

TANT HAROLD.

D.O.B. 10-8-58.

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EDINBURGH CORPORATION

Form C.3.

SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENT

Medical Certificate of Suitability for Short-term Fostering

Ref. No.

Name HAROLD ROBERT TANT Date of Birth 10.8.58

Address 2 WHEATFIELD TERRACE, EDINBURGH 11

1) General State of Health Good

2) State of Hair and Skin (indicating presence and situation of any bruising, etc.) ...

No signs of any abnormality or of skin irritation

3) Give particulars of any condition regarding the child, of which you think the foster parents should be aware (e.g., attendance at hospital clinic or outpatient department) ...

I certify that I have this day examined 25th January 1971
and find him/her to be fit for placing with foster parents.

Signed Dr. P. Lewis, M.B., Ch.B.

Address SPRINGWELL HOUSE
ARDMILLAN TERRACE
EDINBURGH EH 11 2JL

Date 25.1.71

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L.A.'s reference
(if they have written approving the charge)

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TANT CHILDREN.22.12.69.

Mr. Maniam telephoned re arrangements for Drina, Catherine and Harold to spend the night of Tuesday, 23rd December at Winton Drive in order to visit their respective foster Aunts. Whilst he was delighted to have them he wished some Authority from the responsible person.

Rang Miss Black, Social Work Department in the absence of Miss Innes who is off sick. Such permission should be given by the parents. As Mr. Tant did not 'phone at 4-30 p.m. (re blankets) as arranged, I went, first of all to Broomhouse, where Mother, Stevie, Rosemary, Temmy and Angela were all sitting in a warm room watching T.V.

Mother had heard of the arrangements for the Children to go to Winton Drive and said that Drina had arranged it herself. She did not know dates or times. Harold went to his Father for the weekend and announced that he intended to remain with his Father.

Visited Father, Jeanette, Drina, Catherine and Harold. Drina was washing her hair and Jeanette washed Harold's hair whilst I was there.

Mr. Tant was very pleased with himself because Jeanette had been
---3rd Party Information---

Drina and Harold said they had arranged to go to Winton Drive on Tuesday morning and spend the night there and go on to their respective Aunts for the Wednesday night, returning home on Christmas afternoon. We agreed that they should all return together on the Express 'bus, leaving Glasgow at 3.10 p.m..

Father expressed some feelings about the Children being away from home at this time, but said Catherine's Aunt had sent the money for her fare, and indeed Catherine had been told to 'phone her Aunt every two weeks reversing the charges. Drina and Harold said they had written to their Aunts -

Drina - ---3rd Party Information---

Harold - Mrs. Graham, 6 Milngavie Street, Kelvinside -
whom they said were expecting them although they hadn't heard from them

Mr. Tant agreed that we could not give permission, but that it was for him to do so.

23.12.69.

Miss Gordon rang to say Mrs. Skimmings had rung saying they had arranged/

arranged for Catherine to stay until the weekend and for her to return home on Christmas afternoon would upset all their plans. Told Miss Gordon of my visits. Apparently Catherine is not staying at Winton Drive at all.

I 'phoned Mrs. Skimmings (Scotstoun 3632) who expressed her disappointment at receiving a note from Mr. Tant asking that Catherine should return on the 3.10 'bus. This was very upsetting since they had arranged various parties up until the week-end. Told her of my understanding of the arrangements and that the Father had not been contacted previously.

Mrs. Skimmings confirmed that she had made a 'secret' arrangement with Catherine to 'phone her every 2 weeks so that she could "pour" out all her troubles to her".

---3rd Party Information---

Talked of Catherine's rather
---3rd Party Information---
from me.

We talked of the problems for the Children of adjusting to a new way of life and how difficult it was for her to lose touch with Catherine.

I made it clear that her parent's needed to be consulted about the Children going on holiday. I think Mrs. Skimmings felt we were more involved than we really are.

Rang Miss Gordon again. She has suggested that Drina and Harold stay at Winton Drive for both nights and visit their Aunts whilst the are there.

Miss A.B.J. Hunter.

24.12.69.

EDINBURGH CORPORATION SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENT

11, Victoria Street, Edinburgh, EH1 2HD.

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Ctd. from

Tel: 031-225-5601-2-3

SOCIAL ENQUIRY REPORT

Regarding TANT, Harold Robert Prot. 10.8.58. Age 1
 Religion Born
 Marital State Single Address 2, Wheatfield Terrace, Edinburgh
~~was sentenced~~ at Edinburgh Sheriff Juvenile 26.11.70.
 is to appear at Court on at ..
 Offence T.O.L.P. and Mal. Mischief
 Co-accused James Wright, John Wright, Paul Bogbie
 Sheriff/Depute Agent SER:ASR Cited:RH Bail
 BR :CMR OTA :HNP F.C.

Previous Court Appearances:

| Date | Court | Offence | Decision of Court | Date of Licen from Institut |
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| 18.2.70. | E.B.J. | Theft (2 charges) | Finod £1 | |

FAMILY: Father: Terence Yellowloes Tant, Prot., aged 50, is unemployed. He is bronchitic and fit for light work only, but has been unemployed for some time. He is separated from his wife, although they see each other frequently. Mr. Tant has four of the children living with him, and maintains ties with the other children. He is an interested but ineffectual parent, who doesn't appear to exercise much control over the children living with him.

A serving soldier during the War, he retains a certain military attitude towards discipline, without much apparent effect. He has some respect for authority but usually only when it suits his own purpose. He is obviously particularly fond of Jeannette perhaps to the point of over-protectiveness, even dependency on her as a substitute in many ways for the wife he no longer has.

Mother: Martha Alexandrina Mackenzie, or Tant, aged 39, at present resides with Mr. MacDonald, 22 Springwell Place. Mrs. Tant has borne 9 children, all of whom survive. She married in 1950, and lived with Mr. Tant until 1962, when she went to live with Mr. MacDonald. The children were received into care of the Local Authority since the father was unable to cope. Harold, along with Alexandrina, Jeannette and Kathleen were admitted to Dr. Barnardo's Home in Glasgow, the others were placed in Edinburgh Homes. It should be noted that Mr. Tant was the only parent to visit these children when they were at Dr. Barnardo's in Glasgow.

Feelings between the parents can now only be described as indifferent, and the children seem to have gravitated naturally towards the parent of their own choice, though few of them could be said to be exactly close to their parents.

Children:

| | | |
|-------------|------------|-----------------------------------|
| * Terence | aged 19 | In Army |
| Steven | " 18 | " " |
| * Jeannette | " 17 | Unemployed. With father |
| Alexandrina | " 15 | St. Nicholas School. With father |
| * Catherine | " 13 | Tynecastle School. With father |
| * Harold | " 12 | Offender. Tynecastle. With father |
| Rosemary | " 10 | St. Nicholas. With Mother |
| Thomas | " 9 | Dalry Primary " " |
| Angela | " 6 | St. Nicholas " " |
| Michole | " 6 weeks. | Daughter of Jeannette |

HOME:

Form:

The father's house is a three apartment, second floor flat in old tenement property. There is a degree of over-crowding especially since Jeannette returned with her illegitimate child. They now share a room, while Catherino and Alexandrina sleep in the living room. Mr. Tant and Harold share a single room off the living room. The home is sparsely furnished, but reasonably clean.

Finance: Mr. Tant receives £11. 1/- Supplementary Benefit
1.18/- Family Allowance
£12.19/-

Jeannette and her child are supported by Department of Health
3rd Party Information

Rent is £61. --. --. per year. Mr. Tant has no insurances but has £3. 1. 5d. per month in H.P. commitments.

HAROLD:

Dr. Barnardo's described Harold as "friendly and talkative, helpful when in the mood, but a little happy-go-lucky when doing tasks set. He generally gets on well with the other children". He was admitted to Dr. Barnardo's in 1962 and remained there until 1969, when he was returned to his father. He seems to have enjoyed good health and takes an active and steady part in games. While at Dr. Barnardo's he was a member of the Boys Brigade, but this seems to have lapsed since coming home. His interests now seem to lie chiefly in the streets around his new home.

Harold attends Tynecastle Secondary School, where his headmaster assesses his character as "aggressive, mal-adjusted, bad-tempered, exhibitionist". His I.Q. is given as 89, and the headmaster observes "He has been troublesome, but recently he seems to be responding. Father is very anti-social and difficult to deal with". There is no record of known truancy.

He seems to want to stay with his father, but is obviously still a little uncertain of his security there at present. He is fairly close to his siblings living at Wheatfield Terrace, although he appears to be better intellectually endowed than they.

Regarding the offence, Harold's attitude is rather jocular, and he cannot really give a cogent reason for committing the offence.

ASSESSMENT:

Harold is the product of a home characterised by parental friction and finally marital disruption. The family are devoid of social or moral training and it is surprising Harold has not been involved in anti-social behaviour to a greater degree. It seems inevitable that committal to care may be the eventual solution, but on this occasion, bearing in mind the nature of the offence, carried out as a group activity, the Court may consider deferring sentence, supervision by means of Probation being impracticable in view of father's ineffectiveness and a monetary penalty being equally impracticable.

Alicia Hossack (Mrs.)

(A. HOSSACK)
Social Worker.

26th November, 1970.

Copy to Mrs. Hessack, Victoria Street.
Mr. and Mrs. Thompson, + A.O.22@/copy.

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9th January, 1971

PSYCHIATRIC REPORT

Harold Robert Tant d.o.b. 10:8:58. 2 Wheatfield Terrace, Edinburgh

The information in this report is based on my interview with the boy and his father together and separately as well as information available from the Court and the Social Work Department.

Family Background Father is aged 50, has been unemployed for some time. His marriage to the mother of Harold is said by him to have broken up in April 1962 necessitating Harold's admission to Dr. Barnardo's Home in October of that year.

Mother who has had nine children, has been co-habiting since she left father and a divorce eventually took place.

Of the offspring. Jeanette ---3rd Party Information---
---3rd Party Information---

Personal Background Harold was cared for by his mother until the age of four when she deserted. After some time he was placed in the Dr. Barnardo's Home at Wymton Drive Glasgow. While there he appears to have got into some difficulties, being rather aggressive and ending with him being prescribed phenobarbitone as a sedative.

Nevertheless in October 1969, it was considered desirable for him to leave the Home and live with mother. Within nine weeks his mother had realised that she could not cope with him being out of control and running out of the house. For that reason he went to live with father where he has remained for the past twelve months.

During this time his school work has been poor and he has caused difficulties. This information is also available and suggests that father has also been difficult with the school authorities.

At home, father does not appear to be too concerned but is only able to give much information.

As for the offence which has led to him being charged neither Harold nor father appear to be particularly concerned about these instances.

