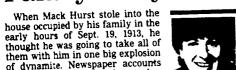
Family lucky to survive killer with dynamite sticks



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mite; his alcohol-clouded judge-5-13-1989 ment; and a circumstance he could not have known in advance. Since he had moved out, the household sleeping arrangements had been

explosives when working on a cistern for S.J. Jordan and may have had some "left over." Seventeen of the 18 people in the house that morning owed their lives to three important facts -Hurst's artlessness regarding dyna-

changed Thinking he was entering his

wife's room, Hurst approached the bed occupied by three of his daughters, Fanny, Elizabeth and Maude. Apparently, Maude sat up, and just before the explosion, from another

room. Hurst's wife heard her husband say, "Lay down, Rena, we'll die together." In his suicidal desperation, Hurst see Looking back, Back page

of the tragedy differ in the number of sticks he had with him, but the stories agree that a knowledge of dynamite sticks in the first place. It explosives was not one of his skills. was learned by a reporter for the The Bloomington Telephone speculated about where Hurst got the newspaper that Hurst had used