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Record Cash Ranch Gift

CLEARWATER—Ed C. Wright, well-known Pinellas County landowner, presented his personal check for \$2,500 to Sheriff Don Genung as a contribution to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch.

This is the largest cash contribution received to date for the Ranch. Single donations of property and equipment valued at higher sums have been received, however.

Wright, who rarely allows his name to be used when making a charitable contribution, declared he didn't mind publicity in this case because he was "so interested in what is being done at the Boys Ranch."

He called upon all Florida citizens to "come forth" and support "this positive step against juvenile delinquency."

Sheriff Genung expressed his deep appreciation and declared that the money will "help us tremendously in a great humanitarian venture which will mean much to the future of our State and Nation."

Daffin Starts Training Plan

PANAMA CITY—Bay County Sheriff M. J. (Doc) Daffin has established a vigorous in-service training program for all deputies.

The deputies will spend two hours each week studying various phases of law enforcement. When a firing range can be obtained, the deputies will be required to put in some target practice with their revolvers at least once a week.

"It is my contention," Sheriff Daffin says, "that good law enforcement can be attained only through constant study by officers. Law enforcement is only as good as the men who administer it."

Crime Ending Just Like TV

PUNTA GORDA—When Billy Waltman decided to break into the hardware store he did it just like he'd seen it done on TV.

He made his approach to the bolted back door boldly — like he saw it done once on Dragnet. As he walked through the darkened store to select his loot he wore gloves — because he remembered that Perry Mason once caught a criminal by his fingerprints. Then, the loot stashed away in his car, he got out of town before he could be noticed — as he'd seen it done on The Line Up.

But when he got to Tampa to peddle the loot he was caught — also in TV style.

A suspicious merchant to whom he tried to sell some of the stolen merchandise called the police and Billy was soon picked up. As he was escorted to jail he said: "You sure can't get away with anything. It's just like the TV and detective stories say — the robber always gets caught."



ORLANDO — INTOXICATION SCHOOL — Deputy Sheriffs and police officers receive instruction in chemical tests for intoxication while attending a special school sponsored by Orange County Sheriff Dave Starr. The instructor (in white short-sleeve shirt) was Sgt. D. P. Caldwell, from the Pensacola Police Department.

"One Short Beer" Defendant is In for a Rough Time in Court

ORLANDO—It's going to be more difficult for accused drunken drivers in the central Florida area to convince the judge that they "just had a short beer."

The reason: Orange County Sheriff Dave Starr recently sponsored a school to show law enforcement officers how to make chemical tests for intoxication.

It was held in the Fern Creek Armory, Oct. 6 through 17, and was attended by three officers from the Apopka Police Department, two from the Sanford Police Department, seven from the Winter Park Police Department and 14 Orange County Deputy Sheriffs.

All of the officers received certificates qualifying them as Drunkometer operators. The instructor was Sgt. D. P. Caldwell, from the Pensacola Police Department.

In commenting on the school, Sheriff Starr said: Chemical tests for intoxication bring scientific aid to the law enforcement officer in identifying "drinking drivers."

"They eliminate the innocent and pathologically afflicted; cause the guilty to plead 'guilty'; afford the officer a means of presenting facts to the judge and jury; and enable the courts to deal justly with suspected offenders."

"All of this enables an officer to do a better job of enforcement with a maximum of uniformity and a minimum of inequity."



WEST HOLLYWOOD — SAFETY IS HIS BUSINESS — Broward County Deputy Sheriff Paul F. Radcliff puts School Safety Patrol members through their paces. This is only one of his many duties as he patrols the county daily looking out for the safety of thousands of grade school children. He teaches safety with posters and animated cartoon movies. He also distributes diagrams showing children the safest routes to follow in going to and from school, and he works closely with principals to do everything possible to maintain safe crossings. (Photo by Gene Hyde Associates, Inc.)

Budget System Law Attacked

PANAMA CITY—The Florida Sheriffs Budget System law which has won nation-wide acclaim as a major advance in law enforcement has been attacked in circuit court here.

The Calhoun County Commission has filed a suit claiming the law is unconstitutional and asked the court to issue a temporary injunction which would prevent Sheriff W. C. Reeder from receiving funds to operate his department under the budget system.

Sheriff Reeder, backed by the Florida Sheriffs Association, won the first round when Judge Clay Lewis denied the injunction.

The sheriff's primary argument was that the injunction would put him back on the antiquated fee system and in doing that he would be violating the budget system law.

The budget law, passed by the 1957 legislature, took all but a handful of Florida counties off the outmoded fee system and placed them on a businesslike budget-salary system.

It has since been hailed by officials and publications—including Reader's Digest—as a progressive move that removed the "profit motive" from law enforcement.

Over the State it has been enthusiastically praised, and although it provides that a Sheriff and his county commissioners can appeal budget controversies to a state board composed of the Governor, Attorney General and Comptroller, this board has not yet been required to rule on any appeals.

The Calhoun County commissioners did not appeal their budget hassle to the three-man board.

Instead, they chose to try to have the law thrown out on grounds that it is unconstitutional. They claim that the budget law, now on the books

as a general law, is actually a special act. They told the court the law is unconstitutional because it was not enacted in accordance with constitutional requirements governing such acts.

In a hearing here Nov. 5, Sheriff Reeder moved to dismiss the suit on grounds it provided no cause for court action. Judge Lewis took the motion under advisement and asked both sides to file briefs within about 30 days.

The Judge also granted a petition for Attorney John A. Madigan Jr. and the Tallahassee law firm of Caldwell, Parker, Foster, Madigan, Owen and Moriarty to intervene on behalf of the Florida Sheriffs Association. Madigan is the Association's attorney.

Assistant Attorney General Ralph McLane, who attended the hearing, was requested by Judge Lewis to file a brief on behalf of the Attorney General's office.

Sheriff Reeder is represented by the Panama City law firm of Cornett and Leath.

Virgil Mayo, of Blountstown, and Isler and Welch, of Panama City, are attorneys for the county commissioners.

Sheriffs "Convoy" Big Boat-A-Cade

KISSIMMEE—A small navy of Sheriff's Department patrol boats from Polk, Sarasota, Lake, Manatee and Osceola Counties helped to "convoy" the famous annual Boat-A-Cade which traveled from here to Lake Okeechobee last month.

W. B. Makinson, president of the Boat-A-Cade said the presence of Sheriff's Bob Buckels, Roy Baden, Hagan Parrish and Ross Boyer "certainly kept the group in order."

"We are grateful for the part they played in making this Boat-A-Cade the best one we have had so far," he said.

A total of 1,750 persons from many parts of the nation made the week-long cruise in 650 boats. One boat from Denmark participated.

Heap Trouble

HOLLYWOOD—Three youths, ages 8 to 10, were arrested for vandalism at the local community center. When discovered, the boys were sitting, Indian-style, in the middle of the floor around a brightly burning fire they had made from old clothing and shoes.

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ORLANDO — RANCH BOOSTER — Orange County Sheriff Dave Starr (left) presents Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch Founders Club certificate to William E. (Bill) Davis, who made a substantial contribution to the Ranch project. Davis is chairman of Ben White's Raceway, President-elect of the Greater Orlando Chamber of Commerce and a member of the board of directors of the Orlando Kiwanis Club.



ST. AUGUSTINE — FROM THE OLD JAIL — St. John County Sheriff L. O. Davis (right) presents a Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch Founders Club certificate to Henry (Slim) McDaniel, who made a contribution of \$100 to the Ranch on behalf of "The Old Jail", St. Augustine tourist attraction. (Photo by Rupert Chastain)



SANFORD — IN UNCLE SAM'S BACK YARD — Seminole County Sheriff Luther Hobby (right) and Deputy Sheriff Vern Brewster inspect a still which bold moonshiners operated on U. S. Government property at the inactive Osceola Air Force Base. Sheriff Hobby quickly put the intruders out of business.



