

Winston Rose was born in Jamaica on February the 28, 1954, and came to England in July 1967, with his younger brother Felix.

Winston attended Secondary School, but like a great deal of young West Indians, found it very difficult, their personalities and ways of learning about things had to undergo big changes. Winston became a keen boxer and cricketer, he went boxing during the evenings and played cricket on weekends. He got married to Thora towards the end of the seventies, and had two children by her. Winston also had a child by another young lady before he married Thora, so he had three children. ~~He was working~~

After leaving school Winston worked as an electrician for a co-operation. He was working in Liverpool Street at the start of his mental illness. It was on the twentieth of November that Thora received a phone call from the manager of Winston's work-place. The manager said Winston wouldn't get on with the work, and everything he said to Winston him, he would repeat the same statement back. He also stood still, absolutely still in one spot for a long length of time.

The manager was not going to take any chances, for Winston could easily blow-up and do something dangerous, like injury to the other workers, so he had to have Winston off the sight. Thora phoned Felix (Winston's younger brother), after the phone call from Winston's manager. Felix phoned their mother, and they all drove down to the sight in Liverpool Street.

It's important to realize that the Police were on the sight before the Social Worker, Ambulance Service, and the family. There were eight Police officers in uniform, and two in Plain clothes. The whole sight was guarded and sealed off. Two Police officers were placed at the front of the gate to stop anyone from entering the sight. The two plain clothed officers were used to persuade Winston to come with them, while the inspector in charge with a Police constable in uniform stood close by. Winston's behavior was not violent in the presence of the Police force, he simply shyed away from them.

The Police arrived on the sight about twelve-fortyfive took control, and turned the whole work place upside down. Winston's family arrived after one, and his mother went down in the basement, where Winston was working, to try and talk to him, but by this time the Police had damaged whatever chances there were for the mother to influence the situation.

The inspector in-charge said he was expecting violence from Winston, so he had to have as much help as possible, yet all-

All Winston was doing, was refusing to talk to anyone, and if anyone made attempts to come close to him, he would simply shrug away. After three o'clock, the Police, social worker, and the family had some communication with Winston, and they all confessed to Winston's behaviour of none violence, which was the most important issue at hand to work towards. All the Police had to do was to move their presence off the sight completely, and leave it to the family, social worker, and doctor, because it was not a Police matter in the first place. It was the behaviour particular of the Police, who arrived at the sight first, they completely sealed off the sight, stopping the normal functioning of the men working there, that turned the whole event into a bull ring sight. In fact the inspector's expectation of violence was so great, he couldn't wait any longer, so he sent one of his officers to the station for a special stretcher, for violent individuals.

Yet all Winston did was to shy away, but none of the officials at the sight thought of withdrawing, particularly under the circumstances of Winston who was mentally ill. Miss Goody Winston's mother, talked to her son for quite a long time in the basement of the building sight. Finally the Police decided to make their move. Miss Goody was persuaded by a female Police officer to come to the office upstairs for a cup of tea. The Police plans were working, they were gradually cornering Winston in the basement in order to rush him.

For the Police to make physical contact, and imprison a mentally ill person bodily, they must receive permission from the mental health officer, and Section 29 should be signed by a social worker, and a doctor, these requirements have to be taken first, in cases of the violent mentally ill. The inspector in charge of the Police force on the sight didn't care about the requirements, and still didn't after listening to him make his statement at the coroners court.

The Police had Winston cornered in the basement, then at a given sign they rushed him. Miss Goody heard her son shout out as the Police attacked him. There was a brief struggle, no one received any injuries, but Mr Rose. Two officers grabbed his legs another two grabbed his hands, while another three officers tried to restrain his head and stomach movement. Winston was quickly handcuffed, the cuff was placed too tight around his wrists and no one loosened it until it was time to take it off. He was then placed in a straight jacket, then in the ambulance with four Police officers, a doctor, and one ambulance service man.

After all the violence and detrimental move that the Police unofficially took unto themselves towards a none violent person, the social worker and other officials decided to sign the legal documents, which should of been sign at the beginning. The journey to Claybury Mental Hospital was an unpleasant one for Winston. He had to endure a great deal of pain, his wrists were beginning to sore from the tightened handcuffs, his troubles had just begun, for he was being taken to a mad-house, full of nutters who cannot wait to drug you up, and take control of them.

Karla Acket : Social Worker.

Evidence of how a person should be approached, to be taken into care for treatment in a hospital. On ~~December~~ ^{NOVEMBER 29} 1979, the first authority who approached Mr Rose should of been the Social Services, and not the Police. The approach that should be adopted first of all, is one of very great care, particularly for someone who is mentally ill, In relation to the care, you must manifest a certain amount of understanding of the back ground, and situation from which the person has come.

