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CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
BUREAU OF POLICE
OFFICER'S REPORT

SUBJECT Tele-Trap

No. _____

TIME 10:00 AM

CAPTAIN Nolan

Sept. 30, 1970

Re: Line Identification System Installation

Sir:

The Line Identification System (telephone trap) has been removed from the Tradewell store located at 3535 NE. 15th Ave. and has been relocated at:

MOR-MILE TIRE CO.
3368 N.E. Union Ave
284-9758 or Non Pub - 284-6389
(L.E. Herrman)
Res. 5417 NE 49th
284-0194

Resp.,

Glen L. Griffitts, Det.
Larceny/Days

CONFIDENTIAL	
DETECTIVE DIVISION	
AUTHOR	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Sgt. R. L. Duval</i>	
C. O. SIGNATURE	DATE
	<i>9-30-70</i>

~~After conferring with DDA Jerry Doble, Arrangments were made to install a tape recorder on the Mor-Mile Co. telephone. Mr. Doble agreed that if the ~~instrument~~ recorder was installed by the receiving party or with the ~~concent~~ of the receiving party, it would be admissible as evidence.~~

Cancelled
(Signature)

Subject
TELEPHONE THREATS

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT

REPORT NO.

Captain
CAPT NOLAN

BUREAU OF POLICE, PORTLAND, OREGON

9/25/70 6:30PM
Date of report Time

Complainant: Surname	First name	Initial	Home address	Res. Phone
TRADEWELL STORES			Business address 3535 NE 15th	Bus. Phone 284-8692
DATE AND TIME CRIME OCCURRED 2 (No crime, incident only)		PLACE OF OCCURRENCE 4:23PM 9/25/70 3535 NE 15th		DATE AND TIME OF ORIGINAL REPORT 4:23PM 9/25/70

Check One Case: Continued _____ Closed XX Unfounded _____ Change Classification _____

~~XXXX~~

NO CONNECT INFORMATION

NO SUMMARY

NARRATIVE

Sir: Officer ~~FOESCH~~ FOESCH of the Radio Division received notification ~~of~~ at 4:23 PM from the telephone company, name of caller unknown, that the line identification system, otherwise known as a telephone trap, had been activited from the TRADEWELL STORE at 3535 NE 15th. This telephone trap has been put in to handle the exigency of any threats being made to the store.

The telephone company had reported that the trap had located a telephone at 106 N BEECH, this later turned out to be a telephone booth.

Myself, SGT OSBORNE, DET. HOCHSTETLER, DET. BRYANT, and DET. TUNE covered the incident, however, upon arrival at the TRADEWELL STORE myself and Det. TUNE talked to ROSE NOVAK of 6324 NE GRAND, 289-1924. This woman works in the meat department and only the MANAGER, the ASSISTANT MANAGER and herself answer incoming calls to the store on 2 telephones in the ~~xxx~~ store. Both on the same line.

We found that no threat had been made nor any incoming call received, however, MRS NOVAK stated that a customer requested that she call a radio cab for her, which she did. However, she said that when she dialed the first time she got no connection, she then waited a few seconds, then dialed the second time and still got no connection and then dialed the third time and this time the telephone worked properly and she was connected with Radio Cab and she did order the cab which came and picked up the customer. A few minutes after she made the call, the third time, the police arrived ~~xxx~~ in respect to this incident.

Apparently through some electronic fault, or some accident, the telephone trap was tripped.

The writer contacted MR BERRY, the special investigator for the telephone company at his home, however, he did not know who from the telephone company had called the police, but he said apparently someone from ~~xxxxx~~ his office had. And that he will check into this tomorrow and have them check out the telephone trap at the store to avoid a recurrence.

Resp.,

J. C. Todd
Dets, H & R/First Night

pm 9/25/70 7:40PM

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CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
BUREAU OF POLICE
OFFICER'S REPORT

No. _____

SUBJECT BLACK PANTHER BREAKFAST
PROGRAM
TIME 3:10 PM

CAPTAIN LT. STILL

9/29/70, 19

NO SPLIT- CONFIDENTIAL

RE: TRADEWELL STORES
NE 15th & FREMONT

NARRATIVE:

Sir: I have learned from
MR. CARL MARANA, District
Supervisor for Tradewell,

that they are planning to reinstate ~~JAMES E.~~^{J. V.} KIMMONS as Assistant
Manager at the 15th Ave. Store. MR. MARANA informed me that he had been
cited before the Labor Commission by Mr. Kimmons on charges of alleged
racial discrimination in his demotion. A hearing was held on 9/21/70
and as a result, Tradewell agreed to re-train KIMMONS as an Asst. Manager
and to re-assign him to the 15th Ave. store by 11/16/70.

