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## Conference Plans Set

NAPLES — Sheriff E. A. (Doug) Hendry announced plans have been completed for the 46th Annual Conference of the Florida Sheriffs Association which will be held at the Beach Club Hotel here June 24, 25 and 26.

He said featured speakers will be State Senator Doyle E. Carlton Jr., of Wauchula; and House Speaker Thomas D. Beasley, of DeFuniak Springs. Keyed to a theme of progres-

sive law enforcement, the three-day meeting will include a review of the Association's legislative accomplishments; plus progress reports on the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, a state-wide crime fighting agency originally fostered by the Association; and the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch, a home for needy and neglected boys the Association is building on the Suwannee River, near Live Oak. Social events will include a

steak barbecue and two luncheons.

A law enforcement symposium is being arranged in cooperation with the Florida Sheriffs Bureau.

The executive session agenda will include selection of sites for the Association's 1960 conferences. One of them, the Mid-Winter Conference, will be held in January; and the other, the 47th Annual Conference, will be held in June.

### An Invitation

Honorary Members of the Florida Sheriffs Association are invited to attend the Association's 46th Annual Conference, in Naples, June 24, 25 and 26.

However, it will be necessary for them to make reservations in advance by notifying Carl Stauffer, Field Secretary, P. O. Box 344, Tallahassee, so proper arrangements can be made.

## PROGRAM

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24

3:00 P.M.—Board of Directors Meeting  
4:00 P.M.—Registration, hotel lobby  
Fee for Sheriffs .....\$10.00  
Fee for Guests ..... 5.00

### THURSDAY, JUNE 25

9:00 A.M.—Registration, hotel lobby  
10:30 A.M.—Conference opens  
Invocation by The Rev. Cline Williams, Pastor of The First Baptist Church, Immokalee.  
Addresses of Welcome by:  
Sheriff E. A. (Doug) Hendry, Conference Host.  
The Hon. W. Roy Smith, Mayor of Naples  
The Hon. Winifred Janes, Chairman of the Collier County Commission.  
Response by:  
Sheriff Ross E. Boyer, President, Florida Sheriffs Association.  
Recognition of Honored Guests by:  
Sheriff John M. Spottswood, Chairman, Board of Directors, Florida Sheriffs Association.  
Progress Report on the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch by:  
Sheriff Ed Blackburn Jr., Chairman of the Boys Ranch Trustees and Executive Director of the Ranch.  
Report on the Florida Sheriffs Bureau by:  
The Hon. Don McLeod, Director of the Florida Sheriffs Bureau.  
12:00 Noon—Opening Session Adjourns  
12:30 P.M.—Luncheon for Sheriffs and Guests.  
Address by The Hon. Doyle E. Carlton Jr., of Wauchula, State Senator from the 27th District.  
2:30 P.M.—Law Enforcement Symposium  
A series of discussions on law enforcement subjects arranged in cooperation with the Florida Sheriffs Bureau.  
4:00 P.M.—Legislative Review  
A discussion of the results of the 1959 session of the Florida Legislature led by:  
The Hon. John A. Madigan Jr., Attorney for the Florida Sheriffs Association.  
The Hon. Charles Tom Henderson, Assistant Attorney General.  
Sheriff John M. Spottswood, chairman, Legislative Committee, Florida Sheriffs Association.  
6:00 P.M.—Hospitality Hour for Sheriffs and guests.  
7:00 P.M.—Steak Barbecue for Sheriffs and Guests  
Entertainment arranged by Sheriff E. A. (Doug) Hendry.

### FRIDAY, JUNE 26

10:00 A.M.—Executive Session (Sheriffs only)  
Agenda includes selection of Conference Sites for 1960.  
12:00 Noon—Session Adjourns  
12:30 P.M.—Luncheon for Sheriffs and Guests.  
Address by The Hon. Thomas D. Beasley, of DeFuniak Springs, Speaker of the Florida House of Representatives.  
2:00 P.M.—Executive Session  
4:00 P.M.—Conference Adjourns.

### FOR THE LADIES

Women guests are invited to attend all events scheduled for Thursday, June 25 — especially the luncheon, hospitality hour and banquet. They are also invited to attend the luncheon scheduled for Friday, June 26. Sightseeing tours will be arranged upon request.



HON. DOYLE E. CARLTON, JR.  
Conference Speaker



HON. THOMAS D. BEASLEY  
Conference Speaker



SHERIFF DOUG HENDRY  
Conference Host



TALLAHASSEE — BOMBING BILL SIGNED — A Sheriffs Association sponsored bill providing stiff penalties for bombings and bomb hoaxes was signed into law on May 7 by Gov. LeRoy Collins. Here the Governor (center) is discussing the bill with (from left) John A. Madigan, Jr., Sheriffs Association attorney; State Sen. Fred O. Dickinson, Jr., of West Palm Beach; Rep. George Hollahan, Jr., Dade County; and Sheriff John Spottswood of Monroe County. Sen. Dickinson and Rep. Hollahan were among the bill's introducers. Sheriff Spottswood is chairman of the Sheriffs Association's Legislative Committee. (Associated Press Photo)

## Fee System Pushed Closer to Extinction By Sheriffs Assn. Bill

TALLAHASSEE—The antiquated fee system of operating Sheriffs Departments was pushed closer to complete extinction by a Sheriffs Association bill which the Legislature passed and sent to the Governor on May 22.

Actually the bill extends the widely-praised Sheriffs' budget system to all counties in the state; but a few small counties wish to remain under the fee system and they will be able to do this by passage of local bills.

When the original budget-salary law was passed in 1957 under Sheriffs Association sponsorship, 12 counties were exempted and remained under the fee system.

These exemptions were a factor in causing the constitutionality of the law to be questioned and the current bill removes them.

It makes no change in Sheriffs' salaries, but it does change the appeal procedure on budgets so that the Sheriff rather than the County Commissioners is required to initiate an appeal. It also allows County Commissioners to reduce a Sheriff's budget provided they tell him specifically what items are to be reduced.

