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WASHINGTON, D. C.—The National Sheriffs Association announced that THE SHERIFF'S STAR, monthly publication of The Florida Sheriffs Association, was selected as the "Outstanding State Sheriffs' Journal" in a nation-wide contest.

A plaque signifying this honor (see picture on cover) will be presented to The Florida Sheriffs Association at a banquet to be held at Portland, Oregon, July 17, during the annual conference of the National Sheriffs Association.

A similar award will also be presented to the second-place winner, THE WISCONSIN SHERIFF AND DEPUTY, official publication of the Wisconsin Sheriffs' & Deputy Sheriffs' Association.

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Popular Guy

PANAMA CITY — Sheriff M. J. (Doc) Daffin is the only Sheriff the voters of Bay County have liked well enough to elect four consecutive times.

In establishing this all-time record, Sheriff Daffin has scored decisive victories. He went into a run-off primary the first time he was elected, but won

in the first primary in the remaining three election races.

Benefit Show

TAVARES — Lake County Sheriff Willis V. McCall announced that a benefit show held by the Lake County Horsemen's Association raised \$425 for the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch.



CLEARWATER — JUDGE BYRD BECOMES A BUILDER — The Honorable John U. Byrd, senior Circuit Judge in the Sixth District, receives a Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch Builder Certificate from Pinellas County Sheriff Don Genung as a token of appreciation for the active support he has given the Ranch.

Pentland Heads Fund Drive for New Cafetorium

The Trustees of the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch have launched a fund raising drive to build a much needed Cafetorium at the Ranch and have placed Col. Robert Pentland Jr. of Hollywood, at the head of the fund raising committee.

Other members of the committee are Syde P. Deeb, Tallahassee; Louis Swed, Tampa; Highlands County Sheriff Broward Coker, Sebring; A. D. Davis, Jacksonville; Cecil Webb, Tampa; and Levy County Sheriff James W. Turner, Chief-land.

The cafetorium, which is expected to cost \$90,000, has been selected by the Trustees as the number one building project for 1963.

It will provide a combination cafeteria and auditorium which will greatly enhance the program of activities at the Ranch.

It will also allow the present dining room to be converted into a residence cottage for 20 boys and increase the enrollment capacity to 80.

Plans for the new building have been completed by Nelson A. Faerber, Naples architect, and construction will begin as soon as sufficient funds are available.

Safety on our streets and highways depends on cooperation, not competition.



WEST PALM BEACH—TWO MORE RANCHERS—A friendly handshake from Palm Beach County Sheriff Martin Kellenberger sent Michael Lockhart (left) and Billy Riggins, local youngsters, off to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch where they will find a happy, secure future. Also present to wish them the best of luck were Emil Bruno (left), a lifetime member of the Florida Sheriffs Association; and Detective Sgt. Warren Stork, director of Sheriff Kellenberger's Youth Bureau. (Photo courtesy of The Palm Beach Times.)



ROCKLEDGE—BLOOD BANK ACCOUNT—Sgt. James Garvin (left) and Sheriff Leigh Wilson (second from right) were the first "depositors" to volunteer donations to the new blood bank account established by the Brevard County Sheriffs Department. Sgt. Garvin proposed the account and the Sheriff approved it. Also pictured are (from left) Mrs. Ruth Nero, supervisor of the Blood Bank; Mrs. Sonia Surface, medical technologist; and Dr. Myron L. Habegger, (Cocoa Tribune photo by Karl Hunziker.)

Pity the poor moonshiner. He doesn't have any privacy these days.

It used to be that all he had to do was pick a nice, quiet forest glade with a little stream of water running through it and he was in business.

But, he can't do that any more.

Even if he sets up his "cooker" in the remotest corner of the boondocks some prying sheriff is likely to come snooping around in a low flying airplane or helicopter and catch him red handed.

Driven Underground

In fact, spotting moonshine stills from the air has gotten to be such an effective technique for law enforcement officers that the "white lightning" fraternity has been driven underground. That's why stills have been turning up in all sorts of wierd locations—in barns, in caves, in the living rooms of farm houses and even in trucks that move from place to place to avoid detection.

If harried moonshiners, with one eye on the sky and one on the "cooker," ever get to wondering who's responsible for driving them "underground," here's a clue:

Back in the early 1920's Frank B. Tippins was Sheriff of Lee County (Fort Myers), and an adventuresome young bucko by the name of Roy E. Larson was his chief deputy.

Now Larson, aside from having a hankering to be a career law enforcement man, liked to fool around with airplanes—which in those days of rickety biplanes and cow pasture air-

ports was something like having a weakness for "Russian Roulette."

Remedy for Boredom

At times, when Larson became bored with the ordinary "cops and robbers" routine of the sheriff's department, he would drive out to Fort Myers' Page Field, climb into a contraption of wood, wire and fabric known as the Standard Trainer, and take off for a flight into the "wild blue yonder."

The Standard Trainer was a biplane of World War I vintage that had hatched many birdmen for combat over the

Maybe This Guy Was Florida's First "Spy in The Sky"

If moonshiners wonder why they have no privacy any more, it's possible they can trace their plight to a young deputy sheriff who buzzed the boondocks in a rickety flying contraption back in the early 1920's.

battlefields of Europe. It was getting obsolete but Larson was destined to write one more chapter in its history before retiring it to the museum.

As he roared over the landscape, causing youngsters to point skyward in great excitement and livestock to bolt in great panic, he realized that this wobbly biplane could become a valuable law enforcement tool. It is possible that he was also looking for an excuse to log more air time.

Spotted Many Stills

Anyhow, he came up with the idea of spotting moonshine stills from the air and became, according to all available information, Florida's first "Spy in the Sky."

With the approval of Sheriff Tippins, who sometimes rode along as a passenger, Larson proved that he could give moonshiners a fit. "We spotted many stills and made many arrests, until the moonshiners realized what we were doing," Larson recalls.