If at that time he is not qualified to hold this position, he shall be paid
a salary equal to that of Asst. Manager. MR. MARANA indicated that Tradewell
is not contributing to the Blk Panther Breakfast Program, and does not intent
to support it in any way. They have had no further contacts with the Panthers
in this regard. He promised to keep us informed of all future developments.

Resp.

Glen L. Griffitts, Det.
Larc/days

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9/29/70 9PM

SUBJECT BLACK PANTHER BREAKFAST

No. _____

PLAN 3:20 PM

TIME _____

CAPTAIN LT. STILLNOVEMBER 10, 19 70SUBJECT: BLACK PANTHER BREAKFAST PLANCOMPLAINANT

CAUTHORN, FRANK A.

13009 SE Ankeny

253-2839

Bus. Address CAUTHORN'S USED CARS2020 NE Union Ave.

288-5531

NARRATIVE

Sir:

Mr. CAUTHORN reports that he had been solicited by the Black Panthers sometime in June or July of this year. He gave a lady a \$7.00 check in support of the Breakfast Program and noticed that the check was returned, ^{cashed} endorsed with the signature of a Linda Thornton. On Wednesday, 11-4-70, he was again approached by the same girl (believed to be Linda THORNTON) and one other Negro lady. They told him that the Breakfast Program had not been operating for one week due to a lack of funds and that other merchants were donating and they invited him to participate in the program. They did not mention how much money was expected of him but told him that the breakfast was being served at the Highland Church of Christ, located at NE 9th and Going. They reported that an Ella KIMMONS and X Sandra FORD were running the breakfast program and that he may obtain further information from a Rev. JOHNSON at that church. They said that they purchased groceries for the program at the Cash & Carry Market, located on N. Lombard St. When they began preaching hatred for the police department, Mr. CAUTHORN defended law enforcement which caused quite an argument. After a lengthy discussion, over police and Black Panther activities, the ladies told Mr. CAUTHORN that they would have to be leaving because it was getting dark. Mr. CAUTHORN stated that this was about 6:00 PM. The two ladies then left the premises on foot. They did not indicate to Mr. CAUTHORN that they would be back nor were there any threats.

On 11-6-70, at appr 1:45 AM, Mr. CAUTHORN's business was unlawfully entered by a Negro ~~XXXX~~ male described as 18 yrs, 6', 190 lbs. No identification was made of this subject although Officers NORDLOFT and PENNY arrived in time to see the subject run from the area. This is report #70-83038. There is no known connection between this and the Black Panther solicitation

Respectfully,
Sgt. Robert A. Schwartz

11-10-70 6:05 PM cdj

Glen L. Griffitts, Det.
Larceny/Days

cc City of Portland, Portland License Bureau

50.06N0370

REPORT OF CRIME AGAINST PROPERTY
BUREAU OF POLICE, PORTLAND, OREGON
222 S.W. PINE ST.

