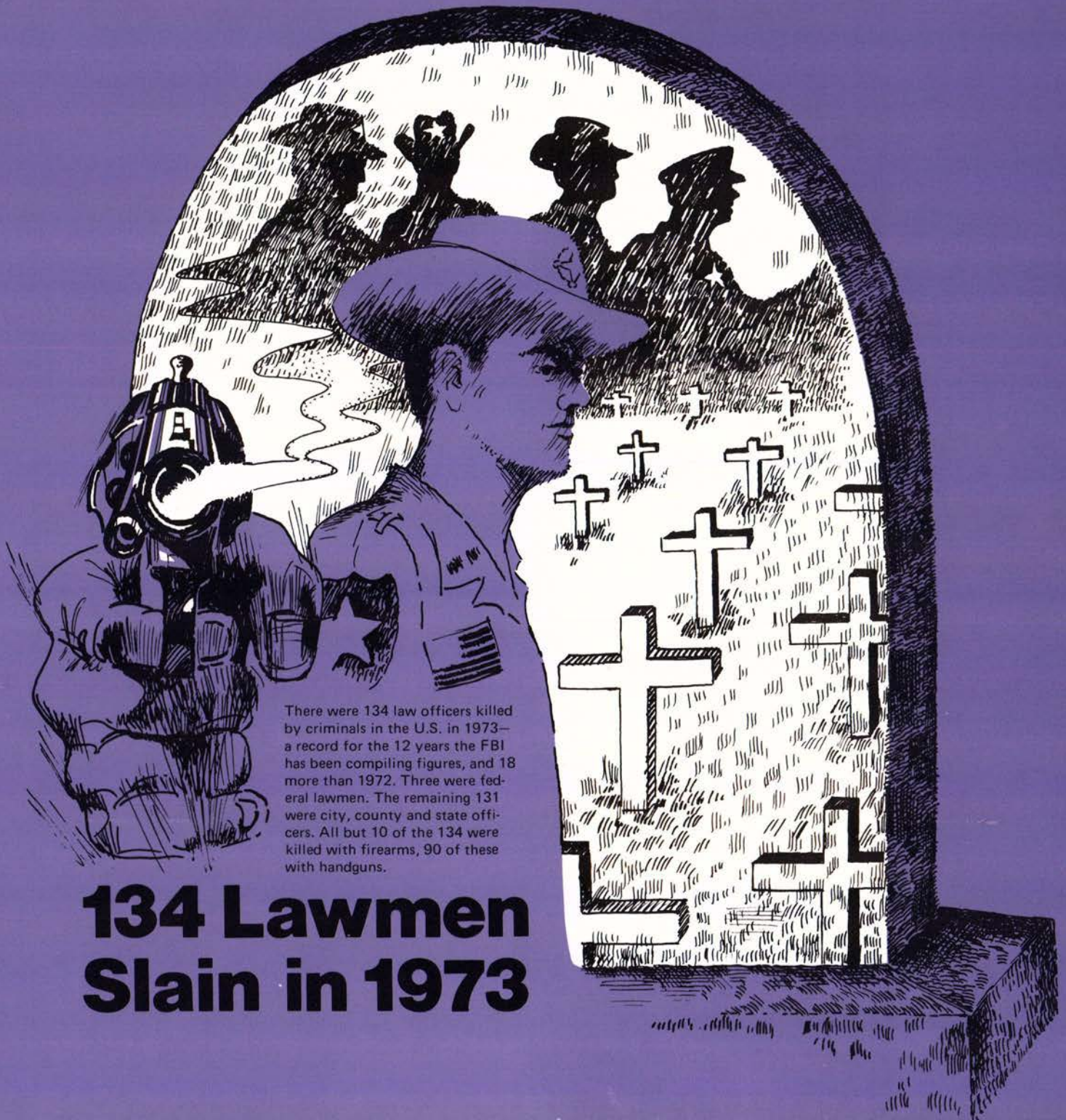


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There were 134 law officers killed by criminals in the U.S. in 1973—a record for the 12 years the FBI has been compiling figures, and 18 more than 1972. Three were federal lawmen. The remaining 131 were city, county and state officers. All but 10 of the 134 were killed with firearms, 90 of these with handguns.

134 Lawmen Slain in 1973

SHERIFF CAUGHT "DOZING"—
Charlotte County Sheriff
J. P. (Jack) Bent mans bull-
dozer to speed up land
clearing for new Public
Safety complex.



Six-year goal
in sight for

BULLDOZING SHERIFF



PUNTA GORDA — Charlotte County Sheriff J. P. (Jack) Bent is literally "bulldozing" his way toward a goal he set in 1967 after being appointed to the office by then Gov. Claude R. Kirk.

Sheriff Bent immediately realized the dire need for a new jail and public safety building for the County, and through dogged determination his goal is nearing fruition.

"It's been a long, hard road," Sheriff Bent shouted from the seat of a "D-9" bulldozer, "but at last the pieces have all been put together. Charlotte County is going to have a new Public Safety complex."

The 36-year-old veteran law enforcement officer did a major portion of the land clearing at the site of the complex, operating bulldozers like a veteran. The 20-acre site is county-owned property within earshot of the Charlotte County Airport.

The new complex will cost \$1.1 million and is being funded through bonds guaranteed by Charlotte County's Race Track revenues.

In October, 1967, Sheriff Bent attempted to build the public safety complex through a bond referendum. The referendum was defeated by 114 votes. "It's unfortunate that the original

bond referendum failed," Sheriff Bent says. "As a result of inflation, higher material and labor costs, we have had to revise our original plans downward, resulting in less jail space. The cost, however, remains approximately the same."

The present jail and Sheriff's Department offices are in the Charlotte County Courthouse located in Punta Gorda. The Courthouse was constructed in 1926 and jail facilities are time-worn and outmoded. "It was suggested in some quarters that the present facilities be renovated, but the cost would have been almost prohibitive and we still would not have had a facility which would be compatible with State and Federal standards," Bent pointed out.

"It has been a six-year struggle dotted with frustrations, disappointments and high hurdles, but success at last," Bent says proudly. "Realization of my goal has taken cooperation of all facets of life in the County. Credit must be shared with the public which supported me, elected officials and a Sheriff's Department made up of dedicated men and women," the Sheriff points out.

"Moving Day" is expected to be in March, 1975. After waiting for six years, Sheriff Bent doesn't mind waiting one more.

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IT'S WORKING

LAKELAND — How do you brand a citrus tree against theft? You can't! And that may be why on 31 occasions during the 1972-1973 season there were reported thefts of citrus trees with a total value of \$1,204.60.

This is one of the unusual situations in a citrus law violations summary issued by Florida Citrus Mutual's Fruit Protection Division. But, of more importance to Larry Thompson, director of the division, is the increasing number of vandalism complaints being filed.

