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INFO ON:

PELLETT, JANE MARIE

KANTONAN, ALMSON

LANE COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

CRIME REPORT

CRIME:

DATE: 7-24-72

ORS 163.005 - CRIMINAL HOMICIDE

WFJ, 16 years, DOB: 6-56, 5'6", 125, It brn/blue

Route Box deformed thumbnail-left hand.

Roberts Creek Road

Roseburg, Oregon - PH: 679
Religion:

Victim transient at time of death.

- #2. PELLETT, Jane Marie WFA, 28 years, DOB: 6-14-44, 5'7", 145, blk/brn
 Oregon State Hospital large scar-abdoman.
 2600 Center N.E.
 Salem, Oregon PH: 378-2348
 Religion: Catholic
 Victim hospital inmate at time of death.
- WFA, 19 years, DOB: 11 -52, 5'6", 125-130, sandy brn/blue.

 East 3rd Avenue
 Anchorage, Alaska 99501 PH: (907) 272Religion: Babtized Lutheran
 Victim transient at time of death.

SUSPECTS: = 4-17 Tw Calif FR Talking To Blice 4-18 STARED VOB

- WFA, 22 years, DOB: 10 49, 5'11", 156, brn/blue.

Oregon State Hospital FBI #350 5886, CII #3 452 473

2600 Center N.E.

Salem, Oregon - or

P. O. Box

Kerby, Oregon (grandmother)

#2.

Oregon State Hospital

2600 Center N.E.

Salem, Oregon - or

Lariat Drive (parents address)

Eugene, Oregon

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ASSIGNMENT:

Reporting investigator assigned to assist participating agencies in the investigation of homicides recently occurring in Douglas County, Linn County and Polk County, City of Salem. Assigned by District Attorney Robert K. Naslund, Lane County, Eugene, Oregon.

INVESTIGATIVE SYNOPSIS:

On Friday, July 14, 1972, this investigator was appraised of the general points and items of investigative interests which had been compiled during the multi-agency interviews of persons associated or involved with the above listed victims. On this particular day it was discovered by both

this investigator and investigator Paul Shiell of the State Police that the Salem Police Department had found that a subject by the name of an inmate of Oregon State Hospital, had been seen with victim #2 PELLETT, Jane on the day of her disappearance and in the same area of the city where her body was later discovered. On Monday, July 17th, this investigator in company of Officer Paul Shiell contacted Corporal Hoadley and Officer Patricia Peterson of the Salem Police Department. During this interview, both this investigator and Officer Shiell were appraised of the entire investigation surrounding the death of victim #2 PELLETT, Jane and provided with reports and other additional items of investigative value. It was decided at this time that certain items packaged in evidence at the Salem lab, a navy peacoat, hair samples, etc., be sent to the state lab in Eugene for comparison with certain other physical evidence which was obtained at the crime scene of victim #1 County.

The officers presently conducting the infield-investigation involving the death of victim #3 were contacted and certain other items of additional investigative value were obtained. It soon became obvious that this particular investigation on the part of this office was becoming very complicated as all three (3) victims were starting to be associated in one way or another with suspect #1 and suspect #2 A date graph of events was designed for the use of all agencies and it was agreed that corrections and additions would be made as necessary to update the investigation in a form which could be understood by all involved without having to page back through reams of paper.

M. O. SIMILARITIES:

During this investigation it was found that suspect #2 a long time Eugene resident, had traveled to the midwest approximately one year ago and during that trip had resided with some Indians on a reservation. At that time he had been given the name " one of the male tribe members and had accepted that name to the extent. that he had applied for and received a social security card bearing the was known by many to be a large or heavy user of hallucinagenic drugs and sometimes other drugs such as Methamphetamine. . had on an occasion received a traffic citation in San Diego and had on other occasions resided with an aunt in LaJolla, California. was arrested in Lane County for participation in the campus riots and eventually ended up with a hold placed on him in the Oregon State Hospital in Salem. Investigative interviews reveal that at that met and became friends with suspect #1 and victim #2 PELLETT, Jane. for years has been involved with drugs and from all indications has spent time in most of the mental institutions in California. His CII record background reveals that most of his arrests were of a combative nature and that he has spent time in the Corona Rehabilitation Center for narcotics and drug addiction and was discharged on 6-1-70 with five (5) years probation following.

