

Failure to Serve Auto Death Case Warrant Is Puzzle to Sheriff

David Wiggs, Indicted in Traffic Crash, Not Notified by Deputies to Appear in Court

By PHILIP F. CLIFFORD JR.

Sheriff James F. Cunningham was searching for an explanation today of why his office had not been able, in 10 days, to serve a capias charging a citizen with manslaughter and reckless homicide.

Delay in the case brought intervention of Judge Saul I. Rabb of Criminal Court II, and the Marion County prosecutor's office.

The case developed this way: On July 15, the Marion County Grand Jury returned an indictment against David Wiggs, 31, whose address was listed as the Lynn Moore Trailer Court, 3005 S. Lyndhurst Dr. This was done largely on evidence produced by two state troopers.

Indicted in Traffic Crash
Considering the evidence at hand, the judge thought it sufficient to hold Wiggs, who is employed as a tool maker at Allison Division, General Motors, in connection with the May 28 traffic death of Russell Burkhardt, 44, widely known auctioneer.

Mr. Burkhardt, according to state police reports, died of a skull fracture when he was thrown from his car after it was in a collision with one driven by Mr. Wiggs.

Resulting from the grand jury's action, a capias for Wiggs' arrest was issued. The bench warrant was delivered to the sheriff's office three days after the indictment.

Wiggs was to have been arrested on the charges before Judge Rabb July 23, but failed to appear. Then the court learned he had never been arrested.

Judge Rabb ordered an investigator from the prosecutor's office to bring in Wiggs. The investigator had no trouble finding the man at the trailer court. On July 25 Wiggs was given a preliminary hearing on the charges and was released under \$3000 bond. He is scheduled to appear for arraignment Sept. 1 before Judge Rabb.

"I just don't understand it," said Sheriff Cunningham. "I got good men. They're all on the ball. I just don't understand it." And there the matter rested.

Mixup in Time Voids Trial, Saves Job for Fireman

A BOARD OF SAFETY order dismissing a city fireman with more than 20 years' service today was invalidated in a mixup over central standard and daylight times.

When Tony Boyd, a private with Engine Co. 1, Michigan St. and White River, failed to appear at the hearing, the Safety Board went ahead with the trial.

Fire department officers testified that Boyd was found intoxicated July 3 while on duty. The Safety Board then ordered his dismissal.

AN HOUR later Boyd appeared in the Safety Board chambers. He said he had been ordered to appear at 10 a. m. central standard time.

Board members peered at their watches and decided the hearing had begun at 10 a. m. daylight time. A new hearing was immediately ordered by Leroy Keach, board president.

Plan Services Friday For Samuel P. Graves

Burial for Samuel P. Graves, a chemical engineer for 12 years at the Richardson Rubber Co., will be in Concordia Cemetery following services at 3 p. m. Friday in the Moore & Kirk Northeast Chapel.

Mr. Graves died suddenly yesterday in his home, 2013 Parker Ave. He was 50.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Sophia M. Graves; two stepsons, Walter and William Lutz; two stepdaughters, Mrs. Margaret King and Mrs. Irene Burnett, both of Indianapolis; two brothers, Albert Graves, Sandusky, O., and Harry Graves, Indianapolis; and three sisters, Mrs. Jessie Brannon, West Mansfield, O.; Mrs. Joseph Smart, Columbus, O.; and Mrs. Anna Phillips, Indianapolis.

Robert W. Ballanger

Services for Robert William Ballanger, 1604 N. Arlington Ave., who died yesterday in St. Vincent's Hospital, will be held at 3 p. m. tomorrow in the Moore & Kirk Northeast Chapel. Burial will be in Floral Park.

Mr. Ballanger was employed as a stock keeper in the E. J. Milk Co. 34 years. He lived in Indianapolis 30 years.

His wife, Mrs. Susieanna Ballanger, survives.

Indianapolis 'On Safe Side' In Polio Scare

But Mayor Wants Health Rules Followed To Curb Spread

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wood grade school and was a member of the Sunday School class of the Edgewood Methodist Church.