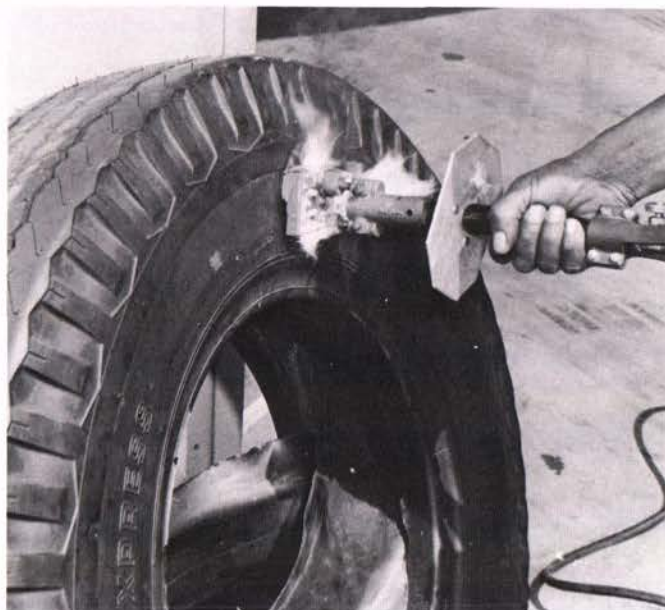
While vandalism was responsible for losses of only \$19,000 in the 1971-1972 season, the 1972-1973 complaints increased by 300 per cent and losses hit \$65,000. Thompson cited a number of reasons for the increase, including population growth, encroaching urbanization, the increase in ownership of trail bikes and dune buggies, lack of sufficient recreational facilities for youth, boredom and growing hostility toward rules and regulations.

The summary, dealing with vandalism, thefts and fraud, also showed an increase in the number of reports on stolen equipment, but a decrease in the value of the stolen property.

Thompson said lawmen who have been working exclusively on larceny cases in citrus producing counties have "stated frankly that the only reason the reported loss in 1972-73 (\$131,678) did not exceed the reported loss in 1971-72 (\$134,655) was the participation by growers and handlers in Mutual's branding program." Without this program, Thompson said, losses this past season could have easily exceeded the \$200,000 mark.

As it was, the branding program was responsible for a considerable reduction in the theft of citrus trailer tires. The Mutual division director pointed out that every time a thief strips a trailer of its tires there is an approximate loss of \$1,200. "And it is not," Thompson said, "unusual for a tire theft ring to strip as many as five trailers in one night."

The need for an intensification of the branding program is primarily because of the isolation of equipment, principally



Heavy duty gas fired branding iron costs about \$100 but saves citrus growers and handlers thousands of dollars when used on truck tires, batteries and other field equipment.

where trailers are left at groveside overnight until they are fully loaded.

Because of the cooperation of law enforcement agencies in the 32 citrus producing counties this branding program is working well for those who are participating. Thompson cites the need for more citrus firms to engage in the branding, not only of tires, but other field equipment including batteries.

The annual summary noted another sharp increase in violations and that is in the area of trespassing. "If," Thompson said, "we could keep trespassers out of the groves, we would automatically cut down on the amount of vandalism." He urged a sharp lookout by all agencies for trespassers. "Sometimes when an unauthorized vehicle is spotted in a grove and the subject knows he has been spotted, this in itself might deter him from entering the grove again," Thompson suggested.

A Slap At The Generation Gap



TRENTON — Gilchrist County Sheriff Charlie Parrish is a quiet, kindly man whose good qualities have a way of cutting through prejudice, bias and misconception.

A case in point was documented when Woody Beville, long haired young newspaper columnist, wrote a column about his first encounter with the veteran lawman.

Woody, who writes for the High Springs Herald, had gone to Jenny Springs after two scuba divers had drowned there. Sheriff Parrish was in charge of rescue efforts.

"We were never formally introduced," Woody wrote later, "but when I left the springs, I felt like I had known him for years."

"This man was truthfully, deep inside, terribly hurt about the loss of the two young men . . . his eleventh and twelfth diving victims (in recovery efforts) he had personally supervised at this one spring in the course of his 16 years with the Sheriff's Department. You could tell from the kind, considerate face, and the wrinkles of experience, that each tragedy had taken its toll.

"Being on the scene with this man for several hours while

searching operations continued, I soon saw another side of him. The personal side."

This became apparent, Woody wrote, when Herald Editor Bob Sharkey backed into a sticker bush and reacted painfully.

"Know what we call them bushes?" the Sheriff asked.

"No, I don't," said Sharkey, in a voice edged with pain.

"We call 'em 'wait a minute bushes'," the Sheriff whispered. through a small smile, "cause when you back into one you say: 'wait a minute!'"

Small talk from a small county Sheriff, "but," wrote Woody, "our college graduate officers would do good to listen to him. Here is a man wisened by experience, the best teaching element available.

"This man and I, from two different time spans on this earth, talked like two men . . . instead of like an old man to a young man with long hair. The two of us, examples of both ends of the over-publicized 'generation gap', were simply two people.

"This man is by far not the only one like this. The beautiful area in which we all live is full of them. People seem to communicate so much better around here than they do in other places where living is so much more hectic."

Hey Doc – What's With the Gun and Badge?

by Sean Devereux
FLORIDA TIMES-UNION



Professor George Kirkham in uniform.

JACKSONVILLE — A slight figure with a mustache, looking like Charlie Chaplin in a policeman's suit, steps from a patrol car in the 800 block of Ashley Street. "Keep your motor running. I may get chased back out of here by a swarm of jitter-bugs," he instructs his riding partner as he walks toward the bar, intent on buying a bag of boiled peanuts.

The figure's rumpled shuffle has taken him to the center of the Ashley and Davis streets intersection when a shout freezes the scene. The only movement is a runner panting out of the dark hole at the west end of the street, where Ashley bends under the expressway. "Poe-leece," the runner shouts. "Hey, poe-leece!" Two hundred brown eyes fix Charlie Chaplin in mid-crossing.

"They fightin' up the street. I been robbed. Three jump me," the squat, muscled runner reaches the intersection. The slight policeman is into the car before the first pinwheel of blue light touches windows round the four corners of the intersection. His door slams in the forward surge of the patrol car.

Two men — one in a teeshirt, the other bare-chested — break from the next corner, just ahead of the sliding patrol car. The driver is out of his side in pursuit across a weed lot.

The arms and legs of the squat black man go into a fevered dance in the lights of the police car, "That's him. He took my two hundred dollar. Jumped my back." He is pointing to one of a half dozen young black men who drape a car beside the street. Charlie Chaplin — peanuts forgotten — has his pistol out.

"Up against the wall. Palms against the wall. Feet apart," he directs the accused. A babble of protest rises from the corner.

