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Clues Sought in Man's Murder

Portland Police Homicide Investigators, in cooperation with Crime Stoppers, are asking for your help in solving a murder.

On Monday, July 7, at about 3:20 a.m., 23-year old Andrew Ray Mikes, arrived by private vehicle at a local hospital with a fatal gunshot injury. The car, a 1999 maroon, 4-door Ford Escort, driven



Andrew Ray Mikes

by a 24-year old male friend of the victim, had several bullets holes.

Investigators have yet to establish a motive for the shooting.

Mikes lived in southeast Portland and was reportedly the passenger in the car when someone opened fire on the vehicle near the intersection of Northeast 44th Avenue and Sandy Boulevard.

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 503-823-4357.

Protest Plans Grow for Bush Visit

Thursday March to take off from North Portland park

(AP)—Both police and protesters are planning for a possible raucous day Thursday when President Bush visits for a fund-raiser on the University of Portland campus in north Portland.

Portland police are coordinating security with the U.S. Secret Service and a White House advance team, hoping to avoid some pitfalls that led to major police clashes with demonstrators a year ago at a money-raiser for Sen. Gordon Smith in Portland.

Bush is expected to spend less

time in Portland compared with last August, when his overnight stay at the downtown Hilton competed for attention with the disturbances outside.

He is expected to fly in Thursday to attend a \$2,000-a-person Bush-Cheney 2004 fund-raising luncheon at the Chiles Center on the University of Portland campus, according to invitations. He then is scheduled to make a stop at a national forest in Central Oregon to draw attention to his "Healthy Forest Initiative."

Alan Graf, a Portland lawyer who filed a federal civil rights lawsuit against the city of Portland and Portland and Beaverton police on behalf of nine people who were pepper sprayed or hit with rubber

sting balls during last year's Bush protest, said he hopes police are respectful of citizens' rights this time.

Police Chief Mark Kroeker said the bureau's main responsibility will be to safeguard the president.

The Portland Peaceful Response Coalition and another coalition of protest groups plan to gather about 10 a.m. Thursday at Columbia Park on North Lombard and march southwest to the university on Willamette Boulevard, and to demonstrate until 5 p.m.

A counter-group that supports the president is also planning a rally during the visit at the same time on the corner of North Willamette and Portsmouth Boulevards.

Guardsman Sentenced in Homeless Attacks

(AP)—An Oregon National Guardsman who served as a peacekeeper in the Middle East has been sentenced to almost six years in prison for beating two homeless men.

Andrew Lee Patterson, 24, of Eagle Point was sentenced last week in Medford.

Also charged in the case, 26-year-old Aaron Andrew St. James, of Medford, was released on July 29 after serving more than 100 days in jail. A National Guard member, he pleaded guilty to

charges of assault and intimidation.

The National Guard is in the process of discharging the two men, said Kay Fristad, a spokeswoman for the Guard in Salem.

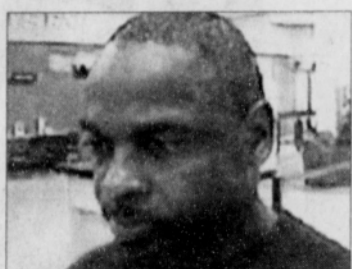
Patterson and his best friend, 21-year-old fellow Guard member Chadwick James Ritchie, targeted homeless men and an East Indian motel owner in a series of January attacks that police labeled hate crimes. Ritchie committed suicide after the motel owner assault.

Suspected Serial Bank Robber Captured

Authorities in Montana have arrested a serial bank robbery suspect from Portland.

Joseph Alan Stevens, 23, was taken into custody last week after a traffic stop for driving under the influence of intoxicants and reckless driving.

On Aug. 5, a federal grand jury indicted Stevens for six bank robberies in the greater Portland metropolitan area. According to the



Surveillance video shows the suspect in a series of bank robberies.

FBI, he is a suspect in as many as 8 other robberies as well.

Following his arrest, officers located and arrested his companion Sara Mary Keup, 29, who also faces a grand jury indictment for her alleged involvement in one Portland bank robbery.

Anyone with information about bank robberies in Oregon is asked to call the FBI at 503-224-4181.

New Trial Scheduled in Police Beating

(AP)—A judge set a new trial date of Oct. 22 for the former police officer who was videotaped slamming a handcuffed teenager onto a car.

Prosecutors requested the retrial last month, a day after a mistrial was declared when jurors deadlocked 7-5 on charges against former Inglewood officer Jeremy

Morse. "There is no reason to wait. The evidence is there. The witnesses are ready," Los Angeles County District Attorney Steve Cooley said at the time.

Morse, 25, is charged with assault under color of authority and could face as much as three years in prison if convicted.

He and another officer had been questioning the teen's father about an expired license plate at a gas station last summer when the incident happened. The defense said Morse was reacting after the teen grabbed Morse's crotch. Prosecutors argued Morse didn't need to use force because the teen wasn't resisting.

LA Police Need New Ethic, Study Says

(AP)—The Los Angeles Police Department needs to adopt a new professional ethic in its officer training programs to improve police performance in the field, a study released Thursday suggests.

The nonprofit research group Rand Corp., which conducted the study for the city, also recommended improving use-of-force, search-and-seizure and arrest pro-

cedures. "The LAPD does not successfully communicate a unified message to its officers, which creates a dangerous vacuum that individuals fill with their own interpretations of proper behavior," wrote study author Russell Glenn.

The city commissioned the study for \$350,000 as part of a federal consent decree after the Rampart cor-

ruption scandal, in which officers were found to have planted guns and evidence on innocent people and lied under oath. Scores of convictions were dismissed as a result.

The Rand study and other previous reviews of the LAPD are intended to correct what the U.S. Justice Department called a pattern of civil rights abuses by Los Angeles officers.

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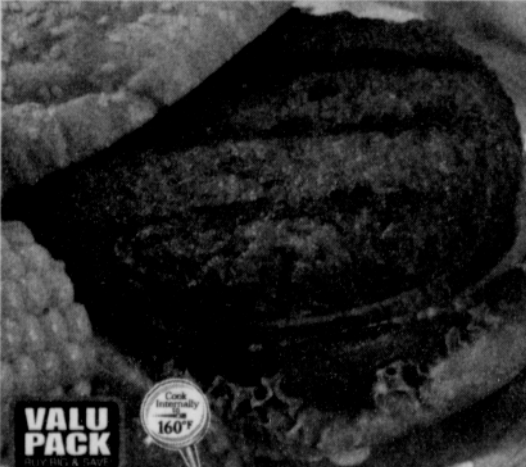
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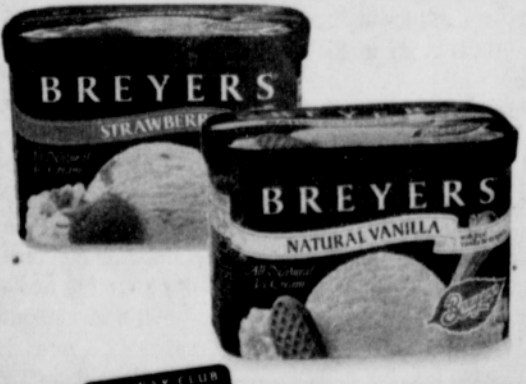
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