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A New Friendly Star For  
Motorboating Mariners  
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### QUITE A FLEET — AND ALL STOLEN

WEST PALM BEACH — Stolen boats valued at more than \$26,000 were recovered by Sheriff Bill Heidtman's Department when Carl Lynwood Sylvester, 33, was arrested and charged with four counts of possession and sale of stolen property and one charge of grand larceny. The Sheriff's Department said the boats were recovered by Det. Sgt. Grady Brannam after they were stolen in other areas of the state; then brought into Palm Beach County and sold to local citizens at greatly reduced prices.

### EDITORIAL REPRINTED

We're grateful to The Halifax Reporter, twice-weekly newspaper published in Ormond Beach, for reprinting the editorial "Among the Ashes of Your Dreams" which appeared in the October issue of The Sheriff's STAR. It was about the dangers of drug abuse.

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### FOLLOW THE LEADER

HOLLYWOOD — If you want to get a lot of teenagers to do something, first pick someone they look up to, convince him to go along, and the rest will follow.

It's a classic pattern used by churches, the YMCA, schools and recreation officials.

Now it's also being used by drug pushers, according to police officials who reported that the teen-age manager of a popular rock 'n' roll group had been initiated into the ranks of narcotics addicts.

### LEE COUNTY POSSE DOES IT AGAIN

FORT MYERS — The Lee County Sheriff's Posse is continuing the loyal support it has given for many years to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch. In this picture Sheriff Flanders (Snag) Thompson (left) is accepting with gratitude the latest Posse contribution of \$200 from John Lanier, Posse President. The Posse has been a Lifetime Honorary Member of the Boys Ranch Builders Club since 1961. (Photo by Greg Fulton.)



## How Effective Is Driver Education?

High school driver education courses costing \$150 million annually are not preventing serious accidents, according to Dr. Frederick McGuire, a University of California psychologist.

"The outrageous fact is that there is not one shred of acceptable evidence that indicates high school driver education reduces highway or street accidents or lessens the seriousness of the ones that occur," McGuire said.

He noted that the programs involve about 35,000 teachers in 18,000 high schools and reach 2.5 million students every year.

In analyzing a series of statistical studies, he found that:

- Boys had many more automobile accidents than girls.

- Boys and girls who came from middle-class families had fewer accidents than young persons from poor neighborhoods.

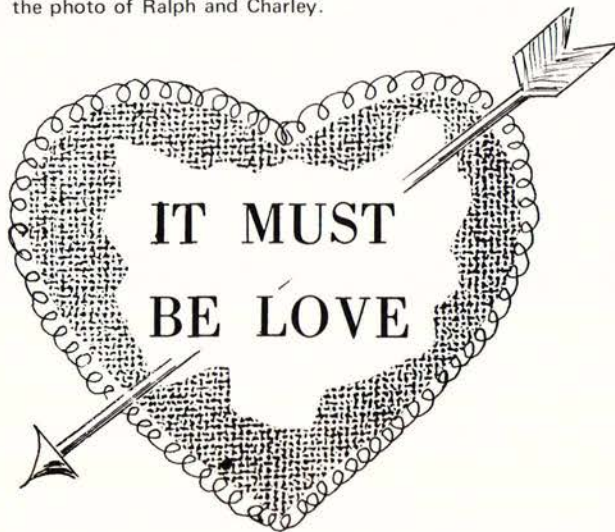
- Boys and girls whose parents had gone to college had fewer accidents than boys and girls whose parents had not.

- Older high school students had fewer accidents than younger ones. Seniors had fewer accidents than juniors and sophomores, and college students had fewer than high school students.

But when these factors of family background, sex, age and emotional maturity were eliminated, researchers found no difference in the accident rates of motorists who had driver education courses in high school and those who had not.



—We are indebted to Sara Horton and the Ocala Star-Banner for most of the information in this article, and for the photo of Ralph and Charley.



BRONSON — Late last summer Levy County Sheriff Pat Hartley reluctantly decided that "Ol' Charley" had just about had it.

The faithful part bloodhound, part redbone — veteran of many successful manhunts — was down to skin and bones. He just laid around the Levy County Jail, listless, refusing to eat, too weak to track down a flea, let alone a desperate fugitive.

"Something will have to be done about 'Ol' Charley,'" Sheriff Hartley told the Levy County Commission members; and they responded by offering to pay a veterinarian to "put him to sleep", if this was necessary.

