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WEST PALM BEACH—BOYS RANCH BUILDERS—The Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch has many friends in Palm Beach County and Sheriff Martin Kellenberger (right) is pictured here expressing his appreciation to three of them. He presented Boys Ranch Builder certificates to (from left) Ken Cable, West Palm Beach; William Bruns, Lake Worth; and Mrs. M. Plush, of Delray Beach.

Odds Against Him

CLEWISTON—A runaway prisoner doesn't have a chance against the modern tools of law enforcement.

When Alton Gardner escaped from a road gang, Sheriff Earl Dyess used his modern radio communications set up to alert all law enforcement officers in the area; then he went aloft in an airplane to keep the fugitive pinned down.

Any movement in the cane field where Gardner was hiding would have been spotted from the air. Consequently all he could do was cower in the cane until searchers with bloodhounds picked him up.

He was back in custody less than an hour after he escaped.

This Fish Was Loaded

PUNTA GORDA — Russell B. Phillips really gets a bang out of fishing—but he almost got too much of a bang when his hook snagged onto a live hand grenade in Oldham Waterway.

Phillips reeled it in, tenderly took it to Sheriff Richard Stickley, and then presumably took a nerve pill.

The Sheriff assigned Deputies Dennis Price and Lou Cusick to the job of disposing of the grenade.

Jail Cost Studied

BROOKSVILLE — Sheriff Sim L. Lowman and the Hernando County Commission received plans indicating it will cost between \$400,000 and \$425,000 to remodel and expand the county jail.

The cost estimate presented by Architect James G. Rogers II, of Winter Park, would cover facilities for about 125 prisoners.



PROMOTED

Sheriff Don Genuing announced that Pinellas County Deputy Sheriff James O. Thompson has been promoted to the rank of Lieutenant and is second in command in the Uniform Division of the Sheriff's Department. The head of this division is Capt. Carl McMullen.

Chaplain on Duty

TAMPA — Prisoners in the Hillsborough County Jail have an opportunity to discuss their problems with the Rev. Gordon A. Christensen, associate pastor of Tampa Heights Methodist Church, who was selected by the Tampa Ministers Association to serve as part-time jail chaplain.

One jail inmate commented he felt he had been treated "as a person and human being with some value in society."

This is how Chaplain Christensen wants to see all prisoners treated, and he believes it is basic to rehabilitation.

He praised Sheriff Malcolm Beard and his staff for good jail administration, which he described as a balance of firm discipline and compassion.

Costly Mistake

LEESBURG — A 47-year-old Negro, Arthur Barr, made one of the worst mistakes of his life when he shot off a gun in the yard of a Leesburg residence during an argument.

This got him a six-month sentence in the Lake County Jail, and while he was a prisoner there Sheriff Willis McCall sent his fingerprints to the Florida Sheriff's Bureau — a routine action.

The Bureau notified him that Barr, Alias Adolphus Nixon, was a two-time escapee who had been wanted since 1945 to complete sentences for Dade County offenses adding up to life imprisonment plus 60 years.

FOR INMATES

JACKSONVILLE — Sheriff Dale Carson assists Mrs. D. W. Brantley in selecting books appropriate for inmates at the Duval County Jail. The books were donated to the county jail library by the Woman's Club of Jacksonville; and the club plans to continue collecting books for this purpose throughout the year. (Florida Times-Union photo.)



Academy Holds First Off-Campus School

ST. AUGUSTINE—Florida Law Enforcement Academy held its first "off campus" school here August 15-20 for a group of 24 Negro law enforcement officers. The highly successful general training session was held at Florida Memorial College, a Negro school, and it covered a wide range of subjects such as Arrest Techniques, Search and Seizure, Skills of Crime Investigation and Testifying in Court. Instructors included members of the Florida Memorial College staff as well as representatives from the FBI; Florida Attorney General's Office; Florida Sheriffs Bureau; various municipal, county and state enforcement agencies; and the Florida Law Enforcement Academy Staff. "Hoop" Teabault, Editor and Publisher of the St. Augustine Record, daily newspaper, presented graduation certificates to 17 deputy sheriffs from Volusia, Hernando, Alachua, Pinellas, Orange, Highlands, St. John's, Jackson, Polk, Marion, Leon, Pasco and Indian River Counties; and seven police officers from Jacksonville, Clermont, Titusville, Boynton Beach and Haines City. Created by the Florida Sheriffs Association in 1963, the Academy is located at Tallahassee and all previous schools have been held on its campus near the Tallahassee Municipal Airport. The pictures below were taken during the St. Augustine sessions.



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A Friend to All

The first fatal accident in the eight-year history of the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch occurred on August 10, 1965, when some boys from Lewis Cottage were swimming and water skiing at Ocean Pond near Macclenny.

When the boys were preparing for a picnic lunch, they discovered that Raymond Corryell, a 17-year-old high school junior, was not around.

He was found almost immediately floating in shallow water near a boat dock and efforts to revive him with artificial respiration were unsuccessful.

The cause of death was not immediately determined, but it was believed that Raymond either dived or fell from the dock while running, fractured his neck and subsequently drowned. Although many people were around at the time, no one actually saw what happened.

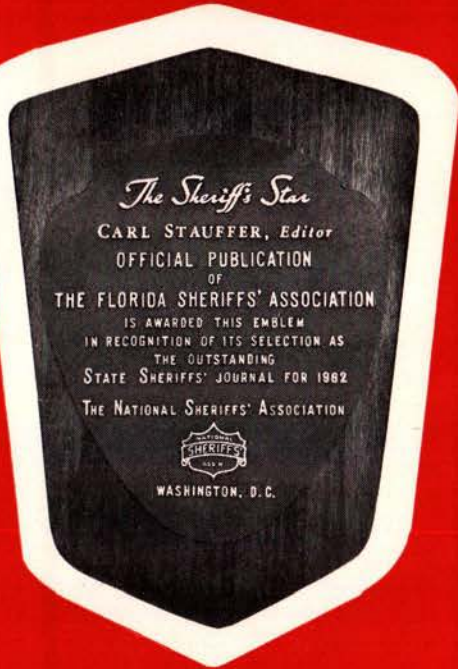
Funeral services were held at the Boys Ranch Chapel, August 13, at 10:30 A.M., with young Ranchers serving as pallbearers and choir members.

A eulogy delivered by Terry Willard, one of Raymond's close friends, described him as "a friend to all."

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COVER STORY

Sheriff Gets Clipped

TALLAHASSEE—It isn't very often that you see a picture of a Sheriff getting clipped because they usually stay out of "clip joints" unless duty requires them to go in and make an arrest.

But this month's cover picture, with Volusia County Sheriff Rodney Thursby as the "victim," is an exception.

