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NATION'S TOP JAILER

JACKSONVILLE — Florida has many reasons to be proud of its county jails.

Pictured on the cover is one of them—Tom Heaney, chief warden of the Duval County Jail, who recently received an award naming him the nation's outstanding jailer for 1962.

The award was presented to Heaney by Robert H. Jamison, president of the National Jail Association, in Philadelphia—marking the first time it has gone to an official in the South.

Duval County Sheriff Dale Carson, Heaney's boss, said the award "bears out the confidence I have in Tom and the way he's operating the jail. It is an honor not only for him but the entire personnel of the jail."

The award cited Heaney for his guard training program, prisoner rehabilitation work, visiting nurse program in which a nurse visits the jail each week to give dispensary treatment or medicine to prisoners who are not ill enough to enter a hospital, his program of encouraging prisoners to volunteer for donations to the Jacksonville Blood Bank and "his constant endeavor to improve the institution."

Heaney was named acting warden of the jail July 9, 1958; and became chief warden after taking a county civil service examination. At the time of his appointment as acting warden he was a lieutenant in the Duval County Patrol which he joined in 1947. He was made a sergeant in 1955 and was advanced to lieutenant in 1957.

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BRADENTON — BIG GIRL NOW — Sheriff Ken Gross can count on at least one more vote in the next election — his daughter Judy who recently turned 21 and is shown here being sworn in as a voter by Mrs. Fred Handville, deputy registrar. Standing by as a witness is the Sheriff holding granddaughter Judy Marie. (Photo courtesy the Bradenton Herald.)

Dyess Plans Patrol And Branch Office

LABELLE—A new branch office and a water safety patrol are among improvements planned by Hendry County Sheriff Earl Dyess.

He said the branch office will be located in Clewiston and will have instant communication with central headquarters here through short-wave radio.

This will enable the sheriff to give more efficient service in the Clewiston area and to answer emergency calls more speedily.

Sheriff Dyess has been cooperating with the Florida Boating Council in promoting water safety and the water safety patrol will be another step in this direction. He plans to organize it with the assistance of the local boating club.

Another improvement is the current jail expansion and remodeling project which will give the Sheriff facilities for 74 prisoners and ease overcrowding.

Summarizing conditions in Hendry County, Sheriff Dyess said enforcement problems are increasing in rural areas due to a heavy influx of migratory workers, but juvenile violations are on the decline.

He attributed the drop in youth crimes to the effective work of Dr. Jim Wright, juvenile court counselor; and he praised the county and city commission for helping to provide the counselor's service.

Short Trip

MADISON — When a 17-year-old convict escaped from a road gang near here guards called Madison County Sheriff S. H. (Simmie) Moore.

Fifteen minutes after the sheriff and his bloodhounds hit the trail the fugitive was back in custody.

Friend of the Innocent

DELAND—The polygraph (lie detector) machine will protect the freedom of the innocent as readily as it will expose the guilty.

For this reason, says Volusia County Sheriff Rodney Thursby, it should be in every law enforcement agency's arsenal of investigative weapons. He has been using one in his office for more than two years.

"Freedom is a precious thing," Thursby commented. "Any person suspected of a crime is entitled to everything we have at our disposal to safeguard that liberty."

In its first 100 tests, Thursby's polygraph machine operated by Deputy Beryl Nettles cleared almost as many persons as it sent to jail.

In one borderline criminal case the "box", as it is known in jailhouse lingo, saved a woman's job and reputation. The woman's boss, a merchant, suspected that she had been "dipping into" the cash register and instead of preferring charges he fired her.

Thinking it over later, the merchant decided perhaps he had acted hastily and prevailed upon the sheriff to give the woman a polygraph test. The machine indicated she knew nothing about the thefts and the merchant rehired her.

Later he learned that his part-time cashier had been punching the wrong key on the cash register and that was why the cash did not check out.

Lie detector tests are not accepted as evidence in court trials, but they are extremely helpful in checking testimony when a criminal case is under investigation. Statements of suspects



DELAND—THE WHOLE TRUTH—Deputy Sheriff Beryl Nettles uses Christine Right, 14, as his "guinea pig" while demonstrating a lie detector test before a junior high school civics class.

and witnesses can be scientifically evaluated and the polygraph, like an "electronic bloodhound" can lead officers through thickets of lies and half-truths to the true facts of the case.

Sometimes exposing a suspect to a polygraph test will bring a voluntary confession. Other times just the suggestion of going before the "box" will bring an admission of guilt.

Take your time in heavy traffic. Trying to hurry is hard on nerves, fenders and pedestrians.



LIVE OAK—RAINCOATS FOR JUNIOR DEPUTIES—The Live Oak Lions Club presented raincoats to Sheriff Hugh Lewis' Junior Deputy Sheriffs to protect them while they are on school safety patrol assignments. Pictured here at the presentation are (from left) Live Oak Police Chief Elwood Roward; Lions Glen Milton and Reginald Scott (president); Tommy Shields, captain of the Junior Deputies; Sheriff Lewis (who is a past-president of the Lions Club); and Jim Shields, chairman of the Junior Deputy League board of directors.

The human side of Florida's Sheriffs was never more evident than on the afternoon of November 4 when hundreds of people from all sections of the state gathered at the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch to dedicate the new \$50,000 Annie Barron Pentland Memorial Residence Cottage donated by Col. Robert Pentland Jr., Miami accountant, in memory of his mother.

It was reflected in the words of Robert Early, when he delivered the invocation; and in the sincere benediction spoken by one of his fellow ranchers, Wally Edwards.

These boys expressed the gratitude of all of the ranchers for the fine facilities and advantages made available to them through the public-spiritedness of the sheriffs and the generosity of thousands of people who have supported the Ranch with their gifts.

U. S. Senator Spessard Holland, the dedication speaker, took note of it also when he pointed to the Ranch as proof that sheriffs — although their job requires them to be stern and serious — also have fine "human qualities."

Typically American

He said the Ranch is "typically American" and "contrasts so vividly with other things going on on our troubled old earth that are not typically American."

A long time friend of Col. Pentland and his mother, Sen. Holland declared that the 18 boys who will live in the new memorial cottage "should know something about 'Mother Pentland' and the wonderful person she was. They will get something from a knowledge of the kind of people behind this gift."

He said she had been active in many

The Sheriff's Human Side Was Showing

types of civic affairs in Coral Gables, including terms as chairman of the garden club and president of the Town and Gown Club.

He recalled with gratitude that "she went on the radio in my behalf during my 1940 campaign . . . and I will never forget her graciousness."

Lover of Children

He described Col. Pentland as a "lover of children" who has "found here a wonderful opportunity to help boys who only need a chance."

To Florida's sheriffs Sen. Holland tossed this bouquet; "We are fortunate here to have a high caliber of men in the high position of chief enforcement officers. I congratulate the sheriffs on their good work."

He went on to say that the Florida

Sheriffs Bureau, a state agency sponsored by the Florida Sheriffs Association, "has made a great contribution to the safety and security of our state."

