

CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET
DIVISION OF PERSONNEL
B.S.A.

DATE June 19, 1961

Full Name Hillard, Robert L
 (No initials if you can possibly get full name)

Address Box 277

City Newton State Kansas

Age 41 (This is important and should be exact)

Approximate age _____ (To be used ONLY when exact age is not known)

Religion Protestant Nationality American

Occupation Communications Maint. Panhandle Eastern Pipeline Co.

Education High School. College ? For additional information on education contact Industrial Rel. Co. at Kans. City.

Weight 195 Color White Height 6'0"

Color of hair Blond Color of eyes Brown

Outstanding characteristics or interests Outdoor Activities, Camping, Boy Activities

Married or single Married Children 2 - Judy 16, Son Robert Jr. 20
 (Number, ages, and names, if possible)

Wife's name Princess-Beauty Operator

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

<u>Unit #</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Date Reg'd.</u>	<u>Date resigned</u>
Troop 126	Newton	Kansas	ASM, RSM	4/46	
Post 115	"	"	Asst. Adv. & Adv.	3/55	6/1/61
& Troop 115, & 150.			SM	11/56	
Special recognition	None				

Recommended for Confidential File for following reasons:

Investigation by the county attorney of Harvey County, Kansas verified reports of acts of perversion with boys in Troop 150. Affidavit dated June 1, 1961 was obtained where Mr. Hillard admitted same, and formally severed connections with any and all boys' organizations, and specifically the Boy Scouts of America.

Signed *W. W. Hartke*
 Scout Executive
 Date 6-29-61

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Interoffice Correspondence

Insurance & Risk Management Services

TO: LEROY JOSSELL
DIRECTOR, REGISTRATION
AND STATISTICAL SERVICE

DATE: JULY 16, 1996

FROM: MARK L. DAMA *M.L.D.*
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR,
INSURANCE & RISK MANAGEMENT

SUBJECT: **ROBERT LEROY HILLARD**

On July 16, I received a telephone call from [redacted] who alleged that he was molested in 1955 by his Scoutmaster Robert Leroy Hillard. Mr. [redacted] was a scout in Troop 115 which was chartered by the First Christian Church in Newton, Kansas. According to Mr. [redacted], Mr. Hillard apparently lived in Newton in 1955 and then later moved to Wichita, Kansas. Mr. [redacted] stated that he had attempted to locate Mr. Hillard in the Wichita/Newton area, but was unable to locate an address for Mr. Hillard.

Mr. [redacted] further alleged that Mr. Hillard's son Robert (or Bobby) may also be committing these same acts, although he did not provide any specific information concerning this allegation.

Mr. [redacted] is currently living in Aberdeen, Idaho with a home phone number of 208-397-4772.

*Not Registered
Drop file*

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June 19, 1961

Mr. A. Max Hatfield, Scout Executive
Quivira Council, No. 198
146 1/2 N. Market Street
Wichita 2, Kansas

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
Re: Kenneth Welsh, Asst. Sm., Troop 150;
Robert L. Willard, Sm., Troop 150

Dear Max:

It is too bad we have to face these situations but I do appreciate the thorough manner in which you handle them. I think I told you before that decisions are difficult to make when we receive applications for registrations and have no real information in our file. When we have as much as you have submitted, there should never be a question in anyone's mind about our procedure. Thanks again.

Now, if you will complete the confidential record sheets so that we will be able to identify them, the file will be complete.

Sincerely yours,
PERSONNEL DIVISION

Basil F. Starkey
Director of Registration

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BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

No. 198



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June 14, 1961

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Mr. Basil Starkey
 Director, Registration Service
 Boy Scouts of America
 New Brunswick, New Jersey

Personal and Confidential

Dear Basil:

Here is another one of the ugly situations we have to face from time to time.

We have been trying to get something on this man for some time, and finally the right set of circumstances have come into focus.

Attached is a copy of the letter from the county attorney of Harvey County and the affidavits of the confessions of these two men.

This is a very complete statement and should give you all the information you need to see that these men are placed on the confidential list. If you need any further information, please write me.

Very sincerely yours,

Max
 A. Max Hatfield
 Scout Executive

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IN 14 CAMPAIGNS

THIS WEEK END, 6, 971 CUBS, BOY SCOUTS, AND EXPLORERS REGISTERED IN QUIVIRA COUNCIL.

