



SKUNK TRAPPING TO TOBACCO PLANTING—If you think test pilots were born into the profession, you're wrong. Take the case of the Douglas El Segundo jet jockeys, shown above. Their early backgrounds were anything but airborne, as the accompanying story points out. From left, front row, The El Segundo test crew includes: Drury Wood, H. C. Van Valkenburg, L. A. Browne, manager of flight operations, Bob LeSuer and Chuck Kesler. Standing: Hadley Dixon, Ernie Southerland, C. G. "Doc" Livingston, Jim Stegman, Raleigh Guynes, George Bright, Pete Colapietro and Dick Watts.

Douglas Test Pilots Tell Of Unusual Backgrounds

Ever wondered how test pilots get to be test pilots? Some flying enthusiasts are convinced that they were born into the profession, used cradles for cradles, and teething on rivets and wing sections.

This may be so. But if Douglas Aircraft's El Segundo test pilots who fly F4D Skyray interceptors built at the Torrance facility are any indication of a typical trend in fliers, it's anything but true. Most of the El Segundo flight crew came into the flying profession after doing vastly different tasks, and their first jobs were anything but airborne. **WHAT THEY DID** L. W. "Brownie" Browne, flight operation manager, was a rural mail carrier in nearby Orange California. C. G. "Doc" Livingston figures that his first job was pretty far removed from jockeying the F4D around the local skies. He earned his first money working on a sugar plantation of Lihue, Kauai, Territory of Hawaii. Ernie Southerland smiles a bit when he thinks back to his first job in his younger days in Roanoke, Virginia. He trapped skunks. Chuck Kesler bottled soft drinks in Portales, New Mexico, as his first money-making job. Selling newspapers in Grants Pass, Oregon, earned Quinton Burden his first money. Jet jockeys H. C. Van Valkenburg, Drury Wood, George Bright, Hadley Dixon, and Raleigh Guynes pedaled their bikes on paper routes as their first jobs in Santa Cruz, California; Atlanta, Georgia; Vineland New Jersey; Oakland, California, and Baton Rouge, La. respectively. Dick Watts was a football and baseball coach in a boys camp in Raymond, Maine. And Pete Colapietro worked

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Indians Attack Elementary Auditorium

Cubs of Pack 732C wearing full Indian regalia took over the Torrance Elementary auditorium recently for their monthly meeting. The boys are sponsored by the Torrance Elementary PTA. They had done research on the authenticity of their outfits at the Southwest Museum. Den 5 had the flag ceremony. Cubmaster Lee Polick hovered over the campfire, around which Indians welcomed Shelby Venable and David Burns into the group. Wolf awards were given to on a tobacco plantation in Granby, Connecticut. Jim Stegman was a farm helper in Plains, Kansas. Bob LeSuer was one of the El Segundo test crew who was interested in aviation from the beginning. He scrubbed airplanes at the Jamestown, New York, airport. Den 6 closed the meeting.

Violators Face Traffic Court At EC

Dona Spears, a graduate of Gardena high school, will serve as chief justice of the El Camino college student court, following her recent appointment by the college student council. To complete the judicial department, Miss Spears appointed Don Grimshaw, a former resident of Ohio, as sophomore associate justice; Dave Rosenkrantz, graduate of Mira Costa high school, freshman associate justice; Werner Silkey, Inglewood, bailiff; and Ethel Henderson, graduate of Gardena high school, court clerk. The student court was established to enforce traffic rules at the college. Since many of the students drive automobiles, it is necessary to regulate the parking and traffic on the campus for the benefit of all. Miss Spears indicated. Students receiving traffic citations must appear before Chief Justice Spears and the student court on the date noted on the student citation. Approximately thirty to forty student traffic violators appear before each court session. The newly appointed members of the court have had previous experience in student government and frequently attend court meetings in the surrounding communities to gain more experience and knowledge of their job. Donald Clark, George Murphy, Billy Sullivan, and Kenny Peterson. Rodney White earned his bear badge, while Ronnie Baima, Mickey Stittsworth, Joel Devinish, and Lynn Pitts received their Boy Scout handbook after earning the lion badge. Denner stripes were given to Donald Clark, Edward Foster, and Kenny Peterson. Assistant denner's are John Coons, Jack Murphy, and Bradley Thompson. Receiving Year pins were Tommy Kidner, Billy Waterman, Bill Polick, Danny Cunningham, Joe Scirica, Mickey Stittsworth, Gene McKinley, and Bradley Thompson. Adults who have been with the group for a year are Mrs. Violet Irvine, Mrs. Ruth Thompson, Bill Waterman, Pete White, and Polick. Birthdays were celebrated by Craig Crossman, Michael Scirica, Lynn Pitts, Danny Cunningham, Jack Murphy and Tommy Cooper. Den 6 closed the meeting.

