

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

DATE September 14, 1961

Full Name Armstrong, Gerald T.
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

Address _____

City _____ State _____

Age 23 (This is important and should be exact)

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

Religion _____ Nationality _____

Occupation Building Industry (most of the time Carpenter)

Education _____

Weight 135 Color _____ Height 5'9" Approx

Color of hair Light Brown Color of eyes Blue

Outstanding characteristics or interests _____

Married or single married Children none
(Number, ages, and names, if possible)

Wife's name ?

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

<u>Unit #</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Date Reg'd.</u>	<u>Date resigned</u>
Troop 23	Juneau,	Alaska	Scoutmaster	Nov. 1960	

Special recognition _____

Recommended for Confidential File for following reasons:

See previous letter

Signed Erich W Naethe
Scout Executive

Date October 5, 1961

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FILE RECHECKED AND CLEARED

DATE 2-24-65

NAME Boyd

January 9, 1963

Mr. Erich W. Naethe
Scout Executive
Southeast Alaska Area Council, No. 608

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
Re: Gerald T. Armstrong

Dear Mr. Naethe:

Thank you very much for the additional information you have provided concerning Gerald T. Armstrong. This is conclusive evidence and we have placed this in our file for future reference.

Sincerely yours,
PERSONNEL DIVISION

Howard Boyd
Director of Registration

HB:mlh

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BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

SOUTHEAST ALASKA AREA COUNCIL, INC. NO. 608

Jan. 2, 1963

Delmer Wilson
Director
Personnel Division
Boy Scouts of America
New Brunswick
New Jersey

Dear Mr. Wilson

After my last letter in regard to Mr. Armstrong, I spent some time with the local Chief of Police and he gave me the inclosed copies of letters.

The Chief was very helpful and understands our problem. I hope this will take care of the matter.

Sincerely

Erich Naethe
Erich Naethe
Scout Executive

BOX 2508

JUNEAU, ALASKA



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December 1, 1960

Chief of Police
Juneau Police Department
Juneau, Alaska

Attention: D. T. Dull

Dear Sir:

Gerald Thomas Armstrong was charged in this city of the crimes, Attempted Sodomy and Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor, 5-12-60.

Prior to subject's arrest, we had received rumors and mild complaints from parents and other parties, of his keen interest in very young boys. Armstrong had started several types of activities and clubs and the members were generally in the 11 to 15 years group.

At date of trial, the District Attorney informed us that two of the witnesses had moved to the states and it would prove too costly to return them to Ketchikan. The District Attorney asked for dismissal on both charges, due to lack of evidence.

After Armstrong's release from jail here, he immediately married a local girl and tried to resume his youth activities, but indignant parents prevented their children from associating with him.

We have been unable to locate past criminal history on this subject.

Very truly yours,

T. H. Miller, Chief

By: *C. R. Bellon*
C. R. Bellon, Captain

CRB/ld

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(ADDITIONAL DETAILS OF OFFENSE, PRISONER'S P. INCL. T. INCL. T. INCL. T.)

JANUARY 24, 1961:

MRS. [REDACTED] WFA, reported to OFFICER DON MULKEY that she wanted to talk to the Investigation Division concerning GERALD THOMAS ARMSTRONG. She told MULKEY that ARMSTRONG was picking-up her 15 year old boy [REDACTED] and taking him to school. She wanted to check the man for character. MRS. [REDACTED] made her inquiry at 1630 hours. I tried to contact her in the evening, but she had left her residence at #210 FRANKLIN HOTEL.

JANUARY 25, 1961:

I arranged with the CAPITOL SCHOOL (Eighth Grade) to have [REDACTED] come to the Station after school to talk to SGT. CECIL RASLER and me. We questioned [REDACTED] about the actions of ARMSTRONG with negative results. MIKE'S comments about ARMSTRONG indicated that his behavior toward him ([REDACTED]) has not been radically different from that to other boys. ARMSTRONG works on a construction crew which is building houses somewhere, according to MIKE. ARMSTRONG gives MIKE rides when he should happen to see him walking to school. It is not a pre-arranged thing.

