

Car Seat Cover May Be Clue In Bayles Case

An automobile seat cover spotted with rust was found yesterday along Guion Road under the 38th Street overpass, Indianapolis homicide detectives reported.

Lt. Joseph G. McAtee, assistant head of the homicide branch, sent the seat cover to the Indiana State Police laboratory to determine whether the spots were blood and whether it might be linked with the kidnap-slaying of newspaper carrier Jerry M. (Mike) Bayles.

THE SEAT COVER, along with several articles of clothing, was discovered by some youngsters whose mother called police. McAtee drove personally to the scene to collect the items.

He said the clothing definitely was not the articles worn by Mike at the time of the slaying but there was an outside possibility it belonged to someone connected with the case.

It consisted of a pair of blue jeans, too large for Mike, a yellow short-sleeve sports shirt with black checks, yellow windbreaker with blue and white

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