

# Police News

## Serial Cat Burglar Sought

A suspect in six residential robberies and sexual assaults involving women living alone has apparently committed another crime. Detectives are investigating a seventh incident that occurred early Friday morning (May 10).

In this morning's incident, as in the previous six, the suspect entered the residence of a woman living alone. In this case, as in the previous six, the suspect has entered through an Unlocked or Unsecured window or door.

Friday morning's robbery and sexual assault occurred in the Goose Hollow neighborhood.

It is believed that the suspect was



Sketch of serial cat burglar.

armed, probably with a handgun.

The suspect is described as an African-American male, light com-

plexion, 5'9" to 6'0", medium build, 20 to mid 30's in age, with a round face that is clean shaven. In some of the incidents the suspect has worn a ski mask and gloves. We would certainly stress the importance of checking windows and doors to make sure they are locked prior to retiring for the evening.

Anyone with information on this incidents is asked to contact Sergeant Bill Carter of the Sexual Assault Detail at 823-0434. People with information can also remain anonymous if they wish by calling Crime Stoppers at 823-HELP. Reward money of up to \$1000 is available through the program.

## Crime Stoppers: Hate Crime

Portland Police Bureau Bias Crime Detectives, in cooperation with Crime Stoppers, are asking for your help in solving an aggravated assault case that appears to have been committed simply because of the victim's race.

Shortly after midnight Sunday, April 14, black man was driving alone in his car on I-26 eastbound near Highway 217, just east of the Sylvan exit, when a pickup truck began to tailgate and tried to ram him.

The pickup cut in front of the man's vehicle and slammed on its

brakes to stop the him. The victim pulled off the highway and the suspect vehicle pulled off just ahead of him. As the man got out of his car, he was confronted by the driver of the pickup truck who said, "You are mine now, n----r!"

The victim saw someone get out of the passenger's side of the pickup. Shortly thereafter, he was struck from behind and knocked unconscious. The man awoke in an ambulance suffering from serious injuries.

The driver of the suspect vehicle is described as a white male, mid-30's, 5,10"-6'0", 180-200 pounds,

with sandy hair that is just below the collar, blue eyes, and a mustache.

The suspect vehicle is described as a full-size, 4-wheel drive pickup in "poor" condition. The vehicle is silver or white and the paint is dull or rusted.

There is a black stripe on the tailgate where the name of the make appears. The vehicle also has an extremely loud exhaust.

Crime Stoppers is offering a cash reward of up to \$1,000 for information that leads to an arrest in this case or any unsolved felony crime, and you can remain anonymous.

## Attempt Robbery/Attempt Murder

Portland Police Bureau detectives are asking for your help in solving an attempt robbery case where shots were fired at the victim.

On Monday, April 1, 1996, at approximately 1:00 o'clock in the morning, a 24-year-old male employee of the New Copper Penny Restaurant, 5932 SE 92nd Avenue, drove to the U.S. Bank's Eastport Plaza branch, 4300 SE 82nd Avenue, to drop the day's receipts from the restaurant into the night deposit.

Since he regularly made the night deposit, the employee would vary his time schedule so as not to set up a predictable routine.

On this particular morning, as the young man drove up to the night deposit, he noticed that someone had blocked the parking area next to the night deposit with a large concrete ashtray. Suspicious, the young man did not stop. Instead, he drove several times round the block looking to see if anyone was in the area.

Not seeing anyone, the young



Sketch of serial cat burglar.

man pulled onto the bank lot and had just gotten out of his vehicle, when he was confronted by a subject armed with a handgun, who apparently had been hiding a short distance away.

The suspect ordered the young man to drop the deposit bag. When the young man did not comply, the suspect shot at him.

The bullet, which narrowly missed the victim, struck the driver's door of his vehicle and shattered the glass.

The victim dove back into his vehicle and started to accelerate rapidly away. As he did, the suspect fired at least one time at the victim, but did not hit him or the vehicle.

The suspect, who attempted to rob

the victim and shot at him, is described as a male white, 5'8", 170 pounds, wearing a gray sweatshirt, with a hood that was pulled over his head, black ski mask, olive green pants, and white tennis shoes.

At 11:11 pm, a little less than two hours before the robbery attempt, the bank's ATM camera photographed a subject wearing a gray sweatshirt, who was attempting to conceal his face, standing near the area of the night deposit.

Upon checking the night deposit box, officers found that the lock had been disabled, which would have prohibited the victim from using it. From all appearances, with the concrete astray used as a barricade and the disabling of the night deposit box, the robbery attempt had been a planned set up.

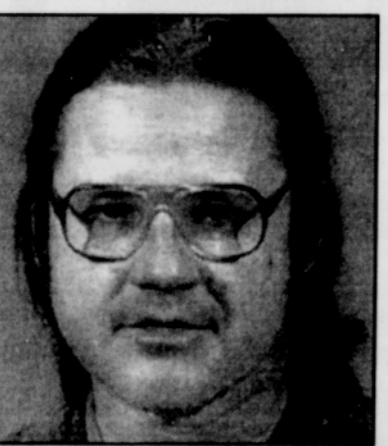
Crime Stoppers is offering a cash reward of up to \$1,000 for information, reported to Crime Stoppers, that leads to an arrest in this case, or any unsolved felony crime, and you can remain anonymous. Call Crime Stoppers at (503) 823-HELP.

## Child Abuse Suspect Sought

Portland Police Bureau Detectives assigned to Multnomah County Child Abuse Team in cooperation with Crime Stoppers, are asking for your help in locating and apprehending John Andrew Munsterman.

Monday, April 8, John Munsterman appeared in Multnomah County Court to stand trial on multiple counts of rape and sex abuse. The victims in the case were 10-years-old.