Other Sheriffs Association bills which have passed the Legislature and are now law, would:

1. Require monthly reports to law enforcement officers regarding purchases or sales by pawn brokers.

2. Strengthen the laws concerning bombs and bombing, making it a felony to discharge, threaten to discharge or perpetrate a hoax regarding a bomb.

3. Require all doctors, nurses, hospitals or employees to report the treating of persons suffering from gunshot wounds or other wounds of violence.

4. Authorize Sheriffs and Deputies to release traffic violators under bond or on recognizance, pending a court appearance.

5. Require lists of jurors to contain the address of each juror.

Still pending in the Legislature when the STAR went to press were Association bills prohibiting the giving of false reports concerning crimes; and requiring that a copy of each motor vehicle registration be supplied to the Sheriff of the county in which the vehicle is registered.

## "Rookie" Hero In Rape Arrest

TALLAHASSEE — A Florida State University student who works as a part-time Deputy for Sheriff W. P. Joyce was the hero of a spectacular and tension-charged case here.

Joe Cooke, 21, who has ambitions to enter the law enforcement field and is studying criminology at FSU, was credited with capturing four armed white suspects accused of raping a Negro co-ed from Florida A&M University.

He held them single-handed until other officers were summoned, and was commended by Sheriff Joyce for his cool-headed handling of the situation.

Nation-wide publicity, including an editorial praising Cooke for his "inspiring courage," resulted from the arrest.

Sheriff Joyce was also widely commended for the speed, efficiency and impartial manner in which the case was handled.



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**MARIANNA—NEW UNIFORMS**—This picture was taken recently when Sheriff Roy Roberson (right) issued new dark green and gray uniforms to his staff. The staff members are, (rear, left to right) Deputy Max Williams; Office Deputy Dow Thompson; Deputy Pebble Stone; Deputy Eugene Nobles; (front) Deputy Daniel Barnes; Paul Thompson, Jailer; Eunice Howard, radio operator; Nettie Anne Goodson, bookkeeper; and Deputy Joe Sims. (Photo by W. W. Whittington)

## Sheriffs Bureau's "Road Show" Improving Skills of Lawmen

TALLAHASSEE — A new road show is making the rounds of Florida cities these days.

But, unlike the usual presentations which seek as large an audience as possible, these shows limit their audience to a very select group—Florida law enforcement officers.

The Florida Sheriffs Bureau Training Section is the producer of these "shows" at the request of Florida sheriffs. The Training Section spends two days in a particular county and conducts schools on investigative techniques which offer local officers the latest developments in the field of crime detection.

Not only do the training sessions emphasize techniques which the officer can use in the field, but agents of the Sheriffs Bureau also explain how local departments can make use of the technical equipment, services and personnel of the Bureau.

Topics discussed during the two-day schools include Crime Scene Searches, Development of Scientific Crime Detection, Firearms Identification, Tool Mark Identification, History of Latent Fingerprints and Their Uses, Fraudulent Check Investigations, and Document Examinations and Techniques.

E. Berwyn Williams is coordinator of the Bureau's Training Section. Assisting him in the presentation of the two-day programs is Albert B. Ground, Identification Section; James E. Halligan Jr., Crime Laboratory supervisor; Ron Dick, Bureau Document Examiner; Leslie L. Smith, Bu-

reau Ballistician; and James P. Hendrick Jr., Bureau's Modus Operandi Section head.

"These schools serve a very useful purpose," states Sheriffs Bureau Director Don McLeod.

"The programs are designed to apprise local officers of the latest developments in law enforcement techniques, and at the same time to refresh attending officers' memories regarding enforcement problems they may not have encountered for some time," continued the Bureau director.

"Individual sheriffs, as well as the Sheriffs Bureau, are interested in providing the people of Florida with the best law enforcement possible. These training sessions are aimed at aiding law enforcement at all levels," concluded Director McLeod.

During the month of May, the Sheriffs Bureau Training Section scheduled schools in Highlands, Orange, Palm Beach, and St. Lucie Counties.

## Bicycle Training Program Offered

FERNANDINA BEACH — A bicycle safety training program was offered to Nassau County elementary school students through the cooperation of Sheriff H. J. Youngblood, the Florida Highway Patrol, the police department and the PTA.

The program included a safety film, a written test on safe riding procedures and a practical test on bicycle handling ability.



**ST. AUGUSTINE—WRONG CHOICE**—Billy Lee Renshaw decided to try to escape on foot when Florida Highway Patrol Trooper Jim McKinnon halted him for speeding, but a posse of Sheriff's deputies and other officers quickly nabbed him after it was discovered that he had been driving a stolen car. "I just plain didn't want to go to jail," Renshaw explains ruefully to Deputy Sheriff Guy Rexroad in the top photo. He was bleeding from scratches and cuts received while running through the woods in the dark. The bottom photo shows Deputy Sheriffs Kenny Masters (left) and Willis Capo mounted on horses used in the manhunt. Bloodhounds were also used. (Photos by Rupert Chastain)



**GAINESVILLE—BIG CARGO**—This car was loaded to the hilt with 220 gallons of moonshine when it was seized by the Alachua County Sheriff's Department. Sheriff Joe M. Crevasse Jr. (left) and Deputy Sheriff L. W. Arrington are shown pouring out the "loot."

## Letters Praise Sheriff's Dept.

PALATKA — Relatives and friends of two Marietta, Ga., doctors who lost their lives in a drowning accident in Putnam County wrote letters commending Sheriff Walt Pellicer and his deputies.

"The zeal and determination and the skill with which they

worked were far beyond the call of duty," wrote a close friend of the deceased men.

A relative stated: "We feel that if there were more sheriffs and deputies of their calibre, this country would have fewer problems."

## Sheriff, Judge Assist Widow

FERNANDINA BEACH — When a man died here recently leaving his widow and three children completely destitute Sheriff H. J. Youngblood and County Judge J. E. Weatherford came to their rescue.

Mrs. Alice Youngblood, the Sheriff's wife, also assisted with the project; and Deputies collected donations of food, money and clothing.