WAUCHULA — SHERIFF'S AUXILIARY — Hardee County Sheriff E. Odell Carlton (kneeling) is pictured here with his newly-organized auxiliary. Members are (from left): Back row—Doyle Bryan, Holton Dansby, Earl Sellers, Jimmy Sellers, Robert Ratliff; center row—Maurice Carlton, Lewis Pace, Merle Albritton, Robert R. Smith, Jerry H. (Jack) Melendy, Willard Durrance, Kenneth Bennett, Albert Carlton, Collis Tomlinson and Red Mills; front row—Pat Sims, Jack Bryan, Reid Stewart, Walter Garrett, Roy Hodges, Finas Davis.

Auxiliary Unit Trained to Help Sheriff Carlton in Emergencies

WAUCHULA—Hardee County Sheriff E. Odell Carlton has organized a 35-man "Auxiliary Unit" of prominent local citizens, trained to assist the Sheriff's Department in emergencies and disasters.

Its members (business and professional men, farmers and ranchers, a city commissioner, a county commissioner and a school board member) are a hard-working team being given the same training as regular deputies in law enforcement work.

Members have taken part in three peace officers' training schools this year, becoming skilled in fingerprinting, handling of small arms, and law enforcement techniques.

The group was organized to supplement Sheriff Carlton's full-time staff in event of emergencies. Members are getting actual experience in handling crowds by helping out at football games and other large community events which draw large crowds.

The unit is called in if the sheriff is looking for a wanted

man or a lost child and has even been loaned to neighboring counties in times of disaster, such as last spring's tornado in Polk County.

Members are carefully chosen and there is always a waiting list, in spite of the type of work involved.

The Auxiliaries wear uniforms like those worn by full-time deputies, except that their shoulder patches are inscribed with the words "Auxiliary Unit." They are bonded like regular deputies, carry guns and wear badges.

Complete Course

PALM BEACH AIR FORCE BASE—Two Palm Beach County deputies completed a special five-day advanced course in fingerprint identification, conducted by an FBI instructor. The deputies are Bobby Newman and Eugene Ellis. The course was sponsored jointly by Sheriff John Kirk and the Provost Marshal's Office of the Palm Beach Air Force Base.



ST. AUGUSTINE—Attractive Dispatcher Hazel Mur and the Civil Defense short-wave radio equipment pictured here are both recent additions to the St. Johns County Sheriff's Department. (Photo by Rupert Chastain.)

Curbing Crime Needs Help too Of Old John Q

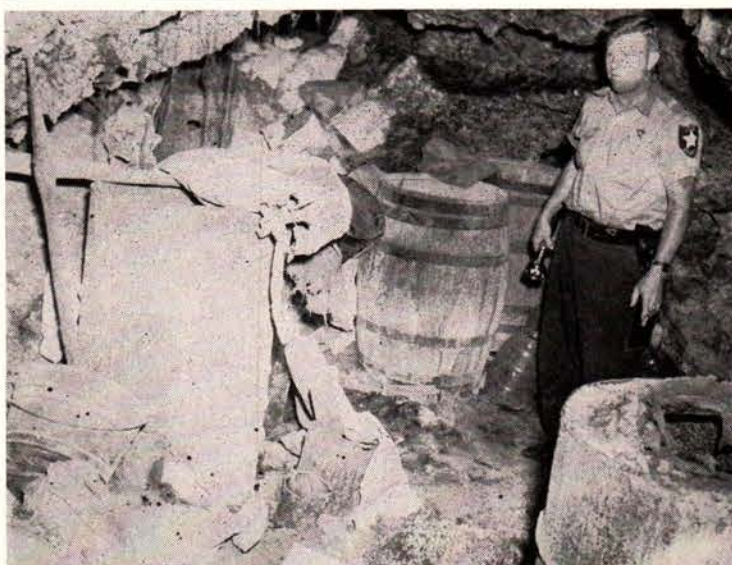
MIAMI BEACH — The Nation's growing crime rate is a challenge to all citizens and not just a problem to be pushed off on law enforcement officers.

That's the way police chiefs of two of the Nation's large cities summarized the crime problem in America. The chiefs, Stephen Kennedy, of New York City, and William H. Parker, of Los Angeles, expressed their views while attending a meeting of the International Association of Chiefs of Police here.

Chief Kennedy said it's time for society's agencies — the church, the home and the school — to stop pushing their responsibilities off on their professional lawman.

"A criminal is an end product of many social and economic factors," Kennedy said, and not just the responsibility of police officers. And it's not a police function to teach morals to the public," he added.

Chief Parker also laid the blame for the growing crime rate at the door of society. He labeled "the worship of materialism" as one of the prime causes of crime.



BRONSON — UNDERGROUND MOONSHINE STILL—Rare in the annals of Florida law enforcement is this moonshine still uncovered by Sheriff J. W. Turner in a cave near Raleigh. (Caves are also rare in Florida.) Deputy Sheriff Pete Smith is shown checking the equipment. Sheriff Turner said evidence indicated that moonshine operations had been going on in the cave over a period of about 15 years and that the still had been modernized from a wood burner to a gas burner. He arrested one of the operators and thereby maintained his perfect "batting average" of an arrest with every still raid. (Sheriff's Department photo)

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.



TAMPA — TILE FOR BOY'S RANCH — Hillsborough County Sheriff Ed Blackburn Jr. (left) and his Chief Deputy, Roger Dixon (right), express to Sam Rodriguez, president of Tiffany Tile Corp., Tampa, their appreciation for the load of tile he donated to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch. He provided enough tile for the first building at the Ranch, a residence for 20 boys.



PLANT CITY — THANKS FOR THE TANK — Hillsborough County Sheriff Ed Blackburn Jr. (left) thanks Cliff Hardee, president of Plant City Steel Corp., for the water tank which the steel firm donated and delivered to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch. Smiling his approval at right is Jack Dempsey, chief of the traffic division of the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Department. (Photo by Bill Friend, Plant City)

Gave \$100 or More

Boys Ranch Founders Club Roster Continues to Grow

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 October and will receive appropriate certificates:

James Y. Arnold, Jr., Palm Beach.

Clermont - Groveland Lodge B.P.O. Elks No. 1848.

Eustis Lodge B.P.O. Elks No. 1578.

First Federal Savings & Loan Association, St. Petersburg.

Teenage Club 551, Key West.

Oscar Kopf, Clermont.

Leesburg Lodge B.P.O. Elks No. 1703.

Fondren Mitchell, Vero Beach.

Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks, Lodge No. 1598, Panama City.

Rupert W. Gwaltney, Panama City, Florida.

Lloyd S. Bostwick, St. Petersburg.

Bay County Deputy Sheriffs, Panama City.

Mrs. Sylvia H. Frederick, St. Petersburg.

Highlands County Sheriff's Rescue Unit, Sebring.

St. Petersburg Dog Fanciers Association.

Beta Zeta Chapter 1927, Epsilon Sigma Alpha, Clearwater.

Harry C. Cole, St. Petersburg.

Captain C. D. Blount, Tavares.

H. S. Massey, Dade City.

George Williamson, Lake Wales.

Frank Wilfong, Gulfport.

Buckeye Cellulose Corporation, Perry.

C. S. Fryer, Jr., Quincy, Florida.

Anderson Manufacturing Co., Inc., Bradenton.

Lewis Lumber Company, Bradenton.

Kirk Building Supply, Bradenton.

Builders Supply Company, Bradenton.

Holmes Supplies, Bradenton.

Manatee Lumber Company, Bradenton.

ABC Windows, Pinellas Park.

ACD Templin Truss Company, St. Petersburg.

Allied Products of Florida, St. Petersburg.

Audlane Lumber & Builders Supply, Inc., Largo.

Bauldree Masonry Construction, Inc., St. Petersburg.

L. J. Bullock, Jr., St. Petersburg.

Cement Roofing Industries, Tampa.

Cement Specialties Corp., St. Petersburg.

Ralph Chappellear, Inc., St. Petersburg.