Following Sen. Holland's address, John A. Madigan Jr., of Tallahassee, Attorney for the Florida Sheriffs Association, introduced Col. Pentland as an "accountant, businessman, philanthropist, benefactor of children, big game hunter, world traveler, Air Force Colonel and one of Florida's first and finest citizens."

"I Intend to do More"

"This is for me," said Col. Pentland, "a serious occasion. My mother was always interested in children's work the same as I, and I am sure if she was here today she would approve."

"I intend to do more for the Ranch, while I am living and also after I have passed on. God bless you all, especially the benefactors of the Ranch."

Following these remarks by Col. Pentland, Baker County Sheriff Ed Yarbrough, the master of ceremonies, called upon Sen. Holland and Wally Edwards to escort Col. Pentland to the residence



U. S. Senator Spessard Holland views memorial plaque after unveiling by Col. Robert Pentland, Jr. (left). (Photo by Rupert Chastain, St. Augustine.)



Hundreds of visitors inspected the \$50,000 Pentland Memorial Cottage on November 4. It is a multi-winged building and only the front wing is pictured here. It will provide living quarters for 18 boys and a married couple employed as "cottage parents." (Photo by Rupert Chastain, St. Augustine)

cottage for the unveiling of the memorial plaque.

During the unveiling the Boys Ranch chorus sang "Bless This House."

"Only the Lord God . . ."

In his closing remarks, Sheriff Yarbrough said: "A home is something governed by the spirit . . . only the Lord God can make a good home."

Others featured on the dedication program were Orange County Sheriff Dave Starr, president of the Florida Sheriffs Association, who offered greetings to guests and thanked Col. Pentland on behalf of his fellow sheriffs; Lake County Sheriff Willis McCall, chairman of the executive committee of the Boys Ranch trustees, who introduced guests; Hillsborough County Sheriff

Ed Blackburn Jr., first chairman of the Ranch trustees, who introduced Sen. Holland, and Suwannee County Sheriff Hugh Lewis; who introduced officials and guests from Suwannee County.

A barbecue preceded the dedication program with music by the Suwannee High School Band under the direction of Harry Grant.

Jail Contract Let

PALATKA — A \$309,911 contract was awarded to Val-Rich Construction Co., of Orlando, to build the new Putnam County Jail.

Earlier Southern Steel Co., of San Antonio, Tex., was selected to supply jail equipment at a contract price of \$84,700.

The three-story jail will contain about 18,000 square feet and will accommodate 100 prisoners. It will be built on the riverfront overlooking the St. John's River.

The Modern Way

WAUCHULA — When two juveniles stole two horses from a ranch near here, no one went galloping off after them.

Instead Deputy Sheriffs John Boyette and Grady Tomlinson trailed and captured the young hombres the modern way—riding in a jeep truck.

Jail Library

OCALA — After Sheriff Doug Willis moved into the new Marion County Jail, one of his first projects was to establish a jail library.

He appealed for donations of books and pointed out that reading can be very helpful in rehabilitating prisoners.

Surprise Party

MIAMI — The underworld had its own unique way of celebrating Sheriff Thomas J. Kelly's 10th anniversary in office.

While the Sheriff was attending an

anniversary dinner in his honor, burglars broke into his home and stole guns and jewels valued at \$3,000.

Guns stolen included the Sheriff's police special and a gold plated pistol that had been presented to him as a gift.



VERO BEACH — **COURTESY INSPECTION** — Boat operator Jimmy Anderson gets an official O.K. from a safety inspection team composed of (from left) Sheriff Sam T. Joyce, State Conservation Agent H. C. Morgan (kneeling), Col. John Sharp (ret.) of the U. S. Coast Guard Auxiliary and Raymond E. Kupper, district safety officer of the Vero Beach Power Squadron. Sheriff Joyce arranged a series of boat inspections as part of his water safety program. (Photo by Bob Palmer.)

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, Florida.



TALLAHASSEE — THE RANCH STORY — Wally Edwards, a Leon County youth who has made an outstanding record at the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch, returned here to his home county to tell the Tallahassee Woman's Club about life at the Ranch and present a movie of the Ranch. He is shown here with Mrs. W. P. Joyce (center), wife of the Leon County Sheriff and chairman of the Woman's Club Public Affairs Department; and Mrs. Robert Wilson, a member of the department. Wally was accompanied by Boys Ranch Administrator Harry Weaver, who also presented a talk on the Ranch. (Tallahassee Democrat photo by Ellis Finch.)



TAVARES — FATHER AND SON — Lake County Sheriff Willis V. McCall (left) and his son Malcolm, who is also his Chief Radio Dispatcher, share the distinction of honorary lifetime membership in the Florida Sheriffs Association by virtue of large cash donations made to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch. The Sheriff, who is shown comparing his lifetime membership plaque to his son's, is chairman of the executive committee of the Boys Ranch trustees.

BEEF AND BACH

DELAND—Recent donations to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch from Volusia County included a Steinway piano and three hefty heifers weighing 500 pounds each. Volusia County Sheriff Rodney Thursby is pictured accepting the piano from L. M. McDaniel, of Daytona Beach; and the heifers from Dr. Hugh West, of Deland. (Photo of the heifer donation reprinted through the courtesy of the Deland Sun News.)



Builders Club

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

M. E. Miller, Sr., Miami.
Mrs. Raymond A. Reynolds, Orlando.
Sheriff Thomas J. Kelly, Miami.
Mary E. Prickett, Fort Myers.
W. T. Bland, Lake Jem.
Jason Smith, Eustis.
Dr. Hugh West, DeLand.
Mr. and Mrs. L. M. McDaniel, Daytona Beach.
Luther White, Chiefland.
Wesley Wilkin, Washington, D. C.
Childre and Sanders, Inc., Foley, Alabama.
Doug Milne, Jacksonville.
Northwood Lions Club, West Palm Beach.
Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Pope, West Palm Beach.
Hayes Garbarino, West Palm Beach.
Stan Parnell, West Palm Beach.
J. A. (Jack) Frost, Palm Beach.
Marion County Lions Club, Ocala.
Carl Bullis, St. Petersburg.
Florida Citrus Mutual, Lakeland.
Dr. Samuel A. King, Avon Park.
Lawton M. Chiles, Jr., Lakeland.
G. R. Churchill, Williston.
George K. Symons, Jr., Redington Beach.
M. W. Lang, Kathleen.
Sol Brownstein, St. Petersburg.
Winn Upchurch, St. Petersburg.
George Bullis, St. Petersburg.
Francis L. Denzer, Punta Gorda.
Peerless Florida Co., Clearwater.



BARTOW — LIFE MEMBERS — Polk County Sheriff Monroe Brannen presents Florida Sheriffs Association lifetime honorary memberships to State Representative Ben Hill Griffin, of Frostproof; and Mrs. Edwin O. Reidman, of Davenport. This was the Sheriff's way of expressing appreciation for generous donations given to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch.

Jerry Davino, St. Petersburg Beach.
Mrs. Sylvia H. Fredericks, St. Petersburg.
James A. Tuttle, Jacksonville.
A. C. Yonally, Eustis.
Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Mills, Port Orange.
Cedio S. Saltarelli, Belleair Beach.
Marion County Lions Club, Ocala.
Leon H. Lawhon, Live Oak.
Boeing Employees Good Neighbor Fund, Cocoa Beach.
Joe Guagliardo, Tampa.
J. Elsworth Davis, Jacksonville.