Within a short time a house was rented and furnished for the needy family. Arrangements were also made to take care of the hospital expenses of the widow, who was expecting her fourth child.

For the Sheriff's Department this business of helping the needy is an old story. In the opinion of Sheriff Youngblood and his wife it's all part of the job of rendering faithful service to the people of Nassau County.

They have done it many times, usually without fanfare or publicity.

## Dispatcher Not Crazy After All

PANAMA CITY — Deputy Sheriff Gerald Bass thought Radio Dispatcher W. J. Barefield needed his head examined when he heard Barefield broadcasting the following message:

"Panama City calling the island of Hilo, Hawaii."

Bass said to himself, "That man's been working too hard, we'll have to give him some time off"; but a moment later he had to reverse his opinion when Hawaii answered.

This is only one of the tricks that freak atmospheric conditions have played with Sheriff M. J. Daffin's short-wave radio system.

Although the normal range of the 250-watt transmitter is about 40 miles, the dispatcher often talks to stations in Oregon and Texas.

Recently Deputies Tommy Sullivan and Tom Fidler were in Berkeley, Calif., to pick up a prisoner. When they were ready to return to Panama City, 2,600 miles away, one of them picked up the mike on the small 40-watt transmitter in the car and reported they were on their way.

Believe it or not, the message came through to the Sheriff's Department here.

## Sheriff Rewards Safety Patrol for Faithful Service

EVERGLADES — Members of the Collier County School Safety Patrol received rewards for faithful service during the current school term.

Sheriff Doug Hendry, who sponsors the patrol, scheduled a trip to Washington, D. C., for them this month. He also gave them a picnic at Marco Beach and assisted in serving the "chow line."

Deputy Sheriff Wallace Hudson, of Naples, who is county supervisor of the safety patrol, was assigned to accompany patrol members on the Washington trip.

## Buzzard Blitzed

PALATKA — A low flying buzzard lost a bout with Deputy Sheriff Allen S. Patten's patrol car but shattered the windshield. Patten was glad the windshield was made of safety glass. He said otherwise the dead bird would have landed on the front seat.



# 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.

## Boys Ranch Founders Club Roster Grows

The following persons, business firms and organizations who made contributions valued at \$100 or more to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch have been added to the roster of the Boys Ranch Founders Club and will receive appropriate certificates:

Hackney Grocery Company, Lake City.

Mrs. Charles F. Ayer, Hobe Sound.

West Coast Fertilizer Company, Tampa.

Gulf Fertilizer Company, Tampa.

Lyons Fertilizer Company, Tampa.

Producers Supply, Inc., Palmetto.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Florida Epsilon Chapter, Gainesville.

Superior Fertilizer & Chemical Co., Fort Pierce.

Pompano Paint Company, Pompano Beach.

Elks Lodge of Tampa.

Hilltop Properties, Inc., Largo.

Pine Forest Properties, Inc., Largo.

Harry L. Mundy, Venice.

Lota C. Mundy, Venice.

Searcy J. Koen, Sarasota.

Waring Wyche, Madison.

Thomas Sloan, Ft. Pierce.

Mrs. Thomas Sloan, Ft. Pierce.

Alfred Lisk, Ft. Pierce.

Mrs. Alfred Lisk, Ft. Pierce.

Lewis R. Earle, Dunedin.

Brooksville Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Mrs. Marguerite C. Colbert, St. Petersburg.

Daniel R. Dell, St. Petersburg.

William A. Bradford, Winter Haven.

L. H. Stucky, Dunnellon.

Mrs. Thomas Musgrove, Live Oak.

Elliott W. Holland, Memorial Park, Inc., St. Petersburg.

Robert H. George, Golden Beach.

Ben L. Downs, Safety Harbor.

Paul Bolstein, St. Petersburg.

Lester McMullen, Largo.

James M. Hunt, Tampa.

St. Petersburg Dog Fanciers, Inc.

J. M. Fields Department Store, Largo.

Charles E. Cather, Largo.

Richard Josephson, Largo.

Leo H. LeSan, St. Petersburg.

Waldo A. Clark, St. Petersburg.

W. F. A. Robinson, Palm City.

Mrs. W. F. A. Robinson, Palm City.

Thomas Adcock, St. Petersburg.

George Eston, St. Petersburg.

Gainesville Exchange Club.

L. R. Becker, Palm City.

Mrs. L. R. Becker, Palm City.

Mrs. Flora Fougstedt, Gulfport.

Gulfport Lions Auxiliary.

Hon. J. M. Hearn, County Judge, Live Oak.

Mrs. Helen Ibaugh, Gulfport.

Thomas T. North, Clearwater.

Mrs. Louise E. Ranieri, Gulfport.

Floyd W. Reynolds, Bartow.

Mrs. Mabel E. Schroeder, Indian Rocks Beach.

Mrs. Betty Shenker, Gulfport.

Mrs. Alex R. Willson, Madeira Beach.

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Mrs. Lola Tattan, Gulfport.



TAMPA—FOOD FOR THE RANCH—Sheriff Ed Blackburn, Jr. (right), accepts from Melvin Berger, President of Berger & Rachelson, wholesale grocery firm, a large quantity of groceries and staple items donated to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch.



KISSIMMEE—RANCH FOUNDER—Sheriff Robert M. Buckels (left) presents Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch Founders Club certificate to Dr. Charles C. Tindall, Osceola County physician, as a token of appreciation for the major contribution which Dr. Tindall made to the Ranch.

## In Memoriam

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

Margaret Pelot, Belleview; in memory of Andrew A. Scheidler.

Oldsmobile Division, General Motors Corporation, Jacksonville; in memory of J. D. Manly, Leesburg.

Chester A. Scheidler, Chicago, Illinois; in memory of Andrew A. Scheidler.

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 persons' next of kin to whom notification of the gift is to be sent.

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

## Sheriff and Police Back Patrol Trip

FT. MYERS—The Lee County School Safety Patrol's annual trip to Washington, D.C., was jointly sponsored by Sheriff Flanders Thompson and the Fort Myers Police Department.

