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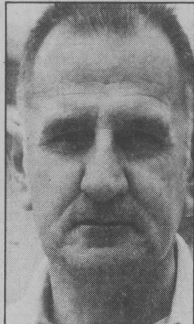
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Saturday, April 30, 1983

Haven for hookers surprises nobody



Chairman Al Boris "I was aware of it"



George Kline "We can't sit out on the porch"



Charles Bulford "They're worst on weekends"



Police Chief John Swim "No comment"

Prostitutes pull vanishing act

By TOM MOONEY Staff Writer

WILKES-BARRE — Less than 24 hours after The Times Leader reported in its Friday editions that prostitutes were becoming increasingly bolder in their activities on North Main Street and in other sections of the downtown area, not one prostitute was observed Friday night. A check late Friday night

of the areas frequented by the women indicated that there was no sex for sale, at least not as blatantly as it had been. Meanwhile, city officials say they are aware of the North Main Street prostitution problem and are trying to do something about it. "I was aware of it," said City Council President Al Boris. "We have undercover people working in that area. But

you must realize it is not an easy thing for a department this size to do." He said the process of nabbing a prostitute in the act of soliciting is a delicate and time-consuming one. "Without more manpower I don't know what we're going to do," he said. Mayor Thomas McLaughlin was not available for comment Friday. Chief of Police John Swim said only "No

comment" before he could be asked about the undercover operations. Other city councilmen said substantially the same thing as Boris. "I don't think it's a surprise to anyone," said John DiPietro, who in the past criticized Boris on many issues. "The police have known about it. Perhaps they could be more vigilant, more aggressive." (See POLICE, Page 2A)

Neighbors apprehensive and angry

By ROBERT SHERBIN Staff Writer

WILKES-BARRE — Ernie Schmid has owned the S&W Restaurant for nearly 20 years, but he says the hookers on North Main Street have never been so numerous or aggressive. "This is my side of the

street they're working," said Schmid, whose family has run the restaurant at 149 N. Main St. since 1954. "They're hurting my business. There are always going to be people looking for whores, but I don't want it happening here." Schmid says the prostitutes don't come out in full force

along North Main and Jackson streets until 11 p.m. But after that hour, as many as a dozen garishly clad women taunt other women and proposition men, residents say. Many residents feel like Charlie Bulford, the area's crime watch coordinator, who talks of the problem in tones of anger mixed with frustra-

tion. Although he is irate that hookers sometimes go so far as to proposition people sitting on their porches, he feels the police are limited in what they can do. "I think the prostitutes bring along other elements of crime sometimes," said Bulford, 29, of 37 Meyers Court. "I've talked to the police, but they can only arrest them if they see money changing hands."

Scranton sent hookers packing

By MARY ELLEN ALU Staff Writer

SCRANTON — There was a time when dozens of hookers posed provocatively on Lackawanna Avenue here, soliciting passersby who strolled past the bars or drove along the street.

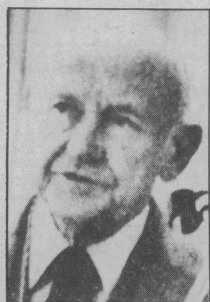
motels, before the Lackawanna County investigative grand jury began handing them subpoenas, before the district attorney's office here began pushing for stiffer sentences and higher bail for prostitutes and their pimps. "Every place you looked, they (hookers) were there," said Det. Capt. Frank Roche of the Scranton Police Department. "They were bold and brazen and hanging on street corners, stopping customers.