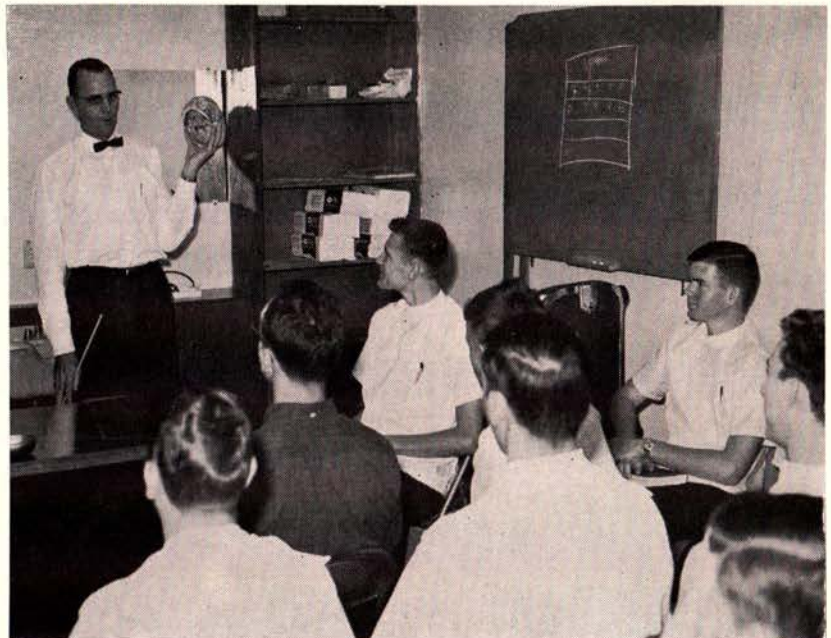
The young man with the comb and shears is Larry Stacy, from the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch, who recently enrolled as a student at Tallahassee Barber College.

Sheriff Thursby didn't mind getting clipped a little by Larry because Larry is one of his proteges. He originally recommended the Volusia County lad for admission to the Ranch; and has watched his development from a barefoot boy to young manhood and the beginning of a career.

The Sheriff was one of the founders of the Boys Ranch back in 1957 and he is currently serving as chairman of the executive committee of the Board of Trustees.

Larry is not the first Rancher to select barbering as a career. Another Volusia County youth, Lloyd deGerald, was graduated from Tallahassee Barber College in 1962, and is building a successful career as a master barber in New Smyrna Beach.

(Cover photo and picture below by Jim Moore, Florida Sheriffs Bureau.)



"The head bone's connected to the neck bone . . ." Tallahassee Barber College Director William R. Schleich tells students in anatomy class. That's Larry Stacy, front and center.

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Color Blind

ORLANDO — In a letter printed in the Orlando Sentinel, Jerry McCain, of 807 N. Henry St., Gadsden, Alabama, told the people of Orange County how fortunate they are to have such a wonderful cooperative Sheriff's Department.

His letter was prompted by the fact that Sheriff Dave Starr had responded immediately when requested to notify Lorenzo Pitts, of Orlando, that his wife was in a serious condition in a Gadsden, Ala., hospital.

"The Sheriff's Department is due all praise and I congratulate them highly," said McCain. "Please be proud of your Sheriff's Department. I would like for some Northern People to see this in your paper, as Mr. Pitts in a Negro. So am I, and it made no difference to the Sheriff's Department of Orange County."

Straight Shooter

TITUSVILLE — Here's a young girl who's a straight shooter.

She's Beverly Richardson, 15, of Merritt Island, who bullseyed her way to the title of overall champion of Sheriff Leigh Wilson's Junior Rifle Club. She won the championship trophy with 360 out of a possible 400 points.

TONY HONORED

SARASOTA — Sarasota County Deputy Sheriff Tony Montagnesi (right) accepts a "Meritorious Service Award" presented to him by the Florida Highway Patrol for promoting highway accident prevention and traffic safety education. The award was presented by Florida Highway Patrol Sgt. Whitey Knutson (left); and Sarasota County Sheriff Ross E. Boyer was a proud on-looker.



FOR GENEROSITY

BARTOW — Polk County Sheriff Monroe Brannen presents a Builder Certificate to John Carter, of Lake Wales, in recognition of his generosity toward the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch. (Polk County Sheriff's Department photo by Wayne Wyant.)



WEST PALM BEACH—CRIME FIGHTER RETIRES—Former State Attorney Phil O'Connell, who retired after almost a quarter-century of distinguished crime fighting, was honored here at a communion breakfast for police and firemen. He is shown (third from left) receiving congratulations from (left to right) State Treasurer Broward Williams, Palm Beach County Representative Emmett S. Roberts; and Attorney General Earl Faircloth.

High Tribute

KEY WEST — Eleven prisoners in the Monroe County Jail wrote this note to Sheriff Reace Thompson after Jailer Jerry Labrada died of a heart attack:

"We're deeply in regret about Mr. Jerry. He was in fact one of the most fineness (sic) men that we knew at the jail. We the fellows of the county jail send our deepest sympathy and regrets."

Jailer Labrada, 72, was a former prizefighter. He began working as a prison guard at Big Pine Key in May 1947; and later came to Key West where he served as a jailer in the county jail for 13 years.

\$1,500 for the Ranch

OCALA — A benefit horse show staged by the Marion County Saddle Club raised \$1,500 for the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch.

It drew some 2,500 spectators and was highlighted by presentation of the F. L. McGehee Sportsmanship Trophy to Katy Yantis, of Ocala. The trophy is awarded each year in memory of a former Marion County Sheriff who was one of the founders of the Boys Ranch.

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.

More Donors Added To Growing Roster Of 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.

Mr. C. F. Pumphrey, Jacksonville.
Economy Wholesale Distributors, Inc., Jacksonville.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Hoback, Lake Wales.

Mr. L. B. Ehrlich, Bradenton.

Mrs. Frank Saunders, Bradenton.
John M. Scheb, Sarasota.

Mrs. Margaret B. Johnstone, Sarasota.

Mrs. Maynard Allen, Sarasota.

Mrs. Flanders G. (Minnie) Thompson, Fort Myers.

Sheriff L. O. Davis, Jr., St. Augustine.

Sheriff Barkley Gause, Marianna.

Mr. J. Sorgi, Hudson, Ohio.

Mr. G. B. Hill, Jacksonville.

Mr. Emanuel G. Lamping, St. Petersburg.

Mr. Warren S. Watts, Orlando.

Mr. Arthur C. Brown, Gainesville.

Mr. A. H. Ellzey, Otter Creek.

Mr. Billie Brooker, Otter Creek.

Mr. Cor J. Trubey, Fort Lauderdale.

Mr. Robert W. Crawford, Fort Lauderdale.

Mr. W. S. Maurer, Fort Lauderdale.

Mr. James S. Tatlow, Fort Lauderdale.