Sheriff Thompson announced a fund raising drive would not be necessary this year due to a surplus from last year's drive and a contribution of \$500 made by the Fort Myers Association of Insurance Agents.

H. N. Tillman, Panama City.

James M. Hunt, Tampa.

Mrs. Rives D. Webb, St. Petersburg.

Roofers' Local No. 77, West Hollywood.

## Thirty Complete Training Course

WAUCHULA—Thirty men received certificates in first aid and defensive judo at the conclusion of Hardee County's fifth peace officers training school.

Sheriff E. Odell Carlton, one of the graduates of the course, termed it the best one yet.

Sheriff's Office personnel completing the course included John H. Boyette, Finis J. Davis, John C. Douthit, Ivan D. Hart, Luther S. Judah, C. W. Mills, Pat Sims, D. Reid Stewart, Collis A. Tomlinson and Grady F. Tomlinson.

Don't get up to your neck in a traffic situation; the next thing to go is your head.

## Ranch Booming; 8 Call It Home

LIVE OAK—Things are booming at the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch.

Eight boys now call the Ranch "home" and are attending public schools in Live Oak. Two more have been tentatively approved for admission pending further investigation and others are being screened.

Two \$50,000 residence buildings, each with a capacity of 20 boys; a new concrete boat ramp on the banks of the Suwannee River, a brick pump house, a tobacco curing barn, a pig parlor, and a tobacco packing and storage barn have all been completed.

The Ranch Manager's home is about one-third completed and work will start on a home for the farm superintendent in about 60 days.

### New "Staff Parents"

The boys living at the Ranch are under the supervision of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Beach, newly-hired "staff parents." He is a retired police officer, formerly associated with the St. Petersburg Police Department, and he was working at Olustee for the Florida Park Service at the time he was hired to work at the Ranch.

The boys range in age from 12 to 15 and come from the following counties: Polk, Lake, Broward, Hillsborough, Washington, Suwannee and Volusia.

A boy from Pinellas County and one from Dade County have been tentatively approved for admission.

### Planned Capacity 400

Acting upon the advice of experienced workers in the field of child welfare, the Ranch Trustees are admitting the first boys slowly. These boys will be trained as leaders and will help to orient others who come along later.

Once the admissions and orientation program is in full operation, boys will be accepted as fast as funds and facilities permit until the planned capacity of 400 is reached.

The Ranch is a home for needy, homeless and neglected boys financed entirely by public donations and therefore its growth and success will depend upon the public support it receives.

### Farming Program

Ranch Manager Vincent Jones reported that the farming program is developing on schedule.

Tobacco, corn and rye crops are now growing and 80 acres have been planted for improved pasture.

A vegetable garden will provide food for the Ranch and by popular request will include a crop of watermelons.

Livestock includes approximately 75 head of cattle, 75 hogs and a number of ponies and horses.

Clearing work was recently completed on an 80-acre piece of land which will be planted in peanuts this year and converted to permanent pasture later.

## FORMER PINELLAS SHERIFF DIES

CLEARWATER—Roy Booth, 76, former Pinellas County Sheriff, died May 9 at Morton Plant Hospital. Mr. Booth, who lived in Safety Harbor all his life, served as Sheriff from 1925 to 1929.

Ah for the good old days when we had no more worries than what would happen if the spring catalog didn't arrive before the winter edition was gone.

## Wilson Forms Mounted Posse

CRESTVIEW — A uniformed mounted posse is being organized by Okaloosa County Sheriff Ray Wilson to march in parades and assist with search and rescue missions.

A total of 20 horsemen signed up for membership at the original organization meeting and plans are being made for the posse to participate in a number of public functions, including the Old Spanish Trail Festival Parade here and the Billy Bowlegs Parade in Fort Walton Beach.

Mounted posses of this type are becoming increasingly popular in Florida and a number of well drilled units are already in operation.

This is the third posse to be organized by West Florida Sheriffs. Others are located in Bay County, under the sponsorship of Sheriff M. J. (Doc) Daffin; and in Escambia County, under the sponsorship of Sheriff Emmett Shelby.

## Deputies, Cars Get "New Look"

CLEARWATER — Deputy Sheriffs in new uniforms driving patrol cars plainly marked with a large star will let the people know that the Pinellas County Sheriff's Department is on the job.

Sheriff Don Genung placed the first "new look" patrol units in service this month and announced he expects to eventually have 10 cruisers on duty.

He said in the past deputies have been patrolling outlying subdivisions regularly but the residents were not aware of the protection they were getting because the patrol cars were unmarked.

The uniformed men in the plainly marked cars will make the public more aware of the thousands of miles of patrol work logged by the Sheriff's Department. They will also prove to be a definite deterrent to crime, in the opinion of Sheriff Genung.

## Deputy Dies

WEST PALM BEACH — C. B. Bowen, 57, a Deputy Sheriff in Palm Beach County for 28 years, died here April 30. He had been a resident of West Palm Beach since 1925, having moved here from Cordele, Ga.

In a western city they're trying to discourage drunk driving by feeding castor oil to violators. That ought to work!



## Fraternity Members Pitch in to Help Boys Ranch

Fraternities at Florida State University and the University of Florida have rendered a valuable service to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch by providing work crews to assist in land clearing operations.

The Alpha Tau Omega chapter at the University of Florida started the ball rolling and their example was followed by the Kappa Sigma chapter at Florida State University and the Sigma Alpha Epsilon chapter at the University of Florida. (see pictures below)

Arrangements for the work projects were made by Leon County Sheriff W. P. Joyce and Alachua County Sheriff Joe Crevasse Jr., in cooperation with Ranch officials.

### KAPPA SIGMA MEMBERS



The hundreds of man-hours contributed by the fraternity members have been gratefully acknowledged by the Boys Ranch Trustees and each group has been made a member of the Ranch Founders Club.

### S. A. E. MEMBERS



## Crime Goes Underwater

By ROBERT D. GATELY

KEY WEST — John M. Spottswood, Sheriff of Monroe County, reports that his Deputies are now handling cases not only on land and on water but also under the water.

