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RANCHERS AT RODEO—These youngsters from the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch were of Sheriff R. M. (Bob) Buckels during the recent Silver Spurs Rodeo. Pictured with them are Sheriff Buckels (right) Deputy Sheriff Fred Littlefield (left) and Boys Ranch Staff Parent Dave Vestal (second from left). Sheriff Buckels said the boys "were delightful guests and my department and I took a personal pleasure in seeing them enjoy themselves so much. I hope we will be able to have them again in the future.' (Photo by Ed Cooper, Kissimmee).

### **Fast Recovery**

STARKE — The Bradford County Sheriff's Department recovered a stolen car before the owner knew it was missing.

Deputy Sheriff James Hamilton halted a young Marine for speeding and found that the car the serviceman was driving was stolen. When Hamilton called the owner to report recovery of the car the owner was unaware of the theft.

# **Sheriffs Invited To Conferences** On Bail Bonds

TALLAHASSEE - State Treasurer and Insurance Commissioner J. Edwin Larson has invited all Sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, police officers and other law enforcement officials to attend a state-wide series of Bail Bond Conferences during the month of October. Members of his staff will be

present to explain bail bond statutes, rules and regulations. They will also answer questions and generally familiarize the conferees with bail bond matters.

Mr. Larson said all persons interested in bail bond mat-ters are invited and that he especially urges all licensed bail bondsmen to attend.

All conferences will begin at 9 a.m. Here is the schedule:

October 6, West Palm Beach, onference Room, George Conference Washington Hotel.

October 7, Miami, Room 272, State of Florida Office Build-

ing, 1350 N.W. 12th Ave.
October 10, Jacksonville,
Conference Room, Mezzanine, Mayflower Hotel.

October 12, Bradenton, Mu-nicipal Courtroom, Police

Headquarters Building, 1004
Ninth Ave., West.
October 17, Tampa, Room
308, State of Florida Office
Building, 800 Twiggs St.
October 18, Winter Park, 2nd

floor, conference room, State of Florida Office Building, 941 West Morse Boulevard.

October 19, Ocala, Room 203, Administration Building, Sil-

ver Springs. October 25, Pensacola, Room 400, County Court House Annex, South Palafox Street.

# Death of Albert B. Ground Was Severe Loss to Law Enforcement

Albert B. Ground, 62, super-Albert B. Ground, 62, supervisor of the Florida Sheriffs Bureau's identification section, died July 29, at Mt. Alto Veterans Hospital, Washington, D.C., following a long illness. Florida Sheriffs Bureau Director Don McLeod termed his death a "severe loss, not only to the Sheriffs Bureau but to Florida law enforcement."

Florida law enforcement."

McLeod pointed out that

Mr. Ground pioneered in the
establishment of the FBI identification division in 1924 and played a similar role in setting up the Sheriffs Bureau identification section.

"It is impossible to replace him with a man of equal ability and experience," he added.

Florida Sheriffs Association

officials echoed Director Mc-Leod's sentiments and added that Mr. Ground deserves "everlasting gratitude for the service he rendered in helping to improve the effectiveness and calibre of law enforcement in Florida."

A native of Toronto, Mr. Ground served with the Army during World War I and received the Purple Heart. During his career as a fingerprint expert with the FBI, which began in 1924 and ended with re-tirement in 1954, he was in-volved in some of the most important criminal cases of the time.

In 1930, identification of fingerprints he had seen 20 months earlier led to the capture of killer and bank robber Jake Fleagle and freed four men who mistakenly convicted of a murder Fleagle commit-

He was appointed head of the Sheriffs Bureau's identifi-cation section in 1958 and gained fame in the same year through another spectacular identification.

On June 11, 1958, a man broke into a home near Bonifay, Fla., killed a man and a small child, raped the man's wife and gave her a vicious beating and beat two small children to death.

Mr. Ground identified Frank Peterson as the murderer through a bloody footprint and Peterson was convicted and

sent to the electric chair.
In a 1947 Florida case, while he was still with the FBI, he

was a key witness in the Pinellas County "sack murder" trial and identified the dismembered body of the victim through fingerprints.

He was a member of the board of trustees of the Veterans of Foreign Wars National Home for Widows and Orphans, and formerly served as president of the board. He was also a member of the American Legion, Disabled American Veterans, World War I Veterans and the Society of the Purple Heart.

### Meanest Yet

LAKE WORTH — Here's a candidate for the "Meanest Thief" title. Someone stole \$90 from an epileptic war veteran when he was unconscious. The money was part of his government disability pension and represented all he had to live on for the next three weeks.



NICE WORK—Dade County Deputy Sheriff Jack Allen drew the kind of assignment law enforce-ment officers dream about when he greeted Edna Dianne Macvicar, "Miss Canada" in the Miss Uni-verse Pageant, upon her arrival at Miami International Airport. (Photo by Ron Wahl)

# 1960's Bad Checks To Top 21/2 Million **McLeod Predicts**

diction that Florida law enforcement authorities will be called on to investigate an estimated 2,505,000 fraudulent checks with a value of more than \$200 million during 1960 was made by Florida Sheriffs

was made by Florida Sheriffs Bureau Director Don McLeod. Figures obtained in a survey conducted by the Research Unit of the Florida Sheriffs Bureau show that almost 670 million checks with a value of over \$193 billion will be drawn on Florida banks during the current calendar year. the current calendar year.

And of this staggering total, the Florida Sheriffs Bureau survey indicates that banks will, for a variety of reasons, turn down an estimated 5,899,-000 checks with a value of \$608,627,760.

Of the estimated 2,505,000

# **Crime Bulletin Helps Sheriff Catch Fugitive**

By Howard Sharp

FORT PIERCE — The Sheriffs Crime Bulletin arrived here just a couple of days before a man described as being wanted was arrested for burglarizing the Lincoln Park recreation center.

The Bulletin of June 17 described Anderson Sweeney as being sought for an armed robbery in Bunnell. It had hardly been posted in the office of St. Lucie County Sheriff J. R. Nor-vell when a man walked into department's radio room (at 1 o'clock in the morning) to report that he and "Johnny" had just broken into the

center. Turned out that "Johnny" was really Sweeny, who had picked the wrong man to help him with the job. Sheriff Norvell said Sweeney entered the building while his partner watched, then split the loot, about \$11, and headed for parts unknown. His partner, unwillnul of used a half-dollar of the take for cab fare to the Sheriff's

Deputy Sheriff Billy Weeks. aided by city policemen James Blakely, Clifford Minus and Sgt. Jack Norvell, quickly rounded up Sweeney. All of the money was recovered. Except the cab fare.