Other survivors are two half-sisters, Mrs. Pauline Garrison and Mrs. Alice Ray and a half-brother, Russell Rader, all of Indianapolis. Funeral services will be held at 2 p. m. Friday in the Roy J. Tolin funeral home and burial will be in Round Hill cemetery.

Reported in 51 Counties

So far 51 of Indiana's 92 counties have reported at least one case of polio this year. Their individual totals ranged from one to as high as 50 cases and the 27 deaths were divided among 15 counties.

Here is the county-by-county polio incidence and deaths total to date, the first number indicating cases and the second number the dead:

Jay, 50-3; Delaware, 33-3; Randolph, 30-4; Marion, 20-1; St. Joseph, 11; Union, 11-1; Howard, 11-1; Madison, 9; Adams, 8-3; Lake, 8-1; Vanderburgh, 8; Allen, 6-2; Wayne and LaPorte, 5; Hamilton, 5-3; Blackford, 4; Grant, Tippecanoe, Montgomery and Payette, 3; Henry, 3-1; Warren, Wells, Hancock, Rush, Warwick, Floyd and Tipton, 2; Clay, 2-1; Fulton, Jackson and Vigo, 1-1; Gibson, Lagrange, Steuben, Kosciusko, Spencer, Clinton, Newton, Whitley, Cass, Fountain, Parke, Putnam, Monroe, Brown, Dearborn, Dearborn, Jennings, Boone and Knox, 1.

Fred Smith Services Are Set for Friday

Fred Smith, glassworker at the Fairmont Glass Co. for 40 years before his retirement two years ago, will be buried in Crown Hill following services at 1:30 p. m. Friday in Shirley Brothers Irving Hill Chapel.

Mr. Smith, who lived in 837 Teasdale St., died yesterday in the Conte Nursing Home after an illness of two years. He was 77. Born in Pennsylvania, he had been an Indianapolis resident for 32 years.

Surviving are a son, Fred J. Smith Jr., and a daughter, Miss Zola Smith, Indianapolis; a sister, Mrs. Katherine Courson, Pittsburgh, Pa.; and a grandchild.

An Indianapolis resident since 1901, he was a member of the Christian Church.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Opal Short, Adams, Ind.; a son, Clifford Longfellow, Indianapolis; a sister, Mrs. Emma Bitner, and a brother, William Longfellow, both of Kempton, Ind., and a grandchild.

Mrs. Daniel Newhart

Services for Mrs. Zippora M. Newhart, R. R. 1, Needham, who died yesterday in St. Vincent's Hospital, will be held at 1 p. m. tomorrow in the Moore & Kirk Northeast Chapel. Burial will be in Crown Hill. She was 78.

Born in Indianapolis, Mrs. Newhart lived here 68 years. She was a member of the Brightwood Methodist Church and the Ladies Aid of Boggs town.

Survivors include her husband, Daniel Newhart; a son, Erwin Newhart; a daughter, Mrs. Rex Fordice; two sisters, Mrs. Grace Engle and Mrs. Ida Buck, two grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Ernest A. Bohn

Services for Ernest A. Bohn, automobile mechanic, who died Monday in General Hospital, will be held at 10 a. m. Friday in the Harry W. Moore Peace Chapel. Burial will be in Forest Park.

Mr. Bohn lived in 125 E. Vermont St. He was 42.

Surviving are his wife, Virginia E.; two daughters, Virginia G. Carpenter and Linda Marie Bohn, Indiana; a son, Philip Leroy Bohn, Indianapolis; a sister, Miss Edna E. Bohn, New York City; and a granddaughter, Karen Sue Carpenter, Indianapolis.

Mrs. Nick Meko

Services for Mrs. Elnora Daffin Meko, 1938 N. Dearborn St., will be held at 3 p. m. Friday in Moore Peace Chapel. Burial will be in Washington Park cemetery.

Mrs. Meko, who was 26 died yesterday in her home. A life-time resident of Indianapolis, she was a member of Hillside Christian Church.

Surviving are her husband, Nick Meko; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Daffin, and a brother, Elbert Daffin, all of Indianapolis.

