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Premiere Held For Color Movie Of Boys Ranch

MIAMI BEACH—The premiere of a 15-minute sound and color movie telling the story of the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch was held at the DiLido Hotel here, Feb. 3.

The movie, entitled "A Hand Up," has been released for showing throughout the State before civic clubs and other groups. Arrangements for having it shown before any group can be made by contacting your local sheriff.

It was produced by Florida Public Relations, a St. Petersburg firm, and it stars one of the young ranchers, Bradford Hudson, who was present at the premiere showing.

Jack Murphy, television newsman, was the producer. Cy Smith wrote the script; Charles Allen, Jr., was responsible for the photography; and Doug Price handled the art.

Filmed at the Ranch, the movie shows how needy and worthy boys are given a good home and a secure future.

Kelly's Staying As Appointed Sheriff in Dade

MIAMI—Tom Kelly is staying in as Dade County's Sheriff and Director of Public Safety.

His eight-year tenure as an elected sheriff, serving by the will of the people, ended on Jan. 3; and on that date he became an appointed Sheriff serving by the will of County Manager O. W. Campbell. He also received a \$2,500 raise bringing his salary to \$16,000 a year.

Kelly's status as an appointed sheriff resulted from an amendment to the state constitution which gave Dade County an experimental metropolitan government in 1957.

This amendment gave the county commission broad powers, including the power to abolish the elective office of Sheriff and make it an appointive office. This the county commission did, and the right of picking the county's chief law enforcement officer was taken away from the people and placed in the hands of one man, the county manager.

After the metro government went into effect there were unsuccessful attempts to oust Kelly from office or strip him of his powers, and there was considerable speculation as to whether he would continue in office after Jan. 3.

In appointing Kelly, County Manager Campbell made it plain that the Sheriff now serves at his pleasure. Campbell serves at the pleasure of the county commission.

Kelly said he hoped to stay in office long enough to complete the move of the county's law enforcement department to new quarters, and to get auto inspections, central records and communications operating smoothly.



HOLLYWOOD BOUND—Officials representing the Florida Sheriffs Bureau depart for Hollywood, California, to complete technical details of a new television crime show, "Tallahassee 7,000," based upon the Bureau's operations. They are (from left): Levy County Sheriff James W. Turner, President of the Florida Sheriffs Association; Florida Sheriffs Bureau Director Don McLeod; Washington County Sheriff George Watts; Highlands County Sheriff Broward Coker; and Florida Sheriffs Association Attorney John A. Madigan Jr., of Tallahassee.

New Television Crime Show Based On Sheriffs Bureau Operations

TALLAHASSEE—Telev viewers across the nation are watching a new television crime show entitled "Tallahassee 7,000" which is based upon the operations of the Florida Sheriffs Bureau and the Sheriffs of Florida.

Filmed to run for 26 weeks, the show was produced by Screen Gems, Inc., creator of many TV headliners. Bert Leonard and Jerry Thomas, who have turned out successful shows such as "Route 66" and "Naked City," were in charge of production.

The episodes were filmed in Florida and Hollywood with Walter Matthau portraying Special Agent Lex Rogers. Matthau is now in rehearsal for a Broadway show.

Early showings of the series were in New York, Los Angeles, Detroit and Dallas, but the show is expected to eventually be presented on most of the nation's TV stations, particularly those in Florida.

The Florida Sheriffs Bureau, a state agency created to provide technical crime-fighting assistance to local enforcement officers, worked with the producers in an advisory capacity.

Final details of the show were worked out recently at a conference between the producers and a committee representing the Sheriffs Bureau. The committee included Bureau Director Don McLeod, Florida Sheriffs Association President James W. Turner; Washington County Sheriff George Watts and Highlands County Sheriff Broward Coker, members of the Bureau's Administrative Board; and John A. Madigan, Jr., of Tallahassee, Florida Sheriffs Association attorney.

He's Trained

BRADENTON—Deputy Sheriff Jack Key last month completed a two-week seminar on scientific investigation of crime at the Southern Police Institute, University of Louisville, Louisville, Ky.

He Holds Tenure Record

Voting for Sheriff John Hall is Confirmed Habit in Clay County

(The following article is reprinted from the Jan. 8, 1961, issue of the JACKSONVILLE JOURNAL. It was written by Joe Caldwell, Journal Staff Writer.)

GREEN COVE SPRINGS — John P. Hall went into office as Sheriff of Clay County on Jan. 8, 1929, with a 38-caliber Smith and Wesson revolver, a shiny new pair of handcuffs, a black 1928 Model-A Ford and a determination to clean up Clay County.

His first moonshine raid was conducted on the day he took office. One month later he captured one of the country's most notorious bootleggers — after shooting him in the legs to prevent his escape. Within six months, bootlegging in Clay County was under control and Hall has been sheriff ever since.

Sunday will mark the beginning of his 33rd year in office. Hall began his ninth consecutive term on Tuesday of this week, setting an all-time record for tenure as sheriff in the state of Florida.

Voting for John P. Hall at election time has become a firmly entrenched habit with Clay Countians, who like to tell about the time balloting came to a halt in one precinct when one voter wouldn't leave the booth.

"It happened two years ago when the sheriff wasn't running," a citizen recalled. "The election official called to the man, 'What's the idea of holding up the booth?'"

"I want to vote," he answered. "Well, go ahead and vote," the official said. "But I can't find John Hall's name on the ballot," came the reply."

Few counties these days would select a reform political candidate the way Hall was chosen in 1928. He was invited, along with two other men, to attend a night meeting deep in the woods near Green Cove Springs, by the flickering illumination of a "light'r knot" fire.

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SHERIFF JOHN P. HALL

Conference Set For July 26-28

MIAMI BEACH — The 48th Annual Conference of the Florida Sheriffs Association will be held at the DiLido Hotel here July 26, 27 and 28.

Sheriffs Association President James W. Turner, Sheriff of Levy County, announced the dates Feb. 3 following a meeting of the executive committee of the Association's Board of Directors.

Miami Beach was selected as the conference site last month but the dates were not set at that time.

Sheriff Boyer Guards Kennedy

SARASOTA — Helping to guard President John F. Kennedy during inauguration festivities in Washington, D. C., is an experience Sheriff Ross Boyer will never forget.

The Sarasota County Sheriff was invited by the head of the Washington police force to assist with security arrangements during the inauguration, and during one part of the program he had the honor of personally guarding the President.

Boyer and two other officers were waiting at the Sheraton Park Hotel when President Kennedy and Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson arrived to attend a party of State Governors.

Apparently due to a mix-up in scheduling, Secret Service personnel was not on hand and Sheriff Boyer and the other two men quickly threw a cordon of protection around the President when a crowd of well-wishers pressed toward him.

Regarding the party of State Governors which followed, Boyer commented, "It was the most impressive sight I have ever witnessed."