ORLANDO—FOR LIFE—Orange County Sheriff Dave Starr (left) presents a Lifetime Membership in the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch Builder Club to Attorney Robert Eagan who was instrumental in handling details of a large bequest made to the Boys Ranch from the estate of the late William O. Cantrell. The presentation was made at an Orange County Bar Association luncheon. (Orlando Star photo by Tom Brodwater.)

Generous Bequest

CLEARWATER—Mrs. Gertrude Weber, of Clearwater, who died April 29, 1965, will long be remembered at the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch.

Pinellas County Sheriff Don Genung, who first introduced her to the Boys Ranch and later made her a Lifetime Honorary Member of the Florida Sheriffs Association, recently recalled her first visit to the Ranch.

She traveled by bus with a group of Pinellas County people during the Christmas season, enjoyed her trip immensely and was so favorably impressed with what she saw that she donated \$1,000 to the Ranch when she returned to Clearwater.

From that time until her death she maintained an active interest in the Ranch — and even after her death her generosity continued.

When her will was probated Sheriff Genung received notification that it included a large bequest to the Boys Ranch.

For Leadership

TAMPA — Hillsborough County Sheriff Malsolm Beard received a plaque from the Frontiers Club for outstanding leadership.

Mayor Nick Nuccio and City Judge Bob Johnson were similarly honored.

The Memorial Fund will perpetuate the memory of deceased relatives and friends. It provided the financing for a Boys Ranch Chapel; and it will be used in the future for similar projects of enduring significance.

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 _____

In Memoriam

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

Staff of the Highlands County Sheriff's Department, Sebring; in memory of Sheriff Lloyd Holton and Jesse Tuck, Jr.

Democratic Executive Committee of DeSoto County, Arcadia; in memory of Sheriff Lloyd Holton.

Mrs. Amelia Hike, Jacksonville; and Mr. T. V. Hershberger, Jacksonville; in memory of William F. Wilkinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Diaz, Tampa; in memory of Mrs. Robert Florio; Mrs. Emma Louetta Register Williams and Mrs. June Dunnington Dyson.

Mrs. Gertrude L. Mott, Hendersonville, N. C.; Mrs. Nora Aly, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; and Mr. and Mrs. Percy Bailey, Corwith, Iowa; in memory of John C. Hall.

Paul and Osie Hutchins, Starke; in memory of Mrs. Minnie Phillips.

Major and Mrs. Hal T. Morrison, Largo; in memory of Harry Loving.

Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Cannon, Live Oak; in memory of Mrs. Irene Fullbright.

Mrs. LaMarr Ritchie, Clearwater; in memory of Mr. LaMarr Ritchie.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Boll, Detroit, Michigan; in memory of Cye W. Conley.

Mr. Wayne Justison, Leesburg; in memory of Mr. George Matarese.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Simpson, Ocala; in memory of Mrs. C. C. Jamerson.

Dr. Jerry L. Ruble and Family, Orlando; in memory of Thomas B. Broadwater.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger L. Jones, Okeechobee; in memory of Morris Crumm.

Mr. R. C. Bigby, Tampa; in memory of John T. Steele.

Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Murphy, Jacksonville; in memory of Mrs. Doyle W. Terry.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred C. Varn, Tallahassee; in memory of Leonard (Dusty) A. Wesson, II.

Mrs. Cornelia Byrd, Orlando; in memory of James R. Byrd.

Mrs. Ernestine B. Kirkpatrick, Maitland; in memory of Mr. Oliver W. Kirkpatrick.

Genung Expresses Appreciation to Ranch Donors

CLEARWATER—In the pictures below Pinellas County Sheriff Don Genung is expressing his appreciation to donors who have made large contributions to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch.



Mr. and Mrs. James H. Towey, of St. Petersburg, received lifetime honorary memberships in the Florida Sheriffs Association and a Boys Ranch Builder certificate for support given to the Ranch through the James P. Towey Foundation.



Jung Gwong, Owner-Manager of China City Restaurant, St. Petersburg, also received a lifetime membership plaque for personal contributions as well as outstanding fund raising efforts.



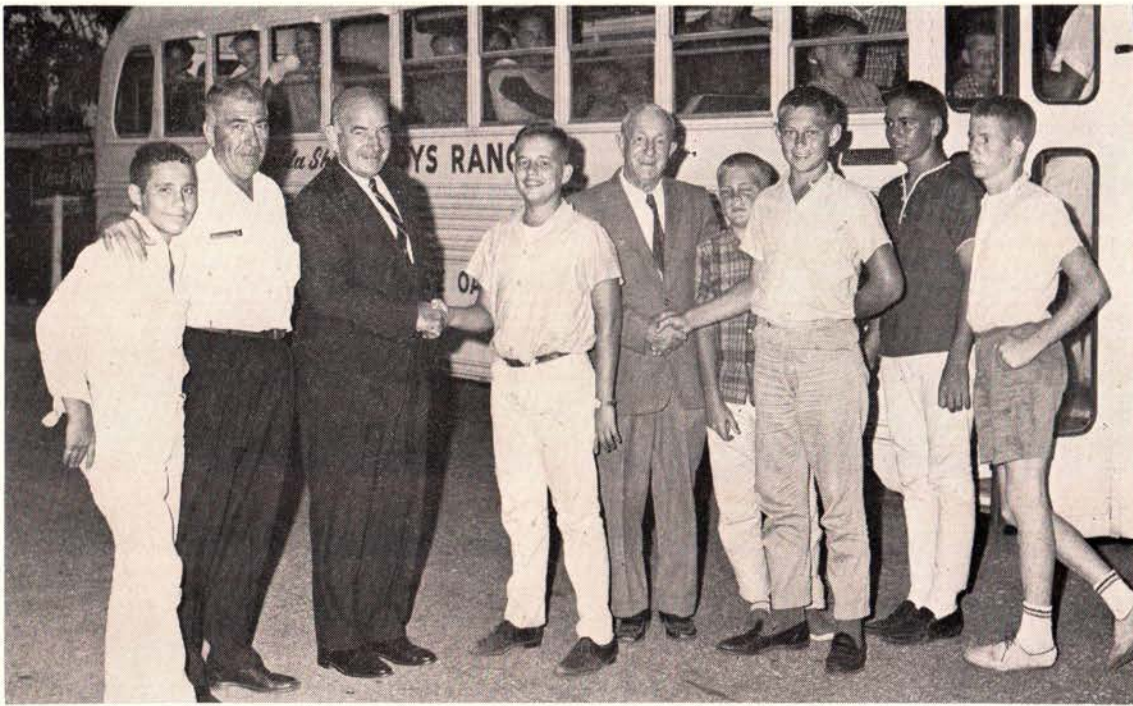
A lifetime plaque went to F. C. Vannatta, District Engineer of the Florida Power Corporation, Pinellas Park, for many hours of valuable assistance with the annual Boys Ranch benefit fish fry.



