

# CITY OF HEWITT POLICE DEPT

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## HEWITT, TEXAS 76643

### CONTINUATION REPORT

78 O. N. W.  
08-86-3049

#125520-0024

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| CODE SECTION | 78 CRIME<br>STRUCTURE FIRE/ACCIDENTAL DEATHS          | 78 CLASSIFICATION |   |                      |
| COMP'S NAME  | LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE<br>(FIRM IF BUS.)<br>WATTS, L. C. | 78 ADDRESS        | RES <input type="checkbox"/> BUS <input type="checkbox"/> | 78 PHONE<br>666-6272 |
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**DETAILS**

On 09-04-86, Ranger Smith and this Officer took clothing from the victims of a fire to D.P.S. Laboratory. Taken to the laboratory were pieces of clothing found under the body of Joby Graf at the fire scene. Also taken to the laboratory was clothing taken from the bodies of Jason and Joby from the autopsy performed by Dr. Northcutt. In the bag of materials removed at the autopsy was a piece of cloth that had been clutched in Jason's right hand. Also taken to the laboratory was a bag of miscellaneous papers. (See enclosed evidence submission form) While Ranger Smith and I were talking with Charles Mott, Director of the D.P.S. Laboratory, Charlie informed these Officers that the Insurance Agents name is: Tim R. Griesse  
6607 Snager, Suite 2  
Waco, Texas  
PHONE: Business 772-8957  
772-7998

Mr. Mott stated he would get the results back to Hewitt Police Department as soon as possible. After leaving D.P.S. Laboratory, Ranger Smith and this Officer went to Luthern Day Care Center. We spoke with GENE LUISE MERLINO, D.O.B. 06-15-60, 3805 Kimberly, Waco. Business Phone: 772-4225. The Day Care Center is located at 6125 Bosque, Waco. Mrs. Merlino took over as Director of the Day Care Center in June. Mrs. Merlino said Mr. Graf called the Day Care on 08-21-86 to make sure it was still all right to bring the boys to the Center. The first day Jason and Joby stayed at the Day Care was 08-22-86.

Mrs. Merlino said the boys arrived at the Day Care Center at 7:30AM and left at 4:00PM on 08-26-86. Mrs. Merlino said she had the boys in her class from about 7:00AM to 10A.M., then the boys were in Mrs. Sather's class. Mrs. Merlino said the Joby and Jason were typical boys. They got into their share of trouble, but nothing serious. Joby and Jason were very close. The boys always played together. They sat together during movies, very seldom played with other kids at the Center. Daily schedule at the Day Care is : Snack at 9AM; Lunch from 11:30AM to

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12:00Noon. The children usually finished lunch by 12:30PM. After lunch the children had a rest period from 12:30Pm to 2:00PM. After this rest period, another snack was given at 3:00PM. Both snacks were provided by the Day Care, lunches were borught by the children from home. The children had cantalope, crackers, and juice for the 3:00o'clock snack.-----

Mrs. Merlino said Lans Sather is the boy's teacher but Mrs. Sather is not at the Center this date. All children have to be signed in and out of the Day Care Center by the person delivering or picking the child up. (see enclosed sing in/out sheets).-----

After leaving the Day Care Center, Ranger Smith and this Officer went to 900 Sierra Slope and interviewed a WILFRED WONDRA, DOB 10-20-31, and a BRIAN WONDRA, DOB 02-12-65. Mr. Wondra said he had arrived home from work a little after 4:00PM on 08-26-86. Brian was upstairs watching TV when he noticed smoke coming from across the street. Brian told his dad about the fire. The smoke was noticed a little before 5:00PM. Mr. Wondra told his son to call the Fire Department and he(Mr. Wondra) went to the fire. When Mr. Wondra arrived at the fire, he tried to open the gate on the North side of the house. Mr. Wondra then went to the South side of the house to go through that gate. Mr. Wondra said the gate was tied with rope and he(Mr. Wondra) could not get in. Mr. Wondra stated at this time two(2) other men arrived at the North side fence. One man went to the house on the North side and started watering down the fence and shed. At the same time, Mr. Graf came from around back and helped tear down the fence on the North side of the house. Ed did not have the baby when they knocked down the fence. Mr. Wondra stated the shed was still standing. Mr. Wondra stated a lot of smoke and the smell of burning rubber was coming from the shed. A couple of pieces of the roof had fallen off. After the three(3) men entered the back yard, Mr. Graf handed Mr. Wondra the water hose on the North end of the house, then went somewhere. After handing Mr. Wondra the hose Ed Graf asked "Did you

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see the boys?" Mr. Wondra then started spraying the shed. Inside the shed, Mr. Wondra noticed a lawn mower, then there were little explosions like paint cans exploding. Mr. Wondra said that there was a lot of smoke and heat but little flame. The fire was working from the West end of the shed to the East end. While all this was going on, someone had brought the water hose from the front of the house. About that time, Mr. Graf and Mr. Snapp came into the back yard and asked if Mr. Wondra had seen the boys. Ed Graf and John Snapp then left again to find the boys.

At that time the Fire Department arrived. Mr. Wondra stated that pieces of the roof started falling the same time the Fire Department got there. (See enclosed statement of Mr. Wondra) Mr. Wondra stated the power line to the house was already down when the firemen arrived, and he was worried about them spraying water on the power line.

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