

DATE 05-19-97 TIME 1600 hrs. PLACE O.S.P. Cambridge

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On Saturday, May 17th, I was on patrol in the southern end of Guernsey County along with Sgt. Vierstra who was in another patrol car. At 6:49 P.M. I heard Sgt. Vierstra radio into the Cambridge Post that he was stopping a white Olds with no registration just off of S.R. 313 west of IS77. Shortly thereafter Sgt. Vierstra asked for my assistance AND the stop involved three subjects who appeared to be under the influence. I was southbound on S.R. 821 just north of Pleasant City at that time and decided to go thru Pleasant City and come out on C.R. 52 at S.R. 313. As I went west on S.R. 313 I first bypassed the area where Sgt. Vierstra had the car stopped and then I doubled back and stopped with him at 6:54 P.M.. As I pulled into the private driveway located off of the north side of S.R. 313 I saw that Sgt. Vierstra had one male subject out of the vehicle that was stopped in front of his cruiser facing in a northbound direction. Sgt. Vierstra was standing between the front of his cruiser and the rear of the white Olds Cutlass 4-Dr and I could see that the stopped car did not have any rear plate on it. I immediately recognized the person that Sgt. Vierstra was talking to as being Albert Andrews. Mr. Andrews was obviously under the influence of alcohol/drugs. Sgt. Vierstra had Mr. Andrews' pocket items laying on the top of the car and was glancing at the items checking for contraband/weapons. Eventually, Mr. Andrews was placed under arrest and handcuffed in the front and placed in the front seat of Sgt. Vierstra's cruiser. Sgt. Vierstra informed me that the other two white males were also intoxicated and we had a conversation about what to do with them. During the conversation the right front passenger was allowed to exit the car and come back to where myself & Sgt. Vierstra was standing, i.e. between the violator's car & the patrol car. As the subject identified himself by an Ohio I.D. card which he took from his wallet I saw a knife sheath hanging below the subject's bottom edge of his black leather-type jacket near the right rear pants pocket. As the subject talked to Sgt. Vierstra I can

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from behind the subject and pulled a knife out of the sheath. I jokingly asked the male if he had just killed somebody with this knife & he stated that he just gutted a deer with it. I had noticed that the subject's hands were blood covered as if somebody had poured a red dye on them and that the front of the subject's blue jeans were also covered with what appeared to be blood. The blood was mainly on both sides of the front from above the knee to the waist line. This subject identified himself as being Clarence Roberts as verified by his Ohio I.D. card. Mr. Roberts kept asking that we didn't tow the car and that he had proof of ownership on the car. As he talked to Sgt. Vierstra I placed the confiscated knife on the right front floor of Patrol car no. 851 and locked the doors. Mr. Roberts showed us a title for the car that still listed the owner as being Karen Evans. On the rear of the title was a hand printed name of Karen Evans and beside it was a signature of Karen Evans but there was no notary seal on the title showing proof of a witnessed transaction. Mr. Roberts stated he bought the car for \$100.00 as salvage and that he had a receipt for it but as he looked in his wallet he could not find the handwritten receipt. Mr. Roberts was told the car was going to be towed due to the driver being arrested for DUI/DUS and no registration and the uncertainty as to who was the lawful owner of the car. The patrol po advised that B & B towing was enroute for the vehicle. Sgt. Vierstra started the inventory sheet (HP-25D) on the car listing the VIN, owner's name, etc. and then left the inventory for me to complete because he didn't want to leave the arrested Mr. Andrews in the patrol car unattended. I put on at least one leather glove from the trunk of my patrol car in preparation of thoroughly checking the car. Prior to checking the car it was learned that Mr. Roberts knew the resident of the house where the stop was made & it was arranged for two car occupants to remain under control of the resident Jim Tuttle. It was explained to Mr. Roberts that the car might end up not belonging to him and if he wanted he could remain

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all items that belonged to him prior to the car being towed. I watched Mr. Roberts remove
a long screwdriver from the interior of the car and take it to the trunk area and use the
screwdriver to open the trunk since the lock was missing from the trunk. He was able to get
the trunk open and I watched him remove a set of jumper cables, a red topless tool box with
misc. tools, a quart of oil, and a yellow plastic container with several items in it. The
items were placed on the ground next to the car and they were going to be placed in the
house where the stop was made. I started to check out the interior of the car. By this time
the white male in the left rear of the car had exited the car and went into the house. He
had not been checked for identity by myself. I saw a set of Ohio license plates on the
floor of the rear section of the car and Mr. Roberts stated that they were his plates and
he took possession of them as well as a crescent wrench from the front floor and a case of
open beer. As I looked near the right front floor of the car I saw a glass beer bottle that
was already opened and was about 3/4ths of the way full. There was still moisture on the
outside of the beer bottle as if the bottle was sweating. I removed the bottle and showed
it to Sgt. Vierstra and we decided not to cite Mr. Roberts for the open container violation.
When I removed the bottle from the car and showed it to Sgt. Vierstra I had the grey leather
gloves on my hand. I placed the opened bottle in the yellow container that had the rag and
other items in it. After telling Sgt. Vierstra that the inventory was completed I had him
sign the inventory form and I countersigned it. Sgt. Vierstra left the scene at 7:18 P.M.
I stayed with the car waiting for the wrecker to arrive. I still had the knife locked up in
my patrol car. Mr Roberts went into the house & came back outside without his black jacket
on. I saw that both of his forearms from the wrist area to the shoulder area was covered
with homemade-type tattoos. Mr. Roberts smelled strongly of an alcoholic beverage & had
glassy, bloodshot eyes. He constantly talked asking if we still had to tow his car & kept

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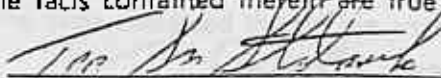
asking for his knife back. At one point he stated that he wired the fan in the engine area to be running all of the time and he was allowed to disconnect it from under the hood.

