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Teen charged with attack on WA officer

December 26, 2009 - 11:34AM

<http://news.brisbanetimes.com.au/breaking-news-national/teen-charged-with-attack-on-wa-officer-20091226-1f70.html>

A teenager has been charged over a brutal assault that has left a police officer requiring plastic surgery.

The 19-year-old man was charged with hitting Constable David Rudd, 32, in the face with a brick at Wyndham in the far north Kimberley region in West Australia.

He will face court in Kununurra on Saturday. Constable Rudd was one of two police officers injured in the attack when they intervened in a brawl between two Aboriginal families and involving up to 80 people in the early hours of Christmas Day.

Police are alleging that the teenager was arrested but later escaped before being recaptured. He has been charged with grievous bodily harm while another four men have been charged with affray for their part in the brawl, WA Police Sergeant Greg Lambert said.

"Inquiries are continuing, there were lots involved, up to 80 in the street so people have to be tracked down and it takes time," he told AAP. Police were called out to the fight that developed between rival families in the town just before 2am (WST).

The fight is believed to be related to a feud between the families dating back about 30 years. The fight was alcohol-fuelled and started after the families crossed paths in a Wyndham street and one group verbally abused another, according to police.

When the police officers arrested one person, about 20 people turned on them and attacked them and a police car, smashing its windows. The officers released the man for their own protection before retreating.

Constable Rudd suffered serious facial injuries including a broken nose and has been flown more than 3000km to Perth for plastic surgery to his face. He is married with two children. Police say they expect to arrest more people over the

Friday Dec. 25th | **LA police chief protests felons buying body armor** | The Associated Press
<http://www.scpr.org/news/2009/12/24/la-police-chief-protests-felons-buying-body-armor/>

Los Angeles police Chief Charlie Beck has sent an open letter to California's attorney general urging him to appeal a recent court ruling that overturned a ban on felons wearing or owning body armor.

In his letter, released Thursday, Beck told Attorney General Jerry Brown he thought the decision gave violent criminals the upper hand. CA/Local News California passed the ban in 1998 following a deadly shootout between police and heavily armored bank robbers in the streets of North Hollywood.

The ensuing gunbattle left the two robbers dead and 10 police officers and five other people injured. The 2nd District Court of Appeals last week overturned the ban, saying it was unconstitutional because the definition of body armor was too vague.

Shirley is seeking new police officer (New York) By Jack Minch,

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SHIRLEY -- The Police Department is accepting applications for a new police officer until Jan. 5, said acting Chief J. Gregory Massak. The department hopes to have a new officer hired by February, he said. The new officer will fill Sgt. Kevin Nickerson's roster spot.

The department plans to promote another officer to corporal to fill a supervisory role created by Nickerson's departure and Massak will change his hours from the evening shift to regular business hours. Nickerson retired Dec. 13 to take a job with Bentley University.

The application period for Nickerson's job opened last week, Massak said. The department has already received about 10 resumes, he said. "We've got good candidates," Massak said. Reserve Officer Brandon Brachanow is filling Nickerson's time slot until a new officer is hired. He started Tuesday.

Brachanow graduated from the Plymouth Regional Police Academy in June 2008, Massak said. "He gets reserve officer (pay) rate," he said. "So that saves us a little money."

Reserve officers make about \$17 an hour but filling Nickerson's slot with an officer working overtime would cost \$37 an hour, Massak said. By moving to the day shift, Massak will fill Nickerson's role as the court officer, handle the chief's responsibilities and perform patrol duties.

Police officer killed outside Moscow



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A police officer was killed and another one was injured while trying to detain burglars in the Moscow Region in the early hours of Saturday, a local police spokesman said.

The incident took place at a filling station in the city of Khimki. The police officers rushed to the site after a burglary was reported, but failed to detain the burglars, who opened fire from machine guns and then fled the scene in a VAZ-2109 car.

