

11-44-BEACH

33 secs

(1. ms cops, 6 secs)
Deputy coroner ^{W T Souza} IDENTIFIED THEM AS
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~~_____~~ John Swindle and ^{Wm.} Joyce Swindle
(2. ms body, feet, 4 secs)

of 50-07 Voltaire. Police said it appeared the woman was fatlly

(3. ms cops, 4 secs)
shot in the head, ~~but _____~~ The man was taken

(4. ms feet, 3 secs)
to Doctor's hospital ~~where _____~~ WHERE HE DIED SHORTLY THEREAFTER

(5. ms cops check, 7 secs) SWINDLE ALSO HAD
~~_____~~ BEEN SHOT

from a severe head wound. Investigators ~~_____~~ IN THE ARM
~~_____~~ AND LEG.

(6. ms cops and body, 9 secs)
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It appears the possibility of a murder ~~_____~~ suicide may have
been the cause of the tragedy. The man and woman were found by
Edward Nelson of 36-52 Wawona Street.

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No weapon has been
found - disappointing
earlier reports of a
possible murder-suicide.

1:46~~00~~ secs

(1. cops lasnite, 6 secs)

Their bodies were found at 8:35 last night near the ocean on the patio of the Silver Spray apartments at

(2/ victim, 4 1/2 secs)

51-16 Narragansett. Mrs Swindle was dead at the scene but her

(3/ cop, 3 1/2 secs)

husband who lay at her side was still alive. He was rushed

(4. victim 2 1/2 secs)

to the hospital but died at 10:50 without being

(5. cop and victim, 6 1/2 secs)

able to tell what happened. They were discovered by 35-year-old Edward T. Nelson of 36-52 Wawona Drive. Nelson

(6. nelson, 5 1/2 secs)

said he saw a lump in the darkness and investigated with his flashlight...at first he

(7. cop and victim, 10 secs)

thought they were drunk and then he saw the big pool of blood.

The murder scene is nine blocks from the couple's home. Today, their rented apartment

(8. house, 7 secs)

was closed and sealed by the coroner's office while homicide detectives fanned out through the neighborhood seeking clues

(9. cu front door, tilt to paper, 10 secs)

to the apparently senseless slaying. Mrs Marci Shields of 50-14 Santa Monica, a Channel 8 employee, heard the fatal shots.

Mrs Shields, along with several others, (more)

(10. Lt schenck, 4 secs)

will be interviewed in a few minutes by Harold Keen. Homicide

(11. pan scene, 13 secs)

Lt. William Schenck and his men made a startling discovery today. The murderer apparently first fired and hit his victims ^{who stood} at this site from atop a cliff about fifty feet away. Then he descended

(12. where shots were fired, 3 secs)

from this spot to where his victims laid and fired again and

(13. shells on ground, 6 secs)

again into their bodies. Empty shell casings were found on the cliff as well as next to the bodies.

(14. shells in back of car, 6 secs)

Lt Schenck said they may have been killed by someone they didn't even know...possibly a thrill killing.

(15. gun, 6 secs)

The weapon has not been found and detectives confiscated all .22 caliber guns in the neighborhood ^{including this one} for ballistic tests.

(16. skin divers, 12 secs)

Officers concentrated their search for the gun. Nine divers from Underwater Demolition Team 12 at the Navy Amphibious base probed the ocean waters on the chance the sniper flung the murder weapon into the sea.

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SNIPER MURDER
1:46 Secs.

(1. Cops lasnite, 6 Secs.)

The most senseless killing in years was discovered ^{Wednesday night} near the Ocean on the patio of the Silver Spray apartments at

(2. Victim, 4½ Secs.)

51-16 Narragansett. A thrill sniper had killed a young married ^{Navy} couple.

(3. Cop, 3½ Secs.)

Dead at the Scene was 19-year old Mrs Joyce ~~Swindle~~ Swindle, her husband

(4. Victim 2½ Secs.)

Johnny, also 19, was still alive at her side but died without being

(5. Cop and Victim, 6½ Secs.)

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More sniper murder
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(10 LT Schenck, 4 Secs.)

motive to the double slaying. Thursday Homicide Lieutenant William

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apparently first fired ~~and his~~ ^{at} his victims ~~while~~ ^{WHILE STANDING} at this site

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caliber guns in the neighborhood, including this one for ballistic tests.

(16. Skin dvr, 12 Secs.)

Coast Guard

Officers Friday rode in a Helicopter ~~in~~ to search roof-tops in an
effort to find the weapon. Earlier in the week Navy divers probed
the Ocean waters on the chance the sniper threw the murder weapon
into the sea.

35 secs

(1. 1s down narrag st, 5 secs)

In Ocean Beach, detectives today continued their questioning of residents, seeking any sort of

(2. scene of crime, 3 1/2 secs)

information that might lead them to the capture of the mysterious

~~Wed. night~~ (3. young couple, 3 1/2 secs)

sniper who ~~was~~ brutally shot and killed Johnny Ray Swindle

(4. several cars, 3 secs)

and his bride of three weeks, Joyce Ann Swindle. A Coast Guard

(5. group detectives, 5 secs)

helicopter ~~was~~ with detectives aboard flew low over houses and they scanned rooftops

(6. crossing street, 3 1/2 secs)

through binoculars in the chance the sniper had flung the weapon

(7. walking, 6 1/2 secs)

on to a roof. About 35 weapons collected in a house-to-house search are being given ballistic tests. ~~M~~ Police

(8. motel and murder area, 4 1/2 secs)

Chief Wes Sharp says, "everything points to a psychopathic killer.. we need all the help we can get from the public."

Sniper Search

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30 secs

(1. cop on cliff, 6 secs)

↑ MORE THAN

A week has passed since the mysterious shooting of John Swindle and his wife at Ocean Beach, and still no

(2. cops on hillside, 4 secs)

important clue to the identity of the killer. The police

(3. cop checks in cave, 5 secs)

THURSDAY

department is relentlessly continuing its search and ~~five~~ five off-duty policemen,

(4. dig thru sand, 4 secs)

wearing civilian clothing, spent the afternoon probing into caves,

(5. sand, 5 secs)

and sifting the sand looking ~~for~~ for more expended shell casings. If the sniper lives

(6. cop digs around, 4 secs)

nearby, there's the possibility he may have practiced firing from the beach. Police are still checking out ^{a variety of} citizens' reports.

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