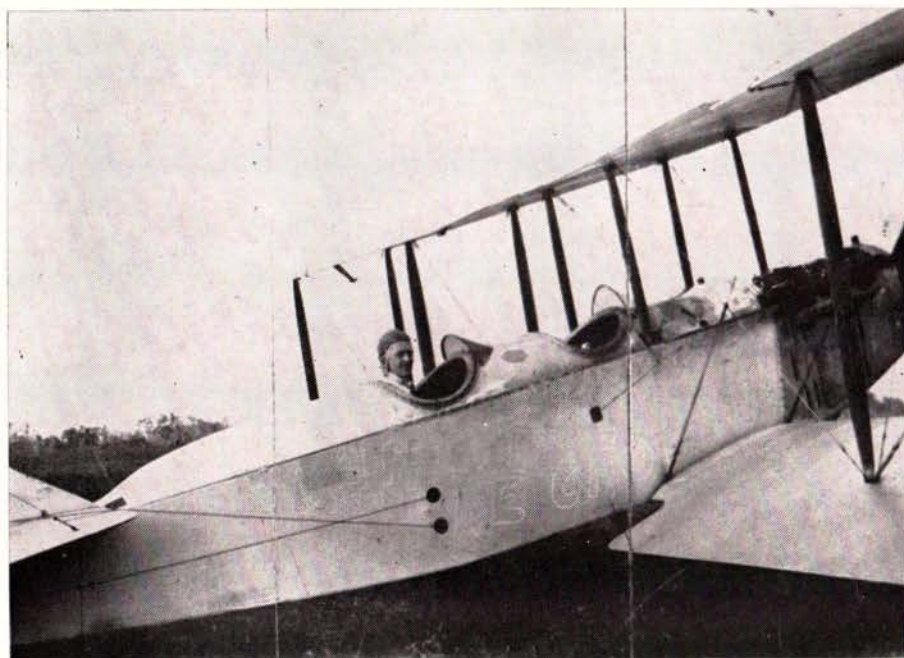
The old Standard Trainer was also used to help find lost persons or fugitives; and it speeded up some of the sheriff's department's less glamorous chores such as serving civil papers on persons living on the island of Boca Grande.

Getting to the island in those days was a long trip by train, and a tiresome, expensive safari by auto and boat.

But, for Larson it was just a short hop from Page Field to the Boca Grande golf course.

Moonshiners Resentful

Flying the wobbly trainer with its



FORT MYERS — This picture taken at Page Field, in 1928, shows Chief Deputy Sheriff Roy Larson at the controls of a World War I Standard Trainer.

temperamental OX5 motor was not the only hazard of being a "Spy in the Sky." Moonshiners resented the flying lawman, and once slashed the wing fabric of the trainer with a sharp knife to show their displeasure.

Larson, however, was not easily discouraged. He patched the wings, spun the prop and took off for another airborne search. He apparently lived a charmed life because he went on to carve out a long career in law enforcement which included a hitch with the Atlantic Coast Line Police Department, service as a Deputy U.S. Marshall; and a term as police chief in Orlando.

Flying Sheriffs Commonplace

He was the first coordinator for Peace Officers' Training with the State Department of Education; and retired from state service in 1958 as Deputy Director of Personnel with the Division of Corrections.

Today Larson resides in Orlando and sells various types of law enforcement equipment. He has attended state-wide conferences of the Florida Sheriffs Association since 1931 and has lived to see flying sheriffs and deputy sheriffs become commonplace.

Several sheriffs are now licensed pilots, others have airplanes as part of their mobile equipment, and all of them use airplanes for search and rescue missions at one time or another.



FORT LAUDERDALE — GOOD DEED — Someone stole Danny Pusillo's bicycle when the 13-year-old youngster was in a supermarket doing the shopping for his mother, who is blind. Mrs. Roy West read about the incident, offered to give a bike to Danny, and Deputy Sheriff Walter Ramsdell got the two together at Danny's home. In the fadeout scene above Danny is flashing a broad smile for Mrs. West and Deputy Ramsdell. (Photo courtesy The Fort Lauderdale News.)

Our Man in Alaska

The Florida Sheriffs Association is developing into a world-wide organization, with members scattered in many far away places.

Alaska became our northernmost outpost recently when the name of Clenny Beach, a former Florida law enforcement officer, was added to our roster of card-carrying supporters.

Clenny, who at one time wore the uniform of the St. Petersburg Police Department and after that served on the staff at the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch, is currently using the post mark of North Pole, Alaska, about 45 miles from Fairbanks.

He is a civil service employee at Eielson Air Force Base and both he and his wife, Jenny, are enthusiastic about life in the wilds of the North in spite of the erratic behavior of the sun. It took them a while to get used to the long nights; and just about the time they became thoroughly adjusted, along came the long days with the sun topping the horizon at 5:30 a.m. and getting the youngsters wide awake.

The high cost of living seems to be one of the primary problems in Alaska, but so far it hasn't bothered our northernmost "anchor man". He was fortunate enough to rent a house on a farm owned by a Fairbanks doctor, with heat (which is terrifically expensive) and utilities included in a rental of \$150 a month.

Due to the remoteness of the location, he is also allowed to purchase supplies at the air base at reasonable prices.

There is no extra charge for the view from the front windows of the farmhouse—a big lake surrounded by mountains.

Clenny spends much of his spare time doing odd jobs around the farm and taking care of the doctor's horses, but this is a source of enjoyment for him rather than a burden because he has always been a "country boy" at heart.

"This is a beautiful wide open country," Jenny said in a recent letter. "It would take a book to put down all we have done and seen so far."

Good Job by J.D.'s

MACCLENNY—When businessmen wanted a traffic survey to determine the effects of a nearby expressway, Baker County Sheriff Ed Yarbrough called out his junior deputies to do the job.

The teen-agers wrapped the assignment up in short order and, according to the Baker County Press "did an excellent piece of work."



STUART—WELL HIDDEN STILL—You never know where you're going to find a moonshine still these days. This one was found in an old abandoned city transit bus by (from left) State Beverage Department Agent William Eddy, Martin County Sheriff Ray Baker and Deputy Sheriff James Mills. (Photo by Ed Gluckler.)

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.

Boys Ranch Plaque Perpetuates Success Story of Immigrant Youth

A brass plaque on the Dairy Science Building at the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch provides a warm, human footnote to the American success story of a Roumanian immigrant boy.

It explains to visitors that this building, with its important mission of helping to build young minds and bodies, has been dedicated in memory of the late Max Weintraub, of Miami Beach.

It also serves as a reminder that the American Dream is not a thing of the past, for Max Weintraub was a product of this dream.

A Roumanian farm boy, Mr. Weintraub came to America around 1895 at the age of 16 to seek his fortune. His struggle up the ladder of success followed the familiar Horatio Alger pattern, and took him from the sidewalks of New York to the golden sands of Miami Beach.

When he died in 1962, his will included a bequest of \$7,000 to be given to some worthy charity; and his son, Dr. I. Irving Weintraub, of Gainesville, made arrangements to have the money donated to the Boys Ranch for a suitable memorial. Dr. Weintraub was already a generous supporter of the Ranch himself, and a lifetime honorary member of the Florida Sheriffs Association.

Now that the terms of the will and the wishes of the heirs have been carried out, it seems a shame that Mr. Weintraub is not around to see the memorial. He believed in America as the land of opportunity and it would have pleased him very much to know that the building he helped to finance is giving homeless and underprivileged boys a better break in life.

