



(Staff photo by Ralph Weinlaub)

TAG TRIP-UP — Detectives are supposed to be inconspicuous, right? Especially when they're doing surveillance and such. So, how can you be secretive when your car — at least on the license tag end — sticks out like a handcuff bulge under a jacket. Pondering the problem, dreamed up by a free spirit at Raiford prison, is Wilton Manors Police Chief Bernard Scott.



Staff Photo by DONN GOULD

HELPING HAND Sometimes it takes four hands. Wilton Manors Policeman Stephan Kenneth helps Steve Paine with his equipment before the fireman enters the burning Manor Grove Village Condominium sales office at NE 20th Street and Andrews Avenue. Firemen were called to the scene at 4:30 p.m. yesterday.

Restrictions Eyed On Glue, Pollution

Manors Studies Controls

By JOAN BROOKWELL
(Staff Writer)

WILTON MANORS — A couple of new ordinances covering glue sniffing and swimming in polluted waters may be in the works for Wilton Manors.

William E. Smith last night told fellow council members he knows junior high school students in the area are glue-sniffing and thinks "it's about time we stopped selling this glue to children under 18 unless they're accompanied by their parents."

The board is studying Hollywood's ordinance covering glue sales, and asked the police committee to review the law and report to the council.

OTHER 'SNIFFING'

Police Chief Bernard Scott told the group that not only was glue-sniffing a problem, but other substances such as gasoline and nail polish remover were being used for the same purpose.

Disagreements as to the need for the law came from Councilman Gerald Thompson.

"I can't see that we have a problem here yet," he declared. "Passing an ordinance on everything that goes on isn't the answer; we as parents need to police our own children."

The law forbidding use of pol-

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luted city waterways for recreational purposes — swimming and water skiing — was proposed by Councilman Lawrence Sullivan.

Sullivan told the council "there isn't one section of Wilton Manors" where the water is fit for swimming.

"The average bacteria count where the recreational use of water is prohibited in the entire country is 1000 (per 100 milliliters). We in the county have bacteria counts up to 4900," he pointed out.

Sullivan admits he is concerned about an outbreak of infectious hepatitis or typhoid if swimming and waterskiing in the area aren't curbed.

Both proposed ordinances will be put on forthcoming agendas, the council decided.

FUNDS DEBATED

The council also postponed a decision on the amount of its contribution to the city of Miami to help pay legal costs in its fight for utility rate reductions.

It was announced last night that Florida Power and Light Co. figures indicate a saving of \$1,486 to Wilton Manors for street lighting this year, and an additional saving of \$15,000 in residents' electricity bills.

The city, however, will lose

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Manors OKs Crime Stop

WILTON MANORS — Operation Crime Stop, the citizens program for aiding police in fighting crime, is being adopted by Wilton Manors Police.

The project was launched locally by Dania police, followed by departments in Ft. Lauderdale and several other Broward cities.

Cards and brochures outlining the program will be distributed at the police Spring Festival this weekend at Mickel Field, Chief Bernard Scott said.

The festival will be from 6 to 11 p.m. Friday and from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday.

Chief Scott said adopting Operation Crime Stop was the department's "move to alert citizens to be more aware of crime and to call us when they see something suspicious.

"Frequently when we investigate house burglaries, the neighbors will tell us they saw a strange car parked outside the night before—but nobody called us," he said.

Citizens are asked to call the station at 566-1556 to report suspicious persons or situations.

Manors To Join Police Aid Plan

By JOAN BROOKWELL
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WILTON MANORS — Council president Larry Sullivan, who is also a captain with the Broward County sheriff's department, saw the governing body give its unanimous approval last night to adoption of a police mutual aid program which he helped to set up.

Police Chief Bernard Scott explained the system whereby law enforcement agencies in various communities pledge to come to each other's aid in cases of riots, civil disorder or disaster. Each town or city promises 50 per cent of its manpower, and the county sheriff is in charge of coordinating the system.

Sullivan, in stressing the importance of the project, said he considered himself "one of the fathers of this plan."

"Smaller communities will benefit from the plan," said Scott. "And it also shows that our police departments are thinking beyond the ends of their noses."

At the same time Scott asked for, and received, approval to increase the auxiliary police force from ten to 15 men.

One reason for the increase, he indicated, is Wilton Manors' high turnover rate in its police department. Scott plans to have police department candidates serve an "internship" on the auxiliary force, "to see if they really want to be officers, and to give us a chance to observe them."

GAS STATIONS

A council decision on the city's requirement of 1,000 feet between gas stations will have

to be made soon, said City Attorney Dick Roth.

A suit against Wilton Manors, brought by an oil company protesting the law, is now in federal district court, said Roth, who said he felt the city has little chance of winning the fight.

"You can't justify treating them (stations) any differently than any other business operation in that zoning class," said Roth. "Gas station dangers have been eliminated. You'll have to find another approach."

Council members, while agreeing they do not favor an abundance of gas stations, generally felt the city has a problem in legally controlling their number, other than through zoning.

As work on the local sanitary sewers proceeds, the council agreed to drop a requirement of 1,200 square feet of land per apartment unit. The space had previously been needed for septic tanks.

Also passed on third and final reading were two rezoning ordinances. The lots affected, both west of N Andrews Ave., will be used for apartment houses.

In other action, the council:

- ★ **VOTED** to name a park at NE 21st Ct. and Andrews Ave. Rachel Richardson Park;

- ★ **DECIDED** to send letters to homeowners within a 300 foot radius of denied rezoning, notifying them of the date of public hearing of appeal before the council;

- ★ **NAMED** Dominick Zanca to the city civil service board to fill the post of Carl Turner, who resigned; and

- ★ **APPROVED** installation of street lights at 14 locations throughout the city.

Gun Fancier In Nursing Home Kills Mother-In-Law, Self

A Wilton Manors insurance man who killed his wealthy mother-in-law, shot a doctor and killed himself was described today as an avid gun collector who opposed rigid gun controls.

Slain instantly in her bed at the Manor Pines nursing home was Mrs. Colleen Mee, 73, widow of an executive of the Gerber baby food company.

Wounded was Dr. Robert A. George, who was reported improving after a bullet was removed from his lower right side. He also was shot in the chest.

The gunman, William M. Johnson, 39, of 4401 NE 25th Ave., Wilton Manors, killed himself by firing the pistol into his mouth.

Police Bernard Scott, who said no motive had been established, called the case a homicide, attempted homicide and suicide.

William Leonard, a neighbor of the Johnson's in an exclusive section near Fort Lauderdale's Coral Ridge Country Club, described Johnson as an avid gun col-

lector who supported the National Rifle Association. The NRA has fought rigid gun control legislation in Congress.

Johnson's wife, Margaret, 43, watched in terror as her husband opened fire at the bedside in the elaborate con-

valescent center.

She told police there had been little discussion or argument before her husband suddenly started shooting. She later collapsed and was given sedation. She was not hit by any of the slugs from the .38, which Johnson

brought into the nursing home concealed in his clothes.

Dr. George was described as a friend of the family as well as Mrs. Mee's physician.

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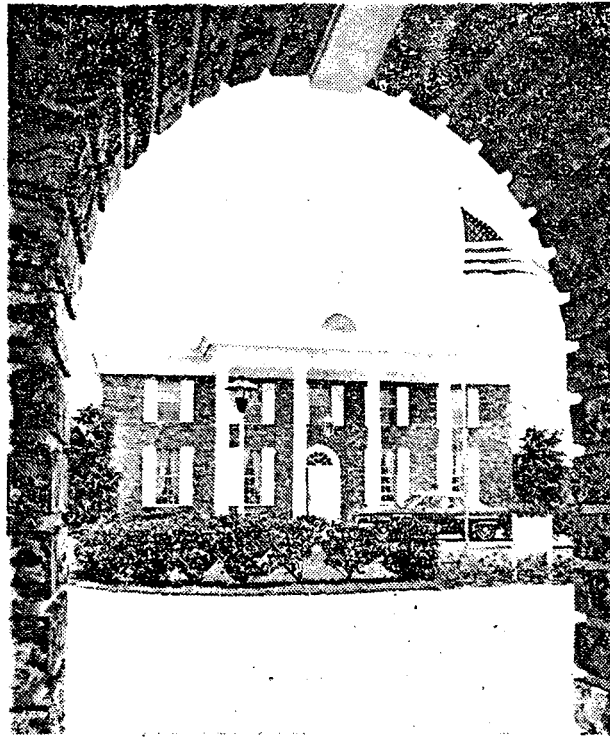
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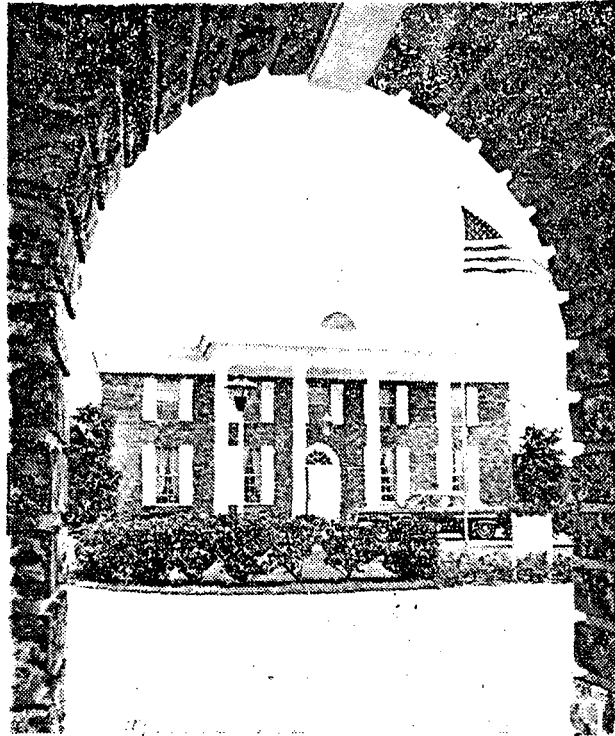
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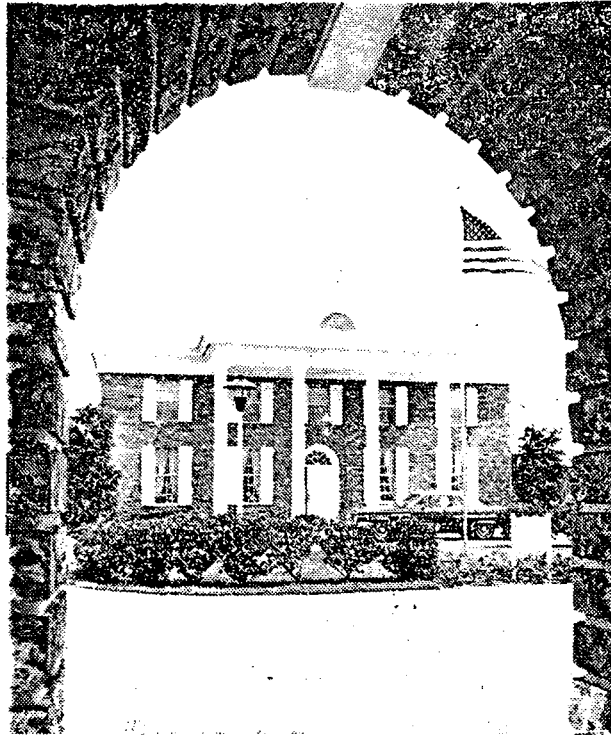
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III police chief stops Lakes burglary

LAUDERDALE LAKES — Wilton Manors Police Chief Bernard Scott had a rough day yesterday, but not nearly as rough as a teen-age burglar he caught redhanded.

"Hell," Scott chuckled, "You got to do something after 20 years on the job."

Scott, a Lauderdale Lakes resident, was home sick when he went to get his mail and saw his neighbor, Sheila Bellassai, pull into her drive.

"She waved and started to go into her home," Scott said. "Then a moment later she came back and yelled that somebody might be in her home.

"I ran over and found a side window had been pushed in," Scott added. "It looked like she was right."

Scott quickly devised a plan. He told Mrs. Bellassai to make as much noise as possible unlocking her front door and he'd cover a rear door, the only other one at the home at 3460 NW 35th St.

Scott didn't have long to wait.

"The door popped open a few seconds later and the kid ran right into my arms," Scott said. "He was wearing stockings on both hands and carrying a gun."

The weapon was a souvenir belonging to Mrs. Bellassai's husband.

Scott said the youth, a 15-year-old who lived only a few blocks away, was then turned over to sheriff's deputies.



GRADUATE — Chief of Police Bernard S. Scott is among 100 law enforcement officers who were graduated today at the 88th session of the FBI National Academy in Washington. Previous FBI Academy graduates from this area include Chief Robert W. Johnston, Fort Lauderdale, Chief Stanley B. Kubala, Oakland Park, and Capts. Leo Callahan and Thomas E. Randel of the Fort Lauderdale Police Department.

