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Teen-Ager Grateful for Scholarship

A teen-age youth who was formerly a burglar and car thief is grateful for the scholarship awarded to him last year by the Florida Sheriffs Association.

He was released from the Florida School for Boys under a Sheriffs Association scholarship program designed to help rehabilitate teen-age youths who have been in trouble with the law. He completed his freshman year at a Florida university last June and enrolled this month for his Sophomore year.

Here is a letter he wrote to one of the officials of the Sheriffs Association:

Dear Sheriff:

"I think it's about time I let you know how grateful I am to you for your efforts to help me get my education. You have gone out of your way a number of times to help me and I am sincerely grateful for it. You didn't hesitate to find me a place to stay when I could no longer stand it at home. I only hope that I will be able to really show my appreciation by making much better grades in the following years.

in the following years.
"Since I took the Dale
Carnegie Course I have discovered that I want to go into the fields of public relations and advertising. I plan
to attend Harvard and try

for my master's degree.

"I read in the papers a few weeks ago that you were planning to put a junior deputy system into effect. The papers say you hope to get more respect for the law from teen-agers. I think you will get that and a lot more. You and I both know that law enforcement officers are the forgotten men of America. God only knows what this country would be like if we didn't have always afterward.

didn't have law enforcement.
"I don't want to make this too long because you are a busy man. I will try to live up to the reputation you have given me. That is the only way I know how to repay you.

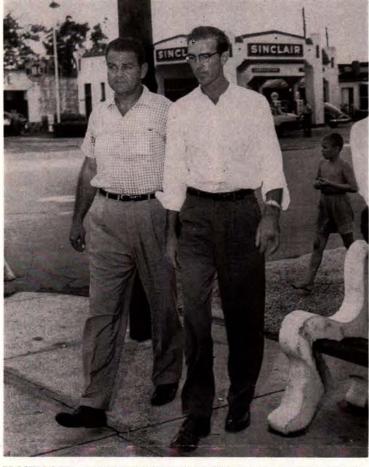
"Please forward my word of thanks to the Florida Sheriffs Association."

Law Officer Survey Begun

For the first time in Florida's history a state-wide survey is being made to provide detailed information on the salary scales and working conditions of law enforcement agencies.

It is being conducted by the School of Social Welfare at Florida State University, with the cooperation of the Florida Sheriffs Association and the Florida Sheriffs Bureau.

Emory C. Hubbard, a graduate student at the university, is in charge of it. He served 10 years as a police officer in Oxnard, Calif., and holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Socioligy from the University of Alabamae



FROSTPROOF—BANK ROBBERY CASE SOLVED IN RECORD TIME— Here Sheriff Hagan Parrish (left) heads for the county jail with suspect who was arrested just one hour after the Frostproof Bank was robbed. Photo by Arthur Perkins

One Hour Flat

Parrish Sets Another Record in Wrapping up Bank Robbery Case

FROSTPROOF — One hour after a "lone wolf" gunman held up the Frostproof Bank a suspect was under arrest and on his way to the Polk County Jail.

From a newspaper this fast work brought the following comment:

"If Sheriff Hagan Parrish and his staff get much faster in catching bank robbers, they'll be meeting them at the door as the bandits come in.

"Last year when the Fort Meade bank was robbed by two men who used an airplane for their getaway, the sheriff's department had the robbers in custody just four and one-half hours after the holdup.

"This week the Frostproof Bank holdup saw the lone gunman under arrest just one hour after the crime.

"Such efficiency in our county's chief law enforcement body is certainly deserving of commendation from every citizen. The speed with which a series of road blocks were thrown up, records at the sheriff's office checked and an identification of the wanted man made are a credit to any department.

"Equally impressive was the whole-hearted cooperation with the sheriff's office from the Florida Highway Patrol, the County Road Patrol, the FBI and various city police.

"Congratulations, Sheriff, for a good job."

The stick-up man entered the Frostproof Bank, took \$263 in cash from Mrs. Freda Brown and fled.

He was identified within 30 minutes through the "modus operandi" files at the sheriff's office and he was arrested by Davenport Police Chief Bethel Judy.

Boys Ranch Cottage Dedication Oct. 3rd

First Building Will Be Memorial To Pinellas Sheriff Sid Saunders

LIVE OAK—The first building at the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch—a residence cottage designed to house 20 boys—will be dedicated to the memory of the late Pinellas County Sheriff Sid Saunders in ceremonies scheduled for October 3.

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Sheriff Saunders, one of the originators of the Ranch project as a home for needy and neglected boys, was president of the Florida Sheriffs Association and a member of the Boys Ranch Board of Trustees at the time of his death, February 19, 1958.

Money raised through a memorial fund started following his death is being used to finance the cottage, which is currently under construction.

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Scheduled for 2:30 p.m., the dedication ceremony has been planned as part of the Suwannee County Centennial Celebration. Highlights will include the unveiling of a bronze Sid Saunders Memorial plaque and an address by Duval County Juvenile Court Judge Marion W. Gooding, who is a member of the Banch Trustees

Juvenile Court Judge Marion W. Gooding, who is a member of the Ranch Trustees.

The plaque will be unveiled by Mrs. Mattie Saunders, widow of Sheriff Saunders; and her two daughters, Sallie, 11, and Patricia, 14. They will be introduced by Pinellas County Sheriff Don Genung, who has been primarily responsible for the success of the Sid Saunders Memorial Fund.

Memorial Fund.
Following the dedication, a water show featuring the Suwannee County Centennial Queen and her court will be held on the Suwannee River at the Ranch.

Other Centennial Celebration events scheduled for October 3 include a luncheon at 11:30 a.m., at the Live Oak Elks Lodge, honoring Lake County Sheriff Willis McCall, President of the Florida State Elks Association; a parade of floats, bands and marching groups at 1 p.m., in Live Oak, paying tribute to Florida's youth; and a Centennial pageant, at 8 p.m., in Live Oak

in Live Oak.

October 3 will be Dignitaries and Guests Day at the Centennial. Governor Collins, members of his cabinet, supreme court justices, legislators and other public officials have been invited to attend.

The Boys Ranch, sponsored by the Florida Sheriffs Association, is being built on a 722-acre site, 11 miles north of Live Oak. It is located on the banks of the historic Suwannee River.

Ground was broken August 1 to mark the beginning of a \$250,000 building program.

Mid-Winter Meet Set For Jan. 14-16

ORLANDO—Orange County Sheriff Dave Starr announced that the Mid-Winter Conference of the Florida Sheriffs Association will be held at the San Juan Hotel, here, January 14, 15 and 16, 1959. Orlando was selected as the

Orlando was selected as the conference site last June, but the dates and the headquarters hotel were chosen recently by the conference committee.

