

Indict Town Official, Others

The Marion County Grand Jury yesterday indicted the town clerk-treasurer and two former members of the town board and charged them with entering into illegal contracts with the town and receiving unlawful remuneration.

Indictments against Mrs. Helen Hawes, the clerk-treasurer, and Lyle Crider and Otis Holzhausen, the former town board members, are based on a report submitted to the grand jury last December by the State Board of Accounts.

Also indicted was former schoolteacher and Boy Scout Troop leader, Thomas E. Hacker, 33, 288 South Audubon Road on a charge of assault and battery with intent to gratify sexual desires, in the Jan. 31 assault upon a 14-year-old boy.

Police records disclose Hacker has been sexually involved with more than 300 youths in the last few years. The current police investigation of Hacker's activities which was triggered Feb. 12, has so far implicated Hacker with more than 50 youths.

The grand jury returned six other indictments charging defendants with first-degree murder and two defendants were charged with involuntary manslaughter and reckless homicide in connection with traffic deaths.

In all, the grand jurors returned 37 indictments against persons who were bound over from lower courts and charged 21 other persons on indictments based on original investigation.

PERSONS CHARGED in the secret indictments will not be identified until their arrests.

The state accounts board audit of Cumberland town records, covering 1966 through 1968, showed that Mrs. Hawes, 215 South Hefflin Street, rented a portion of her home to the town, for use as an office for \$600 per year, from May, 1966, through August 1968.

According to the report, Crider, 12919 Saxson Street, accepted \$15,000 from the town, \$750 per month, as fees for sewer and water line inspection and other duties, from May 1966 through August, 1968, while he was a board member.

Holzhausen, 11011 East Washington Street, the report said, received about \$1,500 in fees from the town as a sewer inspector on a part-time basis during the same period. He was a board member at the time.

Snyder said two state laws make it clear that no town board members or city officials may receive remuneration or profit from any municipal board contract, except their salaries. Penalty upon conviction carries a 2-to-14-year prison term.

CRIDER WAS reportedly in charge of inspection of the sewer and water line maintenance systems at Cumberland.

Hacker, police said, was active in youth work, as a teacher at Public School 37, 5435 East Washington Street, and as

Scoutmaster for Troop 3 at the Irvington Presbyterian Church, 35 Johnson Avenue.

He taught seventh and eighth-grade English classes at the school and was active in extra-curricular sports activities both in the school and in scouting.

Hacker is married and the father of two children.

James Doolin, 33, 3527 North Taft Street, who is partially paralyzed and confined to a wheelchair, was charged with the pistol slaying of William Schubnell, 44, 4112 Beauport Road, last Jan. 18.

More than six years ago Schubnell shot and wounded Doolin, who was beating him with a pool cue, according to police. The bullet wound Schubnell inflicted resulted in Doolin's partial paralysis, deputy prosecutor William F. Snyder Jr., said.

Richard J. Shroyer, 33, Wapakoneta, O., a truck driver for Yellow Freight System Inc., was indicted on charges of reckless homicide and involuntary manslaughter in the last Dec. 23 traffic death of Mrs. Edna Clarkson, 55, McCordsville, at Ind. 67 and Post Road.

Robert Surratt, 35, 2152 North Keystone Avenue, was charged with involuntary manslaughter and reckless homicide in the May 24, 1969, death of Benjamin Phillips, 44, 1518 East 18th Street, who was a passenger in his car.

Other murder indictments included:

James Dulin, 23, 2915 Washington Boulevard, charged with the pistol slaying Jan. 23 of John Henry Reed, 33, 2016 Gent Street; John Paxton, 49, 5723 East 21st Street, charged with the pistol slaying Sept. 5, 1969, of Charles Mathers, 44, 124 North Linwood Avenue;

William Perkins, 18, 2454 North New Jersey Street, charged with the pistol slaying Feb. 4 of a cousin, Ronnie Gillenwater, 19, of the same address; and Ernestine Polk, 22, 2916 Stuart Street, charged with the pistol slaying last Dec. 6 of her common-law husband, James Johnson, 23, in their home.

Other indictments:

Ronnie Johnson, 18, 2001 North Euclid Avenue, robbery and holding entry in commission of a robbery; James Anderson, 18, 2721 1/2 North New Jersey Street, assault and battery with intent to rape; Donald Baker, 25, 3006 North Greenwood Avenue, robbery, rape, assault and battery; Michael Caron, 26, 300 West 50th Street, robbery and rape; Sharon Braden, alias Sharon Larkin, 21, 2713 Caroline Avenue, violation of the 1935 Narcotics Act; Tommy Conley, 20, 1427 Pleasant Street, violation of the 1935 Firearms Act.

Charles Conder, 3905 Gateway Drive, Keith A. Durr, Indianapolis, Stephen Sherman, 4919 Capricorn Avenue, United State Burglary; Thomas E. Encks, 145 West Morris Street, slaying of a juror (pending); Thelma Conzett Dale Gains, 33, 412 Walker Street, robbery.

Paul Gorman, 26, 1143 Vandewater Street, rape; Thomas E. Hacker, 20, 288 South Audubon Road, assault and battery with intent to gratify sexual desires; Thomas Hamilton, 2117 Massachusetts Avenue, burglary; James Hamilton, 19, 4130 Oxford, kidnapping; Thelma Ray Heger, 40, North Walnut Avenue; Larry Turbin, 26, 142 North King Avenue, violation of the 1935 Firearms Act; Pleasant Street, first-degree burglary.

James Holmes, 2141 North Tacoma Street, violation of the 1935 Firearms Act; Alton Ison, 25, 1125 West Avenue and George Smith, 23, 1923 West Avenue, kidnapping; Burglary; Clyde Johnson, 31, 4345 Sunset Lane, assault and battery with intent to rape; Suburban Street, Kelly, 18, 5109 Pleasant Avenue, theft; David Lewis, 19, 4200 Lafayette Road; Harold Livingston, 19, 2642 West 66th Street; Steven Nichols, 16, 2100 West 5th

Street, and Dan Wick, 19, 4913 Munster Lane, 41, charged with second-degree burglary.

Also charged were: Lyle L. Hamilton, 42, 1818 Marlborough Avenue, violation of the 1935 Firearms Act; James Hickey, 1144 West Avenue, theft; Janet Pierce, 1122 Newse Road; Ruth Pounds, 26, 6012 West Washington Street and Marjorie Reed, 23, 1412 North Park Avenue, theft; George Smith, 23, 1923 West Avenue, kidnapping; Burglary; Larry Tawson, 46, North King Avenue, violation of the 1935 Firearms Act; William Vanden, 21, 2840 North Park Avenue, violation of the 1935 Firearms Act; George K. Ward, 25, 1111 East Wade Street, violation of the 1935 Firearms Act; Lee Williams, 74, North Line Street, violation of the 1935 Firearms Act.