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Sometimes Vella Rankin serves as a jail matron, but that's only one of many hats she wears as the wife and chief helper of Liberty County Sheriff Cloyce Rankin.



Ace Rating Worth \$100 and a Plaque

DADE CITY — Five hits make an "ace". It was true for wartime fighter pilots and it's true here in Pasco County where Sheriff Basil Gaines gives deputies a gold star for catching a felon in the act of committing a crime, and an "ace" rating for five gold star arrests in one year. Deputy Donnie McKendree (center) received a plaque from Sheriff Gaines and a \$100 check from Robert S. Plimpton, President of Atlantic and Pacific Research, Inc., when he made his "ace" rating. He then turned the check over to Sheriff Gaines as a donation to the Florida Sheriff's Boys Ranch.

Bad News For Bargaining; Good News For Sheriffs

TALLAHASSEE — A collective bargaining bill for public employees will again fail to pass the Florida Legislature says Representative Don Tucker — a man who has had a lot of experience in trying to pass such a bill.

Speaking at a symposium on collective bargaining sponsored by the American Federation of Teachers, the Speaker Designate for the 1975-76 session predicted the Senate would pass a very broad bill introduced by Senator Louis de la Parte of Tampa.

He predicted the Senate bill will then go to the House of Representatives where his own (Tucker's) bill will be substituted and the package sent back to the Senate.

"There it will become bogged down and the Legislature will again fail to pass a bill," Tucker said.

He said the only chance of getting a bill passed is if the State Supreme Court acts first to lay down guidelines for collective bargaining. Tucker and de la Parte serve on a commission named by the high court to come up with recommendations on how collective bargaining can be implemented through the court system.

Food Baskets Prepared

DAYTONA BEACH — Needy families in this area got a helping hand in the form of Christmas food baskets from Deputy Norbert Brust (center, white shirt) and other members of Volusia County Sheriff Ed Duff's staff.



Tucker said this approach through the courts is complicated by the fact the Supreme Court cannot appropriate funds to put their guidelines into effect; but (noting that a lot of funds were spent as a result of court busing decrees) he said the court could come up with an effective means of ensuring that all public employees will be able to exercise collective bargaining rights.

Before predicting a collective bargaining bill will not pass the Legislature this year, Tucker said it was his intention to have his bill (House Bill 2028) placed on special order calendar the first week of the session and get it considered right away.

The bill was approved last session by the Commerce Committee, of which Tucker is Chairman, and does not have to be considered again by the same Committee.

Tucker said the Supreme Court Commission will have its guidelines ready in March, and it is conceivable they could be in force before the Legislature convenes the first of April. The Leon County Legislator predicted if this happens the House and Senate may be able to pass a bill very closely resembling the Court guidelines.

One reason collective bargaining legislation has failed to pass despite repeated efforts since 1971, Tucker said, is because the issue of "right to work" has been tied to it. According to Tucker, the proposed right to work legislation is not needed because there are already laws on the books to prohibit closed shops and other illegal hiring practices. "Passing right to work provisions wouldn't hurt anything and wouldn't help anything," Tucker said, "and I'm opposed to putting more laws on the books that we don't need."

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BRIEFS.....

Computer Zaps Car Thief

PORT ST. JOE — How's this for speedy results? At 11 a.m. a woman reported to the Gulf County Sheriff's Office her 1967 Plymouth had been stolen. At 11:47 a.m. a description of the vehicle, and a suspect was teletyped to the Florida Crime Information Center in Tallahassee, and automatically relayed to the National Crime Information Center computer in Washington, D.C. At 11:53, only six minutes later, the Pritchard, Alabama, Police Department, made an inquiry and apprehended the vehicle. Also nabbed was the suspected thief and some stolen property from the auto owner's home. It happened so fast the owner was not aware of all of the stolen property.

Reservists Have Contributed 51,990 Manhours

GREEN COVE SPRINGS — If a well trained officer is worth \$4 an hour — and he certainly is — then Sheriff Jennings Murree's reserve deputies have contributed a public safety package worth at least \$208,000 to Clay County during the past seven years. These non-paid volunteers have logged 51,990 manhours on duty during that time, and have patrolled approximately 280,000 miles. Average hours of duty per man during the past year was 505. Average miles per man totaled 2,524.



Close Cooperation

SANFORD — A federally-funded \$160,000 central communications center in the Seminole County Courthouse offers county-wide emergency service through one telephone number. The center houses radio operations for the Seminole County Sheriff's Department as well as the police departments of all county municipalities. Radio dispatcher Gil Hughson (seated) works the console while chief radio operator Russ Corley stays in contact with Sheriff John Polk's office by telephone.

Anonymous Crime Stoppers

PORT CHARLOTTE — Two suspects in the slaying of Highway Patrol Trooper Claude Baker were arrested as a result of quick thinking by a local couple. The couple, anonymous for obvious reasons, spotted the suspects' car after hearing a description and license number on a television broadcast, then went to a friend's home and called the Charlotte County Sheriff's Department. Three cars were dispatched to the scene where one suspect in the car surrendered without resistance. The second suspect was later arrested as he hitchhiked on U.S. 41 north of Port Charlotte.

Canoe Top This One?