City Fuel Oil Company, St. Petersburg.

Davis Construction Corp., St. Petersburg.

DeBacco Tile Company, St. Petersburg.

Economy Cabinet Corp., St. Petersburg.

Florida Art Stucco, Tampa.

Korp & Korp, St. Petersburg.

Clarence Larson, St. Petersburg.

Martin Plumbing & Heating Company, St. Petersburg.

Mitchell Electric, St. Petersburg.

Neill Building Supply, Inc., Largo.

Pinellas County Painters and Decorators, St. Petersburg.

Tony E. Persinger, St. Petersburg.

Rayfield's, St. Petersburg.

W. B. Redman, St. Petersburg.

Reick & Fleece Builders Supplies, Inc., St. Petersburg.

Saf-T-Rail Industries, St. Petersburg.

Ed Smith, St. Petersburg.

Southeastern Sales Corp., St. Petersburg.

Southern Iron Works, St. Petersburg.

W. W. Strickland, St. Petersburg.

St. Petersburg Times, St. Petersburg.

The Upham Company, St. Petersburg Beach.

United Venetian Blind & Awning Co., St. Petersburg Beach.

Parker Bros., Inc., Arcadia.



CLERMONT — TRUSSES IN TRANSIT — Roof trusses fabricated by Clermont Builders Supply Inc. leave here enroute to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch where they were used in the first residence building. Fred L. Wolfe (right), an official of the fabricating firm, is pictured giving final instructions to Roy Glass, truck driver.

In Memoriam

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

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Fortenberry, Quincy; in memory of Mrs. John S. Cuttino.

Mrs. Fred Nigels, Dunedin; in memory of J. J. Elliott.

Mrs. Hettie Hundertmark and friends, St. Petersburg; in memory of Mrs. Alma B. Eversman.

Mrs. Edna M. Alderman, Tampa; in memory of Sgt. Frederick J. Alderman.

Mr. Harry McCreary of Tarpon Springs; Mrs. Hilda Orcutt, Clearwater; and Mrs. Katherine Elvin, Dunedin; in memory of William T. Delaino.

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.

Teen-Agers In Trouble

KISSIMMEE — Four teenage boys were arrested on charges of unlawfully opening a grave.

The boys told officers they were riding around on a fishing trip when someone mentioned digging in a cemetery.

They said they obtained shovels and started opening graves, finally removing a skull from one of the coffins. The boys later carried the skull around in their car, exhibiting it to other youths around town, just for "kicks."

Benefit Home Nets Thousands For The Ranch

ST. PETERSBURG—The auctioneer's chant paid off to the tune of thousands of dollars for the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch on Oct. 26.

Ring out loud and clear across Butterfly Lake Housing Subdivision it brought in \$14,500 for a new house, \$355 for a miniature gasoline-powered auto and \$157.50 for a television set—with all profits going to the Ranch.

This chant-and-hammer session marked the successful climax of a unique fund-raising project that combined the efforts of Sheriff Don Genung, Gov. LeRoy Collins, two generous Pinellas County builders and hundreds of citizens anxious to see the Ranch developed as a friendly home for needy and neglected boys.

Builders Malcolm Dunnan and John O'Brien constructed the house with the assistance of donated labor and materials. They said they would give every cent of profit—estimated at around \$8,000—to the Ranch. The house was purchased by Reed Thursby, of St. Petersburg.

Governor Collins helped the promotion of the project along by donating a miniature gasoline-powered auto to be auctioned off at the same time. It went to B. M. Puckett, of St. Petersburg.

The television set, donated by R. H. Hall & Co., Inc., of St. Petersburg, was purchased by W. C. Johnson, of St. Petersburg.

Large Bequest Under Probate

CLEARWATER — A Pinellas County man's will admitted to probate here recently contains a substantial bequest for the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch.

The Boys Ranch was made a "residual legatee" of an estate valued at "six figures or more." Terms of the will require that the bequest be set up as a trust fund.

Leon County Sheriff W. P. Joyce, endowment chairman for the Ranch, said bequests from a number of individuals now total over \$200,000 but the one in Pinellas County is the first to be admitted to probate.

He said bequests, trust funds and similar sources of funds are part of an endowment program which will provide long-range financing for the Ranch.

Ranch Rates High In Vero Beach

VERO BEACH—Enthusiasm for the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch runs high in this east coast city.

After Hillsborough County Sheriff Ed Blackburn Jr. told a joint Rotary-Kiwanis meeting about the Ranch, the editor of the Kiwanis bulletin nominated both him and the Ranch project for the "Florida Hall of Fame".

Blackburn, who is executive director of the Ranch, received able assistance in making his "pitch" from Sheriff Sam Joyce and State Sen. Merrill P. Barber, who is a member of the Ranch Board of Trustees.

Cash donations of \$400 were collected "on the spot."

Digest Plans Article on Ray Wilson

CRESTVIEW — Okaloosa County Sheriff Ray Wilson will be the subject of an article prepared for a future issue of Reader's Digest.

The article will center around Sheriff Wilson's relentless 18-year search for the men who killed his father.

A shotgun blast cut down Lester Wilson, police chief of Crestview, on March 15, 1940, when Sheriff Wilson was only 12 years old. The Chief had been planning to run for Sheriff and a political motive was suspected. But the murderers were not found and the case went into the files as unsolved.

But Ray Wilson wouldn't give up. Patiently, for years, he assembled bits of evidence and asked questions. His big break came in 1956 when he was appointed Okaloosa County Sheriff to fill out the unexpired term of the late Sheriff Isle Enzor.

Now, holding the job to which his father once aspired and which resulted in his father's murder, Sheriff Wilson went to work in earnest. And last July 11 his search ended with the arrest of three local men for the murder of his father.

Sheriff Wilson's search to avenge the death of his father received nationwide publicity through the wire services and came to the attention of Reader's Digest editors. Joseph Blank, free-lance writer from New York, was assigned to the story and recently spent about a week here getting material for the article.

Good Job "Doc" Budget-Wise

PANAMA CITY — The Bay County Sheriff's Department not only underspent its budget by over \$32,000 last year, but Sheriff M. J. (Doc) Daffin returned \$18,400—for a total savings to the county of over \$51,000.

The sheriff's office turned in \$135,500 to the fine and forfeiture fund and \$9,700 for service on civil cases, to produce a substantial saving in county tax funds.

Said Sheriff Daffin: "We're happy to have been able to operate the sheriff's department economically during the past year and at the same time provide good law enforcement."

"This office will continue to provide adequate law enforcement at the lowest possible cost to Bay County taxpayers."

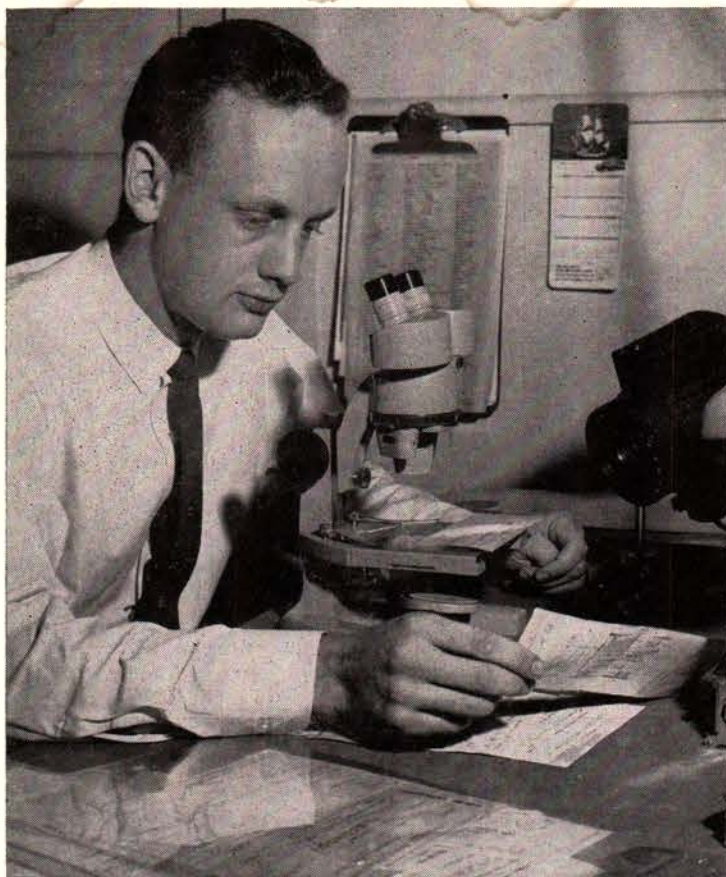
Doctor Pose Trips Thief

REDINGTON BEACH—Sheriff's Deputy Joe McLeod posing as a "doctor from out of town" with a loaded wallet, ended a wave of motel room thefts with the arrest of a motel maid.