Anybody acting under the mental health act, such as, Doctors and Social workers, have the authority to sign the emergency forms, they must act with care and understanding. They must adopt all reasonable methods of persuasion, and the most affective way of getting someone remittance is to gain their confidence. It is important to have on hand people who are known to the patient, relatives in particular.

If restraint is required, the first option should be taken by people who know the patient, as in Mr Rose case, his family, They could take him physically by getting on either side of his body, and possible take hold of his arms, after this first attempt further help could come from a psychiatrist and nurse.

Doctor Hughs was responsible for administering treatment to Winston during his stay at claybury Mental Hospital. Winston was brought to the Hospital from his work sight in an ambulance. He was accompanied by four Police officers, and one ambulance man into the hospital. Doctor Hughs was off duty on the night of the 29th of november. When Winston arrived for the first time in a mental institution, but she was on duty the next day. Doctor Hughs had no contact with Winston before, nor had any medical report on his past and present state.

Her impression of his behaviour was formed on the verbal information of the doctors who were on duty the night Winston arrived. The Doctor was told, Winston came into the hospital accompanied by four officers and handcuffed, because of this the Doctor simply assumed Winston was a violent person she based her theories on the way he was handled, and delivered to the hospital, she didn't even inquire if the four officers had any previous experience of cases such as Winston, she simply joined the queue of professional authoritative people working in institutions in society, who too readily, to accept a situation as it is handed to them, but which they know very little about.

Doctor Hughs didn't know what really had happened on the building sight on the 29 of november, or even bothered to inquire about the incidence.

It is important to remember that Winston had not shown any sign of violence towards anyone. The Doctor's first visit to the patient in solitary confinement, was one of protection for herself, for Doctor Hughs was accompanied by eight male nurses to administer treatment.

Winston was heavily drugged for four weeks by Doctor Hughs at Claybury Mental Hospital. Winston became a cripple in a cage, which made him a foreigner to everyone he knew and loved, and also to himself. The side affects of the drugs changed Winston's physical appearance. His body was bloated - up all over, thus one can imagine the affect it had on his speech, for his tongue was swollen and heavy, so his speech was very slow, and sounded as if he had a cold. He also walked very slow, and couldn't use his hands properly for several weeks, because the Police handcuffed

handcuffed his wrists too tight, which caused them to swell.

Winston seemed to make a quick recovery during his stay in hospital, which lasted six weeks, starting at the end of November 79, to January 80. Towards the end of his treatment in Hospital he had many visits out to see his family, which mean someone had to escort him to his visits home, and back to the hospital, this his brother Felix did.

On Christmas day he was allowed to visit for the whole day, and he saw his family together, being at home with his children, his wife, mother, and brother, was probably the most comforting thing that happened to him since being in hospital.

Winston was out of Hospital in January 1980. He had some time off before he started working normally again. For now Winston had to visit his Doctor a great deal, and constantly take his medication, ~~so~~ So it was quite obvious to everybody that he had not make a successful recovery. Around may 1980 Winston began to loose weight rapidly, and he constantly had to be persuaded by his wife to go and visit his doctor for treatment. Miss Goody said he visited her every Sunday, and he always weighed himself on the scales, somehow she could see he was still a depressed person.

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Mrs Rose's friend, Cheryl Drayton, who was Winston's younger half brother's girlfriend had great difficulty in finding a health service that would help Winston.

In 1979 Thora mentioned to Cheryl that Winston was having strange feelings. When Winston was taken into Claybury Mental Hospital on the 29 November, Cheryl and Felix went the same night to visit him, because his wife, Thora was expecting a baby at the time. In 1980 according to people involved with Winston, there seemed to be a slight improvement in Winston's illness, a sign of the old Winston occasionally appeared.

The true Winston they began to see was their own fantasy promoted by medication which Winston hated, but this change was short lived, because Winston was not turning up for treatment at the surgery every week, so strange things began happening to his personality again. Because Winston hated drugs, it made it impossible for the treatment to work without the continual guidance from a doctor.

In May, 1981 Winston was made redundant from work, because of his illness, so he stayed at home finding work to do around his house. June 1981 refused to take medication, because he didn't want to be injected any more, so he started to relapse, hearing and seeing things. Thora was worried, and tried to persuade Winston to keep taking his treatment, but Winston was sick of drugs, so Thora deluded Winston into thinking she was ill so that he would take her to the doctor, but really she wanted Doctor Kennedy to see for herself how bad Winston's mental illness was progressing. Doctor Kennedy agreed that Winston was certainly in need of treatment, but she couldn't take him into the hospital until his mental health had deteriorated further.

Thora told Cheryl everything that took place in their abnormal life, particularly towards the end of the last month of their marriage, when she really felt isolated. Thora and Cheryl had day to day contact on the phone at work, and at home.

