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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER

CHAPEL HILL, NORTH CAROLINA 27514

REPORT OF AUTOPSY

ME-71-53

DECEDENT Jesse McBane Autopsy authorized by: Dr. F. Dalldorf, M.E.
First name Middle name Last name Name Orange Co. Official Title

TYPE OF DEATH: Violent or Unnatural <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Means: Rope	Unattended by a physician <input type="checkbox"/>	RIGOR JAW <input type="checkbox"/> ARMS <input type="checkbox"/> NECK <input type="checkbox"/> CHEST <input type="checkbox"/> BACK <input type="checkbox"/> ABDOMEN <input type="checkbox"/> LEGS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	LIVOR COLOR <u>purple</u> ANTERIOR POSTERIOR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LATERAL <input type="checkbox"/> REGIONAL	Body Identified by: Ralph McBane 111 Weaver Rd. Carrboro
	Sudden in apparent health <input type="checkbox"/> Unusual <input type="checkbox"/> In prison <input type="checkbox"/> Suspicious <input type="checkbox"/>			

PERSONS PRESENT AT AUTOPSY
B. Brinkhaus

AGE 19 RACE W SEX M LENGTH 72" WEIGHT 175# EYES brown PUPILS: R. 7 mm. OPACITIES, ETC.
HAIR brown BEARD clean MUSTACHE about CIRCUMCISED yes BODY HEAT Rectal L. 7 mm. Irregular
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shaven. a week's growth. temp. 50°.

PATHOLOGICAL DIAGNOSIS

Deep ligature grooves on the neck.
Petechial hemorrhages in the skin of the eyelids and in the conjunctivae on both sides, and of the heart.
Acute congestion of all organs.
Signs of early decomposition.
Laceration of inner aspect of lower lip.

Probable cause of death: <u>Strangulation by ligature.</u>	PROVISIONAL REPORT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	FINAL REPORT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

A true copy:	The facts stated herein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. Abdullah Fattah; M.B. Signature of Pathologist
Chief Medical Examiner	Date and time of autopsy: <u>2-25-71; begin-7:15 p.m. end-10:30 p.m.</u>
Date	Place of Autopsy: <u>N.C.M.H.</u>

GROSS and MICROSCOPIC DESCRIPTION

SEROUS CAVITIES:
 PLEURA: Normal.
 PERITONEUM: Normal.
 PERICARDIUM: Normal.
 HEART: 350 gm. There were several petechial hemorrhages on the surface of ventricles. Coronary arteries were normal. Right ventricle, 4 mm., left, 14 mm. On section the myocardium was normal. Valves were normal.

LUNGS: Right, 650 gm., left, 600 gm. Both were markedly congested and in some areas they were of dark bluish color. No evidence of aspiration. No acute or chronic disease was seen.

LIVER: 1900 gm. Acutely congested. No disease. Gallbladder was normal.

SPLEEN: 200 gm. Acutely congested.
 PANCREAS: Normal.
 ADRENAL GLANDS: Normal.
 G. I. TRACT: Stomach contained about 5 cc. of pinkish-red fluid which was collected. No ulcers in the stomach or duodenum. Appendix was present. Rest of the gastrointestinal tract was normal.
 KIDNEYS: 150 gms. each. Capsules stripped easily leaving smooth surfaces. On section the tissue was congested. Ureters were normal.

BLADDER: Normal. Contained about 20 cc. of clear urine. No ulcers in the mucosa.
 INTERNAL GENITALIA: Prostate was of normal size, and normal in appearance.

NECK ORGANS: When the skin was reflected no hemorrhages were seen on the surfaces. The thyroid gland was acutely congested. Hyoid bone was carefully dissected and no fracture was found. The epiglottis was reddish in color with petechial hemorrhages on its surface. A few petechial hemorrhages in the supra-glottic and intraglottic regions.

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 BRAIN & MENINGES: 1550 gm. Top surface showed slight subarachnoid hemorrhage consistent with asphyxial death. Slight flattening of the convolutions and slight prominence of the unci. On section the tissue was congested. No external or internal injury or disease.

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 SKULL: When the scalp was reflected petechial hemorrhages in the under surface of the scalp were seen. No bruises. Skull was of normal thickness and density. No fractures. Middle ears contained obvious hemorrhages.

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 VERTEBRAE: No fractures.
 RIBS: No evidence of recent or old injury.

PELVIS: Normal.