It looked like "taps" for the celebrated tracker, until Ralph Pedrick, an old friend and onetime handler came on the scene.

Ralph took over and, with a little force feeding and a lot of tender care, started "Ol' Charley" down the road to recovery.

Apparently the sad-eyed hound had been lonesome for his old buddy — the man who had taken an interest in him 9-1/2 years earlier when he was a scrawny pup and had trained him to become one of Florida's outstanding man-chasers. Ralph and Charley had followed a lot of trails together, but their paths had separated in 1965.

Sgt. "Bubba" Castell, formerly on the staff at the Road Camp here, became "Ol' Charley's" handler after Ralph left, and he and the hound completed many successful chase and search missions.

Eventually, for some unknown reason, Charley started



Ralph Pedrick and "Ol' Charley"

to go progressively downhill, both in health and ability, until it looked as though his days were numbered.

But, when Ralph returned, he seemed to get a new lease on life. He started to act like a young fellow once more; and it wasn't long before he was out in the hinterlands tracking criminals again.

News reports gave him credit for finding and bringing to justice a man who was eventually convicted of attempted armed robbery. Next he successfully led lawmen to three runaway car thieves.

Sheriff Hartley said recently that Charley has added further successful assignments to his record and the comeback seems to be complete.

Only Charley knows for sure what brought it about; but if you're a dog lover, and if you believe there's such a thing as a one-man dog, then you could say: "It must be love."

## \$300 WORTH OF HEROIN

RIVIERA BEACH — Hypodermic needles, \$300 worth of heroin and a small quantity of marijuana seeds were confiscated when the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Department and the Riviera Beach Police Department raided an apartment occupied by Bessie Lee Johnson, 24, and Charles Lewis, 35.

Sheriff Bill Heidman said to his knowledge the Heroin haul was the largest quantity ever confiscated in Palm Beach County.

## TRAVEL TIP

According to the FBI, persons smuggling LSD into the United States have discovered that the drug can be dissolved into a liquid solution.

They dip a wool sports coat into the liquid and allow it to dry. Then the smugglers wear the coat into the country, or from state to state.

When they want to recover the LSD, they simply soak the coat in water and wring it out.

## HE 'LL GET THE POINT

Now that hatpins are out of style, what can a female in distress use as a weapon?

One police official suggests that the ever-handly ballpoint pen which can be an effective deterrent if jammed into the eye, ear, neck or face of an attacker.

However, the best protection for a woman is still - - - as it always has been - - - a loud scream.





The Sheriff's STAR is indebted to All Florida Magazine, Associate Editor Dick Dale, and Ocala Star-Banner Staff Writer Gene Gallant for the information and pictures used in this article.

## A New Friendly Star For Motorboating Mariners

OCALA — Motorboating mariners on the waterways of Marion County have found a friendly new star.

They can't use it to steer by, but it's a welcome sight by day or by night when there's trouble aboard like a conked out motor, an injured passenger or a fouled steering cable.

This friendly star, with five points surrounding the great seal of Florida, is the official insignia of the Marion County Sheriffs Department and it can be seen on boats manned by Sheriff Doug Willis' volunteer water patrol.

Created to serve the boating public, with emphasis on safety, this non-paid law enforcement "navy" is the brain-child of Sheriff Willis and Ocala Star-Banner Writer Gene Gallant.

They talked about the increasing boat traffic and the need for some positive, constructive control.

Thirty days later the Water Patrol went into action with 10 men and 8 boats.

The Marion County Sheriff's Department uniforms worn by the men when they are on duty cover a wide variety of callings and careers. The spare time volunteers come from engineering offices, drafting firms, carpet shops, interior decorating establishments, and, like Gallant, newspaper offices.

With the exception of the boat operated by Gallant, all craft are privately owned and are used on patrol without cost

to the county.

"We provide gas and oil," Sheriff Willis said, "and extend insurance to cover them while on duty. That's all."

Sometimes they have to act officially as deputy sheriffs to remove careless boaters from public waters.

Arrests are not to their liking, but the full powers of law enforcement ride with them whenever the need arises.

Members of the Patrol must undergo 30 hours of training in boating laws, courtesy, accident investigation, report writing and boat handling.

They also attend Red Cross first aid classes and are planning to bring other types of courses into the scope of their training.

