



IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BOONE COUNTY
STATE OF MISSOURI

STATE OF MISSOURI,
Vs.
RYAN FERGUSON,

Case No. 04CR165368-01

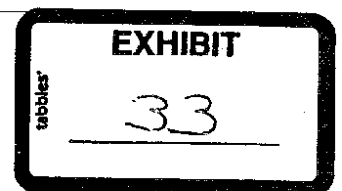
DEPOSITION OF BENJAMIN WHITE
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1 came in saying that Kent's on the ground.

2 Q. And did you wonder at that time what that
3 explanation was for that apparent --

4 A. No.

5 Q. -- I don't know if I'd call it inconsistency,
6 at least for that apparent discrepancy?

7 A. I wouldn't say that it was a discrepancy, but
8 I -- but no, I did not -- I wasn't too concerned about that at
9 the time.

10 Q. Did Mr. Henry also describe to you two young
11 white males who had been in the Tribune that night?

12 A. Yes, he did.

13 Q. And how did he describe them?

14 A. He remembers two white males. He thought one
15 was in college because of a conversation he had had with him.
16 One had blonde hair.

17 Q. And this was somebody he had had a conversation
18 with sometime in the past or a conversation with that night?

19 A. Yes. He said that he had seen them before
20 because he had talked to the one who supposedly was in college
21 and that he thought they worked at the Tribune part-time.

22 Q. Were you able to ascertain who those people
23 were?

24 A. I do not believe we ever were able to determine
25 exactly who that was. There was so many employees there now

1 of both buildings.

2 Q. And at sometime the -- sometime that day,
3 November the 1st, the police were looking for two college-aged
4 white males who had been seen leaving the scene of
5 Mr. Heitholt's homicide. Correct?

6 A. That's true.

7 Q. And so you were real interested in who were
8 these two --

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. -- college-aged white males who were there --

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. -- several hours before?

13 But were not able to determine --

14 A. Well, I wasn't. I know there was a lead to
15 that effect. Now, who that lead went to, I don't know. It
16 could have been gone to any detective.

17 Q. Okay.

18 A. But I do remember that we interviewed every
19 Tribune employee from both buildings.

20 Q. Did you also speak with the paramedics who had
21 responded to this scene?

22 A. Yes, I did.

23 Q. And you identified them as Carrie Devoul (ph.)
24 and Michael Bryant?

25 A. Yes.