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Boys Ranch Farming to Begin Soon

LIVE OAK—Farming operations will begin at the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch, 11 miles north of here, in the near future.

The ranch trustees recently approved a plan to put 160 acres of the 722-acre site under immediate cultivation. This will include 80 acres of corn, 40 acres of peanuts and 40 acres of peas.

A tobacco allotment of 5.56 acres will be placed in the federal soil bank for one year.

The ranch is being established as a permanent home for worthy and needy boys and the farming operations will supplement the food supply as well as provide valuable vocational training.

Thomas Musgrove, former Suwannee County commissioner who donated 120 acres of the ranch site, has agreed to serve as farm manager.

Land use studies are being made so that eventually the entire site can be used as effectively and efficiently as possible.

Other phases of the ranch project are also moving ahead. The trustees have authorized the employment of an architect upon the recommendation of Alachua County Sheriff Joe M. Crevasse Jr., chairman of the Buildings and Grounds Committee.

Construction of ranch facilities will begin as soon as building plans are completed and sufficient funds are available. September 1, 1958, has been set as the "target date" for admitting the first boys.

Actual development of the site is already underway with the clearing of the land and construction of an access road and boundary fences.

Approval has been given for the drilling of a well as the first step in establishing a water system.

Clubs Enrich Ranch \$2,000

Service Clubs in Hillsborough and Suwannee Counties recently voted contributions totaling \$2,000 for the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch.

Hillsborough County Sheriff Ed Blackburn Jr., executive director of the ranch, reported contributions of \$500 each from the Ybor City Optimist Club, the Downtown Tampa Lions Club and the Ybor City Lions Club.

Suwannee County Sheriff Hugh Lewis said a \$500 contribution was approved by the Live Oak Lions Club.

Kirk Mending

WEST PALM BEACH—Palm Beach County Sheriff John F. Kirk, at press time, was reported recovering satisfactorily from a recent serious attack of bronchial pneumonia. He was recently discharged from the hospital and resumed his official duties.



MIAMI—DOUBLE AWARD WINNER—Dade County Sheriff Thomas J. Kelly (center) receives congratulations from Orange County Sheriff Dave Starr (left) and Hillsborough County Sheriff Ed Blackburn, Jr. Starr, who is president of the National Sheriffs Assn., presented Kelly with the plaque shown here which designated him as the "Outstanding Sheriff of 1957." Blackburn, who is executive director of the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch, is holding a trophy he presented to Kelly on behalf of the ranch trustees for distinguished service to the youth of Florida. (Photo by Ron Wahl)

Sheriffs' Kindness to Boys Gives Financial Boost to Boys' Ranch

Kindness shown to juveniles by Franklin County Sheriff Herbert O. Marshall and Leon County Sheriff W. P. (Bill) Joyce paid off with financial contributions to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch.

An Illinois man, later identified as a top executive in a large breakfast food firm, gave Joyce a check for \$25 to show his appreciation for the kind treatment given to his runaway son while the youth was held in custody in the Leon County Jail.

Marshall received a check for \$50 from a grateful Baton Rouge, La., man whose delinquent son had been held in the Franklin County jail.

Both checks were turned over to the Boys Ranch, a permanent home for worthy and needy boys the Florida Sheriffs Association is establishing on the Suwannee River, near Live Oak.

In a letter accompanying his check, the Baton Rouge man expressed appreciation for

Sheriff Marshall's "kindness and wonderful understanding of our son's problems."

"Few, if any, law enforcement personnel have your grasp and knowledge of child psychology as applied to children of that age," the letter continued, "and we both thank God that it was within your jurisdiction that . . . (our son's) case fell."

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Sheriffs Support Kelly In "Battle for Survival"

MIAMI BEACH—A testimonial dinner in the Delano Hotel here Nov. 25 gave a rousing slap on the back to Dade County Sheriff Thomas J. Kelly, who for months has been "taking it on the chin" in a crucial "battle for survival."

Before some 400 friends and fellow-sheriffs, Kelly received a plaque from the National Sheriffs Association designating him as the "Outstanding Sheriff of 1957"; and a trophy from the Florida Sheriffs Association recognizing his distinguished service to the youth of Florida.

At the same time, spokesmen for both associations praised him for the fight he is waging against a new Dade County governmental system which would strip him of his powers and place county-wide law enforcement in the hands of an appointed official.

Charles J. Hahn of Washington, D. C., executive secretary of the National Sheriffs Association, said the outstanding sheriff plaque was presented to Kelly because of his willingness to "battle this attempt to strip the people of their right of self-government."

He said the move here to take power away from an elective official and give it to an appointed official is undemocratic and is "in accord with the Communists' abhorrence of filling public offices with elected officials."

Orange County Sheriff Dave Starr of Orlando, president of the National Sheriffs Association, presented the plaque to Kelly and urged him to "keep up the good fight."

"You are not a quitter, Tom," he said, "and you never will be."

The plaque was provided as an annual award by the Donald S. Lavigne Uniform Co. of Miami, with Kelly as the first

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Five Sheriffs Appointed to Key Ranch Jobs

Five sheriffs were appointed to key positions in the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch project by Monroe County Sheriff John M. Spottswood, who is chairman of the ranch trustees and president of the Florida Sheriffs Association.

They are: LAKE COUNTY SHERIFF WILLIS McCALL, chairman of the Central Florida Committee. He will coordinate the activities of Central Florida sheriffs in supporting and making plans for the ranch.

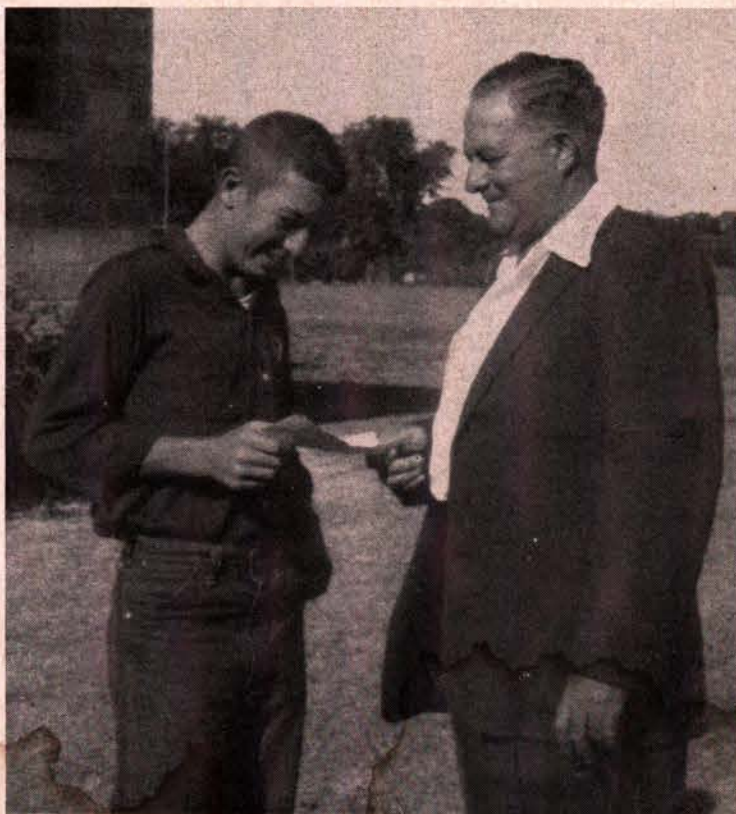
BAY COUNTY SHERIFF M. J. (DOC) DAFFIN, chairman of the West Florida Committee. He will serve a similar function in an area covering 16 West Florida counties.

LEON COUNTY SHERIFF W. P. (BILL) JOYCE, chairman of the Endowment Committee. He will establish an endowment fund for long-range financing of the ranch.

ALACHUA COUNTY SHERIFF JOE M. CREVASSE JR., chairman of the Buildings and Grounds Committee. He will work closely with the ranch trustees in developing plans for landscaping, land utilization and placement of facilities.

ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF DAVE STARR, chairman of the Finance Committee. He will assist the ranch trustees in coordinating fund-raising activities throughout the state.

Spottswood said further appointments will be made in the future as the ranch project progresses. He said in order to achieve full success the project will have to have the active support of every sheriff in Florida.