Manors Council Cites Patrolmen Clark, Null

By JOAN BROOKWELL—
(Staff Writer)

WILTON MANORS — Patrolmen Donald Clark and Raymond Null of the city police department have received official commendations from the city council for actions beyond the normal responsibilities of their jobs.

"Your actions are indicative of the type of police work our department is noted for," Council President Larry Sullivan told the patrolmen when the council passed two resolutions honoring the men.

Clark was cited for his action last month when he jumped into a canal here and pulled out a woman who had leaped from a bridge in a suicide attempt.

Null, recently cited by the 100 Club of Broward County for outstanding police work, was credited for saving the life of an elderly woman resident.

Knowing the woman was alone and ill, he took time to check on her regularly, and one day last August found her unconscious. Null summoned an emergency unit and had the woman taken to the hospital.

"As a result of Null's exceptional diligence and concern" the woman received proper treatment and recovered, the citation states.

Assistant City Attorney Dick Roth told the council \$1.5 million of the city's sewer bonds were validated, and while sale of the bonds could be set early in June, Wainwright and Ramsey, the city's fiscal advisors, have recom-

mended the sale be delayed until the end of June in order to obtain a rating on the revenue issue.

PLAT OKAYED

The council gave its approval to the plat for Boniello Villa subdivision section two, and okayed on second reading ordinances changing the zoning on two parcels of and west of N Andrews Ave. to allow for construction of apartment buildings.

It also approved installation of street lights at 512 NE 23rd St., 409 NE 21st St. and 140 NE 24th St., Councilman Marvin Meacham suggested lighting in the 1800 block at NE 27th St., where there have been a number of break-ins.

Police Chief Bernard Scott was asked to have members of his department report on insufficiently lighted areas in the city, with an eye to installation of more street lights in the future.

Officer Denied Rank

By DIANE DEVINE
(Staff Writer)

WILTON MANORS — Patrolman Erwin Woods thought for sure he'd be the next sergeant on the police force. He was top on the Civil Service Board's eligibility roster that the chief gets before each new appointment.

But when the position opened Oct. 1, Woods was not on any eligibility list, and another man got the position. The man, Perry F. Hempstead, was second on the list used.

Now, both Woods and William Damm, the man above Hempstead on the second list, are quite unhappy with the whole situation.

Woods appealed to the city council through a lawyer last night, after a hearing before the board failed. The council told him to take the case to court. They had no intention of taking the matter out of the hands of the appointed board.

Damm is now awaiting word from the board before he takes any action. He wants the board to tell him why the original list was abolished and a new Civil Service test was called, and why the first man on both resulting lists still was overlooked for the position.

Woods, who refused to take the second Civil Service test when it was called, is upset because the board acted on the recommendation of Police Chief Bern and Scott. Earlier, it had said the test would be good for two years.

The first list, based on Civil Service test scores, was made up one year and a half ago.

Through it all, the three-man Civil Service Board maintains it is not in error.

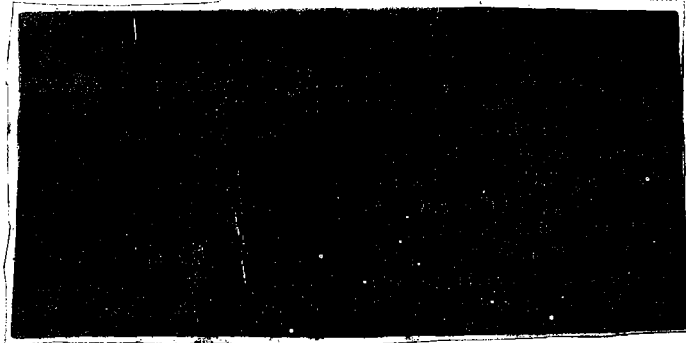
Chief Scott explains his reasons for calling the second test.

"One and a half years had elapsed," said Chief Scott, "and I feel that in this length of time a person's standing could be changed by education and training. Everybody should be given an equal opportunity for advancement."

Woods said he "doubts" that he will take his case to court.

Woods, 39, lives with his wife and three children at 420 NE 26th St. He came to the Wilton Manors Police Dept. five years ago and attended the Broward County Police Academy.

He is now "prepared for the worst," which to him would be the loss of his job. Chief Scott said he would not fire Woods, and that he "thinks more of a man who sticks up for what he believes in."



Raid Nets \$25,000 In Drugs

WILTON MANORS — An early morning raid netted an estimated \$25,000 worth of various narcotics when police arrested Leo Joseph Kowalchuk, Jr., 30, and Diana Gayle Kitchen, 24, at their 245 NE Eighth Ave. apartment today.

Police Chief Bernard Scott said his officers and Oakland Park police found marijuana, hashish, phen- cyclidine, percodan, methaqualone and LSD in the couple's apartment. He said the pills and capsules seized numbered in the thousands.

Kowalchuk and Miss Kitchen were each charged with possession of the drugs. They were being held in the Broward County Jail in lieu of \$20,000 bond each.

Upshot Of Citations

Police, Criticized, Give Position On Mini Bikes

WILTON MANORS — Police here may feel a little beleaguered at the moment by the mini-bike problem, but they don't have a corner on the market.

Complaints and criticisms have hit the department and the municipal court since James Hardie Jr., 13, was fined \$85 after pleading guilty to five citations.

The boy appeared before Judge Frank O'Connor last Wednesday night, then had to stay in Junior Haven detention until Friday when his parents were able to raise his fine money from their paychecks.

"I'm sure he was warned at least half a dozen times in the past year," Police Chief Bernard Scott said.

"I warned him personally on two occasions and he was warned twice by Officer Ray Null," Chief Scott said.

In the spring of 1969, Null saw the boy riding his homemade motor bike at Andrews Ave. and NW 24th St. and spoke to him about the number of violations that could be charged against him, according to the chief.

Then early this year, about one week prior to his Jan. 16 arrest, Null saw the boy tooling along in the 2000 block of NE Third Ave. and warned him again about operating the bike on public streets.

James subsequently received five tickets, charging him with no driver's license, no helmet, no inspection sticker, no motor vehicle registration and no brakes.

There have also been a number of arrests made in connection with mini-bikes on Ft. Lauderdale public streets, a traffic officer there said.

"We frown on it and are unusually severe because they just don't have the proper brakes or adequate mirrors, generally, to be out in traffic," the officer said.

"We do it for the kid's own sake. And if we see or hear of



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Whether the youthful operator receives a ticket or a verbal warning is left to the discretion of the officer.

If both the offender and his parents appear cooperative and the officer feels a warning will be sufficient, that's it.

"But if the parents say 'Mind your own — business and quit picking on my kid,' and they don't listen to us, then we feel maybe the judge can get somewhere and the juvenile is cited," the officer said.

Sunrise Golf Village Police Chief Hank Donath said his department also feels mini-bikes are unsafe on public streets but so far officers had "excellent results" from simply contacting parents.

"We've had no difficulty," he said. If the system didn't work, however, Donath said, "we'd advise the parents the next time around we'd have to bring them into court."

(Juvenile traffic cases can now be heard by municipal judges or referred to juvenile court at the discretion of the municipal judge.)

A juvenile court counselor said disposition of such a case there could range from a verbal admonishment all the way to incarceration of the child "if it involved an aggravated situation."

Lauderdale Lakes Police Chief Roland Ellis said his department has also made several mini-bike arrests on charges of no driver's license and no registration. "They've all had helmets on," he said.

In addition, they've all been found guilty, he said, but would not discuss disposition of the cases because they involve juveniles.

A spectator at the Hardie boy's court appearance said his parents, who complained they didn't have an opportunity to talk to the judge, in fact tried to walk out of the courtroom during the reading of the fines against the boy.

Auxiliary Police Officer James Lockhart, who was in the courtroom as a bailiff, said, "The judge had to call them back. He said he'd hold them in contempt of court if they didn't let him finish."

Later, Lockhart said, the parents were instructed to accompany their son and the bailiff to make arrangements to pay the boy's fine. "They just turned around and walked straight out of the courtroom and left the boy standing there," Lockhart said.

Manors Okays Plan For Police Pensions

By RICHARD MATTHEWS
(Staff Writer)

WILTON MANORS — The City Council has passed on third reading the ordinance authorizing the withholding of two per cent of police officer's salaries for a retirement trust fund, and named the five men who will be trustees of the fund.

According to the state statute under which the pen-

sion fund is established, the city's mayor and police chief are automatically members of the board of trustees.

Besides Mayor Gerald Thompson and Chief Bernard Scott, the board will include two policemen picked by the police force and one civilian chosen by the council.

The police department chose Sgt. William DeRoo and Officer Erwin Woods to represent it on the board, and the

council chose Lawrence Paul, of 300 NE 23rd St., vice president of the Wilton Manors Civic Assn., Inc., as the civilian member.

The council last night also voted to accept a \$265,650 grant from the Federal Water Pollution Control Administration as reimbursement for part of the cost of the city's new sewer system.

The city had applied for the grant, but were about 27th in line. Only 20 cities are awarded the money each year.

"Some of the first 20 cities either did not use it or were not ready, so we were moved up in priority," explained Council President William Smith.

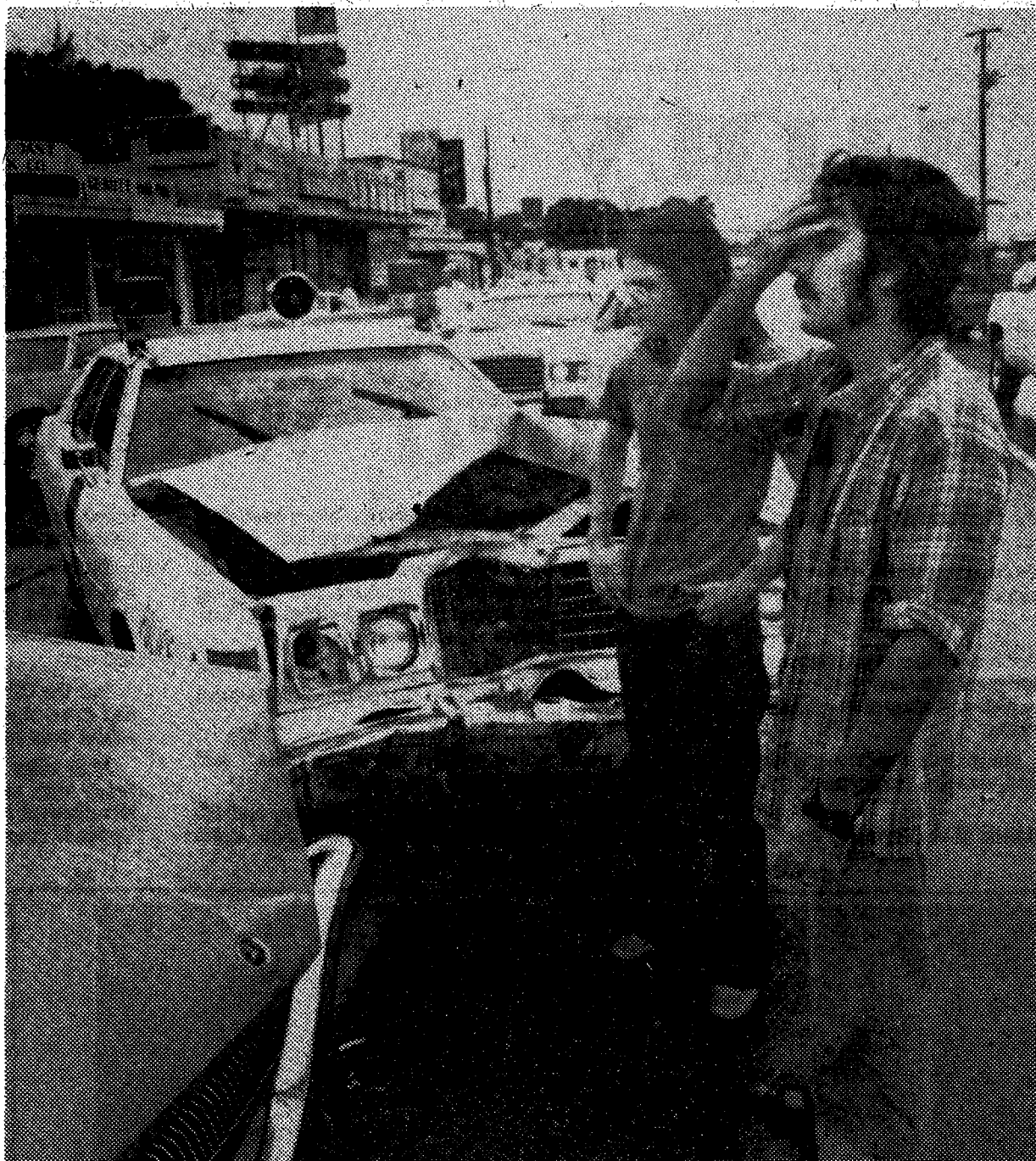
CASH PRIZES

In other action, the council decided to keep cash awards as prizes for the annual Christmas lighting contest, but also voted to buy a permanent plaque that will list the names of the winners each year. The plaque will hang in city hall.

