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More Fair Skies

REDWOOD EMPIRE: Fair through Thursday except coastal fog, drizzle; morning low clouds in valleys. Highs and lows: Fort Bragg 66 and 50, Ukiah 100 and 61, Santa Rosa 94 and 50. (Weather details on page 26.)

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Another Slain Girl Found East of SR

MARKS ON PAVEMENT ABOVE EMBANKMENT WHERE BODY FOUND
Officials Angered at Possibility Killer Is 'Playing Games'

By JAMES E. REID

The spectre of a maniacal killer with an insane sense of humor loomed over Sonoma County this morning following discovery of the body of a male woman yesterday at the same spot off Franz Valley Road where the remains of two girls were found last December.

"She was lying face down, not four feet from the exact, same spot" where the skeletal remains of Maureen Sterling, 12, and Yvonne Weber, 13, were found, Sheriff Don Strimpeke said.

A $2,500 reward is being offered through the Secret Witness program for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the death of the girl found yesterday. Press Democrat Editor Art Volkerts announced this morning.

Strimpeke said identity of the victim had not been established, but fingerprints and dental charts would be taken during the autopsy today.

He said a complete physical description of the woman will be released as soon as it is available. The area where the body was found was too dark last night to allow officials to give a positive description.

He said his office received a call at 8:35 p.m. from Randall Apel, who reported finding the body while riding his motorcycle in the remote area of upper Franz Valley Road two miles north of the Porter Creek Road intersection.

The Sonoma County homicide team, including sheriff's officers, Deputy District Attorney Gary Ansbaugh, and Deputy Coroner Don Tannehill were at the scene until 3 a.m.

But the chilling possibility of an insane killer stalking young women in Sonoma County, laughing at efforts to identify him, angered law enforcement officials today.

Strimpeke said discovery of the latest victim indicated the killer was "playing games", taunting officials to catch him, by disposing of the body in the same spot where his earlier victims were found.

He said the young woman found yesterday had apparently lain in the remote area 12 hours to a week, but the exact time of

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FRANZ VALLEY ROAD WHERE THREE BODIES FOUND
Evidence Being Sifted by Investigators Today

—Staff Photo by Joe Price Jr.

Reagan Unveils New Justice Plan

Gov. Ronald Reagan today unveiled a criminal justice reform plan that eliminates the probation subsidy program, tightens sentences for drug pushers and regulates "plea bargaining."

The extensive reform report was prepared by the Governor's Select Committee on Law Enforcement problems.

Reagan described the plan as a "blueprint for immediate and future action to increase protection for law abiding citizens against those who prey upon society."

The plan would:

—Declare a clear state policy that criminals who wield firearms in committing a crime shall go to prison. Develop effective methods to enforce this policy in all courts throughout the judicial system.

—Amend the Penal Code to prohibit probation for anyone unlawfully armed with a firearm at the time of arrest or during the commission of a specified crime.

—Make a prison sentence for convicted narcotics pushers the general rule, rather than the exception.

—Convictions for possession of heroin for sale should result in a mandatory prison sentence with strict safeguards against granting probation except cases involving the most compelling and extenuating circumstances.

—Make a prison sentence the general rule, rather than the exception, for conviction of selling or possession of marijuana for sale.

—Abolish the exclusionary rule and provide a better means of redress for victims of unlawful search and seizures by law enforcement officers: the exclusionary rule provides that reliable evidence of crime cannot be admitted in court, and cannot be considered by the judge or jury to decide the defendant's guilt, if a law enforcement officer obtained the evidence by what a court later decides was an unreasonable search and seizure).

—Adopt a law making it a misdemeanor to drive a vehicle on a highway when a person has 0.1 per cent or more alcohol content in his blood, regardless of the individual's ability to perform brief balance and coordination tests.

—Develop strict standards for negotiated pleas (plea bargaining) with a review process to

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Future SR Water Needs Get Debate

By JOHN ADAMS

Santa Rosa is going to need more water.

Officials, special interest group representatives and citizens agree on that point.

But the running disagreements involve how much new water will be needed, when, and how many people will be around causing the need.

The debate on the Sonoma County Water Agency water expansion project — including increased capacity for Santa Rosa—continued yesterday before the City Council.

And, like the previous meeting, the matter was continued to Aug. 14.

The joint meeting of the council and City Board of Public Utilities adjourned with a hope that all five councilmen would be available to vote on the issue Aug. 14. Three were present yesterday.

Presently, Santa Rosa receives a peak flow of 18 to 19 million gallons of water per day (mgd) on a contract for a maximum of 29 mgd based on the average day of the maximum month.

The Sonoma County Water Agency aqueduct dates to 1957. Additional capacity construction has raised the system's total output to about 39 mgd in peak flows.

Bruy Riha, city public works director, said the agency plan for water expansion involves a new line or aqueduct from Mirabel on the Russian River at a total project cost of $22.4 million.