FT. PIERCE—HALLOWEEN BALL PROMOTER HONORED—Sheriffs from three counties got together here recently to make Port St. Lucie Country Club Manager Len Hood (shown holding plaque) a lifetime honorary member of the Florida Sheriffs Association. The sheriffs—from left, J. R. Norvell, St. Lucie County; Sam Joyce, Indian River County; and Roy Baker, Martin County—chose this way of expressing their appreciation to Hood for his help in promoting the annual Halloween Invitational Ball at the country club to raise funds for the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch. Last year's ball netted approximately \$1,700 and this year's event, which was held on October 20, is expected to produce a similar amount. (Photo courtesy Vero Beach Press-Journal.)

In Memoriam

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

Mr. Carl Stauffer, Tallahassee; in memory of Mr. W. F. Abbott; and Ed Blackburn, Sr. Mr. Robert Kling, Clearwater; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bourdage, Clearwater Beach; in memory of Robert Walker.

Mr. R. H. Connell, Jr., Plant City; Liles, Edwards and Goodrich, Plant City; in memory of Sgt. Ben P. Wilder.

Mrs. Gladys Crosby, St. Petersburg; Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Bachman, St. Petersburg; Miss Velma Wooldridge, St. Petersburg; in memory of Wilfred Cleworth.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Hooks, Leesburg; in memory of J. H. Butler.

Mr. M. E. Miller, Miami; in memory of Richard S. Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Seastedt, Largo; in memory of Manford Husebo and Donald Swain.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Maxwell, Gretna; in memory of T. R. Smith, Sr.

Mrs. F. L. McGehee, Ocala; in memory of Luther Jennings.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Loeser, Tampa; in

memory of Otto B. Mueller and Harry H. Kaufman.

Mr. Charles A. Hodshon, Dunedin; in memory of David G. Perkins, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Haydon, Clearwater; in memory of Judge Thomas Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. Waldon W. Bryan and Wanda, Alachua; in memory of Y. M. Outlaw.

Rev. John M. Haynes, Live Oak; in memory of Hugh S. Huntoon, Jr.

Arthur W. Tosh, Wellesley, Massachusetts; in memory of Sgt. Donald Tosh.

Sheriff Willis V. McCall, Tavares; in memory of Mr. Ed Blackburn, Sr. and Miss Barbara Clark Covington.

Mrs. Ed Schell, Clearwater; in memory of R. E. Walters.

Mrs. Janet McDuffie, Lake City; in memory of Ed Blackburn, Sr.

Sheriff Willis V. McCall, Tavares; in memory of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Boyd.

Mrs. Jim Hellpenstell, Stuart; in memory of Jim Hellpenstell.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Austin, Fort Meade; in memory of Sgt. Ben Wilder.

The Memorial Fund will perpetuate the memory of deceased relatives and friends by providing the financing for a Boys Ranch Chapel.

Please use the form below when mailing contributions to this fund.

Mail To:

Memorial Fund
Florida Sheriffs
Boys Ranch
P. O. Box 649
Live Oak, Florida

Enclosed find contribution of \$ _____
In memory of _____
Send acknowledgment to:
Name _____
Address _____
From (Donor's Name) _____
Address _____



KISSIMEE — SHERIFF'S GRATEFUL — Osceola County Sheriff Bob Buckels shows his appreciation for a generous donation Dick Makinson made to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch by presenting to him a Boys Ranch Builders Club certificate. (Orlando Sentinel photo by Bob Bobroff.)



TALLAHASSEE — LIFE MEMBER — Leon County Sheriff W. P. (Bill) Joyce presents a lifetime membership in the Florida Sheriffs Association to Peter Fenn, of Tallahassee, as an expression of appreciation for generous support given to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch. (Photo by Leon County Sheriff's Department.)



FT. LAUDERDALE — CHAPEL GIFT — Deputy Sheriff Otto Hettesheimer holds a large oil painting of the "Crucifixion of Christ" donated to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch chapel by the painter, Wesley Wilken, of Washington, D. C.

Manhunt Pays Big Dividends

When two young desperadoes from Tampa spread a reign of violence and terror over a large section of central Florida, they didn't intend to do any favors for law enforcement.

But law enforcement benefited nevertheless.

Inadvertently the teen-age gunmen gave officers an opportunity to show what can be accomplished through close cooperation of enforcement agencies.

In their mad flight across four counties they also left a wake of high respect for the officers involved.

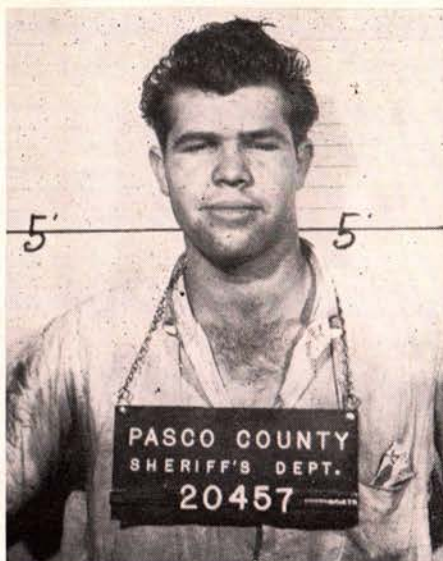
"These boys started out by breaking into a couple of places in Hillsborough County, crossed into Pasco County where they kidnaped Paul Danielson and broke into a house in Pasco County," according to a capsule summary given by Pasco County Sheriff Leslie Bessenger.

"From there they proceeded to Hernando County where they pulled an armed robbery, tied parties up and stole another car. They then entered Sumter County where, as the officers got close in on them, they ditched the car that they had stolen.

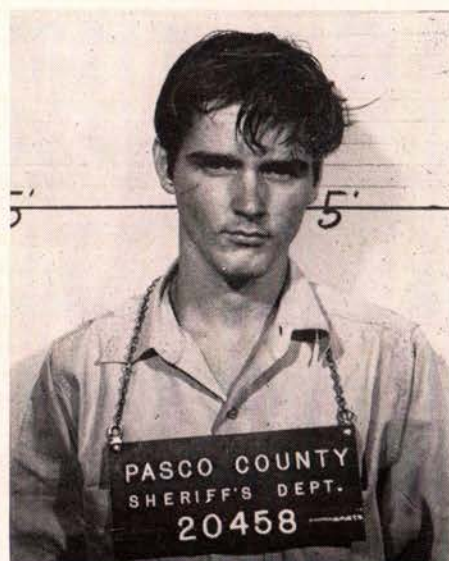
"At this point, bloodhounds joined the chase, also airplanes.

"While in Sumter County they went to a colored man's house, knocked him in the head, stole another rifle. That same night they entered another house in Sumter County and forced the people to cook them something to eat at gunpoint, also stole another car.

"From Wildwood they caught a freight train which took them to Tampa, where Charles Bell gave himself up and the hunt continued for Jesse Bert Bishop Jr.



