

# Roslindale bomb kills officer, hurts partner

## 2 were checking suspicious box left in driveway

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Boston Police Officer Jeremiah J. Hurley died last night from injuries suffered when he and his partner were struck by fragments of a bomb that detonated as they were examining it in the driveway of a Roslindale home.

Hurley, 50 years old and a seven-year member of the department's bomb squad, was pronounced dead at 7:22 p.m. at Brigham and Women's Hospital, where he was undergoing major surgery in an effort to save his life, authorities said.

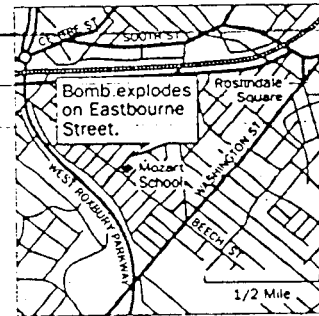
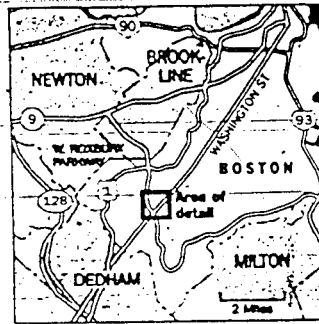
Last night, Hurley's partner, Officer Francis X. Foley, underwent surgery to his left eye

and left side of his body and was recovering in the intensive care unit at Brigham's. Foley, 49, is also a seven-year veteran of the bomb squad.

Authorities remained mystified last night by the mysterious appearance of the bomb, which one police official described as a black box, in a neighborhood of mostly single-family homes.

Investigators said they did not know why the bomb was apparently attached to the car of Thomas L. Shay, who lives at the 39 Eastbourne St. home with the owner, Mary Flanagan.

"We really have no idea what happened."  
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# Fed el gloom

## Calls growth sl

By Peter G. Gosselin  
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WASHINGTON - In one of assessments since declaring the Alan Greenspan, chairman of the serve Board, yesterday said that was sputtering and a nationwide was to blame.

Meanwhile, White House private analysts predicted that new figures due out this morning we economy resumed growth during months, but at only half the usual recovery.

In remarks to a Rhode Island conference, Greenspan said that while still under way, it had turned "sluggish."

"The economy is moving for the face of 50 mile-an-hour he

# Flynn style: Mayor still runs all out, all over town

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As the black Ford station wagon arrives, the shirt-sleeved passenger jumps out of the front seat and launches into a smiling, hugging, handshaking ritual of "Hi, howya, howya doin'?"

The routine has changed little from 1975, when Ray Flynn first ran for the Boston City Council. Neither has the pace - all-out, the timing - dawn to almost midnight, nor the itinerary - ubiquitous within the 22 wards of the city, except "for the time I was knocking on doors in 1983 and found out I had crossed over into Dedham."

■ Council candidates run hard, Page 21. League of Women Voters' election guide, Page 24.

Some politicians are sensitive about accusations of mixing campaigning and governing, especially in a reelection effort. Not Ray Flynn.

"That's my favorite part of government: campaigning, meeting people. I think it's the most exciting, fun part of the business," he said in a pause between campaigning and/or governing last week.

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Gov. Weld is a guest on a WBZ radio talk show hosted by John Silber last night.

# Gracious host Silber, affable guest Weld hit the airwaves

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Fact may be stranger than fiction, but talk radio can be stranger still.

Last night, WBZ radio listeners heard former Democratic gubernatorial nominee John Silber, now a once-a-month talk-show host, kick off his first show.

His guest? Former Republican gubernatorial nominee William Weld, now the

governor of the commonwealth.

Still more unexpected was the demeanor. In the last few months, Silber has growled at Weld from a distance, all but declaring he will seek a rematch against the man who beat him narrowly in 1990.

But last night, two days shy of a year after their final campaign debate, the gruff educator played the gracious host. No one unfamiliar with the tyro talkmeister would

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# Yeltsin orders tough changes to aid economy

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MOSCOW - In what he called an important decision of his life, the president of the Russian Federation announced a sweeping program yesterday to pull Russia out of economic stagnation and transform it into a Western-based system.

The most sensitive and potentially explosive change Yeltsin announced was controls on all basic prices, including food and consumer goods - an announcement viewed by many leaders here as a suicide.

Liberalization of prices will hit in Russia's already miserable state, Yeltsin acknowledged. But he is willing to take over as prime minister a "government of national confidence" plans to form to guide the republic through coming convulsions.

Yeltsin also called for the creation of a "temporary" structure of power that he hinted, assume authoritarian powers until a new constitution is required.