OTHER LABORATORY PROCEDURES: TOXICOLOGY BACTERIOLOGY SEROLOGY NONE

DISPOSITION OF EVIDENCE

TYPE (Clothing, Bullets, Etc.)	NAME OF RECIPIENT	ADDRESS	OFFICIAL TITLE	DATE

HISTORY

At 4:00 p.m. on February 25, 1971, the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner received a request from Jack Thomas of the State Bureau of Investigation to respond to a scene to investigate two deaths. Five minutes later Dr. Fredric Dalldorf, Medical Examiner for Orange County called requesting assistance in the investigation of these two deaths. Dr. Dalldorf, William Brinkhous and myself left immediately to go to the scene. We were led by Deputy Sheriff Junior Clark of Orange County. We arrived at the scene at about 4:40 p.m. The scene where the bodies were found was situated off a one-track dirt road about half a mile from the Caroline Motor Court off Sparger Road. On arrival at the scene it was learned that the bodies were discovered at 1:00 p.m. that afternoon by Mr. Robert M. Kirby of 212 Chateau Road, Durham. Photographs of the scene were taken before examining the bodies. The bodies were covered with a pile of leaves and both bodies were tied to a tree trunk. The only visible parts of the bodies were left leg and thigh and both feet of the female and shoes, right hand and face of the male. The hands of both the victims were tied with hemp rope. The neck of each victim was tightly tied with the same type of rope. Both the bodies were fully clothed with shoes on. After removing all the leaves from the top of the bodies more photographs were taken. The rope tying both bodies together and going around the trunk of the tree was cut to separate the bodies. The bodies were lying with the head of each victim lying close to the other and the legs away from one another. The trunk of the tree was between the bodies at about the waist level. There was small amount of blood beneath each face. After the preliminary investigation the Rescue Squad was authorized to remove the bodies from the scene to be taken to the N.C. Memorial Hospital Morgue. The scene investigation was completed at 5:45 p.m.

It was thought that the bodies might be those of Jesse M. McBane, 19-year-old male of Rt. 2, Pittsboro, North Carolina and of Patricia Ann Mann, 20-year-old white female of 171 Hill Avenue, Sanford, North Carolina. These two persons were last seen alive at 11:30 p.m. on February 12, 1971. At that time they left a party and apparently went for a walk. Since this time and date these two persons have been missing. The car belonging to Allen McBane was found in the residential area of Croasdale Subdivision of Durham.

The autopsies on the two bodies found were begun at 7:00 p.m. on February 25, 1971, and were completed at 1:00 a.m. on February 26, 1971. The autopsies were authorized by Dr. Fredric Dalldorf, Medical Examiner for Orange County.

EXTERNAL EXAMINATION

The autopsy was begun at 7:15 p.m. on February 25, 1971. The body was identified as that of Jesse McBane by Ralph McBane.

The whole body was covered with leaves and fragments of leaves. The rope around the neck was in situ. The hands were tied with rope and both hands were wrapped in plastic bags. The shoes were on and wrapped in plastic bags. The body was fully clothed.

The following clothes were removed:

1. A purplish-pink cotton long-sleeved shirt with gold cuff-links with initials "J.A.M."
2. A pair of trousers, greyish with red checks.
3. A white T-shirt.
4. A pair of white underpants.
5. A pair of dark blue socks.
6. A pair of brown shoes with large brass buckles.

The left breast pocket contained a packet of Winston cigarettes. The right back pocket of the trousers contained a handkerchief, white, cotton, and also a cigarette lighter. The left back pocket of the trousers contained a wallet. This wallet contained several cards and photographs. One card from N. C. State University at Raleigh gave the Social Security No. and the name of Jesse McBane and had a photograph on it. The other cards included Selective Service System registration certificate, Social Security card, Selective Service Systems notice of classification, school bus driver certificate, principal of high school diploma card, Wachovia Bank pocket prompter, student consumer card, and North Carolina Drivers License. There were 4 dollar bills in the wallet. Right side trousers pocket contained change in the amount of 63¢ and a car key with pink plastic holder. On the left wrist was a watch with white silver expansion band. The watch had stopped at 5 minutes to 12 and showed the date of the 14th. There was a ring on the right ring finger with a blue stone. This was removed and placed with the rest of the personal effects. The undersurfaces of the shoes were soiled by reddish mud. The photographs of the body, as was received in the morgue, were taken.

There was a hemp rope around the neck. This was tied with a double-knot in the front. The rope was cut off on the left side of the neck to keep the knot intact. The total length of this rope was about 60 in. There was a rope around both wrists, this was in the form of several knots. Two loops went around each wrist. In the segment between the loops around the wrists there were several knots and one free end of this which was cut off at the scene went to the right and the other free end went to the left. The rope was cut off at the wrists to retain the knots and the left wrist was marked as such. The nails were carefully examined. There were no scrapings in the nails. The fingerprints were taken at this stage.

The examination of the shirt revealed 4 x 2 mm. hole near the 4th button on the left side and there was a corresponding hole in the T-shirt measuring 4 x 2 mm. None of these holes showed any darkening of the area.

EXTERNAL EXAMINATION - CONT.