Jessie Bert Bishop



Charlie Bell

... after the chase was over.

"Bishop was later spotted in Sarasota, ran from officers, ducked under a house, was finally captured there and was returned to Pasco County."

Bessenger said the success of the manhunt was due to the fine cooperation of the sheriff's departments and police departments in the counties involved, as well as the Florida Highway Patrol and State Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission Officers.

"It is our opinion," Bessenger added, "that the close cooperation between these various departments kept these youths so pinned down and on the move at various times that other persons were saved from being seriously hurt by other crimes that might have been committed."

Praise from the public and press included the following letter sent to Sheriff Bessenger by kidnaping victim Paul Danielson:

"Dear Sheriff Bessenger:

"I want to take this opportunity to thank you and your deputies for the excellent job you did for my family and me when I was kidnapped last week. Especially Mr. Northrup, who gave more than was required and who along with the rest of your excellent staff, risked their lives on my behalf and for the other citizens of our communities.

"It is reassuring to know we are being protected by such an efficient and competent sheriff's department.

"Let me offer my help in any way that might be of service to you and I will stress among my friends and contacts what a fine organization and staff you have.

Thank you again,
Mr. Paul Danielson"



SOME FAMILY!

MILTON—Daniel Pace (right) shows Santa Rosa County Sheriff Wade Cobb the 31 rattlesnakes he and Willie C. Bishop killed near blackwater River. They were "gopher pulling" when they discovered the brood of baby snakes unattended. Shortly the big mother snake came back to her brood and they could hear her rushing through the brush "about a block away." (Photo courtesy Milton Press-Gazette.)

Rave About Ross

ENGLEWOOD — The Englewood Herald, weekly newspaper, likes the job Ross E. Boyer is doing as Sheriff of Sarasota County.

In a recent editorial the Herald said Boyer "heads up a department that we find to be one of the finest in the state.

"It is a department in which the power of authority is used to protect the average, normal, decent citizens of the area.

"It is a department which has won the confidence of the people, both old and young."

Sheriff Moves

EAST NAPLES — With the shifting of the county seat, Collier County Sheriff Doug Hendry has moved his headquarters from Everglades to this community.

This marked the first time that a county seat had been moved in Florida since 1927.

The move brought all departments of county government to one location for the first time in many years. They are now housed in a courthouse complex which was recently completed as a cost of approximately \$1,600,000. Nelson A. Faerber, of Naples-on-the-Gulf was the architect; with Bail, Horton & Associates as consulting architects and engineers.

Contained within the four-building courthouse complex are the new jail and administrative offices of the sheriff. Facilities include well equipped kitchen and laundry areas and an elevator giving access to a fully electric maximum security jail with a capacity of 84 prisoners.

Both circuit and county courts are located on the second floor of the jail building, allowing prisoners to be delivered to and from the jail wing without leaving the confines of a security area.

Gift To County

BRADENTON — Manatee County Sheriff Ken Gross said overtime worked by deputies plus the non-paid work of his volunteer posse amounted to a "contribution" of \$12,816 during the fiscal year that ended September 30.

He said that amount of money would have paid the salaries of three full-time deputies.

FT. MYERS — **ANOTHER SEA-GOING SHERIFF**—The growing "navy" of patrol boats operated by sheriffs throughout the state includes this inboard unit which Sheriff Flanders Thompson uses to promote water safety on the waters of Lee County. Shown at the helm is Deputy Sheriff George Hartwig, the patrol boat's "skipper." The boat is based at the Royal Palm Yacht Club on the Caloosahatchee River. (Fort Myers News-Press photo by Richard Byland.)



TALLAHASSEE—"I GIVE UP"—With an air of cheerful resignation, Frank Vause poses beside a 75-gallon all-copper still which was raided by the Leon County Sheriff's Department. He and Don Frank Urquhart were both arrested and charged with moonshine violations. (Photo by Leon County Sheriff's Department).

Young Offenders To Go to School

FT. MYERS — Lee County Sheriff Flanders Thompson was one of the planners who organized a traffic school here for traffic offenders under the jurisdiction of the juvenile court.

Others were County Judge Thomas W. Shands, Florida Highway Patrol Capt. Jake Raulerson, FHP Sgt. Travis L. Linscomb, Deputy Sheriff Jerry Warriner, City Police Sgt. Gerald D. Hones, Chief Juvenile Counselor Mildred L. Riggs and FHP Trooper Charles Wise.

The school will consist of five two-hour courses, with Deputy Warriner and FHP Trooper Wise as the instructors.

Sheriff Thompson said the school will cover traffic problems, traffic courts, traffic laws, the physics of moving automobiles and driving hazards.

"We hope," he added, "that these youngsters who attend the school will end up having less resentment toward law enforcement officers when they see we're trying to help them."

54-Hour Week

FORT MYERS—Due to cutbacks in his requested budget, Lee County Sheriff Flanders Thompson and his men will have to work 54 hours a week, instead of their former schedule of 48 hours a week.

Sheriff Thompson had asked for funds to hire five new deputies but the county commissioners—hard pressed to hold the line on taxes—did not approve his request.

He said total annual arrests by his department are 500 to 1,000 greater than they were three years ago; and the general work load of his department has increased 20 per cent in the same period.



VERO BEACH—**COURTESY CAMPAIGN**—Indian River County Sheriff Sam Joyce (right) was one of the backers of a Pilot Club campaign to give special awards to courteous drivers. Others were Police Chief Wallace Gossett (left) and Sgt. T. C. Hodges, Florida Highway Patrol safety officer. They are shown conferring with Mrs. Lucille McGill, Pilot Club safety chairman. (Photo courtesy Vero Beach Press-Journal.)



ST. AUGUSTINE — RANCH BUILDERS — St. John's County Sheriff L. O. Davis expresses his appreciation by presenting Boys Ranch Builders Club certificates to donors who have given large gifts to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch. In the photo above the recipient is the Palm Valley Community Club; and in the smaller picture, Jacob Joseph Brownstein (left). (Photos by Rupert Chastain.)

"Big One" Caught

MILTON—Santa Rosa County Sheriff Wade Cobb can brag about the "big one that didn't get away" — namely Simon E. Merritt, a 6-foot, six-inch, 235-pound Texan who escaped from a county prison camp work crew.

Deputy Sheriff Rex Smith County Prison Camp Capt. Aubrey Holland and M. H. Smith, a member of the sheriff's auxiliary posse, trailed the escapee for about eight miles behind an eagerly baying brace of bloodhounds.

The bloodhounds lost the trail temporarily when Merritt caught a short ride with a passing motorist who did not realize he was a fugitive, but they picked up the trail at the point where the motorist let Merritt out, and in 25 minutes they had their quarry treed in a swamp.

Five dogs, "Lightning," "Trouble," "Queen," "Tuffy" and "Dick" shared credit for the capture.

Jail Plans O.K.'d

CRESTVIEW — Plans for the new Okaloosa County Jail prepared by Charles H. McAuley & Associates, Birmingham architectural firm, have been approved.

The jail will be built on the east side of Crestview on the Bracklin's Pond property and will give Sheriff Ray Wilson the expanded facilities he desperately needs.