Observations During the joint interview with Harold and father together it became clear that communication between them was limited indeed. Father talked /

talked about Harold almost as if he was not there while Harold was somewhat indifferent and nonchalant to an extreme degree. There appeared to be a little embarrassment or concern in either.

Father is able to talk about his son's problems and appears to have an intellectual awareness. He is a passive, somewhat impersonal man who does not assume affective responsibility nor does it enter his head that the quality of parental care that Harold receives is limited.

Equally Harold struck me as socially insensitive, somewhat indifferent about his offences and more concerned with survival.

Opinion This boy was separated from his parents for 7 years. Within a matter of weeks his mother found that she could not cope with him. In contrast father is less disturbed. This does arise however from father's lack of awareness of what is required of him as a parent especially when there is no mother in the household. In consequence this boy is in my opinion, considerably neglected. His lack of progress at school as well as lack of care at home makes him highly susceptible seeking satisfactions from delinquent influences.

Although the offence with which this boy was charged was relatively minor I consider him so much a risk that I feel he should be once more removed from the family. As I hear that Dr. Barnardos Home at Wynton Drive, Glasgow are prepared to have him back, I consider at this stage that this should be a preferable disposal to that of an approved school.

(signed) JOHN EVANS
Consultant Psychiatrist.

Home Address: 2, Wheatfield Terrace. G.P. Dr. Sini, Springwell House.

EDINBURGH CORPORATION

SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENT

AUTHORITY FOR MEDICAL OR SURGICAL TREATMENT

NAME: HAROLD ROBERT TANT Date of Birth 10.8.58.
_____ Children's Home.

I hereby give my consent to the administering of any anaesthetic or operative measure which the Medical Officer in charge considers necessary.

Signature Terence Tant
Parent/Guardian

Witnesses A. Hossack.

14 Castle Terrace,
Edinburgh, EH1 2EF.

Date 20.1.71.



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EDINBURGH CORPORATION



CHILDREN'S HEARINGS CENTRE
1-3 HOWDEN STREET
EDINBURGH EH8 9HH

IN REPLY PLEASE QUOTE
AFF/JW
YOUR REF.

9th February 1972.

Mr. & Mrs. Thomas,
23 Winton Drive,
GLASGOW.

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Thomas,

As you know the case of Harold Tant's Fit Person Order was being reviewed by the Edinburgh Panel yesterday when Mrs. Hossack was present with the report which she had prepared on the boy.

The Hearing Members made a supervision requirement to take the place of the Fit Person Order and it is a condition of the supervision requirement that the boy resides with you. The Members have asked me to express to you their very great appreciation for the care and affection which you are giving not only to Harold but his sister. They appreciate very much the problems that are involved in a matter of this kind and did not wish the occasion of the Order being made to elapse without their expressing their feelings to you.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

(ALAN F. FINLAYSON)
Reporter.

THE CHILD IN RESIDENTIAL CARE

(For the Observations of Day-School Children, 5-15 years under Residential Conditions).

Prepared by D. H. Stott, Ph.D. and Miss E. G. Sykes,
Institute of Education, University of Bristol.

The object of this Guide is to give a picture of the child's behaviour and character, and to help in the detection of emotional instability.

METHOD OF USE

Underline in ink the phrases which describe the child's behaviour or attitudes over the past month or so. If any feature is very marked, underline twice. More than one item may be underlined in each paragraph, but do not underline any unless definitely true of the child. Add any remarks necessary beside the underlining, or at the end of the Guide. Where an item seems inappropriate because of sex, age, etc., it can be ignored. If nothing is applicable mark 'n.n.' (nothing noticeable). Do not bother to *rule* underlinings.

Name HAROLD MALE Sex.....

Age 13 Date of this record 18/3/52

Name of Observer H. G. Sykes

School KINGSTON

ATTITUDES TO STAFF

Attention:

Accepts, gives affection freely (all adults)/ one only/ always 'coming for love'/ demonstrative ('all over people')/ easily upset/ wants a lot of love but sometimes sulks or gets jealous/ undemonstrative (wants but does not easily show affection)/ shrinks from any affectionate approach (won't hold hands; walk beside adult, etc.).

Kindliness:

Friendly, natural/ unresponsive, cold, deep ('you don't know how to take him')/ quite cut off from people/ very variable.

Gives presents, flowers, etc.—at every opportunity/ often/ sometimes/ never.

Activity:

Normally talkative (may open conversation)/ sometimes talkative, sometimes moody/ tires people with constant chatter/ quiet, shy (does not make first approach)/ guarded, on the defensive (doesn't say more than necessary)/ will talk but mostly to one adult alone/ avoids talking to all adults but talks freely to other children/ only gives half his mind and tries to get away.

Helping:

Does what he is asked to do/ always keen to help/ helpful when in the mood/ shy of offering but pleased when asked/ never puts himself out for anyone; avoids helping, shirks, lazy.

Does jobs conscientiously/ scatterbrain (forgets simple routine); slipshod, unreliable, happy-go-lucky/ has stupid moods/ has stubborn moods when he seems to do things purposely wrong/ gets worried over doing it wrong.

Temperament:

Often depressed (fed up with life)/ often irritable (gets out of bed the wrong side)/ has bad moods/ sullen (seldom or never smiles)/ overcheerful, feckless, irresponsible outbursts/ even temperament.

Truthfulness:

Always truthful; tells lies mainly to avoid rebuke/ sometimes a fluent liar/ habitual slick liar; has no compunction about lying/ tells fantastic yarns. Honest with things/ has pilfered (food, money, valued objects)—frequently/once or twice/never. Obtains things from other children by unscrupulous transactions.

Confidence in people:

Assumes he will be well received/ very shy of asking favours/ cannot believe people care about him/ tries to get round adults; expects privileges/ takes undue advantage of sympathy or kindness/treats lenience as weakness/says people are down on him/ aloof, distant/ like a suspicious animal/ overtrusting with strangers.

Liking for sympathy:

Appreciates sympathy/ sorry for himself, likes to excite pity/ complains of headaches, pains, etc. which he soon forgets/ develops a nervous or physical incapacity (stiff or fixed limb, queer walk)/ plays the martyr; imposes hardship on himself/ suicidal talk, gestures or attempts/ does not turn to adult when ill or hurt as other children do.

Attitude to correction:

Normal dislike/ defiant silence/ can be rude, defiant/ screams and temper (becomes abusive, says he hates people)/ gets violent and uncontrolled/ shuts himself in room; runs off/ remains unrepentant; never thinks afterwards that he has done any wrong/ apparent unconcern ('punishment doesn't touch him')/ plays the hero (is insubordinate before other children)/ needs continual correction over small matters.

Attracting attention of adults:

Appreciates individual attention/ makes sure he is noticed/ tries to monopolize adult; angles for praise/ put out if he can't get attention/ is a nuisance when adult is busy with other child/ wants adult interest but cannot put himself forward/ unconcerned about adult approval ('couldn't care less')/ lives in a world of his own.

Self-help:

Eager to do things for himself/ pretends inability to do things, seems to 'play daft'/'helpless' (wants help with dressing, etc.); likes to be treated as a much younger child/ likes help, but refuses it when in a bad mood.

RELATIVES, ETC.

Who are the nearest relatives he knows of?..... Mother, Father, Sisters, Brothers

How often do they visit?..... Not at all

Does he/she ever fail to turn up when expected?..... ---

Does he/she remember birthdays, Christmas, and bring presents, etc., regularly?..... No

Does he/she write regularly?..... Sister & father writes about once a month

Do letters contain insincere promises?..... No

Does he/she talk irresponsibly of having child home again?..... No

Does he/she display affection for child?..... No

Child's attitude to relative: Hostile
Affectionate/ suspicious, uncertain/ shy/ casual/ boisterous/ excuses for relative's neglect.

Child's attitude to coming visit: Nil
Eager/ anxious/ excited/ unconcerned, only interested in getting presents, being taken out, etc.

Does any other adult visit and show interest in child? If so, who and how frequently?..... Yes
Elsbeth Atwell - quite frequently

ATTITUDES TO OTHER CHILDREN

Companionship:

Solitary (plays, wanders off alone)/ a good mixer/ over anxious to be in with the gang, easily led/ has one bosom friend only/ makes up to new children/ prefers animals to people.

Ways with other children:

Good-natured/ selfish, scheming/ likes seeing others in trouble/ disturbs others' games; molests, pushes about, punches; likes frightening and pranks/ hostile (makes nasty remarks); a central figure in any quarrel/ nasty to those outside own set; cold-blooded bullying, cruelty (likes hurting)/ likes to play the man(woman) of the world.

Attitude of other children:

Liked/ disliked, shunned/ on the fringe, somewhat of an outsider/ associates only with unsettled types/ can never keep a friend long/ gets teased, picked on, bullied.

Disagreements:

Occasional squabbles/ continually squabbling/ always gives in/ flies into a temper and may hit/ fights viciously (scratches, bites, spits)/ has had dangerous impulsive outbursts; has attacked with dangerous implement.

Liking the limelight:

Attempts daring feats or foolish pranks when with a gang/ shows off, plays the fool, clowns, mimics/ brags (tells tall stories, goes one better)/ none of these but won't let another child get one over on him/ fears to be conspicuous; blushes easily/ quite aloof/n.n.

Leadership:

Usually takes the lead/ tries to boss/ one of the crowd/ refuses leadership or responsibility/ is a leader in mischief/ leader of a bad set/ n.n.

Physical prowess:

Stands up for himself/ afraid of any rough and tumble/ strikes brave attitudes but funks/ likes to be admired by other boys as a 'tough guy'. Fantasies of toughness, gangsterism, etc./ bravado with mice, worms, dead animals, etc.

PERSONAL WAYS

Individual games:

Only likes active moving-about games (table tennis, etc.)/ likes simple games of chance (ludo, etc.); likes games of moderate skill (halma, draughts, jig-saws, etc.). Good loser/ breaks off or upsets game when losing/ cunning, dishonest.

Team-games:

Participates steadily/ rushes about madly/ loses interest/ sluggish, lethargic/ shrinks from active play/ too dreamy and distracted to take part. Good sportsman/ selfish (plays for himself only)/ plays to the gallery.

Degree of ability at above games..... Fair

Pastimes and hobbies:

Has constructive pastimes (sewing, knitting, woodwork, gardening)/ does not know what to do with himself, cannot stick at anything/ varies with mood/ has no such interests. Attempts difficult tasks, has high standard/ likes things easy; shirks difficulties, impatient, slap-dash.

Degree of practical or manual ability..... Fair

Informal activity:

Overactive, restless (flits from one thing to another)/ cannot sit quietly with a book or when read to/ very noisy compared with others/ lacks energy, placid, stolid, listless/ varies from day to day/ plays childish games for his age/ n.n.

