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## Court Rules 1959 Budget Law is Valid

TALLAHASSEE—The Florida Supreme Court has made it clear that the Florida Sheriffs Budget System is still very much alive although the 1957 law that created it was recently declared unconstitutional.

When the court threw out the 1957 law on May 18, the state's sheriffs continued to operate under the budget system by authority of a 1959 law which amended the 1957 law.

But, there were some doubts that the 1959 law was still valid, and to settle the question John A. Madigan Jr., attorney for the Florida Sheriffs Association, filed a petition for clarification with the Supreme Court.

The court, on June 23, responded that the revised 1959 law which took all sheriffs off the fee system "is not plagued with the defects inherent in the 1957 law" and is "unquestionably under established law presumed valid."

The 1957 law was declared unconstitutional because it established unreasonable and arbitrary classifications in fixing the salaries of sheriffs according to the population of their counties; and because it excluded a number of counties by population bracket.

The 1959 law eliminated population as the salary base and provided instead that sheriffs should be paid the same salary they received in 1958. It also repealed the population bracket exceptions.

The Florida Sheriffs Association has been widely praised for sponsoring creation of the budget system of operating sheriffs' departments.

This system has replaced the antiquated fee system in all but six counties of the state. It enables the sheriff to operate his department in a business-like manner, keeps the public fully informed, takes the "profit motive" out of law enforcement and ends evil practices such as "speed traps."

## Ranch Donations Held Tax-Free

It's final — and official.

John A. Madigan Jr., attorney for the Florida Sheriffs Association has received a final ruling from the United States Internal Revenue Service that donations to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch can be deducted by donors in computing income tax.

He said donors were given this privilege several years ago under a tentative ruling, which is now confirmed by the final ruling.

Madigan explained that the Ranch had to meet strict requirements as a charitable institution in order to qualify for tax deductibility of donations.

"The Sheriffs of Florida and their many supporters can be justifiably proud that the Boys Ranch was able to measure up to the rigid standards set by the federal government," he added.



WE PROUDLY PRESENT—The Florida Sheriffs Association is proud of these youths who are currently attending Chipola Junior College under Sheriffs Association scholarships. They are (from left): Pat Currey, Charles Simmons and Lloyd Garner.

## Third Student Enters Chipola Under Sheriffs' Scholarship

MARIANNA—A third outstanding student at the Florida School for Boys at Marianna will enter Chipola Junior College this summer under a Florida Sheriffs' Association scholarship.

Lloyd Garner of Winter Garden received the full scholarship on the basis of his achievement in the FSB college preparatory program. Charles Simmons, first boy to complete the special program, is now in his second year at Chipola. Pat Currey has completed one semester at the college.

At 16, Garner will be the youngest student in the Chipola freshman class. Both Simmons and Currey also held this distinction.

All three young men devoted extra time to academic studies while at the boys' school. They were directed in studying after class and in other spare time by John Meyer, principal of the academic school. While they are attending college, Meyer continues to advise them. Expenditures from the fund supplied by the Sheriffs' Association are approved by Superintendent Arthur G. Dozier of the school and by Meyer.

The newest scholarship recipient earned his high school equivalency diploma by passing tests supplied by the State Department of Education.

While at the boys' school, he attained the highest possible rating in the Citizenship Evaluation System, that of "Ace." The handsome brown-eyed brunet recalls with a smile that, at one point in his career, he was classified in the evaluation system as "Grub," and that he worked hard to prove his good attitude and citizenship qualities and to move steadily upward to the rating of Ace, which very few boys ever reach.

All students at the boys' school attend classes one day and work at some type of on-the-job training on alternate days. Garner was office boy for the school principal. Earlier, he served as psychometric assistant for the psychologist at the Guidance Center.

He also has a fine record at Tyler Cottage, where he helped

his cottage father as head supervisor.

At college this summer Garner plans to take two courses in physical sciences and one in algebra. He will room with another college student in the same apartment building with Simmons and Currey.

In congratulating the boy on his achievement, Superintendent Dozier pointed out that this opportunity is being provided by sheriffs of all 67 counties and by volunteer members of The Sheriffs' Association.

"We are proud of the use our boys are making of these scholarships," Supt. Dozier said. "And, with the boys, we are deeply grateful to the Sheriffs' Association."

## Here's Why Sheriffs Made Record Sweep In May Primaries

AVON PARK—Sheriffs are better than ever.

This together with the new budget system of operating sheriff's departments, accounts for the fact that almost 90 percent of Florida's Sheriffs came out of the recent primary election as winners, in the opinion of W. R. England, former assistant state auditor and special consultant for the Florida Sheriffs Association.

England, who has been a friend and advisor of Florida's Sheriffs for many years and knows them better than any man alive, declared that: "We have a better class of men in general for sheriffs than we have ever had before."

He said another important reason for the election results "is the new budget system most of the sheriffs of the state are now using.

"The fact that sheriffs are now on a budget means they have the money to provide better service and protection for the people," he added.

"No longer are they limited in the number of man-hours they can spend patrolling, investigating and enforcing the law by the amount of money they take in on the fee system."

The Florida Legislature, in 1957 and 1959 passed laws sponsored by the Florida Sheriffs Association which practically abolished the antiquated fee system of operating sheriffs' departments.

Sarasota County Sheriff Ross Boyer, a past-president of the Sheriffs Association, agreed with England and said in his opinion the state's sheriffs are generally more progressive men willing to work together as a group more than ever before.

Some of the accomplishments of Sheriffs working together as an association include establishment of the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch and a scholarship program; setting up a statewide radio-teletype communications system; sponsoring the Florida Sheriffs Bureau; sponsoring stronger criminal laws; standardizing the markings on sheriffs' patrol cars; putting sheriffs deputies into uniform; and promoting in-service training and safety education.

## Sheriff Joyce Backs Diving Safety Move

TALLAHASSEE—Efforts to develop sound safety practices among skindivers in this area have the full support of Sheriff W. P. (Bill) Joyce.

He joined with Florida State University officials and students recently in sponsoring a meeting of diving enthusiasts to formulate a set of voluntary safety rules.

The meeting was an outgrowth of deaths of three FSU skin divers in recent weeks.

### Election Data

Figures compiled by W. R. England show that only seven incumbent Sheriffs were defeated in the May primaries.

Two incumbents (in Manatee and Hendry Counties) did not seek reelection, making a total of nine changes out of a possible 66. Dade County is not included in this reckoning because the office of Sheriff has been abolished there.

This is the lowest turnover since 1925 when there were 21 changes out of a possible 63. (There were only 63 counties then.)

The highest turnover was in 1941, when there were 36 new sheriffs.

The number of new sheriffs produced in other elections were as follows: 1929, 29; 1933, 35; 1937, 25; 1945, 34; 1949, 22; 1953, 30; and 1957, 29.

## Conference Highlights

FT. LAUDERDALE — The 47th Annual Conference of the Florida Sheriffs Association which was held here June 29, 30 and July 1 at the Galt Ocean Mile Hotel was one of the most successful in the Association's long history.

Here are some of the highlights:

Marion County Sheriff F. L. McGehee was doubly honored when he was elected first vice president of the Association to fill a vacancy created by the resignation of Escambia County Sheriff Emmett Shelby; and when he was selected as host for the 48th Annual Conference, which will be held at Silver Springs, in June, 1961.

Lake County Sheriff Willis McCall was chosen as host for the Association's next Mid-Winter Conference, which will be held at the Lakeside Inn, Mount Dora, in January 1961.

There were many speeches on the program, but the one that received the greatest standing ovation was delivered by Wally Edwards, a 15-year-old boy enrolled at the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch. He thanked the Sher-

iffs for building the Ranch, which he described as "a wonderful place for boys." He said his stay at the Ranch has "shown me there is a place for me and a lot of other boys to have a nice home."

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### OBITUARY

OCALA — Marion County Sheriff F. L. McGehee, 48, died of a heart attack at his home here, July 13.

A progressive and highly capable Sheriff, he was active in Sheriffs Association affairs and faithfully supported the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch. He was serving as first vice president of the Sheriffs Association at the time of his death.

A native of Marion County, Sheriff McGehee had been in law enforcement work for 18 years. He was voted his second four-year term as Sheriff in the recent May primaries.

Surviving are his widow, Agnes; a son, Lee; a daughter, Martha; his mother, Mrs. W. J. McGehee, two brothers and two sisters.

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Director

Fraudulent check identifications by the Florida Sheriffs Bureau Document Unit continue to increase as more and more material is added to the unit's Fraudulent Check File.

