

Police Roundup

Prison Escapee Captured in Houston

Acting on information supplied by Baton Rouge authorities, Houston police captured Shyrone Titus Tuesday.

Titus had been sought by local authorities since July 20, 1974, when he and another inmate escaped from the Clinton jail where they had been sent from East Baton Rouge Parish Prison while the prison was being renovated.

Titus was awaiting trial on two counts of distribution of heroin. He has been described by narcotics agents as one of the "kingpins" of Baton Rouge heroin traffic.

Members of the city police armed robbery detail said Tuesday they supplied Houston authorities with Titus' whereabouts and the alias he was using.

Houston armed robbery detail members, backed up by a Special Weapons and Tactics detail, captured Titus at the residence where he was

staying Tuesday morning. They identified him on the basis of three tattoos.

Titus and another inmate, who has since been recaptured, escaped from the Clinton jail through a dumb waiter, which connects the jail with the floor below, and fled to a waiting car. A 26-year-old woman was later arrested for allegedly aiding the escape.

An armed robber fired a shot at a cab driver who he was attempting to stick up Monday evening, but the bullet, which traveled through the headrest, only creased the driver's neck, according to police reports.

The 57-year-old driver told police he picked up two men who asked to be driven to an address on Blackberry, and one of the men pulled a gun as they approached the address.

The driver said he knocked the gun away and the assailants jumped from the car, firing a shot as they did so.

Four persons, including an escapee from Louisiana Training Institute, were taken into custody late Monday night shortly after the armed robbery of a Stop-N-Go store at 3036 Monterey Blvd.

Port Allen police stopped the car shortly after a \$55 holdup.

Todd R. Holler, 17, of 3435 Ontario, was booked with armed robbery and two counts of contributing to the delinquency of a juvenile, and a 16-year-old youth was mistakenly booked into parish jail as an adult with armed robbery, two counts of auto theft, two counts of contributing to the delinquency of a juvenile and escape from LTI.

A 16-year-old and a 14-year-old boy in the car with the two were referred to Family Court. The youths had reportedly been hitchhiking and were picked up by the alleged robbers, but knew nothing of the robbery until after it occurred.

The car in which they were traveling had been stolen in Baton Rouge earlier.

Police are also seeking two men who held up the Stop-N-Go Store at 4160 Mohican-Prezcott Crossover Monday.

The bandits got away with about \$40, but no one was hurt, police said.

In a Tuesday afternoon robbery, a young

man went with a rental-property owner to a house in the 900 block of E. Buchanan on the pretense of doing repair work, then robbed the owner at gunpoint.

The victim said the bandit took \$18 in the 1:15 p.m. incident.

Sheriff's deputies and state policemen, aided by a helicopter, were unable to capture two men Monday morning who were being sought in a wooded area near Old Jefferson Highway and Airline Highway.

Authorities converged on the area when witnesses reported that the two appeared to be about to break into a residence.

State police detectives booked Michele R. Walters, 28, of 10306 W. Winston, with soliciting for prostitution late Monday evening.

Tuesday arrests included Ernest Perrault, 27, of 5767 Glen Oaks, on distribution of marijuana; Edward Bigelow, 25, of Rochester, N.Y., on burglary and theft; Marlene Ann Robinson, 24, of Highland Road, on cruelty to a juvenile and child neglect; Kelly Crumholt, 19, of 5805 Biscayne on burglary and theft and possession of controlled dangerous substances; Dick Grayson, 18, of 6510 Myrtle, on distribution of marijuana, and Kenny Sheppard, 25, of 2526 Seneca, on burglary and theft.

Metairie Man Convicted In Boat House Stickup

PASCAGOULA, Miss. (UPI) — A 48-year-old Metairie, La. man faced 50 years in the state penitentiary at Parchman Tuesday stemming from a July 1974 boat house robbery outside Ocean Springs.

A Jackson County Circuit Court Jury deliberated for just over an hour Monday night and returned a guilty verdict against William Mankser Clubb. The jury could not decide on punishment.

Trial had begun the same day.

Circuit Court Judge Darwin Maples, who passed sentence, said he based the stiff prison term on Clubb's record and information gained from the trial. Maples

described Clubb as a "professional thug, the type of individual we cannot have in society."

Clubb and two other men were charged in the July 1974 holdup of a Bluff Hills Boat House, outside Ocean Springs. The stickup netted more than \$16,000 in cash and jewelry.

Another of the suspects, Louis Arthur Bergeron, was scheduled to be tried with Clubb. Maples granted a delay after Bergeron's attorney told the court his client had been admitted to a Metairie psychiatric ward during the weekend. A third suspect is still at large.

About 20 persons, some shooting dice, were at the boat house when the three men entered on the night of July 25, 1974. The mask robbers were brandishing pistols, described as being "as big as canons," and demanded money.

Witnesses testified party goers were systematically ordered to disrobe and give their valuables to the gunman. After the victims had been tied in various parts of the boat house, the gunmen sipped Scotch whisky and waited for other guest to arrive.

One witness said he had won about \$1,000 in the dice game and his winnings and \$6,000 he had in his pocket was included in the loot taken by the robbery.

Clubb and Bergeron were arrested several weeks after the robbery.

Wagon Train Visits Lecompte on Way To Bunkie Area

LECOMPTTE — A town named after a racehorse was host to riders and horses in the Bicentennial Wagon Train Pilgrimage Tuesday night, wagonmaster Gary Wimberly reported.

Mayor Sherman Roberts and the town of Lecompte prepared a steak dinner for wagon riders Tuesday night, Wimberly said.

About 75 riders joined the wagon train along its route from the Alexandria Tuesday. Wimberly said 1,500 persons packed the Pineville High School gym for a wagon show Monday night. The wagon train moves to Bunkie Wednesday.

No Leads Found In Fatal Beating

CROWLEY — Acadia Parish and Crowley law enforcement officials say they will withdraw a \$5,000 reward if no information is forthcoming that would lead to the arrest and conviction of persons involved in the death of Ricky Dale Mire, 18, Crowley.

Mire, beaten the afternoon of Nov. 12, was found in an empty rice canal and died that night in a Lafayette Hospital.

Police have investigated several leads but none have been productive.

Crowley merchants and other citizens contributed the reward fund.

Sheriff Elton Arceneaux, and J. Allen Castille, Crowley police chief, said the investigation of Mire's death will continue.

Charges Dropped Against Local Man

Attempted aggravated rape and aggravated burglary charges against Earl Thomas Jr., 26, of 400 E. Roosevelt, have been dropped by the district attorney's office.

A spokesman for the prosecutor's office said the charges were dropped at the request of the alleged victim, a 19-year-old girl.

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