Possessions:

Looks after toys, books/ destructive with toys, etc. Makes collections (apart from popular crazes)/ hoards rubbish/ does not value possessions.

Everyday ability:

Can/ cannot do everyday things for his age (dressing, tying shoes, making bed, washing). Does/ does not, know right foot or hand. Can/ cannot reckon money. Can keep his end up mentally with others (swapping, buying and selling, scoring at games)/ gets cheated, fooled. Regarded by other children as clever/ 'dopy' (gets jeered at for silliness). Surprises by occasional 'flashes' above his supposed intelligence (exceptional memory, ability, intelligent remarks, etc.).

Schooling:

Bright/ average/ rather backward/ very backward. Does not fit in at school (complaints from teacher). Has truanted. Has got into trouble to and from school/ n.n.

Abnormal fears: In boxing, fighting/ terrified of dark, thunder/ of wasps, mice, worms, animals/ of dental or medical treatment (having splinters removed, etc.)/ very scared of being left alone/ n.n.

Appetite: Greedy/ unduly large/ small, finicky. Bolts meals. n.n.

Personal appearance: Spivvish dress, hair style (boys); overdoes dress, make up (girls)/ not over-concerned with appearance/ scruffy, very dirty.

Fidgets, etc.: Twitches or jerks of face, head, hands/ restless fidgets (with clothes, tapping, etc.)/ bad nail-biting/ finger sucking (over ten years)/ tense, never at ease/ jumpy/ sudden impulsive activity, shouts, etc. ('does mad things', 'rushes about madly')/ n.n.

Speech: Stutters, halts (can't get some words out). Thick, indistinct/ rapid, jumbled. Babyish (mispronounces simple words). Continually giggling. n.n.

Eyes: Dull, listless/ unresponsive (doesn't seem to notice you)/ cannot look you in the face/ looks from under brows/ restless, uncertain glance/ bright, twinkling eyes. Blinking. n.n.

Fantasies: Imagines himself being cruel to people. Imagines he will be harmed, kidnapped, deserted (have no one to look after him), etc. Has fantasies of being someone big or doing something grand. n.n.

Vulgarity: Bad language. Vulgar stories or drawings, dirty habits, likes shocking people. n.n.

Sexu development: Early/ delayed development. Abnormality.
Boys: Girlish, prefers girls as playmates. Keen on girls/ won't have anything to do with girls/ n.n.
Girls: Tom-boyish, prefers boys as playmates. Keen on boys/ won't have anything to do with boys/ n.n.

Sleep: Sound, peaceful sleeper/ restless (makes bedclothes untidy). Worried expression in sleep, teeth grinding, head bumping or rolling. Unusual position (head covered, body curled up). Hard to wake in morning. Talking/ shouting, groaning, screaming. Walking.
 Bed-wetting (how often?) Nil

PHYSIQUE

General health: Poor breathing, chesty; tonsillitis, catarrh; frequent colds; running nose; running ears; periodic high temperatures; stomach disorders; sore, red eyes; headaches; bad turns, fits (goes pale); nose bleeding; very cold hands; skin troubles, sores/ good health. Very bad teeth, wholesale extractions.

Physical defects: Squint; bulging eyes; other eye or sight defect Nil
 Always been very/ partly deaf; sometimes develops deafness. Deformity. Very fat. Abnormal sweating. Gawky (bad co-ordination); contorted features (face screwed up on one side, eye half closed, etc.); holds limb or body in unnatural posture.

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Anything special about this child which is not covered in the form:

We do not have facilities for Harold to release his excess energy.

BRISTOL SOCIAL-ADJUSTMENT GUIDES—No. 3

THE CHILD IN RESIDENTIAL CARE

(For the Observations of Day-School Children, 5-15 years under Residential Conditions).

Prepared by D. H. Stott, Ph.D. and Miss E. G. Sykes,
Institute of Education, University of Bristol.

The object of this Guide is to give a picture of the child's behaviour and character, and to help in the detection of emotional instability.

METHOD OF USE

Underline in ink the phrases which describe the child's behaviour or attitudes over the past month or so. If any feature is very marked, underline twice. More than one item may be underlined in each paragraph, but do not underline any unless definitely true of the child. Add any remarks necessary beside the underlining, or at the end of the Guide. Where an item seems inappropriate because of sex, age, etc., it can be ignored. If nothing is applicable mark 'n.n.' (nothing noticeable). Do not bother to rule underlinings.

Name H. H. (L. O. L.) T. H. N. T. Sex.....Age 13 Date of this record 18/3/72Name of Observer H. H. ThompsonSchool K. N. I. G. U. S. W. O. O. G.

ATTITUDES TO STAFF

Affection:

Accepts, gives affection freely (all adults)/ one only/ always 'coming for love'/ demonstrative ('all over people')/ easily upset/ wants a lot of love but sometimes sulks or gets jealous/ undemonstrative (wants but does not easily show affection)/ shrinks from any affectionate approach (won't hold hands; walk beside adult, etc.).

Friendliness:

Friendly, natural/ unresponsive, cold, deep ('you don't know how to take him')/ quite cut off from people/ very variable.Gives presents, flowers, etc.—at every opportunity/ often/ sometimes/ never.

Talkativeness:

Normally talkative (may open conversation)/ sometimes talkative, sometimes moody/ tires people with constant chatter/ quiet, shy (does not make first approach)/ guarded, on the defensive (doesn't say more than necessary)/ will talk but mostly to one adult alone/ avoids talking to all adults but talks freely to other children/ only gives half his mind and tries to get away.

Helping adults:

Does what he is asked to do/ always keen to help/ helpful when in the mood/ shy of offering but pleased when asked/ never puts himself out for anyone; avoids helping, shirks, jazy.

Does jobs conscientiously/ scatterbrain (forgets simple routine); slipshod, unreliable, happy-go-lucky/ has stupid moods/ has stubborn moods when he seems to do things purposely wrong/ gets worried over doing it wrong.

Temperament:

Often depressed (fed up with life)/ often irritable (gets out of bed the wrong side)/ has bad moods/ sullen (seldom or never smiles)/ overcheerful, feckless, irresponsible outbursts/ even temperament.

Truth, honesty:

Always truthful; tells lies mainly to avoid rebuke/ sometimes a fluent liar/ habitual slick liar; has no compunction about lying/ tells fantastic yarns. Honest with things/ has pilfered (food, money, valued objects)—frequently/once or twice/never. Obtains things from other children by unscrupulous transactions.

Confidence in people:

Assumes he will be well received/ very shy of asking favours/ cannot believe people care about him/ tries to get round adults; expects privileges/ takes undue advantage of sympathy or kindness/treats lenience as weakness/says people are down on him/ aloof, distant/ like a suspicious animal/ overtrusting with strangers.

Liking for sympathy:

Appreciates sympathy/ sorry for himself, likes to excite pity/ complains of headaches, pains, etc. which he soon forgets/ develops a nervous or physical incapacity (stiff or fixed limb, queer walk)/ plays the martyr; imposes hardship on himself/ suicidal talk, gestures or attempts/ does not turn to adult when ill or hurt as other children do.

Attitude to correction:

Normal dislike/ defiant silence/ can be rude, defiant/ screams and temper (becomes abusive, says he hates people)/ gets violent and uncontrolled/ shuts himself in room; runs off/ remains unrepentant; never thinks afterwards that he has done any wrong/ apparent unconcern ('punishment doesn't touch him')/ plays the hero (is insubordinate before other children)/ needs continual correction over small matters.

Attracting attention of adults:

Appreciates individual attention/ makes sure he is noticed/ tries to monopolize adult; angles for praise/ put out if he can't get attention/ is a nuisance when adult is busy with other child/ wants adult interest but cannot put himself forward/ unconcerned about adult approval ('couldn't care less')/ lives in a world of his own.

Self-help:

Eager to do things for himself/ pretends inability to do things, seems to 'play daft'/ 'helpless' (wants help with dressing, etc.); likes to be treated as a much younger child/ likes help, but refuses it when in a bad mood.

RELATIVES, ETC.

Who are the nearest relatives he knows of?..... Mother, Father, Sisters, Brother &

How often do they visit?..... Not at all

Does he/she ever fail to turn up when expected?..... ---

Does he/she remember birthdays, Christmas, and bring presents, etc., regularly?..... No

Does he/she write regularly?..... Sister & father writes about once a month

Do letters contain insincere promises?..... No

Does he/she talk irresponsibly of having child home again?..... No

Does he/she display affection for child?..... No

Child's attitude to relative:

Hostile
Affectionate/ suspicious, uncertain/ shy/ casual/ boisterous/ excuses for relative's neglect.

Child's attitude to coming visit:

Nil
Eager/ anxious/ excited/ unconcerned, only interested in getting presents, being taken out, etc.

Does any other adult visit and show interest in child? If so, who and how frequently?..... Yes

Elsbeth Atwell - quite frequently

ATTITUDES TO OTHER CHILDREN

Companionship:

Solitary (plays, wanders off alone)/ a good mixer/ over anxious to be in with the gang, easily led/ has one bosom friend only/ makes up to new children/ prefers animals to people.

Ways with other children:

Good-natured/ selfish, scheming/ likes seeing others in trouble/ disturbs others' games; molests, pushes about, punches; likes frightening and pranks/ hostile (makes nasty remarks); a central figure in any quarrel/ nasty to those outside own set; cold-blooded bullying, cruelty (likes hurting)/ likes to play the man(woman) of the world.