The new line would follow Laguna de Santa Rosa all the way to Cotati. Called an interties, the line would carry a capacity of 50 mgd to Hall Road. At that point, Santa Rosa would contract for 30 mgd—new water to be added to the present 29 mgd contract from the present aqueduct system.

Riha said the city would be

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—UPI Photo

WALTER Ulbricht, East German chief of state and founding father of Communist East Germany, died today of heart failure. He was 80. Ulbricht suffered a stroke July 19 and had been confined to his bed in a luxurious East Berlin villa. Although Ulbricht was forced out of power as East Germany's Communist Party first secretary in 1971, his nation's leaders treated him in death as they had in his living years as an honored Old Bolshevik and national hero.

Haldeman Encouraged Anti-Nixon Protests

WASHINGTON (UPI) — H. R. Haldeman wrote "good" and "great" next to notations on a memo saying violent and extremely obscene demonstrations could be expected when President Nixon and the Rev. Billy Graham appeared at a rally in Charlotte, N.C., in October, 1971.

Sen. Lowell P. Weicker, R-Conn., produced the memo at today's Senate Watergate hearing and said it showed that the Nixon White House welcomed demonstrations against the President because of the backlash that could result. He denounced that "mentality."

Weicker also produced another memo, from Haldeman, the former chief of staff at the White House, to John W. Dean III, the former White House counsel. Dated Feb. 10, 1972, it said, "we need to get our people to put out the story" on how "foreign and Communist money" had paid for demonstrations supporting the peace movement and Sen. George S. McGovern, D-S.D., Nixon's 1972 opponent.

Haldeman said Weicker had distorted the meaning of the two documents.

Haldeman, appearing somber, acknowledged that he had written "good" next to the sentence saying that the Oct. 13, 1971 rally "will be violent" and "great" next to the notation that the violence and obscenity also would be directed against Graham, a close friend of Nixon.

Haldeman said he was pleased because the violence would show such demonstrations were not casual, minor "off-the-cuff" events. He said reporters were portraying them as unimportant.

"The reason for reacting in the indication that they would be violent, obscene and directed toward Billy Graham as 'good,' was if in fact they were going to do this in this way, it would be seen (by the public) that they were doing so, clearly."

But, as Weicker appeared to interpret it, another paragraph in the memo indicated that the demonstrations were used for political advantage.

It said:

"The feeling is that the press corps, especially the liberals, is very much aware of how the demonstrators are being handled, and although the White House has not been identified with these processes, we are very much suspect."

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Plans for Federal Building Speed Up

Special to The Press Democrat

WASHINGTON — Timetables for construction of the Santa Rosa federal building has been advanced, and award of a construction contract is expected very shortly, according to Congressman Don H. Clausen, R-Crescent City.

Clausen said he received word of a "breakthrough" in efforts by the General Services Administration and the Small Business Administration to get construction of the $4.5 million facility under way.

The downtown Santa Rosa building will house the Post Office, and local offices of other federal agencies, including the Departments of Agriculture and Labor, the Social Security Administration and Internal Revenue Service.

Clausen called the development "good news for the people of Santa Rosa and Sonoma County," and said it would "upgrade and enhance the level and quality of federal services."

Architects for the building are Roland-Miller Associates and Frank L. Hope & Associates, Santa Rosa, as a joint venture.

The building will be located on a parcel on the north side of Sonoma Ave., between D and E Streets.

Marshall Rejects Suit To Halt War

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall today refused to order an immediate halt to U.S. bombing in Cambodia.

A court spokesman said attorneys for the American Civil Liberties Union intended to make the same appeal to Justice William O. Douglas, who is vacationing at his summer retreat in Goose Prairie, Wash.

Marshall, in a 12-page opinion, said, "I would exceed my legal authority were I, acting alone, to grant this application."

The ACLU is representing Rep. Elizabeth Holtzman, D-N.Y., who asked along with four Air Force officers, to stop the bombing at once, instead of on Aug. 15 under a congressionally mandated deadline.

The Holtzman group first won an order last week for a bombing halt from U.S. District Judge Orrin G. Judd of Brooklyn, N.Y. But the U.S. 2nd Circuit Court of Appeals stayed his order and set a hearing for Aug. 13. The Holtzman group then went to the Supreme Court.

Colson Reportedly Planned To Leak Ellsberg Records

By JOHN M. CREWDSON
New York Times Service

WASHINGTON — Despite assertions by President Nixon and some of his top aides that Dr. Daniel Ellsberg's psychiatric records were sought only to assist a "national security" investigation, key figures in the White House intended to leak the confidential material to the press to discredit Ellsberg and damage his "image," according to sources familiar with the operation.

John D. Ehrlichman, Nixon's former chief domestic adviser, told the Senate Watergate Committee last week that he had approved two years ago a "covert" attempt to obtain Ellsberg's psychiatric history to help the White House "crack what was at that moment the largest raid on top secret documents that had ever been made by the history of this government."

He referred to the release to the press by Ellsberg in early 1971 of the bulk of the classified Pentagon Papers study of the Vietnam war.