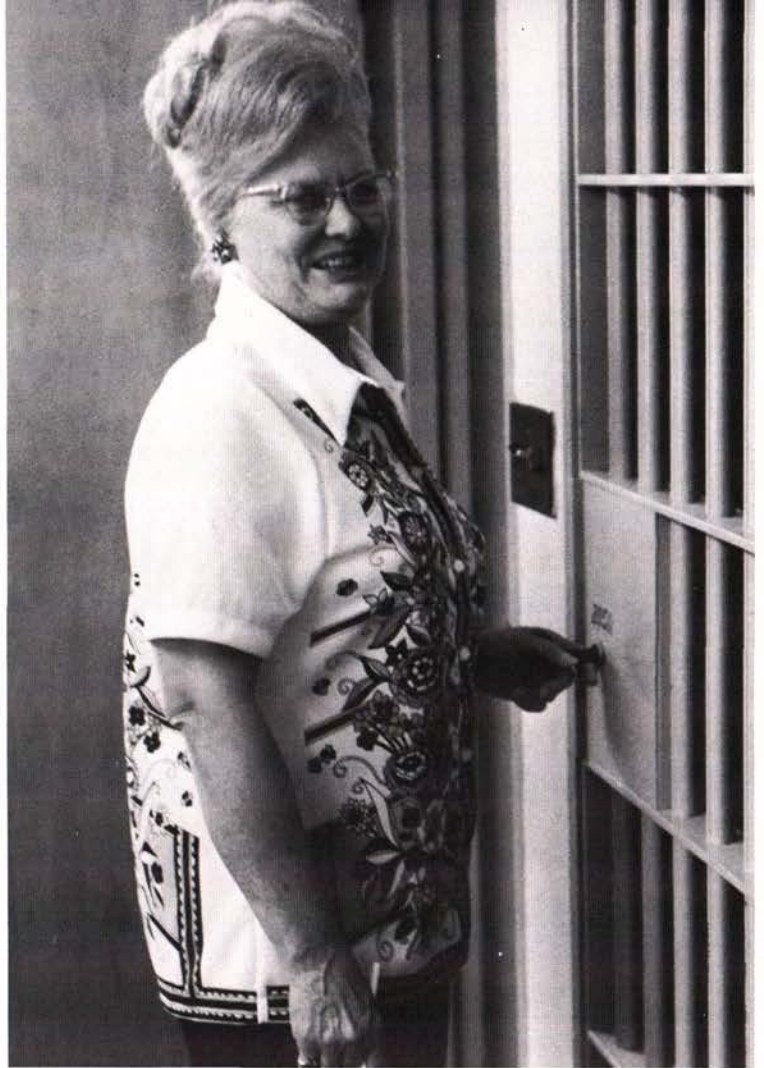
PUNTA GORDA — An ingenious Charlotte County resident did his part recently in the State's "Help Stop Crime" campaign. Observing a B & E in progress at a private residence, the man ran to the suspects' car, pulled the sparkplug wires out and called the Charlotte County Sheriff's Department. As four patrol cars converged on the scene, the suspects ran from the house and found themselves without either a car or a canoe. Two of the fleeing suspects jumped into a back-yard waterway, but found themselves facing deputies on both sides. All three surrendered.



Self-Defense, With Emphasis on Firearms Safety

JACKSONVILLE — Ladies learning self-defense tactics in a series of courses offered by the Sheriff's Department received two hours of classroom training and two hours on the firing range, with emphasis on firearms safety. The classroom picture shows Sheriff Dale Carson (right) and John E. Goode, his chief of police public services, addressing one of the classes. One trainee's husband wrote Sheriff Carson: "I am gratified by the emphasis placed upon safety in the handling of firearms. In addition it is reassuring to know that your department recognizes the increasing fear permeating the citizenry as more criminals are permitted by the judiciary to roam the streets."

"Vella, you've got to come down here and help me. I can't do this by myself." — That's how Vella Rankin was talked into a career as a jail matron, secretary, radio dispatcher and jail cook for her husband, Sheriff Cloyce Rankin.



There's No Women's Lib in



BRISTOL — If Sheriff Cloyce Rankin ever runs a classified ad for a new wife, it will go something like this:

WANTED — New wife. Must be willing to spend time in jail. Must be able to cook, sew, type, file, keep books, operate short-wave radio, process civil and criminal documents, handle a handgun and shoot straight.

But, who's going to answer an ad like that? No one, perhaps, and if his present wife, Vella, had known what she was getting into when Cloyce was elected Sheriff back in 1956, there would probably have been some kind of a mutiny. However, she was innocent in the ways of small county sheriffs' wives, and she walked into her role with little hesitation some 17 years ago.

"I remember that first day," she said. "Cloyce got up early and went down to the office in the county jail. I figured he got himself into this job as Sheriff, and I wasn't going to get involved."

"But, in a little while Cloyce called me and said, 'Vella, you've got to come down here and help me. I can't do this by myself.'"

"I said, 'I'm not the Sheriff, that's your job.' but I went anyhow, and I've been down here in the jail ever since."

That was early in January, 1957, when she began her career as jailer, matron, secretary, bookkeeper, civil clerk, and radio

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dispatcher.