The building that bears his name might also serve to remind him wryly of his own experiences on a farm he bought near Albany, N. Y., when he was a young man.

He intended to go into the dairy business, but when he took his first wagon load of milk to Albany the low price he was offered enraged him so much he dumped his cargo and shifted his sights to other business ventures.



THE PLAQUE



THE BUILDING



Boys Ranch Psychologist

Youngsters at the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch are fortunate to have, free of charge, the services of Dr. David Rothenberg, Miami Child Psychologist. He is pictured here (right) during a recent visit to the Ranch. With him are Boys Ranch Administrator Harry Weaver (left) and Dade County Juvenile Court Intake Supervisor Barron Shields.

Young at Heart

STUART—Robert S. Hill is 84 years old, but very young at heart.

After he donated a trampoline to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch, the Stuart News explained that he is a great believer in sports and physical fitness; and "can be seen breezing around our streets on his motorcycle daily."

It seems that Mr. Hill was the official timekeeper at local basketball games until recently. He also donated the electric scoreboard and time clock for the gymnasium.

Perhaps he will be interested to know that the boys at the Ranch believe in physical fitness too and will be using the trampoline as part of their body building program.



TAMPA — GIFT OF GROCERIES — A truck load of groceries was donated to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch by the Tampa Food Brokers Association, and this picture was taken while the truck was being loaded. Left to right are: Hillsborough County Sheriff Ed Blackburn, Jr., who accepted the gift for the Ranch; Loren Hildebrand and L. N. Gandy, Ranch staff members; and Lee Wil-son, representing Tampa Food Brokers Assn.

In Memoriam

The following have made contribu-
tions to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch
Memorial Fund:

Marine Studios, Inc., Marineland; Mr. W. F.
Rolleston, Marineland; Mr. and Mrs. John
Breen and family, Jacksonville; Mr. and Mrs.
Elmo Capo, Marathon; in memory of Mrs.
L. O. Davis, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Stauffer, Tallahassee;
Sheriff and Mrs. Ed Blackburn, Tampa; in
memory of Mrs. Sarah Deeb.

Sheriff and Mrs. Ed Blackburn, Tampa; in
memory of Mrs. Alice Gray; Mr. Manual
Villar.

St. Mancia Chapter Episcopal Church-
women, Dunedin; Mr. Herbert R. Loehr,
Clearwater; in memory of Mrs. Ray A.
Spooner.

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L. Clark, Clearwater; in memory of Jessie
Spooner.

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memory of Ed M. Sumner and O. L. Dayton,
Sr.

Senator and Mrs. John Spottswood; in
memory of Ed Blackburn, Sr.; John A. Madi-

gan, Sr.; W. R. England; and James B.
Stauffer.

Capt. and Mrs. Laramie D. Starling, Albu-
querque, New Mexico; in memory of J. J.
Holmes, Albuquerque.

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memory of Joseph G. Segar.

Mrs. David H. Allan, Clearwater; in mem-
ory of David H. Allan.

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Chadwell, Boynton
Beach; in memory of John McKendrick.

Mrs. D. E. Rodger, Clearwater; in memory
of Dell E. Rodger.

Sheriff and Mrs. Otho Edwards, Quincy; in
memory of Paul Clark.

Sheriff and Mrs. L. O. Davis, St. Augustine;
in memory of Tommy Byrd.

Earl D. Edwards, et al, Tampa; in memory
of William Alford Shackelford.

Elizabeth P. Harper and Wm. P. Harper,
St. Petersburg; in memory of Charles H.
Harper.

Mrs. E. L. Martin, Fort Ogden; in memory
of E. L. Martin.

Sheriff Willis V. McCall, Tavares; in mem-
ory of John Warfred.

"God's Blessing On Our Sheriffs"

DAYTONA BEACH — The follow-
ing letter was printed in the Daytona
Beach Evening News:

Dear Editor:

As I read of the theft of the eggs hid-
den for an Easter egg hunt for the nurs-
ery children, I thought of the great
work being done by the Sheriffs of
Florida at their Boys Ranch, at Live
Oak.

I wrote the Administrator there for
the names of a few who seemed to be
very lonely so I could be "grandmother"
to them. He said it would be difficult to
single out any one boy, so he sent me
the roster so I could make a selection.

I did. I adopted the entire 48 and am
writing to each one. The answers I
have received have given me so much
real joy for they are wonderful.

I have a picture group of the ones
in one cottage and an autographed Eas-
ter card. A housemother wrote me that:
"If all boys needing help got a home
like the Ranch, they would never end
up in a home for delinquents."

God's blessing on the wonderful work
of our Sheriffs. Their reward will be
great for they are doing it "unto the
least of one of these."

Nellie Jane Grose
Ormond Beach

Visitors Wanted

Visitors are always welcome at the
Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch, 11 miles
north of Live Oak.

During the summer months most any
day is a good day for visiting and it is
not necessary to make prior arrange-
ments. However, there will be times
when the boys will be on trips or vaca-
tions; and you can avoid these times by
calling the Ranch in advance. The num-
ber is Live Oak, FO 2-3427.

Visitors to the Ranch during April
included folks from Clearwater, Pinellas
Park; Salem, Va.; Lee, Clermont, Jack-
sonville, Gainesville, Bradenton, St.
Petersburg, Key West and Miami.

Audit Favorable

BUNNELL — The State Auditing
Department made a favorable report
after checking the accounts and records
of Flagler County Sheriff Homer Brooks
for the period from July 1, 1961, to
September 30, 1962.

The report said collections of record
were properly accounted for by remit-
tances or by cash on hand; budgets
were well prepared and followed; rec-
ords were well kept.

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 _____

... a day long remembered ...

Four Negroes were on the scaffold awaiting the noose when this historic picture was taken July 5, 1901, at the old Washington County Court House.

The county seat was then at Vernon, Fla., but was later moved to Chipley and the old court house is no longer standing.

The multiple hanging dates back to the days when Florida's sheriffs had to serve as executioners—when the noose, not the electric chair, was the murderer's reward.

Dim memories of this gruesome event were revived recently when George Watts, the current Sheriff of Washington County, unearthed the old faded picture. He showed it to E. W. Carswell, correspondent for the Pensacola NEWS-JOURNAL, and Carswell's curiosity brought to light the following account from the weekly CHIPLEY BANNER which had been printed two weeks after the hanging:

"Friday, July 5, will be a day long remembered in this county, for on that

day, at Vernon, the county seat, four Negro murderers passed into eternity for crimes they had committed.

"The spectacle was viewed by hundreds of people; the people began coming in the day before, and long before the hour of 10 o'clock the crowd was swelled to probably thousands. In fact, the crowd was estimated at from 2,000 to 5,000.