Latest figures show that law enforcement agencies in the state have submitted 2,902 bad checks with a value of \$264,068.97 since the unit was formed. Of this number, 1,202 checks have been identified to material previously submitted and in the Fraudulent Check File, or to authors having a fingerprint record at the FSB. In addition, the unit has furnished contributors with other pertinent information concerning these worthless checks in 582 instances.

Law enforcement departments in Dade County lead the list of contributors with 1,063 worthless checks with a cash value of \$73,106.44. The Document Unit made identification of 421 of these checks and furnished pertinent information concerning 154 others.

Leon County departments are the next heaviest contributors with 337 worthless checks submitted. These checks had a value of \$17,985.02. The FSB unit made 147 identifications of Leon County bad checks.

In a further effort to curtail the activity of worthless check passers, the Bureau's Document and Research Units, in cooperation with Florida sheriffs, have presented Fraudulent Check Conferences for the benefit of merchants in various sections of the state.

A total of 15 such conferences have been presented and 1,177 merchants have attended. The conferences are designed to fully explain the bad check problem and to acquaint merchants with steps they can take to check the incidence of bad checks passed in their area.

Interest in these bad check conferences runs high, as illustrated by the fact that a single conference presented in cooperation with the Bay County Sheriff's Office at Panama City had 225 merchants in attendance. A recent conference presented at Tampa in cooperation with the Tampa Police Department and the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office was attended by 212 merchants.

Sheriffs interested in presenting a check conference in their area need only to contact Berwin Williams of the Florida Sheriffs Bureau Research Unit to make arrangements for such affairs.

Another Bureau section

which has been extremely busy is the Polygraph Unit. The unit's polygraph examiner, one of the most widely-traveled of Florida Sheriffs Bureau personnel, has conducted 226 polygraph examinations in various sections of the state. Of the persons tested, 146 were cleared of any complicity in the crimes under investigation, and the 80 others examined showed specific responses, and subsequently confessed to being involved in the crimes being investigated.

## Hero to Heel Story Unfolds In Theft Case

FT. LAUDERDALE—Yesterday a hero—today a heel.

That's the story the newspapers told about James Radcliffe, 20-year-old service station attendant.

On May 9, Radcliffe was credited with saving the life of Deputy Sheriff Bob Quinney.

According to newspaper accounts, Quinney walked into the service station where Radcliffe worked while a bandit was hiding out of sight with his gun trained on the deputy.

When the deputy asked "is everything all right?"

Radcliffe coolly replied "sure," and the deputy went away unharmed.

After the deputy left, the gunman came out of hiding, took over \$500 in cash, locked Radcliffe inside the station and fled.

A newspaper headline said: "Courage Saves Pair." All this was based upon Radcliffe's version of the robbery.

Two days later a headline said "Robbery 'Hero' Admits Hoax," and the story under the headline disclosed that Radcliffe admitted he had taken the money himself and that he had invented the story about the bandit.

Radcliffe was charged with grand larceny and with giving false information to an officer of the law.

The false information law was sponsored by the Florida Sheriffs Association and passed by the 1959 Legislature.

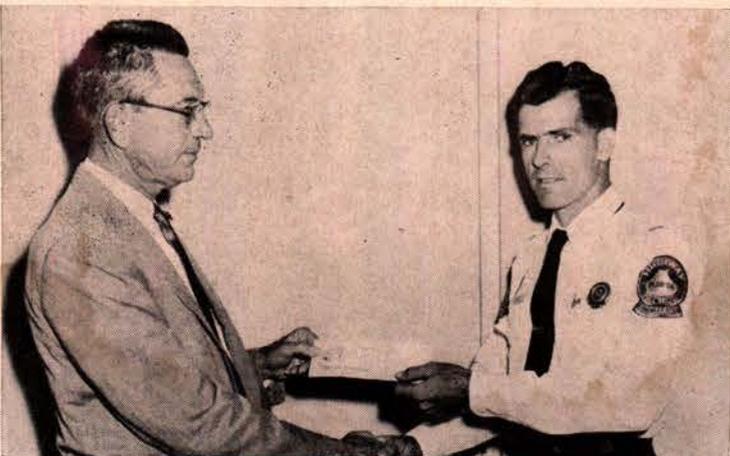
## BAD HOMBRE

WEST PALM BEACH—Cattle rustling isn't limited to television westerns. Sheriff John Kirk reported that some bad hombre stole a calf from a pasture near here recently.

## Enthusiastic Ranch Supporter

SEBRING—Highlands County Sheriff Broward Coker has done an outstanding job of raising money for the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch, as witnessed by the pictures below.

From top to bottom, he is shown presenting a Florida Sheriffs Association lifetime honorary membership to S. H. Arnolt, of Warsaw, Indiana, who gave \$1,000 to the Ranch; awarding Boys Ranch Founders Club Certificates to Edna M. Watters and Winfred C. Decker, both of Sebring, and to the Highlands County Cattlemen's Association (with President Robert Oxler accepting) for donations valued at over \$100 each; and accepting a donation of \$50 for the Ranch from Highlands County Troop C of the Florida Highway Patrol Auxiliary, with Lt. Henry Eures making the presentation.



## "The Lawyer's Corner"

Edited by JOHN A. MADIGAN, JR.  
Attorney for the Florida  
Sheriffs Association

A digest of recent Attorney  
General's opinions of interest  
to Law Enforcement officers.

**060-92 — FEES, COMMITTING MAGISTRATES IN CRIMINAL ACTIONS AND SEARCH WARRANTS**—The issuance of a search warrant by a committing magistrate does not by itself constitute a criminal action or proceeding so as to entitle such magistrate to the flat filing fee under laws providing for flat filing fees for "services performed in criminal actions or proceedings"; if a criminal prosecution is subsequently instituted in connection with the issuance of the search warrant then only one fee is payable for the combined proceeding.

**060-100 — SPECIAL DEPUTIES: RESIDENT REQUIREMENTS**—Individuals who have not been residents of the state for two years may be appointed special deputy sheriffs when they receive no remuneration from the county or its officers and when their appointment does not result in a substitution of their services for those normally performed by a state or county employee.

**A Summary of Laws Passed by the 1959 Legislature**

Chap. 59-173—Makes possession of certain transmitting devices at race tracks and frontons a misdemeanor. Effective May 28, 1959.

Chap. 59-192—Amends Section 903.29, to provide that bondsman or surety may within 30 days after forfeiture (1) return defendant and receive refund of forfeiture or (2) arrest the principal, and delineates when undertaking is forfeited. Amends section 903.31, to provide that conviction or acquittal of defendant concludes bond undertaking. Effective October 1, 1959.

## Boyer & Genung Named to Posts In Nat'l Assn.

Sarasota County Sheriff Ross E. Boyer was elected a member of the National Sheriffs Association's Board of Governors during the Association's annual convention, in Colorado Springs, Colo., last month.

Pinellas County Sheriff Don Genung was named State Director to represent his fellow Florida Sheriffs on the national level.

Boyer is immediate past president of the Florida Sheriffs Association and Genung is chairman of the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch Trustees.

Genung and Dade County Sheriff Thomas J. Kelly were featured on the convention program as speakers.

Genung discussed the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch and his widely-praised Pinellas County Junior Deputy Sheriff program as a two-pronged approach to crime prevention.

Kelly, whose position as sheriff will be abolished by a new metro-type government, discussed the ramifications of this experimental type of government. He also discussed the responsibilities of sheriffs in civil defense.

Others who attended include Hillsborough County Sheriff Ed Blackburn Jr., Duval County Sheriff Dale Carson, Orange County Sheriff Dave Starr (a past president of the National Association) and Pinellas County Chief Deputy Sheriff Bill Roberts.

# Boys Ranch Round-Up

News about the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch, a home for needy and neglected boys the Florida Sheriffs Association is operating on the Suwannee River, near Live Oak.

## Cal Farley Visits Ranch

LIVE OAK — Cal Farley, of Amarillo, Texas, who founded the first Boys Ranch in America, visited the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch, 11 miles north of here, on June 25.

He ate lunch at the Ranch, toured the 722-acre site on the banks of the Suwannee River, then met with Sheriffs and Ranch officials to discuss operating problems and procedures.

"You have made an excellent start," Farley told the sheriffs. He warned them that they have tackled a difficult project, but added that the rewards far outweigh the headaches.

Farley, who was accompanied by Sheriff Hugh Anderson, of Borger, Texas, immediate past president of the National Sheriffs Association, described the development of his Boys Ranch over the past 21 years.

A businessman, professional athlete and philanthropist, Farley established his ranch in 1939, on 120 acres of land, at the site of the ghost town of Tascosa, 40 miles from Amarillo.

As it grew, he eventually sold his profitable tire business in Amarillo and decided to devote his entire life to needy and homeless boys.