McLeod, registered as "Dr. Joseph Rankin of Tampa," spent the night at the motel. In the morning, he got up early and left the room, leaving his wallet with \$205 in marked bills on the dresser. When his room was cleaned by the maid, he returned. Part of the cash was gone.

He then planted an additional amount of marked money in an adjoining room. When the motel maid finished cleaning that room, he checked his money. Again, part of the cash was gone.

The deputy then identified himself and found the marked money in the maid's pocket-book.



DOCUMENT EXAMINATION — John Fay, Sheriff's Bureau Document Section, makes comparisons of handwriting on worthless checks.



SHERIFFS CRIME BULLETIN — Mrs. Bertha Catts prepares latest issue of Bureau's crime news sheet.



TRAINING SECTION — Bureau's training coordinator, E. Berwin Williams, demonstrates use of fingerprint camera.



IDENTIFICATION SECTION — Bureau fingerprint expert Albert B. Ground points out marks of comparison on blown-up print.

Sheriffs Bureau Three Years Old

Unique Law Enforcement Agency
Fights Crime with Modern Tools

TALLAHASSEE — Oct. 1, 1958 marked the third anniversary of Florida's most unique law enforcement agency — the Florida Sheriffs Bureau.

Founded by an act of the Florida Legislature on Oct. 1, 1955, the Sheriffs Bureau, headed by Director Don McLeod, has grown from a compact unit of 5 persons at its inception, to just as compact and closely-knit a unit of 36 persons offering expanded services as it begins its fourth year of existence.

Unique in that it has no original jurisdiction and directly enforces no laws, the Sheriffs Bureau functions as a coordinating and assistance agency for other Florida law enforcement groups with special emphasis on inter-county criminal matters.

The Sheriffs Bureau has provided investigative help to Florida sheriffs on a full scale basis in 167 cases during its first three years of operation. And aid has been provided in complicated murder investigations as well as less complicated breaking and enterings.

Bureau agents cooperated with the Hillsborough County Sheriffs Office in a case which resulted in the clearing up of 52 safe burglaries, three armed robberies and four auto thefts, McLeod stated.

Agents of the Sheriffs Bureau also aided Pasco County authorities in a case which reached into far-off Canada. A gang of thieves was stealing frozen juice concentrate and disposing of it in Canada. Cooperation between the Pasco County Sheriffs Office, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and the Sheriffs Bureau resulted in the apprehension of the thieves and in breaking up what had been a lucrative racket.

In addition to the Investigative Section which is extremely helpful to sheriffs throughout the state, the Sheriffs Bureau provides vital services to law enforcement agencies through its other sections.

Until a comparatively short time ago, Florida was without a state identification unit. That has been taken care of with the establishment of the Bureau's Identification Section headed up by Albert B. Ground, a veteran of over 30 years in identification work and recognized as an authority on the subject.

After months of preliminary study by staff members of the Division of Corrections and the Bureau, an agreement was reached whereby fingerprint records of the Florida Prison System were incorporated with those at the already functioning Identification Section of the Bureau. This consolidation of identification records eliminated duplication of effort and provides a service to all state agencies by one tax-supported identification unit.

Modern, scientific methods are a necessity to crime detection in today's electronic age. And the Bureau has one of the most modern systems in the country in its Modus Operandi Section.

In this unit, punched IBM cards show the method of operation, physical description and other vital data concerning persons convicted of specific crimes in Florida.

This coding of information simplifies the matter of coming up with suspects in a particular case. Information is fed into an IBM machine relative to suspects in a particular crime, and cards listing known criminals who have committed



Don McLeod
Director, Florida
Sheriffs Bureau

crimes of that type are sorted out to aid in the investigation.

This is just one of the modern methods employed in aiding law enforcement agencies. The Bureau's State Crime Laboratory got into full swing with the employment of James E. Halligan Jr., as supervisor. (See story on Halligan elsewhere in this issue.)

Two vital functions of the laboratory, the document examination section and the polygraph section (lie detector), have been in operation since August.

Another popular and extremely effective investigative aid furnished by the Bureau is the Sheriffs Crime Bulletin. Through this medium, information concerning crime, wanted persons, missing persons and a great deal of other information pertinent to law enforcement is disseminated throughout the state and the Southeast.

Training, always an important phase of law enforcement, is another important function of the Bureau. An intensified area school was held recently in Tallahassee, and other area schools are being planned throughout the state.

"We have come a long way with the Sheriffs Bureau since those early days," states Director McLeod, "and we should go much further with the help and backing of the sheriffs, legislators and the general public."

Junior Deputy Project Lauded

ORLANDO — The formation of the Orange County Junior Deputy Sheriffs League has earned the editorial commendation of the Orlando Sentinel newspaper. The Sentinel said: "those boys who join—and we think everyone who is eligible should—will learn much, and may be able to perform services that many of their dads can't."

The Junior Deputy Sheriffs League in Orange County is sponsored jointly by Sheriff Dave Starr and the Orlando Kiwanis Club.



BUREAU PHOTOGRAPHER — Ken Richards works on important assignment in Bureau darkroom.



POLYGRAPH SECTION — Lester W. Thompson gives polygraph examination to subject at Bureau.



M. O. Section — Coders in Bureau's Modus Operandi section prepare cards from offense reports.



IDENTIFICATION SECTION — Clerks in Identification Section sort, index and file fingerprint records.

Sheriffs Crime Lab Director Well Qualified



TALLAHASSEE — James E. Halligan Jr., 37, Wisconsin State Crime Laboratory scientist, took charge of the Florida Sheriffs Bureau Crime Laboratory on November 15.

Halligan, whose appointment was announced by Sheriffs Bureau Director Don McLeod, has served with the Wisconsin State Crime Laboratory at Madison, Wisconsin since 1950, and for the past four years was a laboratory division supervisor.

Director McLeod said he felt that Halligan, because of his training and experience, would be well qualified to head the laboratory staff here.

During his service with the Wisconsin laboratory, he participated in the investigation of many of the major crimes in that state. His work included crime scene searches, laboratory examinations and expert testimony in the courts.

Among Halligan's other duties was the preparation and presentation of lectures at training sessions for sheriffs, coroners, county highway patrol training groups, and the Wisconsin State Traffic Patrol Academy. He also presented lectures at the University of Wisconsin before medical, law and sociology students.

He was graduated from Michigan State University with degrees in chemistry and police administration. In addition to classroom and laboratory instruction he participated in field service training programs in which he had the opportunity to observe the operation of various law enforcement agencies in the state of Michigan.

He is a veteran of the U. S. Air Force, having served as a combat fighter pilot in the European Theatre of Operations during World War II. He is married and the father of five children.

Seems New Jail Needed

PALATKA — If the care of prisoners in the county jail isn't up to snuff, don't blame it on Sheriff Walt Pellicer.

That, in effect, is what a Putnam County Grand Jury told Circuit Judge P. B. Revels after finding that the jail has a leaky roof; termites and rot are making the building unsafe; the walls are cracked and damaged by water seepage; plumbing and sanitation are "bad;" condemnation of the building is imminent; and unless something is done there is a possibility that the Sheriff will have to quarter his prisoners in the jails of neighboring counties.