Four Rescued

SARASOTA — Sheriff Ross Boyer's water safety patrol boat, skippered by Deputy Sheriff Jim McDonald, rescued four persons stranded on a sailboat that went aground in Sarasota Bay.

Gang Smashed

SARASOTA—A gang of thieves that stole thousands of dollars worth of auto tires and batteries here was broken up with the arrest of five men by Sheriff Ross E. Boyer and his deputies.

Described as the largest ever smashed in this area, the theft ring took at least 125 tires, 11 batteries and approximately 75 boxes of spark plugs from an oil company bulk plant over a period of weeks and sold all or most of the loot to service station operators.

One auto sales operator was arrested and charged with buying or receiving stolen property.

A patient, detailed investigation in which Sheriff Boyer personally participated revealed that the gang made a number of forays to the bulk plant; carefully covering up evidence of their visits each time.

Cars and trucks used to transport the loot were hidden in a cemetery about a quarter mile from the plant.

Glades County Sheriff Roy Lundy and Orange County Sheriff Dave Starr assisted in the investigation and the arrests which followed.

Trail's End

CRESTVIEW—Back to prison go two road gang prisoners who escaped during a severe electrical storm but were captured following a 30-hour manhunt through swamps and woodlands. Sheriff Ray Wilson and his deputies were assisted by other enforcement agencies, the sheriff's mounted posse and the sheriff's water rescue squad. The actual capture was made by Douglas Archer (second from right), a member of the water rescue squad. (Photo by Neal Robinson Jr.)



Specialists

WAUCHULA — The Herald-Advocate, weekly newspaper, recently commented that Hardee County Sheriff E. Odell Carlton and his deputies are making a career out of running down escapees from other counties.

The comment came after the sheriff and his men had added to their long string of successful captures by playing a leading role in a manhunt for two convicts who escaped from a road camp in Polk County.

During an all-night search, the fleeing pair was traced to Myakka City and deputies from Hardee, DeSoto and Manatee Counties closed in.

One of the fugitives, Virgil Jackson Sparks, 23, was found asleep in a stolen car and yelled "Don't shoot boss" when deputies surrounded him.

Bloodhounds then found the trail of Henry Kidd, 22, the other escapee, and were soon hot on his heels. Handled by Randall DeLoach, from the Hardee County Sheriff's Office, the hounds trailed and captured Kidd.

At one point in the chase DeLoach had to swim the Myakka River to keep pace with the fugitive.

Business Recession

GAINESVILLE — A sudden recession hit the moonshine business here when twelve persons were arrested in a raid by the Alachua County Sheriff's Department and the State Beverage Department.

A "task force" of 11 deputy sheriffs and 15 beverage agents participated in the raid which Sheriff Joe Crevasse described as one of the largest in Alachua County in many years.

Undercover work by two beverage agents produced evidence upon which the raid was based. Two automobiles and 100 gallons of moonshine were confiscated.

Genung No. 2 on Bureau Board

TALLAHASSEE—The Florida Sheriffs Bureau administrative board on October 25 elected Pinellas County Sheriff Don Genung vice chairman.

The seven-man board, composed of five sheriffs, the Governor and the Attorney General, always has the Governor as its chairman but the position of vice chairman is elective and was formerly held by Clay County Sheriff John P. Hall.

Sheriffs currently serving on the board in addition to Genung are: Sarasota County Sheriff Ross E. Boyer, Washington County Sheriff George Watts, Monroe County Sheriff John Spottswood and Duval County Sheriff Dale Carson.

Bureau Director Don McLeod reported that proposed new headquarters facilities for the Bureau will provide approximately 16,000 square feet of floor space and more than double the present space.

The Bureau hopes to move to a new four-story building the State Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission is planning to build in the capitol center. The State Department of Corrections is also a prospective tenant.

Bureau department heads gave the board reports on current activities; as well as future plans which include a mobile crime lab to be based in Tallahassee and serve outlying areas.

If sufficient funds can be obtained, the Bureau hopes to put additional mobile labs in operation in other sections of the state.

Too Much too Soon Today's Problem

LIVE OAK—Baker County Sheriff Ed Yarbrough told the Live Oak Kiwanis Club that today's youngsters are given too much too early.

This, he said, causes them to become bored with simple pleasures and they seek larger thrills, with a consequent weakening of our social strata.

Children today, he added, need to be taught the age-old lessons of fair play and honesty, as they were of old, to solve many of the current social problems.

Yarbrough, who is chairman of the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch board of trustees, pointed out that this country was founded on the Bible and respect for the individual, and loss of these will lead to degeneration.



PENSACOLA—USEFUL BUS—Escambia County Sheriff William E. Davis has found many uses for this bus which was purchased through civil defense and added to his fleet of mobile equipment. It takes his Junior Deputy Sheriff League on recreational and educational trips; also transports his posse and auxiliary patrol when emergencies arise. The sheriff is pictured (left) with Sgt. L. C. Milstead, one of two coordinators of the auxiliary patrol. The other coordinator is Investigator Roy Sherer, who was not present when the picture was taken. (Sheriff's Star photo by Stauffer.)

Audits Favorable

State Auditor Bryan Willis made favorable comments after auditing the records and accounts of Volusia County Sheriff Rodney Thursby, Nassau County Sheriff H. J. Youngblood and Seminole County Sheriff J. L. Hobby.

He said all collections of record were properly accounted for and budgets were generally well prepared and followed.



FT. MYERS—RANCH BUILDER—Lee County Sheriff Flanders G. Thompson (right) presents a Boys Ranch Builders Club certificate to Marcellus L. Jacobs as an expression of appreciation for a generous donation Mr. Jacobs made to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch.

Nervy Forger

OCALA — Marion County Sheriff Doug Willis took a personal interest in the search for a check forger using the pen name "Charlie Smith." This nervy joker had forged the Sheriff's name on a check for \$60.

Pistol Match

SARASOTA — A Sarasota Rifle & Pistol Association NRA approved 2700 pistol match will be held here Sunday, December 2, starting at 9 A.M., under the sponsorship of the Sarasota County Sheriff's Department.

Sarasota County Sheriff Ross E. Boyer said the match will not be limited to NRA members and "everyone is welcome."

"This is the second 2700 NRA match on our new range," he added. "Many of you attended our last match and are aware of our excellent facilities. We have 300 feet of covered firing line with refreshment house, modern rest rooms and large parking area."

The Sheriff said a total of 60 trophies will be awarded. There will be awards for first, second and third place in each match in each of five classifications: master, expert, sharpshooter, marksman and unclassified.

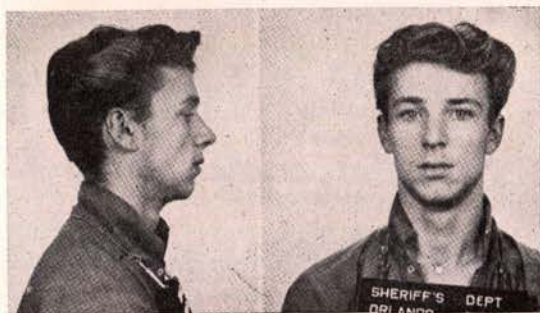
Entry applications can be obtained by writing Sarasota Rifle & Pistol Association, P. O. Box 977, Sarasota; or by making a telephone call to Wade Coker, Sarasota County Sheriff's Department, 958-3193.