"The names of the condemned Negroes were: John Simmons, Henry Harrison, Bill Williams and Belton Hamilton; and they were turpentine hands and had murdered another Negro, named Jeff Davis, and were convicted at the last term of the circuit court held in Vernon.

"At about 10 o'clock they emerged from the jail, under strong guard, and all linked together with handcuffs; they climbed the steps to the gallows, which had been built in the jail yard, with firm tread.

"Each made a talk to the hundreds of people gathered about the grounds, and

advised all to take warning by their sad fate, ending with singing, exhortation and prayer.

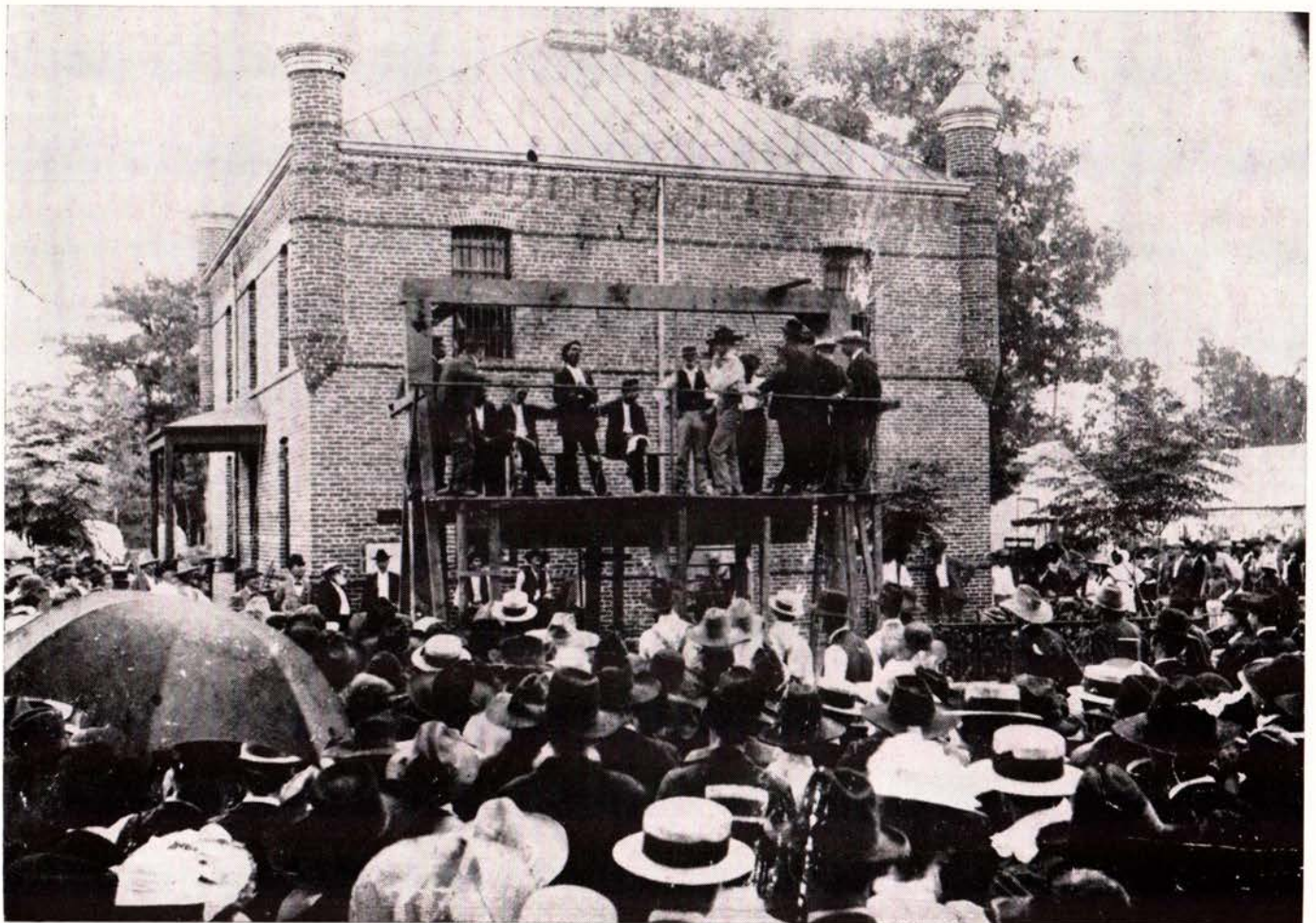
"The culprits stood in a row full ten feet above the heads of the hundreds of spectators; no effort was made to have the execution private, and everyone saw the men fall.

"They stood fearless under the rope and submitted without the least sign of fear or excitement as the noose was placed about their necks and the black cap drawn down to cover their faces.

"This being done, Sheriff McKeithen called out 'good-bye,' and each one answered: 'good-bye, cap'n,' then the trap was sprung and the four bodies plunged into space.

"The bodies hung 50 minutes before being cut down. Drs. W. E. Coleman and N. J. Dawkins, the attending physicians, having pronounced life extinct. The bodies were placed in plain, neat coffins and buried by the county, as no relatives called for the remains.

"Immediately after the bodies were



cut down Sheriff McKeithen ascended the scaffold and in a short speech told the people that he had that day done something which he trusted he would never be called upon to do again; but that he stood ready to perform his duties, however, and would hang all he was compelled to, during his term of office.

(An old timer recalls that McKeithen, amid speculation that this unhappy duty might have lessened his enthusiasm for the Sheriff's job, later resigned the office without serving out the term to which he had been elected.)

"There had been some talk of a riot, and an effort made to rescue the prisoners when brought from the jail, but to guard against any such proceedings, the sheriff had placed a cordon of guards armed with Winchesters, in the yard, who were ready for any emergency.

"Thus, ended a scene, witnessed by hundreds who never saw anything of the kind before, and one long to be remembered by all present.

"For want of room, we cannot give the history of the crime for which they paid the penalty with their lives."

Jud and Annie Taught Kids Valuable Lessons

ORLANDO—Sgt. Jud Wood, Sheriff Dave Starr's safety officer, spent many man-hours during the recent school term teaching mouth-to-mouth resuscitation to elementary schools throughout Orange County.

Wood puts on a series of demonstrations in the schools each year with the aid of "ResuscAnn," a life-size doll better known to school kids as "Annie."

The demonstration was especially important this year because before the end of May the rising total of drownings had reached nine compared to 14 for all of 1962. Children in elementary schools may not understand the total effect of mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, said Wood, but in the coming years with repeated exercises, they will begin to learn the whole technique.

By learning a method of life saving, elementary school children also become more aware of stressing the importance of water safety. As Wood points out, the age group most affected by drownings in Orange County and in the nation is those under nine years old. The primary cause of this age group's getting into trouble is letting them swim and play near water while being unobserved, he said.

