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#### Prosecutors to seek stiffer punishment for boy who killed goose

Prosecutors dismissed charges originally filed against a 14-year-old boy for killing a Canadian goose and will instead file a juvenile petition, hoping for a stricter punishment.

The boy, whose name is being withheld by authorities because of his juvenile status, appeared in court in Hoopeston last Thursday.

At that time, four charges agains the boy were dropped, including possession of a freshly killed species during closed season, no hunting license, taking of a protective species and unlawful taking of a migratory waterfowl out of season.

The boy was charged June 15 after police said he chased down, kicked, stomped and killed the goose at McFerren Park.

Under the original charges, the only punishment

available was a fine, said assistant state's attorney Doug Clark, who prosecuted the case last week.

Clark said he asked that the charges be dismissed before the boy could plead to them and plans to file a juvenile petition on the youngster. The petition will claim the boy is a delinquent and should be made a ward of the court, Clark said.

When the petition is granted, "he'll be dealth with in a much more serious way than he would be under the conservation tickets," Clark said, comparing conservation offenses to "somewhere along the lines of getting a serious traffic ticket."

Under a juvenile petition, the boy can be ordered to get psychiatric treatment and may face incarceration in a juvenile facility, Clark said. "It's a much better way of dealing with the situation," he added.

### Part time pastor to be installed at Rossville church

ROSSVILLE—The Rev. Robert A. Mohr will be installed July 13 as part time pastor at the First Presbyterian Church in Rossville.

Several ministers will participate in the ceremony, including the Rev. Richard Mader, retired Methodist pastor from Hoopeston, who will preach the sermon; the Rev. Dr. John Lodge, First Presbyterian Church of Danville, who will give the Charge to the Pastor; and the Rev. Jack Porter of Hoopeston, who will give the Charge to the Congregation.

Laymen will also participate, including Robert Smith, vice moderator of the Prebytery of Southeastern Illinois, who will ask Constitutional questions and conduct the ceremony; Raymond Stump, elder of the Rossville Presbyterian Church and John White, elder of the Hoopeston Presbyterian Church.

The service will include greetings from friends and visiting pastors of local churches and Pastor Mohr will close the service with a benediction.

The new pastor and his wife come to the church from Bushkill, Penn, where he served as visitation pastor to the Reformed Church of Bushkill.

Mohr began his ministry in 1954. He has served at the America's Keswick Colony of Mercy, a drug and alcohol rehabilitation center in Whiting, N.J. and at churches in Coal City, Garden Plain and Spring Valley, Illinois; Williamstown, N.J.; a mission church in Evansville, Ind.; and a six-church parish near Kingdom City, Mo.

Mohr retired from the ministry in 1988, after serving the Pine Grove Presbyterian Church in airville, Penn.

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#### **Installation set**

An installation ceremony for new Wellington postmaster Tom Kasallis will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Wellington post office. Following a short ceremony, refreshments will be served.

The public is invited to attend.

#### Joint Vacation Bible School scheduled

The Untied Methodist Church, Church of God and First Presbyterian Church will host joint Vacation Bible classes at the United Methodist Church from 6:30 to 8:45 p.m. July 28-Aug. 1

To preregister, call one of the churches or (217) 283-5337.

#### **Puppet show set**

The Hoopeston Public Library and Hoopeston businesses are hosting an appearance by the DePriest Puppets at 2 p.m. July 11 at the McFerren Park Civic Center.

The performance is free and open to the public.

#### Dog returned

Rosie, the dachsund owned by Harold and Wilma Cox returned from her travels Friday.

The dog had been missing since June 29

"She's back on her routine pretty much," Mr. Cox

#### **Police News**



Police are investigating a hit-and-run accident which happened at approximately 10 p.m. Monday at 813 E. Seminary.

Police said an unknown vehicle struck a parked 1986 Oldsmobile Cutlass owned by Jodi C. Wells of that address.

The car's driver's side and rear were damaged.

A 16-year-old boy was arrested at 2:29 p.m. Monday

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on two warrants. He was released on \$2,000 recognizance bond.

Police are investigating a second hit-and-run accident reported Monday.

An unidentified vehicle struck a parked 1992 Honda owned by Brian E. Field, 613 W. Penn, while the vehicle was parked in the 200 block of West Penn near Hoopeston Foods.

The vehicle's driver's side and rear were damaged.

Lonette Davis, 907 E. McCracken, reported Tuesday that someone took a 20-inch silver Ride Hard bicycle from her garage. Also missing are five fishing poles, a tackle box and a Coleman electric cooler.

Joanne Elliott, #45 Parkview Court, reported Tuesday that someone took her grandson's 26-inch chrome bicycle.

#### In the Hospital



**Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital** July 7, 1997

Admitted: none.

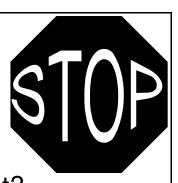
**Discharged:** Shirley Eells, Hoopeston.

#### Weather



Partly cloudy today. High in the low 80s. Tonight, clearing. Low in the mid 60s. Tomorrow, sunny. High near 82, low near 60.

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