His deputies arrested two Navy men and one ex-Marine for the theft of a ship-to-shore radio from a boat that was tied up to a dock.

While the two Navy men walked onto the boat; the third man, an accomplished skin diver, swam a hundred-foot channel beneath an inner-tube that had been covered with a fish net.

The two men on board disconnected the radio and lowered it over the side to the waiting "Frogman." He placed it in the inner-tube and brought it back across the channel. Then the two Navy men nonchalantly walked off the boat and around to the other side of the channel where they met the "Frogman," who had hidden the radio in their automobile.

Fortunately the men were apprehended on land. The Sheriff is now wondering if it will be necessary to equip his men with aqua-lungs!!

## Lucky Deputy Has Two Slugs As Souvenirs

CLEARWATER — They call Armand Tetrault "The Lucky Deputy" and he carries two 38 calibre slugs in his body to prove it.

Tetrault was hit three times in a gun battle with James A. Lewis III, in Harbor Bluffs, Feb. 7, and two of the bullets are still imbedded in his body. Provided no complications arise, his doctors have no intention of removing them.

The thing that puzzles the doctors, and makes Tetrault's life appear to be "charmed," is the fact that none of the three bullets touched a vital part.

One entered just behind and near the top of his left shoulder, passed through to the front part of his chest and lodged under his right breast.

The second shot smacked into the back of his left shoulder, hit a bone and was deflected into his neck, stopping just short of a vertebrae.

The third shot hit him in the front part of the left shoulder just above the heart.

A doctor studying the passage of the first slug from left shoulder to right breast was quoted as saying "I just don't understand how it got there (without hitting anything vital)."

## Witt & Deputies Halt Burglaries

LAKE CITY—Intensive investigative work by Sheriff Ralph Witt and Deputies Rehberg and Rivers was credited with halting a rash of breaking and entering cases here.

The "crime wave" came to an end when the Sheriff's Department arrested James Jones, a Negro man accused of 19 burglaries over a period of 11 days.

Stolen property recovered when Jones was arrested included a cash register and a 32 caliber pistol. It was estimated that Jones took over \$200 in cash from various business establishments. An undisclosed amount of merchandise was also stolen.





**BUNNELL—WELL IDENTIFIED**—Uniformed deputies and patrol cars with the official green and white markings adopted by the Florida Sheriffs Association are among the improvements made by Sheriff Homer Brooks. Pictured beside the patrol cars are (from left) Deputy Hugh B. (Ace) Drummond, the Sheriff and Deputy W. J. Eberhardinger.



**ORLANDO—JUST LIKE GRANDAD'S**—Andy Fore III is proud of his Uniform, a replica of the one worn by his grandfather, Orange County Deputy Sheriff Lester G. Hardee.

florida sheriffs bureau

Signal 14

(Information)

... to all stations

DON McLEOD  
Director

Continually greater use is being made of facilities at the Florida Sheriffs Bureau Crime Laboratory, according to Bureau Director Don McLeod . . . April figures released by Director McLeod show that 22 requests for laboratory assistance were received by the Tallahassee facility during the period April 1-30 . . .

Counties requesting a variety of examinations in criminal cases were Sarasota, Jefferson, Manatee, Jackson, Osceola, Palm Beach, Suwannee, Lee, Lake, Sumter, Leon and Escambia . . . of the 22 requests received, 21 cases involved scientific examinations in the laboratory and one involved field work by the Sheriffs Bureau technicians . . .

Perhaps for the first time in Florida law enforcement, a full range of ballistics examinations was conducted on the scene in a murder investigation in Sarasota County . . . Bureau Ballistician Leslie Smith set up shop near the scene of the crime and conducted the necessary examinations on the spot . . . Smith had his comparison microscope along, fired test shots and made comparisons at the scene to speed up the investigation . . . Smith's motto seems to be "Have Microscope, Will Travel". . .

April figures from the Sheriffs Bureau Identification Section show that a

total of 4,859 fingerprint cards were received from Florida law enforcement agencies during the past month . . . more and more agencies are contributing prints daily . . .

The Sheriffs Bureau Training Section has a full schedule set up for the month of May . . . schools on investigative techniques were scheduled for May 5-6 at Sebring with Sheriff Broward Coker as host; May 11-12 at Orlando with Sheriff Dave Starr as host; May 19-20 at West Palm Beach with Sheriff John Kirk hosting the sessions; and May 20-21 at Fort Pierce with Sheriff J. R. Norvell host . . .

A Bad Check Conference was held at Sarasota on May 7 with Sheriff Ross Boyer hosting the session in cooperation with the Sarasota Chamber of Commerce . . .

Check cases took a further drop last month according to statistics from the Sheriffs Bureau Document Examination Section . . . during April, 77 bad check cases were submitted with checks in these cases having a dollar value of \$5,414.14. . . If your department is not submitting worthless checks to the Bureau's Document Examination Section, why don't you start doing so now? . . . Make use of this vital Bureau facility and it may help curtail the fraudulent check problem in your area . . .

# It's Too Hot For Passing "Hot" Checks

**TALLAHASSEE** — For the second month in a row, a sharp decrease has been noted in worthless check cases submitted to the Florida Sheriffs Bureau by local law enforcement agencies in the state.

According to figures released by Sheriffs Bureau Director Don McLeod, 77 fraudulent check cases were submitted to the Bureau's Document Examination Section during the month of April. This is a decrease of 16 cases from the March total. And unlike March, when the value of individual worthless checks increased, the total value of checks in April cases was only \$5,414.14, a new low.

Director McLeod attributes the season of the year as being the primary reason for the decrease in worthless check cases.

"National statistics show that the worst months for the passing of bad checks are October, November and December," stated the Sheriffs Bureau director, "while April, May and June are usually the lightest months."

The Sheriffs Bureau director stated that he has urged all state law enforcement agencies to submit bad checks to the Bureau's Document Examination Section. When submitted, these are compared with previously submitted checks on file in the Bureau's Fraudulent Check file and many identifications are effected in this manner.