Sheriff Starr, the conference host, said a program is being prepared which will focus attention on:

1. The Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch, a home for needy and neglected boys the Sheriffs Association is building on the Suwannee River, near Live Oak.

2. The Florida Sheriffs Bureau, a state-wide crime fighting agency sponsored by the Association.

3. And, the Honorary Membership Program which enables citizens all over Florida to assist the Association in its efforts to combat juvenile delinquency and foster better law enforcement.

Social highlights, according to Sheriff Starr, will include a banquet, a cocktail party and a luncheon.

He also announced the appointment of the following conference Anna Lee Pethtel, registration chairman; Sam Bush, program chairman; Mrs. Ruby Poole, banquet chairman; and Mrs. Dave Starr, official hostess.



STARKE—MOONSHINE WAS WELL HIDDEN—Deputy Sheriffs Russell Redding (left) and Dolph Reddish inspect jugs of moonshine hidden under the hood of an auto they confiscated last month. They arrested two Gainesville men who were in the car and also confiscated a pistol.

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NEW PORT RICHEY—SEARCH FOR SKELETON—Pasco County Sheriff Leslie Bessenger (left) supervises digging for bones of human skeleton found by workers constructing a new residence near here. Shown wielding shovel at right is Deputy Sheriff Bazil Gaines.

Trial by Teeth

Dental Chart Kills Excitement Created by Unearthed Skeleton

NEW PORT RICHEY - Excitement ran high for a while after workers constructing a house near here uncovered a human skeleton in a shallow

Sheriff Leslie Bessenger made no bones about the fact that he thought he might have found the remains of Gettis Lee, missing Manatee County grocer whose disappearance has produced one of the most beffling mysteries in the appeals baffling mysteries in the annals

of Florida crime.

A preliminary study of the bones indicated that the skeleton tallied roughly with Lee's measurements and had been buried about 18 months. Lee had been missing 17 months.

No clothing or other personal items were found for identification purposes.

The investigation continued for several days while Dr. F. H. Deland, Lakeland pathologist, pieced together the skull and other parts of the skeleton.

Finally a comparison of Lee's dental chart with the reconstructed skull showed that the

skeleton was not Lee's. Furthermore, when all the facts were in, Sheriff Bessenger was informed that the skeleton belonged to an early-day Florida Indian and the crime-if there was one-occurred more than a century ago.

"Well Done" Deputy Rhoden

JASPER—Because of the untiring investigation of Hamilton County Deputy Sheriff Russell Rhoden, a confessed killer is scheduled to stand trial for a Broward County murder com-

mitted in January of 1957.
Albert Oliver, a migrant worker confined in the Hamilton County jail, had been overheard boasting to fellow in-mates that he had killed a man. The report of the boast led Deputy Rhoden to a search of the records until the prisoner's past was traced back to Broward county. There, they found an unsolved murder which Broward County Deputy Sheriff Montie Smith described as one of the most vicious seen in the

Deputy Rhoden, in North Florida, and Deputy Smith, in South Florida, compared notes, and they tallied. When con-fronted with the charge, Oliver admitted the killing, claiming self-defense, and made a full confession.

The successful solving of this case earned for Deputy Rhoden this commendation from the Jasper News: "Hamilton county citizens may be well pleased with the quality of the present Sheriff's Department, and Deputy Rhoden is especially to be commended for his efforts that culminated in bringing this man to trial."



Courtesy Ft. Myers News-Press)

Courage Under Fire

To Shoot or Not to Shoot — Sheriff's Dilemma

FT. MYERS—It takes a man of courage and intelligence to successfully fill the Sheriff's shoes.

Examples of this are so frequent they are almost commonplace, yet one of the latest and best illustrations bears repeating.

Here is how the Ft. Myrs News-Press summed it up in an editorial praising Sheriff Flanders Thomp-son and his men.

"A noteworthy demonstration of courageous, determined and effective action by the Lee County Sheriff's Department was provided this week in its successful handling of two situations which carried a potential of bloodshed and tragedy. Lee County citizens can take pride and reassurance from the manner in which Sheriff Snag Thompson and his forces performed in these emergencies.

"The first was the incipient gang battle between a score of Naples and Bonita Springs "boys" — men in their 20s, some of them were — which was nipped in the bud on the Bonita Beach Board early Sup Bonita Beach Road early Sunday morning. Officers moved in determinedly at the sheriff's direction, rounded up the belligerents before the first blow was struck and hauled them in to jail. They were all promptly beaked on criminal aboves in booked on criminal charges in a no-nonsense demonstration to them and any others so inclined that such disorder is not going to be tolerated in this county. This firm action stands in refreshing contrast to the coddling attitude taken toward participants in youthful gang fights in some northern cities. It may well have averted tragic and criminal consequences running far beyond the immediate incident.

"The second and more dramatic incident came on Tuesday when two desperate escaped convicts from Texas fired derous shotgun bla popular Deputy Inlo Swope, from which he escaped only by the lucky chance that his car window was up for air-condi-tioning, and then seized an Iona man and his wife at gunpoint as hostages in a bid to get through a cordon of officers quickly assembled at the scene under the sheriff's command. That the desperadoes were captured without the shedding of innocent blood is due largely to the handling of the crisis by Snag Thompson, who knows what he is doing in such situations by virtue of his wartime experience as a combat infan-

tryman.
"Of initial significance was



FT. MYERS—SAVED BY AIR CONDITIONING — Deputy Sheriff Inlo Swope points to evidence of two shotgun blasts fired at him by escapees at close range. He escaped injury or possible death because his car was air conditioned and the windows were rolled up.

(Photo Courtesy Ft. Myers News-Press)

Thompson's deployment of his men to bottle up the two ends of a short road yet in such a way that one group would not be in line of fire of the other if it should come to shooting, as it did. Precautions also had been taken to warn all residents of the area.

"Then came a crucial mo-ment when the convicts with their hostages in a car made their move to go through—and it called for a crucial decision: Let them through—with the possibility that the hostages might be harmed anyway when the convicts felt they had served their purpose, and the certainty that two dangerous gunmen would be loose on the community? Or shoot—which offered a possibility because the gunmen thoughtlessly had both seated themselves on the same side of the car, one in the front seat and the other in back.

"The agonizing decision had to be made, and it had to be made immediately. The sheriff gave the order to shoot--firing to disable the car and through the windshield on the desperados' side. If the decision had been wrong it could have cost the lives of two innocent peo-ple whose blood would have been on the sheriff's hands and on his conscience forever, and perhaps the lives of some officers. But it was right.

"These occurrences were of a type more often seen in big cities than in a community like Lee County. Perhaps, with the

county growing so fast, more are to be expected. But if so, the community will sleep soundly of nights for knowing that the sheriff's department has the personnel, the equipment and the know-how for meeting them so effectively as was demonstrated this week. And on these demonstrations it will give the sheriff, his deputies and the other officers participating a heartfelt 'Well done.'"

