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FSA Officials On Program Of Conference

DAYTONA BEACH — Officials of the Florida Sheriffs Association are included on the program of a Supervision and Leadership Conference which the State Department of Education will hold at the Daytona Plaza Hotel here, October 21 and 22.

Don McLeod, director of the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, and Secretary of the Sheriffs Assn., will speak on the benefits to be derived from the conference by law enforcement command personnel.

Pasco County Sheriff Leslie Bessenger, president of the Sheriffs Association will participate in panel discussions on "Personnel Selection" and "Selective Assignment Methods."

Palm Beach County Sheriff John Kirk, a director of the Sheriffs Assn., will preside at the final meeting of the conference on the afternoon of October 22.

Participating agencies in addition to the Sheriffs Association are: Volusia County School Board, Florida Peace Officers Association and Florida Police Chiefs Association.

Sheriff Warns Amateur Earps

EVERGLADES — Miami "quick-draw cowboys" who have been driving out on Tamiami Trail on shooting trips—and using contractor's dynamite sheds along the way as their targets—have been warned by Collier County Sheriff Doug Hendry that they may get a bigger bang than they expect.

Besides the danger of the dynamite going off, Sheriff Hendry warned, he intends to enforce the law which requires a county permit to carry a pistol.

Turner Makes Lottery Haul

BRONSON — Sheriff J. W. Turner was congratulated by Attorney General Richard Ervin for his "vigilance and forthright action" in the arrest of a Bolita lottery "kingpin".

John Tyson, 57, whose legitimate "front" was that of a pulpwood operator, was arrested on a reckless driving charge by Deputy Sheriff Pete Smith near Raleigh.

A subsequent search produced over \$1,200 in cash, plus Bolita tickets and run-down sheets covering a week's business.

Sheriff Turner said he felt Tyson was the "key man" and that his arrest "cut into the heart of the Bolita racket in Levy County."

In a letter to the Sheriff, Attorney General Ervin said reports he received indicate "you have either apprehended the 'banker' or someone necessary to him in the person of a combination 'pick-up' and 'check-up' man."



LIVE OAK—PLAQUE UNVEILED—Plaque dedicating first boys ranch building to the memory of Sheriff Sid M. Saunders is unveiled by his widow, Mrs. Mattie L. Saunders (right) and her two daughters, Patricia and Sallie. (Photo by Glenn Stubbs)

"Cheez Pal" Sheriff is Listening

WEST PALM BEACH — A two-way communications system, linking all floors of the county jail, will now enable jail officials to keep close tabs on anything that happens in the cell blocks, merely by flipping a switch.

Chief Deputy Sheriff John Kirk Jr., explained that nine microphones, located in strategic positions in the cell blocks, and the "monitor" receiver on the jailor's desk, will make it possible to pick up and hear voices and noises in any one of the cells or all at one time.

Kirk said the system was installed to provide efficiency in handling of prisoners and security for the jailors. Should a jailor be faced with a dangerous situation, he need only call the main desk for aid.

The two-way monitoring system is the first step in a modernization plan. Construction of a booking counter and a soundproof radio room are also being planned.

Chief Would Like To Solve This One

HALLANDALE — Some days it just doesn't pay to get out of bed.

Police Chief Robert R. Aiken, after an unusually late session of court, went out to his white Cadillac convertible and found that a new paint job had been scratched up with an ice pick and a rear plastic window had been cut.

Then, on his way home, the chief found that sugar had been poured into his gas tank.

Chief Aiken and investigators from the Broward County Sheriff's office promptly started a grim search for the culprits.

Crime Pays

KISSIMMEE — The Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch benefited from the good work Sheriff Bob Buckels and his men did in apprehending and prosecuting some cattle rustlers down here in the heart of Florida's cattle country.

When Sheriff Buckels received a reward of \$500 from the Florida Cattlemen's Association, he promptly turned it over to the Ranch.

Yarborough Picked

MACLENNY — Baker County Sheriff Ed Yarborough has been appointed a member of the statewide Citizens Advisory Committee on Highway Safety.

At FBI School

JACKSONVILLE — Duval County Deputy Sheriff J. C. Patrick, chief criminal investigator for the department, is attending a three-month training course at the FBI's National Academy.

First Boys Ranch Building Dedicated

Gov. Collins, Judge Gooding Praise Sheriffs for Humanitarian Venture

(See pictures pages 4 and 5)

LIVE OAK—It is better to "build boys" than to "mend men."

This was the central theme of ceremonies dedicating the first building at the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch to the memory of the late Pinellas County Sheriff Sid M. Saunders, a former president of the Florida Sheriffs Association, a charter member of the Boys Ranch Board of Trustees and one of the originators of the Ranch project.

The dedication was held on the Ranch site, 11 miles north of here, on October 3, and its theme was stated by Duval County Juvenile Court Judge Marion W. Gooding, the featured speaker.

Judge Gooding, who is a member of the Ranch Board of Trustees, declared that juvenile misbehavior is "the gravest problem facing our country today"—even greater than "the threat of war, the possibility of annihilation of large portions of our country by the hydrogen bomb, the alleged lagging in our guided missile program, inflation, or integration in our public schools."

Great Stride

He went on to say that the Boys Ranch is "a tremendous stride in the direction of the proper handling of a portion of our (juvenile) problem; and its impact will be very evident to our state in the years ahead." (See full text of Judge Gooding's address elsewhere in this issue.)

The first building at the Ranch is a \$60,000 dormitory designed to house 20 boys and two "house parents." It was over 40 per cent completed at the time of the dedication and is now in the final stages of construction. Work has started on a second identical building.

Ranch officials said the first boys are expected to be admitted early next year. They will not be young lawbreakers, but will be selected from among Florida's thousands of "unwanted" boys — those from

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SID M. SAUNDERS
... dedicated to his memory

Dog Track "Hot Foot" Plot Bared

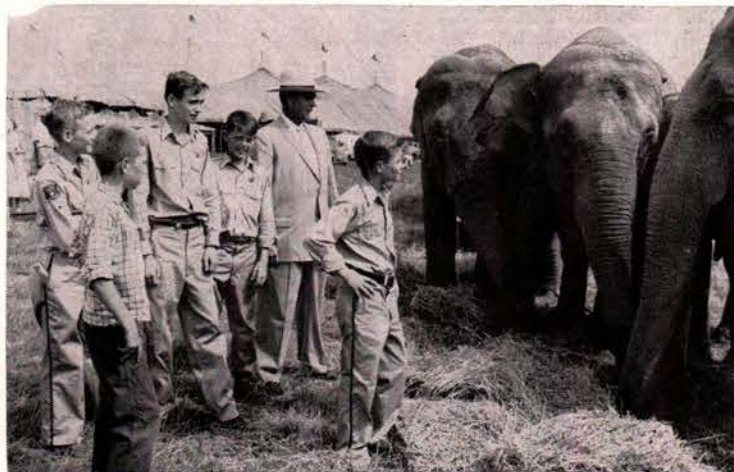
DAYTONA BEACH — Somebody evidently planned to give the dogs a "hot foot" in order to rig races at the Volusia County Kennel Club — but an alert maintenance man ruined the plot when he found the buried wires.