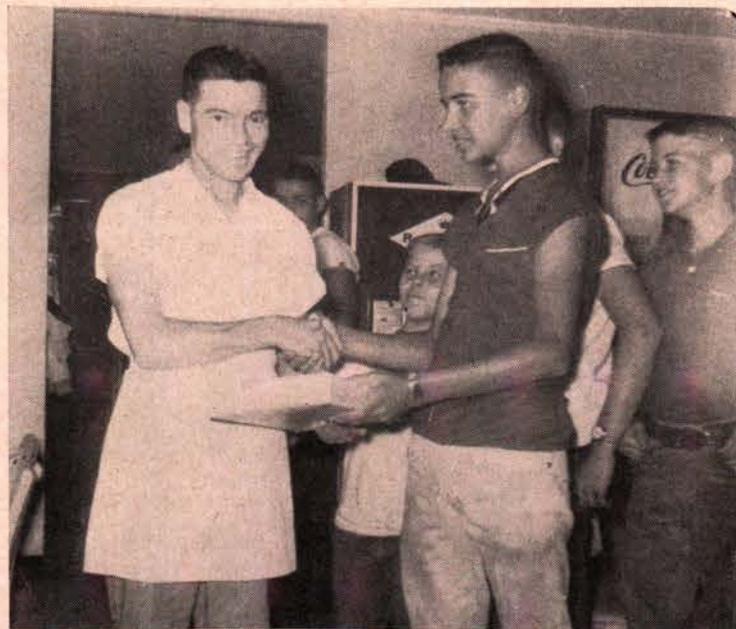
It is said that Farley has never taken a penny in salary for his work and that in the early years of the Ranch project he gave \$122,000 of his own money to take care of "his boys."

Commenting on the success of the Ranch, Farley said: "When I think of the more than 1,600 boys who have grown up at the Ranch and the 261 we have living with us now, and when I see what fine citizens they make, I am more than ever convinced that if you really and truly like kids, it doesn't matter whose kids they are."

Prior to visiting the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch, Farley met with members of the Georgia Sheriffs Association to discuss a Boys Ranch they are currently building.



Young Ranchers enjoy swimming in the Suwannee River but high water and strong currents make it unsafe during many months of the year and prevent them from taking a dip as often as they would like to. Money is being raised for a swimming pool which they can use the year 'round.



Leonard Russek (right) presents a birthday gift to the Boys Ranch cook, Mr. A. A. Hurst, a popular fellow when it comes to satisfying youthful appetites.

## Parrish's Posse Raises \$3,675 For Boys Ranch

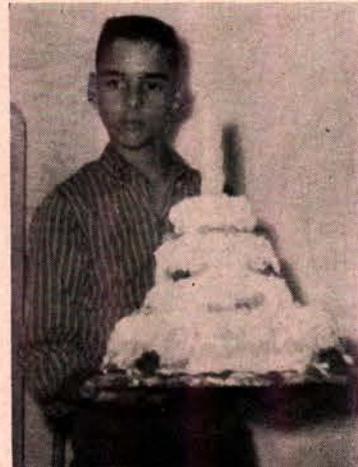
BARTOW — Polk County Sheriff Hagan Parrish reported that his mounted posse raised \$3,675 for the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch through a horse show which was held in Winter Haven, in February.

A check for this amount was recently turned over to Boys Ranch Manager Vincent Jones at a ceremony attended by Sheriff Parrish, Horse Show Chairman Wayne Hager and John Snively Jr., of Winter Haven, a Boys Ranch trustee.

The Florida Sheriffs Association expressed its sincere appreciation for this generous donation and praised the posse members for the time and effort they devoted to the horse show project.

Carl Stauffer, field secretary of the Association, pointed out that the posse members are volunteers who assist the sheriff in search and rescue missions, without pay.

"It is very gratifying," he said, "to find that these citizens who are already rendering a valuable service to Polk County are willing to take on the additional responsibility of helping the Boys Ranch."



Leonard Russek holds a birthday cake given to the Boys Ranch by Mr. and Mrs. Karl Wade, owners of the Dixie Grill Restaurant, Live Oak, to celebrate the first anniversary of the opening of the Ranch.

## Boys Ranch Joins Angus Association

LIVE OAK — The Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch has been elected to membership in the American Angus Association, located at St. Joseph, Mo., according to an announcement from Frank Richards, secretary.

The Ranch membership was one of 244 issued to breeders of purebred Aberdeen-Angus cattle in the United States.

## Boys Ranch Gift Honors Holder of Medal of Honor

The memory of a gallant Congressional Medal of Honor holder, Orson Leon Crandall, Lt. USN, Retired, will be perpetuated at the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch through a donation of \$15 which his shipmates in the Fleet Reserve Association, Sunshine Branch 102, St. Petersburg, made to the Boys Ranch Memorial Fund.

Pinellas County Sheriff Don Genung, to whom the donation was presented, said the Reserve Association recently adopted a policy of making a donation to the Ranch in lieu of sending flowers for deceased shipmates. Several donations have been made under this policy.

Sheriff M. J. Daffin said a similar custom is being established in Bay County.

The late Lt. Crandall is survived by his widow, Mrs. Mary C. Crandall, 10005 Bay Pines Blvd., St. Petersburg.

Traffic accidents show no partiality. Traffic injures and kills people of all races, creeds and sexes. So be careful how you drive.

## Ranch Plugged In TV Series

Sarasota County Sheriff Ross E. Boyer and the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch are getting nationwide publicity through a television daytime serial entitled "Edge of Night."

Recent episodes centered around a mythical town of Monticello and the establishment of a "youth ranch." Credit was given to Sheriff Boyer and the Sheriffs Boys Ranch for providing the source material.

The script writer for the serial, Irving Vendig, is a resident of Sarasota and has followed closely the development of the Sheriffs Boys Ranch.



Donald Lee celebrates his 14th Birthday by blowing out the candles on a birthday cake.

## In Memoriam

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

- Mrs. Nellie B. Carmichael, Monticello; in memory of Fred Mahan.
- Sheriff Robert M. Buckels, Kissimmee; in memory of R. Elmo Griffin.
- W. A. England, Brooksville; in memory of Mrs. Mollie Murphy, White Springs.
- C. J. Ellis, Tampa; in memory of Mrs. W. T. Brock, West, Mississippi.
- Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Seastedt, Largo; in memory of Charles J. Hannings, Tarpon Springs.
- Mrs. J. C. Ragsdale, Avon Park; in memory of J. C. Ragsdale.
- Mrs. Herbert Twigg, St. Petersburg; in memory of Herbert Twigg.
- Mrs. C. A. Wiley, Miami; in memory of C. A. Wiley.
- H. L. McMullen, Jr., Tampa; in memory of W. B. Wilcox, Sr.

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 649, Live Oak, Florida.

They should be accompanied by:

- (1) The name and address of the contributor.
- (2) The full name of the person in whose memory the contribution is given.

(3) The name and address of the deceased person's next of kin to whom notification of the gift is to be sent.

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

## Swim Pool Fund Reaches \$7,436

CLEARWATER—Sheriff Don Genung reported excellent progress in his drive to raise funds for a swimming pool at the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch.

His latest report showed contributions totaling \$7,436.

Genung, who is chairman of the Boys Ranch Trustees, said a pool is urgently needed at the Ranch because swimming in the nearby Suwannee River is sometimes hazardous due to strong currents and high water.

A large spring on the Ranch property which flows into the Suwannee provides safer swimming facilities when the river level is low, but when the river rises it backs up into the spring and makes it unsuitable.

Contributions can be sent to Sheriff Genung or to J. L. McMullen, Boys Ranch Treasurer, P. O. Box 649, Live Oak, Florida. They should be clearly marked for the swimming pool fund.

## Stetson Students Aid Boys Ranch

DeLAND—Stetson University students donated \$240 from their annual Green Feather Fund campaign to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch.

A check for this amount was presented to Volusia County Sheriff Rodney Thursby who forwarded it to the Boys Ranch.

Paul Martz, chairman of the campus drive, said the Green Feather Fund committee became enthused about the Ranch after hearing Sheriff Thursby discuss it in a talk before a group of students.