John Kennedy from B & B Towing arrived at the scene and I got behind the steering wheel of the violator's car and I backed it up and then pulled forward up to the loading part of the wrecker's sling. John Kennedy was given a copy of the inventory sheet. John was also accompanied by a young 7-8 year old boy whom I assumed was his son. Prior to leaving the area I had conversation with Mr. Roberts. He told me he knew it would be better to run the car with no plates than to be caught having the car with fictitious plates. He told me he thought Mr. Andrews had a valid O.L. to drive. He stated he had replaced the motor in the car himself. He told me he had 3 kids in the Quaker city area and he was going to be moving back to Texas come the first week in June and that his or his kids grandparents still live there. He stated several times about gutting the deer and that is why his hands and pants were bloodcovered. He was hinting that he knew deer was out of season and that he was hinting that nothing be said. I left the scene of the stop at 7:33 P.M. when B & B left the driveway with the car. Prior to leaving the driveway Mr. Roberts was given his knife. I had noticed earlier that the knife was partly bloodcovered and there was a small piece of fleshlike material on the blade. The knife was one that was like a small bootknife, i.e. the blade was approximately 3/4 of an inch wide and was double edged. The blade itself was approx. 3 inches long and it had a black handle on it about the same width as the blade. The handle was approx. 3 inches long. When B & B took the car he was given only the ignition key which was taken off of the key ring by Mr. Roberts. The keyring had numerous keys on it as well as a scallop looking Harley Davidson type knife can opener.

----The following pages of this statement are items related to the incident which also happened on the same date. -----

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At approximately 8:15 P.M. I met with Guernsey County Deputy Mark Masters at the Chalk restaurant parking lot just west of the patrol post on U.S. 40. While conversing with Deputy Masters I learned from him that he got dispatched to a call in the Buffalo area regarding a possible dead person. Deputy Masters left to go on the call and I told him that I would head that way in case he needed assistance. I call Sgt. Dickey on the radio and told him that the S.O. was enroute to a serious call on Lincoln Street in Buffalo. I knew Sgt. Dickey was in the Buffalo area because he was enroute to Saltzburg Road to return Albert Andrews to his residence after he had been processed by Sgt. Vierstra for D.U.I., etc... Sgt. Dickey had just dropped off Mr. Andrews at Andrews' house in Buffalo

Sgt. Dickey called the post at 8:18 P.M. that he was enroute with the S.O. and at 8:19 stated that he was out of the car with the S.O. at the scene on Lincoln Street.

At 8:25 P.M. I arrived at the scene of the crime at the intersection of Lincoln Street and Cherry Hill Road. I asked Sgt. Dickey what had happened & he told me about the victim being possibly stabbed. I then informed Sgt. Dickey about the traffic stop ^{THAT WAS} made approx. one hour and a half ^{hours earlier} and the fact that Mr. Roberts was covered with blood as well as his hands and the knife. I then informed Deputy Masters of the same and Deputy Masters had me come into the house where the victim was laying on the floor and I observed the wounds to the dead person laying on the floor. I then left the house without touching anything. Deputy Masters was informed of the location of the two passengers and the items that were in the drunk's car. I left the scene at 8:45 P.M. and went down on S.R. 313 at the place of Sgt. Vierstra's traffic stop and saw the rear lights on the house of Mr. Tuttle's as well as the front door open on the house trailer next to the house.

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At 9:19 P.M. I returned to the scene of the crime and informed Sgt. Dickey about the house on S.R. 313. It was decided to check the house on S.R. 313 where the traffic stop was made in order to find Mr. Roberts and the other passenger from the rear seat of the The Guernsey County S.O. was going to check the house and myself and Sgt. Dickey was going to offer assistance. We arrived at the house on S.R. 313 at 9:40 P.M.. We had left Lincoln Street around 9:36 P.M.. Upon checking the house we discovered that neither of the two subjects were at the house. However, the items removed from the car by Mr. Roberts was still at the location. The S.O. decided not to confiscate the items at that time. We cleared the residence at 10:08 P.M. and went to try to find the location of a party that the two people had left the house to go.

Shortly thereafter we decided to try to find Albert Andrews at the house where Sgt. Dickey had dropped him off. As I pulled up to the area I was informed by Sgt. Dickey that Mr. Andrews had just been taken into custody when he was walking towards the crime scene from the house where he had been dropped off earlier. I talked to Prosecutor Dan Padden and the Deputies at the scene and was requested by them to return back to the house on S.R. 313 in order that the Deputies could retrieve the items left by Mr. Roberts.

At 10:47 P.M. we arrived at the house and Deputy Paden was able to confiscate the yellow plastic tray and the items still in it that was left on the sun porch of the house. He was also able to retrieve the jumper cables and red tool box with misc. tools in it from the laundry room of the house. Just before leaving I asked the house resident once again where the open beer bottle and bottles of beer was located from the car. The subject then showed us the beer carton in the refrigerator and as I looked inside I saw the still opened beer bottle still 3/4ths of the way full. I left the scene at 10:47 P.M..

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