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Roly-Poly Roger

Sox ace swells during off-season

Between all those promos featuring Eric "Butterbean" Esch, the overweight boxer, and the "Up Close" interview with Roger "Pork and Bean" Clemens, the casual ESPN viewer could be forgiven for thinking the same guy was showing up on his television set a lot last week.

With the Red Sox' pitchers and catchers due to report to City of Palms Park in Fort Myers, Fla., this weekend, Clemens looks for all the world like "The Pitcher That Ate Texas."



GEORGE KIMBALL

If he's not careful, somebody is apt to mistake him for a sportswriter when he shows up for camp.

We can't wait to see manager Kevin Kennedy's face when Clemens walks through the door.

If Roger can get through the door,

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Staff illustration by Kathleen M. Geosits

Angry victim lunges at clinic gunman

Witnesses detail shooting horror

By DAVID WEBER

Emotions overflowed in a Dedham courtroom yesterday when a near-victim of John C. Salvi III lunged at Salvi after testifying that the accused murderer shot at him three times outside the Preterm clinic in Brookline.

"I'll get you, (expletive)," 6-foot-4-inch David Fairbanks said, leaning over the defense table to shake a finger in Salvi's face.

Salvi — who remained seated and silent as court officers whisked Fairbanks out of the room — calmly turned toward the witness and raised a Dixie cup full of

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Palm's face race has its downside

By BETH TEITELL

With jockeying for face time on The Wall at the Palm in full swing, a word to the wise: Be careful what you lobby for — you may get it. There's a downside to being up.

In Philadelphia, someone stuck a raisin

in longtime mayor Frank Rizzo's (cartoon) nose. The general manager picked it out, but juice stained the now-deceased Rizzo's nose.

In the steakhouse's Atlanta branch, countless patrons have no doubt enjoyed

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Buchanan defends campaign aide

By ANDREW MIGA

Commentator and Presidential candidate Pat Buchanan vowed last night not to abandon a top campaign aide named as a sympathizer with right-wing militia groups.

In his closing statement on a televised debate with seven other Republican presi-

dential hopefuls, Buchanan said he would stand behind campaign co-chairman Larry Pratt.

A gun rights supporter, Pratt took a leave of absence earlier in the day after accusations surfaced about his ties to the militia.

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TAKES AIM: Prosecution witness Debra Gaines shows how John C. Salvi III aimed his gun and fired. Herald pool photo



WEAPON: Security officer Richard Seron, who traded gunfire with Salvi, is shown his own gun in court yesterday. Herald pool photo

Witness lunges at Salvi



'I'LL GET YOU': Witness David Fairbanks demonstrates how John C. Salvi III held the rifle the day of the shootings. Fairbanks lunged at Salvi after testifying. Herald pool photo

Accused lifts cup to toast him

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water in his right hand, as if to say "Cheers."

Fairbanks was one of 11 witnesses who recounted Salvi's Dec. 30, 1994, blitz on the abortion clinic, where receptionist Lee Ann Nichols, 38, of Salem, N.H., was killed, and two others were wounded.

The Preterm attack occurred about 15 minutes after Salvi killed Shannon Lowney, 25, of Arlington, and wounded three others at the Planned Parenthood clinic at 1031 Beacon St.

Salvi's defense team contends their 23-year-old client was insane at the time of the shootings because he suffered from schizophrenia and believed abortion was one of many tools being used by a conspiracy of Freemasons, the Mafia and Ku Klux Klan to wipe out Roman Catholics.

Fairbanks telegraphed his outburst when he gave a lingering stare at Salvi as he walked into the courtroom yesterday. After taking the stand, he repeatedly flicked his eyes to his left to make eye contact with Salvi. Twice during pauses in his testimony, Fairbanks caught Salvi's gaze and mouthed an easily recognizable curse word in his direction.

Fairbanks testified that he accompanied a friend to Preterm at 1842 Beacon St. on the morning of the attacks, then left the building to get a coffee.

He walked back into the clinic around 10:15 a.m. and heard what he thought was a nail gun being fired as several people ran past him toward the front door he just walked through.

Continuing a few feet toward an elevator, Fairbanks realized the "pops" he heard were from a gun, and he wheeled and bolted out the front door.

"I hit a railing with my leg and wiped out," Fairbanks said, adding that he landed face-down on the sidewalk directly in front of the clinic. "I looked up and he (Salvi) was stepping over me. He had a gun in his right hand."

Salvi ran toward Cleveland Circle Fairbanks climbed to his feet.

"He turned around — he was about 30 feet away from me — and he fired three shots at me," Fairbanks testified, rising to his feet to show how Salvi held his .22-caliber rifle at his hip.

Asked whether any of the bullets hit him, Fairbanks knocked his knuckles on the wooden witness stand and said, "No they did not."

What Fairbanks initially thought was a nail gun was the sound of Salvi firing 10 bullets into Nichols.

Moments before killing Nichols, Fairbanks accounts manager Jane Sauer testified, Salvi walked into the office carrying a black gym bag.

"Is this Preterm?" Sauer asked. Sauer answered "Yes."

"Then," Sauer said in an oddly cheerful tone that masked her nervousness, she saw him reach down a pull out a gun. He took a step sideways, raised it to his hip and shot me."

Security guard Richard Seron was in an adjacent supply room when he heard Nichols scream, "no, no, no, no," followed by multiple gunshots.

Seron opened the door and traded gunfire with Salvi until Salvi shot him in the arm, shoulder and shooting hand.

Seron also testified he saw Salvi among a group of anti-abortion demonstrators outside the clinic two to three weeks before the attacks.

During cross-examination, defense attorney Janice Bassil tried to impugn Seron's credibility by asking why he never mentioned the early sighting during police questioning hours after the shooting. Less than a month after the shooting, Seron said the initial Salvi sighting was a "couple months" before the shooting.

Bassil questioned Seron's assertion that he heard Salvi say, "In the name of Mary, mother of God," while he shot Nichols. No one else recalled hearing that.



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Clinic workers talk of unity in fear, grief

By Judith Gaines
GLOBE STAFF

BROOKLINE — On the Friday morning that will remain forever in the memories of staff at the Planned Parenthood Women's Health Clinic, three women — receptionist Shannon Lowney, medical assistant Anjana Agrawal, and Lynn, a services coordinator who asks that her last name not be used — were lingering around Lowney's desk, chatting about their partners' astrological signs and what personality traits they might explain.

**“I kept saying, ‘Do something for her, help her!’
But they said, ‘She’s not viable.’”**

ALICE VERHOEVEN, Planned Parenthood clinic director, recalling the response from EMTs as they treated Shannon Lowney

For a reason she still can't recall, Lynn, 30, suddenly left her friends and headed into the hallway. Rounding the corner, she heard what she thought were firecrackers. Her first thought was that someone was playing a crude joke: mimicking gunfire.

She turned to see Agrawal reaching out for her as she fell to the

ground. Then she saw Lowney, bleeding profusely from her mouth.

“I said her name and Shannon looked at me and raised her hands in a gesture of frustration, like she wanted to speak and couldn't. Then she fell to her knees and collapsed.” Lynn recalled. Lowney died almost instantly.

Inside the fortress that is now the

Planned Parenthood clinic, secured by armed guards and metal detectors and bulletproof glass, seven staff members last week for the first time described to a reporter the trauma of the Dec. 30 shootings that left one dead and three injured. They relived in detail what they saw and did that day; they shared memories of their deceased friend and coworker Lowney, and discussed their paths, individually and collectively, toward healing.

Julie, a 31-year-old supervisor at CLINIC, Page 24



GLOBE STAFF PHOTO / JANET KNOTT
Police guard the entrance to the Planned Parenthood clinic.

AN EXILE RETURNS



Clinton, Dole turn up heat

By John Aloysius Farrell
GLOBE STAFF

WASHINGTON — President Clinton and Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole outlined stark ideological differences in speeches to the Democratic and Republican midwinter meetings yesterday, as a wave of partisan enmity drowned out recent vows of cooperation and threatened to dominate the new political year.

Democrats in a hotel ballroom here were still buzzing about House Speaker New Gingrich's fiercely partisan

The Boston Globe

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*"This man is nothing other than a terrorist...
We will not allow people in this commonwealth
to settle moral disputes with violence."*

—GOV. WELD



Four unidentified women consoling each other yesterday outside Preterm Health Services on Beacon Street, Brookline.

STAFF PHOTO/SUZANNE WREITER

Abortion violence hits home



Gunman opens fire in Brookline clinics, kills 2 and wounds 5

By Kevin Cullen and Brian McGrory
GLOBE STAFF

A well-dressed man in black, armed with a rifle and a cool, ruthless determination, opened fire inside two Brookline abortion clinics yesterday, killing two women and wounding five other people, including a security guard who tried to stop him.

Police last night were scouring both sides of the Massachusetts and New Hampshire border for John C. Salvi, 22, of Hampton Beach, N.H., a hairdresser who sources say is a suspect in the shooting, considered the worst attack on abortion providers in the nation's history.

Police began to focus on Salvi after finding a sales receipt for the rifle believed used in the shootings. The receipt was recovered from a duffel bag in which the gunman concealed his weapon and which he dropped after the security guard shot at him. A second weapon, a handgun, was recovered from the bag, but apparently was not used in the shootings, police said.

The dead woman worked as a...



JOHN C. SALVI
Hampton Beach focus of search

Police seek a N.H. man

By David Armstrong
and Judy Rakowsky
GLOBE STAFF

Investigators last night were searching for a 22-year-old New...

The body of Shannon Lowney, the 25-year-old receptionist who was killed yesterday, is taken from the Planned Parenthood clinic in Brookline.

GLOBE STAFF PHOTO/JANEI KOOT

Danger closes in on us

By Ellen Goodman
GLOBE STAFF

Suddenly, it's in our backyard. Not Pensacola, Fla. Not Wichita, Kan. It's in Brookline, Mass.

Suddenly, the scene of the crime is not in some isolated abortion clinic on a southern highway or a strip mall. It's on Beacon Street, on the Green Line, along the Marathon route, two minutes from my front door.

This time, it's not Michael Griffin in Pensacola. It's not Paul Hill. The suspect is another young man, handsome, clean shaven, dressed in black. Dressed to kill.

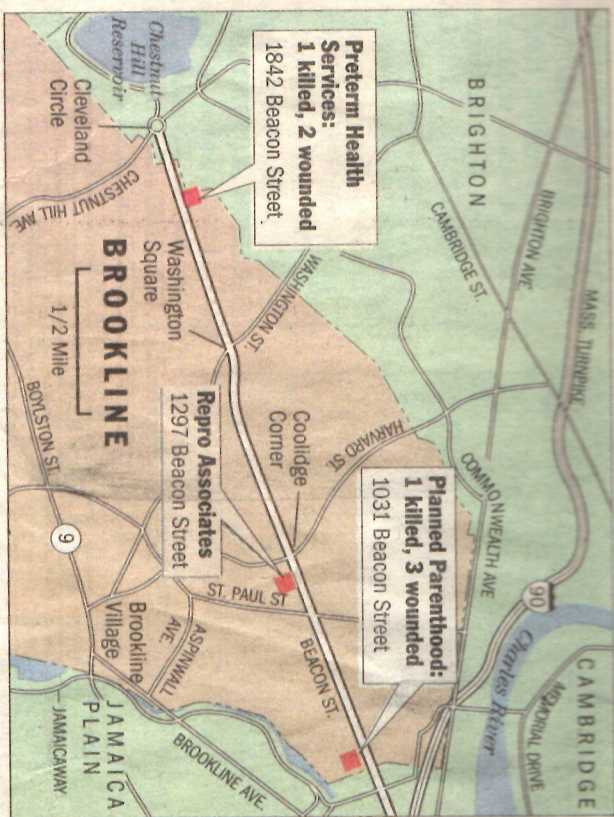
This time, the murder victim isn't a doctor or a clinic escort; they're two young receptionists. This time, seven people are shot.

The violence has come home, big time.

Yesterday morning started like other mornings in a city-suburb that has three clinics within two miles. As usual, there were protesters at 1031 Beacon St., women praying, a man with a video camera. Some we know by sight.

Maybe the edge of danger that has sharpened nationally with the escalating clinic violence was dulled here by familiarity. Many of my neighbors and fellow commuters have learned to walk by the protesters in front of Planned Parenthood on their way to the cleaners or the French bakery or the T.

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- Witnesses tell of the scene along the gunman's trail of terror. Page 21.
- "You have to put [fear] aside to provide care to the women who need it," says a nurse-practitioner at a Beacon Street clinic. Page 23.
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Anguish and arguments mark nationwide reaction

By Bob Hohler
GLOBE STAFF

WASHINGTON - Grief merged with anger yesterday as activists on opposite sides of the abortion issue joined the Clinton administration in calling for a national effort to reverse the rising tide of violent radicalism displayed in the deadly attacks at two Brookline clinics.

But while advocates on both sides joined in expressing outrage and calling for peace, they parted in their perceptions of the reasons for the violence and potential ways to stop it.

"Even as we mourn the dead and pray for the injured, the overwhelming reaction is anger that this climate of hatred, fear and genuine terrorism has been allowed to grow unchallenged - even encouraged - by

those who say they abhor violence," said Kim Gandy, executive vice president of the National Organization for Women.

By repeatedly referring to doctors who perform abortions as "murderers" and "baby-killers," Gandy said, "the National Right to Life Committee, the Pro-Life Action League and Operation Rescue and others of their ilk are responsible for these shootings" by provoking violence.

Not so, according to the anti-abortion groups, which strongly denied inciting violence and asserted they were working within the law to try to end the taking of life from human fetuses.

"Killing is not prolife," said Michele Arvocha Allen, a spokeswoman for the National Right to Life Commission. Page 23

Victims radiated sparkle

By Ann Scales
GLOBE STAFF

Leanne Nichols had worked her way up from receptionist to phone counselor at Repro Associates, a Brookline abortion clinic. But several months ago, she left that job when the work became too stressful, for her co-workers recalled yesterday.

In September, she became a receptionist at the nearby Preterm Health Services clinic.

Yesterday, Nichols, 38, was fatally shot at her work station by a gunman who opened fire at two Brookline abortion clinics.

She was the second fatality of the abortion clinic shootings. Shannon Lowney was the first.

Nichols, who was shot five times, died at Beth Israel Hospital. Lowney, 25, of Arlington, a receptionist at the Planned Parenthood clinic, died at Beth Israel Hospital.

Five other people were seriously injured when a gunman went on the shooting spree at a Planned Parenthood clinic on Beacon Street and continued spraying bullets 10 minutes later at Preterm clinic.

What follows are sketches of some of the victims, based on interviews with friends, coworkers and family members.

Leanne Nichols
Nichols had the sparkle of a woman in love, the friendliness of a Midwesterner, her co-workers said. "She was a very sweet girl," said one former coworker. "She loved her work and was very dedicated to it."

She lived in a rural area near a lake about two miles from the town center in Salem, N.H. The single-story house, in an area of summer cottages, was deserted yesterday.

At Repro, former coworkers cried when they heard news of her death. They remembered her as a nice woman who maintained the

but, but apparently, not used in the shootings, police said.

The dead women worked as receptionists at the clinics, while at least two of those wounded were men who had accompanied patients to one of the clinics. As he fled the second clinic, the gunman fired randomly at bystanders, sending them scurrying for cover in the frigid air on busy Beacon Street, according to witnesses. No one was shot outside.

The gunman may have been wounded in a gun battle with the guard, police said. The wounded security guard said he was convinced he had shot the gunman, who remained at large last night.

Moving from victim to victim with a quiet, methodical detachment that witnesses described as unerring, the gunman was said to have uttered only a few words, asking if he

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The victims

KILLED

- **At Planned Parenthood**
1031 Beacon St.
■ **Shannon Lowney**, right, 25, of Arlington, receptionist.



- **At Preterm Health Services**
1842 Beacon St.
■ **Leanne Nichols**, 38, of Salem, N.H., receptionist.

Investigators last night were searching for a 22-year-old New Hampshire man they believe purchased the gun and ammunition used in the abortion clinic shootings in Brookline yesterday, law enforcement sources said last night.

The search for the man, identified as John C. Salvi, was centered in Hampton Beach, N.H., last night, but police also were looking in northern Massachusetts, the sources said.

Investigators were checking the man's last known addresses, but did not have specific information on his whereabouts, the sources said.

Just after midnight, more than a dozen local police and federal agents searched a Hampton Beach hotel listed by Salvi as his address on the registration for his 1987 Toyota pickup truck.

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WOUNDED

- **At Planned Parenthood**
■ **Anjana Agrawal**, 30, of Cambridge, medical assistant. In serious but stable condition.
- **Antonio Hernandez**, 32, of Worcester, accompanied a patient to clinic. In stable condition.
- **Brian Murray**, 22, of Hingham, accompanied patient to clinic. In serious but stable condition.
- **At Preterm Health Services**
■ **Jane Sauer**, 29, of Cambridge, office worker. In stable condition.
- **Richard J. Seron**, 45, of Quincy, security guard. In stable condition.

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Shootings at Brookline abortion clinics

2 shot dead

CLINIC TERROR

'Domestic terrorism',

Reaction by officials and those on both sides of the abortion issue to yesterday's shootings at clinics in Brookline.

BILL CLINTON
President

No matter where we stand on the issue of abortion, all Americans must stand together in condemning this tragic and brutal act. . . I am strongly committed to ending this form of domestic terrorism. I have called for a thorough investigation into this attack, and Attorney General Reno and FBI Director Freehave already begun that task. I urge local officials to work closely with the federal law enforcement community.

CARDINAL BERNARD LAW
Archbishop of Boston

The fatal shootings of this morning were reprehensible acts of violence with absolutely no justification whatsoever. . . It is important to state that violence is in total contradiction to all that the prolife movement represents. . . To those in the prolife movement who express their commitment through prayerful presence at abortion clinics, I would ask that you refrain from such manifestations. To those who favor abortion, I would request that this tragic and criminal act of apparently one individual not become the occasion of universalizing blame. . . I call on all in the community to put aside any thought or intention of violence.



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was in the right place at the second clinic. In choosing his targets, he apparently made no distinction between clinic workers, patients and their companions or bystanders. An antiabortion protester said she was among the bystanders fired at.

The wounded guard said he recognized the gunman as an antiabortion protester, but police said they had not determined whether the gunman had links to antiabortion organizations.

Search for Audi

Police said they were unsure if the gunman had an accomplice, but they were searching for a late-model beige Audi that some witnesses reported seeing.

In both instances, the gunman walked past a small knot of antiabortion protesters who have become a daily fixture outside the clinics. Police said the gunman may have been photographed by a surveillance camera inside one of the clinics, and perhaps by a protester who was videotaping outside.

The gunman struck first at about 10 a.m. inside a crowded waiting room at the Planned Parenthood clinic at 1031 Beacon St., killing the receptionist, Shannon Lowney, 25, of Arlington, and wounding three other people while 30 to 40 patients and those accompanying them watched in horror. One of those wounded, Ana Agrabal, 30, of Cambridge, was a medical assistant at the clinic, while two others, Antonio Hernandez, 32, of Worcester, and Brian Murray, 22, of Hingham, had accompanied women to the clinic, which in addition to abortions provides reproductive services, including contraception.

The gunman then apparently drove or was driven to the Preterm Health Services clinic at 1842 Beacon St., about two miles away. On the way, he would have passed another abortion clinic but apparently made no attempt to enter it. About 10 minutes after the first shooting, a man fitting the same description walked into the second clinic.

Although the Brookline Planned Parenthood clinic is one of a handful of abortion clinics in America, end their "prayerful presence" outside the

dropped the duffel bag and fled. Police said they found no evidence the gunman was wounded.

Sauter, Seron and Hernandez were listed in stable condition last night at Brigham and Women's Hospital. Agrabal and Murray were recovering at Beth Israel Hospital. They were reported in serious but stable condition.

A second security guard was supposed to be on duty at Preterm, but was late for work, according to the wife of the building's security chief. The guard showed up about 10 minutes after the shooting. There was no guard at Planned Parenthood.

At Repro Associates, a clinic located on Beacon Street between the two targeted clinics, workers said they felt lucky the gunman bypassed them. They suggested he avoided them because their armed security guard has worked there for more than two years and is known to many protesters.

While descriptions varied, most witnesses said he was white, about 6 feet tall, handsome, in his late 20s or early 30s, with dark, fluffy hair, dressed in a black sweater, dark blue shirt and a three-quarter-length black trench coat. Police sources suggested the description of Salvi corresponded with those provided by witnesses.

Like many other clinics nationwide, the two Brookline facilities and members of their staffs have received threats from antiabortion extremists over the years, but most clinic workers said the threats had not been more frequent or sinister of late. Boston Police Commissioner Paul Evans, however, said there had been an "increased threat level" at local clinics and that it had caused him to step up consultations with other law enforcement officials. He refused to elaborate.

FBI spokesman William McMullin said the FBI had received a report of only one threat, against a doctor, in recent months. He said the doctor was called at home. That doctor, who works at Planned Parenthood, cradled Lowney as she died in his arms.

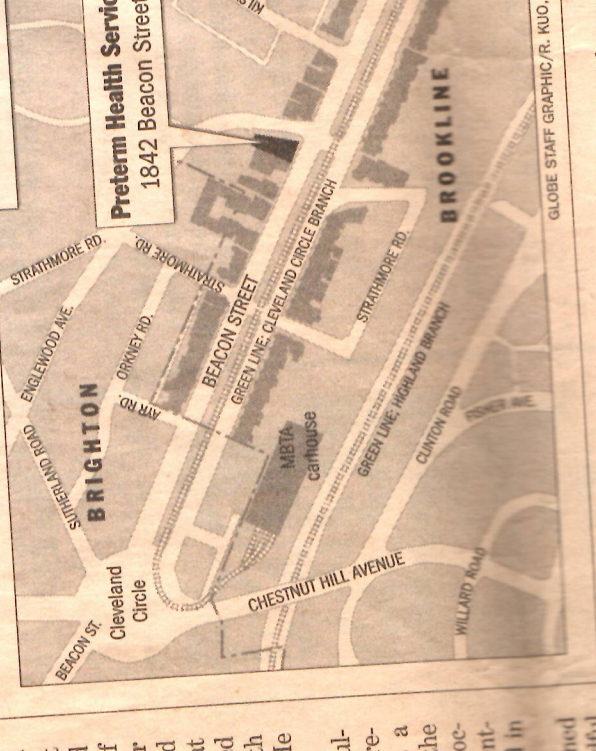
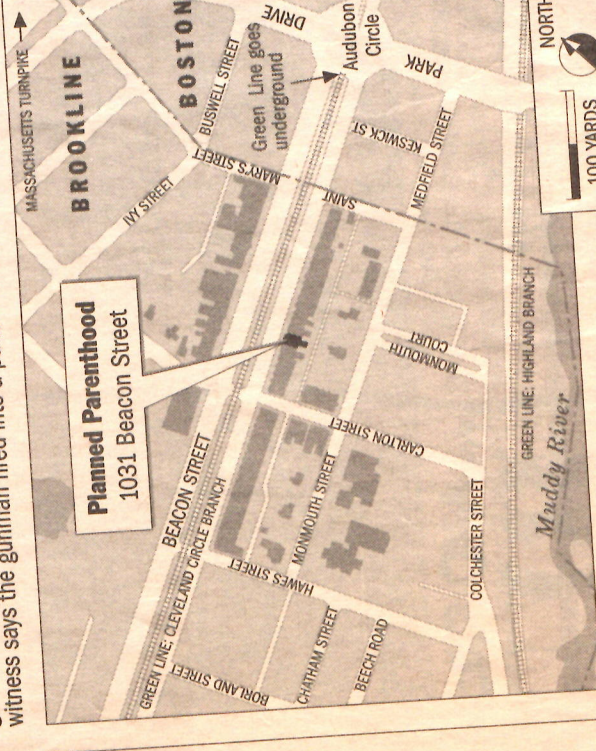
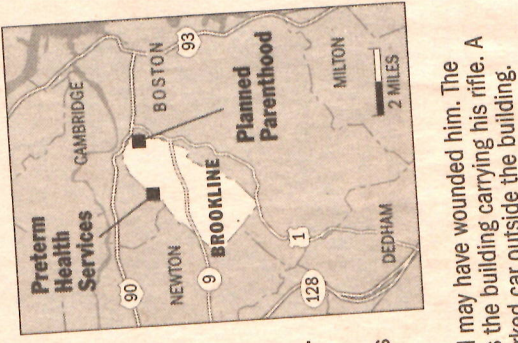
Shootings in Brookline

10 a.m. Gunman enters Planned Parenthood clinic at 1031 Beacon St. and shoots four people, one fatally. There was no guard on duty at the clinic. No patients were hurt.

Gunman leaves Planned Parenthood clinic.

10:10 a.m. Gunman enters Preterm Health Services clinic at 1842 Beacon St. and asks the receptionist, "Is this Preterm?" When she responds yes, he takes a rifle from a duffel bag and begins shooting, killing the receptionist and wounding two others.

A security guard fires at the gunman and may have wounded him. The gunman drops the duffel bag and leaves the building carrying his rifle. A witness says the gunman fired into a parked car outside the building.



the entrance, the receptionist, Lowney, was sitting at her desk. Without a word, the gunman shot Lowney repeatedly. He then turned his gun on Agrabal, shooting her in the abdomen, and Murray and Hernandez, who was struck in the chest, abdomen and buttocks.

Minutes later, the gunman walked through the double glass doors at Preterm's entrance, then checked several first-floor offices before finding people in one of them. The former manager of the building that houses Preterm, who would give only his first name, Harold, said he saw the shootings.

"He's about eight yards from me," said Harold, whose hands were bloodied from helping victims. "He comes in and turns to the girl. He says to the girl on the telephone, 'Is this Preterm?' She says yes. He drops the black duffel bag on the floor and pulls out a rifle from the bag. It was a hunting rifle."

Harold, in an interview, said the gunman fired repeatedly into Nichols' chest from about a yard away. "He couldn't miss her," he said.

Harold said the gunman then shot Sauter in the back and pelvis as she stood at a copier.

"Where I was sitting, there was a little office nearby," Harold said. "I got myself in there, shut the door and yelled for security. The security guard came in and pulled his gun and ran down the corridor. He got shot out there."

Seron was hit in both shoulders and his left arm.

Surreal scene

Deborah Gaines, who had stepped outside the Preterm building to smoke a cigarette, heard the shots as soon as she stepped into the lobby. She said she saw a young woman in a purple jacket fall to the floor, covered with blood.

Gaines said the scene was surreal, as the gunman walked past his victim, a man who had fallen in the lobby, and other stunned bystanders, saying nothing, occasionally firing randomly. Gaines, 27, said she backed out of the building when she realized what was happening. "He didn't say anything," she said. "The gun did all the saying. He was just

GLOBE STAFF GRAPHIC/R. KUO, D. BUTLER

the occasion of universalizing blame... I call on all in the community to put aside any thought or intention of violence.

WILLIAM WELD Governor

My heart goes out to the victims of the shootings and their families. This type of attempted intimidation of women getting access to health care services to which they're entitled obviously is completely unacceptable and cannot be permitted to succeed. I've instructed Public Safety Secretary Kathleen O'Toole to make available State Police officers to guard health clinics around the state at the option of the local police chief. If they would like the help they are going to have it and if they want to handle it themselves, that's fine too, but this man is nothing other than a terrorist and he cannot be permitted any form of satisfaction. Neither he nor his likes and no one is going to set the moral arguments by violence in Massachusetts. And the last thing I would say is that nobody's cause was advanced to-

NICKI NICHOLS GAMBLE President, Planned Parenthood League of Massachusetts

This is a terrible, terrible tragedy. It's a heartbreaker, of course. We have good security. Clearly, it wasn't good enough.

PAMELA MARALDO President, Planned Parenthood Federation of America

It is so difficult to speak about this - no words can express our horror at this vicious act and our grief at the death and wounding of good, caring people. I am outraged by this violence. How often will women and health care providers be the target of murderers? We ask law enforcement officials to work with us to protect our clinics, our staff and our patients. We call for an end to violence, an end to the ugly, inciteful demonstrations that provoke violence, an end to the rhetoric that condones violence... This reign of terror must end.



Health Services clinic at 1842 Beacon St., about two miles away. On the way, he would have passed another abortion clinic but apparently made no attempt to enter it. About 10 minutes after the first shooting, a man fitting the same description walked into the first-floor office and asked the woman behind the desk, Leanne Nichols, 38, of Salem, N.H., "Is this Preterm?" When Nichols replied yes, he put down a black duffel bag, pulled out what witnesses described as a hunting rifle and shot her at point-blank range.

He then wounded a clinic worker, Jane Sauer, 29, of Cambridge, who was standing at a nearby photocopying machine. A security guard, Richard J. Seron, 45, of Quincy, rushed to the office after hearing the shots and cries for help. Seron confronted the gunman in a corridor and the two exchanged gunfire. The gunman

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Police find gun receipts in bag at clinic; target N.H. man

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The investigators would not comment on their search of the Beachside Inn at 550 Winnicannet Road.

A relative's home in Ipswich was searched just after 11 p.m. by law enforcement agents looking for Salvi, according to local police. No one answered a Globe reporter's knock on the door at the Washington Street home last night.

The search for Salvi, a hairdresser who also has relatives in Lynnfield, began after investigators recovered gun and ammunition receipts from a black bag dropped at the second of two abortion clinics targeted by the assailant yesterday. Two people were killed and five others wounded.

Also inside the bag were a .22-caliber Colt handgun, several hundred rounds of automatic weapon ammunition and so-called banana

clips, a detachable magazine that holds more than five rounds of ammunition, the sources said.

The weapon used in the attacks is believed to have been a fold-up .22-caliber rifle, which was not recovered, the sources said.

A clerk from a gun store listed on the receipts last night identified a composite sketch of the abortion clinic gunman as the man who purchased ammunition from him and took target practice, sources said.

The handgun found in the gunman's bag was purchased in October at a New Hampshire store, the sources said. It was unclear last night if investigators know where the rifle was bought.

The sources said last night they had not yet established a motive for the shootings, but added they had not linked the attacks to any anti-abortion group.

Salvi worked at the Eccentric Hair Salon, where his boss described

"Law enforcement in America does not have sufficient resources to deal with all threats," she said. Planned Parenthood spokeswoman Robin Tardo agreed, saying, "I'm not sure what security you use to prevent something like this. You can't be a health care provider and be an armed fortress."

Gov. Weld called the gunman a "terrorist" and offered State Police to guard clinics across the state. There are about a dozen clinics that perform abortions in Massachusetts, and about twice that number of hospitals also do the procedure. Abortion clinics throughout the state closed yesterday for the three-day holiday weekend, some of them early because of the shootings. Many will reopen Tuesday with beelie-up security.

"No one is going to settle moral arguments by violence in Massachusetts," said Weld, standing outside the Brookline police station with Norfolk District Attorney William Delahunt.

US Attorney General Janet Reno, who had promised to aggressively pursue violent antiabortion extremists following the assassinations of two abortion doctors in Pensacola, Fla., in the last two years, said yesterday it was impossible to guarantee safety at abortion clinics.

Some abortion rights advocates suggested the Brookline shootings were evidence of growing desperation on the fringes of the antiabortion movement. Others, however, including those who are opposed to abortion on moral and religious grounds, said the attack was the isolated act of a depraved individual.

Roman Catholic Cardinal Bernard Law, a leading abortion opponent, said the shootings were "reprehensible" and "without justification," and asked antiabortion activists to

end their "prayerful presence" outside area clinics. Following the shootings, Boston police posted a cruiser outside Law's residence in Brighton.

Rev. Katherine Hancock Ragsdale, president of the Washington-based Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice, and one of several abortion rights advocates who rushed to Brookline in a show of support, said abortion opponents had created an climate that make acts like yesterday's shootings inevitable.

"The religious right has got to understand their complicity in this," she said. "With the violent rhetoric, the demonizing of the opposition, it's inevitable that it would lead to this. There is so much evil being done by people professing to act in the name of God and that is nothing short of blasphemy."



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Witnesses, clinic workers and police gave the following account:

The gunman walked up the short stairs to the Planned Parenthood clinic, located on the first floor of a brownstone, turned left inside the lobby and was apparently buzzed into the waiting area. To the right of

strations at Preterm. An impressive force of federal, state and local law enforcement agents pursued information from a number of witnesses as they unsuccessfully searched for the man accused of killing two people at the clinics, located 2 miles apart.

At least 200 police officers, aided by helicopters and dogs, scoured Brookline and nearby areas in a futile hunt for the man who calmly entered the clinics and opened fire on unsuspecting employees and visitors.

Police in neighboring states participated in the investigation after an alert was issued by Massachusetts authorities. The suspect was described as armed and dangerous.

Investigators compiled photographs of abortion protesters general in the past several years for violating court orders to stay away from abortion clinics.

The search immediately after the

Gaines said the scene was surreal, as the gunman walked past his victim, a man who had fallen in the lobby, and other stunned bystanders, saying nothing, occasionally firing randomly. Gaines, 27, said she backed out of the building when she realized what was happening. "I didn't say anything," she said. "The gun did all the saying. He was just trying to get away."

She said the gunman fired at bystanders outside the clinic, including her. Gaines said she ducked beneath a brick gateway and fled through an open metal gate into a parking lot.

Kathy Chreco, a receptionist at a dentist's office a few doors down from Planned Parenthood, said she saw a man videotaping outside the clinic when she arrived for work shortly before 8 a.m., and again two hours later when she went to feed her parking meter. She said the man is a frequent protester and is often outside the clinic with a camcorder.

Susan Newsom, a Planned Parenthood official, said that clinic relies on off-duty Brookline police for security, but does not always have a private detail because it is expensive.

(Contributing to this story were Globe Staffers Lynda Goren, David Armstrong, Dan Golden, Ric Kahn, Howard Manly, Alice Dembner, Don Aucoin and John Ellement, and contributing reporters Arthur O'Shea and David Polochannin.)

shootings was complicated by conflicting descriptions of the suspect and vague descriptions of a car that may have been used in an escape, police said.

All of the witnesses said the man was dressed in black, including a three-quarter-length black overcoat. An initial description identified the man as 5 feet 7 inches with long, curly brown hair and in his 30s. A later description identified the man as a white male, 6 feet 1 inch, with short dark hair.

Some witnesses reported the gunman fled in a car, and police searched for both a beige Audi and a white Honda during the day.

Information for this story also was provided by Globe staff members Stephen Kurjijan, Howard Manly, Thomas Palmer, Royal Ford and John Milne and contributors Pam Ferdinand, John Laddler and Clare Kitzredge.

Shootings at Brookline abortion clinics



Outside the Planned Parenthood clinic yesterday, an officer stands guard, and flowers lie in memory of the Shannon Lowney, the receptionist killed as a man opened fire inside.

GLOBE STAFF PHOTO / JANET KNOTT

SCENES OF BLOODSHED

Gunman moved silently about his task

By Lynda Gorov and Brian McGrory
GLOBE STAFF

Edythe Salzman was on the telephone with the Planned Parenthood clinic yesterday morning when she heard the crackle of gunfire over the line. Pop. Pop. Pop.

She hung up, then dialed the police as fast as her fingers would let her.

"I heard cracks and then screams," said Salzman, a vice president with Planned Parenthood. "And I knew something horrible had happened."

Minutes later and two miles away on Beacon Street, Deborah Gaines was putting out her cigarette and entering the Pretterm Health Services clinic for an appointment. She, too, heard the crackle of gunfire.

Suddenly a woman in a purple jacket was falling to the floor, bloodied by a bullet. A man in construction boots slipped and slid and finally sprawled in the lobby, the coffee in his hand splashing everywhere.

And then Gaines saw the gunman.

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ELLEN CONVISSER President, Mass. National Organization for Women

Today violence devastated our community when an anti-abortion fanatic opened fire on women and men entering two local abortion clinics. These killings tell us that women are not safe. Despite federal and state laws, court decisions and popular opinion supporting our rights, we are kept from exercising our basic right to abortion and health care by extremists who are willing to take our lives. Something must be done.



PHILIP LAWLER Operation Rescue spokesman

The real danger comes not from people who are active in the pro-life movement, but from those who are alienated from it. If I were an abortionist, I would be much more worried today than I was yesterday. On the other hand, as a pro-lifer, I'm much more worried today than I was yesterday. Once unbalanced people start shooting, anyone can become a target.

BILL COTTER President, Operation Rescue of Boston

I repudiate any implication that it has anything to do with our organization or our people.... I don't agree with what he did.... I do think it's time for Planned Parenthood and the rest of them to own up to the violence they perpetuate day in and day out inside their clinics.



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All told, the gunman shot seven people, killing a female employee at each of the abortion clinics. With one rifle, he brought to Boston the violence that has hit abortion clinics around the country. The trail of terror he left behind was filled with scores of onlookers, government officials and abortion-rights activists, who found themselves drawn to both clinics throughout the morning and well into the afternoon.

While dozens of law enforcement officials from four agencies — Brookline Police, State Police, the FBI and the US Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms — worked the scene, the onlookers and activists stood in the cold, shivering and shaking, sometimes hugging, often crying.

Among them was Kelly Cunningham, who said she had dropped a friend off for a clinic appointment shortly before the shooting. For hours she waited, hoping her friend was fine and watching as specialists trained to help trauma victims were ushered inside.

Anguish appeared to overshadow anger, at least for the day. But few expressed surprise about the violence against the abortion clinics, saying they had expected it after years of protests and threats against the lives of employees. On a column near the door of the Planned Parenthood clinic was posted the in-



At the Preterm Health Services clinic, Gov. Weld called yesterday's shootings "completely unacceptable."

GLOBE STAFF PHOTO / SUZANNE KREITER

junction ordering protesters not to block the entrance.

"There's no question this is terrorism, and it's happening all over the country," said Ellen Convisser, president of NOW in Massachusetts. "We are horrified, but I can't say it was a total surprise."

Said Sheila Parks, who described herself as a clinic defender for five years, "Just last week, someone was saying we should get bulletproof vests and defend the clinics every day. Where the protesters were, we were, every week. And we're out here now, too."

All day, Kathy Circeo said, she could not stop thinking of the victims. Circeo is the receptionist at a dentist's office a few

doors down from the Planned Parenthood clinic, and she had run outside at the sound of gunfire.

Minutes later, she watched as paramedics carried out a man and a woman with wounds to their chests. She also saw several protesters watching the scene, including one who she said regrettably videotapes clients as they enter the clinic.

Derrin Cavanaugh, who works at a nearby law firm, said the protesters usually sit on the street, chanting, "Thou shalt not kill."

Rachel Lagne, a special contributor to the Globe, helped in the preparation of this report.

Buildings, federal cutbacks increase vulnerability

BUILDING SECURITY

By Daniel Golden and Bob Hohler
GLOBE STAFF

The management of a Brookline building that houses the Preterm Health Services clinic, one of two abortion clinics attacked yesterday, had laid off three of its four security guards in recent months, according to building staffers and tenants.

The guards, who were unarmed, used to patrol the hallway of 1842 Beacon St., monitoring visitors and directing clients to Preterm, which had a separate security force. No guard was in the hallway when a man entered at around 10 a.m., carrying a rifle concealed in a duffel bag. He walked into Preterm's personnel office and opened fire, killing a receptionist and injuring two people, including a Preterm security guard.

Preterm normally has two armed security guards on duty in its office, but one was late for work and arrived after the shootings.

Arkady Kuperman, a former guard for the building, said he had worked part-time there for five years before being fired a month ago. The new manager "told me that there will not be security in the

building," Kuperman said.

In addition to Preterm, the building contains offices of dentists and doctors. Harold Strouman, the outgoing manager of 1842 Beacon St., said yesterday he had protested the layoffs to the landlord, Robert Maltagliati. However, Strouman, whose last day on the job was yesterday, said he doubted a guard in the hallway would have prevented the shootings.

Maltagliati could not be reached for comment.

The shootings at Preterm and Planned Parenthood yesterday spurred questions about security both at the Brookline clinics and at other abortion facilities nationwide. Despite the highly publicized murder in July of a Florida doctor who performed abortions, the US Marshals Service decided a month ago to scale back protection nationally from 24 clinics in 18 cities to 12 clinics in 10 cities.

"That's a mistake," said Ellen Convisser, president of the Massachusetts chapter of the National Organization for Women. "We need an increase, not a decrease."

The number of clinics under federal protection was halved since Au-

Escorts shaken by shooting

By Ric Kahn
GLOBE STAFF

As news of the shootings that left two women dead and five others injured spread throughout the country, it left the local corps of abortion-clinic volunteer escorts both shaken and strengthened.

"Until today, we may have been fooling ourselves," said Ellen Fisher, coordinator of volunteer escorts for Planned Parenthood. "I didn't think of myself as putting my life on the line."

Fisher said volunteers are screened for temperament and

commitment and trained to avoid physical and verbal confrontations with protesters.

When the news broke that an anti-abortion protester had shot-gunned to death a doctor and his escort outside a clinic last July, Fisher said, none of her volunteers backed down.

But that was in Pensacola, Florida. This one in Brookline hit home.

"I don't know whether I'm backing down," Fisher said yesterday. "I may have been naive up until now."

gust because officials in the Justice Department and Marshals Service determined "the threat had reduced somewhat," said Bill Dempsey, a spokesman for the service. Officials at Brookline clinics acknowledged yesterday that protests appeared to have slackened off in recent months.

Dempsey said that the cost of using federal marshals to protect the clinics had surpassed \$1 million. "It's an expensive operation," he said.

Dempsey said that federal guards were not posted at the two Brookline abortion clinics, at least in

part because none were requested. If there had been a request, the service would have evaluated the need, he said.

After the shootings, US Marshals deputies were given authority to monitor and supplement security at the two Brookline clinics that were targeted yesterday.

Fearing the gunman might go beyond abortion clinics, Boston-area hospitals with obstetrical and gynecological services beefed up security throughout the day.

The violence in Brookline led many clinics to close early yesterday, including Gynecare in Boston, Repro Associates in Brookline, Planned Parenthood of Worcester and the Seacoast Feminist Health Center in Greenland, N.H.

However, the Feminist Health Center in Concord and Crittenton Hastings House in Boston, which also provides prenatal care, day care and shelter for women and children, remained open. Most clinics were expected to reopen after the long holiday weekend.

Alice Dembner, Judy Rakowski, Patricia Wen and Lynda Gorou of the Globe staff contributed to this report.

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MADELINE MCCOMISH

President, Massachusetts Citizens for Life

We are absolutely heart sick at the news of these shootings. We grieve for and are praying for those persons who have fallen prey to the actions of an obviously deranged individual and we repeat: such acts of violence are completely opposed to everything the pro-life movement believes in and works for.

KATE MICHELLMAN

President, National Abortion and Reproductive Rights Action League

Once again, anti-choice violence has proven lethal, wreaking terror and claiming lives... Today's brutal murders and cruel calculated shootings are terrorist acts that threaten all of our freedoms. These actions are reprehensible and absolutely unacceptable in a civilized society... Militant opponents of choice have put health care providers in mortal danger as they provide an urgently needed medical service and have forced women to take their lives in their hands when they seek legal abortion. In a civilized society, terrorists cannot be allowed to prevail.



MICHELLE CARTER

President of "The Big Tent," the Massachusetts affiliate of the Republican Coalition for Choice

These attacks are a painful illustration of the terrorist tactics being employed in an attempt to rob women of their constitutionally protected right to free choice. No longer are anti-choice groups content to just block clinic access, murder now appears to have become an acceptable component of this despicable campaign to deny women safe access to health care services... Irrational acts of violence are inconsistent with humane philosophy and distorted moral and political principles.

Shootings at Brookline abortion clinics

FOES REACT

Shock, disavowal of violence

By Mitchell Zuckoff
and Pamela Ferdinand
GLOBE STAFF
CONTRIBUTING REPORTER

Antiabortion activists offered prayers and solace for the victims of a murderous gunman who swept through two Brookline abortion clinics yesterday, though several voiced equal concern about the effects the killings would have on their cause.

"This is not what the prolife movement is all about. The lives of unborn children deserve to be defended, but this is not how. You don't fight evil with evil," said Teresa Donovan, manager of education for Massachusetts Citizens for Life, the state's largest antiabortion group.

Yesterday, staff members of Citizens for Life cried and prayed at news of the shootings. In an office decorated for the holidays, a basket of small, pink toy fetuses — offered for free to anyone who visits — sat next to antiabortion buttons and pamphlets at a front desk.

"We would never see this as advancing our agenda," Donovan added. "It does not save babies, it does not help women, it does not change hearts. He couldn't do the prolife movement and unborn babies more harm than had he been working for the other side."

Frances Hogan, president of Women Affirming Life in Boston, called the shootings "a horrible thing," the work of a deranged man. "There are radicals in every movement. People are terribly angry and upset. We just have to pray, that's all we can do," she said.

Others sought to distance the organized antiabortion movement from the shootings.

"Some people are so unbalanced that they are just waiting for something to become angry enough at to kill somebody. It might be this issue or taxation or anything. There are people walking around who are just time bombs," said Joe Reilly, executive director of Massachusetts Citi-

ANTIABORTION MOVEMENT

Deadly violence follows tougher laws

By Mitchell Zuckoff and Alison Bass
GLOBE STAFF

The fatal rampage at two Brookline abortion clinics pointed out an apparent paradox in recent antiabortion activism: As new laws have forced formal protests to become more tame, small numbers of extremists have become increasingly violent.

And in doing so, they have made the jump from picketing and clinic blockades to marking people for death.

There was no immediate evidence of whether the man being sought in yesterday's shootings was connected to any organized anti-abortion group. Yet his actions followed activists on both sides acknowledge is a pattern of deadly messages being sent to abortion seekers and providers.

Protests have been regular events outside abortion clinics for the two decades since the

Supreme Court declared abortion to be legally encompassed by the right to privacy.

But when picketing proved relatively ineffective, antiabortion activists began chaining themselves to fences and forming human barriers to block abortion clinic entrances.

In Massachusetts, blockades first began in 1988, when protesters blocked entry to clinics in Boston, Brookline, Hyannis, New Bedford, Springfield and Worcester.

Between January 1989 and December 1990, there were 11 blockades of the Preterm clinic in Brookline, one of the sites of yesterday's shootings. At the Planned Parenthood day's shootings, there were six blockades between November 1988 and February 1991, according to the attorney general's office.

By then, a series of laws and court rulings severely limited the ability of abortion opponents to place themselves in the paths of women seeking abortions. In Massachusetts,

the Legislature last year barred protesters from blocking entrances to abortion clinics.

This year, Congress followed suit with the Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances Act. The US Supreme Court also has ruled on the issue, allowing racketeering laws to be used against abortion opponents who illegally blockade clinics.

Virtually at the same time, individuals with ties to the antiabortion movement began targeting individual abortion providers for harm.

The first reported attack, in March 1993, was on Dr. Paul Gunn, who was shot to death outside a Pensacola, Fla., clinic. Before yesterday, three other doctors and one bodyguard were shot, two of them fatally. The most recent case, prior to yesterday's attack, came in August when Paul Hill killed a doctor who performed abortions and his bodyguard at another Pensacola clinic.

In the wake of the new laws limiting pro-

tests, some abortion providers noticed what they called a chilling new sentiment among some antiabortion activists.

"The temperament has turned nastier. The frustration level is getting higher," Susan Newsom, vice president of the Planned Parenthood League of Massachusetts, said in August, in the wake of Hill's double murder.

But antiabortion activists insisted the shootings were isolated acts.

"It's like if someone went into a crack house and massacred the people inside. That doesn't mean that people who are opposed to drug use or drug addiction should all be blamed or should be less willing to oppose those things," said Bill Cotter, president of the Boston chapter of the militant antiabortion group Operation Rescue.

Contributing reporter Pamela Ferdinand assisted in the preparation of this story.