The ordinance raising the garbage collection fee from \$2.50 to \$3 passed its second reading, and needs only one more vote of approval to take effect.

The city voted to spend \$5,935 to purchase a backhoe from Rose Equipment of Ft. Lauderdale, the second low bidder for the piece of equipment.

The low bid of \$3,763.63 was for a backhoe which did not meet the city's minimum specifications.



Crash Aftermath

The classic study in disbelief, a young man who Wilton Manors police refused to identify, stares in awe at what happened when the car he was riding in collided with a Wilton Manors cruiser on Wilton Drive at Northeast 11th Avenue. The driver, who

police also refused to identify, stands dazed, but unhurt. Patrolman Roger Carroll, the cruiser's driver, was treated for a minor cut. Cause of the crash, police said, remains under investigation.

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Shults, a Lauderdale Lakes resident, had been a policeman for five years. He was a coach in the Lauderdale Lakes Athletic Association.

A native of Columbus, Ohio, Shults moved to Broward County in 1959. He served in the U.S. Navy.

Survivors include his widow, Judy; two sons, Kevin and John; his father, Sanford, of Columbus; two brothers and a sister.

Funeral arrangements, which are incomplete, will be made by Kalis Funeral Home of Wilton Manors.

Sunday, Feb. 6, 1977

ReinCARnation In Wilton Manors

Joe's Chevy Survives Shootout

By ANA MARIA FENIMORE
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Temporary Job Lasts 17 Years

By **GEORGE De VAULT**
Staff Writer

WILTON MANORS — "I really didn't want it," City Administrator Frank Starling said of his job recently, "but I took it on a temporary basis until they could get someone else."

That was back in 1960 — and he's still running things around City Hall.

Starling first went to work for the city 25 years ago, when he was elected to Wilton Manors' second City Council in 1952.

He served two terms on the council, then two more as the city's third mayor and figured "that was enough."

But then came the "temporary" job offer and the rest is history. For the past 17 years, Starling has not only been city administrator, but city clerk, treasurer, purchasing agent and elections supervisor.

The turnover rate among city administrators and managers is fairly high, especially in South Florida, but Starling just keeps out of politics. "That's why I've been here so long," he said.

"I make it a rule for the council to set policy and then I carry out their policy," Starling said. "You can't be political in this job."

Although his work is often tedious and thankless, Starling said, "It's been great. The city's been good to me and I feel I've been good for the city."

Starling, who's paid \$23,530 per year, said he undoubtedly would make more money in private business. But he never managed to get back into it after selling his Manor Market in 1958. He and a partner farmed more than 1,000 acres in Pompano Beach and southern Palm Beach County, selling beans, squash and peppers in their store and to northern markets.

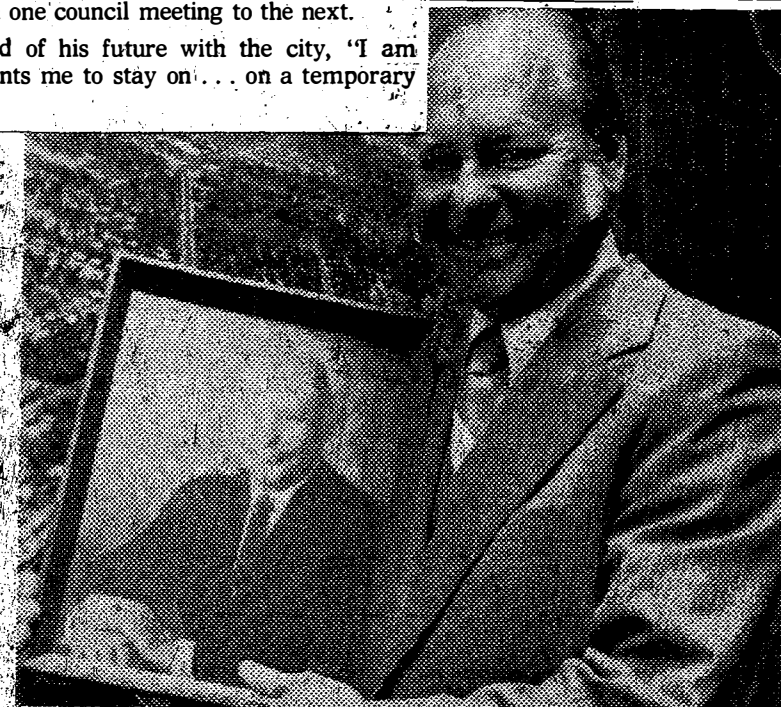
Starling, who has two daughters and a son, said he still likes to plant a garden every year, but running the city doesn't leave much spare time for that. His other interests are golf and "being from Key West (and a second-generation conch at that) you know I've got to fish."

Starling will be 59 this summer, but said he hasn't given much thought to retiring because he likes to keep busy.

He never has had a contract as city administrator and said he just counts on doing a good job from one council meeting to the next.

"At this point," Starling said of his future with the city, "I am available if the City Council wants me to stay on . . . on a temporary basis."

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Wilton Manors City Administrator Frank Starling displays a photo of himself as the city's mayor taken about 25 years ago.

Staff photo by TOMMY PRICE

ReinCARnation In Wilton Manors

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They Shoot Chevys, Don't They?

By ANA MARIA FENIMORE
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A rampaging Chevrolet was cut down by police gunfire in Wilton Manors yesterday.

The Chevrolet, a five-year-old blue and white Impala from 2720 NE First Ter., had run amuck when Ella Kacsak, also of the First Terrace address, attempted to disconnect a pair of jumper cables from the car's battery, Police Lt. Perry Hempstead said.

By the time police arrived, the Chevrolet had injured one neighbor, knocked down a palm tree, and was heading with obvious malice toward a nearby carport.

"We went for the front end," Hempstead said. "The officer aimed for the forward part of the engine compartment where all the hoses and belts are."

He said expert shooter Officer Jay Bell "just kept moving his position

back a step at a time. It was just lucky the hood was open so he had something to aim for."

Bell fired four blasts from a shotgun into the open hood and the car expired just a few feet from the carport.

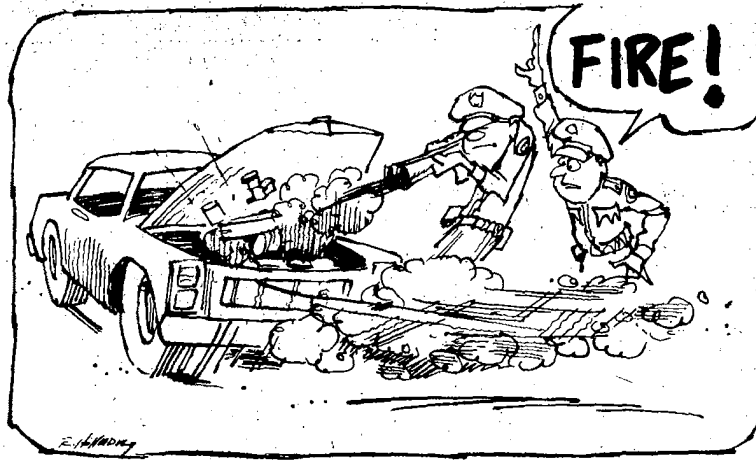
No warning shots were fired.

Hempstead said he waited as long

as he could before he gave the order to shoot, because he was hoping a city fire truck he had ordered — to spray the engine with water to drown it — would arrive before the car got to the carport.

Finally, when it looked as though the Chevrolet would tangle with the structure, he gave the order to shoot.

"We were just lucky it was a



sleepy Saturday morning and nobody was around," he said.

The car had become a runaway when Mrs. Kacsak tried to start her stalled car by herself. When she got out to detach the jumper cables from another car, the Chevrolet popped into reverse and took off down the street.

It hit a bump, turning the front wheels, and went into a circling pattern for about 10 minutes, Hempstead said. He said it was going about 20 miles per hour.

A neighbor, Joseph Velasco, 61, tried to get the door open but the car was moving too fast. He ended up with a cut on his leg that took 14 stitches to close.

At that point the car was making wider and wider circles, and it knocked down a palm tree before it headed for the carport, Hempstead said.

After the shooting, the chassis was taken to the police headquarters for examination.

Ill police chief stops Lakes burglary

LAUDERDALE LAKES — Wilton Manors Police Chief Bernard Scott had a rough day yesterday, but not nearly as rough as a teen-age burglar he caught redhanded.

"Hell," Scott chuckled, "You got to do something after 20 years on the job."

Scott, a Lauderdale Lakes resident, was home sick when he went to get his mail and saw his neighbor, Sheila Bellassai, pull into her drive.

"She waved and started to go into her home," Scott said. "Then a moment later she came back and yelled that somebody might be in her home."

"I ran over and found a side window had been pushed in," Scott added. "It looked like she was right."

Scott quickly devised a plan. He told Mrs. Bellassai to make as much noise as possible unlocking her front door and he'd cover a rear door, the only other one at the home at 3460 NW 35th St.

Scott didn't have long to wait.

"The door popped open a few seconds later and the kid ran right into my arms," Scott said. "He was wearing stockings on both hands and carrying a gun."

The weapon was a souvenir belonging to Mrs. Bellassai's husband.

Scott said the youth, a 15-year-old who lived only a few blocks away, was then turned over to sheriff's deputies.

Review of Blakley Case Denied

Herald Staff and Wire Reports

The U.S. Supreme Court Tuesday refused to review the rape conviction of a Fort Lauderdale man who argued that the prosecutor improperly had emphasized during his trial that he invoked the right to remain silent after his arrest.

The high court rejected the claim of Freddy Duane Blakley, who initially had argued that he was incompetent to stand trial in Broward because he had been struck by lightning.

Blakley was sentenced to 30 years in prison for the Feb. 6, 1976, rape of an 18-year-old Fort Lauderdale

High School senior in the parking lot of the Swinging Door Lounge in Wilton Manors.

Blakley pleaded innocent by reason of insanity. William Laswell, Blakley's attorney, argued that his client lost 14 I.Q. points after lightning struck him in September 1975.

"After 20 years as a Teamster and after 20 years of faithfully trying to raise his kids, this man was struck by a lightning bolt while driving his concrete truck," Laswell said at the July 1977 trial. "He was knocked unconscious and later woke up with his arms locked."

During his trial, the prosecutor called two police officers who testified that Blakley was read a warning that he had the right to remain silent.

He refused to answer any ques-

tions about the incident.

Under a 1966 Supreme Court decision known as the Miranda ruling, a person in custody must be warned that he has the right to remain silent, that any statement may be used against him and he has the right to have his lawyer present.

In an appeal to the high court, Blakley argued the trial court erred in repeatedly allowing the two police officers to comment on his refusal to answer questions.

Blakley argued in legal papers filed with the Supreme Court that he "was intolerably prejudiced and punished for exercising his right to remain silent."

Justices Byron White and William Brennan said they would have considered the case and reversed the conviction.

30 YEARS

Man gets term despite His lightning defense

The defense was not guilty by reason of a bolt of lightning, Freddy Blakley told a jury he was incompetent to stand trial because he was struck by lightning and he pleaded not guilty to a charge of raping an 18-year-old high school senior in Miramar. Blakley was convicted July 28 and Monday was sentenced to serve 30 years in prison by Circuit Judge Humes T. Lasher. The judge ignored a plea by attorney David Bogen-schutz for a probation sentence because Blakley has been hospitalized since August and because his son recently was seriously injured in a car-motorcycle accident.

Man Guilty Of Raping Girl, 18

Unimpressed by a defense which centered on a bolt of lightning, a Circuit Court jury deliberated only two hours yesterday before convicting a cement truck driver of raping an 18-year-old Fort Lauderdale High School senior last year.

Niether the blank, unblinking visage of Freddy Blakely, 324 SW 80th Ter., North Lauderdale, nor his lawyer's argument that the lightning which hit the cab of his truck in September 1975 tragically altered his personality, convinced the four-man, two-woman jury he was insane the day of the rape, Feb. 6, 1976.

Defense Attorney William Laswell said Blakely lost 14 points from his IQ since struck by the bolt, that his personality changed from gregarious to "sensitive and removed."

Laswell said he was recently admitted to Imperial Point Hospital suffering from acute depression. Psychiatrists testified Blakely was legally incompetent the day the crime was committed.

But Asst. State Atty. Mark Springer also called a psychiatrist, this one testifying that Blakely was sane at the time.

But perhaps more effective than the arguments of either the attorneys or doctors was that of the victim, who took the stand on the second of the trial's four days.

