

# When jilting a lover was serious business

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Herkless was gone for good) a brother of the girl had a warrant sworn out before James Rice, justice of the peace, for the arrest of Herkless on the charge of seduction. He left his clothes here and it is stated that some of the girl's clothing was found in his trunk yesterday.

It is likely that persons in a position to know what actually happened suddenly discovered the good sense of not talking to *Telephone* reporters again. The

threatened "case" disappeared abruptly from the news.

And what of Miss Bowles and Herkless? He did not pursue his law studies at another college. The IU alumni records indicate that at his death in East Chattanooga, Tenn., in 1966, he was a retired construction engineer.

Ola Bowles did not "waste away" or retire from the Bloomington social scene. A year and seven months later she married a Henry S. Mercer in Monroe County.

Perhaps, "Ola and Henry Mercer" sounds better than "Ola and Ora Herkless" anyway.