

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

OFFICE OF CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER-CORONER

Name: MARINA HABE

MEDICAL REPORT

Case No. 69-45Date: JAN. 1st 1969

Dr. _____

CONTINUATION SHEET

THE DECEDENT WENT OUT FOR THE EVENING, SUNDAY DEC. 29th 1968. IN HER CAR. SOMETIME AFTER MIDNIGHT THE DECEDENT'S MOTHER HEARD DECEDENT'S CAR COME IN THE DRIVE WAY, ~~MINUTES~~ ^{SECONDS} LATER ANOTHER CAR WAS HEARD IN THE FRONT. POSS AN OLD CAR WITH LOUD PIPES. THIS CAR WAS HEARD DRIVING OFF. DECEDENT'S MOTHER CHECKED AND FOUND KEYS IN DAUGHTER'S CAR BUT DAUGHTER WAS GONE.

AT 3:45 A.M. DEC. 30th THE MOTHER OF DECEDENT FILED A MISSING PERSON REPORT WITH SHERIFF.

TODAY: JAN 1st 1969. MRS. KLUTE OF 7534th TRASIL AVE PLAYA DEL REY. WENT TO VENICE DIV STATION. LAPD. WITH DECEDENT'S PURSE THAT SHE FOUND IN AREA WHERE BODY WAS FOUND. MRS KLUTE WAS IN AREA LOOKING AT VIEW OF CITY - WHEN PURSE WAS FOUND.

BODY WAS IN THE BRUSH AREA DOWN THE SIDE OF A HILL APPROX. 20' FROM AVE. ROAD.

DECEDENT WAS LYING IN A SUPINE POSITION. CLOTHED WITH THE EXCEPTION OF 1 SHOE BEING OFF BUT NEAR HER. DECEDENT'S THROAT HAD BEEN CUT AND SHE HAD BEEN STABBED NUMEROUS TIMES IN CHEST. AN OLD MOTORCYCLE FRAME WAS FOUND AT DECEDENT'S FEET AND WILL BE IMPOUNDED BY SHERIFF'S DEPT., S.D., LAB.

SHERIFF'S HOMICIDE REQUESTS BODY NOT BE DISTURBED UNTIL S.I.D. LAB HAS CHANCE TO TAKE EVIDENCE. ALSO WISH TO HAVE RUBBER SHEET BODY IS WRAPPED IN

Sgt. FITZGERALD SHERIFF HOMICIDE INVESTIGATING AND IS TO BE CALLED AT AUTOPSY TIME.

NO SUSPECT OR WEAPON IN CUSTODY AT THIS TIME

St. Green 1-1-69

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MEDICAL REPORT

Name MARINA HABE Occupation STUDENT Case No. 69-45

Date 1/2/69 Time 11:30 AM IN ☒ Crypt # 14 OUT ☐ MORTUARY

☐ INVESTIGATION ☒ AUTOPSY ☐ PENDING ☒ FINAL ON 1/2/69

CAUSE OF DEATH:

Exsanguinating external hemorrhage
due to: severed left carotid artery

due to: multiple stab wounds of neck + throat

Dr. R.C. Henry
☐ Micro. ☐ Neuro.
☐ Bact. ☐ Med. History
☐ P. R. ☐ S. P. R.
☒ Photo By Becker
☐ X RAY ☒ A. S.
☐ Toxicology
☒ Alcohol ☐ Over 24 Hrs.
☐ Barbs. ☐ C. O.
☐ Other - Explain Below

OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH

Multiple contusion of face + body. Throat

☐ NATURAL ☐ ACCIDENT ☐ SUICIDE ☒ HOMICIDE ☐ UNDETERMINED

DATE OF OPERATION

OPERATION - CHECK ONE

☒ NO OPERATION PERFORMED

☐ OPERATION PERFORMED - FINDINGS USED IN DETERMINING ABOVE STATED CAUSE OF DEATH

☐ OPERATION PERFORMED - FINDINGS NOT USED IN DETERMINING ABOVE STATED CAUSE OF DEATH

Evidence of Injury ☒ Yes ☐ No At work ☐ Yes ☒ No SUICIDE NOTE ☐ Yes ☐ No FETAL DEATH CERTIFICATE ☐

Embalmed by: Niano License No. 3687 Blood Sample Taken ☒ Yes ☐ No Explain

X No. Date Filled: Contents: Amount Prescribed: Amount Remaining:

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION Age 17 Sex FE Race CAUC Complexion RED Wt. 128 lbs. Ht. 66 1/2 in.