CEDAR KEY—CONTEST WINNER—Levy County Sheriff J. W. Turner (right) presents \$50 check to Joe Knight of Cedar Key, first prize winner in the "Highway Zoo" traffic safety contest presented in the October issue of the Sheriff's Star. Winners of the November contest are announced elsewhere in this issue.

Contest Winners

Here are the winners of the "Highway Zoo" Contest which appeared in the November issue of the Star:

FIRST PRIZE, \$50—Mrs. A. F. Sommer, Rockledge.

SECOND PRIZE, \$35—Miss V. M. Grinka, Ocala.

THIRD PRIZE, \$15—Lt. Col. Fred Belton, USMC (Ret.), Eustis.

HONORABLE MENTION—(Sorry, no prizes) Mrs. Lewis E. Witt, Ft. Pierce; and Ricky Kunert, Live Oak.

Identical cash prizes are being offered in the December contest on page 3.

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butions to Editor, The Sher-
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see.

Collier Officials Go to Jail But as Guests of Sheriff

NAPLES — Collier County
Commissioners went to jail but
only as the guests of Sheriff
E. A. Doug Hendry.

The sheriff, his deputies and
trusties took the county offi-
cials on a tour of the jail to
point out the details and dif-
ficulties of jail operations in
the county.

One of the prime difficulties
considered was providing ac-
commodations for more than
100 prisoners during the winter
with only 62 beds. The jam-
med conditions are primarily
during the migratory worker
influx.

Antiquated plumbing facili-
ties also were studied.

Commissioners also had a
chance to view the up-to-the-
minute filing system used by
the sheriff in keeping check on
prisoners and other improve-
ments, including the shining
kitchen.

Kindness

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"Sheriff Marshall, I feel sure
that since you've been in office
you have many times dug deep
into your own pockets either to
feed youngsters or give them
transportation home, where
their parents or the county
could not or would not reim-
burse you. Would you then be
kind enough to accept this
little offering of ours to per-
haps pay the bus fare or buy a
meal for some other parents'
children who might come to
your attention as did ours.

"I feel ashamed that at
present it is so small in
comparison with the gratitude
that we both have for you, but
I feel sure that you will have
the opportunity to put it to
good use."

Gets CD Post

PERRY — Taylor County
Commissioners named Deputy
Sheriff Elbert Parker Taylor
County Civil Defense Director.
A commission spokesman said
Parker is well suited for the
position due to his training and
experience. He attended the
University of Florida for two
years, and has been a deputy
for five years.

Patrolman Credited With Breaking 'Lover's Lane' Case

JACKSONVILLE — Duval
County Patrolman J. A. Ward
is being hailed by the sheriff's
office as the man responsible
for breaking the case of a lov-
er's lane thug who has ter-
rorized "lover's lane" habitues
for more than a year.

The man was identified as
Homer Marshall Tompkins, 27.
Officers said a search of
Tompkins' room yielded hun-
dreds of pornographic pictures,
books and other literature and
37 women's undergarments.

It was Ward who spotted the
car that matched the descrip-
tions given by the victims. He
stopped the car on the pre-
tense of a minor traffic viola-
tion but actually for the pur-
pose of getting a better look
at the occupant.

Ward dismissed the suspect
with a warning but kept the
car under surveillance for the
remainder of the day.

The arrest was made by
Ward, Deputy Sheriff J. C.
Patrick, who had been inves-
tigating the case, Chief Crimi-
nal Investigator Patrick J. Pe-
tersen and Deputy Frank Al-
varez. The arrest was made at
a television repair shop where
Tompkins worked part-time.



WEST PALM BEACH—"FINGER" FILE—Here's the new filing system
with which the Palm Beach Sheriff's Department will speedily "put the
finger on" suspected criminals. Demonstrating it are Chief Deputy
Sheriff John F. Kirk Jr. (left) and Ralph E. Clark, identification officer.
(Photo by Bob Rabe)

Crime Detection Work Accelerated By New Palm Beach County System

WEST PALM BEACH — A
new identification filing system
installed by Palm Beach Coun-
ty Sheriff John F. Kirk will
speed crime detection here.

Perfect by Identification Of-
ficer Ralph E. Clark and ap-
proved by Chief Deputy Sheriff
John F. Kirk Jr., the new sys-
tem was patterning after one
used in the sheriff's office in
Milwaukee, Wis.

Basically it consists of a
"single print" fingerprint file;
a M. O. (method of operation)
and "mug" (photo) file; and a
classified crime reports file.

The last-mentioned file is
cross-indexed by type of crime
and numerical order of each re-
port.

The "single print" file con-
tains a separate print of each
finger and thumb of a suspect.
This eliminates the necessity
of knowing which finger a
print is from to identify the
suspect.

Clark explained that more
than one print is seldom found
in one place at the scene of a
crime, and it is possible for a

person to have any of eight
classes of fingerprints. There-
fore a forefinger print may not
match one from the little fin-
ger.

The M. O. file helps officers
to select a suspect by his "trade
marks" — the individualized
features that distinguish his
"work" from that of other crimi-
nals.

Colored tabs and index cards
facilitate the grouping of sus-
pects by type of crime, age,
race and other factors.

Once the "finger" is put on
a suspect, the photo file comes
into play in aiding victims to
identify him.

Clark, who is also developing
a comprehensive file for depu-
ties' case investigation reports,
was formerly in charge of the
identification division of the
Belle Glade Police Department.

He is a graduate of the Insti-
tute of Applied Science, Chica-
go; Alabama School of Finger-
printing, Bessemer, Ala.; and
The National Detective Acad-
emy, Los Angeles; and he has
completed two FBI courses.

Marine-Type Course Used In JD League

GAINESVILLE—A course in
leadership similar to the one
used by the U.S. Marine Corps
has been compiled by Deputy
Sheriff Robert D. Jordan, di-
rector of the Alachua County
Junior Deputy Sheriff League.

It is based upon the leader-
ship training Jordan received
when he was in the Marines
and upon the professional back-
ground he acquired while work-
ing for his Bachelor of Arts in
Education and Master of Edu-
cation degrees at the University
of Florida.

It has been effectively used in
developing Junior Deputy lead-
ers here, and a number of other
sheriffs are planning to adopt
it. Copies can be obtained by
writing to Jordan in care of
the Alachua County Sheriff's
Office, Gainesville.

Sheriff J. M. Crevasse, Jr.,
who sponsors the Alachu Junior
Deputy League, gave the
course his full endorsement.

"It is my belief, and the be-
lief of many who are dealing
with the problems of youth,"
said he, "that development of
character, leadership and re-
sponsibility is one of Amer-
ica's greatest needs."

He said it was with this
thought in mind that the course
was compiled.

