

Street beat

Son of Sam stays silent about slashing

Suspect nabbed

One of two men who allegedly robbed and assaulted a Yonkers cabbie Thursday morning was later arrested on Warburton Avenue when the victim identified the suspect, police said. The accomplice remains at large.

Charged with first-degree robbery and felonious assault was Kent McDonald, 19, of 73-83 Highland Ave.

McDonald and an accomplice allegedly robbed cabbie Herb Bunnenberg at gunpoint at 9:30 p.m. Bunnenberg had driven the suspects to the rear of 440 Warburton when one of them pulled out a .45 caliber handgun, ordered him to lie on the front seat, and struck him in the head.

The thieves removed \$51 from his pocket before striking him a second time and fleeing on foot.

Bunnenberg, a driver for Main Taxi, agreed to cruise the area with detectives Peter Intervallo and Sgt. Robert Jones. The suspect was nabbed when the cabbie spotted him walking on Warburton near Glenwood Avenue, police said.

Condition improves

The condition of a 29-year-old Yonkers man who was knifed several times early Wednesday has improved from critical to good.

Michael Macken has been removed from the intensive care unit at St. John's Riverside Hospital where he was admitted after allegedly being assaulted on Highland Avenue by John Schorin, 19, Schorin, of 80 Highland Ave., was charged with first-degree assault.

Robbed, injured

A 20-year-old Yonkers man was robbed and pistol whipped Thursday at 10 p.m. in the rear of 3 Schroeder St. by a pair of thugs, one armed, who made off with \$40, police said.

Terry Darden was treated for cuts and bruises at Yonkers General Hospital and later signed himself out of the emergency room, a hospital spokesman said.

Darden told police the two men approached him in the front of 3 Schroeder St. asked if he was "Terry D." and then ordered him to the rear of the building.

He was then pistol whipped and punched and kicked before ordered to turn over his cash. The thieves also ordered him to remove his clothing, police said. He complied.

One suspect was about 5 feet, 9 inches tall, wearing a white T-shirt and blue jogging pants. The second was described as 6 feet, 7 inches tall, wearing a white T-shirt and a blue hat. Both are black.

ATTICA, N.Y. (AP) — Despite pleas from his adopted father and state authorities, confessed "Son of Sam" killer David Berkowitz is refusing to go along with the prosecution of the man police believe slashed his throat in prison.

State police said Thursday they were "satisfied" they knew who had slashed Berkowitz at Attica state prison Tuesday morning.

But they said in a statement issued jointly with Wyoming County District Attorney Mark Dadd that

the suspect couldn't be prosecuted "due to the uncooperative attitude" of Berkowitz.

"He has steadfastly refused to cooperate," State Police Capt. Henry Williams said. "We are hamstrung, totally frustrated in

our attempts to get any information out of him."

"He's very friendly," Williams said of the 26-year-old Berkowitz. "There's no reluctance on his part to talk, except about the incident."

Berkowitz was slashed with a razor Tuesday morn-

ing as he was carrying hot water for shaving to 17 prisoners kept in a special housing area for their own protection. The wound required more than 50 stitches.

Since that time, Berkowitz has remained silent about the attack, Williams

said that even a three-hour visit Wednesday from his adopted father Nathan failed to break Berkowitz's vow of silence.

Williams added the "unwritten rule" of prisons that informers are retaliated against is probably keeping Berkowitz silent.

Yonkers mother indicted

By TARA CONNELL  
Staff Writer

An indictment charging a pregnant, 33-year-old mother of two with tying her 9-year-old son to a radiator and starving him for at least 10 days was unsealed

Thursday in state Supreme Court, White Plains.

Julia Cremin, of 161 Saratoga Ave., Yonkers, surrendered to police and was brought before Justice Isaac Rubin, who assigned an attorney. Her arraignment on the indictment is sched-

uled for Monday.

Mrs. Cremin is charged with unlawful imprisonment, reckless endangerment, endangering the welfare of a child and assault. If convicted, she could receive up to seven years in state prison.

New Rochelle siege ends

By DIANE C. FAREWELL  
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A 24-year-old man was pulled by police from his New Rochelle home Thursday morning after holding officers at bay for more than two hours while threatening to shoot himself.

Two city detectives subdued and disarmed John Missirian, who was first taken to the New Rochelle Hospital and later transferred to the New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center

in White Plains, where he will undergo psychological testing.

Missirian, who police said was armed with a rifle, was first reported to have a female hostage inside the 156 Wellington Ave. home.

But the "hostage," Nurit Siegel, turned out to be a friend of Missirian who had gone to the home after receiving a telephone call from him. Missirian did not try to stop Mrs. Siegel from leaving the house.

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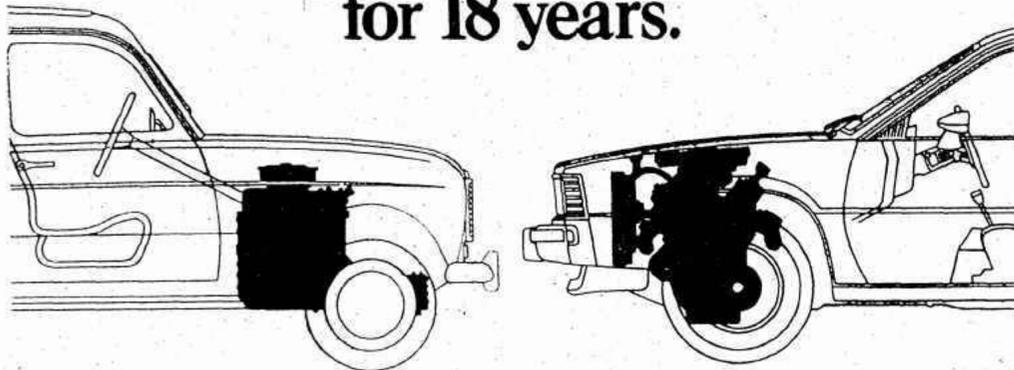
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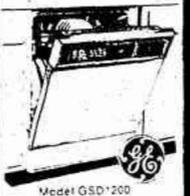
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