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# A death brings harsh light to Japan's dark side

By Colin Nickerson  
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and embalmed. On Sept. 25, Maricris Sioson went home to Manila in a coffin. The death of the dancer was the

enforcement officials. Manila has hurled charges that Southeast Asian women have been murdered and sexually exploited by the Yakuza, Japan's Mafia.

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# Police bomb-squad officer, hurts partner



GLOBE STAFF PHOTO / JOHN BLANCKING

Emergency crews bring one of two Boston police officers to Brigham and Women's Hospital after a bomb blast in Roslindale yesterday.

McHale said Shay thought he had run over the device and dragged it a few feet. Police officials believe Shay then got out of his car, picked the device up and moved it to the rear of the driveway, behind a large white truck that was still parked there yesterday.

Yesterday morning, Shay became more suspicious of the device and "decided" to contact police, McHale said. McHale said Shay did not want to drive his car and used a neighbor's car to go to the Area E police station at about 11:30 a.m. to report the presence of the device.

Roache said 911 operators logged a call at 11:55 a.m. regarding a suspicious device, but police did not know who made the report.

The commissioner promised a "very thorough investigation," adding: "Just the idea that in any neighborhood in the city of Boston, somehow a device appears and goes off. That could've hurt anybody, not only police officers, so we are taking it very seriously."

Police confiscated Shay's Buick,

towing it away about two hours after the explosion, saying they plan to conduct tests on the car to determine whether the device had been attached to it. A police official said the device may have contained magnets.

Foley and Hurley had extensive experience in successfully removing explosive devices from public places. In 1985, the officers assisted in removing a pipe bomb from an East Boston building. In 1986, Foley helped remove an Army-issue simulated hand grenade from the porch of a Mattapan house.

Relatives of the officers and other police personnel descended, on Brigham and Women's emergency room throughout yesterday afternoon. Some relatives and officers arrived in speeding patrol cars and were quickly hustled into the emergency room.

Nick DeBenedictis, who lives two houses away on Eastbourne Street, said a friend told him at about noon yesterday that two police cruisers and a bomb truck were parked down the street. "We figured it was nothing, I saw one officer come out of the driveway and then I went inside my friend's house... Two minutes later, it exploded," DeBenedictis said.

"Then I saw a woman officer run out, screaming for assistance, calling for help and towels, and I saw one officer against the fence and he was bleeding badly."

Kathie Needham, whose yard is diagonally across from 39 Eastbourne, said she, her brother and mother were having lunch when the bomb exploded. "I saw smoke where the bomb went off," she said.

### "Neighborhood shook"

Christopher Joyce, who lives nearby, said he was on his way to see what the police were doing at 39 Eastbourne when the bomb went off. "The whole neighborhood shook," Joyce said.

Another neighbor, Mary Muise, said the explosion was so forceful that she thought a plane had crashed in the neighborhood.

Neighbors said Shay, who is described as a self-employed or unemployed mechanic in his late 40s or early 50s, lives at 39 Eastbourne St. with Flanagan, his girlfriend, who is in her 30s, and her daughter, Kristen, who is about 13.

They said Flanagan and Shay have been quiet neighbors, who are known on sight in the neighborhood but not personally close to other residents.

Flanagan, who neighbors said bought the house about six months ago, works at the Roslindale Post Office on nearby Cummins Highway, neighbors said.

Police were cautious about offering any theories on why the bomb turned up at 39 Eastbourne St.

"Everybody's talking about the Keliher trial and the IRA as possible connections," said McHale, referring

to a long-running federal trial of several West Roxbury natives charged with distributing large amounts of marijuana. "But it could be somebody who he [Shay] didn't pay rent to. You have to look at everything."

McHale said police know of only one instance in which Shay had a problem with other people - on Nov. 30, 1989, a large quantity of trash was dumped on the lawn of the home Shay was living in at the time, McHale said Shay told police that he had vacated a garage in Dedham without cleaning it. The new occupants gathered up the trash and dumped it in Shay's yard, McHale said.

Other than that incident, McHale said, Shay "has had no problems and no indication of problems."

Reached by phone yesterday, Flanagan, her voice shaking, refused to discuss yesterday's explosion, saying police had told her not to talk to reporters.

Mayor Flynn met with the families of the officers last night. He said the families wanted to thank people for their support. Referring to Hurley, he said: "The city of Boston has lost one of its finest sons tonight."

Rev. William Francis, a department chaplain, joined Roache, Flynn and Donald L. Murray, president of the Boston Police Patrolmen's Association, at the hospital last night.

Roache said he was not outraged by Hurley's death, but was saddened by a death in what he called the Police Department "family."

But Murray said later that Roache "should be outraged. There's a monster out there that pieced a bomb together. And we're going to get him. Jerry died a hero."

Globe staff writer William Coughlin contributed to this report.

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