Since then she has cooked thousands of meals for prisoners. She has assisted in transporting prisoners and mental patients; and recently she served as a bailiff for a grand jury and a petit jury.

The petit jury was trying a murder case and had to be locked up for the night. That meant she had to stay on duty all night at the motel where the jury was quartered.

She's a deputy sheriff and carries an identification card, but she does not have a badge and she has never had a uniform. She has never made an arrest but she assisted in one when an intoxicated man came to the jail to visit his brother. She admitted him to the jail cell block, and while he was chatting with his brother, she locked him in and summoned a deputy to make the arrest.

She has carried a gun on only one occasion — when she was assisting in taking a female prisoner from Liberty County jail to the Women's State Prison at Lowell.

Along with all of her law enforcement duties, Mrs. Rankin takes emergency accident and sickness calls, and dispatches the county operated ambulance.

When someone in Bristol spots a fire, he dials a special emergency number that rings a phone in the Sheriff's office and several other phones at the homes and businesses of volunteer firemen. It's Mrs. Rankin's job to answer the bright red wall phone, and to push the button which blows the fire house siren.

All this leaves very little spare time for her to worry about. She manages to sew a little — makes practically all her own clothes — but never finds time for gardening, fishing or other recreational pursuits.

She has only had a couple of short vacations away from the job, and she and the Sheriff have never been able to take a vacation together in all those years due to the small Sheriff's office staff. The staff has grown a little over the years, but Sheriff Rankin keeps plugging away as though the word "vacation" had been eliminated from his vocabulary.

Liberty County

The Sheriff, who is now serving his fifth term, has been out of the county a couple of times to attend law enforcement meetings, and he and his wife have taken a few trips out of state to pick up prisoners, but he has never had a real honest-to-God vacation. He's on duty or on call 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Occasionally he takes a few hours off to go to his farm near Rock Hill, but even then he keeps in touch with the Sheriff's office by radio.

The Rankins own a home in Bristol, but it's vacant most of the time. For at least 10 of the past 16½ years they have lived in a small apartment in the jail. During those years both the Sheriff and his wife were on duty 24 hours a day, and when Mrs. Rankin was asked if she had ever figured out what her hourly pay rate was under such conditions, she just smiled. She agreed it was probably just a few pennies per hour.

But, things are looking up.

In her early days as radio dispatcher, Mrs. Rankin was not able to reach the Liberty County Sheriff's Office patrol cars directly by radio. Because of inadequate equipment, she had to get in touch with the nearby Calhoun County Sheriff's Office in Blountstown, and the Calhoun Office relayed messages to the Liberty County cars. Now the Liberty County Sheriff's Office has a modern four-frequency communications system, with a wide range and a capability of contacting nearby counties. It is also part of a state-wide teletype communications network.

The Sheriff's budget picture also looks brighter. He's been

granted \$81,648 for the current year, as compared to \$61,615 for the past year. This should enable him to increase his staff and ease the present burden of responsibility.

Mrs. Rankin is currently enjoying a new experience of having some help in the office. A girl has been employed to work with her four days a week.

A jailer and his wife have also been hired to live in the jail, which means that the Sheriff and his wife can return to their home again. Every time they lose a jailer, they move back into the jail. Then when they hire a new jailer they move back to their home.

Mrs. Rankin is looking forward to getting away from her 24-hour-a-day jail duty, and back to just daytime hours at the jail, but living at home does have its drawbacks. Because of her husband's long hours she gets to spend more time with him when she is living at the jail.

Seventeen years is a mighty long jail sentence, and Mrs. Rankin is quick to admit it. "This paper work is increasing so much, it's getting the best of me," she said as she looked at all the forms on her desk. "Sometimes I think about retiring, but what would I do. My four children are all grown now. Three of them are married, and none of them live at home."



She paused a minute, then added, "you know, there's something about this job . . ." and her voice trailed off as though she had dismissed the idea of retiring.

"I guess if Cloyce decided to run for one more term, I wouldn't try to talk him out of it. He's happy with the work he's doing. He likes people, and he likes to help people.

Not Unique

Mrs. Vella Rankin's experiences as the wife of a small county Sheriff are not unique. You'll find similar variations in rural areas throughout Florida — for example, in Calhoun County, just across the Apalachicola River from Liberty County. Over there Mrs. Estelle Reeder, wife of Sheriff W. C. Reeder, can lay claim to an impressive jail term too. Her husband was elected in 1956, and she has worked in the jail, at his side, for 17 years.

THE WAY IT WAS

What do Sheriffs really do at a convention? In case you've wondered, these unposed pictures taken at the Annual Mid-Winter Conference of the Florida Sheriffs Association by Associate Editor Al Hammock will give you a rough and candid idea. The Conference was held in Crystal River, January 9-12.

REALLY

Sheriffs Listened

to speeches and group discussions covering a wide range of subjects such as professional standards, training, civil rights, pending legislation, energy crisis problems, research and development plans, problems of search and seizure, prisoner furloughs, assistance grants, budgets and jail chaplains.