Suspect #1 has in the past been admitted to the California State Hospital for the criminally insane at Atascadaro and has further been known to frequent the San Diego and Coronado areas in California.

On April 19, 1972, was arrested pursuant to a mental petition filed in Josephine County and on 4-20-72 was admitted to the Oregon State Hospital. A check of the property inventory list made at the time of sadmittance lists a Navy peacoat. It has been explained that and PELLETT were good friends and certain postal correspondence which has been made available to certain agencies has indicated that all new each other well. It is felt that due to the use of drugs on the part of all three that they possibly had a lot in common and no doubt spoke freely of their problems with drugs and maybe had additional things in common concerning the southern California area.

was released from Oregon State Hospital On May 12, 1972, escaped from the same institution. and eight (8) days later Approximately five (5) days after both and had left the general area of the hospital, a number of somewhat coincidental events started to occur. ★On 5-25-72, victim #1 was seen at Snappy's Cafe at 553 Main Street, Springfield at approximately 3:00 a.m. Later on that same morning, she advised a subject known as THOMAS, Weldon Jr. that a guy was going to give her a ride to Roseburg. Ten (10) days later arrived at his grandmother's house on 6-4-72, suspect #1 in Kerby, Oregon near Grants Pass south of Roseburg. He arrived at that location in a vehicle, make and model unknown, and with a male friend name and physical unknown. At that time he spoke with his grandmother and told her that his friend had brain cancer and after a short conversation left a military duffle bag and drove off. One (1) day later was found dead along side a busy on 6-5-72, victim #1 highway. She was found face down with her face pushed into a small muddy natural spring and it was further observed that her throat was cut and a rock weighing approximately 100 lbs. had been placed directly on top body was exposed as her clothing had of her head. Most of Miss been removed except for her socks and panties and levis. Her panties and levis had been pulled from around her private parts down to the area of , her left ankle. It was observed that an attempt had been made to somewhat hide the victim as branches had been broken from nearby trees and placed along side and partially over the body. The victim might have been assaulted sexually due to the discovery of a Tampax approximately five (5) feet south of the body near the victim's feet. Pathology reports from Dr. McMilan reveal cause of death as suffocation. (See Douglas County and pathology report)

On 6-5-72, a news release was made on local radio and T.V. stations shortly after discovery of the body. On the afternoon of the same day, 6-5-72, for some reason voluntarily returned to Oregon State Hospital and at approximately 1720 hours checked or signed out of the hospital with victim #2 PELLETT, Jane. Victim #2 PELLETT and suspect #1 checked back into the hospital later on that same evening. On the following Tuesday,

June 6th, 1972, victim #1 was positively identified and a radio news release was made. According to suspect s father, called in the evening of the same day and sounded very upset about something and at that time inquired about his social security check and money. The father states that he tried to talk into re-committing himself, however, the results were unknown to him.

On the following day Wednesday, 6-7-72, #2 PELLETT, Jane checked out of Oregon State Hospital together at approximately 2:30 p.m. Interviews in the Salem area reveal that at approximately 3:00 p.m. on the same day both were seen at a restaurant in West Salem. It was later ascertained that this restaurant was located a very short distance from where the body of PELLETT was later found. Interviews reveal that both subjects were wearing heavy coats and after leaving the restaurant they had conversed outside for sometime and later on left that location. On the same day, Wednesday, 6-7-72, at approximately 2005 hours victim #2 PELLETT, Jane was reported missing by the Oregon State Hospital. On 6-8-72, Thursday, returned to the hospital just briefly and then left. On the next day Friday, 6-9-72, arrived at his grandmother's house in Kerby, Oregon and stayed all night. The grandmother states obtained the duffle bag which he had previously left there and at that time was transported by her, the grandmother, to the Freeway where exited the vehicle and was last seen hitchhiking

It should be indicated that in the sequence of events the death of victim #3 MARTIN, Geneva occurred next as her death was estimated by the pathologist to have occurred between Saturday 6-10-72 and Monday, 6-12-72. Victim #3 was seen on 6-10-72 in the company of a white male adult with a beard who was at that time driving a sky blue Toyota sedan. This subject was described as a possible Jesus Freak.

