

D.A. explains 'Sam' probe

Newspaper inquiries into the "Son of Sam" killings were in part responsible for reopening an investigation into the case, Queens District Attorney John Santucci said Friday.

Santucci, in a statement, acknowledged his office was re-investigating whether David Berkowitz, the confessed "Son of Sam" slayer, acted alone or whether he may have been aided by accomplices.

Published reports in the Gannett Westchester Newspapers have cited evidence that suggests Berkowitz may have had accomplices.

"My purpose is to resolve such a question, if at all possible, and not to allow the lone-gunner theory of the case to linger in a limbo of doubt to emerge years later as a live question to bedevil the public and law enforcement authorities, or in unanticipated legal proceedings," Santucci said.

Santucci acknowledged that many of the questions about the case have been raised in newspaper accounts.

"I determined that responsible law enforcement must not ignore such questions simply because some file, somewhere, bears an official stamp mark 'closed,'" he said.

"It may turn out that the reported information raising such questions is shown to have been not founded on verifiable fact. But at least we will have made the effort to resolve the matter and will not be saddled with an unnecessary additional nagging issue of why the questions were not pursued when initially raised," Santucci said.

The published reports have suggested that Berkowitz had a friendship with a neighbor, John Carr, who died of gunshot wounds in Minot, N.D. in February, 1978.

Berkowitz referred to Carr's father Sam as a "master" who spoke to him through a dog and ordered him to kill.

'Glass' sugar recalled

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — More than 93,400 bags of sugar have been recalled from three supermarket chains in six states because of the possibility a broken light bulb might have contaminated some of the five-pound bags.

The sugar came from Amstar Corp., the nation's largest refiner of cane sugar, and was packaged Oct. 1 at the firm's Philadelphia plant.

Amstar Vice President Raymond Guth said Thursday that sometime during that date an incandescent light bulb broke near the assembly line where the sugar was being poured into bags.

The sugar was shipped to Acme, A&P and Weis supermarkets in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, Ohio, West Virginia and New York.

In A&P markets in the Altoona area of western Pennsylvania, Ohio, West Virginia and New York, 14,600 bags of A&P brand sugar were recalled.

Three charged in murder

BUFFALO (AP) — Homicide detectives, working around the clock on a hot tip, charged three young men Friday with murdering a popular Greek Orthodox priest as they burglarized his church last month.

Police said they were holding a fourth young man for questioning in the fatal shooting.

Charged with second-degree murder and burglary were William T. Royle, 21; his brother Kevin, 18; and Joseph Mann, 18, all of Buffalo. Charges of weapons possession and larceny also were filed against William Royle and Mann. All three pleaded innocent to all charges and were ordered held, without bail on the murder charges, for court action Tuesday.

A third Royle brother, Dennis, 24, was held on a previous warrant charging him with unauthorized use of a vehicle. He was being held on \$5,000 bail and was being questioned.

'Unusual' animals stolen

DEER PARK, N.Y. (AP) — Whoever broke into Novak's Aviary knew what they were looking for because "they only took the best," owner Bob Novak said Friday.

Novak said the knowledgeable thieves made off with about \$4,500 worth of unusual — and dangerous — animals sometime Thursday night.

They stole eight parrots, 60 scorpions and 30 snakes, including one emerald tree boa constrictor and more than two dozen venomous vipers and coral snakes.

Novak said he imports a large quantity of reptiles and birds and distributes them throughout the United States to other wholesale distributors. He said whoever stole the creatures knew what they were looking for because only his most "unusual and distinctive" animals were taken.

Temple set ablaze

NEW YORK (AP) — Frustrated burglars set fire to a Brooklyn synagogue Friday, causing extensive damage to the building and destroying \$120,000 worth of religious scrolls and other articles, according to police.

The break-in through a rear door occurred at Beth Hamidrash Hagadol Synagogue, 384 Neptune Ave., at 4:40 a.m.

After trying without success to open a safe, the thieves set fire to material in the pulpit and the altar area, according to arson detective Harold Duggan.