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| <i>Attitude of other children:</i> | <u>Liked/ disliked, shunned/ on the fringe, somewhat of an outsider/ associates only with unsettled types/ can never keep a friend long/ gets teased, picked on, bullied.</u> |
| <i>Disagreements:</i> | Occasional squabbles/ continually squabbling/ always gives in/ flies into a temper and may hit/ fights viciously (scratches, bites, spits)/ has had dangerous impulsive outbursts; has attacked with dangerous implement. |
| <i>Liking the limelight:</i> | Attempts daring feats or foolish pranks when with a gang/ shows off, plays the fool, clowns, mimics/ brags (tells tall stories, goes one better)/ none of these but won't let another child get one over on him/ fears to be conspicuous; blushes easily/ quite aloof/ n.n. |
| <i>Leadership:</i> | Usually takes the lead/ <u>tries to boss/</u> one of the crowd/ refuses leadership or responsibility/ is a leader in mischief/ leader of a bad set/ n.n. |
| <i>Physical prowess:</i> | Stands up for himself/ afraid of any rough and tumble/ <u>strikes brave attitudes but funks/ likes to be admired by other boys as a 'tough guy'.</u> Fantasies of toughness, gangsterism, etc./ bravado with mice, worms, dead animals, etc. |

PERSONAL WAYS

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| <i>Individual games:</i> | <u>Only likes active moving-about games (table tennis, etc.)/ likes simple games of chance (ludo, etc.); likes games of moderate skill (halma, draughts, jig-saws, etc.).</u> Good loser/ <u>breaks off or upsets game when losing/</u> cunning, dishonest. |
| <i>Team-games:</i> | Participates steadily/ rushes about madly/ <u>loses interest/</u> sluggish, lethargic/ shrinks from active play/ too dreamy and distracted to take part. Good sportsman/ selfish (plays for himself only)/ plays to the gallery. |
| | Degree of ability at above games..... <u>Fair</u> |
| <i>Pastimes and hobbies:</i> | <u>Has constructive pastimes (sewing, knitting, woodwork, gardening)/ does not know what to do with himself, cannot stick at anything/</u> varies with mood/ has no such interests. Attempts difficult tasks, has high standard/ likes things easy; shirks difficulties, impatient, slap-dash. |
| | Degree of practical or manual ability..... <u>Fair</u> |
| <i>Informal activity:</i> | Overactive, restless (flits from one thing to another)/ cannot sit quietly with a book or when read to/ very noisy compared with others/ lacks energy, placid, stolid, listless/ varies from day to day/ plays childish games for his age/ n.n. |
| <i>Possessions:</i> | Looks after toys, books/ destructive with toys, etc. Makes collections (apart from popular crazes)/ hoards rubbish/ does not value possessions. |
| <i>Everyday ability:</i> | Can/ cannot do everyday things for his age (dressing, tying shoes, making bed, washing). Does/ does not, know right foot or hand. Can/ cannot reckon money. Can keep his end up mentally with others (swapping, buying and selling, scoring at games)/ gets cheated, fooled. Regarded by other children as clever/ 'dopy' (gets jeered at for silliness). Surprises by occasional 'flashes' above his supposed intelligence (exceptional memory, ability, intelligent remarks, etc.). |
| <i>Schooling:</i> | <u>Bright/ average/ rather backward/ very backward.</u> Does not fit in at school (complaints from teacher). Has truanted. Has got into trouble to and from school/ n.n. |

- Abnormal fears:** In boxing, fighting/ terrified of dark, thunder/ of wasps, mice, worms, animals/ of dental or medical treatment (having splinters removed, etc.)/ very scared of being left alone/ n.n.
- Appetite:** Greedy/ unduly large/ small, finicky. Bolts meals. n.n.
- Personal appearance:** Spivvish dress, hair style (boys); overdoes dress, make up (girls)/ not over-concerned with appearance/ scruffy, very dirty.
- Fidgets, etc.:** Twitches or jerks of face, head, hands/ restless fidgets (with clothes, tapping, etc.)/ bad nail-biting/ finger sucking (over ten years)/ tense, never at ease/ jumpy/ sudden impulsive activity, shouts, etc. ('does mad things', 'rushes about madly')/ n.n.
- Speech:** Stutters, halts (can't get some words out). Thick, indistinct/ rapid, jumbled. Babyish (mispronounces simple words). Continually giggling. n.n.
- Eyes:** Dull, listless/ unresponsive (doesn't seem to notice you)/ cannot look you in the face/ looks from under brows/ restless, uncertain glance/ bright, twinkling eyes. Blinking. n.n.
- Fantasies:** Imagines himself being cruel to people. Imagines he will be harmed, kidnapped, deserted (have no one to look after him), etc. Has fantasies of being someone big or doing something grand. n.n.
- Vulgarity:** Bad language. Vulgar stories or drawings, dirty habits, likes shocking people. n.n.
- Sex development:** Early/ delayed development. Abnormality.
- Boys:** Girlish, prefers girls as playmates. Keen on girls/ won't have anything to do with girls/ n.n.
- Girls:** Tom-boyish, prefers boys as playmates. Keen on boys/ won't have anything to do with boys/ n.n.
- Sleep:** Sound, peaceful sleeper/ restless (makes bedclothes untidy). Worried expression in sleep, teeth grinding, head bumping or rolling. Unusual position (head covered, body curled up). Hard to wake in morning. Talking/ shouting, groaning, screaming. Walking.
- Bed-wetting (how often?) Nil

PHYSIQUE

- General health:** Poor breathing, chesty; tonsillitis, catarrh; frequent colds; running nose; running ears; periodic high temperatures; stomach disorders; sore, red eyes; headaches; bad turns, fits (goes pale); nose bleeding; very cold hands; skin troubles, sores/ good health. Very bad teeth, wholesale extractions.
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NORMAN M. MACAULAY, M.A. (Hons.)

Knightswood Secondary School
60 Knightswood Road
Glasgow, W.3

13th April, 1972.

Harold Tent - I.Q. 89

Admitted to Knightswood on 15.3.71 to First Year. The school runs a common course for all first year pupils so that actual name of class has no relevance. He did very poorly in the first year exam - his overall average was 16% so he was put in to the lowest class in the second year - a class which is on a completely separate scheme of work. During his first months in the school, his behaviour was poor, disruptive in class etc. He enjoyed attracting attention and seemed to revel in indiscipline. However, he has settled very well. His standard of work has improved though he is basically lazy. He has achieved a good place in his class and is enjoying a lot of popularity in his peer group, among both boys and girls. He mixes well with the others, gets into the same amount of mischief as they do and is generally a satisfactory pupil.



A.G. Methven
Assistant Head Teacher



Barnardo's

22 Drumshough Gardens, Edinburgh, EH3 7RP.
Telephone 031-225 3366

HAROLD TANT BORN 10.8.58.

BRIEF SUMMARY (Please see attached reports for further details).

Harold was admitted to Winton Drive at the request of Edinburgh Children's Department on 30.5.62 when he was 3 years 9 months, along with his three older sisters.

Contact with parents was very limited indeed - Father visited very occasionally, but Mother did not visit at all.

Efforts towards restoration really began in 1967 when more consistent contact was made between Fieldworker and both parents.

The two older girls, Jeanette and Drina were ---3rd Party Information--- considered more realistic to involve the family in attempts to help them. When in 1969 Father vacated his house and Mother was given the tenancy, Mother requested the restoration of the children.

Unfortunately, just over two months after Harold returned to live with his Mother, his behaviour became outwith her control and he went to stay with his Father, where he remained until he was called before a Children's Hearing in November 1970 and the recommendation made that he return to Winton Drive.

(MISS S.A. MASSEY)
ASSISTANT DIVISIONAL CHILDREN'S OFFICER, SCOTLAND.

HAROLD AND CATHERINE TANT - WINTON DRIVE.

Home visit to Tants - 2 Wheatfield Terrace.

Standard of living surprisingly high. Mr. Tant - story about perhaps moving to Westerhilles. Similarly Mrs. Tant is moving out to Westerhilles (to be near the rest of the family?).

Father said "Harold would only stay at his home for 5 minutes - most of time at Mum's". "He didn't care - Harold wanted to go into Navy - Merchant or Royal". Said Harold would find it tough.

Felt the Hearing was the fairest he'd been to. Catherine was —3rd Party Information—
—3rd Party Information—

In touch with a Mrs. Carruthers from the "Cruelty" who was seeing to their rehousing. Also found Mrs. Hossack "very civil".

I got the impression that Mr. Tant thrived on his welfare visitors.

Message that they were "asking for Catherine and Harold". Jeanette wanted to know where they were going on holiday next year. Spoke of Harold's friend at the Hotel. (Blackout)

I said I was being introduced to Mrs. Tant (Catherine and Harold's mother) by Mrs. Hossack next Friday.

(MISS C.M.H. AMORY)
Social Worker

CHH/SR

25th April 1972

Mrs A Hossack
Social Worker
Social Work Department
11 Victoria Street
DUNBURG
DH1 2HD

Dear Alison

HAROLD TANT

Thank you so much for coming all the way over yesterday.

I enclose a copy of Harold's report for your interest.

Yours sincerely

Our ref CMHA/SR

Your ref

9th June 1972

Mr Terence Tant
3/1 Broomhouse Gardens West
EDINBURGH

Dear Mr Tant

Thank you very much indeed for your letter, with the news about your recent move. It certainly can be a complicated procedure, but it sounds as if you are over the worst just now.

I myself have only seen Catherine and Harold once in their respective new situations, and this was very soon after they had left Winton Drive..

It seems an appropriate time to say that, regretfully, I won't be able to have such a close interest in Catherine and Harold, now that Winton Drive has closed down - but I will be in contact with Mrs Hossack and the Social Workers who are attached to Tyneholm and Blackford Brae, Mrs Davie and Miss Kohn, and so will still be able to hear news of them.

Meanwhile, very best wishes in your new home.

Yours sincerely

MISS C M H AMORY
SOCIAL WORKER

EDINBURGH CORPORATION SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENT

SOCIAL WORK (SCOTLAND) ACT 1968 SECTION 39(4)

PROGRESS

SOCIAL WORK BACKGROUND REPORT FOR CHILDREN'S HEARING

NAME TANT, Harold Robert DATE OF BIRTH 10.8.58 AGE 13

ADDRESS Tyneholm House, Pencaitland, E. Lothian. RELIGION

DATE OF CHILDREN'S HEARING 12.7.72 TIME 10.00a.m. PLACE 1/3 Howden St.
Edinburgh.

GROUNDS OF REFERRAL:

Review of Progress.

PREVIOUS APPEARANCES:

Following the decision to close Winton Drive an alternative placement was found for Harold at the above address and he was introduced there originally for a week's holiday. He expressed some reluctance to leave Glasgow because of the friends he had made there, both at school and socially. However, he agreed that since we could not place him in Glasgow that Tyneholm was second best.

However, since he has settled into Tyneholm he would appear to have reconsidered his attitude towards it and is now of the opinion that it is better than Winton Drive. He took great pride in showing me around and has settled very well into the routine of the house. It is a bigger group than at Winton Drive and he is no longer the oldest boy but he appears to have resolved this difficulty without too much difficulty.

Originally Harry was very reluctant to return home and it has taken determined conscious effort by the staff there to encourage him to keep contacts with his family. He has, however, agreed to spend a week's holiday with his father (mainly because his mother no longer has space for him, she having returned to Springwell Place). He firstly made certain that there was no question of his not returning to Tyneholm.

It is felt that Harry is settling into Tyneholm well and has got over the move from Winton Drive. He is showing little sign of the upheaval and is quite certain that he does not wish to leave Tyneholm. He is receiving interested and supportive care and I am sure this could not be bettered.

I recommend strongly that his supervision order be continued with the address of Tyneholm inserted in place of Winton Drive.

Alessie Hossack (Mrs)

(A.S. Hossack)
Social Worker.

11th July, 1972.