You don't see that now." Roche said the problem is not eliminated, and doubts that it will be, but he said the city's prostitution problem is finally under control. The crackdown began in May 1982 when the grand jury began investigating prostitution with the help of Scranton, Reading, Allentown, and Wilkes-Barre police and issued 90 subpoenas to prostitutes and their customers. (See SCRANTON, Page 2A)

Bulford, after some consideration, said he thought the situation would improve if the police kept a uniformed officer on patrol in the area. "That's helped in the past," he said. "But the hookers are the worst on weekends, and that's when the police have their heaviest workload." Virtually all area residents — from the students and administrators at King's College to those who have spent most of their life in the area — want the situation cleared (See NEIGHBORS, Page 2A)

Accused spy is found dead

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former Defense Department intelligence analyst Waldo H. Dubberstein, charged a day earlier with selling U.S. secrets to Libya, was found dead Friday in a suburban apartment building with a shotgun next to his body. Officials said he apparently killed himself. Police said the body of the 75-year-old Dubberstein was found sitting upright in a chair in the basement of an Arlington, Va., building that overlooks the Potomac River just across from the capital where sources said he apparently lived with a 32-year-old East German girlfriend. He had been shot in the head. Federal law enforcement sources, who asked not to be identified, said Dubberstein had put the shotgun barrel in his mouth.



Waldo H. Dubberstein Third in spy case to die

Dubberstein became the third person connected to the case of ex-CIA agent Edwin P. Wilson, to die under suspicious circumstances. The body was discovered only hours after Dubberstein failed to appear at an arraignment Friday morning in federal court in Alexandria, Va. After waiting two hours for Dubberstein, U.S. District Judge Albert V. Bryan Jr. had issued a bench warrant for his arrest, noting there was "sufficient cause to consider flight." Chief Prosecutor Theodore Greenberg and Dubberstein's attorney, Howard Bushman, both said they had been told that Dubberstein had left his residence that morning. The federal sources said Dubberstein was last seen by his girlfriend, with whom he apparently lived in the building where he was found dead, at about 8:30 a.m. The building is about five miles from the Alexandria courthouse where Dubberstein

was due, and the sources quoted the girlfriend as saying Dubberstein had told her he was going to court. They described the woman as a 32-year-old East German who once worked in Iran's diplomatic mission here, but they would not give her name. FBI Spokesman Norman Hironymi said Dubberstein's body was found by Arlington County police. Police spokesman Tom Bell said officers had been called to an apartment building in the early afternoon and found the body of an elderly man shot in the head in a basement storage area, with a shotgun and shotgun shells next to the body. Bell said there was no note near the body but officers found nothing in their investigation to indicate anything other than a suicide. However, the federal sources said several handwritten notes, which they characterized as "suicide notes," were located and were being checked.

Times Leader features Mother's Day contest

Calling all kids! If you've been wondering what to get your Mom for Mother's Day on May 8, we've got a suggestion for you. Write a brief letter telling us what makes your mom the best mom in all of Northeastern Pennsylvania. If your letter is judged the best, your mother will get a dozen roses and a free Sunday dinner in luxury, courtesy of the Station Restaurant and Entertainment Complex on Wilkes-Barre Boulevard in Wilkes-Barre.

All letters must be received by Wednesday, May 4. The winner will be selected by three newspaper mothers at The Times Leader. Assistant City Editor Catherine McMahon and reporters Claire O'Connor and Marita Lowman. We'll print as many of the letters as we can in the Saturday, May 5, edition of The Times Leader along with a picture of the winning mother. Address your letters to: Mother's Day Contest, The Times Leader, 15 N. Main St., Wilkes-Barre 18711.

Inside: ADVICE 8A, BRIDGE 12B, BUSINESS 5B, CLASSIFIED 10A, CROSSWORD 12B, ENTERTAINMENT 6A, FUNNIES 13B, HOROSCOPE 12B, IN YOUR TOWN 7B, MOVIES 6A, OBITUARY 9A, SPORTS 1B, RELIGION 10B, SATURDAY LOTTERY 2A

Reagan insists anew on aid for Salvador

HOUSTON (AP) — President Reagan, pushing his plea for military aid to El Salvador, declared Friday that the United States must shoulder "the future of freedom and peace of mankind" and cannot "permit a communist dictatorship to militarily dominate this planet." In remarks prepared for a fund-raising dinner for key supporter Sen. John Tower of Texas, Reagan hit hard on a theme he has been stressing the last several weeks: that providing military aid to El Salvador should be a cornerstone

of U.S. foreign policy. Reagan said, "There are those who suggest that because our friends in Central America are not perfect, we must back away and permit those armed to the teeth by the Soviets to do as they will, to shoot their way into power. The only alternative the American people have been represented is a 'prescription for disaster.'" The president said his administration has faced "a good deal of criticism" for his attempts to boost defense spending.