MOUNT DORA—CONFERENCE GUESTS—Senate President-Designate W. Randolph Hodges (center) and House Speaker-Designate William V. Chappell Jr. (right) and their wives attended a reception which was held in their honor at the annual Mid-Winter Conference of the Florida Sheriffs Association here January 11. Lake County Sheriff Willis McCall and his wife, the Conference host and hostess, are pictured with them. (Orlando Sentinel-Star photo by Mrs. Susan Odom.)

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Beverage Department Plans to Curtail Moonshiners' Supplies

(Thomas Lee Jr., Florida's new Beverage Director, recently issued the following announcement in regard to a proposed crackdown on the raw materials used by moonshiners.)

For several months the State Beverage Department has been formulating plans to enter into a new dimension in moonshine law enforcement. This new dimension is the preventive techniques used in curtailing moonshiners' supplies of raw materials. The Federal Alcohol and Tobacco Tax Unit has been engaged in this area of moonshine enforcement since 1957.

The effectiveness of the Federal program is readily shown by statistics. Since the Federal program was initiated there has been a marked decrease in the average size of illicit distilleries. A comparison of the statistics for 1956 and those for 1960 shows that while the number of stills seized and destroyed in Florida remained fairly constant, there was a sixty-eight per cent decrease in mash seizures.

Sugar Price Up

The effectiveness of this program is also substantiated by the fact that the cost of manufacturing, transporting and marketing moonshine whiskey has been increased due to the inaccessibility of raw materials. For example, a moonshiner used to be able to buy sugar at a cost of from \$12.00 to \$14.00 per hundred pounds; the latest reports indicate that the present price of sugar to moonshiners is between \$16.00 and \$18.00 per hundred pounds. Along with sugar, moonshiners have been having difficulties in securing the necessary jugs, containers, yeast and other raw materials.

The production of moonshine whiskey requires the acquisition of raw materials in tremendous quantities. For example, ten pounds of sugar are necessary for the distillation of each gallon of moonshine. In addition, grain, yeast and other fermenting substances are used in the fermentation of mash. Rather bulky distillation apparatus is usually needed in these distilling processes, and large quantities of containers are essential for the marketing of the finished product. Without these raw materials, the moonshiner cannot flourish.

Headquarters in Jax

Headquarters for the Raw Materials Section of the State Beverage Department have been established at the Department's Jacksonville District Office, 1924 Bertha Street. The program has moved past the initial planning stage, and agents of the State Beverage Department are actively engaged in the first aspect of preventive enforcement.

Florida Agents, in company of Federal Men and bordering states' investigators, are calling on legitimate businessmen throughout the State who, either unwittingly, or unwilling-

ly, may have supplied moonshiners with the much needed raw materials. The cooperation received as a result of these contacts has prevented thousands of pounds of sugar as well as other raw materials from getting into the moonshine traffic.

One of the techniques employed by the Beverage Department in attempting to curtail the moonshiners' supply of raw materials is to gather reports of all raw materials seizures and compile the information on I.B.M. data processing equipment.

Cecil L. Sewell, Chief of the Beverage Department's Raw Materials Section, has asked that local law enforcement agencies report all raw materials seizures to the Beverage Department. "What may appear to be an insignificant piece of information may, when combined with other information received from throughout the State, be of great importance in connecting the violator with the supplier. At this stage of the operation, we are concentrating on sugar sales. We will in the future, expand the program to include all raw materials. All sheriffs' offices and police departments are strongly urged to report sugar seizures to us."

Sugar Seizure Forms

The Beverage Department has prepared sugar seizure forms which may be obtained at the Raw Materials Section, State Beverage Department, P. O. Box 5537, Jacksonville, Florida.

After the educational and cooperative phases of the new program have been completed, plans have been made to gain full use of the existing Federal and State Criminal Statutes to see that the willful violators of the Raw Materials Laws are prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. Every effort will be made to see that legitimate and well-meaning Florida businessmen do not inadvertently aid and abet a criminal conspiracy and also to insure that those who knowingly do so are prosecuted with the same vigor as the moonshiners themselves.

It is hoped that this cooperative preventive law enforcement effort by all agencies concerned with moonshine enforcement will be of inestimable value in curtailing the moonshiner's illicit activities by making all previously inexpensive and easily obtained raw materials inaccessible to him.

Generous Switch

SARASOTA — Women bowlers of the Abbott's Sportswear League gave cash donations to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch in lieu of giving Christmas presents to each other. The donations, totaling \$23, were recently turned over to Sheriff Ross E. Boyer.



NEW PORT RICHEY—PASCO SHERIFF HONORED—Sheriff Leslie Besenger (right) receives the Civic Service Award of the Fraternal Order of Eagles from Carl J. McGriff, past national president. Looking on are Lodge President Charles Zimmerman (second from left) and State President Harold Farr. (Photo courtesy Tampa Tribune.)

Case Solved by Good Sleuthing

NAPLES — Scientific crime detection methods were used by Sheriff Doug Hendry's department to solve a burglary at the Corral Drive-in Restaurant.

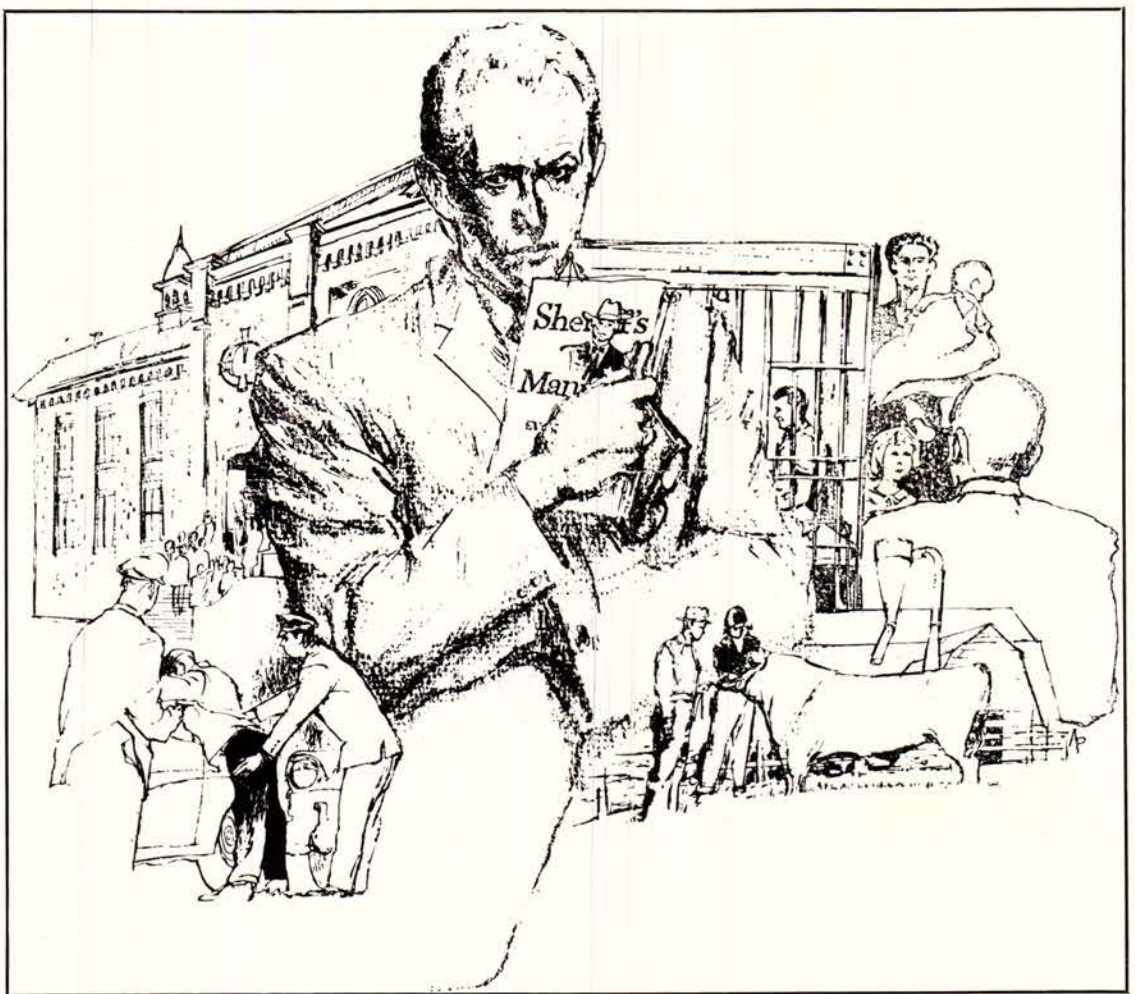
Items taken included some money from a cash register and a cigarette machine, plus cigarettes from the machine.