Sheriff Genung accepts a donation of \$100 from Joseph M. O'Rourke which will be applied toward construction of an urgently needed sewer system at the Boys Ranch. Mr. O'Rourke has been recommended by the Sheriff to receive a Boys Ranch Builder certificate.



A Boys Ranch Builder certificate went to Dr. Robert Hehenberger, past president of the Pinellas Park Chapter, Boys Clubs of America, for meritorious service on behalf of Boys Ranch fund raising efforts.



After they arrived in West Palm Beach the boys were greeted by (from left) Boys Ranch Trustee Emil Bruno; Sheriff Martin Kellenberger and Ranch Sup-
porter Jack Frost.



Gary Swisher tells Palm Beach County Sheriff Martin Kellenberger about the one that got away.

West Palm Beach photos by
Deputy Sheriff Bennie Green

Summer's Gone but Memories

West Palm Beach Trip

WEST PALM BEACH—The annual trip to Palm Beach County is one of the big events of the year for youngsters at the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch, and this year's three-day visit July 13-15 was no exception.

Accompanied by Houseparents Harvey Bues and Ronald C. Arnold, 30 boys traveled by bus to West Palm Beach as guests of Palm Beach County Sheriff Martin Kellenberger and two lifetime honorary members of the Florida Sheriffs Association, Jack Frost and Emil Bruno.

One of their unique experiences was spending the night in a \$500,000 bomb shelter originally constructed here for the safety of the late President John F. Kennedy. Their host was the U.S. Coast Guard which now oversees the facility.

Their busy round of activities included two trips to the movies, a deep sea fishing trip, swimming, bowling, eating at top restaurants and sightseeing.

They were dinner guests of Jack Frost, longtime friend of the Ranch, on the second night of their visit; and some of their other meals were donated by generous restaurant owners.

Deputy Sheriff Warren Stork; Chief Deputy Ray Nunnemaker; Bill Melendez, a member of Sheriff Kellen-



One of the highlights of the West Palm Beach Trip was a dinner at Capt. Alex Restaurant with Jack Frost as host.



End of a perfect day. The boys gathered on the dock at Jacksonville to have their picture taken with some of the big ones that didn't get away.



Host Chris Jenkins was on hand to greet the boys when they arrived in Jacksonville. He is shown shaking hands with Boys Ranch Administrator Harry Weaver (right).

es of Fishing Trips Linger on

berger's Auxiliary Unit; and Emil Bruno accompanied the boys on their deep sea fishing trip aboard Joe DeMarco's "Gem" and Capt. Wendell Hall's "Sea Mist."

This is the fifth consecutive year that Sheriff Kellenberger and Emil Bruno have hosted the boys.

Jacksonville Trip

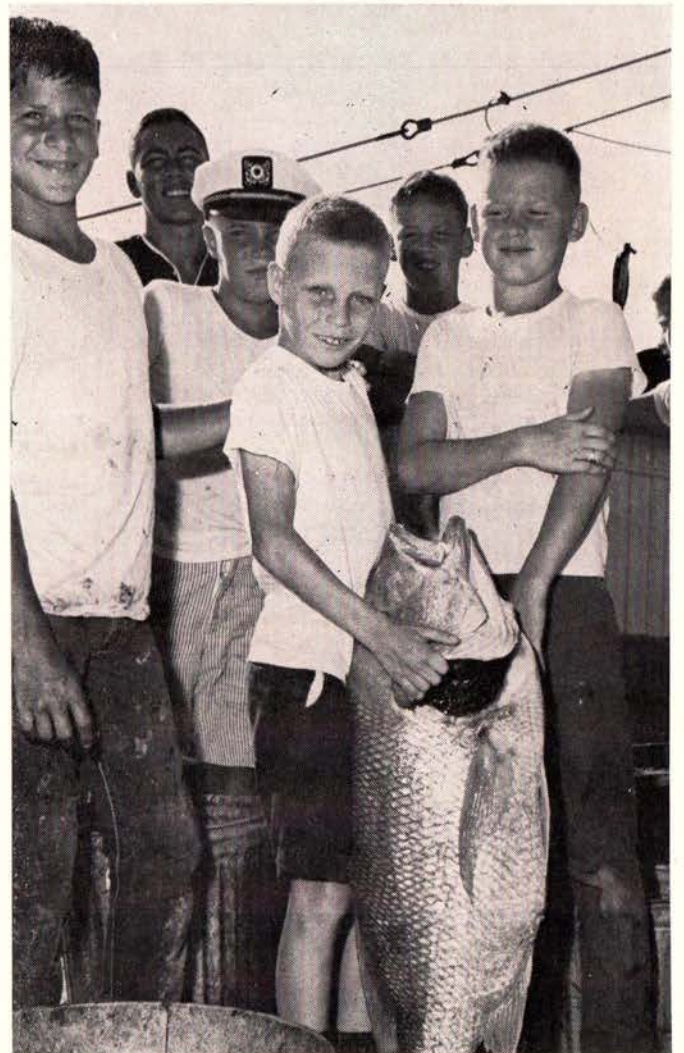
JACKSONVILLE—Getting up at 3:30 A.M. to climb aboard the Boys Ranch bus was the only painful part of the trip for youngsters who went to Jacksonville for a deep sea fishing trip as guests of Chris Jenkins, of Dow Jenkins Shipping Co. The rest was pure enjoyment.

Jenkins, who is a lifetime honorary member of the Florida Sheriffs Association, provided breakfast for the sleepy-eyed boys in Jacksonville, at 6 A.M., and immediately afterward the boys boarded the charter fishing boat Wynema.

Box lunches, sandwiches and soft drinks were served aboard the boat, and the host "spared nothing to show the boys a good time," according to Ranch Administrator Harry Weaver.

Did they catch any fish?

You bet they did and they brought home the pictures on this page to prove it.



The fish is almost as big as the boy. How's that for a prize catch?



NAPLES — COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD — Collier County Sheriff Doug Hendry received a Community Service Award from the Naples Pilot Club in recognition of his work in behalf of the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch. Shown presenting the award are Mrs. Robert Benson (left), charter president of the Club and presently chairman of the Community Service Committee; and Mrs. Alfred J. Hackney, outgoing president. (Photo by Ernest R. Burlingame, Naples.)

Favorably Impressed

DADE CITY — Pasco County Commissioners hired Architect Charles MacCauley to design the proposed new \$325,000 Pasco County Jail because they were so impressed with the job he did in laying out the Okaloosa County Jail.

MacCauley was reported to have agreed to a 4 per cent fee, instead of the usual 6 per cent, because the Pasco jail is expected to be very much the same as the Okaloosa jail, with only minor changes.