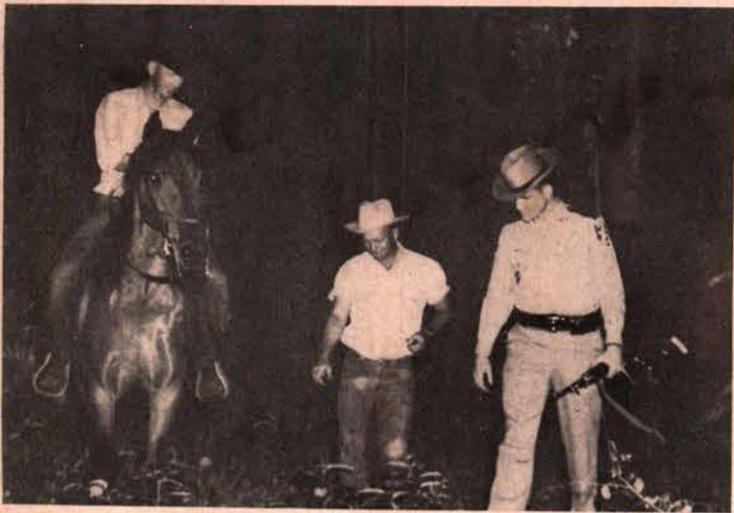
He said that George Patten and Anna Perry, the new co-chairmen of the campus fund, will want to work with the Sheriff in promoting the Ranch as part of next year's drive.

In accordance with a request from the Green Feather Fund Committee, the \$240 donation was placed in a recently established educational fund to provide college educations for boys living at the Ranch.

## Founders Club Roster Grows

The following persons, organizations and business firms have been added to the roster of the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch Founders Club in recognition of donations to the Ranch valued at \$100 or more:

- Mrs. Viola Nice, Pass-A-Grille
- Gust Blair, St. Petersburg
- Robert E. Maytag, Miami
- Creighton Northrop, Sebring
- The Jaques DeMolay Chapter of Largo, Largo
- George Mager, Pompano Beach
- Hutchinson Construction Company, Pompano Beach
- Vaughn Parades, Inc., Miami
- Raymond L. Post, Sr., St. Petersburg
- Dressels Brothers Dairy Farm, Avon Park
- Bob Dunty, Lake Placid
- Tropical Farms Limited, Lake Placid
- Lykes Brothers, Florida.



The day-and-night manhunt reaches a crucial point as Deputy Sheriff John C. Douthit, Tom Platt and Buck Manley (on horseback) find tracks made by two fugitives.



Captors and escapees are shown in this picture taken "at the end of the trail." They are (from left): Deputy Sheriff John C. Douthit; Tom Platt (civilian); Dave Schier, escapee (note he is still wearing badge taken from jailer); James Arthur Harrell, escapee; Buck Manley (civilian); Chief Deputy Sheriff John H. Boyette; and Deputy Sheriff Grady Tomlinson. Manley's truck was stolen by the escapees and is pictured in the background.

## Sheriffs Working Together in Manhunt Track Down Four Desperate Jailbreakers

(The following account of an intense manhunt which resulted in the capture of four desperate escapees was written for the STAR by Hardee County Sheriff E. Odell Carlton, who, together with Sarasota County Sheriff Ross E. Boyer, directed the big search.)

At about 8:00 P. M., May 17, Ray Christy, Kenneth Duckworth, James A. Harrell, and Dave Schier, who were being held in the Sarasota County Jail awaiting trial, made a jail break after luring the jailer into opening the cell door and pulling a pistol on him.

The pistol was smuggled into the jail by the prisoners punching a hole in a screen and dropping a sock with a piece of soap in it out the window on the end of a fishing line. An accomplice on the ground put a pistol in the sock and they pulled it back into the jail by the fishing line.

After these subjects escaped, they ran across the street from the jail to a parking lot and stopped a citizen just as he was getting into a car. They pulled a gun on him, and forced him to drive them away from the jail. The citizen was shot and pushed out of the automobile, and at the present, is in a hospital in Sarasota in serious condition.

These subjects met an accomplice by pre-arrangement, ditched their stolen car, and were carried by the accomplice to a point near the Hardee-Manatee County line on SR 64. They got out of the car and took to the woods.

Immediately upon being notified of this jail-break, road-blocks were set up in DeSoto County, Hardee County, Manatee County, and Charlotte County, as well as in Sarasota County. These road-blocks were maintained by F.B.I. Agents, State Highway Patrolmen, and deputies of the various counties.

About 4:30 P. M., the two Highway Patrolmen maintaining the road-block on SR 64 in the western part of Hardee County were called off of the road-block by the Highway Patrol. Immediately upon learning this, I dispatched a deputy to set up the road-block again.

Shortly after this, a passing motorist traveling west was advised by the deputy of the escape and requested to notify the deputy if he saw any suspicious persons along the road or in the woods. About 20 minutes later, the motorist returned to the road-block and advised the deputy he had seen

### Manhunt Footnote

Sheriff Odell Carlton  
Hardee County  
Wauchula, Florida  
Dear Odell:

The premise that a Sheriff of Florida will go to any extremes to assist a fellow Sheriff was never so clearly demonstrated to me than when the four prisoners escaped from the Sarasota jail in May of this year. The time and effort you, your deputies and the citizens of your county spent in apprehending the escapees, will never be fully realized nor appreciated by the general public, but my staff and I have, many, many times since the capture, talked about the wonderful cooperation between offices. I am firmly convinced that these four men might still be at large if it weren't for your diligence and perseverance, especially in the face of impending danger, for as you know, two of the men could be classified as desperate criminals and might have engaged in a gun battle.

Please accept my most sincere appreciation and gratitude for all the work, effort and results from your participation in their capture. Also please be assured of our desire to reciprocate under any circumstance.

Most sincerely,  
Ross E. Boyer

two young men come out on the highway about a mile and a half west of the road-block.

The road-block was being maintained by Deputy John Douthit. Deputies Ivan Hart and Grady Tomlinson were enroute to assist him when the motorist returned and reported two men on the highway. The three deputies immediately went to the scene and questioned the two subjects, who gave fictitious names.

However, upon examining their wallets, it was determined that they were Ray Christy and Kenneth Duckworth, two of the escapees. They were immediately brought to the Hardee County jail, and Sheriff Ross Boyer was notified. The two captured escapees stated that the other two subjects who escaped with them were last seen by them about 3:00 o'clock the afternoon of May 18, the day following their escape, in the vicinity of the Hardee-Manatee County Line.

Immediately upon learning this, additional officers were

sent into the area and tracks believed to be those of the escapees were found on a dirt road.

Sheriff Lloyd Holton from Arcadia was called and brought his blood-hound. They trailed the subjects and finally lost the trail about 3:00 o'clock on Thursday morning, May 19, near the New Zion Baptist Church.

Vernon Medders, Polk County Deputy, who handles the blood-hounds for that county, was called. However, they were never able to pick up the trail with the dogs.

Road-blocks were maintained through Thursday, and pulled down when no further trail of the subjects was found. Officers of Hardee County continued to search in the area and look for tracks and found new tracks on Saturday morning, the 21st of May. Horses were secured and several pastures in the vicinity were searched. The hunt was continued through Saturday night.

Deputy John Douthit, accompanied by two civilians, Buck Manley and Tom Platt, were in the area these escapees had been seen in. About 4:30 Sunday morning, May 22, they were at the home of Tom Platt when they looked across the woods to Buck Manley's house, and saw a light on.

Knowing no one was supposed to be home, they got into their car to check the house, and as they got to the point on Highway 64 where the road comes out from Buck Manley's house, they saw Buck Manley's cattle truck coming out the road with the men in the truck. They did not attempt to stop them at that time.

They called the Hardee County Jail for assistance as the subjects were known to be armed. They trailed the truck until they were joined by Chief Deputy John H. Boyette and Deputy Grady Tomlinson, and the truck was finally overtaken and stopped just west of Ft. Green on SR 62.

The subjects were removed from the truck and were captured after one shot being fired into the ground at the feet of James Harrell when he did not raise his hands. The pistol used in the shooting of the man at Sarasota was found in the truck together with a rifle stolen from the home of Buck Manley. These subjects were placed in the Hardee County Jail and turned over to Sheriff Ross Boyer on Sunday, May 22.

The feller who starts out to pin down the facts quite often gets stuck.



FBI Agent Ray Byers (left) and Florida Highway Patrol Trooper H. P. Peterson question a truck driver while manning a road block at Ona, Florida.



Bloodhounds join the chase under the direction of DeSoto County Sheriff Lloyd Holton (left) and Vernon Medders (right), of the Polk County Sheriff's Department. Also in the picture are Florida Highway Patrol Cpl. Dan Suggs (left) and Sonny Carlton, of the Arcadia Police Department.



Sarasota County Sheriff Ross Boyer, Hardee County Sheriff E. Odell Carlton, a Florida Highway Patrol Trooper and Deputy Sheriff John Douthit (reading from left) hold a strategy conference during manhunt.



Back to the Sarasota County Jail with Sheriff Ross Boyer go Dave Schier and James Harrell, whose escape netted a brief fling of freedom.

## You Get What You Pay for In Enforcement

WEST PALM BEACH—If the people of Palm Beach County want saturation traffic law enforcement they will have to be prepared to pay for it.