The jury added that "Sheriff Pellicer and his deputies are performing an efficient service at the jail and in the Sheriff's office with the facilities they have to work with."



SEBRING—RESCUE UNIT HELPS BOYS RANCH—Highlands County Sheriff Broward Coker (left) receives a \$680 contribution for the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch from Kenneth Wilson, commander of his rescue unit. The money was raised at a benefit fish fry sponsored by the rescue unit.



WEST PALM BEACH—RANCH FOUNDERS—Sheriff John Kirk recently added two more members to the growing ranks of the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch Founders Club. In the top photo he is presenting a Founders Certificate to Doug Hunter, secretary of Hunter Music Co.; and in the bottom photo George Viadalis receives a certificate on behalf of the Northwood Lions Club. Persons and organizations who contribute \$100 or more to the Ranch are eligible for membership in the Founders Club.

Who's There? Sheriff; That Did It!

JACKSONVILLE—Two Duval County Deputy Sheriffs and three Florida Sheriffs Bureau agents walked down the corridor of a large downtown apartment building.

One of the deputies knocked on an apartment door.

"Who's there?" came from inside.

"The Sheriff" replied one of the deputies.

Thinking the answer was a joke the man inside opened the door — then his eyeballs bugged out in surprise.

Thus, on October 25, began one of the biggest and most successful lottery raids ever staged in North Florida.

Duval County Sheriff Dale Carson and Sheriffs Bureau Director Don McLeod said it climaxed six weeks of undercover work and netted seven arrests.

They said the apartment was the hub for Cuba (lottery) payoffs in Duval County and was possibly the largest operation of its kind in the State.

The raiders confiscated \$7,381 and slips of paper on which thousands of bets were recorded.

They said they timed their swoop shortly after two persons were observed delivering lottery slips to the apartment house parking lot.

Paper Applauds Walt's Wisdom

PALATKA — "An official who makes few mistakes" is the way the Palatka Daily News described Sheriff Walt Pellicer.

Commenting on Sheriff Pellicer's appointment of Gerald Merwin as deputy, H. S. McKenzie wrote in his column "Heralding The Times:"

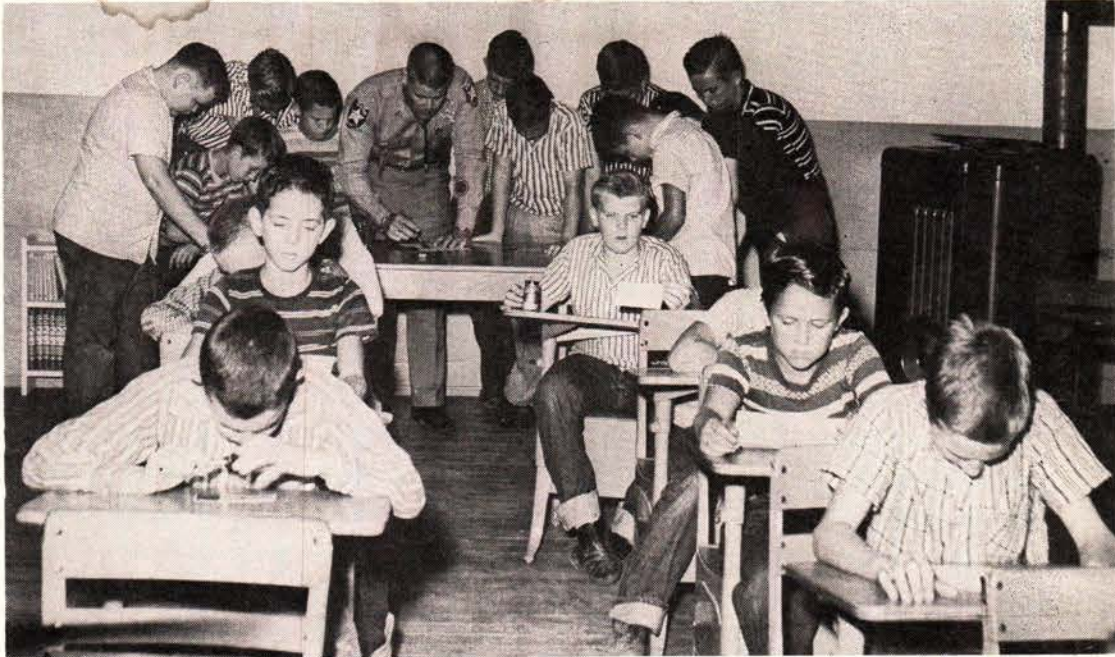
"Sheriff Walt Pellicer continues to live up to his reputation

as an official who makes few mistakes, as was evidenced by his appointment of Gerald Merwin, highly esteemed young Palatkan, as deputy.

"Merwin . . . is especially qualified to deal with the problem of juvenile delinquency," McKenzie wrote, and "we have heard only hearty approval of this excellent appointment."



BAYPORT—SHERIFF AS CHEF—Hernando County Sheriff Sim Lowman prepared his specialty of grits and cheese when law enforcement officers held a fish fry and clam chowder dinner here. State Conservation Agent Ted Gibson, of Inverness, assisted him with the chowder and mullet. Guests included Florida Highway Patrol officers and State Conservation Department officials. (State Board of Conservation Photo)



OCALA — FUTURE CRIME FIGHTERS — Sheriff F. L. McGehee's Junior Deputies receive instruction in fingerprint identification from Sheriff's Department Sgt. Don Moreland. This is only one phase of a program designed to teach youngsters good citizenship and respect for law enforcement.

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DON McLEOD
Director

The Sheriffs Bureau kicked off its Fall and Winter training program at Tallahassee on Oct. 30 with an intensified one-day school to which sheriffs from 10 counties were invited... theme of the affair was "Crime Scene Searches and Related Problems"... according to Sheriffs Bureau Director Don McLeod, the school was the first in a series to be held throughout the state....

McLeod states the curriculum of future training sessions depends on the needs of law enforcement agencies in a particular area.... also in the planning stage is a week-long training session to be presented by the Sheriffs Bureau at Tallahassee similar to the school held in 1956.... the 1956 school was attended by 125 officers and was highly successful....

Director McLeod states that Sheriffs Bureau schools will not only stress techniques which officers can use in the field, but will also emphasize how sheriffs can make use of technical equipment and personnel available at the Sheriffs Bureau....

John Fay of the Bureau's Document Examination Section reports a sharp increase in the number of fraudulent check cases received during October.... each new check case received enlarges the Sheriffs Bureau Fraudulent Check File, which will ultimately aid all Florida law agencies working worthless check cases....

The Bureau's Modus Operandi Section reports it received 1,839 offense reports from sheriffs of offices and police departments in the state... this is a marked increase over the month of September when the section received only 74 offense reports... by making an electronic search with its modern IBM equipment, the MO Section came up with 10 suspects in a case submitted to the Bureau last month....

After months of preliminary study by staff members of the Division of Corrections and the Sheriffs

Bureau, existing identification records of the Florida Prison System are being incorporated into the functioning Identification Section of the Sheriffs Bureau....

The new plan eliminates duplication of effort and means that one tax-supported unit will service all state agencies... the new setup will also aid inquiring agencies by making all identification information available at one location, doing away with the necessity of making multiple inquiries....

The new system also benefits the Sheriffs Bureau Document Examination Section in that handwriting specimens of known criminals will be immediately available to the Bureau's document examination man....

Attend School

OCALA — Marion County Sheriff F. L. McGehee, Capt. George Smith, and Deputies Keith Owen and Dave Melton attended a special 5-day school on uses of various types of gas and gas weapons in law enforcement work. It was held at Pittsburgh, Pa.



BRADENTON — WHOPPER — Manatee County Sheriff Roy Baden (kneeling) inspects modern equipment of one of the largest moonshine stills ever raided in this area. Assisting him is State Beverage Department Agent Grafton Gray. Fermenters which provided mash for the still had a capacity of 8,240 gallons. Confiscated along with the still equipment were 4,700 pounds of sugar and 112 five-gallon metal moonshine containers. The still was fired with liquified petroleum gas.



