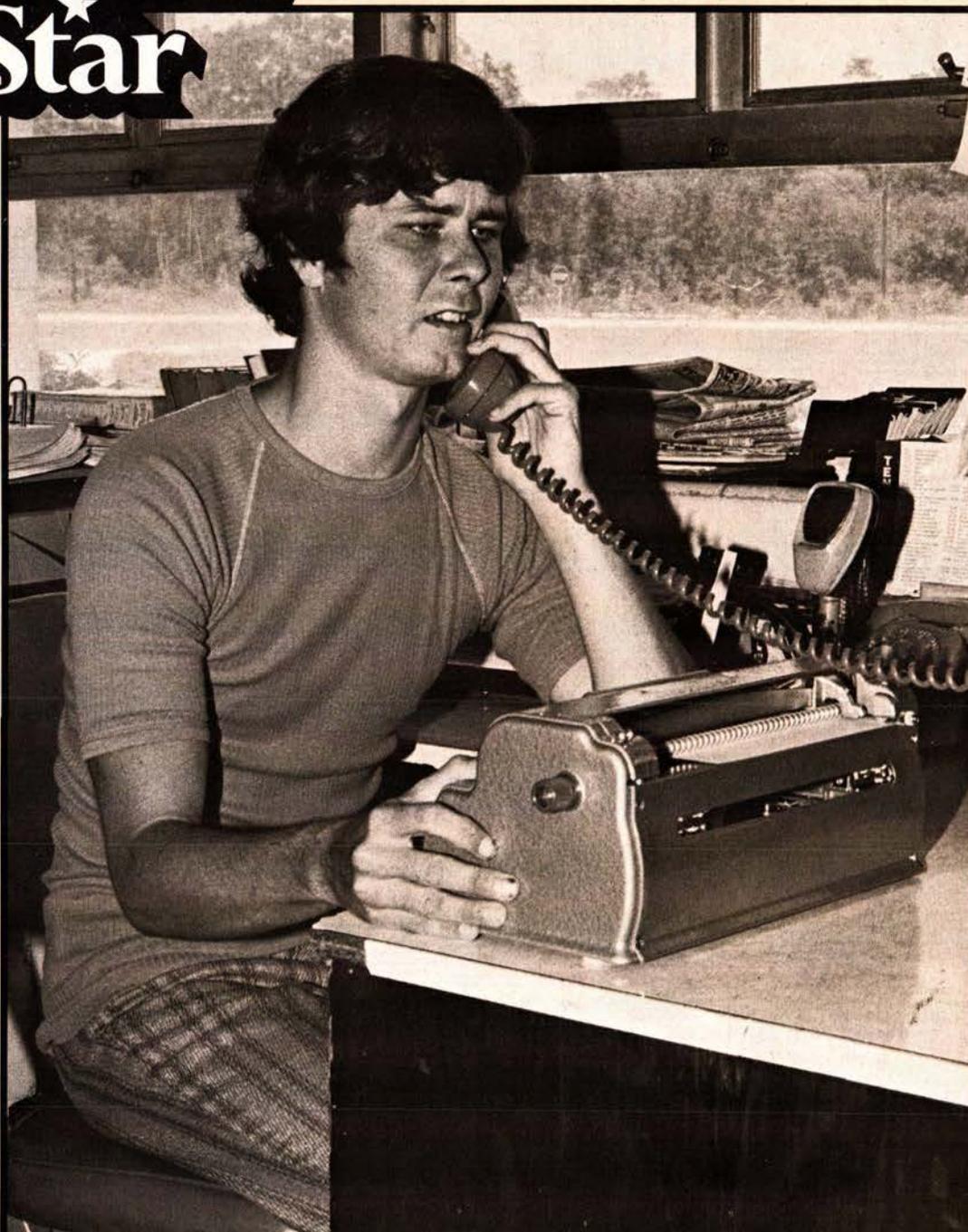


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Sheriff's pleased with court-approved experts

BARTOW — Working quietly behind the scenes in the Polk County Sheriff's Department, Joe Silva and Tom J. Timone seldom make headlines, but they manage to make life miserable for a lot of criminals, and that makes Sheriff Louie Mims happy.

Mims told news reporters recently that the two fingerprint experts deserve a share of the credit for the increasing success his department has had in solving crimes.

He also praised them for having been accepted as expert witnesses in court, and he said this attainment enabled Silva to give testimony which helped to seal the fate of Allen Zollman, a suspect recently convicted of burglary, kidnapping and sexual battery.

Identification officers have previously identified suspects' fingerprints in court, Mims said, but the Zollman trial marked the first time that a Sheriff's identification officer gave expert testimony that placed a suspect at the scene of the crime through identification and comparison of fingerprints.



For Support of a Lawful Order

WILLISTON — Franklin C. Smith (center), Most Worshipful Grand Master of Florida's Masons, was presented with a Florida Sheriffs Association Distinguished Service Award, and cited for exemplifying the Masonic virtues that pledge support of a lawful order in society, when he made his annual visit to the 13th Masonic District. Levy County Sheriff Horace Moody (left) made the presentation, and was assisted by Elihu Ross (right), of Williston, the Right Worshipful District Deputy Grand Master. Ross is a former Volusia County Deputy. Moody is the chairman of the district committee on education.

Mims said the making of such a comparison in court requires preparation of as many as two dozen large photographic charts to show a jury how the fingerprints of the suspect match those found at a crime scene.

Prior to having Silva and Timone available as "in house" experts, it was necessary to bring expert witnesses and their charts here from the Federal Bureau of Investigation, or the Florida Department of Law Enforcement. This was extremely inconvenient, Mims said, because trials had to be scheduled to match the availability of the expert witnesses, and the time they spent in Polk County kept them away from other cases they had been working on in their laboratories.