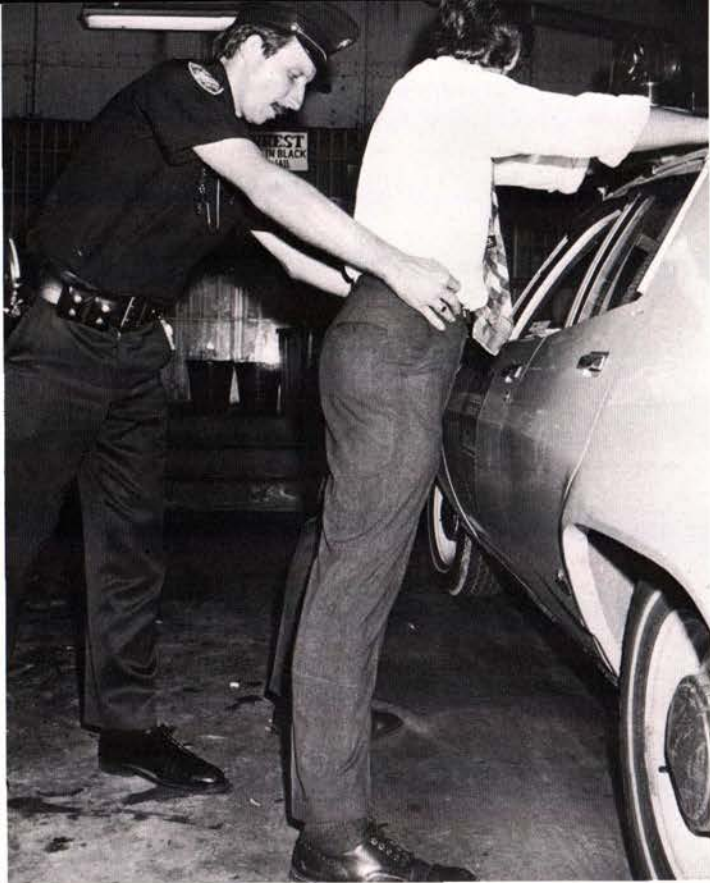
"Against the wall," the rumpled patrolman repeats, turning the accused, kicking his feet further apart. He presses the man's head down between this shoulder, patting pockets and beltline with his free hand.

The "victim" is jumping and pointing. "Shut your mouth," the slight patrolman directs over his shoulder. "Let's everybody keep real quiet until we know what we got here." The pistol looks large and bright at the end of his slender wrist.

Dr. George Kirkham, Ph.D., vacationed during the past summer on Beats 305, 303 and 301 — core-city Jacksonville. Today he is once again "Dr. Kirkham" to students in the criminology department at Florida State University. His fellow officers here remember him as "Doc," an able riding partner.

"We're real proud of Doc. I'm proud to have him back me up on any call, any time. He's right behind you in the tight ones if he ain't leading you," is the assessment of Patrolman A. L. James, one of a dozen Zone 3 officers who rode with Kirkham during the summer.

Kirkham — B.A. and M.A., in criminology, California State University at San Jose; Ph.D., University of California at Berkeley — joined the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office June 1. He was a sworn police officer with arrest rights and a department-issue .38 caliber revolver. His purpose was to learn about police work through "participant observation."



"There are a lot of academicians teaching criminology who neither understand nor like policemen," Kirkham says. "The past decade has witnessed the widening of a gap between law enforcement and the universities. Policemen have not felt welcome in the university setting.

The other side of the coin, Prof. Kirkham believes, is that criminology students hesitate to enter police work. Many become prison counselors, or workers in probation and parole, but few don the blue uniform and the wide leather gunbelt.

"The pay first of all," is Kirkham's explanation. "But there is a more subtle reason, the ideological brainwashing that goes on in the academic community against the police. There's the authoritarianism. Much of what the policeman must do runs against the grain of middle-class liberal thinking."

For several years the FSU criminology department has sought a man with a doctorate who has also been a policeman. They combed the United States and England, and found none. Kirkham, 31, decided that if there were no policeman-scholars that he would become a scholar-policeman.

"The two professions, professor and policeman, are diametrically opposed," Kirkham says. "In the academic community we are paid money to space-out. To take an overview and not pay attention to detail. I was an absent-minded professor, really.

"Now I notice a bulge in the back pocket of a man in a crowd walking along the street. I notice a '2D' license tag on a car that should display a '2W'. That is not the way an academic's mind works."

His arrest of the robbery suspect Friday night is not an uncommon performance. Criminology lectures at FSU this Fall will echo the rhythm of the daily wrestling with drunks, the "X-runs" (a patrol car with lights and sirens working is said to be "running x"), the shaking-down of bars, the street banter, and the long hours of patrolling. Kirkham comes away from Jacksonville with a feeling for the policeman's sense of time, he says.

"A lot of it is boring. There are hours and hours of nothing—even in Zone 3—for the few minutes of excitement. But when it happens, it happens then and there and what is going to be done must be done then and there. Policemen make their decisions in seconds."

Kirkham's academic preparation has been in psychiatry. Before now his extracurricular activity was limited to counseling. "I had thought that with my background and education, I would be able to do things differently than the way most police officers do them. I found that I couldn't.

"I have despaired of many of the things I looked to as solutions to problems of police-community relations. I started out trying to be a psychiatrist on the street. I had studied a lot of Rogerian psychology. Roger's thesis is that you don't make other people's decisions for them. Middle-class liberals — especially those in the academic community—recoil from authoritarianism."

During his first weeks in Zone 3, Kirkham attempted to talk with people, to explain rather than command. In any discussion on the street—with a lost citizen, a child, the victim of a robbery, or the robbery suspect—he concentrated on reflecting that person's feelings back upon the person.



"The technique works fine in hospitals, even in prisons where you can sit in an air-conditioned office, lean back, light your pipe, take Roger's book down from the shelf and ask Prisoner Jones, who has on a clean blue suit with a natty white stripe up the leg, 'Prisoner Jones, now, why do you suppose you feel this anger toward women? What can you tell me about how you felt when you beat your wife to death?'

"But when you kick down the front door of Jones' house and he is in there signal zero (armed) with a pool cue and Mrs. Jones' brains are all over the wall, you don't have the luxury of reflection. I'd like to lead a couple of my fellow profs up to Jones' doorstep, Jones in there berserk with a

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shotgun. I'd say, 'Go on in there, doctor, and lay a little Rogerian psychology on him'."

Dr. Kirkham now believes that there are people on the streets of Jacksonville who will respond to nothing short of a show of force; that a policeman's reasonableness while talking to these will be interpreted as fear; and that some sections of the city are "combat zones" which belong either to the police or to "the crowd." For all his gentle training, Kirkham now says, he finds himself returning often to the same solutions which policemen have always applied, "Hold still and shut up or I'm taking you to jail."

One night three weeks ago, Kirkham collared a young black man who had cursed him at the scene of a minor traffic violation. The young man jerked from Kirkham's grasp. Kirkham and another officer wrestled the man into the caged back seat of their patrol car, hunching their shoulders against the blows being dealt them by several women who stepped from the gathering crowd.

The crowd began to march up the street toward them — fifty persons or more. "The other officer reached for our one shotgun. I was digging in my wallet for my FSU faculty card."

