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ANAMOSA, IOWA, JUNE 29 (AP)-AN ATHENS, TEX., WOMAN WHO, POLICE SAID, EXPRESSED A WISH THAT PRESIDENT JOHNSON WAS DEAD, WAS BEING HELD IN JAIL TODAY.

THE WOMAN, IDENTIFIED AS MRS. ANNA ALFORD, 66, WAS SENTENCED TO TWO DAYS IN JAIL ON A VAGRANCY CHARGE.

POLICE PATROLMAN CLAUDE GRANDSTAFF SAID MRS. ALFORD WAS ARRESTED LAST NIGHT IN FRONT OF A CAFE..

HE SAID SHE HAD TOLD TWO WOMEN WHO PICKED HER UP AS SHE WAS HITCHHIKING THAT SHE WAS GOING TO DES MOINES, WHERE PRESIDENT JOHNSON IS EXPECTED TO VISIT TOMORROW.

ANAMOSA IS ABOUT 135 MILES EAST OF DES MOINES.

GRANDSTAFF SAID THE TWO WOMEN QUOTED MRS. ALFORD AS SAYING SHE WISHED PRESIDENT JOHNSON WAS DEAD, AND THAT SHE SOMEHOW SEEMED TO BLAME THE PRESIDENT FOR THE DEATH OF HER HUSBAND.

GRANDSTAFF SAID MRS. ALFORD HAD A THREE-INCH JACKKNIFE IN ONE OF THE THREE DRESSES SHE WAS WEARING. SHE CARRIED ONLY 85 CENTS IN CASH.

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