Guards Indicted as Prisoner Beaten to Death in Georgia

AUGUSTA, Ga.—(ANP)—The death of a Negro prisoner, inmate of the Richmond county stockade here, resulted last Thursday in the indictment of three convict guards on 12 assault and battery charges. Ike Crawford, the victim was admitted to the University hospital where attendants state the dead man's head had been beaten into a pulp.

Following a lengthy probe, the guards, Davis Turner, Horace Wingard and Alvin Jones, were indicted. Turner is additionally charged with beating eight other Negroes. Jones reportedly struck two unmercifully and Wingard allegedly beat another.

Undaunted Negro prisoners faced the hastily summoned grand jury and told of wholesale beatings of Negroes. Testimony branded Turner as being constantly armed with a rubber hose with which he beat prisoners. It was added that the hose had attached to it a wooden handle which Turner concealed beneath his clothes.

Prisoners also testified that while Turner was beating Crawford, they heard the latter cry, "Cap'n, you hit me in the eye." When admitted to the hospital, Crawford was sightless in the left eye.

The Federal laboratories denied a report that Crawford had died from a liver ailment, as revealed by an autopsy. Indications they inferred pointed to what hospital attendants stated, "severe beatings about the head."

STYLE ART CHARITY CLUB

The Style Art club will present the, "Willie Covin Juvenile Review," July 10 at the Embassy Auditorium. This will be the third annual program featuring the Covin Kiddies by this group.

The organization has made contributions amounting to about $1,400 to the Outdoor Health and Life Association, Children's Orthopedic Hospital, Girls' Home of Peoples Independent Church of Christ and the U.S.O. Linen contributions to the Outdoor Health and Life Association are also planned.

Members of this club include: Anne Dunbar, Frances Winston, Haille Dell Fleming, Piccolia Brown, Willie Mae Coffey, Josie Reynolds, Sunice Smyles, Juanita Morton, Mary Edna Campbell, Mae Pierson, Priscilla Bailey, Edna Mae Centers, Lucille Claxton and Anne Houchins.