

3.10.81

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J. CURRIE

6.11.81. Mrs. Reilly came to the office. She had heard from her separated husband that their

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[REDACTED] in a school in Gloucester and another son, Philip (12) was in voluntary care in London. Mrs. Reilly had come North briefly in July to seek a house in Dundee. When she returned to London her brother had taken the two children and had alleged they had been left unattended, an allegation Mrs. Reilly denied. Because of these events Mrs. Reilly did not now speak to her relatives in London. She was concerned about [REDACTED], about whose encouement she had not known, and wished her and Philip back. She realised she would not get Graham.

After consultation I advised Mrs. Reilly to contact the police to discover whether [REDACTED] had been reported missing and asked her to return on November 9th when there would be an opportunity to contact the responsible social worker in London. Mr. Robert Edwards, Lady Sommers House, Hawthbank Street, London SE16 (01 237 6644).

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1.11.81. Mrs. Reilly to the office regarding her three children who are said to be in voluntary care in London. She had not had any recent communication from Social Services in London but believes that [REDACTED] from a Children's Home. Mrs. Reilly said that she intends staying in Dundee and would like to arrange for her three children to move here once she is allocated a house. Suggested she write to the Social Services in London with her request. She said she would do so.

Phoned London Social Services and was advised that Mr. Edwards, social worker involved with Reilly family will not be back until tomorrow.

Informed Mrs. Reilly of phone call and asked her to call back tomorrow. S. Bowden.

0.11.81. Phoned Mr. Edwards and he informed me that [REDACTED] had run away but returned to the Children's Home yesterday. Further informed me that all three Reilly children were due to appear in Court separately over the next three weeks. Advised him of Mrs. Reilly's address in Dundee and he said he would write to her today explaining present situation regarding her children. Mrs. Reilly called at the office and I informed her of my telephone conversation with Mr. Edwards. She wrote a letter to the Social Services Dept. last night requesting that her children be returned to her care. Said she should receive a letter from Mr. Edwards later this week and she thanked me for contacting the social worker.

S. Bowden.

17.11.81 Mr. Edwards was asking for confirmation of Mrs R's address.
Gave this to him and suggested he write record of history.
A. Webb.

7.11.81. D.N.A.

Reilly,

CLIENTS NAME: 171 Tranent Crescent, Whitfield, Dundee.

SHEET No.

3. 6. 83. About 5 p.m. Mrs. Crosby, Health Visitor 'phoned. She said she had received a 'phone message from a neighbour to the effect that Mrs. Stewart was in the house and her husband was not letting her out. The neighbour had, however, been out and brought food back for the baby. Mrs. Crosby was indicating her expectation that we would do something about it though I, at the time, was not sure what. It sounded as if the Police might be the more appropriate agency to deal with it. When Mrs. Crosby appreciated that I would not be responding immediately, she indicated she would 'phone the R.S.S.P.C.C. and added that Mr. Stewart had apparently been drunk for four days.
- 'Phoned Ian Chalmers, R.S.S.P.C.C. Ian indicated he would 'phone the Police and go round with them to the Stewarts.
- M. Hume, Senior Social Worker.
4. 6. 83 Ian Chalmers 'phoned. Had gone with the Police to Stewarts on Friday night but got no reply, therefore could not get in. Going to try again.
- M. Hume, Senior Social Worker.
9. 6. 83 Whilst at Burnside House Miss Hutchison asked about the possibility of overnight leave for Philip. Agreed to check this out.
- M. Hume, Senior Social Worker.
10. 6. 83 Visited Mrs. Cameron, [REDACTED] - auntie of Philip and person with whom Dad stays. Mrs. Cameron is so overcrowded that Mr. Reilly and Graham stay at nights at her son's house elsewhere in Mid Craigie. She doesn't have room, nor does she think that her son does either. Apart from the overcrowding she also seemed concerned about what would happen when Graham and Philip get together.
- (This rang bells because I remembered Geoff Burn saying that recently following a visit from Graham to Philip, they caught Philip trying to disappear out of a window).
- Indicated to Mrs. Cameron that I would agree to day leave Sat./Sun. for Philip but inform him that overnight stays were out. Telephoned Burnside House and advised them of the outcome of my visit.
- M. Hume, Senior Social Worker.
11. 6. 83 Visited Philip at Burnside House before he went home for day leave. He did not seem too unhappy that he was not being allowed an overnight stay. Spent some time talking about mods; He showed me his badges and particularly pointed out the one that had sexual innuendo and showed me a picture with similar sexual content. In the car he gave me a CND badge as I was "into peace and all that". Spent the greatest part of our time together by Philip showing me the project he was doing 1 Indians. He has been doing some drawing and is very pleased with his efforts.

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Took Philip down town where I left him to shop for more badges. He described how he "knocks down" the dealer to get a good price. He's a survivor without a doubt.

Miss M. Hume, Senior Social
Worker.

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Philip attends Whitfield High School and apart from recent absences due to not having school clothing, has been relatively good attender since he enrolled in April, 1982. (Confirmed by school attendance). Mr. Shepherd, School Attendance Officer is arranging for a clothing grant from Philip and on this occasion he was wearing a pair of shoes he had for from the Education Department.

Philip seems a relatively mature boy, of average intelligence who talked as freely as circumstances permitted (his mother being present to me being a stranger). He seems quite self assured without being over confident. Does seem to have some friends at school but does not carry this over to out of school. Spends most of his time at home or visits relatives. Does seem to be quite close to his mother - Looked to her for cues.

Advised both Philip and Mrs. Reilly of the changes likely to be occurring around the transfer of the order to Dundee and supervision by the Social Work Department. Family seemed to grasp the situation.

[redacted] confirmed for Mrs. Reilly, who concurred, at which point if everything is fine here and Mum was happy to have him he could come to Dundee. Mrs. Reilly is expecting a baby in March 1983. [redacted] recently written to her indicating he may be coming up for a holiday soon. Advised Mrs. Reilly there had been no mention of this when I spoke to Social Worker, Bob Edward on the telephone.

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before that time so that I could send a report on the home situation for them. Mrs. Reilly we agreeable to this. Left her details of my [redacted] address and phone number so she could contact me.

Miss M. Hume