"As the result of the firing, one police officer died at the scene, another one was wounded," the spokesman said. He said the burglars' car made its way towards Moscow, adding one of the burglars could also be killed as police officers fired in return. Police is searching for the criminals. MOSCOW, December 26 (RIA Novosti)

Police K9 Killed During Confrontation with Burglar

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(This was a Chicago story)

Officer cleared in fatal shooting

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<http://www.chiclepaper.com/news/shooting-5010-officer-cleared.html>

ANDREW GANT - News Herald Writer (Florida) Bliss Moreau justified in shooting Mark Daniels, state attorney finds.

MARIANNA — A police officer who killed a man who rammed his patrol car was justified, the state attorney told the chief of police Wednesday. A state investigation “would lead any reasonable person to conclude that your officer’s actions were necessitated by the situation with which he was faced,” State Attorney Glenn Hess wrote in a letter to Marianna Police Chief Hayes Baggett.

Mark Anthony Daniels, 31, of Vernon, was shot and killed Sept. 4 after police said he drove away from a traffic stop, rammed his Chevy Suburban into a police cruiser and backed toward police officer Bliss Moreau, who was kneeling on the ground with his Glock pistol drawn.

Investigators found four shell casings and five projectiles at the scene. There were two bullet holes in the Suburban’s left rear tire and three in the back of the SUV.

One bullet’s trajectory was through the back window, through a rear seat, through the driver’s seat, through Daniels and into the steering wheel, according to a state Department of Law Enforcement report.

Witnesses, including officers and bystanders, said Daniels told another officer at the traffic stop that he wasn’t going to jail, then accelerated. The report noted Daniels had cocaine in his system and an extensive criminal history.

Drug Dealers Worsen Mexico Violence

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<http://www.lademajagua.co.cu/ingles/index.php/component/content/article/42-2daportada/649-drug-dealers-worsen-mexico-violence>

Mexico.- Amid Christmas celebrations, Mexico is undergoing an increasing violence atmosphere, unleashed by drug dealers after Gulf cartel leader Arturo Beltran Leyva's death in a clash with the marines. After the death of the so-called bosses' boss, the organized crime killed four relatives of the marine that resulted dead in the operation against Beltran.

On Tuesday, another group killed Sinaloa state Tourism Minister Antonio Ibarra and his escort Encarnacion Garcia. There was a clash in recent hours, between militaries and hired assassins in Michoacan state, with the death of supposed criminals as preliminary results.

Four more people were killed on Wednesday in Sinaloa, usual home to drug cartels in Mexico, and one of those murdered was a police agent, according to El Universal daily. The other corpses, still unidentified, belong to two young men, with traces of tortures and shots in their heads, and a man about 40 years old, whose body was shot seven times.

The spokeswoman's escort also died on Wednesday in the Joint Operation in Sinaloa. The young soldier was shot dead. Sonora state Cajeme municipality's Public Security Secretary Victor

Landeros confirmed that seven low-impact and fragmentation grenades exploded in local public buildings in that territory.

He said the grenade explosions are a response to the policy implemented by President Felipe Calderon in the struggle against the organized crime. At least two of the hired assassins that killed relatives of marine Melquisedet Angulo have been already arrested, Tabasco state Attorney Rafael Gonzalez reported.

According to federal government statements, these violent actions will not remain unpunished or make the authorities to give up their struggle against crime nationwide.

Cleveland police officer shoots man after coming to aid of bounty hunters By **Gabriel Baird, The Plain Dealer**

http://blog.cleveland.com/metro/2009/12/cleveland_police_investigating_9.html

December 23, 2009, 4:26PM

Stan Donaldson Cleveland police are investigating on Signet Avenue. A police officer shot a man after being stabbed and hit with a board.

CLEVELAND, Ohio -- A Cleveland police officer coming to the aid of bounty hunters shot and killed a man Wednesday afternoon during a struggle on the city's East Side. The 29-year-old Cleveland man, who police did not identify, was taken to Huron Hospital and pronounced dead at 5:20 p.m.

The officer who shot him, 24-year-old Aaron Petitt, was treated for what police described as a stab wound and released from MetroHealth Medical Center. Police policy requires that the officer, with the department for two years, be placed on temporary leave while the shooting is investigated.