Ehrlichman, who resigned from the White House April 30, testified that the material was needed for a psychiatric "profile" of Ellsberg, a former Defense Department and Rand Corporation official, to help determine what his motives had been for releasing the documents, whether he had acted alone or as part of a group, and what he might do next.

"This was not simply an ef-

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Study Ordered On Sewage Use

By GEORGE MANES

Sonoma County Supervisors yesterday took a crucial step toward developing a countywide program for the beneficial use of reclaimed sewage effluent.

Board members directed a group of engineers, agricultural-ists and environmentalists to study the feasibility of using large amounts of sewage effluent for irrigation of crops, pasture and or "green belting."

The panel of experts will report back to supervisors within 90 days with a preliminary report and a list of recommendations.

If the group finds the project feasible, it could have far reaching effects on the county's economy and environment. It would also represent a shift from the traditional means of dealing with sewage and wastewater.

Historically, man has dumped his sewage and wastewater into the nearest stream, river or ocean. In recent decades, because of concern over pollution, that sewage has been treated before being dumped into waterways.

But now there is a movement to use wastewater as a resource; to put it to work for man's benefit rather than his detriment.

Local possibilities include using wastewater to bolster Sonoma County's sagging dairy industry, which is having difficulty competing because of lack of roughage crops.

Instead of importing feed at high costs, dairymen could use wastewater to irrigate pasture and increase roughage, enabling

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Commuter Finds Her Quiet Ride

"The phone rang all night" after The Press Democrat's story about Diane Susmann's search for a silent car pool to San Francisco, but, she reports, she has a legitimate ride with a quiet man.

She trusts this arrangement, she says, because the quiet man's wife called and made the offer for one dollar each way. "He's not interested in talking and its strictly business," Diane says.

Diane, 23 took out an ad this week for a silent car pool. "I don't want to be under the obligation is have to talk," she told The Press Democrat, adding that she feared the person "who makes small talk constantly."

The calls came steadily after the article appeared, and Diane was lectured to by one young

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Liz and Dick Are Getting A Divorce

United Press International

A couple of good-looking, highly eligible millionaires came on the marriage market today.

As soon as certain formalities are completed, Elizabeth Taylor can seek a sixth husband and Richard Burton a third wife.

For the famous lovers who announced their intention of seeking a divorce Tuesday have often said they could never be content living alone again, since they have known the happiness of a devoted family life.

If anything ever happened, they used to say, they would want the surviving partner to get married again. And unless the unpredictable pair make up for divorce then remarry each other, they will certainly take other partners.

Burton and Miss Taylor are in Rome, where their romance began nearly a decade ago during the filming of "Cleopatra," but announcement of their

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County May Re-Start Ag Tax Shelter

Sonoma County Supervisors "can restart the Ag Preserves 'tax shelter' program as soon as they adopt a general plan interim land use element—probably within 60 days.

Planning Director George Kostyrko yesterday told supervisors an "interim" land use element will satisfy legal requirements which have prevented the

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PUC Grants Rate Hike To PG&E

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI) — The average consumers gas and electric bill in Northern and Central California will go up from about $11.36 a month to $11.35 a month under an increase granted Tuesday by the State Public Utilities Commission.

The PUC granted the Pacific Gas and Electric Co. a $24.3 million yearly rate increase, the second boost given the utility this year.

Other increases granted by the PUC included $2.56 million for Greyhound Bus Lines. It will allow Greyhound to raise its statewide fares five per cent to offset increases in labor costs and other expenses.

A "fuel adjustment increase" was also given to PG&E to allow the utility to pass on to its customers the difference in cost between natural gas and low-sulfur fuel oil.

A $24.9 million rate increase was granted PG&E on March 28.

Hay Fire Leads To Traffic Jam

By Staff Correspondent

PETALUMA — One hundred and eighty bales of hay burned yesterday in a spectacular blaze alongside Highway 101 at the height of the commuter traffic.

The Division of Forestry said the fire, which broke out shortly after 4:30 p.m., apparently started from the exhaust of the large hay truck, owned by J. J. Turner of 900 McDowell Blvd. So., Petaluma.

Damage was estimated at $1,000, including $300 damage to the truck bed and $700 for the loss of the hay.

There was considerable confusion at the time of the initial alarm.

A Petaluma City Fire Department truck responded first because the exact location of the burning truck was not immediately known.

After it was determined that the vehicle was in the vicinity of Petaluma Boulevard South, outside the city limits, three Forestry units were dispatched.

Traffic backed up as motorists rubber-necked at the scene and many stopped to report the blaze, resulting in multiple calls.

Petaluma Fire Chief Joseph Ellwood said one man went to the closest fire station he could find, No. 2 on Payran Street. The station was empty because the truck and personnel had gone — to the hay truck fire.

Not knowing this, the helpful motorist raced through the station and grabbed the first phone he could find, which was the "red" phone used for alarms.

The dispatcher at station No. 1 got the message of course, but the situation was already under control.

Forestry officials said they managed to gain control of the flames in 12 minutes, but the hay continued to smolder for hours, requiring crews until 11 p.m.

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