## A Model Smuggling



--- Jackson's Gun Traced

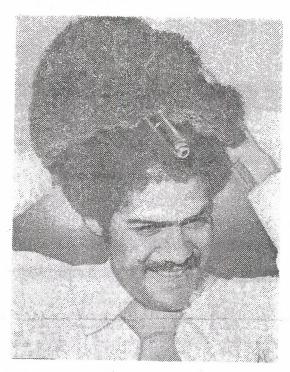
## This is a pistol identical to the one found by Jackson's body

The Chronicle brought together a model, an Afro wig and an automatic pistol yesterday in an attempt to re-enact a key sequence in the bloody events at San Quentin Prison a week ago.

Authorities, who said they found an Afro wig after convicts were marched out of the adjustment center, have suggested Soledad Brother George Jackson smuggled the weapon out of a visiting room where he met an attorney by hiding the pistol under the wig.

Prison sources identified the gun as a Spanish - made Astra M-600. This 9-mm weapon is 8½ inches long, 1¼ inches wide. It weighs approximately two and a half pounds.

An identical weapon,



loaned by the San Francisco Gun Exchange on Fourth street, was laid

on a table before a model wearing an Afro wig. The grip handles were removed, as they were from the smuggled piece.

His attempts to hide the gun by lifting the front of the wig and sliding the weapon onto the top of his head failed.

He eventually removed the wig, placed the gun inside and forced the hair piece back on his head with some struggle. The wig was obviously askew and with every step he took the gun wobbled dangerously, bringing his hands instinctively to his head.

If the wig theory is sound, Jackson would have had to walk 50 yards under the eyes of a guard before he reached the adjustment center, where, authorities say, the gun was finally spotted.

# Panther Bought The Pistol

By Keith Power

The automatic pistol smuggled to George Jackson before the murderous escape attempt at San Quentin Prison last Saturday was purchased in the East Bay two years ago by a ranking Black Panther, State investigators said yesterday.

They identified the purchaser as Landon Robert Williams, 27, a field marshal for the party, who is currently in jail in New Haven, Conn., awaiting trial in connection with the alleged party execution of an informer.

Officials at San Quentin would only say that the weapon which Jackson produced to signal the jail break was "originally" sold to a Black Panther.

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Other sources, however, said the 9-mm. Spanish Astra

automatic was traced to Williams by technicians in the Criminal Identification and Investigation Bureau in Sacramento who raised the filed-off serial number through a chemical process.

The gun and a companion model were purchased by Williams on March 22, 1969, at the Old West Gun Room in El Cerrito, investigators said.

During this period, they said, Williams was engaged in gun procurement for the party. The manager of the gun store, David Cumberland, recalled the Panther official bought "at least half a dozen — maybe more — handguns" at various times.

All the purchases were legal and cleared police control procedures, he said.

## GATES

The progress of the Astra automatic from Williams' possession through its most recent owners to the gates of San Quentin still remained obscure yesterday.

Williams, a former student at San Francisco State College. was arrested in Denver in June, 1969, and extradited to New Haven to face murder charges. He has been behind bars ever since.