SOCIAL WORK (SCOTLAND) ACT 1968

Supervision requirement varying existing supervision requirement

(Place and date)

Children's Hearings Centre,
1/3 Howden Street,
EDINBURGH.
12th July 1972

A children's hearing for **the City of Edinburgh**

by way of variation of [and in substitution for] the supervision requirement dated **7.2.72** to which

Harold Taht

is subject, hereby require him/~~her~~ [to reside in **Dr. Barnardo's Home,
Tynesholme, HADDINGTON**

[to be under the supervision of **a Social Worker to be nominated by the Director of Social Work, Edinburgh**]*

subject to the conditions noted below and the said requirement dated **7.2.72** is hereby revoked.

A.J.W. Bertram

*Chairman of
the Children's Hearing*

Conditions referred to in the foregoing supervision requirement

- †1. The child is required to observe the rules of conduct of the residential establishment.
- †2. The requirement to reside is subject to the discretion of the managers of the residential establishment to grant leave of absence from time to time.
- 3.
- etc.

A.J.W. Bertram

*Chairman of
the Children's Hearing*

†Where a supervision requirement requires a child to reside in a residential establishment, conditions 1 and 2 shall be inserted in the supervision requirement.

**Delete as appropriate*

HAROLD TANT.

Harold liked his week at home - renewed acquaintance with his cousin Tam Swanson. Has had a good look at his family and now saying he does not want to stay overnight - why? - excuse bed not comfortable, but has a girl-friend there - she and Karen (Billy ^{---3rd Party Information---} s girl friend) have visited Tyneholm. Harold saying Carol should not go to his house.

Harold and John ^{---3rd Party Information---} are very friendly. Jock ^{---3rd Party Information---} took Carol to visit Mr. Tant without Harold!

Harold also friendly with Billy ^{---3rd Party Information---} - took him to his house. Mr. Tant offered them beer - real attraction for both boys is girl-friends in area.

Mr. Nesbitt - "Everyone seems to be going to Mr. Tant's house. Matilda has visited there too, but does not seem to be interested in going back. All knew Mr. Tant from Winton Drive.

Plan

1. Mrs. Davie to 'phone Mrs. Hossack and arrange meeting at Tyneholm.
2. Mr. Nesbitt to talk with Harold re his feelings about Carol visiting his home and related to this, his own feelings about his father and the set-up in his house.
3. Mary to talk with Carol at every opportunity and follow on from Mr. Nesbitt's discussions with Harold.
4. Mrs. Davie to pick up threads of situation with Carol's father and Mother and perhaps Uncle John?

MRS. A. DAVIE

SOCIAL WORKER.

TANT FAMILY - MEETING AT TYNEHOLM

6.10.72. Mr. and Mrs. Nesbitt - Dave Galloway - Staff - Mrs. Hossack - Mike Casey - Mrs. Davie.

Focus To examine quality of influence and relationship of Mr. Tant on members of his family and various young people at Tyneholm who are gravitating to his house.

Catherine ---3rd Party Information---

Mr. Nesbitt - spoke about Harold renewing contact with father - at cross-roads at present, but definite he is staying at Tyneholm till end of school - then maybe with father or digs. He has been the one to point out dangers of Carol Rojeckyj going to his father's house.

What do we do about situation?

Mrs. Hossack - Mr. Tant will not accept direct confrontation - could it come through children - perhaps Harold in group with girls if he is sure in his own mind for instance use Harold's knowledge that Michelle is child of Mr. Tant and Jeannette(?). Mike Casey had thought of using Mr. Tant's letters to Catherine as confrontation - if she came to Tyneholm this could be a possibility.

Mike Mr. Tant should be faced with what he is doing to family - force him into open - you co-operate or we do not want children to visit.

Advantages of Tyneholm for Catherine

---3rd Party Information---

Against ---3rd Party Information---

- Decision
1. Mrs. Hossack tackle Mr. Tant.
 - (a) see him on own - suspicious of immoral conduct. Responsibility for own children and other children (e.g. Tyneholm)
 - (b) concerned about effect on his children - should go back to Panel saying this.
 2. Mr. Nesbitt to write letter to Mr. Tant saying Carol and Matilda not to visit after talking with Harold alone, then Harold with Carol and Matilda.

14th October 1972

Terence Tant Esq
3/1 Broomhouse Gdns
West
Edinburgh

Dear Mr. Nichest,
when my son gets his Mid-Term leave of absence, I do trust sincerely that you will make out a letter like the last time, stating his Name and that he is on leave the Dates and is under my care so as to enable me to get my Payment from Social Security at Clifton Terrace Edinburgh, this enables me to make ends meet as you must realise I receive benefit for self only.

I remain
Yours sincerely
Terence Tant

BARNARDO'S
DIVISIONAL OFFICE
EDINBURGH

DR. BARNARDO'S

22 JAN 1973

ANNUAL REVIEW FORM OF CHILD IN RESIDENTIAL CARE

Ref'd to _____

Ack. _____

If L.A. case, please tick and
submit extra copy.

Branch Tyneholm House Date of Review .30-.1-.73.

Name in full Harold Tant Date of Birth 10-.8-.58.

..... Date of Admission ..19-.5- 72.

1. Progress, personality and development of the child.

Harold is a moody boy, never ready to admit failure, but avoids being put to the test, approval seeking and demanding in attention, easily discouraged and resenting of authority, a lazy boy who avoids chores or jobs of work at every opportunity. He is at point in time when he is seeking to identify with some one, at present identifying with the "Broomhouse Gang", in general ("Violence") conversation and in dress. Within the Unit and Peer group this well built young man resorts to "Bullying" and likes to portray himself as the leader but this is not a fact. An aggressive boy whose aggression has to find a more structured outlet.

2. Health, including dental care. (and date of last medical examination)

A physically well built young man though, healthy but rather lazy and inactive in his approach to life. He has not had any reason to attend for medical attention and keeps himself very clean and tidy.

Medical Examination : 22- 5- 72. Dental Examination : 5- 10- 72.

3. School

Harold's School performance has been below average, attendance has been good but application in class poor. At School Harold again identifies with the non-schoolastic gang element but miraculously avoids trouble.

4. Outside interests and contacts

Interested in most Sporting activities principally Boxing, Swimming and also in Pop Music. He boasts of many friends in "Gangs" but in reality he has no real friends or companions. Some small attraction to the opposite sex but again no real friendship develops.

5. Christian upbringing, Baptism, Confirmation.

P.T.O.

B.H. 295

6. Family contact and child's knowledge of background (A0250)

Harold is given the opportunity to visit his home every second weekend but he always finds some reason recently of avoiding it. On a recent visit he did not decide to go until he managed to get another boy to accompany him. From reports after visits he seems to remain indoors most of the time apart from running out for messages. He always returns to the unit around teatime, following just really an afternoon at home.

This boy is fully aware of the reason for being in care at present but has not yet come to understand why he was in care in the earlier part of his life.

7. Maintenance

8. Suitability for Boarding Out/Adoption/Migration

9. Recommendations

Present.

Distribution

.....
Signature of SUPERVISOR

ANNUAL REVIEW AT .TYNEHOLM.....(HOME/SCHOOL)

DATE OF LAST REVIEW ..1.3.68... DATE OF THIS REVIEW .30.1.73.

1. NAME OF CHILD: HAROLD ROBERT FORREST TANT 2. D. of B.: 10.8.58 3. Religion: Protestant

4. DATE OF ADMISSION TO CARE: Winton Drive - 30.5.62 - 23.10.69 - re-admitted 10/3/71 - transferred to Tyneholm 20/5/72.

5. REASON FOR ADMISSION TO CARE: Break-up of family - restoration unsuccessful.

6. NAME OF LOCAL AUTHORITY SOCIAL WORKER Mrs. A. Hossack..... 7. NAME OF DR. BARNARDO SOCIAL WORKER ... Mrs. A. Davie.....

8. FAMILY:
Father: 3/1 Broomhouse Gardens East - Jeanette, Michelle and Drina
Mother: Present address unknown.

Rosemary }
Thomas } Canaan Lodge
Angela }
Catherine } Assessment Centre.

9. PLAN MADE AT LAST REVIEW

10. DATES OF CONTACTS BY SOCIAL WORKER WITH FAMILY:

11. VISITS OF CHILDREN TO (a) parents (b) others, since last Review (indicating frequency and length of stay):

Fortnightly visits to father - occasional week-ends.

12. VISITS OF PARENTS/RELATIVES SINCE LAST REVIEW (indicating frequency):

None.

13. BRIEF SUMMARY OF FAMILY SITUATION BY SOCIAL WORKER:

Mother at present homeless. Father has dubious moral code and has shown interest in family, but appears to lack responsibility for his family.

14. MAIN FOCUS OF REVIEW (decided upon at recent staff meeting in Home/School).

1. How to help Harold come to terms with home situation.
2. Focus on own individual achievement.
3. ?Contacts other than family.

SIGNATURE DATE

SOCIAL WORK (SCOTLAND) ACT 1968

Instrument continuing supervision requirement dated 12th July 1972

in respect of Harold Tant,
 4/1A 3 Broomhouse Gardens West,
 currently c/o Dr. Barnardos
 Lynton,
 Renfrewshire.

(Place and date) 6th July 1973
 1-3 Gordon Street,
 Edinburgh

A children's hearing for the City of Edinburgh

considering that [the foregoing supervision requirement]* [the supervision requirement attached and
 docketed with reference hereto]* is due to expire on 11. 7. 73, and being satisfied that it is
 proper so to do, hereby continue the said requirement in force.

A. W. Cunningham
 Chairman of
 the Children's Hearing

*Delete where appropriate



Barnardo's

Tyneholm, Pencaitland, East Lothian.
Telephone Pencaitland 217

21st, June 1973.

Harold Robert Tant: D. of B. 10 -3 -58.

Harold joined us here at Tyneholm on the 19th. May 1972 following the closure of the Children's Home known as Winton Drive in Glasgow. While resident in Tyneholm has attended the Ross High School, Tranent.

A physically well built young man, good appearance, keeps himself clean and tidy, healthy but rather lazy and inactive in his approach to life. He can be a moody, attention seeking and likes to hear words of approval. Never ready to admit failure but avoids being put to the test i.e. talks big about what he can do but when challenged makes the feeble excuse and withdraws. Easily discouraged and resentful of authority, a lazy boy who avoids chores or jobs of work at every opportunity. He is at this point of time seeking to identify with some one as he is moving on to the fringe of the "Gang" element and his interest centres around Motorcycles and a girlfriend. Harold has in the past portrayed a rather "bullying and aggressive" attitude towards his peers in an attempt to be a leader but as this did not succeed has turned his attention to other things. He boasts of "hosts" of friends in "gangs" but in reality he has not made many friends except that of his present girlfriend (a fine healthy companionship) and two other boys whose interest is in Motorcycles.

