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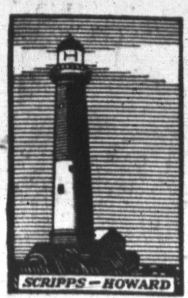
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## Terror-Stricken Mother Shoots Husband in Duel

### Doctors Call His Survival 'Miraculous'

Wife Still Fearful, Cries: 'He'll Kill Us All'

By HEZE CLARK

A 32-year-old mother collapsed in sobs of relief in jail today when she learned the husband she thought she had killed in a gun duel had staged a "miracle" recovery in General Hospital.

The two 45-bullet wounds Mrs. Margaret Crawford, 1134 Martin St., fired into his face and abdomen only "superficially wounded" her 60-year-old husband, Harley Crawford, doctors said.

They expressed amazement that the heavy caliber bullets had caused no serious injury. Both deputies and ambulance doctors first labeled Crawford as "critically injured."

"Fancy Marksmanship"

One bullet entered the left side of his chin, emerged from the right side of the neck, entered the right shoulder and emerged at the back. The second shot creased just under the skin of the abdomen.

Sitting up in a chair by his bed a few hours after the shooting, Crawford remarked:

"She sure did some fancy marksmanship."

He made no comment on his wife's story to deputies that he fired a shotgun blast at her in an attempt to kill her and the children.

After she learned of her husband's condition, Mrs. Crawford asked that her children be brought to her.

"He'll kill them I know," she told deputies. "He'll kill us all anyway."

She told of a night spent in terror as her husband stalked outside their home with a shotgun, threatening to kill her and their children, Lois, 11, and Charles, 12, and then himself.

At about 6 a. m., she said, she heard him at the kitchen door. As she walked into the kitchen he smashed the glass from the storm door and fired a shotgun blast which ripped a panel from the door and sprayed the kitchen.

"I saw him raise the gun and I jumped to one side, by the icebox," Mrs. Crawford said. The blast missed her by inches and grazed the refrigerator which shielded her.

Gun in Icebox

"I opened the icebox and reached in and got his gun," she continued. "He tried to kill me with it last Saturday and I hid it in the icebox so he couldn't find it."

She fired one shot which nicked the door frame and struck Crawford in the chin just as he was stepping into the room.

The shot ranged from left to right through Crawford's neck and chin downward into his right shoulder. It did not stop him.

"He kept coming toward me and as he raised the shotgun I shot again," the wife said. This bullet struck Crawford in the abdomen. Crawford halted, lowered the shotgun and cried, "You've killed me."

Then he turned and ran through the rear door, back to Martin St. and disappeared.

The two children covered in bed in the adjoining room of the two-room cottage during their parents' gun battle.

Mrs. Crawford told deputies she waited a second, then walked out into the yard and stopped a passing man.

"I've shot my husband," she told him. "Will you go to a phone and call the police?"

Phones Sheriff

She said she returned to the house and waited with her two children about 10 minutes. When no officers came she went to the home of neighbors nearby and phoned the sheriff's office to report the shooting.

A few seconds later State Policemen Howard Hyslop and John Klein saw Mr. Crawford leaning against a fence at State and Martin St.

Mrs. Crawford said her husband was "a good man when he was sober but he'd been hitting the whiskey heavy for two weeks."

During this time, she said, he had repeatedly threatened her and the children. Last night, she said, he came home at about 6 p. m. and said he planned to wipe out the family.

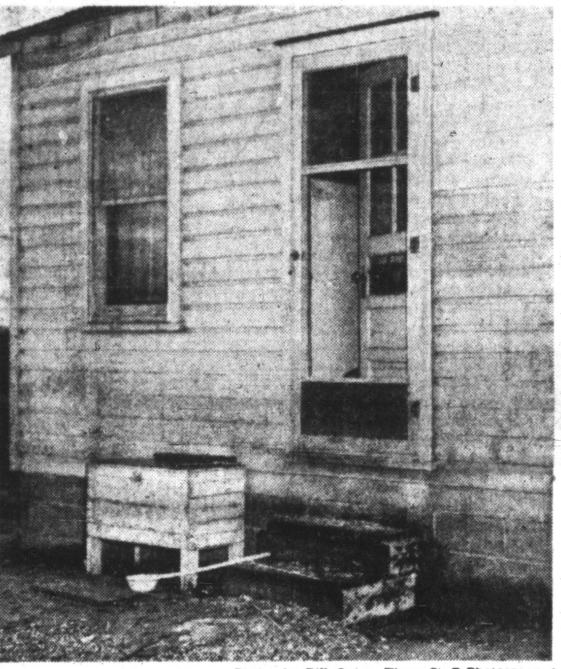
He left shortly after this but returned several times during the night, either prowling near the home or coming to the door to repeat his threat.

Mrs. Crawford said she and her husband had been married 15 years and moved here from Mt. Vernon 12 years ago. He was a polish maker at International Metal Polish Co.

She said she had bought and paid cash for their two-room home in December, with the money she had saved from her household allowance through the years. Previous to that they lived with her brother.



Margaret Crawford and children, Charles and Lois. "He meant to kill us all."



