

PATTERSON POLICE

PATTERSON, CALIF.

Patterson Police Department
Reporting Dept.109-A PC, 207 PC (Assist other agency)
Classification of Crime7425
P.P.D. No.

Injured Party _____

Where Committed Interstate 5, North Patterson

Res. Address _____

Reported by Mrs Kathleen Johns

Phone 4C 711-086-1451

Address 847 Campus Way, San Bernardino

Location

Time reported 0230 hours

Date Committed 3/22/70

Reported to Sgt. Charles J McNatt

Means of Attack

Suspect See body of report

5/30/1977

COMPLETE DETAILS OF CRIME AND DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:

This investigation is being conducted by Sergeant Charles J McNatt, Patterson Police Department. In an attempt to evaluate the circumstances surrounding the alleged Kidnapping of Mrs Kathleen Johns 847 Campus Way, San Bernardino California, and her 10 month old daughter Jennyfer, on Interstate 5, north of Patterson at about 2345 hours. 3/22/70.

On the morning of 23 March 1970, at about 0230 hours. Mrs Kathleen Johns was brought to the Patterson Police Department in a hysterical condition. When Mrs Johns was quited it was learned from her that a car had followed her from Modesto on highway 132, and kept blinking the lights in an attempt to get her to stop which she refused to do. Mrs Johns states that after she had entered Interstate 5 that the vehicle then passed her and at this time she stopped to check her car to see if any thing was wrong, after stopping, the car that had been following her had stopped and had backed up, the driver then got out and advised her that the wheel on her car was wobbling and that he would fix it for her, that he then got from his own car a tire wrench and pretended to tighten the lug bolts and then left got into his own car and drove off without saying any thing. Mrs Johns then got into her own car and as she started to drive off the wheel came off, upon checking there were no lug bolts holding the wheel on, the car then backed up and told her to get into his car and that he would take her to a service station, after getting into the car he drove off the freeway and started driving on country roads away from any service station. Mrs Johns stated that the driver said nothing and that when asked where he worked he stated that he would work for two months and then just drive around mostly at night, when asked if he assisted many people that were in trouble he stated that when he got through that they did not need any help. At this time Mrs Johns started to scream and became hysterical again and when this writer asked what was wrong she pointed to a picture on a wanted bulletin and stated that that was the man that had picked her and her daughter up, the picture was that of the ZODIAC killer wanted for murder by the San Francisco Police Department. Mrs Johns was asked which of the two pictures resembled her abductor and she pointed to the amended drawing. Mrs Johns was asked if she had ever seen a picture of this subject before and she stated that she had not, she was then advised who the picture was of and again she became hysterical. At this point the Stanislaus county sheriffs department was contacted and a deputy was requested and deputy Jim Lovett was dispatched and the same story was related to deputy Lovett. Deputy Lovett then left this office in an attempt to locate Mrs Johns car which was found on Maze Blvd, and that the car was completely burned, vehicle was about 2 miles east of Interstate 5. Deputy Lovett contacted the San Joaquin county authorities who arrived on the scene, they were advised that the hub cap had been taken from the car by her abductor and it was requested that fingerprints be taken as the San Francisco Police Department had on file latent prints of the Zodiac. Inspector Tyrall of the Homicide division was then contacted and advised of the information received from Mrs Johns and the action taken by this department and the sheriffs department. Inspector Tyrall asked that a full report be sent to his office



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by this Department as this office was the one that took the initial report from Mrs Johns and that the report was to be sent to the Homicide Division attention Inspector Armstrong and Inspector Toschi.

When this office made contact with Inspector Tyrell no names were mentioned only the bulletin number and SFPD case number was used.

Burned vehicle was towed to T-way on authority of the San Joaquin authorities who states that Arson and Kidnapping charges will be filed if and when the person is arrested

Charles J McNatt
Sergeant
Patterson Police Department