Track officials immediately called in Sheriff Rodney Thursby and an investigation was launched.

Sheriff Thursby said the wire extended from four of the boxes to a point near the parking lot. Some of the wire was above ground which led officers to believe that the device was installed during the previous night and had not been used.

Apparently the device could be used either to speed a dog up, or keep him back, according to when the "hot foot" was applied. An electric shock applied before the dog was released would probably throw the animal off stride, increasing his chances of losing.

If the shock was applied as the starter opened the box and as the dog started to race, it would probably spur the animal on, increasing his chances of winning.



TALLAHASSEE—CIRCUS COMES TO TOWN—Sheriff W. P. Joyce and some of his Junior Deputy Sheriffs make an inspection tour of the Clyde Beatty Circus which gave two benefit performances here Oct. 2 to raise approximately \$1,400 for the Junior Deputy Sheriffs League. Sheriff Joyce sponsors the League as a means of combatting juvenile delinquency and fostering respect for law enforcement. (Photo by Glenn Stubbs)

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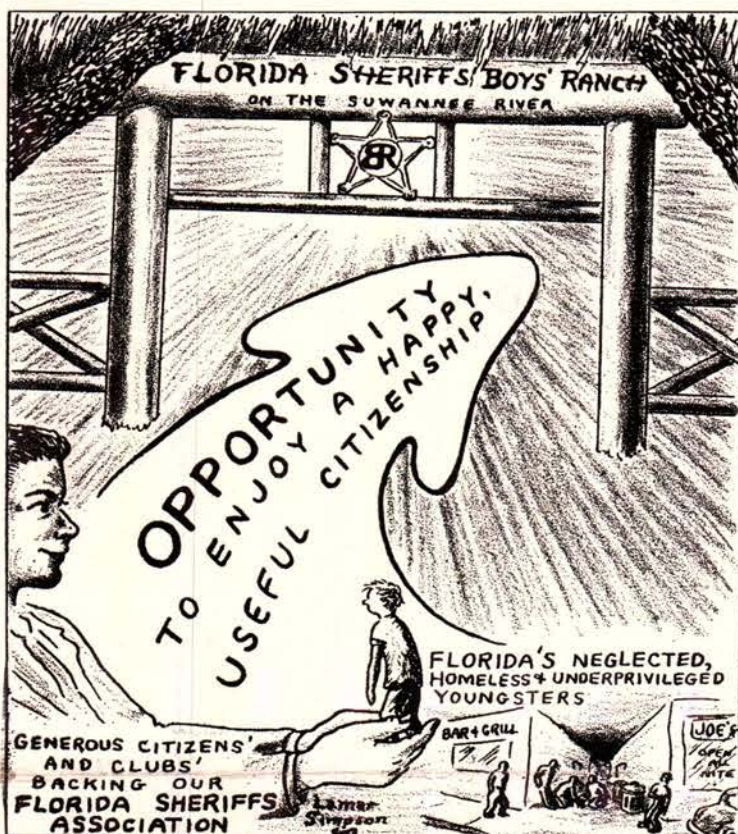
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SEBRING—NEWSPAPER PLUG FOR FLORIDA SHERIFFS BOYS RANCH—This cartoon, entitled "The Helping Hands," appeared in the Highlands County News, a newspaper published here. It reflects the active interest Sheriff Broward Coker and many Highlands County citizens have taken in the Ranch project to help needy and neglected boys.

Boys Ranch Dedication

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broken homes and bad environments — who are in danger of becoming "wanted" criminals unless they are properly cared for.

Governor Speaks

The dedication ceremonies were held in conjunction with the Suwannee County Centennial Celebration and were preceded by a parade in Live Oak.

Gov. LeRoy Collins, who headed a long list of state dignitaries participating in the program, was presented with a Boys Ranch Founders Club certificate in recognition of his help and support.

Earlier this year he donated a miniature gasoline-powered automobile to the Ranch to be used in fund-raising projects. He was also one of the first citizens to support the Ranch by becoming an Honorary Member of the Florida Sheriffs Association.

In brief remarks expressing his appreciation, Gov. Collins praised the Sheriffs who "saw the vision" of the Boys Ranch and the citizens who have given a helping hand. "To them," he said, "the people of Florida will be everlastingly indebted."

"Gentle People"

Declaring that most people think of Sheriffs as "rough and tough men," he added that the Boys Ranch project shows that they are actually, in the immortal words of Songwriter Stephen Collins Foster, "Dear Hearts and Gentle People."

"They have conceived here," he said, "a project that will help needy boys to become fine men."

J. L. McMullen of Live Oak, a Boys Ranch trustee and dedication committee chairman, briefly reviewed the progress made since selection of the Ranch site on Oct. 2, 1957.

He introduced Escambia County Sheriff Emmett Shelby, vice chairman of the Ranch trustees, who served as master of ceremonies.

Don McLeod Director of the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, introduced the distinguished guests, with the assistance of State Sen. Horry Hair, Jr., of Live Oak.

Leon County Sheriff W. P. Joyce, Ranch endowment chairman, presented a Ranch Founders Certificate to Governor Collins.

Pasco County Sheriff Leslie Bessenger, president of the Florida Sheriffs Association, paid tribute to the Association's Lifetime Honorary Members, all of whom have given \$1,000 or more to the Ranch project.

Plaque Unveiled

Hillsborough County Sheriff Ed Blackburn Jr., executive Director of the Ranch, introduced Judge Gooding.

Pinellas County Sheriff Don Genung introduced Mrs. Mattie L. Saunders, widow of Sheriff Saunders, and her two daughters, Patricia and Sallie, who unveiled a dedicatory plaque.



THREE HEADS ARE BETTER THAN ONE—Marion County Sheriff F. L. McGehee (center) confers with Ocala Police Chief K. C. Alvarez (left) and Florida Highway Patrol Sgt. Tom Aaron regarding law enforcement problems.

Climate Unhealthy for Criminals in Marion County

OCALA — Why is Marion County an unhealthy place for lawbreakers?

Many a "con" repenting at leisure behind prison bars has pondered this question, but it is no mystery to "home folks" aware of the close cooperation that exists between city, county and state law enforcement agencies.

This willingness to work together, plus the high calibre of men and equipment, just naturally creates a climate that is not conducive to the growth of crime.

"Give and Take"

Speaking of his friendly relations with the Ocala City Police and the Florida Highway Patrol, Sheriff F. L. McGehee put it this way: "It's a give and take proposition...the only way to get the job done. We couldn't get along without each other."

He explained that the "each other" also means the State Game Commission, Hotel Commission, Forest Rangers, State Beverage Department, Narcotics agents, the FBI, the State Railroad and Public Utilities Commission and other agencies.