TV COVERAGE

NECN made the right calls

By Ed Siegel
GLOBE STAFF

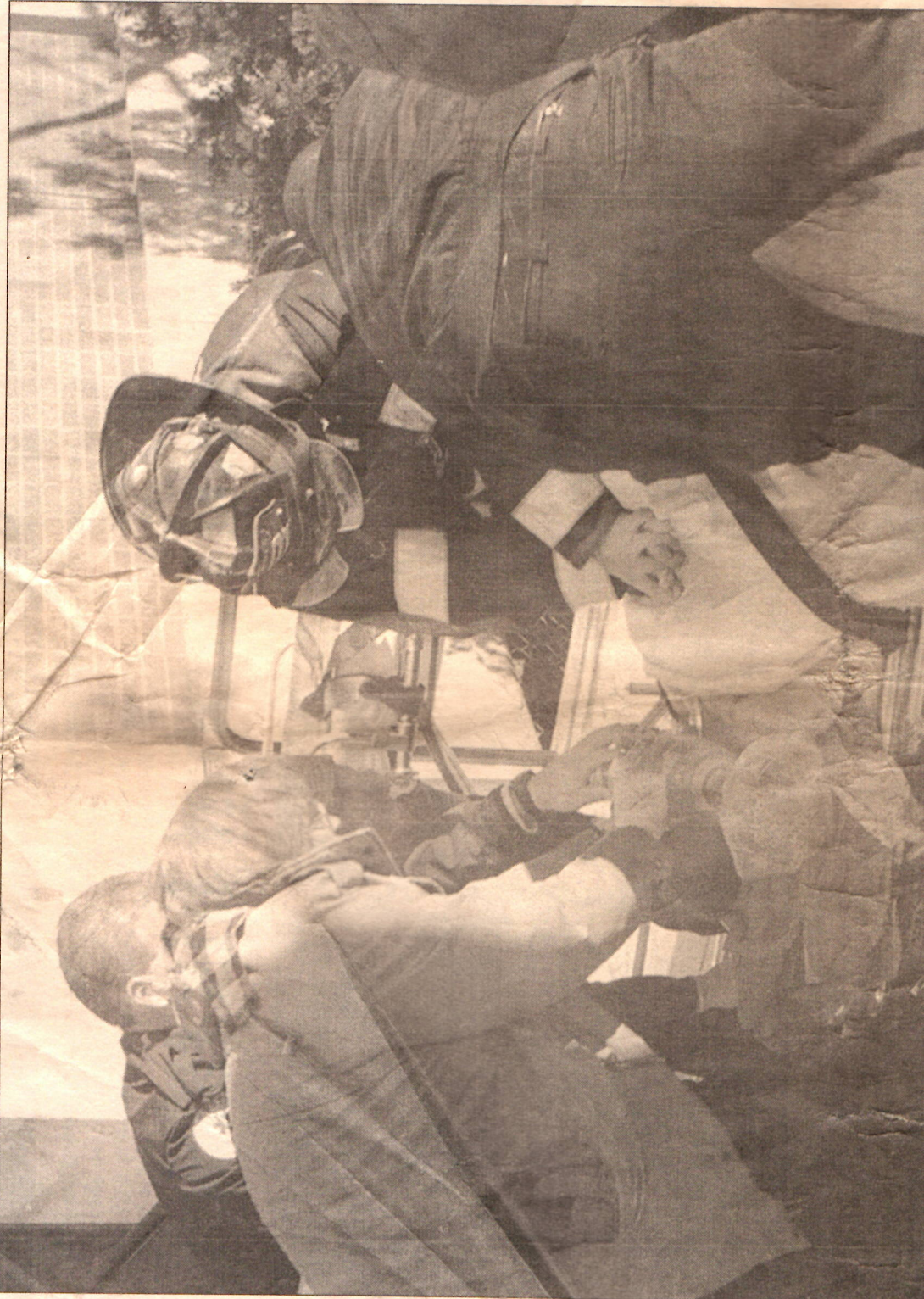
Few people thought we would ever see the pictures we saw yesterday on local television. It was places like Pensacola, Fla., not Brook-

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line, where people took their lives in their hands to work for facilities that performed abortions.

"We're more intellectual here in Brookline," a woman on the street told Channel 7's Michael Settoni. "Here we discuss things. We don't kill people."

Because these pictures were so unexpected, the murders so heinous, it was incumbent upon television to go on as early, as often and as graphically as possible. There may be awkward moments when a TV station covers a breaking story live, but when viewers are looking for an electronic lifeline to the story, there's no reason for not giving it to them. And the television news organization that



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Leaders of more militant anti-abortion groups also condemned the shootings, but were quick to shift the focus to providers.

"As much as I condemn this action, I do think it's time for Planned Parenthood and the rest of them to own up to the violence they perpetrate day in and day out inside their clinics," said Bill Cotter, president of the Boston chapter of Operation Rescue, which regularly demonstrates outside the clinics targeted yesterday.

"They condemn violence directed against them, which they are right to do, but we as pro-life people cannot be intimidated into somehow disowning our position," Cotter said. He also lamented the shootings' impact on his group.

"It's going to be a very damaging thing for us, in terms of public relations. For that reason alone it's tragic, but even more so for the loss of life," Cotter said.

Despite freezing temperatures, a half-dozen protesters were outside Planned Parenthood on Beacon Street yesterday before and after the shooting, including a man who regularly videotapes women entering the building, neighbors of the clinic said.

Well into the afternoon, at least two abortion protesters watched the proceedings in silence, including Barbara Bell, a well-known activist who neighborhood residents said was the most vociferous of the anti-abortion protesters.

"When you go out there [to picket], God gives you a special calm. If you don't maintain that calm, you just don't stay there, you go," said Richard Regan, a member of Our Lady's Crusaders for Life.

For the past six years, Robert Delery of Medford, president of Our Lady's Crusaders for Life, has been praying three days a week in front of Planned Parenthood in Brookline. Delery, 73, has been arrested by Brookline Police for blocking a clinic entrance and also served two months in Barnstable County Jail for blocking access to a Hyannis clinic.

Of the shootings, he said, "It's not going to help the movement, but apparently it's part of God's plan to people up."



Several emergency workers at the scene yesterday rush to perform CPR on a man injured in the shooting at Preterm Health Services clinic in Brookline before taking the victim to a hospital for treatment.

Danger and fear are closing in

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But this morning, after rush hour, the man in black walked into the clinic where they do pap smears and gynecological exams, where they perform abortions and where they are testing the pill RU-486. He took a rifle out of his black gym bag and began shooting, killing one and wounding three.

Leaving bodies, chaos, death and terror behind, he then apparently drove to his next stop at 1842 Beacon St. And there, in a building I know from endless visits to my child's orthodontist, the man went to another reception desk.

He asked League Nichols, "Is this Preterm?" The last thing this 38-year-old woman ever said was, "Yes."

He killed her, wounded a secretary, wounded a security guard, shot at people on the street and, apparently wounded by a guard, he took off with his rifle.

As police helicopters circled the neighborhood looking for a serial assassin, as bodies were carried out of two clinics, as a psychiatrist came in to Planned Parenthood to help the shattered co-workers, and as families were notified, an antiabortion spokesman offered up the usual suspect.

"These are not prolific activities," said Teresa Donovan of Massachusetts Citizens for Life. "They obviously are the actions of a deranged individual."

Michael Griffin? A deranged individual. Paul Hill? A deranged individual. The serial assassin of Brookline? A deranged individual.

How many deranged individuals does it fit? How many deranged individuals does it fit? How many deranged individuals does it take to make a movement?

In the past decade, clinic violence has spread across this country like an ideological virus. It has risen in virulence as well, escalating on the power of its own rhetoric.

The death threats and the stalkings became firebombings and invasions. The wounding of one doctor became the murder of another and

another and now the murder of two clinic workers.

Each time, antiabortion activists have claimed that the killer was a loner, a deranged individual, an outsider. Pro-choice people have hoped that there would be no replacement, no copycat.

But the truth is much more menacing. The mainstream antiabortion rhetoric that calls abortion murder has led many, step by step, to the "logical" conclusion that killing a "killer" is justifiable homicide, and that murder to prevent "murder" is morally right.

When Paul Hill, now sitting on death row, was asked if his actions would incite others to antiabortion violence, he said, "Indubitably." When asked if Jesus Christ would have pulled the trigger, he said, "Absolutely."

Since the Supreme Court reaffirmed the legal right to abortion, frustrated antiabortion leaders have gone from trying to make abortion illegal to trying to make it impossible. One tactic is fear: harassing women who choose abortion and harassing clinics, doctors and workers who provide them.

It's not surprising that as the whole army moves toward the extreme, a flank will carry the message over the edge. Are these deranged individuals or true believers of a movement that has lost the right to call itself pro-life?

In the days ahead, we may know a great deal more about the suspect, his mind, his motives. But today, with yellow police tape strung across two doorways on Beacon Street, with bullets riddling the walls of a health clinic around the corner, I know enough to be chilled to the bone.

First doctors, then escorts, now receptionists. First Wichita, then Pensacola, now Brookline. How many "deranged individuals" are there among the familiar protesters in the your neighborhood?

Ellen Goodman is a Globe columnist.

LAW SPEAKS

Cardinal urges halt to protests

By Kevin Cullen
GLOBE STAFF

Cardinal Bernard Law, who has consistently defended the right of protesters to maintain peaceful vigils outside abortion clinics, asked yesterday that those protests be halted in the wake of the fatal attacks at two Brookline clinics.

Law, spiritual leader of the Boston Archdiocese's 2 million Roman Catholics and a leading abortion opponent, did not say such protests encourage violence, but asked for all sides in the abortion debate to be reasonable.

In a statement, Law said: "The fatal shootings of this morning were reprehensible acts of violence with absolutely no justification whatsoever."

"It is important to state that violence is in total contradiction to all that the pro-life movement represents. To those in the pro-life movement who express their commitment through prayerful presence at abortion clinics, I would ask that you refrain from such manifestations."

"To those who favor abortion, I would request that this tragic and criminal act of apparently one individual not become the occasion of universalizing blame. I call on all in the community to put aside any thought or intention of violence."

Law did not say whether he was asking for a permanent or temporary moratorium on such protests. Most local mainstream antiabortion groups, which are dominated by Catholics, are expected to heed Law's request.

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And the television news organization that met all those standards was New England Cable News, which came on with the story about 10:40 a.m. and stayed with it, except for a slight pause, until well after noon.

NECN made all the right calls yesterday—not only because of its continuous coverage. Among other things, there were the graphic pictures that it alone showed of a firefighter giving CPR to a victim.

If this offended sensibilities, those sensibilities should be offended more often. Maybe we'd stop producing lunatics like yesterday's murderer if TV had more such reporting about violence and less glamorizing of it.

(It must be noted that the Globe has joined with NECN in some programming. That hasn't protected NECN from criticism and it shouldn't exclude NECN from praise.)

NECN hardly owned the story. All three major news stations were on sporadically yesterday morning. When a big story breaks locally, viewers usually favor Channel 5 first, Channel 4 second and Channel 7 third. They would have done better yesterday to reverse that trend, although channels 4 and 7 were very close in terms of quantity and quality.

The primary difference between the two was stylistic. WBZ's John Henning was the anchor of choice, not only because of his length of service and knowledge of the city, but also because of his unflappability in the face of chaos and his interviewing skills.

There's no surprise that Henning, Hampton Pearson and the other Channel 4 reporters were so cool. What is surprising is that Channel 7 was so thorough. WHDH really distinguished itself yesterday, doing at least as good a job as the others in reporting the facts while doing a better job at capturing the emotions of the moment. TV too often is content to play toward our emotions without offering the factual perspective to make the story understandable. That's certainly a criticism that has been justifiably leveled at WHDH.

Not yesterday. Channel 7 found the right mix of intellect and emotion, from live coverage of a Janet Reno press conference to video of a police helicopter hovering overhead, supposedly looking for the murderer. Kelly Cunningham, a friend of a patient, told Byron Barnett that the antiabortion demonstrators were hardly the peaceful protesters they were claiming to be yesterday. Pointing to one of the antiabortion protesters she said, "She gets in your face and starts chanting about saving lives... They preach their holiness and then they kill people." The other stations were too easy on the people who call those entering clinics "murderers" and then try to distance themselves from the effects of their words.

Ed Siegel is the Globe's television critic.

Shootings at Brookline abortion clinics



Kelly Cunningham, who was escorting a friend into the Planned Parenthood clinic yesterday morning, grieves at the scene of the shootings on Beacon Street.

More than 100 people, including members of the National Organization for Women, gathered yesterday outside the Planned Parenthood clinic at 1031 Beacon St. for a candlelight vigil.



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OTHER CLINICS

Providers say they'll carry on

By Alice Dembner
GLOBE STAFF

Wiping tears of fear and sorrow from their eyes, health workers at Repro Associates on Beacon Street in Brookline yesterday shouldered on with tasks they consider too important to halt, even in the face of death.

"It's just so senseless," said a nurse-practitioner, weeping over the shooting death of a former co-worker a few blocks away.

"Before this, we haven't really feared for our lives," she said, declining to provide her name. "It's always in the back of your mind. You wonder if there's a loony-tune out there. But you have to put that aside to provide care to the women who need it."

At clinics across the region yesterday, staff reviewed security measures as they rode an emotional rollercoaster from horror to outrage to determination in the wake of fatal shootings at two Brookline clinics.

"These people are crazy, they go way beyond the pale," said Elsa Marcus, director of Gynecare on Tremont Street in Boston. "I'm going to step up security, but there's a limit to what you can do."

"Our doctors have had death threats, and picketers make threatening remarks all the time. They say things to me like, 'What do we have to do to stop you?' Now I know what they can do. It's frightening."

"But this won't make anybody go out of business. The people who are doing this are committed to providing safe and legal abortions."

Yesterday, however, Repro and Gynecare both closed early as police arrived to escort employees home. Although Gynecare had no patient care scheduled, at Repro a small staff stayed on to perform scheduled abortions and other services. Police regularly patrolled the street outside Repro and the clinic's permanent

Anguish, arguments mark nation's reaction

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mittee. "The fact is that we condemn the violence inside the clinics as much as we condemn the violence outside the clinics. We just want the killing to stop."

The US Supreme Court ruled earlier this year that the National Organization for Women could proceed with a civil suit alleging that Operation Rescue, the Pro-Life Action League and other antiabortion groups are violating federal antiracketeering laws by engaging in a violent antiabortion conspiracy. A federal grand jury is investigating whether violence involving an abortion clinic in Alexandria, Va., is part of a conspiracy.

The Brookline attacks sent shock waves through abortion clinics across the country, where workers wondered if the terror might spread there. "People are nervous here," said Josie Corning, spokeswoman for 11 Planned Parenthood clinics in Los Angeles.

Reward hotline

The Washington-based National Abortion Federation joined Planned Parenthood in offering a \$100,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of anyone involved in the attacks. (800) ATF-4867.

Members of the Clinton administration joined abortion rights advocates in calling on Congress to strengthen the Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances Act of 1994, which provides federal penalties for crimes related to abortion clinics.

"Let us recommit ourselves to reinforcing" the act, said Donna Shalala, secretary of health and human services. "The nation's health care workers and their patients deserve no less." However, Rev. Pat Mahoney, a leader of

Abortion clinic violence

Violence at abortion clinics has included shootings, arson and bombings. The third fatal attack at abortion clinics in recent years occurred yesterday with the shooting deaths at the clinics in Brookline.

Recent abortion-related violence:

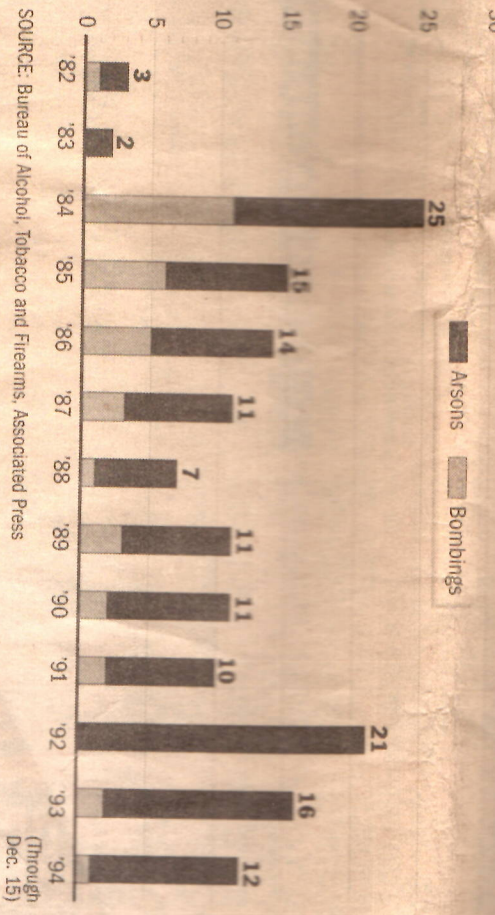
- Nov. 8, 1994:** Dr. Garson Romalis, who performs abortions in Vancouver, Canada, shot in the leg while eating breakfast at home. No arrest has been made.
- July 29, 1994:** Dr. John Bayard Britton and his bodyguard, James Barrett, slain outside Pensacola, Fla., abortion clinic. Paul Hill, a former minister and antiabortion activist, convicted of murder and sentenced to death.
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Clinic workers in Los Angeles and elsewhere tried to reassure staff and patients that they have sound security measures in place. But Corning said many patients and workers continue to fear the type of apparently random violence that struck the Brookline clinics.

In July, a gunman shot and killed a doctor and his bodyguard outside a Pensacola, Fla., clinic. In 1993, another gunman killed a doctor who performed abortions in the same community. A third doctor was wounded last year at a Wichita, Kan., clinic.

Nationally, authorities were quick to condemn yesterday's shooting and promised to continue targeting such violence.

"No matter where we stand on the issue of abortion, all Americans must stand together in condemning this tragic and brutal act," President Clinton said, describing the crime as a "form of domestic terrorism."

A DOCTOR'S HORROR 'Clinic receptionist 'died in my arms'

By Alison Bass
GLOBE STAFF

By the time the physician at Brookline's Planned Parenthood clinic got to Shannon Lowney, the 25-year-old receptionist lay sprawled on the floor, unconscious and bleeding.

"She died in my arms," said the shaken physician, who performs abortions at the Brookline clinic and asked not to be identified. "There was nothing I could do to stop the bleeding."

The physician, who had been tending a patient in the back of the clinic when he heard shrieks, said the gunman had fled by the time he reached the reception area.

"It was pandemonium," he said yesterday afternoon. Three other people had also been shot — an employee and two people waiting for patients — but their injuries, he said, did not appear to be life-threatening.

The physician, who has performed abortions at clinics for two decades, said he was one of several Boston-area providers who have received death threats recently.

"Everyone here knew about the death threats," the physician said. "But a threat is an abstract thing and we had a job to do."

He said he provides abortions because he believes the service is necessary. "I've seen a lot of bad complications from illegal abortions in my lifetime," the physician said.

He said he fears the shooting could discourage clinic employees and physicians from providing abortion services. "I need a lot of support people, people to counsel the patients, explain what is going to happen," said the physician. "But who is going to want to work at the risk of their lives?"

Victims shined, friends say

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Reached at her Hingham home last night, Murray's distraught mother, Maurya Murray, said she didn't know why he was at the clinic. "I have no idea until I talk to him about that."

She said her son was out of danger last night at Beth Israel Hospital. Hospital officials last night listed Murray in serious to stable condition.

Neighbors recalled that Murray attended college and at one time worked in telemarketing at Sears. He lives at home with his parents and a younger sister.

Anjana Agrawal

To friends and family, 30-year-old Agrawal is known as "Anu." She lives with her mother in Porter Square in Cambridge.

Agrawal was shot in the abdomen and chest, and was in serious but stable condition in the intensive care unit at Beth Israel.

"She was such a lovely woman. She was always with her mom," said a neighbor.

Another neighbor said she had just heard about the shooting during her commute and was shocked. "Oh, my God," the woman said, before running into her house in tears.

Jane Sauer

A few miles from Agrawal's house, Sauer lives in a first-floor unit of a brownstone triple-decker with a friend, Vernon Lundeen. Sauer, 29, who was shot in the back and pelvis at the Pre-Planned Parenthood clinic, was listed in satisfactory condition at Brigham and Women's Hospital.

Sauer's neighbors were shocked and appalled at the violence.

Her upstairs neighbor, Dave DeMaggio, 24, described Sauer as friendly and outgoing. He said the violence at the clinics that injured Sauer was "ridiculously ironic."

"It doesn't seem logical to substitute one death for the life of another," DeMaggio said. "I don't think that the wacko that did this was pro-life or pro-choice. He was just crazy."

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guarding clinics," said Ann Lewis, vice president of public policy for Planned Parenthood. "It's about a nation that says once and for all that the violence must stop."

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Contributing reporters Michele McPhee and David Polochanin and Globe staff writers Alice Dembiner and Jordana Hart contributed to this article.

"I guess we were one of the lucky ones," said Jeff, the comptroller for Repro, who said he was afraid to give his last name. His clinic escaped the violence that hit other facilities on Beacon Street yesterday.

He said protests at Repro had abated recently. A lone protester earlier yesterday morning was sent away by police.

"For a while we were even thinking, 'do we still need an armed guard?'" he said. "But I guess we were naive to think the violence was going to stay in Florida."

By 2 p.m., the chance that a gunman could be traveling in their direction forced the Planned Parenthood clinic in Worcester to cancel all patient care for the day. "You just can't believe how it feels to be thinking that someone may be on the loose like that," said spokeswoman Shelly Edwards.

The Worcester clinic moved from downtown Worcester two years ago to a more secluded location to escape the escalating violence that included two attacks on the office.

Under guard by more than a dozen police officers, 24-hour operations continued at Crichton Hastings House in Boston, which provides abortions, prenatal care, child care and shelter for homeless women and infants. Dr. Elizabeth Reinger, president of the 155-year-old agency, said staff and patients were shaken, but none were scared away.

"My immediate reaction is how to protect people caught in the middle of this insanity," said Reinger. "It is absolute that we maintain choice and full access."

Nicki Nichols Gamble, president of Planned Parenthood of Boston, said said the clinic will reopen on Wednesday. "Our phones will be answered on Tuesday. This will be a day for reflecting for our staff," she said. "Planned Parenthood will remain committed to providing reproductive healthcare services."

Alison Bass and Jordana Hart of the Globe staff contributed to this report, along with freelance writers Gary Ghioia, Tom Moroney, and Thur O'Shea with freelance writers G. Moroney.

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CAPTURED!

By HELEN KENNEDY

Bible-quoting loner John C. Salvi III was taken down by police in Virginia yesterday after allegedly shooting up an abortion clinic there — a day after police accused him of murder in two similar attacks

in Brookline. No one was hurt when Salvi, 22, was arrested in Norfolk, Va., after a 24-hour national manhunt. Salvi parked his black pickup truck, the object of a nationwide dragnet, behind the Hillcrest Clinic in Norfolk about 11:30 a.m., went up

to the security guard at the back door and said, "Where's Burger King?" The guard pointed up the street and Salvi walked away. Moments later, Salvi was back, his

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JOHN C. SALVI III Nabbed in Va.

Hero guard recalls attack

By DAVID TALBOT

When the nightmare started at Preterm Health Services in Brookline, armed security guard Richard J. Seron was stocking supplies in a closed room eight feet from where receptionist Leanne Nichols was about to die.

He heard popping, and recognized it as small-caliber fire. He opened the door and saw the gunman — who police allege was John C. Salvi III, 22. "He was ferocious," Seron said yesterday. "His eyes were glazed and his brow was furrowed. His eyebrows were raised. He had a very fierce look. His mouth was in a snarl.

Then, moments later during the gunbattle: "He swore a holy oath that I cannot quote exactly. Paraphrasing, he said: "In the name of the Mother of God! And he

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GRIEF: David Keene, second from left, visits the scene of fiancée Shannon Lowney's slaying yesterday. AP photo

In Brookline, sorrow breeds anger

By J.M. LAWRENCE

The man who wanted to marry Shannon Lowney sobbed on the steps of the Planned Parenthood

clinic yesterday just outside the lobby where an alleged anti-abortion zealot murdered the 25-year-old receptionist. "She was my world," David

Keene said. "I know Shannon harbors no ill will — even to the man who killed her. She never

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Suspect seen as shy and disturbed

By BILL HUTCHINSON

HAMPTON BEACH, N.H. — Just 90 minutes before he allegedly shot up an abortion clinic in Virginia yesterday, a frantic and tearful John C. Salvi III called his only friend and tried to explain himself.

"He said he just wanted to teach people that children should deserve to live," said John D. Christo of his 10 a.m. conversation with the 22-year-old alleged killer.

"He just wanted to get his space. He didn't have a clue where he was. He said he was headed to North Carolina," said Christo, 35.

Yesterday, Salvi was arrested in Norfolk, Va., after allegedly firing on an abortion clinic there. On Tuesday morning, Salvi

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SERVICES IN BROOKLINE.

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Clinic murder suspect

Police corner strange loner

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gun drawn. He fired 23 shots at the clinic's windows.

"It was like 'pow-pow-pow-pow-pow,'" said 16-year-old Mark Brindel, who said he watched the shooting from his apartment next door. "He ran back to his truck, jumped in and took off."

An arson investigator, who happened to be watching an anti-abortion demonstration in front of the building, radioed for help.

Chased by cruisers, Salvi drove three blocks. Then he stopped, threw his collapsible Ruger .22 rifle out into the street and tried to run away but was cornered by officers, and the investigator, against the wall of a nearby bank.

"They tackled him, about three or four of them, and put him in the car. It took enough of them to hold him down. He was trying to go," said bank customer Terrie Seifert.

The back door to the clinic was open at the time, but Salvi did not enter it.

"I don't know if they knew what they had when they arrested him," said U.S. Attorney Donald Stern in Boston. "But shooting at a



EVIDENCE: A police investigator photographs the front doors of the Hillcrest Clinic in Norfolk, Va., where John C. Salvi III allegedly sprayed gunfire yesterday while on the run from Massachusetts. AP photo

building seems like a good reason for an arrest in Virginia."

Hillcrest has been the focus of national anti-abortion sentiment for nearly 20 years, enduring everything from pickets and protests to bomb plots and arson.

Stern said Salvi, an aspiring beautician who grew up in Ipswich and was recently living in Hampton Beach, N.H., will be extradited to Massachusetts within days. Massachusetts State Police investigators were questioning him last night.

"We hope that Mr. Salvi will be brought to justice as quickly as he was caught,"

Pamela Maraldo, national president of Planned Parenthood, said in a statement. "We, as a nation, must rein in this madness."

Bernard Cardinal Law, who called for the suspension of sidewalk vigils because they could lead to confrontation, said yesterday he had talked to Gov. William F. Weld — who is a strong supporter of abortion rights — about the possibility of both sides coming together to discuss offering women alternatives to abortion.

"I would have the fond, and I hope not unrealistic, hope that there would be some ground for people to

work together on abortion. We spoke in very general terms, but the governor certainly has indicated his interest," said Law.

Salvi, who allegedly attacked the Planned Parenthood and Preterm Health Services clinics in Brookline Friday, is charged with two counts of murder and five counts of armed assault with intent to murder in connection with those incidents.

Investigators could not find any direct contacts between Salvi and known anti-abortion groups.

"We have no affirmative indications that this is any type of conspiratorial act. It

appears he acted alone," a law enforcement source said.

Salvi was not on the Brookline Police's list of "regulars" at the frequent anti-abortion demonstrations outside Planned Parenthood, but a source said Silva got a parking ticket in May outside the clinic at 1031 Beacon St.

"We do know he has been here, based on the parking ticket. He has been to 1031," said the source.

And Richard J. Seron, the Preterm clinic security guard who fired at Salvi and was wounded during the attack, said he had seen the man's black truck outside that clinic several times during the past month and a half.

The portrait that emerged yesterday of the just-fired Salvi showed him as a taciturn loner who made few friends, quoted the Bible and obsessed privately about abortion.

He enrolled at the Portsmouth Beauty School in September to study for a career as a beautician. Within a month, his classmates were already joking that he reminded them of a deranged gunman.

"At Halloween, we joked he would come as 'Taxi Driver,'" said a fellow student.

"He didn't talk. He was always blankly staring into space or at you. We all thought he was strange."

Salvi was estranged from his father, a false-teeth manufacturer who didn't approve of his son's career choice, and depended abnormally on his mother's sartorial advice.

Salvi regularly asked his

mother — who lives with her father in a Naples trailer park — for permission to wear certain clothing or fix his hair in a particular way.

"He was very immature. He had an overprotective mother," said Richard Griffin, owner of Eccentric in Hampton Beach, N.H.

"His mother bought clothes for him and shoes when it was his day," he said. "She told him exactly how he was supposed to wear his hair. He didn't wear it a certain length, she wouldn't let him any more money."

"That's how we first met him. He was our customer."

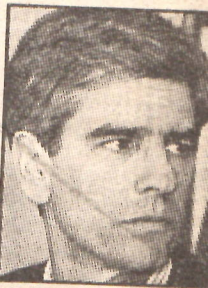
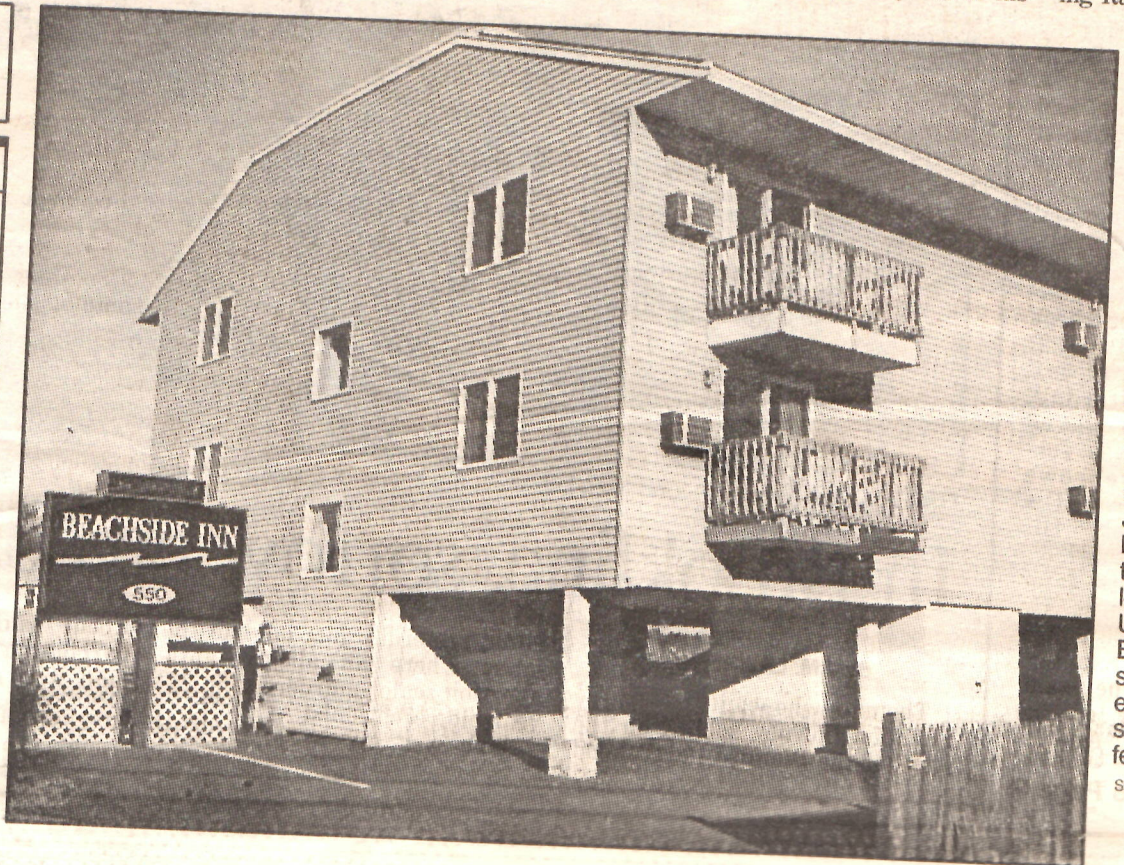
Salvi was hired to do hair clippings off the head of a customer. But when Griffin sold the store two weeks ago, the owners couldn't handle Salvi's bizarre behavior.

He was fired after starting a tug-of-war with a customer who refused to have his jacket hung up, Griffin said.

Salvi, who neighbors and colleagues said never outwardly appeared violent, kept two guns — a Remington-Union .22-caliber pistol and a Ruger .22-caliber semiautomatic assault rifle — in a rented Hampton Beach condo, investigators said.

The federal Bureau of Investigation, Tobacco and Firearms Division, traced the two guns, which were used in the Brookline rampage — to Salvi's gun shop in Hooksett, N.H. Salvi had purchased them in October.

On Thursday, the day before the Brookline rampage, Salvi went shooting for an hour at Bob's Tactical Shooting Range in Ipswich.



HOME BASE: FBI agents began their search Friday for John C. Salvi III at his home in Hampton Beach, N.H., left. Donald Stern, U.S. attorney in Boston, said Salvi should be extradited to Massachusetts in the next few days.

Staff photo left by Robert Eng

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nabbed after Va. attack

"He was practicing," said one investigator.

Dressed in black and carrying a black duffel bag stuffed with banana clips of extra ammunition, Salvi allegedly strode into two Brookline abortion clinics the next day, murdering the receptionist at each office and wounding five other people.

No doctors were even fired upon. All other recent abortion-related shootings have specifically targeted doctors, not clerical workers.

As chaos reigned on Beacon Street, Salvi drove away and went home to Hampton Beach, where he changed clothes and headed south, investigators said.

A security guard at the second clinic, Preterm Health Services in Cleveland Circle, returned fire, forcing the gunman to drop his ammo bag.

Inside, police found the receipt for his shooting range time the day before, which quickly led them Salvi's name.

But police had no idea where he was until the shooting began in Virginia yesterday.

Authorities had put together a list of Salvi's relatives, who are scattered over the North Shore and Florida, and were preparing to bug their phones in case Salvi should call.

Salvi's parents, driving home Friday from a stilted Christmas with their withdrawn son at his uncle's house in Ipswich, learned of the clinic rampage when federal agents intercepted them in South Carolina.

They were cooperative, investigators said, providing

names and addresses of people their son might turn to.

The search of Salvi's rented condo in Hampton Beach turned up anti-abortion materials, "auto-loaders" for a .22-caliber weapon, ammunition boxes and related receipts, a source said.

FBI special agent Richard

Swensen in Boston said he didn't know why Salvi targeted the Norfolk clinic, which has been bombed in the past.

Salvi's aunt, Diane Salvi of Naples, Fla., said the family had no idea that Salvi was so violently opposed to abortion and were deeply

shocked by the accusations.

"All I know is we're very sorry for the victims and their families and we hope godspeed for him."

Ralph Ranalli, Scott Campbell, Joseph Malia, Dave Talbot and Tim Cornell contributed to this report.



End of the road for suspect

Investigators in Norfolk, Va., check truck, left, they say John C. Salvi III was driving when he fled after shooting at a clinic. On ground at left and below is the rifle police say Salvi used in Boston Friday.

AP photos



Hero security guard recalls terror

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began spraying my position with .22-caliber fire."

When the shots first rang out, Seron heard Nichols, 38, pleading for her life. "I could hear cries of pain from Leanne. She was saying 'No! No! No!' and I drew my weapon and pulled the door open.

"I could only see Jane Sauer (who survived) on her side on the floor back behind the coffee machine. She was moving, her eyes were open.

"I saw the assailant to her right, a few feet away, and I fired toward him. He fired a few rounds at me and I pulled back into the stockroom for a moment, closing the door."

Before the mayhem began, Seron had removed his bulletproof vest to make the stocking job easier. And he was not guarding the main entrance when the gunman arrived.

But that he was even in the vicinity was a stroke of good fortune, because his duties also take him

throughout the building, to the underground parking lot and around the outside perimeter.

Back in the stockroom, Seron paused with his East German Makarov pistol — now unholstered from his left hip — behind the steel-jacketed wooden door. He had already fired some of the nine rounds available.

He reached his arm around and fired more shots. "I was shooting without aim just to keep the assailant from coming after me.

"As I fired toward the assailant, he began to land hits on my hand and arm. One hit was in the muscle that controls the thumb. It went clean through. One entered near the elbow and is now lodged in my left bicep. The third hit was a graze on my right shoulder.

"I fired until I felt that I couldn't continue fighting, so I pulled back into the stockroom as the assailant exited through the front door."

The heroic guard at least distract-

ed the gunman, and may well have stopped him from finishing off Preterm worker Sauer, 29, who survived with wounds to her back and pelvis.

Seron, recovering at home in Quincy yesterday, believes his actions forced the gunman to abandon a duffel bag police considered vital to the case.

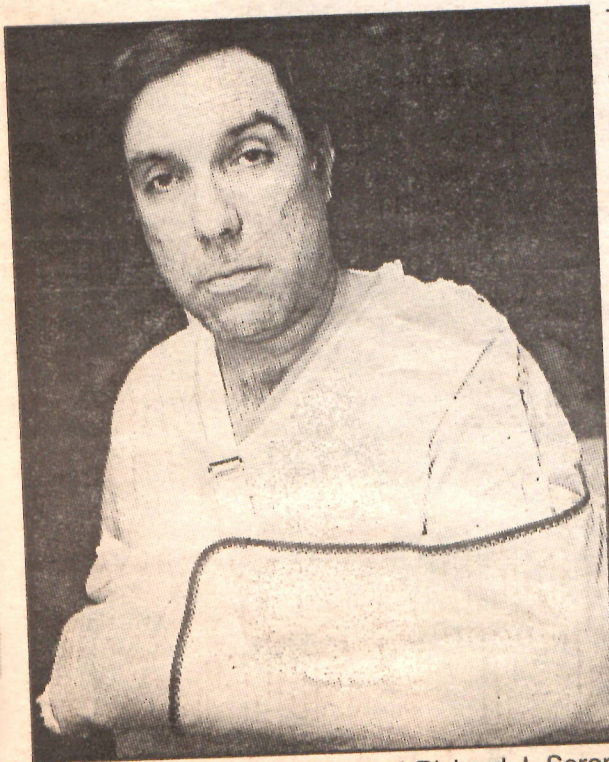
"I can only speculate that if I had not been there he would have gone into the back offices and continued shooting people," he added.

With the gunman now gone, Seron and security director Albert Walton locked the doors and began tending to Sauer and Nichols.

"She was on the floor behind the desk, face down in a pool of blood," he said of Nichols.

"She was a delightful person; bubbly, attractive. I would say a very sunny disposition, and a delight to work with," he said.

"I'm just broken up over seeing a friend like Leanne butchered. I will never forget her." □



ON THE MEND: Security guard Richard J. Seron recounts Friday's vicious gun battle at Preterm Health Services in Brookline. Staff photo by Matthew West

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Staff photo by Patrick Whitemore

FORMER BOSS: Richard Griffin employed John Salvi at his Hampton Beach hair salon.

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allegedly shot seven people, killing two, at two Brookline abortion clinics.

Christo lives just one door down from Salvi's room in the Beachside Inn in this honky-tonk seaside town — a winter haven for common-folk when the high-rollers of summer have gone home.

The two men forged a friendship that Salvi leaned on in a desperate hour of need. "He wanted somebody to help him," Christo said. "What's wrong with that? I don't know why he did this thing. I just don't know why he did it."

In interviews with friends, relatives, co-workers and neighbors, an ambiguous portrait of the alleged killer emerged: Some called him

Scripture-quoting man seen as shy, 'walking time bomb'

shy, but nice and naive. Others described a disturbed only child with a penchant for citing Biblical verse.

No one, however, could pinpoint what snapped in the head of the handsome youth — an abortion foe who had pictures of aborted fetuses taped to the rear window of his old truck.

It could have been, friends speculated, his recent dismissal from a mundane job or a Christmas visit from his parents that was tarnished by a painful argument with his father.

Christo recalled the argument and how Salvi blew up because his father seemed less than happy with his only son's plans to attend beauty college. It was one more painful blow, Christo said, in a life void of fatherly affection.

"He just wanted his father to hug him and his father wouldn't hug him," Christo said.

Born in Canada to an overbearing but loving mother, Anne Marie, and a father, John II, who was a good provider, Salvi was reared in a

strong Catholic home.

"He came from a well-to-do family — nice folks — mother sells real estate, dad has dental-supply business," said Salvi's cousin, Charlie Hall of Ipswich. "He was well brought up, never wanting anything he might need."

"I would never have thought he was the kind of person to take that kind of stance — it's all a surprise to us — it's shocking — it's overwhelming. But he was sort of intimidating — you didn't know where he was coming from after you talked

'Please don't kill him,' cries suspect's pal

By BILL HUTCHINSON

When his television blared the news John C. Salvi III had been caught, John D. Christo sat in his disheveled room and cried.

"I just hope they don't kill him," the 35-year-old man said. "Please, don't kill him."

For four months, a thin wall at the Beachside Inn in Hampton Beach, N.H., was all that separated the rooms of Christo and Salvi.

They were living arrangements that forged a friendship between two men who had no friends and shared a bond of family rejection.

"He's a good friend of mine and I respected him as a person," Christo said. "I didn't want him to get caught. I wanted him to keep going."

Salvi, 22, wanted to be a hairstylist, a dream, Christo said, Salvi's father didn't approve of. He said Salvi and his father didn't get along and that a day after Christmas they got into an argument that Christo tried to break up.

But Salvi rallied to the side of Christo, too — talking to him when a bitter divorce that kept him separated from his

young daughter got him down.

Christo pointed to pictures of his smiling daughter on a chest of drawers.

"I'm supposed to be with my daughter," he said in a voice rising with tension. "I only have 10 days with her. Now I have to deal with this stuff. Now I have to deal with him (Salvi) doing this."

Christo said he has been in constant contact with agents from the Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms bureau, trying to help them in their investigation of Salvi.

He said it was hard to believe such a "mellow, mellow" man could turn into a killer.

"He's not even capable of handling a gun," said Christo, who received a frantic call from Salvi yesterday morning, just hours before Salvi allegedly shot up a Virginia abortion clinic and a day after he went on a murderous rampage at two Brookline clinics.

Wearing a sweatshirt and a pair of plaid shorts, a visibly exhausted Christo pointed to his short-chopped brown hair.

"The guy is a nice guy," he said. "He screwed up my hair." □



BEST BUDDY: John D. Christo says he didn't want his friend, John C. Salvi III, to get caught. "The guy is a nice guy," Christo says.

Staff photo by Patrick Whitemore

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CAPTURED! THE SUSPECT

**Accused's uncle:
I can't believe
nephew is killer**

By TIM CORNELL

The uncle of a man accused of slaying two
during a rampage at two Brookline abor-
tion clinics said he wished his nephew
was still on the loose — even after the alleged
killer was caught shooting up another abortion
clinic.

"I can't say I'm glad he was caught, no," said
Denis Trudel, John C. Salvi III's uncle.

Trudel says his nephew is innocent although
Salvi was captured yesterday after allegedly
shooting up a third clinic in Norfolk, Va.

"I don't want to do anything that would jeopard-
ize his innocence," Trudel said while standing
outside his Ipswich house where Salvi lived for a
time before he moved to New Hampshire.

"I can't believe it was him, knowing him as I
do, doing the things they say he's done. I didn't
think he would ever do anything like this."

Salvi's cousin, Charlie Hall, said Salvi's alleged
crimes had shocked the family.

"This is overwhelming, it's all a complete sur-
prise to us," said Hall, who lives next to Trudel.

"We'd like to be famous nationally, but not like
this."

Trudel said he saw his nephew on Tuesday,
when he and the family got together. At the time,
he said, it didn't seem as if Salvi were about to
go on a rampage.

"It's been shocking, horrifying," he said. "It's
been a hell of an experience."

Salvi moved back to Ipswich when he was 20,
not knowing what he was going to do with him-
self once he was out of high school, Trudel said.

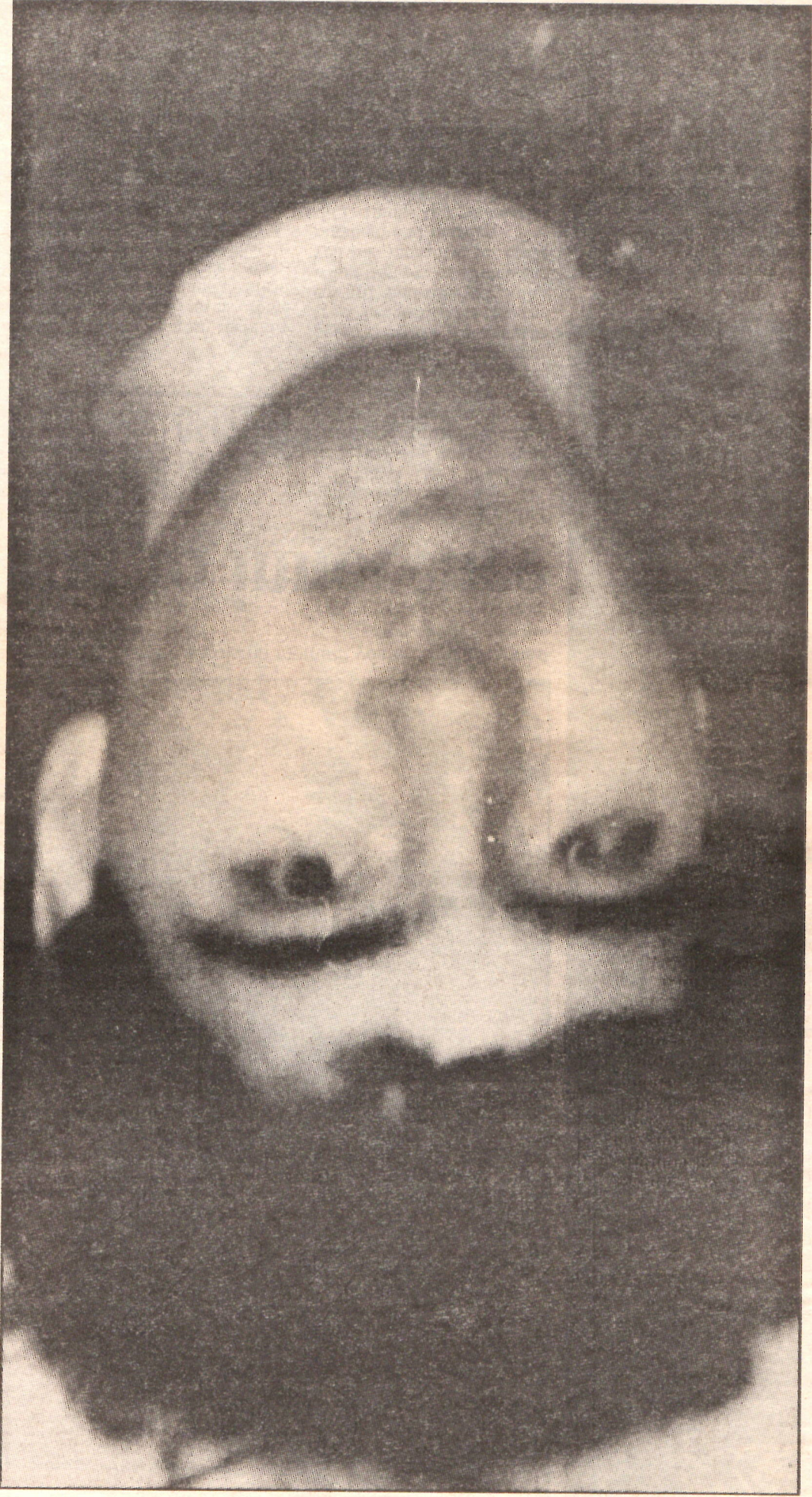
He worked for a time as a security guard, then
tried to get a clammimg operation going.

Salvi had talked about becoming a hair-
dresser, but Trudel didn't like that idea.

"I didn't encourage him to get into the hair
business," he said. "I thought he could get into
better things. I thought it was an easy thing for
him to do, right out of high school." □



DENIS TRUDEL



SHOOTING SUSPECT: John C. Salvi III grew up in a well-to-do family.

with him for a while — he
was someone I felt was un-
likable."

Salvi and his parents
moved to Florida about 10
years ago from Ipswich,
where the family had lived
in a cottage overlooking
Plum Island. Salvi's
grandfather, the late Jake
Trudel, had been well
known in Ipswich as a
piano teacher.