He Switched

TAMPA — Sheriff Malcolm Beard is an economy-minded innovator.

After he took office in January a study of mailing costs showed that jury summons could be sent by certified mail instead of registered mail at a savings of 35 cents per summons.

So the Sheriff switched to certified mail and saved the taxpayers over \$1,000 in the first three months of his term.

Big Time Bolita Arrest is Souvenir of Sheriff Hartley's First Year

WILLISTON—One of the big newspaper headlines Pat Hartley will remember from his first year as Sheriff of Levy County went like this:

AREA BOLITA "KINGPIN" CAUGHT IN THE ACT

It was June 12 and a big lottery operation rumored to have been netting \$20,000 a week had been knocked off by the combined efforts of Hartley, Alachua County Sheriff Joe Crevasse Jr. and Marion County Sheriff Doug Willis.

The crackdown was a team effort, but Hartley drew a starring role in the non-fiction drama because his county was chosen for the big climax.

Sharing the spotlight with him was Alachua County Sheriff James Hooten who had been doing undercover work within the three-county bolita ring and had become so deeply involved he was trusted to pick up and deliver bolita money and tickets.

On June 12 Hooten had an appointment to deliver a paper sack containing some \$12,000 to J. C. Raines, described as the bolita ring "kingpin," near Williston.

Sheriff Hartley went along with him and hid behind the front seat as Hooten approached his rendezvous with Raines. Then when Hooten handed the paper sack to Raines, Hartley rose up from his hiding place and placed Raines under arrest.

This was one of Sheriff Hartley's first

"big time" arrests and it touched off a series of other arrests of persons accused of being involved in the bolita operation.

"This is the biggest case we've handled since I've been sheriff," said Crevasse, now in his 10th year as Sheriff of Alachua County.

Raines was charged with operating a lottery; and later he was accused of trying to bribe Deputy Sheriff Keith Ad-

ams. He allegedly paid Adams \$50 "for protection" and, according to officials, Adams pretended to go along with the deal for evidence.

Boyer's Head Man

SARASOTA—Sheriff Ross E. Boyer is heading up the public employee's division of this year's United Appeal Campaign in Sarasota County.

HANDSOME GIFT

TAMPA — Hillsborough County Sheriff Malcolm Beard (right) accepts an American flag for his office from the American Legion. Shown making the presentation are (from left) Frank Falsone, past Commander and Finance Officer of Legion Post No. 73; Deputy Sheriff Nick Capitano, past Commander and Chaplain of Legion Post No. 248; Mrs. Idele Jamison, Commander of the all-women's Legion Post, No. 134; and Mrs. Nellie Eilenberger, Adjutant of Post No. 134.



New Jr. Deputy Unit

TAMPA — Sixth grade youngsters in ten elementary schools will have an opportunity to enroll in Sheriff Malcolm Beard's new Junior Deputy Sheriff League.

Deputy Sheriff Gene Riddle, who is in charge of the program, said those who are sworn in will receive badges and identification cards.

"Then," he said, "we will begin lectures and tours that will be scheduled for one hour each month. These will cover county geography, government, history and duties of the sheriff."

"After that we'll visit each of the divisions in the sheriff's office, the jail, the courthouse and the courts. We also hope to select one Junior Deputy from each school to be part of the sheriff's entry in the Gasparilla parade next year."

Basic purpose of the Junior Deputy Sheriff League will be to teach youngsters the basic principles of good law enforcement and good citizenship; and to encourage them to respect law and order.

Sheriff Intercepts

PUNTA GORDA — "Night House" is an illegal gambling game played with numbered balls.

The balls, numbered from one to 100, are placed in a cloth sack which is securely tied and well shaken. Then the players place bets on various numbers and the sack is tossed around from player to player.

Finally, one of the players separates a single ball from the others and it is tied off while still in the sack. The other balls are then emptied out and the one that remains in the sack becomes the winning number.

"Night house" is prevalent in Negro sections all over Florida, but Charlotte County Sheriff Richard Stickley may be the first sheriff who ever participated in a game — even though it was ever so briefly.

He pulled a raid so fast one night down at a Negro pool hall that he actually caught the bag of balls as it was being tossed from player to player. He and his men also caught nine gamblers and placed them under arrest.

He's a Columnist

GREEN COVE SPRINGS — Clay County Sheriff Jennings Murrhee is a newspaper columnist in his spare time.

He writes a by-lined column entitled "Know the Law" for the Clay County Crescent to give the public an opportunity to become better informed about Florida Laws.



CLEARWATER — IT REALLY WORKS — Pinellas County Sheriff Don Genung (right) is enthusiastic about a new high pressure, hot water spray machine he is currently using to clean ceilings, walls and floors of the Pinellas County Jail. Looking it over with him in the picture above are (from left) Jail Maintenance Engineer John Howard; Jail Captain Herman Vincent; and Doug Eades, representative of the Malsbary Manufacturing Co., of Oakland, California, makers of the machine. Genung said the machine heats tap water to 140 degrees, mixes it with soap and germicides and forces it through a narrow gauge nozzle at 400 pounds of pressure.

McCall's Chairman

UMATILLA — Lake County Sheriff Willis V. McCall is serving as chairman of the administrative board at Harry-Anna Crippled Children's Hospital, a facility owned and operated here by the Florida State Elks Association, Inc.

The Sheriff has been a member of the board for 18 years and for the past eight years held the post of vice chairman.

He is also a past president of the Florida State Elks Association; a past exalted ruler of Eustis Elks Lodge No. 1578; a past president of the Florida Sheriffs Association; and past chairman of the executive committee of the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch Board of Trustees.

Old Problem

KEY WEST — Although he's a new Sheriff, Reace Thompson is fully acquainted with one of the old and persistent problems of law enforcement.

"If young people are to respect law enforcement officers," he told the press, "the parents have got to stop making their kids think we're the bad wolf."

"Parents tell their kids, 'if you don't behave we're going to call the police.' The kids need the fear of God instilled in them and not the police," he added.

He Aims to Please

FT. LAUDERDALE—Sheriff Allen B. Michell is a guy who will go to great lengths to please the public.

For instance, there was this truck driver who had been speeding and the Sheriff flagged him down.

Michell, in civilian clothes, walked up to the truck, showed the driver his badge and asked to see the man's driver's license.

"I don't know if I have one with me or not," was the reply; followed by the surly comment: "What right do you have to carry a badge anyhow? You're not in uniform and you're not in a marked car with a red light."

Michell had planned to simply give the truck driver a warning, but after this response he said "we aim to please" and used his car radio to summon a uniformed deputy in a marked car.

When the deputy arrived he was carrying a book of traffic tickets which he promptly put to use.

FFA Honors Starr

DAYTONA BEACH — The Future Farmers of America at their state convention here awarded an honorary state farmer degree to Orange County Sheriff Dave Starr for his contributions to their organization.