Sweeney was sent to Raiford State Prison for six months to a year for breaking and entering, and his partner was sent on his way.
Sheriff Homer Brooks of

Flagler County (Bunnell) iden-tified Sweeney from photographs sent from Norvell's office and has issued a hold order for Sweeney when his Raiford stint ends.

call for investigation during 1960, the Florida Sheriffs Bu-reau survey shows that 30,000 will be forged signature checks with a value of \$1,329,630; 211,000 checks valued at \$6,-509,330 will be "no account" checks; and another 4,538,000 checks valued at \$385,170,010 will be "insufficient fund" will be "insufficient fund" checks. Fortunately, the survey shows that approximately 50 per cent of the checks in the "insufficient fund" category are made valid upon resubmis-sion to banks and will need no investigation.

According to McLeod, the Bureau's Research Unit came up with the figures after conducting a survey in May of banks serving a population of more than half a million people. Banks in Bay, Hillsbor-ough, Jackson, Jefferson and Leon Counties cooperated by furnishing complete statistics concerning their check cash-ing procedures. McLeod stated that statistics for the current calendar year are an extension of figures obtained from cooperating banks.

"The Florida Sheriffs Bureau is making results of this survey available to all Florida law enforcement agencies to alert them to the seriousness of the fraudulent check problem," stated the Bureau Director.

"To cope with this most serious and costly problem, offi-(Continued on Page 8)

# **Thomas Named** As Sheriff in **Marion County**

OCALA - Charles Thomas, loan company operator and former deputy sheriff, was ap-pointed Sheriff of Marion County by Gov. LeRoy Collins to serve out the remaining five months of the term of the late Sheriff F. L. McGehee, who died July 13.

Mrs. F. L. McGehee, widow of the former Sheriff, served as Sheriff of Marion County by circuit court appointment dur-ing the interim between Sheriff McGehee's death and the appointment of Thomas on Aug-

Sheriff Thomas, 54, is a native of Marion County and makes his home at Ocala.

He has 18 years of experience in law enforcement as a Florida Highway Patrolman, a state conservation agent and a deputy sheriff.

He was formerly general manager of the Central Florida Loan Service and at the time of his appointment he was operating a small loans company at Williston.

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ST. AUGUSTINE—UNUSUAL STILL—St. John's County Sheriff L. O. Davis, Jr. (right) and Deputies Willis Capo (left) and Everett Haney found and destroyed an unusual moonshine still during a recent raid. It was made entirely of heavy metal which had been transported to the site and fabricated there. It was fired with butane gas and Sheriff Davis estimated the capacity at 4,500 gallons. (Photo by Rupert

# It is Now an Honor to Serve as **Sheriff Says Newspaper Editorial**

considered an honor to serve as the sheriff of even a rural county," said the Baker County Press, weekly newspaper, in a recent editorial praising the accomplishments of the Florida Sheriffs Association.

"This is a far cry from the situation, that existed 25 years ago when brawn was considered a much greater quali-fication than brains," the editorial continued.

"This writer can remember the old days in Baker County when a sheriff's safety always hung by a thin string. He was often invited out for fisticuffs and ore than likely had to accep to maintain his reputa-

tion. "Today, through "Today, through stronger laws, a man who resists arrest or ta eatens a sheriff can quickly find himself in the state prison. Strong laws for protection of a sheriff are, of course, a vital necessity if we are to have the protection necessary to enjoy the freedoms guaranteed to us under our Democratic way of life. our Democratic way of life.

"The old-time sheriff had little, if any, training in the scientific law enforcement procedures. Many major crimes went unsolved because of this lack of knowledge. Today a person takes a great risk even when he commits a minor crime because the odds are overwhelming that he will get

caught.' The editorial said many major achievements have been made by the Sheriffs Associa-

men serving as county sheriffs. 'A great many of our sheriffs

tion during the past decade, "but we think perhaps the greatest stride has been the steadily increasing calibre of

are highly trained and highly respected persons who have gained statewide reputations through their personal achieve-

Sheriffs have done much, the editorial said, "to foster the great progress made in our

state during the past decade."

It listed the following as major achievements of the

Sheriffs Association:
1. Establishing the Florida
Sheriffs Bureau, a state agency created to assist and cooperate with local enforcement agen-

Establishing the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch, a home for needy and worthy boys.

Virtual elimination of the antiquated fee system of operating sheriff's departments.

# Tho He Ran Far He Ran in Vain

MACCLENNY - The culprit who broke into a drug store here and stole \$214 was nabbed in Key West, 500 miles away, 33 hours later. Here's how Sheriff Ed Yar-

brough accomplished this speedy, long-distance capture:

When the thief blew town he left behind a shirt and pair trousers containing paint stains that matched the paint on a small window through which he had broken into the

drug store.
With this valuable evidence,
Sheriff Yarbrough traced the
suspect to Key West and requested Sheriff John Spottswood to pick him up there. He was sentenced to three years in the state prison.

# **Solving Theft Case Brings Words of Praise**

TITUSVILLE—Here is part of the text of a letter from real estate developer Charles Jan-

estate developer Charles Jannarone to Sheriff James W.
Dunn commending the sheriff's
department for the manner in
which a burglary case was
cleared up:

"I want to take this time
to inform you of how much
I appreciate the manner in
which your Department apprehended two men, who broke
into my properties last Friday
night, June 17, 1960. Your men night, June 17, 1960. Your men were there in less than five minutes after the call was made. I have never seen such an efficient and orderly group work as they did Deputies Johnnie White, Buz Rodenbaugh, and Investigator Willard Winnett, deserve a great deal of praise and recognition, which I humbly can say that I do not know how to put in the right words. Also, all the other men of your department who worked on this case, deserve the praise. I am sorry that I do not know their names.

'I know that in your line of work, it is hard to try and make every one happy. But I for one am proud to say that I am a tax-payer in Brevard County, and we are protected by the finest Sheriff's Department in the State of Florida. It is regretful that all the people in this County do not know how much work it takes to make a department like yours operate.
Someday, in the very near future I hope, that they will realize how important the Sheriff's Department is, and how it functions. Then they will realize that their toy delay the sheriff of the sheriff will realize that their tax dollars are working for them twenty four hours a day. Most people living in this wonderful democratic government take too much for granted; and that is the problem to-day. They only think of Law Enforcement Officers only when they are needed."

