

police/courts

The following incidents were among those that were reported to police departments in the St. Louis metropolitan area or that involved action in one of the area's courts:

Robberies

St. Louis

Chauki Faud, 30, told police he was walking in the 700 block of Aubert Avenue at about 4 p.m. Thursday when two men, one with a pistol, demanded money. Faud said he had lost \$500, a watch and a ring.

Three St. Charles residents were held up by two armed men who abducted them early Thursday in the 5000 block of Wells Avenue, police said. The robbers forced Larry Kurtz, 30, into the back seat of his car with his two passengers, Tresa Caughron, 22, and Denis Roberts, 27, police said. They drove the three to St. Louis and Norwood avenues, where they fled with \$216 and some jewelry, police said.

Burglaries

Lemay

Vincent Breyfogle, owner of Duerst Finest Meats, 2549 Telegraph Road, Lemay, reported to St. Louis County Police that his butchershop had been broken into between 6 p.m. Wednesday and 6 a.m. Thursday. He said \$1,150 was taken.

An undetermined amount of drugs was taken from the Medicare Pharmacy, 3518 Lemay Ferry Road, Lemay, in a burglary reported Thursday. County police reported that the front door was broken at 1 a.m. Thursday, which tripped a silent alarm.

Court Docket

St. Louis

A grand jury in St. Louis Circuit Court Thursday indicted Rodney L. Lincoln on charges of capital murder and two counts of first-degree assault in the killing of Jo Ann Tate, and the stabbing of her two daughters. Mrs. Tate, 35, was stabbed fatally April 27 in her home in the 1400 block of Farrar Street. Her daughters, Melissa Davis, 7, and Joanna Renee Tate, 4, were wounded critically. An artist's sketch, based on descriptions from the two girls, was used to identify Lincoln, 37, of the 8100 block of Minnesota Avenue. Lincoln has been held in the City Jail in lieu of \$1 million bond since his arrest in May.

U.S. District Court

A jury has awarded \$150,000 to a St. Louis County woman who alleged that her late husband suffered lung cancer from his prolonged exposure to asbestos fibers. A jury in Chief Judge H. Kenneth Wangelin's court made the award on Wednesday to Florence Ubben of Bellefontaine Neighbors. Jurors ruled against the Johns-Mansville Sales Corp.

Traffic Fatalities

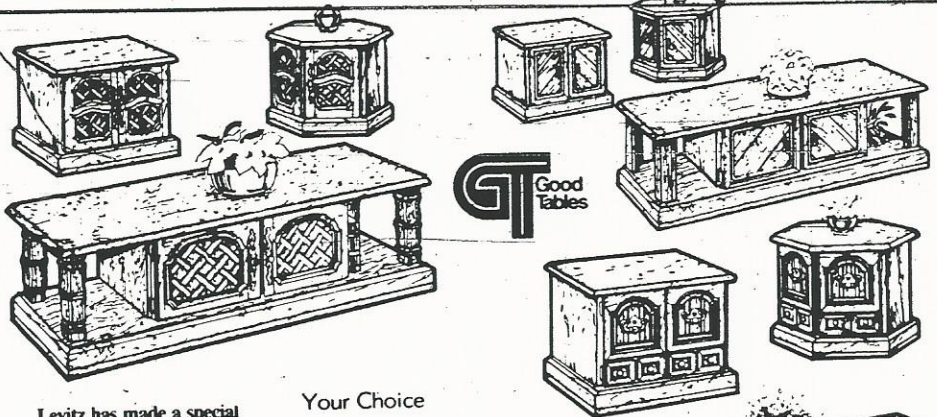
Lincoln County

Four persons, including a St. Louis County man, were killed Thursday morning in a two-vehicle collision on U.S. 61 in Lincoln County 10 miles north of Troy, Mo., police said. The accident occurred about 8:45 a.m. when a northbound pickup driven by Irvin S. Hampton, 41, of the 700 block of Pardella in Lemay, collided with a southbound auto, driven by Norman H. Lovell, 65, of Whiteside, Mo. Hampton, Lovell and the two passengers in his car — his wife, Emma, 65, and grandson, Clinton L. Lovell, 4, of Eolia, Mo. — were killed. A Highway Patrol officer said Hampton's truck was apparently northbound in the southbound lane. The officer said that although U.S. 61 is a two-lane road at the accident site, it is a divided highway south of that point. "There were no survivors and no witnesses, but we're assuming that Hampton had not realized that the divided



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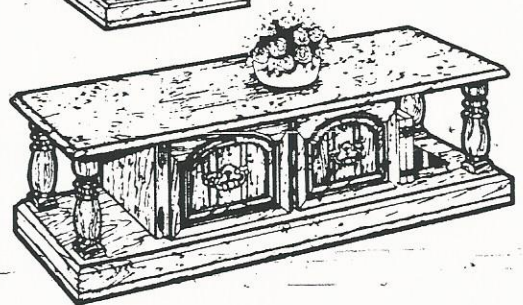
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