Wood takes Annie and spends an entire day at a school teaching second through sixth graders the art of saving a life. He holds 30-minute classes and

**DIPLOMAS . . .
BY THE DOZENS**
NAPLES — If you didn't know that Collier County Sheriff Doug Hendry was a great believer in training for law enforcement officers, you would discover it the moment you walked into his office and saw this wall full of diplomas — some 50 of them which he and his deputies have received from law enforcement schools in Florida and elsewhere. The Sheriff (pictured with the display) is a graduate of the FBI Academy and other schools. He explained that most of his diplomas are not displayed, and others belonging to his staff members were destroyed by Hurricane Donna.
(Photo by Thomas McGrath)



Prisoner Discovers Sheriff is "Real Humanitarian"

CRESTVIEW — When Walter Richard Allen was brought here from Baltimore on a first degree murder charge he expected to find himself in the hands of a bunch of backwoods "wool hats."

Instead, as he admitted to newspaper reporter Allen Robinson later, he discovered that State Attorney William Frye and Okaloosa County Sheriff Ray Wilson were real "humanitarians."

"They really believe in trying to get justice done," Allen commented.

He was charged with first degree murder in the Easter morning slaying of a Fort Walton Beach service station attendant, along with Antonia Frank Glionna, 33, who confessed that he had killed the man in an armed robbery attempt. The victim was Romeo A. (Lou) Beaudry, 49, and the crime occurred in 1951.

Glionna, of Johnstown, N. Y., revived the 12-year-old case when his conscience caused him to confess to a priest, an attorney and finally police officers.

Glionna was extradited to Florida, given psychiatric examinations and committed to the Florida State Hospital after he was judged incompetent to assist in his own defense.

Allen was implicated as an accomplice by Glionna and gave himself up to Baltimore authorities voluntarily when he heard he was wanted by Sheriff Wilson.

It was at this point that Allen had misgivings about putting his fate in the hands of "a bunch of wool hats."

At a preliminary hearing Glionna refuted Allen's implication in the slaying and said that Allen should not be charged with the murder — only with knowledge of it.

Allen later was granted immunity from prosecution by the court and allowed to return home.

demonstrates the technique with Annie, answers a barrage of questions from the youngsters, and then lets them practice the technique on Annie.

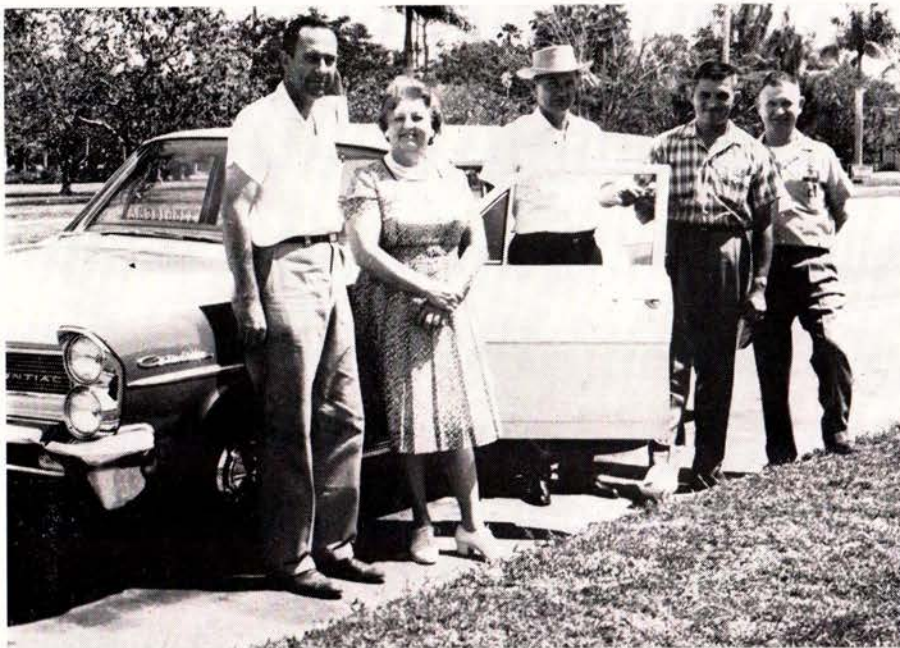
Mouth-to-mouth resuscitation is blowing a blast of air into a victim's lungs through the mouth of the operator. The operator holds the victim's nose and tongue and repeats the process in a rhythmic manner. The method has proven extremely successful and is taught by Red Cross Life Saving courses.

Wood said most of the lower grade school children are enthusiastic learners and all would most likely use the method without a second thought in order to save a life. "The high schoolers have to be sold on the idea probably because of the connotation going along with the mouth-to-mouth idea," he said.

Gunwoman at 14

GAINESVILLE — A pistol-packing 14-year-old girl was held for questioning recently when the Alachua County Sheriff's Department arrested her boy friend—a 33-year-old man wanted for crimes committed throughout the Southeast.

She had a loaded pistol in the waist band of her skirt at the time of the arrest and she told Deputy Sheriff John Tileston she would have shot him "if so many people hadn't been around.



LABELLE — EMERGENCY WAGON — Hendry County Sheriff Earl Dyess (center) takes delivery of a new station wagon which his office will operate as an ambulance and for emergency calls. Purchased by the Hendry County Hospital Authority, it will carry oxygen, a resuscitator and other emergency equipment. Pictured with the Sheriff (from left) are Dan McCarthy, chairman of the Hospital Authority; Mrs. Anna Mae Jones, hospital administrator; "Chuck" Wells, owner, and Keith King, general manager, of "Chuck" Wells Motor Co., the firm from which the station wagon was purchased. (Photo courtesy the Clewiston News.)

Jail Plans OK'd

BRADENTON — Plans for Manatee County's new \$650,000 jail were approved by the County Commission after a State Department of Corrections inspection report called facilities at the old jail "deplorable".

The inspection report listed many hazardous, obsolete and unsatisfactory conditions. It said that health conditions were very deplorable, adding that "toilet and lavatory facilities now in use create a bad sanitation problem."

The new jail is to be located on a ten-acre tract. It will be a three-story structure with facilities for 160 prisoners, including 32 women and 32 juveniles.

Office space will be provided for Sheriff Ken Gross and staff; and for the county Civil Defense headquarters.

Out of Circulation

Sheriff's bank accounts will be more secure now that Floyd A. Frazier is in the State Prison.

Frazier, who specializes in copying the signatures of high-ranking law enforcement officials, is wanted in a number of Florida counties for forging the names of sheriffs on phony checks.

His current five-year sentence was for a forgery in which he used the name of John W. McCormick, assistant state attorney in the Fifth Judicial District.