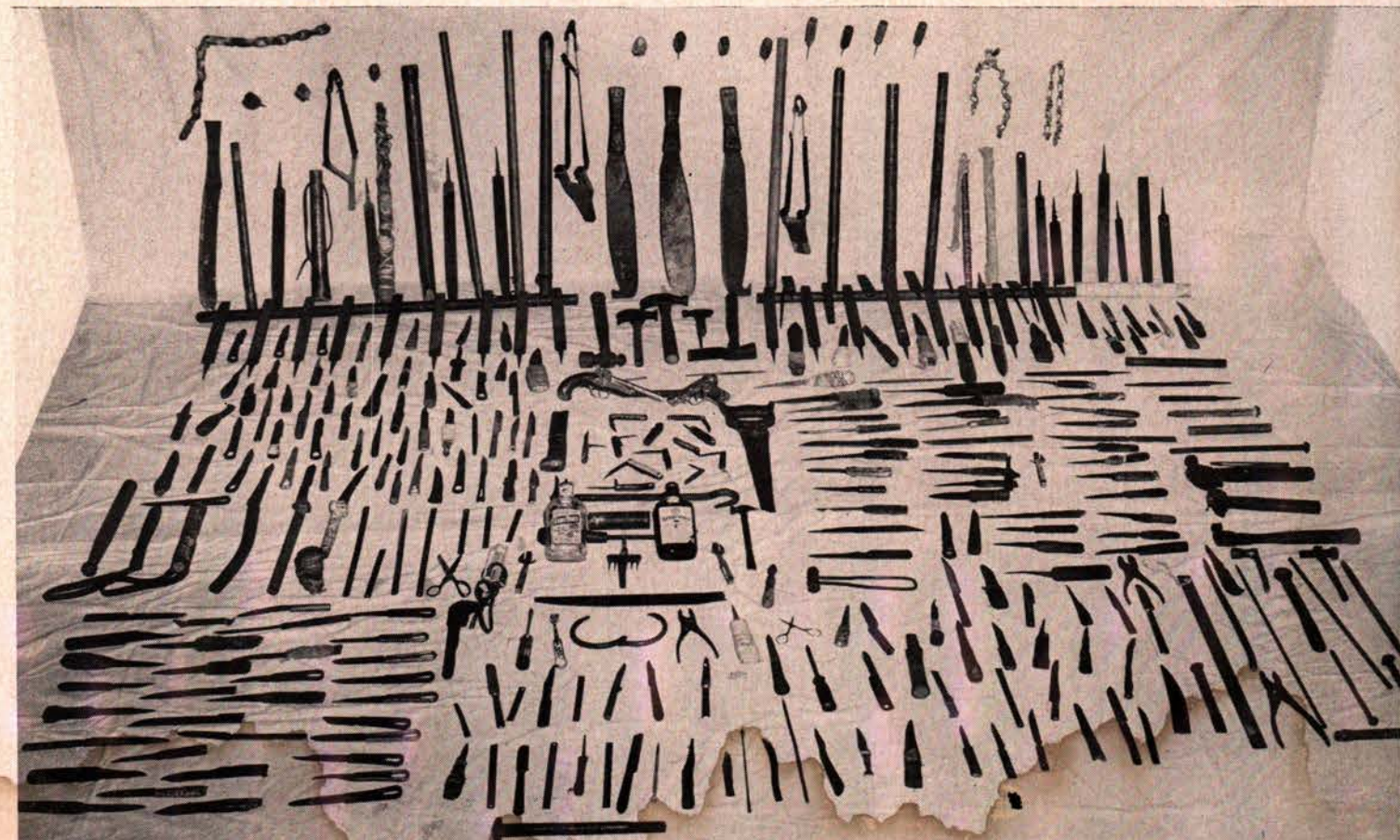
Divided into five lessons, the
course covers the elements of
leadership, responsibilities of
the leader, objectives of leader-
ship, principles of leadership
and leadership traits.

It defines leadership as "The
art of influencing and directing
boys to an assigned goal in such
a way as to obtain their obedi-
ence, confidence, respect and
loyal cooperation."

Junior Deputy Leagues are
sponsored by sheriffs in Florida
and throughout the nation as a
means of teaching youngsters
respect for the law and law
enforcement.

In Alachua County consider-
able emphasis is also placed
upon accepting and using re-
sponsibility.

Lethal Arsenal Confiscated in Belle Glade Clean-up Drive



HERE ARE some of the weapons
confiscated at the Belle Glade
Prison Farm when R. O. Culver
took over his duties as director of
the newly-created State Depart-
ment of Corrections this year.
Culver said Belle Glade convicts

were told that since a new regime
was taking over they would be
given an opportunity to surrender
any hidden weapons voluntarily
without having it charged against
them. He said about 200 weapons
were surrendered and a search by

guards produced about 200 more.
There were about 340 convicts
at the prison farm at that time.
The picture shows some of the
weapons surrendered voluntarily.
They include clubs which Culver
said had been carried by inmates

serving as guards; sugar cane
knives, icepicks, slingshots, chains
wrapped with friction tape, toy
pistols, hammers, scissors, pocket
knives, pliers, files and can open-
ers.

\$100

"Highway Zoo" Traffic Safety Contest

SPONSORED BY

The Florida Sheriffs Association

CASH PRIZES

1st Prize....\$50

2nd Prize...\$35

3rd Prize....\$15

Folks who violate the rules of safe and courteous driving bear a marked resemblance to familiar animals in the zoo, according to safety experts. In support of this theory, the Florida Sheriffs Association is presenting a series of "Highway Zoo" safety contests designed to provide fun for all ages and at the same time make the public aware of its bad driving habits.

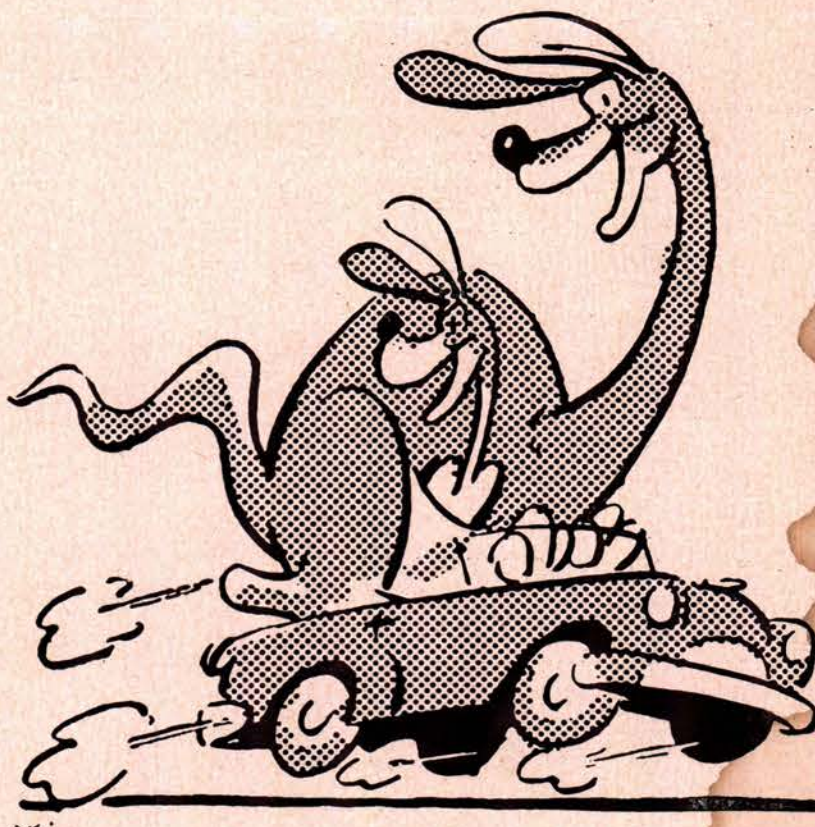
TO ENTER:

Simply add a last line to the jingle under the "Highway Zoo" cartoon and make it rhyme with the third line. (Example: "Endangering His Motorist-Brother!") Then fill in your name and address on the lines provided under the jingle and mail to Contest Editor, Box 344, Tallahassee, Fla. Be sure to read the contest rules thoroughly before you begin.

CONTEST RULES

1. This contest is open to anyone living in Florida, REGARDLESS OF AGE, except Florida Sheriffs and their immediate families, and employees of the Florida Sheriffs Bureau.
2. Each contestant can submit a maximum of five entries.
3. However, each contestant will be eligible for only one of the cash prizes.
4. All entries must be submitted on the official entry form printed on this page, or a reasonable facsimile thereof. They will be judged on the basis of neatness, aptness and originality.
5. Mail entries to Contest Editor, Box 344, Tallahassee, Fla. They must be postmarked not later than Midnight, December 31, 1957; and received by the contest judges no later than January 3, 1958.
6. Decisions of the judges will be final.
7. All entries will become the property of the Florida Sheriffs Association and none will be returned.
8. All winners will be notified by mail.