Evidence gathered at the scene included a metal shaving broken off the cigarette machine when it was forced open, a fragment of cloth and a print made by a glove.

When a suspect was picked up, the shaving matched some that were on a small crowbar in his possession; the bit of cloth matched his sweater; and the glove print matched his gloves.

The suspect confessed and the case was quickly closed.

They say whiskey and driving won't mix, but you certainly can't say there isn't a whale of a lot of folks who still try it.



Presenting For The First Time

a Sheriff's Administrative Manual designed to serve all the sheriffs in the United States is now available through the National Sheriff's Association, 714 Transportation Building, Washington 6, D. C. This work entails more than six years' laborious research and the cooperation of many of the 3,064 sheriffs in the United States. The author, Everett M. King, covers matters of occupation, qualifications and follows with chapters concerning administration, management and organization pertaining not only to large urban departments but to the rural sheriff as well. He discusses budgets, reports and records presenting new ideas which may easily be adapted to save time and money. Problems in personnel, training and discipline are carefully studied. Other operational matters such as arrest, evidence, investigation, crime prevention, extradition, transportation of prisoners and many more pertinent subjects so vital to the efficient operation of a sheriff's office are considered. Author Everett M. King, present Coroner of Alameda County, Oakland, California, has written numerous professional police publications. His wide experience in law enforcement includes: serving as a deputy sheriff in Alameda County, California, as officer-in-charge of the Sheriff's Training and Juvenile Divisions, and instructor in police training for both St. Mary's College and the University of California. The price is now \$3.00.

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COVER DESIGN

Yes, Martha, there is some good to the saying that it's better to know where you're going than to know where you've been.

Boys Ranch Round-Up

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



TALLAHASSEE—RANCH FLOAT—This float representing the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch received enthusiastic applause all along the route of the parade which was held here to mark the inauguration of Gov. Farris Bryant.

Circus Raises \$816 for Ranch

SANFORD—A benefit circus sponsored by Seminole County Sheriff J. Luther Hobby raised \$816.84 for the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch.

Sheriff Hobby announced the results during the Mid-Winter Conference of the Florida Sheriffs Association, in Mount Dora, last month, and turned the money over to Ranch officials.

Blasting Cap Warning Given

STUART — Martin County Sheriff Roy C. Baker issued a warning against blasting caps which every year blind or maim many youngsters.

He said these caps which are used to detonate charges of dynamite may appear harmless to a youngster and too often boys and girls alike find lost or stolen caps, and, after hitting them with a stone or picking at them with a knife or nail, explode the sensitive charge.

Two such cases have maimed young boys in Martin County in the last six months, one in Indiantown, the other in Stuart.

In a statement directed to both adults and children, Sheriff Baker warned, "Anyone finding a cap should not touch it, but should immediately report it to the sheriff who will dispose of it safely."

The detonation of a blasting cap sends pieces of metal flying out in all directions, with the speed of a rifle bullet.

These metal fragments can injure or blind a person even at a distance of 200 feet.

Blasting caps are copper or aluminum cylinders about as big around as a lead pencil and are from one to six inches long. There are two kinds of caps. The ordinary cap is exploded by a burning fuse inserted in the open end. The other kind is an electric blasting cap, and will explode when the current is applied to the wires coming out of the open end.

Blasting caps are used a great deal in this area in land clearing and construction work and sometimes are lost or stolen, and found loose.

"My advice for anyone is—Don't touch blasting caps at all," said Baker.

If you drive right, you'll continue to admire nature's beautiful roadside flowers. Drive wrong, and you'll be pushing them up from six feet below.



ST. PETERSBURG—LIFETIME MEMBERS—Deputy Sheriff Ken Carpenter (left), representing Sheriff Don Genung, presents a plaque to Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Lynch, of St. Petersburg, identifying them as lifetime members of the Florida Sheriffs Association. The memberships were voted in recognition of the generous support Mr. and Mrs. Lynch have given to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch.



CLEARWATER—LIFETIME MEMBER—Sheriff Don Genung (left) presents a plaque to James F. Magurno identifying him as a lifetime member of the Florida Sheriffs Association. The membership was voted for Mr. Magurno in recognition of the generous support he has given to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch.



FT. PIERCE—GIFT FOR THE RANCH—St. Lucie County Sheriff J. R. Norvell (left) accepts a check for \$950 as a donation to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch. The money represents the proceeds from a benefit barbecue staged by the Shrine Club with assistance from the Rotary, Lions and Kiwanis Clubs and the Junior Chamber of Commerce. Shown presenting the check are (from left) Eugene Houghton, Richard Cromer, Douglas Mullins and Ray Lein.

Tourney Raises \$213 for Ranch

SARASOTA — The annual Santa Bowl Tournament at Sarasota Lanes raised \$213 for the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch.

Endorsed by Sheriff Ross Boyer, the tourney was hailed as a big success and attracted attention from a wide area. One bowling enthusiast in Miami sent \$100 to Bernie Levkoff, Sarasota Lanes proprietor, as a donation to the Ranch and this was added to the money raised through tournament entry fees.

A group of women bowlers also did a good turn when they decided to make donations of 50 cents each to the Ranch instead of giving Christmas gifts to each other. This gesture netted an additional \$23.



GOOD FRIEND—The boys at the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch have a good friend in Elfrieda Staehel, of St. Petersburg. She put in countless hours and spent approximately \$50 for yarn to knit a pair of socks for each of them. Thank you very much Elfrieda. It has been a chilly winter at the Ranch and the boys have appreciated your thoughtful generosity very much.

