Trash Carrier Fire Traps, Kills Youth

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Robert H. Williams, 17-year-old Centennial High School student of 2614 Greenwood, died of suffocation or burns about 2:15 p.m. Wednesday when he was trapped inside a trailer trash truck by flames at the city north of Pueblo.

Williams was employed by Chet's Master Market, 26th and Elizabeth, and had driven to the dump with a load of trash.

Police Sgts. D. H. McDonald and J. J. Ruggieri said the metal trailer had only two doors which were at the rear and opened outward.

Williams had maneuvered the vehicle to the edge of the dump, then entered the trailer and began to throw the trash into the dump area.

Flames Blown

A gust of wind carried flames from the dump area into the trailer, trapping the youth.

Williams' screams attracted the attention of Elizar Cordova, 2109 E. Ninth, Tony Pisciotta, 2025 E. 12th, and Henry Ottati, the dump caretaker.

Cordova drove the truck away from the edge of the bank and the men began shoveling dirt into the trailer in an attempt to extinguish the flames.

The men told Ruggieri and McDonald that they called for Williams to jump through the flames near the door of the truck, but he did not respond. It could not be determined whether the youth then had lost consciousness from suffocation.

Body Found

The flames were not extinguished until city firemen arrived. Firemen removed his body from the front end of the trailer, about 10 feet from the doors.

Williams was a native of Pueblo and was a member of Park Hill Baptist Church.

Surviving him are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Williams, and three brothers, James L. and Douglas E. Williams, all of the family home, and John L. Williams of Grand Junction, and a grandmother, Mrs. Edna Burgess, Pueblo.

The time of funeral services will be announced by T. G. McCarthy Funeral Home.



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Springs Man Drowns On Creede Trip

CREEDE (C-SJ) — Searchers Tuesday morning found the body of a Colorado Springs man in Big Squaw Creek, about 30 miles north of Creede.

Herbert C. Hale, 45, had been away from his home about 10 days on a fishing trip. He apparently drowned while working the stream. A reel was found on the bank near his body.

Mrs. Hale Tuesday had reported her husband missing. Orville Allen, caretaker at Trejos 30-Mile Resort, told the Forest Service of finding a car abandoned in the area.

It was identified as belonging to Hale. The automobile was well stocked with food, some of which was spoiled. There were signs someone had slept in the car.

Mineral County Sheriff Harry L. Larson, Forest Ranger Roy Huebner, Allen and his son found the body about mid-morning.

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of Labor W. Willard Wirtz virtually conceded Wednesday that it will be up to the administration, with congressional backing, to head off a nationwide rail-

Parolees May Have Their Heads Shaved

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — A county judge has announced a plan to require juvenile first offenders placed on parole to have their heads shaved during the parole period.

Judge William Heuerman said this will teach the offenders that parole is not "just a breeze," as some have suggested.