

WACO POLICE DEPT

CONTINUATION/FOLLOW-UP REPORT

1. Time/Date Dictated 8:08 A.M., 7-20-82	2. Case Number 82-07-25720
4. Location SPEEGLEVILLE PARK	5. Date Offense Reported 7-14-82

3. Offense or Incident MURDER	Victim or Complainant (Last Name First) FRANKS, KENNETH	Address 2804 SAVANNAH COURT
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PROPERTY	Qty.	Description (Size, Color, Model, Style, Material, Condition, Serial No.)	Value Stolen	Value Rec.

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	Owner Address	DA 07050 Est. Value

At 11:00 A.M., 7-16-82, I received a phone call from an anonymous person, who stated that he had met a girl at AIRPORT PARK on Wednesday, 7-14-82, and that this girl had told him that she had been talking to TAB HARPER early Wednesday morning, 7-14-82, and that HARPER had been asking her if she had heard anything about the three bodies found stabbed to death in SPEEGLEVILLE PARK. The girl told the anonymous informant that she did not hear anything about this incident. The anonymous informant also agreed to this. Sometime that evening, the anonymous informant heard the broadcast about the three dead bodies found in SPEEGLEVILLE PARK. He thought that possibly TAB HARPER might have had this information before the police did, and he thought that this was suspicious, and that is why he called me at the Police Department. I found this to be suspicious also, as to the fact that the Police Department did not even locate the bodies until approximately 6:30 P.M. Wednesday evening, 7-14-82, and that no one could have possibly known about the incident, unless were involved in some way earlier than that time. I tried to get the anonymous phone caller's name, or the name of the person that he talked to. However, he stated that he was very scared of TAB HARPER and his friends, and that he did not wish to give me that information. At 1:30 P.M., 7-16-82, I received a phone call from another anonymous phone caller, who stated that he knew a white male subject who drove in a convertible, that had red hair, and that his name was RUSTY ESCOTT. He stated that RUSTY ESCOTT had been telling him that he had known a girl who had informed him, that TAB HARPER was asking her about the triple murders at SPEEGLEVILLE PARK, early Wednesday morning. This anonymous phone caller wished to tell and give RUSTY ESCOTT's name. However, he wished to remain unidentified. I then went to Records Counter and find some kind of record on a RUSTY ESCOTT. The only ESCOTT that I could find on file, was that in the name of ARTHUR RAYMOND ESCOTT with DOB of 08-02-64, with address of 1714 Marshall, phone 752-5760. I called ARTHUR ESCOTT at 2:00 P.M., 7-16-82, and started questioning him about the SPEEGLEVILLE PARK murders. At this time ARTHUR ESCOTT asked me how I got his phone number. I asked him what he meant, and he stated that he was the unidentified caller who had called me earlier that day, and had given me some information on a girl he knew. I then asked him for more details about the girl that he had talked with, and ESCOTT stated that he had talked to a girl by the name of REBECCA, who he thought to be 17 or 18 years of age at AIRPORT PARK between 11:30 P.M., 7-13-82 and 12:00 A.M., 7-14-82. He stated that REBECCA told him that she had seen TAB HARPER earlier that morning, and that he had been asking her about the triple murders in SPEEGLEVILLE. ESCOTT stated that he was positive about the time factor, that he had talked to REBECCA, and that there was no mistake in his details. ESCOTT also informed me that he had seen TAB HARPER park his chevrolet van, next to the orange Pinto

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4. Location SPEEGLEVILLE PARK	5. Date Offense Reported 7-14-82