An important aid in curbing the activity of check passers, the Fraudulent Check File is greatly responsible for the fact that in April cases, 38.3% of the submitted checks were identified to persons having a fingerprint record on file at the Bureau, or with checks previously submitted by law enforcement agencies.

# Kelly Refuses Salary Boost

**MIAMI** — Sheriff Thomas J. Kelly made headlines when he declined to accept an increase in salary.

He thanked County Manager O. W. Campbell for offering to give him a \$2,500 raise, but said he means to keep faith with the people of Dade County.

"I knew what the salary for this job was when I ran for reelection in 1956, and I also knew there would be an increase in personnel based upon the increase in population," he stated.

Kelly now serves as Metro Director of Public Safety, a job to which he was appointed after he was re-elected Sheriff in 1956 by a landslide vote. The term to which he was elected will end in January, 1961.



**OCALA—IN MEMORIAM**—Erected recently at the base of the flag pole in front of the Marion County Jail was this marble monument in memory of the late Sheriff Edward Porter Jr., who was killed in the line of duty, April 13, 1951. Shown beside the monument are Sheriff F. L. McGehee (left) and Chief Civil Deputy Doug Willis, the only members of the present Sheriff's Department who served under Porter. The stone was donated by Ellis M. Hutto, owner of Ocala Marble and Granite Works.



**EUSTIS—FATHER AND SON**—Sheriff Willis McCall (right) installs his son, Malcolm McCall, as Exalted Ruler of the Eustis Elks Lodge. The Sheriff is past Exalted Ruler of the Eustis lodge and is currently serving as president of the Florida State Elks Association. This is believed to have been the first installation of this type by a State President in the annals of Florida Elklom.



**SARASOTA — SERVICE THEME** — Deputy Sheriff C. N. Stevens and his wife put the finishing touches on a Sarasota County Fair display emphasizing the "around-the-clock" service rendered by Sheriff Ross Boyer's Department. The mannequin at left displayed the type of uniform worn by Boyer's deputies, and the one on the right was symbolic of the Sheriff's interest in the safety and welfare of youth. (Sarasota Journal Photo)



## More Duval County Donors

The excellent support the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch has received from Duval County, as a result of the fund raising efforts of Sheriff Dale Carson, is reflected in the

photographs below. They show Sheriff Carson presenting Boys Ranch Founders Club certificates to donors who have made contributions valued at \$100 or more to the Ranch.



Wallace P. Covington, 8378 Kim Road, Jacksonville, donated \$100.



Leonard R. Pavelka, 4966 Ortega Blvd., Jacksonville, donated \$100.



W. H. Lewis, 1033 Mary St., Jacksonville, accepts certificate on behalf of Royal McBee Corp., Jacksonville, donors of a typewriter.



Gert H. W. Schmidt, Jacksonville, accepts certificate on behalf of Florida Ford Tractor Co. and Ford Tractor Dealers of Florida, donors of a tractor and farming equipment.



Alexander Mitchell, of the Barnett National Bank, Jacksonville, donated \$100.

## STUFF

By Stauffer

**IMAGINE THAT YOU ARE DEPUTY SHERIFF** Richard Curry driving along on routine patrol, in Sarasota County. Suddenly, your radio tells you there has been an "accident" at the home of William L. (Bill) Woodard, Sr., in Laurel, and your mind whirls with consternation. Woodard is a former county commissioner and Mrs. Woodard is your sister. What could have happened? Is it something serious?

As you speed through the night you try to get more information, but the radio dispatcher back at the sheriff's office doesn't have any details.

You arrive at the Woodard home and find that your sister has been shot. She had been sitting on the sofa watching television when a bullet crashed through the screen door and struck her between the eyes.

**SHE IS TAKEN TO A HOSPITAL.** She dies. And, before you have time to recover from the shock you are caught up in an intense search for the killer.

Who could have killed this kindly former school teacher and churchwoman? She had no enemies. She had not quarreled with her husband. There was no apparent motive behind the mysterious bullet that sped out of the night.

Days and nights run together as you work "around the clock" with Sheriff Ross Boyer, State Attorney Mack Smiley and other investigators. You check footprints, you ask hundreds of questions, lie detector tests are run, and just when you seem to have hit a blank wall a suspect is found . . . a man who has a reputation as a peeping tom.

**THEN THE BIG BREAK—**the suspect, Norman Smith, confesses, and the mystery begins to unravel. Smith had been re-enacting a television show he had seen involving a sniper. He hadn't even known Mrs. Woodard. He had just been prowling around looking for a victim when he saw her through the screen door. You stand there listening to him telling about it, and with a hot wave of pounding anger you realize the senselessness, the utter depravity of this motiveless killing.

You clench your fists and you grit your teeth. You could kill this wretch with your bare hands, but somehow you control yourself.

The investigation grinds on. Smith is obviously a psychopath. All details of his story must be checked.

**HE IS GIVEN LIE DETECTOR TESTS.** He is taken to the place where he claims he threw away the murder weapon and you watch skin divers probe the murky waters.

Time after time you feel yourself tensing, the blood boils up into your face, the urge to destroy this man is upon you but you fight it back.

Sheriff Boyer and State Attorney Smiley watch you. They know you could blast a neat pattern of bullet holes in this man's heart before they could stop you — and who could blame you?

**DAY AFTER DAY, NIGHT AFTER NIGHT,** until Smith is finally declared criminally insane and sent to the State Hospital, you are frequently in his presence, but you never touch him or harm him in any way.

When the case is wrapped up, Sheriff Boyer gives you the highest accolade a law enforcement officer can receive: Talking to news reporters he says, "It took a real man to do that."

## Delinquency Session Set

**TALLAHASSEE**—The Florida Sheriffs Association will be one of the cooperating agencies in a Delinquency Control Institute which will be held at Florida State University, June 21 to July 18.

The institute will be conducted by the FSU School of Social Welfare and the General Extension Division of Florida. It is designed to prepare law enforcement officers, educators, social welfare workers, probation officers, counselors and others in related fields to work effectively with youngsters who have problems.

