

LEOPOLD BOISVERT IS ARRESTED IN FATAL HIT-RUN ACCIDENT

Police Say Oxford Street Man to Be Charged with
Manslaughter As Result of Confession He Was at
Wheel of Car That Killed Amedee Kirouac—Four
Others, Passengers in Machine, Questioned

Leopold Boisvert, 28, of 125 Oxford street, was arrested by Lewiston police, Tuesday night, for the hit-run death of Amedee P. Kirouac on Sabbatus street near Thorne's Corner, Monday night.

Capt. O'Connell said the man signed a written confession. Police will ask a manslaughter warrant against Boisvert, today.

Two men and two women alleged to have been with Boisvert at the time of the accident were rounded up after three hours work and also were questioned.

Boisvert's arrest, made at his home by Capt. O'Connell and Officer Benoit, resulted from information obtained by the latter in a routine check-up of the case.

Walked Past Scene of Fatal Accident

Boisvert, police said, admitted he knew his car had struck some object. He stopped a short distance farther on, got out of the car, but when he heard a woman shouting for police, returned to the machine and drove away.

The others had left the car. Three of them walked back by the scene of the accident where a crowd already had begun to collect.

The fourth disappeared and not until late Tuesday night were police able to find him.

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Came From Newburyport

Others in the car, according to police, were Mr. and Mrs. Fernand Ouellette of Lewiston and Newburyport, Mass., Mrs. Jeannette Carrier of Temple street, and Percy Cote of Shawmut street.

All had been employed at Newburyport as shoeworkers. They were laid off, Monday, and came back here late in the evening.

They went to Mrs. Carrier's home, left Mrs. Carrier's children and two Ouellette children there. Planning to get groceries for supper, they stopped at the Pine Grove cafe and had two or three drinks of beer.

Felt Impact On Car

On leaving the beer parlor they found all stores in the vicinity closed and decided to come to the city. Between Thorne's Corner and Holy Family church, as definitely as Boisvert could locate it, he felt a bump.

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Heard Woman's Shouts

He walked back part way to the car and heard a woman screaming that a man had been killed and asking police be called.

He turned and went back to his car. The others had disappeared. Police learned that Cote immediately left the scene. They found no trace of him until after 11 p.m. His wife said he was at Newburyport, did not know he had returned here.

Officers Kelley and Rancourt located him at the home of Amedee Boulay, Randall road.

Mr. and Mrs. Ouellette and Mrs. Carrier walked back along Sabbatus street. They passed the scene of the accident. They told police, Tuesday night, a man was telling people to keep moving. A crowd was beginning to collect.

They went to Mrs. Carrier's home. Meanwhile, Boisvert said, he drove home, put his car next to the block in which he has a third floor apartment, and did not use the car

Marks On Car

The left front fender of the car showed a comparatively slight dent in the side.

The top rear of the fender was badly scratched. The left end of the rear bumper had been bent backward.

On the left rear door was found a stain believed to have been made by blood. Portions of this were submitted to Dr. R. A. Belliveau, Ste. Marie's General hospital pathologist, for analysis.

Several pieces of gray hair found on the machine also were submitted to the physician for comparison with the victim's hair.

Kirouac Changing Tire

Kirouac, a milk dealer, was changing a tire when struck. His body, it appeared from marks on the side of his truck, was picked up and jammed between the cars and then dropped at the rear of his truck.

He was rushed to Ste. Marie's General hospital but died almost immediately after entering.

Driving 1934 Nash