLE, Ill., Nov. 20 (UP)—Three coal miners were killed late today when a train hit their automobile. The dead were John Christian, 59, Albert Daugherty, 68, and John Dyer, 30, all of Pana, Ill.

Doctor Pleads Innocent To Abortion Charges

Dr. Raymond Riffe, 62, of 371½ Massachusetts Ave., yesterday was arraigned in Criminal Court 2 after indictment by the Marion County Grand Jury on two counts, each charging abortion.

A motion made by Dr. Riffe's defense attorneys to quash the charges was overruled by Judge Saul I. Rabb. The doctor then pleaded "not guilty." Date of trial has not been set.

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