The shooting happened about 4:15 p.m. in the 12800 block of Signet Avenue. Police got a call about a man being chased by men with guns, said Sgt. Keith Campbell, a police spokesman. At least three officers, including Petitt, arrived and found that the armed men were bounty hunters trying to capture a man wanted on a warrant.

The man had entered a home and barricaded himself in a room. Petitt and a bounty hunter tried to use a board to force open the door. Police said the man forced the board out from between the door and the jam. The board hit Petitt, who also was stabbed in the foot, police said. Two other officers also were injured during the struggle, Campbell said.

The officers were taken to MetroHealth, too. Their names and conditions were not available. But Campbell said their injuries were not life-threatening.

The department's Use of Non-Deadly Force Investigation Team is reviewing the shooting. The team includes the officers in charge of the homicide and internal affairs units along with at least one investigator working for the Cuyahoga County coroner. Their findings will be presented to City Prosecutor Victor Perez. City policy gives Perez 90 days to decide whether the officer's actions were justified.

Special Chicago unit busts fake cops,

Elderly, immigrants often victims of brazen impersonators

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/chi-phony-cops-13-bddec13,0,3059427.story>

Tribune reporter December 13, 2009

The three veteran Chicago police officers in a little-known unit dedicated to cracking down on phony cops have hundreds of stories of people posing as police officers. The tales range from clever and sophisticated to stupidly brazen.

Police Officers Don Edwards and Roman Matthews, and Sgt. John Spellman make up the 18-year-old unit. The three of them are tackling a problem common to the nation's big cities. The Chicago unit is identical to one in the New York Police Department.

In a recent case in Chicago, an impersonator persuaded an 80-year-old woman to withdraw about \$18,000 from her bank account in order to pay her husband's bail. In a panic to have her husband freed, the woman never checked to see if he was indeed in police custody.

"Once these knuckleheads start talking to you, they own you," said Matthews, a four-year veteran of the unit. Just this week, a repo man was charged after pretending to be a police officer and creating a ruse with the owner of the car he was trying to repossess, police said.

And then there is the well-known case of the 14-year-old boy masquerading as a cop and going out on calls with a Chicago police officer.

During the holidays, which the officers say is a lucrative time for con artists, the Police Impersonation Unit is aimed at protecting the elderly. There have been three arrests in the last three weeks of men impersonating police officers.

Fake officers, who combine tough-cop attitude with easily acquired police props, often gain their victims' trust by playing on their respect or fear of police. Senior citizens are popular targets, as are immigrants, drug dealers and others not likely to cooperate with a police investigation, the officers said.

Police say part of fake cops' success comes from looking the part.

"These guys, especially the ones who prey on the elderly, are very nice in their appearance -- wearing shirt and ties -- and that puts people at ease," said Lt. David Naleway of the Internal Affairs' general investigation section.

To further enhance the cop look, impersonators need only a few props: A police belt, a radio, and sweaters with police patches are all available through online stores or elsewhere. Some impersonators have even bought old Crown Victoria police cruisers, Naleway said.

But one key tool of an impersonator is a fake badge, preferably a silver star like the ones Chicago police wear.

In one recent case, a Hyde Park man used a security guard badge to pose as a federal agent outside of the Goodman Theatre. In another, an admitted gang member on parole used a plastic sheriff's badge to pose as a police officer. Both men were charged with impersonation of a peace officer.

Obvious fake badges may tip off some would-be victims, but the unit has seen some eye-popping copies of the new Chicago police badge hitting the streets. Naleway says the key to not being a victim is asking to see not only the badge, but also the city ID card that comes with a hologram.

"Very few people will ever look at (the ID) and then, because they honestly believe that they're the police, they're afraid to ask to see the ID," Naleway said. "A real police officer will never be offended if you ask to see their ID."

While the impersonators' goal is clear -- money -- there is a similar kind of criminal whose motives aren't always clear.

The case of the phony teenage cop gained national headlines and embarrassed police brass when the uniformed teen walked into the Grand Crossing Police District and, for five hours, drove a squad car and answered calls with another officer.

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