Winston and Thora had an evening out to the Theatre, Winston fantasized to himself about an empty seat next to him in the Theatre, suddenly a man came on and sat in the chair next to him. Winston thought the man had come to kill him, so the Rose family had to leave the Theatre just because of the empty chair. Thora began to feel cut off, because no one really wanted to help. She could hardly sleep at night, because Winston would suddenly get out of bed, and start pacing up and down the room reading a bible. She and Winston could no longer have a conversation together. On Friday morning the tenth of July, Thora phoned up Cheryl at her work, complaining about the state of her life. She said to her friend, she felt like taking something, and giving the children the same, and ending it all.

Cheryl told her not to talk like that, but Thora was serious. She knew the situation was dangerous, so she told Thora she would talk to her boss, and try to get some help that day.

After speaking to her boss Cheryl made several phone calls to health authorities. She phoned Mind, Harley Street, Claybury Mental Hospital and social services department. She told her, she should get in touch with Hepton Green Social Service department. Cheryl still couldn't get any help from the health authorities she phoned, due to the weekend. It was Friday so it was difficult to find departments that were willing to help over the weekend. Finally a Police officer gave Cheryl the phone number of area three, which was Wallham Forest Social Services Department.

(b) Cheryl spoke to a lady on the phone who said she would phone back around 3 o'clock that day. Cheryl explained the situation briefly on the phone, and said, the main thing was just to get Winston some help. The social worker said, they must have Winston's records from Doctor Fagin before doing anything. Cheryl gave the department her home number so they could phone her at home after work.

Cheryl received a phone call at home during the evening from Mr Nottage, the senior social service leader of area 3. He told her area three was out of Winston's borough, and as Doctor Fagin was away for the weekend, he couldn't do anything without the records on Winston, but he really did hope something could be done to help. Mr Nottage asked Cheryl if he could get in contact with Thora to find out if she could cope with the situation for the weekend, but he couldn't, because Winston got very suspicious of anyone phoning or talking to Thora, so it was best if he didn't contact her, instead Cheryl would phone Thora and talk to her about things.

Mr Nottage said, he would back again during the evening to inquire about the situation and he would try and fix up something for after weekend. Mr Nottage phoned back later, this time Cheryl told him some personal things that happened recently to Winston. She told him about his sleepless nights, and his visit to the theatre, and his delusion about other men looking at his wife when they go shopping. Mr Nottage said he would have something fixed up for Monday morning, so Cheryl immediately phoned to tell Thora about the arrangement and asked her if she could manage until Monday morning. Thora said she could, and she would keep in touch.

Thora had a great deal of planning to do, because she knew Winston hated hospital treatment, and drugs, but his mental state was deteriorating, and she was the only one who knew how his illness was, because she was the only one who had to live with him, and put up with his strange tendencies, which was personally affecting her now. Thora decided to phone up all the people who were close to Winston, so that they could be there with him when the Social Service people come. She rang Joyce, Winston's sister, his mother, and asked them if they could be present at the house, but that Winston must not know what's happening.

Over the weekend Thora phoned Cheryl and told her everything, and that the situation hadn't changed or deteriorated any further. Mr Nottage also phoned to enquire how things were, and to confirm Monday morning as the day for visiting Mr Rose, however some of his colleagues said they received information that the situation with Mr Rose family had deteriorated over the weekend, which was untrue. Monday Morning the 13 of July the Rose family woke up, got dress, and took their children to the nursery in their car. On their way back Winston took his wife to the station like he always did. When they arrived at the train station Thora told him she was not getting out of the car, because she wasn't going to work. Winston was not paying any attention to her, she was going to work as far as he was concerned. Thora didn't want to leave Winston by himself. She told him she was going to see a friend, but she didn't want to start any argument with Winston, because all he knew was she should be going to work so Thora got out of the car and pretended she was going to catch her train as Winston drove off. Thora made a phone call from the station to Cheryl to let her know she would be waiting for the Social Workers at number 94 Elm Road, and not her address, number 30, so she could give the address and phone number to the Social Workers.

7 Doctor Vorra had been a general Medical Practitioner for four years with her partner Doctor Lewis. They had a surgery in Stokenewington. Doctor Vorra became acquainted with Winston the year she started the general medical practice in 1978. The first occasion she met Winston was on the 30 of May 78, he consulted her, because he was suffering from a cold. On examination there was nothing seriously wrong with him, his physical appearance was normal, but he did complain of feeling vague at times.

The second time he visited the surgery was on the 22 of June he said his personality was changing since he had the cold. He denied any problems at home, so the Doctor said she found it very difficult to form a diagnosis. She asked Winston if his wife could come to surgery with him next time in order to ask more details. Winston and Thora visited the surgery on the 30 July, this time Winston was complaining of headaches.