Hair BRN Teeth LOW Eyes BLUE Pupils NOR Scars, amputations, -

Appliances on body - Tattoo or deformity -

Hospitalized ☐ Yes ☒ No Hospital Report ☐ Yes ☐ No Hospital No. Unit

Jail Hospital Duration

or STAB - WOUNDS OF THROAT & CHEST.

Physician Address: Phone:

Diagnosis or Comment:

Information taken by S. Greene

MEDICAL EXAMINER'S COMMENTS:

CERTIFICATE ISSUED TO MORTUARY Pending ☐ By FINAL ☐ By

DATE OF ISSUE 1/2/69 BY R.C. Henry M.D.

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RCH 405
Final Jan 6, 1969

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Blood
Vag. smears
Rectal "
Oral "

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DEPARTMENT OF CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER-CORONER
PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT

Name MARINA HABE Case No. 69-45

HIGOR MORTIS:

NECK:

Anterior flexion 3+
Posterior flexion 3+
Right lateral flexion 3+
Left lateral flexion 3+

JAW: 3+ HIP: 2+
SHOULDER: 3+ KNEE: 2+
ELBOW: 2+ ANKLE: 2+
WAIST: _____

TEMPERATURE:

ENVIRONMENT TEMPERATURE = 71° F
DATE 1-1-69 TIME 6:00 AM

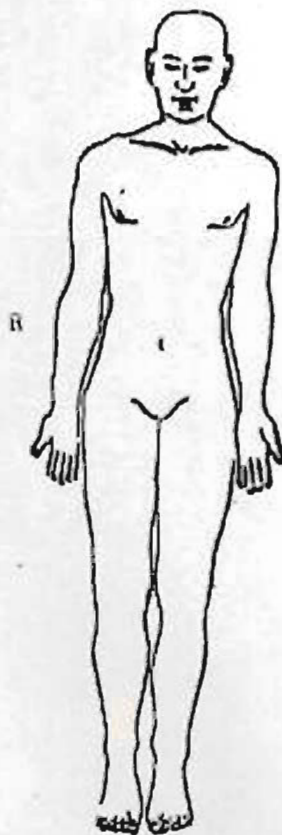
LIVER TEMPERATURE = 58 ° F

WHERE TAKEN HALL OF JUSTICE

DATE 1-1-69 TIME 7:15 AM

LIVOR MORTIS:

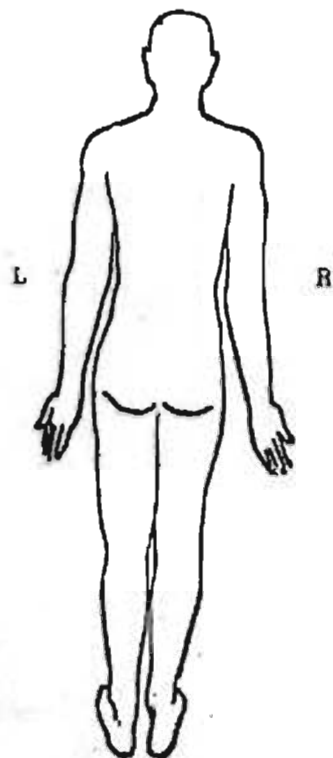
Use shading on diagrams to illustrate location,
Describe intensity of coloration. (use scale)
Permanent or blanches under pressure? Describe.