Thieves Didn't **Get Very Far**

SALERNO — Cooperation be-tween the Martin County Sheriff's office and the Stuart Police Department—plus the fact that few things stand out more resulted in the capture of five burglars in just a matter of

The general store at Salerno had been broken into and merchandise valued at \$600 stolen. Martin County Deputy Ralph Clark was assigned to the case. He soon picked up the clue that broke the case—two strangers had been seen in Salerno on the day of the robbery, cruising around in a 1957 green Chev-

A general alert was issued for ne "two strangers" and that same evening Stuart city police spotted the car at a motel and the burglary arrests followed. The loot was recovered.

Boys Ranch Round-Up

News about the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch, a home for needy and neglected boys the Florida Sheriffs Association is building on the Suwannee River, near Live Oak.



TALLAHASSEE-BOYS RANCH OFFICIALS DEPART ON SURVEY TRIP —John A. Madigan, Jr., (right) attorney for the Florida Sheriffs Association bids goodbye to Monroe County Sheriff John Spottswood (left), chairman of the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch Trustees; and Florida Sheriffs Bureau Director Don McLeod, secretary of the Trustees, as they depart for Amarillo, Texas, to gather data on Boys Ranch operating

Visit to Big Boys Ranch in Texas Impresses Officials from FSBR

"I don't think anyone can appreciate what a wonderful project a Boys Ranch is unless they have had an opportunity to visit a place like Cal Farley's Boys Ranch.

This comment from Monroe County Sheriff John Spotts-wood summed up the reaction of a group of Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch officials who visited the big Farley institution, near Amarillo, Texas, last month.

The visit was part of an extensive survey the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch trustees are making as a basis for set-ting up an effective program at their own institution.

It was made by Sheriff Spottswood, who is chairman of the trustees; Hillsborough County Sheriff Ed Blackburn Jr., executive director of the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch; Florida Sheriffs Bureau Director Don McLeod, secretary of trustees; and Vincent Jones, resident manager of the FSBR.

The committee spent two days at the Texas institution, observing some 200 boys at work and play, inspecting facilities and interviewng staff members.

"I was tremendously im-pressed with what I saw," said Spottswood.

He added he wished the people of Florida could see a Boys Ranch in actual operation.
"Then," said he, "we would have no difficulty in raising the necessary funds for our own project."

The Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch, located on the Suwannee River, near Live Oak, is currently under construction and Sheriffs all over the state are attempting to raise funds to complete a \$250,000 capital outlav program.

McLeod and Sheriff Black-burn said the trip to Amarillo impressed upon them the many problems and expenditures involved in building and operating a Boys Ranch.

But at the same time they added that the Texas institu-tion showed them what can be done to help needy and neglected boys, and it gave a "tremendous boost to our enthusiasm."

McLeod made the Ranch visit as part of a trip to Okla-homa City to interview a prospective director for the Florida Sheriffs Bureau crime labora-

He said the man he interviewed did not completely fill the requirements and he is continuing his search for a lab director.



NEW TRUSTEE - Duval County Juvenile Court Judge Marion W. Gooding, Jacksonville, is a new member of the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch Board of Trustees. His picture was not available for publication when his appointment was announced in the August issue of the Sheriff's Star.

More Names Added to **Founders List**

The following persons and organizations who contributed \$100 or more to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch were added to the rolls of the Boys Ranch Founders Club during August and will receive founder's certi-

William E. Davis, Orlando. Seward Fleet, Live Oak. R. L. Gainer, Chipley. William C. Kelly, St. Peters-

Joseph LaMotte, Madeira Beach.

W. B. Long, Chipley. C. R. McCrimon, Live Oak. Robert Mearns, Clearwater. Country Countr

Henry C. Patterson, St. Pe-

tersburg.
Mrs. Henry C. Patterson, St.

Petersburg. Mrs. Ella D. Rayl, Tampa. Herbert H. Sadler, Clearwater.

Sarasota Kiwanis Club. W. R. "Bill" Shriner, Tavares.

Mrs. Edna M. Watters, Sebring.

Sheriff Cletus Andrews, Bonifay.

Fern Arnold, Westville. W. E. Arnold, Westville.

Britt Fruit Company, Winter Garden.

Harold M. Britt, Winter Garden. T. Mark Britt, Winter Gar-

den. Ned Brock, Vernon.

Cocoa Lions Club.

James P. Croley, Dade City. First Federal Savings & Loan Association of Pasco County, Dade City.

Fort Lauderdale Beach Kiwanis Club.

Austin Gatlin, Vero Beach. Mrs. John L. Kull, St. Peters-

Sheriff's Orange County Mounted Posse, Orlando. Cushman S. Radebaugh, Or-

W. Lamar Rose, Ft. Myers. J. W. Scott, Ponce de Leon. Memorial Post No. 400, V. F. W., Sebring.

Weir Williams, Ft. Lauder-

J. Carey Yates, Blountstown.



-SHERIFF WALT PELLICER THANKS FLORIDA HIGHWAY PATROL TROOP G FOR CONTRIBUTION TO BOYS RANCH -(right) accepting a Boys Ranch Founders Club certificate on behalf of the troop is Capt. C. W. Hancock, troop commander.



LARGO-LIONS CLUB SPONSORS MICRO-MIDGET RACES FOR BENE-FIT OF FLORIDA SHERIFFS BOYS RANCH - Shown here on the starting line for a race featuring law enforcement officers are (from left) Hillsborough County Sheriff Ed Blackburn, Jr., executive director of the Ranch; Pinellas County Sheriff Don Genung, finance chairman of the Ranch; and Dunedin Police Chief Eugene Sheets.

(St. Petersburg Independent Photo)

\$5,400 Raised in Sports Events

CLEARWATER—Sheriff Don Genung reported net returns of \$5,400 from sporting events held in Pinellas County during August for the benefit of the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch.

The events included:

A micro - midget auto race sponsored by the Largo Lions Club—\$700.

A "hot rod" and custom auto show-\$200.

A benefit baseball game between the St. Petersburg Saints and Daytona Beach-\$4,500.

All expenses of the baseball game were paid by Ruebel &

Smith Motor Co., giving the Boys Ranch a clear profit on all tickets sold.

Highlights of the Micro-Midget race included a "law enforcement derby" in which Tampa Bay Area law enforce-ment officers took the role of speed demons; and a drill by Sheriff Genung's mounted

Florida Highway Patrol Trooper Harold Drawdy won the five-lap "derby."

Genung, who is Boys Ranch finance chairman, is leading all

Florida Sheriffs in raising funds for the project.