# 20,000 a Year Is Complaint Rate in Broward

FT. LAUDERDALE — Based upon past experience, the telephone on the complaint desk at the Broward County Sheriff's Department will ring at least 20,000 times this year. For whom does this bell toll?

People in trouble, screwballs, all types of characters.
One caller said: "I been

married three months and today my wife won't talk to me. What should I do?"

A lady wanted to know if it was legal to sunbathe in her back yard in a bikini, and a frantic citizen wanted deputies to shut up a neighbor's squalling infant.

Most calls are not of the humorous variety. In 1959 there were 768 complaints of assault and battery; 326 of aggravated assault; 415 beefs about worthless checks; reports of missing persons; 727 reports of juvenile delinquency.

In addition to the complaints that were logged ast year, there were thousands i calls for information.

So, now you know why you sometimes get a busy signal when you call the complaint

### Pie from the Sky

FT. MYERS — "There'll be pigeon pie tonight," com-mented a county jail prisoner after Chief Deputy Sheriff Howard Greer shot down 10 pigeons that had been messing the county court house portico.

# **Conference Reception**

The pictures below were taken during a reception honoring State Sen. Randolph Hodges, president-designate of the Florida Senate; and Rep. William V. Chappell, Jr., speaker-designate of the Florida House of Representatives. The reception was one of the highlights of the 47th Annual Conference of the Florida Sheriffs Association, at the Galt Ocean Mile Hotel, Ft. Lauderdale. It was held on the evening of June 29. (Photos by Ken Twaddell.)



Lee County Sheriff Flanders Thompson and Mrs. Thompson (right) welcome the guests of honor: (from left) Sen. and Mrs. Hodges and Rep. and Mrs. Chappell. Sheriff Thompson is president of the Sheriffs



Sarasota County Sheriff Ross E.



Orange County Sheriff Dave Starr and Mrs. Starr.



State Beverage Director Jack Peeples and Mrs. Peeples.



Lewis and Mrs. Lewis.



Rep. Chappell with John A. Madigan, Jr., attorney for the Florida Sheriffs Association.



Nassau County Sheriff Youngblood and Mrs. Youngblood.

# Boys Ranch Round-Up

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

# Ranchers Help **Boy Celebrate** 14th Birthday

ST. PETERSBURG - When Robert Riddell was asked what he wanted for his 14th birthday, he said he would like to have a party and invite the boys from the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch.

This was a big order for his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Riddell, of 6534 Second Ave. South, but they had been interested in the Ranch and had given it generous financial sup-port for some time and the idea appealed to them.

telephone call revealed that Boys Ranch officials were interested in the idea too, and arrangements for the party were quickly completed.

Seventeen boys from the Ranch, accompanied by adult leaders, traveled over 200 miles early Sunday morning, July 24, to attend the all-day party and they had the time of their

They swam in the Riddells' 40-foot pool, ate a light lunch around Noon and a family-style cookout at 6 p.m. Seventeen young girls from the St. Petersburg area were invited to share the fun with them.

The boys spent the night at St. Petersburg and returned to the Ranch on July 25.

# **Founders Club Roster Grows**

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

University, DeLand
Imperial Charity Horse
Show, Polk County Sheriff's
Mounted Posse, Bartow
Opti-Mrs. of St. Petersburg
B. F. Underberg, Tampa
Mrs. B. P. Pellenz, Clear-

Edward J. Burns, Clearwater Albert A. Bush, St. Peters-

Mrs. Alan R. Harper, St. Petersburg William P. Harper, St.

Petersburg Monticello Nursery, Monti-

R. L. Dressell, Lake Placid R. P. Dunty, Jr., Lake Placid J. Durrance, Jr., Lake Placid

Mrs. T. J. Durrance, Jr., Lake Placid H. Lane Coachman, Tampa

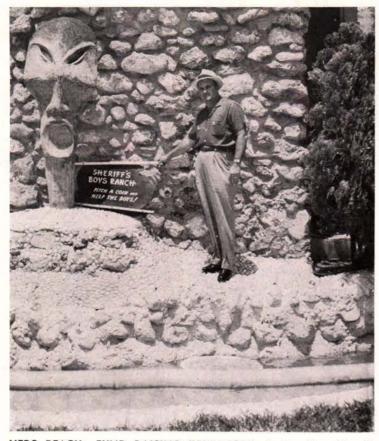
J. Douglas Watson, Quincy W. L. Ford, Quincy Carl McIntyre, Sebring Felix O. Bullard, Monticello Optimist Club of Fort Lauderdale Beach, Ft. Lauder-

Lewis Van Wezel, Sarasota

### **Deputy Receives** Heroism Award

JACKSONVILLE - J. Earl McCombs, one of Sheriff Dale Carson's county partolmen, re-cently received a Heroism Award from the Jacksonville Insurors Association for saving three lives in 12 months.

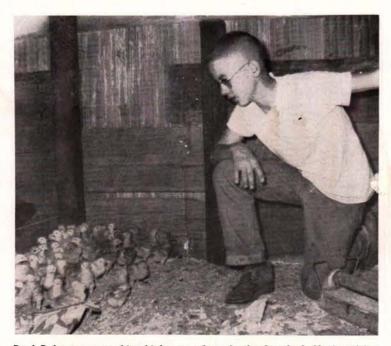
He revived a worker who had brushed a high tension electric wire; revived a five-month-old baby that fell into a pool; and pulled a trapped driver from the cab of a burning truck.



VERO BEACH-FUND RAISING "GIMMICK"-Indian River County Sheriff Sam T. Joyce is pictured here with a "gimmick" he devised to raise money for the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch. He placed a large earthenware dish in the fountain at "The Hut" restaurant and erected a sign inviting patrons to "pitch a coin and help the boys." So far he has raised over \$100 and the coins are still coming.



Mike Edwards (left) and Donald Lee wouldn't win the Olympics this way, but at least they proved that there's more than one way to lift



Paul Roberts counts his chickens—after they're hatched. He is raising

them as a 4-H Club project.

# **Newspaper Gives** \$546 to Ranch

ST. PETERSBURG - Pinellas County Sheriff Don Genung announced that the St. Petersburg Independent, daily newspaper, raised \$546 for the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch through a subscription drive.

A portion of the money re-ceived for each subscription sold during the drive was allocated to the Ranch.

Sheriff Genung said the funds raised by the newspaper will be used toward construc-tion of a swimming pool.

He said the newspaper has been made a member of the Boys Ranch Founders Club as a token of appreciation.



David Whelan tries out the new lawn mower donated to the Boys Ranch by Nelson Weygant and Sonny Jones, of St. Petersburg.

