

In the reporter's story, Rand explained his response, saying: "It's the way they found her. They found her dead and buried."

The girl's partially decomposed body was discovered Aug. 12 in a shallow grave about 500 feet from a campsite that Rand kept on the grounds of the developmental center, near Building 23. A former associate medical examiner said she had died of asphyxia but was unable to determine what caused it.

The prosecution's case of circumstantial evidence against Rand is based chiefly on the testimony of 10 witnesses who saw Jennifer walking with an older man between 2 and 3 p.m. on July 9. Only one of the witnesses was unable to identify Rand as the man.

The witnesses said they saw the two walking hand-in-hand beginning a block from Jennifer's home in Westerleigh and proceeding on a path that took them into the grounds of the developmental center. A center employee said he saw the two a short distance from Rand's campsite, walking in the direction of it.

One of the prosecution's witnesses, a state trooper, testified that 18 hours after Jennifer's disappearance, a specially trained bloodhound followed Jennifer's scent from her home to the center, a distance of 28 blocks, before losing the scent at the point where the center employee said he saw the two walking toward the campsite.

Detective Robert Jensen of the Crimes Against Property Squad, who was assigned to the investigation, showed the jury on a map the route followed by the bloodhound. He also marked on the map the locations where three of the witnesses said they saw Rand and the girl walking. The locations were along the route followed by the dog.

The detective also marked two more locations where witnesses said they made observations, in the vicinity of Woolley Avenue and the Staten Island Expressway, Willowbrook, but these two markings were some distance from the route followed by the bloodhound.

Jensen, who testified earlier in the trial, was responsible for di-

recting the attention of police to Rand, recognizing him from a description provided by the first witness who said he observed Jennifer, a neighbor, with a man.

Rand was arrested Aug. 4 after Jensen said Rand voluntarily accompanied him and his partner, Detective Ralph Aquino, as they checked out Rand's whereabouts on July 9, including to Bayonne. Jensen said they were unable to locate any witness who could corroborate any part of Rand's alibi.

On returning to Staten Island, Jensen said they went to a Graniteville motel where they had agreed to show Rand a videotape promotional film of the developmental center in which Rand had expressed an interest, as well as a tape recording of conversations made in the home of a West Brighton storefront clergyman.

Rand had lived with the clergyman and his family for a month prior to his arrest. The cleric had agreed to cooperate with police, permitting them to place a "bug" in a kitchen phone so that con-

versations could be taped around the clock for over a two-week period.

While watching the developmental center videotape, Jensen said he remarked to Rand that Jennifer's parents loved and cared for Jennifer and would not have wanted their daughter in the institution.

"Won't you tell us where Jennifer is?" Jensen said he asked Rand.

"He fell to the ground and cried," the detective said.

Rand had been employed at the developmental center for 23 months starting in February 1966, the detective said. He was hired under the name of Frank Rushan, but in 1979 he had his name legally changed to Andre Rand, the detective said he was informed.

Moira McNamara, an employee of a Port Richmond supermarket, said she had known Rand as a customer. She said she purchased a bicycle from Rand on July 12 for \$15. Rand told her he "needed money," she said. Witnesses said Rand was pushing the bicycle as he walked with Jennifer.