Sheriff Willis and Patrol Director Gallant are adamant about one thing: The Patrol will not interfere with the public's fun on the water as long as legal and reasonable safety measures are met.

They can fix a steering cable, bring gas to you when your tank runs dry, render first aid, help you chart a course, give you advice about proper safety equipment or caution you about bad boating practices.

There's another side to their job too. They issue warning tickets - - - usually when safety equipment isn't up to par.



**ABUSE** — The body develops a tolerance to these drugs and abusers increase their dosages, exaggerating the normal effects, which result in:

- restlessness and nervousness
- tremor of the hands
- dilated (or enlarged) pupils
- excitability
- talkativeness
- sleeplessness
- heavy perspiration

Eventually leading to:

- high blood pressure
- hallucinations
- mental disorder
- aggressive behavior
- heart attacks
- suicidal tendencies

Highway accidents frequently are caused by the abuse of stimulants used to ward off sleep — fatigue eventually overcomes the driver causing him to lose control of the vehicle.

**DEPENDENCE** — Continued use may develop a psychological dependence on this drug by the abuser. As with other dangerous drugs, the abuse of stimulants may lead to a more serious addiction problem.

## THE LAW ON DEPRESSANTS AND STIMULANTS

Chapter 404 of the Florida Statutes sets forth controls concerning the use of barbiturates and amphetamines. These controls provide for the use of these drugs under the supervision of licensed physicians.

The penalties for the illegal possession or delivery of these drugs in violation of this law is punishable as a felony in this State and upon conviction of a first offense a violator shall

“be punished by a fine of not more than \$1,000 or shall be imprisoned in the State Penitentiary for not more than two years, or both such fine or imprisonment.”

Additional convictions under this law can result in imprisonment for up to ten years and a fine of \$10,000.



**57 GUNS CONFISCATED BY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**

ST. PETERSBURG — “There’s enough to start a small war”, commented Pinellas County Sheriff Don Genung after his men confiscated 57 guns from the residence of Talbot M. Van Cott, swap shop owner. The Sheriff said the swap shop is not licensed to sell guns; and Van Cott, because he is an ex-felon, cannot legally own a firearm. The arsenal included rifles, shotguns, pistols, sawed-off shotguns and a Japanese Machine gun. Deputy Sheriffs pictured with the weapons are (from left) Detective Bill Sommers, Capt. Carl McMullen and Detective Don Anderson. (St. Petersburg Times photo by Shirley Chastain.)

## He's The Top Vote-Getter

**PALATKA** — A look at the 1968 election results indicates that Putnam County Sheriff Walt Pellicer is quite a guy.

Although he had no opponent in the primary or general elections, he was re-elected for another four-year term by a higher number of votes than any other candidate.

He received 6,789 votes; and the next highest tally went to County Judge William E. Warren, with 6,342.

Sheriff Pellicer’s popularity with the voters of Putnam County has been attributed to his deep-seated and sincere interest in people and their problems.

He has established a river patrol to assist in search and rescue missions; and he has effectively used volunteers from the local Horsemen’s Club and REACT Club to assist him in finding missing persons.

The Salvation Army and Alcoholics Anonymous have received excellent cooperation from him in their efforts to serve the needs of Putnam County Jail prisoners.

He is also concerned about the problems of mental illness; and is an active member of the Florida Mental Health Association.

“I try to do my law enforcement job fairly and with compassion,” said Sheriff Pellicer, who is a 20-year veteran in law enforcement and has served 14 years as Sheriff.



## "... at Great Risk To Their Personal Welfare and Safety"

WEST PALM BEACH — Palm Beach County Sheriff William R. Heidtman presented Certificates of Merit to three persons who distinguished themselves as outstanding citizens of the community.

Receiving the commendations were: Patrick S. Harrington, 14, of Delray Beach; Jerre Sadler, 25, of 1709 Crest Dr., Lake Worth; and Bill Murphy, 25, of 3625 S. Olive, West Palm Beach.

Harrington was commended for a meritorious act on May 1, 1968, when, while riding his bicycle by the Food Fair Store, 1500 N. Federal Hwy., Delray Beach, he observed a burglary in progress.

The citation states: "At great risk to his own welfare and safety, Patrick S. Harrington did stop and engage in conversation with a "lookout" man outside the store, while gaining a description of the two burglars. He then left the immediate area of the store on his bicycle and returned several times from different directions, gathering additional information for authorities concerning the two burglars and their get-away vehicle."