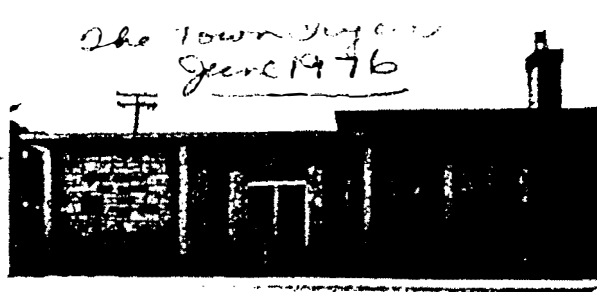
The raped girl told the court she left the Swinging Door Pub, in Wilton Manors, where her boyfriend worked, early in the evening to go roller skating.

She said Blakely approached her as she unlocked the door of her 1964 Buick, asking if she needed any help.

"I told him no, but he forced me into the car with his hip," she said, crying. "I started to yell for help and he grabbed my neck and started choking me. He ripped my blouse open. I tried to scream . . . I thought I was dead."

She said Blakely then forced her into the car's back seat, then raped her.

"I just kept asking him don't hurt me, please don't hurt me," she said.



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NEWS FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT "I'VE BEEN ROBBED"

YOU HAVE BEEN AWAY ON A TRIP. AS YOU WALK UP TO THE HOUSE YOU NOTICE THE FRONT DOOR IS STANDING WIDE OPEN. IMMEDIATELY, YOU THINK "DID I LOCK THAT DOOR BEFORE I LEFT?" COMING CLOSER YOU SEE THE LOCK HAS BEEN BROKEN, AND THROUGH THE OPEN DOOR YOU SEE THE CONTENTS OF THE HALL CLOSET STREWN ABOUT THE FLOOR. NOW THE REALIZATION STRIKES YOU - "I'VE BEEN ROBBED". THROUGHOUT THE HOUSE, THE TERRIBLE AFTERMATH OF THE BURGLAR IS SEEN. DRAWERS HAVE BEEN PULLED OUT AND DUMPED, CLOSETS EMPTIED, COIN BANKS SMASHED. YOUR JEWELRY, APPLIANCES, SILVERWARE, AND OTHER VALUABLE BELONGINGS ARE MISSING. . . . WHEN THE POLICE OFFICERS ARRIVE, THEY BEGIN ASKING QUESTIONS. "DID YOU LOCK ALL THE DOORS AND WINDOWS BEFORE YOU LEFT? DID YOU LEAVE A LIGHT ON? DID YOU HAVE AN ALARM? DO YOU HAVE A LIST OF THE MISSING ITEMS? TO EACH QUESTION, YOU ANSWER "NO, I NEVER THOUGHT OF THAT". SLOWLY YOU REALIZE THAT YOU HAD TAKEN HARDLY ANY PRECAUTIONS AGAINST THE POSSIBILITY OF BEING BURGLARIZED. AND NOW YOUR HOME IS A SHAMBLES AND YOUR PROPERTY IS GONE. . . . IT CAN HAPPEN TO YOU . . . IF THIS, OR SOMETHING LIKE IT, DID, HAPPEN TO YOU CONSIDER YOURSELF LUCKY. IT DID HAPPEN TO OVER A MILLION PERSONS LAST YEAR, CAUSING

NEARLY \$800 MILLION IN LOSSES. ALL INDICATIONS POINT TO ANOTHER LARGE INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF BURGLARIES AGAIN THIS YEAR. TO INSURE THAT YOU WILL NEVER HAVE TO LIVE THROUGH THIS EXPERIENCE, YOUR MAYOR WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT HAS PROCLAIMED THE MONTH OF JUNE 1976 AS "BURGLARY PREVENTION MONTH". DURING THIS SPECIAL MONTH POLICE AUTHORITIES AND INSURANCE COMPANIES WILL OFFER TIPS IN FOILING THE WOULD-BE INTRUDER. **TIPS ON HOW TO PREVENT BURGLARIES; BASIC HOME PREPARATION:** YOUR HOME OR APARTMENT SHOULD BE PROTECTED WITH SEVERAL SIMPLE DEVICES. ALL DOORS SHOULD BE EQUIPPED WITH STRONG PIN-TUMBLE LOCKS WHICH HAVE THE "DEAD BOLT" FEATURE. THIS TYPE OF LOCK IS "JIMMY-PROOF"; WHICH MEANS THAT THE BOLT CANNOT BE FORCED BACK BY A BURGLAR TOOL OR POCKET KNIFE. IT LOCKS AND UNLOCKS ONLY WITH A KEY. IF THE DOOR HAS A GLASS PANEL IT SHOULD BE SMALL AND PLACED HIGH IN THE DOOR SO THAT ENTRANCE CANNOT BE GAINED BY BREAKING THE GLASS AND CRAWLING THROUGH OR REACHING IN TO UNLOCK THE DOOR. WINDOWS, ALSO SHOULD BE PROTECTED WITH A STRONG LOCK, PREFERABLY ONE WHICH LOCKS THE WINDOW WHEN OPEN SLIGHTLY AS WELL AS WHEN CLOSED. PARTICULAR ATTENTION SHOULD BE PAID TO BASEMENT AND SECOND STORY WINDOWS, WHICH ARE FREQUENTLY OVERLOOKED. STORM WINDOWS AND SCREEN, HOOKED ON THE INSIDE, ALSO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL PROTECTION TO WINDOWS. YOUR HOME CAN BE "CLEANED OUT" IN JUST MINUTES BY EXPERTS, SO SEE TO IT THAT YOUR WINDOWS AND DOORS ARE LOCKED AND ALARMS SET EVERY TIME YOU LEAVE THE HOUSE. WHAT YOU SHOULD DO BEFORE LEAVING ON VACATION. . . . EVEN THOUGH YOUR HOUSE WILL BE EMPTY, IT SHOULD APPEAR AS THOUGH IT IS LIVED IN. ONE OR MORE LIGHTS SHOULD BE CONNECTED TO AN AUTOMATIC LAMP TIMER WHICH TURNS THEM ON AT DUSK AND OFF AT BEDTIME. THIS CREATES THE IMPRESSION THAT SOME ONE IS INSIDE. OUTDOOR LIGHTS: THAT TURN ON IN THE EVENING ALSO ADD TO THE LIVED-IN LOOK AND PUT A SPOTLIGHT ON ATTEMPTS TO BREAK IN. SHADES AND DRAPES SHOULD BE IN THEIR NORMAL POSITIONS, NOT PULLED TIGHTLY SHUT. ALL DELIVERIES, SUCH AS MILK, NEWSPAPERS, ETC., MUST BE DISCONTINUED. ARRANGEMENTS COULD ALSO BE MADE WITH A NEIGHBOR TO KEEP THE GRASS MOWED AND TO REMOVE CIRCULARS AND HANDBILLS LEFT ON THE PORCH. MAIL CAN BE HELD AT THE POST OFFICE OR REMOVED FROM THE MAIL BOX BY A FRIEND UNTIL YOUR RETURN. . . . THE GARAGE SHOULD BE CLOSED AND LOCKED WHENEVER YOU ARE AWAY. THIS PROTECTS YOU IN THREE WAYS. FIRST IT PROTECTS THE TOOLS, LADDERS, MOWERS, ETC. WHICH ARE KEPT IN THE GARAGE, FROM BEING STOLEN. SECOND, IT PREVENTS THESE TOOLS AND LADDERS FROM BEING USED TO BREAK INTO THE HOME ITSELF. FINALLY, IT KEEPS THE WOULD-BE BURGLAR FROM KNOWING THAT THE CAR IS NOT THERE, WHICH IS AN INDICATION THAT NO ONE IS HOME. . . . WHENEVER YOU PLAN TO BE AWAY FOR SEVERAL DAYS BE SURE TO NOTIFY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT TELL THEM WHEN YOU WILL LEAVE, WHEN YOU WILL RETURN AND WHERE THEY CAN OBTAIN A KEY IN CASE OF EMERGENCY. IT IS ADVISABLE TO LEAVE A KEY WITH A RELATIVE OR FRIEND WHO WILL CHECK THE HOUSE OCCASIONALLY, WATER THE PLANTS, AND TAKE CARE OF ANY MINOR DIFFICULTIES WHICH MAY ARISE. WHILE IT IS ADVISABLE TO NOTIFY THE POLICE AND ONE TRUSTED NEIGHBOR ABOUT YOUR PLANNED ABSENCE, BE CAREFUL NOT TO TELL EVERYONE IN TOWN. DON'T LEAVE NOTES ON THE DOOR OR IN THE MILK BOTTLE AND DON'T ALLOW THE LOCAL NEWSPAPER TO MENTION YOUR TRIP UNTIL AFTER YOU RETURN. KEEP THE RISKS LOW. . . . IN SPITE OF YOUR PRECAUTIONS, A PARTICULARLY DETERMINED BURGLAR MAY DISREGARD ALL YOUR EFFORTS AND BREAK IN ANYWAY. IN CASE THIS HAPPENS, TRY TO MAKE THE BURGLAR'S "HAUL" AS PAINLESS TO YOU AS POSSIBLE. DON'T KEEP CASH AROUND THE HOUSE. JEWELRY, STOCKS, BONDS AND OTHER VALUABLES SHOULD BE KEPT IN A SAFE DEPOSIT BOX. A STORAGE VAULT IS AN IDEAL PLACE FOR FURS DURING THE SUMMER FOR DOUBLE PROTECTION AGAINST HOT WEATHER AND BURGLARY. KEEP A RECORD OF THE SERIAL NUMBERS WHICH ARE FOUND ON APPLIANCES, TYPEWRITERS, CAMERAS AND MANY OTHER VALUABLE ITEMS. THIS WILL ASSIST THE POLICE IN RECOVERING THE GOODS IF STOLEN, AND ALSO PROVIDES THE NECESSARY INFORMATION FOR A QUICK SETTLEMENT OF YOUR INSURANCE CLAIMS. . . . YOUR GOAL: A HOME SAFE FROM BURGLARY. THE BENEFITS TO BE GAINED BY FOLLOWING THESE HELPFUL TIPS ARE MANY. YOU CAN PREVENT FINANCIAL LOSS, PERSONAL INCONVENIENCE, AND POSSIBLY EVEN PHYSICAL DANGER BY TAKING A FEW MOMENTS TO PROTECT YOUR HOME. . . . THE AVERAGE BURGLAR IS LOOKING FOR THE EASY JOB, THE UNPROTECTED, EMPTY HOUSE. FEW WILL TAKE THE EXTRA TIME AND EFFORT TO OVERCOME THE OBSTACLES YOU PLACE IN HIS PATH. SO REMEMBER THE BASIC STEPS: PREPARE YOUR HOME WITH ADEQUATE LOCKS, LIGHTS AND OTHER PROTECTIVE DEVICES. NOISE IS A DETERRENT. CONNECT TV OR RADIO TO A TIMER. . . . GIVE YOUR HOME A "LIVED-IN" LOOK WHENEVER YOU ARE AWAY. . . . NOTIFY POLICE WHEN YOU ARE LEAVING TOWN. . . . KEEP YOUR VALUABLES IN THE BANK, SAFE DEPOSIT BOXES, VAULTS AND OTHER SAFE PLACES OUTSIDE THE HOME.



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Billy's Attorney Says

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By BARBARA GREENBERG
and BRIAN HOWLAND

Staff Writers

Police Dept
Broward County Public Defender Warner S. Olds wants the court to order police to allow Billy Smith go to California or else let him know why they continue to question him in the murders of Billy's mother, Linda Smith, and her three children.

"If they consider him a suspect, then I don't want them asking him any more questions," Olds said this morning. "He could incriminate himself."

"If they are satisfied he isn't a suspect — as I am — and they aren't going to charge him, but just want his assistance, then they can talk to him," Olds said.

"At this point," Wilton Manors Police Capt. Ray Saxon said, "Everybody is a suspect. We don't have a chief suspect, we are still trying to find people who were connected with Linda Judith Smith."

"I don't know why Mr. Olds is so anxious to get that boy out of the state to California. That boy is the only reliable witness we've got."

Billy came home at 11:30 p.m. Monday and found the bodies of his mother and his brothers and sister, Christopher, 11, Robin Timothy, 9, and Karen, 7.

Olds said he wants Billy to go to California "to get him out of the police atmosphere. I told police I'd ask Billy any questions they wanted and that I'd stay in constant contact with him by telephone."

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BILLY SMITH
... kept in area

"That way he wouldn't incriminate himself, because I'd relay answers. But the police said no," Olds said.

At a hearing yesterday before Circuit Court Judge Herbert Moriarty, the judge told Billy, "You are not accused of anything. You are free to go."

Billy was scheduled to leave for San Diego, yesterday after he had been placed in the custody of his stepfather, William G. Smith. But late yesterday, police told Olds they didn't want the boy to leave yet.

At that point Olds said Smith wanted to turn Billy over to the police. "I told him that wasn't in the boy's best interest. I don't know why he wanted to do that," Olds stated.