Registering Cycles

MIAMI — Sheriff Tom Kelly's Junior Deputy Sheriffs are sponsoring voluntary registration of bicycles as a community project to assist in recovery of lost and stolen bicycles.

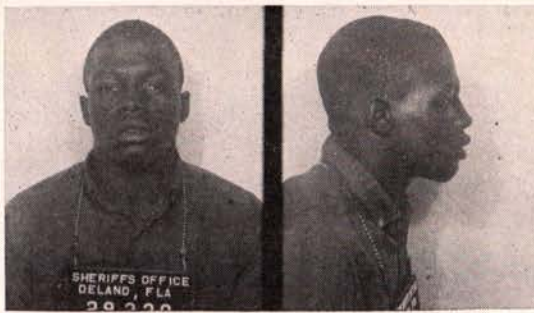
WANTED PERSONS

As compiled by the
Florida Sheriffs Bureau
Don McLeod, Director



James Calvin Smith
White male, date and place of birth 10-17-42, Jackson, Tenn., 5 feet, 8 inches tall, weighs 130 pounds, slim build, blond hair, blue-grey eyes; scar between thumb and index right hand. Oc-

cupation: Mechanic. Warrant issued, charge Violation of Probation, B&E, Grand Larceny. If apprehended notify Sheriff Starr, Orlando, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



Robert A. Hayward
Colored male, date of birth 7-4-43, 5 feet, 11 inches tall, weighs 175 pounds. Subject also known as "Chico." Wanted on three counts Armed Robbery Daytona Beach, and Grand

Larceny St. Johns County. If apprehended notify Sheriff Thursby, DeLand or Sheriff Davis, St. Augustine, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Fla.



Ethan Allen Scott
White male, age 50 to 60, 5 feet, 10 inches tall, weighs 200 to 220, stocky build, grey hair. Has used names E. R. SCOTT, John COOPER, Ralph WATSON, John ROGERS and others. Was formerly employed by a novelty advertising firm in Jacksonville. Has passed checks in Georgia and Jacksonville, Fla. If apprehended notify Police Dept., Jacksonville, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



Rudolph Atkins Jr.
Colored male, age 20, 5 feet, 7 inches tall, weighs 135 pounds. Wanted on charge Armed Robbery and Grand Larceny. If ap-

prehended notify Sheriff Thursby, DeLand, Fla., or Sheriff Davis, St. Augustine, Fla., or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



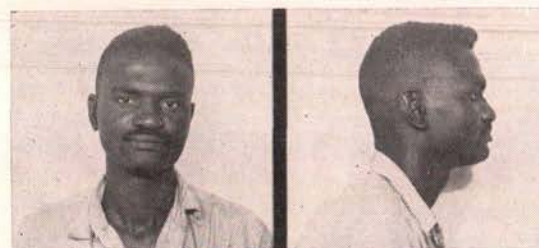
Moten Sanders
With aliases, Maton SANDERS, Mose SANDERS, colored male, date and place of birth 3-7-25, Valdosta, Ga., 5 feet, 11 inches tall, weighs 170 pounds, black hair, brown eyes, dark brown complexion; small round scar center of left cheek, 4 inch cut scar back of right hand; small

mustache and goatee. FBI #4 235 121. FPC: 9/19, U/U, IOO/IOO, 16. Armed with long hunting knife. Warrants will be issued, charge Escape, Breaking and Entering, and Grand Larceny. Will extradite. If apprehended notify Sheriff Dyess, LaBelle, Fla., or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Fla.



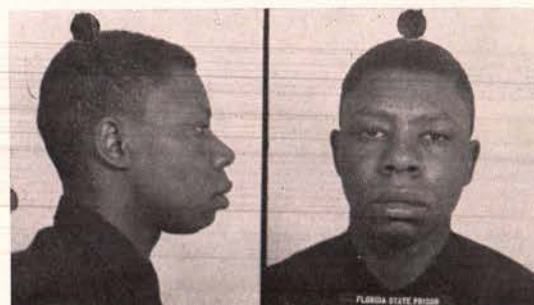
Richard Dale Goessel
Also known as "Rickie," white male, date of birth 6-19-39, 5 feet, 6 inches tall, weighs 135 pounds, brown hair and eyes, dark complexion. Scar left el-

bow. FBI #946052D. Warrants issued, charge Grand Larceny and Unlawful Flight. If apprehended notify Sheriff Kellenberger, West Palm Beach, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



James Henry Ross
Colored male, age 28, 6 feet, 2 inches tall, weighs 187 pounds, wanted for Grand Larceny. If appre-

hended notify Sheriff Davis, St. Augustine, Fla., Sheriff Thursby, DeLand, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



Albert Dotson
Colored male, age 23, 5 feet, 6½ inches tall, weighs 141 pounds, medium build, black hair, dark brown eyes, dark brown complexion; burn scar upper left arm, dim cut scar left eyebrow. FBI #463 676C. FPC: 11,1t/lt, U/T, OII/

IO, 7. State Prison #69177. Escaped from Glades Correctional Institute 9-24-62, where he was serving a life sentence for Murder, Second Degree. If apprehended notify SP Raiford, or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



Harry Otto Goetz
White male, date and place of birth 3-14-96, Chicago, Ill., 5 feet, 10 inches tall, weighs 175 pounds, grey hair- balding on top; burn scar right index finger. Retired pattern maker. Last known to be driving black 1960 Volkswagen, 2-door, Louisiana License #55-520. He was in St. Petersburg, Fla., on February 1, 1962 and used alias of Ray SCHOOLEY, gave residence as Fort Worth, Tex. Reportedly in New Orleans on September 10, 1962. Subject is presumed armed and very dangerous. Use extreme caution in apprehending. Warrants issued, First Degree Murder of his brother 9-14-62. If apprehended notify Police Dept., St. Petersburg, Florida or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



TALLAHASSEE — RANCH SUPPORT PLEDGED— High school student council members from 19 North Florida counties voted to support the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch as a district-wide project; and two representatives from Leon High School, Tallahassee, are shown here presenting an initial contribution of \$375 to Leon County Sheriff W. P. (Bill) Joyce. The students are "Doc" Horton (left), chairman of the district Boys Ranch committee; and "Skeeter" Wooten, president of the Leon High School Student Council. Representatives from all over the district, which stretches from Pensacola to Madison and south to Cross City, scheduled a meeting at Sneads November 10 to make plans for raising further funds and to set a goal. (Photo by Leon County Sheriff's Department.)

Caught In The Act

OCALA — Deputy sheriffs caught an 18-year-old burglar while he was in the act of looting a house he had broken into. He told them he was primarily a "peeping Tom" and burglary was just a sideline.