Sadler and Murphy, who are members of the local Scuderia Veloce Sports Car Club, were cited for their actions at the scene of a car wreck November 9.

Their official commendations state: "At the scene of a serious accident on Military Trail near Okeechobee Road, which involved a large shellrock hauler and a car, they helped Deputy Sheriff Joseph Weaver re-route traffic east, west and north; keeping all traffic off Military Trail, south from Okeechobee Road to Westgate Avenue, from 1345 hours to 1600 hours. In the vehicle there was one dead and others seriously injured and burned. Mr. Murphy and Mr. Sadler assisted in removing the victims from the vehicle, which was on fire, and attempted to extinguish the fire; in so doing they received slight burns to their hands."



Sheriff with Jerre Sadler (right) and Bill Murphy



Sheriff Heidtman and Patrick S. Harrington

## Give the People What They are Demanding

TALLAHASSEE — "Give us the money, the men, and the moral support, and Florida will ultimately win the war on crime," Florida Sheriffs Association Attorney John A. Madigan, Jr. told the State Budget Appeals Board.

"But, if our police officers remain underpaid, and underequipped, then the underworld of crime will be the only winner," he added.

Madigan went on to declare that most County Commissioners and Budget Officers have recognized and met the financial needs of Sheriffs' Departments; but in a few cases they have failed to understand the urgency of law enforcement in Florida.

He cited the support the Governor and Cabinet have given to the

needs of law enforcement, and added:

"Not only public officials, but the citizens of Florida are demanding more money, more men and better facilities for law enforcement. Read your mail. Read the letters to the editors in newspapers. Listen at the coffee shop. Talk with your neighbors and friends. For once the public officials and taxpayers are agreed. The people are willing to pay the price for better law enforcement.

"So let us not deny the raise, refuse the new deputy, or fail to buy the new equipment. Let us face reality and give the people what they need and are demanding - - - better law enforcement in every police department and Sheriff's Department in the State."

## EGGS HIS UNDOING

WEST PALM BEACH — Turtle eggs triggered the downfall of Vince Delaney, 32.

When he was arrested by the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Department for possession of turtle eggs, routine fingerprinting revealed that he was also wanted as an escapee from Maryland State Prison.

## NEW ARRIVALS

Raising boys is our business — but we have a wide variety of other inhabitants at the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch.

Recent arrivals include two hound puppies, "Preacher" and "Sally"; ducks; horses; a goat; donkeys; mules; rabbits; and a monkey that has found a home at McGehee Cottage.



# The Name of the Game Was

TITUSVILLE — Two men and three women sat in a motel room in Cocoa Beach discussing a business venture that the men said would net each of the women \$8,000 to \$10,000 a month.

The name of the game was prostitution.

Earlier, the men had approached two of the women at a Cocoa Beach bar where they worked as cocktail waitresses. Both had said they would be interested in discussing the proposition and told of a girl friend in Jacksonville who might also be approached.

The motel room meeting was arranged.

The men explained the base of their operation would be Montreal, Canada, but that they would make "business" stops in Baltimore, before going on to Canada.

The conversation continued for about 50 minutes. Suddenly there was a knock on the door. In came deputies from the Brevard County Sheriff's Office who had been listening in the next room.

The two men were arrested. Then they learned to their surprise that the "girl from Jacksonville" actually was an undercover agent for the Sheriff's Office.

After the initial contact in the bar, the waitresses had reported the approach to Sheriff Leigh Wilson's office.

In an effort to obtain evidence that the men were procurers and were engaging prostitutes, officials had asked the waitresses to arrange the meeting with the undercover agent in attendance.

"Things got pretty rough in there," the agent recalled. "They were using the filthiest language I've ever heard. I wouldn't want to go through that again."

This is just one example of how the women of the Sheriff's Department play an important role in fighting crime in Brevard County.

## Prostitution

Inspector Theo York of the department speaks highly of these women. Many of them are secretaries and typists in the Sheriff's Office who are deputized.

"This means they can make an arrest and don't have to summon another law officer to take a suspect into custody," York said.

"Women make good agents. Sometimes it is easier for them to command trust in a difficult situation than a man," he said.

Undercover assignments, York explained, "are strictly voluntary and no one is pressured into going on a case."

"The girls are protected at all times and generally are within vision of one or more deputies," he said.

One girl who has gone on assignment said, "They overprotect us. They act like mother hens to us."

