

# Man kills drivers near CIA office



MCLEAN, Va. (AP) — A young man sprayed rifle fire into cars waiting to turn into Central Intelligence Agency headquarters Monday, killing two CIA employees at point-blank range and wounding three others before fleeing the morning rush-hour scene in his own vehicle.

The gunman, described as a white male in his 20s, remained at large. Two of the wounded remained in critical condition; the third was released after treatment of a superficial chest wound.

Sen. Bob Smith, a New Hampshire Republican, had just dropped his son off at school and was heading in the same direction as the gunman when he came upon the horror as it played out.

"He looked in my direction, and then he turned and walked away. ... He coolly, methodically, with no expression, with no words, he simply walked up to the cars and fired shots point-blank at people," Smith said. "It was a pretty horrible sight."

The CIA identified the two dead men as Frank Darling, 28, and Lansing H. Bennett, 66, employees of the agency. Two of the wounded are on the CIA staff, and the third is the employee of an agency contractor, CIA Public Information Director Gary E. Foster said.

The wounded were not further identified. "CIA employees are shocked and saddened at the senseless attack on our friends and colleagues," Foster said.

Police would not speculate on a motive for the shooting, although they cited a "common sense connection" to the CIA headquarters, a sprawling, wooded complex surrounded by wealthy neighborhoods a few miles west of Washington.

Fairfax County Police Chief Michael Young, speaking to reporters at the scene, said police were working with several names of possible suspects based on information provided by witnesses and survivors of the attack.

Young said that while the CIA was not partici-

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pating in the investigation, the agency was providing information about current or former agency employees who might be considered disgruntled and possibly have a motive for the shooting.

Police gave this account:

At about 7:50 a.m., a man in a light-brown compact station wagon pulled up alongside at least five cars stopped in two left-turn-only lanes for traffic headed into the CIA's main entrance.

The man got out of his car and opened fire with a long-barreled rifle. He walked between the two rows of standing cars, firing at point-blank range into the vehicles. He then returned to his car and sped away before police reached the scene.

Larry Bright, 28, of Washington, D.C., was riding in a public transit bus heading the opposite direction when he heard multiple shots ring out.

"He was just shooting at everything. He looked like he had an attitude. He looked like he wanted to kill somebody. He shot everywhere," Bright said.

Barrett Burka, a physician who lives near the CIA grounds, said he and his wife were stopped at the traffic light and were within 15 feet of the shooting.

"He had the rifle up on his right shoulder and he was shooting at the cars," Burka said. "When I first saw him, he was sort of running around and I saw him run up to the windshield of the lead automobile and shoot into the windshield. Then he ran from that and to the second car. That's the last thing I saw as I pulled away. It was a purely random shooting."

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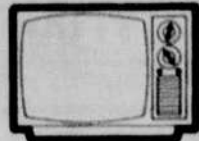
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