

£40 FOR HOUR WITH NUDE MASSAGE GIRL

THE NUTTY NUTTER

SMITTEN MP Joe Ashton just couldn't get enough of the nude massage given by the Thai Siam parlour's prettiest girl. Every time he arrived at the reception desk he would ask for the exotic-looking beauty known as Anne.

And the Labour veteran tended to arrive there a lot. "He must have enjoyed Anne's massage skills because he was one of our regular punters," Laura MacNess, a former receptionist at the parlour, revealed last night.

"Whenever he came in he asked for her by name and he paid for an hour-long massage with her. He never had eyes for anyone else."

The News of the World has discovered that married Ashton—who denies ever having sex at the seedy parlour—visited it **EIGHT TIMES** between February and November last year.

And he always went for the "naturist massage" at £40 an hour. "The customers are told they are paying for a naturist massage and the girl joins you in the bath," said Laura.

"All the customers knew and expected the girls to take off their clothes and to be naked while they gave them a rub down in the bath and a massage on the bed."

"There were two tariffs. There was a 40-minute massage which cost £30 and an hour-long massage for £40. "Joe always paid for an hour-long naturist massage. And he never asked for the girl not to take her clothes off."

"I don't know what happened between Joe and Anne behind closed doors. Only they would know that. Anne was deported back to Thailand just days after she was caught with the seamy MP during a raid by police and immigration officials on the parlour in Northampton."

Her former boyfriend, Paul Donnelly, 25, told us: "I have been in touch with Anne and she has told me she was the girl who caused all this trouble for Joe Ashton."

"She has told me she used to see him regularly and that she was the only girl he would visit."

He always paid for the £40 massage. But she never knew he was an MP.

"She was shocked when she discovered his real identity. "She is now in Bangkok. She was flown there within a few days of the raid."

"As far as I know she worked there for more than six months and she saw Joe Ashton on a number of occasions."

ANNE was the envy of other girls working at the seedy Thai Siam parlour which was first exposed as a brothel by a News of the World investigation last year.

Former hooker who worked there became her close pal told us: "Everyone was jealous of her work which was very pretty. "Anne was the punters' favourite

EXCLUSIVE

BY PAUL LEWIS

By a mile. She had a really sweet nature and put customers at ease straight away.

"What men liked about her was the fact she made them feel special and not just a lump of flesh to be rubbed down for a few quid."

Ashton, MP for **Barnet**, Notts, certainly approved of her massage technique.

BUT when the MP was found on the premises with her in the police raid he at first gave a false name and address to try to avoid being identified.

Ex-receptionist Laura never realised who he was, even though he visited almost once a month.

"No one gives names and they pay in cash. I thought he was just another businessman. I certainly never dreamed he was a high-flying politician," she said.

"All he ever asked for was to see Anne."

"She had been working at the parlour longer than me and was due to leave the country the day after it was raided."

"I don't know what Anne's Thai name was because the girls never talk about their personal lives. "But I do know that she was the most popular of the girls because of her looks. She was very Filipino looking. She was pretty with long dark hair, big brown eyes and a sexy physique."

"It was obvious that Joe enjoyed her company as he kept coming back for more."

Anne had followed a well-trodden trail familiar to young Thai girls. She had come to Britain to make money for her family back home.

Her ex-boyfriend Paul told us: "Her folks needed all the money that Anne could send back to them. "But I know she never told them the truth about how she was making the money. In England because there is no way they would hang permit that."

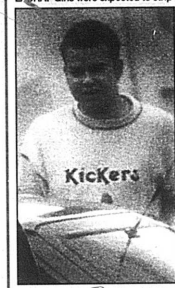
"She was so generous and generous. She would have given you her £110 if she thought you needed it."

"But what Anne hated was the work she had to make her money."

"She definitely didn't like work-



LAURA: 'Girls were expected to strip'



PAUL: Anne, right, told him of Ashton

ing at the massage parlour. To her all of her clients were just wallets walking through the door. She had no respect for what they were doing," said Paul.

"She didn't like it because she is a Buddhist and she had to blank that out while she was working. Anne's looks meant she was always in demand from the punters who daily turned up at the parlour on the Kettering Road just outside Northampton city centre."

"Of course she was very popular there because she is a beautiful lady," said Paul.

"She had beautiful dark hair and eyes and men admired her for the way she looked."

"A lot of the men would only want to see her and would ask for her by her name. She was the girl that every man wanted to be with."

Paul claimed the raid had been a

blessing in disguise for her. "Since she was deported she has told me that she is a lot happier within herself," he said.

"She feels her soul is now at ease and she would not want to go back to another massage parlour. "She is a very caring woman and I don't think she belonged in that kind of place."

The raid was certainly not Joe Ashton.

POLICE failed to recognise him at first as they rounded up 11 customers and 12 Thai girls.

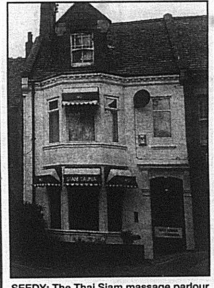
He was only rumbled after an alert policeman checked out his car registration.

Anne was one of the Thai girls arrested by immigration officials and deported back home.

Former receptionist Laura add-



ASHTON: Refused to talk to reporters



SEEDY: The Thai Siam massage parlour

Chris Fox, issued a statement insisting that officers at the scene were not able to establish his true identity at first.

Mr Fox said: "Since the information recorded by police was misleading, a computer check was necessary to properly establish his identity."

Last night Ashton promised to reveal more about his massage parlour visit at a press conference today. "I can promise you one hell of a story," he said.

The Labour establishment rapidly distanced itself from the Yorkshire-born MP throughout the week.

One party source likened his denials of sex at the brothel to Bill Clinton's admission that he smoked cannabis 'but didn't inhale'.

But the following day the Chief Constable of Northamptonshire, Ashton's wife Margaret—who has

been with him 42 years—has refused to comment.

But the man the Commons knows as Grumpy Joe is well equipped to deal with being in the headlines. He once hit them in 1990 when he complained about randy nurses making too much noise having sex in cars parked near his home.

Then he suffered the embarrassment of being rushed to his hospital for an op on his appendix.

The straight-talking Ashton has described his favourite type of women as those who wear make-up, perfume, dresses and high heels.

"I don't want to be seen with a woman who wears second-hand cut-down fur coats that used to belong to someone else," he said. Now he must now wish he had never been seen around a saltry Thai girl called Anne.