There was also a certain amount of delay in identifying suspects through fingerprints, Mims said, because the prints had to be sent to Tallahassee or Washington for analysis after the suspect was arrested.

During May, 1979, Silva and Timone made 12 positive "hits" on fingerprints submitted to them for comparison and identification by Sheriff's investigators and deputies. Timone, who is the supervisor of the Sheriff's identification division, said this was a record number of hits for the past 13 years.

"This was made possible by the Department's more professional approach to comparing prints," said Timone. "Each division of the Department cooperates closely in investigating crimes, in collecting fingerprints and other evidence, and in performing the varied duties required to apprehend suspects."

According to Sheriff Mims, this continuing cooperation is contributing greatly to his Department's increasing success in solving crimes committed in Polk County. He said the department's crime clearance rate for the first six months of 1979 averaged about 40 per cent, compared with a nation-wide average of about 23 per cent. The June, 1979, figure for Polk County was 34.7, he added, compared to 21.8 for the same month last year.

Stolen property recovered during June, 1979, amounted to 38 per cent of the value of property stolen during that month, Mims said.

Silva has had 26 years' experience as a fingerprint examiner, and has attended over 40 schools and workshops related to fingerprinting and other technical aspects of law enforcement. He said he has classified more than 75,000 sets of fingerprints during his career ("that means more than 750,000 fingers"), and has made at least 250 positive ident-comparisons.

Timone, while serving 20 years in the U. S. Air Force, attended a number of Air Police schools, instructed fingerprint classes, and completely revised the Air University's files containing over 50,000 sets of prints. He has completely revised the Sheriff's Department's fingerprint and palm print files. He has also been teaching fingerprinting techniques to deputies, and to Polk Community College students.

Both men are Fellows of the Worldwide Fingerprint Society of England; and are certified as Latent Fingerprint Examiners by the International Association for Identification.

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When the Explorers reached Washington, D. C., they were greeted by Congressman Don Fuqua (lower right), who arranged a tour of the Capitol.

EXPLORERS' TOUR was a nine-day history lesson

BRONSON — This year members of Sheriff Horace Moody's Explorer Post visited Washington, D. C., and other points of historical interest during their annual summer tour — and as usual they paid their own way, using money they had earned during the previous 12 months.

Last year they visited Canada, plus many points of interest along the way.

The youngsters made the nine-day trip by chartered bus, and were accompanied by Sheriff and Mrs. Moody and Sgt. and Mrs. Bob McCollum.

Sgt. McCollum is in charge of training, crime prevention and youth resources for the Levy County Sheriff's Department.

In Washington, the Explorers were greeted by Congressman Don Fuqua, who arranged for them to have a tour of the Capitol. They also visited the White House, Washington Monument, Arlington National Cemetery, FBI Headquarters, the Smithsonian Institute; the FBI National Academy, at Quantico,

Virginia; the National Cemetery at Petersburg, Virginia; the Quartermaster's Museum, at Fort Lee, Virginia; historic Williamsburg and Jamestown; and the campus of William and Mary, America's second oldest college.

For a change of pace, the Explorers also made stops at the South of the Border amusement complex, in South Carolina; and the King's Dominion Amusement Park, near Richmond, Virginia. They also enjoyed many hours of swimming at overnight stops along the way.

Sheriff Moody said the youngsters worked hard throughout the year to earn enough money for the trip, and they received substantial support from Levy County citizens and civic groups, for which they are sincerely grateful.

He sponsors the Explorer Post, which is composed of 36 boys and girls 14 to 18 who have an interest in the career possibilities of law enforcement. Twenty-six of the members were able to make the summer tour.

Billy was a 14-time loser- until deputies turned him around

NAPLES — When Deputy Sheriffs were assigned to high schools and middle schools here in 1976 under Sheriff Aubrey Rogers' experimental Youth Relations Deputy Program, they were not entirely among strangers.

As they walked the hallways, talked to students in classrooms, and held informal counseling sessions, they frequently encountered the familiar faces of youngsters who had previously been in various degrees of trouble with the law.

One face stood out. It belonged to a boy whose behavior had made him a metaphor of juvenile delinquency. He had spent more time in juvenile court than he had in school. Deputies could recite his criminal record from memory — including his 14 or 15 arrests for burglary and his involvement in the local drug scene. To call him "Billy the Bum" protects his identity. That isn't his name, but it describes him.

Billy skipped school with regularity, and eventually dropped out altogether. At this point, it would have been a natural reaction to write him off, but the Youth Relations Deputies

didn't. One of them somehow managed to reach Billy, and eventually this benchmark of bad behavior not only returned to school but also abandoned his criminal career.

"He's completely clean now, and he has actually helped deputies by giving them information about criminal activities," said Sgt. Doug Caperton, who is in charge of the Youth Relations Deputy Program.

Billy is going to graduate from high school, and, according to Sgt. Caperton, he is only one of many wayward youngsters who have been helped since Youth Relations deputies were originally assigned to schools in 1976.

Sheriff Rogers said the juvenile crime rate has been diminishing in Collier County and the Youth Relations activities have been a big factor in bringing this about.

Youth Relations deputies are assigned to schools for two primary reasons: to prevent juvenile delinquency, and to develop a friendly relationship between law enforcement officers and the younger generation.

To accomplish these goals they teach classes dealing with law enforcement subjects; coach athletic teams; attend sports events and other school functions such as PTA meetings; hold group meetings with students; and counsel troubled youngsters on a one-to-one basis.