CUT OUT



THE KANGAROO

The Kangaroo is a jumpy jerk
With a dangerous highway quirk.
He leaps from one spot to another

Submitted by

Name

Age

Address

"The Lawyer's Corner"

Edited by JOHN A. MADIGAN, JR.
Attorney, Florida Sheriffs Association

During 1957, Attorney General Richard W. (Dick) Ervin rendered a number of official opinions of special interest to law enforcement officers. A brief roundup of some of these opinions follows:

LEVY AND EXECUTION

Where an execution is placed in the hands of a sheriff for levy, he may not, pursuant thereto, levy upon the interest of a vendee (buyer) having possession of the property under a retained title or conditional sales contract. (057-49)

DRUNKOMETERS

Section 909.18, Florida Statutes, does not give a defendant in a drunk driving case the right to have a copy of a drunkometer report which is the result of an examination submitted to by him after he was arrested for said offense. (057.78)

CONFIDENTIAL FILES

The Sheriffs' investigative and "M.O." files, such as a record of arrests, the names of persons who have been arrested and copies of informations and indictments which have been filed against individuals, ordinary business records of the office, are public records and are available to the public and press if desired. However records of an investigative nature which contain personal and privileged information and similar data comes under a different heading and are not necessarily public documents even though they may be in the custody of a public agency, and are not, therefore, open to inspection by press and public. (057-157)

BONDING

It is not permissible for a bonding company, after making the bond and finding out that it cannot collect its fee, to bring the defendant back to jail and surrender him in order to cancel his bond, and that if the bond is paid by the bondsman, the defendant after ninety days may not be required to serve the alternative jail sentence required to be served in case of non-payment. (057-184)

LOTTERY

A party who sells a night's lodging at a motor court for a designated night and for a designated sum, giving the purchaser thereof a ticket or chance on winning a motor court at a drawing to be held at a later time when a sufficient number of sales have been made, violates the lottery laws of Florida notwithstanding the fact the money paid by the purchasers for the chances will be returned to them in the event that a sufficient number of sales are not made. (057-211)

MARINE JURISDICTION

The jurisdiction of the Sheriff of Monroe County exists three miles seaward on the Atlantic Ocean side taking in the Florida Reefs and including Tortugas Islands, and three marine leagues seaward on the Gulf of Mexico side; that the Sheriff of Monroe County has the same authority and jurisdiction over boats and vessels in and about the keys and islands within the jurisdiction of Monroe County as he would over motor vehicles on the public highways of the state insofar as violation of any law of the State of Florida is concerned; that he may board a boat or ship within such jurisdiction to apprehend a fugitive or suspect with the same rules applying as to arrest with or without a warrant that apply in such matters on land. (057-221)

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

A sheriff, in his service discretion, can exclude religious groups from conducting services in jail halls and corridors when he feels that such services will endanger the safe detention of his prisoners or will inconvenience his normal prison functions; however, if the sheriff is willing to permit the religious group, but the services are contrary to the desire of the majority of the prisoners, they should be excluded, unless the services can be conducted for the minority in some place which is out of hearing of the opposing majority. (057-250)

NEPOTISM

As to nepotism. The relationship, mentioned in Section 116.10, Florida Statutes, is determined by the civil law; the said section applies to both permanent and temporary or emergency help. (057-260)

CRIMINAL REGISTRATION

A parolee or probationer under federal jurisdiction, reporting to federal probation officer, does not come under exemptions as state parolees in the state criminal registration law. (057-295)

CARRYING WEAPONS

A person who carries a pistol or repeating rifle in his automobile for protection while traveling does not violate the law against carrying weapons without a license. (057-300)

TRAFFIC BONDS

A highway patrol trooper may legally determine, in his own discretion, the amount of bond required of a traffic violator to guarantee his appearance in court on a traffic charge. (057-301)

CRIMINAL FEES

Since Chapter 57-368, Laws of Florida, 1957, abolishes the fee system as the method of compensation for most sheriffs, the criminal arrest fees provided by Section 30.23, G.S., cannot be assessed as costs in a given case in view of Section 5(1) of said Chapter 57-368. (057.335)

INSURANCE; BAIL BONDS

A limited surety agent executing a bail bond for release of a defendant, must be qualified in the county where the bond is issued and delivered to the arresting sheriff. It is immaterial whether such limited surety agent is qualified also in the county within which the warrant issued unless in the power of attorney his authority is restricted to issuance of bail bonds covering defendants in cases in his own county. (057-352)

LOTTERY; "T. V. BUCKS"

A promotional scheme whereby "T. V. Bucks" are issued by merchants and are used to bid on the purchase of merchandise displayed on a television program does not contain the element of chance and does not constitute a violation of the lottery laws. (057-353)

LOTTERY; FIVE LINE LIMERICK

A promotional scheme proposed by a Miami Bank involving the completion of a limerick lacked the element of an award by chance and therefore did not constitute a lottery, assuming that the entries will be judged by disinterested agency and the winners will be selected strictly upon the basis of merit. (057-356)



Starr Addresses Indiana Sheriffs Assn.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind.—Sheriff Dave Starr (third from left above) of Orlando, Fla., President of the National Sheriffs Assn., was a featured speaker at a conference of the Indiana Sheriffs Assn., here Nov. 4. Shown with him are (from left) Sheriff Joe L. Brogdon, a director of the Indiana Assn.; Mayor Robert Fortson of Elwood, Ind.; and Mayor Ralph Ferguson of Anderson, Ind.

In his address Starr stressed the necessity of keeping the sheriff always an elected official—"the first line of defense against crime and the first line

of defense in maintaining local self-government."

Pointing out that law enforcement has become a professionalized field, he declared that sheriffs are as dedicated to their work as other professional men such as doctors, attorneys and engineers.

He described as "Seven Deadly Sins" the following: "politics without principle, wealth without work, pleasure without conscience, knowledge without character, business without morality, science without humanity and citizens without sacrifice."

Sheriffs Support Kelly

(Continued from page 1)

Monroe County Sheriff John M. Spottswood of Key West, president of the Florida Sheriffs Association, told the Dade County audience that the sheriff "can protect your rights as long as he is beholden to you the people—this is very important."

He said it was a pleasure to honor "your duly elected sheriff—let's keep it that way."

The "Distinguished Service to Youth" trophy was presented to Kelly by Hillsborough County Sheriff Ed Blackburn Jr. of Tampa, executive director of the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch.

It was established as an annual award recently by the trustees of the ranch and Kelly was the first recipient.

Describing Kelly as a "distinguished Floridian and a distinguished American," Blackburn cited him for his service to youth in the organization of Junior Deputy Sheriff Leagues; directing the Greater Miami Drum and Bugle Corps; head-

ing the Milk Fund Drive for underprivileged children; and organizing a patriotic campaign to place an American Flag in every school classroom.

Blackburn went on to explain that the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch represents an effort on the part of all the sheriffs of Florida to render service to youth.

He said the ranch is being built on a 722-acre site on the Suwannee River, near Live Oak, as a permanent home for homeless, underprivileged and neglected boys.

Kelly, through fund raising efforts in Dade County, has been one of the leading supporters of the ranch.

In accepting the two awards, Kelly said he did so "with a great sense of humility."

He also pledged to continue his "fight for survival to retain for you the people the right of self-government."

"I could no more betray my trust to you the people who elected me to office," he added, "than I could cut off my right arm."

Artificial Leg Tossed From Car Window

CLEARWATER — When County Patrolman Warren W. Duffy walked into the sheriff's office his fellow officers were amazed. He had three legs—his own and an artificial leg.

The artificial leg was found by County Patrolman Henry M. Anglin. It wasn't without an owner for long, however, as a young man who appeared at the sheriff's office at St. Petersburg reported he tossed it out of a car window after a playful Saturday night ride.

Safe Found

OCALA—A safe believed taken from the post office at Inglis was found in a field near here, the sheriff's office reports. The post office was robbed Oct. 25. The safe has been returned to postal authorities.

Quick Action By Deputies Stops Suicide Plan

PENSACOLA—Quick work by two Escambia county deputies is credited with preventing a woman from taking her life.

Deputies Joe Glassman and Dewey B. Smith in response to a call from California went to the woman's home. They were alerted after the woman called her sister in California to tell her she planned to take her life. The 28-year-old Warrington mother who attempted to take her life is recovering.

"Lost" Under a Bed

DUNEDIN—A search for a boy who was believed lost ended happily, the sheriff's office reported. The youngster was believed to have wandered off from his home was finally located asleep under a bed in his home.

Tampa Initiates Program to Stop Hubcap Thefts

TAMPA — A drive to stop auto hubcap thefts by engraving hubcaps with an identifying code is gaining support throughout the state from sheriffs and police departments.

Tampa car owners have been asked by city officials to join with automobile dealers and service stations in supporting the program.

The process is a simple one. The auto owner will go to one of the participating agencies. The engraving will not mar the cap as the code is not visible from more than two or three feet. A small vibrating electric pencil is used. Here is what is put on the hubcap:

1. The year of the automobile (57—for 1957)

2. The first letter of the make F—for Ford)

3. After a slash (/) the number designating the county in which the owner lives (3—for Hillsborough)

4. On the other side of the valve stem opening, the last three digits of the car's identification or serial number. (689)

Placing the code outside of the hubcap makes it easier for an officer to check it.

