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River Vice Agent Tells Prostitution Profit Lure

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Staff Writer

SANTA ROSA — A novice undercover agent for the Sonoma County district attorney testified in the Russian River prostitution trial Thursday that defendant John Brick told her she would make $6,000 if she worked as a prostitute during the July encampment of the Bohemian Club.

Linell Worthington, a 28-year-old divorcee, said she and a friend Kitty Sanders frequented bars in the river area in May and June of 1971 to make themselves known as prospective prostitutes.

She is a second key witness in the trial charging John and Sandra Brick of San Francisco and Guerneville and Robert E. Lee, a Guerneville tavern owner, with operating an alleged prostitution ring.

Describing her activities, Mrs. Worthington said she met Brick and Lee in Lee's bar, "Bob's Gashouse." She said she never met Mrs. Brick.

On their first visit to Lee's bar, Mrs. Worthington said she asked Lee if he could employ her as a cocktail waitress. When his reply was negative, Mrs. Worthington asked if there were any "good times to be had."

"He told me there was plenty going on when the Bohemians came up for their encampment," she recalled. In a mechanical voice, Mrs. Worthington told the jury she expressed some misgivings about becoming a prostitute.

"Bob assured me there was nothing to worry about," She said when she met Brick she told him she was looking for action, and needed easy, fast money. "Mr. Brick said there were plenty of opportunities for a young girl," she noted.

Mrs. Worthington said neither Brick or Lee ever discussed money with them. "They just told us to hang around the bar and everything else would be taken care of."

The women went to Brick's Guerneville house the next day to discuss their interest in prostitution.

"Mr. Brick told me he had a lot of people he wanted me to meet. He said there were supervisors, sheriff deputies, judges, and a lot of important people to meet," Mrs. Worthington recalled.

He told her she would have no trouble at all getting into the business. "He said Mrs. Sanders might have trouble because she was older, but he said I was young and in the prime of life," Mrs. Worthington testified.

She said the word prostitution was never mentioned in any conversations she and Mrs. Sanders had with Brick and Lee. "We always said good times and action, prostitution was never mentioned."

Carl Schlosser, personnel director for Brick's employer was called to the witness stand to reveal Brick's earnings. He said Brick had been employed by a San Francisco trucking firm for 14 years. His wages in 1970 were $9,968.57 and $11,888.48 in 1971. In an attempt to show the jury Brick must have had some other income, Hawkes will call Ray Fisher, assistant county assessor, to the witness stand to testify to Brick's land holdings in Sonoma County.

He allegedly owns houses in Monte Rio and Guerneville as well as a duplex in Guerneville.

$190,000 Park Plan Gains Nod

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mission's decision so the county can proceed.

Rodota also carried a suggestion from Second District Supervisor Phil Joerger. The new park might appropriately honor the memory of R.W. Dick Shollenberger, late parks and recreation director.

Concerning a replacement for Shollenberger, John Nolan, the assistant city manager, said the city has been recruiting a recreation director and has received several applications that look promising. An appointment will probably not be made until April 15.

Meanwhile there has been some discussion concerning transfer of the parks function of the parks and recreation department to the Department of Public Works. Parks men used to work in close harmony with the recreation director. Roy Kelly of the Public Works Department has recently been working with the parks crews.

The proposed Program of Service for 1972-73 was approved by the commission. It is essentially the same program as last year, with additional parks added.

The Petaluma Swim Club calendar was approved as part of the program of service for the coming fiscal year.

The commission and City Councilman Richard W. Clecak are pushing for more recreational programs and additional funds to expand recreation to fall and winter months and to increase activities for girls.

At the suggestion of James McDowell, American Little League president, Roy Kelly said he would look into improving the Lucchesi Park parking lot. Available funds may determine the city's course. McDowell offered volunteer support.

The commission received a petition with 200 names on it asking for bicycle paths and official designation of bicycle routes here.

