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Inspector Jonathon Feltgen, CFE  
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Dear Inspector Feltgen:

While wine may get better with age, criminal cases do not. The investigation into the Florida Industrial School for Boys is no exception.

As demonstrated in the Thomas Curry matter, times were different then. Moreover, it was not the "information age"; records were neither generated nor maintained as they are today. Your efforts to fill in the gaps are commendable. While the mystery of the disposition of Mr. Curry's remains persists, there is nothing beyond suspicion to base a claim of murder. Any number of explanations short of criminal conduct could be speculated. Regardless, further pursuit of this matter would be unnecessarily costly and nonproductive.

The "clubbed to death" incident suffers from similar shortcomings.

It began with a newspaper column published in Connecticut, but it is not substantiated by any other source.

Finally, the claims of sexual abuse have remained dormant until long past the statute of limitations. That alone should raise a red flag. Regardless, they are not now prosecutable.

The three referenced matters appear to be logically concluded. Unless directed otherwise by your superiors, you may close your file.

Best Wishes,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Glenn Hess".

Glenn Hess