JANUARY 26, 1961:

FLO SMITH called me at the station to inquire about GERALD T. ARMSTRONG. She had heard about him in Ketchikan. I told her I had heard similar rumors but that there is not any record of conviction or proof of substantiation existent for reference. She said that [REDACTED] had offers from ARMSTRONG to stay the night with him on at least one occasion, and has had offers to come over to ARMSTRONG'S for dinner. I requested that if she learns of any definite violation of law by the subject, that she contact this Department immediately. She was most willing to cooperate to this end. *A.T. 1-26-61*

JANUARY 30, 1961: A letter to the Ketchikan Police Department was drafted concerning a possible connection between GERALD T. ARMSTRONG and the sex-associated burglaries in the FOSBEE APARTMENTS. (See correspondence.) *Negative - not burglars*

NOTE: On December 2, 1960 CHIEF J. L. SEVERSON took up the findings of this investigation then existent with FATHER MELBOURNE at the Catholic School where GERALD ARMSTRONG had spearheaded a youth activity program. Since that program's inception, ARMSTRONG has been under observation. JACK MOULIN, street foreman for LORD BROS. CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, gave me the initial tip that ARMSTRONG had been "kicked out of Ketchikan" for deviant sexual behavior. MOULIN lived in Ketchikan prior to moving to Juneau last year.

FEBRUARY 28, 1961: To date I have observed ARMSTRONG in the company of several small boys during the early evening hours. ARMSTRONG incessantly drives around the Channel Area in a pick-up truck of his own or a firm vehicle, also a pick-up truck. Sometimes he has his wife with him and a few small boys. More often, however, I have observed ARMSTRONG alone with a small boy or a couple of them. These boys are known to me by sight as members of the Youth Program under ARMSTRONG'S supervision.

This officer is declared

Unfounded ()

Closed by Arrest ()

Known suspect ()

Subject in custody ()

Inactive ()

Closed ()

Active ()

Signed *Donald T. Hull* Date *2-28-61*

Signed *Severson* Date *3/1/61*

Commanding Officer

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December 28, 1962

Mr. Ray J. Ewan
Scout Executive
Santa Clara County Council, No. 55

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
Re: Gerald T. Armstrong

Dear Mr. Ewan:

We have just received additional information from the Scout Executive of Southeast Alaska Area Council concerning Gerald T. Armstrong about whom you and I had correspondence in May of this year. This last information is, "Now I understand that he is working with scouting in Malpitas, Calif. The police there have written the police in Ketchikan about this matter". We have no record of there being such a community as Malpitas, Calif. in our index, but based on the assumption, because of our previous correspondence, that Malpitas might be in your council, I am writing you this additional information. If there is anything to this, we would appreciate a response from you.

Sincerely yours,
PERSONNEL DIVISION

Howard Boyd
Director of Registration

HB:mjh

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December 28, 1962

Mr. Erich W. Naethe
Scout Executive
Southeast Alaska Area Council, No. 608

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
Re: Gerald T. Armstrong

Dear Mr. Naethe:

Thank you very much for your recent letter concerning Gerald T. Armstrong giving us additional information about him. We appreciate being kept up to date and will add this information to his file.

Thank you also for the info on his present Scouting connections and we will contact the Scout Executive and advise him of your information.

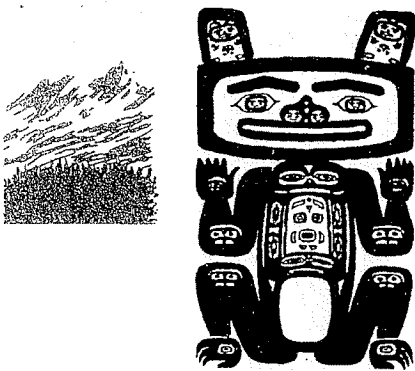
Sincerely yours,
PERSONNEL DIVISION

Howard Boyd
Director of Registration

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BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

SOUTHEAST ALASKA AREA COUNCIL, INC. NO. 808

Dec. 24, 1962

Delmer Wilson
Personnel Division
Boy Scouts of America

Dear Mr. Wilson:

This matter was given to me by our District Ex. in Ketchikan.