The faculty will include: Polk County Juvenile Court Judge G. Bowdon Hunt; Arthur Dozier, Director of State Child Training Schools; Mrs. Alyce MacPherson, Superintendent of the Florida School for Girls; Dr. Vernon Fox and Professor Charles Newman, both from Florida State University.

Guest lecturers will be included on the institute program and field trips will be scheduled.

## Roy Baker Adds "Breathalyzer"

**STUART** — Martin County Sheriff Roy Baker has added a new piece of equipment to his office. It's a "Breathalyzer," which does exactly what the name implies — analyzes the breath. For alcohol, that is.

The unit is a reliable device for chemically testing the alcohol level in the blood stream of any individual by sampling the breath caught in a small metal chamber.

The equipment is recognized under Florida law as a legal aid in cracking down on drunk drivers.

## Cattle Rustling Still Prevalent

**OKEECHOBEE**—Cattle rustling—the stuff of which Television westerns are made—is still a problem on Florida's broad ranchlands.

Okeechobee County Sheriff J. C. McPherson recently arrested two men and charged them with stealing 29 cattle from C. W. Brown of neighboring Martin County.

## Jurors Praise Pasco Sheriff

**DADE CITY**—Pasco County Grand Jurors praised Sheriff Leslie Bessenger for conditions in the county jail and the manner in which the Sheriff's office is run.

Their report stated they found "the prisoners orderly and humanely cared for, and our Sheriff and his staff seem to be operating in an efficient manner and have kept the jail and radio equipment abreast of the times."

They further commended Bessenger for his policy of buying his supplies from county sources; and stated they were pleased with the "high quality of investigative work" shown by both the Sheriff's Department and the Dade City Police.

"We believe they have done an excellent job in procuring facts that enabled us to arrive at just conclusions," the report added.

## New Jail Needed In Seminole County

**SANFORD** — Sheriff J. L. Hobby told Seminole County Commissioners there is a pressing need for a new county jail.

Describing the present facilities as wholly inadequate, he said some prisoners have been required to sleep on pads on the floor due to overcrowding.



# WANTED PERSONS

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

## MISSING



**JOYCE ZEAGLER**

White female, age 23, 5 feet 7 inches tall, weighs 132 pounds, hair dyed black but she is a natural blond; wears hair short, hazel eyes. Left her home and two small children at East Palatka on January 8, 1959 and has not returned. If any one knows subjects whereabouts please notify Sheriff Pellicer, Palatka, Fla., or The Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



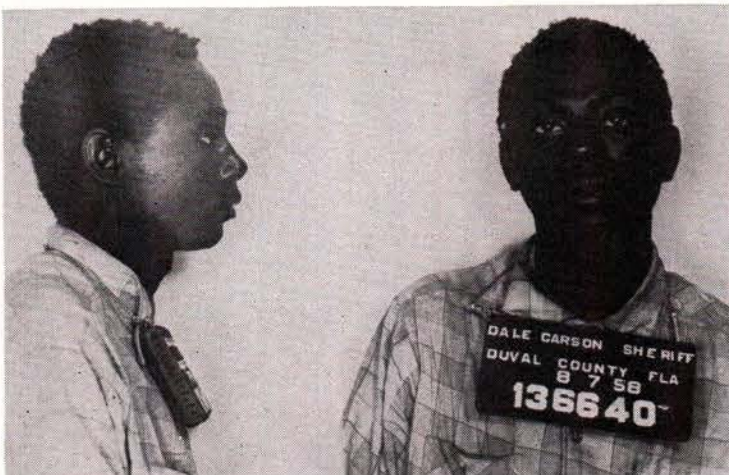
**CHARLOTTE ANN HALL**

White female, age 23, 5 feet 6 inches tall, weighs 115 pounds, black hair, missing from her home. Any station knowing subjects whereabouts notify Sheriff Parrish, Bartow, Fla., or The Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



**THOMAS GEORGE SMITH**

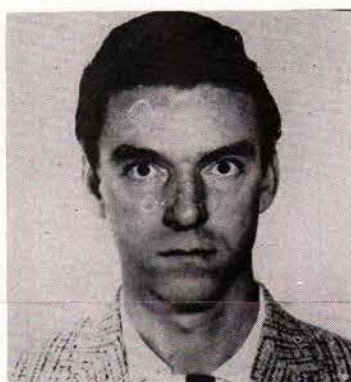
White male, age 54, 5 feet 5 inches tall, weighs 150 pounds, brown hair, grey eyes, ruddy complexion. Two upper teeth missing, one on each side of mouth. On April 10, 1959 subject took his clothes out of laundry, left them in his room with all his other belongings, went out of the house and has not been seen since that time. Any one having information notify Police Dept., Palmetto, Florida or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



**WILLIE CLYDE BROWN**

Alias ARCHIE BURCH, colored male, age 23, 5 feet, 7 inches tall, weighs 140 pounds, black hair, brown eyes, very dark complexion. Place of birth—Flomaton, Ala. Scar on left hand. Subject was serving time for destroying city property. Escaped jail 1-1-59, re-arrested 3-29-59, sentenced to 60 additional days for es-

cape. While serving stated he was leaving for Tennessee. Believed enroute to that state or Alabama. It is believed he will resist arrest with violence. Wanted by Police Department, Wildwood, Fla. If apprehended notify them or The Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