Saturday, April 1, was set as the date for "Frolic of the Rabbits," the city's gala Easter Egg hunting celebration, this year scaled down to include only preschool and kindergarten youngsters. Site of the celebration has also been moved to Kenilworth Park. It is set to begin at 2 p.m. April 1, near the recreation building.

FDA Issues Ban On Lead In Paint

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Food and Drug Administration today banned all except trace amounts of lead in paint by the end of 1973 "to minimize the health hazard to future generations."

Over vigorous protests from the paint industry, the FDA ordered reduction of lead in paint from one per cent to five-tenths of one per cent by the end of 1972 and to six-hundredths of one per cent by the end of 1973.

An estimated 400,000 children suffer from lead poisoning which can cause brain damage and death. Flaking paint in pre-World War II housing has been identified as a major source of lead poisoning.

Dr. Merlin K. DuVal, assistant secretary of Health and Scientific Affairs in the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, told a Senate subcommittee today that lead paint poisoning results in 200 deaths annually and costs the nation $200 million a year in lost earnings and care of victims.

FDA Commissioner Charles C. Edwards said he may decide later to speed up the de-leading order after the industry has provided additional information by April 7.

"Consideration will also be given in late 1973 to petitions for extension of the implementation date upon a showing that the public health will not be jeopardized and that technological necessity requires additional time to meet the six-hundredths of one per cent maximum lead level," he said.

The FDA said some paint companies have reported they could meet the requirement sooner than the deadline.

The ban will apply to paint intended for use on residential interior surfaces, toys and other childrens articles.

Earlier this week HEW's Bureau of Community Environmental Management clamped a one per cent lead level on paint in residential structures wholly or partially financed with federal funds.

County Jail Riot

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mated glass damage to be about $25,000

The crowd control unit of the sheriff's department was bombarded with trays and heavy objects as they entered the second floor. Striepeke said two guards were on duty at the time and stayed with the prisoners until they broke out of the building into the exercise yard.

Three prisoners were found in a ransacked laundry room where inmates had dumped all clothing and linen supplies on the floor.

Wayne Bowen, jail captain said the prisoners went on a complete rampage throughout the second floor. "They were like animals bending bars, breaking light fixtures and smashing windows. They set fire to all cleaning supplies, ripped a sewing machine apart and poured paint all over the floor in the supply room," he said.

He said he was personally hurt by the outbreak. "I have been at this jail since it opened and it is one of the best facilities in California. We provide more for the prisoners than most county jails," he continued.

Clean-up of the damage began early this morning with trustees from other sections of the jail mopping up the debris. Striepeke estimated the prisoners will remain at San Quentin for about a week. "By that time we should have this place livable again," he added.

Several food-throwing and fire-setting incidents have occurred at the San Francisco County Jails 60 miles to the south during the past two weeks as inmates there protested the quality of their food.

A meeting of the Sonoma County Mayors and Councilmen's Association in Cloverdale was disrupted Thursday night by news of the riot at the Sonoma County Jail.

"The meeting kind of fell apart," said John Nolan, assistant city manager of Petaluma, who attended the session.

"The problem at the jail," he said, called the featured speaker away. The speaker was to have been Sonoma County Sheriff Don Striepeke.

Several chiefs of police, including Larry D. Higgins of Petaluma, also left the session to see if the sheriff needed help. Several Sonoma County Supervisors also drifted away to see what assistance they might render.

"We had dinner and left" said Nolan.

Eight or nine people represented Petaluma at the session in Cloverdale.

A Crisis In Natural Gas

WASHINGTON (AP) — A critically short supply of natural gas, the fuel which heats and air conditions millions of homes and businesses, has triggered stringent rationing in dozens of major cities. Within a year the crisis could blanket the nation.

Many gas utility companies already are refusing to take any new commercial, industrial or residential customers and, in some cases are cutting back service to existing customers.