Body Fully CLOTHED
UNABLE TO CHECK
LIVOR. MORTIS

SCALE

4+ = Extreme Degree
3+
2+
1+
0 = Absence/Negative



Remarks:

G. Green
Coroner's Investigator

Date 1-1-69 Time 7:15 AM

OFFICE OF CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER-CORONER

Date JANUARY 2, 1969 Time 11:30 AM

I performed an autopsy on the body of MARINA HABE

at OFFICE OF CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER-CORONER, Hall of Justice, Los Angeles,
and from the anatomic findings and pertinent history I ascribe the death to:

EXSANGUINATING EXTERNAL HEMORRHAGE

DUE TO: SEVERED LEFT CAROTID ARTERY

DUE TO: MULTIPLE STAB WOUNDS OF NECK & THORAX

OTHER CONDITIONS: MULTIPLE CONTUSIONS OF FACE AND BODY,
GARROTTING.

FINAL: JAN. 6, 1969

ANATOMICAL SUMMARY

- 1) Transection, left common carotid artery.
- 2) Hemopneura, minimal, bilateral.
- 3) Multiple stab wounds of thorax, abdomen, and back.
- 4) Dilation of anus.
- 5) Dilation of vagina.
- 6) Bilateral atrophy of ovaries.
- 7) Laceration of liver.
- 8) Recently ingested meal in stomach.
- 9) Contusions of scalp.
- 10) Cerebral congestion and edema.

The hair is medium brown, normal in amount and distribution, worn quite long, averaging approximately 18 inches in length. Inspection and palpation of the scalp reveals no grossly apparent injury. The irides are blue-gray, the pupils are round and equal measuring approximately 4 mm in diameter. There is contusion of both eyes, more prominent on the left. The external ears and nose are unremarkable. Behind the right ear is a recent area of slightly abraded and contused injury with moderate subcutaneous swelling. The teeth are the decedent's own and in good repair. There is no evidence of injury about the mouth or lips. On the right neck, 8-1/2 inches below the top of the head and approximately 2 inches to the right of the midline is a wound of incised nature; this has one edge which is sharp, and this is directed laterally; the other edge is somewhat rounded and directed medially. The wound measures 1 inch in length. On the left neck centering 9 inches below the top of the head and beginning about 1/2 inch to the left of the midline is a large gaping, incised wound in which the edges are sharp. Inspection of the depth of the wound shows a through-and-through incision of the laryngeal cartilage. Above and

extending from the inner medial end of the wound crossing the midline is an irregular wavy, slightly contused mark. Below the major incised wound just described are two small punctate, slightly contused wounds which barely extend through the skin. Across the back of the neck and extending anteriorly and laterally on both sides is a superficially abraded contused area with a somewhat pattern marking indicating linear parallel deeper abrasions consistent with a folded cloth. On the left upper thorax is an irregular superficial contusion with very slight abrasion; this is 3 inches to the left of the midline and it measures 1-1/2 by 3/4 inch. In the left upper chest are two incised stab-type wounds, the most medial centering two inches to the left of the midline. The wound measures 1 inch in length and gapes open to a distance of 1/2 inch. The previously described wound is oriented on a horizontal direction. Just lateral to the end of this wound is another incised stab-type wound measuring 3/4 inch in length and gaping to the distance of 1/2 inch; this is oriented in a vertical direction as related to the previous wound and shows the lower margins to be sharp, while the upper margins have a rounded configuration. Just below these two described wounds is a small punctate wound barely piercing the skin; just above are two similar punctate marks. At the base of the right neck is a similar punctate mark. Almost exactly in the center of the chest, 14 inches below the top of the head is an incised stab-type wound oriented on a horizontal direction; this measures 1-1/8 inch in length and gaps open to a distance of 1/2 inch. Two-and-one-half inches below the previously described wound is a rounded injury measuring 1/2 inch in diameter which has the appearance of a burned area. Nineteen-and-one-half inches below the top of the head, and approximately 1/2 inch to the left of the midline is an elliptical incised wound measuring approximately 1 inch in length and gaping to a distance of approximately 5/8 of an inch; this has a sharp edge mark directed to the left, with the rounded edge directed toward the midline; it is oriented at an angle of approximately 45 degrees with the horizontal. Just lateral to this wound centering 18-1/2 inches below the top of the head and oriented at an angle of approximately 60 degrees away from the vertical is a similar incised stab wound measuring about 1-1/8 inch in length and gaping over to about 5/8. In the midline on the same level as these two wounds are two small punctate wounds each about 1/4 inch in diameter. Two inches to the left of the midline approximately 1/2 inch above these last described wounds is a punctate, somewhat contused wound. The abdomen is flat and symmetrical and shows no grossly apparent injuries. On the left upper arm approximately 3-1/2 inches below the tip of the shoulder is a somewhat oval flat scar area with the surface of the scar being a pinkish color and containing several punctate marks. Approximately 3 inches below the tip of the shoulder and approximately 6 inches left lateral to the midline is an elliptical stab-type wound showing the sharp margin directed upward, the rounded margin directed downward; the wound measures approximately 1-1/8 inch in length and gaps open to about 1/2 inch. On the tip of the right index finger is an abraded area extending under the nail and measuring about 3/8 inch in maximum diameter. There is a very small paired lesion