The hubcap coding idea was born at a meeting of the Tampa Bay Area Chiefs of Police Association representing Tampa, St. Petersburg, Bradenton, Lakeland, Palmetto, Clearwater, Plant City, Fort Myers and Sarasota. They voted to cooperate in the program.

Reports from cities which have put the plan into operation indicate it will reduce thefts up to 75 to 80 per cent.

California reports indicate excellent success in battling the hubcap crime wave.

Alert Citizens Cause Arrest of Two In Robbery

STARKE—Sheriff Pete Reddish reported two alert citizens were responsible for the arrest of two men charged with robbing a service station attendant of \$76.

The two citizens copied down the license number on the car. The arrested men were identified as Gordon L. Parker, Gainesville, and Wallace B. Gray, Jacksonville.

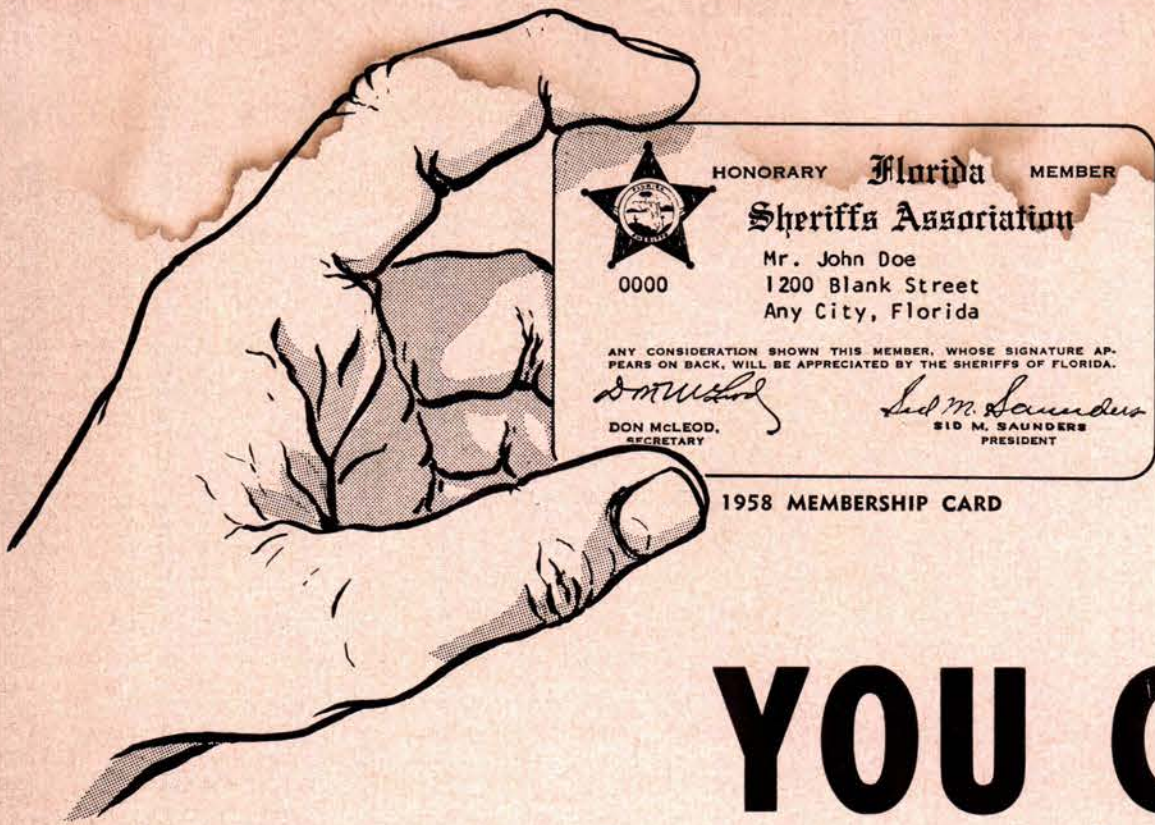
Sheriff Reddish said Gray denied participating in the holdup but had been implicated by Parker who had confessed his part in the robbery.

Auxiliary Helps

SARASOTA — A unique organization in Sarasota County is the Sheriff's Auxiliary. It often is called on to help maintain law and order, and assist in times of emergency and disaster. The auxiliary is sponsored by the American Legion Post in Sarasota. Members wear uniforms similar to those worn by regular sheriff's deputies.

Joins Friend

FERNANDINA — Roland Peter Shively tried to help a friend in jail but instead joined him. Shively attempted to smuggle hack saw blades to a prisoner in county jail. He was arrested by Deputy Sheriff S. J. Howard after two blades were discovered in a quart of milk. Later he received a two-year sentence.



YOU CAN HELP FIGHT DELINQUENCY

By Applying for Honorary Membership
in the Florida Sheriffs Association
(IF YOU ARE ALREADY A MEMBER, SHOW THIS AD TO A FRIEND)

Dues OF HONORARY MEMBERS WILL BE USED TO:

- ★ **BUILD THE FLORIDA SHERIFFS BOYS' RANCH ON THE SUWANNEE RIVER, 11 MILES NORTH** of Live Oak, Florida, as a permanent home for worthy and needy boys who are in danger of becoming juvenile delinquents—those from broken homes, the underprivileged, the neglected, the homeless. A 722-acre site has been acquired and construction of facilities will begin as soon as sufficient funds are available.
- ★ **PROVIDE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR OUTSTANDING BOYS RELEASED FROM THE FLORIDA** Industrial School for Boys at Marianna to take specialized college and technical school training. Two scholarship recipients are already enrolled in a university and a third is attending a technical high school. This rehabilitation program will be expanded as funds become available.

Both of these projects are part of the Florida Sheriffs Association's state-wide "FIGHT DELINQUENCY CAMPAIGN."

FILL OUT AND MAIL
THIS APPLICATION FORM



Florida Sheriffs Association
Box 344
Tallahassee, Florida

Gentlemen:

I hereby apply for Honorary Membership in the Florida Sheriffs Association and I am enclosing \$10.00 as payment of my 1958 membership fee, of which \$1.50 is for a year's subscription to The Sheriff's Star.

I understand that acceptance of my application is subject to the approval of the Florida Sheriff Association Screening Committee, and that my membership fee will be returned in the event such approval is not granted.

PLEASE
PRINT OR
TYPE NAME

STREET AND
NUMBER

CITY OR
POSTOFFICE

DATE OF BIRTH			RACE	COLOR EYES	COLOR HAIR	HEIGHT	WEIGHT
MO.	DAY	YEAR					

OCCUPATION

COMPANY

I CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS TRUE AND CORRECT

SIGNATURE

AS AN HONORARY MEMBER YOU WILL RECEIVE:

- ★ Honorary Membership Wallet Identification Card,
- ★ Honorary Membership Decal for Your Auto,
- ★ Honorary Membership Wall Plaque for Your Home or Office,
- ★ A Year's Subscription to The Sheriffs Star,
- ★ A Copy of the 1958 Florida Sheriff, Yearbook of The Florida Sheriffs Association.

Teen-Agers In Trouble

These teen-agers in trouble made headlines around the state:

WEST PALM BEACH—The arrest of a 13-year-old boy and girl solved a month-old gas station robbery here, the sheriff's office reported.

The girl was identified by fingerprints. When picked up she implicated the boy. The girl's arrest came on a tip from a juvenile arrested in connection with another robbery.

MIAMI—The sheriff's department arrested five boys, ages 13 to 15, students at Dorsey Junior High School, following a bomb scare at the school.

When a call came in after lunch stating a bomb had been placed in the school, an alert secretary kept the caller on the phone long enough for the call to be traced. The sheriff's department was called and the Road Patrol alerted. Officers of the patrol went to a house and arrested the five boys.

NEWBERRY — Sheriff Joe Crevasse reports two youths signed statements they robbed Tuckers Store.

The youths showed deputies where to recover the stolen goods which included merchandise valued at \$500. It was the fourth time the store had been robbed.

FORT MYERS — County and city authorities have joined in an effort to stop drinking among teen-agers. Sheriff Flanders Thompson says youths were holding parties in woods and areas.

