

HELEN SPORE - lost

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No trace of Helen Spore, formerly adopted daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Spore of this city had been found by the police of LaPorte today. The 17 year old girl disappeared from the home of her adopted parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Severs, north of LaPorte Sunday. Today posses of citizens were searching the community in the hope of finding a clue that would disclose the whereabouts of the girl. Following her mysterious disappearance Sunday her friends thought she had merely tired of her home with the Severs and had wandered away but the persistent rumor of an auto with three men being seen near the Severs home Sunday evening has led to the belief that she was lured away and it is feared harm has come to her. The disappearance of the girl following closely upon the discovery of the murder of Hazel Macklin at South Bend has caused much excitement. The rumor of the auto driving up to Severs home with headlights burning dimly has added to the interest in the case, according to a dispatch from LaPorte today. The mysterious feature of the case and the thing that is proving a problem to the police is the fact that the only clothing missing from the girl's wardrobe was a sweater and a night dress and the police think Hazel wore these when she stole from the house Sunday night to join the trio of men in the auto. The Crawfordsville police have received no further information in the case. Chief Stewart sent a message to the LaPorte police Wednesday explaining what was known of the girl's history here and calling attention to the possibility of the girl's mother, an Indianapolis woman, having caused her to be lured away from her adopted parents.