

# Zodiac Suspect Probed

LAS VEGAS (UPI) —A man arrested on a firearms charge has been booked on a hold for murder in California and is being checked out as a possible suspect in the San Francisco Zodiac murders.

Clark County sheriff's detectives said Wednesday that Gary Ronald Schilling, 27, Gardena, Calif., was arrested on the Las Vegas Strip for possession of unregistered firearms.

The car in which he was arrested was registered at 14517 S. Vermont, Gardena.

Los Angeles police said Schilling was also wanted in Downey, Calif., on a loitering charge.

Schilling was arrested when deputies found him sleeping in the back of his car in the parking lot of a hotel. They found a .380 beretta and a .22 caliber pistol in the car.

Fingerprints and handwriting samples were sent to San Francisco police to determine if there is any connection between the man and the so-called Zodiac killer.

Authorities in San Francisco have attributed five murders in recent months to a person who has called himself Zodiac in letters to police and newspapers boasting of the murders.

San Francisco police said they had received information from Las Vegas authorities but added that their investigation of the suspect was not complete.