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Police Captain Michael Julian meets with the press outside the SIDC.

in an effort to get Rand to implicate himself.

Aug. 7: The Advance publishes a letter written by Rand to a Port Richmond widow whom he met at a bus stop. The woman, Edith Kennedy, describes Rand as a homeless man who ate baby food, bought his clothes through a catalog, hated cigarette smoke and animals. His letter says he and Mrs. Kennedy can "very well wind up surviving as a financial team." Rand is invited to Mrs. Kennedy's house by her son, Richard, on one occasion.

In the letter, Rand says, "However, should you decide to move into something more private and better area, supposing your son Richard decides to leave for whatever reasons he may leave — then, of course, it would be customary manner for true friends to want to make living conditions bearable for each other."

Aug. 8: Cardinal John O'Connor, Archbishop of New York, is in Westerleigh visiting Jennifer's parents. "A child like Jennifer has a very special place in my heart," he says.

Also helping with the search is a contingent of jungle-seasoned Vietnam veterans.

Aug. 9: Volunteers searching for Jennifer find a badly decomposed body of an elderly woman in a swampy section of the Mariners Harbor shoreline. The body is believed to be that of Julia Kapolka, 73, a resident of Sts. Cosmas and Damian Adult Home missing since July 23. Police still await an autopsy report to determine the identity of the body.

Aug. 12: Retired firefighter George Kramer starts digging at a suspicious looking area of woods on the grounds of the SIDC and finds a body in a grave.

Kramer calls a friend, off-duty police Sgt. Ronald Jacobs. The latter, who also was one of the men who found the woman's body in Mariners Harbor, and Kramer expose a hand and a foot, then stop and call authorities.

Medical Examiner Elliot Gross arrives at the scene at 10:20 p.m. to examine the body.