ROLLETIN
NOV 7 1970

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1. SPECIFIC CRIME BURGLARY - F & Used Car lot office		2. PLACE OF OCCURRENCE 2020 NE Union		Dist 61		CASE NO. 70- 83038	
3. DATE AND TIME CRIME OCCURRED 11-6-70 1:45AM				4. DATE AND TIME CRIME REPORTED 11-6-70 1:48AM			
5. VICTIM'S NAME CAUTHORN, FRANK A.		6. RESIDENCE ADDRESS 13009 SE Ankeny		CITY		7. RES. PHONE 253-2839	8A. BUS. PHONE 288-5531
9. FIRM NAME IF BUSINESS CAUTHORN'S USED CARS		10. BUSINESS ADDRESS 2020 NE Union		CITY		8B. BUS. PHONE	
11. PERSON REPORTING CRIME		12. RESIDENCE ADDRESS		CITY		13. RES. PHONE	14. BUS. PHONE
15. PERSON WHO DISCOVERED CRIME		16. RESIDENCE ADDRESS		CITY		17. RES. PHONE	18. BUS. PHONE
19. WITNESSES' NAMES 1. BROMLEY, MICHAEL L. 2. 3.		20. RESIDENCE ADDRESS 2212 W 27, Vancouver, Wash.		CITY		21. RES. PHONE 694-0131	22. BUS. PHONE
23. VICTIM'S OCCUPATION Owner		RACE w		SEX m		D.O.B. Legal	
25A. EXACT LOC. PROPERTY WHEN STOLEN		26. POINT ENTRANCE WAS MADE S side window		24. TYPE PREMISES WHERE CRIME COMMITTED used car lot office			
28. INSTRUMENT USED (DESCRIBE)		29. TYPE OF PROPERTY TAKEN nothing taken		27. METHOD USED TO GAIN ENTRANCE smashed out glass window			
30. WHERE WERE OCCUPANTS AT TIME OF CRIME							
31. TRADEMARKS OF SUSPECTS; ACTIONS OR CONVERSATION - EXACT WORDS							

32. SUSPECT(S) NAME		ADDRESS		RACE	SEX	AGE	HT.	WT.	HAIR	EYES	COMPL.	CLOTHING
1. Negro male, 18 yrs, 6'		12x 190#							dark short hair			beige tan 3/4 length coat,
2.												
3.		dark pants, ran NE thru the blocks										
LIST DEPT. & NUMBER IF ANY												

33. VEHICLE USED BY SUSPECT(S)	LICENSE NO.	COLOR	YEAR	MAKE	BODY TYPE	IDENTIFYING MARKS
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34. VALUE: 1-CURRENCY	VALUE: 2-JEWELRY & PRECIOUS METALS	VALUE: 3-FURS
VALUE: 4-CLOTHING	VALUE: 5-MISCELLANEOUS	VALUE: 6-AUTO ACCESS.

35. SURNAME	FIRST	INIT.	PERSONS ARRESTED	RACE	SEX	D.O.B.	WHERE EMPLOYED
SURNAME	FIRST	INIT.	ADDRESS				

35. DETAILS: NARRATIVE OF CRIME, DESCRIBE EVIDENCE; SUMMARIZE DETAILS NOT GIVEN ABOVE; ITEMIZE AND DESCRIBE ANY PROPERTY OBTAINED, INCLUDING SERIAL NUMBERS AND VALUE.

24b: smashed window glass

TO: LT HAYNES:

Sir: Received radio call 1:48AM, this date, to 2020 NE Union, CAUTHORN'S USED CARS regarding a burglary. Upon arrival at 1:49, pulled up in front of the Use Car lot on Union, as we were getting out of the automobile, we saw the above described ~~sub~~ susp come jumping out of a window and proceeded to run East from the building. At this time we gave chase, followed the subj to a back yard of a residence located directly behind the Used Car lot. The subj ran, fell down a grassy embankment, and jumped over two fences, and was last seen running NE thru the blocks. Subj described as colored, male, 18 yrs, 6', 190#, wearing a beige 3/4 length coat with dark pants. Subj was not carrying anything from inside the building.

At this time, talked to the witness, Michael L. BROMLEY, who was a security
LIST ANY OTHER CRIME(S) CLEARED OR CONNECTED WITH THIS REPORT. USE SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT IF NECESSARY. Con't.....

37. APB NO. AND DATE	38. NAME, SIGNATURE, BADGE NO. REPORTING OFFICER(S)	39. RELIEF: DAY 1 2 DIST. PREC. OR DIV.
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11-10-70 cc Det. Shillitto

DATE AND TIME REPORT WRITTEN 172

83038 *Alb*

guard directly across the street from CAUTHORN'S USED CARS, at Lynn Kirby Dealership. Mr. BROMLEY states that he saw the same susp wandering around in front of the CAUTHORN'S USED AUTOMOBILE office, and then saw the subj disappear into the window which had been smashed out. Mr. BROMLEY states that he did not see the subj actually break the window.