similar at the tip of the right thumb. On the right ring finger is a silver-appearing ring which is fairly loose and in a serpentine configuration. Inspection of the remainder of the back shows no evidence of injury; livor is present here and is now fully fixed. There are pressure points corresponding to the distribution of clothing. There is apparent tanning of the body with pale areas corresponding to distribution of bikini panties and brassiere. Inspection of the anus shows it to be quite widely dilated and with apparent contusion around the anal ring; smears are prepared from this area. There is very slight contusion around the anal ring.

INTERNAL EXAMINATION:

The body is opened by the usual Y-shaped incision. The subcutaneous fat is found to be normal in amount, color, and distribution. As the soft tissue is reflected off of the thorax, extensive hemorrhage is noted in the left pectoralis muscle related to the previously noted stab wounds. Here the stab wound is seen to go through the 2nd rib and through the parietal pleura, but does not enter the lung though there is a contused appearing area in the upper lobe of the left lung related to this injury. The sternum shows a through and through stab wound which enters the anterior mediastinum but does not reach the heart or great vessels. There is extensive laceration and hemorrhage in the right pectoralis muscle. The sternal plate is removed. The serous cavities are free from adhesions. Both lungs are totally collapsed. The left pleural cavity contains an estimated 200 ccs of fresh unclotted blood; the right, about 150 ccs. The pericardial cavity is unremarkable. The peritoneal cavity is unremarkable except for a small amount of free uncoagulated blood. The organs are now removed.

LUNGS:

The left lung weighs 150 grams, the right lung 180 grams. Both lungs are collapsed. The pleural surfaces are smooth, and no gross abnormality is noted with exception of the previously described stab wound of the left lower lobe. The tracheobronchi are patent and contain fresh unclotted blood; however, no obstruction is observed.

HEART:

The heart weighs 200 grams before opening. Its surface is smooth. The heart is opened along the course of the blood. The myocardium is firm and dark red, showing no evidence of old or recent infarction. The valves are within normal limits and are grossly unremarkable. Serial sectioning of the coronary arteries show them to be flexible and patent throughout.

SPLEEN:

The spleen weighs 150 grams and has a smooth surface. On section the cut surface is relatively bloodless, and the malpighian corpuscles correspondingly increased in prominence.

LIVER:

The liver weighs 1200 grams and has sharp margins. There is a triangular shaped deep laceration of the anterior surface of the left lobe; this extends deep into the liver tissue and is surrounded by hemorrhage. On section, the remainder of the liver is grossly unremarkable. Cut surface is moderately pale. The biliary tract is unremarkable.

GASTROINTESTINAL TRACT:

The gastrointestinal tract is removed from the esophagus to rectum. The stomach contains a small recently ingested meal in which green peas, green beans, some sort of fruit, and a rather formless grayish-tan grumose-appearing material can be identified. This meal has just begun to enter the duodenum. The remainder of the gastrointestinal tract is unremarkable. The appendix is present.

PANCREAS:

Grossly unremarkable.

ADRENALS:

Bilaterally symmetrical and small. On section there is no grossly remarkable change.