Harold's School performance is rather below average, attendance is very good but application to class work is poor. At school Harold again identifies with the gang/non-scholastic element which does not give any stimulation but he miraculously avoids trouble. He shows an interest in most sporting activities and boasts of achievements but as stated above when put to the test opts out.

Given the opportunity to visit his home as often as he wishes, Harold has really to be coaxed to do so. He has very mixed feelings in this area a leaning towards, NUN yet a healthy respect for Dad. He also feels that he cannot identify with the "Broomhouse" gang in the immediate community so when encouraged to visit simply states "there is nothing to do there".

Some steady progress has been made with Harold and do believe that it is his own wish to remain at Tyneholm until he leaves School.

John Nesbitt, Superintendent.

Name: Harold Tant

Date of Birth: 10.8.58

Date of Test: 2. 3.73

Clinic No. 14272

Tester: ~~Miss M. Llanos~~ Miss M. Llanos

Test: WISC

Verbal Scale I.Q. 81
Performance Scale I.Q. 91
Full Scale I.Q. 84

Drawings.

Problem: Harold is currently at Tynsholm (Dr. Barnardo's Home). He was referred for assessment of his abilities since he has reached an age when his future career has to be decided upon.

Observation: Harold is a tall and pleasant looking boy who, throughout the examination, showed a genuine interest and tried to co-operate and maintain a good relationship. He was, however, not spontaneous or communicative and behaved very formally, only answering the set questions and doing what was required of him.

Results: In the WISC he got an I.Q. of 84, which places him in the 'dull normal' group of intelligence. He did better on the Performance Scale than on the Verbal Scale. It may be that he managed better in the more structured situation than in one where he had to express himself verbally and show his awareness of social situations. However, his lowest scores were on Information and Arithmetic. These two subtests are closely linked with learning and one could surmise that Harold's verbal test score has suffered because of the deprivation which he has experienced in the living situation and because of the changes of school which this has necessitated. It was further noted that Harold made decisions when he was sure that he was going to give the right answer. When the situation was more complex and when he was aware of the difficulty he hesitated or evaded coming to a decision. A certain amount of insecurity and tension were evident when he was faced with difficult tests.

Summing up: It appears that Harold is a boy at the lower end of the 'average' group for intelligence.

Later, at a second interview, Personality tests were performed and Harold showed himself to be an insecure boy and one who had difficulty in establishing genuine inter-personal relationships. He can manage superficial contact but it seems that he is so aware of the reaction that his own behaviour can cause in other people that he prefers to evade getting involved rather than coping with the anxiety which involvement arouses in him. He appeared to be tense and full of hostile feelings about his home situation and his environment and seemed to have difficulty in controlling his own impulsiveness.

Mrs. Davie
Barnardo's.

(Miss) Martha Llanos
Psychologist.

Ack.

REPORT

HAROLD TANT

23 October 1973

Spoke to the local authority social worker for the Tant Family although she was unable to give me much information about them as she has only just taken over the case herself. However, Harold's sister is —3rd Party Information—

—3rd Party Information—

—3rd Party Information—

here
We agreed to meet at Tynholm when the social worker comes back from leave to have a case conference about Harold in relation to the family.

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MISS C WAITE
SOCIAL WORKER.

Miss. Co. Ross

*Children at home: Nick? must pay into house,
Dina: has baby
Jerry: working?
Tom & Pamela (Went to school)
Job / Accommodation /
Mother / Went to school /*

HAROLD TANT

14.11.73.

Case Conference at Drumsheigh Gardens with Mr. Nesbitt, Miss Ross (Local Authority Social Worker) and myself. Miss Ross is involved only with Mr. Tant and the children with him, and not with Mrs. Tant and the other children. This Social Worker will contact me.

Harold repeatedly stated that he does not want to visit father, although he wants news. Mr. Tant has never mentioned Harold to Miss Ross. Even so, I will make an initial contact with Mr. Tant in case Harold's attitude alters.

A more affectionate bond between Harold and Mother, which Mr. Nesbitt has noticed and is to encourage and I am also to make contact with Mrs. Tant regarding developing this.

After Christmas, efforts will be made regarding employment for Harold when he leaves school in June, but he does tend to be lazy. He has outside interests of his own choosing, at a Youth Club, and he has a girlfriend who he visits.

MISS C. WAITE,
SOCIAL WORKER.

REPORT.

HAROLD TANT

29.11.73

Visited Mr Tant at home although he had forgotten I was coming. There were a lot of the family around the house although they did not join in the interviews. Mr Tant was in bed as I understand is his usual habit. The room was dirty and airless, and it looked as though the bedding had not been changed in a long time.

Catherine,

Mr Tant spent most of his time talking about ~~exterior~~ who —3rd Party Information—
—3rd Party Information—

Mr Tant is due to be evicted on 10 December but he did not appear to be unduly concerned. He has no plans of where he is going to stay although he says it will not be to one of his children. Apparently, he does not even know their addresses and never visits them, letting them come to him when they want. This is his attitude towards Harold too, and he showed no concern about Harold's infrequency in visiting recently, saying that Harold could visit when he wanted to.

He is not working and still claiming sickness benefit for himself for his 'bad back'. In addition he is increasing his bills to Social Security and the Social Work Dept. for money owed to him for 'time lost' when attending children's hearings and social work departments.

There was the assumption on Mr Tant's part that the family bond existed and that Harold could use it if he so desired, and which he seemingly does occasionally. I tend to agree that it would be difficult to stir Mr Tant into any activity, even concerning his family.

29.11.73

Had a short talk with Harold about my visit. He put on an act of indifference but wanted to know who I saw and how they were. He told me that his house was a 'tramps' house'.

5.12.73

Spoke to Miss Ross who said that, in fact, Mr Tant is not going to be evicted on the 10th but that only a notice to quit has been served. He will be visited by a housing department officer and if he does not pay the arrears will, in all probability, be rehoused elsewhere.

MISS C WAITE
SOCIAL WORKER.

REPORT

HAROLD TANT

6.12.73

I visited Mrs Tant by appointment and although she had been preparing for my visit she had not quite had time to take her rollers out!

She told me that it was a long time since she had seen Harold but would be very pleased to see him any time. Originally, she had wanted custody of him but he had spent so much time with father that there seemed little point. Now, though, she said that Harold wanted nothing to do with him.

Mrs Tant seems to have a friendly relationship with Mr Tant and visits him twice a week. She is even trying to get a house transfer next door to him but so far with no success. She is very dissatisfied with her present house because she claims to be over-run by rats, but says the Housing Department will not help. She also feels that it is too far for the girls to travel to their special school. In fact, her housing situation was Mrs Tant's main preoccupation.

She took Harold's address - claiming she had not had it previously - and said she would drop him a line and get Tommy to draw a picture for him. I told her a little of what Harold is doing these days and of his interest in motor bikes. We also discussed his leaving school in the summer and how he would set about choosing a job, which started her talking about the employment records of the rest of the family. Basically, she regards the whole family as lazy and not liking work. She is also dissatisfied with Jeanette's marriage, saying her husband beats her, and apparently Mr Tant was so opposed to the marriage that he refused to go to the wedding.

Mrs Tant impressed me as being very similar to her husband in that she was lethargic. However, she seemed fairly interested in Harold and welcomed seeing him, so if Harold is prepared to make the effort to go and see her he can be sure of some sort of a welcome.

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MISS C WAITE
SOCIAL WORKER.

DR. BARNARDO'S

ANNUAL REVIEW FORM OF CHILD IN RESIDENTIAL CARE

If L.A. case, please tick and
submit extra copy.

Branch ... Tynholm House, Pencaitland..... Date of Review 29/1/74.

Name in full ..Harold Tant..... Date of Birth 19/8/58..

..... Date of Admission 12-5-72.

1. Progress, personality and development of the child.

Harold has made some steady progress in that he has accepted Tynholm, no longer see himself as "Broomhouse" but much less aggressive and anti-authority. Never ready to admit defeat, avoids being put to the test, approval seeking, avoids decisionmaking, has become rather untidy in general appearance, needs to be encouraged to wash. Feeling very insecure about his future, where will he work as a Mechanic, where will he live, does not wish to go to either Mother or Father. Harold is a lazy boy who avoids chores, spends very little time in the Home, occupies himself with his "Pal" tinkering about with Motor Cycles never really happy unless covered in Oil and Grease or in the saddle of his latest Motor Cycle.

2. Health, including dental care. (and date of last medical examination)

A physically well built young man whose general health remains very good, inclined to be lazy and inactive in his general approach to life.

Medical Exam: May 1973.

Dental Exam: December 1973.

3. School

A regular attender of School, Teachers report him as aggressive, anti-authority, the type of boy who is best out of Class helping the Janitor. Class work is therefore below average: Woodwork best subject.

One of those 15 plus boys who is tolerating School for the extra year without getting anything out of it.

4. Outside interests and contacts

Interested in Two Youth Clubs particularly for the interest he has in Table Tennis and his Girlfriend.

He has a local friend, a boy of the same age and characteristics also keen interest in Motor Cycles.

5. Christian upbringing, Baptism, Confirmation.

6. Family contact and child's knowledge of background (A0250)

Harold has had to be strongly encouraged to make contact with his Family and does not wish to be visiting them. Recently we arranged a visit to his Mother's and he only spent an hour or so with her. On the same day Mother Harold and Siblings together with the Co-habitee visited Fathers.

7. Maintenance

8. Suitability for Boarding Out/Adoption/Migration

9. Recommendations

Plans for Harold on leaving School in June?.

Present.

Distribution

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Signature of

REVIEW REPORT

HAROLD TANT

29.1.74

Both Harold's and my contact with the family has been minimal.

Mr Tant has large rent arrears and will probably soon be rehoused. Catherine has returned from Tyne Park is living with father and is unemployed but Andrena has moved out with her baby to a house of her own. Generally, though, I got the impression that the house was a meeting place with a lot of coming and going but with nobody really bothering about anybody else. There was little interaction between the members of the family and Mr Tant does nothing to stimulate this. He spends most of his time in bed and makes no effort to see his children, leaving all the initiative to them, this includes Harold.

Initially, Mrs Tant showed more interest in Harold but this was only relative to her husband's interest and after the first meeting between mother and son she failed to keep her appointment with me.

Although divorced, Mr and Mrs Tant see each other regularly each week and she is even trying to be rehoused next door to him.

Although neither parents bothers much about Harold my impressions is that this is not a deliberate rejection of the boy but more that it is typical of their pattern of relationships, and that their attitude is the same towards all the family. Bearing in mind that Harold will be leaving school in the summer, I feel that his tendencies towards laziness would be encouraged if he were to live at home immediately. All the initiative will probably have to come from him, though, if he is going to maintain even minimal contact and knowledge of the whereabouts of the family.

