

Jennings Police Kill Man During Burglary Stakeout

A Jennings police detective lying in wait for a burglar shot and killed a suspect early Sunday as he broke into a store, Jennings police said.

The suspect, Walter Turner, 38, was shot in the abdomen about 12:30 a.m. and was pronounced dead at the scene. Jennings police refused to identify the detective or his partner, who also was at the scene.

Police did not have Turner's most recent address. His last known address was in the 8900 block of Dever Drive in Jennings.

Lt. John Oliver gave this account: Jennings police learned through informers that a burglary was supposed to take place at the Americans' Rent to Own store at 7020 West Florissant Avenue.

The detectives hid in the business and Turner broke into the store about 12:30 a.m.

Turner "came across the street toward them with some items in his hand," Oliver said. "The detectives told him they were the police and twice told him to halt."

"He had one of his hands raised, and it was dark, and the one detective fired a single shot," Oliver said.

Turner had been holding a 10-inch frying pan in the raised hand, Oliver said.

He said the two detectives were veteran officers.

The St. Louis County prosecuting attorney's office will review the shooting, Oliver said.

Police Shoot Man Who Pointed Gun

A man from north St. Louis was shot and seriously wounded by St. Louis police early Friday after he pointed a BB gun at three police officers, authorities say.

Police said the weapon was similar in appearance to a .22-caliber rifle.

The victim, Edward Ward, 19, of the 3900 block of Finney Avenue, was in serious but stable condition Friday at Barnes Hospital. Ward was wounded in the upper body and arm, police say.

Police were seeking warrants Friday against Ward on charges of first-

Suit Accuses Police Of E

A St. Louis woman and her mother filed suit Tuesday in U.S. District Court alleging they were beaten and unlawfully imprisoned by two St. Louis police officers in 1986.

The suit, filed by Darlene Bagsby, 43, and her daughter Jacqueline Pruitt, 24, alleges that the police officers conspired with a defendant to keep Pruitt from testifying for the prosecution in a misdemeanor assault and peace disturbance case pending at the time in St. Louis Municipal Court.

The suit says the officers, identified as J. Long and Rubin Haman, were acquainted with a defendant in the Municipal Court case. On the day

she was arrested, one impersonated to Municipal Court wanted to drop the defendant.

The women's suit was filed in St. Louis Board of Police Officers' jurisdiction. A from the Police Division declined to comment on the suit. Officers Long and Haman could not be reached for comment.

The suit says that Long and Haman, both of the women's residence on Russell Avenue, were acquainted with the defendant and said they wanted to drop the case. The officers have

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1 Walter Turner

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3 NOT GIVEN

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5 Jennings

6 Killing

7 Prosecutor's office to review shooting.

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1 Edward Ward

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3 Michael Siemers, George Jonas

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5 Vandeverster / Cook

6 Shot - wounded

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1 Darlene Bagsby, Jacqueline Pruitt

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3 J. Long, Rubin Haman

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5 2808 Russell

6 beating / imprisonment

7 Pruitt charged w / peace disturbance

Police Brutality Complaint In County Is Investigated

By Joan Little

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A junior executive with a shoe company in Chesterfield says he was beaten by several St. Louis County police officers last week during a traffic stop of a co-worker.

Michael Dunman III, 23, says he was beaten inside a police car after he was handcuffed and his feet tied. Dunman has filed a complaint against county police with the Federal Bureau of Investigation.



Dunman

A spokesman for the FBI confirmed that agents were investigating the complaint. A spokesman for the county's internal affairs division said the county would defer to the FBI in the investigation.

St. Louis County police say Dunman fought with police officers and had to be subdued. They have charged Dunman with one count each of resisting arrest, interfering with an arrest and third-degree assault, all misdemeanors.

without talking to a lawyer.

A brief tug of war occurred between a police officer and Dunman, each of whom had one of Spalding's arms, according to police and witnesses' accounts.

Dunman contends he was calm and said nothing to provoke police.