Offense or incident: **MURDER**

Name of Complainant (Last Name First): **RANKS, KENNETH**

Address: **2804 SAVANNAH COURT**

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or he had seen TAB HARPER standing outside of his black Chevrolet van, parked right next to the  
 ge pinto on Tuesday night, 7-13-82. ESCOTT stated that he was driving around in KOEHNE  
 and that he saw the van, and TAB HARPER standing outside of it, talking to another white  
 subject. I tried to find a description on the other white male subject. However, ESCOTT  
 stated that he was paying more attention to TAB HARPER, and that he did not look at the other  
 white male subject in too much detail, because as soon as he saw TAB HARPER, he turned around  
 at the Circle and headed out of KOEHNE PARK. I then asked ESCOTT if he would try to get the  
 last name of the girl that he knew as REBECCA, and he stated that he would, and that he would  
 call me back if he found out this information. On 7-19-82, Detective SALINAS had come up with  
 the name of REBECCA DES MARAIS, DOB: 05-24-66, address of 4308 Shady Glen in Waco. We thought  
 that possibly this REBECCA DES MARIAS might possibly be the same REBECCA that ARTHUR ESCOTT had  
 talked to on 7-14-82. Detective SALINAS and Sgt. FORTUNE found REBECCA DES MARIAS in Waco, and  
 brought her to the Police Department for questioning. At approximately 5:00 P.M., 7-19-82, I  
 called ARTHUR ESCOTT once again, and he informed me that he had found out that REBECCA's last  
 name was DES MARAIS, and that she lived in an apartment off of Lake Shore Drive somewhere. I  
 asked him once again, if he was positive about these facts, and he stated that he was. Det.  
 SALINAS questioned REBECCA DES MARAIS. At 12:30 P.M., 7-19-82, LISA KADER, who lives at the  
 ERKINS UNIT at the METHODIST HOME, with DOB: 03-31-65, was brought to the Police Department  
 by her home parent, DEBBIE SAPP. LISA KADER stated that she may have some information that  
 might help us in our investigation. KADER stated that she knew of a white male subject by the  
 name of MUNEER DEEB, also known by the nickname of LUCKY, and that this white male subject had  
 threatened to put KENNETH FRANKS in the hospital at one time, as he and KENNETH FRANKS had  
 gotten into an argument. She stated that the argument was over a girl by the name of GAYLE  
 ELLY, and that FRANKS had ridden his motorcycle through the RAINBO STORE at 18th & Lyle, and  
 had yelled obscenities at DEEB. She stated that DEEB had then informed her that one day, he  
 was going to put FRANKS in the hospital, and make him pay for what he did. She told DEEB that  
 she did not think that he was capable of hurting FRANKS, as DEEB is quite smaller than FRANKS  
 and DEEB informed her that it would be no problem, as he had a black belt in karate, and  
 had taken lessons in judo. She also informed me that DEEB had boys try to make advances to  
 some of the women at the METHODIST HOME, by giving them free food and drinks, and making  
 propositions to them when they came to the store. I asked LISA KADER if she knew anything else

12. Officer Making Report: **NICOLETTI**

By:  Unfounded  Suspended  Excep. Cl.

Reviewed By: **93** Date: **8/4/82** Time: **4:31 P.M.** 7-20-82

MURDER

Victim or Complainant (Last Name First)

ANKS, KENNETH

Address

2804 SAVANNAH COURT

Qty. Description (Size, Color, Model, Style, Material, Condition, Serial No.)

Value Stolen

Value Rcv

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Name (Last, First Middle)

Address

Witn.  Susp. Wrt/Arr. No.

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Name (Last, First, Middle)

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10.  Abandoned  Used in Offense  Parked at PD

Year Make

Model Name

Body Type

Color(s)

Stolen  Stored  Vict's Veh  Towed  Canc

Lic. Yr-State-Number

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Identifying Marks-Condition-Missing Parts

Owner

Address

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that might help us in our investigation, and she stated that she did not. However, she thought we should question GAYLE KELLEY in regards to this incident, as she may know something; she has not told anyone, because of the fact that she was very close to KENNETH FRANKS. At 3:30 P.M., 7-19-82, I received a phone call from Detective BOSTICK, phone (713) 222-3651, who works in the HOMICIDE DIVISION of the HOUSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT. BOSTICK informed me that an unknown subject called him at his office, and stated that he knew of two male subjects that were at a party, and got stoned. He stated that the man told him that they stole a 1974 Chevrolet with no back license plates, and the front license plate read HERE COMES CHARLIE, off of a warehouse parking lot near Waco. The two subjects then drove it into Waco, and picked up three kids at KOEHNE PARK, tied them up and stabbed them to death, near LAKE WACO. The unknown subject then stated that the two males then drove the van north of Waco, and abandoned it, where they then stole a 1977 white Ford pickup with partial license plates EZ-1, somewhere north of Waco. He stated that the suspects were:

1. GREG WATTS, white male, 34 years of age.
2. UNKNOWN NAME, black male, 28 years of age, nickname of THE KING, and who had been recently paroled from TDC, to LaGrange, Texas.