Nothing in his past,
however checked,
showed an anti-abortion
terror strong enough to
push him to kill, acquaint-
ances said. He didn't be-
long to any anti-abortion
groups and seldom pushed
his beliefs on others.

"I don't believe it," Sal-
vi's uncle Denis Trudel of
Ipswich of his nephew's al-
leged murderous descent.

"It shocks me in the same
way it shocks everybody
else. He was quiet, but I
never saw anything like
this in him."

Salvi moved back to the
Northeast two years ago
and moved in with his un-
cle Trudel for a little over
a year as he tried to find
work and establish him-
self.

In Hampton Beach,
Salvi met Richard Griffin,
a beauty-shop owner, who
took the young man under
his wing.

"He was always easy to
get along with, but he just
wasn't very talkative,"
Griffin said yesterday at
his Eccentric Hair salon.

"But he was a really good
worker. He'd mop the floor
without you even asking."

He said Salvi wore a
scapular — a kind of
blessed medalion —
around his neck, and often
outside his clothing.

Griffin also said that
Salvi was afflicted with
scoliosis, or curvature of
the spine, and had applied
for federal benefits.

In the six months that
Griffin knew Salvi, the
hairdresser surmised that
Salvi was raised by a do-
minating woman.

"His mother was very
demanding on how he
wore his hair," said Grif-
fin. "So, I'm sure she was a
very dominating mother.
She did not want him to
wear his hair long. He said
if he didn't cut his hair,
his mother wouldn't give
him any more money."

Salvi also worked brief-
ly at a Portsmouth, N.H.,
salon, but was asked to
leave Dec. 23 after a cus-
tomer complained Salvi
grabbed his coat from him
too roughly.

"I didn't want him back
here," said hairdresser
Robin Nichols. "I thought
he was the Jeffrey
Bahmer type. Anyone who
goes to lose it," she said.

"He's going to snap. He's
a little kid sometimes."

Griffin said the only
time he talked to Salvi
about abortion was when
he asked him to remove
the pictures of fetuses
from his truck.

"He just said those were
his beliefs, and he stuck up
for them a little bit," Grif-
fin said.

Griffin said Salvi was a
devout Catholic, who
quoted Scripture in the
other eerie conversation
about members of the
Swiss cult Temple Solaire,
who perished in a suicide
fire earlier this year.

"I do remember him
saying," Griffin said,
"We all turn to ashes in
the end." □

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CAPTURED!/A COMMUNITY'S GRIEF



OUTPOURING OF GRIEF: Terrence Mead and his son Luis, 4½, share a solemn moment yesterday at Planned Parenthood. At right, a young man stands with hands clasped at the door. Staff photos by Arthur Pollock



Evil draws an end to innocence

At the age of 4½ Luis Mead already understood that something quite terrible happened two doors away. What began in sunshine and a fairy tale ended in darkness and tears. Friday ended with his mother, Theresa, struggling to tell her only child a different story. The story of 1031 Beacon St., two doors away. A story of evil and guns and death.

Yesterday, Luis' father, Terrence, led his little boy across Beacon Street to a florist shop. Father and son bought a handful of red roses and returned to the stairs two doors away. The child stared at the vigil candles burning in the frigid sun and the melted wax that now stained the stairs like so much blood and tears.

Terrence Mead knelt down beside his boy and gently placed the flowers among all the others laid at this spontaneous shrine by strangers. Pinned to the roses were the words Terrence had written on a small card:

"The innocent who suffer under the righteous, theirs is the kingdom of heaven ... Blessed are

they."

Though he lived two doors away, Terrence Mead did not know Shannon Lowney, the perfectly innocent receptionist shot dead inside Planned Parenthood at 1031 Beacon.

"Undoubtedly, I may have passed her on the street," Mead said, "just another regular working person doing her job, going about her life, like myself. Like my wife. Like yourself, I suppose.

"To have innocent people snuffed out by someone who makes the decision that everyone is guilty and deserves to die," Mead halted his thought and began to shake his head. "It's got to touch you.

"I hear the news downtown in my office. 'A woman shot to death on Beacon Street in Brookline.' I don't know quite how to describe the feeling, actually, other than to say your blood does indeed run cold. 'My wife. My God, is it my wife?'"

The madness erupted two doors away. Yet, Terrence Mead's view of it comes from some 3,000 miles away. A native of Birmingham, England, Mead is a computer specialist working here with First Data Corp.



PETER GELZINIS

"While we can certainly get obsessive over some things (in England)," Mead said, "I must say we are nowhere near as obsessive on the question of abortion as Americans.

"It's simply not the issue it is over here. Take my wife and I, for instance," he said.

"We had our child late in life. During the pregnancy, doctors warned us that there were distinct possibilities of problems. The choice of abortion was there. It was an option we discussed, the both of us. And though it wasn't the option we chose, I was glad it was there."

For the five months he has lived on Beacon Street, Terrence Mead and his family have grown used to the knot of protesters who picket and pray outside 1031 Beacon. Up until 48 hours ago, he could admire what he saw as that distinctly American blend of passion

and freedom. Friday changed all that.

Friday, the imaginary line between zealotry and insanity vanished altogether. Indeed, John C. Salvi III epitomizes the downside of any crusade. He stands as the errant time bomb nestled among the true believers. He is the coward and alleged killer who attempts to stretch the veil of morality to cover mayhem and murder.

"I think the wonderful thing about the human spirit is that it will always rise up to fight off any attempt to subdue it," Terrence Mead said. "Isn't that what liberty ... true liberty is all about? Isn't that what your ancestors fought my ancestors for? People won't be subdued.

"If his (Salvi's) aim was to scare people out of going to an abortion clinic, then he failed. And he failed miserably," Mead said.

A mile and a half up Beacon Street, the woman on her knees, trying to keep the candles on the sidewalk from being smothered by the wind, wasn't ready to say that terrorism had failed.

"I once worked here," said the woman, who declined to

be identified. "I stood at the front door up there and kept the crazies out. When I left, I was wearing a bullet-proof vest. And I had to listen to people — people who on other days went to church and cleaned their houses and raised their kids to obey the law — I had to stand there and listen to these same people scream in my face and tell me I was standing guard at the gates of Auschwitz.

"Yes, I knew Leanne Nichols," the woman said, trying in vain to hold back her tears. "She was a wonderful, radiant person. And she did not deserve to die. She was the kind of person who made everyone feel comfortable. She didn't walk, she bounded into a room. Her energy was infectious."

The woman began to cry there on the sidewalk be-

cause there was so much she wanted to say, but she did not feel it was her place to speak for the woman who was murdered in the very act of being gracious.

"I'd like to believe that Leanne's death would help put an end to this madness," the woman said. "But this murder-begets-murder sickness has already been going on for two years."

She took one last look at the flowers on the ground. "I'm afraid to say that others will follow Leanne."

On the other end of Beacon, as flowers continue to pile up on the stairs, Theresa Mead spoke of returning to London on Tuesday with her son, while her husband stays here.

"Luis tells me he wants to go home," Theresa whispered, "wants to go far, far away from the bad people with guns." □

CAPTURED! A COMMUNITY'S GRIEF

Bouquets, tears & outrage

Victim's fiance sobs at scene of murder

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believed in violence. She could never feel malice toward anyone."

As tiny candles flickered in the wind outside both Beacon Street clinics where police say John C. Salvi III attacked with his deadly duffel bag of guns, other mourners brought their bouquets, their tears and their outrage.

"I'm very angry," said Beth Lamont of Cambridge after she placed a handful of pink carnations on the sidewalk at Preterm Health Services. "This has now become something very personal."

The killings of Lowney and Leanne Nichols, 38, of Salem, N.H., should serve as a wake-up call to American women not to take their rights for granted, said social worker Amy Cook, 24, who has counseled women at the Planned Parenthood Beacon Street location.

"I was feeling more complacent with Clinton in office," Cook said after placing flowers at the clinic. "Now I feel I need to throw myself back into it. Then again, I'm afraid to."

Lowney, 25, of Arlington had returned to work at the Planned Parenthood clinic nine months ago, after a yearlong leave of absence to work with battered children in Maine.

Unlike most Saturdays at these clinics, the anti-abortion protesters and anti-abortion "sidewalk counselors" were absent. No abortions were scheduled because of the holiday weekend.

There were words of blame directed at Operation Rescue, whose members five years ago began clinic blockades in Brookline.

"They laid the groundwork for it," said former Brookline Selectman Jeffrey Allen, who headed efforts to protect three local clinics then.

Although anti-abortion groups have condemned the killings, Allen said anyone who blocked a clinic set the stage for a fanatic.

"Certainly there's dif-



FACING THE HORROR: Amy Cook of Newton and Holly Wenninger of Boston pay their respects in front of the Planned Parenthood Clinic in Brookline. Inset, a candle is left on the clinic's steps.

Staff photos by Arthur Pollock

ference in degree," he said. "But once you start a ball rolling down the hill, you can't say I didn't mean to roll it down the hill."

The anti-abortion movement that struck

Brookline always had an undercurrent of violence, he said.

"The worst thing they did was send my son a birthday card. They wanted you to know they knew where you lived, that they

knew you had a son," Allen said.

Hour after hour at both ends of Beacon Street, mourners came to the sites of the killings. Some said they felt helpless and restless sitting at home.

"I think it speaks volumes that the violence hasn't gone in the other direction," said Lisa Strauss of Somerville, who came with her friend Janice Moore to place flowers on the sidewalk at Preterm.

"The other side has demonstrated they're much more prone to violence."

There was also disbelief that a man could buy a bag full of guns and ammunition, cross state lines and walk casually into clinics.

"It's a gun-control issue also," Moore added.

Joe Candido, who helps run a Corey Road rooming house near Preterm, said one of his tenants was an ardent anti-abortion protester who spent his days saying the rosary in front of the clinic.

Angry that the landlord would not allow him to hold large anti-abortion gatherings in his room, the tenant cleared out of his room the night of the murders, Candido said.

When word arrived of Salvi's arrest in Norfolk, Va., mourners were filled with relief. Many had expressed fears that anti-abortion sympathizers would hide the gunman.

One card placed on the makeshift memorial at Planned Parenthood called for peace and friendship.

"May we learn from this awful ordeal and go on to hold each other, not break our bones and bloody our bodies," said the card signed Ron with a smiley face. □

The Associated Press contributed to this report.

Cardinal Law's appeal was too little, too late

Bernard Cardinal Law did a good thing Friday. Unfortunately it was too little, too late. A longtime defender of peaceful protest outside abortion clinics, Law on Friday asked that those protests end.

"If what we really want to do is to move on this issue in a non-violent way, anything that could be perceived as aggravating the relationship between people should be avoided."

Peaceful sidewalk protest, he has finally concluded, is most certainly aggravating — especially when so-called "peaceful" protesting involves shouting "murderer" and "baby killer" at strangers on the street, or waving three-dimensional plastic replicas of fetuses being torn from wombs.

These are the sorts of "peaceful" protests neighbors of the two clinics attacked on Friday described, not the "peaceful," prayerful protests apparently envisioned by Law.

In the words of longtime abortion rights advocate Bill Baird, "When (pro-lifers) refer to us as murderers or the devil, it turns loose unstable people."

Such as, perhaps, John C. Salvi III, the alleged shooter in the Friday massacre. He's now being described as an odd, scary loner with strong Catholic views. He drove around town with a large picture of an aborted fetus on his truck.

I wonder: How did the "murderer" rhetoric affect the thinking of 22-year-old Salvi? Or the "butcher" line often screamed at physicians, like the Planned Parenthood physician who said Friday he continues to do abortions, despite death threats, because he believes it is right, just as strongly as pro-lifers believe it is wrong?

That's the problem with this never-ending debate, isn't it — how strongly both sides believe they, alone, are right.

I wonder: Did Salvi ever hear radical pro-lifers talk about shutting down "abortion mills" for the greater glory of God? Did he read the 1993 radical document which refers to "justifiable homicide" in the name of saving the unborn?

Did he ever hear Cardinal Law call abortion, as he has called it so often, "the primordial evil of our times?"

Do you suppose such a line, coming from so respected a clergyman, could have an incendiary effect on the type of person we're hearing pro-lifers distance themselves from today: a delusional fanatic, a loner, a nut.

Nothing to do with us, they say. No relation. No responsibility.

Really?

"An obviously deranged individual," Madeline McCormish, president of the moderate Massachusetts Citizens for Life (which does not support sidewalk protests) said



MARGERY EAGAN

of the alleged killer.

Yet one might ask at this point: What sort of person spends 10, 20 or 40 hours per week outside abortion clinics waving bloody baby photos at MBTA trains filled with inbound commuters, at children walking with their mothers to the dry cleaner's?

How many quietly deranged individuals are among the familiar protesters seen daily in this relatively safe Brookline neighborhood — or in any neighborhood where abortions are performed?

A year ago, at the annual pro-life walk sponsored by the aforementioned moderate Mass. Citizens for Life, Cardinal Law rallied thousands who carried signs reading "Abortion is Murder," "Abortion: The American Holocaust." Fall River Bishop Sean O'Malley declared: "Abortion is murder." Thousands hooted and cheered.

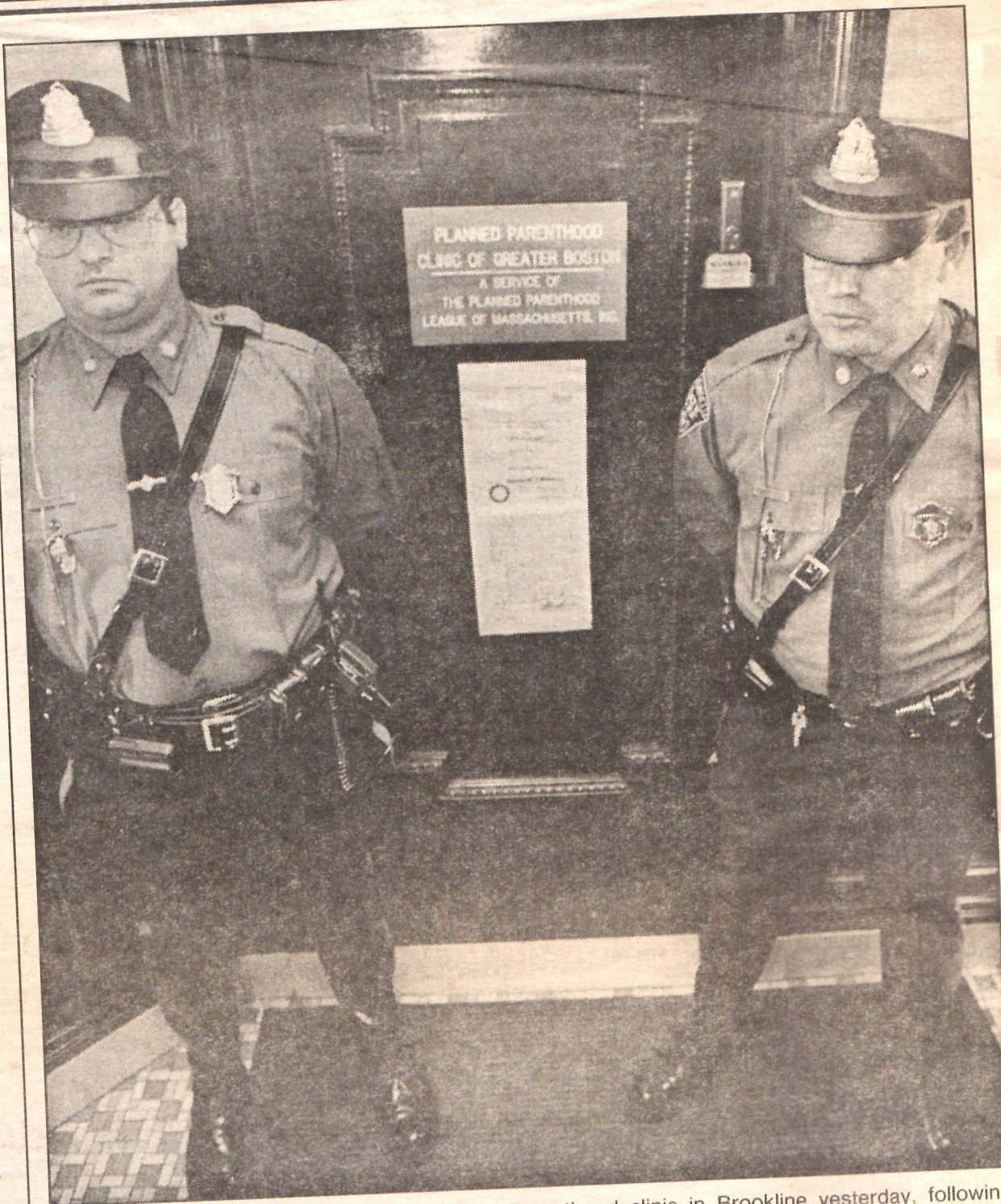
I wonder, was John C. Salvi III there that day? Did he see it on the news? What did he think?

Law said then, and says often, that pro-life must not only mean battling abortion but also helping pregnant women, providing them shelter, clothing, food. This year's march gathered clothes, furniture and toys for poor mothers-to-be.

But such good works get lost amid the constant hateful rhetoric which has characterized the public face of a pro-life movement which insists it does the work of the Lord.

Four years ago, a New York bishop said former Gov. Mario Cuomo, a Catholic who supports abortion rights, was headed "straight to hell" for his views. Cuomo's response: "The answer to abortion is (not) to make a law that says that a woman who does it is a murderer. Or that a doctor who participates in it is a murderer. ... You (don't) teach respect for life that way. The best way to teach reverence for life is affirmatively, positively, through acts of love."

Acts of love. Better late than never, our cardinal appears to be heeding the governor's words. □



ON GUARD: State Police guard the Planned Parenthood clinic in Brookline yesterday, following Friday's shootings there and at the Preterm Health Services clinic. Staff photo by Arthur Pollock

Clinics to beef up security systems

By J.M. LAWRENCE

Planned Parenthood of Massachusetts and other health clinics will begin the New Year buttressing their defenses against terrorism after a gunman was buzzed into two Beacon Street clinics.

What the suspect, now identified as John C. Salvi III, said to gain access may never be known.

"The person who heard it is gone," said Susan Newsom, vice president of Planned Parenthood, referring to receptionist Shannon Lowney who was killed Friday.

"Is this Planned Parenthood?" the gunman asked Lowney after entering. Yes, she replied. And he allegedly shot her five times.

Less than 10 minutes later, the gunman entered with the same ease at the Preterm Health Services clinic less than 2 miles down Beacon Street.

But more security guards and the installation of metal detectors won't stop the violence, the national head of Planned Parenthood said yesterday.

"The unstable people hear (anti-abortion) leaders talk about killing and talk about murder and they act on what they consider the logic of a statement like that," said Pamela Maraldo, the president of the

Planned Parenthood Federation of America.

In such an environment, clinic security, no matter how tight, is vulnerable, said Maraldo, who called on the White House and Congress to demonstrate a strong commitment to women's health.

Newsom said Planned Parenthood of Massachusetts devotes more than \$80,000 out of a \$4 million budget to pay for security guards.

She said she could not openly discuss upcoming security changes. The clinic, closed for the holiday weekend, will open as scheduled on Tuesday with State Police protection.

Other Massachusetts abortion providers could not be reached for comment on New Year's Eve, but Newsom said they must tighten security.

"I sure hope so," she said. "I sure hope they are."

The three abortion clinics along Beacon Street in Brookline — Planned Parenthood, Repro Associates and Preterm — perform more than 15,000 abortions a year.

Abortion providers may have begun to feel too comfortable in a town that strongly supports abortion rights. Taxpayers have paid out more than \$300,000 for police overtime to protect clinics over the past five years. □

CAPTURED!/JUSTICE

Officials may seek death penalty for suspect

By RALPH RANALLI

The nation's top law enforcement officials are exploring a possible death-

penalty prosecution of accused abortion clinic killer John C. Salvi III under recently passed federal laws, official sources said yesterday.

Discussions among U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno, FBI Director Louis Freeh, U.S. Attorney for Massachusetts Donald K. Stern and others have already taken place about a possible death-penalty prosecution of Salvi, sources said.

Salvi, 22, of Hampton Beach, N.H., is already facing state murder charges for allegedly killing two women and wounding five other people during a shooting rampage at two Brookline abortion clinics Friday. He also faces lesser state charges for an attempted clinic shooting in Norfolk, Va., yesterday.

Massachusetts has no state death penalty.

If Salvi were prosecuted federally, however, two relatively new statutes could be combined into a precedent-setting prosecution for someone accused of

abortion-related violence.

Stern declined comment recently on options for prosecuting Salvi, as did a spokesman for Reno. State murder charges also normally take priority over federal charges.

But sources say that Reno, Freeh and other top Clinton administration officials — who have made a high-profile commitment to protecting clinics — are aggressively pursuing their own prosecution and the death penalty option.

"If they do pursue (the death penalty) it would set a precedent," a source said. "This has never been addressed before."

If Stern's office does prosecute Salvi, he would be charged under the Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances (FACE) Act of 1993, a federal law protecting access to abortion clinics.

The FACE statute does not provide for the death penalty either, but the 1994 Crime Bill passed earlier this fall included enhanced application of the death penalty in cases where a federal law was broken, a gun was used and death resulted.

The circumstances facing federal officials and Norfolk County District Attorney are the opposite of those which faced Florida officials in the case of former minister Paul Hill, who killed an abortion doctor and an escort outside a Pensacola clinic in July. Hill was convicted under the federal FACE law and sentenced to life in prison, but was not eligible for the federal death penalty because his crimes were committed before the passage of the crime bill.

Hill was sentenced to death in December after being convicted of murder under state law. □

Activists fear conspiracy exists

By JULES CRITTENDEN

Abortion-rights advocates believe that abortion foes who are ready to kill for their cause are linked by a national network.

But federal authorities say they have found no evidence of a widespread conspiracy to kill — or to support killers — in recent abortion clinic shootings.

In the case of John C. Salvi III, who allegedly killed two and shot five others in Brookline Friday before heading south to shoot up a Norfolk, Va., clinic yesterday, authorities say they have found no evidence that Salvi is connected with any

known anti-abortion group.

But abortion-rights advocates question how Salvi knew where to go in Norfolk. They say federal investigators have failed to act swiftly in the wake of shootings.

"We're tired of hearing this reported as the work of isolated nutbars," said Katherine Spillar of the Feminist Majority Foundation, which tracks anti-abortion activists.

"Federal authorities and the media continue to say these are isolated people who go off. They might be unstable, but the question is, is it being orchestrated and are they being assisted?" Spillar said.

"Is it possible that these people are being recruited and brainwashed and supplied with guns, the plans? That's what the police and media should be asking," Spillar said.

Spillar noted that 35 people nationwide, including convicted anti-abortion killer Paul Hill and activ-

ist the Rev. Thomas Carleton of Arlington, signed a petition citing the so-called necessity defense, supporting the use of violence in defense of unborn children.

The Rev. Katherine Hancock Ragsdale, an Episcopal minister who heads the Washington, D.C.-based Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice, said that even if there is not direct collusion in such killings, the evidence of support and encouragement is there.

"There is clearly a conspiracy of terrorism. The right-wing Army of God produces manuals telling people how to build bombs and silencers and how to maim and murder doctors," Ragsdale said.

"The violent rhetoric and demonizing of opponents of the radical right and some conservative politicians inevitably leads to this violence," she said. □

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CAPTURED!/THE VICTIMS

Arrest pleases victims' neighbors

Injured guard released, others still hospitalized

By JOSEPH MALLIA

Friends and neighbors of those who survived Friday's attack on two Brookline abortion clinics said they were grateful that police yesterday had arrested the alleged gunman, John C. Salvi III.

"I'm glad they were able to catch up with him so soon in Virginia. I thought it was very good police work," said Joseph A. Brown, 68, of Longmeadow Road in Hingham, a neighbor of Brian Murray, one of those who was shot.

"I hope they're able to hold onto him," Brown said.

Murray, 22, a Hingham High School graduate who recently worked in telemarketing at a Sears store, remained in serious but stable condition at Beth Israel Hospital yesterday.

"I think that Boston people thought it would never happen here," said another neighbor, who asked that her name not be used.

"The kid you see mowing his father's lawn in the summer, and you look across the street and see his family there — it's quite a shock when you hear about him," the neighbor said.

Victim switched jobs for her safety

By TIM CORNELL

When a man dressed in black entered the Preterm Health Services clinic in Brookline Friday, it was the visit Leanne Nichols had dreaded.

Fearing the threats from anti-abortion protesters were escalating against Repro Associates, where she was a receptionist, Nichols had recently moved to the Preterm clinic, where she hoped she'd be safer, said a co-worker.

Leanne's mother, Ruth Nichols of Ohio, voiced tearful outrage at her daughter's senseless death.

"My daughter was gunned down by a madman and how dare that happen," Ruth Nichols told WHDH-TV Channel 7. "I am sitting here imagining my daughter laying on a slab.

"The world has gotten to the point where you have to believe like somebody else believes or you're going to be shot. It's a bad world," Ruth Nichols said. Leanne Nichols' neighbors in Salem, N.H., de-

Also yesterday, Cambridge resident Anjana Agrawal, 30, a medical assistant at Planned Parenthood, remained in serious but stable condition at Beth Israel Hospital.

She was shot in the abdomen.

At Brigham and Women's Hospital, Jane Sauer, 29, of Cambridge and Antonio Hernandez, 32, remained in fair condition, a hospital spokesman said.

Hernandez was shot in the chest, flank and abdomen. Sauer was shot in the back and pelvis.

"I really feel for her. I hope she's OK," said one of Sauer's neighbors, Jeff Evans, 33, of Dudley Street in North Cambridge.

Hernandez and Murray were waiting for patients at the clinics.

Richard J. Seron, 45, a security guard at the Preterm Health Services clinic who fired back at the gunman, was discharged from Brigham and Women's hospital.

Two other victims, Shannon Lowney, 25, of Arlington, and Leanne Nichols, 38, of Salem, N.H., were killed in the attacks. □

scribed an idyllic lakeside life that she was building with her longtime fiance, Ed McDonough.

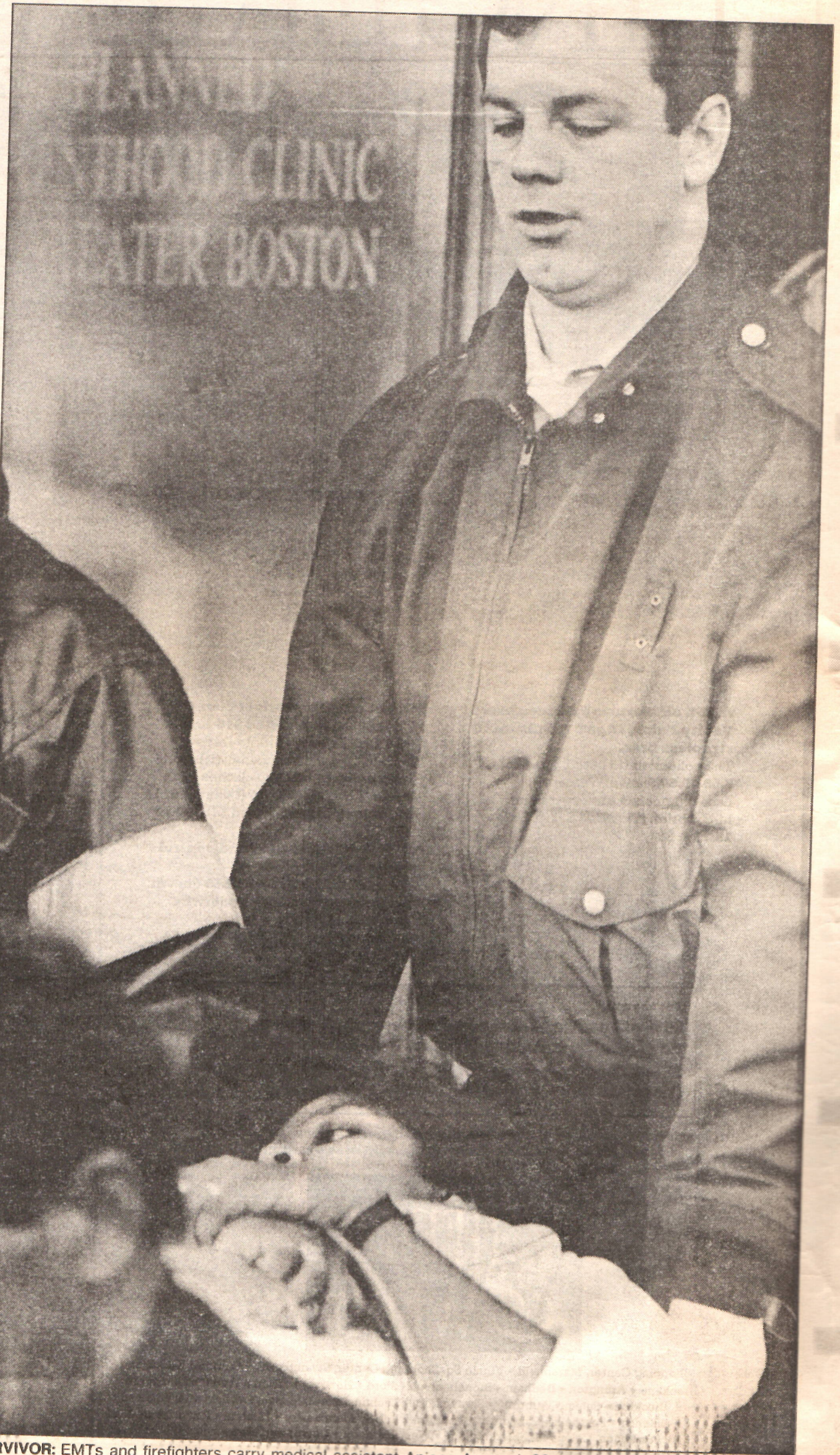
"All she wanted was to be together with Eddie," said neighbor Laurie Evers. "She was a lovely, lovely girl — I always saw them together, whenever they went out."

Nichols' dreams were shattered Friday when John C. Salvi III opened fire at two Brookline abortion clinics, killing her and Shannon Lowney, 25, authorities said.

Two years ago, Nichols, 38, and McDonough moved from an apartment house in Methuen to their Salem cottage.

"They both worked very hard to save money so they could buy the house," a Methuen neighbor said. "After they left, we exchanged numbers, and said we'd keep in touch, but we never did. You know how those things are."

Nichols loved living by a lake, even if it meant a 50-minute commute, Evers said. She remembered seeing Nichols take her cat rowing on the lake on quiet evenings. □



SURVIVOR: EMTs and firefighters carry medical assistant Anjana Agrawal, 30, out of the Planned Parenthood Clinic of Greater Boston at 1031 Beacon St., Brookline Friday.

Staff photo by Jon Hill

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'World is less for her light going out'

By DAVID TALBOT

Growing up in the affluent suburb of Fairfield, Conn., Shannon Elizabeth Lowney loved sports and music. And she loved people.

Just one of her talents was playing the french horn and piano. Mozart was her favorite composer as she played with the Greater Bridgeport Symphony Youth Orchestra.

At Boston College, where she graduated magna cum laude with a history degree in 1991, she realized she wanted to work with abused children, pregnant teenagers, and as an advocate for women.

The 25-year-old Arlington resident was planning to get a master's degree in social work. She was working as a receptionist and Spanish translator at Planned Parenthood.

This promise and hope was snuffed out Friday when she was fatally shot at the Brookline clinic, allegedly by John C. Salvi III.

At the murder scene yesterday, Lowney's fiancée had to be supported by his father and another man as he walked up to the brownstone building to lay flowers in her memory.

"She was my whole world," David Keene said through tears. "I know Shannon harbors no ill will — even to the man who killed her. She never believed in violence. She could never feel malice toward anyone."

The Planned Parenthood job started soon after her graduation. But she left it temporarily to move to Maine, where she worked with abused children and trained family counselors. She returned to the clinic about eight months ago.

"She wanted to make a real impact on peoples' lives, and now she can't," said Hannah Pressler of the Maine agency where Lowney worked, Lewiston-based Advocates for Children.

She traveled throughout

Maine's Androscoggin County, and showed a great gift for working with troubled children, said Margo Simmons, chairwoman of the organization.

She spent her last Christmas in Fairfield last weekend. She told family she was torn about whether to keep working in women's health or children's health, or perhaps family counseling.

"She was happy and full of plans," said her 22-year-old brother, Liam Lowney, who greeted visitors at the Fairfield home while other relatives grieved inside. "She saw herself as helping people who were less fortunate."

The family was suffering from a double loss. Shannon's 88-year-old grandfather took ill after hearing the news, and died Friday night. In the space of a half-hour yesterday, two trucks pulled up to the house and delivered six floral arrangements.

Relatives said they were proud of Shannon, who had taken the trouble to learn Spanish so she could translate for patients at Planned Parenthood.

The fear generated by protests, shootings and bombings at other abortion clinics across the country did not deter her, Liam said.

"She was committed to — and worked to provide — women the right to choose," Liam said. "She gave freely of her talents and skills to help others. The world is less for her light going out."

"I wouldn't say my sister was terrified, but she was intelligent," he said. "She knew the potential consequences of holding a controversial job. She went to work every day anyway."

Chris and Eileen Bossone, her next-door neighbors, recalled her as a kind soul who was the pride of her parents, who are public school teachers and have one other daughter.

"She was a well-rounded kid who tried to help others," they said. "Her parents are very proud of her." □



SHOOTING VICTIMS: Shannon Lowney, 25, of Arlington, was killed Friday by a gunman inside the Planned Parenthood Clinic in Brookline. Antonio Hernandez, below left, and Brian Murray, below right, were shot while waiting for patients at the clinic. Both remain hospitalized.

Staff photos, below, by Jon Hill



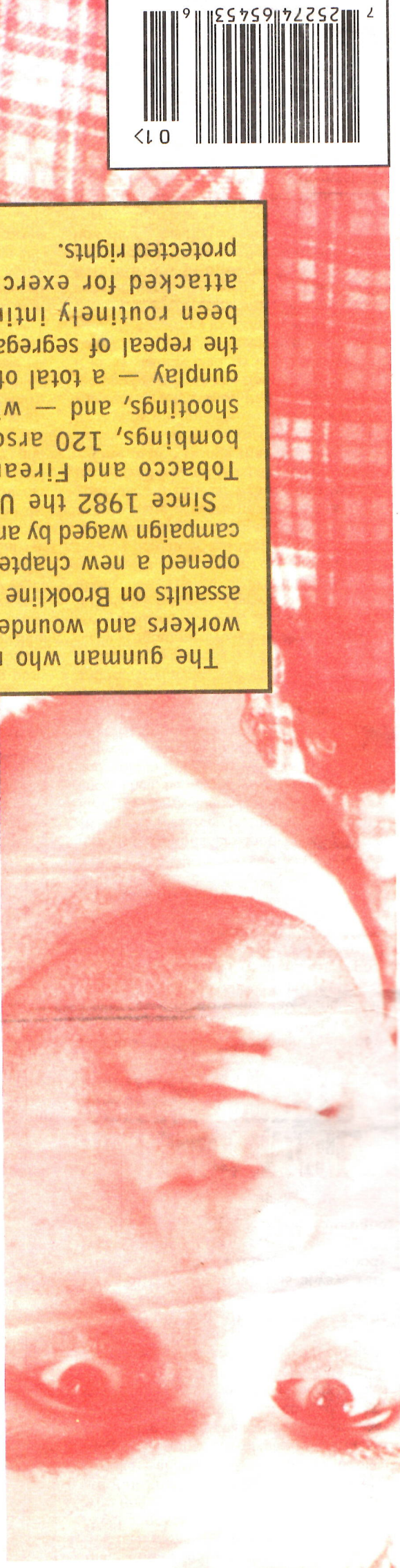


PHOTO OF JOHN C. SALVI III BY AP/WIDE WORLD

The gunman who murdered two clerical workers and wounded five other people in assaults on Brookline health clinics last week opened a new chapter in the 13-year terror campaign waged by anti-abortion fanatics. Since 1982 the US Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms has recorded 37 bombings, 120 arson attacks, numerous shootings, and — with the latest round of the repeal of segregation laws have citizens been routinely intimidated and viciously attacked for exercising constitutionally protected rights.

The mayhem resonates with particular horror because it was so spectacularly random. Anyone was fair game: workers, women seeking routine gynecological care as well as abortions, friends and family who happened to accompany them.

This time the suspected shooter is not a disciplined veteran from the extreme of the pro-life movement. He appears to be a defiantly pathetic soul, not unlike Kenny Fraiser (right), the assassin who fled a domineering mother in Robert Altman's *Nashville*, or the maladjusted vigilante Travis Bickle (left) in Martin Scorsese's *Taxi Driver*.



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ABORTION MAYHEM

by Peter Carbonara

The tragedy that began in Brookline last Friday looked like a movie you've seen before, a plot line that's in danger of becoming a cliché: an apparent anti-abortion fanatic venting righteous rage at clinic workers. Police cars, bodies on stretchers, screaming activists. But if the pictures in Brookline were familiar, differences in setting and targets made them even more appalling. The violence that in the last two years has emerged from the shadows of the abortion debate reached out to touch people who thought they were exempt.

Two precedents for the Brookline attacks took place in Florida. In March 1993 a confused and angry chemical-plant worker named Michael Griffin killed gynecologist David Gunn by shooting him three times in the back as he walked from his car to the rear entrance of a Pensacola abortion clinic. Sixteen months later Paul Hill, an alarmingly polite and rational anti-abortion radical, used a shotgun to murder Dr. John Bayard Britton and his bodyguard, James Barrett, as they pulled up in front of another clinic, also in Pensacola. Griffin is serving a life sentence for his crime; Paul Hill now sits on Florida's death row.

Though the killings at the Planned Parenthood clinic and Preterm Health Services in Brookline bear some resemblance to the Florida murders, the differences are important. Both Pensacola shootings occurred outdoors and were carefully planned assassinations of doctors well-known to local protesters. Pensacola is a focal point of anti-abortion agitation, and it has attracted more than its share of people capable of saying things like "killing in defense of the unborn is not murder." Hill and Griffin both waited for the police to come and surrendered without a struggle. And although Griffin later denied pulling the trigger, both men saw their acts as political and moral statements and themselves as martyrs.

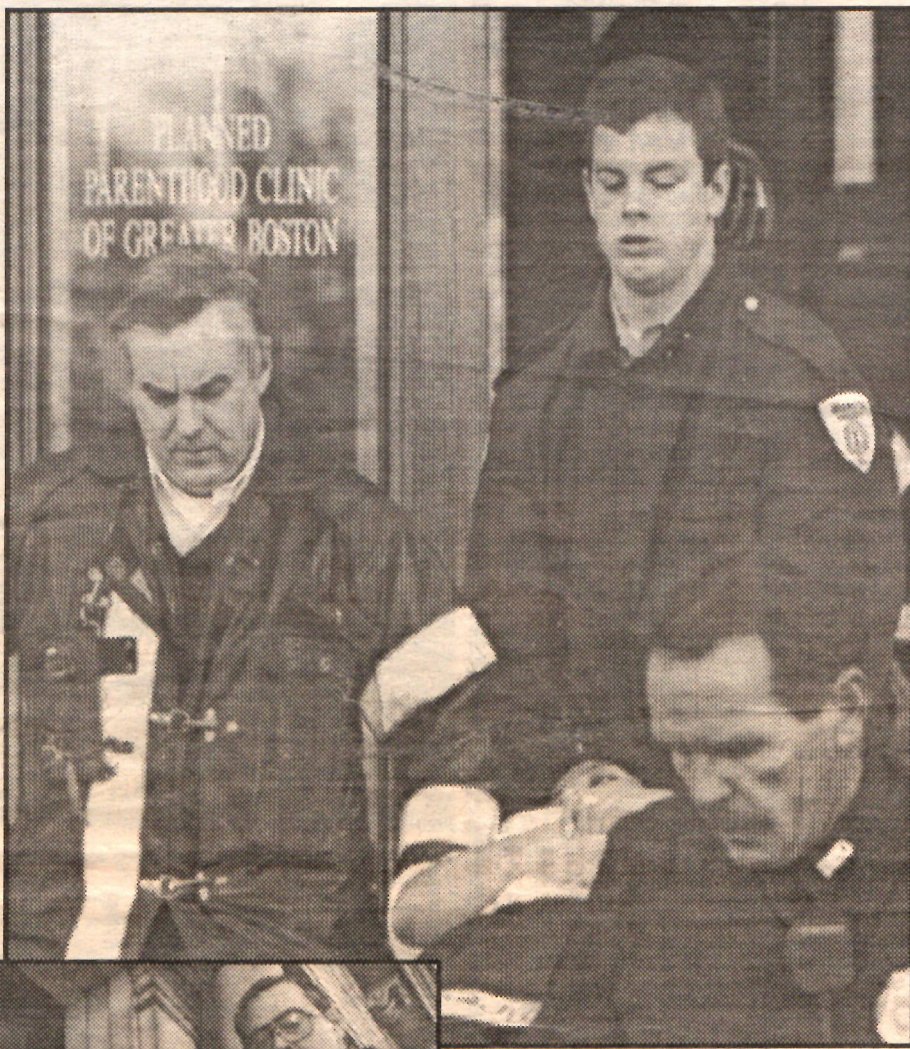
How the Brookline gunman regards himself remains to be seen, but he differs from his predecessors in several ways. First, he acted in Massachusetts, which, despite the threats and confrontations that occur at clinics here, has been relatively free of anti-abortion violence. Second, unlike Hill and Griffin, he carried lethal violence directly into a clinic. And very unlike Hill and Griffin, he did not seem too discriminating about his victims. The people he killed were not doctors, not even patients. The Brookline gunman killed two receptionists — the first women to die in this battle. He also fired at anyone else he encountered, including visitors in Planned Parenthood's waiting room.

Speculation on Friday that he had been motivated by Planned Parenthood's testing of the French abortion drug RU-486 seemed at odds with the shooting at Preterm, where the drug is not available. The gunman's actions were both targeted, like a contract hit, and random, like the rampage of a crazed postal worker.

The battlefield

The term "abortion wars" no longer sounds like pro-life hyperbole. And both Brookline battlefields — the Planned Parenthood clinic at 1031 Beacon Street and Preterm at 1842 Beacon, about two miles away — bear unmistakable signs of casualties. There are impromptu memorials, lit candles, piles of bouquets, notes and slogans written in chalk on the sidewalk: WE WON'T FORGET YOU, LEANN AND HOW MANY MORE — THE KILLINGS MUST STOP.

At both sites there's been a small but

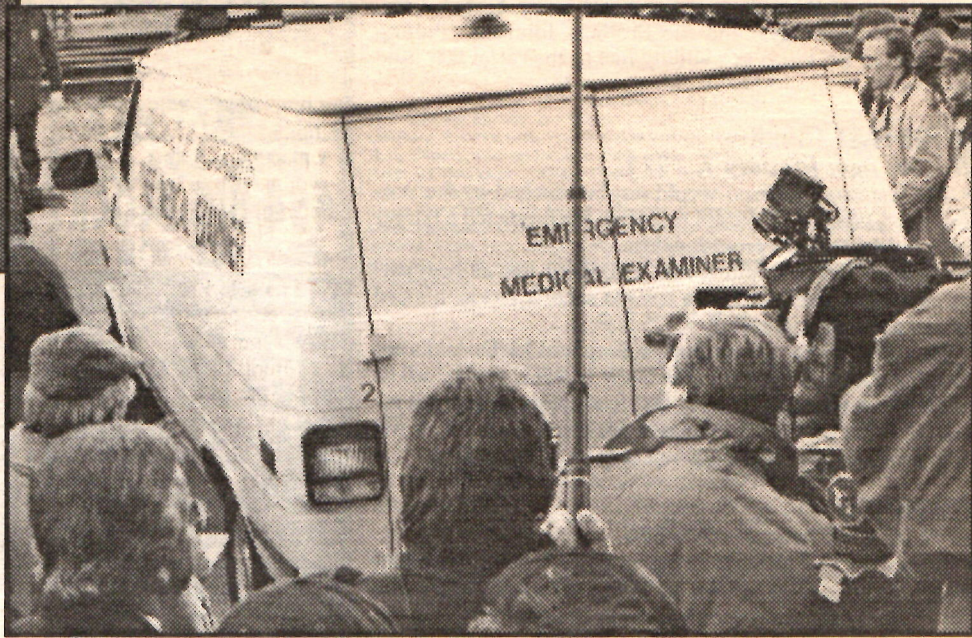


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VICTIMS of the Brookline abortion-clinic shootings are taken to hospitals or the coroner's. Seven people were hit. Two died.

JONAS KAHN



steady stream of people, all of them somber, some in tears, to pay their respects. Typical was Ann Marie Polillo, who made the 45-minute drive from Wrentham just to lay a bunch of flowers outside 1842 Beacon and stand for a few minutes in the cold. Nearby, another young woman knelt on the curb. An older woman in sunglasses stood and wept.

The events that brought these strangers together began mid-morning on December 30, a perfectly cloudless and freezing-cold Friday. According to the accounts that witnesses gave reporters, at around 10 a.m. a man walked past the small crowd of anti-abortion protesters outside the brownstone at 1031 Beacon and entered the Planned Parenthood clinic, on the first floor. No police or private guards were there to stop him. Without any warning, he shot the receptionist, Shannon Lowney, in the head, as between 30 and 40 people in the clinic's waiting area watched. She died instantly. He then fired at and wounded three other people.

The man left Planned Parenthood and headed west on Beacon Street, apparently by car, for Preterm — skipping another, closer clinic near Coolidge Corner. The building, like the one from which he had come, is in a mostly residential area, surrounded by brownstones and garden

apartments. Carrying a black duffel bag, he approached a receptionist in the clinic's first-floor personnel office and asked, "Is this Preterm?" When the receptionist, Leanne Nichols, told him it was, he pulled a rifle out of his bag and shot her dead. He also shot another worker who was standing nearby at a photocopier, as well as an armed security guard who ran into the office. The guard fired at the man but apparently missed him. The attacker left his duffel bag behind and fled the building, continuing to fire his rifle. No bystanders were hit, but at least one bullet grazed the hood and windshield of a gray car parked outside the clinic. As passersby dove for cover, the gunman vanished. Brookline police who had headed to Preterm and other

clinics in response to an emergency call from Planned Parenthood got there too late to stop him.

As the Brookline police — joined by state police and agents of the FBI and the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms — began their search, and EMTs arrived, crowds formed outside the two clinics. Reporters descended on witnesses. TV crews and satellite trucks arrived. Gawkers came. Photographers angled for shots of bodies being wheeled away. Pro-choice leaders showed up to make statements for the cameras. Ellen Convisser, president of the Massachusetts chapter of the National Organization for Women, said, "We live in a moment when terrorism against women is tolerated, and it has to stop." Meanwhile, FBI agents labeled and photographed the spent shells they found in the street.

Elsewhere, public officials, including President Clinton and Attorney General Janet Reno, denounced the attacks. Leaders of anti-abortion groups joined in, a few taking the opportunity to remind reporters that abortion, no less than the fatal shooting of two office workers, was killing. And Cardinal Bernard Law, one of the staunchest abortion opponents, wondered if it wasn't time to end prayer vigils outside abortion clinics.

Late in the afternoon, Governor Weld came by the Brookline police station to announce, "Nobody's cause was advanced today."

The suspect

By evening on Friday, a pistol and receipts for ammunition found in the bag the gunman had left behind led authorities to 22-year-old John C. Salvi III, a scripture-quoting apprentice hairdresser from New Hampshire.

Friends, neighbors, and relatives described him to reporters as that archetypal American character, the moody loner. But while the police and the FBI were scouring New Hampshire and Massachusetts for him, Salvi was on his way south. According to police, at around 11:30 a.m. on Saturday Salvi's black pickup truck pulled up behind the Hillcrest Clinic, an abortion clinic in Norfolk, Virginia, that has long been the target of radical anti-abortion

protesters. He fired about two dozen shots at the building's windows and fled. An arson investigator for the Norfolk fire department who was checking out a fire at an automated teller machine in the building saw him and radioed for help. Police cruisers caught up with Salvi a few blocks away. He threw a .22 rifle out the window of his truck and tried to escape on foot, but was subdued by police.