Olds is asking Judge Moriarty to reconsider giving legal custody of the boy to the stepfather.

"He may not be the best

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guardian for Billy," Olds said.

Saxon said his department has not interrogated the boy, nor bothered him since initial investigation of the crime scene. "We've had all we can do just to piece things together so far. The facts in this case are strange, very strange."

Olds charged earlier that Billy was held Monday night in the Broward County Jail. That statement was substantiated by an unidentified sheriff's deputy who said the boy had been in protective custody but was denied emphatically today by Saxon.

"He sat here in our front lobby until about 4 a.m. when the division of youth services and one of our officers took him to a shelter home," Saxon said.

"If Mr. Olds considers that sitting in jail, I guess he did. He was not taken to the Broward County Jail."

Saxon said his department kept the boy at the police station until the crime scene was cleared about 4 a.m. because "we needed him here to help us with the initial investigation. After all, it was he who found the bodies, and he who knew what the house was like before."

Saxon said the police department has been deluged with good reports and false leads since the murder and need Billy to help them identify suspects and definite clues. "We have people call up here and tell us they saw a car driving past them down Andrews Avenue in the vicinity of the scene, but nothing else."

Jennings Funeral Home, 2211 Davie Blvd., will handle local arrangements, which are incomplete.

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A former Wilton Manors policeman has been charged with false imprisonment after he allegedly handcuffed, gagged and tied two teen-age girls to a tree on a remote island near Stuart, where he is employed as a Martin County deputy sheriff.

Police said the two girls involved in the incident said Deputy Gerald Schaeffer tied them to the tree and left them in order to teach them "the evils of hitchhiking."

Schaeffer, 26, worked for the Wilton Manors Police Department from Sept. 1971, to April, 1972, when he was dismissed, Police Chief Bernard Scott said.

WAS OFF DUTY

According to acting Martin County Sheriff Robert Crowder, Schaeffer was off duty Saturday when he picked up Paula Sue Wells, 17, and Nancy Trotter, 18, both of Stuart, as they were hitchhiking to the beach.

Crowder said Schaeffer and the girls began arguing about the dangers of hitchhiking and Schaeffer accused them of being runaways.

Schaeffer is charged with then taking the girls to a remote part of Hutchinson Island, handcuffing them, gag-

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ging them, tying them to a tree and driving off.

THEY ESCAPED

The girls, managed to escape, however, and police said when Schaeffer returned and found them gone, he went to the sheriff's department and told fellow officers he had picked up two runaways, but they escaped.

Deputies located the two girls several hours later and after hearing their story, swore out a warrant charging Schaeffer with false imprisonment.

Crowder said Schaeffer is suspended from the department effective immediately. He was hired June 26.

'NO COMMON SENSE'

Scott described Schaeffer as a man "with a very good academic background but with no common sense."

"He had some very strange ideas about law enforcement," Scott said.

A check with Broward County sheriff's officials showed that Schaeffer applied for a position with the department in April shortly after he was dismissed from the Wilton Manors force, but was not hired because of poor references from Chief Scott.

'Sergeant,' 6, Gets His Badge

By MINDY ELLEDGE
Staff Writer

OAK HILL — "Tommy Hall?"

The one-man police force in this little town near New Smyrna Beach took off his hat and scratched his head.

"Tommy Hall?"

Police Dept

A carload of cops from Wilton Manors, who had made Tommy a sergeant of their department and promised to visit that day, nodded.

"You know, the little guy with cancer," one of them finally said. JUN 30 1972

"Oh yeah," he smiled in recognition, polishing one of his brown cowboy boots on a

pants leg. "Terrible thing. Terrible."

Then he pointed down a winding gravel road, way out in orange grove country, where, in a 1972 model house trailer, 6-year-old Tommy Hall lies dying.

The welcoming committee there were Tommy's mother, grandmother, and a blue

speckled hound named Kathy, who spends her days under the trailer.

The police piled out of the car and into the trailer, where Tommy, pitifully thin at 35 pounds, his stomach bloated by an abdominal tumor, slept.

They came bearing gifts. A real sergeant's badge, to replace an auxiliary force badge

he already had. Sergeant's stripes, a whistle, one of the men unhooked from his own uniform, and a toy gun and holster.

They also brought \$310 they had collected as "real sergeant's pay."

A few days earlier, on the phone, Tommy had told them he deserved to be paid. Since he'd become a policeman, he'd arrested his grandmother more than a hundred times for "tampering with the U.S. Mail," logging each offense carefully in red pen in a 10-cent notebook.

Tommy's penchant for letters brought him thousands from Broward County well-wishers after Broward residents heard above him and asked The News to print a plea for letters.

He likes to open them all himself, but finds it too tiring now, hence Grandma's "tampering."

It took Tommy a long time to wake up. The skin around his eyes was puffed and blue, and two large veins stood out prominently on his forehead. When he was moved from his bedroom to a living room couch, an ancient grey fan moved with him.

"He says he can't breathe without it," his mother whispered.

His grandmother apologized, "We can't afford air-conditioning."

One of the policemen pulled the mother aside and asked, "Does he know?"

"That he's going to die?" she said. "I don't know. Sometimes I think so. He keeps telling me, 'Mother, don't worry about me. Everything'll be okay.'"

Doctors at the University of Florida medical center at Gainesville told Mrs. Hall in January he had less than a year to live.

They told Tommy he'd be well in a year.

"That's the only time we've lied to him," she said.

By this time, Tommy was tearing feebly at the colorful paper around the toy guns. Fuzzy animals, plastic, blow-up dolls and other get-well gifts dangled above him.

From one wall in the living room peers a picture of George Wallace, autographed, and one of the Nixon family at the White House, accompanied by a typed letter from an aide.

"Tommy just loves George Wallace," his mother beamed. "I suppose he gets that from Poppa—that's his grandfather."

"You know, when Mr. Wallace was shot, Tommy made himself sick for two days."

The governor's signature on

a certificate of membership in the Alabama State Patrol brought him from his depression.

"If Mr. Wallace could send that to me he MUST be feeling better," Tommy told his mother.

But, as the visiting cops were to hear, concern for others, even in his last round with the cancer which pervades his bones and every organ in his body, is typical Tommy.

Minutes after exploratory surgery in Gainesville, weak and very groggy, his first words were:

"Mother, are you okay? Have you eaten today?"

"When I hear things like that," she confessed, "I just have to go somewhere and cry. But I'll never cry in front of him."

"I just go for a drive by myself, but when I get back, no matter how cheerful I am, he knows."

TO MARRY

Mrs. Hall, who gave up her house and jobs in a restaurant and selling household products to care for Tommy full-time, is remarrying in a few days.

They had planned to wait "until . . ." she can't finish the phrase—but then Tommy asked his grandmother, "Why don't I have somebody I can call Daddy?"

He last saw his own father when he was 18 months old, and even a letter to him in Canada asking "please come see your son before it's too late," brought no response.

By this time, little Tommy had buckled his new holster around his swollen stomach and was firing caps point-blank at several of his fellow officers. A few shots were all he could muster.

Until January, doctors in Daytona Beach maintained it was rheumatoid arthritis that was bending his body out of shape, and his mother said, "I was almost relieved to hear it was a tumor, because I thought it could be removed."

Tommy called for cinnamon rolls and a Coke, about the only demands he makes of his family, but even those were too heavy to balance for more than a few seconds.

He wanted to tell his new-found friends about wild hog hunting with Poppa — bringing the tusky creatures home and fattening them for a barbecue. And about the tumor he thinks is gone. And about going to Africa someday to see the animals he's seen on postcards.

But he was too sleepy.

A weak smile for a snapshot to show the rest of the guys on the force. A "goodbye, I'll talk with you on the phone Sunday."

And then the cops were driving back down the winding road in Orange Grove.

Sept 13, 1970

Zealous Flag Protectors Lose 'Abused' Banner

By PATTY ALLEN
Staff Writer

"Whose broad stripes and bright stars
gave proof through the night our flag
was still there."

Wilton Manors Police Chief Bernard Scott was musing over the lines of "The Star Spangled Banner" today as his department investigated the case of the missing flag.

"Concerned Young Citizens" took one of the city's four flags earlier this week. They then wrote a letter to Chief Scott explaining the flag was stolen because the city had "misused" it by allowing it to be flown at night but not illuminated.

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Chief Scott said he was "sure there wasn't somebody standing there with a flashlight on Old Glory when 'The Star Spangled Banner' was written.

The song also refers to "dawn's early light."

"You can see right there the flag's flown all night," Chief Scott fumed.

The stolen flag formerly waved at Veterans Park, on Wilton Dr. and Sixth Ave.

The letter to Chief Scott said:

"Due to harassment of young people by local law enforcement officials over the

misuse of the American flag in certain symbols . . . we, as citizens of Florida and the United States of America, saw it as our duty to take down the flag being flown at night by the City of Wilton Manors.

"Your flag will be returned to your city after a light has been installed to shine on this flag and the others being misflown at night . . . or a public statement in The Ft. Lauderdale News saying you will lower the colors at sunset and raise them at sunrise.

MAY TAKE OTHERS

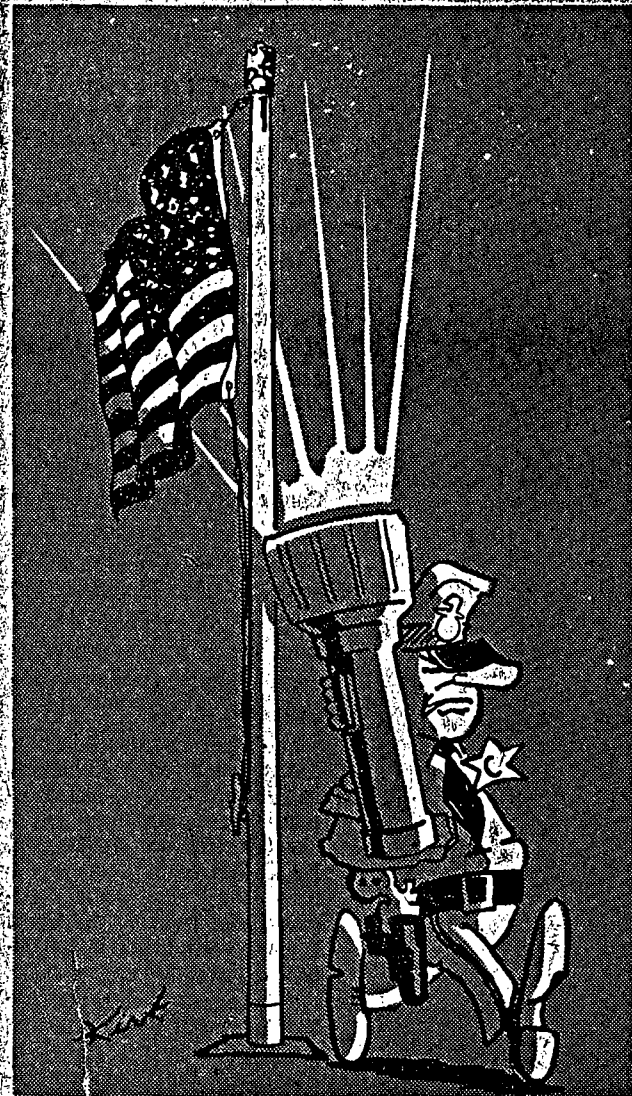
"Only when one of the two requirements are met will your flag be returned.

"If these are not met, your other flags will be taken and any more raised in their place will be taken also," the letter said.

Some recent arrests in Broward County have involved decals showing a peace symbol printed over an American flag. Earlier this week, a youth was arrested by Ft. Lauderdale police for showing disrespect for a Confederate flag by wearing one sewn on the leg of his trousers.

Chief Scott said the anonymous flag stealers obviously aren't aware of Public Law 829 of the 77th Congress, pertaining to the use and display of the flag.

"The flag may be displayed at night upon special occasions when it is desired to produce a patriotic effect," he said.