It was at this stage Doctor Vorra advised Winston to see a psychiatrist, but Winston didn't want to see a psychiatrist, because of the strange feelings he was having in his head. He personally wanted to see a medical specialist, he also expressed to Doctor Vorra that he might have a brain tumour. So the Doctor gave him a letter to see a Medical Specialist to have a thorough check up - she addressed the letter to a consultant specialist at Whips Cross Hospital, which Winston had to phone to make an appointment.

On the 28 of July 78 Winston visited the surgery, this time he saw Doctor Vorra's partner Doctor Lewis. The Doctor said Winston had been smoking cannabis heavily, and wanted to stop. In March 79 Winston saw Doctor Vorra's trainee. This time he had an eye problem, the vision in his left eye was clouding, which led to his eye bleeding, so he went to Morefield Eye Hospital for a special operation to stop the blood flowing in his left eye. He went to the surgery after the operation for a sick certificate to have a week off work.

On the 13 of May 79 he complained to Doctor Vorra about his problems at work, he felt very insecure and suspicious of people looking at him, he also had trouble in passing urine. Winston's Sister-in-law phoned the surgery on the 29 November 79, she was worried about Winston, because he was shouting at his wife, throwing things at her, and he was troublesome at work. She was advised to persuade Winston to come to the surgery, however on the 30 of November she phoned again to say Winston had problems at work, so he was taken by the Police to Claybury Mental Hospital. After Winston came out of Claybury in 1980, he visited the surgery two days later for vitamin tablets. From then on he had to visit the Doctor every two weeks for his injections as prescribed by Claybury Hospital. After three weeks back at work, Winston and Thora went to see Doctor Vorra on the 17 March because Winston was now having side effects from the amount of different drugs he had been taking for ~~from~~ ~~over~~ several years. Winston also told the doctor, that he would like to resume boxing again, this seemed a good idea, but by the following week he was so run down this was impossible.

On Monday morning the 13 of July 81 Doctor Vorra received a phoned call at about half past eleven, from the duty Social Worker Karla Alick. She told the Doctor the patient had been very aggressive and ~~vilante~~ violent towards his wife over the weekend.

This was the reason given for the meeting between two social workers, Doctor Vorra and the wife and relatives at 94 Elm Road (a friend house), at twelve noon. The strange thing is however, at the coroner's hearing there was not one person, and this included the wife, that admitted to Winston's behaviour as being violent and aggressive. In fact on deeper questioning Karla Alick original statement weakened, and her first description of Winston seemed very exaggerated. This reflects my general impression of the whole case.

The authorities took it for granted that because Winston was mentally ill he was therefore violent. So he was being treated for something he wasn't. No wonder he was never properly cured. Doctor Vorra ignored instruction to meet at number 94 and went straight to Winston house. She rang the bell three times no one answered so she waited outside the house.

Mr Wiltshire and Karla Alick had half an hour to acquaint themselves with the records on Winston on Monday morning, then they both drove down to number 94 to meet Thora and Doctor Vorra.

They met at number 94, and walked down to number 30 Elm Road where they met Doctor Vorra waiting. Thora led the group into her front garden, then she opened the door, with her keys.

9 Winston was sitting in his conservatory reading a book around twelve o'clock on the thirteenth of July. Suddenly his house was invaded with people some of which he had never seen before. Winston knew four of the people that entered his house. His wife, mother, sister, and doctor Vovra, Winston's G.P. for a couple of years. There were two social workers, Mr Wiltshire and Karla Alick, and two doctors, Doctor Vovra and Doctor Cohen.

Doctor Cohen and Karla Alick remained in the passage out of sight from Winston, so they just overheard the conversation that took place, between Winston and their colleagues. Winston was surprised by the group visit, and even more surprised when his wife, Thora explained the purpose of the group of visitors in their house. In the back room Winston was sitting with a book in his hands. Doctor Vovra decided to talk to Winston first, because she had some personal knowledge of his illness. Winston stood up as she moved towards him, the doctor asked him about his health, then he started questioning the doctor. Winston asked the doctor, who was the gentleman standing behind her, she told him he was Mr Wiltshire a social worker. Mr Wiltshire talked to Winston for about four minutes without any success. By now it was becoming impossible to hold any conversation with Winston.

Winston's paranoia personality was gradually taking control of the real Winston, because a gentle caring approach was not adopted by the social workers and doctors. They surprised Winston, then they forcefully tried to convince him within the space of eight minutes that he should go into hospital. The phone rang during the discussion, and one of Winston's family answered it, but it was Mr Nottage who wanted to speak to one of the social workers. Mr Wiltshire was talking in the back room, so Karla Alick took the call on the landing. He said Doctor Keenedy, the head of Claybury Hospital wished the patient to be put under Section 26, a gentle treatment with no police. It was at this time that Winston came out of the back room to see who was using his phone, he suddenly saw Karla Alick, a stranger he had never seen before using his phone, he also saw doctor Cohen. Winston was very upset. He shouted out who are these people using my phone. At this stage Winston thought things were going too far, and asked the intruders to leave, because he wished to sort it out with his wife alone.