At press time, Salvi was sitting in a Virginia jail after being arraigned on state charges of firing into an occupied building. It was not clear when he would be turned over to federal or Massachusetts authorities and returned to New England.

The death toll of workers at US abortion clinics now stands at five. □

If John Salvi pulled the trigger and if he pulled it for a cause — to stop women from having abortions — then it makes his crime more tangible and easier to categorize: Salvi was a right-wing religious nut case, a terrorist committing a political act.

But what if the alleged shooter fired his rifle for an altogether different reason, one we'll never be able to comprehend because it reaches back to his childhood and his confusion over his sexuality? And what if all this confusion climaxed a week before the murders, in a blow-out with his parents and Salvi's losing his first real job sweeping up hair scraps at Eccentric Hair, a salon in Portsmouth, New Hampshire? If the scales of sanity tipped for Salvi and he snapped, then his victims were simply in the wrong place at the wrong time, and the line between righteous villain and psychotic killer is blurred.

No doubt the 22-year-old suspect picked the Brookline clinics for a reason, but that reason may have been more random than we realize. His motive couldn't have been strictly to prevent abortions, because he could've targeted a clinic closer to his home in New Hampshire. True, Salvi drove around town with pro-life propaganda plastered across his Toyota pickup truck, including a photo of an aborted fetus taped to a spare tire on the back. But Salvi, who was known to quote scripture and wear a scapular to work, referred to that fetus as Jesus. Perhaps it was more than a coincidence, then, that he chose to save all the other baby Jesuses only a few days after Christmas.

Aside from all the gruesome pro-life paraphernalia, Salvi seemed like a mild-mannered kid, a loner who took in stray kittens and liked to eat at Wendy's. It seemed Salvi was always searching for a home or a place to fit in. Florida, where he'd lived as a teenager, didn't suit him, so he wandered back north, moving from his uncle's home in Ipswich to Everett and then to Hampton Beach, New Hampshire. According to a handful of his colleagues and friends, Salvi's state of mind was equally restless. Apparently he couldn't even find kinship among other pro-lifers.

At Eccentric Hair he was sort of a little brother to anyone who would have him, always eager to please. "In all my years owning the salon, John was the first person who ever offered to mop the floor," says Rick Griffin, proprietor of one of three Eccentric Hair salons in southern New Hampshire.

The drawback was that sometimes Salvi had to be told twice, even three times, to do something, as if he had trouble paying attention, says Griffin. "And John refused to work on Sundays — for religious reasons, he said."

Asked once what church he went to, Salvi replied, "All of them."

With the lean body of a dancer, Salvi liked to wear tight jeans and T-shirts, and his hair was long and permed — a stipulation of his mother's, a controlling woman who threatened to cut him off if he didn't style it that way. "He was handsome," says Griffin. "I thought he'd make a good-looking hairdresser once he was polished up nice."

At home in Hampton Beach, in a seedy, motel-like building called the Beachside Inn, Salvi often played the role of the damsel in distress, recruiting some of his more strapping neighbors to perform chores for him, like carrying his laundry basket down the stairs. In return, he'd cut their hair.

This picture of Salvi as a naive introvert began to fade, however, the Friday before Christmas. Salvi was working late at the salon, a tiny shop of polished white floors, long black couches, and bottles of shampoo stacked in pyramids. His parents, Anne Marie and John, were due to arrive from Florida at any moment. Devout Roman Catholics, the Salvis considered it important to spend the holidays with their only son, and they also were curious to see where he worked. After all, "John Boy," as his parents called him, just couldn't stop talking about the place and all the new friends he'd made there.

Minutes before their arrival, Salvi, whose job was to sweep hair and hang up jackets, decided to abandon his broom for a pair of scissors. Hoping to impress his parents, he demanded to cut the hair of a customer walking in. When his co-workers refused to let him, the 22-year-old wound up in a shoving match with one of the hairdressers. Then Salvi started a tug-of-war when the customer refused to let him hang up his coat.

Salvi did calm down eventually, but his co-workers could tell he felt humiliated, particularly when his parents strolled in minutes later, bearing oranges from Flori-



JOHN C. SALVI III
appears at an arraignment hearing in Norfolk, Virginia, where he was apprehended.

IN SEARCH OF JOHN SALVI

by Jody Ericson

da and gushing about how proud they were of their son.

After that, Salvi didn't come to work again.

Walking into the Beachside Inn, I find it hard to imagine his parents, who were obsessed with cleanliness and propriety, staying here. It is a place for people living on the margins — young couples just starting out, divorcees, and impossible dreamers. A stained green carpet clings to the floor, and fluorescent lights yellow the walls and your skin. Every room has a terrace attached to it, but Salvi barricaded the sliding-glass entrance to his with a bureau and kept the curtains drawn, obliterating his ocean view. Worse, there is only one bed per room, so Salvi's parents had to sleep on the floor.

December is the beginning of a lonely season in Hampton Beach. As the weather turns cold and the motels are boarded up, the sense of isolation deepens, especially along Ocean Boulevard, a strip of bars, seafood joints, and deserted beaches.

It is here, in a room next to Salvi's at the Beachside Inn, that I find a man named John Christo, now a kind of local celebrity, who in recent days has been quoted by almost every major newspaper, including the *New York Times*. Christo has been having some fun with the reporters, too. He told some, for instance, that Salvi called him right before he got arrested in Norfolk, Virginia — a deliberate lie, say his friends, despite the fact that it was quoted by a number of papers.

When I arrive, late on New Year's Eve, the 34-year-old construction worker is in bed. He invites me in anyway, and I ask if I can turn on a light. When I can't find the switch, Christo gets belligerent. "Come on, even my daughter isn't that dumb," he says. "I mean, just because you're blonde doesn't mean you're stupid."

Christo has one of those in-your-face

personalities that at first must have scared the hell out of Salvi, a man so private he never gave out his phone number or address, and had his mail delivered to Eccentric Hair. "I forced myself on John," says Christo. "He used to come home every night with a six-pack of Old Milwaukee beer and go straight to his room. Finally I said, 'Hey, what's your problem? We live next door to each other. We should talk.'"

Christo's words are thick with booze, raising questions about his credibility. He's wearing a pin that says, "Question Authority," and his hair is flattened to the back of his head. On top, it's chopped short. "John cut my hair. He butched my hair," says Christo. To prove it, he tells me to look in a cardboard box on his terrace. Inside, wrapped in towels, are what used to be Christo's locks. Dead hair.

Despite his drunkenness, Christo can recall vividly Salvi's parents and the tension-filled week they spent with their son. "His father was this big burly guy at least a foot taller than John," he says. "And his mother looked like a Florida drag queen — lots of make-up, fake blond hair, and always in a frilly dress. She kept saying what a nice boy I was, and the first thing she wanted to do when she got here was clean John's room."

When I ask what Salvi and his mother and father, reportedly a false-teeth manufacturer, fought about, Christo is vague. "John was a fag hairdresser," he mumbles. Harsh as that characterization may be, the older man's fondness for the salon worker seems genuine. "People told me to stay away from John because he was gay, but he was my friend," says Christo.

Jeff Marshall, who lives upstairs, stops in and joins the conversation. He also recalls the Salvi family blow-out. By the end of the week, the parents and son weren't speaking to one another, says Marshall. "They'd pass each other in the hall and not

say anything, like they were strangers," he says. Once Marshall even found Salvi in Christo's room, sitting on the bed and chugging a beer. Salvi was complaining about how his parents always ignored him. "My dad's an asshole," he said.

The day after his mother and father left, Salvi went on his shooting spree.

If the 22-year-old was looking for a chance to prove his manhood to his parents, perhaps he found it in the often violent, gung-ho rhetoric of the anti-abortion movement. And, in a demented sense, what better way to be a man than to take away a woman's right to choose, which lies at the core of the feminist movement? Maybe local pro-lifers did, after all, make Salvi feel like he was part of a family. In any event, the fact that he was heading in the direction of Florida after the Boston shootings makes one wonder if he wasn't trying to return home for his parents' approval.

Looking back, Salvi's friends and co-workers say there had been hints of what was to come on December 30, 1994. At Eccentric Hair's annual Christmas party, for instance, Salvi was drinking a lot more than usual — vodka, in fact, with a splash of cranberry juice. Vicki Hazard, who took Salvi under her wing when he first started working at the shop some five months ago, recalls a dull-eyed Salvi stumbling from room to room. At one point, he seemed to have locked himself in the bathroom, but when some of the hairdressers took the door apart, they couldn't find anything wrong with the lock.

Later that evening, when one of his female co-workers gave him a kiss and wished him a merry Christmas, Salvi got the wrong idea. He had never been very sure of himself, sexually, personally, or professionally, but he took the plunge and asked the woman to go home with him. When she refused, he left. There would be no girlfriend to introduce to Mom and Dad this Christmas, and, according to Hazard, Salvi said there hadn't been one for a while.

The week before the murders, Salvi also talked about heading north on vacation, and, according to Marshall, he changed his truck's Massachusetts license plates to New Hampshire ones. The strange part was he kept the old plates, making Marshall wonder whether Salvi planned to switch them back again at some point.

Also, Salvi often used a nearby pay phone, instead of the one in his room, to make calls, says Marshall.

Whom he was calling no one knows. Salvi has drifted in and out of so many places, it's hard to keep track of all his acquaintances. His ending up in Hampton Beach, for instance, was sheer coincidence. Salvi, in fact, was on his way to Montreal when he passed through the honky-tonk seaside town and, for whatever reason, decided to stay.

Before Hampton Beach, Salvi had tried living in his old French Canadian neighborhood in Ipswich. He even stayed in his grandfather Jacques Trudel's homestead, now a decaying yellow-brick building with a Blessed-Mary-on-a-half-shell shrine in the back yard.

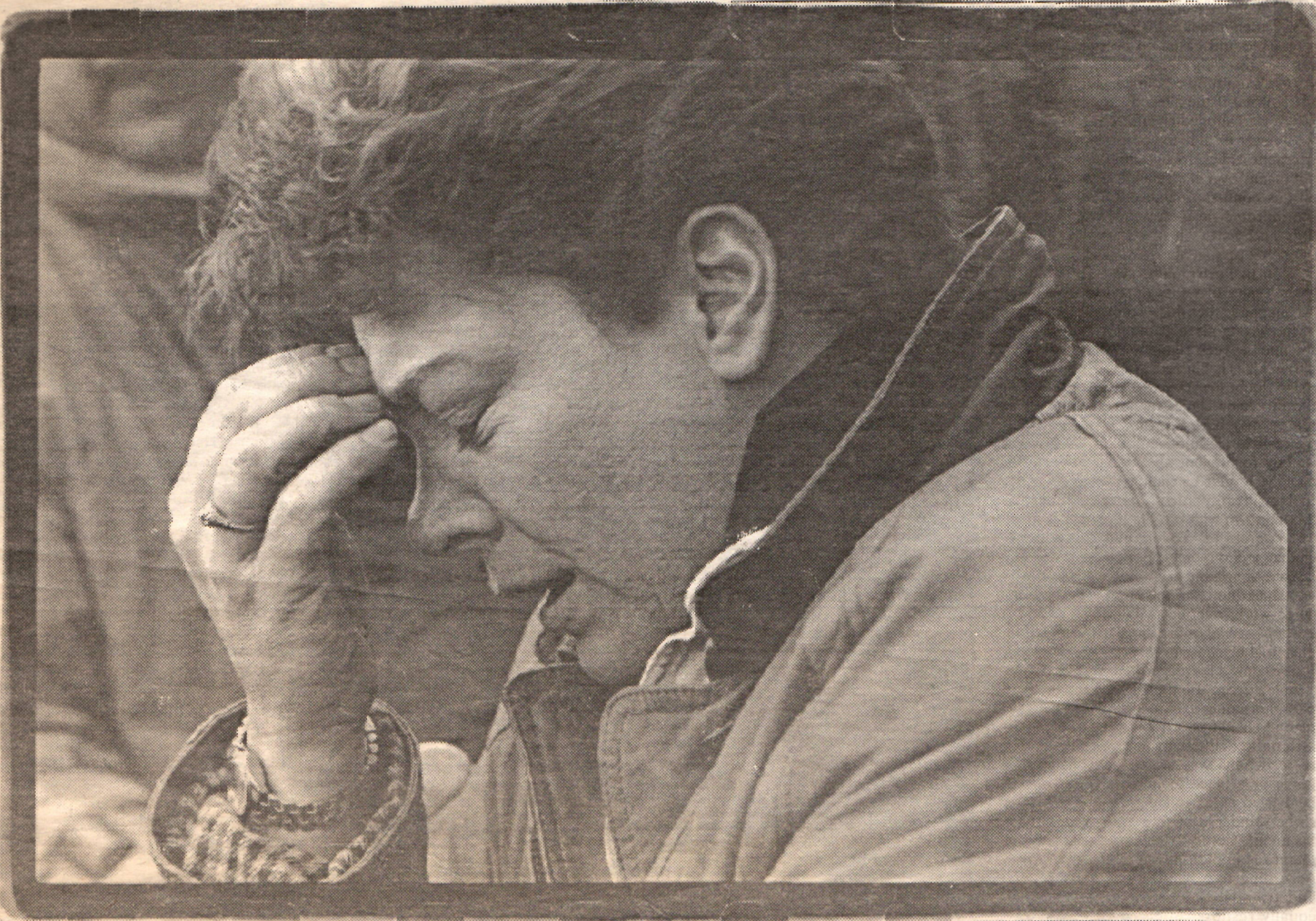
For some reason, though, life in Ipswich didn't satisfy Salvi, so he moved to a boarding house in Everett. There, he pestered a local priest about how the Catholic Church wasn't doing enough to fight abortion. He wanted to distribute pictures of aborted fetuses in church, but, when the priest refused to help, Salvi parked his truck outside and did it himself.

Another religious connection in Salvi's life was St. Stanislaus, in Ipswich, the Salvi family's parish before they moved to Florida when John was in high school. Founded in 1910 by French Canadian immigrants, the church is known for the conservative, fervently religious nature of its communicants. It was less than 120 years ago that the priest here stopped saying the mass in French, and many hymns are still sung in the native tongue.

Reverend John Swencki is relatively new to St. Stanislaus, but he knows of the Trudels. Jacques Trudel "had been an organist here since the Last Supper," says Swencki, and, during the week, Salvi's grandfather had given piano lessons to neighborhood children. When the elderly man became too ill to carry on, his daughter, Anne Marie, took over as choirmaster until she and her family moved south.

Father Swencki is a large man with a kind, round face. When I visit him on New Year's Day, he is wearing his usual black garb and a pair of worn blue slippers, and he smells of cigarette smoke. We sit in his apartment in the back of the church, where

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BYSTANDER Kelly Cunningham grieves.

For abortion providers, the question wasn't *if* someone in Massachusetts would die, but when and how. Colleagues of Shannon Lowney and Leanne Nichols are saddened by their murders. But they are not surprised. "We have been getting threats for some time," says a worker at Repto Associates, the Brookline women's clinic that was spared in last Friday's attacks. "We expected that something might happen."

Jonathan, a clinic escort who declines to use his last name for fear of harassment, says he was shocked that receptionists rather than doctors were targeted. But after the murder of Dr. David Gunn in Pensacola, Florida, he and his fellow escorts had been anticipating another act of violence. "We've been outside the clinics keeping our eyes open for any sign of weapons and anyone who looked a little bit more flaky than usual," says Jonathan, who has been accompanying patients at the Preterm and Repto clinics for five years.

Women's-health-care providers, and the advocates who support them, understand that the murders at the Planned Parenthood clinic and Preterm Health Services in Brookline were not a singular act. The alleged shooter was not a lone madman at the mercy of private demons. The shooting was spawned in a climate of virulent pro-life rhetoric, religious fervor, and intimidation played out in attacks on health-care providers and bitter protests at abortion clinics across the nation. In the past decade alone, there have been more than 600 reported incidents of murder, death threats, kidnaping, arsons, bombings, invasions, thefts, and burglaries at women's clinics.

"We must not allow ourselves to be deceived," says Kim Crawford Harvie, a senior minister at the Arlington Street Church, who conducted a memorial service for Shannon Lowney. "To see this as an isolated incident is to ignore the escalating backlash and an undeclared reign of terror against women and the men who stand with us. The provocative demonstrations and venomous rhetoric of the so-called pro-life movement is inciting their people to murder."

Dr. Richard Gelles, a professor at the University of Rhode Island who studies the impact of violence, agrees that pro-life language that paints women as murderers suggests that gunning down people in a clinic is acceptable behavior. "Pro-life rhetoric is not peaceful rhetoric. It sug-

gests actions like this," says Gelles, referring to the clinic shootings.

According to Gelles, anti-abortionists who succumb to hateful rhetoric fall into two categories. They are either embedded in the pro-life movement, like convicted murderer Paul Hill, who killed a Pensacola

abortion doctor, or they are deeply disenfranchised, like the suspect in the Brookline killings, John C. Salvi III.

Gelles continues: "That kind of guy who is at the margins of society uses an outrageously violent act to validate that he is real, that he has value as a human being.

GRIM ANTICIPATION

by Ann Harrison

You look for a way to display to the world that you matter. That's how a guy like Salvi, who is on the fringe, becomes the flag carrier or, in this case, the gun carrier for the pro-life cause."

The rhetoric of hate

Despite appeals by some pro-lifers to de-escalate the abortion conflict, members of Operation Rescue, a militant pro-life group, have no intention of toning down their rhetoric. Twenty-four hours after the shooting, Bill Cotter, the head of Operation Rescue in Boston, stood outside Repto Associates and confirmed that his organization would not refrain from sidewalk proselytizing. "We feel it would be a betrayal and an admission that our advocacy for children was wrong," Cotter maintains. He rejects the idea that clinic protests encourage people like Salvi, and suggests that health-care providers themselves attract — and perhaps deserve — the bullets fired at them. "I believe what fosters violence is violence, and what abortion is is violence against women and children," says Cotter.

Fewer than half of all health-care procedures at clinics like Planned Parenthood actually involve abortions. Still, according to the pro-life movement, all women of reproductive age who enter are evil. Jeanne-Maria Laruso, 37, who attended a post-shooting New Year's Eve rally at the State House, is still plagued by memories of being assaulted by an Operation Rescue activist while entering the Preterm Clinic in 1992 for a routine gynecological visit. "He didn't even know what I was going in there for, and started calling me a murderer and God will see me in Hell and 'God wants you to have this child,'" recalls Laruso. "I almost got into a fistfight with him, I was so angry."

By anointing themselves arbiters of morality, pro-life activists are engaging in a holy war in which the ends always justify the means.

Clergy from various denominations say it's important for pro-choice activists to dismantle the religious argument of the anti-abortion forces, the logical outcome of which is not piety but terrorism. A representative from the Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice reminded those at the State House rally that the popular image of power to which many people aspire is that of the "righteous" Rambo-like commando who rushes in to destroy the enemy. In her address, Harvie recalled Paul Hill's conviction that Jesus himself



AFTERSHOCK: Mourners and pro-choice advocates gathered at rallies and vigils after the shootings to try to understand why.

would have pulled the trigger on Dr. Gunn. "My friends," said Harvic, "this is blasphemy."

Former Boston city counselor David Scudaris believes religious leaders — including Cardinal Bernard Law, who has, since the shootings, appealed for an end to anti-abortion violence — should take responsibility for the hatred they promote.

"You can't spend 364 days a year saying women are murderers, women are murderers, and then one day someone shoots a woman and say, 'Oh, that's terrible. We're not for violence,'" says Scudaris. "That's rank hypocrisy, and that has got to stop."

"We live in a country, sadly enough, in which the anti-abortion rhetoric of hate has scared so many communists and so many people's lives that they can actually think that it's righteous to take the life of a woman," said National Organization for Women board member Ellen Zucker.

But religious fanaticism is not the only catalyst for anti-abortion rhetoric. Pro-choice activist Robin Drach, who has participated in counter-protests outside Repro Associates since 1989, has made it her business to study the motives of pro-life activists. Drach subscribes to the Operation Rescue mailing list, she attends their meetings and court appearances, and she listens to their arguments. She notes that the level of pro-life harassment has risen as efforts to overturn legal abortion through the court system have failed.

A refusal to be intimidated

The current foot soldiers in the struggle for reproductive rights are clinic workers and escorts who routinely put themselves on hand to guard the front and back doors. In 1988, when Operation Rescue first targeted Brookline clinics for anti-abortion demonstrations, some predicted that women would stay away. But they didn't. Despite the calls to end pro-life protests at clinics, women still endure harassment to seek reproductive care. The morning after the massacre, members of Operation Rescue continued to protest and videotape patients outside Repro Associates.

Though clinic defenders are holding firm, activist Marlene Fried notes that harassment of doctors by pro-life activists has succeeded in reducing the number of physicians willing to perform abortions. Abortion is the most common surgical procedure women undergo, says Fried, but only 12 percent of gynecological training programs require training for first-trimester abortions.

Gelles, of the University of Rhode Island, believes that events like the Brookline shooting increase the risk that other members of the lunatic fringe will commit similar acts. He recommends that women who are concerned about violence and intimidation at the clinics bring a friend with them when they go to their appointments. Traveling in a group, says Gelles, offers a greater sense of security.

As for the collective security of the pro-choice community, Gelles believes that counter-protests send an important statement of refusal to terrorism. "If you walk away from it, Salvi wins, the guy in Pensacola wins," says Gelles. "It's like any

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Salvi

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Although hardcore pro-life activists such as the Reverend Donald Spitz applaud the attacker's savagery as justifiable homicide — a noble attempt to shut down the clinic and intimidate their staff — the atrocity has backfired. Those who gathered for the somber vigil on the steps of the Planned Parenthood clinic, who rallied on the steps of the State House, have received a powerful wake-up call.

The growing backlash

Nicki Nichols Gamble, executive director of the Planned Parenthood League, asked a large crowd of pro-choice supporters gathered on the steps of the State House on New Year's Eve to brush away their tears and recommit themselves to defending the right to safe abortions and basic health care. Gamble also called on political, moral, and religious leaders to demand an end to the anti-abortion demonstrations and stop the harassment of doctors and staff members. "The climate of fear is diminishing," said Gamble. Lowmeyer's and Nichols's deaths will not have been in vain.

Ellen Convisser, the president of Massachusetts NOW, also reminded those at the rally that laws themselves are not enough to ensure that a group of theocrats will not attempt to hijack the Constitution. She noted that even though legal abortions are protected by federal laws, state laws, and private security details, women still live in a climate where pro-life terrorism can thrive. "The battle is up to us," Convisser told the crowd. "Are you up for it?"

The shootings have given activists plenty of motivation; the real discussion is now about tactics. DEFEND THE CLINICS BY ANY MEANS NECESSARY read the sash Rachel Adler, 38, wore at a pro-choice rally last week. For Adler, defending the clinics will require more than installing metal detectors at the Planned Parenthood clinic or bringing in more federal marshals. It means shaking young women and their male allies out of their political apathy. "I think it will take the kind of mass movement that has got tens of thousands of people out on the streets determined to prevent this kind of violence," says Adler. "Ultimately what attacks on the clinics is about is the desire to put women under control, back in the houses, and away from any access to power."

Lesley Luyne, a 31-year-old clothing designer, agrees that the shootings have created a catalyst for political action. Luyne stated numbingly down Beacon Street and identified the source of her own rediscovered activism. "Rage," said Luyne, "rage and sadness. And I'm going to do something with it. I'm going to help out in any way I can."

Nell Wheeler, 30, a print-shop employee, traveled to Boston from New York to participate in the State House rally. She believes federal troops should be mobilized to defend clinics throughout the nation. It took armed soldiers to enforce the deregulation of school systems during the civil rights movement, reasons Wheeler. Why not treat this situation the same way?

Other pro-choice activists question the wisdom of an armed occupation, which may simply increase the level of tension around the clinics. But they point to an important political hierarchy that pays lip service to reproductive choice, but fails to protect women's constitutional rights. "Two hundred clinics have been bombed," notes Marlene Fried. "What do you think the response of law enforcement would be if 200 banks had been bombed?"

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by Peter Carbonara

LEGAL IRONIES

ANNOUNCING Salvi's arrest: public safety chief Kathleen O'Toole, AG Scott Harsbarger, US Atty Donald Stern, Norfolk DA William Delahunt.



ne of the ugliest ironies surrounding the killings last week at Planned Parenthood Services is that Health Services is that they occurred despite a large body of laws without parole to use force or threats to block a clinic entrance.

Whether those legal restrictions have done anything to prevent violence at clinics is hard to say. As Donald Stern, US Attorney for Massachusetts, points out, there's no way to count crimes that haven't occurred.

Obviously some people have not been deterred: both John Salvi, who authorities say fired the fatal shots in Brookline, and Paul Hill, who murdered a doctor and his body-guard outside a Pensacola, Florida, clinic this summer, acted after the FACE bill became law.

Susan Newsom, of Planned Parenthood, worries that an unintended consequence of the legal crackdown on blockades may have been to intimidate rational abortion opponents and bring "the really crazies" to the fore. But State Representative David Cohen (D-Newton), a co-sponsor of the Massachusetts clinic-access law, rejects the argument that legal restrictions have driven abortion opponents to violence. "We didn't stop picketing," Cohen says. "It's a very dangerous trend. They've failed in the political arena and they've failed in the legal arena, and now they're turning to illegal activity."

Meanwhile, just how the law will deal with John Salvi is not yet clear. Over the weekend he was charged in Massachusetts with two counts of first-degree murder and five counts of armed assault with intent to murder. If indicted, tried, and convicted, he would face a maximum penalty of life in prison. (A spokesman for Norfolk County District Attorney William Delahunt said it was too soon to say whether Salvi might also face charges under Massachusetts's clinic-access law.)

First, however, Salvi must be returned to the Commonwealth, which local authorities say may happen by the end of this week. At press time, however, he had not yet been arraigned in Virginia on charges stemming from the shots he allegedly fired at a Norfolk clinic on Saturday. Also to be determined is whether Salvi will be prosecuted under the federal FACE law. (US Attorney Stern says it is conceivable that Salvi might also face charges under a new federal law that provides the death penalty when a weapon is used in a crime that results in a death.)

This week officials, including Attorney General Harsbarger and Public Safety Secretary Kathleen O'Toole, are scheduled to meet to discuss possible improvements in Massachusetts clinic security. Whatever they come up with, there seems to be little in the way of new clinic-access law capable of preventing a replay of Friday's events — an apparent act of terrorism by a determined assailant.

As Planned Parenthood's Susan Newsom says, "The fact is that murder has always been against the law."

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Family and activists mark clinic shootings

By Susan E. Neff
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and Matt Bai
GLOBE STAFF

BROOKLINE - A year to the day after John C. Salvi 3d allegedly strolled into two Brookline reproductive health clinics and opened fire, killing two women, the family of one of the victims stepped forward yesterday to remind people that the attack was about more than politics or violence.

It was also about Shannon Lowney, 25, and Lee Ann Nichols, 38 - receptionists, not zealots - who lost their lives in a bloody instant, relatives said.

Recalling their sister as a warm, compassionate and intelligent woman, Liam and Meghan Lowney spoke of the void Shannon's absence has left in their lives.

"Forever we will grieve her absence," Meghan Lowney, 28, said. "Our family was reduced from five to four overnight."

Shannon Lowney's brother and sister made their CLINIC, Page 29

What's closed, open on New Year's Day

Holiday observed: Tomorrow

Massachusetts

Retail stores: Open.
Liquor stores: Open.
Supermarkets: Open.
Convenience stores: Open.
Taverns, bars: Open.
Banks: Closed.
Stock market: Closed.
State offices: Closed.
Municipal offices: Closed.
Schools: Closed.
Libraries: Closed.
Mail: No delivery.
MBTA: Subways, buses, trackless trolleys and commuter rail trains will operate on a Sunday schedule.
Boston traffic rules: Meters not in effect.
Rubbish collections / Boston: Delayed one day except in Boston proper and Roxbury.

Mike Barnicle is on vacation.



Lays her apron on the back of a chair before attending a prayer session.



Brother Wayne Smith reads his Bible during afternoon prayer session.



Sister Ruth Nutter (left) and Sister June share some time together before a meal.

Family, activists mark clinic shootings

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comments at a press conference at the Holiday Inn on Beacon Street, not far from the site of the shootings.

Yesterday featured an afternoon rally and an evening memorial service and candlelight vigil attended by hundreds of friends and colleagues of the two women.

A Catholic Mass commemorating the 10th anniversary of Project Rachel, a program for men and women affected by abortion, will be said by Cardinal Bernard Law tonight at 9:30 p.m. at St. Joseph's Church in Needham.

Amid the commemorations, the Lowneys called for an end to violence.

"My family joins too many others who have lost sisters, brothers, children and parents to the increasing violence in our society," Meghan Lowney said. "Out of fear, intolerance and hopelessness, we have too frequently resorted to violence."

Liam Lowney called the death of his sister "a waste" and "a tragedy."

"This is not an isolated incident," he said. "It happens every day. There are millions of me and millions of Meghans out there."

Anne Osborne, executive director of Preterm Health Services, the health center where Nichols was killed, said the Nichols family, who live in Ohio, had opted to refrain from making statements on the anniversary.

Salvi, 23, a hairdresser from Hampton Beach, N.H., is scheduled to go on trial in February for the shootings. Prosecutors say Salvi, well-dressed in black, entered the Planned Parenthood Health Center on Beacon Street, fatally shot Lowney as she used the phone, and then shot others before moving on to the Preterm clinic.

There he allegedly asked Nichols if he was in the right place and, told that he was, shot her at point-blank range.

Five people were injured in the shootings, including at least two men who accompanied patients to the clinics. Salvi was arrested a day later in Norfolk, Va., where he apparently fired shots at another clinic.

Salvi's lawyers have said that they will argue he was temporarily insane at the time of the shootings.

Both Osborne and Alice Verhoeven, director of the Planned Parenthood clinic, decried that defense yesterday.

"My reaction is that somebody who does something like this is nothing but insane, but he knew what he was doing and he should be held responsible," Osborne said. "It would be a very sad day if the result is to ever let John Salvi step foot outside again."

Earlier in the day, hundreds of abortion-rights advocates marched around the Boston Common and Public Garden in the Back Bay to commemorate the shootings at the two clinics.

The rally, sponsored by the state chapter of the National Organization for Women, wound its way around the parks to the Arlington Street Church. Marchers gathered at the church to hear speeches from several abortion-rights activists, including David Gunn Jr., son of a doctor who was shot and killed two years ago as he exited a Florida clinic.

"It's nice for a change to see a community offer so much support for pro-choice endeavors," Gunn told the demonstrators from the church's pulpit. "I'm well aware of the loss the families of these two women have gone through over the last two years."

Ellen Convisser, the former president of the Massachusetts chapter of NOW, told the protesters that the last year has shown a "sense of renewal" for the movement to ensure women's reproductive rights. But, she



Demonstrators line Beacon Street in Brookline yesterday to remember the two women slain at clinics a year ago.

said, there are "still tremendous attacks on us from all sides."

Abortion opponents said yesterday they did not have formal plans to commemorate the shootings.

"We've encouraged everyone to pray for our movement and for the families of the young people who were killed and injured," said Madeline McComish, president of Massachusetts Citizens for Life.

She reiterated her condemnation of Salvi, saying, "This person is not pro-life. I don't care what he claims to be."

Hundreds of people gathered last night for a service in memory of Lowney and Nichols at Temple Ohabei Shalom in Brookline.

Colleagues and friends vowed that the tragedy would bring them together to protect women from violence.

Osborne and Nicki Nichols Gamble, president of the Planned Parenthood League of Massachusetts, which runs the clinic where Lowney was killed, alluded to a possible merger between the two clinics.

They said they hoped uniting the clinics would make them stronger and safer.

"We're coming together tonight in the same sadness, but with strength and solidarity," Osborne said.

Added Gamble, "Our world was shattered by the actions of John Salvi."

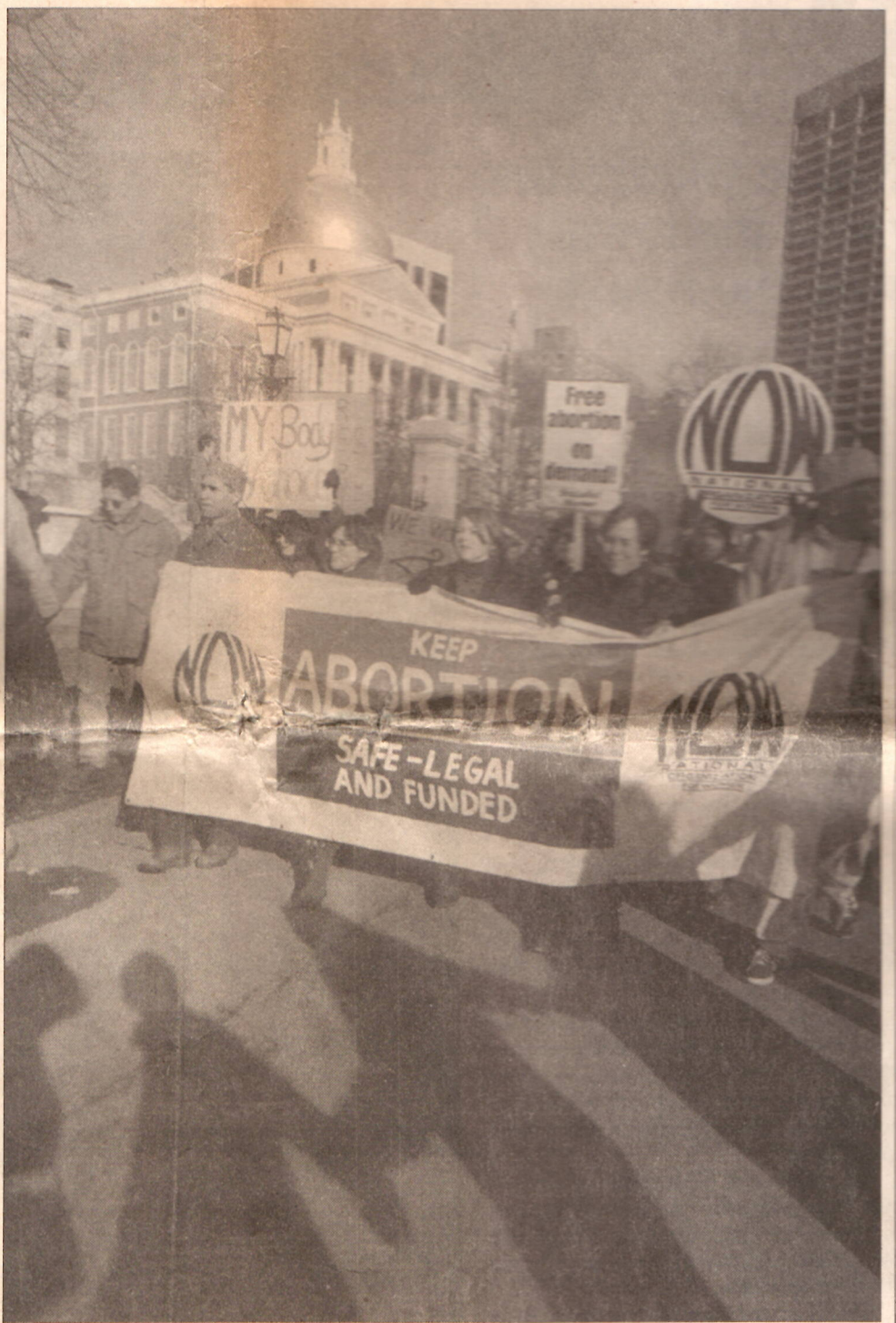
A silent candlelight vigil followed the service, with more than 300 people lining Beacon Street from the Planned Parenthood clinic to the Preterm clinic.

A makeshift shrine was erected in front of 1031 Beacon Street, where Lowney's parents knelt in memory of their daughter and strangers bowed their heads and cried.

The service was heavily guarded by state and Brookline police, and private security personnel. There were no demonstrations or hints of trouble near the temple, which was exactly what Rabbi Emily Lipof, who gave the homily, had prayed for.

"Never seek revenge," Rabbi Lipof said during the benediction. "Never sink to violence."

Richard Chacón of the Globe staff and Globe correspondent Michele R. McPhee contributed to this report.



Abortion-rights activists march down Beacon Street yesterday to commemorate the anniversary of the fatal shootings at two Brookline reproductive health clinics.

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SPECIAL

Please read the day before the morning after

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with sugar, which a person may lack during a binge," says Dr. Arthur Elkind, who runs the Elkind Headache Center in Mt. Vernon, N.Y.

Fructose may also lower levels of acetaldehyde, a break-

If you do wake up with your head throbbing tomorrow morning, adds Elkind, it's probably because alcohol has caused your blood vessels to dilate. Dilated vessels in the scalp stretch and activate pain nerves inside the vessels.

And if you've been drinking a type of alcohol, notably red wine, that contains an amino acid called tyramine, the throbbing may be worse, because tyramine exacerbates the dila-

Ibuprofen - such as Advil, Motrin, Mediprin - is less likely to cause stomach upset and may be more effective for headache, says Elkind.

And if you're a chronic drinker, beware of acetaminophen (Tylenol). An enzyme in the liver may convert acetaminophen into a toxic substance, though casual drinkers are at less risk.

Whatever you do, says Rife of UMass, don't have another

Kelly reelected
Boston District
Councilor James
Kelly elected to sec-
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MIKE BARNICLE

Rebellious son had own agenda



HE IS AN APPRENTICE hairdresser who is very angry at his father and apparently not all that thrilled with his mother either. He is a frail, unstable fellow who sat all weekend in a Virginia jail cell, greatly excited by how big his name appeared in the papers while worried about the Patriots, the outcome of the Orange

Bowl and the future of his Toyota pick-up truck.

This morning, he will go before a local judge and at some point will be charged with two murders along with five counts of assault with a dangerous weapon in Brookline because police believe that John Salvi, a 22-year-old oddball, stepped out of his madness long enough last Friday to kill two women at their work.

"You'd never know from talking to him that he did what he did," one of his interrogators said yesterday. "If people are looking for conspiracies, they're going to be disappointed. What we got here is a nut. A real nut."

"He wanted to know if Clinton mentioned him by name. That's the kind of stuff on this guy's mind."

Friday morning, Jimmy Grogan and Pat Kearns, two Brookline policemen, responded to a call of shots fired at the Planned Parenthood Clinic on Beacon Street, at the Boston line. Inside, a marvelous 25-year-old woman named Shannon Lowney was dead on the floor.

There were 18 Brookline police on patrol at the time. A few minutes later, there was a second shooting at another clinic up the avenue toward Cleveland Circle where another woman, Lee Ann Nichols, 38, was killed.

That anyone could walk into one place, the Planned Parenthood Clinic, empty a clip of ammunition at those in the building, walk out, drive a car calmly along a busy city street stuttered with traffic lights to the second site - Preterm Health Services - find a parking place, enter those offices, shoot a woman dead at close range while exchanging gunfire with an armed guard, escape, get back into a vehicle and go to New Hampshire leads some in charge of the investigation to believe Salvi may have had an accomplice, a driver. It would be difficult enough for someone behind the wheel of an ambulance, siren screaming, to negotiate the same route in the time between shootings, ten minutes.

But Salvi allegedly did it, then fled south, stopping to rent a motel room early Saturday near Norfolk, Virginia prior to his third attack in two days on a clinic. Later, police discovered maps of Greater Boston in his possession with the location of the clinics highlighted and circled.

Much has been made of the fact that Salvi comes from a Catholic family. Why, reading and listening to everything said about him, you would think he was some religious fanatic going about some twisted version of his God's work when what he truly is - more than likely - is simply a deranged individual seeking to gain his parent's attention as well as fame with a cheap, over-the-counter rifle. Hey Dad, you think I'm a nobody, a loser hairdresser? Watch this.

Check any of the churches where this Salvi is supposed to have rabidly practiced his religion - in Everett, in Ipswich, in Hampton or Seabrook, N.H. - and you find he was so devout that nobody knew him or remembered seeing him until he was arrested and his face came on the TV. If he's such a big deal Catholic, go find his parish.

He comes up a fruitcake killer who may have been provided with an edge of anger by the vio-

State urges taxpayers to

By Peter J. Howe
GLOBE STAFF

Most people filing their taxes don't think of hitting the jackpot, but that may change this spring as the state Revenue Department offers \$20,000 in prizes to encourage people to use its new telephone filing system.

Under the plan, set to be announced today by Revenue Commissioner Mitchell Adams, about 1.1 million Bay State filers who use the simplified ABC tax form will be eligible to collect gift certificates worth \$250 to \$2,500 at Massachusetts stores.

The money, donated by the Associated

Incentive program offers \$20,000 in prizes

Industries of Massachusetts, a leading business lobbying group, and several non-profit charitable foundations, is intended to generate interest in a new system that allows people to file their taxes by touch-tone phone.

"I don't think we're going to start running any 'You may already be a winner' ads, but we do want to see a great level of participation," said Adams, asserting that state tax collectors could save hundreds of thousands of dollars if many filers go the

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SOUTH END CRASH - Boston Firefighter Jimmy Cahill of Engine 3 places a neck brace on a victim yesterday at the scene of a two-car accident on Harrison Avenue. Yesterday's weather

Shoes, jobs in decline

Closing of struggling Bridgewater company has high

By Robert Preer
CONTRIBUTING REPORTER

BRIDGEWATER - For the first time since she was a teen-ager, Rose Ring, 66, is looking for a job.

It's likely to be harder than it was 50 years ago, when she started afternoons after school at the big shoe factory on Perkins Street near her downtown Bridgewater home. After graduation, she worked full time, running the heavy black sewing machines that stitched George E. Keith Co.'s Walk-Over shoes, for years a leading

speaking English and have few other skills, will h
jobs after the final orders are filled in a few w

"I feel bad. There is nothing I can do about
landmark in our town," said Ring, who picked
check Friday.

In a bid to save the struggling company, a
since become controversial, the Weld adminis
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gerous weapon in broad daylight because police believe that John Salvi, a 22-year-old oddball, stepped out of his madness long enough last Friday to kill two women at their work.

"You'd never know from talking to him that he did what he did," one of his interrogators said yesterday. "If people are looking for conspiracies, they're going to be disappointed. What we got here is a nut. A real nut.

"He wanted to know if Clinton mentioned him by name. That's the kind of stuff on this guy's mind."

Friday morning, Jimmy Grogan and Pat Kearns, two Brookline policemen, responded to a call of shots fired at the Planned Parenthood Clinic on Beacon Street, at the Boston line. Inside, a marvelous 25-year-old woman named Shannon Lowney was dead on the floor.

There were 18 Brookline police on patrol at the time. A few minutes later, there was a second shooting at another clinic up the avenue toward Cleveland Circle where another woman, Lee Ann Nichols, 38, was killed.

That anyone could walk into one place, the Planned Parenthood Clinic, empty a clip of ammunition at those in the building, walk out, drive a car calmly along a busy city street stuttered with traffic lights to the second site - Preterm Health Services - find a parking place, enter those offices, shoot a woman dead at close range while exchanging gunfire with an armed guard, escape, get back into a vehicle and go to New Hampshire leads some in charge of the investigation to believe Salvi may have had an accomplice, a driver. It would be difficult enough for someone behind the wheel of an ambulance, siren screaming, to negotiate the same route in the time between shootings, ten minutes.

But Salvi allegedly did it, then fled south, stopping to rent a motel room early Saturday near Norfolk, Virginia prior to his third attack in two days on a clinic. Later, police discovered maps of Greater Boston in his possession with the location of the clinics highlighted and circled.

Much has been made of the fact that Salvi comes from a Catholic family. Why, reading and listening to everything said about him, you would think he was some religious fanatic going about some twisted version of his God's work when what he truly is - more than likely - is simply a deranged individual seeking to gain his parent's attention as well as fame with a cheap, over-the-counter rifle. Hey Dad, you think I'm a nobody, a loser hairdresser? Watch this.

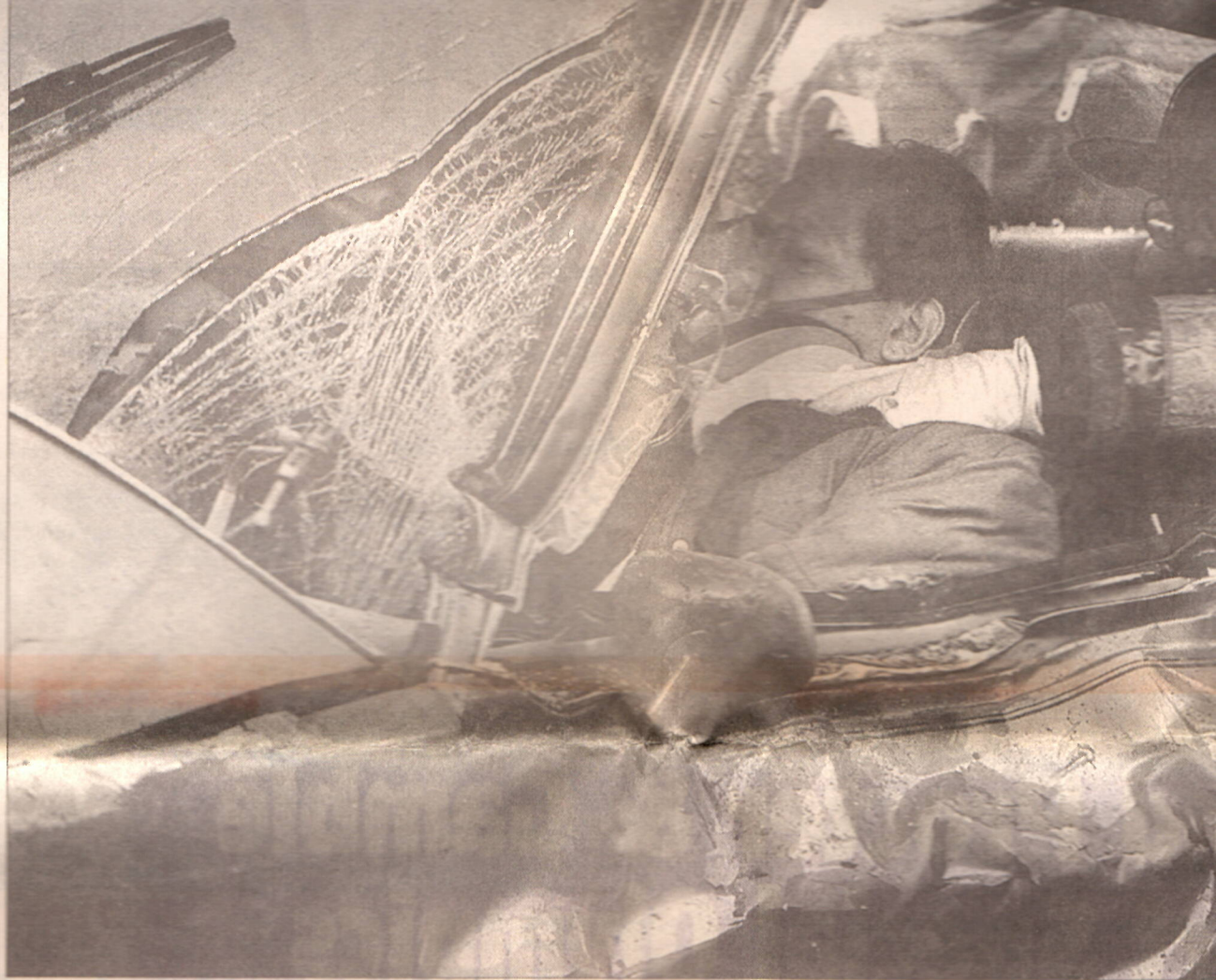
Check any of the churches where this Salvi is supposed to have rabidly practiced his religion - in Everett, in Ipswich, in Hampton or Seabrook, N.H. - and you find he was so devout that nobody knew him or remembered seeing him until he was arrested and his face came on the TV. If he's such a big deal Catholic, go find his parish.