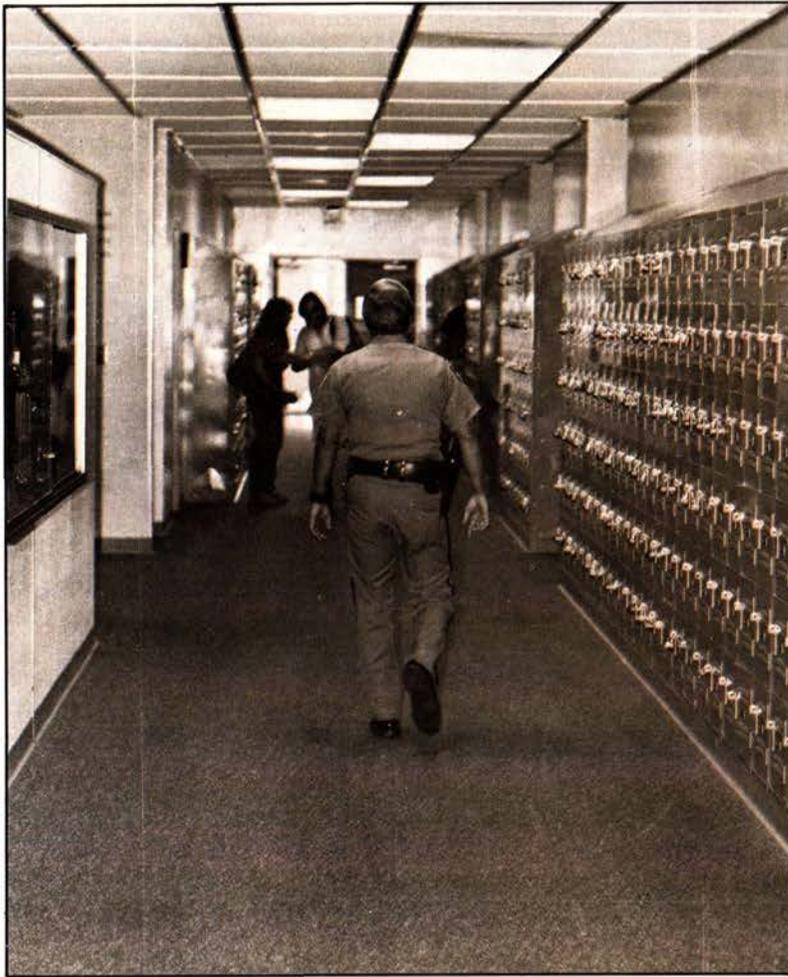
Youth Relations deputies strive to make friends rather than arrests. They are not supposed to function as disciplinarians, but they don't overlook law violations, and they are often in a position to head off law breaking before it occurs. They alternate between wearing uniforms and civilian dress so that students can view them as someone other than an authority figure, and they are also adding new dimensions to an old American folk hero — the legendary neighborhood policeman with his fatherly smile and his ability to keep kids in line without alienating them.



Sgt. Doug Caperton (center), who is in charge of the Youth Relations Deputy Program, huddles with members of his staff. They are (from left) Deputies Pat Mullen, Nelson Shadrick, Tom Davis and Genny Aragon.

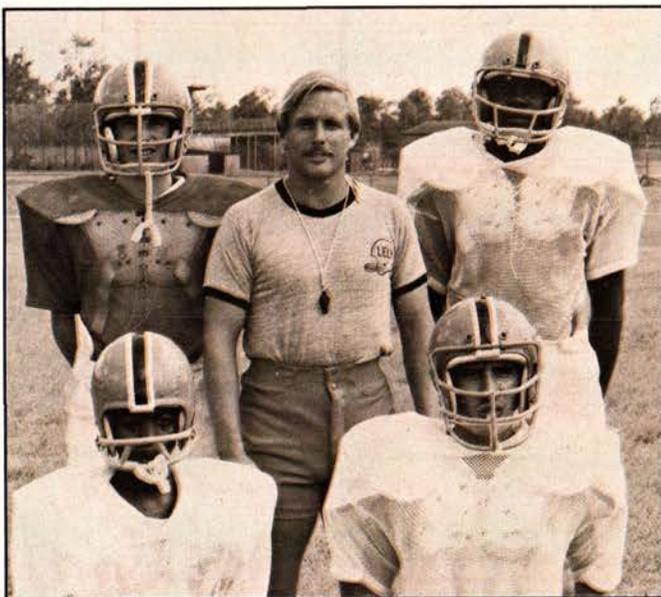


Youth Relations Deputy Nancy Reed in classroom at Pine Ridge Middle School.

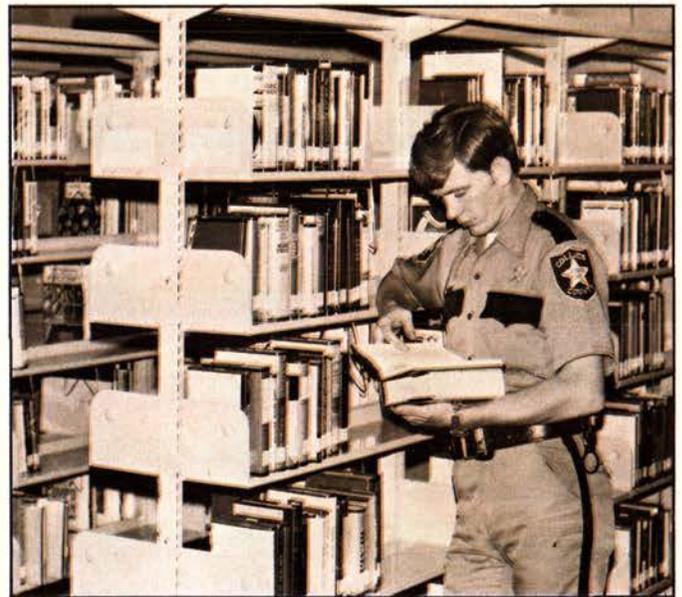


Students at Lely High School no longer get up-tight when a deputy sheriff walks down the hallway.

Youth Relations Deputy Genny Aragon counsels student at Immokalee Middle School.



Youth Relations Deputy Jim Hansen coaches Freshman football and basketball at Lely High School.



