

Suspect in '69 Bombings Pleads Not Guilty After Fugitive Years

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Patricia E. Swinton, a fugitive for more than five years, pleaded not guilty yesterday to charges of participating in a plot to bomb buildings here in 1969 during a period of protest against the war in Vietnam.

After her plea, Judge Milton Pollack set bail at \$200,000 in Federal District Court here for Mrs. Swinton, a 33-year-old former schoolteacher who was arrested on Wednesday in Vermont, where she worked in a health-food store and lived on a communal farm.

Mrs. Swinton, wearing a dark green shirt and blue dungarees, waved at two friends in the courtroom as Federal marshals led her away.

The three other defendants in the bombing case had pleaded guilty long ago. Jane L. Alpert is serving 27 months after her surrender last Nov. 14 following almost five years as a fugitive. Samuel J. Melville was serving 13 years when he was killed during the 1971 battle in the Attica State Correctional facility. John D. Hughey 3d underwent tests at a youth center before being released on probation in 1970.

Fugitives Lived Together

In arguing for lower bail, Frederick Cohn, a lawyer for Mrs. Swinton, contended that his client had not fled from Vermont, even though she had expected to be arrested soon because of press reports that Miss Alpert was cooperating with the authorities.

The lawyer explained that Mrs. Swinton and Miss Alpert had lived together in New Hampshire for a time when they were fugitives and that Miss Alpert knew Mrs. Swinton called herself Shoshana, or Suzanne Davis—the name she was using in Vermont.

David A. Cutner, a Federal prosecutor, said "the only adequate bail would be a very high bail" because Mrs. Swinton was charged with serious crimes, could face up to 30 years in prison and had been a fugitive since late 1969. He said the participants in the bombing conspiracy had "held New York City in a vice of fear—they played Russian roulette with the lives of its citizens."

Judge Pollack, who remanded Mrs. Swinton in lieu of \$200,000 bail, indicated that he was prepared to bring the case to trial quickly. The charges involved eight bombings, including one at the armed-forces induction center at 39 White-



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Patricia E. Swinton leaving court here yesterday.

hall Street, and the injury of 21 persons.

Fugitive Arraigned

WARWICK, R.I., March 13 (AP)—Cameron D. Bishop who had been one of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's 10 most-wanted fugitives, was arraigned today on charges of conspiring to hold up an armored car.

Mr. Bishop, 32 years old, a young radical of the nineteen-sixties, had been on the most wanted list since April, 1969, on charges of dynamiting four Colorado transmission towers that supplied power to defense plants.

He was arrested yesterday in East Greenwich along with a companion, Raymond Levasseur, 28, in a car that the police said contained a small arsenal of weapons.

District Court Judge Anthony Dennis ordered the pair held at Rhode Island's Adult Correctional Institution on charges of illegal possession of firearms and conspiracy to commit robbery.