As the health officials were about to leave, the passage became very crowded with people. Winston held on to his wife's hands, trying to persuade her to stay but she didn't want to stay. Mr Wiltshire was standing in between Winston and Thora. At the coroner's hearing Mr Wiltshire said he was accidentally caught in between the couple, and it was not a defensive move on his part to try and separate Winston from Thora, but it was at this very moment in between the figures Mr Wiltshire gave a sign to Karla Alick to call the Police, yet another instance where things got out of hand and exaggerated.

10 Karla Alick never stopped to remember the instruction given by Doctor Kennedy the person who understood Winston's illness and who knew he was not violent, and that the police should not be called into this case. She forgot that he should have been treated gently, and called the police. This decision was hasty and unprofessional.

The brief visit of the social workers took ten minutes which is a very short length of time to acquaint oneself with the situation and the person, especially one that you have not met before, yet after ten minutes at Winston's home very important decisions had been taken, they were unjust, the police were not needed, and there was no violence displayed by Winston.

Thora left with the health officials for number 94, so Winston was with his mother sister, and a child Miss Goody was taking care of. When the social workers and doctor arrived outside number 94 there was a police officer standing on the pavement beside his car. Mr Wiltshire spoke to the officer then he and Doctor Vorra went inside number 94 to join Karla Alick and Doctor Cowin.

11 Doctor Vorra thought the three people who remained with Winston in his house were extreme danger he had a history of paroxysmal schizophrenic illness, so she felt Winston could do anything. She thought Winston would harm his mother and sister, the closest people to him, and the only one's he listened too, that's why Thora had them there in the first place, in fact his mother and sister did the most sensible thing at the time, they stayed with him, and try doing things in an understanding manner, because he was very shaken up by the surprised visit of the Social Services.

So she therefore thought the police should be called in.

Winston wanted to protect himself, his wife and their home from intruders he hadn't asked for anyone to visit him. He was not in a mental paroxysmal state during the visit of the social services, but because he had a history of mental illness his anger and normal fearful actions, like the protection of his wife, was treated instead by the health service as a violent move towards his wife. Because he talked to them loudly and waved his arms Doctor Vorra said he was not in a normal state of mind. It was very difficult for Winston to trust these people, who certainly didn't trust him, because they had secretly surprised him in his house.

Karla Alick thought the police should be called, because Winston wanted his wife to stay with him, but Thora didn't, so she thought Winston could be violent towards his wife, thus her concern was for the safety of Winston's wife. ~~All these assumptions without thorough investigation, misrepresenting Winston's behaviour, because of their own ineffective approach to Winston, and lack of understanding.~~ The mistake Karla Alick and Mr Wiltshire made was in thinking Thora's reason for wanting to leave was in fearing Winston, she in fact was saying she would leave in order to make Winston co-operate. She was desperate for Winston to be cured. All these assumptions without thorough investigation, misrepresenting Winston's behaviour, because of their own ineffective approach to Winston, and lack of understanding.

Mr Wiltshire was the senior social worker, and it was him that said to call the police, because he thought Winston was forcing his wife to stay with him. The four social officers were all at number 94 considering taking Winston in on section 29, which is an emergency treatment for violent patients, like Winston had in 1979.

Mr Wiltshire felt he needed support, it seems the event was too much for him to handle, so he phoned Doctor Kennedy to ask her advice. Doctor Kennedy said it was totally up to him, she hadn't seen the patient so she could not pass judgement. However if he thought section 29 was needed he should pursue it. He also asked Doctor Kennedy if it was possible for her to come and see the patient before they did anything, but she had to attend a meeting so she couldn't. After speaking to Doctor Kennedy Mr Wiltshire spoke to Doctor Vorra about using section 29 Doctor Vorra was in total agreement with him.

Mr Wittshire went outside to ask the Police to phone for an ambulance, but they refused, and said the police van would do. Mr Wittshire had to check inside of the van before agreeing to transport Winston in it to the hospital. Again Mr Wittshire had made another hasty decision by agreeing with the Police to transport the patient in a Police van which was absolutely wrong. Mr Wittshire was responsible for transporting the patient. It was his duty to phone for an ambulance, and to see the patient safely placed in the ambulance and either he or Karla Alick should stay in the ambulance with the patient.

Mr Wittshire said at the coroners court that he agreed for the Police van to be used, because in other cases before when he phoned for an ambulance, he sometimes had to wait for half an hour, and as the Police van was a suitable transport he didn't see any reason for delay. He thought Winston should be taken to hospital as soon as possible. He simply couldn't be bothered to wait for an ambulance for half an hour. This was a typical example of the Social Workers and Doctors throughout their visit to Winston. They simply rushed their way in and out of Winston's house giving him no time what so ever to calm down. In fact they didn't even bother to introduced themselves to Winston when they arrived at his house, because Winston had to asked Doctor Vorra who was the gentleman behind her, which was Mr Wittshire, he also did not know Karla Alick and Doctor Cowin, ~~if he didn't even~~ were in his house until half way through their visit.

