Next Victims Die Tonight?

**East Area Rapist Attacks No. 23**

The east area rapist, described as "a probable paranoid schizophrinic," attacked his 23rd victim this morning in Del Days housing and said he would kill his next two victims tonight.

The rapist made death threats to his victim and her husband, but gave conflicting reasons for them, Sacramento County sheriff's deputies said.

He told the woman he would kill next time if there were any news coverage of this morning's attack, deputies said. But he told her husband he would kill him "if there were no press coverage of the incident."

The threats were unofficially considered part of the rapist's increasing bravado by some investigators, but sheriff's spokesman Bill Miller said, "I was very concerned about that. Anybody who enters a home where people are sleeping, with a gun, could be very dangerous!"

The sheriff's office at first asked local news organizations not to report today's attack. But after analyzing the conflicting statements of the rapist, deputies called a press conference to release a composite sketch of the suspect and a paragraph to protect the community.

The man is a "probable paranoid schizophrenic," who feels sexually inadequate, Chief Deputy Fred Reese said.

The rapist was probably raised in an upper-middle class home by a domineering mother and a weak father, Reese said. He's probably an only child, but may have a younger sister.

He is believed to be of greater than average intelligence, at least a high school graduate who may be interested in police work or military officers training at some point, Reese said. He's probably unemployed now.

The rapist, if threatened, is violent and possibly self-destructive Reese said. If caught, he might try to take a hostage or stage a shootout with his captors.

But if confronted in a non-threatening situation, the rapist is...
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probably complacent and gives no indication he's a violent criminal, Reese said.

The psychological profile indicates the rapist feels sexually inadequate and is in "a homosexual panic because of inadequate (physical) endowment," Reese said. "The understanding is that since he is inadequately endowed, he can't establish a normal relationship with women (and raping) is his way to compensate," Reese said.

Although investigators have gathered thick files of information about the rapist and his attacks, they are no closer to catching him than they were 19 months ago, Reese said.

As deputies detailed today's incident, the ski-masked rapist entered a home off American River Drive near Jacob Lane about 1:30 a.m. and awakened a couple in their bedroom. It was not determined how he entered the home.

At gunpoint, he forced the woman, in her mid-20s, to tie up her husband, and then he led the woman to another part of the house, deputies said. The rapist stayed in the home about an hour and a half, but didn't awaken the couple's children or an adult guest.

During the incident, he spoke in a low voice that alternated in pitch and sometimes used a Southern accent, said Bill Miller, a sheriff's spokesman.

Deputies released a composite sketch of the suspect after today's attack by piecing together bits of a description gathered from the 23 women the man has attacked since October 1975.

In most of his earlier attacks, the rapist entered homes where women were home either alone or with small children. But five of his most recent attacks, four in the past two weeks alone, have involved couples.

The rapist attacked about 4 a.m. Saturday after confronting a couple in the bedroom of their home in the vicinity of Greenback Lane and Birdcage Street. His last attack before that was May 5, when he confronted an Orangevale couple in their driveway about 2 a.m.

In the composite description deputies described the rapist as a white man between the ages of 19 and 30. He is well built but slender. He has dirty blonde to medium brown hair about collar length. His eyes have been described as bright blue to hazel.

The rapist has worn a variety of ski masks, ranging from stocking-type to knitted.

Although rumors about the rapist and his attacks are rampant, Miller said today the rapist has never disfigured, cut or beaten any of his victims. One woman in an early case received slight knocks on her fingers from a knife the attacker carried, Miller said. Another woman who tried to resist, he said, was struck and slightly bruised, he said. There have been no serious physical injuries, he said.

While the rapist stays in the homes he has invaded for lengthy periods of time, he has repeatedly attacked the women. He has committed a variety of sexual perversions, Miller said.

Madrid Blast Precedes Mondale

MADRID, Spain (AP) — A bomb wrecked the first floor of the U.S. Cultural Center in Madrid today, eight hours before Vice President Walter F. Mondale arrived on a flight from Lisbon, Portugal.

The building was more than a mile off Mondale's planned itinerary and did not affect his visit, made to show U.S. support for recent Spanish moves toward democracy.

The newspaper El Pais reported that a caller, who said he spoke for the Communist splinter group GRAPO, told it: "We planted the bomb. We destroyed the Yankee library." The caller made no mention of Mondale.