

MISSING FORMER SOLICITOR MYSTERY

As Cheshire Police to-day continued inquiries into the mystery disappearance of a former solicitor, his sister, Mrs. Joyce Swindles, said: "We are very worried about him. We think he may have lost his memory and be wandering about."

Bachelor Mr. Herbert Wilkinson, aged 52, who lived alone at 79 Nantwich Road, Middlewich, vanished 11 days ago, leaving no message with his house-keeper and without cancelling the deliveries of milk and newspapers.

In March this year his practice ended when the disciplinary committee of the Law Society found him guilty of making untrue declarations, failing to attend to clients affairs with reasonable expedition, and using clients' money for other clients' purposes.

His counsel said at the time that Mr. Wilkinson had been sick in mind and body for some time before the hearing, adding: "There have been no complaints of defalcations only complaints of dilatoriness."

Police who searched waterways in the area and are anxious to interview a bearded man who had been seen with Mr. Wilkinson recently, said a spokesman: "We understand the man may have offered Mr. Wilkinson a canal boat holiday, but we can't trace him."