Sheriffs Don Moreland and Bobby Brown



Sheriffs Raymond Lawrence and W. A. Woodham



Sheriffs Robert Leonard, Wilburn Raley and Harry Spradley (from left)



U. S. Senator Lawton Chiles and aid with Sheriffs Charlie Parrish and John Whitehead (left to right)



Sheriffs Bill Taff, Maurice Linton and Joe Peavy with State Rep. Gene Hodges (left to right)

Sheriffs Talked

in business sessions, in panel discussions, in motel rooms, at social functions, in impromptu bull sessions. It was mostly law enforcement shop talk . . . exchanging ideas, comparing problems . . . evaluating new techniques.



Left to right, Sheriffs Mel Colman, B. R. Quinn and Frank Wanicka

Sang

Sheriff Don Page's talents as a country-western singer came to light during a seafood cookout at the Seven Rivers Country Club.



Ate



Sheriff Jack Bent and his wife Karen were among hundreds of guests who enjoyed the seafood cookout hosted by Sheriff B. R. Quinn.

Laughed

Perhaps it was pleasure, perhaps relief, in any event Sheriff Sam Joyce laughed heartily when Sheriff Raymond Hamlin presented him with the past-president's plaque.



Applauded



Then Hamlin applauded and took over the podium as the Sheriffs' Association's newly-elected president.



Meditated

Later the photographer caught him in apparent deep meditation over the burdens of the presidency.

CRYSTAL RIVER — The guest list at the Florida Sheriffs Association's Mid-Winter Conference here January 8-12 reads like a "Who's Who in Government and Law Enforcement". Lt. Governor Tom Adams and his new bride dropped in for lunch, and shared the head table spotlight with Commissioner of Agriculture Doyle Conner and Attorney General Bob Shevin. State Representative Don Tucker, Speaker-Designate of the Florida House of Representatives, delivered a luncheon address. U. S. Senator Lawton Chiles walked in. So did retiring Department of Natural Resources Director Randolph Hedges, and a number of his Marine Patrol officials. State Representatives Jim Tillman, Pat Thomas, Ed Blackburn, Jr., Jack Shreve, Jim Foster and Gene Hodges were there. Group discussion leaders included Jail Chaplain James H. Bryan, from Orlando; Dr. Iven Lamb, Director of Training for the Sheriffs Association; Sheriff John Polk and Mel Colman; Berwin Williams, Director of Training and Research for the Sheriffs Association; Miss Carolyn Snurkowski, Assistant Attorney General; Julius F. Parker, Jr., Tallahassee Attorney; and Circuit Court Judge M. Daniel Futch,

Jr., of Ft. Lauderdale. Agencies represented included The Governor's Office, the FBI, Florida Highway Patrol, Florida Marine Patrol, Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission, Bureau of Police Standards, Parole Commission, Division of Youth Services, Department of Corrections, Florida Department of Law Enforcement, municipal police departments, U. S. Marshals and State Attorneys. Circuit Court of Appeals Judge Sam Spector, of Tallahassee, installed a new slate of officers and directors that included Leon County Sheriff Raymond Hamlin, President; Union County Sheriff John Whitehead, Vice-President; Alachua Sheriff Joe Crevasse, Secretary-Treasurer; Franklin Sheriff Jack Taylor, Wakulla Sheriff Bill Taff, Jefferson Sheriff Jim Scott; Clay Sheriff Jennings Murree, Putnam Sheriff Walt Pellicer, Taylor Sheriff Maurice Linton, Polk Sheriff Monroe Brannen, Osceola Sheriff Ernest P. Murphy, Levy Sheriff Pat Hartley, Charlotte Sheriff Jack Bent, Highlands Sheriff O. L. Raulerson, and Monroe Sheriff Bobby Brown, Directors. W. J. "Red" Mitchum, of Ocala, widely famed entertainer was the speaker at a banquet which climaxed the program.

Mid-Winter Conference Roll Call

AMONG THOSE PRESENT



Attorney General Bob Shevin (left) and Commissioner of Agriculture Doyle Conner



State Representative Pat Thomas



Sheriffs O. L. Raulerson and Raymond Hamlin with State Rep. Jim Tillman (right)



W. J. Red Mitchum (left) with Sheriff Malcolm Beard



Sheriff Monroe Brannen (left) with U. S. Senator Lawton Chiles



Lt. Gov. Tom Adams



State Representative Ed Blackburn, Jr.

District Court of Appeals
Judge Sam Spector



Circuit Court Judge
M. Daniel Futch, Jr.,
Ft. Lauderdale



Sheriff Joe Crevasse, Jr. (left) with Bill Troelstrup, Commissioner
of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement

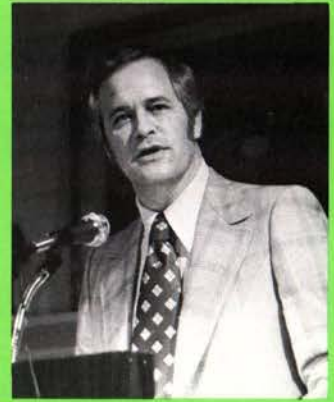


Dr. Iven S. Lamb, Jr.

