

Arms Cache Found In Home Is Linked To Ex-C.I.A. Aide

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PHILADELPHIA, June 21 (AP)—The police say that a collection of weapons and explosives seized in a raid on two homes yesterday belongs to a former employe of the Central Intelligence Agency.

Cases of rifles, ammunition, knives, plastic explosives, semi-automatic machine guns, mortars and assorted munitions were stacked floor to ceiling in the basement home of George Fassnacht, 35 years old, the police reported.

Investigators said their records showed that Mr. Fassnacht, a ballistic expert, was employed by the Philadelphia police from 1962 to 1967, when he left to join the C.I.A. The police said he had worked for the intelligence agency in Vietnam and other overseas posts before resigning in 1969.

He was last reported living in Hong Kong, they said.

Acting on a tip from a repairman who noticed piles of wooden crates in the basement of a home owned by Mrs. Mary Tobin, the police raided the row dwelling at 3 a.m. They found a small arsenal there.

Mrs. Tobin told the police that Mr. Fassnacht had brought the crates to her home three or four years ago. She said she had given him permission to store them without knowing their contents.

The police, assisted by United States Treasury agents and Army Ordnance experts, went to the Fassnacht home, four miles to the north. There they removed tons of plastic explosives, 15-millimeter cannon projectiles, mortar shells, grenades and automatic weapons of many types.

The police evacuated 12 neighboring homes and cordoned off the thickly populated residential area while they removed the arms cache.

Mr. Fassnacht's wife said he was in Europe. She said she last saw him in Singapore on a recent visit.

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