MISS C WAITE
SOCIAL WORKER.



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SCHOOL REPORT

HAROLD TANT

| | <u>Grade</u> | <u>Diligence</u> |
|----------------|------------------------------|------------------|
| ENGLISH | C | FG |
| HISTORY | C | G |
| GEOGRAPHY | D | FG |
| MODERN STUDIES | D | G |
| MATHEMATICS | D | FG |
| ART | C | G |
| PHYSICS | E | FG |
| CHEMISTRY | E | FG |
| WOODWORK | B | |
| | | |
| ABSENCES | <u>6</u> out of <u>162</u> . | |

REPORT

HAROLD TANT

28.1.74

When I visited Mr Tant, I discovered he was on the point of leaving his house. I don't think he was actually being evicted at that point but perhaps he was beating them to it! Although everything was packed in boxes, he was still lying on his bed.

He knew I was a social worker but did not associate me with Harold who barely came into the conversation even when he was reminded. There were many complaints about Catherine who is still not working or claiming unemployment benefit and who he blames for his financial difficulties and having to leave the house. He was also resentful of the fact that he has not received more help from the social work department, who he has asked.

The family is going to stay with Mrs Tant where there will be inevitable overcrowding and therefore possibly trouble with the housing department. He immediately assumed that I would read more into the situation and took a long time to explain their motives for moving in together again. There had been no thought, though, of notifying Harold of their move.

Terry came in from work and joined us. He showed interest in Harold and said he would visit him some time - mainly I think, to see the motorbike! He bragged a lot about his activities and two assault charges for which he was due to appear in Court. When he talked about Harold, though, I felt that he regarded him as different from the rest of the family and from the way he talked about Harold's work prospects, it seemed he thought Harold had the opportunity to do better than the rest of them. He talked of Harold almost with respect.

Apart from the address, little has changed and I feel that probably it never will.

MISS C WAITE
SOCIAL WORKER.



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Mr. Nesbitt.

HAROLD TANT

SUMMARY OF REVIEW - 29.1.74

Has girl-friend, who comes to Tyneholm occasionally - shy, pleasant girl. Quite a strong relationship with her.

Uses regression to work out at Tyneholm problems which he didn't work through at Winton Drive.

Sees future as staying in Unit, and eventually getting a wee room of his own. Not anticipating returning to Father.

Family has a feeling of its members "passing through". Father never visits his children - but welcomes them when they visit him.

Apprenticeship? Not too much academic pressure on him. Very interested in motor bikes - job in garage?

When Harold joined the Review, he indicated fairly definitely that he would like to live in the Hostel at Tyneholm for a while, and work as a painter in Edinburgh.

PLAN:

- (1) Harold to remain in Tyneholm - living in Hostel (from July to September);
- (2) To move into accommodation in Edinburgh at end of this period;
- (3) Help to find job as a painter in Edinburgh;
- (4) A further Review, with Local Authority Social Worker, to discuss family situation, and reality of what Harold can expect from his family during this period.

MRS. M. MITCHELL
Senior Social Worker.

MM/MG
25.3.74.

REPORT

HAROLD TANT

6.3.74

Visited Mrs Tant by appointment and found the house completely full of people. Mrs Tant was very stiff and formal to the extent that it was impossible to have a interview but when I started to leave, she took me to another room where she poured out all her troubles.

She has had enough of having Mr Tant and the boys living with her because they are not contributing financially and she has difficulty managing. She has had notification that her housing transfer is being considered and she is going to go ahead with this for the rest of the family even though she will be moving out next week. I pointed out that she will be held responsible for their rent arrears which will inevitably accure but she had already discussed this with Miss Nesbitt (Local Authority Social Worker) and was worried about this.

Mrs Tant is returning to live with her friend in Springwell Terrace. He has just had a brain tumour removed which appears to be malignant and he is not expected to live more than a few months. She feels her place is with him to make his last months happy. The younger children know him well and she says that they are all well provided for by him. Even so, she seems to feel a sense of responsibility towards the rest of the Tant family and does not want to see them destitute.

She is very concerned about Catherine's safety because she is arousing Mr Tant's anger by neither working nor signing on, but she does not know if she will be able to take Catherine with her although she would like to. Otherwise she did not think of Catherine as a problem behaviour wise, and she was not too bad with the boys, although it's possible she may have V.D. She is worried about Drena though, in case she is put on the streets again by the boyfriend with whom she lives. Mrs Tant does not want her daughter labelled a prostitute for the sake of the baby.

I felt that Mrs Tant had a lot of anxiety over many different problems, although she is trying to cope with them. It seemed that Harold just does not present himself as a problem to her because he is being cared for and she still merely accepts that he will visit when he wants to. Catherine gave me a letter for Harold and Terry-boy made enquiries about him.

I saw Mr Tant briefly (he's still in bed!) but all his anger was directed against Catherine for being dependent on him.

MISS C WAITE
SOCIAL WORKER.

HAROLD TANT

18.4.74.

I visited Mrs. Tant by appointment, but she was out and I met her friend (he claims they are not cohabiting). He was bitter about the treatment she receives from the whole Tant family. Apparently Terry-boy is blackmailing her about something, and she was seeing him when I called.

It seems that Catherine is ~~3rd Party Information~~ with Catherine. It seemed, though, that Harold was not considered by him as part of the family, and he seemed to know little about him.

I gathered that Mrs. Tant is in contact with Miss Nesbitt of the Social Work Department.

MISS C. WAITE,
SOCIAL WORKER.

HAROLD TANT

Summary

Harold himself is not really interested in his family as long as he knows where they are, and although they are local he seldom bothers to visit.

Mr. Tant is more interested in money, and what he can get for nothing. He seldom gets up and holds court from his bed. He will never make the effort to approach Harold, but neither will the door ever be closed against him.

Mrs. Tant is currently staying with a "friend" and seemingly having a difficult time with her family, who it is alleged are blackmailing her and putting her into debt. The attitude towards Harold seems to be that he is well cared for and therefore there is no need to worry about him, although again he is always welcome.

I do not feel there is any deliberate rejection of Harold but simply that he is not part of their life.

MISS C. WAITE,
SOCIAL WORKER.



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4 July 1974

Mr John Nesbitt
Superintendent
Tyneholme
Fencaitland
East Lothian


Dear Mr Nesbitt

Harold Robert Tant (b. 10.8.58),
5/3 Crewe Road Gardens, Edinburgh.

I write on behalf of the hearing members on Wednesday afternoon to thank you very much for attending Harold Tant's hearing with him and playing such a useful part in the discussion. It is confirmed that the hearing continued Harold's supervision order with the variation that the specification of residence at Tyneholme was varied to include a condition of residence as directed by the social worker to cover the future date when Harold is able to move from Tyneholme into digs.

Many thanks for your assistance.

Yours sincerely


Alison J. Cunningham
Assistant Reporter

HAROLD TANT - 18th June, 1974

Harold is a lad who stands about 5'10" tall, will weigh somewhere in the region of 180 lbs. and is rather heavy-made in appearance. He has a very good sense of humour, is honest, kind and rarely talks about himself except on a very superficial level. When the subject of home comes into the discussion Harold becomes a little bit angry. He says that he wants nothing to do with his family and will not go to live with them at all, although from time to time he occasionally makes a trip into Edinburgh just to find out how they are getting on. When he comes back from such visits he is very critical of the way that the family are living and on nearly every occasion ends up saying "I am not going to be staying there".

His attitude to Peer Group. I would say that since moving down to the Unit Harold's interaction with the Group at Tyneholm is very little and only very superficial, i.e. he will come for his tea in the evening and during the weekend he will come in for the meals as requested of him. He has no particular friends in the Tyneholm group at the moment, but when he is in the group, however, he tends to become a bit of a bully, not in a destructive or delinquent manner, simply more of a rough and boisterous nature. He is rather protective towards Sandy —3rd Party and Harold struck up a good relationship with Sandy, the first time that Sandy visited Tyneholm. On occasions it has been noticed that Harold will read stories to Sandy at bed-time. This was when Harold was living in the house. In the dining-room Harold can be very disruptive and it appears that he has been the same way with his school classes. As a result of this disruptive behaviour in classes he has been expelled from the School on one or two occasions. When this has happened Harold has been brought back to Tyneholm and has busied himself around the area. He does not like this at all.

Harold's attitude towards Staff. When Harold is reprimanded by a member of staff he tends to use his size as a threatening front. He can become very verbally aggressive but never resorts to any physical effort at all. After the initial verbal aggression fades out, Harold can sit down and reason out things that have been given him by us. With regard to responsibilities, Harold will accept very little of this, e.g. in his purchasing of clothing Harold has almost to be led to the shops to buy any article of clothing that he has required. I feel that as regards purchasing clothing there may be a little bit of embarrassment about this for Harold, because his size may be the governing factor. However, when asked to do anything he will do it almost to the best of his ability. At the teenage unit where he is now living, however, he has accepted a little bit more responsibility, e.g. his bed-space, the making of his breakfast, his personal appearance and his attendance to school. He has difficulty in controlling the hours of his friends and about visiting and telling them to go, but here he makes attempts. He works best when motivated by a leading influence. He needs organisation - someone to tell him what to do. He very rarely takes the initiative himself.

Harold's Social Contacts. Harold has made a good many friends in the area and at present is courting a girl in a neighbouring village. This relationship has been going on for something like 15 or 16 months but it is very much on the schoolboy/schoolgirl basis. During the winter he regularly attended a Youth Club held at a nearby village and on occasions went to Discos run by the Youth Club. He is interested in motor bikes and talks of the 'Rockers' and tries to identify with them. Harold leaves the school in the summer of this year and has been offered a job as a Panel Beater with the local garage. This seems to be a very good job. It would be a good job for Harold and I feel he would get a great deal from the apprenticeship if he were to take it and complete it. Harold virtually got the job himself as he hung around the garage and helped with little jobs to be done until eventually the proprietors asked if he would like to take up an apprenticeship. Leading from this there are a number of questions that have to be looked at and answered about the situation down there.

Future./

Future. Harold will be 16 on the 10th August and will start his apprenticeship at the local garage around this time. He will attend a college of further education one day per week to help increase his knowledge of the trade he intends to follow.

The length of stay we can offer Harold at the unit after he starts his trade is around 3 or 4 months maximum. By this time it is hoped that accommodation will have been found in or around the Pencaitland area for him in order that he can continue his apprenticeship.

After Care Support. A really active social work support has got to be built in to Harold's after-care during the length of his apprenticeship.

REVIEW SUMMARY

REVIEW

Date of Review: 12.11.74

Time:

Unit: Tyneholm.