KIDNEYS:

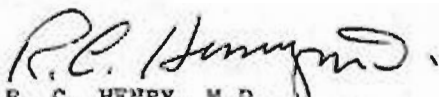
The kidneys weigh 200 grams together, and on section show no grossly remarkable change. The cut surface is quite pale. The bladder is empty.

INTERNAL GENITAL ORGANS:

The uterus is small and symmetrical. It is opened; the mucosa is pale and slightly thickened, there is no evidence of pregnancy. Both tubes and ovaries are present. The ovaries are small, but show no fibrosis. No evidence of corpus luteum cysts or recent corpus lutea are noted. The cervix and vaginal mucosa are intact with no apparent trauma.

HEAD:

The scalp is incised and reflected. On the left temporal-parietal region near the midline is a recent contusion which extends throughout the scalp and into the periosteum; this measures approximately 1-1/2 by 1 inch in maximum diameter. The calvarium is removed; no evidence of fracturing is seen. The dura is intact, and there is no epi- or subdural hematoma. The arachnoid space does not appear to contain excess fluid, and there is no hemorrhage. Inspection of the arteries at the base of the brain reveal no abnormality. The brain is sectioned sagittally and shows no congestion and no notable edema. There is no evidence of injury, and no present disease can be identified. Section of the pons and brainstem shows no remarkable changes. Inspection of the base of the skull after stripping of the dura reveals not evidence of injury.


R. C. HENRY, M.D.
DEPUTY MEDICAL EXAMINER

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1/10/69

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69-45
File No. _____
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MICROSCOPIC REPORT

HEART

No remarkable changes.

LUNGS

Areas of atelectasis surrounded by areas of emphysema with "clubbing" of broken alveolar walls. Aspirated blood in alveoli. Congestion of vessels.

LIVER

Fairly heavy lymphocytic infiltration of portal triads. Liver cells well preserved.

KIDNEYS

Congested. Postmortem autolysis.

BRAIN

Congestion.

ANUS

Dense chronic inflammatory infiltrate. Superficial ulceration at muco-cutaneous junction.

SKIN

Areas of stab wounds show fresh hemorrhage with no inflammatory reaction. Margination of leukocytes.

OVARIES

Somewhat fibrous. Immature follicles. No corpora lutea.

ADRENALS: No remarkable changes.

RUSSELL C. HENRY, M.D.
DEPUTY MEDICAL EXAMINER

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1/27/69

REPORT OF CHEMICAL ANALYSIS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES MEDICAL EXAMINER-CORONER
Toxicology Laboratory
Hall of Justice
Los Angeles, California

File No. 69-15

Name of Deceased Marina Habe Lab No. 1-67

Date Submitted January 3, 1969 Time 8 A.M.

Autopsy Surgeon R. Henry, M.D.

Material Submitted:	Blood X	Liver	Stomach
	Brain	Lung	Lavage
	Femur	Spleen	Urine
	Kidney	Sternum	Gall bladder
	Drugs	Chemicals	

Test Desired: Ethanol, Barbiturates

Laboratory Findings:

1. Blood: Ethanol absent
2. Blood: Barbiturates absent

Examined By 1. Lawrence Plutchak ~~Head~~ Toxicologist. Date January 17, 1969

2. Eric S. Wright Toxicologist January 17, 1969

REPORT OF MICROBIOLOGICAL ANALYSIS
CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER-CORONER'S OFFICE

Bacteriology Laboratory
Hall of Justice
Los Angeles, California

File No. 67-45

Name of Deceased Marina E. Habe

Date Submitted 1-2-69

Autopsy Surgeon Dr. Henry, M.D.

Material Submitted Vaginal smear for spermatozoa, for acid phosphatase.

Blood for ABO and Rh typing.

Laboratory Findings: Acid phpsphatase reactive 4+
 Positive control reactive 4+.
 Negative control nonreactive.
 Spermatozoa found on smear. 1-2/OEF.
 BLOOD: Group A Rh positive.

Examined By Robert L. Lake Date 1/20/69