"Once you've stopped a man down there, you can't let him walk away from you. It really is a combat zone, parts of town. Someone owns the street. When a policeman puts his hand on a guy and that man jerks away and you let him walk off, you've lost the street.

"The first time, one man will cuss you," Kirkham says. The next time it will be the man and his girl friend. Within a week the whole street corner will cuss you every time you pass. When they know they can get away with that, the sticks and stones will start. Then shooting. You'll find you can't go out on your beat anymore, which is embarrassing because you have to work down there."

Kirkham has been caught up in the pace of policing Zone 3. "I haven't read a book all summer. Not one. On purpose. I have tried to immerse myself totally in the role. Not to teach or read or even think, but just to police.

The men have accepted him. "At first we didn't want to ride with this guy. Or when we went into something with him as a partner, we'd call a back-up unit. The first time George got his nose bloody fighting a drunk, I stopped calling for a back-up unit," one Zone 3 policeman recalls.

Sheriff Carson has periodically reviewed the performance of his "token professor" (as Kirkham phrases it.). "If George ever needs a job, he's got one in this police department," Carson told a Times-Union reporter. "As far as I am concerned, he's a real policeman and a real man."

"Doc is as much a fixture around 711 Liberty St. as Chief (W. W.) Anderson's cat," a patrolman asserts. For the time being he will remain an amateur, though a good amateur. "He's all excited about it now, just like any other rookie," commented Sgt. J. C. Branch, a veteran. "He's like a kid with a new toy out there."

"It was the biggest gamble I ever took," Carson says now of the decision to allow Kirkham in the ranks of his department. "There could have been a very bad reaction. He could have stayed up in his ivory tower and found something to fault us for, but he didn't," Carson says. Kirkham acknowledges the risk taken by the sheriff.

"It really says something about the department here. Once you are accepted by the men you see it all. Carson really bared his soul. Only a very professional, very progressive, basically honest police department would take that chance."

Kirkham's concern now is that he may not be permitted back inside the ivied walls. "I am afraid the next time I deliver a paper at a national society of criminologists, my observations will be met with a hail of wastebaskets and cat calls. There are a lot of things a good policeman has to do on the street which wouldn't be accepted by the academic community. And they will be difficult, if not impossible, for me to explain. I find myself more and more in conflict with my academic colleagues." He expects to be accused of losing his scientific objectivity.

"My colleagues will say the minute I put on the uniform and sat in the front seat of the patrol car, I lost my perspective. 'Kirkham has co-opted for the police,' they're going to tell me. 'Old Kirkham has endorsed their delinquent values. He wants to be one of the boys'."

They won't accept the necessity of violence, Kirkham believes. "Educators cannot appreciate that you are under pressure and fear out there. I found a new factor and that factor is adrenalin. You don't experience adrenalin in the classroom.

"It's more like warfare than social work. I know now that you have to move into situations to control them and contain them. It's unreasonable but it's true. How can you say that in a classroom without sounding like a 'Fascist pig'?"

POSTSCRIPT

Though Kirkham is back at work as an FSU professor, he has not given up his work with the Sheriff's Department in Jacksonville. Friday and Saturday nights find him on his beat — where the action really is. If you didn't catch it in the newspaper story, the Professor worked all summer without pay and is continuing that practice with his weekend work.

In a more recent interview Kirkham described his police work as, "a gut-level experience." After being shot at, attacked, having his badge and shirt torn off and his gun taken he said, "I found out what it was like to know anxiety, to be scared for my life."

As a professor, Kirkham was used to being respected, looked up to, but the people he met as a policeman were not impressed. "You're talking about people who carry guns and knives," he said. "It may sound paranoid, but it got so bad that I bought a bullet proof vest. Lots of policemen do."



THE SHERIFF'S STAR



Sheriff Honored in Flag Presentation

BUSHNELL — An American flag that flew over the Nation's Capitol was presented to Sumter County Sheriff Don Page during courtroom ceremonies held in his honor. Participating in the rites were (front row, from left) Lake County Sheriff Guy Bliss; Ken Whitmore, retired lawman from Lake Panasoffkee, who made the presentation on behalf of Congressman Bill Gunter; Sheriff Page; Lake County Chief Deputy Bob Tanner; (back row) Sumter County Chief Deputy Don Clark; Sgt. W. O. Farmer, Sumter County Sheriff's Office; and Leonard M. Ballard, representing Civil Defense. (Photo by Jack Howard, Lake Panasoffkee)



Emergency Calls Are Costless

PUNTA GORDA — Otho A. Ezell, Security Director for United Telephone, supervised the placing of stickers in phone booths so that people making emergency calls will know to dial "0" and not worry about having a dime or two nickels in their pocket. Charlotte County Sheriff Jack Bent (r) and Punta Gorda Chief of Police Don Bennett gave Ezell a hand to help make people aware of this public service.



For Safety of Juveniles

FORT PIERCE — A check presented to St. Lucie County Sheriff Lanie Norvell by Mrs. Kitty Carlisle, of Fort Pierce, was used to purchase monitoring equipment for the juvenile section of the county jail. This equipment is used for the safety and security of juveniles held in detention. (Photo by George Miller)

Corrections Training

TAMPA — Sheriff Malcolm Beard has ordered a series of training institutes to upgrade and professionalize the correctional staff of the Hillsborough Board of Criminal Justice. The Board oversees the operation of all jails and detention facilities in the County, and Sheriff Beard is its chief administrative officer.

Thirty-three corrections officers have already completed the course, which includes lectures and workshops on the court system, laws of arrest, civil rights of inmates, state laws concerning correctional work, also ethics and standards of correctional officers.

The course was developed by Maj. A. L. Perotti, Director of Security and Doyle I. Simmons, Director of Programs, both with the Board of Criminal Justice. Guest lecturers included Circuit Court Judge Harry Lee Coe, III; Steve Oster, Assistant State Attorney; Sam Britton, State Prison Inspector; Dr. Stephen A. Mourer, Clinical Psychologist; and Maj. John F. Kirk of the Sheriff's Department.



Maj. A. L. Perotti (l) and officers graduating from the institute.

Maj. Jack M. Dempsey (standing) of the Sheriff's Department spoke to correctional officers and handed out certificates upon final completion of the institute. On hand from the Board of Criminal Justice were (l to r) Jim Cook, Court Supervisor; Sgt. Melba George; Maj. A. L. Perotti, Director of Detention; and Doyle I. Simmons, Director of Programs.





Deputy Sheriff Joe Johnson (R) has his "morning cup of coffee" late in the afternoon with his wife Willetta and his son, Joe, Jr.

Joe Puts in Long

*Photos by Dianna Wellborn,
PLAYGROUND NEWS*



Deputy Johnson checks with Sgt. Phillip Hunsberger of the Security Squad at Eglin Air Force Base about an AWOL airman.

FORT WALTON BEACH — A 15 or 16-hour working day is not unusual for Okaloosa County Deputy Sheriff Joe Johnson. His day starts in the afternoon with his "morning cup of coffee" and by 8 p.m. he is available to respond to calls, the first of which involves a missing child.