For Heard Edwards charged some of the teen-agers drinking is at high school dance.

WEST PALM BEACH — Six of seven boys who stole liquor from a local club are on six

months' probation.

A seventh boy was sent to Texas to live with his father who is in the service. Four entries were made. The liquor, valued at \$100, was recovered by the Sheriff's office.

WAUCHULA—Three boys, ages 12 to 14, are on probation after their parents paid for damages caused by shooting insulators off REA power poles near here.

Sheriff E. Odell Carlton said state law forbids any youngster under 16 from using air rifles or fire arms unless accompanied by an adult.

CRESTVIEW — The sheriff's department reports the arrest of two Fort Walton Beach teen-age boys who admitted a two-month spree of "playing hookey from school, shoplifting and petty theft."

The two high school boys told the sheriff's office they sold or pawned some of the merchandise. A car owned by one of the boys was used in the thefts.

SARASOTA—A call to the sheriff's office which was quickly relayed to police resulted in the arrest of a 14-year-old boy who authorities said confessed 25 burglaries, made the arrest possible.

Officers reported the youth was lucky to escape being shot by homeowners who had guns. It was facing a gun that caused the youth to "freeze" in his tracks and make the arrest possible.

TAMPA—Two teen-age sisters and a 25-year-old convicted car thief ended a cross-country tour here in federal court. They pleaded guilty to car theft and were sentenced.

The girls were sisters, 16 and 18, respectively. The man was Edward M. Powers.



PENSACOLA—HANDFUL OF HEADACHES—Escambia County Sheriff Emmett Shelby examines worthless checks from his files as he prepares to launch a full-scale offensive against bad check artists.

Shelby's Unique Holiday Greeting Aimed at Worthless Check Artists

PENSACOLA — "Peace on earth—ill-will toward worthless check passers," is the Christmas message, in effect, that Sheriff Emmett Shelby sent to Escambia County merchants and businessmen last month.

"You may think it odd to offer Yule greetings this early," he said in his letter, "but as your sheriff I want yours to be a happy holiday. Unless we co-operate in preventive law enforcement against worthless check artists the holiday season will be marred for many local retailers."

Shelby went on to explain that worthless check writing reaches its peak in the Pensacola area in November and December; and he estimated that approximately 200 "rubber checks" will be passed here during the holiday season.

He said that although at least eight out of every ten check artists have been apprehended here, arrests must be made immediately after the check is cashed to prevent loss.

Therefore he asked all retailers to help in a holiday worthless check crackdown by observing the following precautions:

1. Beware of the "glib" customer who makes a big purchase late Saturday when the banks are closed. Most hot check artists know how to appear charming—until they have gone with your money.

2. Note carefully driver's licenses and fishing licenses and check the dates of issuance. New licenses may indicate a

new resident in the community—but they may also indicate a hot check artist who has just arrived in town and obtained these "identification credentials" to make cashing checks easier for him.

3. When in doubt, ask questions. You may not desire to lose a sale but you also don't want to be gypped out of your money. A law-abiding citizen will not object to close scrutiny because it is for his protection as well as yours. Check street addresses then ask the customer the names of his neighbors (these can quickly be checked in the City Directory or telephone directory). A fly-by-night hot check man will not have this information.

4. When cashing a doubtful check always get a good description of the party and, when possible, a description of his automobile and his license number. If the check passer is really a crook this information will greatly aid in his apprehension.

5. Be careful of sentimental stories. One hot check artist recently fleeced a florist by appearing red-eyed at the shop to ask for a wreath for his mother. Another man gave a bad check after telling a sad story about his ailing baby who needed medicine. A person in sorrow should still have identification.

6. Finally, remember and impress upon your employees that check artists operate best during rush periods. In a peak hour extra precautions should be taken.

Theft Case Closed In 20 Minutes

TALLAHASSEE — Twenty minutes after a theft was reported, Leon County sheriff's deputies had made an arrest, recovered part of the stolen loot, obtained a confession and placed the thief in jail to serve a 60-day sentence.

The woman who reported the theft of a wrist watch and \$45 from her home was describing the suspected thief to Chief Deputy W. P. Smith when she suddenly pointed to a man walking past the sheriff's office and yelled "there he is!"

Smith and Deputy Tom Maxwell nabbed the man, found the missing watch in his pocket and arraigned him before County Judge James C. Gwynn. He pleaded guilty to a charge of petty larceny and was immediately sentenced.

Trick or Treat

HOLLYWOOD — Broward County Sheriff's Deputies used a Halloween trick in order to make an arrest.

Deputy Monte Smith, in pursuit of loot from a grocery theft, knocked on the door of the suspect's house.

"Who's there?", the occupant asked.

"Trick or Treat!" replied Deputy Smith.

And when the door was opened, the loot was found and the arrest made.

Deputy Gets Award

OCALA — Don Moreland, traffic officer with the sheriff's office, was presented the monthly courtesy award by the Marion County Chamber of Commerce. The award was presented by L. P. Dawson, chamber vice president.

Marion County Plans \$50,000 Detention Home

OCALA — Construction of a \$50,000 juvenile detention home has been approved by the Marion County Board of Commissioners.

The home will be located on a site separate from the new county jail. The site has not been selected yet but will be donated by the city, it was stated.

In providing funds for the home, the commissioners endorsed recommendations of a juvenile detention committee appointed several months ago by the commission, the Marion County Community Council, the Ocala Junior Woman's Club and the Ocala Business and Professional Women's Club.

Committee members are Judge D. R. Smith, Conrad Dutton, Mrs. James Marr, Mrs. Annie Thomas, Mrs. Carolyn Brown, Commissioner W. L. Tomlinson and Sheriff F. L. McGehee.

Broward County Road Officers Get Special Training

FORT LAUDERDALE — Broward county road patrol officers have received training on how to deal with any type of emergency.

Sheriff J. A. Lloyd said the men will operate new station wagons, equipped with resuscitators, fire extinguishers, first aid kits and splints. The six new station wagons will cost \$18,000.

Capt. Frank Ridenour, chief of the road patrol, said the apparatus can be used also as an inhalator and aspirator, and the all-purpose cars can be used as ambulances.

Miami Truck Driver Nabbed

SEBRING — A Miami truck driver was arrested as he stepped from a telephone booth by Deputy Charles Rucker.

He was arraigned a few hours after his arrest in connection with making indecent phone calls to several women and a nine-year-old girl at Lake Placid.

Identified as James E. Thomas, 37, he pleaded guilty to making five of the calls but denied six additional charges. Thomas was sentenced by County Judge Mervin Rehner to pay a total of \$700 in fines or spend 14 months in jail. Bonds totaling \$3,000 were set on the remaining charges.

MISSING



MRS. ALENE STEVENS

White female, age 37, height 5 feet, 3 inches, weight 130 pounds, blonde hair, hazel eyes, light complexion. Has 18 months old baby girl with her. Has relatives in West Palm Beach. Missing since 11 September, 1957. Notify Sheriff Parrish, Bartow, or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee.

Ybor City Optimist Club Praises "Boys Ranch" Plan

TAMPA — The Ybor City Optimist Club adopted a resolution commending the Florida Sheriffs Association for the establishment of a "Boys Ranch" as a step to stamp out juvenile delinquency.

The resolution, signed by Sam P. Ferlita, club president, follows:

Whereas, the Optimist Club of Ybor City has long considered Boys Work its most important activity; and

Whereas, we believe that work in the avoidance of juvenile delinquency is and should be the concern of all persons of good will; and

Whereas, the Florida Sheriffs Association has conceived a plan known as the "Boys Ranch" to help in the war against juvenile delinquency, which said plan will be put into operation without public funds;

Now therefore, BE IT RESOLVED by the Optimist Club of Ybor City, in meeting on October 29, 1957, as follows:

1. We endorse the promotion of the "Boys Ranch" as being a program that all Floridians should be proud of and should participate in.

2. We will recommend to all Optimist Clubs in Florida that the Boys Ranch receive help and support from such Clubs, in whatever form deemed advisable, so that the plan might be made a reality at an early date.

Sam P. Ferlita, President
Howard L. Surett, Secretary

Paper Commends Sheriff Program

MIAMI SPRINGS — The weekly Home News has commended the Florida Sheriffs Association for the Boys' Ranch and scholarship projects.

