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# Cabbie Slain; Union Bares Threat

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The badly beaten body of a United Cab Co. driver, missing since early Thursday morning, was found yesterday afternoon.

A group of youths made the grisly discovery adjacent to 10th Avenue and Williams Road on State Road Department

property in a rural area east of Hillsborough County.

Major Frank Bowen of the police department said there were indications of a struggle near the stacks of trash, bricks and broken block pilings about 50 feet from where the body of Bland S. Stewart, 48, was found.

IN ANOTHER development, a cab union spokesman said yesterday that Stewart had been threatened by a non-union driver while he was picketing about four days ago.

Stewart was reported missing Thursday afternoon on the job for United. His blood stained cab was found later Thursday by police officers who were searching for another United Cab Co. vehicle that later was found in a canal.

Police Sgt. Ralph Mills said cause of death was not known until an autopsy is performed.

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