Ocala Police Chief Kenneth Alvarez commented that: "It is absolutely necessary for all law enforcement agencies to cooperate for maximum efficiency and true justice."

"We all deal in service and pride ourselves in giving the best possible service," he added. "Doing the job properly is determined by whether we are availing ourselves of every possible resource."

Evidence Found

Ocala Star-Banner Reporter Frances Sheppard recently scanned a number of crime cases in this area and found that evidence of coordinated law enforcement "was repeated over and over, sometimes in dramatic, sometimes in seemingly routine fashion."

She found that Police and Sheriff's Departments daily exchange copies of arrests and case dispositions; and their files and records are easily accessible.

Competition between agencies is discouraged, she said, and the department heads are constantly alert to head off instances of friction or rivalry.

"I like knowing," she added, "when I holler 'help' everybody will come running and worry about whose responsibility it is after the crisis is over."

Sheriff McGehee feels that an important factor in the constant fight against crime is an efficient well-staffed department.

Therefore he is constantly improving his facilities, equipment and personnel.

Former Gilchrist Sheriff Dies

TRENTON—Russell E. Davis, Sr., former Gilchrist County Sheriff, died September 10, following an illness of several weeks.

A native of Georgia, he served two terms as sheriff and one term as Gilchrist County clerk of circuit court. He was 84.



TRAFFIC DIVISION—Cooperative law enforcement is the by-word of these smartly uniformed deputies in Sheriff McGehee's motorcycle traffic division. They are (from left) Chuck Miller, Sgt. Don Moreland and Billy Wood.



CIVIL DEPARTMENT—Processing of civil papers for the Marion County Sheriff's Department—a behind-the-scenes operation the public seldom sees—is handled by (from left) Mrs. Curtis Johnson, Chief Office Deputy Henry Laird, Miss Billie Shearer and Mrs. Barbara Gaillard.



TOP BRASS—This "summit conference" in the Marion County Sheriff's Department includes (from left) Capt. Charlie Kammerer, Chief Civil Deputy Doug Willis, and Chief Criminal Deputy George Smith.



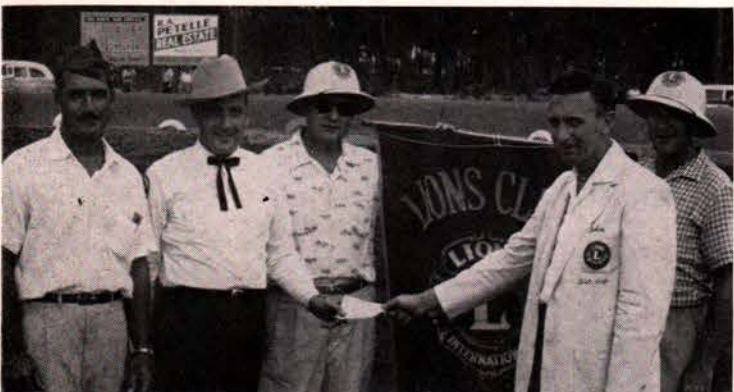
RECORDS KEEPING IS BIG JOB—Hard at work in the identification division of the Marion County Sheriff's Department are (from left) Mrs. Betty Costin, Mrs. Nita Smith and Sgt. Willie Clayton.

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.



FT. PIERCE—MORE BOOSTERS FOR BOYS RANCH—St. Lucie County Sheriff J. R. Norvell (left) presents Boys Ranch Founders Club certificates to L. H. Kincaid (center), president of Arvida Groves, Ft. Pierce; and John J. Kearney, civil defense director for St. Lucie County. Donors who give \$100 or more to the Boys Ranch are eligible for Founders Club membership.



LARGO—LIONS CLUB RAISES FUNDS FOR BOYS RANCH—Sheriff Don Genung (second from left) receives a check for \$706.93 representing the proceeds from a Micro-Midget auto race the Largo Lions Club sponsored for the benefit of the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch. Lions pictured are (from left) Kenneth E. Mitchell, president; Chester Smith, secretary; John Summers, district governor; and Robert Petelle, second vice president. (Photo by Binns Studio)



OCALA—NEGRO DEPUTIES CONTRIBUTE TO BOYS RANCH—Sgt. Horace Monroe of the Marion County Sheriff's Department, presents a check for \$200 to Sheriff F. L. McGehee as a donation from the Florida Association of Negro Deputy Sheriffs to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch. Monroe is president of the Association.



PLANT CITY—BOYS RANCH DONATION—The Florida Optometric Association presented \$100 to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch. Hillsborough County Sheriff Ed Blackburn, Jr., (right) is shown accepting the donation from Dr. C. Glynn Capps, of Plant City.

Ranch Gets Beef Cattle From Hernando

BROOKSVILLE — Sheriff Sim L. Lowman reported that Hernando County cattlemen donated 15 head of fine beef cattle to the growing herd at the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch. They were shipped to the Ranch, 11 miles north of Live Oak, in trucks provided by Buford and Powell Contracting Co. and G. M. Nunn.

Donors were: James Griffin, Lykes Brothers, G. M. Nunn, J. H. Boyd, Col. Clyde Lockhard and Ira McCollum, of Lock-Collum Ranch, J. W. Smith Sr., B. A. Crum, State Rep. John L. Ayers, D. C. Sikes, Frank McClung of Mountain Park Ranch, P. K. Ranch, J. W. McKethan and Sheriff Lowman.

On hand to thank the donors when the cattle were loaded for shipment was Pasco County Sheriff Leslie Bessenger, president of the Florida Sheriffs Association.

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 September and will receive founder's certificates:

Matt Biggs, Treasure Island.
Floyd B. Bowen, Lakeland.
Emil Causey, Wauchula.
Jasper J. Granger, St. Petersburg.
Meyer Heller, Ft. Pierce.
George W. Jenkins, Lakeland.
Lee County Distilled Spirits Association, Ft. Myers.
Rudolph Mattson, Ft. Pierce.
William C. MacInnes, Tampa.
T. C. Montgomery, Arcadia.
F. W. Moody, Palm Harbor
Citrus Growers Association, Palm Harbor.
E. Pardee, Wauchula.
L. W. Scott, Ft. Pierce.
Ace Signs, Inc., St. Petersburg.
Sen. Merrill P. Barber, Vero Beach.
The Chapel by the Sea, Clearwater Beach.
Henry Dingus, Jr., New Port Richey.
William Dunham, St. Petersburg.
Malcolm G. Dunnun, St. Petersburg.
Robert C. Edmiston, Lakeland.
First Federal Savings & Loan Association of Indian River County, Vero Beach.
Florida Optometric Association.
Local 1205, Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Gainesville.
Walter F. Groves, Jr., Vero Beach.
Indian River Citrus Bank, Vero Beach.
Largo Lions Club.
George M. Logue, Panama City.
T. C. Montgomery, Arcadia.
Ocala Lions Club, Ocala.
John W. O'Brien, St. Petersburg.
Beach Business Mens Club, Panama City.
Panama City Lions Club.
Pensacola Civinettes.
C. G. Ruebel, St. Petersburg.
Mrs. Mattie L. Saunders, St. Petersburg.
W. C. Sherman, Panama City.
Herbert C. Smith, St. Petersburg.



