

NORTHERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY
SECURITY DEPARTMENT
COMPLAINT REPORT

COMPLAINT NO. 43-70
FILE CLASS NO. 4.1
DATE. May 13, 1970

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COMPLAINANT: Salvatore D. Sarvello
ADDRESS: NMU Security Department
RECEIVED BY: Officer Miles

TELEPHONE NO.: 7-3640
TIME RECEIVED: 5:35 AM
INVESTIGATED BY: Lyons, Rodgers
Sarvello

NATURE OF COMPLAINT

At 1:12 AM, I received a radio call informing me that the City Police had just received a bomb threat call for the Armory. I went to the Armory and assisted Cpl Dishno in checking the area. All was in order there.

At 1:35 AM, I was notified by radio that Pres Jamrich had received a call to the effect that some buildings on campus were going to be damaged during the night, and I was instructed to check all areas, and was notified that the Chief of Security was to be called. I briefed the student assigned to the buildings in the central campus, and checked all areas, with all appearing to be in order. Chief Lyons and Officer Rodgers were called to duty at this time.

At 2:40 AM, I completed a check of the entire Kaye Complex, and reported two Fire Exits unlocked in Kaye, and glass broken on the floor of the Pierce Fire Exit. I then went on patrol.

At 2:46 AM, Mrs Jamrich called and reported that two subjects had been standing on the lawn of their residence, and then had moved across the street to the entrance of the President's Wing of the University Center. This was checked by the Chief and Officer Rodgers, and both patrols returned to normal patrol. Shortly afterwards, another call was received from Mrs Jamrich, stating that two additional black students had arrived in the area and were sitting on the wall across from the residence, which is located at the SE Corner of the University Center. I was instructed to check with the the two as to what they were doing. I asked the two subjects what they were doing there, and one stated they were just sitting. I asked if they were waiting for a ride, and the same subject stated that they were sitting. I then departed and relayed the information. From this time until approximately 5:15 AM, I remained in Lot C, per the request of Chief Lyons, and observed the area.

At approximately 3:30 AM, I observed from Lot C, approximately 40 black persons walking across the front of the University Center, and to the front lawn of the President's quarters. I immediately radioed this information to the desk, and the Chief and Officer Rodgers went to the area.

At 4:35 AM, an unknown individual who delivers morning papers to the campus, stopped at my car in Lot C, and reported he had observed two black subjects walking on Fitch Ave with a gas can, and a black 1964 Chevrolet driving slowly along. I went to the office and called the City Police who said they would check it out. Shortly afterwards, I talked with a City Police Patrol, who pointed out the Chevrolet in question to me as it passed out present location. They said the license started with the letters HN----. I came to the office and went through the parking ticket files, due to the fact myself and Officer Lainhart had issued a ticket to a vehicle fitting the description about a week previously. I found the ticket, and the complete license was HNY 439. The owner is unknown, as there is no NMU Registration on the vehicle. Cpl Dishno was notified of the complete number, and he stated a registration check would be made with the State Police.

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Between approximately 3:00 and 5:15 AM, I remained mostly in Lot C, except for a few trips around the upper campus area to verify and check on reports of broken windows. There was a broken window in the lounge (music) area of the Fine Arts Bldg, and a broken window in the NW Lobby (stairway) area of the IF Bldg. There was also two lobby windows broken in the second floor of Gries Hall. On one of the reports from Gries Hall, a Tom Carullo of 221 Gries Hall reported he could identify the two subjects who had thrown a chair through a lobby window there. He described them as black, one wearing a wire rimmed set of glasses, and the other wearing a high school type jacket. He stated he could identify the two if he saw them again. On the other reports from the other buildings mentioned above, the complainants reported there were black persons in the area at the time of the incident.

At approximately 5:35 AM, I drove through Lot B, to check the exterior of the Kaye Complex, and discovered three windows broken in the Kaye Bldg, (Deans Office Area), and two broken in the NE Portion of the Olson Library. I notified Officer Rodgers, and checked the entire interior of the complex. There was a strong odor of gas and a heavy smokey haze in the Kaye and Olson portion of the complex, and an investigation was conducted into the matter. For further information into the matter, see a supplementary report by Officer Rodgers which is attached to this report.

Respectfully submitted,

Salvatore D. Savello
NMU Security Department

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT

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INVESTIGATED BY Rodgers-Lyons-
Sarvello

REPORT

Officer Salvatore Sarvello of the Security Department reports finding windows broken in the front of Kaye building and smoke in the hallway of the floor of Kaye building.

Upon further investigation by Chief Lyons and officers Sarvello and Rodgers of the Security Department, the following was discovered:

The large center window, which also has a storm window, in the record office of the Deans Office had been broken. This was done by throwing a bottle of combustible liquid which had the odor of gasoline thru the window. This bottle was a quart size with a Mogen David wine label attached. Rags had been stuffed into the bottle. The bottle did not break nor explode however landed on a tier of cardboard filing boxes and settled on its side in between two of the boxes. There was no burning as a result.

In the office which occupied by Karen Reese, also in the Deans Office, was a quart bottle with a Canada Dry label and also contained what was believed gasoline or some other high combustible material. The bottle was stuffed with rags. This bottle had been thrown thru the large double windows also. The bottle landed between the wall and radiator which is just below this broken window. The bottle was intact and did not explode however the rags had been ignited but apparently extinguished itself ~~when~~ thru the window.

The two large windows in the office occupied by Ron Stump in Deans department were also broken. This was done with a Gin bottle which was broken and pieces of this bottle were found in the outer office of the Deans. There was no fire in this section.

The window of the Conference room of the Purchasing department which is on the ground level, had been broken and a combustible liquid was poured on the floor. This was ignited and in this location was a fire which had burned itself out however about a three foot square of the rug was all charred. The flames had also scorched the wall. No bottle or any parts of one was located in this room.

A broken Vernors Gingerale bottle was found on the floor of the little Theatre with rags stuffed in the neck which was still in tack. These rags also had the odor of a combustible material. This bottle had been thrown thru the window and had caused some burning however had extinguished itself.

All evidence was turned over to the Marquette City Police for examination of fingerprints and State Crime Laboratory analysis of the liquid content.

Pictures were also taken of damages by Charles Warner, Northern News Bureau photographer.

Respectfully submitted
Rodgers
Security Department