This, in effect, is what Lillian Palmer contended in a letter to the editor of the Palm Beach Post.

She pointed out that enforcing traffic laws is only one of many duties of the Sheriff — and then she added the following comments:

I don't believe the U.S. Army, let alone a sheriff's department, could police all the people ranging from careless to bone-mean, who want to make trouble in Palm Beach County. The present sheriff's force, with experience at the top and many young, dedicated, courteous deputies now on call, seems to me to be doing the best job anybody could do.

How much law enforcement do we want? If we want a force that keeps us on an even keel in the face of a county grown out of its britches we've got that. The Highway Patrol and Road Patrol are stretched to the breaking point over Palm Beach County's miles of roads and adjacent settlements.

If we want a "police state" with one law enforcement officer to each criminal, delinquent and careless driver, on three shifts, every 24 hours, we have to expect to pay for it. I believe the present sheriff's department is prepared to give us this service if we want to divvy up another big tax increase, but do we? From the annual yelling I hear about taxes, (and I am one of the loudest), we've got all we're willing to pay for in every county department.

## Boyer Schedules Bicycle Rodeo

SARASOTA—Sarasota County Sheriff Ross Boyer, one of Florida's most safety-minded law enforcement officers, recently scheduled a bicycle "rodeo."

The purpose of this event was to make children "safety conscious" and to acquaint them with proper bicycle riding techniques.

The program included a written safety test for all contestants and riding events such as speed races and obstacle races.

Deputy Sheriff C. N. (Cap) Stevens, Sheriff Boyer's "right hand man" in safety work, was in charge of the program.

## Yes, It Pays

CLEARWATER — Deputy Sheriff Tom Faulkner discovered it pays to be suspicious.

He stopped Albert L. Fisher, of Lakeland, on a hunch and found that Fisher had a stolen license plate on his car; had a 1959 instead of a 1960 driver's license; and was wanted in Pinellas County on charges of grand larceny, worthless checks and defrauding an innkeeper.

## McCall Gives Land For Scout House

EUSTIS—Lake County Sheriff Willis V. McCall donated five acres of land as a site for a Boy Scout House and training area for Eustis Troop 8.

Scoutmaster John McEachan Sr., said the Sheriff offered the land immediately after learning that the troop was experiencing difficulty in finding a suitable location.

Safety reminder from the Florida Highway Patrol: Avoiding an accident is a matter of give and take. Give thought and take care!



ORLANDO—IDENTIFICATION SEMINAR—Officers and members of the newly-formed Florida Association for Identification posed for this picture during their semi-annual seminar in the assembly room of the Orange County Sheriff's Department.

## Life on the Lam Can Get Rough Fugitives Find

Between red bugs and air rifles life gets pretty rough for escaped convicts some times.

For instance, Ralph Melville, a prison camp escapee, gave himself up gladly at Fort Myers.

He was sick from drinking swamp water and being practically eaten up by mosquitoes, but the crowning blow came when nine-year-old Gary Kahn stung him three times in the leg with his trusty air rifle.

A posse of 25 men was on Melville's trail but Gary was credited with the capture.

In St. Augustine, Redbugs and Mrs. Nina Davis, wife of Sheriff L. O. Davis, were credited with the apprehension of two escapees.

Mrs. Davis called her husband at the jail and said there were two men at the Sheriff's house who wanted to talk to him. When the Sheriff got on the phone he discovered that the callers were two fugitives he had been looking for.

"What are you doing at my house?" he asked.

The men said the chiggers in the swamp where they had been sleeping were "about to eat us up" and they were willing to trade their freedom for a good bed in the county jail.

## Sheriff Leads A Double Life

CLEARWATER—During several weeks of each year Sheriff Don Genung leads a double life.

In the daytime he's a Major in the Air Force Reserve, on duty at MacDill Air Force Base, Tampa, learning the latest methods in military crime investigation.

At night, he returns to his normal duties as Sheriff of Pinellas County.

The annual military duty stint, which Genung recently completed, gives him a strenuous schedule but he feels it pays off with information which can be put to practical use in the sheriff's department.

Genung came out of World War II as a captain after serving two years in the European Theater as a glider pilot and intelligence officer.

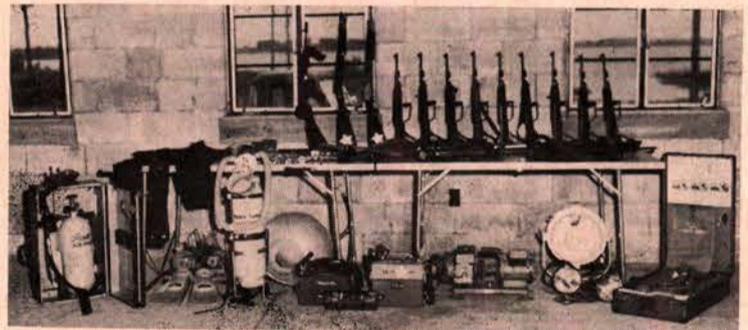
## Potent Pabulum

GAINESVILLE—Here's a new use for small baby food jars.

Deputy Sheriffs reported that unlicensed bars have been bottling moonshine in empty baby food jars and selling it "by the shot."



PUNTA GORDA—ASSORTED LOOT—Charlotte County Sheriff Travis Parnell (right) and Chief Deputy Sheriff Bill Keeler inventory a large assortment of stolen articles recovered with the arrest of three teen-age youths. (Photo courtesy Punta Gorda Herald.)



DADE CITY—SHERIFF'S AUXILIARY—The pictures above were taken at the second meeting of Pasco County Sheriff Leslie Bessenger's new auxiliary unit. The top picture shows Sheriff Bessenger (left) with (from left to right) County Commissioners M. E. Godwin and Archie Storch; Mayor Kohler, of New Port Richey; Police Chief Barga, of New Port Richey; County Commissioner A. H. Stevens; and Police Chief Wiseman, of Zephyrhills. The bottom picture shows some of the unit's firearms and emergency equipment. Uniforms were issued to all members at this meeting.



DADE CITY—RANCH FOUNDER—Sheriff Leslie Bessenger (right) presents Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch Founders Club certificate to James R. Johnson, manager of the Belk-Lindsey Co., here, as a token of appreciation for a large donation to the Ranch.

## From Deep in Heart of Texas Comes Applause

The fame of the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch has reached far and wide, bringing messages of commendation from as far away as Oregon, Maine and Colorado.

One of the most recent laudatory comments came from the Tyler, Texas, Telegraph, a daily newspaper, which described the Ranch as "an exemplary program that cares for youths in the 'fringe areas' for which few states have made provision . . ."

The newspaper went on to say that Florida's Sheriffs "are making the best known approach to the juvenile delinquency problem — prevention. Neglected young boys are brought into a wholesome, home-like atmosphere. There they are taught the ways of good citizens, are taught the usual public school subjects, and given opportunities to develop many skills. They attend the church of their choice. Recreational facilities are convenient."

"Thus the Florida Sheriffs are molding the character of potential delinquents into good citizens and in so doing they merit the applause of Americans generally as well as the people of Florida. And it is pleasant to note, too, that an important lesson the youths are learning is that the sheriff is their friend and protector."

## Wanted—One Thief Armed with Shovel

OCALA—Sheriff F. L. McGee and his deputies began looking for a thief armed with a shovel after several plant thefts were reported here.

A potted palm was spirited away from Highland Memorial Cemetery; boxwood and caladiums were taken from Highlands Elementary School; and someone removed five azalea bushes and a large rubber plant from O. C. Branch's front yard.

## Suspicious Deputy Makes Big Catch

MONTICELLO—Here's another incident to prove that it pays to be suspicious.

Deputy Sheriff Woody Ward saw two men buying gas and something about them aroused his suspicions.

He checked them out and found that one of the men was wanted in three states for breaking and entering and forgery and the other man was wanted in Jacksonville for breaking and entering.

## Breaks Tradition

MADISON — The Enterprise-Recorder, weekly newspaper, reported that Sheriff S. H. (Simmie) Moore broke tradition when he successfully campaigned for a fourth term in the recent May Primaries. It seems that tradition prior to this has limited sheriffs to three terms in Madison County.

## Real Buddy

UMATILLA — Bud Gurney was a real buddy to Sheriff Willis McCall.

When Bud stole Walter Wilk's jeep he left a note which enabled the sheriff to identify him immediately as the thief.

The jeep was promptly recovered in neighboring Marion County and Bud was jailed.