Jail Report Rating High

TITUSVILLE—Sheriff James W. Dunn is to be congratulated for the rating of "excellent" which was given to the Brevard County Jail following an inspection by State Inspector R. P. McLendon.

The jail was scored as excellent in 17 out of 23 possible factors. The report also noted that the interior of the jail was recently repainted; and that it is well managed and operated by a very competent staff.

The "excellent" ratings were given on custody and security; control and discipline; building and equipment; ventilation; lighting; heating; screening; plumbing; kitchen facilities; bathing facilities; towels supplied; hot water; sheets; blankets; medical attention; housekeeping and sanitation.

Alachua Deputies Place Third in Pistol Match

MONTICELLO—The Alachua County Sheriff's Department placed third in a district Florida Peace Officer pistol match here, Jan. 10.

Members of the team were Deputy Sheriffs George Rianhard, Gene Farnell, Mel Caswell and Dick Moorhouse.

In individual scoring Rianhard placed first and Caswell second in the Marksman class. Farnell placed third among the sharpshooters.

RAZOR BAN

CLEARWATER—A resolution passed by the Pinellas County Commission makes it "illegal" for a male to shave his upper lip unless he has a "Shaving Permit" from Sheriff Don Genung.

The Sheriff is selling the permits at \$1 each, with all proceeds to be divided equally between the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch and the Crippled Children's Hospital, in St. Petersburg.

In addition to aiding two worthy causes, the Shaving Permits will also call attention to Pinellas County's 50th Anniversary which is being celebrated this year.

Effort Praised

STUART — Martin County Sheriff Roy Baker received praise from the FBI for the "tireless effort" put in by him and his staff after the First National Bank was held up here last month. An Illinois radio and TV repairman was charged with holding up the bank and a man and wife were held as his accomplices.



CLEARWATER—KELLY HONORED—Dade County Sheriff Thomas J. Kelly (right) received the annual "Good Government" award from the Florida Junior Chamber of Commerce when the Jaycees held their winter conference here recently. Donald Valk, state Jaycee chairman of Good Government Week, is shown making the presentation.



ST. AUGUSTINE—CONVENIENT LOCATION—Sheriff L. O. Lewis (left) didn't have to travel far to find this moonshine still. It was located just outside the St. Augustine city limits. Deputies who made the raid with the sheriff are (from left) Jack Hugos, Willis Jo Capo and Chief Deputy Louis Cook. (Photo by Rupert Chastain.)

Does Full Moon Hike Crime Rate? Plenty of Answers but no Proof

When business is slow and law enforcement men sit around with their feet on the desk—which is seldom, of course—the conversation frequently turns to this question: "Does the full moon increase the crime rate?"

It invariably gets a hot argument going, and so far as we know none of the arguments have ever been settled. It seems there are plenty of answers, but no proof.

Some lawmen claim a full moon doesn't mean a thing.

Others claim that it makes humans "feel their oats" and things are bound to pop.

There is also a point of view that the moon doesn't directly affect the crime rate, but that a full moon is usually accompanied by a rainy spell and the rain is the real culprit.

The theory here is that rain drives people indoors, confines them to their homes or to public places like bars, and the confinement wears on their nerves until fighting and other acts of violence break out.

Who knows?

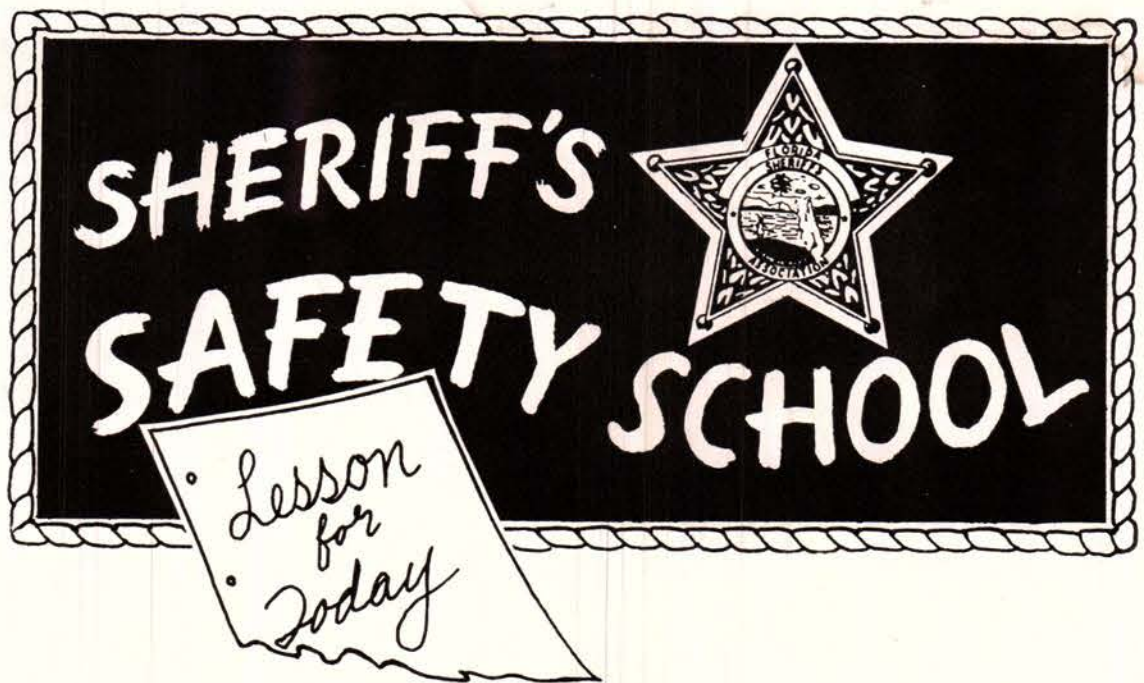
If anyone has any other theories, or pertinent facts and figures, the editor of the STAR would appreciate receiving them.

Hendry Forms Youth Bureau

NAPLES — Collier County Sheriff E. A. Doug Hendry has established a Youth Aid Bureau and has named John Rogers as its head.

He said Rogers will serve as counselor with the county judge on juvenile cases. In addition, he will see that restrictions imposed by the court are carried out; will serve civil papers in the county; and will become leader of the Junior Deputy Sheriff League.

Rogers has been a leader in the Junior Chamber of Commerce and was named "Citizen of the Year" in 1959.



You Never Know What'll Happen Next

The Florida Sheriffs Association urges you to be **ALWAYS ALERT AND VIGILANT**, because you never know what's going to happen next.

For example, here are some of the dizzy accidents that happened in 1960, as reported by the National Safety Council:

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The Case of the Bumptious Bear occurred in Miami Beach, Fla., where a big furry showoff was grandly riding a motorcycle around a ring in the Ringling Bros., Barnum & Bailey circus. Giddy with pride, he lost control, veered into trainer Walter Klausner, sent him to the hospital with leg injuries. The bungling bruin barely managed to retain his driver's license.