In an editorial, the Home News said: "The sheriffs rate the appreciation of every Florida citizen for doing something really constructive about delinquency instead of just talking about it."

You're Covered

PUNTA GORDA—By land or by sea, Charlotte County Sheriff Travis Parnell has got you covered!

Among new additions to his equipment, Sheriff Parnell has a 17-foot fibre-glass boat, to be used for speed regulation on Charlotte Bay and surrounding waters; and 6 horses, to be used to track down prisoners who take to the swamps.

ROLL CALL

News Items From Sheriffs' Departments All Over The State

SARASOTA—School safety patrols at the Venice and Nokomis elementary schools visited the office of Sarasota County Sheriff Ross Boyer to learn first-hand about law enforcement.

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PUNTA GORDA—Charlotte County Sheriff Travis Parnell has expanded law enforcement activities and equipment to keep up with the county's booming growth.

A staff of 10 auxiliary deputies have been schooled by the FBI to assist regular officers and plans for organization of a junior deputy group are underway.

New equipment includes a tape recorder for taking statements, new fingerprint equipment, a sub machine gun, gas bombs, leg irons and restraining belts, centralized radio equipment and uniformed deputies.

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PENSACOLA—Sheriff's Investigator Bill Lynch and City Patrolman Roland Davis gave members of the Pensacola Civitan Club a demonstration of judo. The two officers also gave a 25-hour course in basic police judo to local law enforcement officers.

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LAKE CITY—Columbia County Sheriff Ralph P. Witt and deputies Harry Spradley, Inman Cox, Ray Thomas and W. C. Rivers, in a coordinated city-county drive, moved in on seven would-be robbers, arrested them, and retrieved almost \$1,000 in cash and stolen articles. The arrests ended a series of break-ins in this North Florida city.

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TALLAHASSEE—This city's telephone-warning system to nab bad check passers resulted in the arrest of a St. Petersburg man attempting to pass a \$30 check on a non-existent bank.

After accepting the check, the merchant became suspicious and called the St. Petersburg Bank where he learned the check was bad. Then he called Leon County Sheriff Bill Joyce who flashed the "red alert" and called a key merchant who, in turn called two other merchants who, in turn, each called two other merchants until most of the principal stores were alerted. The check-passer was picked up shortly after at a local bus station.

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INDIALANTIC—Orange County Sheriff Dave Starr told local Rotarians "crime is on the increase far beyond all expectations. Today there are 11½ million people in the United States with criminal records."

Pointing to local crime conditions he said, "it's not the local man who pulls the fast jobs. It is the men coming in."

The Sheriff said today's lawman is well-trained. "The public today demands qualification in law enforcement and it is professionalized just like the professions of doctors and bankers."

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TITUSVILLE—Crime in the county is keeping up with the increase in population, Brevard County Sheriff J. W. "Jimmy" Dunn reports. There has been no appreciable rise or fall in the rate in the 11 years he has been connected with the department, he said.

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OCALA—Marion County Sheriff F. L. McGehee was an eye-witness when a Cecil Field jet pilot crashed in a pasture near Ocala. He was in his car at the western edge of the city and hurried to the crash scene to assist Navy investigators.

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DELAND—When Volusia County Sheriff's deputy Sherman Walker took four Negro boys into custody for burglarizing beer and soft drinks from a local grocery, he didn't expect such quick punishment.

Taken before the juvenile counselor, the mothers of the four boys immediately took the boys over their knees and spanked them. Tearfully, the boys, ages 10 to 12, promised they would behave in the future.



BOCA RATON—MOONSHINE RAID—Palm Beach County Sheriff's Deputies inspect a moonshine still they found and destroyed in a jungle-like setting near here. Pictured from left are Investigator Ray Howard and Road Patrolman Clarence Sanders and Hugh Anderson. (Photo by T. P. Wyatt)



FORT PIERCE—SHINE FLOWS—St. Lucie County Deputy Sheriffs destroy moonshine confiscated in a recent raid. They are (from left) Warren Alford, George Christiansen, Pat Duval and Chief Deputy Lanie Norvell. (Fort Pierce News-Tribune Photo)

FERNANDINA BEACH—Nassau County Sheriff H. J. Youngblood and deputies S. J. Howard, George Courson, John A. Bodine and Curtis Telfair successfully raided and destroyed a 500 gallon still four miles west of the city. The still, 10,500-gallon vats of mash and 350 gallons of illegal whiskey were destroyed and a 1949 automobile seized.

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PENSACOLA—The Escambia County Sheriff's Office has had many peculiar calls in its time, but bringing in an elephant tops the list.

The Sheriff's Office was called in when a startled motor court operator was awakened early in the morning by a strange noise. It was an elephant, calmly eating out of the garbage can. Deputies calmly (?) led the elephant back to its rightful home, a nearby circus.

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ORLANDO—Orange County Sheriff Dave Starr and his department were commended by the Orlando Star for their contributions to the United Appeal Drive. The Sheriff's Office staff pledged \$1 a month for every man and woman. The Star said: "If other public employees would do the same, there would be no difficulty in meeting the goal."

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FORT MEADE—Hillsborough County Sheriff Ed Blackburn Jr., and Polk County Sheriff Hagan Parrish were commended by the weekly Fort Meade Leader for their roles in the capture of Tampa's two flying bank robbers.

Junior Deputy Camp Created By "Doc" Daffin

PANAMA CITY—Bay County Sheriff M. J. (Doc.) Daffin announced plans to convert his fishing lodge into a recreation center for his Junior Deputy Sheriff League.

The lodge, which is jointly owned by the sheriff and his brother, James R. Daffin of Panama City, is located on the Dead Lakes, in Gulf County.

It will provide facilities for fishing, boating, tennis, badminton, volley ball and outdoor basketball. There are sleeping facilities for 35 at the present time, but Daffin said arrangements can be made to house as many as 100 boys.

He said the lodge will be available for the use of junior deputies in both Gulf and Bay counties.

Gulf County Sheriff Byrd E. Parker is planning to organize a junior deputy unit with the assistance of his chief deputy, Jack Cornell, and Dr. Cannon, mayor of Wewahatchka.

Junior Deputy Leagues are designed to provide wholesome recreation for young people and to teach them respect for the law and law enforcement.

Sheriff Daffin was one of the first West Florida sheriffs to organize a JD League. His unit was formed about four years ago and was placed under the direction of Deputy Sheriff Ralph Coleman, chief deputy in charge of the sheriff's office civil department.

Daffin provided uniforms for his junior deputies this year, and they have been making a snappy showing in local parades.

Broward Sheriff To Continue Use Of Informers

FORT LAUDERDALE—An agreement has been reached whereby the sheriff's office will continue to use confidential informers to obtain evidence for gambling raids.

The agreement was reached at a conference of representatives of the sheriff's and county solicitor's offices and Court of Crimes Judge Thomas F. Tompkins Jr.

Judge Tompkins attended the conference to state the conditions which investigators must meet before he will issue search warrants on evidence obtained through informers.

Tampan's Desire For Beer Ends In Cold Reception

TAMPA—The desire for a beer after a tavern was closed resulted in a chilly outing for a Tampan.

Deputy Sheriff Norman Bedingfield reported a man identified as Miller Bradshaw entered the tavern clad only in shorts and a bathrobe. Bradshaw, who owns the building in which the tavern is located, entered the tavern as the tavern operator and an employee watched.

The man tip-toed to a big refrigerator, opened the door and stepped in. John Weese, the employee, slammed the door shut and Mrs. Helen Williams, tavern operator, called officers.

Although Bradshaw owns the building he was charged with breaking and entering.

Four Deputized

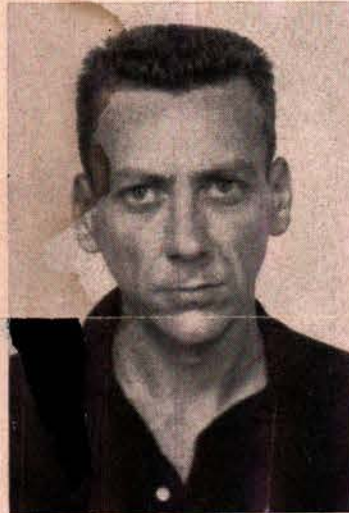
PLANT CITY—Sheriff Ed Blackburn, Jr. has deputized four police department radio dispatchers. They are Gerald Thompson, Hank Owens, James Gleason and Eugene North. This was done to enable the officers to accept bond money for county cases they handled.