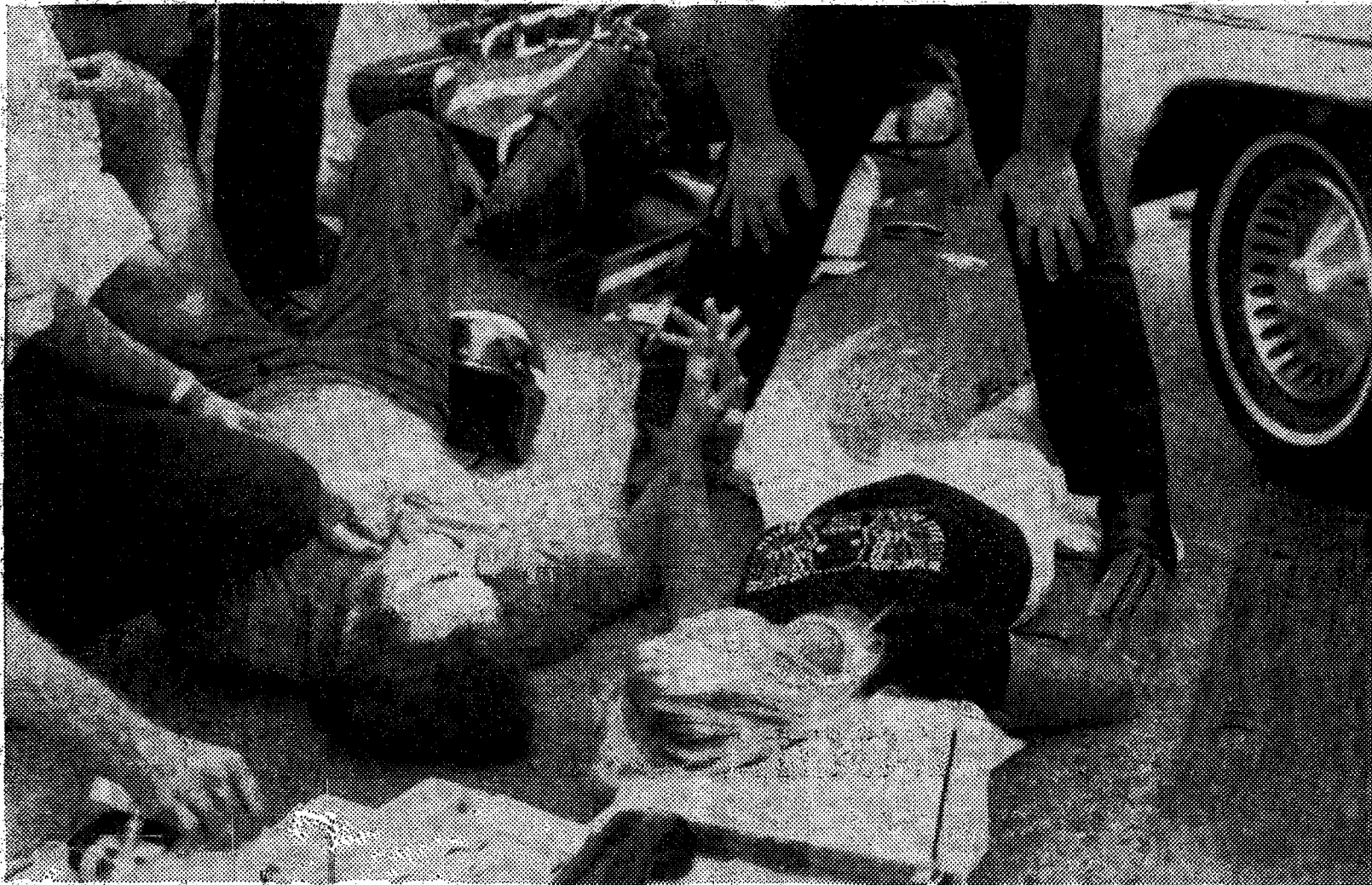
Monday, July 25, 1977



Staff Photo by WALTER MICHOT

LOVE NEVER FAILS Wilton Manors police officer Jay L. Bell and Mary D. Cousins, a Plantation police department reserve officer, comfort one another after a motorcycle on which they were riding slammed into a car last night at a busy Fort Lauderdale intersection. The couple was released after treatment at Broward

General Medical Center. Police said Bell skidded into a fender of the car at State Road 84 and S. Andrews Avenue as the vehicle entered the intersection. Bell was hurled to the pavement and Miss Cousins was thrown partly under the car. Both suffered cuts and bruises. No charges were immediately lodged. 7-25-77



Healing Hands

Jay Lee Bell and Mary Cousins join hands as paramedics administer emergency first-aid to the unlucky pair. Police said they were riding a motorcycle which collided with an automobile at the corner of State Road 84 and South Andrews Avenue. The driver of the car, 58-year-old Horace Coachman of Miami, was charged with failing to

Staff Photo By URSULA SEEMANN

obey a traffic control device. Both Bell, 38, and Miss Cousins, 6151 SW 15th Ct., Pompano Beach, were treated at Broward General Medical Center and released. Bell is a Wilton Manors police officer and Miss Cousins, whose arm was broken in the fall, is a reserve officer with the Plantation Police Department. 7-25-77

Cyclist Is Slain; Two Held Man Found Dead In 2nd Incident

A classic lovers' triangle was broken by violence early Saturday morning with an ambush, two shotgun blasts and the death of a 27-year-old motorcycle rider.

It was the second murder within a few days in the usually quiet suburban community of Wilton Manors. On Thursday, the body of 58-year-old James Trebilcock was discovered at his small block home at 2360 Wilton Dr. by his 16-year-old son. Police said he had been struck over the head by a blunt instrument and stabbed with a small knife, probably early Tuesday.

The second occurred about 1 a.m. Saturday, just after Thomas Costello left his apartment at 2660 NE Eighth Ave. and mounted his motorcycle.

As Costello rode his 350 Yamaha out of the parking lot, heading east, toward Eighth Avenue, an aging green Camaro drove toward him from the opposite direction.

Police said there were two loud gunshots as the Camaro passed and Costello fell from the motorcycle. He had suffered a fatal shotgun wound to the abdomen, according to the Broward Medical Examiner's Office.

"It appears that the boyfriend of Costello's ex-wife shot him," said a Wilton Manors policeman. "It was like *Easy Rider* all over again," he said.

He said that at 6:30 a.m., John Goodrich, 28, and Costello's estranged wife, Dorene Bills Costello, 25, both of Fort Lauderdale, were arrested by Fort Lauderdale police and charged with the death — Goodrich with first-degree murder, the woman with conspiracy to commit first-degree murder.

No arrests have been made in the death of Trebilcock, a real estate businessman, police said Saturday.

Wilton Manors Realtor, 58, Found Bludgeoned To Death Near Site Of 1976 Murder

By Dave Casey
Staff Writer

The bludgeoned body of a 58-year-old Wilton Manors real estate broker was found in his trailer park home yesterday, only three homes away from where a similar murder, also unsolved, took place less than two years ago.

James Trebilcock, who lived in the Trailer Haven Mobile Home Park at 2360 Wilton Dr., was found yesterday by his youngest son, William, 16, when the youth went to his father's home to retrieve a forgotten set of keys.

In September, 1976, 75-year-old Edward Watts was found beaten and stabbed to death in his trailer three lots distant.

Wilton Manors police said today they are investigating the possibility the same murderer committed both crimes.

Lt. Perry Hempstead said Trebilcock had lacerations on his chest which may have been caused by a knife or a sharp edge of the heavy instrument used to strike the victim's head.

Although police did not identify the murder weapon, Trebilcock's oldest son, James Jr., 23, of 809 NE 22nd Drive, Wilton Manors, said detectives showed him a piece of metal angle iron and asked if he had ever seen it in his father's possession.

The son did not recall ever seeing the object.

Trebilcock Jr. said police told family members they believed the victim was slain about 1 a.m. Tuesday, having last been heard from Monday night when he telephoned his answering service to see if any messages had been left for him.

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Wilton Manors Man Bludgeoned To Death In Home

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Trebilcock's ex-wife, Margaret, 1201 NW Seventh Terrace, also talked by telephone with the victim Monday night, the oldest son said.

Police said they have no motive in the killing.

A \$600 color television set and other valuables were left behind in the small CBS-construction house which sits on a corner rental lot of the trailer park.

The oldest son said his father "was not the type of man to make enemies."

"I just have no idea why someone would do this," he said. "My father was just an easy-going, middle class man who didn't like to hurt anybody."

Trebilcock operated a firm called Business Associates, his son said, and was affiliated with a local real estate company.

Upon finding the body, William Trebilcock called his mother, who in turn telephoned police.

The victim also had a 21-year-old son and two daughters, 25 and 29 years old.

Friday, June 16, 1978

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SLAUGHTER ON 20th AVENUE

Oregon's Grateful Psychopath:

**'THANKS FOR YOUR HELP
—I'LL KILL YOU LATER'**



His boyish good looks and smooth conversation allowed him to make friends easily. But hiding somewhere behind that pleasing smile lay the twisted mind of a compulsive killer.

Flashing his ever-present smile, convicted murderer Schaefer is led to court for sentencing.



Wherever He Went Women Disappeared...

The Homicidal Rampage Of Mr. Clean

by JAMES MULLIKIN

The night of September 27, 1972 was hot and humid, like any other September night in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. Mrs. Lucille Place was doing some late season planting in her garden out back of the family's suburban home in Oakland Park.

Dusk has begun to obscure her vision, but she plainly saw the man drive up in the light blue Datsun at what must have been about 7 p.m. Later she saw a light in her daughter's bedroom and went in to investigate.

Susan Place was somewhat of a problem child. At 17 years old, she had already run away on two occasions and Mrs. Place was greatly concerned she might leave again. This night Susan and a close friend, Georgia Jessup, 16, were entertaining the young man with the blue Datsun.

"There was something about him I didn't like," remembers Mrs. Place. "I just didn't trust him. He was too quiet, too smooth. He said he was just over 20, but I felt he was older."

It was around 9 p.m. when Sue announced the trio were going down to the beach to play Sue's guitar. It sounded innocent enough with Sue promising to be back soon, but Mrs. Place had a premonition.

"I wanted to take her aside and talk to her. I wanted to ask her not to go, but you know the way kids are. I knew she wouldn't listen."

Mrs. Place, following her instincts, did the next best thing she could think of. She went outside and jotted down the license tag number of the blue Datsun.

Susan Place and Georgia Jessup never returned. For a long while their parents believed they had simply run away again, but after a month or two they realized something must have happened to the girls. But there was still hope and Mrs. Jessup clung to the fact that Georgia had

left her parents' Fort Lauderdale home with a suitcase and some clothes the night she disappeared.

And there was the note she left, saying she wanted to go off.

"I knew she planned on running away," Mrs. Jessup said. "On the night of September 27, she left a note saying she had to go and find herself, but that she loved us both."

The man who drove off with the two girls was known to Mrs. Jessup and Mrs. Place as Jerry Shepherd, a college student from the University of Colorado.

"Right after we got Georgia's note that she'd run away, I called the University of Colorado and found out he wasn't enrolled there," said Mrs. Jessup.

A day or two before she disappeared with Sue Place and the man named Shepherd, Georgia had written a note addressed to him at a Daytona Beach, Fla., box number. The letter came back after Georgia left and Mrs. Jessup opened it.

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Identification photo taken when Schaefer applied for a job with the Wilton Manors Police Dept. He was hired, then fired a few months later.

"It was a very friendly letter," recalls Mrs. Jessup. "It said that she'd love to go travelling around like he does and live with nature. It was clear they were planning to split together."

The talk had been of Mexico, but if the girls had believed the man named Shepherd intended to take them there they were fatally mistaken.

On April 1, 1973, nearly seven months after they disappeared, the brutally dismembered and badly decomposed bodies of Susan Place and Georgia Jessup were found by a group of beer can hunters in a wooded beachfront area just south of Fort Pierce, Fla., about 80 miles north of Fort Lauderdale.

Identification was difficult. The bodies were headless. It took several days for authorities to find the missing skulls and make positive identification through dental records.

Besides the bodies, police discovered other strange clues to the killings. There was a six-foot-long, three-foot-deep grave dug close to where the bodies were found, but in it authorities found only a pair of woman's panties. Pieces of clothing were embedded in the bark of a nearby tree, indicating one of the girls may have been tied to it. Another tree root had hate/het marks in it like something might have been chopped on it. Still another tree had the initials "CJ or GJ" carved on it — perhaps letters that stood for Georgia Jessup.

For Mrs. Place, the grim discoveries not only confirmed her worst fears but convinced her she had known the identity of the killer for several months. And for South Florida authorities, the discoveries were only the first in a series of bizarre revelations which would lead to a trail of missing girls linked to the same man seen driving away with Susan Place and Georgia Jessup.

It took Mrs. Place more than two months to find out the blue Datsun that carried her daughter off that night belonged not to Jerry Shepherd, but to a man named Gerard John Schaefer, Jr.

He was a handsome, heavy-set man of 27 years, quiet and smooth talking, just as Mrs. Place had described Jerry Shepherd. In June, 1972 he had been fired from the Wilton Manors Police Department, another Fort Lauderdale suburb, because the police chief said he "did not show common sense."

Chief Bernard Scott was referring to Schaefer's judgment in giving traffic citations and his imprudent behavior. Immediately after Scott had warned him to straighten out, Schaefer had gone to the Fort Lauderdale police department looking for a job, bad mouthing the Wilton Manors chief and department in the process.

He did not get the job there, so he took his wife, Teresa, and moved north to Stuart, a town just south of Palm Beach. Then, in June, 1972, Schaefer landed a job with Martin County Sheriff Robert L. Crowder, who, at 27, is the youngest sheriff in Florida.