Library research helps Youth Relations Deputy John Kirchner prepare for classroom session.

COOL MAN ON A HOT SEAT

PERRY — The dispatcher's swivel chair in the communications room at the Taylor County Sheriff's Office can become a very hot seat.

Tides of stress ebb and flow around it. Broad valleys of boredom are sandwiched between mountain peaks of frantic activity. There are slow nights when a stray cow on the highway provides the only excitement, and other nights when the ringing telephone and the stuttering teletype printer play counter melodies to the crackle and pop of urgent radio messages.

To sit at this crossroads where misery, misbehavior and mishaps converge is to be bombarded with every conceivable type of emergency — with reports of fires, murders, suicides, rapes, burglaries, expectant mothers racing the stork to the hospital, armed robberies, highway accidents, drownings and missing persons.

Accuracy is a religion here. To garble a message is an unforgivable sin. Punching the right buttons on the telephone console can become a matter of life or death. Information must be written down carefully and correctly.

It takes a cool hand to hold down this swivel chair awash with tension, and Robert Miller has been doing it successfully although he has been blind from birth.

"He's doing a great job," said Sheriff Von Whiddon, who hired Miller over a year ago. "It's surprising what he can do."

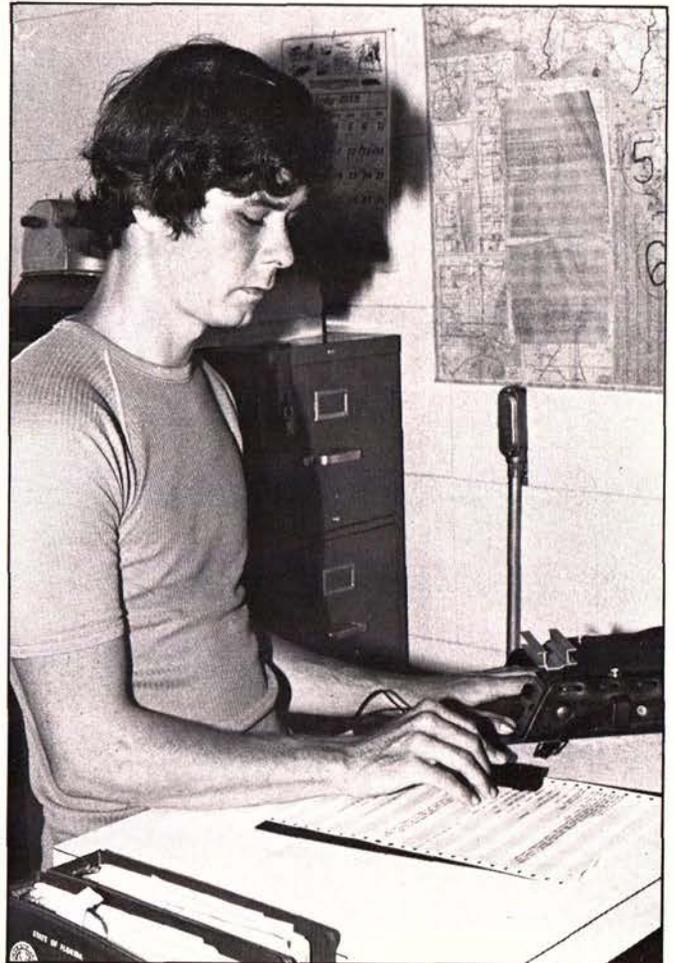
The Sheriff had every reason to be surprised, because Miller can operate a push button telephone console, a teletype keyboard, a standard electric typewriter and a Braille typewriter with considerable skill. Because he learned to use the Braille typewriter as a child and has acquired amazing speed, he uses it to record messages which he later transcribes with a standard electric typewriter.

His job involves more than merely answering the telephone, and keeping in touch by radio with deputies out on patrol. He dispatches city police as well as Sheriff's patrol cars; and, since the Sheriff is responsible for operating the county's 911 emergency center, he also transfers emergency telephone calls to the appropriate agencies such as the Florida Highway Patrol, the local ambulance service, the state Division of Forestry, and local fire departments.

He has a number of radio frequencies at his fingertips, and therefore is able to maintain contact with Sheriffs' Offices in neighboring counties, the Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission, Disaster Preparedness and other agencies.

His off-the-job activities are just as amazing as his on-the-job skills. He prefers fishing and horseback riding, but at various times he has also had a fling at water skiing, bowling and shooting pool. When he was in high school he wrestled.

"I used to tell myself there were only two things I couldn't do: read and drive a car," Miller said. Then he proceeded to demonstrate that he is learning to read with the help of an Optacon, an electronic device that consists of a small "camera" or scanner which is wired to a metal box.



Robert Miller, who has been blind since birth, demonstrates how he uses a device called an Optacon to read teletype messages.

To read, Miller places his left hand in a compartment on the top side of the metal box, and uses his right hand to scan the lines of a teletype message with the "camera." This sets up vibrations in the Optacon which he has been trained to translate into words.

Prior to acquiring this skill Miller had to ask the night jailer (the communications room is in the county jail) to read teletype messages to him. Now he's one step closer to independence, and he's eagerly awaiting the next step — a Braille teletype printer which he said is being perfected in Tallahassee.

Miller, who is 23, is married and is raising two children. One is his own son, and the other is a foster child. He attended the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind, in St. Augustine, from kindergarten half-way through his junior year in high school, and was graduated from Taylor County High School, in Perry.

He enrolled at North Florida Junior College, in Madison, as an early admission student, then transferred to Fairmont

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State College, in West Virginia, where he completed almost two years of college work.

While getting his academic education, he also received on-the-job training in radio dispatching, first by working for a private ambulance service, and later by working for the fire department, in Orlando.

