

Phone Calls Offer Stab Death Tips

City and state police investigators conferred today on telephone calls offering leads in the Saturday stabbing death of a 10-year-old Westside boy.

He was abducted while delivering The Star.

Jerry M. Bayles, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry B. Bayles, 3028 W. Jackson, disappeared after delivering just two papers on the route of his brother, Gordon, 15.

His nearly nude body was found about four hours later in high weeds on a Henry County farm 40 miles east of Indianapolis.

Patrick J. Uberta, acting captain of the city police homicide branch, said he had three men working on the case and had offered state police any assistance after conferring with state police Sgt. Martin Werling, assigned to the investigation from the Connersville post.

Police officials declined to release details of all but one of the calls, received after Eugene C. Pulliam, publisher of The News and The Star, offered \$5,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the slayer.

A motorist, whose name was withheld, told police yesterday he saw a man holding a knife against a small boy Saturday in the first block of South Harris, two blocks from the boy's home and near the spot where the boy's bicycle and undelivered papers were found.

The motorist told police he stopped when a light blue or light green, late 1950s model auto with a Marion County license plate pulled in front of him, blocking the street.

He said he saw a man in his 20s

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