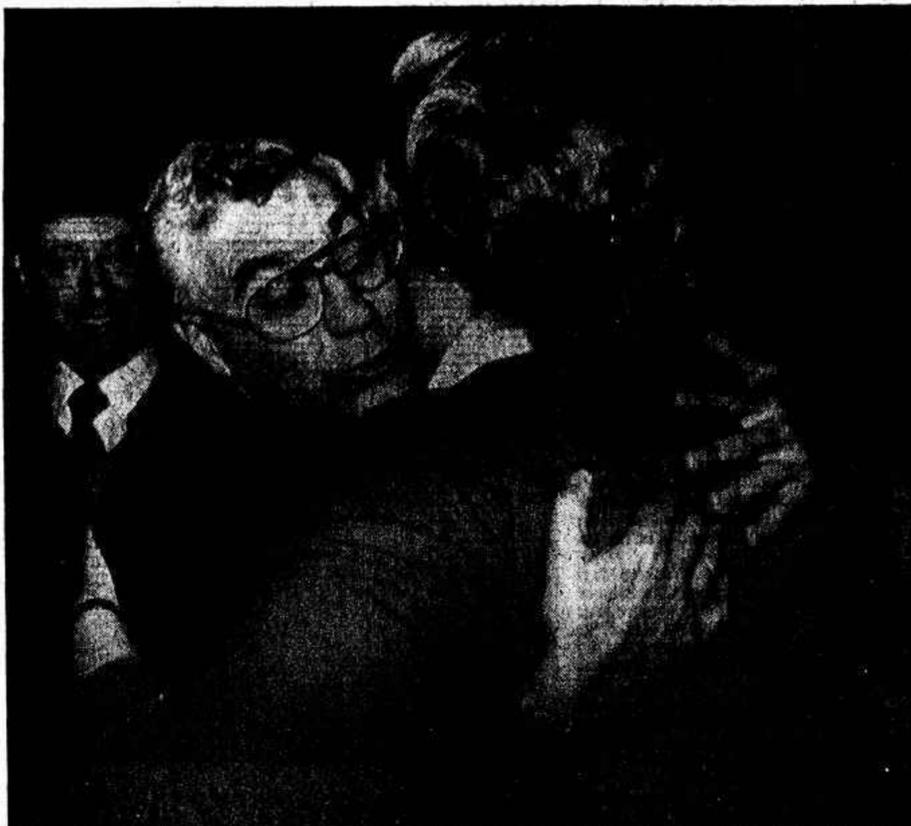
Flames burned to the ceiling, charred the altar and destroyed a dozen scrolls and religious articles, according to Duggan.

Lotteries

New York: The winning numbers for the 50-cent Weekly Lottery: For \$10 — 39; For \$50 — 325. A match of all five pays \$2,500. The numbers for the Olympic Lottery: \$5,000 — H97901, \$1,000 — J14928, K40968, H27043, H97566, H67502.

Connecticut: Money Tree Lottery: 18; 465; Blue, Jackpot: 109,516, worth \$40,000. The winning combination in the Connecticut weekly lottery drawing was: 18; 465; blue, \$40,000 — jackpot pool: 109,516. Friday's "Daily Numbers" game: 433.

New Jersey: Weekly Lottery: 479-624. Millionaire Finalist: 88388.



The Rev. Gigante gets a hug from well-wisher before entering jail to begin sentence

Rev. Gigante starts jail term

NEW YORK (AP) — The Rev. Louis Gigante began a 10-day jail sentence Friday for refusing to answer questions about efforts to ease the prison rigors of mobster James "Jimmy Nap" Napoli.

Singing and chanting supporters surrounded the 47-year-old Roman Catholic priest as he surrendered. The Archdiocese of New York issued a statement of regret over his jailing. And six other priests accompanied him and distributed statements of support signed by more than 200 priests, nuns and brothers.

"I will pay any penalty and nothing that is done will deter me," Gigante told his supporters before surrendering at Manhattan Criminal Court Building on the lower East Side.

"This experience has not weakened my resolve," he added.

At the time he was sentenced to 10 days for contempt of court last Dec. 21, Gigante was winding up a term as a Democratic city councilman, the first Roman Catholic priest to serve on the council.

However, Gigante said it was as a priest, not as a councilman, that he went to bat for Napoli, while the convicted bigtime bookie was serving a six-months jail term in 1974-75, also for contempt.

Described as a lieutenant in the Frank "Funzi" Tieri crime family, Napoli, 67, recently was convicted and awaited sentence for paying \$500 to an assistant deputy warden to obtain special privileges while he was doing the contempt time. He had been jailed in the old Tombs prison for refusing to answer questions about fixing boxing matches.

Among other amenities, Napoli was said to have enjoyed catered meals complete with proper wines while in the stir.

Gigante refused to answer grand jury questions about an attempt by Correction Department personnel to spirit Napoli out of the Tombs to spend Christmas at home.

Other questions had to do with Gigante's talks with

prison officials about getting Napoli freed through a work-release program.

Gigante contended he had answered the questions, but the courts held that he had evaded direct answers and insisted that he reply.

Gigante's surrender to begin serving time followed a series of appeals that reached the U.S. Supreme Court, where it was held that the grand jury was entitled by law to direct answers from Gigante.

Fake pipe bombs linked to FALN

NEW YORK (AP) — The FBI said Friday that two phony pipe bombs found inside the Manhattan headquarters of both the Republican and Democratic parties are being counted among a dozen bombs threatened by Puerto Rican terrorists.

The devices, which lacked explosive charges, were found and removed Thursday at Republican County Headquarters in the Hotel Roosevelt on East 45th Street and Democratic State Committee Headquarters, 60 East 42nd St.

FBI spokesman Quentin Ertel said the devices were probably the work of the FALN, a Puerto Rican terrorist group calling for Puerto Rican independence.

The group is among four that took responsibility for explosions in Puerto Rico and Chicago as part of a pledge to detonate a dozen bombs as a "political and military campaign against North American imperialism."