Prior to my coming to this Council this man "Gerald Thomas Armstrong" tried to organize a ~~club~~ catholic there in Ketchikan. About that time he was arrested on a sodomy charge. The case was dropped because the witness would not testify. Shortly after that he married a young teenage girl and moved to here, Juneau. Here also he tried to work with the Catholic troop but some one put a stop to that. About the time I got here he had moved out of town.

Now I understand that he is working with scouting in Malpitas, Calif. The police there have written the police in Ketchikan about this matter. X I would write to the S.E. but I don't know which Council .

Gerald Thomas Armstrong
5'10" 150 lb
Born June 12, 1937

As I get more information on this man I'll write further.

Sincerely

Erich W. Naethe
Erich W. Naethe
Scout Executive

P.O. BOX 2508

JUNEAU, ALASKA



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May 7, 1962

Mr. Ray J. Egan, Scout Executive
Santa Clara County Council, No. 55
2095 Park Avenue
San Jose 26, California

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
Re: Gerald T. Armstrong

Dear Mr. Egan:

Together with your Transmittal #12, there was included an application for registration of Gerald T. Armstrong, Box 472, Cupertino, California, as Scoutmaster in Troop 405, San Jose. A note was attached from Sylvia Franco indicating that Mr. Pursell of District #1 had requested that this man's name be checked against our files, and that you would hold the original application until you heard from us.

This man indicates that he was registered as Scoutmaster in the South Eastern Alaska Council in 1961, for one year. This is substantially correct. He was registered as Scoutmaster in Troop 23, Juneau, Alaska in November, 1960.

Information in our files indicates that this man may not be registered under any circumstances, at any time, with the Boy Scouts of America. It is my recommendation that you return to Mr. Armstrong his Scouter application and any fees he may have paid and indicate to him that we will not accept his registration.

May I commend you on the manner in which you have handled this situation.

Sincerely yours,
PERSONNEL DIVISION

Howard P. Boyd
Director of Registration

HPB:ml

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APPLICATION FOR ADULT REGISTRATION

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

NATIONAL COUNCIL

Copy of original

THIS APPLICATION MUST BE FILLED OUT PERSONALLY BY EACH ADULT WHO IS NOT LISTED ON THE UNIT CHARTER APPLICATION OR COUNCIL ROSTER AND WHO:

- STATUS
1. Registers for the first time, regardless of position. (New) ☐
2. Has been separated and is reregistering. (Sep.-Re.) ☒
3. Is now registered in this council, separating from current position and transferring to new position. (Transfer)* ☐
4. Is now registered in another council. (Transfer) ☐

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

REGION NO. <u>12</u>	COUNCIL NO. <u>55</u>	DISTRICT NO. <u>4</u>	Troop (Type of unit) NATIONAL NO. <u>405</u>
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Note to Den Mother: Where both husband and wife are registered, both receive SCOUTING magazine. If you would rather have leave your name off the mailing list, please check box at right. The registration fee is the same in either case. ☐

I hereby make application for registration with the Boy Scouts of America and subscribe to its Scout Oath and Scout Law and its declaration of religious principle as stated on reverse side of sheet. I agree, if a registration certificate is granted, to be guided by the Constitution and Bylaws of both the National Council and local councils and such rules and regulations as may be promulgated by them.

