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## **Bones discovered at cabin** may be those of 25 missing

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WEST POINT, Calif. — Five large bags of human bones have been collected from a remote cabin where two survivalists allegedly acted out and videotaped sexual torture fantasies, and the grisly find may provide clues to the disappearance of up to 25 people, police said Monday.

One of the suspects, Leonard Lake, 39, who killed himself by swallowing a poison pill while in police cus-tody last week, once claimed membership in a San Francisco cult that practiced murder, a woman who knew

him said. The remains of a man, woman and child already have been found on the three-acre site used by Lake, and were sent to the San Francisco County Coroner's office for analysis, Calaveras County Coroner Terry Parker said.

In addition to the bones, Calaveras County Sheriff Claud Ballard said on Sunday that police have gathered clothing, jewelry, handcuffs, pornographic photo-graphs and videotapes showing scenes of sexual torture involving Lake, his companion Charles Chatt Ng and women victime women victims.

Ng, 24, the subject of a nationwide search, has been named in a warrant on three counts of kidnapping, Ca-laveras Sheriff's Sgt. Ron McFall said.

Videotapes found at the cabin show a partially clothed, handcuffed woman pleading with Lake and Ng to return her baby and being forced at gunpoint to perform sex acts, Ballard said, adding that authorities fear the woman might have been tortured and killed in

the making of films. Police said other evidence included photographs of women and girls in various stages of undress. Some of the girls were no older than 10.

Also found was a diary chronicling Lake's daily activities since 1983.

The diary contained an account of "Operation Miranda," Lake's name for his practice of keeping women in captivity as sex slaves.

The torture scenes apparently happened at a cinder-block bunker on the site containing a secret chamber equipped with a two-way mirror and a mattress. Ballard said the diary indicated a second cell chamber and burial site might exist.

## **Fracture may** be key to ID of Mengele

#### **Associated Press**

SAO PAULO, Brazil - Forensic experts said Monday that a possible fracture discovered on the pelvic bone of a body unearthed last week has strengthened suspicions it is that of Nazi death camp doctor Josef Mengele

Dr. Wilmes Roberto Teixeira said the pelvic bone of the remains dug up from an abandoned grave near here "is not normal" and may have been fractured. Mengele once suffered a fractured pelvis, according to data provided by the Simon Wie-senthal Center in Los Angeles, Teix-

eira said at a news conference. "We have found nothing to sug-gest it is not Mengele," Teixeira said. "If we can confirm the fracture, it will be a great step forward.'

A Brazilian forensic team at the city morgue began cleaning dirt and moss off the bones Monday prior to reconstructing the skeleton of the man Brazilian police believe is Mengele.

"The bones are very deteriorated from their contact with earth and water in the grave, but we expected that," Teixeira said. "All the bones are there. There are 208 bones.'

He said the preliminary examinations showed the bones "are those of a man, a tall man, and an old man. But the age is impossible to say."

Dr. Daniel Romero Munoz said the teeth were being cleaned and would be compared with Mengele's dental records from 1937, provided by the West German government.

"If they match up, we will have nearly absolute certainty that it is Mengele," Munoz said.

Teixeira said foreign specialists were "observing, but could not participate," in the procedures. He said they "may be called in later, if special tests are necessary.

In West Germany, the office of Mengele's son said the family would issue a statement that could end debate over whether the remains in Sao Paulo are those of the longsought war criminal, who now would be 74. It would be the family's first public comment.

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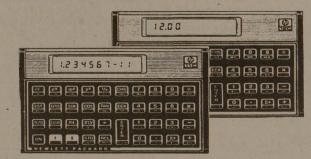
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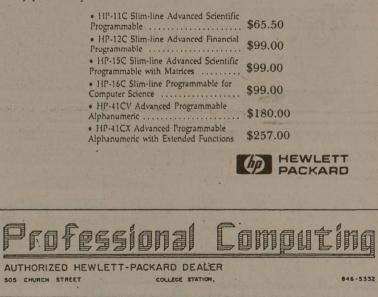
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Danish socialite to lead 'quiet life'

## Jury acquits von Bulow of charges

### **Associated Press**

PROVIDENCE, R.I. - A jury found Claus von Bulow innocent Monday of twice trying to murder his heiress wife with insulin injec-tions, a stunning reversal of the Dan-ish-born socialite's first trial three years ago.

courtroom as the verdict was an-

Von Bulow, who was indicted on the charges in July 1981, dropped his head into his hands as the verdict was announced. He then smiled, shook hands with his attorney and embraced his lover, Andrea Rey-nolds, who was openly weeping.