"Suddenly I got jumped from behind and beaten with a club," Dunman said in an interview. "Within seconds, they had handcuffs on me."

Police officers then "started beating me up," he said. "One police officer kicked me in the groin. They were punching and beating me."

Field and Spalding both say they saw police officers kicking and punching Dunman after he was handcuffed. Both say Dunman was not fighting with the officers.

Dunman says police officers bound his legs with a plastic tie and placed him in the front seat of a patrol car with a female officer in the back seat. He says an officer drove the patrol car a short distance out of view, stopped and then hit him again in the face, first with an elbow and then with a clipboard.

Field says he saw the patrol car stop and heard Dunman yell for help,

Suit Alleges Berkeley Officer Beat Woman

A woman from Berkeley has filed a \$1.3 million battery and negligence suit against the municipality of Berkeley and one of its police officers.

The woman — Janet Rose Stringfellow, 32, of the 8400 block of Red Fir Drive — alleges that Officer Richard Souders beat her up without provocation when he pulled her over on Interstate 170 on Aug. 1.

Stringfellow, a planner with McDonnell Douglas, says she suffered bruises on her eyes, face and body. She was charged with speeding, driving while intoxicated, third-degree

assault, resisting arrest and possession of a controlled substance.

The suit was filed Wednesday. Stringfellow filed no complaint against Souders with the municipality of Berkeley.

Berkeley Police Chief Robert L. Stewart said he was satisfied that Souders handled the arrest properly. Souders has been on the force for four years; he remains on duty.

Stewart said blood tests on Stringfellow had been positive for narcotics. He also said that police had found 56 marijuana cigarette butts in the ashtray of Stringfellow's car.

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1 Michael Dunman

2 white

3 David Barron Robert

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5 Traverston Rd / Appalachian Tr

6 tied and beaten - assault

7 charged with resisting arrest

Not yet filed suit - FBI

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1 Janet Rose Stringfellow

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3 Richard Souders

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5 Berkeley

6 battery / negligence

7 charged w / speeding D.W.I., assault, resisting, & poss. of controlled subst.

Police Chief satisfied with officer's handling of arrest.

Policeman Blamed In Black's Shooting

ASHBURN, Ga. (AP) — A coroner's jury has ruled that the death of a black man by a white policeman was an act of manslaughter, but a prosecutor says he does not plan to bring criminal charges against the officer.

The ruling Tuesday from the five-member coroner's jury was made in the death of Robert Wright Jr., 22, who was shot in the back Sept. 30 as he ran away from a probation revocation

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1 Robert Wright, Jr.

2 Black

3 Scotty Ireland

4 white

5 Ashburn, GA

6 Murder

7 coroner's jury found "guilty" of manslaughter, but prosecutor did not press charges.

City Police Officer Fatally Shot

A 21-year-old man was fatally shot in the back Wednesday evening by a St. Louis police officer after the victim fired on the officer, police said.

Police withheld the name of the victim pending notification of his relatives.

Homicide Det. Sgt. Preston Moore gave this account:

Officer Gary Kukla of the mobile reserve unit stopped the man on a traffic violation at 6:40 p.m. at Newstead and St. Louis avenues.

The victim, who was accompanied

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1 NOT GIVEN

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3 Gary Kukla

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5 Newstead / St. Louis Ave.

6 Murder

7 (officer said victim shot first)

FBI investigating alleged beating of man by officer

The FBI is investigating charges filed by a 54-year-old maintenance man who says his arm was broken and his head split open in an unprovoked attack by a Cool Valley police officer.

The complaint filed by Ernest Ingram, 5884 Cates ave., charges Ingram was beaten last Thursday evening after an argument over a speeding ticket the officer issued Ingram.

Ingram, a maintenance man at the E. J. Korvette depart-



ment's previous police record, was treated for a broken arm and stitches were taken in his head and multiple bruises were examined at St. Louis County Hospital about a week after the beating. Ingram said he was taken to the hospital in a police car.