Times Carriers Stage Polio Fund Carnival



Jerry Smith, 10 (in black costume at right), of 3027 E. Michigan St., pulls Polio Queen Elaine Thompson, 4, of 3015 E. Michigan St., in her mobile throne during a neighborhood polio fund carnival staged yesterday by Indianapolis Times carrier boys and girls. Income totaled \$27.50. Dixie Lee Cox, 6, DuPont, cousin of Elaine, was admitted to Riley Hospital last Wednesday for polio treatment.

Brummett Rites Set for Saturday

Mrs. Margaret (Maggie) L. Brummett, 2717 N. Dearborn St., native of Monticello, Ky., and resident of Indianapolis 31 years, died today in General Hospital after a six months' illness. She was 76.

Services will be held for her Saturday at 10 a. m. in the Moore & Kirk Northeast Chapel. Burial will be in Anderson Cemetery.

Mrs. Brummett, who was a member of Christian Tabernacle Church, is survived by four sons, Benjamin, James McKinley and Charles Brummett, all of Indianapolis; four daughters, Mrs. Mary Stephenson, Mrs. Nona Montgomery, Mrs. Alice Massingale and Mrs. Nellie Barber, all of Indianapolis; 48 grandchildren and 29 great-grandchildren.

Record Health in U. S.

NEW YORK, Aug. 3 (UP)—Americans are healthier than they ever have been, the Metropolitan Insurance Co. reported yesterday. The company's statistical department said that general health conditions, as reflected in the mortality rate, "were better in the first half of 1949, than ever before."

Military Service For Sgt. DeLong

Burial with full military honors for Sgt. Walter R. DeLong, formerly of 229 W. Morris St., who was killed while serving with the infantry in the battle for France, will be held tomorrow afternoon in Floral Park.

The final guard of honor will be furnished by the American Legion.

Services will be held at 2 p. m. tomorrow in the Beaubien Mortuary.

A native of Putnamville, Sgt. DeLong spent most of his life in Indianapolis and attended School 12 and Manual Training High School. He participated in the National Youth Administration and CCC programs before entering the service, June 4, 1941.

After serving two years in the Tank Corps, he was transferred to the Air Corps, and later became an infantryman.

He was killed in action, Dec. 16, 1941 in France. He was 25. Surviving are his stepmother, Mrs. Netina DeLong; six half-

brothers, William, James, Walter, Kenneth, Richard, Frank and Carl David DeLong; four half-sisters, Mrs. Goldie Eaton and the Misses Virginia, Patricia and Billie Florence DeLong, and a grandmother, Mrs. Sarah Ferand.

Mrs. Mary Castleman

Mrs. Mary Bernice Castleman, 2192 N. Gale St., who died yesterday in the Marion County Tuberculosis Hospital at Sunnyside, will be buried in Old Union Cemetery near Lebanon, following services at 10 a. m. tomorrow in the Harry W. Moore Northeast Chapel.

Born in Boone County, Mrs. Castleman had lived in Indianapolis for 25 years and was a member of the Brightwood Christian Church. She was 54.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Everett Barnes and Mrs. William Corder, Indianapolis; two sons, John S. Taylor, Indianapolis, and Leland S. Taylor, Knightstown; a sister, Mrs. Daisy C. Dale, Lebanon, and a brother, C. F. Sheera, Lebanon.

BRITAIN RECALLS ENVOY

LONDON, Aug. 3 (UP)—Britain announced today the recall of Roderick Sarell, its charge d'affaires in Bucharest, but insisted it had nothing to do with the fact that Romania had demanded his recall.

Riley Polio Patients Bear Pain Bravely

IU Medical Center Gives Iron Lung Treatment to 17 of 98 Child Victims

By JOHN WILSON

The Indiana University Medical Center is providing efficient care of polio patients with all of the resources at its command. It is doing this despite the fact the Medical Center now is treating 17 cases in iron lungs—the largest number in its history among its 98 polio victims.

I took a walk through Riley Hospital for Children and the Rotary Convalescent Home yesterday with other newspapermen from counties which have sent patients to the Medical Center.

Children lay with hot packs wrapped on their stricken limbs and others peered from iron lungs, but there wasn't a whimper from the tiny victims. Instead, one heard only normal childish chatter.

