

James Wever ordered to trial

A Boulder City resident was ordered to trial in district court Friday by Justice of the Peace Larry Tabony on charges of giving away a controlled substance and sale of a controlled substance.

James Reid Wever, 25, appeared Friday for his preliminary hearing on the charges which were filed March 4, after Wever allegedly gave and sold marijuana to an undercover Boulder City policeman.

Wever and eight others in Boulder City were charged after a four-month undercover narcotics investigation by Boulder City Police and the Nevada Division of Investigations.

Working as an undercover agent since he joined Boulder City Police Nov. 5, 1982, Officer Michael Kincaid, 23, testified in Justice Court Friday.

Kincaid testified that on Jan. 27, 1983, he went to a residence on Avenue L in Boulder City where he met a Sam Allen and was introduced to a "Jim," whom the officer identified in court as Wever.

"When we walked into the residence Jim handed Mr. Allen a rolled up cigarette that contained a green, leafy substance that was marijuana," the blond, boyish-looking Kincaid told Deputy District Attorney Ron Bloxham.

Kincaid added that Wever told him to "roll myself one." When Kincaid was unable to do so, Wever took the marijuana and rolled a cigarette, then handed it to Kincaid. "I placed it into my coat pocket," said Kincaid, and later that day turned it into the State Narcotics Office's evidence room.

Soon after Wever gave Kincaid the marijuana cigarette, the two went to Wever's house where he showed Kincaid a baggy containing marijuana. "Jim said he would sell the marijuana to me for twenty dollars a quarter ounce or thirty-five dollars a half ounce," explained Kincaid.

At that time Kincaid testified he bought a half ounce of marijuana, which he also placed into evidence.

On cross examination, Wever's attorney, George

Foley, asked Kincaid about his background. Kincaid stated he had been a police officer just over two years, first working for the Sheriff's department in Flagstaff, AZ.

Kincaid said he also trained 10 weeks with the State Narcotics office to be an undercover policeman and learn how to "purchase drugs."

When Foley questioned Kincaid as to why his police report was written on State Narcotics Division stationary and why he worked so closely with that department instead of Boulder City Police, Kincaid replied he didn't want "to blow my cover."

A representative from the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department also testified Friday that he analyzed the samples of substances Kincaid turned in and found them to be marijuana.

Wever's district court trial date was set for April 4 at 9 a.m.