The external injuries were noted on the head and body diagram. The abrasions and contusions on the face were recorded on the body diagram and so were the marks caused by the rope. The eyelashes on the right side were missing. The eyeball was cloudy and there were bluish hemorrhages and petechial spots in the conjunctiva on the right side. On the left eye the eyelashes were still present and there were extensive hemorrhages and petechial spots in the conjunctiva around the left eyeball which was milky-white in color. There were petechial hemorrhages in the eyelids on both sides. The mouth contained natural teeth which were in good condition. There were maggots in the right side of the mouth. There were no bruises between the upper lip and the upper teeth. However, there was extensive bruising and laceration of the gum tissue below the lower teeth extending into the lower lip. The fingernails on both hands were of dark blue color. The fingers were showing purplish discoloration due to decomposition.

INTERNAL EXAMINATION

SPECIMENS COLLECTED

1. Blood.
2. Tissue for histological sections.
3. Liver.
4. Kidneys.
5. Stomach contents.
6. Scalp hair.
7. Pubic hair.
8. Muscle.
9. Rectal swab.

X-rays of the head and chest were taken. No foreign objects were seen.

Photographs of the entire body as it was received in the morgue were taken and photographs of all the injuries were also taken.

The autopsy was concluded at 11:00 p.m. on February 25, 1971.

TOXICOLOGY LABORATORY REPORT

DATE: 3-9-71
FILE NUMBER: T 71-408
NAME: Jesse McBano
MATERIAL SUBMITTED: Blood, urine, gastric content.

SUBMITTED BY: Dr. Fatch
DATE RECEIVED: 2-26-71

RESULTS:

Blood:

Ethanol: Negative

Other Volatiles: Negative

Barbiturates: Negative

Group: "A"

Urine:

Morphine: Negative

Quinine: Negative

Barvon: Negative

Other organic bases: None Detected

Gastric Content:

Cyanide: Negative

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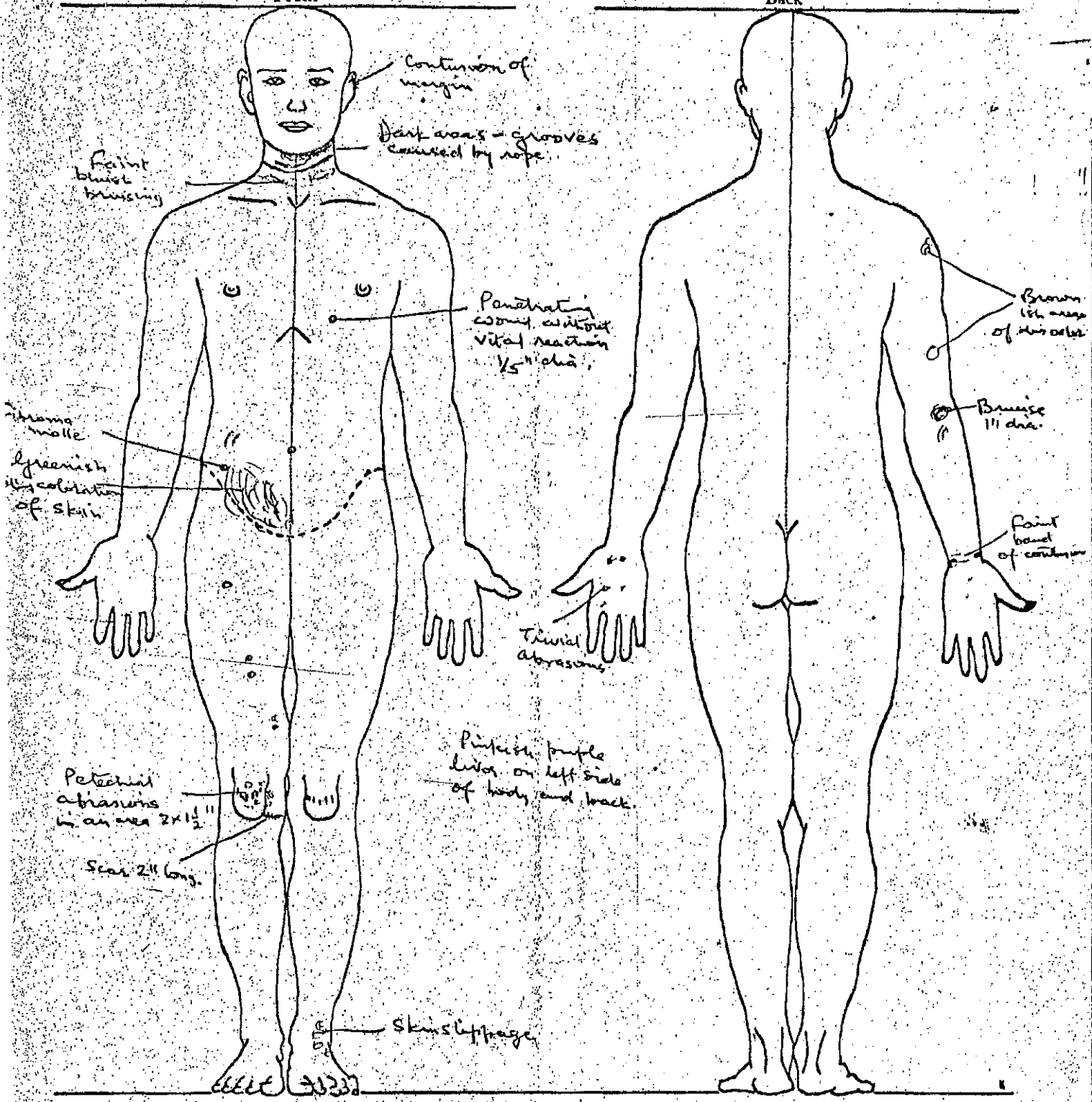
REPORTED BY:

Arthur J. McBr...

BODY DIAGRAM

Front

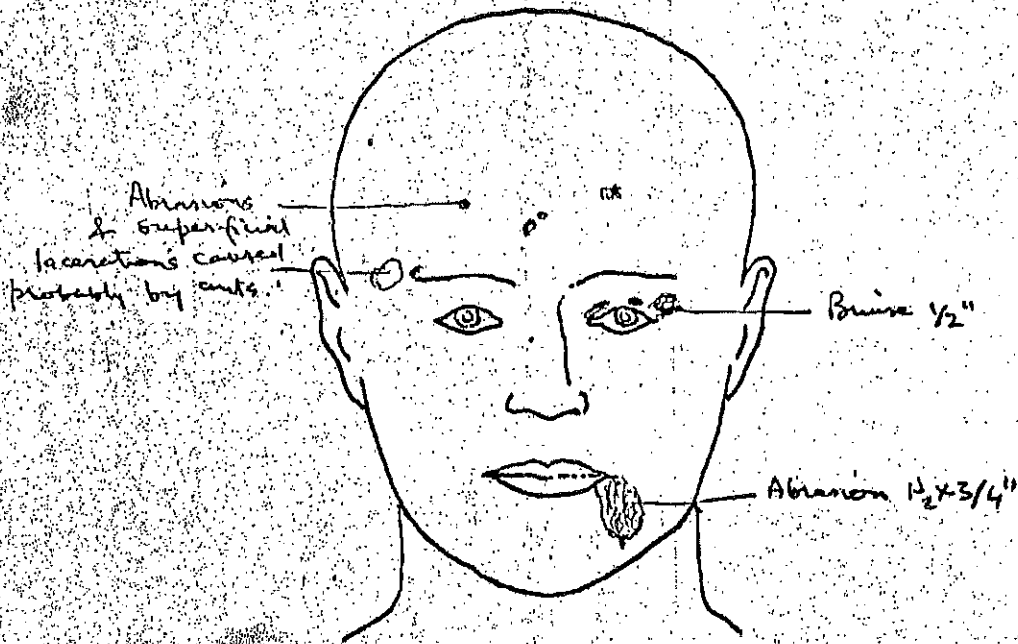
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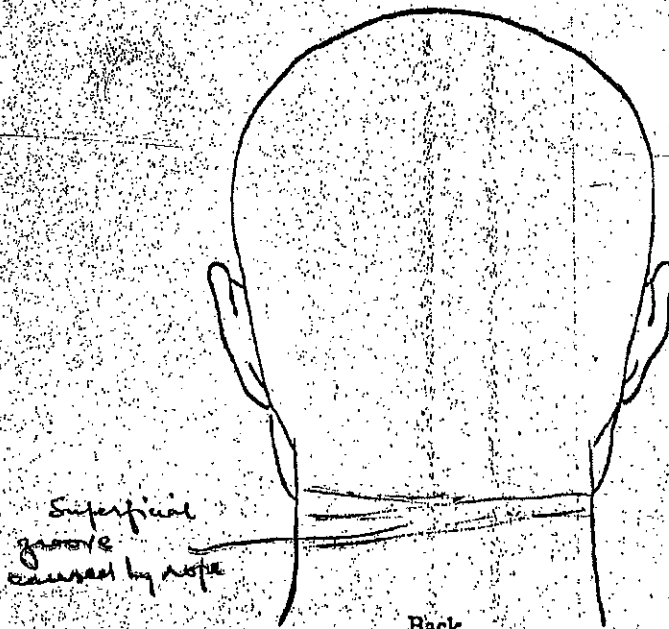
Decedent's Height 72 inches

Name Jesse McBan ME 71-53
 Examined By A. Fattah Date 2-25-71

BODY DIAGRAM—HEAD



Front



Back

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