KISSIMMEE — Modern lines of new Osceola County jail contrast sharply with architecture of old county court house in background. (Photo by Ed Cooper)

New 60-Prisoner Jail Now Open For Business in Osceola County

KISSIMMEE—Osceola County's new \$185,661 jail — one of the most modern in central Florida — is now open for business under the supervision of Sheriff Robert M. (Bob) Buckels.

Over 1,000 "visitors" toured the building recently following dedication rites. It is located in the county court house square and is designed to house a total of 60 prisoners in steel and aluminum cells that are consid-

ered practically escape proof.

The first floor contains offices, living quarters, kitchen and a small cell block. The second floor is reserved entirely for prisoners and a special room has been provided for elderly or mentally deranged persons.

The new jail was designed by James Gamble Rogers, Winter Park architect, and constructed by United Builders of Orlando.

The old sheriff's quarters on the ground floor of the courthouse will be renovated to provide offices for several county agencies including the welfare, veterans' service and voter registration departments.

Sheriff Buckels has also added a new deputy sheriff to his staff. He is Fred Littlefield, who for 30 years was connected with a local dry-cleaning concern.

"It was time I got out for a breath of fresh air," said Littlefield.

Crime Wave

ST. PETERSBURG — Two teen-age boys, ages 15 and 16, attempting to break into a neighborhood store, were captured at gun point and admitted at least 13 burglaries. A third youth, 16, escaped.

A search of the boys' homes turned up two homemade .22 calibre zip guns. The zip guns were made from sawed off .22 calibre rifles attached to wooden handles. Burglaries admitted by the youths included restaurants, bars, markets, fruit stands, and small stores. The loot usually consisted of tobacco, ice cream, candy and other small items.

These Arrests Weren't Easy

The following news stories illustrate some of the typical trials and tribulations encountered by law enforcement officers in the performance of routine duties:

FORT MYERS—Lee County Deputy Sheriff Bill Sheffield was injured and his patrol car demolished when a prisoner being taken to the county jail grabbed the steering wheel and gave it a sharp turn to the right, sending the car off the road into a ditch. Sheffield suffered a cut on his nose and cuts on his side and neck. His prisoner was cut on the arms and cheek by glass from the shattered windshield.

TITUSVILLE — A wild and reckless 100-mile-an-hour chase of a drunken driver ended in a smashing climax, with two cars completely destroyed and two cars seriously damaged.

The drunken driver was first spotted by a Cocoa police lieutenant who gave chase, reaching speeds of over 100 miles-an-hour. While attempting to overtake the speeding car, the lieutenant's car was sideswiped and crashed into a guard rail, seriously damaging the police car, although he escaped personal injury.

A road block, consisting of two Titusville police cars parked front-to-front across the highway, stopped the drunken driver—but only after he had driven full speed, head-on into the two cars, completely wrecking his own car and one of the police cars, and damaging the other police car. He came out of the wreckage uninjured but fighting.

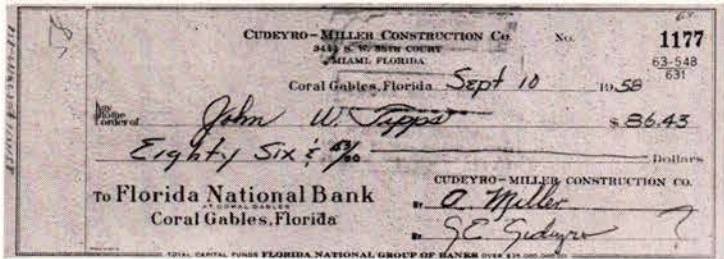
Finally subdued, he was turned over to Sheriff's Deputy C. J. Ford—and proceeded to try to wreck Ford's car by kicking the gear shift into reverse with his feet while the car was taking him to jail. Deputy Ford finally stopped the car, and he and his prisoner, still violent though handcuffed, covered the quarter of a mile to the jail on foot.

Blackburn's Boys Were Pacemakers

TAMPA — The Hillsborough County Sheriff's Department led the way in contributions to the county's United Fund Drive. With the drive only one-day old, Sheriff Ed Blackburn announced that all of the 114 employees of the Sheriff's Department had pledged donations totalling \$1152, a 20 per cent increase over last year's amount.

BAD CHECK ARTIST'S GALLERY

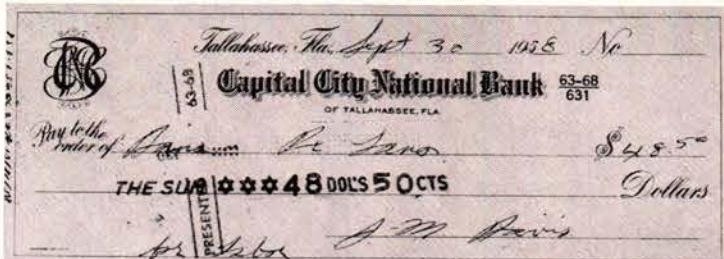
AS COMPILED BY THE FLORIDA SHERIFFS BUREAU—DON McLEOD, DIRECTOR



JOHN WILLIAM TIPPIS

White male, 5 feet, 7½ inches tall, weighs 150 pounds, blond hair, blue eyes. Scar middle of forehead, scar behind left ear, scar left side of head, near top. Driving a rental car from Miami, a 1958 Chevrolet Sedan Florida License 1E-8537, which has not been recovered at this time. The Worthless Checks he passed were used to purchase three pistols described as follows:

A .38 caliber S&W nickel plated, Ser. #35619, a .32 caliber S&W snubnose Ser. #670125 and a .32 caliber S&W Ser. #666913. His home is in Chattanooga, Tenn., but he spends most of his time in South Florida. If apprehended notify Police Department, Jacksonville, Fla., or The Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



DANA LEA DELANO

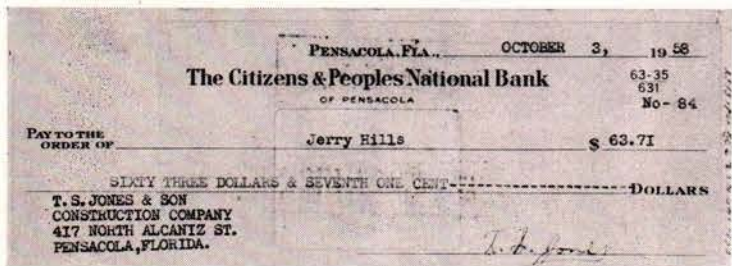
White female, age 22-25, 5 feet, 4 inches tall, weight variously reported 168 to 185, blond hair, blue eyes. Claimed to be private duty nurse. Last known to be driving 1946 Packard Sedan, bearing 1958 Oregon License 2G1810, pulling home-made two wheel trailer, License TL1784. Subject uses Oregon Drivers License No. 406811 as means of identification in cashing checks. Warrants have been issued charge Forgery. She is wanted by Sheriff Crevasse, Gainesville, Florida, Sheriff Joyce, Tallahassee, Sheriff Edwards, Quincy. Notify either of above or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.

MISSING PERSONS



JAMES E. HARRISON

White male, age 32, 5 feet, 10 inches tall, weighs 170 pounds, medium build, dark wavy hair, blue eyes. Subject left his place of business in Indian River City, Florida on 10-7-58, to go to Cocoa, Fla., a distance of 18 miles to attend to some business matters. He never reached there and to date has not been located. He was driving a 1958 Edsel Station Wagon, bearing 1958 Florida License 19W-1871, but car has been located under mysterious circumstances. Any one knowing whereabouts of subject contact Sheriff Dunn, Titusville, Florida or The Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.