Shooting scene... A shotgun blast fired by Crawford ripped through this rear door and narrowly missed Mrs. Crawford.



Harley Crawford

### As Maine Goes

AUBURN, Me., Mar. 31 (UP)—Every dog in Maine will have his own hydrant next year.

Samuel F. Dorrance of the State Division of Animal Husbandry told the annual dinner of this city's Honorary Dog Catchers Society last night that all state dog license tags will be made in the form of hydrants next year.

### Normal Baby Born To Michigan Midgits

PAW PAW, Mich., Mar. 31 (UP)—A normal-size son born to midgits parents in Lakeview Hospital here was reported to be in "excellent health" today.

Dr. Fred Boothby said the child of Mr. and Mrs. Erwin C. Martin by Caesarian section Tuesday night would probably grow into a "good size, healthy man."

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## Dailey Names Six Deputies In Expansion

\$70,000 Budget Hike Makes Additional Staffers Possible

By PHILIP F. CLIFFORD JR.

Six new deputies were appointed today by Prosecutor George S. Dailey as part of his general staff expansion program under a new law which gives his office an additional \$70,000 expenses.

Edwin H. Smith, former member of the State Election Board and attorney here many years, was appointed chief trial deputy for Juvenile Court at \$3600 a year.

Albert Thayer, World War II Army major, was appointed relief deputy and legal adviser to the sheriff's office, at \$3600 a year.

Seven More Due

Others named to the staff included Adolph Seidensticker, former postmaster, as a Superior Court deputy; Fred Steiger, a former deputy prosecutor who assisted the state in the prosecution of John Dillinger 14 years ago, as deputy in Probate Court; H. Patrick Warner, Indianapolis attorney, as deputy in charge of labor cases and Mark William Gray as a Superior Court deputy, all listed to receive \$900 a year salaries.

The appointments will be followed by seven more in the next few days, bringing the total additional new staffers to 13, Mr. Dailey said.

The expansion program was made possible by the legislature's passage of a law, raising the passage of a law raising the Marion County prosecutor's budget from \$80,000 to \$150,000 a year.

The law mandates the County Council to appropriate the money.

County Councilmen, the majority of whom are Republicans, have protested the mandatory clause in the law and have raised the question of where the money can be found.

However, County Auditor Ralph Moore said he will approve vouchers on the increased expenditures if and when they are presented to him.

Prosecutor Dailey explained the additional staff was necessary to step up operations of his office to meet vastly increased criminal case work the last few years.

### 'Round-the-Clock' Staff

Also he said most of the increase was necessary to maintain a "round-the-clock" staff of deputies at the police station for preparation of affidavits when arrests are made and to advise police officers on evidence.

Mr. Dailey said this new service was necessary to prevent needless congestion of the courts with "cases that never should have been filed in the first place."

Several salary increases were granted by Mr. Dailey to police court deputies, placing them on a full-time basis. Previously most of these deputies served only part-time. Most of these will receive \$3600 a year over the old \$2400 a year part-time system.

Deputies in the two Criminal Courts at the Courthouse will receive salary increases. They include Lewis K. Murchie, Edwin Ryan and Ernest Frick, raised from \$3600 to \$4800 and Russell White and David Chambers Jr. from \$3600 to \$4200.

## Price of Milk Drops 1¢ Here Tomorrow

### Queen for a Night—



Miss Betty M. Forster, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard P. Forster, 629 Congress Ave., a Butler University junior, will reign as queen of the Junior Prom tomorrow from 9 p. m. to 1 a. m. in the Indiana Roof ballroom.

## 'Early-to-Work' Movement May Spell Daylight Time

City-Wide Survey Being Conducted To Sound Out Public on Substitute

An "early-to-work" movement was underway in Indianapolis today as a substitute for daylight saving time which was outlawed by the Indiana General Assembly.

Mayor Feeney announced a committee of businessmen had offered its services to make a survey of the community to determine the public's attitude on time.

In any event, the Mayor said there would be no official declaration of daylight saving time.

"If the majority want the extra hour of daylight in the evenings we will attempt to form an 'early-to-work' movement in which all stores and businesses would open an hour earlier in the morning and thus close an hour earlier in the evening," he said.

### City-Wide Survey

Howard Fieber, spokesman for a group of businessmen, and Fred Hoke, president of the Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce, headed a city-wide survey today to determine the public's attitude towards time and the "early-to-work" movement.

Commercial businesses, factories and their employees will be polled. Mayor Feeney asked for the information "in 24 hours."

He said a demand for daylight saving time was increasing. He said he had checked with a number of labor unions and all wanted fast time.

The Mayor indicated he had received only a few postal cards from individuals objecting to fast time.

If the Early-to-Work movement is acceptable it will not be placed in effect for several weeks, Mayor Feeney said.

## Laundrell Firm Closes 2 Divisions

Jacobs Co. Ends Work Here, in Louisville

The F. L. Jacobs Co., makers of Laundrell equipment, coke venders and auto parts, announced to its 450 employees here yesterday that it is closing its Indianapolis and Louisville divisions.