"He knows, and we know, he tried Cheers went up in the crowded to murder our mother," said Alexander von Auersperg, one of Mrs. von Bulow's two children from her hours over six days before finding von Bulow guilty, but that verdict was overturned last year by the Rhode Island Supreme Court on

state constitutional grounds. "This is a jury who clearly hasn't had any trouble coming to a decision," Superior Court Judge Co-rinne P. Grande said as the jurors who had been sequestered for six weeks were taken away by sheriff's ing hard and I'm grateful," von Bulow said.

Von Bulow, 58, was charged with injecting Martha "Sunny" von Bulow with insulin and inducing the comas his wife suffered during Christmas vacations in 1979 and 1980 at the family's Newport mansion. Mrs. von Bulow recovered from the first

booed by about 150 people outside the building as they departed.

"I'm very relieved, and above all I'm grateful to my attorneys," the balding, 6-foot-3 von Bulow said. "It's been five years of worry.'

He said he now would try to lead a quiet life, give up smoking and take a vacation.

first marriage who spearheaded the investigation against their stepfather.

A jury of eight women and four men deliberated about 14 hours' over four days before reaching its verdict, which was televised live by Cable News Network.

A jury in 1982 deliberated 37

deputies.

Jurors refused to comment as they held a party at the hotel. Six bottles of champagne and two cases of beer were provided by the hotel management.

Von Bulow and Reynolds went to the hotel to thank the panel mem-bers. "They spent a lot of time workcoma, but doctors say the second is irreversible.

Chief defense attorney Thomas P. Puccio, the fiery former prosecutor in the Abscam cases, relied on nine medical experts in arguing that insulin injections did not cause the comas.

### Terrorists kidnap professor in Beirut American

### **Associated Press**

BEIRUT, Lebanon - Kidnappers shot out the tires and windshield of a car carrying an American professor, dragged him from the ve-hicle and took him away, police reported Monday.

The abduction raised the number of Westerners missing in Lebanon to

Thomas Sutherland, Scottishborn dean of the agricultural faculty at American University in Beirut,

was the eighth American kidnapped in Lebanon since March 1984. Seven still are missing.

Sutherland, of Fort Collins, Colo. returned from the United States on Sunday. Two carloads of gunmen seized him as he drove into the city from the airport.

Maj. Gen. Osman Osman, commander of Lebanese police, told The Associated Press there was no indica-tion that Sutherland, 53, was hurt.

South Beirut's shantytowns have become a hunting ground for gun-

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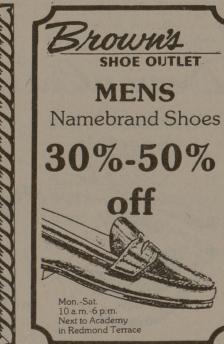
men who have kidnapped 20 Westerners since March 1984. Two Frenchmen were abducted there last month.

Osman said no group had claimed responsibility for seizing Sutherland, a veterinarian who graduated from Iowa State University.

Speculation was widespread that he was grabbed by Jihad Islami, or Islamic Holy War, a fundamentalist Shiite group that is believed to hold at least five Americans and two French hostages.

Islamic Holy War, which many suspect is a general name for several anti-Western radical groups, has said it will release the Westerners it claims to hold if Kuwait frees 17 of its men jailed there for bombing the U.S. and French embassies in December 1983.

Kuwait has refused. Despite the group's warnings of "catastrophic consequences" to the U.S. and French governments if the 17 are not freed, Washington has declared that it will "never negotiate with terrorists.



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