"Lousy is the word we're using to describe the situation here," said a spokesman for the New York Public Service Commission, which as early as last October issued orders severely restricting the attachment of new gas service throughout the state.

Washington Gas Light Co. has ceased taking any new customers. New service has been refused to all applicants in Chicago for more than a year. A program under way in that city will make gas service available to some new customers, but the gas will come from cutting back or cutting off some old customers.

State utility commissions in Ohio, Michigan, Maryland and Pennsylvania have approved drastic gas-service limitations, while utilities in Georgia and California have been informed by their suppliers that no additional quantities of natural gas will be available in the foreseeable future, raising the spectre of future rationing there.

And no one sees the crisis easing before late 1974 or 1975.

The problem has been growing for several years, fed by the inability or unwillingness of major natural-gas producers to explore for new fields.

In a classic domino effect, this has cut the amount of new gas available to pipeline distributors who, in turn, have cut back supplies to utility companies.

Tinney Joins Lounibos' Law Firm Here

Joseph C. Tinney has joined the law firm of Lounibos and Lounibos of Petaluma.

Tinney was admitted to the practice of law in California in 1967. He is a graduate of the University of Santa Clara and the University of San Francisco.

Tinney served as a member of the judge advocate department of the U. S. Army from 1968 until 1972. He and his wife Jacqueline are the parents of two children and the family is now residing in Petaluma.

Tinney is a native San Franciscan and is the son of Joseph Tinney, the assessor of the city and County of San Francisco and a former supervisor of San Francisco.

Tomales Bank Robber Is Being Hunted

TOMALES — Marin County Sheriff's deputies are still searching for a man who allegedly stole from $700 to $900 from the Bank of America branch here Thursday.

The daylight robbery took place shortly after 10 a.m. when the suspect, described as being in his 20s, five feet, 10 inches tall and weighing from 140 to 160 pounds entered the bank and simulated having a gun.

There was no facial description because the man was wearing a green ski mask. Only one hand was exposed during the robbery and he was wearing a glove to avoid leaving fingerprints.

The FBI is also involved in the investigation.

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Obituary

Seraphine (Sam) Fields

Seraphine (Sam) Fields, 80, died this morning at his Petaluma home after being in ill health for some time.

Born Aug. 30, 1891 in the Azores Islands, he came to this area in 1911. He worked at the former silk mill (now Sunset Line and Twine) for more than 20 years and then was employed by Petaluma City until his retirement at the age of 65.

He was a 50-year member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie No. 333 and a 50-year member of the UPEC (a Portuguese society).

Survivors include his widow, Inez Rose Fields, Petaluma; two sons, Alvin Fields, Novato, and John Fields, Marshall; four grandchildren; one brother, Manuel Fields, Campbell; two brothers in the Azores Islands and two sisters of South America.

Funeral arrangements are pending at the Sorensen Funeral Home.

FUNERAL NOTICE

MARIENI — In Sebastopol, Calif., March 8, 1972, Mario Marieni, dearly beloved husband of Allison Marieni of Sebastopol. Devoted father of Mrs. Robert Estill of Santa Rosa and Evo Baldocchi of Oakley. Loving brother of Maria Ronconi, David Marieni and Jerimie Marieni, all of Italy. Grandfather of Ronnie and Julie Estill of Santa Rosa, Dennis Valdachi of Oakley and Eddie Valdachi of Croton-On-Hudson, New York. A native of Italy. Aged 73 years.

Friends are invited to attend the funeral services, Saturday, March 11, at 11 a.m., at Chapel of the O'Leary Funeral Home, 7151 Bodega Ave., Sebastopol, thence to St. Sebastine's Church, where a Requiem Mass will be celebrated for the repose of his soul, commencing at 11:30 a.m. Interment Sebastopol Cemetery. Recitation of the Rosary will be Friday, 8 p.m. at the O'Leary Funeral Home.