COUNTRY HAMS

Youngsters at the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch are learning to become "ham radio" operators under the tutelage of members of the Marion County Sheriff's Auxiliary sponsored by Sheriff Doug Willis. These pictures were taken when Auxiliary members brought their mobile radio communications equipment to the Ranch to start the training routine.

Citrus Stealing's No Longer a Paying Proposition with Les on the Job

The following article by Ann Whalen is reprinted from the April 10, 1965, issue of All Florida Magazine.

Thinking about picking a few bushels of fruit in that grove you saw last week to impress the folks up north? Or are you thinking big—planning to sell hundreds of dollars worth of stolen Florida gold by the truckload in another county?

Think again. Florida Citrus Mutual, the organized spokesman for the state's citrus industry, is on the look-out for folks who scheme to get rich by large, illegal sales of citrus and folks who steal small amounts for home consumption or to impress friends and relatives.

The newly organized police force of the industry is called the Central Intelligence Bureau, and comes under Citrus Mutual's heading of the Fruit Protection Division.

Hard-hitting, progressive head of the CIB is F. Leslie Bessenger, who resigned his post as sheriff of Pasco County to accept directorship of the infant organization.

"I resigned as sheriff after 33½ years in law enforcement, 23 of them as sheriff," Bessenger said. "Now I work for 32 sheriffs."

In its second year of operation, the CIB has made giant steps of progress in halting or slowing citrus stealing, although it is still suffering from the growing pains of new ventures.

"The citrus industry is the only industry in Florida that has gone to the sheriffs and said, 'What can we do to help you do a better job?'" Bessenger said.

"There are two other points about the CIB:

"CIB has been organized and put into operation at no additional cost to the taxpayer, because it is part of the Florida Mutual organization.

"Second, it is the first time county sheriffs have banded together with someone else in charge."

Working with the sheriff in each of the 32 central Florida counties under CIB protection are two deputies regularly working in the department hand picked to do the additional CIB work.

The deputies know their counties and the people in them. When their suspicions are aroused, they swing into action to deter or arrest the culprits.

When additional help is needed, deputies working with CIB in other counties move in to assist. A plane, newly purchased by the sheriff's department in Manatee County, is on call for use in other areas when CIB calls.

"There are 32,000 members of Florida Citrus Mutual," Bessenger pointed

out, "but we work to protect all citrus growers, packers, canners and dealers whether they are members or not."

And, according to the figures at Citrus Mutual headquarters in Lakeland, CIB is doing a good job.

There were 249 arrests made last year, all the way from the thief who was caught stealing a few bushels from a tree beside the highway and charged with petty larceny to the big-time thieves who swiped fruit by the truckload. The conviction rate was high.

In spite of this, fruit losses from theft were estimated to be \$385,000 last year. Stolen fruit, fraud, and vandalism were the main categories. This year's losses have been cut to \$33,005.

Legislation, the wide-spread crack-down on law breakers, the stress on prevention of citrus crime—all these are changing the picture for the citrus criminal. Where once, even ten years ago, it was easy to make money stealing citrus, today's criminal finds the stealing hard and the selling of stolen fruit even harder.

Behind it all is the dynamic Les Bessenger, ever the traditional southern gentleman — except when he becomes the firm law enforcement officer citrus criminals are learning to fear.

Another Victim

TALLAHASSEE — When a businessman here gets a worthless check or spots a suspicious person he picks up the telephone and alerts Sheriff Bill Joyce; then he puts into operation a merchant-to-merchant chain of telephone calls to warn other businessmen.

This is called the "Red Flash" system, and it works.

One of its recent victims was a man who tried to cash a check stolen in a local burglary case. The first time the man presented the check and failed to get it cashed a "red flash" alarm went out.

The second time he tried to cash it, in another store, Deputy Sheriff Eddie Boone sped to the scene, got a description of the check casher and placed him under arrest.

Mug Shots in Color

PENSACOLA — Sheriff Bill Davis is using color film for identification photographs of all persons arrested by his department.

Color photos are superior to black and white, he said, because they reveal valuable details about a subject. The complexion, eyes and hair can be seen in their true colors; and the facial outline, the lines of the nose, wrinkles and lips are more vivid.

The Sheriff added that cuts and bruises are more clearly defined in color photos; and a person wearing glasses can be "mugged" without the usual reflected glare.

Change of Pace

JACKSONVILLE — Sheriff Dale Carson's mail is not all brickbats.

Once in a while along comes a sprig of lilac like the note penned by Theresa Everill. "Dear Sheriff," she said, "I am in the fifth grade. Thank you for returning my (stolen) bicycle. I need it because I ride it to school and this summer I will ride it to swimming lessons. Thank you again."

"P.S. Sorry I waited so long to write."

Very Fortunate

CRESTVIEW — "We're very fortunate to have two boys at the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch," Sheriff Ray Wilson told the press when Gaston Barber, 15, of Fort Walton Beach, became the second Okaloosa County boy enrolled.

"The Boys Ranch is a wonderful opportunity for the boys who are lucky enough to be accepted there," he added.



TAMPA — PICNIC HOST — Hillsborough County Sheriff Malcolm Beard serves baked beans at a picnic he sponsored for some 800 Hillsborough County School Safety Patrol members. The picnic was held at Tampa's Fairyland with the help of deputy sheriffs, school crossing guards, Sheriff's Office personnel and Sgt. Percy King, who is in charge of the school patrols.

Teamwork Bares Sex-for-Sale Racket in Brevard

TITUSVILLE—Knocking off a sex-for-sale racket is only one of the law enforcement gains resulting from the close cooperation Sheriff Leigh Wilson has developed between his department and other law enforcement agencies in Brevard County.

Sheriff Wilson said his central records unit, to which all enforcement agencies in the county send arrest reports, was instrumental in solving two big stickups pulled off by a dangerous gang that would have shot anyone who resisted.

These arrests also uncovered information about a county-wide "call girl" racket which was investigated by the FBI and U. S. Treasury agents.

One of the prize exhibits in the call girl case was a book containing the names of some 300 "customers," some as far away as California, Illinois, Texas, Louisiana and Missouri.

The book listed not only the customer's names and places of employment, but the names of those who referred them to the sex merchants.

All new customers had to be referred by previous customers and the book listed such details as prices charged and customers' special desires.

The Sheriff's Department obtained possession of the book when Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Wendell Henson were arrested in connection with the \$20,000 robbery of a Cape Canaveral store; and there were indications at least six girls were involved in the call girl ring.

Contents of the book indicated large

earnings, as high as \$300 a day and the girls were apparently charging from \$20 to \$50 for their services. These fees were apparently inflated, however, since the book shows that a girl who charged \$20 here got only \$5 when she operated in Texas.