Contacted the owner, Mr. FRANK A. CAUTHORN, who came to the location at approx 2:35AM, and checked the premises, found there was nothing missing, no money or any other office equipment, and Mr. CAUTHORN does not keep any of his used automobilex car keys in the office. Subsequent to Mr. CAUTHORN's arrival, Car 61 and 63 and 51, checked the area of the susp's flight, with no success.

Returned to service at 2:48AM.

RESP.,

R. V. PENNEY, #581
D. R. NORDLOF, #102
East/2nd night/Unif div/Dist 63

11-6-70 7:42PM rs

CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON
 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
 BUREAU OF POLICE
OFFICER'S REPORT

SUBJECT POSS. EXTORTION

No. _____

TIME 11amCAPTAIN LT STILL6-12-70, 19__SUMMARY

This report relates to the interview of Mr. FLORIS F. RUNYON of RUNYON's 88¢ STORE, 3716 NE Union, phone - 288-2926, wherein he relates the facts surrounding his forced contribution of \$75 to KENT FORD's Black Panther programs.

NARRATIVE

Sir: I talked with Mr. RUNYON in the Detective Office this morning advising him of our interest in KENT FORD and the Black Panther groups solicitation of funds in the Williams Avenue and Albina districts.

Mr. RUNYON relates that some 4 to 5 months ago he was contacted by several Colored subjects one being KENT FORD and a female subject known to him as LINDA THORNTON. At this time he was asked to contribute to the 'Children's Breakfast Program', being operated at the United Church of Christ. He states that at this time he did give a check for \$25 and the subjects departed. He says that a month later they returned advising him that he had not given his \$25 check and he informed them that he had donated \$25 and felt that this was enough, and declined to give them any additional funds at this time. He states that a little later some 7 or 8 Colored subjects, one being identified as local #54225, PERCY HAMPTON, Jr., appeared immediately in front of his front door-blocking the door from incoming and outgoing business, carrying signs stating that this greedy merchant refuses to give to the Children's Breakfast Program. He states that business was good on this particular day and they were busy inside, did not react to the pickets and a short time later they began to chant "Lets burn this place down". He stated that at this point his son became apprehensive as well as himself and the son did go outside, located KENT FORD who was standing near by and asked him to come into the store where a donation was discussed. FORD declined to take the donation stating that he would have to get LINDA's approval-this being LINDA THORNTON-that he did leave the store going out to what they thought would have been the parking lot and returning with LINDA THORNTON. At this time LINDA declined to take the \$25 donation stating that she felt it should be \$80, however Mr. RUNYON said he told him he could not pay \$80, but he would contribute \$25 monthly if the pickets were removed. He states that he did at this time give them a second check for \$25 and the subjects departed taking the pickets with ~~th~~ them. He says that a few weeks later KENT FORD came in by ~~himself~~ himself and approached him relative the Black Panthers medical clinic and dental clinic stating that he felt RUNYON should donate to these causes. Mr. RUNYON by this time being thoroughly chastised said that he would ~~g~~ give \$25 to the medical program at which point FORD said no you make that \$25 for each. Mr. RUNYON states that he has been donating \$75 a month now for some 2 to 3 months to these Black Panthers sponsored operations. He says that the agreements on the breakfast program would be that they would not operate during the summer and he would not have to contribute the \$25 after 1 June, however he said several days ago he was contacted by KENT FORD on the phone and advised that they had not received his check, he said that he understood that they did not expect him to pay during the summer and was advised by KENT FORD that they have decided to continue the program and they expected his check, that he could

deliver the check to one of the employees, this being PATRICIA HAMPTON, brother of PERCY HAMPTON, Jr. Mr. RUNYON said he did give the check to PATRICIA HAMPTON who operates his cash register in his p~~aa~~ce of business and that she apparently delivered the check. Mr. RUNYON is obviously afraid of what might happen if he declines to give to these people and stated to the writer that he was well stocked at this time preparing for the Christmas season and had hoped to be able to operate through the Christmas season and after that ~~the~~ time possibly would close up business and move. Mr. RUNYON did state that if a number of businesses will testify in order to make this case that he will cooperate and will testify to the Grand Jury and in court, however states he will not do it by ~~himself~~ himself.

