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Terrorist gang ambush car in street

EMBASSY MEN ASSASSINATED

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TWO American Army officers were assassinated in an ambush by Communist gunmen in Tehran today, according to U.S. Embassy officials.

The officers were driving to work in the northern part of the capital of Iran when they were surrounded by three cars.

The gunmen spilled out of the cars, ordered the officers' Iranian chauffeur to lie under his dashboard and then pumped bullets into the men, sitting in the back.

The gunmen then escaped in one car. Police said that the

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The officers were identified as Col. Paul Shaffer and Lt. Col. Jack Turner, both in their thirties. They were working as advisers to Iran's army and constabulary. The U.S. Military Mission in Iran has grown recently as the Shah has pumped some of his nation's new oil wealth into its military establishment with the help of American military equipment and advisers. There are thought to be about 300 U.S. officers and men in the country.

Professionals

An American Embassy official said: "There is no doubt that it was a pre-meditated assassination by professional murderers." Three years ago gunmen made an unsuccessful attempt to assassinate the head of the U.S. Mission's Army unit in Tehran. The guerrillas were never caught.

STRIKE HITS SHIPS' RADIO

PORTISHEAD radio station at Burnham, Somerset, Britain's only long-range link with ships throughout the world, was closed for the second night running last night by a strike of 150 radio operators. The operators, members of the Union of Post Office Workers, are understood to have rejected a pay offer

to make a loan of £14 million towards ensuring the jobs of 4,500 steel workers at Ebbw Vale.

This is the South Wales constituency of Employment Secretary Mr. Michael Foot, who is an anti-marketeer.

The disclosure of the loan by the British Steel Corporation just two weeks before the referendum sparked a row today.

Anti-marketeer Labour MP Mr. Neil Kinnock said: "I suspect the motivation behind the offer of this money."

"I shall be demanding to know the circumstances from the British Steel Corporation immediately."

Influence

He added: "Wherever possible, the EEC machinery has sought to influence British voting on whether we stay in or out of the Market."

British Steel Corporation boss Sir Monty Finiston insisted today that there was no significance in the timing of the announcement.

In an LBC radio interview, Sir Monty said that the Corporation had received "ten of millions" in loans from the EEC since Britain joined the Market two years ago.

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Drug case Linda told 'see psychiatrist'

LINDA McCartney, wife of former Beatle Paul McCartney, was ordered today to have psychiatric treatment instead of facing trial on a drugs charge.

A Los Angeles judge, Brian Cohan, ruled that Mrs. McCartney, 33, could attend six sessions with a psychiatrist in England.

She is in England now with her family. Mrs. McCartney was arrested on March 3 in California when police stopped a car being driven by her husband.

Sixteen grammes of marijuana were found in her handbag, police claimed. She was given the alternative of having psychiatric treatment or standing trial and opted for the former.

FAMILY TRAGEDY

Nineteen-year-old Anthony Hemley, of Cyprus Road, Guildford, Surrey, died when he was crushed between his house and a four-ton lorry driven by his father.

East. Police tried to stop as many as possible to issue a friendly warning, but as traffic built up the situation became more and more confused and more drivers slipped through the net. One policeman said: "We were hoping for an improvement today, but there is still great confusion. "We've got lots of warning signs out but drivers still keep trying to enter the bus-only section. The hold ups are being caused by some drivers trying to back out."

'Ridiculous'

Taxi driver Ken Brown, who used the system for the first time today, said: "The whole thing is ridiculous. As soon as the police go away the private drivers just go back to using that side of the square. "It's a five-minute wonder. It will turn out just like the Oxford Street scheme has. "The trouble is people just don't take any notice of this sort of thing anymore."

The scheme was introduced by the GLC on Monday to try speed up buses and taxis. At the beginning of the rush-hour police tactfully moved on a bus inspector who was trying to do his bit to help by directing the traffic.

Jaguar man foiled by girl, 12

By CHRIS HOUSE

A MAN was being questioned by Surrey police today after a 12-year-old schoolgirl described how she was ordered to get into a Jaguar or she would be shot.

She refused and called to people in Allingham Road, Reigate, Surrey for help. Later a Jaguar crashed and a man fled.

Today a man was helping police with their inquiries at Reigate police station.

The secret show

THE most secret show in town gets under way from a near derelict house in north London.

The "performers" are a group who believe they fulfil a community need. The authorities condemn them as a menace and seek to run them out of business.

Today on Page Eight the Evening News visits a secret address and puts both sides in an extraordinary and continuing hide-and-seek saga.