Chaplain James H. Bryan



State Rep. Don Tucker, of
Tallahassee, Speaker-
Designate of the Florida
House of Representatives



Public Confidence Number One Issue

CRYSTAL RIVER — The public has lost confidence in public officials and it's time to restore it, Rep. Don Tucker, Speaker-Designate of the Florida House of Representatives, told Sheriffs and guests attending the Annual Mid-Winter Conference of the Florida Sheriffs Association here January 11.

"This," he said, "is the greatest issue facing the nation today, and Washington could take lessons from Florida."

He pointed out that Florida's government qualifies as a model because of political campaign financing laws unequalled in the nation; an elections commission to see that the laws are enforced; and a "government in the sunshine law".

"It is encouraging to me," he added, "that in spite of all the national government, we still have such high calibre public officials in Florida."

"I am overwhelmed at the high quality of Sheriffs in Florida."



Assistant Attorney General
Carolyn Snurkowski



Julius F. Parker, Jr.



Nick Stames, Special Agent
in Charge of the Tampa FBI
Office.

Mid-Winter Conference Consensus!

Let's Make One Thing Crystal Clear: We Won't Soon Forget Crystal River

CRYSTAL RIVER — Once upon a time there was a myth that said the Florida Sheriffs Association could not hold a successful conference except in a city that boasted a hotel with extensive convention facilities and at least 150 sleeping rooms "under one roof".

The myth survived for some 60 years, while Sheriffs marched up and down the state, holding their meetings in large and medium size cities.

Then along came Citrus County Sheriff B. R. Quinn with an invitation for the FSA to hold its 1974 Mid-Winter Conference in Crystal River, and the myth was suddenly exploded.

It died a rather spectacular death, when the brawny Quinn proved that a small town like Crystal River can host a big town convention as long as the home folks are willing to pitch in.

The Holiday Inn, although modern, attractive and efficiently run, was able to provide only 90 sleeping rooms, and its banquet room was not large enough for the Sheriffs' luncheons, banquets and other social functions.

Sheriff B. R. Quinn preaches courtesy and hospitality to his deputies, even paints his "be nice to people" theme on his patrol cars. During the Mid-Winter Conference he also proved he practices what he preaches.



Host Sheriff B. R. Quinn and his wife Maryann after they received a Certificate of Appreciation and a standing ovation from Sheriffs and guests attending the Mid-Winter Conference.

This didn't stop Sheriff Quinn, or energetic "Dubby" Bertine, the Innkeeper. They found overflow sleeping rooms nearby, and scheduled a luncheon and banquet at the Plantation Hotel "down the road a piece".

Host Sheriff B. R. Quinn wanted this convention to be something special, so he also threw in a moonlight cruise and barbecue on the Homosassa River; and a seafood dinner at the Seven Rivers Country Club.

And that took some doing. There were all sorts of details to be worked out—like cooking the barbecue and transporting it to an island hideaway at the mouth of the river; like organizing a small navy of private and law enforcement boats for the cruise; like putting together a gourmet's menu of seafood on a small budget and getting it prepared by volunteers; and like praying for good weather.

It's safe to guess that the Sheriff must have drafted at least 100 men and women to put on his extravaganza, including his wife Maryann, bankers, attorneys, businessmen, deputy Sheriffs, rank and file workmen and assorted wives.

It's also safe to estimate that the normal flow of business in Crystal River was set back at least six weeks; but what B. R. knew—and of course he was right—was that you don't set out to explode a 60-year-old myth with a platoon. It takes an army!!

Anyhow, the upshot of this Quixotic venture was that an almost record number of Sheriffs turned up to watch B. R. and his volunteers do their stuff; and this conference turned out to be one of the most successful and most enjoyable the Sheriffs Association has ever had.

In between sampling Crystal River's cuisine and unspoiled scenery, Sheriffs spent long hours in business sessions and wrestling with the technicalities of training, professional standards, jail procedures, civil rights and search and seizure.

Then, when the final gavel was rapped on January 11, somebody wanted to know where the next convention was going to be held.

"After this," said one happy, contented Sheriff, "I'm in favor of Sopchoppy."

From Pulpit To Patrol Car

SARASOTA — Tom Savage leads a double life, but he finds no serious conflict of interest between his role as minister of a Unitarian Church and his duties as a Deputy Sheriff.

"The two jobs are compatible since a law officer also functions by serving, counseling and befriending," said Savage, who graduated from Redlands University, Boston University School of Theology and Harvard Divinity School with special training in community relations, group dynamics and pastoral counseling.

"I became interested in police work while serving as the assistant minister in the Unitarian Church in Madison, Wis. I came into police work from the ministerial side working with a commission that studied community problems between University of Wisconsin students and the police," Savage explained.

After living in Sarasota for a year and a half, Savage decided he did not know much about the community in which he lived, and was making few contacts with people outside his own church.

"In order to gain a better understanding of what problems face law enforcement officers in Sarasota, I applied for a job in the Sheriff's Department," Savage said. "To my surprise I was accepted. For the first five months I enjoyed anonymity, but then someone revealed my ministerial affiliation and blew my cover. Actually the only reason I didn't want it known, was so that I did not receive preferential treatment. I didn't want just the easy cases.

"When a major crime has been committed, it is easy to know one's role, to know that a wrong has been done, but in the majority of cases a law enforcement officer is called upon to handle, the victimless-crimes, there are no clear-cut guide lines for the decisions you must make.

