

# Police Seek Companion Of Teacher

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The nude, knife-punctured body of a Toronto, Canada, man was found this morning huddled beneath a sheet in the cabin of a Chef Menteur hwy. motel.

Coroner's investigator Sam Moran said the victim, a man in his forties, registered at the Carmen D Motel, 6201 Chef Menteur hwy., Thursday under the name of William A. Dale.

Motel manager Charles Alberts said Dale identified himself as a teacher. He arrived at the motel in a compact foreign car accompanied by a well dressed young man in his middle 20s.

Dr. Ignatio Medina, assistant Orleans Parish coroner, said Dale had been stabbed nine times in the chest and abdomen and at least seven times in the back.

**HOMICIDE** detectives launched an immediate search for Dale's companion. The car, bearing a Victoria University parking permit, was parked beside the cabin in which Dale's body was found.

Moran said the room was a "bloody mess" when the motel manager stumbled upon Dale's body about 9 a.m.

Alberts told the States-Item

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that Dale, a tall, well-dressed balding man, registered between 1 and 2 p. m. Thursday.

He paid for the motel room through tomorrow with two \$20 travelers checks, the manager recalled, while the young companion remained in the car.

**ALBERTS SAID** he led the men to the cabin, lighted the heater and paid no more attention to the travelers until he received a call for Dale this morning.

Alberts said the caller, who asked that Dale telephone him, left no name but gave him a local telephone number.

When Alberts went to the cabin there was no answer to his knock. He tried the handle, and the door opened. Alberts said he had to push his way in because Dale's sheet-covered body was partially blocking it.

Detectives said they found no personal papers or identification in the blood-spattered room. The dead man's wallet was missing, they added.

Moran said police found articles of clothing which they believed were Dale's.

His blue foreign car bore an Ontario license plate with the identification numbers 10-442. He listed his home address in Toronto as 135 Rose ave. when he registered.