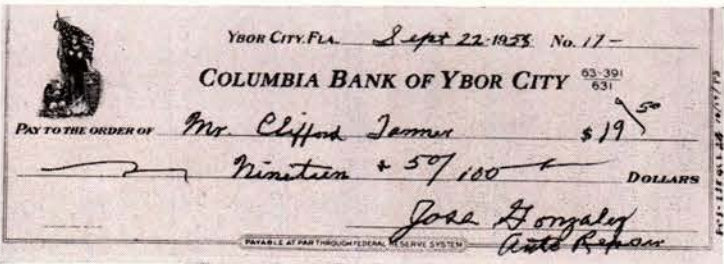


UNKNOWN SUBJECT

using name
JERRY HILLS

Colored male, in 30's, 5 feet, 6 inches tall, weighs 140-150 pounds, dark complexion. It is believed he is same subject who passed checks under name CARLTON JONES, in Sanford, Fla., and under name T. C.

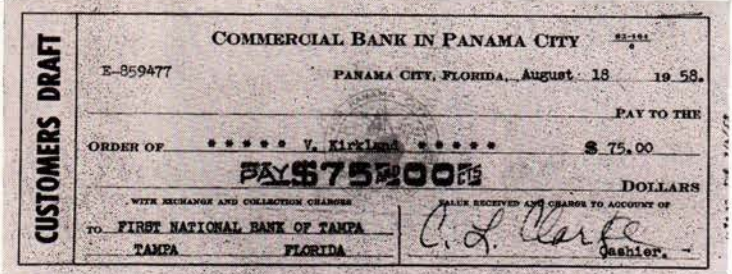
SIGHTS in Marianna. He is now wanted by Sheriff Andrews, Bonifay, Sheriff Hobby, Sanford, Sheriff Roberson, Marianna. Notify either of above or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



UNKNOWN SUBJECT

using name
FRANK CORCORAN

With aliases JOHN FRANK CORCORAN, E. L. PARKER, E. L. CARPENTER, CLIFFORD TANNER, J. P. O'REILLY, white male, age 55-60, 5 feet, 10 inches tall, weighs 140 pounds, sandy greying hair, blue eyes. His MO is contacting beauty salons, making appointment for his wife or niece to get a permanent wave, which usually costs around \$15.00. He then presents beautician with a check, all being in amount \$19.50 and receives rest in cash. Forgery warrants have been issued. If apprehended notify Police Dept., Tampa, Fla., Police Dept., Lakeland, Fla., or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



VIRGIL EDWARD KIRKLAND

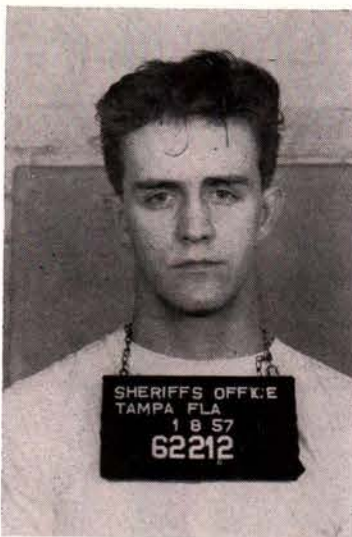
White male, age 43, 5 feet, 7 inches, weighs 150 pounds, brown hair, blue eyes. Represents self as photographer for CBS, Television. Uses following identification: American Hotel Credit Corp., Greenwich, Conn., a 1958 Florida Drivers License

#71416. Warrants issued, charge Worthless Checks. If apprehended notify either of following: Sheriff Spottswood, Key West, Sheriff Crevasse, Gainesville, Sheriff Thompson, Fort Myers, Sheriff Pellicer, Palatka, or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



LIONEL SPENCER STARER

With aliases, ROBERT A. BACE, A. D. COE, EDWARD FURNESS, JAMES MERRIT, S. STARN and many others, white male born 8-2-29 in Utica, N. Y., 6 feet tall, weighs 170-190 pounds, medium build, black hair, brown eyes, dark complexion. Occupation: Insurance and Security Salesman. Insurance Underwriter. Has operated automobile body repair business and has also been in vending machine business. Suffers from asthma. Has a domineering personality. Well dressed. Reportedly wears glasses. His MO is to inform prospective customer that a cigarette or vending machine can be delivered for a very nominal down payment, the balance to be paid in from profits of the machine. He accepts down payment, disappears, machine never delivered. He is believed to be operating in Florida at the present time. Is wanted for Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property (Fraudulent Checks) by FBI. Photograph shown was taken in 1953. Notify FBI Miami, Fla., or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



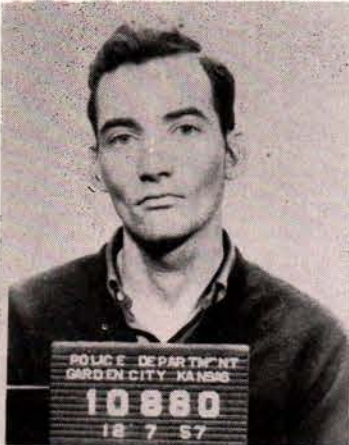
THOMAS L. SCRUGGS

White male, age 18 to 22, 6 feet tall, weighs 150 pounds, slender build, wears hair in crew cut. May be accompanied by wife, age 18, who is believed to be pregnant. Driving light blue 1953 Ford, four door, bearing 1958 Florida License 4-18350. Warrant has been issued, charge Forgery. He is wanted by Police Department, Tampa, Fla., by Constable Malcolm Beard, District 1, Tampa, Fla., and by Sheriff Genung, Clearwater, Florida. If apprehended notify either of above or The Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



HAZEL EARLENE PEARCE

White female, age 17, 5 feet, 10 inches tall, weighs 130 to 140 pounds, large frame and bust, natural blond hair, blue eyes, fair complexion. Right side of face partially paralyzed. Any one knowing of subjects whereabouts contact Sheriff Joyce, Tallahassee, Florida or The Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



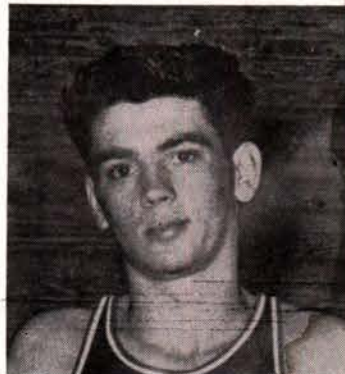
JERRY PEOPLES

White male, age 24, 5 feet, 9 inches tall, weighs 135 pounds, light brown hair, light complexion. FBI #102 253 B. Has a criminal record in Florida, and is now wanted for Violation of Check Law. If apprehended ascertain if he will waive extradition. If subjects whereabouts known notify Marshal Snider, Court of Common Pleas, Wichita, Kansas, or The Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



DONALD (ACE) WYMAN

White male, middle aged, 5 feet 11 inches tall, weighs 190 pounds, black thinning hair, with white or grey patch in back of head, close set eyes, large nose, thin mustache. Has Marine Corp insignia tattooed on right forearm. Driving white 1958 Lincoln Sedan, 1958 Michigan License ED7913. Represents self as being associated with Sears Roebuck Company. He is wanted by Police Dept., Detroit, Mich., on charges of Abandonment and Bond Jumping. Wanted on charge Forgery by Police Dept., Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Notify either of above or The Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



CHARLES BRYANT ROSS

White male, age 19, 5 feet, 10 inches tall, weighs 150 pounds, black hair, brown eyes, dark complexion. Last seen about 3 months ago. May seek work in cafe or drug store, possibly in Panama City or some where in West Florida. Any one knowing subjects whereabouts contact Sheriff Joyce, Tallahassee, Fla., or The Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.

RE: Gambling

Legalized gambling—good or bad? New York City Police Chief Stephen Kennedy put it this way: "Any government whose financial structure depends on the weaknesses of people, cannot survive. Legalized gambling will, in time, pollute a community."



PENSACOLA — POSSE DRILLS — Escambia County Sheriff Emmett Shelby (center, on white horse) puts his mounted posse through a practice drill in preparation for future appearances in parades and rodeos.