# **Scientific Soil Conservation** Plan Completed for Boys Ranch

Officials of the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch, announced completion of a detailed scientific farm conservation plan for effective utilization of the 730-acre ranch site.

The plan was prepared by the Suwannee River Soil Conservation District with assist-ance from the United States Department of Agriculture Soil Conservation Service.

It recommends that 120 acres be used for cultivated crops, 399 acres for improved pasture, 135 acres for woodland and 76 acres for miscel-

laneous purposes. The 399 acres of improved

pasture are expected to carry approximately 250 mature cows year-around, providing excess grass in the summer can be saved in the form of hay or silage.

Recommended row crops are tobacco, corn, millet, grain and sorghum.

A farming program is already well under way at the Ranch. It includes a large vegetable garden, pine plantings, grain crops, and improved pas-

Livestock at the ranch in-cludes a herd of pure-bred cat-tle, hogs, chickens, horses, ponies, mules and peacocks.

# In Memoriam

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

Mrs. Alan R. Harper, St. Petersburg; in memory of her son, Charles H. Harper.

Mr. & Mrs. Paul S. Neeld, Mrs. Hastings and Mrs. Pearl Haynes, Leesburg; in mem-ory of Mrs. Will M. Mason.

Dr. A. C. Wilhelm, Jr., Ft. Lauderdale; in memory of Mrs. Marie Thomas, Portland, Oregan.

Fleet Reserve Association, Sunshine Branch 102, St. Petersburg; in memory of Orson Leon Crandall, Lt., USN, Retired, St. Petersburg.

Fleet Reserve Association, Branch 179, Gainesville; in memory of Victor O. Remmel, QMC, USN, Retired.

Fleet Reserve Association, Sunshine Branch 102, St. Petersburg; in memory of George G. Gerrow, CMMA, USN, Retired, Gulfport.

Herbert B. Clibbon, Detroit, Michigan; in memory of Earl C. Aardal, Bearborn, Michi-

Mrs. William Hutsell, St. Petersburg; in memory of William Hutsell.

P. J. Callaghan Company, St. Petersburg; in memory of William Hutsell.

Mr. & Mrs. Edward F. Mierski, St. Petersburg; in memory of William Hutsell. Sheriff Willis V. McCall, Tavares; in memory of Mrs. Minnie Cassady, Tavares.

Mrs. Frances Rita Francis, Margaret Thompson, Martha Allison, Martha Wildeman and Ginny Johnson, St. Petersburg; in memory of William Hutsell. Sargent's Pest Control Service, Dade City; in mem-ory of Mr. J. Earl Miller,

Ridge Manor.
The Memorial Fund will perpetuate the memory of deceased relatives and friends by providing the financing for a facility of permanent signifi-

cance such as a Ranch chapel. Send contributions to Me-morial Fund, Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch, P. O. Box 649, Live Oak, Florida.

They should be accompanied

by:
(1) The name and address of the contributor.
(2) The full name the person in whose memory the

contribution is given.

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

ALL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE BOYS RANCH ARE IN-COME TAX-DEDUCTIBLE.

### 10c Ice Cream Cone Causes \$400 Crash

The Sheriff's Star warned recently that an ice cream cone can be a dangerous thing in a moving automobile, whether in the hands of the driver or a passenger.

Here's an example of what can happen:

A child riding in a car near Delray Beach dropped some ice cream and the driver tried to wipe up the mess. Suddenly the car went out of control, crossed the center line of the highway and crashed into a

utility pole.

Damage to the car was estimated at \$400 and the driver was treated for a mouth injury.

# **BAD CHECK ARTIST'S GALLERY**

Compiled by The Florida Sheriffs Bureau

Don McLeod — Director



WILLIAM H. JOHNSTON
Alias BILL, white male, age 36, 5' 10", 142, brown hair—greying on sides, blue eyes. Tattoo of name "SUE" upper left arm, tattoo of name "HAZEL" upper right arm; cut scar high left cheek. Subject left Pensacola 6-11-60, driving green 1950 Olds, 1960 Florida Lic. 9-rest



unknown. Subject has been identified as former SP inmate #44938, FBI #4 477 203. He may be accompanied by his wife and child. Warrants issued, charge Forgery. If apprehended notify Sheriff Shelby, Pensacola, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee. Florida.



ROGER F. GIBSON
White male, age 48, 5 feet, 10 inches tall, weighs 200 pounds, greying hair, blue eyes. Occupation: Engineer. FBI #730 582B. Left St. Petersburg 6-6-60, driving a blue 1952 Chrysler,



Fla. License 4W-67576. Warrants held by S. O. Pinellas County, charge Worthless Checks. If apprehended notify Police Dept., St. Petersburg, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



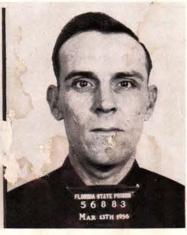
WILLIAM PHILLIP HALEY
White male, 5 feet, 8 inches
tall, weighs 135 pounds, brown
hair, grey eyes, ruddy complexion. FBI #4695272. Last information received was that subject was working for Folton
and Taylor Packing Co., Palmetto, Fla. His usual occupation
is cook, service station attendant, common laborer. He is a



heavy drinker. May be on probation from state of Indiana for armed robbery. He is wanted by SO Collier County for Worthless Checks under \$100 and for non-support of four children. If apprehended notify Sheriff Hendry, Everglades, Fla., or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



GEORGE COLLINS
With aliases Robert Watson,
Jessie Nealy and others. White
male, age 40, 5 feet 5½ inches
tall, weighs 130 pounds, peculiar looking eyes. Walks
hunched over; walks out with
left foot and brings right foot
even with left foot, then steps
forward with left foot again.
Forged and cashed 8 checks in
Gadsden County and has been



identified by his victims as George Laverne Collins, former SP #56883. Information received that he has left Florida and may be in California. Warrants issued and if located will extradite if necessary. If apprehended notify Sheriff Edwards, Quincy, Fla., or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee,

# Good Job if You Can Afford It

SARASOTA — Law enorcement is a good career—if you can afford it.

But, because of the low pay, many people can't.

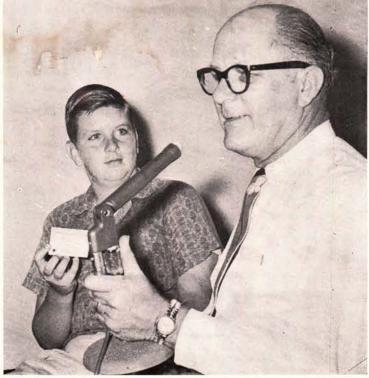
Assistant State Attorney James T. Adams had something to say on this theme when he appeared before the Sertoma Club here.