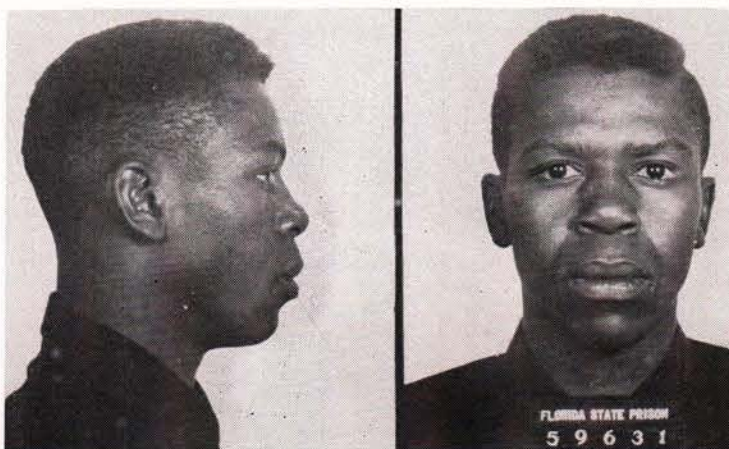
**EDWARD GEORGE HENDRIX**

Also known as EDWARD GEORGE HENDRICKS and EDDIE HENDRICKS, white male, born 3-12-28 in Senoia, Ga., 6 feet tall, weighs 180 pounds, medium build, brown hair and eyes, medium complexion. Tattoo "Rose" right arm. Right index finger missing. Social Security No. 259-24-9058. Louisiana PD No. 429,017. May be employed as cook or auto salesman. Possibly in possession of 1958 Ford Fairlane "500", 2-door, ID No. G8LT124870, California Dealer's License 2T-250. Warrant issued for subjects arrest charge parole violator. If apprehended notify FBI Jacksonville, nearest FBI office, or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



**MOHAMMED SAFFEE HOSEIN**

Alias BERWICK SIMMINS, colored male, date of birth 11-18-22 in Trinidad, British West Indies, 6 feet 1 inch tall, weighs 200 pounds. Scar on left side of face. Was in Ocala in December operating a confidence scheme called "The Colored Association". If apprehended call collect Investigator Jesse D. Edwards Jr., El 4-7111 or Ra 4-0090, U. S. Immigration and Naturalization service, Jacksonville, Florida or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



**JOHNNY LEE PARRAMORE**

Colored male, age 25, 5 feet, 7 3/4 inches tall, weighs 142 pounds, black hair, brown eyes, black complexion, medium build. Has dim cut scar on outside edge of upper left forearm. Escaped from a work crew of Leon County Road

Camp April 14, 1959, while serving a sentence of three years on a charge of B and E. If apprehended notify Sheriff Joyce, Tallahassee, Florida or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



**LOYD BENOIST BASS**

Also known as JACK BASS, RONALD WAYNE LAMBERT, JACK LAMBERT, DAVID LAMBERT, BILL TAYLOR, and other aliases, white male, approx. age 35, 5 feet, 7 1/2 inches tall, weighs 120-135 pounds, brown hair and eyes, ruddy complexion. Scar middle of forehead, scar around right eye, scar above left temple, numerous scars on arms. Occupation truck driver and laborer.

Bass should be considered Armed and Dangerous, as he is under indictment Fulton County, Ga., for crime Murder, Armed Robbery and carrying concealed weapon. Federal warrant outstanding for his arrest, for Violation of Terms of Probation. If apprehended notify nearest FBI office or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



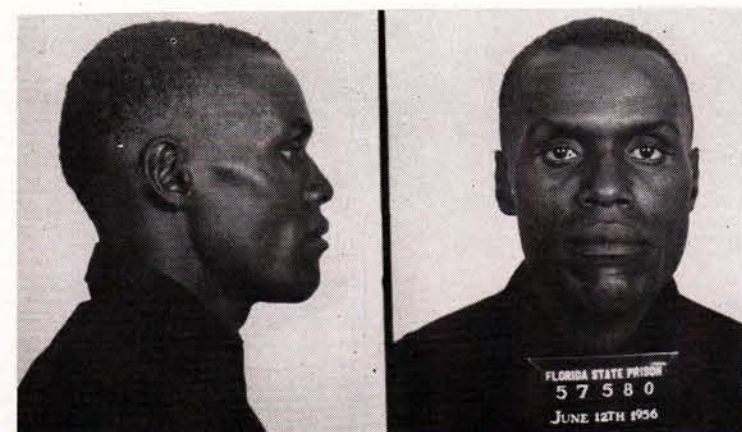
**CHARLES C. ROGERS**

White male, born 7-30-28, Cedar Key, Fla., 5 feet, 8 1/2 inches tall, weighs 123 pounds, light slender build, reddish brown hair, dark brown eyes, ruddy complexion, good teeth. Occupation: Fisherman. Tattoo of woman's head inside edge upper left arm; numerous tattoos arms, legs and toes. Cut scars across left forearm, inside right forearm, left side of neck. State Prison No. 47475. Sentenced life term 11-10-50 charge Murder, 1st degree, from Levy County. Escaped 3-28-59. Federal warrant outstanding, charge Unlawful Flight to Avoid Confinement on charge Murder. If apprehended notify Florida State Hospital, Chattahoochee, Fla. or The Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



**HAROLD DEANE FLENER**

White male, age 36, 6 feet tall, weighs 200 pounds, brown hair and eyes. Last known whereabouts Jacksonville, Fla. Warrant issued, charge Grand Larceny and Auto Theft. If apprehended notify Sheriff Norvell, Fort Pierce or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



**LeROY WHITFIELD**

Colored male, age 45, 5 feet 7 inches tall, weighs 155 pounds, brown eyes, dark complexion. Fingers and thumb on right hand have been amputated. Scar on left side of face, top of cheek. Wanted on charge

of Murder and Assault with intent to Commit Murder. If apprehended notify Sheriff Witt, Lake City, Florida or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



# SEE YOU IN NAPLES

At the  
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Conference  
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FLORIDA  
SHERIFFS  
ASSOCIATION  
June 24, 25, 26



The Beach Club Hotel, on the Gulf of Mexico, headquarters for all events at the 46th Annual Conference of the Florida Sheriffs Association. Golf course is in background.



A steak barbecue, one of the featured conference events, will be held in this setting, on the Beach Club Hotel lawn.



Perfect for peaceful relaxation — the beach at The Beach Club Hotel.



Caribbean Gardens, located near Naples, features a rare collection of trees, plants, orchids and other flowers, as well as a colorful group of unusual birds.



Shrimp boats are a reminder that Naples, before it became an important tourist center, was a small fishing village.