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Girl's Body Identified As Former SR Resident

SANTA ROSA — The body of the young woman found in a creek bed on Bennett Valley Road Sunday was identified Thursday as 19-year-old Kim Allen of Santa Rosa, according to Andrew Johansen, Sonoma County coroner.

Johansen said identification came when the girl's two roommates contacted the sheriff's office, Thursday morning. They said they hadn't seen their roommate since March 1. The girls tentatively identified the victim from pictures.

Later Thursday afternoon relatives from Marin County positively identified the girl as Miss Allen.

Johansen learned Miss Allen was last seen about 5 p.m. Saturday when she left her place of employment, a Larkspur health food store, to hitchhike to Santa Rosa.

Miss Allen resided at 2298 Guerneville Road and attended Santa Rosa Junior College. She was a graduate of Ursuline High School in Santa Rosa.

Sheriff Don Striepeke said his detective department will concentrate on tracing the girl's activities from 5 p.m. Anyone who may have seen a girl hitchhiking from Marin County after 5 p.m. Saturday is asked to contact the sheriff at 527-2511.

Miss Allen's body was found about 2 p.m. Sunday by two Montgomery High School students on a motorcycle ride. An autopsy revealed she died from asphyxia due to strangulation, and was possibly tortured. Johansen said she was strangled for at least a half hour or more.

Zoning Amendment Action Delayed By RP Planners

By JOHN NORTON
Staff Writer

ROHNERT PARK — Due to a lack of public input, planning commissioners postponed until April 13 action on two amendments to the zoning ordinance Thursday night.

The most dramatic change would be reinstatement of the 6,500-square foot minimum lot requirement for single-family residences.

The minimum was lowered to 6,000 square feet several months ago but at the request of City Manager Pete Callinan the city council agreed to take another look at the matter and requested that the planning commission work on it.

The other amendment postponed would have adjusted the site requirements for duplexes, introduced an additional multi-family residential district and change off-street parking requirements for duplexes and multiple residential uses.

The commission, after a lengthy public debate voted down a request from the Octagon Company to have a five-acre parcel at Snyder Lane and East Cotati Avenue rezoned to allow development of a travel trailer park for college students.

The park would, its developers say, phase out the Benson's Grove settlement where students in trailers, campers and other types of live-in vehicles have set up housekeeping on a disputed piece of land across from the college.

Parties who own land near the site of the proposed trailer park submitted their protests to the commission.

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McCloskey Quits Presidential Race

MENLO PARK, Calif. (AP) — Rep. Paul N. "Pete" McCloskey said today he would end his campaign for the Republican Presidential nomination and seek the party's nomination in California's newly created 17th Congressional District.

His New Hampshire presidential campaign, the antiwar congressman said, achieved much of his goal which was to "try to demonstrate that there was a substantial number of Republicans that would oppose the continuation of bombing in Southeast Asia."

'It's A Boy'

"It's a boy," was what the cigars being passed out by Robert Zielinski, 1279 Beechwood Dr., said Thursday, but the notice of the birth in the Argus-Courier listed the offspring as a girl.

Mrs. Zielinski, who ought to know, confirmed this morning that it is a boy.

The Argus-Courier apologizes for the mistake. The Zielinski's son was born March 8 at Hillcrest Hospital and weighed in at six pounds and 14 ounces.

Births

STUBBS — To Mr. and Mrs. Olan Stubbs, 959 Aston Ave., Santa Rosa, March 8, 1972 at Hillcrest Hospital, a son weighing 7 pounds, 14 ounces.

MOFFITT — To Mr. and Mrs. Darryl Moffitt, 2000 Bodega Ave., March 8, 1972 at Hillcrest Hospital, a son weighing 6 pounds, 13 ounces.

SMITH — To Mr. and Mrs. Hubert H. Smith, 4300 Redwood Hwy. South, March 9, 1972 at Hillcrest Hospital, a son weighing 7 pounds, 14 ounces.

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