Mr Wittshire, Doctor Vorra, Karla Alick and a couple Police officers decided to walk down to number 30 after Mr Wittshire explained the situation to the police.

On their way to Winston's house they passed Winston's sister going back to number 94. Winston was leaning on his front garden gate with his mother holding a child, beside him. Winston saw the Police, and said to his mother, 'O god don't let them touch me', and went inside his house closing the door behind him. Winston's mother expressed her distress to the Social Workers. She was worried because the Police were present, and after what happened to him in 1979 when the Police rushed him, and hand-cuffed his hands too tight causing injury to his wrists, she didn't want anything like that to happen to him again.

Winston couldn't be seen by anyone now, his door was locked, and the Police were going through the houses beside Winston's house, they also gained access through the houses at the back, which were on Francis Road side. It was around this time that Doctor Vorra decided that she had done all that was possible for her to do, and there was no need for her to stay any longer because Winston couldn't be found, so she told Mr Wittshire that she was going back to her surgery.

The Police were left to handle the situation completely, and there were ten Police in the immediate area, some with riot shields, ^{some} ~~Some~~ of them were at the back of the house searching the gardens. The London Riots of June 81 was at its peak, so the Police behaviour was definately predictable at the time.

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Mr Wiltshire and Karla Alick were making plans to leave the area, and go back to their office, instead of staying in close contact with the Police just in case they found Winston. During the Coroners hearing the Doctors and Social Workers explained and gave reasons for Winston's behaviour stressing that he was an ill person, yet they never tried to inject him to calm him down or call for extra medical help first, instead they called the Police. After Winston saw the Police and ran the Doctors and Social Workers must ^{have} realized the mental state of Winston, and must ~~of~~ known it was not a job for the Police, and to think all they could or think about was leaving, leaving the job ~~of~~ in the hands of the police who had very little information about Winston.

22 Winston was now hiding inside a shed in a state of shock. The surprise visit by complete strangers entering his house and trying to persuade him to go somewhere he didn't want to (ie hospital) the fact that they used his phone and the rushing of his house by the police, all contributed to his running away and hiding.

For a short length of time there was dead silence at the front of Elm Road, as the Police searched the back garden. A youth called Trevor who lived nextdoor to Winston was sitting beside the window reading his dad's newspapers. Suddenly he saw a police officer on top of their back garden shed. It was PC Young. Winston was hiding inside. PC Young told his fellow officers who were in the garden nextdoor that he was in the shed. He then jumped down off the shed, and out of Trevor's sight.

There were about six police spread out around the gardens, PC Young shouted out to Winston to come out with his hands above his head.

Winston came out of the shed holding a bible in his hands, he looked and saw he was surrounded by blue uniforms. None of the Social Workers ever entered the back garden.

He asked about the welfare of his family, then he quickly ran and jumped over the fence into the next garden, he was speedily pursued by a couple of officers, as he was about to climb the rear wall PC Morgan followed by another officer pulled Winston back down. PC Morgan said he received a blow to his head and leg from Winston. PC Young who was standing further back saw what happened to PC Morgan, so he took up a dustbin lid and used it as a shield against his body, as he charged at Winston.

After the charge some of the other four officers had managed to grab hold of various parts of Winston's body.

Winston didn't want to fight with the police, he tried his best to keep away from them first of all, by hiding in the garden shed, and even when he was found by the police in the shed, he came out peacefully and attempted to escape over the back wall. However the police were raving with riot fever, which prevailed all over London during that month of July 81, so feelings were running high and wild particularly in the police force.

As Winston struggled to free himself from the misguided actions of the blue uniform, their attacks on his body grew worse. Winston fell on the ground flat on his face. It was at this point that PC Young applied pressure to the air passage of Winston's nose so he gradually weakened, and his hands and legs were held by four officers, however Winston managed to bite PC Young on his left index finger, so for a brief second he stopped applying the air pressure hold. PC Young then decided to go for a headlock, which lasted for over two minutes. It was around this time some more police arrived to assist in holding Winston down.

There were eight police around Winston, ~~with~~ with PC Young at his head, and some holding his limbs, some must of been over his body, but ~~none~~ were prepared to admit this. The only police officers who gave definite evidence of their actions during the struggle were PC Young and PC Morgan, the other officers of which there were six were simply not giving any positive statement of their method of treatment on Winston during the struggle. PC Young who had the head lock on, was in a good position to see what the rest of the officers were doing, but he made no clear statement as to what he had seen. PC Morgan is also not declaring what he really saw, ~~also~~ but he did confessed to Winston falling on his front, and not his back, ~~as the other officers said~~. On the arrival of the second group of officers, PC Morgan was told to go and bring the van around to the ~~francis~~ ^{Harring Garden} road entrance.