BOYS RANCH "BLESSED EVENT"—This pint-size stallion colt is the first native-born resident of the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch. Born Aug. 30, he is the offspring of "Omoleone" and "Checkertab," two miniature Shetland ponies donated to the Ranch earlier this year by Col. Thomas A. Parker, of Madison, Tenn.



VERO BEACH—MORE BOYS RANCH DONATIONS—Sheriff Sam Joyce (right) and Sheriff Ed Blackburn, Jr., (second from right) executive director of the Ranch, receive checks totaling \$400. The donors are (from left): Ralph Sedgwick, representing First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Indian River County, \$100; Walter F. Graves, Jr., personal donation of \$100; State Sen. Merrill P. Barber, personal donation of \$100, plus \$100 from Indian River Citrus Bank, of which he is president. Sen. Barber is also a member of the Ranch Board of Trustees. (Photo by Bob Palmer)

In Memoriam

The following persons have made contributions to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch Memorial Fund:

Mrs. Mary Thornton, St. Petersburg; in memory of Robert Wood.

Jackson Logan, Tampa; in memory of Addison Logan.

Harold Jensen, Hanska, Minnesota; in memory of H. JeRay Jensen.

Mrs. J. H. Simpson, Perry; in memory of her husband.

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.



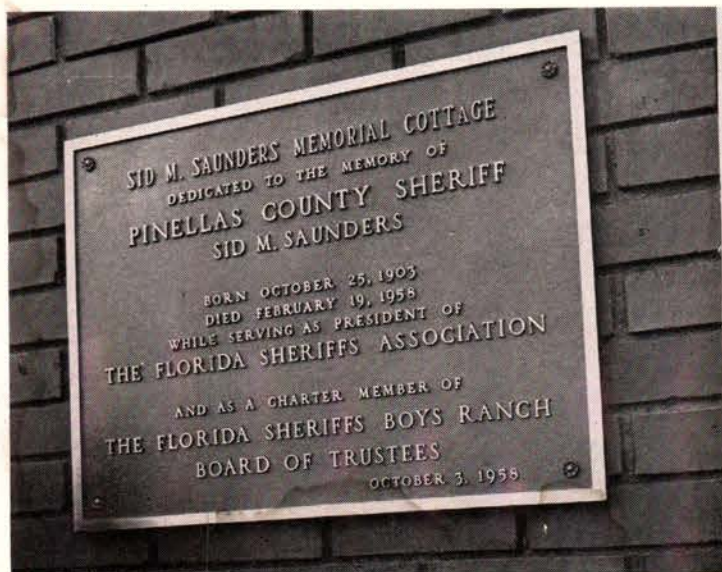
Midget shetland ponies and colt from the Boys Ranch pleased youngsters along the parade route.



Polk County Sheriff Hagan Parrish (right) leads his mounted posse in parade which preceded Boys Ranch dedication.



Crowd of some 500 persons attended the dedication program. Sid M. Saunders Memorial Cottage (ready for roof trusses) is in center and speakers' platform is at left.



Close-up of the bronze plaque which was unveiled during the dedication program.

BOYS RANCH DEDICATION



These Pictures Show Highlights of Events Marking Dedication of First Building At Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch, October 3, 1958



Sheriff W. P. Joyce (right) presents Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch Founders Club Certificate to Governor LeRoy Collins in recognition of assistance he has given to Ranch project.



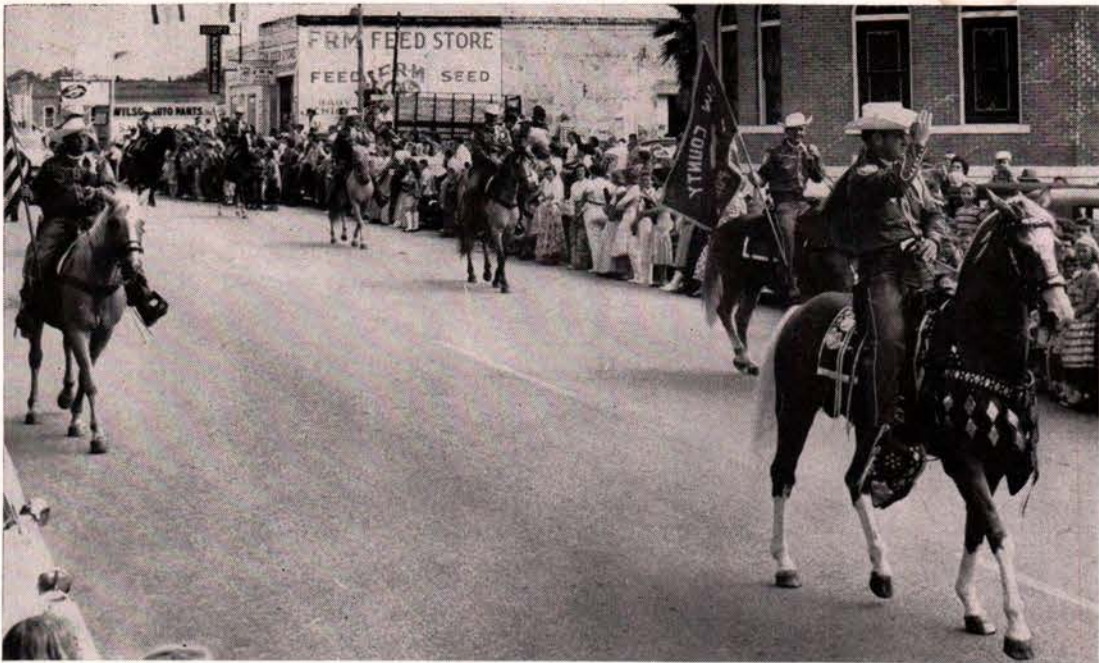
Dignitaries leading the parade included Sheriff Ross Boyer (rear seat, left), second vice president of the Florida Sheriffs Association; and State Sen. H. H. (Horry) Hair, Jr. (rear seat, wearing derby).



Sheriff Willis McCall (left) presents to Sheriff Ed Blackburn, Jr., executive director of the Ranch, three Boys Ranch donations of \$100 each from the three Elks Lodges of Lake County. McCall is president of the State Elks Association.



Sheriff Emmett Shelby (standing) served as Master of Ceremonies. Seated on platform from left are Sheriff Don Genung, Florida Sheriffs Bureau Director Don McLeod and Boys Ranch Trustee J. L. McMullen.



Duval County Sheriff Dale Carson's mounted posse passes reviewing stand.



Duval County Juvenile Court Judge Marion W. Gooding delivers dedication address.