There is no formal training for an undercover job. But a full briefing is given before a girl goes out on a case. Said one agent, "my only training consisted of Little Theatre acting — after all, when you go on a case all you're doing is acting."

One agent who specializes in searching women suspects and prisoners taken into custody related her experiences.

"I recall one specific case where I was called to the scene of a pick-up of four women suspected of Bolita activities. Deputies wanted the women searched before they transported them to jail because often a suspect can get rid of the evidence on the way. (Going to the ladies room is one of their favorite tricks.) This time they were pretty sure the evidence was on the body of one or more of the women."

"I went to the scene and tried to convince the oldest woman, whom they were pretty sure had the evidence, that I was going to search her. She

refused and we argued. I was afraid to get too stern with her because she was old — really old — and I was afraid she might have a heart attack.

"Finally I convinced her that a search was inevitable and we found a money belt around her waist with Bolita tickets, names and money. She swore she didn't know how it got there but that's a pretty hard story for anybody to swallow."

"Often I was asked to help out in the women's jail with the female prisoners."

"Once when I was helping with the women prisoners, I discovered a prisoner with a butcher knife concealed in her underwear."

The agent said she wasn't usually afraid, "unless prisoners are mentally disturbed. You can't always predict the behavior of the mentally ill like you can some of the behavior patterns of the criminal."

"One mentally retarded woman I attended suddenly jumped up on a small table in her cell and snatched the lightbulb out of the electrical outlet hanging from the cell ceiling. She crushed the bulb with her bare hands and refused to open her clamped fist. I spent the next couple hours picking bits of glass out of her bleeding hand."

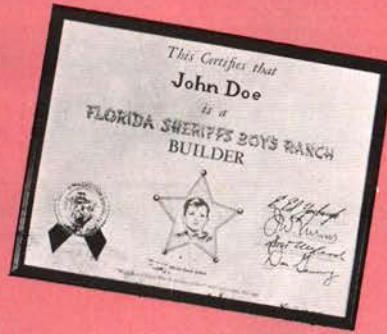
"Once I sat with a drunk epileptic woman while waiting for the doctor to come. She had several fits and after each one she came to and apologized for the way she was acting. It was horrible."

Despite such experiences, the girls seldom refuse to go on a case and often look forward to going on a job. Being an undercover agent is an important assignment and they take pride in trying to do it well.

From an article by  
Joy Benedict in  
"Today", Cocoa  
Beach Newspaper.



# Boys Ranch Builders



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

Jacksonville Chapter American Institute of Banking

Mr. T. Bryant Turner, Valrico.  
Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Christoph, Largo.  
Miss Mary F. Kriegel, Largo  
Mrs. Marie Nowicki, St. Petersburg.  
Mr. Barry R. Nager, Orlando.  
Mrs. Edmund Flagg, Ormond Beach.  
Mr. Charles H. Sabin, Ft. Lauderdale.  
Mrs. Lillie C. Kramer, Leesburg.  
Mr. Edward B. Webster, Mount Dora.  
Mrs. Margaret E. Smith, Mount Dora.  
Villas Ceramic Club, Fort Myers.  
Mrs. George M. Beach, Hastings.  
Mr. F. M. O'Brien, Vero Beach.  
Mrs. T. T. Daly, Jr., Metairie, Louisiana.  
Florida West Coast Florists Association, Sebring.

Dr. and Mrs. Evans D. Russell, Sebring.  
Mr. and Mrs. Harry McCorkle, Sebring.  
Mr. William H. D. Rossiter, Brooksville.  
Mr. and Mrs. Alfred A. Bagshaw, Wabasso.  
Mr. W. I. MacCanon, Alva.  
Mr. Ralph Jordan, Holmes Beach.  
Mr. Charles R. Knotts, Summerfield.  
Mr. E. H. Brockenbrough, Tavares.  
Mr. Lewis D. Lay, Lighthouse Point.  
Mrs. Corinne W. Reeves, Daytona Beach.  
Mrs. J. W. Smith, Orlando.  
Ms. Annie Wishon, Orlando.  
Mr. Carl P. Whitney, West Palm Beach.  
Mr. Jack Packett, Bartow.  
Mr. Harry M. Wear, Jr., Lake Wales.  
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Mrs. Clara J. Bond, Clearwater.  
Mr. George F. Hardy, Jr., St. Petersburg.  
Mrs. Helen Rice, Largo.  
Mr. Harry Roberts, Belleair.  
Mr. Donald H. Stone, Palm Harbor.  
Mr. and Mrs. Frederick M. Klein, Tampa.  
Mr. Lindeman, Sun City.  
The Pillsbury Company, Temple Terrace.  
Mr. John Paul Howard, Jacksonville.  
Colonel B. K. Voorhess, Vero Beach.

