

FBI Agent Slays Dog

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Aug. 17 (UPI)—FBI agents looking for a bank robbery suspect shot and killed a chained dog Thursday and burst into the home of Gracie Johnson, who lived across the street from where the suspect was finally arrested.

A spokesman said the agents killed the dog because the animal had "cornered" one agent.

The agents later arrested Abren Williams, the suspect, in a carport in the house directly across the street from Mrs. Johnson's home.

"The agents had reason to believe he (Williams) was located at that particular address (Mrs. Johnson's home)," Ray Faisst, special agent in charge of the Little Rock FBI office said today.

"We are checking into the matter," Faisst said. "We will make a complete check."

Faisst said the agent who shot the shepherd-collie did so because he "felt it was necessary." He said the agent was "cornered by the dog; there seemed to be no other choice in the matter." He said the fact that the dog was chained to a tree "was not a factor in this particular matter."

Williams was wanted in connection with the June 12 robbery of the Moro branch of the First National Bank of Marianna, Ark.