"When you first meet Schaefer, he

leaves a good impression," says Crowder. "He's smooth mannered, soft-spoken, polite. There's nothing at all offensive about his demeanor."

Crowder called the Wilton Manors department where Schaefer had been fired, but Chief Scott was not there. At Fort Lauderdale, Crowder learned how Schaefer had applied there and had been subsequently fired from Wilton Manors, so Crowder figured it was just one of those things that happens to a guy looking for a better job.

"Schaefer had gone through the police academy and he had a college degree," said Crowder. "Usually, when you get a guy with this training, you latch onto him."

Schaefer was assigned the beach area along U.S. 1 north of Stuart. He did well for about a month, but then one Saturday morning, Crowder got a strange telephone call from Schaefer.

"I've done something very foolish," Schaefer told his boss. "You'll be mad at me."

It was this fateful July day that would eventually lead to suspicions that Gerard Schaefer might somehow be connected with the mysterious disappearance of at least two dozen girls from as far away from Florida as Iowa. And if it had not been for the survival instinct of a teenage girl from a Detroit suburb, the chain of events that led to the chilling connection would never have taken place.

Nancy Ellen Trotter was 18, a restless girl from Farmington, Mich., who had met another girl, Paula Sue Wells, 17, of Garland, Tex., while hitchhiking to Chicago. In July, 1972, they were in Florida enjoying the hot sun near Jensen Beach, a few miles north of Stuart where they were staying with friends.

They were thumbing a ride back to Stuart on Friday, July 21, when Schaefer, driving his Martin County police cruiser, picked them up. He told them it was illegal to hitchhike but he drove them home to their friend's house in Stuart, impressing the girls with his winning personality.

"He was really nice then," Nancy remembers. "He told us he had hitchhiked all over the United States and Europe and made it sound like he knew what it was like."

"He said if we were going to Jensen Beach the next day (Saturday) he would pick us up and take us there."

Schaefer did just that. The next morning he picked the girls up at a park in downtown Stuart near the apartment where they were staying. He was driving not the sheriff's car, however, but a light blue Datsun.

The account Nancy Trotter gave police and the account Schaefer gave Crowder as to what happened varies considerably.

Schaefer told Crowder he believed the girls were runaways and he wanted to teach them a lesson. He drove them to a place called Hutchison Island, a wooded beachfront area just seven miles south of where the headless bodies of Susan Place and Georgia Jessup were

found 10 months later.

In his zeal to teach the runaways a lesson and "put the fear of God in them," Schaefer said, he handcuffed them, gagged them and tied them to trees. Then after admonishing them and telling them this is what could happen to them, he walked away for a few minutes. When he returned they were gone, he told Crowder.

What Nancy Trotter described was a scenario out of a horror movie.

Schaefer told the girls he was taking them to see an old Spanish Fort, Nancy said. They agreed enthusiastically, but when the Spanish Fort turned out to be a wooden shack on the beach, they were miffed. They climbed back into Schaefer's car ready to head for Jensen Beach but Schaefer did not get back in.

"He told us a whole bunch of things while we were still sitting there in the car," Nancy later told authorities. "Then he told us he could dig a hole and bury us. He said, 'No crime without a victim'."

They did not take him seriously at first and this made Schaefer angry. He threatened to arrest them both as runaways and made Nancy empty her purse on the car seat.

"Then he took me outside the car and put handcuffs on me, Sue too," Nancy said. "He put us back in the car and started talking about white slavery. He asked me, 'Would your parents pay ransom?' He said a lot of weird stuff. He said he had someone he could sell us to — and then we could really see the world. 'We told him to go get his sheik and sell us.'"

This remark made Schaefer even angrier. He took rope and sheets from the trunk of his car and led Sue to a field where he made her sit on Nancy's blanket. He tied her legs together and made another loop around her shoulders so she was tied hand and foot, handcuffed and gagged.

"I was scared then," Nancy said. "I could have run away. But I couldn't because he had Sue there. He told us if one of us got away, he would kill the one he had and come back and catch and kill the other."

He took Nancy to a nearby river, where he tied her legs together and made her stand on exposed tree roots. Then he looped a rope around her neck.

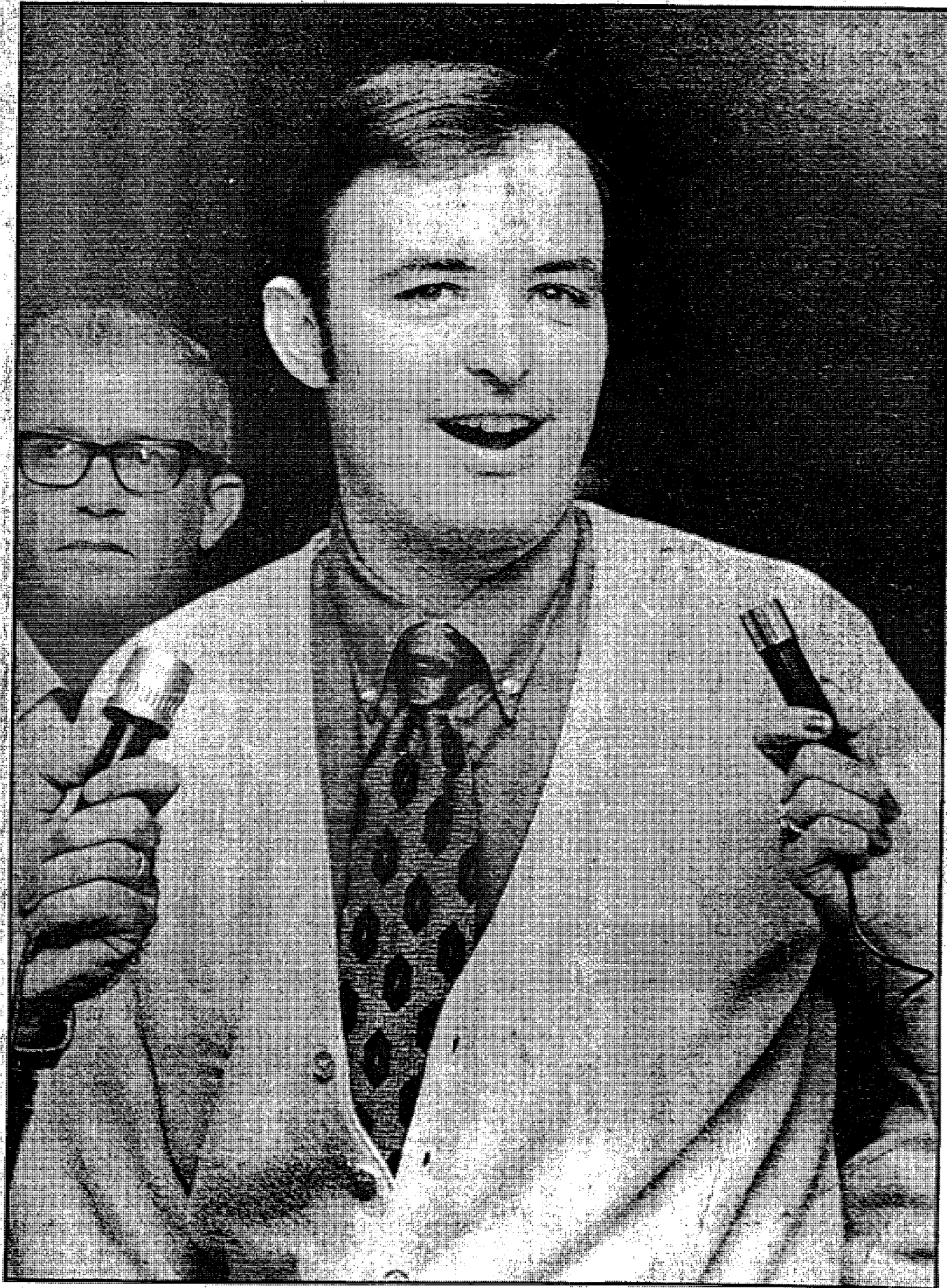
"That's when I started crying," Nancy said. "He put the rope over a branch above me and tied it to another branch. The rope went up and down and hooked onto another piece of branch. If I had fallen off those roots I would have hung."

"I was crying. But the only thing he really did to me was pinch me. And I got a kind of disgusted look on my face and he just laughed."

"He made some statement that if he wanted to, he could have raped me right there."

That was when, according to Nancy, Schaefer walked away. She immediately

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Is this the face of a homicidal maniac?

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"THANKS FOR YOUR HELP —I'LL KILL YOU LATER"

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was overwhelming, decided to plead guilty to the murder. He told Judge Jones he wanted to plead guilty, not only because he had shot Samuel Fratto, but also because he "felt very bad about it and wanted to get the court proceedings over with."

Judge Jones accepted his plea and, after a pre-sentence investigation, sen-

tenced Leonard Morrell to life imprisonment in Oregon State Penitentiary.

Sherman Troy Johnson managed to delay his trial through various court actions until February 28, 1973. On that date, however, he was taken before Judge Val D. Sloper in Superior Court and the testimony given against him on a reduced charge of first-degree burglary and one

of hindering prosecution for murder.

Judge Sloper found him guilty on both charges, after Johnson had conceded the evidence, and sentenced him to 20 years on the burglary and 5 years for the charge of hindering prosecution, but permitted them to run concurrently.

Samuel Fratto never got anything but trouble for being kind and helpful to the two boys. We don't like to think of things working out that way in our society, but one boy returned his kindness by destroying his sense of warmth and pleasure in helping a fellow human being. The other repaid it by destroying his life.

But people who knew Samuel Fratto think that if he were alive today, he would still go on trying to help people. ★

THE HOMICIDAL RAMPAGE OF MR. CLEAN

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tried fr... se...
around the neck. If chewing at the ropes
My feet were tied
to work my legs out together and I tried
turned around and felt I couldn't. I finally
where the other end of against the branch
The rope was looser, the rope was tied.
on it and I could untie from my chewing
behind my back... it with my hands

All that took about 5 minutes, Nancy
recalls.

I felt like I was in a movie. I sneaked
behind the Spanish Fort and peeked out
the other side and his car was still there.

Then Nancy ran to the river and waded
in up to her knees. Sue was calling her
name, but she didn't look back. Schaefer
had taken her from the back. Schaefer
her near the river. Nancy and retied
figured Schaefer must have told Sue to
call her back.

Terror stricken in
was on her back. I was sure a mad man
the knee in his heel. Nancy moved through
She is a small girl, about five foot two
inches and half a hundred pounds and the
going was rough. At the first clearing she
emerged from the water and hid in a thick
clump of bushes. She lay quiet, the sound
of her own heart the loudest noise, beat-
ing so hard it seemed to drown out
the din of birds.

"I knew there were snakes there but
I couldn't see any. I did see every kind
of spider, though. And everytime a bird
flew up or the wind blew through the
trees, I kept thinking it was him."

After what seemed an eternity, Nancy
could no longer stand the mosquitoes.
She crawled through the brush trying to
get to a nearby road, but the mangroves
were too thick. She kept falling, her
hands still handcuffed behind her back,
and finally she knew she had to head back
toward the river even though the enemy
was in that direction.

She did not see Schaefer, however,

who at that moment was calling Crowder.
Unknown to Nancy, Sue had also
escaped while Schaefer went off, and
when he returned and found the girls gone
he did the smartest thing he could think
of to head off charges against him.

Nancy was on a peninsula and
figured once across the river to the main-
land she would be relatively safe.

"I knew I could swim with my hands
behind my back. I'm a pretty good
swimmer. You kind of kick on your back
and kind of do the sidestroke without
your hands. I got stung by two jellyfish
while swimming. That's not much fun."

After Schaefer's call explaining he had
"done something foolish," Crowder
jumped into his car and headed toward
Hutchison Island. There he found
Nancy, handcuffed and frightened out of
her wits, wading through a shallow bay
trying to reach the road. A construction
worker had picked her up as she ran, also
handcuffed, down highway A1A.

Schaefer was immediately fired. He
was charged with aggravated assault and
released on \$15,000 bond. He was con-
victed of the crimes against him in
December, 1972 and sentenced to six
months in jail and 2 years probation. The
sentence came too late for Susan Place
and Georgia Jessup who met their death
two months earlier while Schaefer was
out on bail. And authorities say Nancy
Trotter, and Paula Sue Wells may never
know how really lucky they are.

Schaefer was already in jail in Martin
County when Mrs. Place managed to
trace the license tag to the blue Datsun.
It was good evidence, but circumstantial.

Schaefer denied ever knowing the two
Fort Lauderdale girls who were first
reported by authorities to have disap-
peared Oct. 27 rather than one month
earlier. Schaefer had been out of state
on a hunting trip with friends from Oct.
10 to Oct. 29. When it was established

the girls disappeared Sept. 27, Schaefer's
alibi was that he was sick at his mother-
in-law's house in Fort Lauderdale.