He comes up a fruitcake killer who may have been provided with an edge of anger by the violent language and absurd accusations of some who operate on the fringe of the legitimate anti-abortion movement in America. Oh, make no mistake: March up and down a sidewalk spitting the words "baby-killer" at everyone who passes and, sooner or later, the bizarre among us will be your principal audience.

Unfortunately, there are some devout Catholics whose sermons come awfully close to breaching the peace. You have a celibate male clergy attempting to direct women. You have a church that in good faith opposes abortion yet also balks at birth control with a congregation that, in reality, pays scant attention to priests and represents a riot of religious differences.

Then you have the fact that the societal struggle over abortion is not limited to one faith. There are Baptists and Jews who are as upset as some Catholics over the ease with which pregnancies are aborted in a nation where convenience is more important than conviction.

Inevitably, an important debate about an important topic gets lost in the frenzy created by those at the fringe: The loners, the nuts, the zealots, the narrow-eyed fanatics who, gun in hand, become their own God and take lives in the name of life itself. So, in this first week of a brand new year, while there is still a wide chasm over abortion, there is no argument about what happened to Shannon Lowney and Lee Ann Nichols: They were the innocent victims of murder.



SOUTH END CRASH - Boston Firefighter Jimmy Cahill of Engine 3 places a neck brace on Benjamin yesterday at the scene of a two-car accident on Harrison Avenue. Yesterday's weather made things

Shoes, jobs in decline

Closing of struggling Bridgewater company has high price

By Robert Preer
CONTRIBUTING REPORTER

BRIDGEWATER - For the first time since she was a teen-ager, Rose Ring, 66, is looking for a job.

It's likely to be harder than it was 50 years ago, when she started afternoons after school at the big shoe factory on Perkins Street near her downtown Bridgewater home. After graduation, she worked full time, running the heavy black sewing machines that stitched George E. Keith Co.'s Walk-Over shoes, for years a leading brand of men's dress shoes.

The company, which was founded in 1758 and is the oldest shoemaker in America, is going out of business and closing its factory - one more casualty in the continuing decline of the US shoe industry.

All 240 employees, many of them immigrants who do not

speaking English and have few other skills, will have lost their jobs after the final orders are filled in a few weeks.

"I feel bad. There is nothing I can do about it. This is a landmark in our town," said Ring, who picked up her last check Friday.

In a bid to save the struggling company, an effort that has since become controversial, the Weld administration poured nearly \$1 million in loans and grants into the operation between late 1993 and last spring. During that period, Bay-Banks extended \$750,000 in credit to the company, which in the 1920s was one of the largest shoe manufacturers in the world.

A century ago, the shoe industry was Massachusetts' largest employer, and the Brockton area alone had more than a hundred factories. One by one, they closed, as the industry, searching for cheap labor, moved first to the US south and west, and then to Asia.

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■ **Land feud delays clinic:** Boston officials said yesterday that a dispute between rival groups seeking to develop the same site has stalled plans to provide new quarters for the Whittier Street Neighborhood Health Center in Mission Hill. Page 22.

■ **Three sought in shooting:** Boston police are seeking three men who ran from the scene of a shooting that left two people wounded Sunday in Egleston Square, a spokesman said last night. Page 23.

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NAACP headquarters building faces foreclosure proceedings

By Zachary R. Dowdy
GLOBE STAFF

When the troubled Boston branch of the NAACP reshuffled its leadership recently, the action took place outside the walls of the Massachusetts Avenue building the branch has called home for 40 years.

That's because the dingy, white four-story building has been vacant and abandoned for nine months, its new president said yesterday, its heat and water turned off for nonpayment of bills.

Now, the building that houses the nation's oldest chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is under foreclosure by the federal government, the branch about 16 months behind in its \$750 a

month payments to the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

"For the past three years, because of dwindling membership, the financial problems of the branch have extended to the point that HUD has instituted foreclosure proceedings," said Jack E. Robinson, president of the branch founded in 1910.

Robinson was elected president in October, taking the post for the third time after having left the office in the mid-1980s. He is now running the civil rights organization from his Jamaica Plain home.

Robinson said the branch owes HUD about \$20,000 in back payments and the building needs \$50,000 worth of repairs.

"It's really an eyesore, and we apologize

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U.S. seizes passports of 3 youth back from Cuba

BY LAURA GARZA

On January 21 and 22 U.S. Customs agents in Chicago confiscated the passports of three youth who returned from a reporting trip to Cuba. The three were participants in an international youth brigade that brought together 70 young workers and students from the United States, Britain, Canada, Iceland, Mexico, and Sweden to see Cuba for themselves and report their findings upon their return.

Dannen Vance, 27, of Des Moines, Iowa, was held and interrogated on January 21 along with Sukul Baul, 21, of Bloomington, Illinois. Aislinn Pulley, 15, of Chicago, was also interrogated at the airport when she arrived a day later. Baul, Vance, and Pulley were on editorial assignments for the *Daily Vivette*, the *Valley Courier*, and *Family Matters* respectively.

Participants in the brigade have launched a campaign to protest the passport seizures and demand their immediate return.

"The recent passport seizures are a direct attack by the U.S. government on First Amendment rights, free speech, freedom of the press, and freedom of travel," said a statement released by organizers of the brigade. "This attack, if unanswered, can create an atmosphere of fear and intimidation for those who want to go to Cuba to find out for themselves and report on what is happening in that country today," the statement added.

"All the participants in the brigade were on editorial assignment from campus or community newspapers, or other media," stated Ken Riley, a brigade organizer. "Many of us have been active in groups defending Cuba."

Customs officials in Chicago claimed any visit to Cuba was in violation of current regulations, which block most U.S. citizens from being able to travel to the island. Riley reported that dozens of other brigade participants reentered the United States without incident. Forty-nine youth from the United States took part in the brigade.

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Gold miner convicted in Yellowknife frame-up

BY NED DMYTRYSHYN AND SUSAN BERMAN

After a 15-week trial, a jury found Canadian Auto Workers (CAW) member Roger Warren guilty of second-degree murder January 19. The frame-up conviction on nine counts of murder stems from a September 1992 explosion at Royal Oak's Giant Mine during a bitter 18-month strike in Yellowknife, Northwest Territories. Nine replacement workers were killed in the blast. Warren, who pleaded not guilty, is appealing the verdict.

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Marches across Canada condemn gov't cutbacks

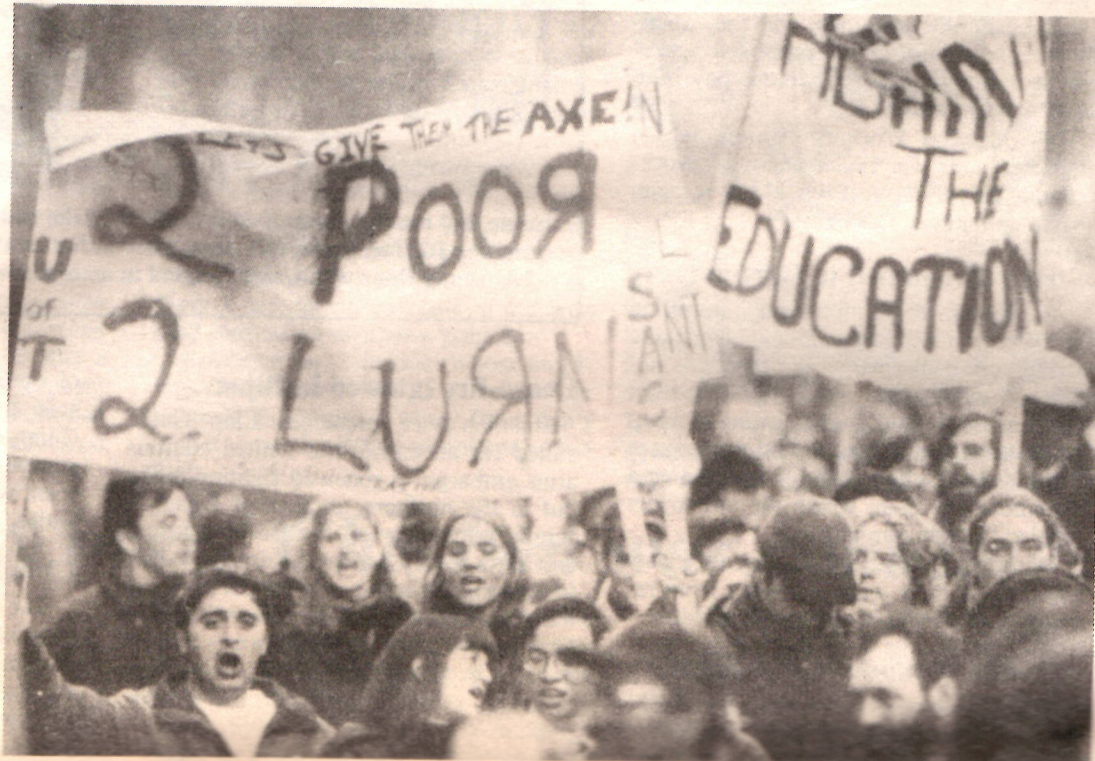
BY GRANT HARGRAVE

MONTREAL — Thousands of students across Canada responded to a call for a National Day of Strike and Action January 25 against the Axworthy Reforms. The so-called reforms, introduced by federal government human resources minister Lloyd Axworthy, are in reality part of a wide-ranging attack on educational and social-service funding. Student, labor, and other organizations across the country supported the anti-cutback actions. Demonstrations and strikes took place from Halifax, Nova Scotia, on the east coast to Victoria, British Columbia, in the west.

In Montreal, students converging on the federal government offices in Place Guy-Favreau were greeted by workers on strike against Ogilvy Flour Mill. The strikers lead the students in chanting "So, so, solidarité" (solidarity, a popular chant among French-speaking strikers in Quebec), and "Workers, students, solidarity."

The demonstrators marched and chanted to several universities in downtown. Students from both English- and French-speaking schools rallied and cheered together in both languages. Picket signs, most of them homemade, said, "endettement à vie" (in debt for life), and "Don't break students, brake Axworthy." Along the route waves and honking horns testified to the opposition to government cuts and support for student demands among many working people.

Meetings were held in some CEGEPs (junior colleges) in the morning to vote on the one-day strike. At CEGEP St-Laurent several hundred students voted to walk out then headed downtown to join the demon-



Students march in downtown Toronto January 25 protesting large funding cuts proposed by the Canadian government. The cuts are part of a wide-ranging attack on the social wage of all working people. In Montreal, striking flour mill workers joined the students, chanting "Solidarité!"

stration. At CEGEP du Vieux Montréal, student union officials prevented a strike vote, but students fanned out through the college to convince others to leave their classes and join in the action.

Up to 10,000 people demonstrated in Montreal. At a concluding rally representatives of student and other organizations urged participants to attend the February 12 demonstration in Montreal against the cutbacks that has been called by the three main union federations in Quebec.

Some 2,000 students rallied at the University of Toronto and marched to Ryerson Polytechnic where students from Ryerson, York University, and high schools brought the crowd to about 5,000. The

demonstrators proceeded to Toronto City Hall joining 6,000-8,000 people.

In Vancouver, 5,000 people — mostly university, college, and high school students — marched on January 25. Many campuses organized lunch-hour rallies, with more than 1,000 students at several of them, before converging in downtown Vancouver. During the spirited march, students, stopped in front of banks and corporate offices to demonstrate where the wealth to fund education could be found. The youth chanted, "They say cutback, we say fightback," and cheered loudly when it was announced that 6,000 students were demonstrating in Victoria in front of the provincial legislature.

'Our bodies, our lives, our right to decide!': 2,500 join Boston march

BY LAURA GARZA AND KAREN RAY

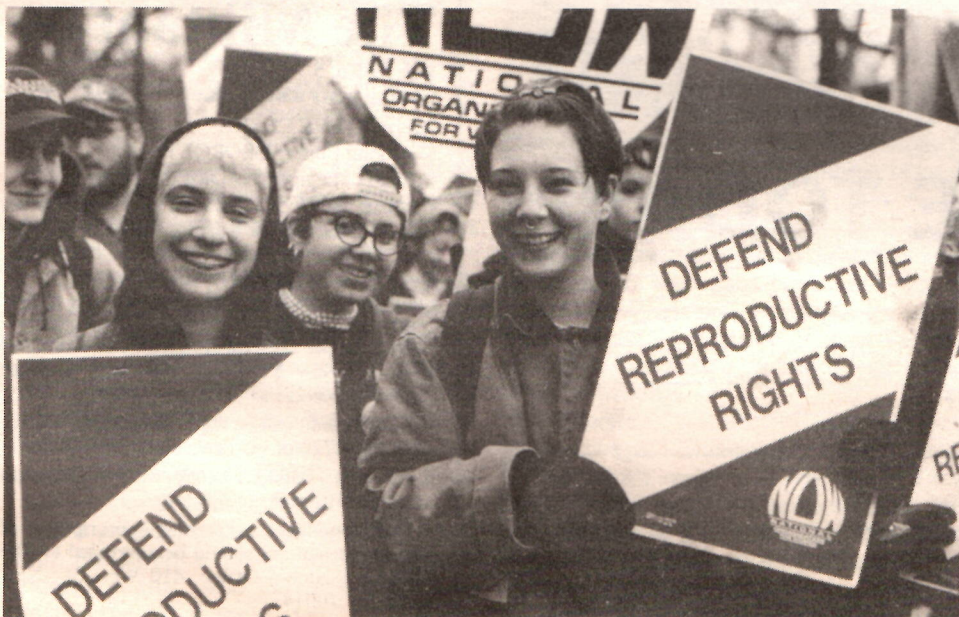
BOSTON — "Our bodies, our lives, our right to decide!" and "Keep abortion safe, legal, and funded," chanted nearly 2,500 marchers who gathered in Boston January 22 to defend abortion rights and demand protection for clinics and clinic workers.

The demonstration was called following the shootings at two Boston-area clinics December 30, which left clinic workers Shannon Lowney and Leann Nichols dead, and five others wounded.

"I think this demonstration will show people we won't accept this and we have a voice," said Sarah Tyson, a student from the College of the Atlantic in Bar Harbor, Maine. "We will go as far as necessary to protect our rights."

"It's really important to show where we stand," added Julie Berberian. Eighteen students who plan to form a group on their

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Militant/Linda Joyce

Boston-area high school and college students joined abortion rights march. Meanwhile, the federal government is refusing to provide adequate protection of clinics.

Rallies defend right to choose abortion

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campus to work for abortion rights drove down for the action.

Many of the participants in the march and rally, which was initiated by the National Organization for Women (NOW) in Massachusetts, came from Boston-area campuses and high schools. They carried banners from Brandeis University's Voice for Choice group, the Harvard School of Public Health, and Students for Choice from Tufts University. Students also came from Boston University, Newton High School, and other schools. "Abortion is a woman's right" and "No to Clinic Violence," were popular signs. Others read, "The Hyde Amendment is toxic to women," and "Protect choice and those who provide it." The Hyde Amendment cut off federal funding for abortions, depriving poor women the right to choose whether or not to terminate a pregnancy.

A group of students from Boston College also came out. The Jesuit-run school has banned students from setting up a pro-choice group, but one student at the march said abortion is a hot topic of discussion, with many students holding a firm pro-choice position. A memorial service for Shannon Lowney, who was a graduate of Boston College, was held there January 23. Some 150 students attended. Operation Rescue called on people to protest the university's decision to allow the memorial to take place.

"I came to the demonstration because I saw it in the newspaper. I've never been to a protest before," said Collin Durrant, a student at Tufts, outside Boston. "I wanted to show them [abortion opponents] that the mode of terrorism they use is unacceptable."

"I believe in this and I wanted to get the experience of being in a march," said Elissa Fox, 17, a high school student at the Cambridge School of Weston. Fox was at her first demonstration. She said about 10-15 students from her school also joined the march.

"Mobilizations like this are important and we have to stay in the streets," said Jonathan McDowell, a longtime clinic defender and an escort at the Preterm Clinic, where one of the attacks occurred December 30.

Assigning blame to both sides

In the weeks after the killings local politicians and others launched a campaign to assign both supporters and opponents of abortion rights some blame for the rising tension in front of the clinics.

Massachusetts governor William Weld organized a meeting with representatives of the abortion clinics and some pro-choice groups to urge a moratorium on all protests and a call for "dialogue" between both sides in the debate.

Earlier, Bernard Cardinal Law, an outspoken proponent of antiabortion protests in front of clinics, called for a moratorium in light of the killings. Law's announcement reflected growing divisions among the right wing about the effectiveness of continuing these actions. Support for antiabortion protests in front of the clinics has dwindled as they are being more and more identified with terrorist acts carried out against those seeking abortions, clinic workers, and doctors.

The *Boston Globe* ran an editorial urging "a general agreement to cease demonstrations, pro and con, that might erupt in violence.... More talk and less fist-waving can expand tunnel vision to focus on individuals with complex lives who can come together, at least to agree to disagree, as they grapple with the intricacies of law and conscience."

While the big-business media gave ample coverage to antiabortion actions being planned for the weekend of January 22, no mention of the march to defend abortion rights was made until the day before the demonstration.

"I want people to know we had a great deal of difficulty finding space [to hold the rally]. Some places said they were afraid, they raised their prices and closed their doors," explained Ellen Convisser, president of Massachusetts State NOW. The Arlington Street Church was finally secured for the event. The demonstrators packed this Unitarian church with the crowd flowing into the aisles and sitting on the floors. Many had to stand outside in the rain to hear the speeches.

Patricia Ireland, NOW president, was the featured speaker. She pointed to the Violence Against Women Act, the Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances bill, and the ban on assault weapons as major victories for women. She also said women had made gains after the 1992 elections because "we had Ginsburg on the bench [Supreme Court], and the Justice Department on our side." She acknowledged, however, that Janet Reno's Justice Department was not providing adequate protection for clinics.

Ireland urged people to participate in a rally called by NOW for April 9 in Washington, D.C., to oppose violence against women. A press release states the rally's



Militant/Hilda Cuzco

Thousands of abortion rights supporters at the Boston march displayed banners backing a woman's right to choose and condemning murders of clinic workers.

purpose is "to show the nation, the 104th Congress and President Clinton that those who oppose violence against women — including anti-abortion terrorism and the tyrannical measures of the Republican 'Contract on America' — are the overwhelming majority."

Other speakers during the day included Edith Vries, a member of the African National Congress; Domenic Bozzotto, president of the Hotel and Restaurant Employees Union Local 26; and Antoinette Riley from Harbor Me Women's Shelter. The family of Shannon Lowney sent a message that read in part, "At this time of tremendous personal loss, we continue to support efforts to protect women's right to choose."

Actions across the country

Events were held to commemorate the 22nd anniversary of the Roe v. Wade Supreme Court decision legalizing abortion and to defend abortion rights in dozens of cities across the country, from Charlotte, North Carolina, to Phoenix, Arizona.

In Philadelphia, 800 participated in a rally January 21. A small car caravan from there also traveled up to the Boston demonstration.

More than 150 turned out for a rally at the University of Pittsburgh January 22. Dr. Robert Kisner said he would continue to provide abortion services despite the harassment of his family and their home by antiabortion forces.

About 300 gathered January 22 in New York City to protest the recent killings. A convocation in support of abortion rights held at St. John the Divine Episcopal Cathedral the same day drew 700 people.

In Washington, D.C., activists organized clinic defense that weekend to prepare for a mobilization by opponents of abortion rights. In the past the rightists have organized major efforts to blockade clinics in conjunction with their yearly national rally to condemn the Roe v. Wade decision, but nothing similar occurred this year. Three hundred and fifty clinic defenders came out January 21 and another 150 showed up the following Monday to be dispatched to facilities in Washington, D.C., and suburban Maryland and Virginia. But right-wing forces mustered only about a dozen at a clinic in the Capitol.

Many of the speakers at the right-wing rally held January 23, which park police estimated at 45,000, felt compelled to distance themselves from the recent killings and the threats frequently issued in front of clinics. According to the *Washington Post*, the march had a heavily patriotic tone, with *God Bless America* being sung as the procession stepped off.

Some spokespersons for antiabortion groups expressed hope that with the recent election of more Republicans they would be able to pass further restrictions on abortion.

Buchanan taking antiabortion lead

But prominent conservative figures like Newt Gingrich, who opposes abortion rights, have been quiet on the issue, a recognition of the fact that majority sentiment remains on the side of keeping abortion safe and legal.

One figure who has chosen to loudly proclaim his opposition to legalized abortion is Patrick Buchanan, the right-wing columnist who competed for the Republi-

can nomination for president in 1992 and who is currently putting in place the forces for another try. Buchanan addressed a gathering of antiabortion activists in Washington, D.C., the day before the January 23 rally.

He also spoke at an antiabortion rally of about 250 in Concord, New Hampshire, on January 21. "This movement is going to rise again...and go all the way to victory," he declared. Buchanan noted his agreement with the stance taken by New York's John Cardinal O'Connor who rejected joining the call to halt protests in front of clinics. "There is a special place in hell for those who in times of great moral crisis remain silent. We will not remain silent," declared Buchanan.

During his talk Buchanan referred to revolutions that occurred in 1979 in Nicaragua, Iran, and Grenada. He also mentioned losing the war in Vietnam, and events in Ethiopia and Angola, where attempts by imperialist countries to overthrow governments and impose regimes more subservient to Washington were pushed back. He said those years were the "dog days" of his life. But, he stated, "the Soviet empire peacefully collapsed before our eyes, and one day the abortion movement will do the same."

Other rightist forces have continued to call for actions in front of the clinics, and some have defended the recent spate of murders as "justifiable homicide." Through their provocative statements these groups are probing to see if they will be allowed to continue to operate with the relative impunity they have enjoyed. One group, the American Coalition of Life Activists, released a list with the names of doctors who perform abortions calling it a list of the "Deadly Dozen Abortionists."

Meanwhile, the Justice Department continues to respond at a snail's pace to requests for protection. Reno's office was sent a list of 21 clinics that recently received death threats and urgently requested assistance. The list was compiled and submitted by the Feminist Majority Foundation, led by Eleanor Smeal. A week later, no response had been given.

The director of clinic defense for the Planned Parenthood Foundation of America said she could not get a clear definition from the Justice Department of what criteria would qualify a clinic as eligible for federal protection.

Last November, the Justice Department reduced to 10 the number of clinics receiving federal protection. Justice Department spokesman Carl Stern said after the recent shootings in Brookline, Massachusetts, that only two more clinics have received protection.

A spokeswoman for the Hillcrest clinic in Norfolk, Virginia, which was shot up the day after the murders in Brookline, said they asked for protection by federal marshals, but all they got was a courtesy call from a local marshal who gave them a standard packet advising them of precautionary measures to take in an emergency. Stern said the government had determined it was unnecessary to provide further protection because officials held the clinic was in no imminent danger.

Contributing to this article were Ethel Lobman in New York; Brad Downs in Washington, D.C.; Doug Hord in Boston; Helen Meyers in Philadelphia; and Peggy Kriener in Pittsburgh.

Supporters of imprisoned unionist reach out at abortion rights march



Militant/Hilda Cuzco

Abortion rights supporter signing up for information about Mark Curtis.

BY MAURICE WILLIAMS

BOSTON — Supporters of the Mark Curtis Defense Committee participated in the January 22 march and rally to stop clinic violence and defend abortion rights here. The committee has launched a campaign to gain new endorsers for the fight to win freedom for imprisoned political and union activist Mark Curtis.

"This case shows the government's opposition to anyone with socialist endeavors who stands up and fights," said Steven Monks, a student at Western Maryland University. Monks is a 21-year-old activist who learned about the case for the first time the night before the march and subsequently became an endorser of the defense effort.

"We've got to find solidarity. Curtis is an example," Monks added. "I found the evidence against him dubious. If we don't stand up and say this is wrong it will continue."

Monks, who also went to the November 12 march in solidarity with the Cuban revolution in Washington, D.C., said he wants to organize a public meeting on his campus for Curtis.

Several hundred informational flyers were given to participants at the abortion rights march, many learning about the case for the first time.

Clinic workers speak of their fear, grief and unity

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the clinic who asked that her last name not be used, summed up a feeling all expressed. "We're coping by holding onto each other," she said.

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Beth Waters, 29, a registered nurse, was standing by a patient in a room where she and a clinic doctor were about to perform an abortion. She had just finished sedating a patient for the roughly 15-minute procedure. They never heard gunfire. But Lynn's cry for help pierced the walls.

Medical emergencies are not unusual at the clinic, but this time, "I looked at the doctor and he looked at me, and we knew something was different," Waters said.

They heard more screams as they ran down the hall, grabbing emergency supplies as they ran. They saw Lowney unconscious on the floor in a pool of blood, a gunshot wound in her neck, her pulse faint.

"The nurse in me knew there was nothing we could do to help," she said. "But the friend in me wanted to stop the bleeding." As she tried in vain to do something for Lowney, Waters heard shouts from the waiting room that others were injured there. She made herself step past her friend to attend to them.

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Waters and other aides tended to the wounded, telling them to hold on, that ambulances would be there soon. Then they headed to the recovery room. Two patients were there recovering from abortions; one had to be told that her friend had been shot and was on the way to the hospital.

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Women wait by the reception desk at Planned Parenthood clinic in Brookline, near the spot where Shannon Lowney was killed. GLOBE STAFF PHOTO / JANET KNOTT

'It's now necessary to barricade ourselves in bulletproof offices... We're looking over our shoulders when we come in. We have to be afraid even when we open our mail.'

JULIE, a clinic worker

As the administrator in charge, she has relived the day dozens of times, thinking about the security and what might have happened if it had been better. "It's a question that I'll live with forever," said

"It was important to wake up every morning and have a place to go and things to do," said Shona, 23, a receptionist and phone counselor who now sits at the desk once occupied by Lowney. "And I needed to be surrounded by people I work with. Everyone here understands. I can't imagine being anywhere else."

A 22-year-old appointments counselor, who asked not to be named, said she copes with her grief by remembering "all the details I possibly can" about Lowney's life and the times they shared together.

She remembered a tall 25-year-old with long arms and thin fingers, a bright, bouncy, energetic woman who was full of fun.

And Lowney wanted the clinic to be clean and orderly. "The kind of job she had may not have looked so great on a resume. But Shannon would never have belittled it. When she straightened the waiting room, it looked like it came out of Waiting Room Beautiful magazine. She wasn't a proud or arrogant person, but she took a lot of pride in doing her job well."

The counselor said she keeps Lowney's memory alive "by making the things that were important to her important to me, too." For instance, she makes a special effort to smile at the patients. Lowney's face was usually the first they saw after passing through lines of protesters, who often jeered and hissed at them.

"She had a smile that embraced people. There was a connectedness there, full of life and hope," Lynn recalled. In the days since the shooting, she added, Lowney's family and friends have found some consolation in knowing "that the last face she saw wasn't the face of her killer."

And all the staff have been touched by the outpouring of support from other women's health clinics and from their patients.

After the shootings, the steps in front of the clinic were transformed into a kind of shrine, where people left flowers, notes to Lowney, messages of sympathy, candles and mementos. Julie remembered one note in particular, from a patient planning a visit to the clinic.

"I'll be walking up these steps next week, and I'm so grateful that you do what you do and that you'll still be here," read the handwritten note.

"Nothing will change what happened here or make it less horrible," Julie observed. "But knowing that so many people

violent crime had occurred because we could take care of each other."

Over the next few days, staff met away from the clinic - in therapy groups, for massage sessions, in gatherings at Beth Israel Hospital and in private homes - to share their stories and find strength in each other.

Unlike the shootings in Florida and Kansas, where the victims had been high-profile doctors, the Brookline shootings marked the first time violence had been directed against support staff and patients' friends.

Some found themselves reliving the horror every time they passed the blood-stained carpet where Lowney had fallen. Many had nightmares, or terrifying visions of future attacks. Most needed to share their fears and their rage.

"I found it was really important to ask what happened over and over again," said

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Back in her office, clinic director Alice Verhoeven had been talking on the phone when she heard what sounded "like electrical crackling, like sparks from some electrical equipment." But something about the sound was ominous. She immediately dialed 911.

Then, she ran toward the waiting room. Much of what happened remains a blur, she said, but she was struck that "no one was thinking of themselves. They were taking care of the wounded, doing whatever needed to be done."

Looking back, other staffers said they were anguished to realize it never occurred to anyone to call other clinics to warn them a gunman was on the loose. Ten minutes later, John C. Salvi 3d allegedly killed one staffer and injured two others at the Preterm Health Services clinic about 1½ miles away. Salvi is in Norfolk County Jail, awaiting trial on state charges of two counts of first-degree murder and armed assault.

"It didn't dawn on any of us that he would go to another clinic, and we should warn them," said Lynn. "There's a feeling of responsibility. If only we had thought of that."

When emergency medical workers arrived at Planned Parenthood, Verhoeven rushed them to Lowney's side.

"I kept saying, 'Do something for her, help her!' But they said, 'She's not viable,' and quickly moved to take survivors to a hospital. Lowney's body remained in the hallway for several hours until the coroner arrived.

For Verhoeven, whose commitment to women's reproductive health dates from her own illegal abortion in the 1960s, the tragedy has been heartbreaking.

"I remember when women died from illegal abortions. Now people who are providing very good care are the ones who are dying," she said, as tears streamed down her face. "It breaks my heart that in order to control their reproductive lives, women have to be in peril."

Women wait by the reception desk at Planned Parenthood clinic in Brookline, near the spot where Shannon Lowney was killed.

GLOBE STAFF PHOTO / JANET KNOTT

violent crime had occurred because we could take care of each other."

Over the next few days, staff met away from the clinic - in therapy groups, for message sessions, in gatherings at Beth Israel Hospital and in private homes - to share their stories and find strength in each other.

Unlike the shootings in Florida and Kansas, where the victims had been high-profile doctors, the Brookline shootings marked the first time violence had been directed against support staff and patients' friends.

Some found themselves reliving the horror every time they passed the blood-stained carpet where Lowney had fallen. Many had nightmares, or terrifying visions of future attacks. Most needed to share their fears and their rage.

"I found it was really important to ask what happened over and over again," said Julie, who was out of state visiting her family when the tragedy occurred. "I'm always wanting to hear."

She said she is enraged because, "It's now necessary to barricade ourselves in these bulletproof offices, with all the safety and security. We're looking over our shoulders when we come in. We have to be afraid even when we open our mail."

For some staff, the terror of the attack, and pressure from family and friends worried about their safety, have caused them to resign from the clinic. Others felt a need to return to their regular routine and the work they find meaningful.

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JULIE, a clinic worker

As the administrator in charge, she has relived the day dozens of times, thinking about the security and what might have happened if it had been better. "It's a question that I'll live with forever," she said. "Could I have done something to prevent this?"

Louise, a 32-year-old counselor and administrator, was scheduled to arrive at the clinic at 9 a.m., but decided to come in late. When her stepmother called to say there'd been a shooting on Beacon Street and she couldn't get through to the clinic by phone, she guessed what had happened.

When she arrived about 10:30, everybody was still there, "collapsing in each other's arms, crying. At first, some people thought they had to get out of there. But we found it was comforting to be in the space where a

were important to her important to me, too." For instance, she makes a special effort to smile at the patients. Lowney's face was usually the first they saw after passing through lines of protesters, who often jeered and hissed at them.

"She had a smile that embraced people. There was a connectedness there, full of life and hope," Lynn recalled. In the days since the shooting, she added, Lowney's family and friends have found some consolation in knowing "that the last face she saw wasn't the face of her killer."

And all the staff have been touched by the outpouring of support from other women's health clinics and from their patients.

After the shootings, the steps in front of the clinic were transformed into a kind of shrine, where people left flowers, notes to Lowney, messages of sympathy, candles and mementos. Julie remembered one note in particular, from a patient planning a visit to the clinic.

"I'll be walking up these steps next week, and I'm so grateful that you do what you do and that you'll still be here," read the handwritten note.

"Nothing will change what happened here or make it less horrible," Julie observed. "But knowing that so many people care and are grateful makes it a little more bearable."

And they are more committed than ever to continuing the work of the clinic, which includes providing a wide range of women's health services as well as abortions.

"The ramifications of what happened here are being felt in women's health clinics all over the country. What were we going to do, close the door and go home?" said Verhoeven.

"We're here to serve these women, and we're going to continue to do that. They need us and we need them, maybe now more than ever."

N.H. abortion foes cheer Buchanan

Possible GOP presidential hopeful urges Congress to act on issue

By Meg Vaillancourt
GLOBE STAFF

CONCORD, N.H.— On a day as cold and gray as the granite for which this state is famous, some 500 abortion opponents turned out to hear the once, and perhaps future, Republican presidential candidate Patrick Buchanan preach his antiabortion message yesterday.

Fueling speculation about his political ambitions, the conservative commentator made a two-day visit here on the eve of the 22d anniversary of the Supreme Court decision legalizing abortion. Amid a sea of red, white and blue "America Needs Pat Buchanan" signs, he attacked the Clinton



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END OF ROAD FOR PATRIOTS



Quarterback Drew Bledsoe leaves the field after his late push to tie the game late in the first half.

No confessions in clinic shootings

Suspect not claiming martyrdom, sources say

By Brian McGrory
GLOBE STAFF

John C. Salvi 3d, sitting in a Norfolk, Va., jail cell awaiting a court hearing scheduled for tomorrow, has rebuffed multiple opportunities to confess to the Brookline abortion clinic slayings and to claim martyrdom for the antiabortion cause, according to several law enforcement sources.

But Salvi flashed a strange smirk in a Norfolk Police Department interview room Saturday when two Massachusetts State Police troopers asked if he embarked on a deadly killing spree to embarrass his parents, with whom he often fought, according to those sources, who are affiliated with different agencies.

The suspect repeatedly asked for newspapers to be brought to his cell, in what sources said seemed to be a bizarre obsession with the publicity surrounding the shooting deaths of two young women at separate Brookline clinics last Friday.

"It was more like a publicity stunt, his 10 minutes in the sun," one source said. Throughout most of the interviews, held Saturday night at the police station and yesterday morning at the Norfolk City Jail, Salvi, 29, refused to answer



John Salvi 3d (right) is shown with his father and mother, John 2d and Anne Marie, in an undated family photo.

Salvi's family life marked by strains

By Charles M. Semcott
GLOBE STAFF

The Christmas Eve Mass at St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church in Seabrook, N.H., last week was crowded, and John C. Salvi 3d and his parents were standing in back. Over hymns of peace and good will, parishioners who were there say, the Salvi family

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Congregants stared in disbelief as the man, who they and a church official later identified as Salvi, was ushered out by a New Hampshire State Trooper who was attending the Mass. The trooper told the parish priest that the young man left accompanied by his parents, who had been visiting from Norfolk, Va.



Quarterback Drew Bledsoe leaves the field after his late push to tie the game fell short. GLOBE STAFF PHOTO / M.M. DAVIS

Bledsoe runs out of gas in 20-13 loss to Browns

By Dan Shaughnessy
GLOBE STAFF

CLEVELAND - The great ride is over. On the first day of 1995, the New England Patriots expired here in the mud, blood and suds of Cleveland Stadium.

Commentary

The dream died with four straight Drew Bledsoe incompletions, the last one a line-drive pass into the dirt, as 77,452 hooted and looked ahead to next week's playoff joust with Pittsburgh.

There will be no more games for the Patriots this season. And there will be no more passes under pressure for Bledsoe, the messiah quarterback.

The Patriots this year rode the arm of their young gun all the way into the National Football League playoffs, but yesterday Bledsoe's passes were flat, awry and three times landed in enemy arms. And the Patriots went down, 20-13.

During the 1994 regular season, Bledsoe threw more passes than any player in the 75-year history of

the league. He earned a place in the Pro Bowl and made New England sports fans think of the early years of Larry Bird. But in the first playoff game of his career, Bledsoe completed only 21 of 50 passes. He had his worst game of the season on the day when it mattered most. He finally performed like a guy who this year could have been a fifth-year senior at Washington State.

Asked to evaluate his season, Bledsoe said, "Right now it feels like a disaster because we just lost. I'm sure it will feel better later. But we had a chance to move on and unfortunately we didn't do anything with our opportunity."

It was an ugly day for young Drew. He took a lot of vicious hits from Cleveland's defenders. He had orange helmets in his face all day long. **More on the Patriots, Pages 13, 21, 27-32.**

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Throughout most of the interviews, held Saturday morning at the police station and yesterday morning at the Norfolk City Jail, Salvi, a 22-year-old Scripture-

quoting loner described by some who knew him as a religious fanatic, sat in stony silence, his eyes moving only slightly around the room, refusing to respond to questions, sources said. He politely shook the hands of his interrogators when they entered the room and talked casually about such niceties as the weather, but became quiet when the questioning turned to the Brookline slayings. **SHOOTINGS, Page 9**

Salvi's family link marked by strains

By Charles M. Semrott
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The Christmas Eve Mass at St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church in Seabrook, N.H., last week was crowded, and John C. Salvi 3d and his parents were standing in back. Over hymns of peace and good will, parishioners who were there say, the Salvi family was having a bitter argument.

Suddenly the 22-year-old Salvi walked down the aisle of the church, on to the altar, and turned to the congregation and began his own confided sermon about the problems of the Catholic Church and its failures to see the true meaning of Christ.

"Don't believe anything they say. All they want is your money," Salvi said, according to Ray Lemoine, a

parishioner.

Congregants stared in disbelief as the man, who they and a church official later identified as Salvi, was ushered out by a New Hampshire State Trooper who was attending the Mass. The trooper told the parish priest that the young man left accompanied by his parents, who had been visiting from Florida. The parishioners had no way of knowing that only five days later this same angry young man, consumed with a fiery sense of religion, would allegedly embark on a two-day rampage on abortion clinics in Brookline and Virginia.

The scene at the Christmas Mass offered a glimpse not only into the days before Salvi's fervor allegedly

Fear enters Preterm, but doctor to stay

By Joan Vennochi
GLOBE STAFF

One hundred yards, give or take a few, lie between her car and the entrance to the clinic. It is while taking those steps that she is most likely to feel the twinge of fear that is now an ordinary part of her life as a doctor who performs abortions.

Should she walk through the front door, where there are almost always picketers? Or, through the back door, where

she probably will be alone? There will be no protesters, but also, no one to come to her aid if someone should attack.

For this doctor, the scariest moments have been when she is walking to and from her car - not when she is inside Preterm Health Services on Beacon Street in Brookline. Inside, she has felt relatively safe.

Yet that is exactly where the terror struck on Friday, when a gunman dressed in black walked in, pulled out a rifle from a duffel bag and started blasting. The receptionist was killed and two

others were wounded. Minutes before, the same gunman had attacked a few blocks away at the Planned Parenthood clinic, killing one and injuring three others.

"When people open fire in waiting rooms, that is a new level of violence," said the doctor, some shock still resonating in her voice as she spoke about the shootings right after she helped deliver a baby - another part of her medical practice.

Harassment of health care providers **DOCTOR, Page 8**

Boston's TV dial spins today

New affiliations for Channels 4, 7

By Frederic M. Biddle
GLOBE STAFF

"One of the biggest events in your life will happen May 19," Globe radio editor Elizabeth Sullivan reported in 1948, when WBZ (Ch. 4) went on the air as Boston's first TV station and NBC network affiliate. "You are going to like it immensely."

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WBZ (Ch. 4) and WHDH (Ch. 7) swapped network affiliations today. WBZ became a CBS affiliate while WHDH switched to NBC.



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GOP prepares to hit the ground running in Congress this week

By Jill Zuckman
GLOBE STAFF

WASHINGTON - The new Congress is about to roar into the Capitol, and the Republicans who won the voters' test in November are grinding for the stern tests of power.

The Republicans officially take control of both branches for the first time in 40 years on Wednesday, and before sunset Washington will be a different place.

House Republicans are expected to use the first day to impose a series of changes on the venerable institution, altering the nature and in some cases the names of committees, and rewriting the way the House does business. The Republicans are also expected immediately to im-

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ANTIABORTION RALLY

Alleged killer seen as hero by activists outside Va. jail

By Chris Black
GLOBE STAFF

NORFOLK, Va. — Supporters of John C. Salvi 3d hailed him as a hero yesterday in the conservative Tidewater region with a rally that amounted to a warm welcome.

"Thank you for saving innocent babies from being put to death," said

largest on the East Coast, believe that Salvi ended up here by accident. When he allegedly shot more than 20 rounds from a semiautomatic rifle into the near-empty lobby of the office building that houses the clinic Saturday, it represented the culmination of an escalating pattern of violence, observers say.

Many like-minded antiabortion activists call this area home. Leaders of the most extreme antiabortion groups are close allies of Paul Hill, the man found guilty of gunning down a doctor in Florida last summer. Yesterday Spitz and a few others said that murder of those involved in the delivery of abortion services is justifiable homicide.

"If John Salvi committed his deeds with the intent of saving innocent human babies from being put to death, his deeds were justified," said Spitz, a Pentecostal and Evangelical minister and head of Pro-Life Virginia, a small antiabortion rights group that has been picketing the Hillcrest Clinic and its doctors and staff for years.

Spitz and seven other antiabortion demonstrators rallied outside the jail yesterday in a show of solidarity for Salvi. In addition to tattooed fetuses, they carried homemade signs that said, "John Salvi Prisoner of War."

Ed Hyatt, a demonstrator, said that Salvi and others who have killed abortion providers were "heroes" because their actions were driving doctors out of the business of performing abortions.

"Why is the life of a receptionist worth more than the lives of 50 innocent babies," said Spitz. "I don't know why all the focus is on two receptionists when every day thousands of babies are being killed."

A larger group of demonstrators, supporters of abortion rights, held a candlelight vigil in the balmy darkness outside the Hillcrest Clinic later yesterday.

Connie Hannah, a representative of the local chapter of the National



AP PHOTO
Abortion protesters (from left) Ed Hyatt, Bill Powell and his wife, Rae, pray for John Salvi 3d yesterday at the Norfolk jail in Virginia, where Salvi is being held in connection with a two-day shooting rampage.

wanted to honor those who lost their lives or were wounded in Brookline.

Meanwhile, Suzette Hughes-Car-ton, a spokeswoman for Hillcrest, said the clinic will continue to provide abortion services but will reevaluate its security.

This coastal corner of Virginia has long been a center for the religious right, antiabortion activity, and an extreme brand of conservatism. Salvi showed up here just 24 hours after he allegedly shot up two abortion clinics in Brookline, killing two and wounding five.

While the antiabortion activists said that they did not know Salvi, their activities were featured in the November issue of Life Advocate, a publication of the Advocates for Life headed by Andrew Burnett in Portland, Ore.

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Kate Michelman, head of the National and Reproductive Rights Action League, said in a telephone interview that the staff of the clinic had been subjected to "intense harassment and intimidation for many years... it's a hotbed."

Since its opening nine months after the Supreme Court legalized abortion in 1973, the clinic has been targeted by abortion opponents. In the last decade, the protests have become more pointed and violent. The clinic has been bombed, invaded, set on fire, blockaded and picketed.

One doctor recently resigned in part because of the harassment. He wore a bulletproof vest and carried a gun to work.

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conservatives. In fact, the demonstrators yesterday readily acknowledged that many of those who oppose abortion would be repelled by Salvi's violence and by their support of him.

David Crane, another antiabortion leader, said he could not personally condemn or condone Salvi's alleged behavior but he left no doubt where his sympathies lie.

"John Salvi was acting in defense of innocent life," he said as he stood outside the jail. "He was willing to pay the ultimate price to stop legalized killing."

A woman who would only give her first name, Joan, said some in the antiabortion movement had grown so frustrated that they believe violence is the only alternative.

"A majority of people will probably think that he went too far, but killing babies has gone too far," she said.

Jennifer Patterson, a young mother of three who said she was forced by her mother to have an abortion when she was 16, pickets

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But Hillcrest Clinic is well known in the circles of abortion activists.

Fear enters door at Preterm but this doctor vows to stay

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through threats and intimidation is an old story to anyone familiar with the abortion scene. "What is new is that the threats of violence have come to pass. Now it has come to murder and killing," says Dr. Kenneth Edelin, a Boston University professor of obstetrics and associate dean, who knows the history of abortion rights in this country more personally than most. In 1975 he was found guilty of manslaughter for performing a second-trimester abortion at Boston City Hospital — a verdict later overturned by the Supreme Judicial Court.

What the violence has done is to force those like the Preterm doctor — who spoke on condition of anonymity — to accept a certain level of danger as part of their everyday lives, at work and at home. In practice since the early 1980s, the doctor is committed to making abortion accessible to all and she is angered by efforts to subvert the law.

With such conviction, however, comes fear. It may be triggered, as it was for this doctor, by mail from Operation Rescue. It came last summer, right to her home. The letter said Operation Rescue workers wanted to talk to her about her abortion practice and asked if she would meet with them. Although the words were relatively benign, to her the covert message was chilling. She said the home delivery meant, "We know where to find you."

She reported the letter to the local police and took another, more unusual step: penning her own letter to neighbors to inform them of threats she had received, and why. "I live in

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This is an area where televangelist Pat Robertson and his Christian Broadcasting Network are considered mainstream. The list of evangelical churches takes up pages in the local Yellow Pages. Spitz and his compatriots, however, are viewed as far more radical than many religious

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Jennifer Patterson, a young mother of three who said she was forced by her mother to have an abortion when she was 16, pickets the Hillcrest Clinic every Tuesday and Saturday.

"I feel he was trying to defend those who cannot defend themselves. That building was packed with customers yesterday. It was justified," she said.

curity needs among local providers.

According to Nicki Nichols Gamble, president of Planned Parenthood League of Massachusetts, staff workers there are encouraged to walk with others when they are leaving, especially at night.

They have been instructed about what to do in case of bomb threats. They are advised to avoid altercations with protesters, who she said often shout threatening words or try to provoke a fight by deliberately bumping into them.

Phone traps have been used to try to catch harassing callers. Police protection has been provided for some staff people, mostly doctors.

Still, said Gamble, "When you're running a medical service that's open to the public, it's hard to figure out exactly how you're going to keep the public out."

Edelin, a recent chairman of Planned Parenthood of America, said anyone who works in an abortion clinic knows the inherent danger. For most, he said, their employment is more than a job; it's a cause.

Despite Friday's shootings, Edelin said he believes "to the deepest part of my soul" that violence, whether local or national, won't stop abortion providers, and, in fact, will spur them on. "You can never give in to terrorists," he said.

The doctor who trembled a little when she walked to Preterm's door, even before Friday's mayhem, also insists it won't keep her from performing abortions.

Saddened and angered by the bloodshed, she said, "There's no way these acts of violence are going to be a deterrent to me."

Brookline abortion clinic shootings

No confessions in clinic shootings, authorities say

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sources said. Authorities said Salvi reacted with emotion only three times: the first when he was asked about his parents; the second when he smiled while being shown Boston and New York newspapers detailing the Brookline shootings; and the third when he broke down in tears after speaking with his father by phone.

Meanwhile, Massachusetts and Virginia prosecutors began working behind the scenes yesterday to determine when Salvi would be flown back to Massachusetts to face two murder charges in the Brookline slayings. Five others were wounded by gunfire in a rampage at two Beacon Street abortion clinics.

Salvi was arrested in Virginia Saturday after allegedly shooting at the outside of the Hillcrest abortion clinic in Norfolk. He will be arraigned tomorrow at 9 a.m. in Norfolk General District Court on a single felony charge of shooting into an occupied building.

Norfolk (Mass.) District Attorney William Delahunt and Virginia Commonwealth's Attorney Charles

D. Griffith had their first telephone discussion on the upcoming procedures yesterday afternoon. The next steps remained unclear, though last night Delahunt dispatched John Corrigan, an assistant district attorney, to Norfolk to monitor the case, and the two Massachusetts troopers in Norfolk were ordered to remain.

"I communicated today with the commonwealth's attorney, Charles Griffith, and I reviewed the circumstances surrounding the criminal charges here with Salvi, and he did likewise for me in terms of what occurred in Norfolk," Delahunt said. "We both agreed it was extremely important to be precise regarding procedural and jurisdictional issues, so the presentation of any and all cases will in no way be impaired or jeopardized."