Jail Job Started

CRESTVIEW — Work has begun on a project which will give Okaloosa County a larger court house and a new county jail.

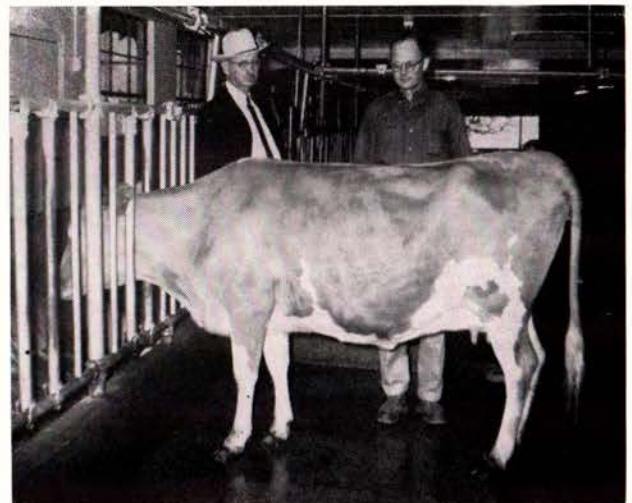
The court house addition will provide a new wing at each end of the present building at a cost of \$314,657.

The new jail will be built on a 20-acre site just east of the city limits at a cost of \$214,276.

Southern Steel Co., of Panama City, is general contractor for the court house project; and Ralph Neel Construction Co., of Bonifay, will build the jail.

RANCH GIFT

MONTICELLO—This newest addition to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch dairy herd was donated by W. W. Bassett, Jr., (right) of Bassett's Dairy, in memory of Jesse Lott, Jefferson County Sheriff J. B. Thomas (left) accepted the cow for the Ranch.



What'cha Mean By Obscene?

GAINESVILLE — It's easy to say you're against obscene literature—but getting it out of circulation is another matter.

Sheriff Joe Crevasse Jr., long a foe of printed filth, knows all about this, and his latest experience is a good illustration.

Back in April, Sheriff Crevasse's deputies swooped down on a magazine stand and seized \$750 worth of alleged pornography.

Their haul ranged from paper back books detailing the affairs of lesbian lovers to a picture magazine featuring pictures of nude men—an ill disguised appeal to the homosexual fringe. Over 1,000 magazines and books were confiscated.

The owner of the magazine stand was arrested on charges of selling obscene literature and later filed a motion in the Court of Record attacking the constitutionality of Florida's obscene literature law.

Judge Ira J. Carter ruled that the law is constitutional and denied a motion to quash the charges against the magazine stand owner. However, he also ruled that the books and magazines seized in the raid could not be used as evidence and must be returned to the owner.

The Judge said a qualified individual should have read the suspected publications "and not a few sentences, paragraphs or pages selected at random" to see if they met the constitutional tests of obscenity.

Judge Carter stressed he was not ruling on whether or not the publications were obscene; and he added that his ruling against using seized magazines as evidence did not include those purchased by investigators in preparation for the raid.

ALABAMA AIRLIFT

Gives Visitors the Lowdown On Florida's Pride and Joy

Airlifted to Florida by plane, groups of top Alabama officials and businessmen — including Former Governor John Patterson and Grocery Chain Executive Tine Davis — took a long, enthusiastic look at the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch recently.

And, presumably they went back to Alabama all fired up with ideas and procedures which will enable them to put their own brain child — The Alabama Sheriffs Boys Ranch — into successful operation in the not too distant future.

Following Florida's lead, the Alabama lawmen have already selected a site for their Ranch near Selma, and are in the process of erecting the first buildings.

Through their Executive Secretary, Chauncey Wood, they made arrangements to bring some 40 of their outstanding citizens to the Florida Ranch in two groups, May 14 and 16; with air transportation arranged by Tine Davis.

Each group landed at the Lake City Airport, was transported to the Boys Ranch by bus, ate lunch at the Ranch, thoroughly inspected the 737-acre layout and asked hundreds of questions.

The Alabamans were greeted by Columbia County Sheriff Ralph Witt, Suwannee County Sheriff Hugh Lewis, Boys Ranch Treasurer J. L. McMullen and Boys Ranch Administrator Harry Weaver.



Alabamans were greeted at airport by Columbia County Sheriff Ralph Witt (standing, right); Boys Ranch Treasurer J. L. McMullen (standing, fifth from left); and Boys Ranch Administrator Harry Weaver (kneeling, left).



Visitors give close inspection to rugged furniture in one of the residence cottages. (Photos by Dan Stainer, Live Oak.)

Officers Praised

ARCADIA — Desoto County Sheriff Lloyd Holton, Deputy Sheriff Randall DeLoach and Arcadia Police Chief Carroll C. Crews were cited by the National Police Officers Association for capturing an armed escapee.

The citation said the three officers risked their lives in tracking down the escapee, and their performance of duty "reflected only the highest traditions of the police service and the profession."

Sheriff Honored

WEST PALM BEACH — Sheriff Martin Kellenberger was one of 14 men honored by the West Palm Beach Junior Chamber of Commerce for giving public relations assistance.

"The Jaycees have completed 72 projects this past year," said President Bill Hutchinson, "and this would have been impossible without the support of these fine people. . ."

Audits Favorable

The State Auditing Department made the following favorable comments after auditing the accounts and records of Lee County Sheriff Flanders Thompson, Hamilton County Sheriff Charlie Rhoden and Liberty County Sheriff L. C. Rankin:

SHERIFF THOMPSON—All collections of record for fines and forfeitures were properly accounted for. Annual reports of income and expenses were properly filed. Budgets appeared to be well prepared and were not overspent. Cash in the office was adequately insured.

SHERIFF RHODEN — Resources were adequate to cover liabilities of record. Records were well kept.

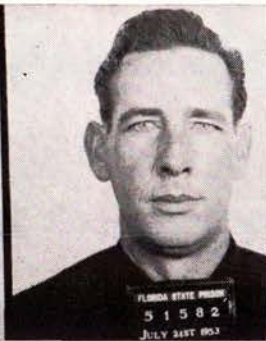
SHERIFF RANKIN—All collections of record were accounted for. Records were well kept. Budgets were properly prepared, amended and adhered to.



CLEARWATER — ROLES REVERSED — Sheriff Don Genung (right) is usually on the receiving end of various types of merit awards, but this picture shows him presenting a Public Service Award to Look Magazine on behalf of the National Police Officers Association. Shown accepting the award for Look is Mr. Ward Alger, regional circulation supervisor. Genung said the award was presented in recognition of an article Look published on in-service training for police officers.