"You are influenced by your own personal limitations and prejudices. If you don't like blacks, hippies, long-hairs, Puerto Ricans or Democrats, then almost by default, your version of

the law is enforced and the establishment agreeably goes along. A law officer soon discovers that he has awesome powers in the community which influence his personal strengths and weaknesses."

Police officers are in a tough position, Savage says, because people often form unreal, stereotyped images of all officers after an encounter with just one man who wears the same uniform as many others. Savage also believes that law enforcement officers are often considered the enemy by many people because they are the most visible symbol of government and must maintain order even when they are not in complete agreement with what has to be done.

"In Sarasota there is a struggle to reestablish, in the mobile community, a sense of responsibility to the idea of community and reasking the question, 'who is my neighbor.' The Church should be deeply involved, helping to combine the religious with the legal aspect of neighborliness and by displaying caring, loving concern."

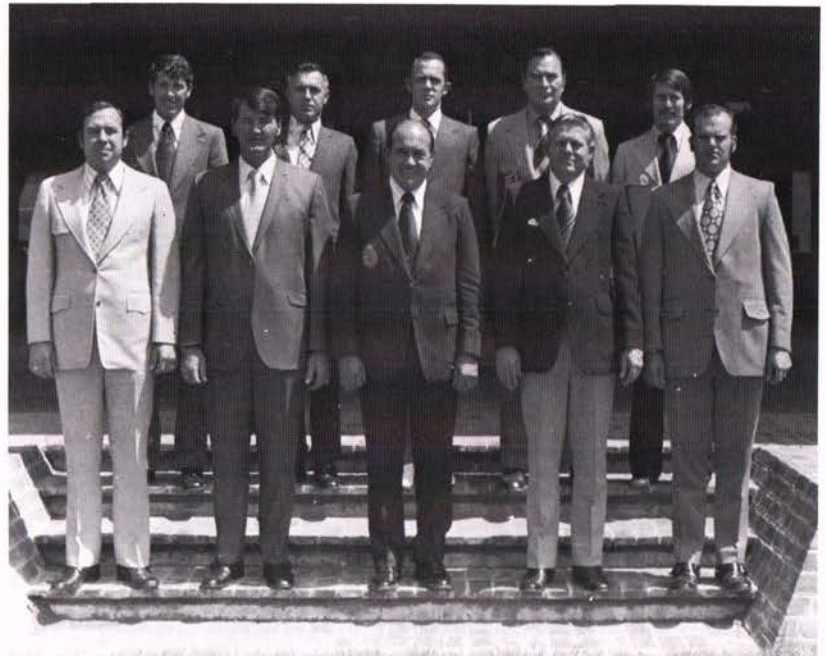
Through the Sheriff's Department, Savage is in charge of the Neighborhood Watch program, originated by the National Sheriff's Association. "No one ever sees or hears anything anymore," Savage said, "but if neighbors can get together, keep an eye on each other's properties, it could sharply reduce the number of burglaries. There are many things that can be done to reduce crime simply by getting involved in your community."

In addition to meeting with neighborhood groups, Savage presents programs at elementary, junior and senior high schools and is involved in setting up a Sheriff's Department Cadet Corps for young people. He has also authored a program on the "Police and His Public" for the local vocational-technical school; has become involved in an extended education program for prisoners in the county jail; and is involved in a new program to help parolees locate jobs and get back into the rhythm of the community.

"I have found," Savage said, "that law enforcement gets into the blood. I certainly have much greater sensitivity to the problems faced by law enforcement officers. A deputy wears a weapon to stay alive, and he must be prepared to use it to protect the life of a fellow officer or his own, but today's officer must be more dependent on his wit than his weapon."

Florida Graduates — FBI National Academy

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Florida officers who were graduated from the 94th Session of the FBI National Academy included (front, from left) Sgt. Ronald Vernon Branch, Jacksonville Sheriff's Office; Capt. Kelton W. Wheeler, Pompano Beach Police Dept.; Inspector Jim Cotter, FBI; Cpl. Ed Hagler, Florida Highway Patrol; Deputy Sheriff J. M. "Buddy" Crevasse, III, Alachua County S.O.; (back row) Henry Marvin Pittman, Bartow Chief of Police; Sgt. Jim Russi, FHP; Robert W. Fornes, Chief Deputy, Osceola County; Lt. Tony Sandelier, Hollywood P.D.; and Sgt. Stephen North, West Palm Beach P.D. Not present when the photo was taken: Lt. Paul G. Aurbeck, Winter Park P.D. Deputy Crevasse is the son of Alachua County Sheriff and Mrs. Joe Crevasse, Jr.



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FOUNDED — in 1957

FINANCING — supported entirely by voluntary gifts

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Many generous friends have included bequests to the Boys Ranch, Girls Villa and Youth Fund in their wills. If you are thinking about a gift of this type, we can furnish information to assist you in drawing up a new will, or revising an old one. Simply fill out and mail the form below or call AC 904 Phone 842-5501 for further information.

Address inquiries to
 Harry K. Weaver, Executive Director
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 Boys Ranch, Florida 32060

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Name

Address

City

State Zip

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A bequest to the Youth Fund will be used for both institutions.