He likes his present job, but he also has ambitions to someday work in the communications center of a large law enforcement agency, or in an airport control tower. He admits there are many obstacles in his way — such as his inability to read hand-written messages or lighted maps that show patrol car locations — but he refuses to consider them insurmountable.

Robert Miller's eyes are blind, but not his mind, and it will obviously continue to look for new challenges.

Sgt. West is the best

BUSHNELL — The professional manner in which Sgt. R. G. "Bob" West carries out his duties as day shift patrol supervisor for the Sumter County Sheriff's Department, and his ability to remain cool in tense and potentially violent situations, led Sheriff G. E. "Ernie" Johnson to nominate him for the Florida Retail Federation's "Florida Law Enforcement Officer of the Year Award."

Sheriff Johnson said Sgt. West in one year had been involved in 50 arrests resulting in 51 serious (felony) charges ranging from child abuse, burglary and larceny to attempted murder.

In the attempted murder case, an armed man who had shot his wife and Sheriff's Investigator Jim Roop, Jr., had to be persuaded to give himself up peacefully. Sheriff Johnson praised Sgt. West for the manner in which he made this arrest, and also for the meticulous work he did in preparing evidence before the case went to trial.

Sheriff Johnson said Sgt. West was also successful in preventing violence and bloodshed at Wildwood, Florida's largest truck stop center, when he mediated a blockade that tied up nearly 100 trucks during the independent truckers' strike.

"The blockades and protests lasted only 14 hours with no physical violence or arrests noted," Sheriff Johnson said, "although similar protests elsewhere resulted in lengthy blockades, in violence, and in stoppage of trucking movement on the interstate systems."

Sgt. West has very little off-duty time, Sheriff Johnson said, but he manages to devote a substantial portion of it to youth work, and to serving as Junior Governor of the Lake Panasoffkee Moose Lodge.

"He is," said Sheriff Johnson, "one of my most aggressive, well-rounded deputies...well respected by Department members and by his community."

Capable and kind

BUSHNELL — Traveling alone at night on a remote stretch of highway, Laura Kelly, of Gainesville, became apprehensive when her car broke down, but Deputy Sheriff Travis Farmer came along soon afterward and put her mind at ease.

Later, in a letter, she told Sheriff G. E. "Ernie" Johnson that Farmer had worked on her car for more than an hour so that she could continue on her way to Gainesville, and she described him as "one of the most capable and kind men I have ever met."

She added that Sumter County "should be proud for having a man like Travis Farmer working for it."

Moonlights as a marshal

Fred Hindman



PUNTA GORDA — Many deputy sheriffs "moonlight" by working at off-duty jobs, but Charlotte County Deputy Sheriff Fred Hindman is believed to be the only one who does it as a Deputy U. S. Marshal.

He was appointed to his part-time federal position by U. S. Marshal George Grosse, and his duties will primarily involve serving federal court papers in the Southwest Florida area. He said he may also be called upon to transport prisoners.

Hindman said he believes he is the first resident Deputy U. S. Marshal in the Southwest Florida area. Prior to his appointment, federal court papers were served in that area by Deputy U. S. Marshals based in Tampa.

Hindman is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hindman. His mother, who is widely known as "Tosie," is Elections Supervisor for Charlotte County. His grandfather, the late Fred Quedanau, was Sheriff of Charlotte County for 17 years.

Help for the handicapped

FT. LAUDERDALE — A program to train handicapped persons as emergency radio dispatchers is being offered here through the cooperation of the Broward County Sheriff's Office and the Broward County Division of Emergency Medical Services.

After completing a ten-week training course at Broward Community College and the Broward County Sheriff's office, the handicapped persons will be eligible to apply for jobs as dispatchers.



Hands Full of History

FT. PIERCE — Photographs of the Sheriffs who have served St. Lucie County since it was founded in 1905 were presented to the St. Lucie County Museum by the present Sheriff, Lanie Norvell (center). Also pictured are Bob Gladwin and Mrs. Addie Emerson, Director of the Museum.

Pumpin' propane into patrol cars is a daily routine at the Pinellas County Sheriff's Department. It began in mid-summer, and the first fill-up was supervised by Sheriff Bill Roberts (right) and Vehicle Maintenance Supervisor Jim Johnson.



Survey shows:
Sheriffs

'CUTTING COSTS,'

SAVING ENERGY

Dear President Carter:

We are doing everything possible to conserve energy, just like you requested. The air conditioning in our offices is set around 78 or 80, and one dedicated fellow shoved his all the way up to 85. We are cutting down the miles logged by our patrol cars, and most of the time we run them with the air conditioning off. Jackrabbit starts and speeding have been forbidden, except in absolute emergencies.

We hope what we are doing is helping the country. One thing sure – it certainly isn't helping our social image. We've been sweating a lot, and sometimes we don't smell too good.

Of course, smelling good isn't everything, especially if the guy you are trying to handcuff doesn't smell too good either. Roses to Rosalynn,

*Your friends,
Florida's Sheriffs
and deputies*

Florida's Sheriffs and deputies didn't actually send a letter to President Carter, but it's true that they are making a sustained effort to cut costs and conserve energy.

A state-wide Florida Sheriffs Association survey not only confirmed this, but also revealed some innovative ideas that seem to be working.

Pinellas County Sheriff Bill Roberts disclosed that 35 of his patrol cars have been converted to burn propane fuel instead of gasoline. He expects to save enough money in less than a year to pay for the cost of conversion, which will be around \$24,000.

Patrol cars are expected to get about the same number of miles per gallon from propane, at 40 cents a gallon, as they did from gasoline, at 68 cents a gallon (wholesale and partially tax-free).

The cost of converting each patrol car will be around \$700. This includes installation of a special fuel tank.

After the first converted car had been in operation one week Roberts reported it idled smoother and cooler, and seemed to accelerate faster.

