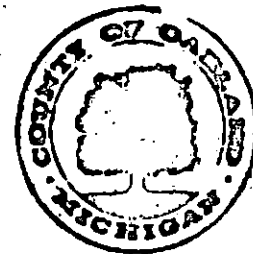


AUTOPSY



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AUTOPSY PROTOCOL

GENERAL INFORMATION

NAME OF DECEASED MARK DOUGLAS STEBBINS CASE # 76-330 AUTOPSY # 73

AGE 12 RACE White SEX Male D.A.S., ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ (CHECK ONE)

DATE & TIME OF DEATH 2-19-76 12:00 N DATE & TIME OF AUTOPSY 2-20-76 10:20 AM
Rear of 15660 - 10 Mile Rd.
Southfield, Michigan

BRIEF: FOUND FULLY CLOTHED, LYING ADJACENT TO PARKING LOT AT REAR OF 15660 - 10 MILE ROAD, SOUTHFIELD. HAD BEEN REPORTED MISSING TO FERNDALE P.D. 2-15-76.

CAUSE OF DEATH: ASPHYXIA due to SMOTHERING.

MANNER OF DEATH: HOMICIDE.

IDENTIFIED BY: Tag.

PROPERTY:

ISSUED BY:

EXTERNAL EXAMINATION

O. BODY GENERALLY - INTEGUMENTARY, HEMATOPOIETIC, & LYMPHATIC SYSTEMS.

LENGTH $\frac{60''}{152 \text{ cm}}$ WEIGHT $\frac{90\#}{41 \text{ kg}}$ RIGOR 0 LIVIDITY See below FROZEN 0 DECOMP. 0

SKIN: COLOR Wh SCARS 0 TATTOOS 0 EDEMA 0 JAUNDICE 0

INJURIES: See photos: Scalp: 2 crusted lacerations of scalp in left parietal area measure 3 cm & 4 cms in length.

Face: Shows diffuse punctate reddish-purple mottling of face, eyelids, upper neck, anterior & posterior portions of body & ear lobes. Skin behind right ear lobe is bright red.

Nose: Nares patent, with small quantity of brown stained nasal secretion present. Small speck of dirt of right nostril.

Arms & Ankles: Show light brown discoloration of wrist and above ankles. Considered to be artefacts.

SPECIAL NOTES: Bilateral subconjunctival hemorrhages (punctate). Apparent "ligature" mark of neck is considered an artifact & probably due to jacket.

SPLEEN: WT. 250 GM., CAPSULE: Red-blue. CONSISTENCY: Moderately soft.

COLOR OF CUT SURFACE: Dark red with prominent follicles. PULP LESIONS: Congestion.

LYMPHNODES: GENERALLY NORMAL ENLARGED SOFT x FIRM

SPECIAL NOTES:

ANATOMICAL LOCATION AND/OR GROUP WHEN INDICATED: Mesenteric lymphadenopathy.

I. MUSCULOSKELETAL STRUCTURES: Not remarkable.

FRACTURES:

CAVITY RUPTURES AND EVISCERATIONS:

AVULSIONS, MUTILATION AND DISMEMBERMENT: Patulous anal orifice with superficial lacerations at muco-cutaneous junction. (See photos) Fecal material around anal orifice and adjacent skin.

SPECIAL NOTES:

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2. RESPIRATORY TRACT:

AIRWAY OBSTRUCTION: MECHANICAL 0 TRAUMATIC 0 FOOD BOLUS 0

TRACHEOBRONCHIAL TREE: Patent - mucosa congested.

PULMONARY ARTERY & BRANCHES:

LUNGS: WT. RT. 350 GM., WT. LT. 325 GM. PLEURA: Smooth. Many petichial hemorrhages.

SPECIAL NOTES: Section of lungs reveal dark red surfaces due to congestion. Blood and edema fluid ooze from the cut surfaces. Epiglottis unremarkable, rima glottis patent.

HEMOTHORAX ----- HYDROTHORAX ----- PNEUMOTHORAX -----

3. HEART:

* WT 225 GM. PERICARDIUM: Intact. FLUID: Minimal.

CHAMBERS: Dilated - dark red liquid blood & clots. ENDOCARDIUM: Smooth.

VALVES: All normal in size and shape.

THICKNESS OF RT. VENTRICULAR WALL 3 MM., LT. VENTRICULAR WALL 12 MM.

MYOCARDIUM ON SERIAL SECTION: Firm, dark reddish-brown throughout.

CORONARY ARTERIES: Patent, thin-walled and otherwise unremarkable throughout.