KISSIMMEE—SHERIFF ROBERT BUCKELS ACCEPTS \$50 BOYS RANCH DONATION FROM KISSIMMEE ELKS LODGE — Shown making the presentation is Jim Flannagan (right), exalted ruler of the Lodge. Looking on are (from left) George Mansfield, past exalted ruler; Jack Carroll and Bodo Kirchhoff. (Photo by Ed Cooper)

In Memoriam

The following persons have made contributions to the Florida

Sheriffs Boys Ranch Memorial Fund:
Mr. and Mrs. Edwin H. Stiteler, Jr., Dade City, in memory of David O. Nihart. Mrs. Mary M. Ryan, St. Petersburg, in memory of her

Mrs. M. J. Cherbonneaux, St. Petersburg, in memory of

Sheriff Sid Saunders.
Judge and Mrs. F. R. Hocker, Ocala, in memory of James

Mrs. Leslie Smith, Live Oak, in memory of her husband, Leslie Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Engelken, East Palatka, in memory of Meredith Lynn Badger. W. A. England, Brooksville, in memory of B. R. Saxon.

The Memorial Fund will perpetuate the memory of deceased relatives and friends by providing the financing for a facility of

permanent significance such as a Ranch chapel.

Send contributions to Memorial Fund, Florida Sheriffs Boys
Ranch, P. O. Box 344, Tallahassee, Florida.

They should be accompanied by:

(1) The name and address of the contributor.(2) The full name of the person in whose memory the contribution is given.

(3) The name and address of the deceased person's next of kin to whom notification of the gift is to be sent.

ALL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE BOYS RANCH ARE INCOME TAX-DEDUCTIBLE.

Step's Spry, Mind's Keen

Deputy Sheriff Still Going Strong at Age 84

The following feature story about Deputy Sheriff Alexander Hamilton Wade, venerable Madison County law enforcement officer, was written by Florida Times-Union Reporter Chris Trizonis and is reprinted from the April 20 issue of the Times-Union.

MADISON—Television's Mar-shal Mat Dillon hasn't got a thing on Madison County Dep-

uty Sheriff Alexander Hamilton Wade except about 12 inches in height.

in height.

"Mr. Alec," as he is known to everyone in the county, specializes in calming ruffled feelings and has never had trouble bringing his man in to ital ar court jail or court.

His spry step, keen memory and alert mind belie his 84 years. For years he was under



Deputy Sheriff Alexander Hamilton Wade

Orange County is proud of Dave Starr, News Story Discloses

ORLANDO — Orange County is proud of Sheriff Dave Starr and his many outstanding accomplishments.

Evidence of this can be found in a news story released to the press by the Orlando Convention Bureau recently at the conclusion of Sheriff Starr's tenure as president of the National Sheriffs Association. tional Sheriffs Association. The news story said Sheriff

Starr is "constantly on the alert to keep his department abreast of the times as evidenced by

the following:
"The Orange County Sheriff's Department had the first Polygraph or "Lie-Detector" in Orange County, and has two qualified men, graduates of Keeler (the inventor) Institute, Chicago, Ill., to operate it.

Orange County Sheriff's Department had Florida's first complete mobile Crime Unit and Laboratory (installed in a panel truck Volkswagon), which carries right to the scene all the photographic and crime

processing equipment.
"Sheriff Starr's department
was the first in the State of Florida to organize a squad (6) of "Frog-Men," equipped with the latest Navy style Aqualungs for skin diving in his water safety program.

"He obtained the first Radar equipment for timing and checking the speed of motorists in the State of Florida. This equipment was used to educate the drivers at dangerous spots on Orange County Highways and warning tickets only were given, no arrests.

"Sheriff Starr was instru-mental with a committee on mental health in setting up a Psychiatric Ward at the Flor-ida Sanitarium and Hospital, Orlando, to care for mental patients and get them out of the County Jail.

"He spearheaded and sponsored the bill that got Medical Examiners appointed in Orange County to ascertain the cause of death of persons dying unattended in his county.

"Sheriff Starr organized the

First Deputy Sheriff's Mounted Posse in the State of Florida.

"He brought the full light of publicity to law enforcement through the newest media, telethrough the newest media, tele-vision, with his program of "Safety, First, Last and Al-ways" over WDBO-TV on Mon-day evenings and "The Sheriff's Report" presented Friday at 11:00 a.m. on the same station."



PHILADELPHIA—"FOR HE'S A JOLLY GOOD FELLOW"—Orange County Sheriff Dave Starr (left) leads group singing during the recent annual conference of the National Sheriffs Association.

the impression that he was two years younger, but a fellow employee checked the Wade family Bible and determined that the deputy was born in

The Madison County deputy, believed to be the oldest active law enforcement officer in the state and possibly in the nation, was born near Augusta, Ga. He entered law enforcement work after 30 years with a mercantile firm here and a short try at operating a service station. He gave up the service station when he had the opportunity to join the Madison police depart-

After three years with the department, he was named a deputy sheriff. Sheriff S. H. Moore kept Mr. Alec on after he served nine years with his predecessor and he has been with the present sheriff nine years. years.

In his 21 years in police work, the deputy only had to use his pistol once — when a man he started to arrest attempted to flee. Mr. Alec shot low and hit the man's foot. Wade doesn't bother to wear

his badge but keeps it tucked away in his wallet. He points out, "there's no need to, everybody here knows me."

The years he has put in as a w enforcement officer have had no hardening effect on Mr. Alec. He has a deep rooted love for music. When Madison had a city band, he played coronet. His musical ability is not limited to the brass section. For years he played bass violin at the Baptist Church and has played "taps" at the gravesides of virtually all Madison County servicemen.

His interests extend to civic

His interests extend to civic duty as well. He served 12 years as a member of the City Council before the city commission form of government

was adopted.

Miss Louise Wyche, who handles office work for Sheriff Moore, commented that she had never seen Wade ruffled or angry in the nine years she has worked in the office. She said that he has an uncanny ability to cope with people who are angry.

Wade has two children, a son in Atlanta and a daughter in Wildwood. He is a typical grandfather, who prefers to talk about his granddaughter and two grandsons rather than the record he has established in the county.

Auxiliary Aids Duval Patrol

JACKSONVILLE - An aux-JACKSONVILLE — An auxiliary from Duval County's five VFW posts has been organized here as the "strong right arm" of the Duval County Patrol — mobile traffic control and law enforcement division of Sheriff Dale Carson's department

The auxiliary members have completed a month's training in law enforcement techniques and are ready to assist the regular Patrol members in maintaining the safety and security of the county.

The new unit—developed by Sheriff Carson, his staff and VFW officials — will be under a separate commander and five captains representing the local VFW posts. All volunteers, the men will wear khaki uniforms and a distinctive shoulder patch.

What a Cow!

GAINESVILLE - A Gainesville dairy hand was arrested when deputies looked into tank in his home. Instead of milk, reported Sheriff Joe Crevasse, they found 55 gallons of mash, moonshine still equipment, and 10 pounds of sugar.