Munsterman was a "no show"



in court and has not been seen since. A felony no bail warrant for failure to appear was issued. Munsterman is described as a 41-year-old white male, 6'1", 240 pounds, with brown eyes and black hair.

Crime stoppers is offering a cash reward of up to \$1,000 for information, reported to Crime Stoppers, that leads to an arrest in this case or any unsolved felony crimes. Callers will remain anonymous. Call 823-HELP.

## Macleay Park Homicide

Portland Police are investigating the discovery of a woman's body in Macleay Park, near the 5300 block NW Cornell Rd., as a homicide.

The body was discovered by a pedestrian on one of the trails in the park at about 7:00 am Tuesday. The pedestrian then told a nearby resi-

dent, who called for police and medical assistance.

The woman found shot to death in Macleay Park on Tuesday morning has been identified as Maggie Ann Overlund, DOB 05-06-77. A photo is available in my office.

Anyone with information on

Overlund, especially her activities on Monday May 6th, is asked to call either Sergeant Kerry Taylor Derek Anderson at 823-0479. People with information can also call the Crime Stopper line at 823-HELP. You can remain anonymous, and reward money up to \$1000 is available.

## Officers Seize Five Pounds Of Cocaine

Portland Police officers seized almost five pounds of cocaine and arrested one man while investigating a domestic disturbance Tuesday night at a Northeast Portland apartment.

Officer Mike Stradley and others went to an apartment in the 1700 block of NE 162nd Ave. after receiving a call from a resident about a domestic fight. While at the location the officers located drug paraphernalia, then a large amount of crack cocaine and powder cocaine.

Investigators from the Drug and Vice Division were called in to assist in the investigation. Seized by police was four pounds of powder cocaine and 3.4 of a pound of crack cocaine. Investigators say that the street value of the cocaine is over \$100,000.

Charged in connection with the seizure is Brain Vasquez, DOB 01-11-75. Vasquez is being held at the Justice Center Jail on charges of Manufacturing a Controlled Substance in the Second Degree, Distribution of a Controlled Substance in

the Second Degree, Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Second Degree, First Degree Child Neglect, and Menacing.

The Child Abuse charge stems from the fact that a two year old boy was also living at the address. ORS 163.547 makes it a Class B Felony if a "person knowingly leaves the child, or allows the child to stay...on premises and in the immediate proximity where controlled substances are criminally delivered or manufactures...".

# The Theory Of The Black Middle-Class III

BY PROF. MCKINLEY BURT

Yes, Yes, Yes! I agree dear ladies that the black woman is a very important component of this idea of a new, vibrant, if ill-defined, black middle-class. And for those who make the error that I simply make the case for a clone of a white social stratum, please recall my 1992 assessment.

Earlier this century, the concept of a middle-class (period!) was of a group whose income was at the middle or median of all Americans, and who, additionally, lived in a manner and style often termed "genteel" (whether real or fancied). I made the further point that this life style of a "to-the-manor-born" gentry was the behavior of people who did not punch time clocks, but employed others to operate the economic units which they owned: stores, shops, small plants and farms; dictated agenda, time, sequence.

Their "gentility" extended to servants and domestics in the homes, live in or day workers. And, of course, the social amenities which included (in a minor correspondence to the real upper-crust) the sponsorship of many of the arts and sciences. Now, compare this classic cultural institution with today's hilarious off-Broadway production provided by the Madison Avenue advertising agencies.

With the aid of an enthusiastic media, craftsmen, trades-people, school teachers, car salesmen, post office employees, etc. are persuaded (conned) to become actors in a play where many actually come to believe that they are truly middle-class -- and are provided a matching trendy and expensive consumerism agenda, with credit cards to match. Thorstein

Veblen rides again (But are they, ahem, 'lower' class? Must the entire economic scale be written down?).

While that scenario had general application across the board, inbetween there were some particular ramifications that materially affected the African American population; especially following World War II. This could be inferred when I wrote a week ago of a Los Angeles scene of the early 1950's, where I had the unique vantage point of public accountant; an observer who had both the strivers and the financing mortgage brokers as clients.

"...that hard-driving, upward-mobility crowd which took over the ritzy Baldwin Hills suburb early in the 'Black Revolution'". "A frenzied mob of over achievers", a new black middle-class of executives, engineers, administrators, lawyers, doctors, scientists, etc; who didn't just inherit the swimming pools and tennis courts that were abandoned in the white flight promoted by enterprising real estate brokers -- but went on to convert a now-93% black elementary school to the best in the city: IQ, math, reading. Its been said before but, again, "the best laid plans of mice and men often go wrong." There were many of us young African Americans with the skills and experience in both the white and black

area of finance, technology and economics who thought the 'promised land' was at hand. How easy and simple it would be to accomplish what the prior generation had projected -- what, perhaps, only a Marcus Garvey could have dreamed of.

What we failed to realize was that the generation of our fathers was also very ambitious, cold and greedy we thought -- "realism" was their term: "we're beyond the fancies of youth." In any case, these 'old' fifty and sixty year-old black economists, advertising men and assorted hustlers went to General Motors, Ford, Pepsi Cola, Schenley Distillers, Phillip Morris and the like, and sold them a multi-billion dollar package (Part of a college course I designed, "Black Economic Experience." Twelve million blacks also were sold).

With open-ended financing these "Black Market Men" as they were called conducted all the market research necessary to ascertain black preferences in cars, whiskey, clothes, cereals, tobaccos, colors, smells, etc. and hired away all the young black professionals counted on by the black, business ownership-minded. Ebony and Jet were saturated with color ads and "head hunters" were sent to black colleges to recruit more liquor and tobacco salesmen. Concluded next week.

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