I transmit herewith \$1.00 membership fee for one year (or a pro rata fee), half of which is to cover subscription to SCOUTING magazine for the period of my membership.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

DATE

Name GERALD T. ARMSTRONG

(Please print or type full name)

Mailing address Box 472

Business phone

Home phone AL27457

City CUPERTINO

Zone

State CALIFORNIA

To serve as SCOUT MASTER

Of TROOP

(Type of unit)

Local No. 405

OR Council name SANTA CLARA COUNCIL

City SAN JOSE

State CALIFORNIA

From 3-24-62

(Date of registration)

To

3-24-63

(Expiration date of unit or council)

Occupation CARPENTER

Are you married? Yes ☒ No ☐

Age 24

U. S. citizen: Yes ☒ No ☐

OR Declaration of intention Yes ☐ No ☐

Have you an unexpired registration card? Yes ☒ No ☐

If so, where paid SOUTH EASTERN ALASKA COUNCIL

(Name of council)

(Unit number)

Have you been registered in Scouting in any adult capacity? Yes ☒ No ☐

What position? SCOUT MASTER

When and how long? 1961 for 1 year

Where? ALASKA

What is your religious preference? (See other side, Article IV) CATHOLIC

APPROVED BY

(See "Approval" on other side)

TITLE

LOCAL COUNCIL APPROVAL

We hereby approve this person and recommend certificate be issued.

Date

Signed

Scout Executive

*NOTE: Please submit Separation Notice (No. 6108) for position individual is leaving.

Check Adult Registration Fee Paid

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 mo. 10c | <input type="checkbox"/> 5 mo. 50c | <input type="checkbox"/> 9 mo. 80c |
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September 14, 1961

Mr. Frank W. Heath, Scout Executive
Southeast Alaska Area Council, No. 603
Box 2500-20, Municipal Building
Juneau, Alaska

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
Re: William H. Mitchell, and
Gerald T. Armstrong

Dear Sir:

Thank you for the information concerning William Mitchell and Gerald Armstrong. I am enclosing two confidential record sheets which we have filled out as much as possible with the information you have provided. Will you complete them if you can and return them to us? You have given us enough information on Mr. Mitchell and in fact we appreciate your complete statement concerning Mr. Armstrong. It is enough for our file and the police conviction is not necessary.

You mentioned statements from boys and we do like to have these statements in our file so we can be backed up with facts when we refuse registration. Would it be possible for you to send us these statements. Many times local police departments do cooperate by providing us with photostatic copies for our files. You can assure anyone who makes any statement or releases one to you, that it will be kept under lock and key and will be shared with no one. Be sure you enclose them in a confidential envelope when you send them.

Sincerely yours,
PERSONNEL DIVISION

Basil F. Starkey
Director of Registration

BFS:km
Encl.

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If there is anything you need to know besides this, please advise and I will do my utmost to find what you need.

Sincerely yours,

Erich Naethe
Erich Naethe
Scout Executive

On the second man, Gerald T. Armstrong: homosexual suspect.

Age: 23
Height: 5' 9" (Approximately)
Weight: 135 "
Color of Hair: Light brown
Color of Eyes: Blue

In Ketchikan, Alaska, during the summer months of 1960, this suspect was involved in alleged homosexual activities with several young boys ages 8 - 14. One of these boys was residing with Armstrong.

This suspect was arrested in Ketchikan, Alaska by the city police and was charged with sodomy (to include oral copulation). Subject had been under suspicion by various groups as well as police officials.

A statement made by the boy residing with Armstrong brought about an investigation where several statements of accusations were obtained in writing. There were several youngsters who made statements, but all the families involved, with the exception of two, refused to prosecute.

The suspect Armstrong was brought to trial and pled not guilty and was arraigned. The case was later dismissed due to lack of prosecution.

Shortly after the dismissal of this case, he moved to Juneau, at which time he immediately made himself available for Scout master of a local troop, and was registered in that capacity until we were notified of the previous events by the local authorities. The sponsoring institution requested that he resign at which time he did. Ever since that time he has been under surveillance by the local police department who could not obtain any convicting information.

He has always approached the youth organizations to do a job in the organization for boys in each community that he has resided in. Within the last two weeks he has moved from this community, whereabouts unknown. It is thought that he has gone to the State of New York.

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