Isolation patients are housed in the airy, well-lighted Ward E on the second floor of Riley Hospital. The 17 iron lungs, painted green, brown and cream, are placed in rows beside children who breathe normally.

Play With Toys

Pinwheels and colored pictures are attached to the "lungs" to keep up the spirits of the young patients. Other children in cribs have toys with which to while away the long hours.

A few steps down the long, spotless corridor is the physical therapy room. When the isolation period is past, the children are moved there to begin the long rehabilitation of withered muscles.

The room contains a large hydrotherapy pool, several whirlpools and a smaller pool containing hot water. Muscles begin to function once again with the aid of water, an attendant explained.

Later, young patients may even be taught to swim. Attendants said it provides a great psychological boost during the long periods the children are bedridden.

Retrain Muscles

In other rooms patients relearn how to walk, get in and out of wheelchairs, climb curbs. The length of time for the rehabilitation process depends on the patient. But in some cases it is four to five months before the child can support himself on crutches or braces.

Once a child nears recovery he is moved to the Rotary Convalescent Home. Occupational therapy is then provided to bring about a return of muscle power.

The occupational therapy room contains six looms, a workshop and tables where the children can play. Attendants said the looms are especially important since they provide co-ordination of both hands and feet.

At the present time, the majority of the 98 patients are between the ages of two and six years. However, there are some

Face Many Questions

With the number of confirmed cases nearing the 300 mark in the state, Medical Center polio researchers feel somewhat powerless since so little still is known about the disease. These are some of the questions they face:

ONE: Is polio caused by a virus which circulates in the blood? Dr. Donald Caseley, medical director, said that research so far has been unable to show that the virus circulates through the blood stream.

TWO: How does the disease spread from man to man? There is no definite answer yet.

THREE: Why is polio most prevalent during the summer months? Again the researchers are stumped.

Hard to Detect

Dr. D. W. Walcher, assistant professor of pediatrics, asserted this is among the main problems of the Medical Center faces. It, he said, becomes indignant when they are told that no positive diagnosis is available after the child has been in the hospital for several days.

He pointed out that there is no "easy" laboratory test for polio.

"His history says so," said Dr. Walcher, "but lab reports are negative."

He said the disease probably is more widespread throughout the population than is realized. Cases have been reported in which the virus was found 19 days before the crippling effects were known.

In other cases, he said, patients carry the disease for eight weeks. Through the common fly, the disease then may be transmitted to food which a human being consumes.

Medical Center physicians asked the newspapermen to try to curb hysteria arising in communities over the outbreak of polio.

Dr. Caseley pointed to one case of which he had learned: A grocer's child had been stricken with polio and his customers had refused to trade with him. "It is strictly nonsense," the doctor said.

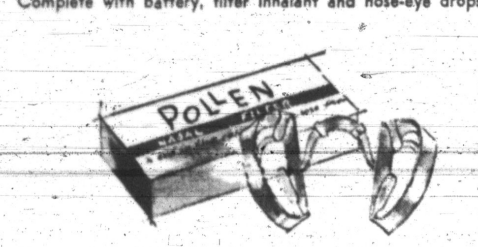
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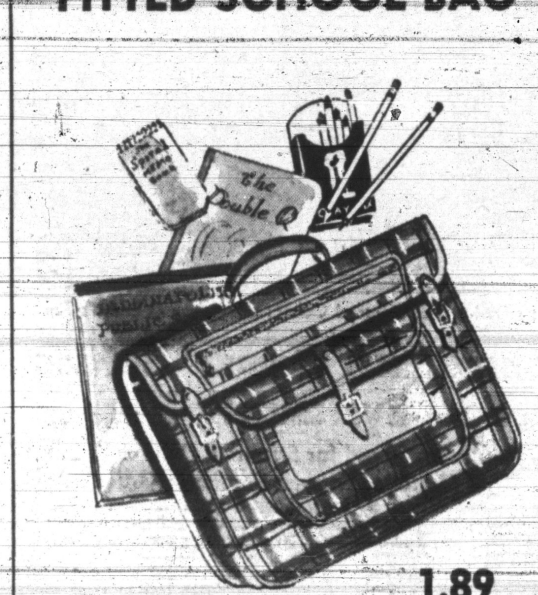
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