On Friday, 6-16-72, victim #3 was found dead along side a county road approximately 4 to 6 feet from the paved roadway and approximately 100 feet from Highway 99 East. The body was found laying face down with the face buried in the soft mud of a drain ditch. The victim was only partially dressed and was wearing only rust colored tennis shoes and a green corduroy coat. It appeared that the body had been transported to and dumped at this location and other significant observations appeared to indicate that the coat was pulled from the victim's shoulders and it should be noted that the body was almost entirely exposed. Cause of death has not yet been positively determined and extensive additional pathological work is presently being conducted. Notes found in the victim's pocket at the time of discovery provided tentative identification at that time.

on Sunday, 6-18-72, is suspected of renting a vehicle a white 1970 Ford Maverick, California license 453 CTS from a car rental agency in San Diego through the use of an alias of An interview with grandmother on a later occasion revealed that was seen by her in the Grants Pass area in this car between 6-18-72 and 6-20-72. The grandmother indicated during that interview that she suspected that had stayed at her home on one of those nights as the outside room had appeared to have been slept in.

On Tuesday 6-20-72, arrived at his grandmother's house in the rental car described above. She spoke with him briefly and then he left. Six (6) days later on Monday, 6-26-72, victim #2 PELLETT, Jane was found dead along side an extremely busy roadway. The body was found face down a short distance from a shallow grave which appeared to have been dug with a short length of metal conduit pipe. The body had been covered with leafs and grass and during removal of the somewhat decomposed remains, a rosary with cross attached was found on the ground near the hips and underneath the body. The grave had been dug under a nearby bush and during the crime scene investigation a Navy peacoat with a button or buttons missing was recovered from a location under the bush near the grave. Cause of death at this time is uncertain as all pathological analysis reveal body extremely decomposed to weather conditions and time involved. An examination of the rosary chain revealed that it was separated at one point and appeared to have been pulled apart.

On the following day 6-27-72, victim #2 PELLETT, Jane was positively identified and a news release was made. Thirteen (13) days later on Sunday, 7-9-72 San Diego police effecting a traffic stop involving the above mentioned rental vehicle, the Ford Maverick, California license 453 CTS observed suspect and a white female adult 18 years of age known as McCULLEY, Sharon run from the vehicle. A subject by the name of was apprehended at the scene for possession of marijuana and it should be noted that was observed to be the driver.

The following day, Monday, 7-10-72, Deputy Guard of the Josephine County Sheriff's Office, the original arresting officer of on the mental commitment, was reinterviewed and it was found that when arrested on 4-19-72 had been wearing an old style issue dirty Navy peacoat and had in his possession a black rosary. Additional information obtained from district attorney investigators in the San Diego area, specifically a Jim Reynolds and Dick Lewis, reveal that on Tuesday, 7-11-72, went to his father's home at "A" Avenue, Coronado, California, phone number (714) 435- and at that location confronted a brother at the home through closed doors in an attempt to obtain a \$100 and a sleeping bag. It was revealed that when these items were refused became violent and tried to break into the home but had said he wanted these was unsuccessful. The brother stated that items as he was going to spend some time in the woods with a girlfriend.

San Diego investigators in questioning the father also discovered that on Friday, 7-14-72, had called a Susie BRADBURY in Witchata, Kansas, phone number (316) 683-9161 and had apparently placed the call from Colorado Springs, as he had attempted to have the call billed through the operator to his father's number in Coronado. The father had indicated that has a friend by the name of SCHMIDT, Jean in Colorado Springs, phone number 634-8452.

APPREHENSION OF POSSIBLE SUSPECT

At approximately 4:15 p.m. on 7-18-72, reporting investigator and investigator Paul Shiell of the Oregon State Police were advised that subject was presently in custody city jail Elsworth, Kansas, phone number (919) 472-3083. A telephone call was placed to Elsworth, Kansas and at this time a brief interview with the desk officer ensued and it was discovered that subject and another unidentified individual were picked up on a Freeway by the Kansas State Highway Patrol and transported to the police department by Trooper Alvin Matheson of the Kansas State Highway Patrol. At that location it was discovered that there was an outstanding warrant from the Lane County Circuit Court on and at this point he was incarcerated Elsworth, Kansas jail.

The desk officer at this time advised that the other subject apprehended with the had produced proper identification and an extensive records check revealed no warrants. He further advised that the subject was a WMA, 18 years of age, who appeared to be approximately that age and no older in association with warrants for additional subjects this office. It might be noted that the other subject was released - no name available at this time.

During the conversation with the desk officer certain items of investigative value were requested and this investigator was informed that it would possibly take some time to compile this material and that a possible return call on the 19th would be necessary.