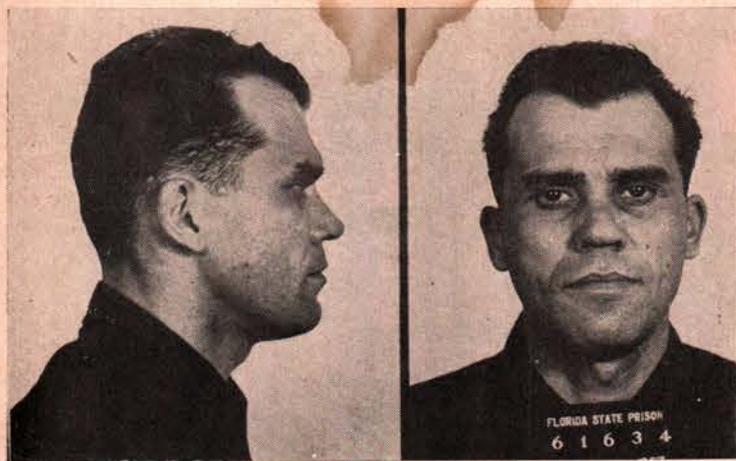
Here's what Bud's note said: Dear Walter,

I stool your jeep and I stool your money. I stool your good graces. What a bomm (bum). Walter, friend, I'm gone!—and I mean I'm gone.

Love,  
Bud

# BAD CHECK ARTIST'S GALLERY

Compiled by The Florida Sheriffs Bureau  
Don McLeod — Director



**ROBERT GARCIA, JR.**  
White male, age 32, 5 feet 10 1/4 inches tall, weighs 160 pounds. Has been identified as former State Prison inmate #61634, FBI #970026A. Subject arrested by S.O. Fort Lauderdale, Fla., for obtaining narcotics by fraud. Failed to appear in court and bond estreated. Capias issued for this offense and

additional warrant will be issued charge Forgery. If apprehended notify Sheriff Lloyd, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



**ORIE GISSENER**  
Colored male, date and place of birth 4-19-31, Ozark, Ala., 5 feet, 10 1/2 inches tall, weighs 179 pounds, black hair, brown eyes. Two inch scar on upper left bicep. Right ear deformed. FBI #281 037 D. Has Florida Driver's License #971402. FPC: O, 32/31, W/W, IIM/-MMI, final lower 15. Subject may be in either Ozark or Enterprise, Alabama. Last seen in the Lakeland area 4-28-60 driving a 1950-51 Pontiac. Wanted on numerous counts of Worthless Checks and Bond Jumping. If apprehended notify Sheriff Kirk, West Palm Beach, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.

## Patrol Merger Eases Tax Load

**CLEARWATER** — Taxpayers will save \$25,000 in fiscal 1960-61 due to the recent placing of the Pinellas County Highway Patrol under the direction of Sheriff Don Genung.

The Sheriff, in presenting his new budget, said this saving will be realized in spite of proposed salary boosts for former county patrolmen now serving as sheriff's deputies.

The 1959-60 budget for the County Patrol when it operated independently, was \$167,635.

Genung's current budget request for the patrol is \$141,880. Salary increases for former patrolmen serving as deputies total \$17,580.

## Lawmen Receive Valuable Help From Sheriffs Crime Bulletin

The Sheriffs Crime Bulletin, a confidential publication dealing with crime and criminals in Florida, is fast becoming a powerful investigating aid to the state's law enforcement officers.

Publication of the bulletin began in a modest way back in 1954 when its distribution was limited to Florida's 67 sheriffs. Today, it is disseminated to 680 law enforcement agencies in Florida, the Southeast, and more distant parts of the country.

Florida Sheriffs Bureau Director Don McLeod started the bulletin in 1954 while he served as sheriff of Marion County. The original intent was to keep Florida sheriffs apprised of the latest information concerning crime and criminals throughout the state, and to weld the sheriffs into a unified crime-fighting group.

The Sheriffs Crime Bulletin has gone a long way toward accomplishing this original goal. Published sporadically in those early days, the bulletin began following a regular publication schedule in 1955 when McLeod was appointed director of the Florida Sheriffs Bureau.

Restricted to the use of bona fide law enforcement officers, the bulletin carries items and photographs concerning wanted and missing persons, activity of known criminals, crimes, stolen property and related criminal matters. It is the first

medium of exchange in Florida for this type of information.

According to FSB Director McLeod, the publication has proved to be extremely successful. Items published in the bulletin have resulted in many wanted criminals being apprehended, missing persons being located, numerous bad check passers being arrested, and many and varied crimes being solved.

In all, more than 7,000 specific, pertinent items have been printed in the Sheriffs Crime Bulletin. And law enforcement agencies in all of Florida's 67 counties have contributed these items.

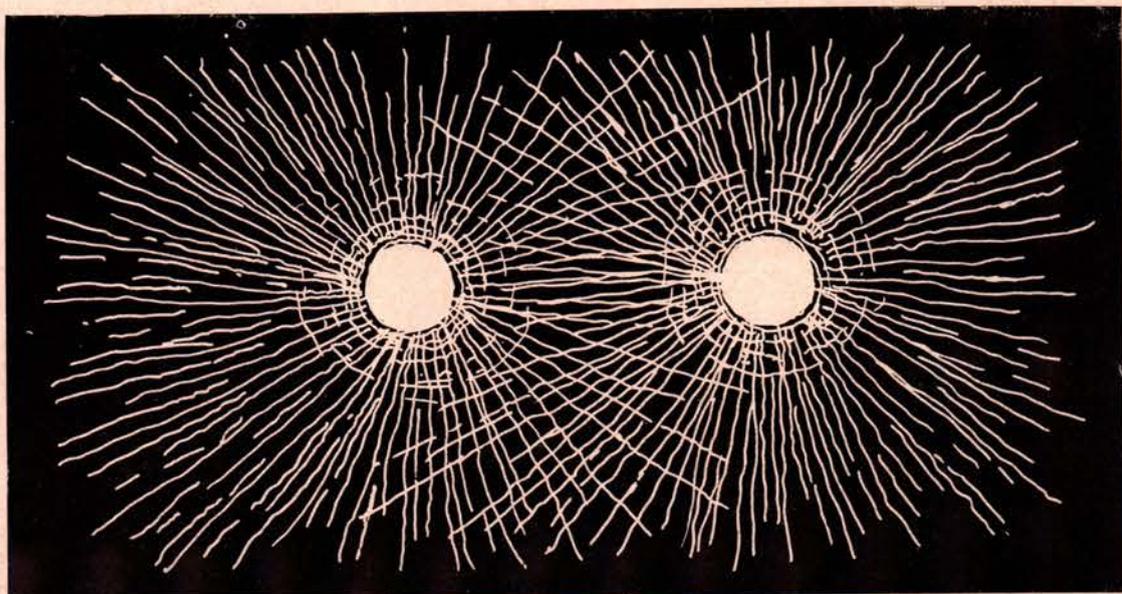
Heaviest contributing county in the state is Dade with 201 items from the sheriff's office, 197 from police departments, and 101 from constables and justices of the peace in Florida's most populated county.

Orange County is a close second with 292 items from the sheriff's office, 116 from police departments, and 20 from constables.

In addition to producing concrete results for the law enforcement officer, the bulletin has saved the taxpayer many a dollar. To circularize the 7,000 published items to the 680 subscribing agencies would have cost Florida departments in excess of \$4,000,000 if they had to send individual letters to each of the subscribers.

**SHERIFF'S SAFETY SCHOOL**

Lesson for Today



## OUT OF THE DARKNESS—DEATH

The major traffic hazards in Alaska are dog teams, moose and long hours of darkness.

Few U. S. motorists have run into dog teams or moose lately. But darkness certainly is one of their major driving problems, according to the National Safety Council.

Darkness doesn't mean just "pitch blackness." It also includes the "twilight hours" — 4-8 p.m.

Consider these facts:

1. Three times as many motorists and pedestrians lose their lives at night in auto accidents as during the day.
2. Nearly 3 out of 10 auto accidents occur from 4-8 p.m. One out of four fatal auto accidents occurs then, too.
3. In summer months, especially, the succeeding four hours — 8 p.m. to midnight—are almost equally as hazardous as the twilight hours. About 1 out of every 5 auto deaths charged against U. S. Motorists occurs then, the Council says.

**Why is darkness such a danger? For several reasons, the Council points out. Such as:**

1. Drivers are tired after a hard day. A trip is a pretty tiring ordeal, even when it's not preceded by eight hours of work.
2. Motorists probably are more inclined to doze at the wheel at night. About 1,850 motorists killed in traffic accidents in 1956 were said to have fallen asleep at the wheel. An estimated 270,000 dozing motorists were involved in that year's traffic accidents.
3. It's harder for most motorists to see at night, and some of them just don't seem to realize it. Too, headlights of approaching cars make night driving difficult for many persons.
4. At night it's hard to spot hazards ahead — sudden twists in the road, wandering animals, a motorist tinkering with his stalled auto.
5. Perhaps most dangerous of the night-time hazards are improper headlights and overdriving your lights.

