

Attackers' Decoy



The girl without the wig . . .



. . . and as she looked wearing it

SKETCHES

With the all-points bulletin, Ellis released two composite sketches of the woman. One showed, her with a blonde wig, parted in the middle, she wore Sunday night; and the other showed her with long dark hair.

The sketches, drawn from descriptions given by Officer James Nance and Ellen Lipney, the wounded clerk, emphasize the woman's high cheekbones, rather stern

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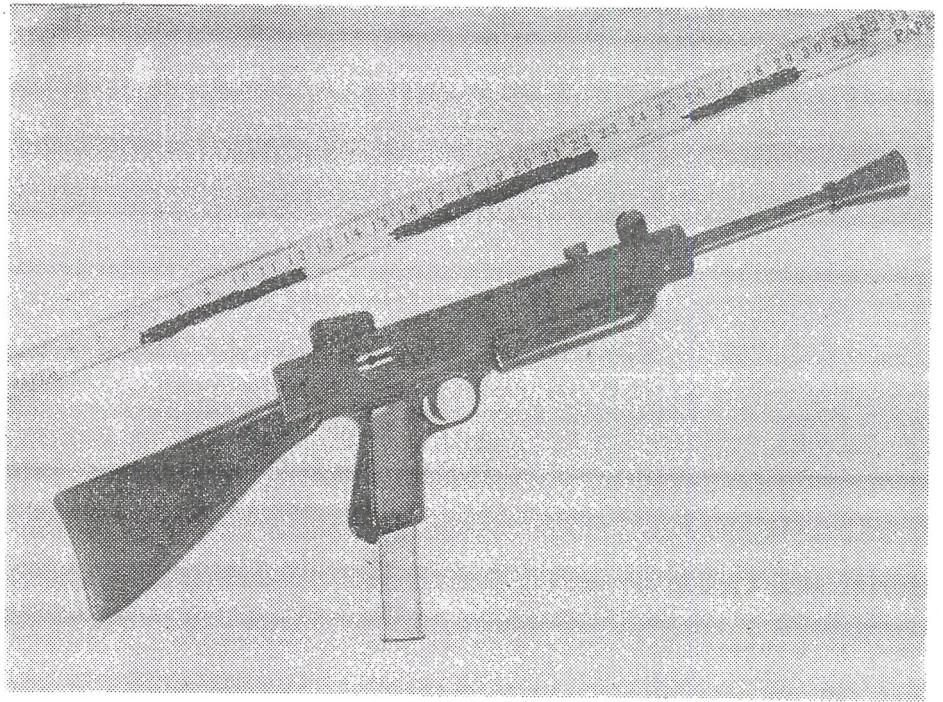
Girl in Wig Sought in S.F. Slaying

An all-points bulletin was issued yesterday for the blonde-wigged young woman whose mysterious appearance at Ingleside Police Station Sunday night apparently triggered the murderous assault that left an officer dead and a woman clerk seriously wounded.

Lieutenant Charles Ellis, chief of the homicide detail, describing her as a "definite link" to the slaying of Sergeant John V. Young, said the woman was an "advance lookout." She signaled accomplices with a flashlight, the lieutenant said.

Within minutes after the woman left the station, where she had reported a lost purse, a Bank of America branch at Stonestown was bombed and 20 minutes after that came the station attack, Ellis said.

"We feel she is the key lead," Ellis said.



Police said a rifle like this one was used in the attack

Girl Called 'Key Lead' in Police Station Attack

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mouth and rimless octagon glasses.

Both Nance and Mrs. Lipney said she was "rather attractive," tall, about 5 feet, 9 inches tall, and wearing a micro-miniskirt and a modish tan coat. They said she had "somewhat heavy legs."

According to Ellis, the woman telephoned Ingleside station at 8:48 p.m. Sunday to report she had lost her handbag on a bus. The time was logged by Nance because, Ellis said, he thought it strange the call came directly to the station rather than being transferred from the Hall of Justice switchboard.

OFFER

Although Nance offered to send a patrol car to her, the woman insisted upon coming to the station. She arrived on foot at 9:10 p.m. Ellis said a witness reported she pushed outside, and signaled with a flashlight before entering the station.

Ellis said that during the five or ten minutes she remained at the station she gave the name Carol George, and she said she was visiting the city from Sacramento

where she lived at 1624 G street. Locally, she said, she was staying at 44 Guerrero street.

Her pictures were recognized at neither address, and Ellis said he believes the name Carol George is fictitious.

UNEASE

Apparently Nance felt uneasy about the woman, Ellis said, because a few seconds after she left, he followed her outside but she had disappeared.

It was about 9:25 p.m. that the station rocked as a result of the Stonestown explosion and all available men and patrol cars there were immediately dispatched to the scene. The attack on the station itself came at 9:41 p.m.

Ellis said 14 blasts were fired from 12-gauge shotguns poked through a talking hole in a bullet-proof glass window at the desk, and at least four from a Model M-68 9-mm. semi-automatic rifle.

Photographs of a similar weapon, manufactured in Southern California by the J. & R. Engineering Co. were displayed by Ellis, who said the type of ammunition used is no more than six months old.

About 18 unfired shells were found among the trees outside the station, Ellis said.

The homicide chief said there is a "strong possibility" that the assassins were part of an inter-racial group. He refused to elaborate, but did say that witnesses saw "at least" two automobiles parked on the freeway some 100 yards from the Ingleside station. Four or more men were seen in each of the cars, one described as a 1971 blue Chevelle and the other as a tan sedan. Both raced away after the attack.

Ellis said police are also investigating the possibility that the assailants may have been part of a nation wide group of revolutionaries bent on killing policemen.

There was an almost identical attack on a police station in Philadelphia just a year ago, and here in San Francisco a group calling itself the "George L. Jackson Assault Squad of the Black Liberation Army" claimed responsibility for the Sunday night slaying. Ellis said headquarters of the Black Liberation Army is in Wilmington, Del.