RECONTACT ELSWORTH, KANSAS - INTERVIEW STATE TROOPER ALVIN MATHESON.

At approximately 1325 hours on 7-19-72, reporting investigator returned the telephone call to the police department in Elsworth, Kansas and spoke with the State Trooper Alvin Matheson, who was the arresting officer involving the incarceration and at this time Matheson provided a list of the items removed from at the time of booking. Items as follows:

- Sleepingbag rust color.
- 2. A long black overcoat.
- A green jacket, size 42 with the initials J.W. and the word Dant on the back and the word Dave over the left front pocket.

- 4. A short black coat.
- 5. Two pairs of blue jeans.
- 6. A bar of soap.
- 7. Two small paper matchbooks one bearing the picture of a camel the other bearing the words Copper Cow, Charcoal Broiled Steaks, 1519 Commerce Street, Dallas, Texas.
- 8. A tan and brown sweater.
- 9. A gray knit short sleeved shirt.
- 10. A sheet of folded clear plastic material.
- 11. One pair of blue jeans worn by suspect.
- 12. A brown leather belt.
- 13. A blue and yellow striped knit shirt.
- 14. A three fold type wallet containing the following items:
 - and the number stated that an Indian had given him this name and that is what he used.
 - b. An Oregon State Employment Division identification card application listing the address as Union, N.E., Salem, Oregon, the date on the card was 3-6-72. The Social Security number was The occupation on the card was listed as miscellaneous labor and the card code number was
 - c. Half of a matchbook cover, possibly a Safeway advertisement type cover, with a pink background with a black ring surrounding a small white background, which in turn contained a red S. On the back of this matchbook cover were the words - Rhondi and the name Hawey and the address 752 Jefferson, Eugene, Oregon, phone number 343-4187.
- 15. A picture of a white female adult on a small cheap type carnival picture negative. This individual appeared to be wearing a dark blue heavy workshirt with a tight fitting crocheted cap. Subject also wearing octangular glasses. Had round face and possibly blonde hair.
- 16. Small piece of tree branch approximately five inches in length with a small amount of binder twine.
- 17. Pair of brown harness boats, 12" to 14" in height.
- 18. Two small firecrackers in large overcoat.

The conversation with Trooper Matheson continued and he stated that when he had advised that Oregon was going to extradite him indicated that he was going to fight extradition. He further stated that had asked him for a pack of cigarettes and when he had taken the cigarettes into had stated, somewhat

unsolicited, "I bet you guys must have a rough time with murders and chopped up bodies and stuff, I would never do that 'cause...". At this time Matheson stated more or less just faded away in volume and he couldn't bear any words at all after the word 'cause.

Trooper Matheson was asked to package the stick and twine in evidence and take pictures of all of the property confiscated from.

He was further asked to check the property for any visible stains or body fluids that might be present. At this time Trooper Matheson indicated that he was not qualified to do this and that he would contact a state investigator who would in turn recontact this office. This more or less ended the conversation with Trooper Matheson. Additional contact to be made 7-20-72.

On Thursday, 7-20-72, reporting investigator contacted the Elsworth, Kansas Police Department and at this time arrangements were made to have all of the property of packaged in clean evidence envelopes and the time, date and name of packaging officer placed on all items. It was further requested that all items be sent to the State lab in Eugene as soon as possible. Investigators in Elsworth, Kansas indicated they would assist in anyway possible and send evidence registered mail along with a chain of custody reports.

On Friday, 7-21-72, reporting investigator and officer Paul Shiell of the Oregon State Police were advised that suspect was presently at the residence of a David MANN in Grandville, Ohio. San Diego District Attorney's Investigative staff is maintaining liaison in this area and advises subject under observation and will notify if he becomes transient. San Diego investigators during reinterviews of parents found that subject is a devout Catholic, probably homosexual and at one time did own a Navy peacoat with buttons missing. Attempts being made at this time to positively identify coat. Further information from San Diego reveals that while at the strength selection is residence in Coronado, a peacoat button was discovered along with a old skelton type key with the words "Coburg Inn" and the number 7 inscribed on the side of the key.