## WHERE IT GOES

With all the talk about law and order, someone needs to take a look at the amount of money being spent - - - or the lack of money spent - - - on law enforcement.

According to figures quoted by Columnist David Lawrence, education gets 41.4 per cent of the state and local government expenditures; while police protection gets only 3.5 per cent, and fire protection 1.7 per cent. Even the outlays for health and hospitals amount to only 7.7 per cent.

Annual expenditures by state and local governments in the United States increased from \$49.6 billion in 1960 to \$103 billion in 1968, Lawrence reported.

## NO MORE GAP

DADE CITY — The "generation gap" was never more evident than when a 16-year-old girl was arrested and charged with the pistol slaying of her 51-year-old common law husband.

## In Memoriam

(Continued from Page 5.)

Mr. and Mrs. H. DeSoto, Clearwater; in memory of Dr. Fred R. Schwartz.  
Mrs. J. R. McClure, Tallahassee; in memory of Mr. Harold Sebring and Mr. Rod Shaw.  
Mrs. J. R. Gunn, Kissimmee; in memory of Mrs. George Singletary and Mrs. Jas. E. Lupter.  
Mr. Paul H. Reid, Clearwater; in memory of Mr. John C. Stout.  
Mr. and Mrs. Murray D. Shaffer, Belleair Beach; in memory of Mrs. Hal G. Sours.  
Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Creighton, Avon Park; in memory of Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Thigpen.  
Mrs. M. C. Sigmund, Clearwater; in memory of Mr. Mason E. Sigmund.  
Oppenheimer Casing Co., Chicago, Illinois; in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Swick.  
Mrs. Kay H. Solenberger, Ft. Lauderdale; in memory of Mr. Dean M. Solenberger.  
Mr. and Mrs. Alfred L. Hughes and Family, Madison; in memory of Mr. Wiley Sirmon.  
Mrs. Robert V. Harrison, Clearwater; in memory of Mr. Robert Vesper.

Mr. Gene Van Dyke, Brooksville; in memory of Mr. Edward L. Van Dyke.  
Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Neiley, Port Richey; in memory of Mr. Fred Zaberer.  
Mr. James P. Jervey, Ft. Lauderdale; in memory of Mrs. Mamie Warner.  
Mrs. W. Z. Carson, Sebring; in memory of Mrs. Bertha Watts.  
Mrs. Scott R. Wolfe, Naples; in memory of Mr. Scott R. Wolfe.  
Mr. and Mrs. Sam Wooten, St. Petersburg; in memory of Mr. Patrick Oliver Wooten.  
Mrs. Felix Reaume, DeLand; in memory of Mr. Howard C. Walker.  
Miss Grace D. Wesle, Moorestown, New Jersey; in memory of Mr. Frank J. Wesle.

Mrs. Ethel N. Warner, Sarasota; in memory of Mr. Nelson M. Warner.  
Mrs. Azel P. Barney, Clearwater, in memory of Dr. Perley A. Hoyt, Mr. Charles Parker Fiske and Mr. Michael Barney Ainsworth.

Baywood Association, Dunedin; in memory of Mr. William Bikle and Mr. William B. Hopkins.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Booth, Sarasota; in memory of Mrs. Irene C. Evans and Mrs. Marjorie French.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles B. Adams, Jr., Dr. and Mrs. Alfred R. Rosenthal, Dr. and Mrs. Murray N. Cohen, Hollywood; in memory of Mr. David Lehman, III and Mr. Bayard Lukens.

Mrs. Mack F. Grubb, St. Petersburg; in memory of Mr. Ronald B. Grubb and Mr. Mack F. Grubb.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Johnson, Alexandria, Virginia; in memory of Mrs. Sarah C. Rice, Mrs. Ruth C. Hall, Mr. R. Y. and Mrs. Louisa Carter, Mr. Jack R. Carter and Mrs. Louisa Finley.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul S. Neeld, Leesburg; in memory of Mr. John B. Weaver, Mr. and Mrs. R. Perry Butler and Mr. Lucky Norris.