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RICHARD F. HRDLICKA
COUNTY ATTORNEY

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY
HARVEY COUNTY
NEWTON, KANSAS

601 1/2 Main
June 2, 1961

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QUIVIRA COUNCIL
E. S. A.
TELEPHONE
ATWATER 3-8633

Mr. Max Hatfield, Scout Executive
Boy Scouts of America
146 1/2 North Market
Wichita, Kansas

Dear Mr. Hatfield:

This office undertook to investigate the activities of one Robert L. Hillard, Scout Master of Troop No. 150, and Mr. Kenneth Welsh, a member of Troop No. 150. This investigation was commenced upon the complaint of Mr. [REDACTED], who has a son [REDACTED] who at one time belonged to Troop 150.

The complaint indicated that Mr. Hillard and Mr. Welsh were engaging in acts of perversion with several of the boys in the Troop and that these acts were taking place regularly and during outings, camps, trips, and parties, all within the scouting program of this particular troop. Our information indicated that Mr. Hillard would take one or two of these scouts with him on special trips and while on such trips engage in acts of perversion; and that during all-night parties at his house, he would take one boy at a time into his bedroom for purposes of immoral acts. Our investigation further indicated that some ten boys were involved with Mr. Hillard and at least two boys were involved with Mr. Welsh.

Both Mr. Hillard and Mr. Welsh were arrested and brought to this office for investigation on May 31, 1961; and after prolonged questioning, admitted various acts of perversion with the boys in the scout troop. Mr. Welsh stated to us that he has not engaged in this behavior during the past year; and Mr. Hillard indicated to us that as recently as two weeks ago, he engaged in an act of perversion at an outing in Sedgwick, Kansas.

After the complete admissions of these two persons, I came to the decision that to openly prosecute would cause great harm to the reputations of two organizations which we have involved here--the Boy Scouts of America and the local Y.M.C.A., as well as damage the reputations of at least two churches. I felt then and do now feel that the price which the community would have to pay for the punishment of these two individuals would be too great, in view of the fact that the damage thusly done to these organizations would be serious and lasting.

For that reason, I have required of both Mr. Hillard and Mr. Welsh

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Mr. Max Hatfield, Scout Executive

June 2, 1961

that they sever all connections with the Boy Scouts of America, the Y.M.C.A., and any other organization which would involve young boys; and have further required that they submit to psychiatric treatment and that the reports of this treatment be submitted to this office. Both Mr. Hillard and Mr. Welsh have submitted Affidavits admitting the charges as levied against them and severing their connections with the organizations involved. I enclose herewith for your information copies of such Affidavits.

This entire investigation was undertaken with the co-operation of Mr. Heckler, the District Scout Executive; and I have informed him of the progress and of the conclusions reached at this time. He suggested that I write to you disclosing the result of this investigation so that you may take the necessary steps to include these two individuals in the national file of perverts.

If I can be of any further help to you in this matter, please do not hesitate to call on me.

Sincerely yours,

County Attorney of Harvey County

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A F F I D A V I T

STATE OF KANSAS, COUNTY OF HARVEY, SS:

Robert L. Hillard, of lawful age and being first duly sworn upon oath, states:

That he is the Scout Master of Troop 150 in Newton, Kansas; that an accusation has been levied against him, stating that he has, from time to time, engaged in immoral, lewd, and lascivious acts of perversion with a number of the boys in his Boy Scout Troop.

That affiant admits these accusations and states herein that they are true.

For these reasons, affiant now wishes to sever all of his connections with Troop 150 of the Boy Scouts of America; also, that he wishes to sever his connections with any and all boys' organizations.

That this is to be construed as the resignation of this affiant from the Boy Scouts of America.

Robert L. Hillard

Robert L. Hillard, Affiant

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 1st day of June, 1961, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the county and state aforesaid, came Robert L. Hillard, to me known to be the person who executed the above and foregoing Affidavit and such person duly acknowledged the execution of the same and subscribed and swore to the same in my presence.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my notarial seal the day and year last above written.

Myra Utz

Notary Public

My commission expires:

March 15, 1962

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