On Monday, 7-24-72, this investigator contacted the investigative staff at the Salem Police Department and it seemed as though all involved agreed that and either be eliminated or centered upon as principal suspects through interviews in Kansas and Colorado. The persons who should do the interviews were discussed and it was felt that Sergeant Jack Winchester of the State Police, who is well appraised of the entire investigation, and Patricia Peterson of the Salem Police Department should travel to Kansas and Colorado and continue the investigation and interviews in that area.

DISPOSITION:

Local suspect pending polygraph examination in connection with the death of victim #1

It should be indicated that by no means has this investigation narrowed down to the three suspects and and that there presently exists numerous items of extreme investigative value which will be examined along with other possible suspects. The investigation in all areas will continue, however, it is felt that strong suspects should either be eliminated or established as principals as soon as possible through interviews.

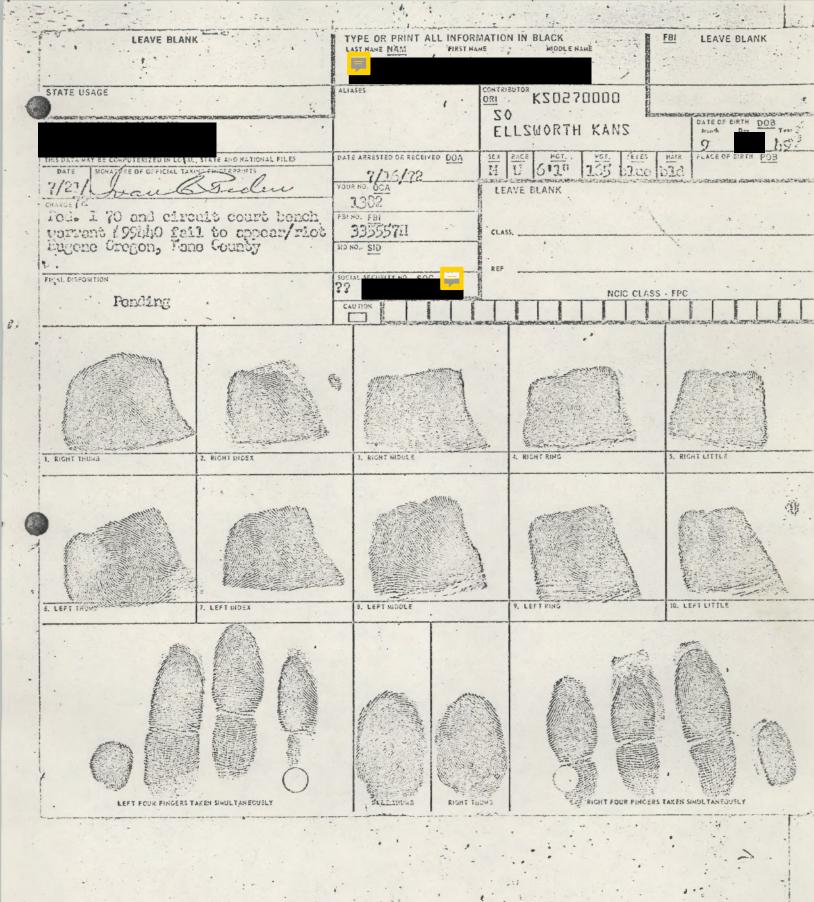
NOTE:

It is important to note that a common suspect might be possible as both victim #1 and victim #3 were both users of drugs and were well acquainted with each other and had on occasion lived together.

Case to date - investigation to continue.

Paul D. Alton Investigator Lane County District Attorney's Office 687 - 4261

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TIME 7:55PM

OFFICER'S REPORT

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Subject HOMICIDE - Supplemental

VICTIM:

Pt. Box 1035 Roberts Creek Road Roseburg, Oregon

REFER:

To crime against person report; murder dated 6-7-72 by Lt. Merle D. Jensen, Douglas County Sheriff's Office and supplemental reports, victim Case #72-1357.

To crime against person report, homicide dated 6-16-72 by Linn County Sheriff's Office and supplemental reports, victim

To crime against person report, homicide dated 6-26-72 by Detective E. Hoadley Salem Police Department, victim Jane Marie Pellett, Case #72-5295

To teletype APB 0161 SMP 06-27-71 1111 by E. Hoadley Salem Police Department reporting the possible homicide and listing and as suspects.

To crime report charging assault in the 1st degree by Deputy Gaston Lane County Sheriff's Office, dated 6-28-72, victim -suspect

To burglary report by Patrolman Joe Coke, Eugene Police Department dated 6-27-72, victim Osborne Apartments. EPO case #72-10834.