SPECIAL NOTES: Many epicardial petichial hemorrhages. No congenital defects.

4. BLOOD VESSELS & LYMPHATICS:

LARGE ARTERIES: Unremarkable.

GREAT VEINS: Unremarkable.

SPECIAL NOTES: None.

* FREE OF CLOTS

5. ACCESSORY DIGESTIVE GLANDS:

SALIVARY GLANDS (NAME AND/OR ANATOMICAL LOCATION AS INDICATED)

SPECIAL NOTES: Not examined.

LIVER: WT. 1200 GM., CAPSULE: Smooth, trans-lucent & thin. COSTAL BORDER: Sharp & thin

CONSISTENCY: Moderately firm. CUT SURFACE: Dark reddish-brown throughout. Hepatic vessels engorged.

SPECIAL NOTES: None.

GALLBLADDER: Contains bile, otherwise unremarkable. STONES: None.

EXTRAHEPATIC BILE DUCTS: Patent.

PANCREAS: Post-mortem autolysis, otherwise unremarkable.

6. ALIMENTARY TRACT:

ESOPHAGUS: Patent - smooth mucosa. STOMACH: Wall intact, non-distended by contents.

STOMACH CONTENTS: Approx. 5-10 cc light brown fluid present.

SMALL INTESTINE: Not remarkable, fecal gas present.

LARGE INTESTINE: Not remarkable. Rectum filled with soft, brownish fecal material, mostly empty in ano-rectal area, feces around anal orifice.

APPENDIX: Normal. MESENTERY: Intact. PERITONEUM: Smooth.

SPECIAL NOTES: Anal orifice widely distended over and above the expected usual, mucocutaneous tears obvious upon inspection. (See photo)

7. GENITO-URINARY TRACT & FETAL STRUCTURES:

KIDNEYS: WT. RT. 110 GM., LT., 110 GM SUBCAPSULAR SURFACE: Smooth, dark red-gray.

CUT SURFACE: Dark red-purple color & even with capsular edge. RENAL MARKINGS: Well-defined.

CONDITION OF PELVES & CALYCES: Not remarkable.

URETERS: Patent. URINARY BLADDER: Contains urine (100 cc) Mucosa unremarkable.

PROSTATE, SEMINAL VESICLES & TESTES: Not remarkable.

UTERUS, TUBES & OVARIES:

FETUS - LENGTH _____ CM., WT. _____ GM., GESTATION AGE _____ WK/MO.

SPECIAL NOTES:

9. ENDOCRINES:

PITUITARY: Not remarkable. PINEAL: Not remarkable. ADRENALS: Not remarkable.

THYROID: Not remarkable. PARATHYROIDS: Not remarkable. OTHER:

THYMUS: (A DUCTLESS GLAND-LIKE BODY SHOULD BE DESCRIBED HERE IF INDICATED).

WT. 50 gms. Capsular petichial hemorrhages, otherwise not remarkable.

SPECIAL NOTES:

10. NERVOUS SYSTEM AND SPECIAL SENSE ORGANS:

BRAIN: WT. 1425 GM., MENINGES: Intact.

DURAL SINUSES AND CEREBRAL BLOOD VESSELS: Engorged. SPINAL FLUID:

CEREBRAL HEMISPHERES: Symmetrical.

CONVOLUTIONS AND SULCI: Not remarkable.

SERIAL SECTION OF BRAIN AND BRAIN STEM: Section shows marked capillary congestion of the white matter and edema.

SPECIAL NOTES: (INJURIES, ANOMALIES, ETC.) The undersurface of scalp shows hemorrhage in region of the lacerations. These are 2 perforations of the epicranium in the same area. The outer table of left calvarium, parietal bone, reveals 2 small linear nicks.

The left mastoid air cells shows congestion and dark bluish discoloration of the petrous bone. This is not seen in the right petrous bone and mastoid air cells. No fracture of skull noted.

SUMMARY OF GROSS PATHOLOGICAL FINDINGS

Asphyxia due to smothering.
 Patulous anal orifice with linear tears of muco-cutaneous junction.
 Petichial hemorrhages of subconjunctivae, thymus, heart & lungs.
 Acute pulmonary congestion & edema.
 Acute cerebral edema & congestion.
 Acute generalized visceral congestion.

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OPINION:

ANCILLARY

PHOTOS x
 X-RAYS x
 BLOOD x
 URINE x
 SPINAL FLUID
 STOMACH CONTENTS
 OTHER -Bile
 Smears of oral & buccal cavities.
 Anal smears.
 Nasal smears.

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