Bonnie and Clyde - Death Car

Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker were "wanted" for a string of crimes on the 23rd of May, 1934.

Driving their weapons-loaded, stolen car - on a rural road in Bienville Parish, Louisiana - Clyde slowed-down for a vehicle whose owner was a friend. He had no way to know that six law-enforcement officers - who'd waited for the pair two days and two nights - had appropriated that truck for their own use.

By the time the posse stopped firing at Bonnie and Clyde, their car was riddled with 167 bullet holes. Both Parker and Barrow were dead. Bonnie had been hit by 53 bullets; Clyde had been hit by 51.

This film clip, reportedly shot by posse member Ted Hinton about five minutes after the ambush ended the lives of Bonnie and Clyde, depicts the scene while the bodies are still in the perforated car.

Credits:

Newsreel video clip of the Barrow-Parker ambush scene - May 23, 1934 - online, courtesy U.S. National Archives.

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