CLEARWATER—JOSEPH P. DAGNON (LEFT) TURNS OVER TO SHER-IFF DON GENUNG \$72 IN CASH CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE FLORIDA SHERIFFS BOYS RANCH—Dognon collected the funds from customers at the Tick Tock Bar, where he is employed.



ST. AUGUSTINE-PARENTS PLEASE NOTE-It was mostly luck that saved the life of the 14-year-old boy who was riding this toy gasoline-powered jalopy when it was hit by an auto 10 miles north of here. He was treated for a fractured right leg and lacerations. Investigating officers said parents do not realize the danger involved in letting young-sters drive vehicles of this type. They also pointed out that the pint-size autos require a license tag, a licensed driver and the same financial responsibility status as a standard size car. (Photo by Rupert Chastain)

Jurymen Praise Sheriff Genung

CLEARWATER—The Pinel-las County Grand Jury made a study of county law enforcement and brought in a presentment full of praise for the county's law enforcement of-

Singling out Sheriff Donald S. Genung, the Grand Jury re-ported: "We feel that Sheriff Genung and his staff are doing very commendable job.' The Grand Jury was especial-

ly pleased with the condition of the county jail and praised the Sheriff's deputies for "the thoroughness with which they have prepared the evidence and proof for our consideration."

Teen-Agers' Jesting Stirs Bomb Scare

PALM BEACH - A casual, joking remark from one teenage passenger to another set off a bomb scare at Palm Beach International Airport.

A commercial airliner was in the air headed north when one of the youths said to the boy sitting beside him: "What would you do if a bomb were on this plane?" The boy then turned to a passing stewardess and jokingly said: "Better watch out, this guy's got a bomb in his suitcase."

The stewardess reported the remarks to the plane's captain, and taking no chances, the plane was turned around and returned to the runway. After a one-hour search, no bomb was found and the plane con-

tinued on its way.

The two youths apologized to sheriff's officers.

FBI Says Bank **Robberies Rise**

WASHINGTON-FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover said more bank robberies occurred during the last 12 months than in any other similar period since ac-

curate records have been kept. In a 1958 fiscal report to Atty. Gen. Rogers, Hoover said that for the year ending June 30, there were 631 violations of the federal bank robbery

of the federal bank robbery statute.

"Not since the gangster era of the 1930's, when in 1932 there were 606 violations against banks, has there been such a tremendous wave of this type of crime," the report said.

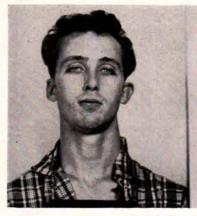
"These 631 violations occurring during the past 12 months included 373 robberies, 198 burglaries and 60 larcenies, a total of 188 more violations of this statute than in the pre-ceding 12 months. During Jan-uary 1958 alone 66 violations occurred, an all-time high monthly figure. Solutions in bank robbery violations correspondingly increased."

Convictions in various kinds of FBI cases in fiscal 1958 rose to 11,457, or 96.8 per cent of the cases brought to trial.

The report showed FBI recovery of 16,504 stolen motor vehicles compared with 15,215 recoveries the year before. The 1958 figure was a new high. and Hoover said the 5,157 convictions of car thieves was also a record.

WANTED PERSONS

As Compiled by the Florida Sheriffs Bureau **Don McLeod, Director**

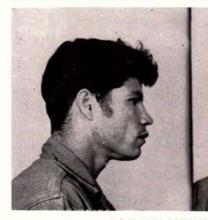




PAUL SILAS THOMAS

Subject THOMAS described as white male, age 22, 5 feet, 10 inches, medium slender build, brown hair, hazel eyes, ruddy complexion. Subject FRET-WELL described as white male,

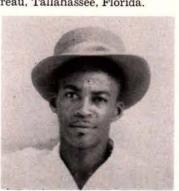
age 24, 5 feet $10\frac{1}{2}$ inches tall, slim build, black hair, brown eyes, dark complexion. These men are wanted for Armed Robbery of the Royal Arrow Oil Co., Jacksonville, Florida



EDWARD MILTON FRETWELL

August 6, 1958. They used a blue steel revolver, and obtained \$5000.00 Fretwell recently purchased a 1955 Buick Convertible Special. white top, black body, white wall tires, in Miami, 1958 Florida License 1W-22103.

Motor No. 4B6041637. They are believed be in Miami area. Warrant issued, charge Armed Robbery. If apprehended notify Police Dept., Jacksonville, Flor-ida or The Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



LAWRENCE COLLINS

Colored male, age 40, 6 feet, 1 plexion.

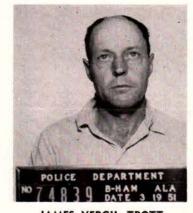
Colored male, 5 feet, 9 inches tall, weighs about 145 to 150 pounds, medium brown com-Usually wears small goatee on chin, between chin and bottom lip, mustache. Occupation: Short order cook. Use extreme caution, may be armed, very handy with knife. Wanted for attempted murder of a Police Officer. If apprehended call collect Cherry 2-2511, at night call Cherry 2-4131, Police Department Fort Walton Beach, Fla., or notify Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.

MISSING



J. D. CHAPPELL

White male, age 40, approximately 5 feet, 7 inches tall, weighs about 120 pounds, dark hair, blue eyes. Wears dark glasses. Walks with a slight limp. Missing from his home in Zephyrhills, Fla., since August 21, 1958. Last seen wearing blue denim pants, blue Tee shirt. At that time was carrying between \$300 and \$400. He was driving 1952 flat bed GMC truck with his name painted on doors, 1958 Fla. Lic. 28 C/V-360. Any in-formation as to his location contact Sheriff Bessenger, Dade City, Fla., or The Florida Sher-iffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



JAMES VERGIL TROTT White male, age 25, 5 feet 6 inches tall, weighs 158 pounds, stocky build, blue eyes, ruddy complexion. Two lower front teeth missing. Right handed. FBI No. 3775816. Missing from his home. He is also wanted for Non-Support. If located notify Sheriff Genung, Clearwater, Fla., or The Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



JOHN W. FURLONG

White male, age 33, 5 feet, 8 inches tall, weighs 165 pounds, blonde hair, blue eyes, fair complexion. Dark birthmark on left cheek, large scar front of left shoulder. large scar on right hip. Has tattoo of "SEABEE" on his right forearm. Licensed plumber and electrician, also does utility work. Quiet, sober, good natured. Social Security No. 267 321 3929. Honorably discharged from SeaBees March 18, 1946, his Serial No. 556 94 03. Resident of Cherry Lake, Madison Co. Fla., for 23 years. Any one knowing whereabouts of subject notify his wife, Mrs. John Furlong, Box 264 ¼ Barataria Blvd., Marrero, La., or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.