A 12-year-old girl visiting relatives has disappeared and while the aunt is crying, Deputy Johnson tries to get a description from the uncle along with names of people and places the girl might be visiting. After getting a run-down of her daily activities, he tries to reassure the family then radios a description to the Sheriff's Office.

On succeeding calls he stays busy checking out reports of a



prowler, vandalism, a family disturbance and armed robbery. A little later there's a fatal traffic accident on Highway 98, and a DWI case to handle.

He stops back home at 1:30 a.m. to eat supper. "It's funny," his wife Willetta remarks, "on this shift Joe's gotten used to eating only one meal a day and a little something with his coffee when he gets up in the afternoon.

"Joe was made for this work," she says. "The most important thing in a man's life is for him to be happy in his work." She's gotten used to the routine of her husband working nights and as long as he's happy, she's happy too. She's also gotten used to the danger her husband lives with every day. "I used to worry about him a lot more than I do now," she says. "After his first few years on the force I got used to it and feel there must be someone looking out for him."

Another reason for her confidence is she feels Joe has the

Days – At Night

ability to handle the job. "A good lawman needs not only formal education, but a lot of common sense."

Ten years ago Joe Johnson was a plumbing and electrical contractor. Then he joined Sheriff Ray Wilson's Department, and in the past ten years has handled armed robberies, kidnapping cases, bomb threats, murders and drug busts. He's received letters of commendation from U. S. Congressmen, governors and state legislators. Letters of thanks have come from tourists thanking Deputy Johnson for helping them get their cars repaired, or for finding their missing children. Local businessmen and citizens have expressed their appreciation for the way he handles theft investigations. Others like the way he deals with children's problems.

With his meal almost over, Deputy Johnson gets a phone call from the dispatcher to check out a disturbance at a local cocktail lounge. From there it's on to Okaloosa Island to investigate a report of a peeping tom. Then another deputy finds a lost 4-year-old wandering around and requests help finding the mother. As it turns out, she finds Deputy Johnson as he is driving from one bar to the next looking for her. A trip to the Sheriff's Office and mother and child are reunited after she explains the child wandered off while she was swimming in a motel pool.

An assault and battery case at an apartment complex is investigated with the help of a private security guard who describes what happened.

A highly intoxicated driver tried to evade police officers but the combined efforts of the Florida Highway Patrol and other law enforcement agencies put the breaks to his escapade. Deputy Johnson is seen with Trooper Frank Mills.



An armed robbery suspect is taken into custody in the early morning hours.

Things are quiet for awhile and at 6 a.m. he parks along a road he expects a robbery suspect to use on his way to work. A member of the Sheriff's volunteer posse has the suspect's house under surveillance and radios Johnson when the man leaves and heads in the direction of the waiting deputy. A few minutes later, the suspect is in custody and on his way to jail. Later in the morning the suspect's partner is in custody also. They are both questioned, sign statements and are arraigned before a judge.

Six hours after his shift was supposed to end, Joe Johnson is saying, "the law has to keep working even if it takes 24 hours a day — the criminals do."



WEST PALM BEACH — A white elephant sale by the V. F. W. Auxiliary, Post 4143 of Riviera Beach, raised funds for the Florida Sheriffs Girls Villa. Handing over the check to Palm Beach County Sheriff William R. Heidtman (c) are (left to right) Commander Carl Lufft; Mrs. Joanne Foster, Auxiliary President; Mrs. Invanette Robert and Mrs. Frances Miller.



CLEARWATER — Two checks, one for the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch and one for the Girls Villa, are presented to Pinellas County Sheriff Don Genung (r) by J. D. Cherry, representing the Lakewood, Ohio Club of St. Petersburg.

FSA GOOD CH



TALLAHASSEE — Sheriff Raymond Hamlin of Leon County accepts a contribution to the Florida Sheriffs Girls Villa from Kathy Ferrell of the Northwood Assembly, Order of the Rainbow Girls. While Kathy was Worthy Advisor, she and the other girls took on as their service project the sale of note paper to raise money for the Girls Villa. They also collected clothing which was sent to the Villa.

ORLANDO — The Silver Dollar Regatta is an annual affair on Lake Starke in Ocoee which raises money for the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch. The latest race netted \$900 which Regatta Chairman Newly Breland (c) presents to Orange County Sheriff Mel Colman (r) and Boys Ranch Trustee Ed Pickerill.



ORLANDO — The Orange County Airboat Association put on an airboat race to raise money for the Florida Sheriffs Girls Villa and Allan Gafnay (l) presents the proceeds (\$878) to Orange County Sheriff Mel Colman.



CLEARWATER — The German-American Club put on a benefit to raise money for the Florida Sheriffs Youth Fund and George J. Steck (c) presents the check to Pinellas County Sheriff Don Genung (r) and Harry Weaver, Executive Director of the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch and Girls Villa.



GAINESVILLE — Alachua County Sheriff Joe Crevasse (second from left) accepts a \$1,000 check for the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch from Deputy Nell Lund and her husband Bill who is a reserve deputy. The Lunds coordinated the Alachua County Sheriff's Variety Show to raise the money. Capt. Ed Lindsey of the Sheriff's Reserve also presents Sheriff Crevasse with a generous check for the Boys Ranch.

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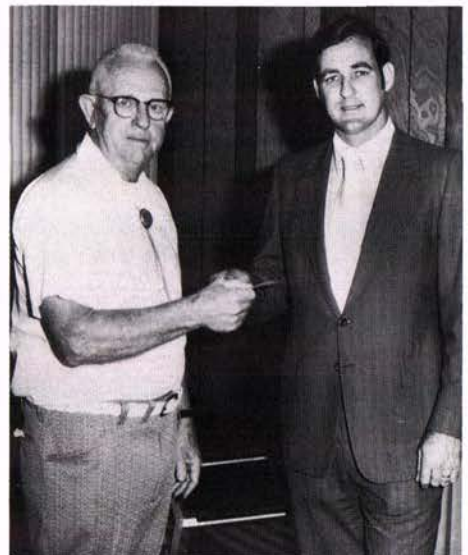
* People who write worthless checks are known as Bad Check Artists and often go to jail. Good Check Artists write very worthwhile checks for the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch and Girls Villa; and, while they also go to jail sometimes, it's only to present the checks to their Sheriffs.

GREEN COVE SPRINGS — When Clay County Deputy Sheriff R. D. Alred (r) solved a breaking and entering at a construction site, Ralph R. Coleman wanted to give a reward of \$100 which Deputy Alred hands to Sheriff Jennings Murrhee as a donation to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch. Sheriff Murrhee is Chairman of the Boys Ranch Board of Trustees.



WEST PALM BEACH — Robert Feltz (l) President of the Goldcoast Corvette Club, presents Palm Beach County Sheriff William R. Heidtman with a \$550 check as a donation to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch and Girls Villa.