Reagan talks with policeman injured as the president's motorcade approached Houston

Police

(Continued from Page 1A) sive." He said he is aware of complaints about prostitutes being made to officials, with the complaints being forwarded to the police. "I've been getting reports on it at least six months," said Councilman Robert Reilly. "In conversation with the chief he told me they have been work-

ing undercover. They did make one arrest a couple of weeks ago." Reilly said he understands prostitutes move from one city to another quickly, making apprehension and conviction difficult. Edward White was more philosophical. "Can you name one city in the U.S. that doesn't have a prostitution problem?" he said. "That's my answer." Boris said Wilkes-Barre has a chronically low crime rate,

indicating the police department is effective overall. However, "one man who'd like to be on the city council, Republican candidate Jack Jones, who lives on North Main Street, said the prostitution problem points up a possible campaign issue. "It's a lack by our police department," he said. "Not the patrolmen, but the higher-ups. The peak of our crime rate is six o'clock on, and that's when we've got the least men on duty."

Neighbors

(Continued from Page 1A) up. "I'm scared walking to church at 6 in the morning, they're still out then," said Louis DeLucci, an 81-year-old resident of 105 N. Main St., who sat on a park bench near King's College, wearing a Yankees baseball cap. "They stop me on my way to church and scare me." George Kline and his wife, who declined to give her name, said they're worried the nighttime activities will snatch away the innocence of their children. "I don't want my 14-year-old daughter seeing sex on the streets," said Kline, of 23 E.

North St. "Guys might think she's a hooker and harass her. What are we going to do in the summer, when we can't sit out on the porch because of the number of whores?" Prostitutes loitering along Main Street are part of the folklore at King's College, students say. Snow and rain don't deter the women from plying their trade, said Bill Keane, a senior who says he saw prostitutes on the street during one of his first nights at the school. He and others said the increase in the number of hookers seemed to coincide with the beginning

of Scranton's prostitution crackdown last year. Brother Just Paczesny, dean of student affairs, said students complain about the women's brazenness and occasionally obscene behavior. While the police sometimes cruise by their corners, Brother Just would like to see the police crack down harder on the problem. "Sometimes the racket outside doesn't quiet down until 5 or 6," said Robert Acerbi, 56, who lives at 145 N. Main St. "You can't get to bed they're so loud."

Scranton

(Continued from Page 1A) Eight months later, Lackawanna County District Attorney Ernest Preate announced arrests and the shutdown of five residences on Madison Avenue, Prospect Avenue and Monroe Avenue that had been used for prostitution activity. But only four people — including two alleged pimps — have been arrested as a result of the grand jury probe. The grand jury recommended prostitution-related charges be filed against at least 12 other persons, but law-enforcement authorities have been unable to locate those people.

off the streets within the past few months. The probe, he said, not only curbed prostitution, but also helped police with drug investigations and other crimes that often grow out of prostitution, such as muggings. Barrasse said the "get-tough" message has also been passed along to district justices who preside at court hearings. The past week, he said, one prostitute was fined \$1,000, and others have found themselves spending days in jail because they cannot meet the high bail. In the past, he said, they were merely fined about \$50. "They'd pay their \$50, walk out and laugh," Barrasse said. Guido Piccolino, part-owner of Buona Pizza, said that up to seven months ago, he commonly saw at least 10 prostitutes

working the streets on a weekend night. One night, he said, they numbered 40 and even tried to solicit him. Now, he said, he occasionally sees one or two prostitutes around, but the police quickly chase them away. Two women, who asked not to be identified, agreed that Lackawanna Avenue has been "very quiet" the past few months with prostitutes nearly absent from in front of the various businesses. However, they said the effectiveness of the probe will be tested in the summer, when the warm weather usually attracts more prostitutes to the downtown area.