During ^{being} all the struggle it was claimed by some officers that Winston was ^{lying} on his front, while the other officers said he was on his back, but from the following incident ~~that the latter was incorrect~~ it seems that the latter was incorrect, because when PC Morgan was about to go for the van it was decided that Winston should be handcuffed, the officers had two sets of handcuffs, the first they tried was too small and the second had no key which they claimed they had not realised until later.

Winston

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The point I'm trying to make is that this apparently active and violent man, who was meant to be lying on his back, according to some officers, was handcuff twice behind his back without any difficulty or fuss. Even PC Morgan was about to leave the ~~see~~ scene.

If someone ^{was} truly struggling the sooner the cuffs are put on the better. The problem of small cuffs had not bothered the police in 1979, why should it now? when they claimed they were dealing with an enraged ~~sixteen~~^{EIGHTEEN} stone man, (in fact he only weighed only 14 stone).

It's clear to me that at this stage Winston was unconscious, ~~and~~ on his stomach, and had been placed in handcuffs without a key.

The second group of officers who accompanied PC Emery had riot shields with them. They had no idea about the case, all they had in mind was that they were going to help other officers, they obviously expecting violence because of the presence of their shields.

26 It was clear to the officers that Winston was not in a fit state to walk out to the van so it was decided to carry out his body, two officers took hold of his arms, while another two carried his legs, so Winston was in a horizontal position with his stomach facing upwards, and head loosely hanging back.

There were several obstacles to cross over on their way through the narrow passage in the back garden, there was an old sink and a four foot washing machine which was right in the middle of the gap they had to go through.

When the Police came upon the washing machine the obvious thing to do was to let Winston down on his feet, and with two officers either side of his arms, they could of chanel their way through one of the gaps, but because Winston couldn't walk, (he was unconscious), the police had to lift all six foot of his body over the machine, this was extremely difficult and dangerous, because Winston's head was hanging back with no one to protect it, his head could have easily been knocked on the top edge of the machine or any protruding walls, ~~also have~~

With his head back he could of also have suffocated. The police took no precaution at all to protect parts of Winston's body during the transportation from the back garden to the van.

PC Morgan was accompanied by PC Macamorra, when he came back with the van to collect Winston on Harrans Garden's. PC Morgan saw officer Young and Emery and another two PC's carrying Winston out to the front entrance, so he opened the back doors of the van so that they could manover the body straight inside

25 The van without pausing.

The officers again are not saying how they placed Winston on the floor of the van, (truthfully).

PC Emery and Young said there was an officer on the inside of the van to lift the top of the body off the floor, as ~~he~~ they lifted the legs up. However PC Morgan who drove the van, and opened the back doors, said there was no one in the back of the van, and Winston was manover into the van by officeres who remained on the outside of the van. It's likely there was no one in the back of the van, if there was, why should the officers statements controdiet each other. (Winston was slid up into the back of the van face down), in the rush to get him to hospital, because the Police were getting anxious about his unconscious state. PC Young was paying a great deal of attention to his ~~pulse~~ pulse,

which you don't do unless you think the person could be dead or is going to die.

When Winston was put in the back of the van, he was flat on the floor with his hands handcuffed behind his back. PC Young PC Macamorra and PC White were also in the back sitting on upright soft seats, while PC Morgan the driver of the van was accompanied by PC Sayer at the front of the van. They were driving round to Elm Road to sign and collect Section 29 the legal document which has to be signed by the police and social worker before they could take any actions on a mentally ill person. The papers were signed too late and none of the officers ever really knew what they were dealing with, because none of them made any attempt to find out, some said they were told he was a violent big black 24 man who destroyed a room, (totally untrue).

ON their way over to Elm Road Winston was completely the opposite of what he was described as being by the police, which was violent.

Now in the back of the van it was obvious something was seriously wrong with Winston, and the officers knew it, because when they arrived at Elm Road no one got out of the back of the van

Ms Karla Alick and Mr Wittshire were standing on the pavement. They signed the legal documents quickly, and not a word was asked about Winston. Mr Wittshire told Karla Alick to go with the Police in the van to the hospital, so she kept the papers Karla Alick sat in the front of the van next to PC Morgan.

The social workers ignored all their responsibilities and didn't ask to see Winston when the van arrived on Elm Road. When Karla Alick got in the van, she said the police had their feet on Winston's body using his body as a base for their feet. Winston's head was placed near Karla's seat, about a foot away. She said there was no sign of breathing or movements, so the first sign of Winston's body, was that of a totally lifeless body on the floor, yet she didn't ask the police if Winston was alright. However she asked PC Morgan a few questions later, he told her Winston had gone berserk, and there had been a struggle, yet she didn't ask to stop the van and have a look at the motionless body on the van floor.