WANTED PERSONS

As Compiled by the
Florida Sheriffs Bureau



BENJAMIN JAMES HARRIS
With aliases, B. J. HARRIS, ALBERT L. HARDY, colored male, age 37, 6 feet, weight 175 pounds, medium build, medium dark complexion. Cut scar middle of forehead at hair line down to bottom of left side of nose. Subject very tricky and dangerous. Warrants issued, charge Breaking and Entering, and Grand Larceny. Notify Sheriff Parrish, Bartow, or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee.



WILLIAM ROBERT AUSTIN
White male, age 35, 5 feet 10, weight 155, medium build, brown hair, grey eyes, fair complexion. FBI #2045267. Wanted for escape while in custody as a parole violator in the state of Kentucky, sentenced there to life imprisonment for Armed Robbery. Notify Police Dept., Lakeland, Sheriff Parrish, Bartow, or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee.



JOHN EDWARD SZYMANSKI
White male, age 40, 5 feet 11 inches, weight 180 pounds, dark hair, brown eyes, dark complexion. Left Poughkeepsie, N. Y. 8-31-57 driving blue 1950 Pontiac Sedan bearing 1957 N. Y. License 62 23DC. He is believed to be accompanied by MRS. MARJORIE PILCH, white female, age 28, 5 feet 5 inches tall, weight 110 pounds, brown hair, hazel eyes. They are believed to be in Florida. Szymanski wanted for Abandonment of minor children, a Felony, and Pilch wanted for failure to provide for minor children, a misdemeanor. Warrants for both have been issued. If found, arrest as fugitives from justice, warrants will be forwarded and they will be extradited if necessary. Notify Sheriffs Office Poughkeepsie, New York, or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee.



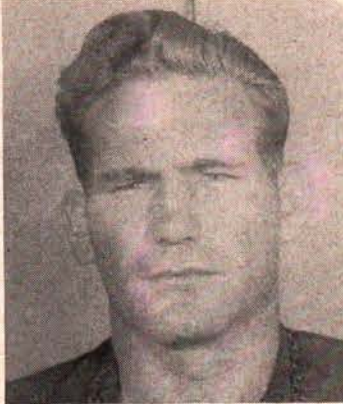
EUGENE (GENE) WILSON
White male, age 20, 5 feet 11 inches, light brown hair, blue eyes. Right arm crooked, some shorter than left. Warrant issued, charge Grand Larceny. Will extradite. Notify Sheriff, Jetmore, Kansas, or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee.



LEE OVAL JORDAN
White male, age 47, 6 feet, weighs 210 pounds, brown hair, ruddy complexion, wears glasses, at times. Heavy cigar smoker. May be driving 1955 two tone green Pontiac four door Sedan, 1957 Tenn. License 6/13-1657. Charged with Grand Larceny, arising out of fraudulent sale of purported real estate license. Capias issued. Photograph shown was taken in 1950. If apprehended notify Sheriff Boyer, Sarasota, or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee.



ROBERT WILLIAM NELSON
White male, age 37, 5 feet 10 1/2 inches, weight 217, stocky build, brown hair, blue eyes, bad teeth. Cut scar 3/4 way around upper arm. Tattoo of U.S.A. on lower left arm. His FBI # 1 526 563. Has served time for burglary and is a known safe man. Felony warrant issued, charge Safe Burglary. Notify Police Dept., Columbus, Ga., or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee.



FRANK BOHANNON
White male, age 29, height 6 feet, weight 160 pounds, blond hair, blue eyes, ruddy complexion. Capias issued, charge of Escape from Hillsborough County Convict Camp, where he was serving term for Grand Larceny. FBI stop has been placed. If located notify Sheriff Blackburn, Tampa, or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee.



MILDRED WOLFE
Alias ELEANOR WOLFE, white female, age 31, 5 feet, three inches tall, weighs 112 pounds, dark brown hair, blue eyes, medium dark complexion, slender build. Last known address Porcupine, South Dakota On September 13, 1957, an operation was performed on this woman because of skull and facial fractures. A headframe was affixed to her head and upon her release from hospital on 10-10-57 she was instructed by Doctor to make daily visits to his office for adjustment of the brace, and progress checks on her condition. She made



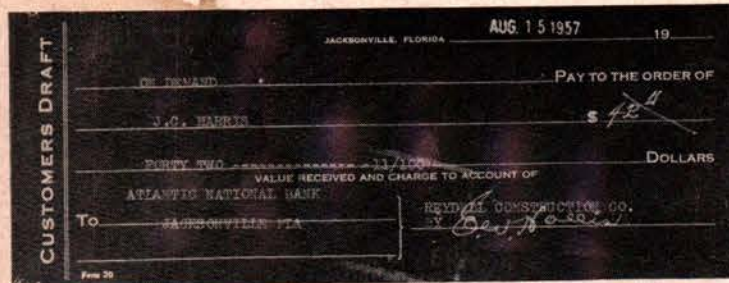
ROBERT EDWARD ALLEN
White male, age 40, height 6 feet, weight 150 pounds, black curly hair, red face. Believed to be wearing khaki pants, green shirt. Driving black 1940 Buick Coupe, 1957 Fla. License 5W-8082. Armed and considered dangerous. Wanted for fatal shooting of his wife. Notify Police Dept. Lakeland, Sheriff Parrish, Bartow, or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee.



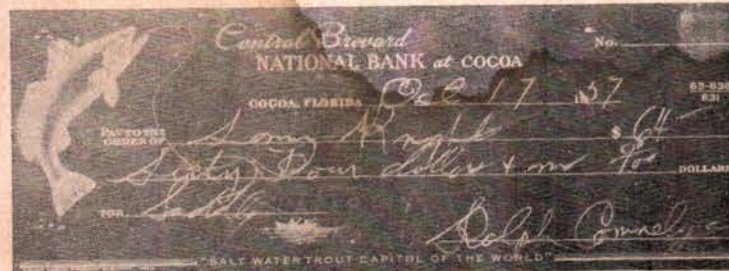
two visits, the last one being 10-12-57, and has not been seen since. This piece of equipment needs daily adjustment and can be extremely harmful if manipulated by a layman. A warrant has been issued for subject on charge of larceny of the surgical instrument, which is valued at \$500. It is believed she is out of state. The photographs shown are before brace affixed, and with it. Notify Sheriff Blackburn, Tampa, or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee.

BAD CHECK ARTISTS' GALLERY

From the Files of the
Florida Sheriffs Bureau



Sample of Check Passed by J. C. Harris



Sample of Check Passed by Sonny Knight

J. C. HARRIS
Also known as JAMES HARRIS, white male, age 60, no other description. Average looking. Very friendly. Talked as if might have been from around Gainesville area. Believed to be driving pick-up truck, make and model unknown. Used company check of "Reydell Construction Co., by E. W. Hollis." Warrant will be issued, charge Worthless Checks. Notify Sheriff Pellicer, Palatka, or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee.

SONNY KNIGHT
Alias RALPH CONNELLY, white male, age 35 to 40, height 5 feet 10 inches to 6 feet, weight 140 to 150 pounds, dark curly hair, long sideburns, ruddy complexion. Wears blue jean type clothes, cowboy boots and hat. Familiar with horses and dogs. Has four month old police dog with him. Drives a

1949 or 1950 light grey Ford tudor with Iowa License, numerals unknown. One of the Worthless checks signed "Sonny Knight," other "Ralph Connelly" but believed written by same person. Notify Sheriff Buckels, Kissimmee, or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee.

DANLEY EUGENE BAKER
White male, age 34, place of birth St. Joseph, Mo., height 5 feet 10 inches, brown hair, blue eyes. Works as carpenter, sewing machine mechanic. Drives gray top light bottom 1953 Pontiac 1957 Florida License 6W-29231. Warrant issued, charge Worthless Checks, will extradite. If located please hold, notify by wire or telephone Sheriff Kirk, West Palm Beach, or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee.



DANLEY EUGENE BAKER