Child(ren) to be Reviewed

Date of Birth

Date admitted
into Care

Act and
Section

Harold Tant

10.8.58

19.5.73

Responsible Local Authority: Edinburgh Social Work Department

SUMMARY

Plans made at last Annual Review

Date: 29.1.74

1. Harold to remain in Tyneholm - living in Hostel (from July to September).
2. To move into accommodation in Edinburgh at end of this period.
3. Help to find job as a painter in Edinburgh.
4. A further Review, with Local Authority Social Worker, to discuss family situation, and reality of what Harold can expect from his family during this period.

Comments from last 6 Monthly Report
or Plans made at last Case Conference

Date:

Date:

Plans from Current Review 12.11.74

Long term plan and ways to progress to this, any action to be taken and by whom.

1. Harold able to stay in Hostel Unit until Easter.
2. During this period he is helped to decide:-
 - a) where he makes his next base Edinburgh? Pencaitland?
 - b) whether it is a hostel/landlady.
3. Miss Sinclair will enquire about Barony Hostel and also any landladies in Edinburgh (our experience of landladies in East Lothian has been of their non-existence!)

| <u>Present at Review</u> | <u>Designation</u> | <u>Pre-Review Papers sent to /</u> | <u>Post Review Summary to be sent to /</u> |
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Signature of Chariman of Reviw

Designation: Assistant Children's Officer (R)

Date: .12..12..74.....

HAROLD TANT

Annual Review 12.11.74

Residential staff raised the question of whether Harold was really past the optimum time for remaining in the Unit. He was beginning to show great dependency in the Main House. Some discussion as to this being:-

- a) a necessary part of growing up.
- b) Part of progress that he is able to express feelings and then return to hostel.
- c) Aggressiveness is O.K. to those who know him but might not be acceptable outside to a landlady. Aggressive but also affectionate.
- d) Managing his money a little better, but John Nesbitt keeping strong tabs on this.

Work Lost job at garage - now employed a warehouseman/porter with a furniture firm in Edinburgh - away from 6.45 a.m. - 6.30 p.m.

Social Worker Failed appointment with Miss Sinclair in town.

Family Miss Sinclair hoping to make link soon with family. Harold has not been in touch with family recently.

Harold refused to come in and join Review, feeling he had been kept waiting too long.

Group agreed to his remaining for a further period (see plan).

Miss S.A. Massey,
Assistant Children's Officer, Residential.

cc. Tyneholm.

cc Tyneholm

HAROLD TANT

6.1.75

Eventually reached Diane Sinclair. Told her I was concerned that no work re Harold's future - both he and Tyneholm staff very uneasy. Harold presenting considerable problems around Christmas time. Diane Sinclair said no word yet from Hearing. She said Barony were not very enthusiastic but said worth pursuing. She hoped to get to know Harold better before moving him - and had hoped things might settle down at Tyneholm.

I said we did not just cream for help unless things were serious and a definite decision had been made that staff felt unable to keep him.

Diane Sinclair promised to phone John Nesbit and keep in close touch until next step fixed up.

MISS S.A. MASSEY,
ASSISTANT CHILDREN'S OFFICER, RESIDENTIAL

DR. BARNARDO'S

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION TO A SPECIAL SCHOOL

EDINBURGH SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENT

1. Name and Department of Local Authority.....

2. Date..... **March '71**

| 3. FULL NAME OF CANDIDATE | BIRTH DATE | BIRTH PLACE | HAVE DETAILS BEEN CHECKED WITH BIRTH CERTIFICATE? | WHETHER LEGITIMATE |
|----------------------------|----------------|------------------|---|--------------------|
| TANT, Harold Robert | 10/8/58 | Edinburgh | Yes | Yes |

4. Baptised? **Yes** 5. In what Faith? **C.H. ... S.C.A.T. ...** Date and Place..... **G.L.H.S.C.O.W**

7. Present address of candidate—c/o..... **2 Wheatfield Terrace, Edinburgh**

8. which is in the area of the County Council/Borough Council of..... **Edinburgh**

9. Is the child in the care of the Children's Department?..... **Yes**

10. Schools attended

| Name of School | From | To |
|--|-------|-------|
| (a) | | |
| (b) Tynecastle Secondary School | | |
| (c) | | |

11. Father's name
Terence Yellowlees Tant
Date of birth **aged 50** Nationality **Scottish**
Race.....
Religious denomination.....
If living, state: **2 Wheatfield Road, Edinburgh.**
Address.....
Occupation.....
If dead, state:
Date and place of death.....

12. Mother's name
(see questions respecting father)
Martha Alexandria Mackenzie or Tant
aged **39** Scottish
Date of birth..... Nationality.....
Race.....
Religious denomination.....
If living, state: **22 Springwell Place, Edinburgh.**
Address.....
Occupation.....
If dead, state:
Date and place of death.....

13. If the parents are divorced or separated give details regarding custody of the child and rights of access.....
Parents separated. Mother cohabiting with Mr. MacDonald

Parents:
14. Are the parents, or other relations, likely to take a real interest in the child? **Yes**
15. Is their interest likely to be helpful? **Yes, but there will be problems!**
16. Will they visit during term? **Harold may visit home more often.**
17. Will they provide suitable holidays? **Short ones possibly.**

18. If the child is not living at home, or home conditions would not be suitable for holiday, what holiday arrangements would be made?.....

19.

| SIBLINGS | | |
|-------------------|-----------|--------------------|
| NAME | AGE | PRESENT ADDRESS |
| Terence | 19 | In Army |
| Steven | 18 | " " |
| Jeannette | 17 | With Father |
| Alexandria | 15 | " " |
| Catherine | 13 | " " |
| Rosemary | 10 | With Mother |
| Thomas | 9 | " " |
| Angela | 6 | " " |

20. Child's character and temperament:

(a) What are the child's relationships with:

(i) Other children, including his/her family? **"Fairly close to siblings". Gets on quite well with other children.**

(ii) Adults?

(b) Is he/she sociable or solitary? **Quite sociable**

(c) Has he/she shown any delinquent tendencies? **Yes - see Court appearance report.**

Please include detailed information about the child in the case history below.

21. Please give case history, attaching copies of relevant medical, educational, psychiatric and other reports.

See Social Enquiry Report.

Please continue on another sheet if necessary.

Signed... Alison Hoasack (mis) social worker.

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..... School or Home

MEDICAL RECORD *TYNEHOLM* *9/5/72.*

Name *HAROLD ROBERT TANT* Date of Admission *10/3/11*
(Block capitals surname first)

Date of Birth *10/8/58* Sex Register Number

PERSONAL HISTORY

PREVIOUS MEDICAL HISTORY

Number in family
Place in family
Age of walking
Age of talking
Bowel control
Bladder control
(Age of the menarche)

Whooping Cough Tuberculosis
Measles Rheumatism
Diphtheria Chorea
Scarlet Fever Fits
Mumps Bed wetting
Chickenpox Other
German Measles

Prophylaxis:

Diphtheria
Smallpox
Whooping Cough
Tetanus
Poliomyelitis
B.C.G. Vaccination
Other

Operations
Injuries

SCHOOL HISTORY

(e.g. Absence through illness; attendance at a Special School; results of any mental test.)

FAMILY HISTORY (Important illnesses or defects)

Father
Mother
Siblings
Others

CONDITION ON ADMISSION

(e.g. General appearance; demeanour; cleanliness; any marks of injury or violence.)

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GENERAL MEDICAL INSPECTIONS

(✓—Normal ×—Abnormality present)

Details of abnormal conditions should be noted on opposite page. The vision should be tested with Snellen's Type at 20 feet and the hearing for ordinary conversational voice at the same distance.

| Date | 13/3/71 | 15/3/71 | 22/1/77 | 13/5/71 | 27.5.72 | 21.5.73 | 23.3.74 | | | |
|-----------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--|--|--|
| Age | 12 | 12 yrs | 13 yrs | 13 yrs | 13 yr | 14 yr | 15 yr | | | |
| Skin and Hair | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | |
| Eyes (e.g. squint) | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | |
| Vision R | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | |
| L | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | |
| with glasses R | | | | | | | | | | |
| L | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ears (e.g. Otitis Media) | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | |
| Hearing R | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | |
| L | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | |
| Speech | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | |
| Teeth | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | |
| Nose and Throat | | Slight nasal congestion | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | X | ✓ | | | |
| Glands | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | |
| Heart and Circulation | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | |
| Lungs | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | |
| Abdomen | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | |
| Genitals | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | |
| Skeletal System | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | |
| Posture | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | |
| Feet | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | |
| Nervous System (e.g. Fits) | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | |
| Psychological. Intelligence | ✓ | Just above average | ✓ | ✓ | eye 2 | ✓ | ✓ | | | |
| Behaviour | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | |
| Sex development | in development | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | |
| (Menstruation) | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | |
| Bladder Control | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | |
| Urine | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | |
| General Condition | | | | | | | | | | |
| A—GOOD B—FAIR C—POOR | A | A | A | A | A | A | A | | | |
| Medical Officer's Initials | KRM | KRM | KRM | HUT | HUT | AVC. | | | | |

**PROTECTION AGAINST TETANUS
NOTIFICATION TO PATIENT**

HOSPITAL
*Roadside Hospital
 Haddington*

HOSPITAL UNIT NUMBER

PATIENT'S SURNAME *JOHN*
 *MR
 *MRS
 *MISS

FIRST NAMES *HAROLD*

ADDRESS *TINE HANE HOUSE
 PENCAIRLAND*

*AGED 16 / DATE OF BIRTH
 OR OVER / (IF UNDER 16)

NAME AND ADDRESS OF
 GENERAL PRACTITIONER

DR IRELAND

| TETANUS TOXOID | DATE DUE | DATE GIVEN | GIVEN BY |
|----------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------|
| 1st DOSE | <i>[shaded]</i> | <i>27-2-75</i> | <i>[initials]</i> |
| 2nd DOSE | <i>10.4.75</i> | | |
| 3rd DOSE | <i>10.10.75</i> | | |

A.T.S. *HAS/HAS NOT BEEN GIVEN

* DELETE AS NECESSARY

LOCAL HEALTH AUTHORITY
 MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

*COUNTY OF DUNDEE
 HOSPITAL*

Date.....

Dear Patient,

If the table above shows that the course of immunisation against tetanus has not been completed, you will require a second and/or third injection on or about the dates shown. To give the greatest protection, these injections MUST be given at the right time.

When they are due please take this card to your general practitioner who has been told to expect you.

Yours faithfully,

PROTECTION AGAINST TETANUS

**KEEP THIS CARD AND CARRY IT
WITH YOU and continue to carry it with
you when this course of immunisation has
been completed.**

259871 200M P.E.C.B.L:d.