The unidentified informant told the detective that if he would call the Waco Police Department and try to get verification of his story, that he would call back in a few hours for confirmation, and if the HOUSTON POLICE DETECTIVE wanted to talk to him, that he would give him more details. The unidentified informant then hung the phone up. BOSTICK gave me his home telephone number in case I needed to reach him there, (713) 468-5094. BOSTICK informed me that he would call back if he received anymore information, and that if I could get any kind of confirmation, to please call him back in case the anonymous phone caller called him. Myself and JOE WILEY and LARRY ABNER started checking into these facts. We were unable to locate any record on a GREG WATTS. JOE WILEY had found out that there was a Dodge van recovered from the FORT FISHER parking lot, on 7-15-82, that was stolen out of SAN ANTONIO, off of a FOOD STORE HOUSE PARKING LOT. I was unable to find any pickup trucks fitting the description of the one that was supposedly stolen in regards to this incident here in Waco. I called LaGRANGE, TX

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**MURDER**

2. Name of Complainant (Last Name First)  
**RANKS, KENNETH**

3. Address  
**2804 SAVANNAH COURT**

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to try and find out if there was anyone paroled to that section, that was nicknamed THE KING. As informed that there was no parole office in LAGRANGE, and that the PAROLE OFFICER for that section was a subject by the name of JACK DURWOOD, who works out of AUSTIN, TX. I called JACK DURWOOD, and he informed me that he was Parole Officer for the LAGRANGE area. He told me that he did not remember anyone fitting that description of the black male subject, nicknamed "THE KING" that was released from TDC recently. JACK DURWOOD can be reached at phone number (512) 475-0731. Deputy Sheriff LARRY ABNER then called the LAGRANGE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, and asked them if they knew anyone by the nickname of THE KING, living in their area. ABNER talked to JOE BOYD, who is the Chief Deputy, who informed ABNER that he knew of a black male subject by the name of DELANO KING, DOB: 06-09-47, described as 6'3", 170 pounds, very thin, and who lived fifteen miles away from LAGRANGE, in FAYETTEVILLE. BOYD informed ABNER that KING had been handled for DRUGS, ARMED ROBBERY & AUTO THEFT. I then ran a computer check on DELANO KING, and found that he had a criminal history in the name of DELANO ROOSEVELT KING, and that he had a total of six arrests. He had been arrested for ROBBERY, BURGLARY, LARCENY & WEAPON offenses, and had been convicted twice for Burglary. I then called JACK DURWOOD in Austin, and asked him if he knew this male subject. He stated that he was not familiar with this name. However, he stated that he would do some checking on it, and call me back when he found out some information. JACK DURWOOD called me back at approximately 3:30 P.M., 7-19-82, and informed me that he had found out that DELANO KING had been to the TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS, and was paroled in 1976 for Burglary of a Motor Vehicle. He stated that this was all the information that he had available to give me, and that if he could be of any further assistance to please contact him, in regards to this incident. The description of the van that was recovered on the FORT FISHER parking lot on 7-15-82, was that it was 1974 Dodge grocery van truck, that was registered to HOTTSTEDDER FOOD, INC., of 1414 N. Brazos, San Antonio, Texas. JOE WILEY found out that the van had already been released back to the owner, and probably back to San Antonio. The license number on the van was EV 2218.

At 4:45 P.M., 7-19-82, I called DETECTIVE BOSTICK at the HOMICIDE DIVISION OF THE HOUSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT, and gave him the information that I had found out in regards to the incident that he gave me. He then informed me that it was possible that his informant may know something about what he was talking about, and that he would call me back if his informant called.