Roberts has 235 vehicles in his fleet and has been using 44,000 gallons of fuel per month. For testing purposes, 15 of the converted cruisers will burn propane only; while 19 cruisers and a transportation van will be capable of burning both propane and unleaded gasoline.



Sheriffs all over Florida are saving money by buying gasoline wholesale and pumping it from their own storage tanks. Sheriff Frankie Mills, pictured above in coat and tie, is a good example. He has installed storage tanks and pumps at two locations in Okaloosa County.

Propane is made from natural gas and oil refinery by-products, Roberts said, and therefore using it is one means of cutting down on consumption of crude oil. He said it has an octane rating of 110 and produces no carbon.

"We used to change the oil at 2,000 miles, but now we do it every 10,000 miles," Roberts explained, adding that cars burning propane do not need anti-pollution equipment to meet clean air standards.

Other Sheriffs are considering propane as an alternate fuel for patrol cars, but Roberts is the only one who has reported a large-scale experiment.

In Lee County Sheriff Frank Wanicka claims to be saving about 2,000 gallons of gasoline per month by switching his deputies from a five-day week, eight hours a day, to a four-day week, ten hours a day. He said the longer shifts result in fewer returns to home base in each 24-hour period.

The deputies work three shifts: from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.; from 5 p.m. to 3 a.m.; and from 9 p.m. to 7 a.m. This creates an advantageous overlap of manpower from 9 p.m. to 3 a.m., which is the critical crime time, Wanicka said.

"Everybody loves it," he said, and morale has improved.

He said he is also saving gas by substituting motorcycles for patrol cars wherever possible. They are effective, and inexpensive to operate, he added. He has seven and plans to add more.

In Jacksonville, Sheriff Dale Carson told his deputies to conserve gasoline or lose the privilege of taking their patrol cars home and using them during off-duty hours. Deputies responded by saving 30,000 gallons in one month, which was said to be a 25 percent reduction in fuel consumption.

Carson's deputies have had the privilege of taking their patrol cars home for the past six years. This has required a large increase in the number of patrol cars, but the Sheriff said this is justified by reduced maintenance costs and less frequent trade-ins. When a patrol car was in use constantly "around the clock" the average life was 10 months, and now under the take home system the life expectancy has increased to four and a half years.

Deputies with marked cars used to be allowed 2,500 miles of personal use per month. When this was cut to 1,800 they started doing personal errands while driving to and from work instead of taking the car home and then going back out.

To conserve gas they have also quit running their air conditioners whenever possible, and they cut off the engines at

every opportunity — especially while they are filling out reports.

Orange County Sheriff Mel Colman and Volusia County Sheriff Ed Duff have banned off-duty use of patrol cars. Duff also saves gas by cutting down on the briefing musters which require deputies to assemble at a central point.

Non-essential patrolling has been eliminated by Sheriffs all over the state. Citrus County Sheriff Burton Quinn said he requires cars to respond to emergency calls from parked locations, rather than patrolling constantly, if they are in low crime areas.

Sheriffs are switching to smaller cars, smaller motors and two-barrel carburetors for patrol duty. They have also found that frequent tune-ups improve gas mileage.

Most Sheriffs buy gas wholesale and put it in underground tanks as an economy measure; or else use gas which is purchased that way for all county purposes. They do not have to pay the four-cent federal gas tax.

In July the price-per-gallon paid by Sheriffs ranged from a low of 66 cents to a high of 85.5.

Electricity use is being cut wherever possible in Sheriffs' Offices and county jails. Air conditioning thermostat settings ranged from a low of 78 to a high of 85 in July, according to the Sheriffs Association survey.

In Polk County, Sheriff Louie Mims' efforts to conserve energy caused an unexpected crisis. According to news reports, a 78-degree thermostat setting in the Sheriff's Department building caused temperatures in a communications equipment room to soar to 85 degrees, knocking out the telephone system for about three hours.

During the breakdown commercial radio and television stations advised Polk County residents to direct emergency messages to their local police departments so that the police departments could relay them to the Sheriff's Department.

A fan provided temporary cooling in the overheated equipment room, and plans were announced to air condition it as a permanent precaution against further breakdowns.

Cutting down the air conditioning in Sheriffs Offices and other public buildings has raised the possibility of putting a ban on smoking. Officials pointed out that higher thermostat settings resulted in less movement of air and some offices became hazy with cigarette smoke.

A Witness can be Witless

The following article is reprinted from the April 11, 1979, issue of *The Florida Banker*, a monthly magazine.

It isn't always how you see yourself. Sometimes, the important thing is how other people view you. To quote Robert Burns, the Scottish poet, "Oh, to see ourselves as others see us."

For instance, at a recent Bank Administration Institute (BAI) meeting in Orlando, FL, Herbert Tillman, supervisor of the Community Affairs Section of the Orange County Sheriff's Department, and Deputy Richard King conducted an observation exercise for the nearly 100 attending. As Sgt. Tillman was addressing the group, King (unknown to the group as a deputy sheriff) suddenly stood up out of the audience and began to argue with Tillman. Approximately one minute later (less time than a robber might take to clean out a bank cash drawer) King departed and everyone in the room was asked to write down a good description of him.

They were to list what he was wearing, how old he appeared to be, how much he weighed and how tall he was, as well as any other pertinent information they could recall. The results were very interesting, informative, abrupt, excellent, humorous and even cruel.

Many respondents placed King's age between 30 and 35. He is 40.

Numerous people wrote that King weighed 150-185

pounds—flesh and bones, only. King's correct weight is 195 pounds, and few guessed that.

Although King is six feet, two inches tall, only a handful of persons pegged him to be over six feet. One even went so far—or so low—as to write five feet, seven inches.

The descriptions of King's clothing really varied. Some people saw his green and brown plaid sports jacket as all green or all brown, or part white, part gray, or part black.

King's dark green slacks were either seen as black, brown, or some other dark color besides green.