Mrs. Gladys Wild, North Olmsted, Ohio; in memory of Mrs. R. J. Thompson.

Mrs. Mariann F. Teter, Steinhatchee; in memory of Mr. Robert Teter.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis L. Osborn, Babson Park; in memory of Mr. Joseph C. Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul A. Rhoads, Grove City, Pennsylvania; and Mr. and Mrs. Paul L. Rhoads, Grove City, Pennsylvania; in memory of Mr. Leslie E. Fox.

## THE LITTLE FIXERS

MacCLENNY — The first time Truck Stop Operator Clarence Johns found a \$20 shortage in his cash register, he decided it was just an error.

When another shortage of \$31.50 turned up a few days later, he became suspicious; and he got to wondering if it was just a coincidence that three little boys had been repairing a bicycle near the truck stop each time the shortages were discovered.

Sheriff Paul Thrift took over at that point, and questioned the boys. They admitted they had looted the cash drawer, using a file instead of a key to unlock it.

THE SHERIFF'S STAR



## Variety Is The Common Denominator For Gifts To Boys Ranch



## ... and Polk County Sets The Pace

BARTOW — These Polk County pictures attest to the endless variety of gifts that come to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch — year in, year out. The power tools were donated by Mrs. D. M. Grandy, of Winter Haven. Pictured getting ready to load them for delivery to the Ranch are (from left) John Schmutz, Boys Ranch staff member Polk County Sheriff Monroe Brannen and Deputies Don Jackson and Jesse Thomas. The same foursome is in the picture of a "swamp buggy" donated by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Anderson, of Winter Haven. Mr. Schmutz is shown in the third photo with Mr. and Mrs. Don Williams, of Winter Haven, who donated a Welsh pony to the Ranch.





# WANTED PERSONS

As Compiled By The  
FLORIDA BUREAU OF  
LAW ENFORCEMENT



**EDDIE BERNARD TERRELL**

TERRELL, Eddie Bernard: Colored Male. Date and place of birth 5-7-46, Atlanta, Georgia. Height—5 feet, 10 inches; 164 pounds. Black hair, brown eyes. Occupation: laborer. Last known address: 710 Swoope Ave., Winter Park, Florida. Capias issued, charge failure to appear in Orange County Criminal Court for charge of burglary with intent to commit grand larceny. If apprehended notify the Police Dept. Winter Park, Florida or Sheriff Starr, Orlando, Florida; or the Florida Bureau of Law Enforcement, Tallahassee, Florida.



**BRILL ISOM JORDAN**

JORDAN, Brill Isom: White Male. Date and place of birth 2-11-10, New Augusta, Mississippi. Height—5 feet, 10 inches; 185 pounds. Gray hair, blue eyes, ruddy complexion. FBI No. 508-424 F, SS No. 426-01-1359. Occupation: truck driver; last known to be employed by Groendyke Transportation Co., Enid, Oklahoma. Last known address: Kountze, Texas. Warrant issued, charge unlawful possession of central nervous system stimulant, will extradite. If apprehended notify Sheriff Wilson, Titusville, Florida; or the Florida Bureau of Law Enforcement, Tallahassee.



**ROGER REA BRADLEY**

BRADLEY, Roger Rea: White Male. Date and place of birth 11-7-45, Charlottesville, Virginia. Height—5 feet, 8 inches; 140 pounds. Brown hair, blue eyes. FBI No. 22 473 G, SS No. 263-70-4809. Occupation: auto mechanic. Allegedly operates a '56 Chevrolet bearing Florida License G-860951. Capias issued, charge escape, misdemeanor. If apprehended notify Sheriff Wilson, Titusville, Florida; or the Florida Bureau of Law Enforcement, Tallahassee, Florida.



**WILLIE ANDERSON DOCK, Jr.**

DOCK, Willie Anderson, Jr.: Aliases "DOCK"; DOCK, Willie Allison. Colored Male. Date and place of birth 4-2-45, Sylvania, Ga., Height—5 feet, 9 inches, 165 pounds. Black hair, brown eyes. FBI No. 594 675 E. Warrants issued, charge robbery, (two counts), will extradite. If apprehended notify Sheriff Stack, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida; or the Florida Bureau of Law Enforcement, Tallahassee, Florida.