Each party headquarters here was warned of a bomb in phone calls from a man who did not identify himself or his group.

Judge orders open hearing

NEW YORK (AP) — A judge refused on Friday to bar the press from a crucial pre-trial hearing of charges that Allen Curtis Lewis pushed music student Renee Katz in front of a subway train.

"A case of this nature should be tried in the open, rather than in the shadow of a star-chamber proceeding," Manhattan Supreme Court Justice George Roberts decreed.

Lewis' lawyer, who had sought to close the hearing, then asked the court to order the press not to report on the pre-trial hearing. That motion also was denied.

Lewis, 26, of Queens, is charged with pushing Miss Katz, 18, also of Queens, in front of an IND train at 50th Street and Eighth Avenue last June 7. She did not know her assailant and no reason ever was advanced for the attack.

Miss Katz's right hand was severed by the wheels of the train but re-attached by a team of surgeons at Bellevue Hospital.

Defense lawyer Jonathan Marks had asked for the press to be barred from a hearing on whether Lewis' statements to police could be admitted as trial evidence. He did not mention keeping the general public out.

Although Marks contended that publicity about the statements would prejudice Lewis' right to a fair trial, the judge said that he didn't believe "that 12 unprejudiced jurors in a city as populated, sophisticated and cosmopolitan as New York could not be selected."

"Moreover, given the community concern generated by this case, the public has a right to be kept informed, especially where it appears that no significant prejudice inures to the defendant," Roberts declared.

The judge added that if the statements to police were not allowed to be used against Lewis in a trial, "it would appear that the evidence at that point would be insufficient to sustain the indictment and accordingly the defendant would suffer no prejudice at all by an open hearing."

On the other hand, Roberts said, if the statements could be used as evidence, the trial jurors eventually would hear them anyway.

"At the trial, any prospective juror or jurors, regardless of the reason, who could not be fair and impartial would be screened out," the judge said.

Assistant District Attorney Leonard Rienzi has admitted that witnesses gave conflicting descriptions of Miss Katz's assailant. Some said the attacker had a deep scar running down the right side of his nose. Lewis appears not to have any such scar.

The defendant had worked for three years as a \$160-a-week clerk at CBS, a few blocks from the scene of the subway station assault. He was being held without bail while awaiting trial.

19" COLOR T.V.'s
\$159 Sunday, Oct. 21st
 from 10 A.M. to 5 P.M.

RCA, GE, Etc.
One Day Only

Howard Johnson
290 Tarrytown Rd
Elmsford, N.Y.

Master Charge • BankAmericard
 Visa or Cash only

All T.V.'s previously leased to hotels completely reconditioned and guaranteed 90 days replacement

Sale Held by Esro T.V. Corporation

Syon SELF SERVICE
KOSHER MEAT STORES
 UNDER STRICT RABBINICAL SUPERVISION

Closed Sunday, October 7. Happy Necroth! Closed Next Sunday, October 14

Fresh Chicken Leg Quarters	99¢ lb.
Ground Beef Chuck Patties, 3-lb. box, frozen	\$1.39 lb.
Empire Turkeys, frozen, 10-14 lbs. avg. wt.	\$1.09 lb.
Barbecue Veal Ribs (Breast)	\$1.59 lb.
Tabatchnick Soups (frozen)	65¢

OPEN SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21 UNTIL 3:00 p.m.

ADJACENT TO THE NEW ALEXANDERS
 2558 Central Park Ave., Yonkers
 Mon. - Tues. Wed. 8 a.m. - 6 p.m. Thurs. 11:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.
 Buy your meat here and be happier at your dinner table.

Winners Now in This Newspaper!

\$15,000 BUMPER BONANZA SWEEPSTAKES

To win up to \$1,000, just put a TODAY bumper sticker on the rear of your car and watch for a picture of your license plate in this newspaper. Three \$25 winners are published every weekday in all evening Gannett Westchester Rockland Newspapers and TODAY. In addition, TWO \$100 BONUS WINNERS appear every day ONLY IN TODAY.

TODAY
 Only 10¢ at Newsstands

CALDOR

MEET SOPHIA LOREN
 at our Yonkers store, Monday, October 22 7 P.M. to 8:30 P.M.

This international star will personally autograph copies of her best-selling autobiography.

SOPHIA: LIVING AND LOVING, HER OWN STORY

It is a book with drama, struggles, emotions, fears and joys from her childhood in Naples during World War II through a near-marriage to Cary Grant and her marriage to Carlo Ponti.

1.88 Pub. List 2.75

• Hardcover Edition, in our Yonkers store only
 Publisher's List \$9.95 6.88

• YONKERS 2350 Central Ave.
 • CORTLANDT PEEKSKILL Rt. 4 and Westbrook Dr.
 • YORKTOWN HEIGHTS Yorktown Green Shopping Ctr (at Rts. 118, 35 and 202)
 • BEDFORD HILLS MT. KISCO Rte. 117