In keeping with the Suwannee County Centennial theme, Gov. LeRoy Collins rode along the parade route in a Model-T Ford with J. L. McMullen (wearing derby), who was the dedication program chairman.



Pinellas County was represented by Sheriff Don Genung's recently organized mounted posse.



Suwannee County Centennial Queen (seated, third from left) and her court pose for picture on the banks of the Suwannee River, at the Boys Ranch.



Sheriff Leslie Bessenger (far right), president of Florida Sheriffs Association, recognizes Thomas Musgrove of Live Oak (far left) for support Musgrove has given to Boys Ranch.



After the Boys Ranch dedication program many visitors strolled down to the riverfront to view the beautiful Suwannee River.



Duval County Motorcycle Patrol unit was entered in parade by Sheriff Dale Carson.

"I've Been Shot, Help Me..."

"Man with the Mike" Often Hero of Crime Cases

The telephone rings . . . a frightened voice gasps "I've been shot, help me . . ."

It rings again . . . three people have been injured in a traffic accident and need immediate medical attention.

R-r-r-ring . . . a small child is missing . . . a well-soused

husband is beating his wife . . .

The radio receiver overhead suddenly comes alive. A deputy sheriff reports he has spotted a wanted fugitive . . . armed and dangerous . . .

Messages like this are all in the 24-hour-a-day routine of the Sheriff's Department Radio

Dispatcher — and the lives and security of many people depend upon his cool skill.

Surrounded by telephones, radio equipment, information files and a clattering teletype machine, he works at the very nerve center of law enforcement.

Behind the scenes of many of the big crime stories he is the unsung hero . . . the forgotten man.

If a fire breaks out he sends equipment to the scene. When traffic accidents occur he must carefully direct patrol cars and ambulances to the scene. If a shooting flares up, he must assess the seriousness of it and determine how many officers are needed.

Often these events happen simultaneously.

And this is when his skill is brought into play. He has to know the location of each patrol car, inform deputies of the nature of the emergency and direct them to the scene.

A mistake or a few minutes' unnecessary delay can mean the difference between life and death . . . success and failure.

All calls are not emergency calls. Some are of the nuisance variety and others originate from the old traditional impulse to "call the Sheriff" when a situation arises which no one else seems suited to handle.

A Sheriff's dispatcher tells about the indignant woman who complained because her husband made \$35 a week and gave her only \$6 for groceries.

"Perhaps Ma'am," said the dispatcher, "you should divorce him."

"Divorce?" she exclaimed. "That would cut off my \$6 and I would have to go to work."

Sometimes dispatchers have to double as baby-sitters—caring for abandoned children until juvenile authorities arrive.

They even assist the stork — as one did when he arranged transportation to the hospital for an expectant mother.

Trained to be accommodating, dispatchers help distraught wives find husbands "out on a spree." They even have been known to give early morning calls to persons whose alarm clocks broke down.

Dispatchers get calls about swarming bees, noisy parties, barking dogs. They're asked to explain certain laws or solve domestic troubles.

They could shrug off these calls with a curt "we're too busy," but they don't.

That's why they are often called "the friendly voice of the Sheriff's Department."



CLEARWATER—LAW ENFORCEMENT NERVE CENTER—Surrounded by radio, telephone and teletype equipment in the Pinellas County Sheriff's Department, Phil Beath is typical of the many Dispatchers who play an important but little-known role in law enforcement. (St. Petersburg Times Photo by Martin Dyckman)

11-Point Safeguard

Sheriff Genung Tells Merchants How to Outwit Bad Check Artists

By ERIC ATKINS

CLEARWATER—As a strong deterrent to bad check passers, and an added protection to merchants of Pinellas County, Sheriff Don Genung prepared and distributed an 11-point safeguard sheet to all merchants in Pinellas County.

The sheriff warned all merchants to adhere to the do's and don't's described below, for the purpose of reducing the workload of his office and saving the people of Pinellas many thousands of dollars through the proper handling of checks:

1. All personal checks should always be made out in the presence of the merchant.

2. All second party checks should be endorsed in the presence of the merchant.

3. Always see the identification at time of passing, such as driver's license, car license number, lodge cards, etc. (Except Social Security card, which is not recognized as identification). All this information should be plainly marked on the reverse side of the check for future reference.

4. When accepting a second party check, when endorsement has been previously made, check the handwriting on the face of the check against the endorsement for peculiar characteristics. If they seem to be the same, be careful. It may be a forgery.

5. If a second party check has been endorsed before presentation, have it endorsed again in your presence and then check it against the signature on the driver's license.

6. In cashing any check, get the address of passer and if possible check it in the City Directory and Telephone Book to see if passer has given the correct information. Also, if within banking hours, check with bank. (Note:

Bank will give information on checks only if you ask if there is sufficient money to cover check in question.)

7. Do not accept any post-dated checks, as this would indicate that there is not enough money in bank to cover the check at time of passing, and this check could not be prosecuted as a crime in this state.

8. All merchants are requested to make every effort to collect insufficient fund checks themselves and take out warrant themselves in the proper court, when maker of check and address is known to them.

9. All forgeries, also worthless checks, of \$100.00 or more can be prosecuted as a felony under Florida Statute No. 831.

10. All worthless checks under \$100.00 can be prosecuted as a misdemeanor under Florida Statute No. 832.

11. All criminal action brought in these cases is for the purpose of prosecuting for committing a crime only, and is not to be used for collection purposes.

Remember there is no such thing as good identification in cashing a check. You have to be a good psychologist. You are your only judge when cashing a check.

47-Year Career As Law Officer Ends

PALATKA—Robert L. Glisson, 66, who served as a law enforcement officer for 47 years—under five sheriffs—has retired.

Glisson, who spent the last two years of his career as a radio operator with the Highway Patrol, served as deputy to Putnam County Sheriffs R. C. Howell, P. M. Hagen, R. J. Hancock, W. J. Revels, and E. Walton Pellicer.



PENSACOLA—WEEKLY CRIME SHOW—Sheriff Emmett Shelby (left) and Investigator Bill Lynch operate the "Show-up", a potent weapon against crime. (Pensacola News Photo)

No Chorus Girls

It's a Serious Business When Crime Suspects Go "On Stage"

PENSACOLA — "On stage everybody"—the traditional call that heralds the opening of a Broadway hit also echoes through the steel and concrete corridors of the Escambia County jail every Monday night at 8.

In this instance, however, the stage is a sinister apparatus called a "Show-up" and the "actors" are real-life criminals—suspected rapists, gunmen, murderers and assorted toughies.

Constructed with the approval of Sheriff Emmett Shelby, and under the supervision of Investigator Bill Lynch, the "Show-up" is the newest weapon

in the Sheriff Department's anti-crime arsenal.

With the use of an intricate lighting system it enables victims and witnesses to view arrested criminals without being seen by the accused.

Thus the viewer is more at ease and is able to concentrate on appearance, voice, mannerisms and other factors important to the positive identification of a suspect.