**CALVIN COUNCIL**

COUNCIL, Calvin: Colored Male. Date and place of birth 2-23-51. Alachua County, Florida. Height—5 feet, 7 inches, 145 pounds. Black hair, brown eyes, light complexion. FBI No. 548 728 F. Last known address: 809 West Montgomery St., Jacksonville, Florida. Warrants issued, charge forgery, (7 counts). If apprehended notify Sheriff Crevasse, Gainesville, Florida; or the Florida Bureau of Law Enforcement, Tallahassee, Florida.



**FERN BUSBEE LOAR**

LOAR, Fern Busbee: Alias LOHR, Fern Breedlove: White Female. Date and place of birth 8-19-23, Douthat, Oklahoma. Height—5 feet, 5 inches; 123 pounds. Brown hair and eyes. FBI No. 262 314 D. Occupation: kennel operator. Believed to operate a '66 Ford and holds Florida Drivers License No. 748501. Warrant issued, charge possession burglary tools and making or having instruments and material for counterfeit drivers licenses, will extradite. If apprehended notify Sheriff Wilson, Titusville, Florida; or the Florida Bureau of Law Enforcement, Tallahassee, Florida.



## Rough on Lotteries

WEST PALM BEACH — Sheriff Bill Heidtman reported two major gambling raids in 1968.

The first one, in January, broke up a \$100,000-a-week South Florida lottery operation and resulted in substantial prison sentences for the three top men charged with operating the ring.

The second one, on November 30, put a \$50,000-a-week operation out of business, and resulted in the immediate arrest of five persons.

It was carried out in cooperation with the Florida Bureau of Law Enforcement and exposed what Sheriff Heidtman described as a three-county gambling set up.

## MOMS INVESTIGATE

NEW SMYRNA BEACH — Two mothers concerned about drug abuse conducted their own investigation and reported a high percentage of young people are using drugs in some way.

They said they gained their information by questioning teen-agers, "bugging" rooms, tape recording conversations and listening in on telephone calls.

## HAS ANYONE SEEN CONNIE HOPEN?

FT. LAUDERDALE — State Attorney Russell B. Clarke is trying to locate Connie Hopen, also known as Sandy Burns, associate of Jack "Murph the Surf" Murphy. Investigator Walter F. LaGraves, Jr., said she is a material witness in the Whiskey Creek murder cases. She lived in Miami and Miami Beach, but present whereabouts are unknown. She may seek employment as a hairdresser. The photos were taken at different times. The one with short hair is dated January 10, 1968. She was born January 4, 1945; height, 5 feet, seven inches; weight, 120 to 130 pounds; hair blonde to black, depending on wig worn; eyes blue; build, good figure. Also described as a "good dresser". If located, please call collect, Ft. Lauderdale 522-3060 (area code 305) during normal working hours. After office hours call collect either Investigator LaGraves, Ft. Lauderdale 942-7490; or Investigator John Hovey, Ft. Lauderdale 942-1685. If located out of state, material witness extradition will be accomplished. Investigator Hovey said an FBI warrant has been issued charging the subject with unlawful flight to avoid testimony.



## FOR OUTSTANDING ASSISTANCE TO THE BOYS RANCH

TAMPA — Sheriff Malcolm Beard (right) wanted to express his appreciation to four Hillsborough County residents for large contributions to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch and he did it by presenting them with three Boys Ranch Builder Certificates and a Lifetime Builders Club Membership plaque. The lifetime plaque went to Conn Memorial Foundation, Inc., represented by Fred Conn (left). The certificates were presented to (from left) Sam Latimer, representing WFLA-TV; Al Heither and H. L. Crowder.

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## RECORDS WELL KEPT

FT. MYERS — State Legislative Auditor Ernest Ellison issued a favorable report after auditing the accounts and records of Lee County Sheriff Flanders Thompson for the period from May 1, 1967, to July 31, 1968.

He said all collections of record were accounted for by remittances or by cash on hand; the annual report was promptly filed; budgets were properly prepared and approved; expenditures in general were properly supported; sentences of the courts were correctly executed; and records were well kept.

## IT WAS "NAILED DOWN"

CAPE CORAL — The old saying that "thieves will take anything not nailed down" does not apply in Lee County.

Sheriff Flanders (Snag) Thompson received a report that someone stole a chain link fence surrounding a residence here even though the posts were sunk in concrete blocks.

Strangely too, the theft was not reported until a year after it happened - - apparently because the landlord lived in Washington, D. C.



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