WANTED PERSONS

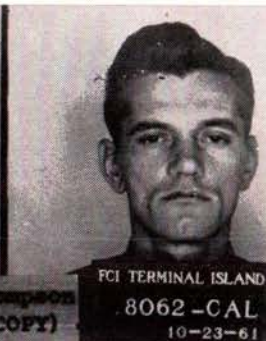
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John Henry Johns

White male, date and place of birth 11-30-15, Perry, Fla., 5 feet, 9 1/2 inches tall, weighs 155 pounds, black crew cut hair, grey-blue eyes; numerous tattoos, some identified as an American Flag with Eagle, "Port of Spain," dagger with words "Death Before Dishonor." Known to have violent temper when drinking. In pos-

session of Sims automatic rifle. Operating red and white 1956 Ford Victoria Coach, 1963 Florida License 15-6948. May seek work as TV repairman or heavy equipment operator. Warrant on file, charging Violation of Parole. If apprehended notify Sheriff Gross, Bradenton, Florida or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



Robert C. Thompson

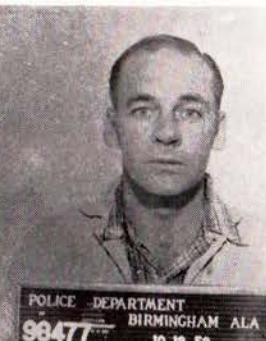
White male, date of birth 9-1-28, 9-1-29, or 8-1-28, either in Arizona or Oregon, 5 feet 10 inches tall, weighs 173 pounds, medium build, brown hair, blue eyes; scar lower left arm, right cheek; tattoo of heart pierced

by arrow on upper right arm. FBI #4586954. Occupation: Painter. Wanted on five counts Worthless Checks. If apprehended notify Sheriff Boyer, Sarasota, Florida or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



Ralph Anthony Damiano

Also known as Ralph ANTHONY, John LUCAS, white male, date and place of birth 9-7-27, Patterson, N. J. 5 feet, 7 inches tall, weighs 175 pounds, brown hair and eyes, stout build, F-PC:32/32, W/W, II/10, 19. Occupation: Contractor. Capias issued, charge Worthless Checks. Will not extradite, but will pickup if located in Florida. If apprehended notify Sheriff Blackburn, Tampa, Florida or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



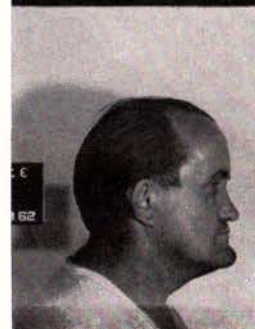
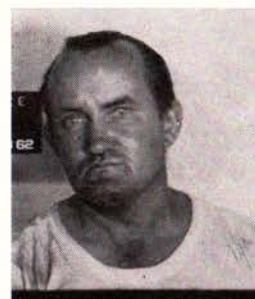
Earl C. Hunter

White male, date of birth 2-17-27, FBI #2-17-27, no further description. Wanted on two counts Breaking and Entering of

Auto. If apprehended notify Sheriff Baker, Stuart, Florida, or Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.

George William Fisher

White male, date and place of birth 12-24-19, Mecca, Ind., 5 feet 7 inches tall, weighs 175 pounds, brown hair and eyes, stout build. Occupation: Roofer. Capias issued, charge Petit Larceny. FBI stop has not been placed. Will not extradite. If apprehended, notify Sheriff Blackburn, Tampa, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Fla.



Return Engagement

Readers of THE SHERIFF'S STAR were given a picture tour of the new million-dollar Lake County Jail, located at Tavares, Florida, in an earlier issue. Here are additional pictures to introduce members of Sheriff Willis McCall's staff and show some of the office facilities located on the ground floor.



A portion of the new four-story jail with Sheriff McCall's field force of deputies and patrol cars in the foreground. The jail is on a lakefront site and is bordered by attractive shade trees.

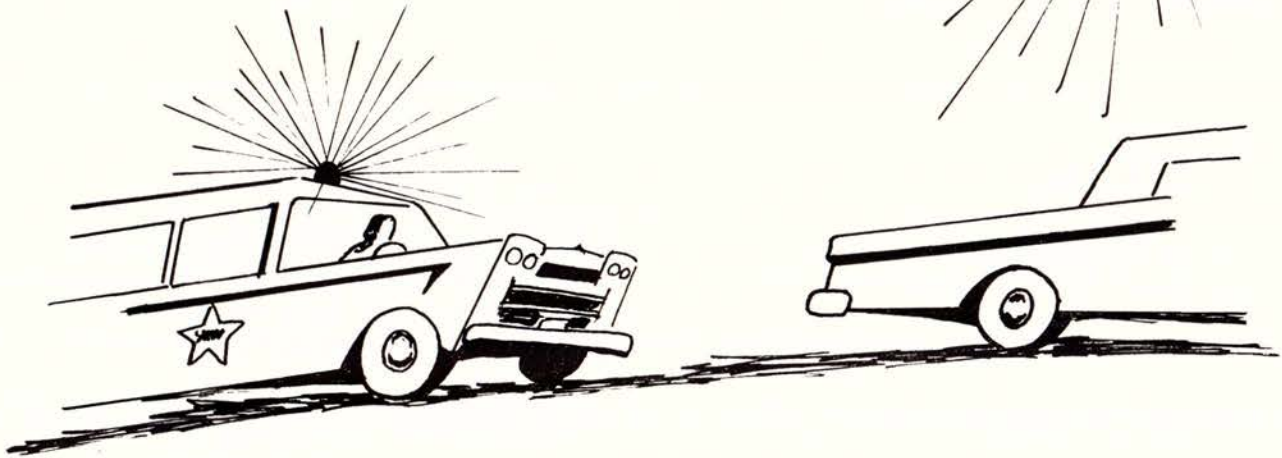
Pictured at left is the Sheriff (standing) with his administrative staff (from left): Criminal Clerk Alice Williams, Office Executive Bob Roof, Cashier Mae Ledford and Civil Clerk and Secretary Helen Roof.

Pictured at right are (from left) Secretary and Switchboard Operator Dorothea Mursh, Deputy Sheriff George Ober, Chief Criminal Deputy James Yates and Chief Dispatcher Malcolm McCall.

In the line-up below are (from left) Chief Criminal Deputy Yates, Chief Civil Deputy Sewell, Chief Dispatcher McCall; and Deputies Godwin, Clark, Ober, Scism, Brooks, Spence and Jones.



The Cold Facts About Hot Pursuit



by
SHERIFF DON GENUNG
Sheriff of Pinellas County

The pursuit of violators must be carried out over all types of roads and under all kinds of traffic conditions. The police officer or deputy sheriff, when called upon to be a pursuit driver, realizes it is a dangerous and hazardous task and never knows where a chase will lead or where it will end; it may travel down super-highways, crooked country roads, narrow rutted lanes, or through the woods. The chase may begin in a rural area and end on a highly populated city street, and this law enforcement officer must be ready at all times to apprehend violators with the least amount of danger to himself and the general public.

