

Slain Missionary's Widow Going Back to Tribal Area

Pontiac, Mich., Nov. 20 (AP) – Less than a year after her missionary husband was slain by fierce Ecuadoran tribesmen, Mrs. T. Edward McCully, jr., is returning to South America to continue his work.

Mrs. McCully, 28, will take along her three children, Steve, 4; Mike, 22 months, and Matt, 9 months.

Her husband and four other missionary workers were hacked to death last January by Auca Indians they had been seeking to convert to Christianity. Searchers found the bodies along the Curarray [sic],

Mrs. McCully said, "Although my husband's efforts were tragically cut short, I'm sure his good work will be lasting and an inspiration to others."

She has been visiting here at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold F. Hobolth, before returning to Quito, Ecuador, on November 28. She met her husband at the First Baptist church in Pontiac in November, 1950.

Her mission task in Ecuador will be to make a home for children of missionary parents working the jungles with Indian tribes.

"The spiritual rewards of missionary work far exceed any physical discomfort or danger," Mrs. McCully said, "I would be happy if our children follow the same calling."

Her husband and his fellow workers had been dropping gifts to the Aucan tribesmen by plane and reported friendly contact with them. They landed and the last radio message from them was the ominous, "Her comes a group of Aucas whom we have not known before."