

Oroville Mercury Register

3-25-1974

Movie Crew

Near Cherokee

Movie crews from "The Klansman" reportedly are on location on Cherokee Road today near the estimated \$30,000 house constructed to be used as the home of Breck Stancill (Richard Burton) for the film.

With "temperamental" weather conditions, it is not known if filming will continue there tomorrow. Inclement weather to date has forced the film company to make over 20 schedule changes since filming began. For this reason, the production office has arranged various "cover sets"—alternate locations for various film sequences, usually those that take place indoors.

The Chico Enterprise Record

11-23-1974

OROVILLE (E-R) — Bruce L. Gorham, 27, formerly of Chico, who was tripped up when he reportedly tried to use a stolen credit card in a house of prostitution at Goldfield, Nev., had a warrant issued for his arrest yesterday in Butte County Superior court.

The warrant was ordered by Judge Lucian B. Vandegrift when the Probation Department reported Gorham was in violation of probation granted April 5 on a robbery charge. Sr. Probation Officer Don Bendorf said Gorham currently is in San Diego County Jail awaiting prosecution on charges of kidnaping, robbery, grand theft, and lewd and lascivious conduct.

Bendorf reported that Gorham was arrested in Nevada when he tried to use the stolen credit card and transported to San Diego on the charges that were outstanding there.

He is to be returned for violating probation upon conclusion of the prosecution in San Diego.

He was given four years' probation after being convicted of robbing the Jack-in-the-Box restaurant at Broadway and Fifth Street in Chico Jan. 5 in which he made off with \$90 in cash after simulating a gun in a paper sack. He was arrested at his home a short time later.

He was represented yesterday by public defender Robert Mueller.

Vandegrift issued an order for the return of accused murderer Martin Tunny, 74, of Oroville, who has been institutionalized as insane since March 31, 1954.

Tunny is to be placed in the Butte County Mental Health Stabilization Center in Chico, pending establishment of a conservatorship on his behalf. Proceedings have been initiated to make the public guardian the conservator, empowered to have Tunny recommitted in a lockup facility as insane and incapable of participating intelligently in his own behalf during prosecution for the 1954 shooting from ambush of Ernest Bauman near Isaiah, east of Oroville.

He spent most of his time at Atascadero State Hospital and more recently at Adult Authority medical facilities at Vacaville. He is being returned pursuant to state and U.S. Supreme Court rulings that a defendant cannot be kept premanently in mental institutions from commitments made under the legal provisions through which he was declared insane.

Meanwhile the district attorney, county counsel and public defender for over a year have been attempting to find an alternative to releasing Tunny

since he is still under a murder charge but still insane and unlikely to be cured, according to doctors' reports.

The interim commitment to the stabilization center in Chico, in which by law inmates cannot be locked in, was made by the court on the basis of psychiatric reports that Tunny is not likely to show belligerent or aggressive behavior.

Tunny was represented by public defender Jerome Warren. The recent proceedings have been conducted in his absence.