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Practically the last thing in the world Richard Siewertsen, of Detroit, had planned to do one day last June was to be run over by a house. But he was. Riding atop the house as it was being moved down the street, Dick hopped off, tried to jump back on, missed—and the house ran over his foot. He is now a great believer in home safety.

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When Marie Rarrick reported dutifully to Toledo, Ohio, police that a tree had swerved around a corner and rammed her car, the officers were understandably skeptical until she explained that the tree was on a city truck. Then they got down to the roots of the case.

After many years and half a million miles of accident-free driving, salesman Reed E. Very, of Florissant, Mo., finally rammed his company car into the rear of another vehicle. It was his own car, driven by his wife, who had stopped suddenly at an intersection. Both husband and wife were Very, Very embarrassed.

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Safety people are always warning drivers not to stop for a nip. But they couldn't blame motorist Don Ethridge, of Salem, Ore., when he did. Driving through Rawlins, Wyo., Mr. Ethridge prudently thrust out his arm to indicate a stop. A big dog bounded alongside, eyed Mr. Ethridge's dangling fingers and gave him a good nip—right on the hand.

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The next time you ladies have trouble parking, take solace from the experience of Mrs. Rubie Johnson, of San Francisco. Attempting to park her car in a garage attached to her home, Mrs. J. hit the gas pedal instead of the brake. She crashed through the garage, rammed into the basement, tore out the rear wall, careened across the back yard, knocked down a fence, ruined the car—and gave the neighbors something to talk about for months.



MOUNT DORA—NEW OFFICERS—Pictured above are new officers and directors of the Florida Sheriffs Association elected at the Association's Mid-Winter Conference here last month. They are: (front row, from left) Florida Sheriffs Bureau Director Don McLeod, secretary; Clay County Sheriff John P. Hall, treasurer; Monroe County Sheriff John Spottswood, chairman of the board of directors; Levy County Sheriff J. W. Turner, president; and Lee County Sheriff Flanders G. Thompson, immediate past-president; (back row, from left) Indian River County Sheriff Sam Joyce, Baker Sheriff Ed Yarbrough, St. Lucie Sheriff J. R. Norvell, Duval Sheriff Dale Carson and Putnam Sheriff E. W. Pellicer, all directors; John A. Madigan Jr., Tallahassee, Association attorney; Gadsden Sheriff Otho Edwards, Volusia Sheriff Rodney Thursby, Washington Sheriff George Watts and Sarasota Sheriff Ross Boyer, directors. Two directors, Leon Sheriff W. P. Joyce and Hillsborough Sheriff Ed Blackburn Jr. were not present when the picture was taken.



From left to right: Levy County Sheriff J. W. Turner, newly-elected president of the Sheriffs Association, Mrs. Turner and State Senator J. A. (Tar) Boyd, of Leesburg, who was a distinguished guest.



Secretary of State Tom Adams addresses a conference audience. The others in the picture are (from left) Clay County Sheriff John P. Hall, Monroe County Sheriff John Spottswood and Mrs. Adams.



Lake County Sheriff Willis McCall (left) presents a lifetime membership in the Sheriffs Association to A. C. Yonally, of Grand Island, as a token of appreciation for a large donation to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch.

PHOTO HIGHLIGHTS Of The MID-WINTER CONFERENCE Of The FLORIDA SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION



Special Agent Berwin Williams presides at the technical conference arranged by the Florida Sheriffs Bureau.



James Snow, one of the boys living at the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch, expresses his appreciation to the Sheriffs.



Monroe County Sheriff John Spottswood (right), who was re-elected chairman of the Association's board of directors, presents a Past President's Pin to Lee County Sheriff Flanders G. Thompson, the outgoing president.



Large audience of lawmen attending a technical conference on burglaries arranged and presented by the Florida Sheriffs Bureau.



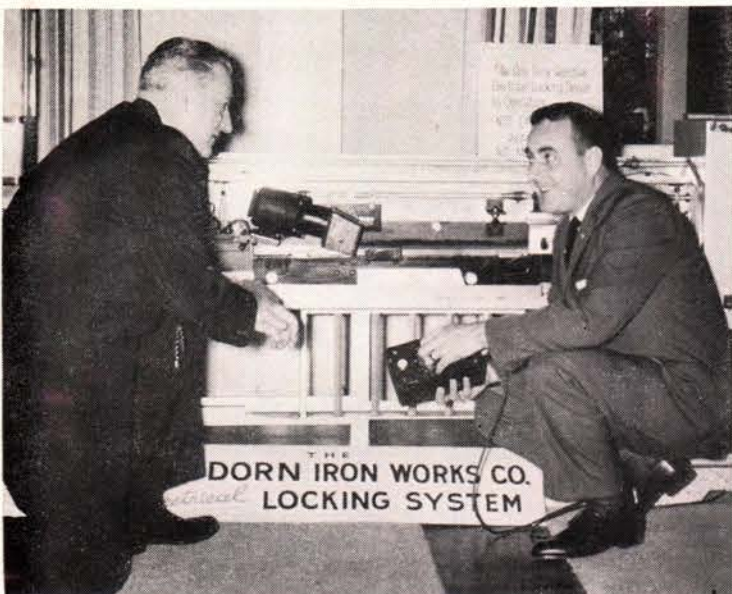
The registration desk was staffed by (from left) Mrs. Helen Roof, Mrs. Mae Ledford and Mrs. Margaret Sharp. Mrs. Roof also presented several vocal numbers during an entertainment program arranged by Sheriff McCall.



This barbershop chorus dispensed good old fashioned harmony in a very talented manner during the entertainment program.



Mount Dora gave a warm, friendly welcome to Sheriffs and their guests attending the conference from all parts of the state.



CLEARWATER—LATEST IN JAIL CELLS—Pinellas County Sheriff Don Genung (right) inspects model of a fully selective electrical jail cell door manufactured by Van Dorn Iron Works Co., while Paul C. Perry Sr., Van Dorn representative, explains its operation. This is a model of the type of cells to be installed in the new Pinellas County jail addition.



DAYTONA BEACH—50TH JUNIOR DEPUTY—Sheriff Rodney Thursby swears in Mark Brown, 12, as the 50th member of his Junior Deputy Sheriff League, an organization designed to foster good citizenship and respect for law enforcement. (Daytona Beach Evening News photo.)



JENSEN BEACH—DAMSEL IN DISTRESS—Martin County Deputy Sheriffs using Sheriff Roy Baker's water safety patrol boat, rescue a young lady whose pram was blown off course by high winds during a regatta. (Photo by Ed Gluckler)

Arrest Record Set In Hardee County

WAUCHULA — Sheriff Odell Carlton reported his department set a new record for arrests in December.

He said the total of 214 arrests was the highest for any month since he took office eight years ago. The total for December, 1959, was 171.

Traffic arrests were high and driving while intoxicated cases were above average with a total of 12.

The Sheriff reported 11 arrests for gambling, 5 for passing worthless checks and 9 for disorderly conduct.

When you travel behind a school bus, be sure you can stop as fast and as unexpectedly as that driver can fling out his STOP flag.