FT. MYERS — By putting on a bridge marathon, "The Everglades Unit" of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc., raised money for the Florida Sheriffs Girls Villa. Robert Evans (l) and his wife organized the marathon and Lee County Sheriff Frank Wanicka accepts the check on behalf of the Girls Villa.



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Mrs. Louise J. Bennett, Holmes Beach
Beverly Hills Community Church, Lecanto
Mr. L. C. Bilbrey, Eagle Lake
Mr. Jim Brooks, Manager, Fairway Market
Sanford

Mrs. Charles E. Brown, Clearwater
Mrs. Jay Burback, Lake Placid
Mr. & Mrs. A. F. Crist, Melrose
Mr. Edward G. Chumley, Jacksonville
Coca Cola Bottling Co., Ft. Myers
Mr. & Mrs. Dick Collins, Bartow
Mr. George F. Cook, Jacksonville
Dr. Eugene J. Cornett, Tampa
Mr. & Mrs. Wesley Cowart, Pomona Park
Mr. & Mrs. John F. Daikus, Orlando
Mr. George L. Day, Altamonte Springs
Mr. Orville R. Daymude, Melbourne
Mr. H. G. Deaver, Coral Gables

Mrs. Maxine S. Ellend, Miami
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Elliott, Largo
Mr. Gary R. Fritz, Tallahassee
Mr. Willis Geis, Georgetown
Hardee County Sheriffs Dept., Wauchula
Ms. Marguerite W. Hecht, Daytona Beach
Mrs. Milton H. Hooks, Leesburg
Ms. Danis Hoskins, Winter Haven
Mr. R. J. Humes, Pompano Beach
Mr. Paul A. Hunter, Ft. White
Mr. Donald W. Hutchinson, Brooksville
Mr. & Mrs. Ben Jacques, Ocala
Mr. Jack F. Jefferson, Lakeland
Mr. & Mrs. Claud C. Jeffreys, Orlando
Mrs. Florence K. Jellison, Tampa
Johns-Manville Products Corp., Green Cove
Springs

Mr. Winslow R. Johnson, Starke
J. A. Jones Construction Co., Gainesville
Mr. & Mrs. William E. Jones, Melbourne
Mrs. C. C. Jordan, Boca Raton
K-Mart, New Port Richey
Leo T. Kabis, Architect, West Palm Beach
Kapok Tree Inn, Madeira Beach
Mr. Harold L. Keathely, N. Palm Beach
Keebler Cookie Corp., Tampa
Ms. Margaret C. Kennedy, St. Petersburg
Mr. Robert C. Kent, Jacksonville
Mr. B. G. "Skip" Kirby, Lakeland
Mr. Coleman Kiss, Sarasota
Mrs. Edythe E. Klingbeil, Sarasota
Mr. & Mrs. Clem W. Knight, East Rochester, NY
Mr. & Mrs. Albert Knubel, Port Charlotte
Mr. & Mrs. Warren J. Koehling, Miami
Mr. Henry H. Kolmetz, Panama City
Ms. Flora E. Kramer, Clearwater
Mr. Earl B. Krantz, Clearwater
Mr. Harry L. Krebs, Temple Terrace
Land Services, Inc., Miami
Mr. Tom Lane, Lakeland
Mrs. Helga V. Larsen, Lake Worth
Mrs. Thomas F. Laurie, Zephyrhills
Mr. & Mrs. William G. Leahy, Pompano Bch.
Mr. Ralph Lee, Inverness
Mr. W. B. Lee, Jacksonville

Lifetime

Walter S. Buck (r) of Lakeland has been a generous supporter of the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch and Girls Villa and is seen receiving a Florida Sheriffs Association Lifetime Honorary Member plaque from Polk County Sheriff Monroe Brannen.



Sheriff Monroe Brannen (l) of Polk County presents a Florida Sheriffs Association Lifetime Honorary Member plaque to Scott Linder of Linder Industrial, Lakeland, in recognition of his generous contributions.

Mr. Carrol Lewis, Ocala
 Mrs. Minnie H. Lewis, Tampa
 Mr. & Mrs. Donald Liberaki, Downers Grove, ILL.
 Mr. Bill Lill, New Port Richey
 Mr. & Mrs. C. H. Lippincott, Ft. Lauderdale
 Mr. & Mrs. Charles R. Locklin, St. Petersburg
 Mr. Michael Longmire, Ft. Myers
 Mr. & Mrs. A. E. Lord, St. Petersburg
 Mr. Walter Lorence, Jr., Tampa
 Loyal Order of Moose, Lodge 2121, Port Charlotte, Harbour Heights
 Mrs. Robert W. Lyons, St. Petersburg
 Mr. Connie Mack, Jr., Ft. Myers
 Mrs. Lila E. Mann, Sebring
 Mr. & Mrs. Walter Manning, Deltona
 Dr. Henry F. Martin, Perry
 Mr. J. L. Matthews, Alachua
 Mr. Grammel C. May, Gainesville
 Mr. Earle S. McElhinney, Vero Beach
 Dr. Hugh F. McKean, Winter Park
 Ms. Kate McTyre, McAlpin
 Mr. L. B. Meadows, Jr., Jacksonville
 Mr. J. A. Mendes, Ft. Pierce
 Mrs. A. M. Medlock, Palm Harbor
 Mr. J. W. Millan, Jacksonville
 Millan Building, Inc., Jacksonville
 Mr. & Mrs. Robert Miller, Clearwater
 Mr. William Millington, Lakeland
 Mrs. C. W. Moffett, Largo
 Mr. Anthony F. Montagano, Pompano Bch.
 Mrs. Harold Moore, Ocala
 Moorefield's Menswear, St. Petersburg
 Capt. & Mrs. Douglas F. Mow, Alexandria, Virginia
 Mr. Everett S. Moyer, W. Palm Beach
 Mr. Forrest E. Nelms, Plantation
 Miss Joy Nordbye, St. Petersburg
 Optimist Club of North Tampa, Tampa
 Mr. & Mrs. David B. Osley, Homestead AFB
 Mr. Gary L. Outlaw, Green Cove Springs
 Mr. & Mrs. Murray W. Overstreet, Jr., Kissimmee
 Palmetto Canning Co., Palmetto
 Mr. Henry R. Parry, Jacksonville