On Saturday, the US attorney for Massachusetts, Donald Stern, said he expected that Salvi would be transferred from Virginia to federal custody within days — possibly by tomorrow, when courts reopen — and that the suspect would appear in US District Court in Norfolk for a hearing on identification and detention before a federal magistrate judge.

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At that point, Stern said, Salvi would be flown to Massachusetts by US marshals and turned over to state authorities for prosecution on murder charges. Salvi is accused of walking into the Planned Parenthood clinic on Beacon Street shortly after 10 a.m. Friday and firing a .22-caliber collapsible Ruger rifle at a receptionist and several people in the waiting room. The receptionist, Shannon Lowney, 25, of Arlington, died in the attack, and three others were injured.

Police say that minutes later, Salvi walked into the Preterm Health Services clinic several blocks away and asked receptionist Lee

say, Salvi fired about 20 rounds into an unlocked rear door shortly before noon Saturday and was arrested about three blocks away.

Yesterday developments continued on several fronts. In Boston, four of the five people wounded in the attack Friday remained in area hospitals. Anjana Agrawal, 30, of Cambridge, a medical assistant at Planned Parenthood, was still in serious but stable condition at Beth Israel Hospital. Antonio Hernandez, 32, of Worcester, also shot at Planned Parenthood, was upgraded from fair to good condition at Brigham and Women's Hospital. And Brian Murray, 22, of Hingham, who had accompanied a patient to the clinic, was still in serious but stable condition at Beth Israel.

Meanwhile, Jane Sauer, 29, of Cambridge, an office worker at Preterm, was upgraded from fair to good condition at Brigham and Women's. Richard J. Seron, 45, of Quincy, a Preterm security guard, was released from Brigham and Women's Saturday.

In Washington, incoming Senate Majority Leader Robert Dole, speaking yesterday on the CBS

News program "Face the Nation," described the clinic attacks as acts of terrorism and said increased federal protection for such facilities might be in order.

And in Norfolk, Salvi appeared somewhat wowed when told that the shootings were making national headlines and drawing comments from President Clinton, the sources said. After requesting newspapers, Salvi was given copies of the Saturday Boston Globe, Boston Herald and New York Post in the interview room, which he pored over intently, sources said.

Throughout the interviews, Salvi never requested a lawyer and was not assigned one.

Salvi has talked with guards about his black Toyota pickup truck, expressing concerns about the handling of the vehicle and \$1,200 found inside, sources said. He has also talked with guards about such things as football, sources said.

"He would engage in some discussion, which was lucid and coherent, on general matters," said one source.

Thomas C. Palmer Jr. of the Globe staff contributed to this report.

GRIEF IN OHIO

A VOW to avenge is slaying is retracted

By Thomas C. Palmer Jr.
GLOBE STAFF

In 1956, Ruth and Harry Nichols named their daughter Lee Ann, after Lee Ann Meriwether, the Miss America of the year before.

"She always loved her name," Ruth Nichols said yesterday from her home in North Olmsted, Ohio, a Cleveland suburb. Now the Nichols



Salvi's family life is portrayed as marked by strains

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exploded in violence, but also a long history of a deeply troubled family life. To family and friends — from Hampton Beach, N.H., where Salvi lived, to Ipswich, Mass., where the family has its roots and to Florida where his parents ended up ten years ago — it was a classic Salvi scene. They say "John Boy," as his father, John C. Salvi 2d, used to call him, had always had an erratic personality and was constantly arguing and

lice, and the next morning allegedly launched the fatal rampage down Beacon Street in Brookline.

The argument with his parents that immediately preceded the shooting was not the first, nor the worst incident. A more dramatic one occurred four years ago when the younger Salvi was a prime suspect in a fire that gutted a storage-space business in Naples, Florida owned by his father. The fire occurred on Father's Day, and investigators say the younger Salvi bragged to a friend that he did it to give his father "a lesson."

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Martin T. Meehan,
"I think both
to the public in a
in the long-term eco-
of the country."

where his parents ended up ten
years ago — it was a classic Salvi
scene. They say "John Boy," as his
father, John C. Salvi 2d, used to call
him, had always had an erratic per-
sonality and was constantly arguing
with an overbearing mother and an
indifferent father.

This tumultuous and often bitter
relationship has emerged as a cen-
tral theme as investigators try to
piece together Salvi's troubled life,
and those who thought they knew
him try to understand how a lonely,
scripture-quoting hairdresser could
have carried out a methodical assault
that killed two people and left five
wounded.

The Salvii's arguments were not
like the disagreements that occur in
any family, those who knew them
say. They were very bitter and trou-
bling and punctuated by several seri-
ous incidents. One such argument
erupted over the Christmas week-
end, according to two of Salvi's
friends who lived next door to him in
the same summer condos in Hamp-
ton Beach that rent cheap in the win-
ter. His parents, both described as
devoutly Catholic, had driven from
Florida to spend Christmas with
their only child and to visit relatives
in Ipswich.

"They were having a pretty big
fight," said Jeff Marshall, a friend.
"These walls here aren't real thick,
so you could hear John and his par-
ents arguing. And John was talking
to us about it, saying that he hated
his family... He said he hated his
parents. He was so mad he said he
was going to make his parents sleep
on the floor."

On Christmas Eve, Marshall and
another neighbor, John Christo,
watched the Patriots game with
Salvi and his father.

"They didn't even talk to each
other," said Christo. "His father is
like a big burly, tough guy who
wanted to watch the game, and John
is pretty skinny and, you know, like,
not exactly tough. They were total
opposites."

Much of the arguing over Christ-
mas, they said, centered on the older
Salvi's disapproval with his son's de-
cision to pursue a career as a hair-
dresser.

"He thought it was a woman's
kind of thing," said Christo. Thurs-
day Salvi's parents left for Florida.
The same day, police say, Salvi went
to the shooting range in Bob's Tacti-
cal Shooting Range and Gun Shop in
Salisbury. Salvi had purchased the
rifle there, police said, and was a
novice who practiced shooting at the
range. He purchased ammunition, ac-
cording to receipts obtained by po-

younger Salvi was a prime suspect in
a fire that gutted a storage-space
business in Naples, Florida owned
by his father. The fire occurred on
Father's Day, and investigators say
the younger Salvi bragged to a
friend that he did it to give his father
"a present he would never forget."

The fire, which caused \$30,000 in
damage, was considered arson and
investigators believed that the youn-
ger Salvi was responsible, according
to Pat Buttino, a former fire investi-
gator for the Bonita Springs Fire
Department who worked on the case
and a long-time family friend of the
Salvii.

"We had a lot of things that
pointed toward it being John Boy
[who set the fire]," Buttino said. "He
had told a friend that he was going
to give his father a father's day pre-
sent he would never forget."

Buttino tried to convince the sen-
ior Salvi that his son was responsible
for the fire, but the father refused to
believe him. "John was not always a
bad kid, but he had real problems.
Serious problems," Buttino said. "He
had a difficult time because he was
very spoiled. Even his own father
used to say, 'I should get this kid
psychoanalyzed.'"

"The mother had a lot to do with
the kid's problems," said Buttino, a
former firefighter from New York
City who moved to Florida approxi-
mately 10 years ago and attends St.
Ann's Roman Catholic Church in
Naples with the Salvi family.

"She was always on him. Never
leaving him alone. It sounds like one
of those cliché things, but it's true. It
was a real problem," he said.

The younger Salvi's high school
years were also marked by car acci-
dents, arguments and at least two
brushes with the law over suspicious
fires, including one that engulfed a
car he owned in a desolate field in
Naples near the family home, But-
tino said.

Salvi may have liked to play with
fire, but he hated sunlight.

Marshall and Christo said that
even though Salvi's apartment
looked out on the ocean, he had long,
dark curtains and had pushed his
couch up against the windows so that
no sunlight filtered into the
cramped, messy apartment.

Yesterday Christo, who lived in
the unit next door to Salvi, was mov-
ing a refrigerator out of Salvi's
apartment, claiming that he had lent
Salvi \$325 two weeks ago and that it
was pretty obvious he was "not get-
ting that back anytime soon."

As Christo and Marshall moved
the refrigerator, the dark apartment
where Salvi lived revealed some of
the scraps and shards of his lonely,



Steve Bussolari, Marilee Jones and their daughter, Nora Bussolari, 7, take part in a silent vigil in Chelmsford yesterday to remember victims of Friday's abortion clinic shootings in Brookline.



Scattered throughout John Salvi 3d's dark and cluttered Hampton Beach, N.H., apartment are a crucifix, a poster of a retriever, family photos and an application for a job with the Naples, Fla., Fire Department.

troubled life. The most visible item
on Salvi's cluttered desk was an ap-
plication for a job with the Naples
Fire Department.

There was a crucifix by the bed,
a poster of a golden retriever, and a
collection of family photos over the
headboard. There were clothes
strewn about. The refrigerator was
stocked with Schaefer and Old Mil-
waukee beer, a bottle of champagne
and pasta. Some neatly wrapped
muffins sat in a bowl on a table.

There were brown filing folders with
an alphabetical directory of files
scrawled in crude handwriting with
categories that included: "Reli-
gious" (with two separate entries);
"Gun Info;" and "Cards of People I
know."

Christo and Marshall said that
they would frequently visit Salvi.

They described him as quiet and
"kind of strange" and "very effemi-
nate" but "not a bad person." He re-
cently gave Christo a haircut in the
apartment and opened up about his
troubled childhood and about his ha-
tred for his father and mother. That
night, Christo said, Salvi asked him
to "spend the night," but Christo,
who is married, said he declined the
offer, bought Salvi a pizza and left.

Christo, a carpenter, said Salvi
had called him from the road Satur-
day only 90 minutes before he
opened fire into the back of an abor-
tion clinic in Norfolk, Virginia.

"He sounded like he had no idea
where he was. He sounded scared,"
said Christo, who gave wildly vary-
ing accounts of the purported pho-
nical conversation with Salvi. Police say
they have not ruled out that Christo

actually did have the conversation
with the alleged shooter less than
two hours before he was captured,
but they have also not confirmed it.

"We didn't talk about much," he
said, as he continued to wheel the re-
frigerator out of the apartment.

On a table in Salvi's kitchen,
there were typed instructions for his
scapular, a blessed pendant worn by
very devout Catholics and which law
enforcement officials say Salvi was
wearing at the time of the rampage.
The paper read, "The scapular is an
assurance of salvation. Whosoever
dies clothed in this scapular shall not
suffer eternal fire."

Contributing reporter Pamela
Ferdinand provided information for
this report.

In 1956, Ruth and Harry Nichols
named their daughter Lee Ann,
after Lee Ann Meriwether, the Miss
America of the year before.

"She always loved her name,"
Ruth Nichols said yesterday from
her home in North Olmsted, Ohio, a
Cleveland suburb. Now the Nichols
family, including her father, Harry
and brother, Mark, are mourning
Lee Ann, 38, one of two victims who
died in Friday's Brookline abortion
clinic shootings.

Lee Ann Nichols, a receptionist
at Preterm Health Services, lived in
Salem, N.H., with her fiancé, Ed
McDonough.

Over the weekend, her mother,
speaking to Cleveland-area televi-
sion reporters about the suspect in
the shootings, had said: "If they
would put him before me, I would
shoot him myself."

But yesterday, she said, "I know
I said things I shouldn't have said. I
said it for my daughter... I spoke
out for her."

"She was struck down," Ruth Ni-
chols said yesterday. "It was hitting
me too hard."

The mother said she talked by
telephone over the weekend with
Joan Lowney, mother of Shannon
Lowney of Arlington, the other abor-
tion clinic worker killed Friday. "I
said, 'I've spoken to you for 45 min-
utes and I haven't cried,'" Nichols
said. "This woman is so astute. She
said, 'Ruth, we have so much to talk
about, we don't have time to cry.'"

Nichols says she is worried about
McDonough, who she said is dealing
inwardly with his grief.

"I'm hoping I can help him," she
said. "Grief does lessen."

Nichols said that neither she nor
her daughter had worried about her
safety at work. Lee Ann believed in
what she was doing, the mother said.
"She was determined."

Lee Ann Nichols and McDon-
ough had last seen Ruth Nichols a
year ago at Christmas, "when she
came home" to Ohio. This year, Lee
Ann had just begun her job at Pre-
term and the couple stayed in New
Hampshire, so Ruth Nichols sent
four boxes of presents.

"The Post Office had given them
a box that didn't belong to them,"
Nichols said last night. It belonged
instead to residents of a house down
the street.

Nichols said her daughter told
her on the telephone: "We gave the
people the box, and we felt like San-
ta Claus."

"That was just before she died,"
the mother said.

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New York: Today, mild, showery, brightening late. High 51. Tonight, cloudy. Low 38. Tomorrow, some sun, breezy, cooler. High 41. Yesterday, high 43, low 23. Details are on page 47.

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A Safer, if Not Safe, City:

Crime Falls in New York

By CLIFFORD KRAUSS

Behind the bloodcurdling headlines about a firebombing on the No. 4 train, a drive-by shooting on the Brooklyn Bridge and the killing of a police officer in a botched bicycle store holdup, behind the back-to-back campaigns that elected a new Mayor vowing to improve the quality of life in New York City and a new Governor committed to bring back the death penalty, lies an often-overlooked fact.

Crime in New York City is dropping. And dropping fast.

Murders, which had been falling gradually over the previous three years, dropped sharply, by nearly a fifth, in 1994. Overall, 350 fewer people were slain in

When Crime Recedes

First of three articles.

1994 than in the year before, and 650 fewer than in 1990, when murders — many of them fueled by the crack epidemic — reached a peak.

Shootings dropped by more than 15 percent, the latest police statistics show. And virtually every type of reported felony declined in frequency last year, with auto theft, grand larceny, burglary and robbery all dropping by better than 10 percent.

True, violent crime remains a constant menace of city life. The nearly 1,600 homicides that were committed in 1994 are still about four times the 390 killings that the city recorded in 1960. And most crimes are committed by teen-agers, whose vicious and often random acts of violence have spawned a level of fear that statistics cannot overcome.

But coming after the staggering increases in crimes through the late 1980's — a lethal period that culminated in mid-1990 with a string of senseless killings and the tabloid headline plea to Mayor David N. Dinkins to "Do Something, Dave" — the latest figures show a surprising reversal.

The changes, which are mirrored in many cities across the country, have mystified criminologists. They offer a number of theories, from intensified police

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Jose R. Lopez/The New York Times
Carlos Rodriguez, right, arrested in Queens in a car theft.

Suspect in Clinic Killings Caught in Virginia Assault

Norfolk Office Is a 3d Target of Gunman

By JOHN KIFNER
Special to The New York Times

BROOKLINE, Mass., Dec. 31 — The man suspected of gunning down two people and wounding five others at two abortion clinics here on Friday was arrested in Norfolk, Va., today, the police said, moments after opening fire on an abortion clinic there.

The suspect is John C. Salvi 3d, a 22-year-old man who had wanted to be a hairdresser in Hampton, N.H., and who was described as strongly opposed to abortion. He was seized by the Norfolk police shortly before noon; he is accused of having pulled a rifle from a duffie bag and opening fire, shattering the glass in two doors at the abortion clinic.

Although the police mounted a nationwide manhunt overnight, swooping down in darkness on the shabby Beachside Inn in Hampton Beach, N.H., that was his last known address, he had slipped through their net until a Norfolk fire department arson investigator said Mr. Salvi was opening fire in the parking lot of the Hillcrest Clinic at about 11:45 this morning.

He was being held in Norfolk, where he will be brought before a Federal magistrate. Officials in Massachusetts said they expected him to be returned to Boston sometime next week.

Just 25 hours before the shooting in Norfolk, the police say, Mr. Salvi, clad in black, had stalked into two abortion clinics a mile and a half apart on Beacon Street in Brookline, pulled a weapon from his black duffie bag and begun shooting. The dead were identified as receptionists at the two clinics and the wounded were all clinic employees or volunteers.

Officials said they had been able to identify Mr. Salvi from gun shop receipts left, along with a pistol, in the duffie bag that was dropped



Associated Press
An impromptu memorial yesterday outside an abortion clinic in Brookline, Mass., where a woman was killed.

Suspect: Quiet Loner and Odd Man Out

By SARA RIMER

Special to The New York Times

HAMPTON BEACH, N.H., Dec. 31 — On the back of John Salvi's black pickup was an oversized picture of an aborted fetus. It was a picture of Jesus Christ, Mr. Salvi told people.

His neighbors and co-workers today described the 22-year-old suspect in abortion clinic shootings, who was a student at the Portsmouth Beauty School, as quiet and withdrawn. They knew little about him, they said, other than that he was deeply religious and wanted to be a hairdresser. Even law-enforcement officials said today that they knew little about his background.

"He was just an oddball," said Jeff Marshall, 19, who lives up stairs from Mr. Salvi at the Beach-



Russians Enter Separatist Capital After Air and Ground Onslaught

By MICHAEL SPECTER

ANTI-ABORTION KILLINGS: Rhetoric of Blood and War

THE MOVEMENT

Anti-Abortion Groups Disavow New Killings

Some Leaders Continue Radical Talk

By CATHERINE S. MANEGOLD

Special to The New York Times

BOSTON, Dec. 31 — A New Year's message on the National Pro-Life Newsline today offered up an image of America's abortion clinics as a world of death camps, contract killers and mass murder.

Another telephone hot line, the Pro-Life Action News in Chicago, predicted an end to laws protecting abortion providers in 1995 and the reversal of a series of measures designed to safeguard women's rights to terminate unwanted pregnancies, even those that resulted from rape or incest.

The Godarchy line in Wichita closed with the Biblical warning, "Woe to the bloody city."

Not one of these telephone hot lines made any mention of the killings of two receptionists on Friday at abortion clinics in Boston. And

olic priest from Alabama who has been relieved of his duties by the Church for his radical defense of the "justifiable homicide" of abortion providers, mailed a letter to members of Congress last July, predicting "massive killing of abortionists and their staffs." The letter also outlined a "target list," including members of the American Civil Liberties Union, Planned Parenthood and the National Organization of Women, saying they would be "sought out and terminated as vermin are terminated."

As Boston reeled from Friday's attacks today, language, almost as much as gunfire, came under scrutiny here.

"I feel that what we are seeing is a watershed in the anti-abortion movement," said Nicki Nichols Gamble, the President of the Planned Parenthood League of Massachusetts, where one of Friday's fatalities occurred. "There is no question in my mind that there is a national if not an international network of people who talk to each other, share strategies, share rhetoric and share a perception" that can incite violence. "When people call those of us who provide a constitutionally protected medical service 'murderers,' she said, even if increased violence," she said, even if such language only inspires already unstable people to act alone.

Some abortion opponents today appeared sobered by the scope of Friday's violence and said they may be moved to re-evaluate their speech. "I am rethinking my position," said Rev. Pat Mahoney, the director of the Christian Defense Coalition, and a former spokesman for the anti-abortion group Operation Rescue, which for years organized huge blockades at abortion clinics around the country. "There may be a link between advocating the use of force and people acting on it," he said. "It went from a more intellectual debate, and now it seems to be progressing into acting out that phi-

'Blood will run in the streets,' warns one leader.

though many moderate leaders of the pro-life movement scrambled to disavow violence, some of the movement's most vocal and radical proponents stepped back from endorsing the murder of clinic doctors and staff, but not too far. "We're in a war," said Don Treshman, the national director of Rescue America, who said his group has a mailing list of more than 30,000 names. "The only thing is that until recently the casualties have only been on one side. There are 30 million dead babies and only five people on the other side, so it's really nothing to get all excited about."

Friday's killings at two clinics in Wichita, Kan., followed this



Agence-France Presse

An abortion protester, with rosary, demonstrating alongside abortion-rights advocates yesterday outside the Repro Associates Clinic in Brookline, Mass. On Friday, two people were killed and five others were injured in shootings at two nearby abortion clinics.

ment through prayerful presence at abortion clinics, I would ask that you refrain from such manifestations."

Abortion opponents expressed mixed reactions to Cardinal Law's comments. "I'm quite disappointed," said James Foley, a retired insurance underwriter active in abortion protests for more than 20 years. "I'm willing to bring the vigils to an end if the abortion people are willing to bring the abortions to an end. The reason I disagree with what he is saying is that it means people should be forced to go underground and behave in a devious fashion."

In Buffalo, N.Y., today, Karen Swallow Prior, a central figure in the 1992 "Spring of Life" protests in that city, said she was alarmed and saddened by the violence and believed that the entire community would have to draw together to combat what was becoming a trend. She said she had tried to found a group called the Pro-Life Alliance for Nonviolence last year but abandoned the project when laws seemed to move to protect abortion facilities and staff.

Yet people on both sides of the issue expressed concern today that the effectiveness of new local and Federal laws could be encouraging desperate acts of violence on the part of extremists. Some analysts say that a diminishing legal outlet for protestors' anger may drive the most passionate abortion opponents toward the ultimate act of defiance, murder.

Against that background, Ms. Gamble, the head of the Planned Parenthood Clinic here, said she hoped that government officials would consider limiting abortion opponents' right to call for "justifiable homicide."

"I know it's a matter of free speech," she said. "But I am exercising my right to free speech to say it." Bernard Cardinal Law, the head of the Catholic church here, expressed shock over the killings and reversed his long-held position that protestors have a right to hold vigils on the sidewalks outside abortion clinics. Shortly after the attack on Friday, he called off a scheduled three-hour

declined in all cases, including what had become the rather routine practice of picketing, minor vandalism and general harassment at clinic gates.

Of the 314 clinics surveyed, 16.6 percent reported an increase in death threats after the murders of Dr. John Bayard Britton and James H. Barrett outside a Pensacola, Fla. abortion clinic last July. And 24.8 percent reported that staff members had been subjected to death threats during the first seven months of 1994.

"We have been trying to get people to pay attention to this for some time," said Eleanor Smeal, the president and co-founder of The Fund for the Feminist Majority. "The talk now is about war. That this is an all-out war. To us, they are zeroing in on a murder strategy."

Here in Boston, abortion providers today confirmed that most minor incidents have decreased. At the Preterm Health Services clinic a second victim was killed

Moving from an intellectual debate to 'a war.'

ary issue of Harper's magazine quotes from a book titled "The Army of God," a manual for anti-abortion activists, that vividly calls for violence.

The article quotes from a chapter called "Ninety-Nine Covert Ways to Stop Abortion": "You find out that you have a very short time to live due to a terminal illness. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity."

"Whatever activities are undertaken (torching, bombing, thumb removal etc.) carry on with reckless

more...
 extreme...
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 Public Radio...
 "blood will run..."
 nobody has ever seen...
 executives Paul Hill...
 ed of murdering an abortion doctor...
 and his bodyguard and sentenced to die in the electric chair.
 The Rev. David C. Trosch, a Cath-

THE ARREST

Suspect in Abortion Clinic Killings Is Caught 25 Hours Later After Assault in Virginia

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chased from a New Hampshire gun shop.

Like the two abortion clinics here, the Hillcrest Clinic in Norfolk had been a target of vigorous abortion protests, said Eleanor Smeal, president of the Feminist Majority Foundation. She said there had been a firebombing, several attempts at planting pipe bombs, almost daily pickets and two occasions when protesters had broken into the building. Indeed, there were eight protesters in front of the building on this gray, overcast day when Mr. Salvi pulled into the back parking lot of the three-story office building and asked one of the clinic's security guards for directions.

"He asked for directions to the Burger King," said Suzette Caton, the clinic's director of community relations. She said that the guard, a woman, had momentarily looked away.

"When she looked back, he was returning with a large black bag," Ms. Caton said.

"Within seconds he was firing into the lobby," she went on. "He shattered the two glass doors and a bullet went into a pay phone."

No one was hurt in the incident, although Ms. Caton said there had been about 50 to 60 people in the clinic — staff, patients and their friends or family — when the shooting broke out. Because of the continual protests, she said, patients were usually sent around to the back of the building and the doors were kept locked.

It was not clear exactly what had taken Mr. Salvi to Norfolk, roughly a 12-hour drive south, but one line of speculation was that he might have been headed for Naples, Fla., where his parents lived and where he had spent his younger years. Scott Harsbarger, Massachusetts' Attorney General, and other officials here pledged renewed ef-

Yet he declined to ascribe responsibility for Friday's attacks to the abortion mainstream, saying, "I can't stop something you don't have a link to."

Across the country today, abortion rights supporters blamed the flash-heat rhetoric of recent months for the grim escalation of a street war that once was more theater than threat. Now the threat is clear. The Jan-

abandon! "Say you are given three months to live. You commit to torching two killing chambers every other day in different cities for 11 weeks. That's 77 destroyed death camps!"

A study released last week by the Fund for the Feminist Majority showed extremists increasingly using death threats as their primary tactic in the battle. More pacifistic opposition, the group reported, had

where the second victim was killed yesterday, a woman who would identify herself only as "Sue," said prayer vigils were routine here and that two or three people regularly picketed the clinic.

"We have actually seen a decrease since the FACE bill," she said, referring to the Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances Act enacted earlier this year.

Shown after the attacks on a three-hour mass that had been scheduled for New Year's Eve as a celebration of the sanctity of life.

"It is important to state that violence is in total contradiction to all that the pro-life movement represents," the Cardinal said in a statement. "To those in the pro-life movement who express their commit-

"We put it on the back burner because we thought things were calming down," she said. Today, she was taking out her old files again, saying that abortion foes must never embrace violence in order to end abortions.



Candles and flowers were left at a Planned Parenthood clinic in Brookline, Mass., yesterday. A gunman killed a woman at the clinic on Friday.

Slipping through a police net, a suspect attacks in another clinic

forts to protect abortion clinics and women's right to abortion.

"We will insure these rights are protected," he said at a news conference at the Brookline police station this afternoon, where local and Federal officials gathered to announce the arrest.

But there was an almost palpable feeling of fear on Beacon Street in front of the two abortion clinics today, as women in ones and two-dropped bundles of flowers on makeshift shrines, then turned and hurried away, their heads down, refusing to talk, and certainly not giving their names to waiting reporters and photographers. As darkness fell, hundreds of women gathered before the state-

stable a few days ago, around Christmas.

He seemed, several remembered, obsessed with his vision of the Roman Catholic religion.

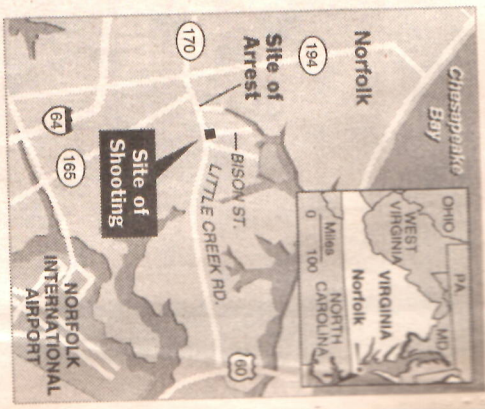
"He was really a nice kid, but he was very, very, very religious," said Rick Griffin, who hired him to work at Eccentric Hair, a salon in Portsmouth, N.H., where he was in trouble for quarrelling with customers. "He might be some kind of religious fanatic. On the back of his pickup he kept a picture of an unborn fetus, an aborted fetus. If you asked him about it, he would quote scripture.

"He had very strong Roman Catholic views. He wouldn't work on Sunday," Mr. Griffin said. "He had very

domineering parents. He wanted to wear his hair long, but his mother said, 'I am supporting you — you wear your hair the way I want it.'"

Doreen Potter, the hairdressing salon's manager, said she was struck by the poster of the fetus she said he called Jesus, and described Mr. Salvi as "just the kind of person who was ready to snap."

His tensions seem to increase when his parents came to visit for Christmas, several people said, and Ms. Potter and others recalled an incident on the Friday before Christmas when he suddenly became enraged and tore off a client's coat. Ms. Potter sent him home early and said she planned to fire him and give him



A suspect was arrested near a Norfolk, Va., abortion clinic.

Like the Boston clinic had drawn many protests.

a check, but he never turned up again. "He was lost," she said. "I think he was really lost."

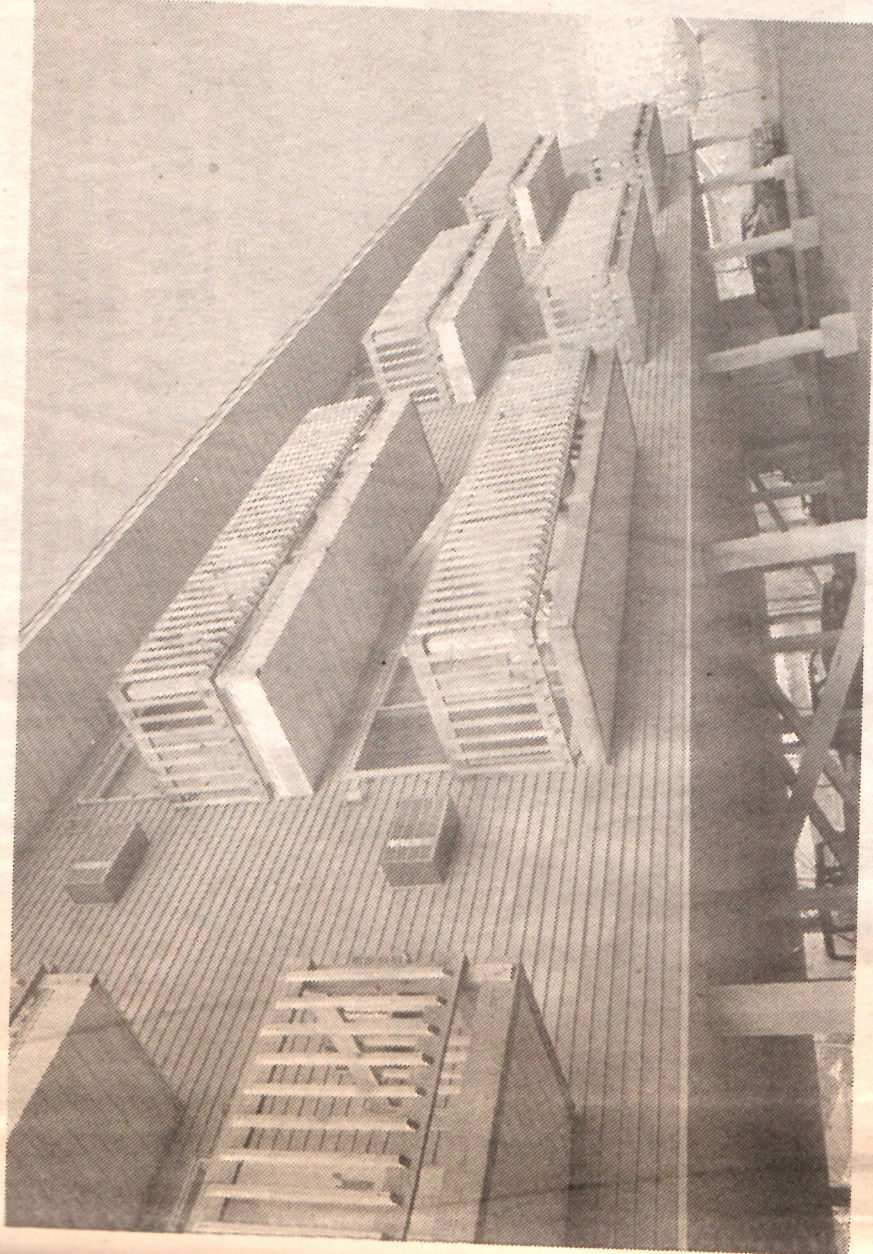
Reno's Comments

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31 (AP) — Attorney General Janet Reno says there are not enough law enforcement officers available to guarantee the safety of staff members and patients at clinics where abortions are performed. "There are a limited number of marshals that are made on them," Ms. Reno said on Friday, calling the attacks on such clinics part of an escalating epidemic of violence across the country.

Ms. Reno said she would meet soon with Congressional leaders to discuss what could be done to deter additional attacks.

Watch for colorful Part 2's of The New York Times Magazine.

ANTI-ABORTION KILLINGS: Pieces of an Angry Puzzle



John C. Salvi 3d, the suspect in the abortion clinic shootings, lives on the lower level of this apartment building in Hampton Beach, N.H. Jeff Marshall, at right outside Mr. Salvi's door, "kept to himself."

THE SUSPECT

Abortion Killing Suspect Described as Quiet, Withdrawn and 'Really Lost'

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side, said Mr. Salvi had a fight with his father two days before Christmas. "He didn't say too much about it," said Mr. Marshall, who works for a temporary agency. "He was more or less mad. I don't really know what it was about."

Mr. Marshall said Mr. Salvi's parents left two days ago to return to Florida. They could not be reached by telephone today at their home in Naples.

Mr. Marshall said that he, along with Mr. Salvi's next-door neighbor, John Cristo, had "hung out a few times" with Mr. Salvi at the motel. "He was very quiet," Mr. Marshall said. "I never saw anybody with him. He always kept to himself. It's pretty sad. The only people who talked to him were me and John. I never had a problem with him." Like a lot of other people, Mr. Marshall had noticed the picture on

'I never saw anybody with him. He always kept to himself.'

had furniture blockading the window." Mr. Marshall said he was surprised to see Mr. Salvi's truck in front of the motel on Thursday morning. "I thought he was supposed to go north, for a vacation," he said. By Thursday evening, he said, the truck was gone.

Mr. Griffin, who owned Eccentric Hair until two weeks ago, said Mr. Salvi had strong Roman Catholic views and would not work on Sundays. "He was a really nice kid, but he was very, very, very religious," Mr. Griffin said. If anyone asked him about the sightings of Mr. Salvi,

wear his hair shorter than he wanted, and also made him get a permanent.

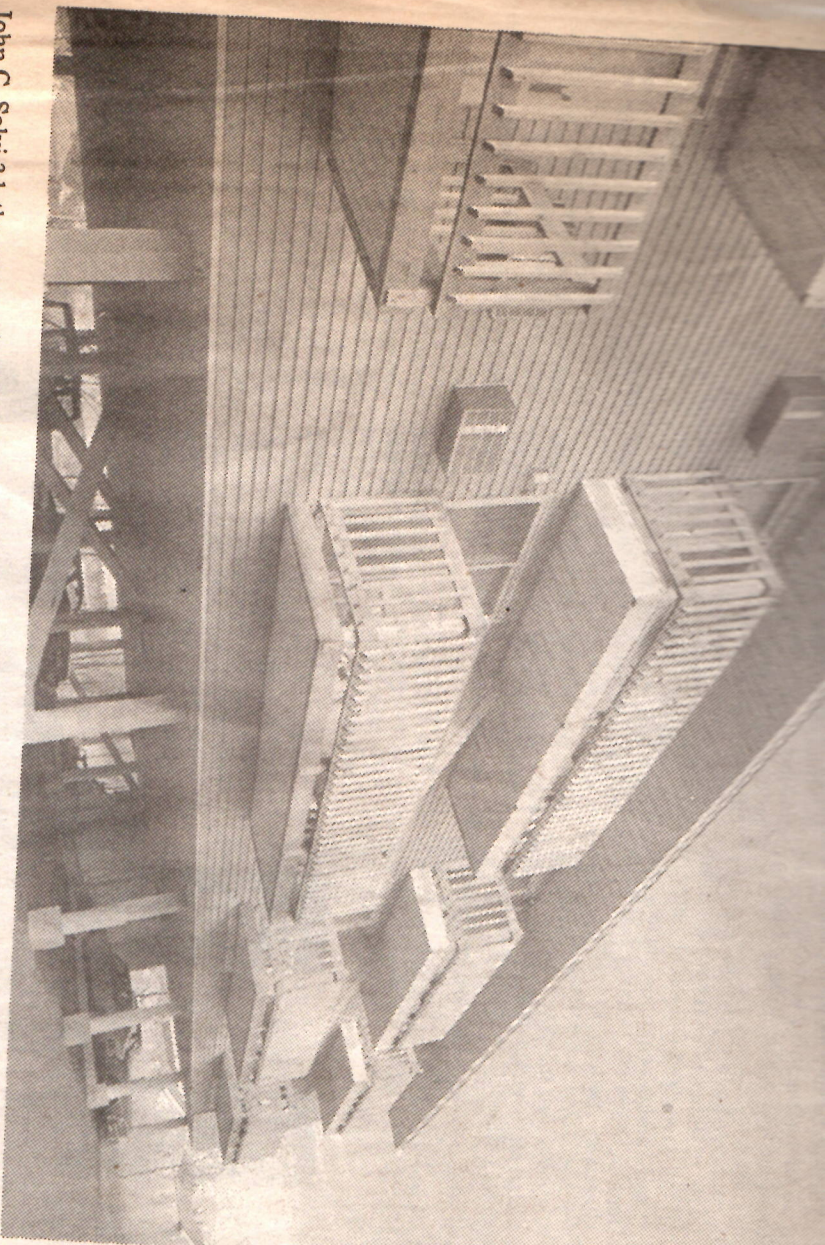
"He dressed like a janitor," Mr. Griffin said. "He wore his keys on his belt buckle and black pants and a white shirt."

Mr. Griffin said Mr. Salvi had too much to drink and was unusually gregarious at the salon's Christmas party. "He was dancing," he said. "He looked like a goofball. Someone gave him a Christmas kiss, and he grabbed her and put her in a liplock. Then he said to her, 'Will you go home with me tonight?' She was married. It was not that kind of party. He just has no social skills."

Karen Harris was a classmate of Mr. Salvi's at the Portsmouth Beauty School. "Most of the students agreed he was pretty weird," she said. "He never showed emotion. He was not angry, sad or happy. He always had a straight face. But the main thing was how he would stare at people. He'd just stare and stare



Photographs by Mary Beth McEhan for The New York Times



John C. Salvi 3d, the suspect in the abortion clinic shootings, lives on the lower level of this apartment building in Hampton Beach, N.H. Jeff Marshall, at right outside Mr. Salvi's door, said his neighbor "kept to himself."



Photographs by Mary Beth Meehan for The New York Times

Abortion Killing Suspect Described as Quiet, Withdrawn and 'Really Lost'

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THE SUSPECT

side, said Mr. Salvi had a fight with his father two days before Christmas. "He didn't say too much about it," said Mr. Marshall, who works for a temporary agency. "He was more or less mad. I don't really know what it was about."

Mr. Marshall said Mr. Salvi's parents left two days ago to return to Florida. They could not be reached by telephone today at their home in Naples.

Mr. Marshall said that he, along with Mr. Salvi's next-door neighbor, John Christo, had "hung out a few times" with Mr. Salvi at the motel. "He was very quiet," Mr. Marshall said. "I never saw anybody with him. He always kept to himself. It's pretty sad. The only people who talked to him were me and John. I never had a problem with him."

Like a lot of other people, Mr. Marshall had noticed the picture on Mr. Salvi's truck. He never discussed his views on abortion — or politics, or anything else, Mr. Marshall said.

"He had a poster on the wall of a dog in a field of flowers," Mr. Marshall said. "His room was weird. He

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had furniture blockading the window."

Mr. Marshall said he was surprised to see Mr. Salvi's truck in front of the motel on Thursday morning. "I thought he was supposed to go north for a vacation," he said. By Thursday evening, he said, the truck was gone.

Mr. Griffin, who owned Eccentric Hair until two weeks ago, said Mr. Salvi had strong Roman Catholic views and would not work on Sundays. "He was a really nice kid, but he was very, very, very religious," Mr. Griffin said. If anyone asked him about the picture of the fetus on his truck, "he would quote Scripture," Mr. Griffin added.

Mr. Salvi grew up in a suburb of Boston. He had described his parents as domineering to co-workers.

Mr. Griffin said Mr. Salvi had told him that his parents forced him to

wear his hair shorter than he wanted, and also made him get a permant.

"He dressed like a janitor," Mr. Griffin said. "He wore his keys on his belt buckle and black pants and a white shirt."

Mr. Griffin said Mr. Salvi had too much to drink and was unusually gregarious at the salon's Christmas party. "He was dancing," he said. "He looked like a goofball. Someone gave him a Christmas kiss, and he grabbed her and put her in a liplock. Then he said to her, 'Will you go home with me tonight?' She was married. It was not that kind of party. He just has no social skills."

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At the Beachside Inn today, Mr. Marshall and Mr. Christo were trying to figure out what had happened. "He had a fight with his parents," Mr. Marshall said. "I think he was crying out for attention. He just snapped."



Rick Griffin, who had hired Mr. Salvi last May to work at his salon, said that a week ago, Mr. Salvi erupted.

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Dorchester restaurant owner wants to know why police cancelled his party.
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It happened in Brookline



IN THE GOOD OLD DAYS, other municipalities would call Brookline to find out how it dealt with protesters outside the three abortion clinics dotting Beacon Street. How did it manage the lunatic fringe? What were its strategies? How much did it cost? Did taxpayers object?

Today, different questions are being asked: What in the hell happened? Didn't the cops perform their job well? Didn't the selectmen do the right thing? Didn't the state have model legislation?

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Full of sound and fury, sign

By Peter J. Howe
GLOBE STAFF

On paper, the Massachusetts Legislature had a productive year in 1994, sending nearly 300 bills to Gov. Weld's desk for his signature.

But the number of bills that really meant much amounted to little more than one for every month lawmakers were in session. While major changes in law enforcement were voted, 1994's Beacon Hill session lacked a great signature accomplishment, such as the Education Reform Act of 1993 or the massive efforts to resolve the state fiscal crisis in 1991.

Despite approval of anticrime bill Legislature had unremarkable

The bulk of the legislation that became law in 1994 was relatively insignificant. A Globe review found that 77 percent of the 278 bills the Legislature passed and Weld signed by day's end Friday fell into one of five routine categories. They were either purely local bills involving a single city or town, land transfers or easements, sick-leave transfers for state workers to give an ill colleague extra time off, measures to ad-

dress individuals' Civil Service or the naming of bridges.

Lawmakers, who voted the \$16,410 pay raise late in the year, got through a years-delayed overhaul of the state's arrest system that has let criminals slip through legal cracks. They also reformed criminal sentencing procedures and drunk driving laws, passed a d-



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Patriots fans pounded

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By Lynda Gorov
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"In Brookline, you get criticized for everything," Allen said. "Every cent is questioned by Town Meeting or citizens. But we spent over \$200,000 protecting those clinics, and not once did anyone challenge it."

What else could Brookline have done? Police hauled protesters away. The town sued Operation Rescue, obtained injunctions against blockades, got restraining orders and sued under the federal RICO statutes. And it had worked, until last week. Things had quieted down. The antiabortion protesters, buffeted by federal and state legislation and afraid of going to jail, were on the ropes. "We had broken their backs," Allen said.

Operation Rescue and other fringe groups can wring their hands all they want, but blood is on those hands. You don't go around calling abortion "murder," doctors "baby killers" and the murders of doctors "justifiable homicides," then run for cover when a fellow nut opens fire at a clinic.

Cardinal Law can have his tardy moratorium on abortion protests. "Healing services" of all sorts will abound in the weeks to come. But it's all too late for Shannon Lowney and Lee Ann Nichols, whose only mistake was getting up and going to work on one fateful, hateful Friday morning.



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"Tough luck," one of them told Kelly Corwin of Watertown, who had sworn the Patriots would triumph with 58 seconds to go. They didn't. And Corwin was forced to make good on her bet with the Cleveland crowd around her. For a few painful seconds, she donned an orange-and-brown hat.

"They've been pretty rude all day, especially the women in the bathroom," Corwin said. "They've been throwing beer at us and swearing, but I'll survive. New England fans are tough."

They had to be to survive three hours in Cleveland Stadium, filled with about 77,500 fans yesterday, most of them rooting for the Browns. After the game, even Patriots kicker Matt Bahr

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The yelling was loudest — not to mention most profane — in the uncovered section of the stadium known as the Dawg Pound. The hardest Browns fans hang out there, which became obvious when a half-dozen males removed their shirts to reveal torsos painted in Cleveland orange and brown. Other, more subdued Dawg Pounders had droopy ears attached to their hats, achieving a Wonder Dog or Underdog effect, depending on the view.

In the past, fans in this section have thrown snowballs, dog bones and worse at opposing players or their own players, if

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What's closed, open on New Year's Day.

Holiday observed: Monday.

Massachusetts

Retail stores: Open.

Liquor stores: Open.

Supermarkets: Open.

Convenience stores: Open.

Taverns, bars: Open.

Banks: Some may open.

Stock market: Closed.

State offices: Closed.

Municipal offices: Closed.

Schools: Closed.

Libraries: Closed.

Mail: Express delivery only.

MBTA: Sunday schedule.

Boston traffic rules: Meters not in effect.

Rubbish collections/Boston: No trash pickup today. Rest of week delayed one day, except Boston.

Without roots, Mission Hill

By Dolores Kong
GLOBE STAFF

Five mornings a week, pediatrician Karen Godoy has been seeing patients at a makeshift clinic in the Mission Hill public housing development, lugging medical records, reference books and lab equipment there from a nearby health center and back each day.

She and seven other health workers are supported by a \$500,000 federal grant to Whittier Street Neighborhood Health Center. The money was intended to fund a full-time clinic for residents of the Mission Main Housing Development, where there are high rates of drug abuse, AIDS, infant mortality and other health problems.

But the grant may be in jeopardy. The Boston Housing Authority, after more than a year, has yet to establish a permanent space for the clinic, leaving Godoy and her colleagues to set up shop each morning in the housing development's youth center. Under the terms of the grant, the clinic was supposed to be served full-time in a permanent space by the city, but risk forfeiting the rest of the funding. City officials and city officials are to meet with Godoy Thursday to talk about the delay.

"We're all very concerned that we're going to lose this grant," said Godoy. "People in Mission Hill definitely want the clinic there. It would be a shame not to be able to provide the service."

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Three cheers for those Krafty Patriots

Letters to the Editor

K was outfoxed in the Cuban missile crisis

The article on the Cuban missile crisis by Brian McGrory (Dec. 22) is not entirely factual. It refers to "missile crisis meetings" held Oct. 18, two days after Kennedy learned of the missile buildup. This is not true. Sen. Kenneth Keating of New York informed the State Department in July 1962 that there were missiles in Cuba. Why did we wait until the end of October to take action? Answer: midterm elections in November.

Why would Khrushchev create a crisis knowing well that the United States had overwhelming nuclear superiority capable of striking deep into the Soviet Union? Perhaps the answer is in a book authored by Khrushchev stating that he wanted a "peace" from the United States and would not invade Cuba -

which he did eventually receive from President Kennedy. He had no intention of going to war over Cuba. The United States was outfoxed.

Another part of the agreement that was not carried out was the teams that were to go into Cuba to insure that the missiles were removed. This did not happen: Castro said nobody was coming into Cuba unless he approved it. The United States sent surveillance planes to observe the missiles' removal.

It must be remembered that Kennedy was merely following the "brinkmanship" policy of former Secretary of State John Foster Dulles. Dulles was widely criticized as being reckless. I am puzzled at times when we forget and ignore history.

THOMAS J. KELLEY JR.
South Yarmouth

Men must speak out on Brookline killings

Men must waste no time condemning the violence that occurred Friday at two women's clinics in Brookline. More important, men must waste no more time before joining the women who are leading the fight against all forms of male violence against women.

One fact surprises no one: The perpetrator is a man. This underscores the need for men who care about women's equality to condemn this act in the strongest terms.

Make no mistake: This act was another attempt by a man to control women through violence.

As prochoice men, we will not be passive in our support for women's rights. It is time for men who believe in equality and social justice to stand up, speak out and work to make sure this never happens again.

JACKSON KATZ
BOB PARET

The writers are members of Real Men, a Boston-based, antisexist men's organization.

From Russia with grief

Indira Lakshamanan's article about the parents of photojournalist Cynthia Elbaum (a native of Ashfield, Mass.), who was killed in Chechnya, made a deep impression on the leaders and workers of ITAR-TASS (the Russian news agency).

For us, this tragic story carries special significance: Our correspondents also work actively in various "hot spots." In September 1993 one of our best photographers, Andrei Sokolov, was killed in Abkhazia.

Through your newspaper, we would like to express our deep commiseration to the parents of Cynthia Elbaum in connection with the irreparable loss they have suffered. Their sorrow is shared by all the many thousands of members of our agency's collective.

