

## Murder Investigation Continues

FISCHER, PETERSEN, KELLER, GOODWIN

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Murder Investigation Continues This Week

While rumors abounded among the residents of the Maquoketa area, Iowa Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) agents and local law enforcement personnel stated Monday, March 3, that there were no new developments relating to the Feb. 25 stabbing death of Mrs. Hulda Fischer, 84 of Maquoketa.

Mrs. Fischer died as a result of multiple stabbing wounds in her chest and abdomen by an unknown assailant.

Seven BCI initially were called to Maquoketa, under the leadership of special agent Tim McDonald. McDonald and two other agents remain in Maquoketa to continue the investigation.

The BCI force was reduced Sunday, March 2 when several of the agents were called to Davenport to investigate the shooting of Terry Spurrier, 27.

Spurrier was the victim of a shotgun wound Sunday, in the home of his father Sgt. Lowell Spurrier of the Davenport Police Department. Spurrier is listed in critical condition in a Davenport hospital.

Mrs. Fischer's body was discovered by neighbors Mrs. Hattie Petersen, Ronald Keller and Thomas Goodwin.

Mrs. Petersen lives at 420 North Fifth St. and Mrs. Fischer lived at 418 North Fifth St. Keller and Goodwin own and operate the Antique Room around the corner on Grove St.

Mrs. Fischer had lived at the Fifth St. residence for nearly 16 years. She had lived alone there for nine years following the death of her husband John L. Fischer, in 1965.

Death of Mrs. Fischer resulted from a number of stab wounds using a common kitchen butcher knife.

BCI agents and Maquoketa chief of police Buddy Olson have been tight-lipped concerning the investigation and offered "no comment" when asked if there were any leads or suspects.

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