**Overdriving your lights?**

That means this: At a speed of 60 m.p.h., it takes at least 366 feet to stop a car. The Uniform Vehicle Code recommends that an auto's bright lights be capable of illuminating an object 350 feet away. Which means if you're driving 60 and see a stalled auto ahead, you

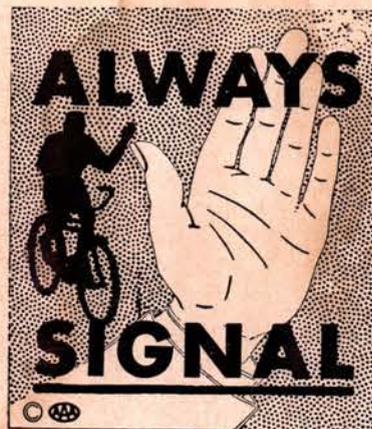
probably can't possibly stop before reaching it.

The solution to preventing deaths during darkness?

1. Make sure your car lights are properly adjusted. Clean the lenses before driving.
2. Keep your windshield clean, too. It will help reduce fatigue and eye-strain.
3. Slow down when the sun's down.
4. Dim your lights to approaching cars, even if they don't dim theirs. And dim when following a car.
5. Stop periodically on trips for a break.

"It's true that in America we don't have dog teams or moose to contend with," the Council says.

"But it still takes a lot of extra effort by motorists to make night driving safe."

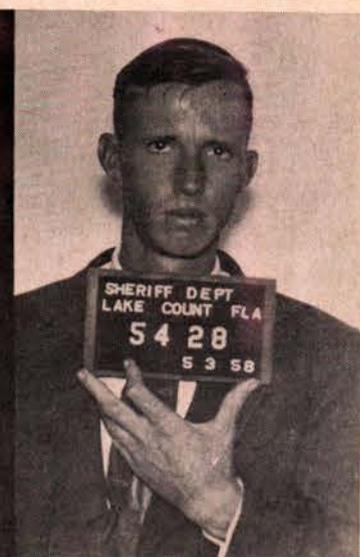


WINNER THIRTEENTH AAA TRAFFIC SAFETY POSTER CONTEST

# WANTED PERSONS

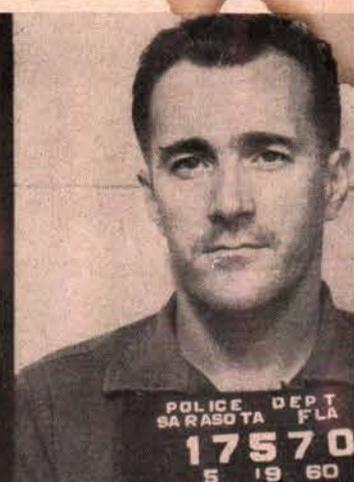
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## MISSING



**RICHARD A. MEYERS III**  
White male, date of birth 6-21-37, 6 feet, 1 inch tall, weighs 170 pounds, brown hair and eyes. Works in orange groves and on farms. Warrant issued,

charge Larceny. If apprehended notify Sheriff Bessenger, Dade City, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



**EDWARD ALFORD REGIN**  
White male, age 36, 5 feet, 8 inches tall, weighs 160 pounds, medium build, brown hair and eyes, ruddy complexion. FPC: 28/24, W/W, 10M/001. Formerly lived in St. Petersburg, Fla.

Warrant issued, charge Aiding and Assisting Jail Break, and Armed Robbery. If apprehended notify Police Dept., Sarasota, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



**ROBERT HIBBARD**  
White male, age 38, 5 feet, 10 inches tall, weighs 155-165 pounds, brown curly hair, blue eyes; scar on left side of neck. Driving black 1950 Dodge Coupe, 1960 Florida License 8-14010. Car has small air vent on top. Missing from Daytona Beach, Florida, since May 21, 1960. Any one knowing subject's whereabouts notify Sheriff Thursby, Daytona Beach, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



**CHARLES W. COGDILL**  
White male, approximate age 45, 6 feet, 4 inches tall, approximate weight 250 pounds, dark greying hair, brown eyes, small mustaches, dark complexion, deep suntan. Heavy drinker. Friendly disposition. Concrete masonry by trade. Believed to be in vicinity of Tampa, or Apopka, Fla. Capias issued, charge Non-Support. If apprehended notify Sheriff Williams, Trenton, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Fla.

**ALICE FANCHER**  
White female, age 44, weighs 165-170 pounds, rugged build, brown or dark hair, (when last seen), fair complexion, full face. Dresses well. Attempts to make friends with Police Officers when possible. Subject left her home and husband on March 24, 1960, with another man, in a 1959 Chevrolet Impala bearing Rhode Island tag OJ 4. This car was left at a parking lot in Tallahassee, April 7, 1960. Upon checking this tag out it was learned subject was wanted for Embezzlement of approximately \$100,000.00. Her male companion returned home to Chicopee, Mass., and has been questioned. He claims left subject Fancher at some airport, but declines to answer questions. Any knowledge of subject's whereabouts notify Police Dept., East Providence R. I., Sheriff Joyce, Tallahassee, Fla., or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.

Checking yourself for safe motoring! Ease up on that accelerator a little.

It doesn't look like there is much hope for filling up that space between how fast a car can go and how fast a driver thinks.



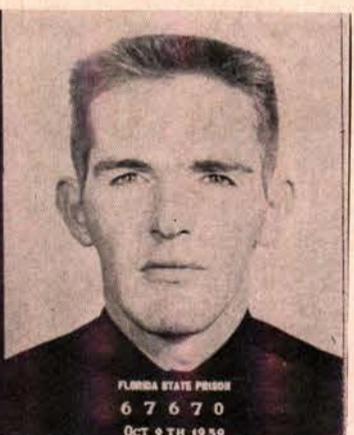
**JOHN KANZLEMAR, JR.**  
White male, age 27, 6 feet tall, weighs 180 pounds, brown hair and eyes, prominent teeth, bad in front. Neat dresser, good talker. May be working as a cook or bartender or as a service station attendant. Formerly a boxer. Received undesirable discharge from Air Force approx 4 weeks ago. Warrant issued, charge Desertion and Non-Support of his wife and five children. If apprehended notify Constable Wills, Orlando, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.

The man who drives first and thinks later, is more often than not the feller who never gets around to the latter, because "he ain't here" long enough.



**WILLIAM PATTERSON**  
Colored male, age 44, 5 feet, 10 inches tall, weighs 198 pounds, medium stout build, brown eyes, dark brown complexion, teeth fair. Small cut scar outside corner of right eye, long vertical operation scar in center of

stomach. Occupation: Cook. Wanted for escape from RP Tavares on May 9, 1960, where he was serving 3 year term for Forgery and Uttering. If apprehended notify SP Raiford, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



**THOMAS MATTHE McGRATH**

White male, age 23, 5 feet 11 1/2 inches tall, weighs 168 pounds, medium tall build, brown hair, hazel eyes, ruddy complexion. Tattoo of name "TOM" upper left arm, tattoo of panther's head left forearm. Cut scar right side of forehead. Numer-

ous freckles on back and shoulders. Occupation: Laborer. FBI #826 927B. Wanted for escape from R. P. #4756, May 3, 1960, where he was serving a term for Larceny of Auto from Alachua County. \$25.00 reward. If apprehended notify SP Raiford, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.

## MISSING PERSON



**HAROLD DAVIS WHITNEY**

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White male, age 45-50, 5 feet, 3 inches tall, weighs 120 pounds, brown hair, blue eyes. Small wart on end of nose. Usually wears a small mustache. In 1957 subject worked for the Coral Gables First National Bank, Coral Gables, Fla. His ex-wife and son live in Pompano Beach. His brother lives in Eustis, Florida. The photograph shown was made in 1945. Any one knowing subject's whereabouts notify Sheriff McCall, Tavares, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Fla.



**LLOYD NOOE, JR.**  
White male, date of birth 11-25-37, 6 feet, 1 inch tall, weighs approximately 160 pounds. Subject has been under psychiatric care for the past 18 months and is described as emotionally disturbed. Is believed to be in Florida, possibly working as a laborer. He has been missing from his home since May 11, 1960. Any information regarding this subject's whereabouts wire or phone collect to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Nooe Sr., Garner, North Carolina, phone EMerson 2-3843, or the North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation, Dept. of Justice, Raleigh, N. C., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



**ROSEY BROWN**  
White female, age 13, 5 feet, 5 inches tall, 120 pounds. Last seen wearing pink blouse, blue skirt, black shoes. Missing from Apopka, Fla. May be accompanied by Jim Meeks, white male, age 27, driving 1949 Dodge, light green and ivory. Any one knowing subject's whereabouts notify Sheriff McCall, Tavares, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.