Commented the Pensacola News: "The Sheriff's Office should be commended for this new program, and the resulting benefits should far outweigh any possible defects."



SARASOTA—DEPUTY SHERIFF DONALD CRAFT ENJOYS JAIL STAY —He was taken into custody during Englewood Pioneer Days by pretty "special deputies" (left to right) Onita Spargur, Mary Jo Marlow and Wanda Whiteaker. His crime: failing to wear a derby hat. (Photo courtesy The Sarasota News)

Hubcap Theft Reward Posted

MIAMI — Effective immediately, a \$50 reward is offered by the South Florida Division of the American Automobile Association for information leading to the arrest and conviction of anyone stealing hubcaps from a member's automobile.

The reward—designed to protect AAA members from larceny and to curb juvenile delinquency—was announced by R. J. Finley, manager of the South Florida AAA Division after consultation with law enforcement officials and advisory board members.

"We believe this is the first time anywhere in the nation for a motor club to offer a reward specifically aimed to deter hubcap thieves," Finley declared. "We hope it will serve to focus public attention on a problem that has grown to alarming proportions."

Finley noted that in Miami, alone, police report that hubcap losses exceeded \$25,000 in the first three months of 1958.

Beware—"Juggers" Will Get You

A new word—"jugging"—has been added to the lexicon of crime.

"Jugging" is a term applied by the thieves themselves to describe a type of robbery based on the victim's own carelessness. Those who practice "jugging" are called "juggers."

Juggers are not highly skilled criminals. Nor do they have to be especially crafty or smart.

A jugger merely sets up shop in the vicinity of a bank, where he can watch persons entering and leaving. When a person is spotted leaving the bank with what appears to be a large payroll or heavy cash withdrawal, the jugger follows.

If the payroll is delivered to the place where it was intended, the jugger returns to the bank looking for another victim.

However, in many instances,

the person, with no idea that he or she is being followed, becomes careless and leaves the money on the seat of his car, or in the glove compartment, or "hidden" under the front seat. For the jugger, the rest is easy.

This year, Jacksonville detectives concentrated on eliminating the jugger. Warning cards were distributed to local banks, which in turn posted the warning in the banks and also presented their cards to the patrons. Even with these precautions, carelessness still paid off for juggers in a few instances.

However, a close vigil on banks and other savings institutions and the interrogation of all persons found loitering, resulted in the arrest of a jugger wanted for stealing a \$900 payroll from the parked car of an Orlando business man.

WANTED PERSONS

As Compiled by the
Florida Sheriffs Bureau
Don McLeod, Director



FREDERICK SCOTT

Using name **JAMES MILLER**, colored male, age 32, 5 feet, 11 inches, weighs 150 pounds, slender build, black hair, brown eyes, chocolate complexion. Cut scar left ear. On 8-15-58 subject purchased a blue steel .22 caliber revolver, with barrel, Ser. No. 68614. May go to Tampa, Fla. Wanted on charge Parole Violation, Theft and Forgery. Will extradite. If apprehended notify Dept. of Public Safety and La. SP. Baton Rouge, La., or Florida Sheriffs Bureau Tallahassee, Florida.



WILLIAM ALFRED SAWYER

Alias "CONKIE," white male, date of birth 4/14/18, 5 feet, 11 1/2 inches tall, weighs 160 pounds, blond hair, blue eyes. Occupation: Fisherman. Subject is life time parolee, convicted for murder in Collier County and paroled to Monroe County. On 9/14/58 he was committed to Collier County jail on warrants issued for threatening the lives of two men with a shot gun. He escaped 9/15/58 and parole now revoked. Warrant issued for Parole Violation. Subject is believed to be armed and considered dangerous. If apprehended notify Sheriff Hendry, Everglades, Florida or The Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



RICHARD H. SNELL

White male, age 22, 5 feet, 7 inches tall, weighs 135 pounds, blonde hair, blue eyes. Scar on right arm. Place of birth Franklin Pa. Occupation: Salesman Traveling in car, but year and make unknown. Warrant will be issued, charge B and E and Burglary. If apprehended notify Sheriff Thompson, Fort Myers, Fla., or Florida Sheriffs Bureau Tallahassee, Florida.

Wreck Averted By Deputies

WEST PALM BEACH—Quick action on the part of Palm Beach County Deputy Sheriffs Al St. John and Charlie Root averted a serious Seaboard Air Line Railroad accident.

On Sept. 19 they observed that the wheel assembly of a passing train was on fire and notified the Seaboard telegraph operator here. The operator in turn wired the train dispatcher in Jacksonville, who stopped the train at Dyer with the use of a remote control signal.

After the car had been shunted onto a siding and the fire extinguished it was found that the "journal" (that part of the axle extending beyond the wheels into the journal box which carries the weight) was broken.

Seaboard Superintendent L. C. Bates told Sheriff John Kirk that if the train had not been stopped promptly a serious accident would have occurred.

He added: "I sincerely appreciate the fine service your department rendered us and would like for you to extend my thanks to all of those who were involved."

MISSING



ADAM LaBOVE

White male, age 25, 5 feet, 2 inches tall, weighs 185 pounds, black hair, brown eyes, dark complexion. Last seen June 12, 1958. At that time he was working in Cocoa, Fla., with the Western Electric Co., and had only been there 3 weeks. His locked car was located June 14, 1958 on Cocoa Beach. Any one knowing of subjects whereabouts contact his wife, Mrs. Adam LaBove, Route 1, Barney, Ga., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.

BAD CHECK ARTIST'S GALLERY

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



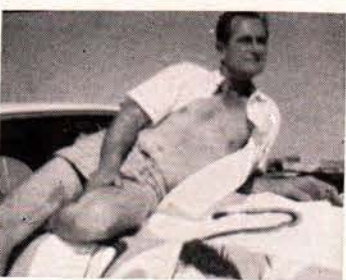
OTIS RICHARD GORDON

Also known as **RICHARD OTIS GORDON, R. O. GORDON**, white male, age 40, 5 feet, 11 inches, weighs 196 pounds, dark hair, brown eyes, ruddy complexion. FBI No. 437-564-141. Specializes in passing Worthless Checks in Super Markets, buying merchandise, getting cash from checks made to larger amounts. Poses as employee of ACL RR, The Fla., Power and Light Co., Telephone Co., etc. In June, 1958, he was active in Tampa area, posing as Air Force Sergeant. At that time he was driving a light green 1951 Nash Rambler Station Wagon, 1958 Fla., Lic. 1-160416. In addition to Worthless Check charges he is also wanted by the FBI for Impersonation. If subject apprehended notify either of following: Police Dept., Tampa, Sheriff Hagan Parrish, Bartow, Sheriff Pellicer, Palatka, Police Dept., Fort Myers, Constable, 8th JP District Volusia County, or The Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



LANTY LEWIS LESTER

White male, age 20, 5 feet, 8 1/2 inches tall, weighs 154 pounds, slender build, red-brown hair, blue eyes. Known to be some where in Florida. Capias issued, charge Forgery. If apprehended ascertain if he will waive extradition. Notify Sheriff Bird, Akron Ohio, or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