Writers will contact Mr. RUNYON relative obtaining the cancelled check and receipts for photostating as evidence in this case.

Resp:
James F. Smith, Det.
Robbery Detail, Days

6-15-70 10:40am mlt

CC CASE #70 - 38150

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 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
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Robbery Detail, Days

6-15-70 10:40am mlt

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 BUREAU OF POLICE
 OFFICER'S REPORT

SUBJECT POSS. EXTORTION

No. _____

TIME 3:30pmCAPTAIN LT STILL6-11-70, 19 _____SUMMARY

This report deals with the interview of Mr. CARL J. DE PAOLO of Communication Enterprises Inc. of 2323 N Williams, phone- 284-2168, and describes his two contributions to the 'Black Panther Breakfast Program'.

NARRATIVE

Sir: We talked with Mr. DE PAOLO this afternoon relative to any contacts he might have had with the Black Panthers and their solicitors for their children's breakfast program, explaining our interest in same. Mr. DE PAOLO states he was contacted approximately 4 months ago by several Colored subjects- one of whom he identified as being KENT FORD and picked the photo of local #52067 being KENT FORD as this person. He says that on this occasion they were operating what he describes as an older model, '50 to '52 Plymouth or Dodge, blue or bluish gray in color. He states that on this occasion he declined to give them anything however they informed him that they would be back and did return a month later at which time he wrote a check for \$5- this being check number 664, drawn on the Lloyd Center Branch, United States National Bank of Oregon. Check was made out to 'Breakfasts for School Children' and was endorsed by LINDA THORNTON as co-ordinator, listing an address of 3619 NE and the name of the street we are unable to determine, phone- 284-4815. This check was written on February 18th, 1970. He states that the third time he was contacted he again declined, however they returned on June 3rd, and he at this time wrote a second check for \$10 receiving a receipt signed with the name KENT FORD, however he says the subject picking up the check and leaving the receipt was not KENT FORD. This check had not cleared the bank at the time of our call, however will be obtained for photostat purposes later in this investigation. Mr. DE PAOLO said there were no outward threats of violence to himself or his business at the time however in the initial call these subjects did stand around and glare and that he was afraid of what might happen if he refused to contribute to their fund. States that his business is located in the Colored district and he feels he has to operate there and is possibly forestalling trouble by making donations.

He states that on this date he was contacted by a subject giving the name of GENE SPURLOCK alias SPIDER representing the Albina Community Center requesting that he sponsor the wages of a subject at some \$3 to \$4 an hour for one week at some type of work program which SPURLOCK was organizing. He states that he declined to give in this matter and SPURLOCK upon leaving did remark that he had contacted Grandma's Cookies on Monday prior to their being burned and had been denied a contribution at that time. SPURLOCK has a rather extensive record with this department being a narcotics user, however have no reports to connect him with the Black Panthers group.

Resp:
 James E. Davis, Det.
 James F. Smith, Det.
 Robbery Detail, Days

6-15-70 10:10am mlt

cc case # 70-38150

INTELLIGENCE REPORT

TO: Deputy Chief Robert Steele

DATE: January 7, 1971

FROM: L.A. Ferreira

SUBJECT: Black Panther Party's Breakfast program collections.

Details:

At approximately 3:30 P.M. on 1-7-71 conducted a interview with Mr. Zimmerman, Security Manager of Kienow's Inc. During the course of the interview there were several items discussed however, primarily the discussion centered around what monies or foodstuffs Kienows had paid to the Black Panther Party, quantities and methods.

Mr. Zimmerman informs me that when the original agreement was made with the Black Panthers it was decided that \$25.00 a month in foodstuffs would be donated. This was to be picked up once a month by a representative of the Black Panther Party. It would be picked up personally in the store by that representative. Mr. Zimmerman stated that originally the sum was kept around \$25.00 in foodstuff and supposedly powdered milk, eggs, milk, canned cream would be used - strickly breakfast food items.

Zimmerman states, however, that in the latter stages a female by the name of LINDA THORNTON was the one who usually picked up the items along with a male subject who would carry the bags for her. She picked up in the later stages such items as lobster tails, porterhouse steaks, fresh cream, eggs, whole fryers which were obviously foods that were not intended for breakfast and not intended for children.