As for King's hair, most observers were correct about it being brown in color, but it is not—as many wrote—greasy, kinky or thick.

These people—the observers—we are talking about were bankers. Does that surprise you?

On the light side, and unfortunately, somewhere in that audience someone was either a joker or had a slight problem . . . that or the person left their glasses at home. That person described King as a female transvestite weighing 340 pounds, who was cute.

Editor's note: King is not cute (which may be strictly a matter of opinion). He also is not and does not look like a female transvestite in any sense of the word. And, as was said, he weighs 195 pounds.



Congratulations and a Piece of Cake

DADE CITY — Fifteen young people who are planning future careers in law enforcement, and have successfully qualified as Cadets in the Pasco County Sheriff's Department, were congratulated by Sheriff John M. Short during graduation ceremonies, and were treated to cake and refreshments. Photographed as they prepared to sample the cake were Capt. Mike Klyap, Verna Taylor and Mina Daratziki. (St. Petersburg Times photos by Dave Morrison)



Auxiliarmen were sworn in by Sheriff Mel Colman. (Orlando Sentinel-Star photo by Ric Feld)

LUCKY BREAK

for lonely, vulnerable deputies

ORLANDO — The hazards of patrolling alone at night have been lessened for Orange County Deputy Sheriffs now that Sheriff Mel Colman has sworn-in 25 well trained auxiliarmen.

Colman said the auxiliary deputies, who are all non-paid volunteers, will hold down full-time civilian jobs during the day and spend three or four evenings a week patrolling with full-time deputies.

Lt. Bill Schroeder, who heads the new auxiliary unit, said the need for this type of assistance became apparent last year after deputies patrolling high crime areas alone were assaulted, and frequently became involved in serious confrontations.

Since funds were not available to hire additional full-time deputies, auxiliarmen were recruited and Sheriff Colman arranged for them to receive nine weeks of intensive training.

They attended classes two nights each week and all day Saturday and Sunday to learn marksmanship, first aid, criminal law, arrest tactics, crowd control and human relations. None had any previous police experience, and some had never held a handgun before. In addition to giving up a lot of leisure time, they also bought their own guns and uniforms.

"These volunteers deserve a lot of credit," Lt. Schroeder said. "They underwent a trying ordeal attending classes and studying after they got home, and weathering the field training.

"There was pressure, of course, because their training was accelerated and compressed, but they came through, passed the examinations and fired qualifying scores on the range.

"You have to remember that these men worked all day at their regular jobs. One was a telephone installer, one was an

attorney, another was a realtor. They came to us from many occupations. They applied themselves, and were willing to give up their evenings and weekends."

Sheriff Colman explained that the auxiliarmen, although they have received 107 hours of training, will always work under the direct supervision of a full-time patrol deputy. Thus their status differs from reserve deputies who can patrol a district without in-car supervision, and who must undergo more than 500 hours of training.

After the swearing-in, Auxiliary Deputy Joe Donnelly (right) went on patrol with Deputy Larry Sambrook. (Southside News photo by Warren Kelsay)



Florida Sheriffs Youth Fund

HONOR ROLL

On these pages the Florida Sheriffs Association gives special recognition to generous supporters of the Florida Sheriffs Youth Fund and its child care institutions: The Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch, Girls Villa and Youth Ranch. Those listed as "Builders" have given gifts totaling \$100 or more. Those listed

as "Lifetime Honorary Members" of the Florida Sheriffs Association have given \$1,000 or more. Builders receive certificates suitable for framing. Each honorary lifetime member receives a plaque, a lifetime identification card and a lifetime subscription to The Sheriff's Star.

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LEESBURG — Lake County Sheriff Malcolm McCall (right) presents a Lifetime Honorary Membership to Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Blanton.

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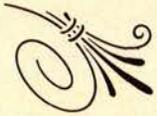
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Caring for needy, neglected and homeless boys and girls – over 700 of them – has been the work of the Florida Sheriffs Youth Fund.



SEMINOLE – "Tuffy," a grand champion hunter-jumper seemed reluctant to leave when Mr. and Mrs. Joseph LaTorre (holding halter strap) gave him to the Florida Sheriffs Youth Fund. Accepting Tuffy for the Youth Fund were (from left) Herman Vincent, Chief of Operations, Pinellas County Sheriff's Department; Don Genung, Vice President for Planned Giving, Youth Fund; and Bob Saunders, Field Representative for the Youth Fund.



Gallery of Generous Givers

JACKSONVILLE – Sheriff Dale Carson (right) presents Lifetime Honorary Memberships to Dr. Charles R. Snyder (left photo) and Benjamin B. Bromberg.



INVERNESS – When Citrus County Deputy Sheriff Herbert F. "Frankie" Beville (second from right) received a \$200 reward for catching thieves who had been looting Florida Telephone Corporation's coin telephones, he donated it to the Florida Sheriffs Youth Fund. Pictured with him at the reward presentation are (from left) Citrus County Sheriff B. R. Quinn, Security Director John E. Kelly, Jr., United Telephone System; and James Copeland, District Commercial Manager for the telephone company.



FORT PIERCE – A generous donation to the Youth Fund was accepted by St. Lucie County Sheriff Lanie Norvell (right) from Glenn Skinner, representing the Christian Community Crusade.

Building named for Blackburn

"This came about as a complete surprise to me, and I, of course, am extremely honored," said Ed Blackburn, after a building was named in his honor to mark his retirement as interim Commissioner of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE).

The building is located at 502 North Adams St., Tallahassee, and houses the FDLE Division of Criminal Investigations.

Blackburn was formerly Sheriff of Hillsborough County, and a State Representative from that County. He was one of the founders of the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, forerunner of the FDLE, and was appointed early this year by Gov. Bob Graham to boss the FDLE during the five-month interim between the firing of Commissioner William Troelstrup and the hiring of James W. York, the present FDLE Commissioner.