Escambia County Sheriff Opens New Sub-Station

PENSACOLA—Sheriff W. E. "Bill" Davis announced the opening of his department's first sub-station at Century, last month.

He said the new facility, which is in direct radio contact with the department headquarters here, will make the services of his department readily available to the people of the Century area on a 24-hour basis.

Deputy Sheriffs William Cox and Glenn Chestnut have also been assigned to the Century area.

Davis said the new sub-station is the first of several planned for various areas of the county to halt "the growing crime rate" and speed investigations.

Deputies Enrolled In Training Course

WEST PALM BEACH — Three Palm Beach County Deputy Sheriffs were enrolled last month in an 11-week police training school conducted by the Florida Highway Patrol.

Sheriff Martin Kellenberger said they will be assigned to his road patrol when they successfully complete the course.

The deputies are Paul Nicaner, Daniel L. Chambers and Richard Parker.

13th Lucky Day

STUART — Friday the 13th unlucky? Not for Mrs. Jo Ann Thompson. She celebrated her birthday and also became Martin County's youngest deputy sheriff on Friday, January 13.

Missing Persons



ROBERT J. LANSDALE

White male, age 16, 5 feet, 8 inches tall, weighs 132 pounds, black hair, brown eyes. Missing from his home in Edison, N. J., since January 4, 1961, and is believed to be in Florida, most likely in Daytona Beach, Palm Beach, or Miami area. If subject located his parents will call for him. Notify Police Dept., Edison, N. J., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



ALICE SERMONS

White female, age 25, 5 feet, 4 inches, weighs 114 pounds, brown hair, blue eyes, last seen January 1, 1961. Accompanied by two small girls, age 4 and 14 months. Believed to have left on bus, destination unknown. If located notify Police Dept., Palmetto, Florida, or The Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



LINDA SMITH

White female, age 36, 5 feet, 5 inches tall, weighs 110 pounds, long light brown hair; burn scars on left arm and neck. Last seen wearing blue slacks, white blouse, and white nurses shoes. Missing from Holly Hill, Fla., since 12-19-60. Any one knowing subject's whereabouts notify Sheriff Thursby, Daytona Beach, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



QUINCY—DOWN THE DRAIN—Gadsden County Deputy Sheriff Robert Martin (center) supervises the dumping of 150 gallons of moonshine which he and Deputy Sheriff Jimmy McPherson confiscated when they found it loaded on a truck near Havana. (Tallahassee Democrat photo by Ellis Finch.)

J. R. Norvell Hailed for Dual Success

FT. PIERCE—Sheriff J. R. Norvell's success in two fields was given recognition in a feature article which appeared in the Jan. 8 issue of the Ft. Pierce

NEWS TRIBUNE. Here is a portion of the article:

There is nothing of a "split personality" about Johnny Norvell, but for more than two decades he has divided his time between the two great interests of his business life, ranching and law enforcement, and the two offices he holds today are ample evidence of his success in both fields.

Sheriff Johnny Norvell is also President Johnny Norvell of the St. Lucie County Cattlemen's Assn. The widely respected law enforcement officer who is beginning his third four-year term as sheriff, following 15 years with the city police force, five as acting chief, has been honored by the area's cattlemen to be chosen as their leader this year.

The popular sheriff came to St. Lucie County 22 years ago from Henderson, N. C., and immediately launched the twin careers that still claim his interest and attention.

His cattle-raising operations are located in the White City area of the county, and he describes himself as a "small operator." While his modesty may be permitted when comparing his spread with some of the largest in the county it still is a significant part of the county's ranching scene.

Election to the presidency of the cattlemen's association is recognition accorded only the real leaders in this agricultural industry, and Norvell's membership in the association throughout its history in the county is appropriately climaxed by his being accorded this office.



CLIFFORD W. POWELL

Bureau Employs Polygraph Man

TALLAHASSEE — Florida Sheriffs Bureau Director Don McLeod has announced the appointment of Clifford W. Powell as polygraph examiner.

A retired chief warrant officer from the U. S. Army, Powell served on the staff of the Provost Marshal General's School at Fort Gordon, Ga. He also served as chief investigative officer with U. S. Army detachments in Japan, Korea and Germany.

Prior to being appointed to the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Powell served as prison investigating officer at Raiford State Prison.

McLeod advised that Powell will occupy space in Sheriff Broward Coker's Highlands County Sheriff's Office, at Sebring, and will handle Bureau requests for polygraph assistance in that part of the state.

The addition of Powell to the Florida Sheriffs Bureau gives that agency two qualified examiners, Lester W. Thompson having been appointed a polygraph examiner in 1958.

Married and the father of four children, Powell is a native of Folkston, Ga., although his family moved to Hilliard, Fla., when he was a child.

Keep your hand on the steering wheel and your eyes off the curves—especially along city streets—and you'll be all right.

WANTED PERSONS

**As Compiled by the
Florida Sheriffs Bureau
Don McLeod, Director**

BAD CHECK ARTIST'S GALLERY

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Don McLeod — Director



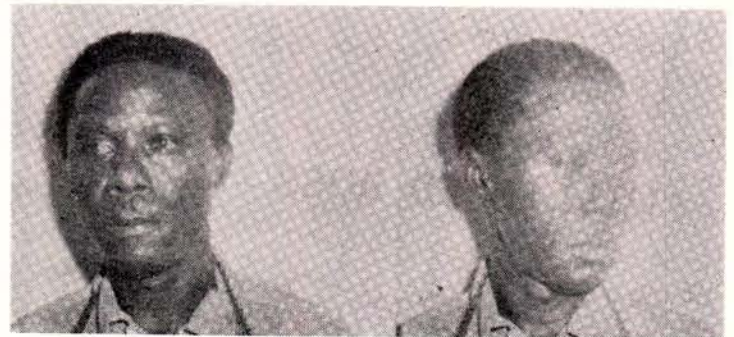
CARL DELMAR DONNEL

White male, date of birth 1-8-21, 6 feet tall, weighs 180 pounds. FBI #435011. Accomp. by Joan BUCK, using alias Gloria M. PALANGE: white female, age 19, 5 feet, 4 inches tall, weighs 125 pounds, blond hair, very attractive. Subjects are passing checks stolen from SCOTT - WHITACKER CO. INC., Miami, Fla. Checks are made out with a checkwriter for various amounts, signed by N. WEISS, drawn on Central Bank and Trust Co., Miami, Fla. Subjects believed to be driving a gun-metal grey 1957 Dodge 4-door, Custom Royal Lancer, 1960 Florida License 1E-3440. In addition to the 240 checks stolen a Smith Corona typewriter Model #1A2033176-12, and a Paymaster Check Writer were taken. The checks are made payable to DONALD C. MURPHY and GLORIA PALANGE. If apprehended notify Sheriff Kelly, Miami, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



BRAD STEVENS

White male, age 45, 5 feet, 9 1/2 inches tall, weighs 145 pounds, dark brown greying hair, fair complexion, bad front teeth. New York accent. Wanted on charge of Forgery. If apprehended notify Police Dept., Lakeland, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



WILLIE ED ROSS

Colored male, in 30's, 5 feet, 9 inches tall, black hair, brown eyes, FBI #343162. This subject has been actively engaged in passing Worthless Checks in Florida since early 1958, and was last known to have been in Osceola and Martin Counties latter part of December 1960.