Detective's Wife is Crime Fighter Too

BRADENTON — The portrait Mrs. Georgene L. Gooding sketched of a holdup man — working only from a description given by a witness — led to the arrest of a suspect; and to the presentation of a Florida Sheriffs Association Distinguished Service Award to her by Manatee County Sheriff Dick Weitzenfeld (right) while her husband, Detective Al Gooding, looked on.



This Santa Not From North Pole

LAKE BUTLER — As a member of local Rotary Club, Union County Sheriff John H. Whitehead (standing) offered to find someone to play Santa Claus for over 200 kids. He found a willing volunteer in the county jail then stayed close by as the children received an apple, orange and bag of candy.

(Sheriff's Office Photo by Investigator Carl F. Miles)



Guidelines Developed for Jail Manual

JACKSONVILLE — Sheriffs attending a Jail Operations Seminar sponsored by the National Sheriffs Association, in November were welcomed by Jacksonville Sheriff Dale Carson (seated) and Indian River County Sheriff Sam Joyce, who was then serving as President of the Florida Sheriffs Association. Organized to develop guidelines for a jail operations manual, the seminar drew some 40 Sheriffs from the eastern half of the U. S.

BRIEFS.....

New Credit Card

DELAND — When Levy County Sheriff Pat Hartley ran out of gas in Volusia County he radioed for assistance, and Sheriff Ed Duff sent him some gasoline. Ed also sent him some advice: "Son", he said, "what you need is a Georgia credit card." "What's that?" Pat inquired. "A length of siphoning hose," said Ed.

Police Calls Being Monitored--By Criminals

TITUSVILLE — Brevard County Sheriff Leigh Wilson suspects his radio frequencies are being monitored, and criminals may be making a getaway when they hear an officer is headed their way. "We have learned that our calls are not only susceptible to monitoring by radio equipment available anywhere, but are being rebroadcast on citizens band," Wilson said.

From Deputies -- With Love

NAPLES — Behind every badge there's a guy who cares about people — lawbreakers included. If you doubt this you should have been present when Collier County Deputy Sheriffs picked oranges, lemons, tangelos, limes, tangerines and grapefruit at Don Stoneburner's groves to make gift fruit baskets for inmates at the County Jail. It's an annual custom, with Stoneburner donating the fruit, and deputies donating the labor.

Something More In Seventy-Four

ARCADIA — In addition to his heavy law enforcement responsibilities, Desoto County Sheriff Frank Cline has taken on the additional chore of providing emergency ambulance service. Headed by Sgt. James L. Henderson, the new county service will be handled by 12 special deputies trained and certified as emergency medical technicians. They'll be driving new van-

type ambulances called Medicruisers, each capable of carrying four prone patients and three seated.

Your Money's Safe Here

BROOKSVILLE — The First American Bank which opened recently on the west side of Hernando County could be "the safest bank in the west" now that Sheriff Melvin Kelly has established a new Sheriff's Office substation in the same building. Sheriff Kelly said he'll man the substation 24 hours a day, seven days a week to give the west siders better law enforcement protection.

Help For Crime Victims

JACKSONVILLE — Sheriff Dale Carson, one of the leading innovators in law enforcement, is off on a new tangent. This time he is seeking funds to hire experienced social workers who will counsel with and assist the victims of violent crimes such as rape and armed robbery.

He Proved He Has What It Takes

PORT ST. JOE — When Raymond Lawrence was sworn in as Sheriff of Gulf County a year ago, the editor of the Port St. Joe Star was doubtful the new Sheriff "had what it takes". But, he admitted recently in print that his doubts were not justified. "Raymond has made Gulf County a fine chief law enforcement officer," he declared; and he backed it up by citing accomplishments such as the hiring of a competent staff, a successful campaign against illegal drugs, and the organizing of a trained auxiliary. "Looking at the entire program of law enforcement," he said, "we see an effective force of professionals operating in a quiet, efficient manner."



Gifts Collected For Ranch and Villa

GREEN COVE SPRINGS — With the help of the Orange Park Police Department, the Green Cove Springs Police Department, the Orange Park Elementary School and numerous citizens of Clay County; Sheriff Jennings Murree and members of his Department collected 49 bicycles, two tricycles and several cases of canned goods to give to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch and Girls Villa. John Monson, a reservist with the Clay County Sheriff's Department, assisted in loading and unloading these gifts.



Winning It Wasn't Easy

STUART — Deputy Sheriff William Sprague won the "Martin County Officer of the Year Award," and an accompanying gift of \$1,000 from an anonymous donor, but it wasn't easy. He was nominated for the award by Sheriff Jim Holt and Stuart Police Chief Jesse Taylor after he risked his life to stop two fleeing robbery-rape suspects. News accounts said the 23-year-old lawman swerved his patrol car into the path of a car driven by the armed suspects, and when the suspects failed to stop he stood his ground, wounding one of them with his service revolver.