Ingram was booked suspected of resisting arrest. On Friday a warrant charging Ingram with assaulting a police officer was issued by St. Louis County Magistrate Judge Milton Saitz. Bond was set at

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1 Ernest Ingram

2 Black

3 Thomas Griffin

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5 Evans Lane near S.

6 assault - beating

7 booked on resisting

\$4 Million Suit Filed In Police Shooting

The parents of a woman who was accidentally shot by a St. Louis police officer have filed suit seeking \$4.5 million from the officer and from the city's Police Board.

The suit was filed Monday in St. Louis Circuit Court by William and Anna Ratliff of St. Louis. Their daughter, Veronica "Jane" Ratliff, 21, was fatally shot by former St. Louis Police Officer Richard A. Fels.

Fels pleaded guilty to involuntary manslaughter and was sentenced Fri.

Parents Filed

Police Officer Indicted In Beating Of Prisoner

By Andre Jackson
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A St. Louis police officer has been indicted by a grand jury in the beating of a suspect at the police holdover downtown.

Officer Daryl Smith, 33, was charged with misdemeanor assault in a suppressed indictment issued Sept. 19. No date has been set for a trial in St. Louis Circuit Court.

The indictment charges that Smith beat Percy Winston, 28, with his fists and kicked him in the head on April

police headquarters on Clark Street, Owen said.

Owen said that "the moment the handcuffs were off and the officer turned his back," Winston raised his hands and moved toward Smith as if to strike him. The attorney said Smith turned and, believing that the man "was going through with his threats," struck Winston.

A scuffle ensued before police were able to subdue Winston, Owen said. After the scuffle, Winston was treated and released at St. Louis Regional

later charged w/ resisting arrest & D.U.I.

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1 ~~Veronica~~ Veronica "Jane" Ratliff

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3 Richard A. Fels

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5 3517 S. 2nd St.

6 murder

7 Fels pleaded guilty to invol. manslaughter

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1 Percy Winston

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3 Daryl Smith

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5 Headquarters, Clark St.

6 assault, after arrest

7 Winston had been arrested - susp. of Driving Under Influence

after incident Smith transferred and put to admin. work. case under invest.

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3 Michael Holdegraver

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5 12th / Russell

6 fired shots but missed, at suspect.

7 suspect later caught & booked

Off-Duty Officer Fires On Suspect

An off-duty St. Louis police officer was injured Tuesday when he slipped on ice after firing six shots at a suspect who he said had tried to run him down.

The officer, Michael Holdegraver, was treated for back and leg injuries at St. Louis University Hospital. The suspect, 42, was not hurt and later arrested.

Police Lt. John Burke gave this account:

Holdegraver had finished his shift when he spotted a stolen 1989 Dodge Omni about 3:30 p.m. on Interstate 55.

Florissant Sued in Death
 Relatives of a man who authorities said hanged himself last year while incarcerated in the Florissant jail filed a \$6 million wrongful death suit Tuesday against three police officers.
 Sammy Joe Christian, 35, of Kirwood committed suicide Feb. 14, 1989, after he was arrested for failing to appear in court on a traffic charge.
 The suit was filed in U.S. District Court. It said the defendants failed to adequately monitor Christian while he was at the jail. The defendants are police officers John Stanczak and Marion DeMoulin, and Tina Procter, identified as a police dispatcher.

- 0 —
- 1 Sammy Joe Christian
- 2 —
- 3 John Stanczak, Marion DeMoulin, Tina Procter are being sued. (P.D.p.)
- 4 —
- 5 Florissant
- 6 Man hung himself while incarcerated
- 7 arrested for failure to appear in court on traffic charge ~~late~~
 suit filed by family - wrongful death

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- 1 General Harassment
- 2 —
- 3 —
- 4 —
- 5 Florissant
- 6 —
- 7 Blacks and Whites had been complaining - CONTINUING
 searching for
 ARTICLE FBI establishing evidence
 IF EVIDENCE FOUND, FULL INVEST. WILL
 OCCUR

FBI To Open Investigation In Florissant

By Phil Linsalata
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The FBI agreed Monday to open an investigation into allegations of civil rights violations by the Florissant Police Department, a bureau spokesman said.

