

HUMBOLDT COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

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SUBJECT

DOUBLE HOMICIDE - WEITCHPEC AREA

DATE

11-27-84

PREPARED BY

Captain Sintic

(Follow-up news release to Information Bulletin dated 11-26-84;
Subject: Death Investigation.)

The Humboldt County Sheriff's Department is investigating a double homicide that occurred approximately 13 miles southwest of Weitchpec on State Route 169.

On November 14, 1984, a missing persons report was received by this Department for two male subjects who were identified as Edward Martin Buschbachor, Jr., age 28, of Cheyenne, Wyoming; and Randy Clay Peters, age 31, of Southgate, Michigan.

A routine search of the area where they had supposedly been camping in the Weitchpec area was made. An abandoned campsite was located at that time; however, no additional clues were found as to the whereabouts of the missing persons.

On November 24, 1984, a further search was made of the area, and an additional campsite was found, along with the deteriorated remains of the missing persons. Due to the deteriorated condition of the remains, the cause of death could not be established immediately at the scene, and it was necessary to wait for an autopsy, which was conducted on November 26, 1984. It is now indicated that both subjects died as a result of gunshot wounds.

In close proximity to the campsite, marijuana gardens were found, with every indication that the campsite used by the subjects was connected with the marijuana gardens.

The case is under continued investigation by the Humboldt County Sheriff's Department, and no further information can be released at this time.

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DEATH INVESTIGATION

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On November 14, 1984 the Humboldt County Sheriff's Department took a missing persons report on two adult male subjects who were last heard of in the Weitchpec area on October 14, 1984.

A routine search of the area where they were supposedly camping was made. An old abandoned camp site was located. However, this produced no positive location of the missing persons. Local residents were contacted. However, they were unable to furnish additional information as to the location of the missing persons.

On November 24, 1984 at 11:40 a.m., a second camp site was located and this camp site contained the remains of the two individuals who we believe to be the missing persons.

The cause of death is under investigation by the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office and Humboldt County Coroner's Office. The names of the decedents are being withheld pending notification of the next of kin by the Coroner's Office.