He said some officers can't afford to follow their careers in the enorcement field unless they have other jobs on the side and their wives work.

Appealing for higher pay for wearers of the badge, he also urged that the number of officers be increased.

Adams cited detective fiction which shows the investigator following a quarry to the ends of the world to catch him. Those people are successful, he said, because they are able to stay on a case until it is solved.

In actual practice, however, enforcement agencies are often understaffed and investigators cannot devote the time needed to solve serious crimes.



SARASOTA—INTERVIEWED BY SHERIFF—School boy Jim Woods recently became the 1,000th member of Sheriff Ross Boyer's Safety Club and was given the honor of being interviewed by Sheriff Boyer at Station WAMR.

# **Generous Support from Suwannee**

Suwannee County, home of the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch, has generously supported the Ranch with cash and material gifts. In the pictures below, Suwannee County Sheriff Hugh Lewis expresses his appreciation to some of the many contributors by presenting them with Boys Ranch Founders Club Certificates. The recipients are: (left column, top to bottom) Mr. and Mrs. Alfred T. Airth, Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Boyles, Sid Allen Jr., Frank Jenkins; (right column, top to bottom) Homer Goff, Mrs. Sid Allen Sr., (accepting on behalf of her husband who is deceased), Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Jones, and Mrs. Haywood T. Hall (accepting certificates for herself and her husband).

















# Sheriff John Kirk Develops Modern Crime Laboratory



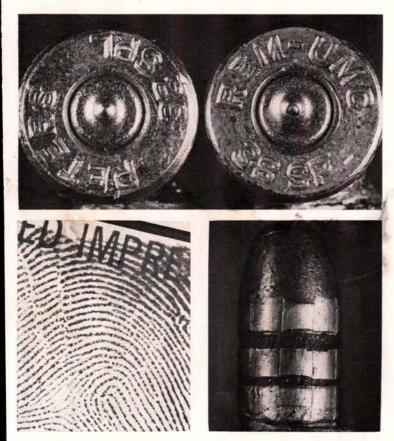
WEST PALM BEACH—This is a warning to anyone planning to commit a murder, crack a safe or hold up a bank in Palm Beach County.

Sheriff John Kirk is prepared to hunt you down relentlessly with one of the best equipped crime laboratories in the state.

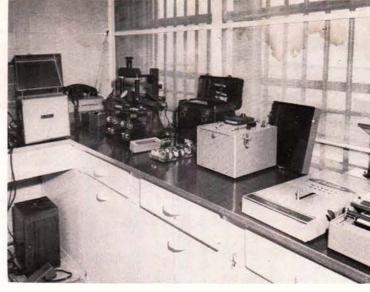
Pictured above is some of the equipment now in use. It includes (from left) fingerprint field kit, compound microscope, chemical analysis kit, iodine fuming cabinet, ultraviolet compounds, ultra-violet projector, fingerprint comparator, portable short-wave radio unit (walkie-talkie), comparison microscope, ultra-violet field kit, breatholyzer



Deputy Sheriff Fred Tannehill, fingerprint expert, classifies fingerprints. His work, following scientific methods, frequently leads to the conviction of guilty persons or the acquittal of innocent persons.



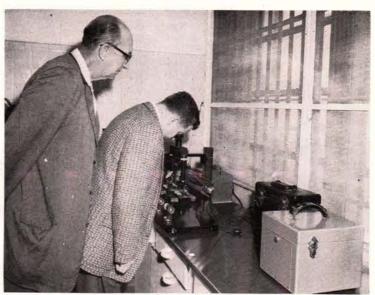
Enlarged photographs of fingerprints, bullets and casings such as those above provide valuable evidence in crimes of violence. Guns leave tell-tale markings on bullets and casings which trained investigators can identify



(for testing alcoholic consumption of drunken driving suspects) and duplicating machine.

The pictures below illustrate just a few of the ways this equipment can be used to hunt down lawbreakers through fingerprints, shell casings, bullets and other important pieces of evidence.

The laboratory is part of the Criminal Investigation Division of Sheriff Kirk's Department. Deputy Sheriff H. L. (Slim) Conyers is in charge of the Investigating Department and Deputy Sheriff Eugene Ellis is in charge of the laboratory.



Deputy Sheriff H. L. (Slim) Conyers, chief criminal investigator, watches Deputy Sheriff Eugene Ellis examining a bullet through the comparison microscope.

## HOW TO RAISE A JUVENILE DELINQUENT In Twelve Easy Lessons

The Police Department of Houston, Texas, gives to the parents of each juvenile who runs afoul of the law twelve rules for raising a juvenile delinquent. Here they are:

1. Begin with infancy to give the child everything he wants. In this way he will grow up believing the world owes him a living.

2. When he picks up "bad" words or "dirty" words, laugh at him. That will make him think he is "cute." He will run off and pick up some other words that will blow the top off your head.

3. Never give him any spiritual training until he is twentyone, and then let him decide
for himself. By the same logic,
never teach him the English
language. Maybe when he is
old enough he will want to
speak Bantu.

4. Praise him in his presence to all the neighbors; show how much smarter he is than the neighbors' children.

5. Avoid the use of the word "wrong." It may develop in the child a "guilt complex." This will prepare him to believe that when he is punished later on for stealing cars or assaulting women that society is "against him" and that he is being "persecuted"

6. Pick up everything after him: his shoes, his books, his clothes. Do everything for him, so that he will be experienced in throwing burdens on others.

7. Let him read anything he wants. Have no concern whatever for what goes into his mind. Provide him with Lily cups for his lips, but let his brain drink out of any dirty container for words and ideas.

8. Quarrel frequently in the presence of your chiles.

8. Quarrel frequently in the presence of your children. In this way they will be prepared for broken homes later on.

9. Give him all the spending money he wants; never let him earn his own.

JACKSONVILLE — Statistics presented during an FBI conference on auto thefts revealed

10. Satisfy every craving of the child for food, drinks and everything that has to do with the sense of taste and touch, gratifying every sensual desire.

11. Take his part against policemen, teachers and neighbors. They are all "prejudiced" against your child.

12. When he gets into real trouble, always defend yourself and say, "I never could do anything with him."

# Crime Cost Set at \$128 Per Capita

WASHINGTON—The annual cost of crime in the nation is \$128 for every man, woman and child, FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover said in calling for greater citizen interest in law enforcement.