Aside from the grand jury-related arrests, the Scranton Police Department arrested over 20 people last year and about 50 people this year on prostitution-related offenses, Roche said. Lackawanna County Assistant District Attorney Michael Barrasse, who is prosecuting the grand jury cases, said the number of arrests does not matter. What's important, he said, is that most of the prostitutes — threatened by the crackdown — have been taken

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THE WEATHER

Wyoming Valley

Considerable cloudiness. High in the 70s.
YESTERDAY — The high temperature was 71 at 3:30 p.m. The low was 62 at 4:45 a.m. The average was 67. Normal is 53. There was no precipitation. Relative humidity was 55 percent.
TODAY — The sun will rise at 6:02 a.m. and set at 7:59 p.m. The record high is 86 set in 1942. The record low is 31 set in 1961.
5-day forecast
TODAY — Considerable cloudiness continuing. Mild with showers and thunderstorms likely. High today in the middle 60's lows in the 70's. Low Saturday night in the 50's with a probability of 70 percent chance of showers.
SUNDAY — Partly cloudy and warm. Chance

of thundershowers.
MONDAY through **WEDNESDAY** — Partly cloudy and warm with chance of thundershowers. Fair and cooler on Wednesday. Highs in the 70s lows mainly in the 50s through the period.
Western Pennsylvania
Occasional showers with a few thunderstorms today. High from 65 to 75. Cloudy with showers and thunderstorms possible tonight and Sunday. Low tonight from 45 to 55. High Sunday from 65 to 75.
Jersey Shore
Variably cloudy today with a shower possible tonight. High from 65 to 70. Winds south to westerly at 15 to 20 mph. Considerably cloudy with scattered showers and thundershowers tonight and Sunday.

Today's forecast: Cloudy

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By The Associated Press
Friday
Temperatures indicate cre-

GOP battling for Nuangola nods

BY JEAN TORKELSON
Staff Writer
NUANGOLA — Four Republicans — three incumbents and the borough's former police chief — and one Democrat are seeking their party's nomination to the borough council. There are three seats open.



Gary Shelhamer
Would help children

The seven members of the council are paid \$30 a month. The terms run four years. One of the four Republicans will be eliminated in the May primary. Republicans running include: Alfred G. Broadt, 69, of 6 Krell St., North End Road. Broadt has been on the council for 10 years and is its current president. He says at though it was difficult, the council was able to hold the line last year on taxes, which now stand at 18 mills. That means a property owner paid \$18 for every \$1,000 of his property's assessed valuation. Broadt says he thinks the borough can hold the line on taxes this year, too. He is employed as a salesman for North Penn Transfer Company.

she wants to run again because it allows her to take part in the community. As for issues: "I don't want to be one of those politicians who says a lot of things...that aren't easy to carry out."

Alfred Stortz Jr., 46, of RD 8, Box 923. An incumbent, Stortz refused to be interviewed. He was appointed to his current term and works as an insurance manager. Rozanna Sokolowski, 34, of RD 4, Box 769. An incumbent, Mrs. Sokolowski has been on the board for one term. She says

Anthony Wilczynski, 40, who lives on Main Road. Wilczynski was the borough's police chief for 12 years. He resigned his part-time \$155-per-month job in February because he says he wanted to run for the council. He says his concerns include finding more ways to raise revenue to offset taxes, supporting recreation projects and financing road repairs. He also

\$100 in goods, cash taken from market

WILKES-BARRE — Police early Friday morning investigated a burglary at Pep's Market, 239 George Ave., according to a police report. The report said a witness saw two suspects leaving the market after taking \$50 worth

of cigarettes and about \$50 in change from a cash register.

says he would like to find ways to tighten up the collection of the earned income tax. Wilczynski says the month he resigned he had the names of six people who had moved into the borough but who were not paying the borough its portion of the earned income tax, which is one-half of one percent of a resident's income. Wilczynski is a mechanic for Country Cousin's Shoe Company.

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