Some of the customers who couldn't afford to pay the fees in a lump were permitted to pay in installments. In some cases customers were referred to other call girls throughout the state and in other states. Records of these other girls were forwarded by the Sheriff's Department to appropriate law enforcement officers in their areas for investigation.

Remove That Key!

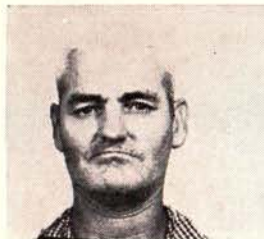
MIAMI — If you see Sheriff T. A. Buchanan's deputies peering into parked cars, they're probably enforcing a Dade County ordinance which forbids motorists to leave their vehicles without stopping the engine, locking the ignition and removing the key.

"While strict enforcement of the key ordinance may bring a little discomfort in the form of a traffic citation to some of the driving public," Buchanan told his men, "I am sure in the long run they will appreciate the fact that we are saving them from running the risk of becoming an auto theft victim."

The Sheriff said 80 per cent of stolen cars are taken for joy rides, mostly by juveniles.

WANTED PERSONS

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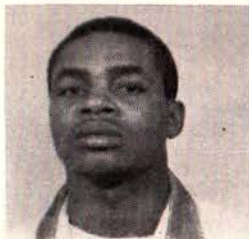


**Jessie Willard
Murray**

White male, date and place of birth 12-21-23, Molton, Ga., average build, grey hair, blue eyes. Occupation: Roofer.



Capias issued, charge Grand Larceny. No bond. If apprehended notify Sheriff Starr, Orlando, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



Robert Lockett

Colored male, age 21, 5 feet, 6 inches tall, weighs 140 pounds, brown hair and eyes. Always works alone and has never been known to use an alias. Wanted on several counts of Burglary and Auto Larceny. Will extradite. Last seen in Belle Glade, Fla., July 7, 1965. If apprehended notify Sheriff Mullis, Fort Valley, Ga., the GBI, Perry, Ga.; or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Fla.



Joseph R. Harrison

White male, date of birth 8-9-30, 5 feet, 9 inches tall, weighs 180 pounds, brown hair and eyes. Driving red and white 1959 Ford, 1965 Florida License 19-12549. Warrants issued, charge Worthless Checks. If apprehended notify Constable Fender, Daytona Beach, Fla.; or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



**Donald Dewey
Rusmisell**

White male, date and place of birth 10-5-43, Norfolk, Va., 5 feet, 9 inches tall, weighs 136 pounds, small build, red hair, blue eyes, bad teeth; tattoo of "Girl and Heart with name Russ" on right arm, also tattoo



of a "leopard" and "lion" head. Warrant issued, charges Destruction of Property and Defraud of Rent. If apprehended notify Constable Gastreich, Ormond Beach, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



**Lloyd Pierce
Standland**

White male, age 33, 5 feet, 10 inches tall weighs 170 pounds, medium blond hair, blue eyes. Works as a painter or dairy worker. SS #263-44-5420. Wanted for Unlawful Flight to Avoid Prosecution for Forgery. If apprehended notify Sheriff Gause, Marianna, Fla.; or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



William T. Grant

Colored male, date of birth 3-8-25, 5 feet, 9 inches tall, weighs 156 pounds, brown eyes. Gives occupation as fruit farmer. Last address Apopka, Fla. Believed to be following the crops and may now be working in the Carolinas. Place

of birth Notasulga, Ala. Capias issued, charge Driving While License Suspended, Unlawful Display of Suspended License, Running Stop sign. Bond \$2,000.00. If apprehended notify Sheriff Starr, Orlando, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Fla.

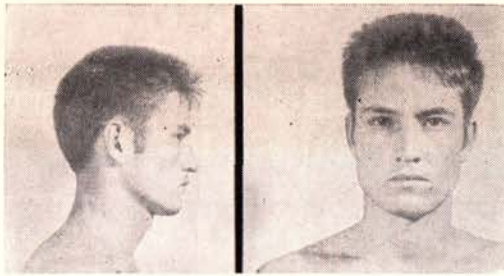
Frank Wayne Byous

White male, date and place of birth 6-21-43, Tennessee, 5 feet, 11 inches tall, weighs 130 pounds, brown hair, hazel eyes. FPC: 10 O/S 18/17 W/U 011/011 16. Wanted on charge of Escape, 7-31-65. If apprehended notify Sheriff Hendry, Naples, Fla.; or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



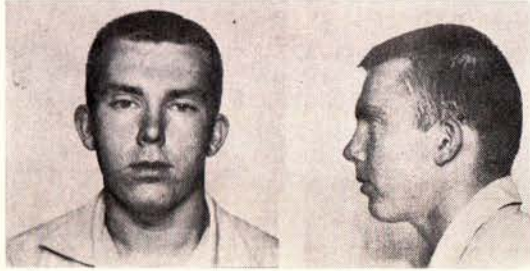
Wilbur Tillman

White male, date and place of birth, 9-4-40, Alachua County, Fla., 5 feet, 9 inches tall, weighs 170 pounds, medium build, brown hair and eyes, light complexion. Special attention Cocoa area. Three warrants on file Alachua County, charge Worthless Checks. If apprehended notify Sheriff Crevasse, Gainesville, Florida; or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



James Allen Parham

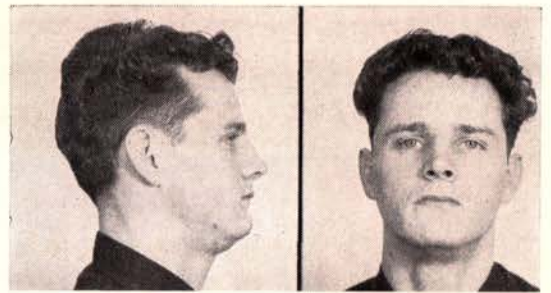
White male, date of birth 1-5-42, 5 feet, 10 inches tall, weighs 180 pounds, brown hair, hazel eyes, tattoo of a "Cross" lower right arm. Nationality—English. Occupation—Student. Driving blue 1964 Chevrolet Malibu Sports Coupe, Michigan License E P 5917 K. Warrants issued, charge Worthless Checks. If apprehended notify Sheriff Lowman, Brooksville, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau Tallahassee, Florida.