The Indianapolis plant at 1100 W. 21st St., which has had a payroll of nearly \$1.5 million a year, will be put up for sale. Some equipment and all of the operation will be distributed to the Detroit and Traverse City, Mich., plants of the Jacobs Co.

The announcement said the move should result in considerable savings to the company as it is more economical to produce coke venders and Laundrell home laundry equipment in these plants along with the auto parts now being produced.

L. G. Haggerty, plant manager here, will move into the Detroit executive organization.

The Louisville division, a feeder plant, had fewer employees than Indianapolis.

## Dr. Dow Killed In Ontario Crash

MIDLAND, Mich., Mar. 31 (UP)—Dr. Willard H. Dow, 52, head of the Dow Chemical Co., and four other persons were killed and a sixth was hurt today in an Ontario plane crash, reports from London, Ontario, said.

The victims were identified by Ontario police as Dr. Dow, Mrs. Dow, Mrs. Calvin Campbell, and pilots Fred Clement and A. J. Bowie, all of Midland.

Calvin Campbell, who is general counsel for Dow Chemical, was reported to have been critically hurt and taken to St. Joseph's Hospital.

The plane, owned by the chemical company, took off with its six occupants this morning for Buffalo, N. Y., flying over Ontario.

Dr. Dow had been president of the chemical firm since his father, Herbert H. Dow, died in 1930. His mother, Mrs. Grace Anna Dow, lives here.

## Other Dairy Products Take 4th Penny Dip

Mild Winter Abets Early Spring Rise In Production

By HAROLD H. HARTLEY

The price of milk will drop one cent tomorrow for the fourth time since last October.

Regular Grade A milk will drop from 19-cents to 18 cents, and all other dairy products will take a similar decline.

Housewives have the mild winter, green pastures and the weatherman to thank. The spring rise in milk production has arrived from 15 to 30 days ahead of time.

The cow's own heating system had something to do with it, too, one dairyman said.

"A cow does two things with her food. She either uses it to heat her body or make milk. The weather has been warm. She hasn't needed much food for heat so she turned out more milk."

### Cream Also Down

Milk dropped last Oct. 25 from 22c to 21c. Dec. 5 it dropped from 21c to 20c. Feb. 21 it dropped from 20c to 19c. And tomorrow it will be 18c.

One-half pint of coffee cream will go from 20c to 19c; homogenized milk goes from 20c to 19c; buttermilk from 15c to 14c.

## March to March Out Like a Lamb

Cloudy, Rather Mild Temperature on Tap

LOCAL TEMPERATURES

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March prepared to go out like a lamb today as the Weather Bureau forecast cloudy skies and rather mild temperatures.

Although no rain was in sight for the next 24 hours, a slight cold spell was expected to set in tonight with the mercury dipping to 38 degrees. Temperatures were expected to reach 62 today.

Tomorrow the weatherman promised partly cloudy weather with the thermometer moving back up to 55.

Huffed in Like Lion

The third month of the year huffed in like a lion 31 days ago with Indianapolis wrapped in sub-freezing temperatures. The March 1 high was 33 and the low 25.

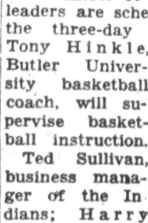
Meanwhile, Weatherman Paul A. Miller said that yesterday's rains throughout the state would not change radically river crests in flooded areas in southern Indiana. However, he said, high water will remain in lowlands for the next five days.

### BRITISH MAP TB WAR

LONDON, Mar. 31, (UP)—Socialized British medicine planned today to wipe out tuberculosis in Great Britain within nine years through the widespread use of vaccine and other methods. The disease now causes nearly one-third of the deaths of persons between the ages of 15 and 39 in the British Isles.



Seidensticker



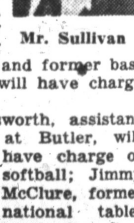
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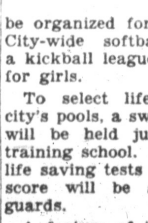
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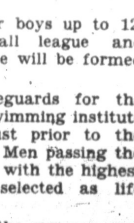
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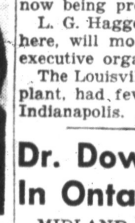
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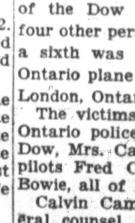
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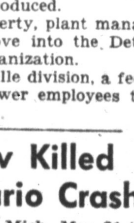
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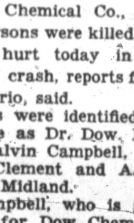
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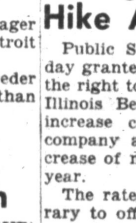
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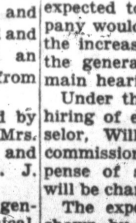
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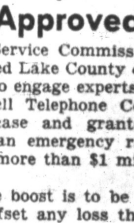
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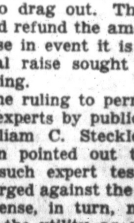
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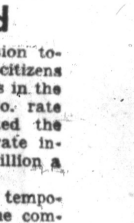
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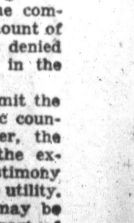
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