Agents have been assigned to conduct interviews and gather complaints and other documents relating to accusations that members of the department have systematically stopped and detained black motorists without cause, said FBI agent Richard Herman.

Herman said the investigation was in a preliminary phase. Once statements and documents are gathered, the matter will be referred to the Department of Justice for determination of whether sufficient evidence exists to move forward with a criminal case, Herman said.

If the evidence is established, the St. Louis FBI office would be ordered into a "full-fledged investigation," Herman said.

The investigation was opened at the request last week of Florissant Mayor James J. Eagan and of Ina Boon, regional director of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Boon said she was "delighted."

"This shows that the true American spirit is revealing itself," she said. "I believe that the

In Separate Incidents

block of Cabanne and told them he had just been robbed of \$24 by a man who pointed a pistol at his face. Moments earlier the officers had questioned Miles for being in the high crime area and he had told them he was looking for the home of a woman who wanted him to move some furniture for her.

In reporting the robbery, Miles told police he believed the gunman was in a nearby courtyard. Officer Kevin Clinton then spotted a man, who Miles identified as the robber, and Clinton started to approach the man, who was later identified as Ward.

Ward turned around with a pistol in his hand, pointing it at Clinton, police said; Clinton fired a single shot.

In the shooting of Jones, officers were conducting a special surveillance operation at the Darst-Webbe complex, which has become a

hot spot for drug activity and shootings, police said.

About 4:30 a.m., about six men were seen standing around a parked car and police officers swooped down on them. The men scattered in different directions.

Sgt. Frank Booker was chasing a man later identified as Jones and said the man pulled a dark object from his jacket pocket. Booker thought the object was a weapon, and he fired a single shot.

The man kept running but was apprehended a short time later by another officer. No weapon was recovered, but police said several people in the area would have had an opportunity to remove one.

Police said they found three pieces of crack cocaine, a small bag of marijuana and a smoking tube in Jones' possession.

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1 Kevin Ward & ~~Eugene Jones~~

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3 Kevin Clinton

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5 5500 Cabanne

6 Shooting, wounded 2

7 "Justified & within dept. policy" - suspected of robbery

0 1 SAME ARTICLE

1 Eugene Jones

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3 Frank Booker

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5 1100 S. Tucker (Darst-Webbing complex)

6 1100 Shooting, wounded

7 "Justified & within dept. policy" - suspected of drug possession

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1 Willie Wilson

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3 Michael Wuesthoff

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5 Fairground Park

6 Fairground Park Kicking - assault

7 Wilson awaiting trial on auto theft related charges
FBI investigating

vehicle led officers on a chase that ended when the vehicle crashed into a pole on the edge of Fairground Park. The police report on Wilson's arrest states Wuesthoff kicked Wilson twice in self-defense after Wilson kicked at him. Wilson was handcuffed and on the ground at the time, but his legs were not shackled.

Brutality Question Reviewed

By Bill Bryan
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A grand jury will decide Sept. 19 if a St. Louis police officer should be charged with brutality in arresting a car theft suspect after a pursuit, Circuit Attorney George Peach said

Man Shot By Police Charged In Incident

A man, 20, from north St. Louis who was shot and wounded by a St. Louis police officer was charged Friday in connection with the incident.

Bobby Lee Madison, of the 2500 block of Paris Avenue, was charged with flourishing a weapon at police officer Eddie Nash, who shot and wounded Gordon in a chase.

Police say Madison twice pointed a pistol at Nash and another officer during the foot chase Thursday night. The two officers chased him into an alley in the 5800 block of Enright Avenue after the officers witnessed what they believed was a drug sale. A drug charge against Madison was taken under advisement Friday.

