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## HELP MDOC FIND PARCHMAN ESCAPEE

JACKSON –The Mississippi Department of Corrections is searching for escaped Inmate Benny Ray Blansett.

Blansett, 59, was discovered missing from Unit 30 at the Mississippi State Penitentiary at 3:17 a.m. today during a count. He was last seen wearing a white shirt, with the words “MDOC Convict” on back, and black and white striped pants.

He is serving life for two uttering forgery convictions, two jail escapes, aggravated assault on a police officer, and burglary. All, except one conviction, occurred in Marion County. He was also convicted of jail escape in Sunflower County.

Blansett, MDOC #07548, is a white male standing 5 feet 11 inches tall and weighing 169 pounds. He has brown hair and brown eyes.