BOB'S ON THE BALL

KISSIMMEE—"Small but efficient" is an appropriate description of the Osceola County Sheriff's Department headed by Sheriff Bob Buckels. This photo shows the modern county jail where Sheriff Buckels maintains his headquarters; and a new station wagon which he recently placed in service for patrol work and emergency calls. (Orlando Sentinel photo by Bob Bobroff.)



3-Strike Theory

JACKSONVILLE — Duval County Sheriff Dale Carson believes the official cloak of secrecy that surrounds the identity of juvenile delinquents should be lifted when a youngster commits his third offense.

This, he said, would warn parents of other teen-agers whose children might be associating with the chronic trouble makers.

Backs Defender Plan

DeLAND—Sheriff Rodney Thursby is supporting a proposal to establish a "public defender" to represent indigent persons accused of crimes in Volusia County courts.

Other counties in Florida have already employed attorneys in this capacity. Their services are available to the needy free of charge.

Just Routine

PUNTA GORDA — A stranger walked into the Charlotte County Sheriff's office and delivered a long, irate complaint about paying \$1.50 in a local barber shop for a 12-minute shave.

Deputy Sheriff L. M. Raines listened patiently and politely.

"I'll expose that gyp," the complainant sputtered, ending his long tirade and starting out the door.

Raines wasn't surprised at the outburst. He had been a deputy sheriff long enough not to be surprised at anything — not even the lettering on the back of the stranger's sport shirt which he spied for the first time.

It said: "Nifty Nick and His Nifty Nosepickers."

Where Are They?



These persons
have been
reported missing
by the
Florida Sheriffs
Bureau.



Joseph Billie

Seminole Indian male, age 15, 5 feet, 7 inches tall, weighs 120 pounds, straight black hair, dark brown eyes, dark complexion. On September 5, 1962 subject ran away from the Sequoyah Vocational School, Tahlequah, Oklahoma, accompanied by another Seminole Indian boy, Calvin JUMPER, age 16. Jumper arrived at the Brighton Indian Reservation, near Moore Haven on September 7, 1962. Questioning of Jumper has resulted in his telling various stories as to whereabouts of subject Billie. The boys traveled through Arkansas, Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi. Jumper claims they separated at

Winona, Miss. Any person having information reference Joseph Billie contact collect Florida Sheriffs Bureau, phone 223-3200, Tallahassee, Florida.



Joanne

Josephine Ellerbee
Also known as Penny ELLERBEE, white female, date of birth 4-27-47, 5 feet, 6 inches tall, weighs 115 pounds, light brown hair worn shoulder length, hazel eyes, nearsighted, wears glasses. Released from State Hospital Chattahoochee about six months ago. Missing since September 13, 1962. Any one knowing subject's whereabouts contact Sheriff Bessenger, Dade City, or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



Matilda Downing

White female, age 14, 5 feet, 4 inches tall, weighs 115 pounds, blonde hair, blue eyes. Missing since 10-1-62. Any station knowing subjects whereabouts notify Sheriff Bessenger, Dade City, Florida or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



William T. Brown

Also known as Willy BROWN, Charley BROWN, white male, age 18, 5 feet, 11 inches tall, weighs 150 pounds, dark brown straight hair, hazel eyes, tanned complexion. Mechanically inclined, frequents stock car and motor cycle races. Works in filling stations. Last seen driving all red MG sports coupe, 1963 Wisconsin License J91-308. May be in Daytona Beach area. If located advise PD Neenah, Wisc., Sheriff Joyce, Tallahassee, Fla., or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.

HERE'S WHODUNIT

The new Lake County Jail pictured on the opposite page was designed by Hal Hopson, Leesburg architect, and built by Conrad Construction Co., of Jacksonville.

The cells were fabricated by Texas Steel Co.

Big Weekend

TALLAHASSEE — In one busy weekend Leon County Sheriff W. P. (Bill) Joyce and his deputies smashed an armed robbery gang that had been terrorizing this area and arrested ten persons in a series of bootlegging and bolita raids.

This was all in addition to the usual run of weekend arrests for various other violations.

In less than two weeks the trio of armed robbers knocked off a service station and two liquor stores, but the sheriff's department was hot on their heels and wove a net of evidence that finally trapped them on Saturday, September 22.

The weekend started off in high gear Friday night, September 21, when two of the stick-up men held up Jim's Liquor Store and one of them made a getaway in the owner's Cadillac.

The Sheriff's Department, aided by the Florida Highway Patrol and the Civil Air Patrol, staged a widespread search by land and air. Bloodhounds were also used.

The abandoned getaway car was spotted on a remote country road by a deputy in a Civil Air Patrol plane; and other pieces of evidence—some of them from earlier robberies — were swiftly fitted into place.

Before the weekend was over, two of the men had been arrested here and a third arrested in Live Oak.

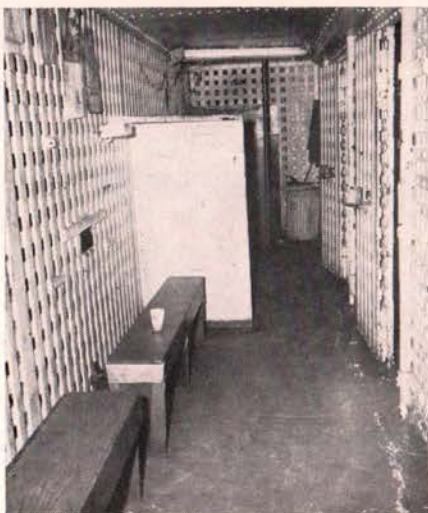
During the same weekend, between 8 p.m. Saturday and 5 a.m. Sunday the Sheriff's Department made a series of raids that resulted in the arrest of ten persons on 18 bootlegging and gambling charges.

Sheriff Joyce said the raids climaxed almost three weeks of careful undercover work.

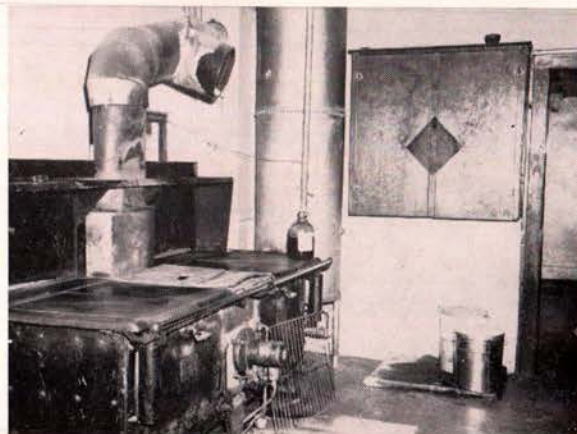
Better Than None

BRADENTON—Deputy Sheriff Roy Little reported someone stole the rear half of an automobile belonging to John Hand.

Apparently the thief felt that "half a car was better than none."



It's amazing that this old range which should have been retired years ago was still turning out thousands of meals a month when the old jail went out of business—and any of the sheriff's "guests" will tell you the food was good too.



TAVARES — Lake County Sheriff Willis V. McCall won't soon forget the old county jail with its antiquated equipment and completely inadequate facilities.

But in his office in the new jail which was dedicated earlier this year he keeps a photo album which will preserve for posterity the striking contrast between the old and the new.