On their way to the mental hospital the Police claimed that they were constantly taking Winston's pulse. The first was taken by PC White, two minutes after they left Elm Road. The police van was accelerating at a 25 reasonable speed, and flashing of blue lights at any junctions. They passed through. The second pulse was taken by PC Macamorra within minutes of the first one, when they were passing through the Green Man roundabout, and as they approached Charley Man's roundabout someone said he had no pulse. PC Macamorra radioed for help, however they passed an ambulance going in the other direction, so PC Morgan turned the van around, and managed to stop the passing ambulance. Everyone got out of the van, the ambulance men took Winston's pulse, he didn't have any. One of the ambulance men said he was dead.

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Winston was placed in the ambulance with handcuffs still on because the officers didn't have the key. He was rushed to the nearest hospital to be officially pronounced dead.

Mrs. Rose, who had wanted to accompany Winston (her husband) to the hospital was not informed until the police van had left.

The doctor said Winston choked on his own vomit, without having been told what caused him to vomit in the first place.

According to the pathologist's report given by professor Keith Simpson on the 30th July at Queen's Road Coroner's Court, E 17, it was stated that Winston had been an extremely man with no signs of diseases, ~~he~~ But what he did find was that Winston's body had been severely deprived of oxygen shortly before his death. Consequently, when the air passage became blocked by the vomit, there was not enough air in the system to allow it to be cleared.

WINSTON FUNERAL

Winston was buried on Tuesday the fourth of August, during the afternoon in Manor Park cemetery. His burial service took place at Cricketfield Road Church in Hackney, on a very summery day. I arrived at the church about twelve noon, just to get a full account of what people's feelings were since the death of Winston, and it was my first attendance at a funeral service. People were drifting very slow to the church so a friend invited me to go for a drink in the Pub across the road. No one important had turned up for the funeral so I accepted his offer. There were some more people in the Pub who came to the funeral also. We said hello, and ordered two drinks. The wall of the Pub still had decoration of the Royal Wedding, which took place on Wednesday the 29th of July. The month July was a very active one for London, because of the heavy rioting, due to Police brutality on the Black, and Coloured community, but by the end of the month the whole country was celebrating the Royal Wedding. A big cheerful looking middleaged man joined the lady serving the drinks behind the bar. He thought we were going to a lively band session in the church, so he said, having another band playing, there was silence, everyone tried not answer. He thought we hadn't heard what he said, so he repeated the question, the silence grew heavy. Suddenly someone answer, 'Its a funeral service'. The publican apologised, and carried on attending to his Pub. We finished our drinks, and decided to see if many people had arrived for the funeral. There were some old folks standing on the pavement across the road facing the church, and a few young personal friends of Winston's including his first girlfriend, Merlene.

Merlene was known as Miss X in the Westindian world, news paper, and was the bearer of Winston's first child, Christopher. Merlene is a very intelligent sensitive young woman, who always looks on the bright side of life, and is not easily frightened off by anyone. When I realised Miss X, the mysterious sympathetic figure in the news papers, was Merlene, a woman I knew from years back, I felt even more involve, we had both known Winston. I first meet her through my brother, who was also a close friend of Winston's during the seventies, because they played sports together, and belonged to the same club. Merlene was pregnant with Christopher at the time, her first child, and Winston's. She wanted to make the occasion a memorable one, not so much for herself, but for the unborn child, and its father. My brother Donnet, told her he had a brother who painted pictures. Finally I was introduced to her, and I agreed to do a painting of her as a pregnant mother. I did several drawings trying to find a good comfortable position, but she was always tired after a few minutes, because of the weight of the unborn baby inside her stomach, so I finally decided to do one of her sitting up, which was more comfortable for her.

I started the painting, and she left in the beginning stages, so I decided to carry on for a short time, and stop. I saw her only occasionally after, and she always wanted to know if I had finished the painting. When I saw her five years after standing dressed all in creamy white at the front of the church at Winston's burial service I wasn't exactly sure of what to think or say to her, however I was certainly overwhelmed with excitement after seeing her and her son

Christopher

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her son Christopher

At the funeral service one felt Merlene's presence very strong, as if she was the true wife of Winston. It seems as if she was the only one truly on Winston's side, while his friends ignored her, by keeping a good distance from her, but she obviously acknowledged what was happening, and purposely said hallo to her unfriendly friends. A great deal of the men were amusing themselves at the excitement of having two women attending a funeral, ~~and~~ both ^{women} were in love with the deceased. The wife Thora who was dressed in black was weeping, while the x lover Merlene who was dressed in soft creamy white took on a cool calm personality, but expressed a loving devotion which she made very clear to everyone. She carried three beautiful red roses, ~~with~~ h