

Bobby Driscoll Freed in Dope Carrying Case

Bobby Driscoll, 19, former child star, yesterday was freed from suspicion of marijuana possession when detectives investigating his July 10 arrest failed to obtain a complaint against him.

Driscoll had been arrested at his home, 16524 Chattanooga Place, Pacific Palisades, shortly after police captured Lester O. Ferguson, 20, a service station attendant whose car had been overhauled in a brief chase to Sunset Blvd. and Haverford St.

Police Find Bag

Detectives, who reported finding a bag containing marijuana which they said was tossed from Ferguson's car, took Ferguson into custody on a complaint charging possession.

Driscoll and Ferguson appeared before Superior Judge Herbert F. Walker for a hearing on a writ of habeas corpus obtained last week by their attorney, Harrison W. Hertzberg. Driscoll's writ was dissolved, his \$500 bail exonerated and he was discharged. Ferguson's \$1000 bail was continued for his arraignment in West Los Angeles Municipal Court, where his preliminary hearing will be conducted next Tuesday.

Both Driscoll, who was not in the car when it was halted by police, and Ferguson denied any knowledge of the ownership or origin of the marijuana. Ferguson's car was impounded pending disposition of the narcotics possession charge against him.