In a message to all law enforcement officials, Hoover said success in the battle against crime can come only from intelligent cooperation between police and public.

Noting that the rapid growth of local communities and suburban areas in recent years has been a phenomenal development of the American scene, he urged citizen interest to develop police facilities to strengthen enforcement at a time when serious crimes are being committed with greater frequency than ever.

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"Homeowners who pay utility bills, businessmen who negotiate contracts, individuals who purchase goods and commodities, and investors who risk their earnings take an interest in the services and wares they obtain." Hower said

ties, and investors who risk their earnings take an interest in the services and wares they obtain," Hoover said.

"Today the annual cost of crime amounts to \$128 for every person in the nation or \$506 for every family. For every \$1 expended on education, crime costs \$1.11; for every \$1 contributed to churches, crime costs \$12. Assuredly the citizens of the United States who are paying the annual 22 - billion - dollar crime bill should be personally concerned with guaranteeing good and sound law enforcement.

"Positive action is the only practical expression of citizen interest and cooperation."

## Park Lights Are For Parking Only 1959 Law Says

TALLAHASSEE—Park lights are good for just what the word says under the control knob on the instrument panel of your automobile—for parking.

A 1959 legislative act outlawed the use of park lights as a substitute for headlights during such times as twilight hours, during a rain, fog or when driving in smoke.

Motorists are required to use the lower beam (dims) at all times during the twilight hours (between dusk and dark and daylight and sunup), and during fog, rain or smoke.

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The law also says that a driver must dim his lights when approaching another vehicle, during the normal course of night-time driving and that this should be done when the cars are 500 feet apart.

All auxiliary lights win the exception of those required for normal operation—such as fog lights, should be turned off completely when approaching oncoming traffic, the law says.

# Automobile Theft Costliest Crime

JACKSONVILLE — Statistics presented during an FBI conference on auto thefts revealed that: Cars are being stolen in the U. S. at the rate of one every two minutes; the value of stolen cars totals more than all other stolen property combined; 94 per cent of the 270,000 cars stolen during 1958 were recovered but only 27 per cent of the thefts were cleared by arrests.

Seventy law enforcement officers representing 13 agencies participated in the conference. Duval County Sheriff Dale Carson took part in a panel discus-

sion.



# Good Place to Fall Overboard

SEBRING-If you have to-this is a good place to fall overboard, get asphyxiated or have most any kind of an accident.

Your chances of being rescued or revived are real good because Highlands County Sheriff Broward Coker has an alert, well trained Rescue Unit that is prepared for almost any type of emergency.

In the picture above Sheriff Coker is shown (left) with some of the 26 members of the squad and part of the emergency equipment.

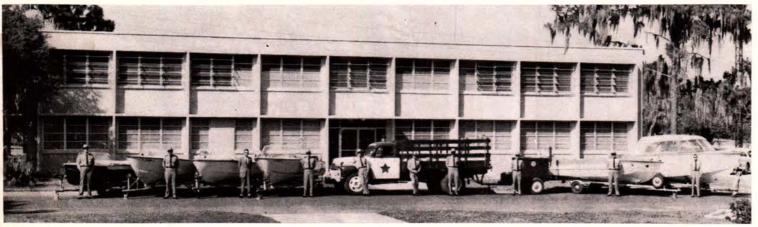
The picture at the right shows four of the squad's

rescue boats on a practice patrol.

Below, with the Highlands County Jail in the background, is part of the fleet of 13 boats operated by the







# U. N. Report Shows Delinquency Increasing All Over the World

(United Press International filed the following news story from the United Nations on May 19.)

In most countries, juvenile delinquents are becoming more numerous and are finding new ways to amuse themselves and

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'les, damage property, comraffic violations, engage in gang activity, vandalism, and sex delinquency, and resort to alcohol and drugs.

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Increase i ' In the United Stat .. out 12 girls per cent of all boy now between the age. and 17 have appeared before venile court at least of 1957 alone, there were such appearances—16 p In 000 ent more than in 1956. The increase in American juvenile court appearances over the nine-year period from 1949-1957 is almost 2½ times, while the total number of children in the 10-17 age group increased by only one-

A rise in juvenile offenses has also been observed, in greater or lesser degree, in Britain, Australia, South Africa, New Zealand, East Germany, Austria, Greece, Yugoslavia, France, Sweden, Finland and the Philippines—to name only a few countries.

Auto stealing has become a popular sport among youngsters wherever cars are abundant, In America, out of 28,035 persons arrested in 1956 for auto theft, 15,805 were 16 or under.

Stealing Trend In France, delinquents steal motorcycles as well, and in Thailand they steal bicycles. It has been observed that often the vehicles are "borrowed" by boys who want to impress their girl friends. Some of them cannot dance, feel ill at ease with girls, and use the stolen cars as a means of expressing their manliness.

Traffic violations, often due to dru ken driving, have be-come more frequent among the young. In the United States, they account for around 30 per cent of all delinquency cases.

Street-corner groups and gangs are now common in many countries, and have acquired colorful identifying names. In France, they are known as the "Black Jackets," in West Germany the "Half Matured," in England the "Teddy Boys," in Italy the "Fat Calves," in Russia and Poland the "Hooligans," and in Japan the "Mambo "Mambo

Gangs Widespread
Gangs are the "most important new type of juvenile delinquency, found in nearly all parts of the world," according

to the U.N. report.

and in Japan the Boys and Girls."



CLEARWATER - During a recent visit to the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office, in California, Pinellas County Sheriff Don Genung studied details of a system under which small cities surrounding Los Angeles are able to contract with the sheriff for law enforcement.

Seventeen cities in the county, with a combined population of 342,000, now get their law enforcement under such contract arrangements.

Pinellas County has a number of small incorporated towns with no police departments which receive law enforcement services from Genung's office free of charge.

Genung visited the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office while he was a delegate to the Democratic National Conven-tion. The office has a \$33,000,-000 budget, a staff of 4,300 people, and direct responsibility for law enforcement in an area with  $1\frac{1}{2}$  million inhabitants.

Included in the tour of inspection was the Sheriff's Academy which is considered one of the outstanding law enforcement training centers in the nation. Genung said he hopes to send two of his deputies there for a 14-week training course.

# Sheriffs Kayo Theft Rings

The Burglary and Robbery business took a beating from Sheriffs in various sections of the state recently.

In Lake City, Columbia County Sheriff Ralph Witt reported the rounding up of two burglary rings. One of the gangs was said to be responsible for 23 thefts in the Lake City area. The other was credited with at least six local break-ins and was believed to have been responsible for thefts have been responsible for thefts in Jacksonville and Jacksonville Beach.