WILLIAM H. PRICE

White male, age 33, 5 feet, 10 inches, weighs 175 pounds, thin brown hair, grey at temples, grey-blue eyes, ruddy complexion. Warrant issued, charge Worthless Checks and Forgery, in Palm Beach County. Also believed wanted in Duval and Volusia Counties. If apprehended notify Sheriff Kirk, West Palm Beach, Florida or The Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



HAROLD T. GODFREY

Alias **SAMMY A.**, white male, age 36, 5 feet 6 inches tall, weighs 135 pounds, slender build, sandy hair. Neat dresser. Warrant issued, charge Forgery. If apprehended notify Sheriff Genung, Clearwater, Fla., or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



MRS. ROY STRICKLAND

Also known as **MARY ANN STRICKLAND**, white female, age 42, 5 feet, 2 inches tall, weighs 120 pounds, short blk curly hair, brown eyes, dark complexion. Scar on one cheek. Missing since Sept. 2, 1958. May be in Cape Canaveral area or some other Development area. A \$50.00 reward will be paid for information leading to her whereabouts. Notify Sheriff, Homerville, Ga., or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



LOUISE STEWART MOURIKAS

White female, age 29, 5 feet, 4 inches tall, weighs 125 pounds, long brown hair, blue eyes. Two inch long scar on outside right leg. Missing from Daytona Beach, Fla., since Sept. 12, 1958. At that time was carrying a white suitcase. Anyone knowing subjects whereabouts contact Sheriff Thursby, Daytona Beach, Fla., or The Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee.

Bureau Cited For Being "Wide Awake"

The Daytona Beach Evening News praised the Florida Sheriffs Bureau for its state-wide series of conferences aimed at stamping out Bolita and for its decision to pay whatever is necessary to obtain the best available director for its new crime laboratory.

Describing this as "wide-awakeness," the newspaper, in an editorial, quoted Sheriff John Spottswood, Bureau member, as saying: "We want an outstanding man to head the crime laboratory. If we can't get one we won't take second best. We just won't open the laboratory."

The newspaper went on to say:

"Spottswood's position strikes us as being most laudable, the only position from which the state can expect the Bureau to move forward to greater accomplishments in crime detection and prevention.

"No one would wish to see the director of Florida's new crime laboratory overpaid for his highly technical work. There's little danger he will be overpaid. There's more danger that a too tight rein on a comparatively small expense item may prevent the Sheriffs Bureau from hiring its director. "We have got thus far in im-

proving our law enforcement apparatus because of the drive put behind it by Attorney General Ervin and Governor Collins.

"Floridians who uphold law and order should insist that the progress be carried still further by the next Legislature. The Sheriff's Bureau should have all necessary discretion in employing personnel and buying equipment... The Bureau should be placed in a position where it can bring about complete coordination of local enforcement officers and the Bureau, as Governor Collins urged months ago."

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DON McLEOD
Director

Bureau Director Don McLeod recently announced the appointment of James E. Halligan Jr. to head the Sheriffs Bureau Crime Laboratory. He said Halligan, who is currently on the staff of the Wisconsin State Crime Laboratory, is well qualified for the new duties he will assume here Nov. 15.

Two important phases of Bureau Crime Laboratory work have already started with appointment of document examination man and polygraph examiner . . .



THOMPSON

FAY

John Fay, former document examiner with Royal Canadian Mounted Police, heads the Document Examination Section . . .

Lester W. Thompson, retired U. S. Marine Corps veteran, is the Bureau's polygraph examiner . . . Thompson headed the Criminal Investigative and Counterintelligence Sections with the U. S. Marines in Miami . . .

Seems the problem of protecting a crime scene prevails throughout the country . . . A New Jersey department solved this problem to a degree by posting placards on a building and around the area . . . these placards read:

**CRIME SCENE AREA
NO ADMITTANCE!**

This area is being searched, and no unauthorized persons are to enter!

By order of _____

Sheriff or Police Chief

**Faulty Check
Cases Doubled**

TALLAHASSEE—Fraudulent check cases received by the document examination section of the Florida Sheriffs Bureau during September more than doubled the amount received in August, according to Sheriffs Bureau Director Don McLeod.

Figures released by McLeod show the Sheriffs Bureau received 46 cases during the period September 1-30, with checks in these cases having a total value of \$7,611.05. During August, the Sheriffs Bureau received 21 bad check cases having a total value of \$1,632.84.

The Sheriffs Bureau document examination section, a branch of the Bureau's crime laboratory, is headed by John Fay. Fay is a veteran document examination man, having over eight years' experience with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police in Canada. He took over the post with the Sheriffs Bureau on August 5.

In discussing worthless check cases submitted to the Bureau in September, Fay explained that 40 checks of unknown authorship were submitted. Of this number, 32.6 per cent were identified through previous material on file with the document examination section.

This percentage of identifiable material accounted for \$2,498.20 of the total amount of bad checks submitted.

. . . sounds like a good idea and one that undoubtedly would be a great deal of help to all departments . . . 1,120 copies of each issue of the Sheriffs Crime Bulletin are presently being distributed . . . if you are not getting your copy, drop a card to the Florida Sheriffs Bureau at Tallahassee and ask to be placed on the mailing list.

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Fay, the Document Examination Section head, reports the Bureau received over 40 bad check cases during September . . . he feels this probably represents less than one per cent of the bogus checks passed in the state for that period . . .

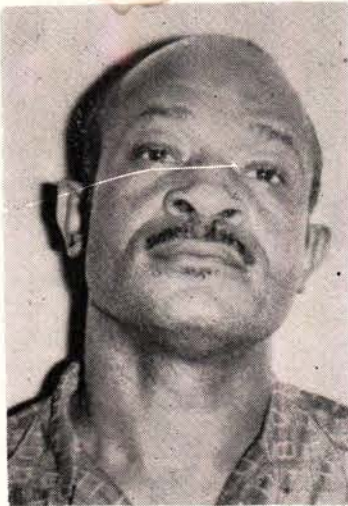
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Fay feels the bad check passer is creating the greatest single problem to police officers in the state . . . he feels only through the cooperation of merchants, bankers and law enforcement officers and speedy identification can apprehension of these check passers be accomplished.

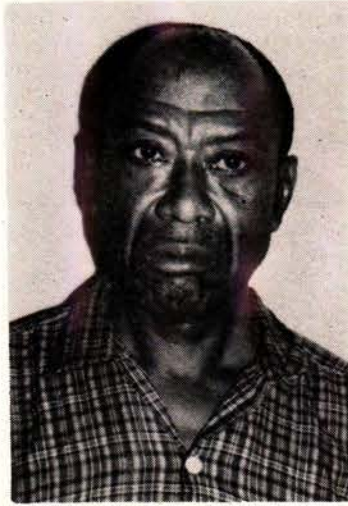
Fay urges all state officers to furnish the Sheriffs Bureau with checks of both known and unknown authorship . . . he feels that building up the Bureau's Fraudulent Check File will benefit all police agencies in state . . . Instructions regarding submission of fraudulent checks to Sheriffs Bureau were issued in Sheriffs Crime Bulletin No. 302, dated August 21, 1958. . .