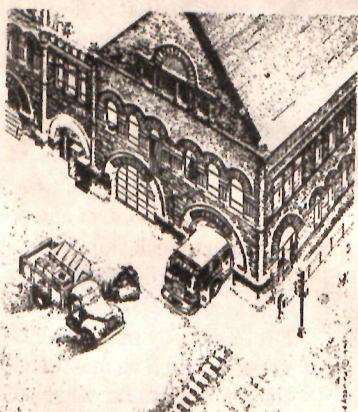
VITALY IGNATENKO
General director, ITAR-TASS

A Christmas card from California

In August of this year I was able to spend a week in Boston to take a class. During off-hours I was able to take advantage of the subway system and the town, from Fenway Park to the Freedom Trail to the Museum of Fine Arts to Beacon Hill Back Bay.

The first night I was in Boston I had difficulty finding the Convention Center/ICA station on the Green Line. I ended up at the firehouse of Engine 33, Ladder 15 and asked for help. The firefighters were very friendly and so I was able to find my way to Fenway Park to watch the Sox. The fans there were wonderful. In fact, it seems as if wherever I went I ran into hospitable people.

I had a very warm feeling about Boston now based on my recent experiences. Therefore



DAVID ASAHINA'S CHRISTMAS CARD

when it came time to create my personal Christmas card I decided to honor those firefighters at Engine 33, Ladder 15 and all the good people in Boston by illustrating a situation in which Santa, in need of help, stops at the same station where I got help.

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Ongoing protests needed to defend right to choose

January 22 actions help pressure gov't to protect clinics

BY CECELIA MORIARITY

BOSTON — "Stop Clinic Violence: Defend Abortion Rights!" That is what people will be demanding when they join the march and rally here January 22. The action was called by the Massachusetts National Organization for Women (NOW) in response to the December 30 shootings at two women's health clinics that provide abortions in nearby Brookline, Massachusetts. Two receptionists, Lee Ann Nichols and Shannon Lowney, were killed and five others seriously wounded.

In the wake of ongoing protests against the clinic attacks, Massachusetts governor William Weld organized a meeting with representatives of the pro-life movement.

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Rightist attacks on abortion rights can be pushed back

On January 22, the anniversary of the Supreme Court ruling legalizing abortion, thousands will mobilize to defend abortion rights — at a march and rally in Boston and in front of clinics and at other events across the United States.

The Boston demonstration will answer those who use murder to try to terrorize the majority who support keeping abortion safe and legal.

The killings in Massachusetts and Florida since 1993 come amid a retreat by the right-wing forces who want to push back abortion rights. "I think that extremists opposed to abortion got frustrated, felt they were losing the battle and felt it was incumbent upon themselves to resort to violence," said one prominent rightist, Rev. Patrick Mahoney. He's right: opponents of women's rights have been losing the battle.

Ever since the 1973 Roe v. Wade decision, attacks on abortion rights have been led by capitalist politicians who adopted laws like the Hyde Amendment, which cut off funds for abortions for women who are poor. Many states passed parental consent restrictions and waiting periods. Access to an abortion has been limited for many women. The fact remains, however, that major inroads toward reversing Roe v. Wade have failed.

Operation Rescue and other right-wing outfits began blockading clinics in hopes of achieving by force what they had been unable to win in open debate. In the early 1990s something began happening in front of clinics that has not been seen in this country for decades — mobilizations of right-wing cadres preparing for street battles.

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Supporters of women's rights protest the murders of clinic workers in Boston. More actions are needed to defend abortion rights and pressure the government to protect right to choose.

Currency chaos bred by bosses' downsizing

BY GREG ROSENBERG

The spasms seizing world financial and currency markets since the devaluation of the Mexican peso are described in the business press as a "flight to quality." The London *Economist* wags its finger that "the markets can be useful punishers of the profligate and rewarders of the virtuous."

In the past month the Mexican peso was devalued by 40 percent and the stock market there lost half of its value in dollar terms. Foreign capital investment in the so-called emerging markets of Latin America — and now Asia too — has temporarily nose-dived, as mutual fund managers and other investors seek hoped-for safer havens. Banks in Latin America are threatened with insolvency. Currency crises have wracked Italy, Spain, Sweden, and Canada.

These convulsions are rooted in the economic uncertainty and explosive political instability of world capitalism, which has been mired in depression conditions since the opening of the decade.

In the United States and other imperialist countries of North America, Europe, and Asia, the bosses are seeking to boost sagging profit rates by slashing costs, cutting jobs, and forcing a harder and faster pace of work. They are laying off workers and cutting wages, privatizing state-run industries, and targeting social benefits labor has fought for in order to guarantee lifetime security for working people.

Since 1990 the lurch of imperialist capitalism toward the so-called emerging markets has

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Murder trial of framed-up miner closes

BY NED DMYTRYSHYN

YELLOWKNIFE, Northwest Territories — "The evidence does not prove his guilt, but his innocence. If you convict Roger Warren, the people who did this terrible crime would have gotten away with murder," said defense attorney Glenn Orris in his January 13 summation to the jury.

Roger Warren, a 51-year-old gold miner and member of Canadian Auto Workers Local 2304, faces frame-up charges of setting an explosion at Royal Oak's Giant Gold Mine in 1992. Nine replacement workers died in the explosion, which took place during an 18-month strike.

For 13 months after the blast hundreds of strikers, family members, and supporters were interrogated and harassed by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP). Their phones were wiretapped. Some had their houses searched. Warren himself was interrogated 12 times.

The company used this cop "investigation" to wear down strikers and undercut community support for their fight. One year after the blast, Royal Oak owner Peggy Witte announced that until an arrest was made she would refuse to negotiate with the union.

Under the pressures of this cop operation, and the prospect of no end to the strike, Warren falsely confessed.

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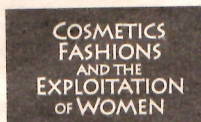
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BY JOSEPH HANSEN AND EVELYN REED, INTRODUCTION BY MARY-ALICE WATERS

Jumping off from big business's profiteering on cosmetics and fashions, this book looks at the origins of women's oppression and how women's growing numbers in the workforce has irreversibly changed U.S. society and spurred struggles for full equality. Published by Pathfinder.

"Megan's Law" has just taken effect in New Jersey, but its dangers to democratic rights are already being exposed. The statute, named for a seven-year-old victim of a rape and murder, requires notification of neighbors, schools, and other institutions when anybody once convicted of a sex offense moves into the area.

Far from protecting the rights of women and children against sexual abuse and violence, such laws encourage reactionary vigilantism and threaten Constitutional protections working people have fought for and defended for two centuries. Since New Year's Day, when "community notification" became law, one person has already (mistakenly in this case) been targeted for a beating by intruders in a home, and two other New Jersey residents were harassed after having their addresses incorrectly

listed as the home of released convicts. Megan's Law and others like it brand those who serve out their time as pariahs and social outcasts for the rest of their lives. Such laws impose a mandatory life sentence for all such crimes and those convicted of them. Acknowledging the potential dangers inherent in the new statute, an editorial in the January 15 *New York Times* entitled "Megan's Law Needs Fixing" declares that "New Jersey should narrow its focus and notify only the local police and other law enforcement officials." But there are no "flaws" in Megan's Law. We should demand that the law and any version of it be wiped from the books. It is an obstacle to the fight for women's rights, the protection of children, and the interests of working people and the labor movement.

Clinic attacks can be stopped

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battles to roll back basic democratic rights. But the rightists were defeated. They were met by organized countermobilizations — clinic-by-clinic — in cities from Buffalo, New York, to Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Under the pressure of the public defense of abortion rights, the cops and courts began arresting and sentencing those responsible for the assaults. The numbers willing to join the blockades dwindled. Groups that once drew hundreds or thousands to events were dealt a blow they have not recovered from.

In a recent column, Operation Rescue's Randall Terry, who led many clinic assaults, whines from his jail cell about "the crushing weight of the federal government." The courts, he says, should only give his ilk "small fines, two days in jail, charges dismissed, etc."

The November elections were another registration of the balance of class forces. Right-wing politicians largely left opposition to abortion rights in their briefcases. And in the wake of the recent murders, some opponents of a woman's right to choose, such as Boston's Bernard Cardinal Law, have called for a moratorium on clinic protests.

But a small rightist vanguard is testing the waters by calling for further actions and raising the specter of a rising tide of violence; a handful even applaud the killings. Such forces count on government inaction for the leeway to spread their terror.

Mobilizations to defend the clinics and actions such as the January 22 marches and rallies can defeat this desperate campaign too. We must show that *our* side will not be intimidated, that we will stand and fight. We must demand of the government that women's rights be protected under the law.

Some spokespersons for pro-choice groups call for restrictions on free speech and the right to assembly as a way to stem violent assaults. "Words Kill" was the headline of a recent full-page ad taken out by Planned Parenthood of New York City in the *New York Times*. "Leaders of the extreme religious right" use words "to inspire killing," the ad says. The head of the Brookline Planned Parenthood clinic where one of the December murders occurred has urged the government to consider prosecution of those who call the killings "justifiable homicide." Others have called for the use of "racketeering" and "criminal conspiracy" laws against anti-abortion forces.

But restrictions on what rightists can say when they gather in front of the clinics will not guarantee

government action to stop murderous assaults. Such restrictions can and will, however, give the government a dangerous new weapon to use against the democratic rights of unionists, protesters against police brutality, and others.

Nor is the "religious right" the source of the danger to a woman's right to abortion, as some argue. The aims of those leading assaults on abortion clinics are political, not religious. While many cloak their right-wing political goals in religious garb, the fact is that the majority of those in the United States who consider themselves religious, whether Catholic, Protestant, or otherwise, support keeping abortion safe and legal. The labor movement and supporters of women's equality must forcefully reject the idea that Catholics, or others who hold religious beliefs, are responsible for the assaults on abortion rights.

The federal government above all must be held accountable to halt clinic violence by enforcing the laws—plenty of which already exist—against assault, murder, vandalism, and other crimes. This is particularly true since the social program advanced by the broad spectrum of Democratic and Republican politicians is opening the door wide to the growth of rightist demagoguery. Attacks on immigrant rights, blaming women on welfare for poverty, carrying out more executions, stepping up cuts in social services—that is what working people are offered in one or another form by everyone from Bill Clinton to Newt Gingrich.

Supporters of democratic rights cannot rely on the good will of the very government that is leading the charge against working people's rights and living standards. Janet Reno, a liberal often touted as a friend of women's rights, provides a stark example. With five people killed in less than two years, and more shot and wounded, Reno has moved at a snail's pace to take action to defend the clinics. The same person who ordered the horrifying and unconscionable immolation of more than 80 people in Waco, Texas, in 1993 argues that the federal government doesn't have the forces to adequately protect abortion clinics.

"Intensify the struggle" is how Nelson Mandela put it in urging ongoing protests against South Africa's apartheid regime in its dying days. That's what thousands will be doing in Boston and elsewhere on January 22 by organizing public protests in defense of abortion rights. And that's how to keep the pressure on Washington to take the action necessary to stop the murderous assaults on clinics and clinic personnel.

of China's problem."

"Our situation is very different from that in Mexico insisted the Indonesian finance minister on January 1 when the *rupiah* fell to a record low of 2,230 against the dollar. On that day, every major stock exchange in Asia fell except those of India and Pakistan.

The political crisis in Russia sparked by Moscow's bloody war against Chechnya has stanchied the short-lived surge into its infant stock market since the middle of last year.

In Europe, three capitalist governments were punished by the world's wealthiest currency dealers and bondholders for failure to sharply enough curtail the social wage and ensure political stability. The Spanish *peseta* and Italian *lira* hit record lows against the German *mark*, and the Swedish *krona* fell steeply.

The recent collapse of Silvio Berlusconi's government in Italy, and its inability to carry out an austerity program, including failed attempts that sparked mass union-led demonstrations, contributed to the *lira's* fall.

"Nobody, save the politicians, believes in Spain's economic program," said the chief economist at a leading Madrid bank. Socialist Party prime minister Felipe Gonzalez hasn't produced satisfactory results from years of belt-tightening, and his regime is now being shaken by revelations of government hit squads that sought to murder Basque nationalists.

The new Social Democratic government in Sweden introduced an even grimmer austerity budget after Moody's Investors Service cut the credit rating on government bonds, citing social programs it said were crippling the economy. But Stockholm's measures were too little, too late.

"Mexico symbolizes the trend that in 1995 there is going to be a clear differentiation between those countries which will put in place the right macro- and micro-economic policies and those that don't," warned one London financial consultant.

Meanwhile, in the United States, many on Wall Street are already expressing skepticism over the political will of the Republican congressional majority to cut labor's social gains to the quick. "We have to go after Social Security sometime in the next five years," said Peter Lynch of Fidelity Management & Research, in an interview with *Barron's*. "I doubt the Republicans will do it."

Mexico bailout, at a price

Millions of workers and peasants in Mexico have seen their living standards plummet in the past weeks, and layers of the middle class face ruin.

In an attempt to head off political turmoil and stabilize Mexico for continued plunder, the Clinton administration has proposed a \$40 billion package of loan guarantees. Washington will charge hefty fees, which may amount to a \$4 billion transfer to its coffers. Some U.S. politicians are demanding that Mexico offer up greater control of its state-owned oil reserves as collateral.

Meanwhile, reflecting the pressures the crisis has brought on the regime of President Ernesto Zedillo, talks with opposition parties yielded a pact pledging reform of Mexico's election laws. It includes setting new elections for governor in the state of Chiapas, heart of peasant uprisings over the past year.

Some U.S. capitalist politicians are insisting on more onerous conditions for the bailout deal. Democratic senator Barbara Boxer demands the Mexican government crack down on illegal border crossings and take back jailed immigrants. Jesse Helms, chairman of the Senate foreign relations committee, insists "that Mexico make it a criminal act to try to leave the country without the necessary papers."

Patrick Buchanan, undeclared rightist candidate for U.S. president, has led the charge, decrying the deal with chauvinist demagoguery. In his syndicated column, Buchanan argues that the package will only benefit Wall Street at the expense of "American" workers and other taxpayers. "Let's stop the Mexican Bailout before it begins," he wrote, "and start building that barrier fence on our Southern border. Because this time, we are really going to need it."

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Both sides rally on abort-case anniversary

By PAUL SULLIVAN
and TIM CORNELL

The deadly shooting rampage at two Brookline clinics weighed heavily on the minds of both abortion-rights advocates and abortion foes who gathered at separate rallies yesterday in Boston, marking the 22nd anniversary of Roe v. Wade.

Some 6,500 abortion rights advocates met at Boston Common and marched to the Arlington Street Church, while about 1,000 supporters of Massachusetts Citizens for Life rallied in John Hancock Hall.

Outside the hall, about 50 abortion-rights demonstrators heckled the Citizens for Life, calling them "murderers" and "fascists."

Two demonstrators were arrested inside the hall and charged with disturbing a public assembly, according to police spokesman Jerry Vanderwood, who said one policeman injured his shoulder during a scuffle with one of the demonstrators.

Bernard Cardinal Law, who gave the invocation, said, "The fanatic who took the lives of two young women in Brookline caused tremendous harm to the cause that you are sitting here for today."

Law was referring to John C. Salvi III, who is accused of murdering two women and wounding five other people during a bloody shooting attack at two abortion clinics in Brookline on Dec. 30. Law said his call for a morator-

ium on prayer vigils outside clinics has prompted a mostly constructive debate within the abortion-rights movement. But he also said he had received some "violent" letters from "both within and without the pro-life movement."

Later, Law told reporters none of the letters threatened him with physical harm. "I had both sides of the debate characterizing me as having blood on my hands," he said.

At the Common, abortion-rights supporters met with a cacophony of competing chants and some linked arms in a human chain.

Inside the packed Arlington Street Church, Pastor Kim Crawford Harvey, said, "The gruesome murders and the wounded remind us that legalization, while essential, is not enough."

The family of Shannon Lowney, who was slain in the clinic shootings, sent a statement to the rally, calling on the crowd to defend abortion rights.

"Shannon's death, and the deaths of many others, are tragic reminders of the ongoing violence against women," the family wrote.

Patricia Ireland, the president of NOW, said in an interview, "Anything Cardinal Law can say to escalate the violence is welcome."

But, she said, "We really need to go after the conspiracy. It's like saying John Salvi acted alone ... Where did John Salvi get \$1.2M in his pocket?"

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Planners, neighbors, and business people are trying to figure out the best way to spend \$3 million making Central Square a friendlier, greener place. **PAGE 9**



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NEIGHBORHOODS

Clinic murders create climate of fear

BY AMY MILLER
Chronicle Staff

Cheryl Kennedy has always brought her children with her to demonstrations. This weekend, however, the Cambridgeport mother took added precautions and went alone to stand vigil for the two women killed Friday at Brookline abortion clinics.

"This is the first time I remember deciding not to bring my 7-

year-old because I didn't think I could guarantee her safety," said Kennedy, a 45-year-old social worker who joined thousands of pro-choice activists at the State House at dusk on a rainy New Year's Eve.

Across Cambridge, as across the state, Friday's tragic and random shooting by an anti-abortion activist ignited fear and horror in places where it has never existed before.

"It's so heinous it's almost too emotional for me to talk about,"

Local women shot, in fair condition. See page 8.

said Estelle Paris, chair of the Cambridge Health Policy Board. "At this point, many of us involved with women's rights to health care are just devastated by this turn of events."

Neighborhood health clinics run by Cambridge Hospital were closed Friday afternoon, as the man who killed two people and injured five others in two Brookline clinics re-

mained on the loose until Saturday.

And at both Cambridge Hospital and Mt. Auburn Hospital, which perform a relatively small number of abortions, security was beefed up for the afternoon.

Staff at the Women's Center on Pleasant Street, a women's support organization that hosts meetings of the Reproductive Rights Network, requested special protection from city police over the weekend, but were told the local PD didn't have the staffing to as-

sign a separate officer there.

By Monday, immediate fears of danger had been eased by the arrest of John Salvi of Hampton Beach, NH, who was caught after he allegedly fired at a clinic in Norfolk, Va. But frightening images of the secretary and the medical aide who were killed and of the five clinic workers who were injured just a few miles from Cambridge left many people here with a far deeper terror of the

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Weld's rent law angers city leaders

BY AMY MILLER
Chronicle Staff

— From Cambridgeport to Beacon Hill —



In the end, city officials, rent control activists and tenants had precious little to say about the

Abortion clinic shootings create climate of fear

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threats that persist regardless of Salvi's capture.

"There's a different kind of climate of fear around being pro-choice and supportive of not just women's abortion rights but also reproductive rights," said Pam Goldstein, development coordinator at the Women's Center.

Goldstein hesitated to acknowledge that an abortion rights group meets at the Women's Center, showing apprehension that was echoed by health workers and women's rights leaders, as well as woman themselves.

"So many women from different age groups and walks of life are saying, 'this is me and I'm scared,'" said Nancy Ryan, director of the Cambridge Women's Commission. "Women can't even seek a regular medical exam without in some ways risking their lives."

The Cambridge Hospital, in the near future, will be permanently beefing up protection in its main building as well as in neighborhood clinics, said CEO John O'Brien. Plans to do this were in the works even before the shootings last week, he said.

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think there's any security that can keep me absolutely safe. It's a risk I have to take. You can keep a place as secure as you want but if someone's going to try to do damage they're going to do it."

In fact, the doctor said she doesn't believe protesters can or should be stopped.

"People who are pro-life believe in what they believe and they have a right to protest," she said. Cambridge Hospital only does abortions for women with no insurance or money to go elsewhere.

Likening the acts of violence to terrorism, she suggested that media attention only encourages such acts.

"Unfortunately the more that is in the newspapers, the more of a problem it becomes ... and the more he's achieved exactly what he wants to achieve," said the doctor.

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PHOTO BY JANE TVSKA

Ryan said she got 20 calls before the day was out Friday and has since put a hotline message on a tape giving callers information on vigils, discussions and other activity.

If there is any cautious hope for improvement, it came from the Catholic Church and Cardinal Bernard Law's request for anti-abortion activists to abandon protests for the time being.

"I was pleased the cardinal talked about let's get everybody together and talk about what we have in common," said Barbara Ackermann, chair of the Women's Task Force of the Cambridge Health Policy Board.

Social worker Vera Cohen of Antrim Street is hopeful this wake-up call will prompt healing that has been impossible in the highly polarized world of abortion debates.

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think that whole anti-choice movement needs to be held accountable for creating a climate of evil that attracts individuals to act out in this way."

Others also reject the notion that the actions of Salvi's and others who have done violence to abortion clinics nationwide are divorced from the mainstream abortion protests, which call abortion

David Keene, the fiance of Shannon Lowney, one of the women killed by a gunman at two Brookline abortion clinics last Friday, is consoled by friends on the stairs of Planned Parenthood.



PHOTO BY JANE TYSKA

murder. "If they want to say to the public that abortion is a sin, [they have] the absolute right, but having said abortion is murder, there's this notion that an eye for an eye is a reasonable response," said Ryan at the women's commission. "That's what's terrifying, [that these] people feel justified in their actions."

the vicious attack at Preterm was Jane Sauer. Sauer lived with a friend, Vernon Lundeen, in a brownstone triple decker not far from Agrawal's home. Sauer, who was shot in the back and pelvis at the Preterm clinic, was listed in fair condition at Brigham and Women's Hospital.

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"She was a very well-liked and respected student in House B, where she was a student, and throughout the school," recalled English teacher Frank McCarthy. "She was greatly admired, just bubbling with this wonderful personality."

McCarthy said that he had run into Agrawal on the street six months ago, and that she had seemed "very committed" to her work at Planned Parenthood.

Agrawal was part of a close-knit group of "four or five" House B girls who excelled in school — particularly at math — and who were close to math teacher Robert Kelly, said McCarthy.

She was in Advanced Placement math class, and was "very sociable," recalled another CRLS teacher, Al Coccoluto.

"If we'd had peer leadership back then, she was the kind of kid who would have been involved. If a teacher needed help in the office, she'd be the one there sitting at the desk. She was just totally invested in whatever she did," said Coccoluto.

Hejmancik, who visited with Agrawal's family at the hospital on New Year's Day, said he's been impacted by the injustice of the incidents.

"I think it's pretty sad that such a small percentage of people have to tow the line for an entire movement. That's where the rubber meets the road, they — the doctors and medical staff — have to bear the brunt," he said. Hejmancik also stressed that it was no accident that Agrawal was there, carrying out her life's work of protecting what she's convinced are a woman's reproductive rights.

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"Planned Parenthood exists to give care to women, all types of care and whenever you're seeking that care you need to be going to a place that's comfortable," said Justine, 28, who lives in New York now. "The people at Planned Parenthood do an excellent job of creating that care. It upsets me that ... even the protesters who aren't violent take that away from women."

As far as her own reaction to the murders, Justine said, "I was pretty angry [at first] and then a few days later I just cried and cried."

Salvi's actions also forced even the Catholic Church to address the danger of talk that invites violence. And they fueled anger and action among those who believe in the right to abortion.

"I came back to 50 messages on my machine and all of them were concerned about 'what can I do,'" said Yanow.

"WE WILL NOT allow these clinics to be closed by threats, intimidation and escalating violence," said City Councilor Katherine Triantafyllou. "If anything, this just stiffens people's resolve that we will not go back to the backroom alleys."

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As health providers and women around Cambridge opened the New Year, many said they found it was hard to celebrate or feel optimistic.

Many, like Kennedy, interrupted other plans to attend the vigil at the State House New Year's Eve. Others were at parties talking about the shootings, still stunned. They could not escape apparent links between the growing role of the religious right, increased violence across the nation as a whole and a change in the power in Washington that makes abortion rights the cause of the minority party.

"With a new Congress coming in it's like all this is connected, the strength of the religious right and the loss of progressive values and beliefs," said Goldstein, who went to the vigil, then First Night activities and then a party. Through it all, Goldstein said, "We were all looking at each other saying 'Happy New Year. Oh my God...'"

There will be a meeting Wednesday, Jan. 11, 7-8:30 pm at the Women's Center, 46 Pleasant St., for women to share responses to the abortion clinic violence. Call 354-8807 for more information.

Two Cambridge women hit by gunman's bullets now recovering, fair condition

BY J.K. DINEEN
Chronicle Staff

Four days after she was shot in the abdomen during the first of two brutal attacks at a Brookline abortion clinic, the status of Cambridge native Anjana Agrawal was upgraded from stable to fair on Tuesday at Beth Israel Hospital.

A medical assistant at Planned Parenthood in Brookline, the 30-year-old Agrawal was seriously wounded during the attacks in Brookline on Friday, the most deadly anti-abortion rampage in this country's history.

Known as "Anu" to friends and families, Agrawal was a 1982 graduate of Cambridge Rindge and Latin School. She lived with her mother — who had immigrated to Cambridge from India — in an apartment building on Orchard Street behind Porter Square.

Her mother, Sanjeev Agrawal, was in India at the time of the shootings, and came back to Boston on Monday, according to Bryce Hejmancik, a friend and tenant of the Agrawal family.

Agrawal is a driven, idealistic worker, who received a master's degree in woman's reproductive rights from Harvard University. She then spent a year in Nairobi, doing research in woman's reproductive education.

Upon her return, she worked so much that her friends didn't get to see her much. Up until the moment the gunman entered Planned Parenthood, she held down three jobs — one as a baker and one working for a catering company.

"All I knew is she had flour on her at all hours and she was always going to another job," said Hejmancik, adding that Agrawal is very "career oriented." She is remembered by teachers as an optimistic, popular, honor roll student who

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Clinic shooting suspect captured

'He looked like the devil,' guard says of gunman

By Shelley Murphy and Richard Chacon
GLOBE STAFF

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N.H. man held in Brookline deaths after Va. facility hit

By Daniel Golden and Brian McGrory
GLOBE STAFF

NORFOLK, Va. - John C. Salvi 3d, the Scripture-quoting loner wanted in the slayings of two women at Brookline abortion clinics Friday, was captured yesterday afternoon after allegedly spraying dozens of rounds at another clinic in Norfolk, Va.

Salvi, 22, a would-be hairdresser from Hampton Beach, N.H., described by some as a religious fanatic on the fringes of the antiabortion movement, eluded a massive manhunt in New England and drove his black Toyota pickup truck to the Hillcrest clinic in Norfolk, arriving shortly before noon.

There, he again pulled his col-lapsible rifle out of a black duffel bag and opened fire, shooting through a rear door, authorities said. Some of the shots passed through the building and narrowly missed a small band of protesters, Norfolk police spokesman Larry Hill.

Salvi was spotted by a local arson investigator, who radioed for help and gave chase. The investigator, Ken Harlan, was checking into an unrelated fire at an automated teller machine in the building.



AP PHOTO
JOHN C. SALVI 3D
Eluded massive manhunt

When Salvi's pickup was pulled over by Norfolk police about three blocks from the clinic, he tossed his .22-caliber Ruger rifle out the window and surrendered, according to Richard Swensen, FBI special agent in charge in Boston. Salvi's identification was found in the truck, but police did not immediately link him to the Brookline clinic shootings.

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Alleged killer described as misfit, fervent believer

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CLEVELAND Patriots' fan Rich Gallarani



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A police investigator gathers shell casings yesterday outside the Hillcrest clinic in Norfolk, Va.

Law wants talks to calm abortion tensions

By Usha Lee McFarling
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Saying rhetoric and violence in the abortion debate must end, Cardinal Bernard Law said yesterday he is working with Gov. Weld to convene an extraordinary negotiating session between abortion foes and abortion rights advocates.

The two sides, the cardinal said, should move away from confrontational protests and toward pregnant women who need counseling, support and money.

"Maybe it's an impossible dream, but I wouldn't be surprised if there were some allies," he said. "The rhetoric needs to be cooled down. We need to keep our focus on the woman and the child and how best we can be of help to both."

"To have violence associated in any way with the pro-life movement is an utter anomaly," Cardinal Law said.

"It's just a contradiction in terms," Cardinal Law's response may be a harbinger of a shift away from anti-abortion protests at clinics. LAW, Page 17



NORFOLK, Va. - John C. Salvi 3d, the Scripture quoting loner wanted in the slayings of two women at Brookline abortion clinics Friday, was captured yesterday afternoon after allegedly spraying dozens of rounds at another clinic in Norfolk, Va.

Salvi, 22, a would-be hairdresser from Hampton Beach, N.H., described by some as a religious fanatic on the fringes of the anti-abortion movement, eluded a massive manhunt in New England and drove his black Toyota pickup truck to the Hillcrest clinic in Norfolk, arriving shortly before noon.

There, he again pulled his collapsible rifle out of a black duffel bag and opened fire, shooting through a rear door, authorities said. Some of the shots passed through the building and narrowly missed a small band of protesters, Norfolk police spokesman Larry Hill.

Salvi was spotted by a local arson investigator, who radioed for help and gave chase. The investigator, Ken Harlan, was checking into an unrelated fire at an automated teller machine in the building.

Alleged killer described as misfit, fervent believer

By Charles M. Sennott
and Matthew Brels
GLOBE STAFF

John C. Salvi 3d couldn't seem to find his place in life.

He worked part time as a hairdresser at Eccentric Hair Salon along the honky-tonk strip of New Hampshire's Hampton Beach, but coworkers there described him as a "quiet, strange little boy" who "looked more like a janitor than a hairdresser."

He had family roots in Ipswich, Mass., although he and his parents moved to Florida when he was a teenager. Less than two years ago, he settled back in New England. This Christmas, he was left "with no place to go," a friend said, except his

When Salvi's pickup was pulled over by Norfolk police about three blocks from the clinic, he tossed his 22-caliber Ruger rifle out the window and surrendered, according to Richard Swensen, FBI special agent in charge in Boston. Salvi's identification was found in the truck, but police did not immediately link him to the Brookline clinic shootings. SHOOTINGS, Page 14



AP PHOTO

JOHN C. SALVI 3D
Eluded massive manhunt

apartment in the boarded-up New Hampshire tourist town where he worked and lived alone.

He had a commercial clamming license in Ipswich, but local clambers said they never saw him on the tidal flats where the shell fishermen work. Even his relatives in Ipswich described him as having "no direction whatsoever."

But if Salvi could not find his place in life, he may find a dubious place in history - charged with killing two women and wounding five others in what law enforcement officials say is the most violent and fatal shooting spree in two decades of escalating clashes over abortion.

The one place Salvi did claim to find himself was in his Catholic faith. SALVI, Page 16

Russian troops push into Chechen capital

Intense fighting reported near palace

By David Filipov
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

AL KHAN-YIIFT, Russia - Battery howitzers based outside the city and caused explosions felt for miles. Several direct hits on an oil refinery southwest of the center sent

Brookline abortion clinic shootings

LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

Salvi may be returned to Boston by the week's end

By Judy Rakowsky
GLOBE STAFF

John C. Salvi 3d faces court proceedings in Virginia early this week and will probably return to Massachusetts several days later to face state murder and assault charges.

Salvi, wanted for allegedly shooting seven people Friday in two abortion clinics in Brookline, was in custody in Virginia yesterday, following his arrest for allegedly firing shots at an abortion clinic in Norfolk.

He was being held without bail.

A federal warrant for Salvi, 22, of Hampton Beach, N.H., was obtained yesterday by US Attorney Donald K. Stern of Massachusetts and lodged with Virginia authorities. It charges Salvi with unlawful flight to avoid prosecution in connection with the Brookline shootings.

Virginia authorities were expected to return Salvi over to the FBI yesterday afternoon. He was to appear in US District Court in Norfolk tomorrow or Tuesday, Stern said.

Salvi may contest the warrant's validity at that hearing in federal court, or could waive his right to a hearing and agree to be transported by US marshals to Boston, where he would face a new hearing in US District Court.

Stern said he expected Salvi to return to Massachusetts by week's end.

Salvi is likely to be turned over to Norfolk County authorities following his appearance in federal court in Boston, said Norfolk District Attorney William Delahunt.

Federal authorities have not yet decided whether to charge Salvi under a federal law that protects undisturbed public access to abortion clinics. Violation of that law carries a maximum penalty of life in prison.

US Attorney General Janet Reno will play a role in deciding whether the US attorney's office will prosecute Salvi. The suspect could also be charged under a federal statute that provides for the death penalty when a weapon is used while committing a crime that causes a death.

Reno also will play a role in deciding

whether to charge Salvi under that statute. Salvi may be prosecuted on both the state murder and the federal abortion clinic charges, Stern said.

Florida and federal authorities cooperated this year in the joint prosecution of Paul Hill, who was accused of fatally shooting a doctor and a bodyguard outside a Pensacola abortion clinic. Hill was convicted of federal charges protecting abortion clinics and received a life sentence. Later, he was convicted on a state murder charge and sentenced to death.

Suspect in Clinic shooting captured in Va.

N.H. man held in Brookline deaths

SHOOTINGS

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Norfolk police said the back door of the Hillcrest clinic was open and that Salvi could have walked right into the clinic, as he allegedly did twice in Brookline, but inexplicably decided not to.

"He could have gotten into the building if he wanted to," Hill said. "He could have taken an elevator right up to the clinic."

Officials speculated that Salvi knew of the Hillcrest clinic, although they do not know how.

Abortion opponents, who are well-organized and vocal in Norfolk, have singled out the Hillcrest clinic for a series of demonstrations. It was the site of an attempted bombing in 1984.

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bomb"; another as a "stick of dynamite."

"When you talked to him, he either stared you down or walked away," said Doreen Potter, who manages a Portsmouth, N.H., salon where Salvi worked.

While virtually unknown in the antiabortion movement, Salvi apparently had participated in protests outside the Planned Parenthood office in Brookline that was his first target Friday. His 1987 pickup truck, which had photos of an aborted fetus both on a back window and on the dashboard, received a parking ticket outside the Beacon Street clinic last May 14, the same day as a large demonstration.

"We don't have him affiliated with any groups," said a ranking law enforcement official. "He is a loner."

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Salvi was held overnight at a Norfolk jail, where Massachusetts State Police detectives were questioning him. Salvi was "very calm" during that questioning, said Norfolk police spokesman Hill.

Salvi will be arraigned Tuesday at Norfolk General District Court on one felony count of shooting a weapon into an occupied building. Salvi is expected to be returned to Boston by federal marshals early this week, and turned over to Massachusetts officials for prosecution on two murder charges and five counts of armed assault with intent to murder, said Norfolk District Attorney William D. Delahunt.

Salvi's arrest capped the most violent episode in the history of abortion protest in America. It was the latest in a series of deadly incidents that have broadened abortion rights from a moral and political debate into a public safety crisis.

At a press conference yesterday on the Brookline police station steps, federal and state officials praised the hunt. "It was a massive effort proportionate to the severity and seriousness of the crime," said Donald K. Stern, US attorney for Massachusetts.

Yet, at the time of Salvi's capture by Norfolk police, federal and state authorities in Massachusetts were still concentrating their search in New Hampshire, and becoming openly frustrated over their inability to locate him. Salvi had indeed returned briefly to his Hampton Beach, N.H., home Friday afternoon after the Brookline shootings to change his clothes and put his Christmas tree out in the trash, law enforcement sources said. Then he apparently turned south for Norfolk.

In the meantime, a picture began to emerge of Salvi as a friendless recluse who lived alone for the past five months in a one-room apartment in a largely deserted stretch of Hampton Beach, and was reluctant to give his phone number or address to coworkers at the hairdressing shops where he trained.

An only child who grew up in Ipswich, Mass., and Florida, Salvi seemed despondent in recent days after arguments with his parents and with a customer. One coworker described him as a "waffling time

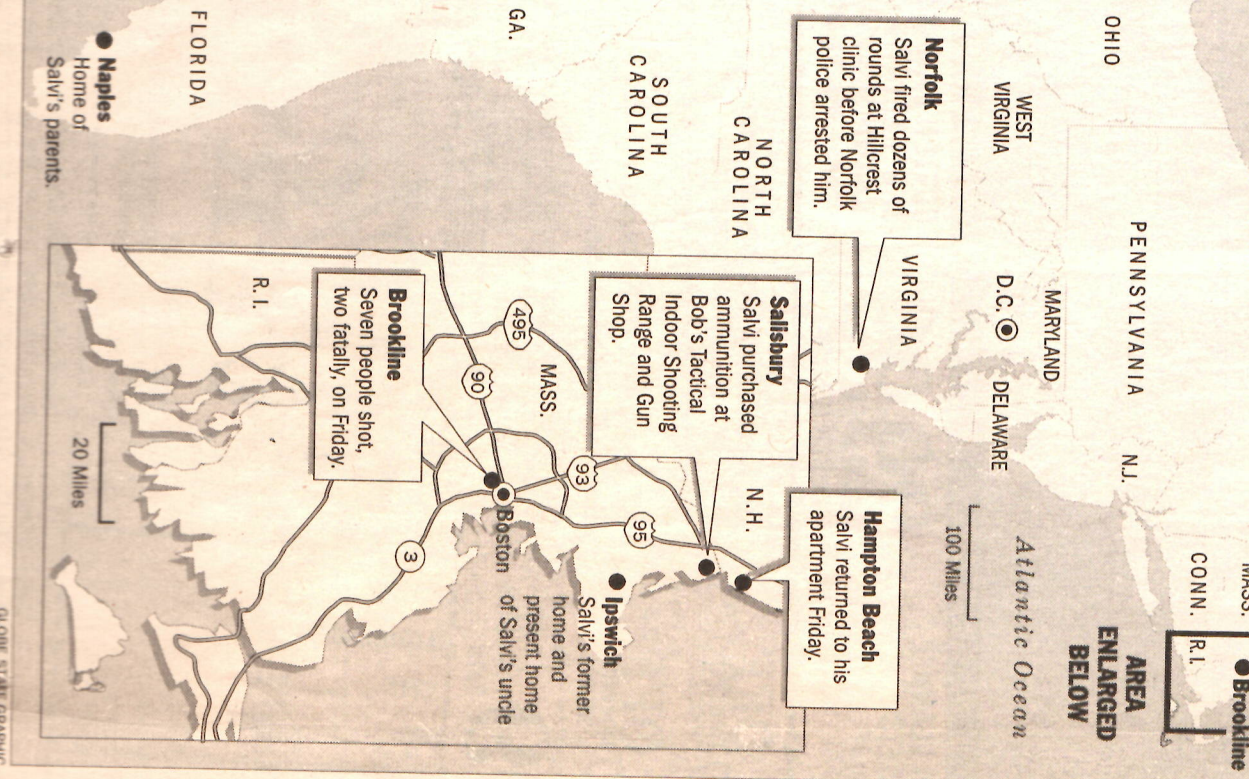
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Salvi's parents, who were interviewed by the FBI in South Carolina yesterday, have cooperated with authorities. Salvi's aunt, interviewed by phone in Naples, Fla., said that the family was heartbroken. "This is going to kill us," said Diane Salvi, sobbing. "Everything was going so good for us until now." She said that a local priest would help break the news to Salvi's 91-year-old grandmother. As attention was turned to Norfolk, 2,000 abortion rights activists

Trail of John Salvi

Authorities believe Salvi returned to his apartment in Hampton Beach after shooting 7 people Friday in Brookline. He then drove to Norfolk, Va., where he was arrested after firing dozens of shots at an abortion clinic.



An investigator examines a .22-caliber semiautomatic weapon allegedly thrown from a truck by John C. Salvi in Norfolk, Va., yesterday.



rallied yesterday afternoon at a National Organization for Women demonstration outside the State House in Boston. State Police cruisers protected the Planned Parenthood and Preterm Health Services clinics in Brookline, while steady streams of people stopped outside to lay bundles of flowers or make sure that memorial candles still flickered.

Officials at Preterm plan to meet on Tuesday to decide when to reopen their clinic, which was immediately shuttered after Friday's attack. "Preterm has every intention of continuing to serve all patients who need us," clinic officials said in a written statement issued yesterday. Funeral arrangements remained incomplete for the two murdered women, 25-year-old Shannon Lowney of Arlington, a receptionist at Planned Parenthood, and 38-year-old Leanne Nichols of Salem, N.H. Lowney, a magna cum laude graduate of Boston College, believed she was supporting women's right to an abortion by her work. Nichols, a receptionist at Preterm, had worked for two Brookline abortion clinics in the last four years.

One of the wounded, Richard J. Seron, a 45-year-old security guard at Preterm, was released yesterday from Brigham and Women's Hospital. The other four remained hospitalized.

Anjana Agrawal, 30, of Cambridge, a medical assistant at Planned Parenthood, was in serious but stable condition yesterday at Beth Israel Hospital, as was Brian Murray, 22, of Hingham, who was injured while at Planned Parenthood with a patient of the clinic.

Jane Sauer, 29, of Cambridge, a Preterm clinic worker, and Antonio Hernandez, 32, of Worcester, who had accompanied a friend to Planned Parenthood, were both in fair condition at Brigham and Women's State Attorney General Scott Harshbarger announced that authorities will provide counseling services for the victims and their families. Authorities also will assess security needs at abortion clinics around the state, in the wake of criticism that Salvi was able to walk into Planned Parenthood and Preterm without being stopped or questioned. Sources at Preterm, who requested anonymity, said that their clinic had stopped hiring Brookline police on paid detail on Saturday's earlier this year to save money.

Although her car windshield was struck by a bullet fired by the gunman Friday outside Preterm, an anti-abortion protester said that the shootings should not distract attention from the outrage of abortion itself. "As horrible as this tragedy was, and I was there, I know it was

horrible, we need to continue to focus our attention in prayer on these abortions," said Lorraine Loewen. "They too are murders."

Loewen said that she and several others who participate in vigils outside the two Brookline clinics have not decided whether to heed Cardinal Bernard Law's request for a moratorium.

Protests at local clinics had eased in recent months, jailing employees into the belief that the threat of anti-abortion violence had receded. Then, around 10 a.m. Friday, a gunman dressed in black and with an emotionless demeanor exploded that illusion of security by shooting four people at Planned Parenthood and three others at Preterm. Law enforcement sources said there was no indication that he had an accomplice.

When he fled Preterm, Salvi is believed to have left behind a duffel bag containing receipts for ammunition purchased at a gun shop and target range in Salisbury. The bag also contained a handgun and ammunition. A key break leading to Salvi's arrest came when authorities called the gun shop's clerk, whose parents said he was on his way to his New York college, on a bus.

Delahunt's office asked Rhode Island State Police to pull the Bonanza bus over. Troopers boarded the bus at a station in Providence and asked if Fred Smith, the clerk, was on board. Smith identified himself, and police told him he was wanted for questioning in the Brookline abortion clinic murders.

Smith was driven back to Massachusetts by agents of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, and, during nearly a dozen hours of questioning, provided information that law enforcement sources said was critical in identifying Salvi as the

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Law enforcement official

from the Yellow Pages, a slew of anti-abortion materials and the box in which the rifle was originally packaged.

Salvi was last seen at 1 p.m. by his landlady in New Hampshire. He likely escaped the area before state and federal authorities even realized who they were looking for, law enforcement sources said.

Even Salvi's relatives apparently found it difficult to relate to him. Police late yesterday interviewed Salvi's uncle, Denis Trudel, who described his nephew as "a religious fanatic and someone he felt was bizarre and expressed a dislike for."

Contributing to this story were Globe staffers Chris Black in Norfolk, Va., and Judy Rakowski, Royal Ford, Kevin Cullen, Stephen Kirkby, Shelley Murphy, Howard Manly and Charles M. Senoath and contributing reporter Clare Kithridge in Boston.

Brookline abortion clinic shootings

CONCERNS, FEARS

Shootings renew women's anxiety

By Beth Daley
CONTRIBUTING REPORTER

BROOKLINE - Vivian Manning, 25, is independent, outspoken and petrified of keeping her gynecological appointment next week at Planned Parenthood.

"I'm scared. I haven't decided if I'm going," Manning, a Brookline musician said. "I'm feeling vulnerable now."

Friday's shootings that left two dead and five injured at two abortion clinics on Beacon Street sparked resolve and anger in some women who said they would not be intimidated and would continue to use the clinics, which provide a range of reproductive health services.

But others - eleven out of 21 women interviewed - said the gunman had undermined the physical and emotional security they need in going to a center for health services. Many called for increased security at clinics before they would return.

"That gunman took away any sense of safety I had in going to a clinic," said Donna Brown, 33, of Cambridge, who has had an abortion. "And I think you need that abortion or even a pregnancy test. It doesn't help that you have all these old men handing you pictures of dead babies either. They need better security."

The shootings at Planned Parenthood and Preterm Health Services have raised questions about security at those clinics and others nationwide. Despite the murder in July of a Florida doctor who performed abortions, the US Marshals Service scaled back protection nationally from 24 to 12 clinics a month ago, citing a lessened need.

Pamela Maraldo, president of Planned Parenthood Federation of

America, said yesterday her office had informally notified Attorney General Janet Reno's office about an increase in death threats in the Brookline clinic. A more formal meeting regarding security was to occur this week she said.

"It's frightening," said Maraldo. "We need better protection and we're not going to stop until we get it. Since yesterday, we've gotten three phones calls at other centers around the country saying, 'You're next.'"

Some women yesterday said they do not go to the Brookline clinics already because of the constant presence of antiabortion activists.

"I wouldn't go to those clinics; I don't. I go to my own doctor," said Stefani Saitow, 26, an attorney who lives in Brookline. "It's because of the people outside who harass you."

Women, on both sides of the abortion issue from Cambridge, Brookline, South Boston, the Fenway and Jamaica Plain condemned the gunman. Many college-aged students said they use Planned Parenthood and Preterm services, and have known people who worked there.

Some women said the shooting was one more hardship to endure when making a difficult decision about abortion.

"Not only do they have to make a huge decision and feel ashamed by it because of the prolife people that harass them at the clinic, they may get shot also now," said Rachel Martin, 22, a student at Boston University. "It's scary and frightening."

Manning said she is particularly outraged because the abortion centers offer myriad services.

"That is my gynecologist. It's a low-cost way for women to get help," said Manning. "I'm scared to go next week. And I should not be afraid to get health care."

Abortion clinic violence

Violence at abortion clinics has included shootings, arson and bombings.

Recent abortion-related shootings:

Dec. 31, 1994: Several shots are fired into a clinic in Norfolk, Va., but no one is injured. John Salvi III of Hampton Beach, NH is arrested for this shooting and the shootings in Brookline.

Dec. 30, 1994: Right, seven people shot, two fatally at two abortion clinics in Brookline.

Nov. 8, 1994: Dr. Garson Romalis, who performs abortions in Vancouver, Canada, shot in the leg while eating breakfast at home. No arrest has been made.



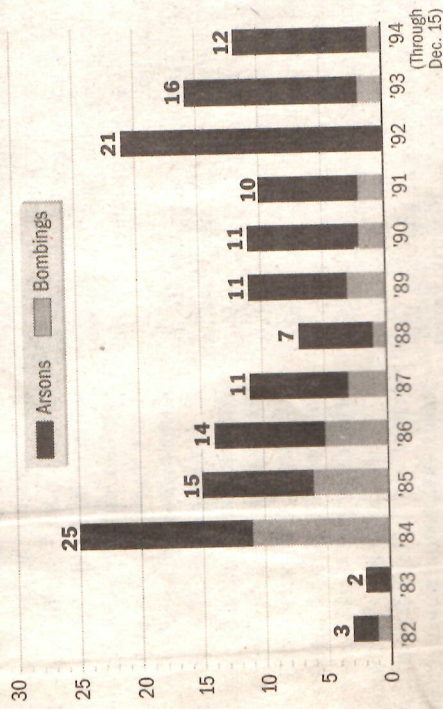
July 29, 1994: Left, Dr. John Beyard Britton and his bodyguard, James Barrett, slain outside Pensacola, Fla., abortion clinic. Paul Hill, a former minister and antiabortion activist, convicted of murder and sentenced to death.



Aug. 19, 1993: Dr. George Tiller shot in the arms as he drives out of the parking lot at his Wichita, Kan., clinic. Rachelle Shannon is convicted and sentenced to 11 years in prison.

March 10, 1993: Dr. David Gunn shot to death outside a Pensacola, Fla., clinic, becoming the first US doctor killed during an antiabortion demonstration. Michael Griffin is convicted and is serving a life sentence.

