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INVESTIGATION INTERVIEW RECORD		PHILADELPHIA POLICE DEPARTMENT HOMICIDE DIVISION		CASE NO.
NAME Frederick Philip HAMMER		AGE 18	RACE W	INTERVIEWER Pascali 755 <i>ATOR</i>
ADDRESS RD 2 Oxford, Pa,		APARTMENT NO.		DOB Trooper John Atore 12-17-59 Det. Graham
NAME OF EMPLOYMENT/SCHOOL Work for father John Frohmander				PHONE 717-529-2946
ADDRESS OF EMPLOYMENT/SCHOOL				SOC. SEC. NO. 180-52-0015
PLACE OF INTERVIEW Avondale State Police Barracks 2nd floor				PHONE
BROUGHT IN BY Trooper Arthur Tuinstra & John Carroll				DATE AND TIME 10-15-78 12:45 am
WE ARE QUESTIONING YOU CONCERNING the homicide by beating of Policeman Charles Uffleman 46 w/m which occurred on the highway, Delaware and Snyder Aves., on 10-13-78 about 8:40 pm				DATE AND TIME 10-15-78 12:20 am
WARNINGS GIVEN BY Pascali				DATE AND TIME 10-15-78 12:50 am
ANSWERS (1) yes (2) yes (3) no (4) yes (5) yes (6) no (7) yes				
Q. Fred are you known by any other names?				
A. No				
Q. Will you go on in your own words and tell me what you know and did concerning the homicide by beating of Policeman Charles Uffleman 46 w/m which occurred on the highway, Delaware and Snyder Avenues on 10-13-78 at about 8:40 pm?				
A. Some time I was hitchhiking on Delaware Avenue and it was just getting dark. A guy in I think, a silver Monte Carlo, stopped and picked me up, he was a pretty big guy and I asked him where he was going, he just said he was going down Delaware Avenue and I asked him if he was going to the airport and he said he would take me to the airport. He pulled over alongside the side ^{ROAD} and stopped for a minute, and I thought he was going to get sick, he looked like he was pretty drunk. He got out of the car and walked around to the curbside and he started grabbing me, he reached into the window and tried to grab me and I got out of the car and I punched him a couple times, then I found a post up against the fence and I grabbed it and I hit him with it, then I panicked and I jumped in his car and I took off. I found 95 and I went down past the airport and out 95 to 322 and then I went onto route one and somewhere around Jermersville, I was stopped by a state Trooper for speeding. At the time it was one trooper and then another came up, and they asked me for my license and				
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registration and I looked in the glove box and told them I couldn't find it. Then I gave them a fake driver's license, in the name of Mark Randel Corney (phonetic) I told them I didn't know where the registration was because I didn't know where my father put it. I told them my mother was in an accident on 472, going towards Oxford on 472, one of the cops said he didn't know anything about the accident because that was his area. They told me to get out of the car and put my hands on the hood which I did, then they asked me for my real identification. I pulled out another fake ID card, I don't know whose name was on it and one of the cops went back to his car and the other one was talking to me about my social security number, and I told him it was on the card and I told him I didn't know it off hand and he asked me what my service number was and I told him it was the same as my social security number. He asked me if I was AWOL and if I had any leave papers and I said no and he walked back to the other policeman, so I jumped across the guard rail and I landed in a creek face first and when I got up, I realized I hit my left knee and it was hurting and then I heard one policeman say to the other, halt, go that-a-way, he was talking to the other policeman. I ran across the creek and I ran up the other side and ran through a bunch of bushes, that's where I got all these scratch marks on my arms and hands. I followed some road straight to route 10 and 896 and at the corner, there is a new house and I knocked at the door and asked the lady if I could use the telephone that I was in a motorcycle accident down the road and I tried to call my brother George but there was no answer, so the lady offered to take me home, and the lady did take me home, her and her young daughter. When I got home I told my parents that I was chased by three negroes in Philadelphia. We just sat there and talked for a little while and I went and took a shower and went to bed. Today, my friend Willis Keen and a guy by the name of Bob Hurley came over and picked me up and I told them about the three negroes.

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Q. How did you get to Philadelphia?

A. A guy by the name of Kenny Wolf came over and picked me up early in the morning and he drove me to my brother's place, Office Building 362, off of Route 202, pretty close to the Delaware and Pennsylvania State Line. From there we stopped at my brother's house and picked him up and we went to Philadelphia.

Q. What did you do in Philadelphia?

A. We were putting plywood over windows in a warehouse.

Q. Where is this warehouse?

A. I don't know but it was near the Frankford Hospital.

Q. Did you get injured tonight, other than your left knee?

A. Yes I fell off of the scaffolding while putting plywood over the windows and I was taken to Frankford Hospital and treated.