MAJOR LOUIS ARMOUR

pounds, dark complexion. May be driving a green 4 door Pontiac, possibly bearing 1958 Fla. Lic. 32- rest unknown. He may be accompanied by Shorty Geechee Thomas, cm, who is not wanted. Armour wanted for possession of stolen Western Union Money Orders, from a B

Colored male, age 31, 5 feet

8½ inches tall, weighs 123

mee, Fla. on Dec. 17, 1957. If arrested, search for the Western Union Money Orders Nos. 80480 through 80700. Warrant issued, charge Receiving and Concealing Stolen Property. If apprehended notify Sheriff Buckels. Kissimmee, Florida or The Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Talla-

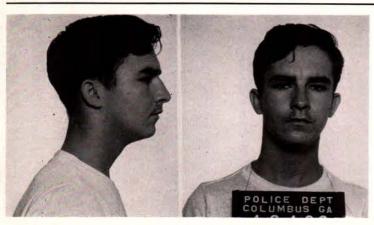
and E and safe job in Kissimhassee, Florida.

inch tall, black hair, brown eyes. Occupation: Roofer and Laborer. SS #256-01-2667. 1958 Chauffeurs Lic. #40935 "Duplicate." In the early morning hours of August 24, 1958, subject stabbed to death another colored male. Warrant issued, charge 2nd Degree Homicide. If apprehended notify Police Dept., Fort Lauderdale, Fla., or The Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.

JAMES THOMAS

BAD CHECK ARTIST'S GALLERY

FROM THE FILES OF THE FLORIDA SHERIFFS BUREAU-Don McLeod, Director



SAM ALLEN OLINGER

inches tall, weighs 140 pounds, medium build, brown hair. Upper teeth false. Subject is exconvict having served time for offense of auto theft and burglary. He is also a suspect in a burglary August 27, 1958 in Columbus, Ga. Several guns were taken and he may be armed. He has been seen driving

White male, age 24, 5 feet 6 a 1956 or 1957 Chevrolet, light green bottom, white top, Passed several checks forged on name of Dr. C. F. Davis, Coroner, Columbus, Ga., using rubber stamp of ABC DOG & CAT CLINIC. If located hold and notify Muscogee County Police Dept., Columbus, Ga., or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



GEORGE C. WOODING

White male, age 40 to 45, 6 feet tall, weighs 210 pounds, dark hair and eyes. Neat dresser. Wears Legion pin. Has numerous identification cards but above name believed to be his real one. Has passed numerous checks drawn on Bank of Virginia, Richmond, Va., Warrant has been issued, charge Worthless Checks. If apprehended notify Sheriff Thursby, DeLand, Fla., or The Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida. He is also wanted by Police Dept., Jacksonville, Florida.



JACK H. SCHATZ

White male, age 30, 6 feet tall, weighs 155 pounds, medium build, brown hair, blue eyes, fair complexion. Possibly Jewish descent. Driving 1958 white Cadillac convertible, 1958 Fla. License 1E-1882. Uses Pennsylvania Driver's License No. 4123660 and All States Ins. card #84402937 as means of identification. Claimed to be a Doctor but hands appeared to be those of mechanic or other type manual work. Passed checks drawn on Dauphin De-posit Trust Co., Harrisburg, Penn., and has previous arrests that city. Warrant issued, charge Worthless Checks and Beating Board Bill. If located advise Police Dept., Lakeland, Fla., or The Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



ALL ABOARD-Sheriff John Kirk takes over the throttle of an amusement park locomotive during a Junior Deputy Sheriff League outing. (Photo by Sam R. Quincey)

JUNIOR DEPUTY SHERIFF'S LEAGUE of Palm Beach County

JOHN F. KIRK, Sheriff West Palm Beach, Florida



PLEDGE

on my honor, do promise to respect and defend the Constitution of the United States, the Bill of Rights and the Constitution and laws of the State of Florida.

I promise to be regular in my attendance at school or in fulfilling the duties of my job.

I promise that I will always conduct myself in such a manner that my actions will reflect credit on me and the Junior Deputy Sheriffs' League of which I am a member.

I promise that I will always strive, by my example of right living and right action, to lead other boys to do right and to assist those who are in trouble and deserve

I promise always to be faithful to the League in the execution of my duties and to attend all meetings if it is within my power to do so.

I promise to use my influence to help maintain law and order in this Community and to aid all law enforcement officers in the discharge of their duties.

I promise not to aid any criminal by keeping from law enforcement officers any information or evidence that I might have against any person charged with a crime and who might be under investigation.

promise always to be fair to the accused and that I will not through ill-will give any false testimony against any person accused of crime.

I promise to obey the orders of the Chief, the Boy Chief, and the officers of the Junior Deputy Sheriff's League, and to respect the rules.

Sheriff's a Pal

That's What Thousands of Palm Beach County Boys Have Discovered Through Junior Deputy Program Sponsored by Sheriff John Kirk







WEST PALM BEACH - Thousands of Palm Beach County youngsters know Sheriff John Kirk as a real "pal."

On fishing trips, picnics and other outings they have discovered that he is their friend and a regular fellow instead of "the man who will put you in jail if you are bad."

Over the years these same youngsters — some of them entering young manhood now - have also learned respect for the law and law enforcement.

All of them are members, or alumni, of the Palm Beach County Junior Deputy Sheriffs' League, an organization formed 10 years ago by Sheriff Kirk to combat juvenile delinquency and teach young boys the principles of good citizenship.

Since 1948, some 3,500 boys have proudly worn the silver Junior Deputy badge, and only one, according to Sheriff's Department officials, has been judged delinquent in the juvenile court and committed to the Florida School for Boys at Marianna.

Credit for this outstanding record is shared by Sheriff Kirk, a rugged "man's man" who loves boys, and Mrs. Ma-rie Pearce, his executive secretary, a motherly woman of great energy and charm, who has been the director of the Junior Deputy program since its inception.

Junior Deputy Leagues are

fostered nation-wide by the

National Sheriffs Association, and Sheriff Kirk was one of the pioneers of the movement

in Florida.

In its first year the Palm
Beach County JD League was financed by the Optimist Club of West Palm Beach. Since that time it has been supported by various fund-raising activities.

The program developed by Sheriff Kirk and Mrs. Pearce is carefully balanced between recreation, education and community service. Membership totals have fluctuated between 600 and 1,000.

Recreational activities have included camping trips, piclon cuttings, and fishing watermelon softball games trips.

The boys have received in-struction in varied subjects including traffic safety, fingerprint identification, judo, box-

ing and archery.

They have also served their communities in many ways such as putting on safety cam-paigns and collecting money in

charity drives. To stay in the Junior Dep-uty League boys must attend school regularly, maintain good behavior and a good scholas-tic record.