# Circuit Judge Liked Sheriff's Trial Handling

PALATKA — Putnam County Sheriff E. W. (Walt) Pellicer and Deputy Sheriffs Floyd Johnson, George Winch, Jay Lawrence, and Leslie Pigue, were praised by Circuit Court Judge P. B. Revels for their handling of court room proceedings during the trial of Samuel Johnson, charged with the killing of City Policeman Glenn Faulk.

Here is the text of a letter Judge Revels wrote to Sheriff Pellicer after the trial:

"I am dropping you this note to let you know how much I appreciate the fine work that you and your deputies performed in maintaining order and decorum during the Johnson trial.

"I have discovered that it is much easier to try a case when the spectators and other people about the Court Room are held in reasonable restraint and strict supervision. It eliminates the noise and confusion that is connected with the constant movement of people when they are permitted to come and go at their convenience.

"Your deputies assigned to the Court this week handled the situation with skill, efficiency and dignity and I extend to each of them my sincere thanks and congratulations."



TAMPA—LIFETIME MEMBERS—Mr. and Mrs. I. Z. Kessler, of Tampa, are pictured holding Florida Sheriffs Association Lifetime Honorary Member plaques which were presented to them by Hillsborough County Sheriff Ed Blackburn, Jr. (standing). They were voted the lifetime memberships as a gesture of appreciation for laundry equipment valued at \$15,000 which was donated to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch. Arrangements for the donation were made by Lake County Sheriff Willis V. McCall and Sheriff Blackburn.

# Busy Schedule Spans Continent

KEY WEST—Three conventions in which he will take an active role are on the busy schedule of Monroe County Sheriff John Spottswood for June and July.

He was selected to serve as chairman of the National Community Television Association Convention, which was held at Miami Beach, June 17-25. He is a director of this Association.

From Miami Beach he moved up the coast to Ft. Lauderdale for the 47th Annual Conference of the Florida Sheriffs Association, which was held on June 29, 30 and July 1.

He is chairman of the board of directors of the Sheriffs Association and a past president. Early this month he was scheduled to go to the National Democratic Convention, Los Angeles, Calif. His wife, Mary, is a delegate to the National Convention and vice chairman of the Florida delegation.

# Dunn Organizes Auxiliary Units

TITUSVILLE—Sheriff James W. Dunn is forming auxiliary units in all sections of Brevard County to assist his department in traffic control and search and rescue missions.

Units are successfully in operation in the central and south areas of the county and a third unit is being formed for the north area.

Sheriff Dunn explained that the auxiliary members work without pay on a voluntary basis and supply their own uniforms, which are distinctive from those of regular sheriff's deputies.

They receive special training in first aid, traffic control, rescue work and subjects of a similar nature.

"The cost is nothing to the county," said Sheriff Dunn, "as these citizens willingly take time from their families and other responsibilities to devote to public service."

Bad brakes have stopped many a driver permanently.

# Conference Highlights

(Continued from Page One)

Broward County Deputy Sheriff Otto Hettesheimer and his wife, Bertha, also received quite a round of applause for the work they have done on behalf of the Ranch over the past two years. Hillsborough County Sheriff Ed Blackburn Jr. said Otto and Bertha have raised over \$15,000 for the Ranch in the form of stock certificates, appliances, free labor, cash donations and Sheriffs Association membership dues.

Monroe County Sheriff John Spottswood, who was the first chairman of the Boys Ranch Trustees, presented the principal address at a banquet marking the third anniversary of the Ranch. He said the Ranch "presents a tremendous challenge to us as the leading law enforcement officers in Florida—a challenge greater than we could possibly have realized when we founded it. And, now that the full significance is beginning to dawn upon us, let us redouble our efforts to insure the continued success of the Ranch by giving it our full and enthusiastic support."

The Hon. Doyle Conner, Florida's next Commissioner of Agriculture, was the principal speaker at a luncheon meeting. He praised the Sheriffs for the many fine legislative acts they have sponsored in the interest of better law enforcement. He said in his ten years in the legislature as a member and speaker of the House of Representatives, "I have never been led down a blind alley by any Sheriff. . . . We have all been basically interested in the same thing: public safety."

State Treasurer Ed Larson, a longtime friend of Florida's Sheriffs, touched upon the growing problem of juvenile delinquency in Florida and pledged his support to the Sheriffs Boys Ranch. He said there are over 1,000 boys in Florida's reform schools and 65 per cent of them are from broken homes. "There is a great need for the State of Florida to get aroused about this problem," he said.

State Sen. Tom Adams, Florida's next Secretary of State, was also a conference guest and spoke briefly to a luncheon meeting.

Other distinguished guests included State Sen. W. Randolph Hodges, President-Designate of the Florida Senate; and Rep. William V. Chappell Jr., Speaker-Designate of the Florida House of Representatives, and their wives. They were honored at a reception which was one of the social highlights of the conference.

Admitting that the word "dedicated" has been "used, abused and misused," Florida Sheriffs Bureau Director Don McLeod said he felt it could properly be used to describe the Sheriffs of Florida "who daily cope with many diverse law enforcement problems which continually arise within their jurisdictions." He also said that law enforcement departments in Florida are "doing an excellent job in keeping up with the rising crime rate and the various other problems which our ever increasing population creates."

The Sheriffs Bureau played a key role in making the conference a success. Members of the Bureau staff, under McLeod's direction, presented a very informative session on jail security, crime investigation and other technical aspects of law enforcement.

Broward County Sheriff J. A. (Quill) Lloyd did an outstanding job as conference host and worked hard at seeing that everyone had a good time. The consensus of opinion was that this was one of the most enjoyable and successful conferences the Sheriffs Association has ever had.

"The Sheriffs of Florida have earned and today enjoy the highest degree of public respect in the history of this state," said Marvin Holloway, manager of Peninsula Motor Club, Tampa, in a conference speech. "Contributing to the high regard in which you are held," he added, "undoubtedly has been your fair and impartial program of traffic law enforcement." He also applauded the Sheriffs for their "continuing and effective interest in traffic safety."

Much of the smooth and efficient operation of the conference can be attributed to the skillful handling of meetings by Lee County Sheriff Flanders Thompson, president of the Association.

# Mankind Service Award Goes to Sheriff Genung

CLEARWATER — Pinellas County Sheriff Don Genung received the first Service to Mankind Award of the Florida District of Sertoma International.

The Clearwater Sertoma Club presented the state-wide award to him in a surprise ceremony May 28, at the close of the club's annual installation banquet.

He was the winner of a similar local award last year and won out over seven candidates nominated by other clubs for the state award this year.

Club Secretary Ed Dart said the award was based on Genung's service to youth since his early days with the Clearwater Police Department.

Genung, as sheriff, has actively promoted the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch and is currently serving as chairman of the Ranch Trustees. He also has an outstanding Junior Deputy Sheriff program and a Junior Posse in Pinellas County.

# Sheriff Backs Detention Home

TALLAHASSEE — Leon County Sheriff W. P. (Bill) Joyce is actively supporting a movement to create a juvenile detention home here.

He has long advocated such a facility and has repeatedly pointed out that present county jail facilities for juveniles are inadequate.

He is required to house children in two poorly equipped cells where the noise of adult prisoners cannot be shut out. The youngsters get no exercise and no reading or recreation facilities are available.

The detention home would provide a suitable place for children awaiting hearings for delinquency, and also temporary quarters for dependent and neglected children under the juvenile court's supervision.



DEERFIELD BEACH—BOYS RANCH FLOAT—This colorful float promoting the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch was entered in the "Cracker Day" parade here through the cooperation of Broward County Sheriff J. A. (Quill) Lloyd, Deputy Sheriff Otto Hettesheimer (shown standing on float) and a number of businessmen and service club members in this area. Among those rendering assistance were the Mahi Gold Coasters, The Lions Club and Thomas Roofing Co., all of Deerfield Beach; Vaughn Parades, Inc., of Miami; Hutchinson Construction Co.; Worden's Department Store, Ward City Department Store, George Mager and the Pompano Beach Town News, all of Pompano Beach. (Photo courtesy Pompano Beach Town News).



SPECIAL AGENTS—Pictured above are Lee O. Teague (right), Special Agent in charge of the Miami Division of the FBI; and Joseph F. Santoianna, Jr., Special Agent in charge of the new FBI office which was opened in Tampa, June 1. Santoianna said the establishment of the Tampa office "will make it possible for us to afford closer and more cooperation to all law enforcement agencies in this territory. We hope to expand the cooperative services provided by the FBI, particularly in such fields as police training."