Police say Nash fired one shot at Madison and missed after Madison pointed the pistol at police. The second time Madison pointed the pistol, Nash fired four shots, one of them striking Madison in the right leg. He was in satisfactory condition Friday at a local hospital.

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1 Bobby Lee Madison

2 black (not written)

3 Eddie Nash

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5 5800 Enright

6 Gunshot wound

7 flourishing a weapon charge on Madison

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1 NOT GIVEN, 15 yrs. old

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3 Michael Perkins

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5 3rd (Newstead / Manchester)

6 shooting - wound

7 - dept. said

Wounded By Police Officer

shootings, which are then reviewed by the internal affairs division.

Roussin gave this account:

Officers Perkins and Mark Johnson spotted a car with three young people inside and tried to stop it after noticing that the lock on the trunk had been punched out.

When the officers activated their red light, the car started to take off but then suddenly stopped in the alley and the three occupants ran off in different directions.

As Perkins got near the 15-year-old, John-

son hollered that the youth had a pistol. Perkins said he then fired one shot after the youth pointed the weapon at him.

A short time later, police arrested Cory Jones, 17, who is suspected of also being in the stolen car. Jones, who lives in the 4300 block of Manchester Avenue, was charged Sunday with tampering with an auto.

The car in question was stolen Thursday in the 1500 block of Tower Grove Avenue.

Police were looking for a third suspect Sunday night.

Robbery Suspect Dies; Shot By Officer

A robbery suspect who was shot over the weekend by a St. Louis Police officer died from the head wound Monday night at Barnes Hospital, authorities said.

The suspect, Kevin Ward, 19, was pronounced dead at 7:25 p.m., said the St. Louis Medical Examiner's office. Ward had lived in the 5500 block of Cabanne Avenue.

Ward was shot in the forehead about 12:30 a.m. Sunday in the neighborhood where he lived. Officer Kevin Clinton fired one shot after Ward turned around with a pistol, police said.

Police said Ward flourished a pistol as he was approached by Clinton. The shooting is under investigation.

0 -
1 Kevin Ward
2 black (not written)

3 Kevin Clinton

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5 5500 Cabanne area

6 Shooting -- died in hospital - MURDER

7 charged w/ ~~possession of cocaine~~
resisting arrest

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1 Anton Abby

2 black (not written)

3 Jerry Dodson

4 ~~Jerry Dodson~~

5 Penrose St. Dist. - Alice

6 Shooting, accidental when

7 charged w/ poss. cocaine and
resisting arrest

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1 Kieth Turner

2 -

3 Roy White

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6 Shooting, (went for ~~the~~ passenger)

7 family filed suit against white & dept

Youth Hurt By Bullet Faces Drug Charge

A 17-year-old youth who was wounded Wednesday by a police officer's ricocheting bullet was charged Thursday with possession of cocaine and resisting arrest.

The suspect, Anton Abby, was in satisfactory condition Thursday in the prisoner ward at St. Louis Regional Medical Center. Abby, of the 5300 block of Von Phul Street in north St. Louis, was struck in the cheek by a bullet fragment when a police sergeant's revolver accidentally discharged in a drug arrest on the street.

Sgt. Jerry Dodson of the Penrose Street District said he had had his gun in one hand and had been trying to handcuff Abby, who was on the ground, with the other hand when Abby jerked up, causing the pistol to discharge. The bullet struck the sidewalk, and a fragment hit Abby in the face.

A spokeswoman for Regional said Abby's wound was not believed to be serious, but she did not know whether the fragment became lodged.

Police said they recovered five pieces of crack cocaine that Abby is alleged to have been holding in his fist when Dodson approached him.

The shooting happened near Alice Avenue and Algernon Street — an area busy in narcotics trafficking, police say.

handcuffed.

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- ① Date of article
- ② Name of victim John Butler
- ③ Race White - caucasian
- ④ Name of Police Steven DeBisschop
- ⑤ Race
- ⑥ District/Municipality
- ⑦ Degree of Assault eg murder, beating, harrassment
- ⑧ Comments

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