They pledge, when they are "sworn-in" as card-carrying members: to help maintain law and order in the community; to aid all law enforcement officers in the discharge of their duties: to refrain from of their duties; to refrain from withholding evidence against anyone suspected of a crime; and to refrain from false testimony against cused of a crime. anyone ac-



LEADER-Mrs. Marie Pearce has been the director of the Palm Beach County Junior Deputy Sheriff League since its founding in 1948. (Photo by Sam R. Quincey)



HELPING HAND-Junior Deputies prepare to assist in the annual American Cancer Society fund raising crusade.

DESIGN FOR LIVING—Here is the pledge Junior Deputies take when they are sworn-in. Shown also is a drawing of the Junior Deputy badge.

Palm Beach County Junior Deputies

Have a Widely Varied Program of Activities And Render Many Services to Their Communities



FUND RAISERS—Another contributor kicks in during Junior Deputy Sheriff "Tag Day" in West Palm Beach



JUST "RASSLIN"—The usual horseplay develops among Junior Deputies enjoying a picnic at the old swimmin' hole. (Photo by George Sanderson)



COMMUNITY SERVICE—Shown here with Deputy Sheriff Theodore Temoshchuck (right) is a crew of Junior Deputies stenciling house numbers on curbs—one of the League's many community service projects. (Photo by George Sanderson)

HAVE YOU SEEN THIS CHILD?



WEIGHT - 90 LBS.

HEIGHT - 40 INCHES

BLUE EYES

BROWN HAIR

WHEN LAST SEEN . . . WEARING BLUE AND WHITE

STRIPED DRESS

PLEASE WATCH FOR HER!

She is starting to school with several thousand other boys and girls. She's been told about the hazards of traffic and being careful but she's quick and impulsive and forgets quickly. . . .

Her Safety Is Your Responsibility!!

Please drive slowly and with extra care near schools and playgrounds and in residential areas. Aways expect the unexpected.

Remember . . . When Driving in a School Zone . . . Always Keep to the Right!

WATCH FOR THIS CHILD!

You Will Be Rewarded - SPONSORED BY THE -

JUNIOR DEPUTY SHERIFF'S LEAGUE OF PALM BEACH COUNTY JOHN F. KIRK, SHERIFF

"In The Interest Of Traffic Safety"

FOR SAFETY'S SAKE-Handbills like this were distributed by Palm Beach County Junior Deputies during a traffic safety campaign.







Missouri Story

Junior Deputies Help Sheriff Serve Warrant on Wanted Man

The following article by Robert L. McBee, which appeared in the Kansas City Star, reveals what Junior Deputies are doing in Missouri.

LIBERTY, Mo.—A fugtitive from the law doesn't have much chance in these parts. He can't even trust the kids playing hopscotch in the neighborhood.

At least not since the badgetoting junior deputies, ages 8

to 15, appeared on the scene. In Clay County recently a sheriff's officer made several attempts to serve a warrant on a man who was never home when he called. The officer asked for aid from junior dep-

Just like on TV, the junior deputies "staked out" the house and went on playing their games. The man came home. The boys called the sheriff. The warrant was served. iff. The warrant was served; the case closed.

Three teen-agers from St. Joseph abandoned a stolen car near Polo in Caldwell County and hid in the countryside. A sheriff's posse found two.

Juniors Join Hunt

At the end of the school day, the junior deputies joined the search. They quickly found the third delinquent in the barn loft already searched by the

There are 1,200 members of the Junior Deputy League in Clay County. In rural Caldwell County, Sheriff M. L. Robison has sworn in 350. Platte County started a group five months ago and already has 250. The National Sheriffs' Assn.,

sponsors of the league, estimates that the number of junior deputies, including some jun-iorettes (girls), is in excess of 350,000. There are leagues in every state.

The junior deputies were formed in Clay County five years ago after an outbreak of vandalism at the Faubion School in Liberty. Sheriff Curtis F. Hay took badges and pledge cards to the school and swore in five junior deputies.

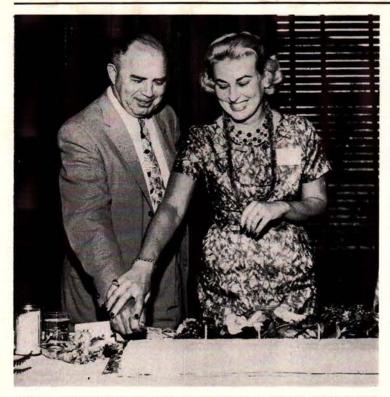
Within a year he had pinned on hundreds of badges and juvenile delinquency was down 70 per cent. Today, says Hay, juvenile delinquents in Clay County are a negligible prob-

'Examples of the Law' Sheriff Hay never permits the boys to endanger themselves. They serve, he says, as 'eyes, ears and examples of the law."

The programs at monthly meetings include instructions on how to use a bow and arrow safely, identification poisonous snakes, first aid and firearm and bicycle safety.

Special events are a trip to the police circus in Kansas City, a visit to state prison, a meeting with the governor, a tour of state highway patrol headquarters and a major league baseball game in Kansas City.

The boys are busy in other ways too. They have a 22-member band, a 35-man baseball squad (and a new diamond), a summer swimming program and a pistol and rifle club supervised by a holder of the Congressional Medal of



MIAMI—DADE COUNTY SHERIFF THOMAS J. KELLY CUTS THIRD ANNIVERSARY CAKE FOR DADE COUNTY SHERIFF'S EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION AUXILIARY — Assisting him is Mrs. Jean Venskus, Auxiliary president. The Auxiliary is composed of wives and mothers of Sheriff Kelly's employees. Its activities are both social and charitable. Last year the group sponsored a Junior Deputy organization to teach youngsters good citizenship and respect for law enforcement.

(Photo by Ron Wahl)

Murder Trail Led Sleuths to "Jungle Boy"

FORT LAUDERDALE — A few slim clues, an odd name, and the dogged determination of law entorcement officers to get their man—that's the story of the pursuit and capture of Jungle Boy Harris, wanted for critically wounding a groceryman in a holdup.

R. G. Parnell, Pompano Beach groceryman, had been held up and shot. Two months later, Thomas L. Cook, another groceryman, was shot in an almost identical holdup and shooting. Cook was in critical condition, with a bullet imbedded in his brain, and he could communicate only haltingly.

When Broward County Deputy Sheriff Lee Carter and Pompano Beach Police Sgt. George Decker were assigned to the case, there were very few clues to follow.

Prize suspect was somebody named "Jungle Boy," but no one had any idea who "Jungle Boy" was. In addition to the odd nickname, they had a describtion—"a little man with 'purty' hair," and "a gambler." From then on, Carter and Decker were on their own.