If apprehended notify either of following: Sheriff Hobby, Sanford, Sheriff Gause, Marianna, Sheriff Andrews, Bonifay, Sheriff Edwards, Quincy, Sheriff Hendry, Everglades, Sheriff Buckels, Kissimmee, Sheriff Baker, Stuart, or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



RAY MARK TENNER

White male, date of birth 12-13-28, 5 feet 6 inches tall, stocky build, brown hair—balding. Gave his occupation as plumber. Wanted for passing Worthless Checks which were stolen from his landlord and

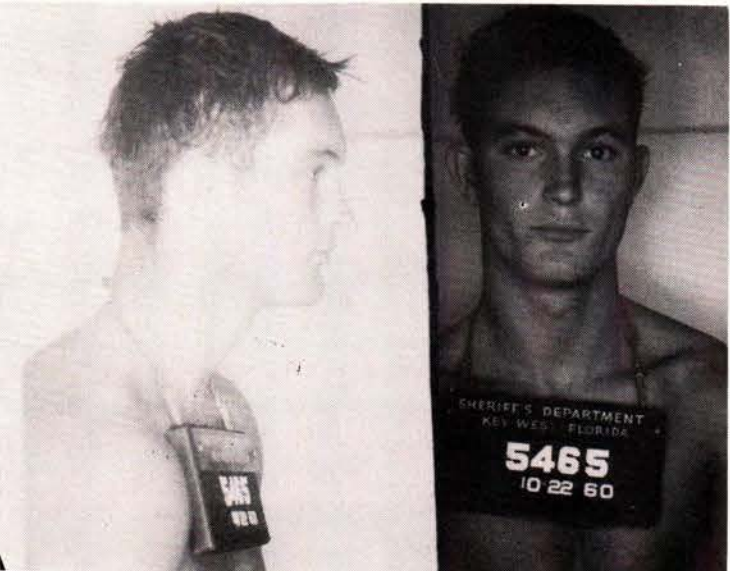
bore a true signature. Warrants held by Pinellas County Sheriffs Office, Clearwater. If apprehended notify Police Dept., St. Petersburg, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



CARL KENNETH MARTIN

White male, date and place of birth 2-3-38, Berkley, Calif., 6 feet, 2 inches tall, weighs 167 pounds, brown hair, brown eyes. Scar on left forearm and tattoo of letters "UM" on left forearm, tattoo of vertical line on right forearm. Occupation:

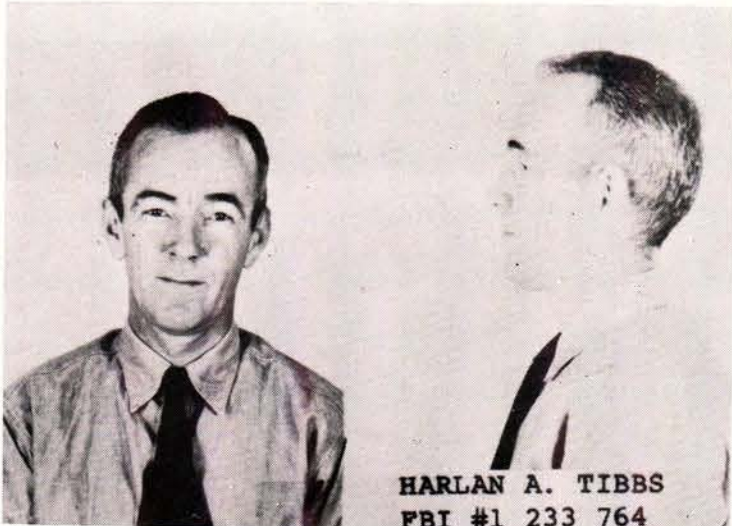
Hospital attendant and junk yard laborer. FBI 27-653.C. FPC: 7 0 III 4 over L 17 U III. Wanted for Escape from Monroe County jail where he was serving sentence for Cruelty to Child. If apprehended notify Sheriff Spottswood, Key West Florida or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



LARRY BUSBY

White male, date and place of birth 12-27-40, Glenville, Ga., 6 feet tall, weighs 175 pounds, brown hair and eyes. No marks or scars. Occupation: Fisherman and Shrimper. FBI 286-381-D. FPC: 15 M 1 R 15 over

M 1 Ut. Wanted for Escape from Monroe County jail where he was serving sentence for Uttering a Forged Instrument. If apprehended notify Sheriff Spottswood, Key West, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.

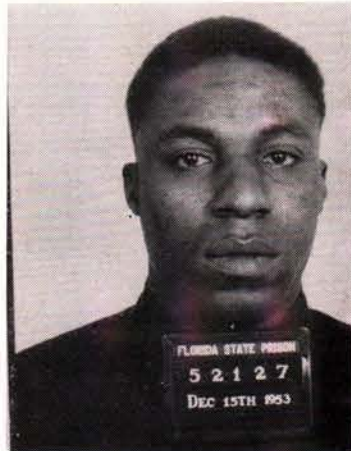


HARLAN A. TIBBS
FBI #1 233 764

HARLAN ALLEN TIBBS

Alias J. W. Goff, alias Theodore R. Lewald, white male, age 50, 5 feet, 10 1/2 inches tall, weighs 172 pounds, grey hair, brown or blue eyes; one inch scar center of forehead. Believed to be operating late model tutone brown station wagon bearing California license RXX-549. Subject wanted by FBI on Kidnapping charges, but also wanted on

Worthless Check charges in Florida. He is still operating in the State, passing checks drawn on the Mellon National Bank and Trust Co., Cincinnati, Ohio. Was in Sanford, Deland, Daytona Beach area during December, 1960. If apprehended notify nearest FBI office, Sheriff Joyce, Tallahassee, Fla., Police Dept., St. Petersburg, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Fla.



BUSTER SCOTT

Colored male, age 38, 5 feet 7 3/4 inches tall, weighs 160 pounds, black hair, dark brown eyes, dark brown complexion. Laborer. Cut scars both arms, cut scar high upper cheek. SP #52127, FBI #84 466A. FPC: 21, L/S, 1U/1U, 110/111, 12. Wanted for Escape from SRD Prison #3752, 11-28-60, where he was serving life term for Rape, from Escambia County. \$25 reward. If apprehended notify SP Raiford, or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.

Runaway Fires Warning Issued

QUINCY—Sheriff Otho Edwards warned that any fire that gets out of control is an illegal fire and the person who allows it to get out of control can be charged with a misdemeanor.

The penalty for such action can be up to 90 days in jail or up to a \$200 fine, or both. The guilty party can be billed for the cost of suppressing the fire by the Florida Forest Service.