Governor Graham and officials of the Florida Cabinet attended an informal reception at which the naming of the Blackburn building was announced. The Governor presented Blackburn and Archie Adair, who had been a special assistant to the interim Commissioner, with retirement badges.

Adair was one of the top officials in the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office during the Blackburn regime, and later went to work at the Florida Department of Criminal Law Enforcement, the name under which the FDLE formerly operated. He came out of retirement to handle the interim assignment.

With Florida Cabinet officials looking on, Governor Bob Graham presented retirement badges to Ed Blackburn and Archie Adair. Pictured from left to right are: FDLE Commissioner James York, Attorney General Jim Smith, Governor Graham, Blackburn, Secretary of State George Firestone, Adair, State Treasurer and Insurance Commissioner Bill Gunter, and Commissioner of Education Ralph Turlington.



Dirty pictures defended

COPENHAGEN, Denmark — When pornography is easy to get — when, for instance, "porn" is as available as canned corn — the crime rate for certain sex offenses will improve.

That's what Bert Kutchinsky has concluded. He's a professor at the University of Copenhagen's Institute of Criminal Science, and he bases his conclusion on what has happened in Denmark.

Pornography bans were lifted there in 1967. Since then, according to police authorities, child molesting has decreased 56%; indecent exposure is down 58%; and voyeurism is down 80%.

Rape, however, is on the increase there, just as it is in the United States, but the Danish increase has been small and is said to be comparable to the rising crime rates for robbery and vandalism.

In Denmark, according to Kutchinsky, "pornography has found its very modest place as something quite indifferent to most people; and as entertainment and a spice of daily life to a minority."

It's his belief that pornography has come to stay in the Western world. "Starting in the north," he said, "the wave has swept to other countries, which now experience the same uproar of publicity, curiosity and economic exploitation" as was previously experienced in Denmark.

He said the pornography wave is over in Denmark, and now

pornography is "mainly an export article."

Curth Nilson, one of the wealthiest pornography publishers in Sweden, has been quoted as agreeing that pornography is diminishing in Scandinavia. He has been said to believe the big push now is in the United States, the Netherlands and West Germany, where people will learn to take it in stride just as they have in Denmark and Sweden.

He came to work wearing a dress!

WASHINGTON, D. C. — What's to be done with a male police officer who has a sex change operation and comes to work dressed as a woman?

Should he be fired, retired, or what?

Police officials stalled for time by putting the 34-year-old officer on sick leave, and by trying unsuccessfully to get him/her to undergo psychotherapy. Quitting apparently was not an acceptable option.

"I don't envy them their decision," said the officer, who asked news reporters not to reveal his name, "but it isn't easy for me either."

News reports said the officer had received 18 commendations during seven years of police work. He had walked a beat, worked as a station clerk, patrolled in a scout car, and handled undercover assignments.

The police department wit suggested putting him on undercover assignments permanently.

Early start

A Rand Corporation study of 49 adult armed robbers imprisoned in California suggests that the characteristics that distinguish hard-core from intermittent offenders show up at an early age, and do not result from long exposure to crime or prison life.

One important Rand finding is that criminal activity diminishes with age, even among those who remain active in crime. Criminals studied were said to have averaged 38 serious offenses per year as juveniles; 18 per year as young adults; and seven per year as adults.

The researchers said effective crime prevention "would come from imprisoning the younger, more active offenders, since offense rates appear to decline substantially with age..."

According to Time magazine, other social scientists are coming around to the view that a tougher policy toward violent youth will act as a crime deterrent.

The Wall Street Journal added this comment: "The question should no longer be, how has society failed the criminal, but how can society protect itself?"

Governor appoints Sheriffs to council

Sheriffs John Polk, Robert Butterworth, David Harvey and Walter Heinrich have been appointed to the Florida Council on Criminal Justice by Governor Bob Graham.

The Council acts in an advisory capacity to the Governor, the Legislature, the Florida Supreme Court, and the state's Bureau of Criminal Justice Assistance.

Its responsibilities include overseeing federal crime and delinquency assistance programs, developing policies and plans to insure the effectiveness of the state's criminal justice system, setting goals and standards for the reduction of crime, and recommending crime related legislation.



Sheriff Was Pleased

PUNTA GORDA — Charlotte County Sheriff Alan LeBeau presented Explorer Karen Taylor with a Distinguished Service Certificate after she filled in for one week as the Sheriff's Department's switchboard operator. He commended her for doing a good job.

Kissed a cop - paid a fine

TULSA, Oklahoma — Jimmy Fortner, 24, paid a \$51 fine after he kissed a policewoman who was giving him a traffic ticket.

Officer Perri Burnett said Fortner kissed her when she stopped him for running a red light and driving under the influence of alcohol. The misdemeanor charge against Fortner was assault and battery. He pleaded no contest.

Be Wary, Not Sorry, Merchants Warned

BARTOW — Polk County Sheriff Louie Mims (standing) gives merchants tips on how to protect themselves against shoplifters, bad check artists, and users of stolen credit cards during a Crimes Against Business Seminar. (Lakeland Ledger photo)





★ Safety Show -- ★ C'est Beau

SANFORD — When Seminole County Sheriff John Polk tells Lt. Beau Taylor to get his show on the road, Beau packs up his puppets “Bloop” and “Bleep,” folds up his portable puppet show stage, and heads out for the hinterlands humming a repertoire of safety ditties. There’s nothing dull or boring about the way he teaches safety to kids, and although he may not be quite on a par with Captain Kangaroo, he manages to get the message across. This particular performance of the “Beau Show” was held at the Casselberry Library, and it triggered an enthusiastic response from Chris Poe, Melissa Schuckman and Chuckie Lauck. (Sanford Herald photo by Melenda Edmiston)