Mr. Zimmerman stated that it was rumored, strickly a rumor, that Kienows had been paying \$7.50 a week in addition to the \$25.00 monthly grocery allotment. This has not been substantiated by any figures seen by Mr. Zimmerman, however, he informs me that LINDA THORNTON usually signed the cash register ticket for the goods she picked up and also the accountant for Kienows kept track of all groceries expended in this manner and given to the Panthers. Mr. Zimmerman stated he would attempt to obtain for us a list of these items and the total amount given.

Zimmerman further states that in the latter months, recently, that the amount has probably been more like \$35.00 in foodstuffs a month.

As the Kienows store on Union Avenue is now closed, Mr. Zimmerman stated that an interesting note was that as the store closed on December 31, 1970 Kent FORD entered the store close to the closing hour and addressed Ed McDonald, Manager of the store, and stated

"Where is your next closest Kienows store?" At this time Mr. McDonald replied with several profanities that he did not really know and what's more he didn't care.

Mr. McDonald has now retired from Kienows and according to Mr. Zimmerman was on the verge of a nervous breakdown after having been engaged in business on Union Avenue for some time. Zimmerman states that he had been informed by sources on the Avenue that LYNN KIRBY FORD was paying off with a large amount to the Panthers. He stated that it was reported that \$300.00 a month was going to the Panthers from Lynn Kirby Ford.

It was then pointed out that we had sources who explained that Kienows was paying up to \$700.00 a month and it is obvious that an exaggeration has been made as the actual amounts being given to the Panthers by various organizations.

Mr. Zimmerman states that he will check and call us back in regards to the amounts and whatever information he can get us as to audits that were made by his company.

LF:h

CONFIDENTIAL

Black Panther extortion
8-21-70

Another gentleman at this meeting was a Mr. Lynn KIRBY, owner of Lynn Kirby Ford located at 2005 NE Union, 288-5211. Mr. Kirby stated that yesterday evening, August 20, 1970, his general manager Mr. Orville Springer was confronted by six negro males, all large and husky, and one female, and demanded a donation for the Breakfast For Children program. Further, Mr. Kirby stated that these six negroes made a complete nuisance of themselves, they were walking in and out of the offices, Mr. Springer was attempting to write a contract up on the sale of a car and one of the negro males busted into the office and asked the people that were attempting to buy the car what kind of car they were buying and this and that and the people got scared and left. Mr. Kirby stated that his manager Orville Springer was so upset and just flat out scared that he wrote a company check for \$10.00 and gave the check to the six negro males that confronted him. Further, Mr. Kirby stated that these negro males were jumping on his new cars which were in the showroom on display.

Mr. Kirby stated that approximately six or eight months ago a negro by the name of NATHAN PROBY confronted him with the proposition of borrowing a car from Mr. Kirby in reference to use for the Seven of Diamonds Club. This was supposedly to be for a parade. Mr. Kirby thought that if it would be for the teenagers he would do it. In turn he loaned a new car to NATHAN PROBY, the car was returned the following day and had been inflicted with \$200.00 in damage. Mr. Kirby called NATHAN PROBY and NATHAN PROBY came to the office of Mr. Kirby with five other negro males, all quite large, and saw the car and said "tough" and walked out.

Mr. Todd stated that most every business on Union Avenue has been confronted with this Black Panther situation. Two other companies that he mentioned that have been approached is the Thompson Metal Fabric Company located at 2100 N. Vancouver and said that the Black Panther organization has approached a Mr. Pudge THOMPSON for a donation. Mr. Thompson was confronted personally by KENT FORD two months ago for a donation. Mr. Kirby stated that several months ago, it might have been six months ago, that GARY WORTH's Chrysler and Plymouth dealership moved out of the Union Avenue district because their business was set on fire on three different occasions and that the Gary Worth Chrysler Plymouth Company was paying \$75.00 per month to the Panther organization and the first month they stopped paying this their place was burned down.

Mr. Todd stated that he or his manager of the plant contacted a minister that supposedly is the head of the organization of this Breakfast For Schoolchildren, 4635 NE 9th, called the United Church of Christ (please note the mimeographed handout form attached to this report). Information has it that the minister of this church stated that the Black Panthers did bring some of their kids to the church one morning as a pretext to cover the donations that were given but since this time the minister, name unknown at this time, has stopped this.

