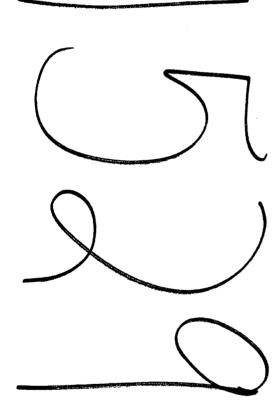
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ADDRESS 2+ A. 34 Green ST	
CITY RED LOOK STATE 1	JY ZIP CODE
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APPROXIMATE AGE (To be used ONLY when	date of birth is not known)
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WIFE'S NAME MARY	(Number, ages, and names, if possible)
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KINGSTON - The question of Scouts has caused an apparent rift has a prior sexual abuse conviction. between the district attorney's office and county court.

Acting Judge John J. Clyne told the quity man, James E. Fross, he would sentence him to 60 days in Ulster County Jail and five years probation, provided he undergo intensive psychiatric therapy.

But District Attorney Michael how much penalty should be leaded. Kavanagh said the crime concerned. against a former Red Hook scout- him despity and he may recommend master who schomized two Boy a state price sentence since Frosa.

The sobbing 46-year-old defendent, who is also a former president of the Dutchess County Fire Chiefs

hours and was reportedly split 3-4 in favor of a conviction.

. Kavaragh said the agreement to Association, pleaded guilty Wednes- allow From to plead was made strictday after the jury deliberated eight by between Judga Clyne and defense

attorney Woody Close.

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R was reportedly agreed to because Fross is a heart patient. Kavarach said his office is not bound by the defense-court agree-

From could receive as maximum sentence of up to seven years in prison 'on the felony charges.

in accepting the guilty ples, Judge Clyne asked, "You are guilty as charged, aren't you?" "Lam " acknowledged Fross,

whose wife, Mary, stood nearby. Asked if the testimony of the two Boy Scout victims, age 13 and 14. was correct, he replied, "It was."

A member of the Red Hook Volumteer Fire Company and the Mid-Hudson Harlem Valley Fire Chiefs Americanon, From was indicted on two counts of sodomy last August.

On the witness stand the scouts told of being sodomized on several (See Sedomy page 3)

·Sodomy

(Continued from page 1) occasions between October 1975 and May 1979.

The acts took place on a secluded dirt road in the town of Ulster on the way home from scout meetings in Dutchess County.

Assistant District Attorney Donald Williams said Fross plied the boys with sods and chips.

Prior to pleading guilty, Frost took the witness stand in his own defense, maintaining his innocence.

Defense attorney Close produced two other scouts who also rode home from meetings with Fross and they testified nothing "out of the ordinary" took place.

But Williams claimed the other boys were dropped off before the sexual acts with the victims took place.

Williams maintained the victims had nothing to gain by lying, despite Close's claims that they may have been coached by the presecution.

And the prosecution asked why the pair would subject themselves to embarassment and ndicule if there was no reason to do so?

Williams called the matter a tragic episode, mentioning the trust the community had placed in Fross as a scoutmaster.