Busy 24 Hours For Deputy and Dog

OCALA — Four suspects were arrested in one 24-hour period by Marion County Deputy Sheriff Sonny Brannon and his canine partner, Duke. The first suspect was tracked by Duke from the scene of a drug store burglary to a garage; then to a small orange grove where duffelbags were found containing burglary tools, change and drugs; and finally to the suspect's car which also contained incriminating evidence. The suspect was quickly arrested and jailed. Next Brannon spotted two men trying to break into a parked car. With Duke's help he disarmed one knife-wielding suspect, and kept the other one from fleeing. Later, Duke flushed a man from some bushes and Brannon charged him with aggravated assault.

Sheriff's Cadets Organized

SARASOTA — A Sheriff's Cadet Corps has been organized here for boys and girls between the ages of 14 and 18 so they can learn firsthand about law enforcement work. Chartered under Explorer Post 50, Boy Scouts of America, the youngsters wear uniforms and receive extensive training. Nine deputy sheriffs have volunteered to serve as advisers and one of their

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Florida Well Represented

Of the 250 law enforcement officers attending the 95th Session of the FBI National Academy from every state and 14 foreign nations, 12 were from Florida. Successfully completing the 12 weeks of command level training were: (left to right, front row) Bobby R. Burkett, Florida Highway Patrol, Miami; Sheriff Newton H. Murdock, Hardee County; Kenneth Brown, Gainesville Police Department; Wilbur Stiegler, Pinellas County Sheriff's Department; Richard Roth, Monroe County Sheriff's Department; Michael Loffredo, Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE), Miami; (back row) Thomas Pletcher, Dade County Department of Public Safety; Laurence Campbell, FDLE, Tampa; Willis Booth, FDLE, Tallahassee; Wesley Schellenger, Alachua County Sheriff's Department. Also graduating, but not in the picture, was Gerard Coleman, Pinellas County Sheriff's Department. Although many sheriffs have attended the Academy prior to becoming Sheriff, Sheriff Murdock is one of the few to complete the course while in office.

goals will be to show the cadets why the enforcement of laws and the maintenance of order are essential in a civilized society.

Jailhouse Grad "Cum Laude"

SANFORD — "I want to go back to jail," said the young man. "Why do you want to do that," inquired Sheriff John Polk, "you were just released from jail a short time ago."

"Well, it's like this," the young man explained. "When I was in jail I was taking high school courses, and working toward a high school diploma. After I got out I continued taking courses in the public schools, but I didn't feel comfortable and I couldn't seem to make any progress. I want to go back to jail so I can finish my education."

The Sheriff had to think about it for a few minutes, but he finally answered: "O.K., I'll let you come back to jail to take your courses, but you will have to abide by all of the jail rules and procedures, and you will have to be searched every time you enter or leave the jail." The young man agreed to these conditions, and eventually got his high school diploma.

Sheriff Polk cited this as one example of the results obtained from programs established by Jail Chaplain James H. Bryan.

The Rev. Mr. Bryan serves as chaplain in the Seminole and Orange County Jails; and he is also Regional Executive of Good News Mission, a Washington, D.C., based organization that trains ordained ministers for work in jails and prisons.

HELP STOP CRIME

It's your business to know about COMMERCIAL ARMED ROBBERY

If you own a retail store, you're a target for commercial armed robbery. To become a less inviting target, follow these suggestions from the HELP STOP CRIME program, sponsored by the Governor's Crime Prevention Committee. (For more information about the program, contact Stewart Price, P. O. Box 3893, Tallahassee, FL 32303.)

WHAT TO DO AFTER THE ROBBERY!

**Notify law enforcement officials
as soon as the robbers leave your
premises.**



Immediate action can help in the apprehension of the robbers. Be prepared to give the following information:

1. location of the robbery
2. whether anyone was injured
3. the exact time the robbers left
4. the kind of weapon used
5. direction in which the robber escaped
6. description of the vehicle
7. description of the robber
8. description of clothing
9. description of money or articles taken
10. how the robber carried the loot.

Don't leave the above to memory. Jot down all information immediately.

Ask all witnesses to stay until authorities arrive.

This will usually be just a matter of minutes.

Lock the doors if possible.

Allow no one in except the authorities. The authorities realize you have a business to run and will detain you only as long as it takes to obtain the necessary information.

Protect the scene of the crime.

Stop others from disturbing the premises. Don't touch any articles that may have been touched or left by the robber. You might destroy clues and/or fingerprints.

Don't discuss the robbery

with anyone until questioned by the authorities.

ROBBERY PREVENTION SELF-CHECK LIST

Yes No

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 1. Have you maintained visibility into your business? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | a. Are your display windows free from posters, etc.? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | b. Are your display counters and cases low enough to keep sight-lines free? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | c. Can you see all sections of business from central cashier area? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 2. Do you call authorities if you suspect someone? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 3. Have you secured your cashier operation? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | a. Are barriers high enough? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | b. Is register far enough back from door? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 4. Have you installed a hold-up alarm system? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 5. If so, have you instructed all employees in its use? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 6. Have you put a spare key in your store room? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 7. Do you keep cash on hand to a minimum? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 8. Do you vary your routine for making bank deposits? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 9. Do you keep the safe locked at all times? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 10. Have you familiarized your employees with robbery prevention measures? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 11. Do you check the references of job applicants before hiring? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 12. Do you use two (or more) people to open and close your business? |