For months, they worked around the clock, following leads, checking on suspects, running down false information. They checked out leads in Jacksonville and Orlando and made several trips to Miami. But no "Jungle Boy."

It was the gambling and his nickname that finally broke the

Carter and Decker's search led them into the little-known (among white men) and dangerous world of the big Negro gambling games that move around the state. They watched and asked questions and listened.

Then somebody talked too much and was overheard. And, eventually, Carter and Decker heard, too. A witness to the shooting was found—and the rest was routine. Willie Harris, 19, of Bradenton, usually known as "Jungle Boy," was picked up and arrested.

And Deputy Carter and Sgt.

And Deputy Carter and Sgt. Decker started out on another case.

Kiwanians' Choice

VERO BEACH—Indian River County Sheriff Sam T. Joyce was elected president of the Vero Beach Kiwanis Club.



WAUCHULA—Hardee County Sheriff E. Odell Carlton assisted in making arrangements for a training school attended by officers from the Hardee County Sheriff's Department, the State Beverage Department, the Florida Highway Patrol, and the police departments of Bowling Green, Sebring and Wauchula.

The school was operated under the Florida Peace Officers' Training Program and covered a two-week period.

Courses offered included criminal investigation, police patrol procedures, and signals and gestures in traffic work.

Starr Nixes "Lone Wolf"

ST. PETERSBURG — "The lone wolf investigator has no place in good law enforcement," Orange county Sheriff Dave Starr told some 100 officers attending the 4th annual arson detection seminar meeting here.

"Cooperation, not competition, should be the rule among enforcement agencies," he said.
"The officer who doesn't want help because he is afraid some-

help because he is afraid someone else will get the credit can butcher up an investigation." Sheriff Starr, a past president of the National Sheriff's Asso-

of the National Sheriff's Association, was one of the principal speakers at the arson seminar, which was attended by law enforcement and fire department officers from five southeastern states.

Hendry Was Host

NAPLES — Collier County Sheriff E. A. Doug Hendry was host and gave the welcoming address at the Ninth Annual Retraining Session of the Florida Chapter, FBI National Academy Graduates meeting. held here in August.

Deputy Trained To Trap Liars

GAINESVILLE — Alachua County Sheriff's Deputy Harry Layfield attended a six-week course in operation of the polygraph "lie-detector." Deputy Layfield, who is criminal investigator for the Sheriff's Department, is the only law enforcement man in the area trained as a polygraph operator.





ORLANDO—SHERIFF DAVE STARR EXPRESSES HIS APPRECIATION FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO FLORIDA SHERIFFS BOYS RANCH—Shown receiving Boys Ranch Founders Club certificates for contributions of \$100 each are Walter L. Hays (top photo), President of American Fire and Casualty Co., Orlando; and Ben A. Carpenter, of Turkey Lake, citrus grower.

(Official Sheriff's Department Photos)



BRADENTON—SHERIFF ROY BADEN JOINS RANKS OF SEAGOING SHERIFFS — He is shown here at the wheel of a new water patrol boat donated and equipped by Manatee County businessmen for use in water safety and rescue operations. With his is Deputy Sheriff Clyde Gill. (Photo by Mercury Outboard Motors)

"The Lawyer's Corner"

A digest of recent Attorney General's opinions of interest to Law Enforcement officers.

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

058-233 — AUTHORITY OF COUNTY SOLICITOR—Where a grand jury returns an indictment for manslaughter, the county solicitor has the authority to raise the charge from manslaughter to second degree murder.

058-248 — WAIVING JUR-ISDICTION OF JUVENILE COURT — When a petition charging a 16-year old with the commission of a capital offense is filed in a juvenile court, the judge of said court may not make an order waiving the jurisdiction of the juvenile court and certifying the case to the court which would have jurisdiction to try the case if the child were an adult, without holding a hearing to determine whether there is probable cause to believe that the charge is true; that such hearing should follow the filing of a sworn petition in accordance with Section 39.04 and 39.05, Florida Statutes.

058-249 — ORDER OF COM-MITMENT TO INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL — When an Order of Commitment to an Industrial School has been entered by a Juvenile Court, the court does not have the authority to terminate or revoke such Order of Commitment prior to the Child's release from the Industrial School.

058-368 — CONTRACTING OF FEEDING PRISONERS — A sheriff may contract with another person for the purpose of feeding prisoners rather than arranging for feeding as an operation of his office; that this applies to sheriffs operating under Chapter 57-368, as well as other sheriffs.

Rape of Teen-Ager Was False Alarm

MIAMI — Ten Dade County deputy sheriffs worked for two days around the clock, tracking four teen-agers alleged to have attacked a 14-year old girl.

The girl finally broke down under questioning by Deputy Sheriff Paul Morgan when she was confronted by two of the boys she had accused. The girl admitted the story was a lie and that it was her idea, not theirs, that they "hold a party."

The girl was held for juvenile authorities.

Mongrel Dog Hero of Search For Convicts By ERIC ATKINS

PALM HARBOR — A black and tan mongrel dog proved to be the best bloodhound of them all when he routed out an escaped Largo Road Camp convict who had eluded law enforcement officers for over four hours.

The convict. Charles Milford Vines, 21, was serving a 15-year sentence from Polk County for auto theft and grand larceny. He escaped with another convict while working on a road gang in Palm Harbor.

Vines' companion, James "Stonewall" Clark, 25, was shot by a State Road Camp guard as they were running. He was taken to Mease Hospital in Dunedin where a bullet was removed from his abdomen.

moved from his abdomen.

Meanwhile Vines had escaped into a grove. A bloodhound

brought to the scene seemed to have the scent at one time and then lost it.

It took little old "Pug" to do

the trick.

Pug is a mutt, half Spitz
and Cocker Spaniel according

and Cocker Spaniel, according to his owner 15-year-old Sandra Walters.

At 5:05 p.m. just before supper, Pug began sniffing around an overgrown bouganvillea bush on the outside corner of the Walters' property. He barked, bringing F. C. Walters, Sandra's father, to the scene

father, to the scene.

A group of teen-agers in the area pitched in to help in the capture. They grabbed air rifles and shotguns, surrounded the bush, and told Vines to stay

there until the police arrived.

Pinellas County Sheriff's deputies Armand Tetrault and

Hal Ward were the first on the scene and took Vines into custody.

Although the Walters and their shaggy dog, Pug, enjoyed the glory of the capture, it was the concentrated effort of the law enforcement officers that kept Vines boxed-in in the grove area.

Sheriff's deputies, Florida Highway Patrol troopers, and Pinellas County patrolmen prowled state and county roads surrounding the area while four members of Sheriff Don Genung's mounted posse continually tracked the sandy grove in an effort to "flush" Vines from his hiding place. This, plus a hovering Coast Guard helicopter above, kept the escaped prisoner from getting very far.