High-speed driving in apprehension of violators invites criticism from citi-

zens, taxpayers and other highway users. Experience has proven the fact that it is better to lose an occasional race with a violator than to endanger one's self in a collision that might result in personal injury or death.

False Sense of Security

A marked patrol car with a flashing red light and siren does not necessarily assure a pursuit driver that he will be given the right of way over all other vehicular traffic. It is evident that about 90% of the civilian drivers on the highways will pull over and yield the right of way to an emergency vehicle, but the other 10% fail to see the pursuit car or hear the warning siren, or respond incorrectly. Should a collision occur as a result of this failure, death or personal injury and property damage will be the only reward. A marked patrol car with flashing light and siren may give the inexperienced pursuit of-

ficer a false sense of security which may result in an accident, personal injury, or death to both himself and other motorists.

An experienced pursuit driver knows that some people have driving handicaps such as poor eyesight and degrees of deafness, while some are inattentive. Others exercise poor judgment or lack coordination, while still others respond incorrectly to emergencies. These drivers and their unknown disabilities and lack of skill present a continuous problem to this experienced driver.

Basic Qualifications

A traffic law enforcement agency must demand certain basic qualifications in the officer to be assigned as a pursuit driver. In selecting such officers, it is a good policy to select men who have had considerable experience in driving an automobile and who possess a record that is free from traffic violations and accidents. They should have good eyesight, i.e. 20-20 vision, normal depth perception, and normal color vision.

They should have a safe driving attitude and constantly exercise good judgment as they drive. They should be emotionally stable to refrain from becoming angry if someone offends them or does not drive or yield the right of way properly. They should know or become familiar with the roads and

Chasing a Law Violator at High Speed is a Necessary, — and a Very Dangerous, — Part of Law Enforcement; but It's Better to Lose an Occasional Race Than to Take Foolish Risks.

highways in the area where pursuit may become necessary.

Each officer should drive every road in his assigned territory and learn the location of all sharp curves, blind intersections, stop signs, dangerous sections of roads, in order to be able to anticipate trouble and thus avoid unnecessary risks in driving. A thorough knowledge and ability to respond correctly to emergencies is essential. When these qualifications are found in the men selected for training as pursuit drivers, you will find that with proper training the accident frequency rate in the department will be greatly reduced.

Learn Limitations

During this training period, the driver must learn his own limitations as well as those of his vehicle. This is an important phase of training as lack of experience can be disastrous. Expertness is acquired through correct practices and caution, and not through trying to do the untried or impossible. A pursuit driver is not a race track driver, and although both types drive at high speeds, their objectives and type of driving are entirely different from each other.

The race track driver does not have to cope with the many hazards and obstacles of highway driving. The pursuit driver drives not only to apprehend the fleeing motorist, who may be a drunk driver, auto thief or a fleeing felon, but many times a citizen who has violated one of the many traffic laws of the state, county or city.

The equipment and automobile furnished the officer must be in the best condition possible and should be safe, powerful and have a top speed equivalent to or above the average car. This car should be inspected regularly and be subject to a preventive maintenance program to assure that each part of the car is in the best condition possible. The brakes, tires, lights, doors, and steering mechanism should be the prime consideration and should be inspected weekly.

Identification First Duty

The first duty of the pursuit officer is to identify the driver and the vehicle as soon as possible. The vehicle should be identified by year, model, make, body type, color, and license number. Such identification is very significant and important, particularly if high speed pursuit ensues. It is not possible to get all of this information at all times, but part of it is better than none at all. An officer should practice looking carefully at a driver for general description as to color, age and type and color of clothing. This type of observation and identification would eliminate the chance of stopping the wrong car after



Sheriff Genung

losing sight of the pursued vehicle for a few moments.

During pursuit, warning devices should be used to warn other people on the highway of your presence, your speed and the danger that exists. The location of the flashing light on the vehicle is very important and should be located in a position to be easily seen by any motorist within the immediate area. The normal motorist's reaction, upon hearing the sound of a siren, is to look and attempt to determine where the sound is coming from. If the flash-

ing light is visible to this motorist, he can yield the right of way immediately. The siren is more effective if it is used in an up and down tone and the extremely high pitched sound is avoided because it does not carry an appreciable distance.

Is Risk Worth Results?

The emergency driver must learn to take into consideration many factors in his determination of how far, and at what speed and risk, to carry the pursuit. A few of these factors are the type of violation committed; the weather conditions; the road conditions; traffic congestion; dangers to other motorists and pedestrians; and the dangers to the driver. Each of these must be considered by themselves and jointly, and the conclusion will determine whether the risk will be worth the results.

A pursuit driver is of no value to a department if he is killed or injured in an accident that could have been prevented by sound judgment and proper training and experience. This driver must also realize that his reputation and the reputation of his department are riding with him each time he drives in a high-speed chase.

EDITOR'S NOTE — This article originally appeared in the National Fraternal Order of Police Journal, after which Sheriff Don Genung received many fine comments and letters of praise.



TITUSVILLE—THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT A UNIFORM—The image of law enforcement gets more attractive every day, and here are some of the reasons—four of Sheriff Leigh Wilson's deputies in their new uniforms. Shown receiving their official shoulder patches are (from left) Mary Anderson, Carol Carter, Sandy Futch and Kay Ball. (Brevard Sentinel-Star photo by Blanton McBride.)



Sheriff Brannen (right) finds the weapon used to kill one of his deputies while the accused killer looks on.



Loot taken in the holdup that precipitated the killing of the deputy was also recovered by the Sheriff.



Attorney B. J. Langston (right) presents the Mary C. Morrow bequest to Sheriff Brannen.



Sheriff Brannen (right) arrives in Ecuador with his bloodhounds and handler, Vernon Medders.

... and so it goes.

BARTOW—A sheriff never knows what's going to happen next . . . something good . . . something bad . . . something tragic . . . something sad.

And, Polk County Sheriff Monroe Brannen is no exception.

In a relatively short period of time he:

(A) Flew to Ecuador, South America, with his bloodhounds to search for and find five college students who became lost and almost died of starvation during a mountain climbing hike. (See full details in the April-May issue of the STAR.)

(B) Wrapped up a case in which a fleeing hold-up man shot and killed Deputy Sheriff Leon Bernard.

(C) Accepted for the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch a \$25,000 bequest from the estate of Mary C. Morrow.

These were only a few highlights in a 24-hours-a-day, seven-days-a-week job that covers a wide spectrum of crimes and emergencies.

... and so it goes.