
**WSU CAMERAMAN
GETS DEATH THREAT**

Police Guarding Sidney Fields, III

Body of Slain Police Killer Is Claimed By Mother In Chicago

Events continued in kaleidoscopic pattern in connection with the tragic slaying of Policeman Harold Tullke, the death of his assailant, Simms Hicks, Jr., also known as Andre Rene D'Artagnan and the attack on two Negro photographers at the scene by an enraged off-duty policeman.

Divorce Action Lodged Against Reggie Harding

Some days you just can't make a dime, or so it may seem to Reggie Harding of the Detroit Pistons.

Four days prior to his being fined \$533 for reporting late to games, Harding was slapped with a divorce suit that charged him with extreme and repeated acts of cruelty to his wife, Nadine.



REGGIE HARDING

The divorce suit, filed by the law firm of Keith, Conyers and Anderson, also charged the controversial seven-foot basketball player with non-support.

An injunction was filed ordering Harding not to dispose of any of the three rooms of furniture or his 1964 Thunderbird.

He was also ordered to pay \$40 a week for the care of each of the two children.

Saturday, Sidney Fields, III, a student at Wayne State university, one of the two photographers who had cameras smashed by off-duty police officer Joseph Michalski, was the recipient of death threats by telephone. He is now receiving round-the-clock protection from police.

Edgar Taylor, the other photographer who is a member of the City Information Bureau, suffered a fractured jaw during the melee following the shooting of officer Tullke on Saturday, December 12. Taylor has made a statement regarding the attack but has yet to file charges against Michalski.

The officer, now suspended pending trial board action, continues to deny he struck Taylor although he admits smashing the cameras, valued at more than \$1,000.

In a statement made to his superiors, the suspended policeman contends he was emotionally overcome by the sight of a fellow officer being shot and consequently smashed the cameras in a fit of rage after the photographers failed to heed a warning not to take any pictures at the scene.

He denies his attack was racially inspired, although his targets were Negro, and contends he did not know at the time that D'Artagnan, who also happened to be a photographer, was a Negro.

In the meantime, the police department is waiting for Taylor to make charges against Michalski so that they can bring him to trial.

D'Artagnan, identified by fingerprints from the Los Angeles and Chicago police department and by his wife, Mrs. Inez D'Artagnan, was

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later identified as Simms Hicks, Jr., and his body has been claimed by his mother, Mrs. Simms Hicks, of Chicago.

Mrs. Inez D'Artagnan, whose complaints against her husband set off the chain of events that led to the tragic slayings after identifying the body, left the city for New York which she asserted is her home, without showing any concern for the disposal of the body.

The body was released to O'Neil Swanson, Detroit mortician, for preparation for shipment to Chicago at the request of the dead man's mother.

Information was not available at press time as to the time and place of burial.

Although Michalski was suspended on the charges made by Fields, it was learned that the smashing of a camera alone could not be considered cause for dismissal.

A stiffer penalty against the policeman would be forthcoming if Taylor placed charges against him and the charges of assault upheld by the police board.