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GEAR DISPLAYED BY FBI IN ALLEGED PLOT TO DESTROY POLICE STATION — AP WIREPHOTO.

'Bug,' Informer Lead to Arrest In Holdup Plot

SEATTLE, Wash. (AP) — The FBI has arrested seven men and accused them of plotting to blow up a police station and power plant and then rob four banks yesterday while the police were diverted.

The FBI said some were members of the Minutemen, described by the federal agency as an anti-Communist organization. However, in Norborne, Mo., Robert DePugh, chief of the Minutemen, said only one name was familiar to him.

U. S. COMMISSIONER Walter Reaseburg said at the arraignment of the seven that a search warrant was issued Thursday with the consent of U. S. Atty. Gen. Ramsey Clark to permit an informer to attend a meeting with an "electronic device." The complaint said that through the search warrant "evidence has been obtained of

conversations of the defendants which indicate that they met Thursday to complete plans for the Redmond bank robberies."

FBI agents arrested four of the men yesterday in a car in a parking lot in Lake City, just north of Seattle. Three others were seized in another car in a parking lot in Bellevue.

Agents said floor plans of the banks, 10 gasoline containers rigged as firebombs, nine sticks of dynamite, blasting caps, a pipe bomb, a .32-caliber pistol and two .38-caliber pistols were found in the cars.

THE FBI said the seven planned to rob three banks in Redmond, a few miles south and east of Lake City and Bellevue, and another in Des Moines, just south of Seattle, after blowing up the police station in the

Redmond City Hall and a power plant in Redmond.

Federal agents said the men were led by Duanne Ivan Carlson, 35, of Seattle, described by the FBI as a fulltime Minutemen employe.

Besides Carlson, the others arrested were Joseph David Hourie, 20, of Seattle, an employe of a grocery chain; Ervin John White, 41, of Edmonds, a self-employed draftsman; Mervyn E. Henderson Sr., 57, of Bothell, a church sexton and part-time maintenance man; Kelly E. DeLano, 24, of Tacoma, a civilian driver at Ft. Lewis, near Tacoma; Milton James Dix, 34, of Seattle, a longshoreman, and Jerome Nicholas Diemert, 43, of Arlington, an unemployed ship's oiler.