To runaway report dated 6-27-72 by Eugene Patrolman W.K. Jones on Eugene Case #72-10834

ACTION TAKEN:

On June 26, 1972 Sgt. Winchester advised writer to attend a meeting between Linn County authorities and Douglas County Sheriff's Office. In attendance were members of the Linn County Sheriff's Office, members from Douglas County Sheriff's Office, Lane County Sheriff's Office and State Police from Albany and Eugene.

At this neeting it was learned first that the victims had been rocumates in Eugene and had lived at the with Dave Trenary and a Harvey Irvin during the summer or fall of 1971. Second that the bodys were found along the highways in similar manner. It was suggested that the investigations be co-ordinated as many of the witnesses were the same. However the Linn County Sheriff's Office did not feel this would be of advantage at this time as they did not believe there was any definate evidence of a connection in the two crimes.

Writer was assigned to work with Detective James Villis in his investigation in the Bugene-Springfield area and Sr. Trooper Cofer worked with Detective Sanquist of Linn County Sheriff's Office. Witnesses and acquaintances were contacted from a list that Deputy Willis had. Little or no new information was gained from the interviews at this time except to verify that which was already known.

On June 27, writer and Detective Willis learned of the Pellett bomicide, and the fact that were suspects in that case. Due to the similarity of the three cases and the fact that all involved appeared to be from the Springfield area or have at least lived in the Springfield-Bugene area, a meeting luncheon was arranged for 12:01PM on 6-29-72 at the Lane County Court House to include the Lane County, Douglas County and Sales teams who were investigating their individual homicides in this area for the purpose of exchanging information. In the mean time writer learned that the Bugene Police Department had contacted the Brothers regarding a burglary and had taken a fifteen year old juvenile rimaway girl named into custody and lodged her in the Lane County Juvenile Mome at Skipworth. On June 28, 1972, writer learned that a girl named who had informed on the brothers had been assaulted by an unknown assailant with a knife. Writer contacted Spencer Gaston, Lame County Sheriff's Detective who investigated the assault and invited him to the meeting on 6-29-72. During this meeting the information regarding the various homidides was exchanged. It was learned from Detective Hoadley Salem Police Department, that Dave Trenary was supposed to be a friend of and Trenary had stayed with both victims,

A check was made with Lane County Jail by telephone and it was learned that was in the Lane County Jail from April 19, 1972 until May 2, 1972 and that he was back in jail from June 8, 1972 until June 21, 1972.

June 19, 1972.

On June 29, 1972 and June 30, 1972, the runaway girl,
was interviewed by the Salem detectives with very little
information gained. She did mention a wedding band that
had which was similar in description to the one that was missing off

On July 3, 1972, writer contacted the Lane County Jail to check for names of visitors to either of the while they were in jail.

Wes souly visitor at the Lane County Jail.

He wrote no letters and received only 2 letters from

had no visitors except for his attorney and his probation officer. He received no letters, but did write one letter to a

P.O. Box 3474 Coos Bay, Oregon

Writer learned at this time that was in jail in Lane County from April 19, 1972 until May 2, 1972 when he was transfered to the State Hospital. He was returned from the State Hospital to Lane County Jail on May 25, 1972 and released from Lane County Jail on June 1, 1972. He was again lodged in Lane County Jail on June 8, 1972 and was released June 21, 1972. The only period of time he was out of jail during this time was from June 1 to June 8, 1972. And was not free when and were killed.

was jailed in Coos Bay on April 17, 1972. On April 19, 1972 he was transfered to Eugene Jail. On May 19, 1972 he was returned to Coos Bay Jail and not released until June 14, 1972. Having obtained this information it would appear that was in jail when all three victims were killed.

On July 2, 1972 both were arrested in Reno, Nevada on a Disorderly Conduct charge. was indicted by Lane County Grand Jury on Assault in the 2nd degree and on Burglary in the 2nd degree and will be returned to Eugene. Detective Hoadly from Salem Police Department has gone to Reno to contact them regarding the Pellett homicide.

STATUS As of this time there are still no suspects in the homicide or in the homicide. Investigation is continuing and any further information will be made the subject of a supplemental report.

Paul R. Shiell

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cc: to Lt. Harmer to Douglas County Sheriff's Office to Linn County Sheriff's Office to Salem Police Department