Q. How did you come about being on Delaware Avenue?

A. After being treated at the Frankford Hospital, and when I came out into the waiting room nobody was there. I called home and my father told me he would ^{FPH} meet me half way for me to find my way to the Philly International Airport. I started walking towards the airport and I followed some railroad tracks all the way till I got pretty close to Delaware Avenue. Then the railroad tracks came to a place where I couldn't walk down the road anymore and I seen three cop ^{FPH} cars underneath the bridge there and I asked them how to get to the Philly International Airport and they told me to follow Delaware Avenue and told me to hitch a ride down Delaware Avenue to 95 and they said that would bring me out to the Airport. So when I walked around the block on Delaware Avenue and I stuck my thumb out and started hitching a ride and this guy picked me up in this car and he drove me.

Q. Did you have any conversation with the man who picked you up.

A. No.

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Q. What made the man stop his car?

A. I don't know, but it looked like he was going to get sick, he took his false teeth out of his mouth and laid them on the dash board.

Q. Then what did he do?

A. He got out of the car and he was walking kind of funny.

Q. Did the man vomit?

A. I am not sure if he did or not, but I thought he did.

Q. What happened then?^{FPH}

A. He came over to the car and started grabbing me.

Q. Did he say anything to you?

A. No, he never said anything to me.

Q. What happened then?

A. He grabbed me, I believe he tried to pull me out of the car. He was grabbing me through the window, I got out of the car and punched him.

Q. How many times did you punch him?

A. I don't know I guess it was about three or four times.

Q. Where did you punch him?

A. In the chest area.

Q. Then what happened?

A. I grabbed a 4 X 4 post that was leaning against the fence and I hit him in the back of the head I believe.

Q. How many times did you hit him with the 4 X 4 post?

A. Twice.

Q. What did you do with the post after you hit him with it?^{FPH}

A. I dropped it, right after I hit him.

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Q. Where was the man when you dropped the 4 X 4?

A. He was on the ground by the car.

Q. Did you know the occupation of the man and what he did for a living?

A. No.

Q. Did you take anything from the man, like his wallet?

A. I didn't take anything from him, his wallet was on the front seat of his car and I took about \$170.00 from the wallet and the money was stretched out in the wallet and wrapped in a white paper ribbon.

Q. Where is the money now?

A. It is in my bedroom underneath the carpet and I have a few dollars with it also.

Q. Can you tell me the denomination of these bills?

A. They were in tens and twenties.

Q. What did you do with the wallet?

A. When I was stopped by the police I had taken the money out of the wallet and put the wallet underneath the seat.

Q. Can you read and write the English language?

A. Yes.

Q. How far did you go in school?

A. Near the end of the eleventh grade, Solanco high school.

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Q. Fred can you tell me what you were wearing last night, when the man picked you up?

A. I was wearing a short sleeved denim navy work shirt with my last name Hammer stenciled across the left hand top pocket, pair of long johns, and navy blue denim work pants and work shoes.

Q. Fred I noticed you are walking with a limp, what are your injuries and how did you receive them?

A. While running from the police I fell in the creek ^{FPH} face first and my left knee hit a rock, the knee ^{FPH} is swollen with numerous scratches and bruises.

Q. Fred I noticed scratches on both arms and hands, can you tell me how you received these injuries?

A. Yes, I was running through the bushes when I was escaping from the police.

Q. Where are the clothes that you wore last night?

A. The shirt is in my bed room closet and my navy denims and long johns are in the laundry room.

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Q. Fred this is Detective Graham from the Philadelphia Police Department and he would like to ask you some additional questions, is this alright with you?

A. Yes.

Q. What position was the man in, when you struck him with the 4 X 4?

A. I know he was on his knees, beside the car.

Q. What position were you in, when you struck him with the 4 X 4?

A. Standing up on his right, I don't know if it was his right side or left side, but all I remember is hitting him with the post.

Q. Did the man strike you?

A. He grabbed me and hit me in the chest and in the back of the neck. Then I hit him with my fist a few times, then he fell to his knees and that's when I hit him with the post.

Q. Why did you hit the man with the 4 X 4 or post when he was down on his knees?

A. I don't know why I did it.

Q. Did you sustain any injuries or bruises as a result of what the man did to you?

A. No.

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Q. Fred where did you get the man's wallet?

A. From his back left hand pocket.

Q. When did you take the wallet from the man's back pocket?

A. After I hit him with the 4 X 4 and he was on the ground unconscious.

Q. Did you rip the man's pocket, when you got his wallet out of his back pocket?

A. I don't remember.

Q. When did you decide to take the man's wallet?

A. When he was on the ground and unconscious.

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Q. Did the man really try to pull you out of the car?

A. No, he was sick, he threw up, I rolled the window down and asked him if he was alright, he didn't answer, I got out of the car and went over to where he was sitting on the curb and he wouldn't answer me, and I kept asking him if he was alright, he told me to leave him alone, I was leaning over him and slapped him in the face, to snap him out of it, then he punched me in the chest, that's when I grabbed the 4 X 4 and started hitting him in the head.

Q. Did you tell anybody about what you did to the man on Delaware Avenue?

A. Yes, I told a friend, Kim Hargan, about it.

Q. What did you tell Kim?

A. That I was hitch hiking and this guy picked me up in his car and we had a little fight and I left him in the street unconscious and I stole his car and I also told her about the Trooper stopping us.

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