Mr. & Mrs. Igie B. Pate, Tampa
 Mr. Daniel D. Patterson, Orange Park
 Mr. G. L. Pattishall, Tampa
 Mr. & Mrs. J. O. Pearce, Sr., Broward Cnty.
 Mr. Mark Perry, Hollywood
 Mr. Hollis Phillips, Jacksonville
 Mr. Elmer E. Pilcher, Belleair Postmaster, Winter Park
 Mrs. W. W. Radcliffe, Avon Park
 Mrs. Alma J. Raney, Holiday Inn North, St. Petersburg
 Mr. William L. Raney, Holiday Inn North, St. Petersburg
 Ms. Vera M. Rashley, Trenton
 Mr. Everett Redmond, Jacksonville
 Mr. Ernest Reins, Largo
 Mr. Leo Reuland, Ft. Myers
 Mrs. Tom Ricci, Merritt Island
 Mr. Leon C. Richardson, Lakeland
 Mr. Charles L. Riner, Winter Haven
 Roadway Inn, Lake City
 Mr. William H. Roberson, Lake Park
 Mr. & Mrs. O. K. Roberts, Miramar, Hollywood
 Mr. Jan L. Rodgers, Orange Park
 Mr. Anthony T. Rossi, Tropicana Products, Bradenton
 Roux Laboratories, Inc., Jacksonville
 Royal Crown Bottling Co., Lakeland
 Representative Art Rude, Ft. Lauderdale
 Mr. G. P. Ruhl, Frostproof
 Sadler-Taylor Company, Inc., Winter Haven
 The Sand Bar of Anna Maria, Inc., Holmes Beach
 Mr. & Mrs. B. H. Sanders, Ocala
 Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Santoiana, Jr., Tampa
 Mr. Marcus J. Scott, Bradenton
 Mrs. S. B. Secor, Ellenton
 Col. & Mrs. Joseph F. Sedmera, Sr., Lakeland
 Seminole Aviation, Lakeland
 Ms. Cynthia Shannon, Sarasota
 Mr. H. Franklin Shedd, Boca Raton
 Mr. Jerome T. Simon, Clearwater
 Mr. & Mrs. Oliver Smith, Ozone
 Sgt. FC Richard N. Smith, Orlando

Mr. & Mrs. S. F. Smith, W. Palm Beach
 Mr. & Mrs. John W. Souder, St. Petersburg
 Mr. Warren S. Sprague, Kissimmee
 Mr. W. P. Stansbury, Hernando
 Mr. Carl Stanton, Plantation
 Mrs. Doris Sterling, Manatee
 Mr. Earl C. Stonewall, New Port Richey
 Mr. Wallace Storey, Bartow
 Mr. Clarence Talen, Menomonie, Wisconsin
 Mrs. Walter E. Thayer, Sarasota
 Mr. Edward L. Theobald, St. Pete Beach
 Mrs. Lowndes Treadwell, Arcadia
 Mr. & Mrs. R. S. Tullis, St. Petersburg
 Mrs. Mary V. Turner, St. Petersburg
 Mrs. Anna Verdier, Zephyrhills
 Vero Beach West Rotary Club, Vero Beach
 Veterans of Foreign Wars, Auxiliary 4143
 Riviera Beach
 Mrs. C. Paul Vickers, Tallahassee
 Mr. Kurt E. Volk, N. Palm Beach
 Mr. K. A. Walter, DeBary
 Mr. George A. Watkins, Clearwater
 Mr. Arthur M. Walter, St. Petersburg
 Mr. John W. Weatherford, Brooksville
 Dr. W. A. Weaver, Orange
 Dr. G. H. Welch, St. Petersburg
 Capt. C. W. West, St. Petersburg Beach
 Mr. W. P. Holland, West Palm Beach Propeller & Sail Club, W. Palm Beach
 Mrs. Fred J. Wiemann, St. Petersburg
 Mr. James L. Williams, Cantonment
 Mr. Jim Williams, Ft. Myers
 Mrs. Weyman Willingham, Sr., St. Petersburg
 Mr. & Mrs. Homer Wilt, Clearwater
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 Mr. Gerald C. Woodworth, Riviera Beach
 Mrs. William L. Woolf, Sun City Center
 Mr. William P. Wright, Callahan
 Mrs. Marion L. Yelvington, New Smyrna Bch.
 Mr. B. E. Youmans, Delray Beach
 Lt. Richard J. Zabovnik, W. Palm Beach
 Mr. Ernest M. Zadesky, Lakeland
 Mr. Clem Zbinden, Taft
 Mr. O. M. Zigrang, Vero Beach

Honorary Members

Anthony T. Rossi, (r) President of Tropicana Products, Inc., Bradenton, receives a Florida Sheriffs Association Lifetime Honorary Membership plaque from Manatee County Sheriff Richard W. Weitzenfeld. The Sheriff said Rossi has been a generous supporter of the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch and Girls Villa.



Millard Altman (r) of Jacksonville proudly displays the Florida Sheriffs Association Lifetime Honorary Membership plaque just presented to him by Sheriff Dale Carson, Consolidated City of Jacksonville. Altman is a Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch supporter.

Lewis Nader (r) of Green Cove Springs receives his Sheriffs Association Lifetime Honorary Membership plaque from the Chairman of the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch Board of Trustees, Sheriff Jennings Murrhee of Clay County.



BRIEFS.....

TRAINED AT SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

PORT ST. JOE — Gulf County Sheriff Raymond Lawrence was one of 55 Sheriffs from 26 states enrolled in a management techniques training program at The University of Southern California. Topics included supervision, leadership, motivation of personnel, effective communication, jail management, guidance, budgeting, fiscal control and administrative law.

WELL DESERVED RECOGNITION

CLEARWATER — Radio Station WDAE devoted an entire day to special recognition for The Sunshine State Women's Chamber of Commerce, founders and indefatigable supporters of the Florida Sheriffs Girls Villa. The club also received a WDAE citation "in recognition of service to our community."

JOB FINDER FOR JAIL INMATES

SARASOTA — Jim Hardcastle, Sheriff of Sarasota County, announced he was hiring a part-time "employment officer" who will try to line up jobs for inmates completing sentences. "It just makes good sense that if a guy has a decent job, he's less likely to get into trouble again," the Sheriff said.

PRAISE FROM THE PRESS

DADE CITY — When Pasco County Deputies quickly tracked down and arrested a daylight armed robbery suspect, Sheriff Basil Gaines' Department was praised by the St. Petersburg Times for "reacting well in an emergency". "Would be criminals need to be put on notice that Pasco County is off limits," the newspaper said, "and the swift arrest of suspects in armed robberies should help to make this message clear."

THE GAP NARROWS HERE

OCALA — There's a need to bridge the generation gap, and Marion County Sheriff Don Moreland is making an aggressive effort through his community relations program headed by Dan Henry, a young Deputy. The initial thrust involves films, discussions and demonstrations aimed at impressing youngsters with the facts and the importance of law enforcement.

NAMES THAT MAKE NEWS

Sgt. Alfred Mascaro, Jr., a Palm Beach County Sheriff's Department detective, was named "Officer of the Year" by the Jupiter-Tequesta Jaycees . . . Coral Gables Policeman James H. Butler received the James Moon Memorial Award (named for a Jacksonville officer killed in the line of duty) from the Florida Jaycees after they selected him as the outstanding young law enforcement officer of Florida . . . Twenty-Three-Year-Old Susan Fisher, of Deland, was frontpaged by the press when she became Volusia County's first woman deputy — the rootin', tootin', shootin', gun totin' kind as opposed to those who perform clerical and secretarial duties.



