ROY TRACEY

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As the result of a sanity inquest held Tuesday afternoon in the office of Justice EM Brewer, Roy M. Tracey of Wingate, 38 years old, will be taken to the Central Hospital for the insane at Indianapolis as soon as the necessary papers can be prepared. The Inquest was held by Justice Brewr and Drs. JW Dickerson of Wingate, HW Sigmond and JN Taylor of this city, and the verdict that the young farmer was of unsound mind was reached after a number of witnesses had been examined. According to the testimony Tracey's chief hallucation was that he was very wealthy and it was given in evidence that he had tried to purchase all the property in Wingate and numerous surrounding farms.

Tracey has a wife and three children. A few weeks ago he was arrested and held in jail here for a time on a charge of child desertion. It is now believed that he was mentally deranged when he left his wife and children. He seemed cheerful and completely rational Tuesday when brought to this city and was aware of the proceedings in Justice Brewer's court. He stated to friends here that he was glad he was to be taken to the hospital as he realized his condition and felt positive that his cure could be effected at the institution in a short time, .He desired to be taken to the Central hospital at once and when he was informed that he must remain in jail until arrangements were completed for his departure he broken down and wept - thanks to Kim H