Sheriff Edwards also pointed out that willful and malicious burning of woods can result in stiff penalties. He said that malicious burning could result in up to three years in the penitentiary and a fine of \$1,000; and malicious burning carries a maximum penalty of up to five years in the penitentiary.

He urged everyone to be careful with fire and not to burn trash or other materials unless the blaze can be controlled.

Phelps President Of Jackson Posse

MARIANNA — Earl Phelps was recently elected president of the Jackson County Sheriffs Posse for 1961.

Named to serve with him were: J. P. Standland, captain; James Cook, sergeant; C. L. Harrison, lieutenant; Henry Carr, secretary; Don Hardy, treasurer; Billy Wall, Robert Earl Standland, Bull Cowart, Charles Morse and L. E. McMullian, directors.

Charity Bowl Aids Ranch

TALLHASSEE—The pictures below show some of the highlights of the Annual Charity Bowl football game which was held at Florida State University, Jan. 14, with proceeds going to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch. The grid event was sponsored by Kappa Alpha and Sigma Nu Fraternities; and the program included a parade (see picture of Boys Ranch chuck wagon below) and a dance. Co-eds sold tickets and served as cheerleaders.



MOUNT DORA — SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS — Pictured during a luncheon in their honor are two young men attending college under Florida Sheriffs Association scholarships. They are Charles Simmons (center) and Pat Currey (right). Also shown is their tutor and counselor, J. B. Meyer, director of education at the Florida School for Boys, Marianna. (Photo by Rupert Chastain.)

Sheriff-Financed College Youths Honored at Conference Luncheon

MOUNT DORA — Charles Simmons and Pat Currey, two young men who are attending college under Florida Sheriffs Association all-expense scholarships were honored at a luncheon here Jan. 12, during the Association's annual Mid-Winter Conference.

John A. Madigan Jr., attorney for the Sheriffs Association and a member of the scholarship committee, told the luncheon audience the Sheriffs' scholarship program is building a new future for these young men, "and also providing a ray of hope in the darkness to other young men who need a helping hand."

Also present at the luncheon was J. B. Meyer, director of education at the Florida School for Boys, Marianna, who, Madigan said, has rendered valuable service to the program as "tutor, adviser and foster father" of the young men.

"This gentleman," said Madigan, "has given his time and talents unselfishly. He has taken a close personal interest in the welfare of our scholarship recipients and he has guided them wisely in their college careers. In short, this is the man who, more than anyone else, makes our Scholarship Program work."

Madigan disclosed that Charles Simmons was winding up his sophomore year at Chipola Junior College and expects to enter Florida State University next semester; and that Pat Currey had successfully completed two regular semesters and one session of summer school at Chipola.

He praised both the young men for their accomplishments and Currey, as spokesman for both young men, thanked the Sheriffs for making their college careers possible.

Madigan recalled that the Sheriffs Association Scholarship Program was created in 1957, at a meeting in Lake County not far from the site of the luncheon; and he explained that the dues of Honorary Members (private citizens who were admitted to the Association for the first time in 1957) are providing the financing.

The program was designed to provide college educations for honor students from the Florida School for Boys at Marianna; and Arthur Dozier, Director of State Child Training Schools, was responsible for the administration details, Madigan added.

He went on to praise Dozier highly for his "kind and generous assistance" and he declared that "we would not have been able to achieve any success without his willing cooperation."

Madigan said the scholar-



PRAISE — John A. Madigan Jr., attorney for the Florida Sheriffs Association and a member of the Sheriffs Association Scholarship Committee, praises the two scholarship recipients and Meyer.

ships were awarded by a committee composed of himself, Leon County Sheriff W. P. Joyce, Florida Sheriff Bureau Director Don McLeod and Florida Sheriffs Association Field Secretary Carl Stauffer, all of Tallahassee.

Better Meals Make Prisoners Behave Better

CLEARWATER — Careful planning of prisoners' meals pays off, according to Sheriff Don Genung.

He tried it and found that the guards had fewer cases of aches and pains and fights among the inmates. Jailors told him the prisoners are much easier to handle since they started getting a varied menu.

The menu is rotated on a seven-day basis to avoid monotony in the food served.

Genung has appointed a steward to handle and regulate jail meals. The steward, working closely with a full-time nurse and the Assistant County Medical Examiner, Dr. J. O. Norton, serves a wholesome diet of no less than 2,800 calories a day per person.

Widely recognized for his progressive and humanitarian approach to jail operation, Genung has also employed a full-time chaplain. "I feel," he said, "that spiritual guidance is important in putting a person back on the right path."

Planning for a proposed new addition to the county jail includes a small chapel where daily services will be conducted.

SHERIFF HALL

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"There were about 35 or 40 people there, I guess," Hall said, "all of them set on getting a new sheriff who'd clean up bootlegging."

Hall, then 32 years old, was chosen over the other two, accepted the challenge and won the election hands down.

"The state had no beverage department in those days," Hall said. "Federal and county law enforcement agencies were the only ones after the bootleggers. And we sure had a lot of them during prohibition—a lot more than we have now. They were tied in with the big-time, big city gangs up north. And the liquor they made was pretty rotten stuff."

Then, as now, operators of illicit stills often brewed mash containing dead rats, snakes and other vermin.

"They used to say those carcasses helped to speed up fermentation," Hall said.

Despite his many run-ins with lawbreakers, ranging from moonshiners to murderers, the sheriff has never killed a man while attempting to arrest him, although he has shot four.

The first man to fall from Hall's bullets, a bootlegger, is described by local citizens as "one of the meanest men in the country" who became one of the sheriff's staunchest supporters afterward.

Oldtimers in Clay County look back on Hall's years in office with pride, recalling that his policy of "make him rather than break him" has saved many youths from becoming hardened criminals.

"I don't know that young people are any worse now than then," Hall said. "There's just more of them. Back in 1929, we only had 6,000 people in the county. Now, we've got 19,486, so I expect to run into more trouble."

Hall's greatest satisfaction, he said, has been in serving the people, along with proof of their support—highest voting counts in every precinct.

"I never really expected to make a career of it," said the sheriff, who runs a lumber and cattle business now as he did in 1929. "But before each election I'd decided to run—I thought it was what I ought to do."

Clay County folks have agreed with each of his decisions. As one said when Hall assumed office this week, "As far as I'm concerned, John can have that office as long as he wants it."

Kelly Warns of Commie Threat In Miami Area

MIAMI—Dade County Sheriff Thomas J. Kelly warned that Communist activity is definitely on the upswing in the Miami area.

He cited the following factors to support his warning: (1) Miami is becoming a focal point for Communist agents moving between the U. S. and Latin American nations.

(2) Propaganda is being stockpiled here for distribution elsewhere.

(3) Revolutionary activity by both Cuban and other Latin factions is being whipped up by direct Communist effort here in attacks on U. S. policy.

Kelly's investigators were credited with bringing about the departure of one suspected fellow-traveler from this area.

Kelly said the responsibility for cracking down on Communist actions "is a federal matter" but that his investigators will continue to "expose as much of their activity as we can get our hands on."