In Marianna, five men were arrested in what Sheriff Roy Roberson described as the smashing of a tri-state burglary ring. The Sheriff said it ap-pears the men were committing burglaries all over the state and in Alabama and Georgia.

Duval County Sheriff Dale Carson reported the arrest of two men who had admitted three armed robberies in the Jacksonville area. The robberies involved two service stations and a liquor store.



BOYS RANCH GIFTwas donated to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch by State Sen. E. William Gautier (right). Shown accepting the gift is Volusia County Sheriff Rodney Thursby (center), while Juvenile Counselor Ernie Gibbs looks on. (Photo by Cine Pic Productions, Inc., Daytona Beach.)



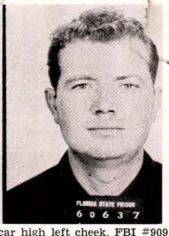
-GUESTS OF THE SHERIFF--Volusia County Sheriff Rodney Thursby held a swimming party and picnic for his Junior Deputy Sheriffs. Some of the youngsters are pictured in the Daytona Shores Motel pool chatting with Deputy Sheriff Carl F. Giarrusso. (Photo courtesy Daytona Beach Morning Journal.)

# WANTED PERSONS

## As Compiled by the Florida Sheriffs | ureau Don McLeod, Director



JAMES HUGHES White male, date of birth 10-18-28, in Lynn Haven, Fla., 5 feet 8¾ inches tall, weighs 207 pounds, stocky build, light brown hair, hazel eyes. Vaccination scar upper left arm, cut scar back of right hand, cut



scar high left cheek. FBI #909 750 B.SP #54765, 60637. Escaped from County jail, Bonifay, Fla., 7-3-60. If apprehended notify Sheriff Andrews, Bonifay, Fla., or Florida Sher-iffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Flor-



ANDREW JAMES DARLING Colored male, date of birth 1-16-38, 6 feet, 1 inch tall, weighs 205 pounds, black hair, dark brown eyes. Three cut scars brown eyes. Three cut scars upper left forearm, cut scar lower left cheek. Occupation: #63602, SP trainer.



#60146, FBI #142 681C. Subject escaped while being transferred from State Prison to Dade County. If apprehended notify Det. Obrien, SO, Miami, Fla., or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Fla.



EARL FLETCHER McLENDON Colored male, age 19, 6 feet tall, weighs 172 pounds, black hair, brown eyes, medium build. It is believed McLendon and It is believed McLendon and Ben Smith are traveling to-gether in a 1952 Chevrolet 4-door, tag #15-11885. Warrant issued, charge B and E. If ap-prehended notify Police Dept., Bradenton, Fla., or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee,

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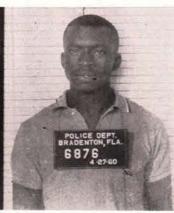
M. L. REYNOLDS White male, age 26, 5 feet 73/4 inches tall, weighs 148 pounds, medium build, medium brown hair, blue eyes. Tattoo of word "RAIFORD" upper left arm, tattoo of word "EL CHICO" inside left forearm, near wrist.



SP #53373, FBI #485 387 3. Wanted on charge Escape from SRP #1754, Fort Myers, where he was serving five year term from Polk County on charge Forgery. If apprehended notify SP Raiford, or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



BEN SMITH Colored male, age 18, 5 feet, 10 inches tall, weighs 150 pounds, black hair, brown eyes. War-rant will be issued charge B



and E. If apprehended notify Police Dept., Bradenton, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau,



WILLIAM HENRY, JR.
Colored male, date of birth
11-30-29, 5 feet, 9 inches tall,
weighs 135 pounds, medium
build, black hair, dark brown
eves, dark brown complexion eyes, dark brown complexion. Vaccination scar upper left arm, bite scar outside edge upper right arm, scar on left eyebrow; numerous gun shot



scars about back, very notice-able. SP #54800. Wanted on charge escape from SRP #3751 DeFuniak Springs, 5-31-60, where he was serving 14 year term for B and E, PL. If apprehended notify SP Raiford, or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



HENRY WATKINS Alias Henry Watson, colored male, date of birth 1-27-21, 5 feet, 9 inches tall, weighs 155 pounds, medium build, black hair, brown eyes, black complexion; small mu ache. Scar back of left hand, small scar left arm, scar over left eye, scar left temple; four inch scar



White female, age 18, 5 feet 8 inches tall, weighs 120 pounds, brown hair, brown eyes. Last seen by her mother, June 18, 1960, about 5 P.M. in a d g store in Leesburg, Fla. Any expraying subjects whereal center abdomen. FBI #4975263. Subject charged with Assault with intent to Murder. The bondsman is offering \$50.00 reknowing subjects whereal scontact Sheriff McCall, 1avares, Fla., or Florida Sheriffs ward for this subject if he is arrested before November 1960. If apprehended notify Sheriff

HAZEL POPE



LAWRENCE JENKINS White male, age 30, 5 feet, 9½ inches tall, weighs 140 pounds, medium build, light brown hair, blue eyes, ruddy complexion. Occupation: Railroad worker. Tattoo of dagger with word "JEAN" on upper right forearm. Vaccination scar upper right forearm. SP

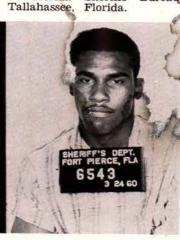


#60315, FBI #2749122. Wanted for escape from SRP #1754 Fort Myers, 5-19-60, where he was serving five year term from Osceola County on charge B and E, Auto Larceny. If apprehended notify SP Rai-ford, or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



WILLIS JEROME YOUNG Colored male, date and place of birth 8-28-37, Augusta, Ga., 5 feet, 11 inches tall, weighs 162 pounds, black hair, brown eyes, light complexion. Laborer.

FBI #545 712D. Wanted on



W. T. Jolly, Oglethorpe, Geor or Florida Sheriffs Bureau,

charge Escape, will extradite if necessary. If apprehended notify Sheriff Norvell, Fort Pierce, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee,



RICHARD V. CHAMBERLAIN White male, age 36, 5 feet, 9 inches, weighs 140 pounds, dark hair-streaked with grey, brown hair-streaked with grey, brown eyes, thin mustache. Recently had spinal operation. Missing since July 1, 1960. Last seen in DeLand, Fla., where he was working as a plasterer. Any one knowing subject's whereabouts contact Sheriff Thursby, DeLand, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.