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CONTINUATION/FOLLOW-UP REPORT

1. Time/Date Dictated 8:25A 8-16-82	2. Case Number 82-07-25720
3. Offense or Incident CAPITAL MURDER	5. Date Offense Reported 7-13-82

Victim or Complainant (Last Name First) FRANKS, KENNETH	4. Location KOEHNE PARK	2804 SAVANNAH COURT
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However, he did tell me that his wife had talked to him about the incident since I had called her that morning and that his wife BRENDA had said that she had heard from a girl named MORIE about this story of the hitchhiker.

I then called BRENDA back and she denied knowledge of the names that JIM had given me. She did become upset after I did question her further where she gave the name of a girl named MELISSA and that she would not give me MELISSA'S phone number but that MELISSA would call me back later.

Approx. 2:00PM I did get a call from MELISSA BLACKWELL who works at Charles McDonalds Law office at 752-9267. MELISSA stated that she does not know anything about a hitchhiker but that she knew that JIM and BRENDA had not been involved in any matter such as this. She then told me that she had heard from another office girl that the information had come from a girl that works at Winns store on Eastgate.

I then checked this story out where it came back again that they had heard the story from BRAD ROBEE. I then called BRENDA SMITH again and related to her that I had checked out two stories about the hitchhiker with blood on the back seat and that it came back that the story originated from BRAD ROBEE. Therefore I have excluded this hitchhiker story from this investigation.

At 9:14AM on 8-6-82 I did talk to MR. WELDON BOUNDS of Bounds Automotive. He stated to me that he knew DANNY SISEMORE and that he had heard that we were looking for him to talk to him about this triple murder. He stated that DANNY SISEMORE had an Uncle who was connected with the Mafia and was a very blood thirsty subject and that he has been in town in Waco at least three to four times in the last three to five years and that he does come from Florida. MR. BOUNDS also stated that a JOY THRASHER who is an ex-girlfriend of DANNY SISEMORE was suppose to have seen DANNY around June of this year. We had found out that DANNY had been dismissed from the service back in April or May of 82. JOY THRASHER is living with her sister at 1401 College Drive 753-8487.

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At 9:30AM I received a call from MR. BOUNDS son DAVID BOUNDS who had given information to SGT. BARRINGTON that the talk around China Springs and Valley Mills was that DANNY SISEMORE had been the subject that committed the Murders. I did ask DAVID BOUNDS specifically how he knew this and he just mentioned that it was talk around the town from the young people, not nothing definite or that anybody had personal knowledge of it happening. He did say that DANNY SISEMORE was capable of doing this type of crime.

DAVID BOUNDS stated that he would keep his ears open and that he would try to get us more information on DANNY SISEMORE as he got it.

At 8:38A 8-9-82 I made a call to Rusk Texas where I talked to DEPUTY KENNETH ACKERS in reference to a Murder where they had found a subject tied up with rope and strangled with a towel where the Suspect was a CHARLES ANTHONY JOHNSTON, a Waco local. The VICTIM was a RODNEY ANTHONY CASS. The detail of the killing was that the subject had been tied with his hands crossed around the front of his chest and then tied to the back across his waist to his feet from behind and then strangled with a towel. There were no wounds on the body whatsoever. DET. ACKERS stated that JOHNSTON had been talking about the Murder of his friend CASS the day before the body was found. After the discussion with ACKERS, I found that this case did not have any similarities to our case.

At 12:05PM 8-9-82 LT. HORTON, SGT. HOLSTIEN, Ranger JOE WILEY and MYSELF went to Dallas Texas where we met with Pathologist DR. GILLILAND on the autopsy of the bodies. Reports had been brought back to Waco and will be attached to the case on the results of the autopsy.

Also on 8-9-82 a polygraph test had been set for JAMES LUCAS to be questioned about the triple Murders after he had been accused by KEITH PAYNE and DAVID PAYNE of committing the triple Murder at Speegleville Park. I was informed by DET. TRANHAM that after the test was administered that JAMES LUCAS had passed the polygraph and he had no personal knowledge of the Murders. I was informed that he did show strong reaction to the questions that were asked to him about the PAYNE brothers who had previously tried to frame him on the Murders.

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