Eston Bullard

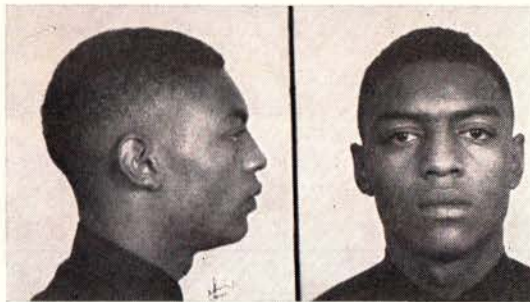
White male, date and place of birth 1-27-43, Midway, Fla., 6 feet tall, weighs 162 pounds, tall slender build, medium brown hair, hazel eyes. Cut scar upper left arm, cut scar left forearm, cut scar across chest. FBI #528 826D. FPC: 18 L/M 9/5 T/Ur 18 lower. Wanted for

Escape from DC RP 24, Gainesville, Fla., on 7-20-65, where he was serving 6 mo. to 5-year term from Volusia County on charge B&E. \$25.00 reward. If apprehended notify Division of Corrections, Tallahassee, Fla. or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



Sollie Lee Liptroth

Colored male, date and place of birth 9-24-44, Louisville, Alabama, 6 feet tall, weighs 170 pounds, black hair, dark brown eyes, extra dark complexion; faded tattoo "SLL" left forearm, cut



scar on left cheek, inside left forearm, upper left shoulder, both knees. Cafe worker. FBI #118 984E. FPC: 19 M/L 17/4 W/W 100/111 15. Wanted for Escape from DC RP 21 on 6-1-65, where he was serving 5-

year term from Bay County on Auto Larceny charge. 25.00 reward. If apprehended notify Division of Corrections, Tallahassee, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.

Alvin Lee Hrabe

White male, date and place of birth 12-2-29, Plainville, Kansas, 5 feet, 11 inches tall, weighs 160 pounds, medium build, black hair, blue eyes, black hair birthmark on right forearm, left hand burned in childhood. FBI #443677A. Driving white over red

Chevrolet, 1965 Kansas License RO 1865. Believed to be in the Naples area. Warrant issued, charge Worthless Checks. If apprehended notify Sheriff Kellenberger, West Palm Beach, Florida; or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



Missing Persons as Compiled by the Florida Sheriff's Bureau



Dan Collins

White male, date of birth 4-18-49, 6', 130 pounds, thin build, dark blond hair, brown eyes, olive complexion. Missing since 7-16-65. May be in North Florida area or in Tennessee. If located contact PD Clearwater, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.



Everett Allen

White male, date of birth 3-13-19, 5 feet, 6 inches tall weighs 135 pounds, bald, walks with a stoop. Subject is mentally retarded, has mind of a six-year-old child and talks like a child. Will only give his name as "Everett." Missing since

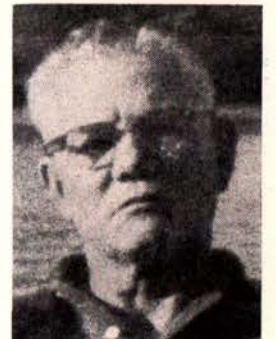
11-11-64 and may have in some manner made his way to another state and has been picked up and is unable to tell anyone who he is. Please check jails and hospitals in your area and give as wide coverage as possible. Subject may have been picked up by a truck driver and may be around some farmer's market. If located contact Sheriff Crevasse, Gainesville, Florida or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.

William Hemlock

White male, 5 feet, 10 inches tall, weighs 155 pounds, blond hair, blue eyes, Airborne wings tattooed on one arm. Subject is a skilled mechanic, and may have found employment in that field. Missing since July 19,



1965 under peculiar circumstances. Last seen driving a 1953 Pontiac, 1965 Florida License 14W-8974. Last known whereabouts was on July 20, 1965, Eustis, Fla. If subject located notify Sheriff Willis, Ocala, Florida or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Fla.



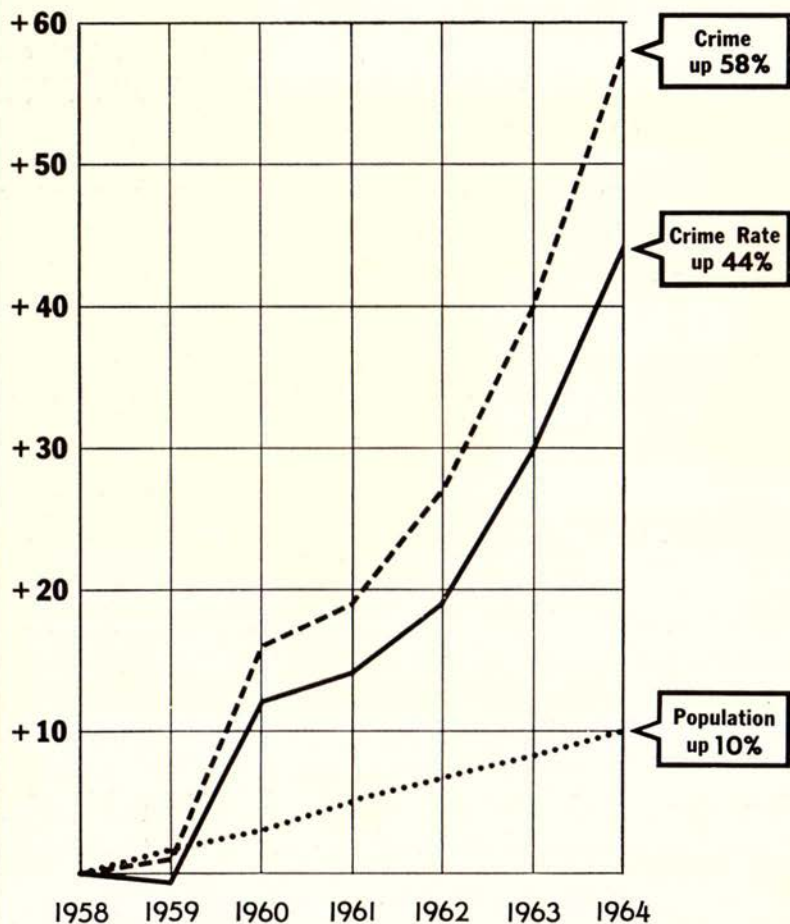
G. M. "Mote" Phillips

White male, age 57, 5 feet, 8 inches tall, thin build, grey hair, wears glasses. Missing since July 13, 1965. Was last seen driving a green 1957 Chevrolet, 1965 Florida License 64-23. Anyone in contact with this subject contact Sheriff Hendry, Naples, Fla., or the Florida Sheriffs Bureau, Tallahassee, Florida.

CRIME AND POPULATION

1958-1964

PERCENT CHANGE OVER 1958



CRIME = INDEX OF CRIME OFFENSES

CRIME RATE = NUMBER OF OFFENSES PER 100,000 POPULATION

FBI CHART

Main Street's a Battleground, Too

With serious crimes increasing almost six times faster than our population (see chart above), Main Street has become a bloodier battleground than anything Viet Nam has to offer. In four years we lost some 500 Americans "over there among the Viet Cong"; but here at home more than 18 times that many persons were murdered in just one year. There were 9,250 murder victims in our nation in 1964, according to the FBI; and crimes of violence (murder, forcible rape, robbery and aggravated assault) were up 40 per cent compared to 1958.