It is obvious from the pictures in the album some of which are reproduced here, that the taxpayers of Lake County have "bought themselves quite a fine jail"—a modern plant which will permit prisoners to be housed under more humane conditions and enable the sheriff to operate his department more efficiently.

THE OLD

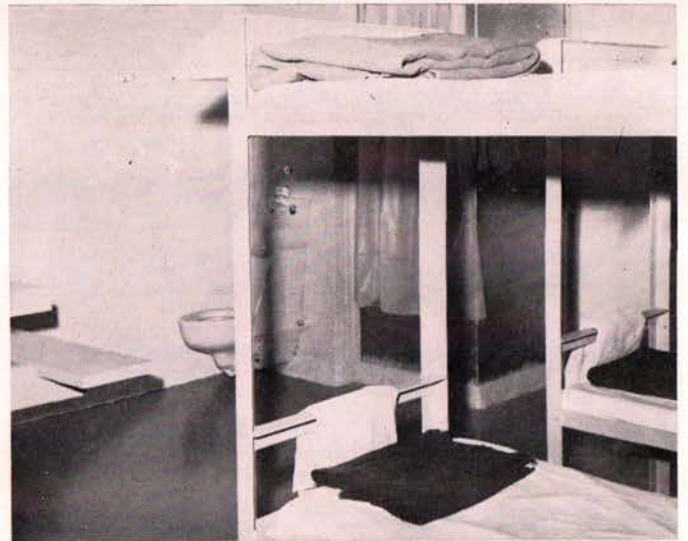
The calendar said July, 1962, but the facilities in the jail office where prisoners were "booked" and records were kept were at least 20 years out of date.

Obviously Lake County needed a new jail. Prison inspectors had been saying this for years.

These are "Photos by Teese," Florida Newsreel, Leesburg, Florida.



When prisoners are brought to the new jail they are "booked" in this well secured area.



No privacy and no frills here, but the cells in the new jail give prisoners clean, sanitary living quarters.

AND THE NEW In the Lake County Jail



Quite a contrast to the rusty old range, isn't it?



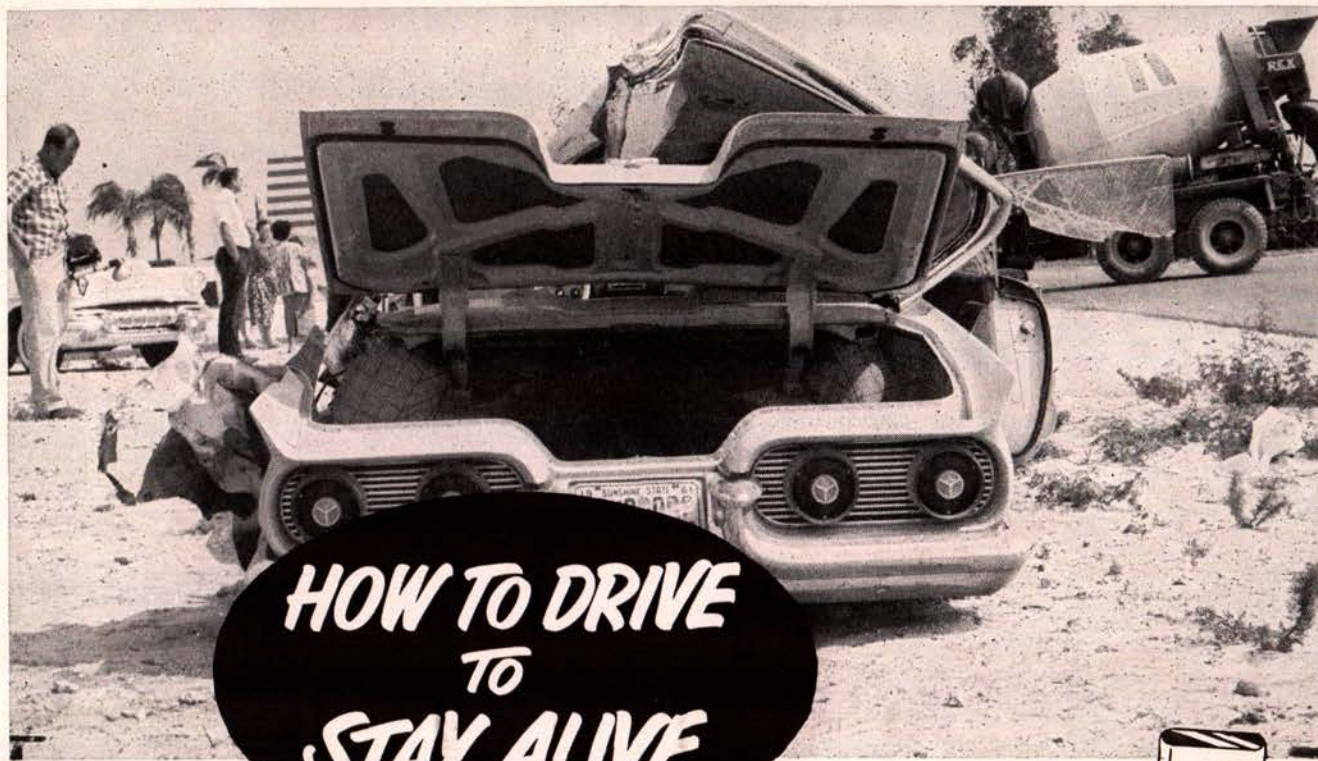
Spotless tile and gleaming stainless steel equipment make this a kitchen to be proud of.



The new cell corridors are just as grim as the old ones, but more secure and less dilapidated.



New laundry equipment will help Sheriff McCall to maintain more sanitary conditions.



HOW TO DRIVE TO STAY ALIVE

Every driver should be convinced that driving and drinking do not mix. Slogans such as "If you drive, don't drink; if you drink, don't drive" have helped. But the fact is that in 30% of fatal accidents, one or both drivers had been drinking, and that 22% of pedestrians killed were under the influence of intoxicants.



Of course, some people boast that they can drive as well after drinking as they could before. But research has proved that alcohol slows reaction time, impairs vision, and distorts the judgment of everyone who drinks.

DON'T DRINK!



Drivers who have had "only a couple of beers" have lost part of their physical coordination and common sense. They feel they are witty enough to appear on television and think they can handle their cars brilliantly. Speeding, driving on the wrong side of the road, and taking unnecessary chances are the result. These drivers usually end up in a wreck, killing or maiming themselves or some innocent driver or pedestrian.

NO. 2 IN A SERIES OF SAFETY MESSAGES



Presented in the interest of Highway Safety by the Florida Sheriffs Association, in cooperation with J. Edwin Larson, chairman, Citizen's Advisory Committee on Highway Safety.



LARSON

Speed is number one in *fatal* accidents and number two in *all* accidents. And it doesn't always mean exceeding the stated limit. Nearly two-thirds of Florida's traffic accidents occur at speeds *under* 50 miles per hour and more than half the accidents occur at speeds of 30 miles per hour or less.

This safety message is being distributed to high school driver training students all over Florida through the cooperation of State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Thomas D. Bailey and Florida's investor-owned electric utility companies.