## **Bad Checks**

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cers will have to exercise the greatest possible resourcefulness, and merchants should cooperate by tightening their check - cashing procedures," said McLeod.

McLeod warned that the period when the greatest number of worthless checks are passed is still to come since the trend is for 50 per cent of all bad checks passed in a year to occur during the period August through December. According to McLeod, the peak period oc-curs during the months of October, November and December when 35 per cent of the year's total is passed.

The Florida Sheriffs Bureau director called for continued cooperation between merchants and law enforcement authorities to curb the activity of the check passer in Florida. He urged that merchants implement stricter check cashing procedures in their respective establishments to curtail this coefficient. costly criminal activity.

### Phooey on Purity

OKEECHOBEE — Moon-shiners don't lose any sleep worrying about the purity of their product.

For example, a stagnant pond was the source of water supply for a moonshine still raided near here recently. Officers found that it contained dead fish, snakes and frogs.

# What About the Chicago **Policemen Who Went Wrong?**

(The following editorial by Elliott B. Hoffman, Managing Editor, Police Press Inc., is reprinted from the Florida Police Journal through express permission of the Florida Peace Of-ficers Association.)

Newspapers throughout the country have been carrying screaming headlines about the Chicago policemen who con-sorted with a thief to share his loot and "monitor" his burglary escapades to afford him "pro-

tection."

No law enforcement officer worth his salt would raise a voice against the press in publicizing this dastardly arrangement. In fact, the diligent and honest policemen throughout the country welcome this "news spotlight" to stamp out those who would wear the badge to hide behind it to break the law. Very unfortunately, however,

the acts of a few crooked policemen tend to put the scarlet brand on law enforcement officers in general-and it is indeed a travesty on fair play that so many honest peace officers must suffer by implication.

Crooked policemen make good headlines—but honest police-men rarely, indeed, receive a word of commendation. "They're paid to be honest," the taxpayer says. "Why do they have to be patted on the back?" Well, a "pat on the back" never hurt anyone—and oft

times can serve a mighty good purpose. When is the last time it was pointed out that the law enforcement profession has the best record of any professional, trade, or worker group for OBEYING the law? Statistics prove, beyond a shadow of doubt, that fewer policemen are involved in all types of civil or criminal action, then for any criminal action—than for any other segment of the working population.

A policeman is human. He is subject to the same temptations which face every man, woman or child. In fact, temptations is flaunted at him every day of his life—temptations which we dare say are much more potent than most of those placed before other people.

But the policeman's innate character, his integrity, his moral sense of values, his background and training, give him the strength to resist—and remain worthy of his badge. And this goes virtually unhearalded by the public and the press.

Rare indeed is the citizen who accepts a tag for over-parking — or speeding — or for any violation — and then THANKS the officer for per-forming his duty. How many can come forward to say they successfully "fixed" the officer? They can't get to first base with the officer —and they know it! They want him to carry out his duties — to be diligent and strict with everybody — but themselves!

There is a great deal of credit to be given to the administrative officers of the Chicago Police Department. They quietly and boldly, went about their own investigation of the crime and voluntarily brought it — and voluntarily brought it to full light — knowing full well the impending consequences of the screaming headlines to fol-

It didn't require another law enforcement agency — Federal, State or County to bring about the exposure. It was the Chi-cago Police Department that did its own dirty work and has taken the full impact of the

Heads have fallen — more will probably fall — the "shake-up" will be complete — to satisfy everyone — politicians — the press — and the public.

But somewhere - let there be a strong voice to speak out to pay proper tribute to the tens of thousands of police and peace officers throughout our nation who carry out their duties in complete and unimpeachable honesty — every day — in every

Let the press publicize the fact that most police associations are making every endeavor to constantly improve the law enforcement profession — that they fight for hard won funds to conduct police training schools, to gain improvement in working conditions, salaries and pensions.

Let there be an alerted public to the policeman's problems let the citizen come to recognize that the policeman is a HUMAN BEING — that all the officer wants is to be paid at least as much as unskilled labor — let alone the pay scale of skilled labor!

Let the press educate the public on the policeman's needs let them throw a deserving bouquet his way once in a while. Let the press throw its full support behind the voluntary police associations in their endeavors to improve the officer's

To the Chicago policemen who have dragged the reputations of thousands of good officers into the filthy pit they chose for themselves, we say their punishment will never end because they will always live with the disgrace they brought to the badge of their devoted and dedicated fellow officers.



-BICYCLE RODEO-Sheriff Ross E. Bover (left) and Deputy Sheriff D. S. (Cap) Stevens are pictured here with the winners of a Bicycle Rodeo" sponsored by Sheriff Boyer's Safety Club. Designed to teach safe operation of bicycles, the rodeo included obstacle races, speed trials, trick riding and a written test. Winners in all divisions received trophies. The grand prize of a new bicycle was won by Joe Devineaux, 12, of Osprey, who is pictured above at right. The other winners are (from left) Eran Rumbaugh, Caroline Jones and Phillip



STUART—RECORD HAUL—Sheriff Roy Baker (left) and Deputy Sheriff James Holt start to dump the largest load of moonshine ever confiscated here in one car. It totaled 155 gallons and was found in the trunk of a stolen car. The driver was caught by Holt when he attempted to get away. (Photo by Ed Gluckler.)



DeLAND-SCHOLARSHIP FUND DONATION-Sarah Jane Riley, of St. Petersburg, secretary of the Stetson University Green Feather drive, presents \$240 to Volusia County Sheriff Rodney Thursby as the first donation to a scholarship fund to provide college educations for boys enrolled at the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch. Looking on is Paul Martz, Pompano Beach, chairman of the Stetson drive. Photo courtesy Florida Times-Union, Jacksonville.)



-VISITOR FROM VIET NAM-Dade County Sheriff Thomas J. Kelly (right) discusses firearms identification problems with Inspector La Van Hung, of the National Security Police of the Republic o Nam. The Inspector is completing a two-year training program in the United States, which includes classes at Michigan State University and visits to outstanding enforcement agencies such as Sheriff Kelly's department.







—AIRBOAT SEARCH—The usefulness of the airboat operated by Sheriff James W. Dunn's Rescue Squad was effectively illustrated recently when a small private plane crashed in a remote, shallow area of Moore's Creek. The top picture shows Sheriff's Investigator Willard Winnett (left) and Rescue Squad Lt. Dick Granger enroute to the crash scene. The middle photo shows the plane wreckage, and the bottom photo shows Winnett and Granger inspecting the flight plan and other papers found in the plane. (Orlando Sentinel Photos.)