

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.

Infected in Traffic Death

Considering the evidence at hand, the jurors 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.

Was Never Arrested

Wiggs was to have been arraigned 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. Sophie Mix Graves; two stepsons, Walter and William Lutz; two stepdaughters, Mrs. Margaret King and Mrs. Irene Burnett, all of Indianapolis; two brothers, Albert Graves, Sandusky, O., and Harry Graves, Indianapolis, and three sisters, Mrs. Jessie Bannon, 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 Florin Park. He was 60.

A native of Hamilton County, Mr. Ballanger was employed as a stock keeper in the Elk Milk Co. 34 years. He lived in Indianapolis 50 years.

His wife, Mrs. Susieanna Ballanger, survives.

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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 Bay and a half-brother, Russell Rader, all of Indianapolis. Funeral services will be held at 2 p. m. Friday in the Roy J. Tolm 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 death 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; Madison, 9; Adams, 8-3; Lake, 8-1; Vanderburgh, 8; Allen, 6-2; Wayne and La Porte, 5; Hamilton, 5-3; Blackford, 4; Grant, Tippecanoe, Montgomery and Foy, 3; Henry, 3-1; Warren, 2-1; New Carlisle, Elkhart and in several southern Indiana communities.

He was a member of the Emmanuel Evangelical and Reformed Church and the Masonic Lodge in New Carlisle.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Anna, Dirkie Nice; a son, David Nice, Indianapolis; a daughter, Miss Janet Nice, Indianapolis; his father, Elmer Nice, Campbellsburg, Ind.; four brothers, Edward, Melvin and Banks Nice, Salem, Indiana; and Earl Nice, Cooksville, Ill., and five sisters, Mrs. Dora Whitfield, Campbellsburg; Mrs. Ethel Wilson; Mrs. Hazel Hoffmann, Casper, Wyo., and Mrs. Mary Strange, Dayton, O.

Joseph B. Longfellow

Joseph B. Longfellow, native of Tipton County and farmer most of his life, will be buried in Greensburg, Ind., following services at 10 a. m. Friday in the Harry Funeral Home.

Mr. Longfellow, who lived in 1422 Silver Ave., died yesterday after an illness of seven weeks. He was 83.

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 Florin Park. She was 72.

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

Survivors include her husband, Daniel Newhart; a son, Erwin Newhart; a daughter, Mrs. Rex Forde; two sisters, Mrs. Grace Engle and Mrs. Ida Buck, two granddaughters 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 Florin Park.

Mr. Bohn lived in 128 E. Vermont St. He was 42.

Surviving are his wife, Virginia E.; two daughters, Linda Marie Bohn, Indianapolis; a son, Phillip 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. Elmora 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 28, died yesterday in her home. A lifetime 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.

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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 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 lung patients, 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.

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"His history says so," said Dr. Welcher, "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 community, the disease then may be transmitted to food which a human being consumes.

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

older patients who have been stricken with polio and his customers had refused to trade with him. "It is strictly nonsense," the doctor said.

Medical Center physicians

contain 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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and defensive sent to all W/O George safety director an incident for

KITCHEN I

The Kitchen Lodge annual card party in the Food Building.

Military Service For Sgt. DeLong

Funeral of Local Hero Tomorrow

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 Old Union 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 Barker, all of Indianapolis; 48 grandchildren and 29 great-grandchildren.

Services will be held for her

at 10 a. m. tomorrow in the Harry W. Moore Northeast Chapel.

Mrs. Brummett, who was a

member of the Brightwood Christian Church. She was 54.

Surviving are two daughters,

Mrs. Everett Barnes and Mr. William Conder, 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.

DeLong spent most of his life

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,

1944, in France. He was 25.

Surviving are his stepmother,

Mrs. Netina DeLong; six half-