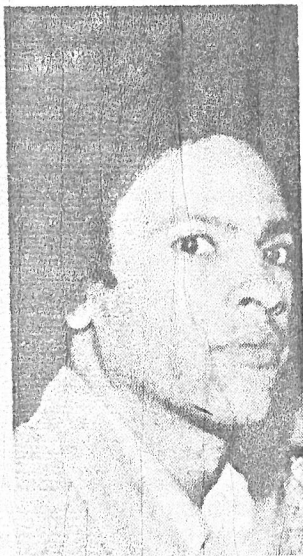
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Would-be killers now death targets, police say

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Police said Thursday that persons involved in a shooting allegedly aimed at eliminating a murder witness against Black Panther Huey Newton may now themselves be the target of a deadly "housecleaning" effort.

The web of intrigue began Oct. 23 when three men in jumpsuits attacked a woman in an apartment in nearby Richmond in a wild spray of gunfire.



HUEY NEWTON

Police claim the assault was a botched assassination attempt by Panthers on a key prosecution witness in a pre-trial hearing on murder charges against Newton, co-founder of the Panther Party.

Newton, who has been ordered to stand trial here early next year in the shooting of a prostitute and the beating of his tailor, says the accusations are part of a government frame-up plot.

Police say the Richmond shooting occurred when gunmen went to the apartment building where the witness lived, intending to kill her. But the plans went awry and in the resulting confusion, authorities say, one Panther shot and killed another. The witness escaped injury.

The investigation into that incident crossed state borders with the Nov. 14 shooting of Black Panther Nelson Malloy, 31, who was left for dead in the desert outside Las Vegas, Nev.

Police said they believe Malloy was involved in the Richmond shooting and was shot by two party members after he helped Floyd Forbes, another Panther

involved in the Richmond incident, flee to Las Vegas.

Las Vegas police issued attempted murder warrants Wednesday for two Oakland men believed linked to Malloy's shooting. They were identified as Allen Thomas Lewis, 24, and Rollin Gary Reid, 28. Police said both men were Panthers.

Richmond police Lt. Bill Hamberlin said Thursday, it's "a very strong possibility that someone is making an attempt to shut somebody up. 'Housecleaning' you might call it.

"If they're going to shoot one or two of them, the same thing may happen to anybody else involved or knowledgeable," he added.

Las Vegas police said Malloy's testimony has led investigators to believe that Forbes may have been killed.

"Either he's out of the country, or he's dead," said one homicide investigator, who asked that his name not be used.

Investigators piecing together the bizarre chain of

events believe that in the confusion of the Richmond incident, Panther Louis Johnson was killed by Forbes in an exchange of gunfire.

Malloy has told officers that Forbes himself was wounded in that shooting and fled to Malloy's house. The pair then flew to Las Vegas, where they were met by Lewis, investigators said.

While Forbes was hospitalized in Las Vegas under an assumed name, Richmond police issued a warrant charging him with Johnson's murder. Authorities also began looking for Malloy.

Forbes was released from the hospital Oct. 30, and investigators believe he was murdered soon after.

Police say Malloy, apparently still unsuspecting, joined Reid and Lewis, thinking they were fleeing to Houston.

But near Lake Mead, Nev., Malloy said all three got out of the van. The last words he remembers hearing were, "Shoot him." He was found later that day, shot and beaten, buried in a shallow grave.

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tion was tainted and he should not be labeled a repeat offender.

Both had also been charged with the murder of police officer John Scarangella, who was shot with Rainey in their squad car in the New York City borough of Queens.

Rainey, hit by eight bullets, still suffers from nerve damage and pain in his hip and leg, and is retired on disability.

Panther sentenced in shooting

NEW YORK (AP) — In a raucous courtroom filled with his supporters, former Black Panther James Dixon York was sentenced Tuesday to 12½ to 25 years in prison for the attempted murder of a New York City police officer.

The sentencing for Anthony LaBorde, York's co-defendant in the April 16, 1981, shooting of police officer Richard Rainey, was postponed until Jan. 4 when LaBorde argued that an earlier robbery convic-