Dear Editor...

Murder Stirs Community

(Editors Note: We are reproducing the following story because we think it is of timely interest in the light of recent and coming discussions on juvenile delinquency, though, as a rule, the Torrance Press limits itself to strictly local news. We feel that the greater concern of parents about the welfare of their children, precipitated by the shocking triple murder, offers food for thought. Editor

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An aroused Chicago is warring its kids with unprecedented care as efforts of all law enforcement agencies are concentrated on discovering why, when and where three young boys were murdered wantonly recently. Three happy youngsters, sons of respected middle class families, left their homes at about 2:30 Sunday, Oct. 16. They said they were going to a Chicago Loop movie, but apparently did not. On the bus they were heard talking about "finding a bowling alley." When last seen alive, at 8:52 p.m. that Sunday, they left another bus and headed toward a bowling alley. They never arrived. They never got back home. Anxious parents sounded the alarm that their kids were missing. Nude bodies of the three youngsters were found Tuesday in Robinson Woods, a forest preserve on Chicago's Northwest Side. There were no signs of a struggle at the place where the bodies were found. There was no trace of their clothing. Their mouths had been taped. One had been stabbed. All had been beaten to death. Autopsies revealed no evidence of sexual abuse. Now, as one of the most intensive murder investigations in Chicago's history goes on, the impact on this great, teeming metropolis of 5,000,000 is terrific. A massed squad of 250 policemen is making a house-to-house canvass in the areas of the crime. They are seeking the boys' clothing, which may have been left in back yards. They are asking questions. And everywhere they are hearing anxious parents of other youngsters exclaim: "Why did this dreadful thing happen. How do we know it won't happen to our children." And that is what all Chicago is thinking. It COULD happen to everybody's kids. And so Chicago is doing something about it. Children are being kept at home. More ice cream is being bought, to provide under the safe home roof the delight that used to be bought down on the corner. More freedom is being allowed with the television. Kid programs no longer are on the restricted list. The kids from next door are welcome to come in—as long as the other parents know about it. Most significant of all, many parents are keeping their youngsters away from bowling alleys, unless supervised by adults of their acquaintance. The bowling alley apparently was the lure that attracted to their deaths the three boys, Robert Peterson, 14, and the two Schuessler brothers, John, 13, and Anton, Jr., 11. After dark movies are out. The movie houses report a marked decrease in attendance by juveniles, unless accompanied by parents or other adults. Father is now going down the street to buy his own razor blades. Mother is playing less evening bridge. The family guard has been organized and set. If Chicago can keep it from happening again, Chicago will. The reaction also has been drastic in law enforcement circles. Sheriff Joseph Lohman of Cook county has called for a county-wide conference to consider the advisability of putting all police agencies under one authority. Cook is a county with many police forces—Chicago municipal, Chicago Parks, County, and the half a hundred individual suburbs. Efforts of all these forces are being concentrated in this one great murder hunt, and it is Lohman's idea it might be made a permanent organization. In the present case, a special bureau has been set up to work on it exclusively. Many law enforcement experts come out openly since the tragic forest preserves find of last Tuesday that the best way to combat such crimes is a return to the old system of the police patrolmen on the block. No reduction in the modern and scientific methods of squad cars, motorcycle policemen, radio, etc., is advocated by anybody. But it is being pointed out, a cop on the beat is the best protection. One beat-pounding cop near the scene where something happened to young Peterson and the Schuessler boys might have prevented it. (by) MARVIN McCARTY (Copyright, 1955, by Accredited Home Newspapers of America National News Service.

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