Best In The State

WAUCHULA — Hardee County Sheriff Newton Murdock (left) has been selected as the best Kiwanis Club President in the state, and he has a large trophy to prove it. The trophy was given to Sheriff Murdock at the state Kiwanis convention, and a formal presentation was made locally at a later date by John Burton (right), Lieutenant Governor of District 10.

How's This For Cooperation?

WILDWOOD — Sumter County Sheriff Don Page (left) pins a deputy sheriff badge on Wildwood Police Chief Frank Boyett, giving him county-wide arrest authority. The Sheriff said he deputized Boyett because the Chief had been unusually cooperative with the Sheriff's Office. Chief Boyett will draw no pay from the Sheriff's Office, but he will have the distinction of being the first municipal police officer to serve as a deputy in this county, according to Sheriff Page. (Photo by Claud Smith, Jr., Leesburg Commercial)



Hall Outstanding Reservist

GREEN COVE SPRINGS — Stan J. Hall (left) received the "Patrolman of the Year" Award when Clay County Sheriff Jennings Murrhee (right) hosted a dinner for his reserve deputies. Hall, a reservist, was cited for enhancing the professionalism of law enforcement. Twenty-seven reserve deputies also received service certificates.

DEFENDER OF THE YOUNG

BUNNELL — After he climbed up on a ladder and wiped off the mess left by eggs mischievous youngsters had thrown at his house, Flagler County Sheriff Zip Edmonson waxed magnanimous about today's youth. "Kids aren't as bad as when I was one," he said. "Some of us stole chickens and had some cookouts. We'd upset outhouses, and sometimes haul one into town. Somebody once hoisted a pony on top of the school, but older folks didn't look on us as criminals. And eggs — if we found eggs back in those depression days, we ate 'em."

DEPUTIES LEARNING MARTIAL ARTS

SARASOTA — All this Kung Fu business in the movies and on television was bound to show up sooner or later in the ranks of law enforcement — and it has. Sarasota County Deputy Sheriffs are learning Aikido, the Japanese art of self defense, in their off-duty time. Instructor Steve Wooley said deputies will be using Aikido to subdue suspects, but not hurt them.

GROWERS AND RANCHERS AROUSED

LABELLE — Concerned growers and ranchers have established a citizens' anti-crime patrol in Hendry County, and have purchased radios which will enable them to summon Sheriff Earl Dyess and his deputies whenever they encounter lawbreakers or evidence of crimes. The volunteers will receive special training to prepare them to cope with emergencies.

THE SERGEANT IS A LADY

ORLANDO — Detective JoAnn Hardee, who was Orange County's first female deputy sheriff (the gun-totin' kind) back in 1970, has received a promotion which now makes her the department's first female Sergeant. But, she's no longer the only lady in the front ranks. There are now four more members of the department's crime fighting troops who use lipstick without getting Sheriff Mel Colman upset.



Officer Of The Year Is "Diligent And Professional"

JACKSONVILLE — For fifteen years A. B. Weil Lodge, B'nai B'rith, has been making an award to Jacksonville's "Police Officer of the Year". This year it went to Deputy Sheriff Thomas Phillip Voutour, who is pictured receiving congratulations from Sheriff Dale Carson (right) and Bud Goldberg (left) representing B'nai B'rith. Said Carson: "Deputy Voutour can be depended upon to perform any task in a diligent and professional manner. He has carried out his duties in an outstanding manner on a daily basis, and has been responsible for many felony arrests. At the same time he has taken many opportunities to serve and assist our citizens, both on duty and off duty."

SOURCE WAS LEGAL — SALES WERE NOT

BARTOW — A moonshine ring uncovered by Polk County Deputies David Glass and Percy Wilson was stealing untaxed, pure distilled alcohol from a legitimate industrial distillery, and selling it as high class moonshine.

Collective Bargaining - So That's How It Works ??

MILWAUKEE — Between 300 and 500 firemen called in sick during a work slowdown here in November, according to Associated Press dispatches.

The slowdown developed during a dispute between the city and the 1,000 member Fire Fighters Union.

The number of firefighters staying home with "red flu" continued to grow despite a Circuit Court restraining order, and the union declined to make a formal response to the order, the Associated Press said.

Substitute manpower was supplied by National Guard units, to assure adequate fire protection.

In New York, meanwhile, firemen were staging a full-scale strike in violation of a state law that prohibits strikes by public employees, the AP reported.

Q Who said collective bargaining is desirable for public employees in vital areas such as fire and police protection?

A We didn't.

Q Who said a proposed no-strike law for public employees in Florida would be effective?

A We didn't.

Q Who said "Trust and confidence ends when collective bargaining begins"?

A We did.

Q Who defined Bargaining as "to haggle"?

A Webster's Collegiate Dictionary, that's who.

HELP STOP CRIME

It's your business to know about COMMERCIAL ARMED ROBBERY

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

**IN GENERAL,
BECOME SECURITY-CONSCIOUS
RIGHT NOW . . . DON'T WAIT
TO BE ROBBED BEFORE YOU
INITIATE THESE MEASURES.**

DURING THE ROBBERY

take no action which would
jeopardize your personal safety! If
the robber displays a firearm,
consider it to be loaded. If the
robber tells you he's armed,
believe him. Cooperate with
him! You might lose some
money, but you could
save your life and the
lives of your
co-workers.



Activate your silent alarm system,
if possible. Be extremely careful to avoid
any overt motion that might anger the
robber or cause him to panic.

Attempt to alert other employees
that a robbery is taking place by using
prearranged signals. Again, avoid any overt
signal that can be detected by the robber.
The alerted employee(s) can then notify
authorities that a robbery is taking place and
increase the chances that the robber will be
apprehended.

Carefully observe physical characteristics of the robber.

If more than one robber is involved, study
the closest one. Don't try to observe all in
detail. Characteristics to study include: race,
approximate age, weight and height (install
height markers, as suggested earlier), type of
complexion, color of hair and eyes, clothing
worn (head to foot), build, speech (accent?),
any noticeable marks, scars, or deformities.
Also, note the robber's method of operation
and try to remember exactly what he said.
Noting his exact wording can help in his
apprehension, as a robber often uses the same
routine. Also note his means of escape.

Look for accomplices.

Many robberies are committed by more
than one person. The accomplice(s) may be
outside in a getaway car or in another section
of the business.

Observe the getaway vehicle.

Note the color, make, model, and year of
vehicle. If you are not familiar with car styles
by year, try to note some distinguishing style
characteristic, such as taillight design, hood
ornament, front grille design. Try to jot
down the license number. Was a taillight
burned out? Was there a dent in a fender?

Note the type of weapon used.



Did the robber use a knife? A gun? A rifle?
What kind? Was it a revolver? A sawed-off
shotgun? How many barrels?

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WITH THE ROBBER.
DON'T TRY TO TAKE THE LAW
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AREN'T AROUND TO TELL
ABOUT IT TODAY.**