LIFE MEMBER—George W. Jenkins, of Lakeland, has been voted a lifetime Honorary Membership in the Florida Sheriffs Association in recognition of his recent contribution of \$1,000 to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch. He was born in Warm Springs, Georgia in 1907; moved to Florida from Atlanta in 1925; and worked for the Piggly Wiggly grocery chain as store manager until 1930. He opened the first Publix Food Store in Winter Haven in 1930; purchased the "All American" chain of nineteen grocery stores in 1945 and has since replaced the nineteen small stores and opened additional super markets, bringing the total number to thirty-nine with eight new markets under construction. The first year's sales were \$108,000 and the business has grown to a 1957 sales volume of over \$77,000,000. He is active in community activities and is President of National Boys Football Foundation.



JAMES ALVIN HALL



WILLIE McPIKE

Have They "Flim-Flammed" You?

JASPER — Sheriff Charlie Rhoden is holding James Alvin Hall and Willie McPike here as suspected "flim-flam" or "pocket book game" operators.

He asked that their pictures be published in the Sheriff's Star because they are believed to have worked their racket in other parts of the state, and it is possible some of their victims will recognize them.

Anyone with a "wanted" or "hold" request should contact Sheriff Rhoden, at Jasper; or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee.

The two Colored males were apprehended by the Thomasville, Ga., police department on

suspicion of "flim-flam."

Upon reading an item about them in the Sheriffs Crime Bulletin, issued by the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Sheriff Rhoden found that their description was similar to that of two men who worked a similar offense here, and he obtained custody of them.

Hall was born January 22, 1910, Bluefield, W. Va. He is 6 feet tall, weighs 222 pounds, and has black hair and brown eyes.

McPike was born August 12, 1899, Mounds, La. He is 5 feet, 9 inches tall, weighs 166 pounds, and has black hair and brown eyes.

Better To Build Boys Than Mend Men Judge Says

Here is the text of the address delivered by Duval County Juvenile Court Judge Marion W. Gooding at the dedication of the first building at the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch, October 3, 1958.

We are gathered here today to dedicate a building to be used for the physical, mental, moral and spiritual development of boys of our great State. This edifice stands as a symbol of the determination of a group of law enforcement officers, and their friends, to save boys from the possibility of lives of crime and to make useful, decent, law abiding citizens of them.

These law enforcement officers, of all of our citizenry, are acutely aware of the ever increasing problem of juvenile delinquency and they have caught the vision of a need for prevention of the trouble, rather than treatment and attempted cure of the patient after he has gotten into trouble.

Many grave problems face our nation today such as the threat of war, the possibility of annihilation of large portions of our country by the hydrogen bomb, the alleged lagging in our guided missile program, inflation, integration in our public schools and so on—but I submit that the gravest problem facing our country is that of juvenile misbehavior—for this problem strikes at the very foundation of our social structure—our homes—our children.

Whether we like it or not we must understand that our children of today are our citizens of tomorrow and the leadership of our great country will be furnished by our children of today and we will have no better leadership than we have children. We must give them the proper moral and spiritual training to prepare them for leadership.

Last year more than 1½ million of our children were in trouble with the law — J. Edgar Hoover says that by 1960 — 2 million will be in trouble with the law. Therefore, we must face the problem realistically and endeavor to isolate the problem and immunize our children from the problem.

We cannot take all of the affected children from society — we must realize that the solution is to rehabilitate and salvage those who get into trouble and turn them back into society as good citizens. How much more effective it is to build boys instead of mending men. And it is to this proposition that this great project here is dedicated.

The vast majority of our boys are basically good—they would not normally get into trouble. Many get into trouble because of unstable homes — many lack the basic needs of all children — love, discipline and a feeling of security, a feeling of being wanted. Those who work with children's problems recognize far too often a child gets into trouble because of the type of people the child has to live with — his parents.

Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch eventually expects to open its arms to 400 boys who can be given the proper guidance and training in order that they may become useful citizens and leaders in our community. No one would be so brash as to claim that our problem of juvenile delinquency will be solved by the erection and maintenance of this Ranch — but it is a tremendous stride in the direction of the proper handling of a portion of our



SEBRING—John Hancock, chief administrative deputy in the Highlands County Sheriff's Office, was elected president of the Sebring Rotary Club. He is a veteran and a graduate of Duke University.

**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

058-270—INTERPRETATION OF SECTION 317.20, Florida Statutes—The provisions of Section 317.20, Florida Statutes, are not intended to include a driver whose normal faculties are impaired through the use of Benzedrine.

058-271—RIGHTS OF POLICE OFFICER, etc.—A police officer has the right to commandeer a passing motorist to aid in pursuing a person committing a misdemeanor; that an accused has the burden of proving affirmative defenses; but after such proof has been adduced, the burden of establishing guilt beyond a reasonable doubt still rests on the prosecution.

058-276—OFFICER SEEKING INJUNCTION POWERS OF THE COURTS—A prosecuting officer may seek the injunctive powers of the courts to prevent a threatened violation of Section 847.01, Florida Statutes, prohibiting possessing, publishing or distributing obscene literature, or exhibiting such literature to a minor child when the prosecutor can show some reasonable forewarning of a violation, as by an expression or sign of an intention to effect an act contrary to the statutory prohibition.

problem; and its impact will be very evident to our State in the years ahead.

It is fitting, on this occasion, that we pause to pay tribute to all those who have worked so nobly and diligently to bring into realization this project. It is especially significant that the Sheriffs of our state, those who work daily in the field of criminology, are leading this magnificent work. They are deserving of the warmest praise from a grateful community.

Untold hours and days have been spent by them in planning, solicitation of funds and in the myriad of other duties in connection with making this project a reality, and in planning for its future operation. Our thanks go also to all of the other citizens of our State who have contributed of their time and money to make this work a success.

We want to pay especial tribute to the one in whose memory this first building is dedicated — the late Sid M. Saunders, who died while serving as President of the Florida Sheriffs Association. Those in Pinellas County, and his friends throughout Florida who knew him so well, knew the visions, the dreams and the plans he had for the creation of this Ranch. They all know of his great enthusiasm to get the work started, of his intense zeal to promote and promulgate the plans for operation of the Ranch.

Sid's enthusiasm was contagious and his spirit lives on in the hearts of the other men and women who are working so diligently to prepare the Ranch for its great work. It is truly said that "the good that men do in this life lives after them"—thus it has been as we look back upon the life of this great man. We look forward to service to boys.

We hereby dedicate this building to the memory of Sid M. Saunders, and as we do so we are reminded of the words of our Savior:

"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."