

1. Case Number SA-321	2. Date 03/24/80	3. Case Title MARILYN MC INTYRE HOMICIDE
4. Activity Interview -- THOMAS SEIDLINGER		5. Date of Activity March 14, 1980

⁶THOMAS ALLEN SEIDLINGER, DOB 12/22/53, phone [redacted] was interviewed at the Columbus Police Department by Special Agent Smith and Columbus Police Chief Lee Erdmann on March 14, 1980. SEIDLINGER is known to have been driving around in the Columbus area during the early morning hours of March 11, 1980 and the purpose for the interview was to obtain information from SEIDLINGER that he might be able to provide concerning this investigation. SEIDLINGER stated substantially as follows:

SEIDLINGER stated that he is married to RHONDA MC INTYRE, a sister to the husband of the victim. SEIDLINGER indicated that he is a welder for May Steel located in Mayville, Wisconsin; working the second shift 3:30PM until 12:00Midnight. He states that he has been so employed for approximately one year. He indicates that he did finish work on Monday night at approximately midnight and arrived back in Columbus at approximately 12:35AM, March 11, 1980. He states that he recalls looking at the bank clock in Columbus on that night as he does on most every night that he returns after work. He says that in driving through town he observed his wife's car at the Town Tap Tavern but that because of his dirty appearance did not stop in the tavern but proceeded onto his home. In so doing he passed the MC INTYRE residence at approximately 12:35AM and observed at that time that the lights to the residence were off and stated that he did not see their dog on the front porch area of the home at that time. He also indicated that he did not see LANE MC INTYRE' car there or any other automobile there at that time. According to SEIDLINGER, he went home, took a bath and ate some supper. He stated that at around 1:00AM he watched the television program "Black Sheep Squadron" which lasted until approximately 2:00 at which time he went to bed. He indicated that at approximately 3:00 in the morning he was awakened either by his dog who had not been feeling well or a clock on the mantle that chimes the hour and noticed that his wife was not home as yet. He stated that he was worried and indicated that she frequently does not come right home after the bar is closed but usually calls him if that's the case. He indicated that he turned on the radio at that time believing that the television stations were no longer on the air and had a soft drink. He said he noticed a digital clock that read 3:15AM. He stated that he left the house between 3:15 and 3:20AM looking for his wife.

He stated that he had very little gas in his car and did not want to have to drive too great a distance. He indicated that he went past the MC INTYRE home again travelling north on Ludington and observed the lights on and observed the dog outside in the yard. According to SEIDLINGER,

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there was a red Nova or Pontiac -- black vinyl top -- with mag wheels, jacked up in the rear end parked on Prairie Street down from the MC INTYRE residence. According to SEIDLINGER, he thought maybe MARILYN MC INTYRE was up feeding her baby and did not pay much attention to the lights being on. He indicated that if he had suspected anything wrong he would have stopped and gone in. He said that he drove past the Town Tap Tavern, turned around did not see his wife's car and drove back home but on this trip did not go past the MC INTYRE residence.

He stated that he does not remember looking at the clock again when he got home but that he then went to bed and was again awakened at approximately 4:15AM by his dog being sick. He said at that time he heard a car and looked out the window and saw that his wife was being dropped off by her sister, DEBBY MC INTYRE. He said that his wife came in the house and that he then went to bed. He recalls that at approximately 7:20AM RHONDA'S mother, the mother-in-law of the victim, MILDRED MC INTYRE, came over to their house and informed them of MARILYN'S death.

SEIDLINGER states that he has only been over to MC INTYRE'S home on two occasions. He said that the last time was at Christmas time to visit with MC INTYRE'S baby son. SEIDLINGER states that he did not stop at the MC INTYRE home on Monday night or Tuesday morning. He indicated that he had nothing to do with MARILYN'S death and does not know who did. He said that the shades were always pulled at the MC INTYRE residence but that he could notice the light around the door shade. He does not know whether or not there were any lights on in the upstairs apartment. He said that it is not unusual for him to observe lights on that the MC INTYRE home late at night. He indicated that he did not know the victim very well and never suspected her of seeing anyone else. He states that he and LANE MC INTYRE had different friends and did not associate much between them.

SEIDLINGER stated that he would not go to MARILYN'S funeral because he did not like to go to funerals. He stated that he did not go to the funeral of his best friend nor did he go to his grandmother's funeral stating that he just cannot take funerals.

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