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WHAT DO THESE PEOPLE

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LEANNE NICHOLS

Victim called friendly, generous

'Our hearts go out'

By Ann Scales and Ralph Jimenez
GLOBE STAFF

SALEM, N.H. — Neighbors on Arlington Pond in Salem, N.H., described Leanne Nichols as a friendly woman who would wave and smile but did not socialize with them.

Sue, one of her coworkers at Preterm Health Services clinic in Brookline, said "she had a wonderful, sweet personality. She was generous, kind, and she had a brightness about her that was wonderful."

"For many people who came to Preterm," Sue said, "she was the first face that they saw, and it was a wonderful face."

Nichols, a 38-year-old receptionist, was one of two women killed when a gunman went on a shooting spree Friday inside two abortion clinics in Brookline.

Both women were receptionists. Shannon Lowney, the other victim, worked at a nearby Planned Parenthood clinic on Beacon Street. She was 25 and from Arlington.

Nichols, a native Midwesterner, had given up a job as a phone counselor at Repro Associates, another Brookline abortion clinic, to take a less stressful job as a receptionist at the Preterm clinic in late September, some former coworkers said.

"There wasn't a lot of time to get to know her," said Sue, her coworker at Preterm, who did not want her last name used. "What we knew of



Accused man described as social misfit

Antiabortion stance central to life

■ SALVI
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and within the fierce rhetoric of the antiabortion movement. He proudly wore a religious pendant around his neck and often quoted Scripture, making ominous warnings of judgment in the afterlife.

On the back window of his black pickup truck was taped a sticker that depicted a crucifix and a photograph of a fetus. In his home, police discovered piles of antiabortion pamphlets and chilling photos of fetuses.

Massachusetts roots

Salvi was the only child of French Canadian parents, Anne Marie and John C. Salvi 2d. Until he was 13, he lived in the rustic, coastal town of Ipswich, where he still has relatives and where he had lived periodically over the past 1½ years before finding an apartment in New Hampshire.

The family's religious life revolved around the French Canadian parish of St. Stanislaus Roman Catholic Church, only a few blocks from their home. His grandfather was a well-known figure, a town selectman and the organist at St. Stanislaus. His mother was the choir director, and he was an altar boy until age 13, according to Beverly Perna, a family friend and parishioner.

The church's pastor, Rev. John Swencki, said yesterday he did not know Salvi, but that he knew the family. It was not clear whether Salvi had a direct connection with the parish or any specific antiabortion roots.

lieve it. I don't want to say anything that would put him in jeopardy," said Trudel, who added that the FBI was at his house late Friday night and searched it.

Salvi is listed in the town of Ipswich census as a resident under the category "unemployed/student." It was not clear whether he ever attended college, but coworkers said he had attended several hairdressing schools in the past two years.

Coworkers recall

Richard Griffin, owner of Eccentric Hair Salon on Ocean Boulevard in Hampton Beach, where Salvi worked part time, described him as awkward and shy.

"John didn't look much like a hairdresser — he looked a lot more like a janitor," Griffin said. "I don't see how he could be associated with a group unless it's the church. He didn't have any people skills. He never had any friends."

He lived alone at a condo at 550 Winneunmit Road, a summer vacation development. On Dec. 11, Salvi attended a Christmas party at Griffin's house — one of the few times Griffin saw him socialize.

"He drank a lot, which really surprised me," Griffin said. "Afterwards, he kissed a woman on the lips and said, 'Will you go home with me?' She just brushed him off."

Griffin said Salvi suffered from scoliosis, or curvature of spine, and recently had applied for federal disability benefits.

Griffin said Salvi was affiliated with a Catholic church.

some former coworkers said.

"There wasn't a lot of time to get to know her," said Sue, her coworker at Preterm, who did not want her last name used. "What we knew of her we loved. We will miss her terribly, and our hearts go out to her family and to her fiancé."

Nichols lived in a small summer cottage that she and her fiancé, known to neighbors as "Eddie," had spent the past two years converting into a year-round home, said Dorothy Randall, whose home on Shore Drive sits behind Nichols' property.

"They kept to themselves because they were so busy remodeling. They painted the place and put a new roof on it. They were very pleasant and seemed very happy. She was a very lovely person," Randall said.

Linda Collier, who lives across the street from Nichols, said the couple regularly took a small rowboat out on the pond, often bringing their cat with them.

"You never saw one of them without the other," Collier said.

Many residents of the Arlington Pond area commute to Boston to work and the shootings left them stunned, Collier said. "I keep looking over there and every time I do my heart breaks," she said.

The victims

At Planned Parenthood

1031 Beacon St.

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 ■ Shannon Lowrey, 25, of Arlington, receptionist.

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 ■ Anjana Agrawal, 30, of Cambridge, medical assistant. Still in serious but stable condition.

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■ Richard J. Seron, 45, of Quincy, security guard. Released from hospital yesterday.

A woman, among 2,000 gathered at the State House in Boston for a vigil, clasps her hands as she reflects on the victims of Friday's abortion clinic shootings in Brookline.

ABORTION RIGHTS RALLY

Opponents urged to ease 'inflammatory rhetoric'

By Don Aucoin and Howard Manly
 GLOBE STAFF

Contending that some leaders of the antiabortion movement helped fan the flames that led to a murderous spree Friday at two Brookline abortion clinics, abortion rights activists yesterday called on antiabortion leaders to tone down their statements.

Nick Nichols Gamble, president of Planned Parenthood of Massachusetts, told a rally of about 2,000 at the State House last night that antiabortion leaders must "cease their inflammatory rhetoric that has fostered this climate of fear and violence."

If antiabortion leaders do so and the debate over abortion regains some civility, the deaths of two women Friday "will not have been in vain," Gamble said.

Abortion rights activists in Massachusetts and throughout the nation expressed strong relief at the arrest yesterday of the gunman suspected in the shootings.

"We're absolutely relieved that he's off the streets," said Melissa Kogut, acting director of Mass. Choice, the largest abortion rights group in Massachusetts. "It's been frightening to have experienced this violence in our community."

Gov. Weld released a statement last night commending law enforcement authorities for apprehending John C. Salvi 3d of Hampton Beach, N.H., the man suspected in the abortion clinic slayings.

"I look forward to a thorough prosecution and punishment in this case," Weld said. "No woman should feel threatened when she enters a clinic seeking the health care services to which she is entitled." Weld praised Cardinal Law, saying that while he and the cardinal "are on different sides of the abortion issue, we both agree that this is a time for a lowering of voices in the debate."

Federal and state law enforcement officials will meet this week to map strategy on how to improve security at the hospitals and clinics that provide abortion services throughout Massachusetts.

"We intend to put the same vigilance towards enhancing security that we have to responding to this crime," said Kathleen O'Toole, public safety secretary.

The State House rally last night, punctuated by chants of "Our bodies, our lives, our right to decide," was addressed by Attorney General Scott Harshbarger, who called the murders "a senseless, tragic,

GLOBE STAFF PHOTO / JOHN TUMACIKI

GROUPS FORMED

Task forces to counsel, study clinic security

Attorney General Scott Harshbarger yesterday announced the formation of two special task forces related to the clinic shootings.

The offices of the state attorney general, the Norfolk district attorney and the state Victim Assistance Board will form a group to provide special counseling services for those wounded in the shootings, their families and friends, and clinic employees.

The US attorney's office, the FBI's Boston office, US Marshal Nancy McGillyway and the state attorney general's office will set up a group to examine abortion clinic security.

terrorist attack."

Harshbarger said he will meet with local law enforcement officials and community groups to map ways to guarantee that women who visit abortion clinics no longer "go in fear that they may be harassed, they may be murdered."

Kogut, the acting director of Mass. Choice, insisted that the next step be taken by antiabortion groups. "When groups like Operation Rescue make statements that these doctors are baby killers, you are escalating a situation where people who are unstable feel entitled to retaliate," Kogut said.

"I would like to say to groups like Operation Rescue that they control what they're saying," she added. Officials at Operation Rescue could not be reached for comment last night.

But Alice Bachant of Stoughton, a twice-weekly sidewalk counselor outside of Preterm Health Services in Brookline for the last 10 years, said: "My daughter is having a baby and if a doctor killed my grandson he is a baby killer. It is only fair to call a spade a spade. This is an emotional issue. Killing babies is an emotional issue."

Globe staff members Stephen Kurkjian and Richard Chacon and contributing reporter Beth Daley assisted in the preparation of this report.

family. It was not clear whether Salvi had a direct connection with the parish or any specific antiabortion group.

"The family was well known at this parish," said Father Swencki. "But what he has done is a profound contradiction with everything that is Catholic, and everything that is pro-life."

Representatives of the antiabortion movement in Massachusetts and New Hampshire said yesterday they did not know him and did not condone killing.

"I strongly suspect you'll find out he is not connected to anybody.... Operation Rescue was trying to help the police last night. We were all racking our brains," said Philip Lawler, spokesman for Operation Rescue in Massachusetts, an anti-abortion group.

"This murderer - and he is a murderer - is certainly not known to Massachusetts Citizens for Life," said Ruth Pakaluk, a spokeswoman for that antiabortion organization.

Although no one from local anti-abortion groups was able to place Salvi at antiabortion rallies, a police source close to the case said Salvi's truck was at the scene of the Brookline Planned Parenthood clinic seven months ago. On May 14, the police source said, Salvi's truck was ticketed in front of the clinic at 1031 Beacon St., the same day opponents of abortion rights held a demonstration there.

Salvi was entering high school when his father, who worked in dentistry, moved the family from Ipswich to Florida. Salvi attended high school in Florida, family friends said. But less than two years ago, he drifted back to the community where his family's roots lie. He lived briefly with his uncle, Denis Trudel, on Washington Street, Trudel said.

"We are all shocked. We can't be-

ability benefits.

Griffin said Salvi was affiliated with a Catholic church, although he did not know which one. He said that Salvi wore a scapular, a blessed pendant often worn by devout Catholics. Salvi's depicted a small Bible on a chain and he wore it openly outside of his clothing.

Griffin said anything could send Salvi off on a religious tirade. "All of a sudden, he'd start quoting Scripture, something like, 'We're all going to burn in the end,'" said Griffin.

Kay Culbertson, a customer at the hair-dressing salon, said that she had had her hair done by Salvi. All she could remember was that he "was just so very shy."

Pam Nicholson, a hairdresser who worked with Salvi, said, "I called him a walking time bomb. He was very odd, very uptight. I got a really negative vibe from him."

Doreen Potter, who also worked with him said, "When you talked to him, he either stared you down or walked away."

Potter described an incident last Friday in which Salvi went into a fit of rage when she told him that he could not cut a certain customer's hair.

"We all felt he was a stick of dynamite fixing to go off," she added. In October, Salvi bought a .22-caliber rifle and ammunition from Bob's Tactical Shooting Range and Gun Shop in Salisbury, Mass.

"I saw his picture on TV last night and didn't recognize him," the owner, Frank Smith, said yesterday. "He wasn't a regular. I've never seen him before. I don't know nothing about him."

Globe staff members Royal Ford, Ralph Jimenez and John Milne contributed to this report.



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Authorities say the rifle used in Friday's shootings was purchased at Bob's Tactical Shooting Range and Gun Shop in Salisbury.

Brookline abortion clinic shootings

SHANNON LOWNEY

She spent her life assisting others

Called 'an essential link in the chain of women'

By Mitchell Zuckoff
GLOBE STAFF

At the Dunkin' Donuts shop across Beacon Street from Planned Parenthood, Shannon Lowney regularly came face to face with antiabortion protesters who gathered almost daily outside the clinic to preach and pray.

They would taunt the tall young woman, calling her "public enemy No. 1." But, as her boyfriend recalled yesterday, she would meet their anger with a glowing smile and a heartfelt hello. Then she would steel herself and settle her emotions before doing a job about which she cared deeply.

"Every morning she was determined to show a smile to every person who walked through the door, no matter what they were there for," said her boyfriend, David Keene.

When Lowney was first identified Friday as a fatal victim of a gunman's antiabortion rage, she was described simply as a 25-year-old receptionist from Arlington. To her distraught friends and family, it made it sound as though she was working at the clinic and was caught in the line of fire by accident, a young woman in need of a job who was simply answering phones and recording appointments.

They knew that nothing could be farther from the truth. Lowney's presence at Planned Parenthood was no accident.

It was part and parcel of how she chose to live her life — offering encouragement to pregnant women, tutoring Spanish-speaking children in Cambridge, helping poor villagers in Ecuador, working with abused children in Maine, seeking work as an AIDS hotline coordinator, making plans to become a social worker and forcing her friends to confront injustice.

"Shanny" to her friends, she also was a 1991 magna cum laude graduate of Boston College, a classically trained French horn and piano player, a talented singer, a proud Irish-American and a passionate defender of women's rights and nonviolent change.

"She walked down the hall, knocking on doors, with a bag of Twizzlers. She figured that would be a good way to meet people," recalled Kirstin Korn, one of her roommates.

Yesterday morning, Korn and two other BC roommates, Lindsay Elliott and Jennifer Marnell, spoke of a friend who changed their lives. They remembered her love of reading, particularly Toni Morrison, who spoke to women's issues. They also remembered her stories about the trip she took to Ecuador to work in a poor village.

"When she loved you, she loved you unconditionally, regardless of your political beliefs," Elliott said.

They also remembered her passion for women's rights, a viewpoint that sometimes caused tensions among her more conservative BC classmates. "She loved arguing her point," Korn said. "She made me think, and she exposed me to a world I never knew."

After graduating from BC and working as a waitress at Pizzeria Uno in Allston, she went to work at Planned Parenthood, using her Spanish skills to counsel women.

"She did it for a pittance," Marnell said. "She could make so much more waitressing, but she would rather be at Planned Parenthood helping people."

When Keene got a job in Maine as a marketing representative for a medical device company, Lowney left Boston to be with him. Once there, she quickly became involved with Advocates for Children in Lewiston, where she would visit elementary and middle schools to help children deal with abusive families.

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REACHING OUT

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At the end of a rocky year, Clinton had another purpose in mind: relaxing. He bypassed the afternoon panel discussions yesterday to re-watch football on television. Weather permitting, golf was likely today.

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Lawler added that he believed the heightened violence was due to prohibitions on antiabortion activists. Without opportunities to protest, such as blockading clinics, some frustrated activists are turning to violence, he said.

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"I really haven't felt too much pain," said Seron, as he sat calmly in the bedroom of his multilevel home on Ferriter Street. His left arm was in a splinted cast and held steady with a canvas sling. On his bed lay a Beretta 92F pistol, given to him by his boss, Preterm Security Director Albert Walton, which he has used while on duty at the clinic.
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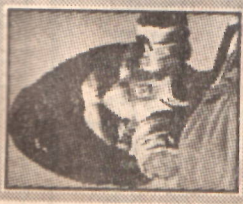
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Network switch goes on today

By FRANCES KATZ

Boston TV was turned upside down today when Channel 4 and Channel 7 officially switched network affiliations at 5 a.m.

WHDH (Channel 7) became an NBC affiliate and WBZ (Channel 4) a CBS affiliate, as the stations braced for a barrage of calls from the region's 2 million television-viewing households.

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Abort advocates vow to get tough

Friends say family quarrels preceded shooting rampage

By HELEN KENNEDY and DAVID TALBOT

John C. Salvi III allegedly launched his deadly Brookline rampage the day after his par-

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Pro-choice taking off gloves

By TOM MASHBERG

Abortion clinics are too vulnerable to attacks from anti-abortion terrorists and must resort to bare-knuckled tactics to survive, pro-choice advocates said yesterday.

Clinics must monitor people who protest at their doors, install armed

security and hound foes of abortion who espouse violence.

"So much new terror could have been stopped if we'd reacted to the threats years ago," said Bill Baird, head of the Pro-Choice Defense League, which has agitated for strict security at clinics in Massa-

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Nation braces for shift to GOP

By JOE BATTENFELD

Shell-shocked Democrats and gung-ho Republicans are bracing this week for the most dramatic power shift in Washington in decades as the GOP officially claims Cap-



Pats' wild ride ends

Happy New Year? More like Auld Lang Sigh.

The Patriots' red-hot late-season run ended yesterday with a 20-13 wild-card playoff loss to the Browns in Cleveland. Not exactly the way Bill Parcells and the boys planned to cele-

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Activists: More security is needed

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achusetts and nationally for years.

"Look at their literature," he said, citing anti-abortion materials like "The Army of God" manual, which urges members to cut the fingers or hands off abortion doctors and offers instruction of how to fire-bomb clinics. "You will see more murders and mutilations without better preemptive security," Baird said.

Janet Arenz, who heads the clinic defense project at the Foundation for a Feminist Majority, agreed.

"This is corporate terrorism, and yet clinics have ignored bomb threats or won't get licenses off someone with a fetus in his window," Arenz said, referring to a picture accused killer John C. Salvi kept in his truck window.

"Since 1984, violence has risen but clinics haven't reacted. They need to."

Officials of Preterm Health Services and Planned Parenthood, which manage the two clinics targeted Friday, have huddled over the weekend with law-enforcement representatives.

They said they would speak to the issue today. Privately, they said that they would demand that local and federal police guarantee their security.

Still, top supporters of abortion rights acknowledged yesterday that they have reacted hesitantly to the heightened violence.

"It is true that we have shied away from the invasive tactics of our foes," said Ellen Zucker of the National Organization for Women. "I think we are not very willing to use that vigilante approach."

Baird said local abortion-rights figures would have to rethink their strategies to survive. Baird said that when abortion opponents make threats on clinics, they mean it.

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Activists: More security is needed

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"Look at their literature," he said, citing anti-abortion materials like "The Army of God" manual, which urges members to cut the fingers or hands off abortion doctors and offers instruction of how to fire-bomb clinics. "You will see more murders and mutilations without better pre-emptive security," Baird said.

Janet Arenz, who heads the clinic defense project at the Foundation for a Feminist Majority, agreed.

"This is corporate terrorism, and yet clinics have ignored bomb threats or won't get licenses off someone with a fetus in his window," Arenz said, referring to a picture accused killer John C. Salvi kept in his truck window.

"Since 1984, violence has risen but clinics haven't reacted. They need to."

Officials of Preterm Health Services and Planned Parenthood, which manage the two clinics targeted Friday, have huddled over the weekend with law-enforcement representatives.

They said they would speak to the issue today. Privately, they said that they would demand that local and federal police guarantee their security.

Still, top supporters of abortion rights acknowledged yesterday that they have reacted hesitantly to the heightened violence.

"It is true that we have shied away from the invasive tactics of our foes," said Ellen Zucker of the National Organization for Women. "I think we are not very willing to use that vigilante approach."

Baird said local abortion-rights figures would have to rethink their strategies to survive. Baird said that when abortion opponents make threats on clinics, they mean it.

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Suspect got jump on cops' dragnet

By RALPH RANALLI and HELEN KENNEDY

With a four-hour head start on the army of police chasing him, John C. Salvi III was probably hundreds of miles south of the blood he allegedly spilled in Brookline before he was named America's Most Wanted.

"Into New York before he became the hottest fugitive in America," one source said. "We're talking New Year's weekend traffic in New York. The odds of him being spotted were pretty minimal."

And that running start, sources said, allowed Salvi to slip through a New England-wide dragnet.

Though police converged on the alleged killer's Hampton Beach, N.H., apartment within hours of the midmorning rampage, sources said Salvi by then was probably steering his black pickup truck toward New Jersey.

And investigators needed to use precious hours to properly prepare a search warrant for a magistrate to sign before they could probe for more clues in the condo at 550 Winnacunnet Road, sources said.

By the time they were inside the apartment late Friday, rooting through the 22-year-old's stack of anti-abortion literature, Salvi may have been almost to Virginia, sources said.

"Someone saw him at (his apartment in Hampton Beach) about noon. That's about an hour and a half from Brookline. After that, he's unaccounted for until he shows up at Norfolk, Va., about 11 a.m.," one source said.

"He was probably going the speed limit to avoid getting caught, and that

Mass., Virginia officials tackle jurisdictional issue

By SEAN FLYNN and RALPH RANALLI

It could be months before John C. Salvi III is dragged back to Massachusetts and tried for the murderous rampage he allegedly unleashed in Brookline Friday, officials said yesterday.

"Everybody's anxious to get him back there to face charges, but there are also charges he has to deal with down here," said Norfolk, Va., police officer Larry Hill. "And he might have to stand trial down here first."

Salvi was arrested Saturday after he fired a barrage of bullets through the window of a Norfolk abortion clinic — a crime good for up to 10 years in prison. No one was hurt in that shooting.

Bay State officials earlier said they hoped to have Salvi returned to Massachusetts as early as this week to face two counts of murder and five of attempted murder.

New England U.S. Attorney Donald K. Stern said Salvi will appear before a federal magistrate in Norfolk this week on a charge of flight to avoid prosecution.

But it was unclear yesterday whether Salvi would be moved through the state or federal court system.

"We'll use whatever system gets him up here faster," one federal official said yesterday.

Salvi, held without bond in an isolation cell in the Norfolk City Jail, is scheduled to be arraigned on the Virginia charges tomorrow morning.

Investigators from Massachusetts, Norfolk and federal agencies were "discussing all the options" for Salvi's eventual extradition to the Bay State, Hill said.

"This is such a critical case, I think everybody wants to do the right thing without making any mistakes," he said.

"Any mistake could destroy the entire investigation."

would make it about a 12-hour drive to Virginia."

Without stopping, Salvi could have covered the 600-odd miles to Norfolk by midnight.

Investigators said they didn't know what Salvi was doing until 11 a.m., when he shot up an abortion clinic in Norfolk.

John D. Christo, Salvi's Hampton Beach neighbor

and friend, said he spoke to the alleged killer just 90 minutes before the Norfolk attack.

"His name went national over the radio about 2 a.m.," one investigator mused.

"Was he listening to the radio in his truck?"

— Herald staffer Sean Flynn contributed to this report



They won't be forgotten

Mourners pay tribute to the victims of Friday's clinic shootings. At left, Marilee Jones, Nora Bassolari, 7, and Steve Bassolari take part in a silent vigil in Chelmsford. Above, a woman looks over the shrine outside Planned Parenthood in Brookline, where, below, Lillian Gonzalez, left, and Vivian Carlo re-light candles.

Staff photos by Patrick Whittemore



Neighbors: Fight-filled week with parents

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his sexuality, friends said yesterday. "While he did have strong feelings about abortion, I think he broke when his parents and him started fighting about things," said Jeff Marshall, a neighbor in Hampton Beach, N.H.

John Salvi II and his wife, Anne Marie Salvi, who slept for a week on the floor of their son's cramped one-room studio in Hampton Beach, N.H., fought bitterly with him, neighbors said.

They left Thursday, heading home to Naples, Fla. The next morning, Salvi allegedly killed two women and wounded five other

people in attacks on two Beacon Street abortion clinics.

He was arrested the next day in Norfolk, Va. after allegedly shooting out the windows of a clinic there.

"He just didn't want to deal with his parents," said John Christo, Salvi's next-door neighbor in a rambling interview.

"They didn't accept him for what he was. He was a fag hairdresser."

Marshall said, "He was happy at first, but they were sharing the same room. His parents would treat him like crap. I think it was because of his lifestyle."

Bearing fresh oranges, Salvi's parents drove up to New Hampshire expecting a happy reunion,

according to friends in Naples, Fla. "They were so proud of their only son," said Marie Corey.

"Just a week or so ago, his parents were saying how he had turned his life around, how he was going to barber school, had a girlfriend, how things were getting better," said Mark Roberts, a friend of the family.

But things were not getting better. Salvi had lost his job pushing a broom in a local hair salon Dec. 23, mainly because his behavior was getting increasingly odd.

The next day, Salvi's parents took their scripture-quoting son to Christmas Eve Mass at St. Elizabeth's Church in Seabrook, N.H.

During the service, Salvi walked up to the altar and began ranting incoherently against the church.

"He said the church wasn't doing what it should do and mentioned the people in the church were losing their houses," said New Hampshire State Police Lt. Colon Forbes, a parishioner who helped boot Salvi.

Salvi is being held at the Norfolk City Jail in Virginia. Sources said the joint state and federal investigation into the shootings is now focussing on whether Salvi received any help. So far, investigators believe Salvi acted alone, driven by his own personal demons.

"It doesn't take a genius to fig-



JOHN C. SALVI III
Tense week with parents

CLINIC SHOOTINGS

Tears for the victims

Distraught loved ones pay tribute

By TOM MASHBERG

His eyes were raw from weeping and his fingers trembled in the midday chill. But Ed McDonough, fiance of the New Hampshire woman killed in Friday's shooting spree, held true to his tribute.

He arrived quietly on the Brookline corner where his fiancée, Lee Ann Nichols, 38, of Salem, had commuted daily to her job at the Preterm health clinic, at 1842 Beacon St.

He took a simple white cross from his light green Toyota and screwed it into a small elm tree 30 feet from the first-floor corridor where Nichols died and three others were gravely wounded, allegedly by John C. Salvi III.

McDonough took a single red rose and tied it to the cross with purple ribbon. Then he took a bouquet of daisies and yellow lilies wrapped in pink paper from his car and put it at the foot of the tree.

He leaned over and kissed the cross. Declining to speak or to be photographed, the orange-bearded man in a soggy UVM sweatshirt got back in his car and drove away.

The message on the cross from Ed McDonough to his lost love, Lee Ann Nichols, read: "I love you Mommyscotch; Always, Butterscotch." Below, he added: "I died along with you. Can't wait to be with you again. Love, Ed."

Ruth Nichols of North Olmsted, Ohio, Lee Ann's mother, said yesterday McDonough would travel there with her daughter's body. Funeral arrangements are incomplete.



HOMAGE: A memorial to Lee Ann Nichols, immediate left (in 1970s family photo), slain at a Brookline health clinic Friday, was placed on a tree outside the clinic yesterday by her fiance. A bitter Ruth Nichols, right, said yesterday she would shoot her daughter's killer if given the chance. Shannon Lowney, far left, was the other fatal victim of the clinic shootings. Staff photo by Brian Walsh

Tearful, the elder Nichols said: "If they would put (Salvi) before me I would shoot him myself."

There were many more tributes placed yesterday at the sites of Friday's two health-clinic shootings.

At Preterm Health Services, there were "emergency candles" that burned despite the rain; and purple tulips

left by a sad man in a Patriots cap; and a hand-written note from a woman that read: "We must not let terrorists dictate our lives."

And at Planned Parenthood, at 1031 Beacon St., there were more candles and flowers and cards; and a bouquet of daisies with a color snapshot attached — eight smiling faces, and a message

on the back that read: "Shannon: We're with you always. Love, the gang at Boston College."

That message was for Shannon Lowney, 25, the first woman slain during the 10-minute, two-stop Friday morning rampage.

But of all the mute homage paid yesterday to the victims and their wounded col-

leagues, the white cross from a heartbroken fiance drew the steadiest stream of stares and tears. "He must have truly loved her," said Leslie Best of Brookline, who jogged from one site to the other yesterday to place her own two bunches of flowers. "That's the loveliest thing I've ever seen."

Yesterday, the living vic-

tims of the rifleman continued to improve.

Antonio Hernandez, 32, of Worcester, shot at Planned Parenthood, and Jane Sauer, 29, of Cambridge, a staffer at Preterm, were listed in good condition. Anjana Agrawal, 30, of Cambridge, a staffer at Planned Parenthood, and Brian Murray, 22, were listed as serious but stable.

preceded suspect's murderous rampage

ure out he's anti-abortion," one investigator said. "We don't think he did it because he was turned down for a date by a receptionist. He's a guy who's a zealot, clearly ... he's just some crazy bastard."

Some investigators theorized Salvi may have been heading to Norfolk to join up with Donald Spitz, the firebrand director of Pro-Life Virginia who often pickets at the clinic where Salvi was arrested.

Spitz said yesterday he didn't know Salvi but would have helped him hide from authorities.

"I feel my responsibility as a Christian would be to help the man as best I could," Spitz said. "I could not turn a brother in to the authorities."

Spitz crowed about the murders. "The abortion mills are in the business of chopping up little babies and it looks like they received a taste of their own medicine," he said.

Salvi, who had once been to a firefighting academy in Fort Myers, Fla. and had recently enrolled at New Hampshire's Portsmouth Beauty School, presents a study in bizarre contradictions.

The man who police said cold-bloodedly shot a receptionist five times at point-blank range, then gunned down another 10 minutes later, is also a man who wouldn't watch violent action movies.

He decorated his room with a poster of a happy golden retriever

in a pretty bed of wildflowers, but the entire back window of his pickup truck was given over to a cardboard photograph of a bloody hacked-up fetus.

On his walls, he tacked family photographs from which some relatives had been carefully cut out.

Neighbors said he used furniture to block his ocean view, the only attraction to his \$450-a-month studio in a dingy seaside town.

"He was strange," said Eric Kellar who graduated with Salvi from Naples High School in 1990. "Did you ever meet someone and know they had the potential to do something really sadistic, something wild?"

Salvi was on the wrestling team

and lifted weights. Kellar and Roberts both said they suspected he was using steroids.

"His weight would go up and down. He'd work out and he'd be buff, and then in six months, he'd be down to a stick again," Kellar said.

Roberts, who hired Salvi to work at his Naples maintenance company, said Salvi once became so furious after cutting his finger on a tile that he grabbed a hammer and beat the tile to smithereens.

Salvi was fired after he dropped his jeans while working on a roof, exposing himself to a woman.

Ralph Ranalli and Mark Miranda contributed to this report.



JOHN CHRISTO
Suspect's neighbor

Family mourning one year later for their loss in the

Fresh-faced Liam Lowney wore tattered loafers, a button-down shirt and tie and a navy, double-breasted blazer. His sister, Meghan, was dressed almost all in black: jacket, skirt, ankle-high laced boots and opaque black stockings like nuns used to wear.

How handsome a family the Lowneys must have made growing up in affluent, picture-postcard Fairfield, Conn., with its horse farms and woodsy back roads. Mother Joan, father Bill, Liam, Meghan, and Shannon, who would have been 26.

How strange it seemed yesterday hearing Meghan and Liam Lowney talk about our violence-soaked culture and

our country's "less-than-civil war," as Meghan put it, of endless murder, mayhem, mourning and grief. They look like a family which should have been able to escape all that.

And yet "our family was reduced from five to four," Meghan said yesterday. "Forever we will try to walk around the void that is left."

Her brother said what he has said before: that there are millions of grieving families like his, coping with murder.



MARGERY EAGAN

Again he framed Shannon's killing as a tragedy of violence in general rather than of abortion politics. "Crimes like this happen every day. They are not always politically motivated."

Yet there is no denying that Shannon Lowney worked in what has become, in the nearly 23 years since the legalization of abortion, a uniquely dangerous business.

Since the shootings, anti-abortion fanatics have targeted women's health clinics

and clinic workers for more violence than ever: twice the number of bomb threats last year (56) than the year before, continued harassment. Last month in Toronto a physician who performs abortions was wounded by a sniper.

Shannon Lowney and Lee Ann Nichols, sitting at reception desks, were gunned down in daylight on heavily traveled Beacon Street in the relative safety of Brookline.

A year later, working in clinics means working in an atmosphere where adrenaline runs high, where you're looking over your shoulder and where you may feel compelled, when asked by reporters

'Suicide try' offers peek at Salvi's psyche

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glimpse into the strange mind of Salvi — a depressed would-be hair stylist tortured by voices and visions of a "big, black evil bird" — who allegedly inflicted the worst anti-abortion violence in American history.

Salvi's dark brown eyes at times appear vacant, perhaps lost in the vision of murder and injury his lawyer concedes he inflicted on Dec. 30, 1994.

On that morning, receptionists Lee Ann Nichols and Shannon Lowney were shot dead and five others wounded by gunfire at the Planned Parenthood and Preterm Health Services clinics in Brookline.

Salvi's face is angular and pale, and observers debate whether this is the mask of a madman or a disingenuous Machiavelli with a master plan to beat the rap with an insanity defense.

Wearing a bulletproof vest, he has appeared in court more than a dozen times this year and has disrupted legal proceedings with comments about anti-Catholic conspiracies. After one outburst in July, guards had to carry a laughing Salvi from the courtroom.

Salvi has spent most of the year in his cramped cell in the jail's Special Management Unit, reading letters of support, mostly written by people who are strong opponents of abortion.

Peter Perroncello, the jail superintendent, said Salvi is well-behaved and sometimes watches television and plays cards with the other inmates.

He writes letters to friends

and family and people in the media," Perroncello said. "He keeps to himself like most of the others do."

Salvi, 24, has been declared mentally competent to stand trial next month for the murders. Carney acknowledges Salvi was the gunman, but says he will try to convince a jury Salvi is not guilty by reason of insanity and should be sent to a psychiatric hospital.

"Our investigation has shown that John Salvi has suffered from a major mental illness for a long period of time and he was mentally ill on Dec. 30 (1994)," Carney said after a September court hearing.

Carney also said Salvi's delusions include the belief that "Catholic infants are being injected with spermicide in their scrotums to render them sterile."

Salvi wears clear glasses because he's afraid Freemasons may blind him.

Salvi's father, John Salvi II, has said his son has had illusions of evil appearing as animals.

"When John lived with us in Naples (Fla.) he once told us that he had seen a big black evil bird-like figure over his shoulder in our family room," the senior Salvi explained.

"There was another incident in the past when John said he had seen evil in an apartment he had just moved into and he had stayed awake all night in prayer to keep it away from him."

Shortly after his arrest, Salvi released a six-page letter to the media in which he ranted about the Freemasons and the oppression of Catholics.

Experts on anti-abortion

Series at a glance

Friday: Since the murderous attacks on two Brookline abortion clinics last Dec. 30, threats and attacks on clinics nationwide have skyrocketed and the climate of fear has deepened.

Yesterday: Survivors and families of the two receptionists slain in the rampage have endured a painful year.

Today: The prosecution of John C. Salvi III will turn on whether a jury believes the tormented man was insane.



JUDGED SANE: John C. Salvi III has been deemed sane by a court, but his lawyer argues otherwise.

groups said Salvi's writings might have been influenced by Human Life International, a Maryland-based group of militant abortion foes that frequently mentions a Masonic conspiracy.

Salvi complained also about working people not getting welfare, and made several references to Catholics losing their homes.

In the letter he never mentioned the Brookline clinic shootings, but said he wanted to be

sentenced to death if he is convicted.

In June, Salvi released another six-page letter outlining his views on religious and social issues.

"It is time to live a restructured nation," Salvi wrote. "We must pray for devine (sic) and man's intervention and help."

The letter was accompanied by a two-page list of religious organizations.

But Bridgewater State psychol-

ogist Joel Haycock does not believe Salvi's writings are those of an insane man.

"I have had a lot of verbal sparring with Mr. Salvi," Haycock testified in July at Salvi's competency hearing. "Mr. Salvi is perfectly capable of putting people on."

"Mr. Salvi has a very good understanding of the Fifth Amendment. He invoked it quite frequently." □

'less-than-civil war' raging in our violent nation

if it gets to you, to vociferously proclaim renewed and steadfast devotion to the cause.

All this heat, ironically, comes at a time when much of America is sick of the whole debate, of extremists on both sides; when the culture mainly has passed the issue by, viewing abortion either as an evil or a fundamental right — but here to stay.

All this tension, ironically, comes when both the Boston Archdiocese and many pro-choice advocates seek common ground, when a new wave of pro-choice feminists implore the pro-choice movement to concede that there are, in fact,

circumstances when abortion is, simply, wrong; and that a fetus with a beating heart cannot keep being dismissed, in the language of many clinics, as "the product of conception."

But the fanatics who inspired John Salvi are not interested in tempering rhetoric. "A waste" is how Liam Lowney characterized his sister's killing yesterday. And he was right.

At Planned Parenthood Shannon Lowney acted as a translator for Spanish women. Four springs ago she graduated *magna cum laude* from Boston College. She had worked with the poor and with abused children. She was trained on French horn and

piano and, like her brother, she was an accomplished singer.

"Earth angel" is how she was described at her memorial service last winter in Fairfield, where friends joked about her organization, her neatness, her ever-present bottle of Fantastik; about her sometimes annoying "exuberance" for the causes she espoused, including the right of women to have choice in their reproductive lives.

At that memorial and at yesterday's, at a temple just blocks from where his sister died, Liam Lowney sang Aaron Copland's arrangement of "Shall We Gather at the River." It's a traditional

hymn and the last song Shannon heard him sing in public.

Yesterday's service also included the particularly apt poem, "Dirge Without Music" by Edna St. Vincent Millay:

"Into the darkness they go, the wise and the lovely. Crowned with lillies and with laurel they go . . . to feed the roses. Elegant and curled is the blossom . . . But more precious was the light in your eyes than all the roses in the world. . .

"Down, down, down into the darkness of the grave. Gently they go, the beautiful, the tender, the kind, the intelligent, the witty, the brave. I know. But I do not approve.

"And I am not resigned." □

Emotional trial set to begin

By DAVID TALBOT

Victims' testimony about sudden terror in two abortion clinics — gunshots, screams and a killer's shouted holy oaths — are sure to be the emotional peak of John C. Salvi III's double-murder trial to begin Feb. 5.

For the most part, the survivors of the twin attacks in Brookline have avoided the spotlight. Now they face the new trauma of climbing into a witness box at Dedham Superior Court and describing the horror of Dec. 30, 1994.

Not even his lawyer disputes Salvi is the man who killed receptionists Shannon Lowney, 25, and Lee Ann Nichols, 38, and wounded five others at the Planned Parenthood and Preterm Health Services clinics. An insanity defense is planned.

"It is possible we will not have any questions for the victims," said Salvi's lawyer, J.W. Carney.



"The fact that these acts were done by a mentally deranged young man as opposed to a political terrorist will not be much comfort to the victims or their families."

Prosecutors scoff at the claim Salvi is insane, with Assistant District Attorney John Kivlan at one point calling the insanity gambit "contrived." In August, Judge Barbara Dortch-Okara found Salvi competent to stand trial.

Now, after a year of hearings and psychological exams, a jury of 12 Norfolk County residents must decide if the oddball 24-year-old hair stylist and abortion foe should be sent to prison or to a mental hospital.

U.S. Attorney Donald Stern has said he will announce after the trial if he will press federal charges that could bring a death sentence.

Meanwhile, according to Carney, Salvi spends his days ranting



MOURNING: Ruth Nichols is comforted by her son, Mark, yesterday at the North Olmstead, Ohio, grave of her daughter, Lee Ann Nichols. The 38-year-old Nichols, inset left, and Shannon Lowney, 25, inset right, were killed a year ago. Herald photo by Ron Kuntz

Victim's kin pick up torch, continue her fight

By DAVID TALBOT

Carrying on in the idealistic spirit of their sister, the siblings of slain abortion-clinic receptionist Shannon Lowney yesterday called for all people to work to end violence.

"Each of us must take responsibility for our lives, our roles, our power in this world," said Shannon's older sister, Meghan, at a news conference at the Brookline Holiday Inn.

"Our efforts to decrease violence in our own lives will prevent other casualties in

this less-than-civil war, which has no winners and — without change — no end."

Shannon Lowney, 25, was shot five times Dec. 30, 1994, at Planned Parenthood in Brookline by John C. Salvi III.

The gunman also killed receptionist Lee Ann Nichols, 38, at the Preterm Health Services clinic. Five were wounded in the back-to-back attacks.

Yesterday, Meghan and Shannon's younger brother, Liam, reflected on their family's year of grief.

about his delusions of an "anti-Catholic conspiracy" — the subject of some of Salvi's courtroom outbursts — and writing rambling screeds that he submits to publications ranging from National Geographic to Mad magazine.

Carney declined to specify Salvi's alleged mental illness, saying he would leave that to the testi-

mony of defense psychologists. But a prosecution psychologist, Joel Haycock, said Salvi is manipulative and understands the charges and the workings of the courtroom.

Both sides are awaiting Dortch-Okara's ruling on their joint request that television cameras be banned from the courtroom. The

prosecution also wants to ban still cameras.

Carney says cameras might provoke more Salvi outbursts. The prosecution says the cameras might scare witnesses. But several Boston news organizations oppose the effort, particularly the bid to ban still cameras.

Officials from the two clinics

"Violence is wrong," said Liam Lowney, who later sang at a memorial service. "These people we see on the news, these are real people with real lives, and for far too long we've been desensitized to that."

Meghan recalled her sister's work with abused children in Maine and her role as a translator for Spanish-speaking patients at Planned Parenthood.

"Shannon believed in the rights of women to have choices and affordable health care," she said. □

support the camera ban, saying their biggest fear — echoed by prosecutors — is that publicity of the Salvi trial will provoke a copy-cat attack.

"We are afraid that people will see him, and see him as a hero and want to copy and emulate his ac-

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tivity," said Nicki Nichols Gamble, president of Planned Parenthood of Massachusetts.

Both Gamble and Ann Osborne, director of the Preterm Health Services clinic, said they plan to attend the trial on some days. Osborne expects pro-choice activists to hold vigils at the courthouse.

"I would be quite surprised if they did not plan some appropriate action — a presence, a silent vigil to make their position known in terms of non-violence," she said.

Bill Cotter, president of the Boston chapter of the anti-abortion group Operation Rescue, said anti-abortion protesters will likely steer clear of the courthouse, while continuing to picket the Beacon Street clinics.

"We don't intend to demonstrate

at the trial or anything like that. He's not one of us," Cotter said. "He acted out of a mentality that said he could decide for himself his own code of morality. That is a close fit to the pro-choice mentality."

But as the anti-abortion protesters distance themselves from the trial, some are likely to be called to testify about their contacts with Salvi, who had attended rosary vigils at the clinics, Cotter said.

In interviews with the Sunday Herald, District Attorney William Delahunt and Kivlan, the assistant district attorney, declined to discuss trial strategies or other details.

"Obviously there is a context in which this trial is proceeding in terms of the issue of abortion and a woman's right to choose," Delahunt said. "At the same time, we can't lose sight of the fact this is a murder trial."

"One of the most sad, poignant experiences of my life was meeting with the families and the loved ones and the friends of those two women," Delahunt added, referring to a meeting one year ago today at the Brookline police station.

Other witnesses are expected to include Salvi's parents — who are sure to recount Salvi's Christmas 1994 church outburst and him speaking of a "big black evil bird" hovering over his shoulder.

And expect to hear from Salvi's neighbors in the low-rent Hampton Beach, N.H., condo complex. Among them is construction laborer John Christo, who has called Salvi "mellow" and complained Salvi gave him a bad haircut.

"Every trial has to have its Kato Kaelin, and he's ours," Carney said, comparing Christo with O.J. Simpson's flaky house guest. □



DEBATE: David Keene, fiance of slain clinic worker Shannon Lowney, carries flowers at the head of a procession in Brookline, above. An abortion opponent, meanwhile, walks in front of a Brookline clinic, right.

Staff photos by Justin Ide, above, and Mark Garfinkel



700 gather to recall victims' 'bright lives'

By MARK MUELLER and BILL HUTCHINSON

With candlelights glimmering in the darkness, more than 700 people lined Beacon Street in Brookline last night to silently remember the "bright lives" lost in the deadly abortion clinic attacks one year ago. Some stood alone, others huddled in groups, many dabbed tears from their eyes as they recalled Shannon Lowney and Lee Ann Nichols, who died "in horror that eclipsed our ability to comprehend," said Emily Lipof, who presided over a memorial service earlier.

"Thought at this mo-

ment we are still in disbelief, yet believing," Lipof told the gathering inside Temple Ohabei Shalom.

Among the mourners were U.S. Attorney Donald K. Stern and Gov. William F. Weld.

"It's hard to find any silver lining," Weld said after the ceremony. "This remains a tragedy, and I think it's important we remember it."

Earlier in the day, more than 500 people attended a rally to mark the anniversary of the deadly attacks in a vocal demonstration for abortion rights.

Chanting slogans and hoisting placards that bore photos of Lowney and Nichols, the group

marched around Boston Common and to the Arlington Street Church, calling for an end to what they termed a "terrorist" campaign by some abortion foes.

"While the acute fear produced by the shootings last year may have subsided, the danger that women face is still intensifying," said Cheryl Garrity, president of the National Organization for Women's Massachusetts chapter.

Prosecutors contend alleged triggerman John C. Salvi III, scheduled for trial Feb. 5, burst into Preterm Health Services and Planned Parenthood last Dec. 30 and opened fire, killing Lowney and

Nichols and injuring five others.

"These women were killed for no other reason than they were earning a living," said marcher Sandra Jenkins, 32, of Cambridge.

Many blamed the Brookline shootings and similar attacks across the country on what they called a heightened rhetoric within the anti-abortion movement. "There's still the eminent danger," said Andrea Blunt, a student at Episcopal Divinity School in Cambridge. "They're filling them with anger and hatred and fear, and there are individuals who take things literally. Obviously, John Salvi was listening." □

NEWS IN BRIEF



Terror suspects arrested in Manila

MANILA, Philippines — The brother of the man suspected of masterminding the 1993 World Trade Center bombing was among nine terrorism suspects arrested during raids in Manila, authorities said yesterday.

Interior Secretary Rafael Alunan did not detail the allegations against the men, but offered explosives, detonating cord and other material seized in Friday's raids as evidence they were terrorists.

The nine include Adel Anonn, who is believed to be the twin brother of Ramzi Yousef, who allegedly planned the 1993 World Trade Center bombing that killed six people and injured 1,000 others.

Joey B. causes trouble for bar

MASSAPEQUA, N.Y. — A bar owner has been arrested for letting convicted felon Joey Buttafuoco work as a guest bartender, Nassau County police said yesterday.

A police spokesman said Frederick Rollo, 26, owner of the Flatliners Bar in Massapequa, was arrested at 10:45 p.m. Friday.

State liquor laws do not permit a convicted felon to serve alcohol. Police apparently saw the advertisements that had run prior to the event.

Yeltsin defends his reforms

MOSCOW — President Boris Yeltsin passionately defended his economic and democratic reforms yesterday, while acknowledging the hardships of 1995 that helped Communists and other opponents take control of the Russian parliament.

"The outgoing year was difficult and tense for the whole country," a somber but fit-looking Yeltsin told a crowd of top politicians gathered in a grand Kremlin hall for a New Year's reception.

"But Russians no longer even notice our main achievement — freedom," he said. "This is the best proof that it has been accomplished in Russia."

Dallas man kills 2 teens

DALLAS — A man who thought someone was trying to steal his \$60 hubcaps fired multiple rounds from his assault rifle, killing two teens and wounding a third, police said.

Shedrick Bables, 23, was arrested yesterday and jailed on murder charges, with bail set at \$200,000. Billy Wayne Cummings, 15, was shot twice in the head and Jeremy Lowrance, 16, was shot multiple times, police said. A third youth was hospitalized in critical but stable condition.

"I know my son was doing something he wasn't supposed to be doing," Jacqueline Cummings said. "But that man didn't need to kill him."

Tisei won't oppose Markey

A Republican state senator announced yesterday he would not challenge U.S. Rep. Edward J. Markey in the upcoming election for the 7th Congressional District.

Sen. Richard R. Tisei said he could do more for his constituents by seeking re-election to his state post.

Tisei's decision leaves the field to Markey for now. However, Gov. William F. Weld predicted yesterday a "prominent" Republican would jump into the breach. Weld refused to name the prospective candidate.

Rocket attacks shake Israel

JERUSALEM — Rocket attacks on northern Israel launched from Lebanon have raised doubts about Syria's intentions in peace talks in the United States, an Israeli minister said yesterday.

The Israeli Army said two Katyusha salvos were fired Friday night, causing damage but no casualties.

The pro-Iranian Islamic group Hizbollah (Party of God) said it fired the rockets in reprisal for Israeli shelling in south Lebanon in which a Lebanese civilian was killed. But Israeli officials pointed at Syria, the main powerbroker in Lebanon.

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Advertisement for a car dealership. It features a large 'A' logo at the top, followed by the text 'Ye' and 'B'. Below this, there are several lines of text, including 'and New York buyers' and 'There's a money that it to the ground'. A large '790' is visible, likely a phone number. At the bottom, there are several car models listed with prices: '1996 \$8', '1996 \$12', '1995 \$19', and 'JA ROUT'. The text is partially obscured and cut off at the bottom.