The newly-organized unit has already made several public appearances, including one at the Bonifay Rodeo last month. (Photo by Stephens Studios, Warrington)



New Posse

PANAMA CITY — A new mounted posse, organized with the assistance of the Bay Saddle Club, will help Bay County Sheriff M. J. Daffin in searches and rescue missions, and will also participate in parades and rodeos.

"Top hands" of the outfit are shown in the photo above. They are (from left): Fred O'Neil, Saddle Club treasurer; Chief Sheriff's Department Investigator Floyd Nixon, posse leader; and Carl Corley, Saddle Club president.

The photo at right shows the fast draw of Mel Corley, 16-year-old daughter of the Saddle Club president.



WEST PALM BEACH—SO THIS IS "KID STUFF?"—It takes a big desk to hold the "arsenal" stolen from a local store by three boys ranging in age from 12 to 14. Sheriff John Kirk (seated) and Identification Officer Gene Ellis are shown taking an inventory of the loot after the boys were caught. (Photo by Sam R. Quincy)

Teen-Agers In Trouble

PALM BEACH—Two boys, ages 12 and 16, showed their "appreciation" of juvenile court leniency on charges of breaking and entering by committing two more burglaries.

The boys, who had admitted 14 counts of breaking into homes, had been re-

leased and were on probation when local law enforcement officers took them into custody for taking \$14 from the cash box of a riding club and "less than \$2" from the poor box of a church. The boys now face sentence to the Florida School for Boys at Marianna.

Speaking of Modern Sheriff; Sarasota News Has Candidate

SARASOTA — What's a modern Sheriff made of?

According to the Sarasota News, popular Sarasota County Sheriff Ross E. Boyer has what it takes, and, in fact, he "epitomizes the modern Sheriff."

The daily newspaper went on to back up its boost for Boyer as follows:

"Visitors passing the conservatively dressed high sheriff in the Courthouse would never guess he was the county law enforcement boss, unless that is they stopped him and looked closely at his gold star tie clasp.

"Since the 44-year-old Boyer's election in 1952, he has in simple terms brought the sheriff's department out of the boon-

Uniforms Adopted

"He was the first sheriff to put the deputies in uniforms and have clearly painted radio patrol cars. All of the deputies wear green and gray uniforms and the cars are painted green and white and are embossed with a giant gold star, symbol of the sheriff's office.

"Boyer after his election cut the number of working hours for deputies from between 55 and 60 a week to 48 and his original staff of three deputies and a bookkeeper has grown to 21 with three clerks.

"Citizens of Sarasota County and visitors living on the beaches outside the city limits are afforded protection 24 hours a day by radio patrol cars with three operating in the south county area and four covering the balance of this vast county.

Crime Rate Low

Crime rate in Sarasota County due to the smooth working sheriff's office and the city police department is at a minimum for the 50,000 population of the area.

"Sheriff Boyer, who was re-elected in 1956, also instituted the photographing and fingerprinting of all persons arrested on felony charges. He also instituted a new setup for records with a cross-indexed master filing system.

"The local law enforcement office is hooked up with the statewide teletype system and on the sheriff's network has close radio contact with the State Highway Patrol, City Police Department, Venice Police Department and other sheriffs' offices in the state.

"Another addition to the sheriff's equipment for safety is a 16-foot outboard motor boat, donated by a nationally famous outboard motor manufacturer, which contains emergency first aid and life saving equipment. The radio in the boat has been tested and signals can be sent and received from all points along the coast.

"Recently Sheriff Boyer arranged for a Federal Bureau of Investigation school to be conducted for his deputies. The school covered various phases of police investigative work.

One of the biggest steps for-

ward in the sheriff's office in the past six years has been the adoption of the budget system in lieu of the outmoded fee system. Last year was the first under the budget setup and Boyer was one of the prime movers in getting the bill through the State Legislature."

Plane Snatcher Flipped When He Saw Deputy

MIAMI — Twenty-year old Paul Lynch was confident and sure of himself when he strutted into an office at Tamiami Airport, announced that he was the new CAP commander, commandeered an airplane, and took off for Cuba.

But he cracked up, literally and figuratively, when he took one look at Deputy Sheriff Norman Parker.

The story starts at Tamiami Airport where Lynch simply announced that he was the new CAP commander for the area and requested an airplane. Attendants promptly rolled out a single-engine Stinson L-5 and Lynch, wanted in Boston for larceny and discharged from the Air Force with a psychiatric discharge, was on his way.

He landed a little later at Plantation Key to refuel before making the cross-water hop to Cuba. He took on 20 gallons of gas, charged it to the Miami CAP, and revved up the engine to take off. Then he saw Deputy Parker and the confident Lynch was confident no longer.

Parker was merely curious as to why the plane had landed in a field near a housing project. He called on Lynch to stop, and Lynch panicked.

The nervous Lynch gunned the engine. But before he could get into the air, the plane plowed into a telephone pole, cracking a wing and ending the trip to Cuba.

Deputy Parker made the arrest and the impersonation was over—just because Lynch was "all shook up" at the sight of a sheriff's deputy.

Now Suspects Can Lie In Comfort

BRADENTON—Criminal suspects in Bradenton can now lie — and get caught at it — in comfort!

A newly purchased polygraph (lie-detector) has been installed in a special room in the Court House. The modernistically-designed room is air-conditioned and is equipped with a comfortable chair for the person taking the test.

Polygraph tests will be made by Investigator Bill Donaldson and Deputy Sheriff Clyde Gill, who recently graduated from the Keeler Polygraph Institute, in Chicago.

Here's Answer To Problem of Tippy Driver

FT. LAUDERDALE — Broward County Sheriff J. A. (Quill) Lloyd's appeal to bartenders and barmaids to assist him in keeping drunken drivers off the highways brought this favorable comment from the Miami Daily News:

"There's been a lot of talk in South Florida since the recent Ring family tragedy concerning the need for an effective program to remove drunk drivers from the public highways.

"Broward County Sheriff J. A. Lloyd has done more than talk — he's proposed such a plan which could be beneficial if given the cooperation he solicits.

"The sheriff has appealed to all Broward County bartenders and barmaids to take an active part in keeping intoxicated persons from driving automobiles by promptly reporting such 'potential killers' to the Sheriff's Department.

"The sheriff told the bartenders that any individual who enters a bar in such a condition that he is refused service and who intends to drive on a public thoroughfare no longer is a private individual, but a public menace.

"In making his appeal, the sheriff asked: 'Would you hesitate one minute in calling the proper authorities if a mad dog ran loose upon our streets?' The analogy is appropriate, except that intoxicated drivers are much more dangerous than mad dogs.

"Bartenders and barmaids could be any community's first line of defense against the drunk driver. If police knew in advance that one of these potential killers was about to barge out on a public thoroughfare, they could take steps to apprehend him before he caused a traffic accident. Sheriff Lloyd takes the position that a person in an intoxicated state no longer is entitled to immunity from investigation at the hands of those authorized by law to protect the citizens of the community.

"While it is doubtful that many bartenders will take the time to do as the sheriff requests — and we hope we are wrong in this assumption — we applaud him for his conscientious effort to reduce the appalling toll of traffic fatalities. Even a single response to his plea might save a life, and that in itself would be a gratifying accomplishment."

Thompson Forms Sleuth Division

FORT MYERS — Lee County Sheriff Flanders Thompson announced the establishment of a criminal investigation division to be headed by J. Richard Jacob, a retired captain of detectives from the Indianapolis, Ind., police department.

Sheriff Thompson said the new division is necessary because of the problems arising from the county's growth. Jacob's appointment will give the county the services of an accredited criminal investigator and release other deputies for other work.

Better Service

WEST PALM BEACH — Round-the-clock operation of the Sheriff's Department for western areas of Palm Beach County is assured with the location of a sub-station of the Department at the new Palm Beach County Building, located four miles north of Belle Glade and six miles from Pahokee. Deputies Bobby Newman of Belle Glade and Benny Sims of Pahokee will man the new office.