But on April 7, a week after authorities
turned up the bodies of Susan Place and
Georgia Jessup, another gruesome dis-
covery took place that sent police
agencies with unsolved murders of young
girls into action.

On that day, armed with a search war-
rant, Broward County Sheriff's detec-
tives and Fort Lauderdale police entered
the home of Schaefer's mother and
searched a bedroom he had instructed his
"never to enter under any cir-
cumstances."

The discoveries there made even the
experienced policemen's blood run cold.

There, neatly stored in boxes, were
items that included two human teeth,
women's costume jewelry, a purse,
photographs of a nude torso seen from
behind as it leaned forward between two
trees, rope, rifles, knives and most hide-
ous of all — the manuscripts.

For an undetermined period of time,
Gerard Schaefer had been filling page
after page with gruesome tales of murder
in a fastidious hand. The former police-
man had chronicled dozens of episodes
involving girls he described as pros-
titutes, streetwalkers and hitchhikers. In
every case, the author of the manuscripts
described how he would take girls, either
alone or in pairs, to isolated wooded
areas, shoot them and have sexual rela-
tions with their bodies.

Most of the killings described also
detailed elaborate hangings.

One paper described how the author
drove a woman down a dirt road on an
unnamed date. She was shot three times
in the back of the head, raped and buried,
according to the account. Later the
author said he went back, removed the
girl's head and visited her grave on
several occasions afterward.

"This was the first one," the account
ends, "and they say the first one is the
hardest. So far, though, the first has been
the best, body wise. I think there will
surely be others."

Another chapter in the manuscripts
deals with a girl who was frisked while

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wearing handcuffs and a blindfold. She was led to "a dark place of execution" where she was forced to climb a ladder. A noose was then slipped around her head and the author said he walked away.

"She obviously had no inclination of what was to happen. I told her some stories about Vietnam and told her I had to make a radio call.

"I tied a rope to the bumper of the car so that if I pulled away it would pull out the ladder and she would be hanged immediately. I went back to the car and finished a bottle of wine. About 9 p.m. I started the car and put it in reverse," the story continues.

"After 15 minutes, which I judged a sufficient time for her to die, I went slowly forward to the grove of trees where the execution site was arranged. I had a light but I almost didn't want to see what I was responsible for."

The author-executioner then tells how he committed numerous sex acts with the corpse throughout the night, occasionally returning to his car to nap.

Like all the other bodies described in the tales of horror, this one was eventually wrapped in a white sheet. It is put into the trunk of the writer's car and driven to another deserted place.

Then there is a description of how the author tries to sink the body in a canal beneath the water lilies. Clothes are disposed of to cover up clues and the author says he keeps some of the girl's belongings for souvenirs.

Schaefer was serving time in the Martin County Jail for assaulting the two girls who managed to escape when news came that the bodies of Susan Place and Georgia Jessup had been found. Schaefer's cellmate Emerson Floyd told reporters the blond-haired violet-eyed ex-cop used to lie on his bunk and write a lot. "There were some hair-raising things. It was mostly just brutal," Floyd said.

When the remains of the Place and Jessup girls were found, Schaefer tore his writing to shreds, Floyd said.

Then four days after the bodies were discovered, Schaefer's wife Teresa, a pretty girl with a shag haircut, asked her brother for a peculiar favor. She wanted him to take a purse — one made of suede with a fringe top — and deliver it to the Fort Lauderdale home of Schaefer's mother.

The purse had been a gift from her husband in November, Teresa was to say later. He had told her he did not want it in their apartment in Stuart and she readily complied.

Henry B. Dean, Teresa's brother and a former Broward County Deputy Sheriff, took the purse to Lt. David Yurchuck instead. Immediately suspicious, Yurchuck acted on a strong hunch. He took the purse to Mrs. Jessup who recognized it as having belonged to her daughter, Georgia.

Yurchuck got his search warrant and the back bedroom — forbidden to Schaefer's mother — was thoroughly searched. By the time police had sifted through the items, there was no question

Schaefer was the man last to see Susan Place and Georgia Jessup alive.

There was a small jewelry box belonging to Georgia in the bedroom and a manila envelope. On it was the name "Jerry Shepherd" with Mrs. Schaefer's address.

The question that did remain and still does is how many other mysterious disappearances is Schaefer connected with. Two gold crowned teeth found in the room have been identified by a dentist as belonging to Carman Marie Hallock, 22, reported missing in Fort Lauderdale, Dec. 18, 1969.

A charm bracelet found in the room had the name "Leigh" etched on a heart. Leigh Hairline Bonadies, 25, vanished from her Fort Lauderdale apartment Sept. 8, 1969 and had not been heard from since. She had known Schaefer since she was 16 and he was 14. Miss Hallock was also a passing acquaintance of Schaefer's, and had played tennis with him on occasion along with Leigh Bonadies.

Belinda Hutchins, 22, another Fort Lauderdale girl, disappeared from her home Jan. 4, 1972. She was seen leaving in a light blue Datsun, like the one belonging to Schaefer.

When all the discoveries were made in the secret bedroom, St. Lucie State Attorney Richard Stone remarked that all the evidence might lead to "the greatest crime spree in the history of Florida, even of the United States."

While that is not likely in light of other mass murders committed recently in the country, there will always remain a question as to exactly how many murders can be attributed to the round-faced and boyish-looking former policeman.

Schaefer himself claims that while the lurid writings found in his room are his, they are fantasy. His mother backs him up, saying that her son had been instructed by a psychiatrist who was treating him for an emotional disorder three years ago to write his thoughts down.

Schaefer was indicted on two counts of first degree murder for killing Susan Place and Georgia Jessup. Judge C. Pfeiffer Trowbridge ordered him into a mental institution for tests and after 30 days, psychiatrists pronounced Schaefer competent to stand trial.

Although one doctor said Schaefer was psychotic with suicidal tendencies, Dr. Mordecai Haber found Schaefer competent but "dangerous, less to himself than to others."

Schaefer's early defense that he had never met either Susan Place or Georgia Jessup crumbled early in the September, 1973, trial when evidence was produced by State Attorney Stone and Broward County State Attorney Philip Shailer who jointly prosecuted the case.

There was the jewelry box, the purse, the envelope addressed to "Jerry Shepherd" and most damaging of all, testimony from parents of the murdered girls who identified Schaefer as the man last seen with their daughters.

Court-appointed defense attorney

Elton Schwarz produced witnesses who said Schaefer was at his mother-in-law's home in Fort Lauderdale the evening the two girls disappeared. But it was clear Schaefer had time after being seen by friends to drive to the Place home and pick the girls up. And while Teresa Schaefer said her husband never stayed out past 10 o'clock without her, she could not be sure that on the night of Sept. 27, 1972, Schaefer had in fact come home that early.

His behavior and his methodical way of writing down detailed accounts of slayings — whether real or fantasized — led authorities to believe that Schaefer was their man.

To show that to the six member jury, Shailer called to the stand Paula Sue Wells and her friend Nancy Ellen Trotter. What Schaefer had done to them paralleled in every way accounts in the gruesome manuscripts except for one thing — they had survived.

After a week-long trial, Schaefer was convicted on both counts of first degree murder. Judge Trowbridge sentenced him to two concurrent life sentences.

Convinced that Schaefer is insane and should be committed, Schwarz has appealed. On Oct. 11 Judge Trowbridge ordered the psychiatrist's reports on Schaefer released because they will be used in Schwarz's appeal.

Schaefer told the doctors he had bizarre sexual problems and fantasies and that he felt all "indecent" women should

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THE HOMICIDAL RAMPAGE OF MR. CLEAN

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be eliminated for the good of society. His urge to destroy prostitutes manifested itself so strongly, Schaefer told one psychiatrist, he would dress as a woman, and "punish himself" by hanging from a tree. So compulsive was the ritual that Schaefer kept rope and "all other necessary materials" in the trunk of his car for when he might need it. His sexual problems had also caused him earlier in his life to shoot animals, he said. And there had been times when he had hacked cows and horses to death with a machete and later had sexual intercourse with their bodies. When Psychiatrist Hector G. Gianni examined Schaefer in June, Schaefer told him he could not really remember if he killed the girls or imagined it.

"This confusion between fact and fantasy created doubts in my opinion if he will be able to aid his lawyer in his own defense," Dr. Gianni concluded in his report.

But Gianni also noted that claiming confusion between fact and fantasy could be seen as a convenient way to avoid prosecution.

There are theories that Gerard John Schaefer Jr., the congenial and handsome fellow who found it easy to meet girls, could be a schizophrenic—a dual personality. Psychiatrists say it is possible for a person to lead two lives and to act out in real life things that might have passed through the mind only as fantasy.

But whatever is wrong with Schaefer, early signs he was not quite right were noticed by many. Richard Goodhart, now head of the social science department at a Fort Lauderdale high school remembers Schaefer as a loser. He and Goodhart met when Schaefer tried to become a teacher in 1970.

"He was a very insecure fellow, unsure of himself in every conceivable situation," recalled Goodhart, who was Schaefer's supervisor during a student teacher internship. "I think he was looking for a position that offered the maximum amount of authority and required a minimum amount of brains."

"He was so insecure, so uptight, so incapable of producing anything," Goodhart continued. "He tried to dominate the students—dominate them with nasty little things. He had lots and lots of excuses for never being prepared. He complained of marital problems and at one point had his mother call me to

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defend him."

Schaefer was kicked out of the program and told by Goodhart: "Never let me hear of you trying to get a job with any authority over other people or I'll do something about it."

But a year after Schaefer flunked out of the teaching program (he had been a student at Florida Atlantic University) he turned up again at the same high school as a substitute teacher.

And even though Schaefer later flunked the psychological exam to

become a Broward County sheriff's deputy, he was hired by the Wilton Manors police department.

Gerard John Schaefer, Jr. had spent a great deal of his life fooling people. Outwardly, he was smooth, calm, confident and on first observation, a man who might be trusted. But on that fateful September evening in 1972, Lucille Place did not trust this man.

Her daughter did not share her mother's instinct... and paid the ultimate price.

Put A Husband, Wife And A Mistress Under One Roof—Which One Dies?

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while he was in Okinawa, then married on his reassignment to Beauford, S.C. The couple also lived in Washington before Hartzell left the Marines as a sergeant in 1970 after ten years service.

Raymond Hartzell's childhood was just as unstable as Emily's. His mother and father were divorced. They later remarried. He seldom if ever saw his father. Emily had never met the man. Ray's mother did give the couple a small tract of land near her property in Lower Macungie Township. They built a ranch and settled into the little house off River Bend Road near a village known as Minesite in January, 1972. Emily was ecstatic. It was her first real home.

Raymond got a job driving a truck and Emily went about the business of making a house into a home. Then Raymond began coming home drunk and sometimes not coming home at all. He'd been around the world and checked into many GI ports of call. He liked drink and women. Emily had not detected these traits during their long-range letter courtship. Nor would she accept what was going on before her eyes.

Her husband would come home drunk at night, ignore her and go to sleep. Emily knew there was a breakdown in communication, but she kept the problem to herself at first and pretended that everything was coming up roses to her pastor and friends. She'd even make up stories about how good Raymond was to her.

The possibility that a child would bring them closer together was already a dead issue in their lives. Emily miscarried several times and was finally ordered to give up the quest for a family after a second day-old infant had died.

Then it happened. Her husband received a traffic citation in the mail from the Pennsylvania State Police. The date and time on the summons indicated that he had been in the Pennsylvania coal regions on this day in September, 1972. At first she couldn't figure it out. He was

supposed to have been at work. When confronted with her deduction, Raymond blew his stack and told her the truth.

There was another woman in Bloomsburg, sixty miles north of Allentown. Emily did not want to believe this yarn. If he lied about missing work, he could just as easily lie about this. But when the woman in Bloomsburg began calling her on the telephone and harassed and ridiculed her, she realized that the end was near. Now, it was do or die. Emily tried reconciliation, made promises, told Raymond over and over how she loved him and needed him. He'd counter with threats of divorce. If she would not divorce him, he'd have his mistress move in with them.

Emily's dearest and only friend, Mrs. Louis Kane, tried to reason with Raymond. It was in the arms of Mrs. Kane that Emily had left the hospital as an infant thirty-four years before. Mrs. Kane talked privately in the Hartzell kitchen with Raymond for four hours that night in September. He drank until drunk and laughed.

"Mind your own business," he said. "I want out. You'll find out. You'll see there's another woman."

Emily's course was set and from that day on opened all of her husband's personal mail.

"My dearest Raymond," began one of the letters she had intercepted. I love you. I dream of you day and night. I hear you talking in my dreams, in my every waking hour."

Emily went into a state of shock. She stashed the love poem into a new package of panty hose and hid it in her dresser drawer. Other love notes expressing deep physical and psychological love followed. They, too, were stashed away in the dresser drawer.

Emily had no more doubt, no more questions. She ate even less now than she usually did and that was never much.

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Cop Reinstated At Former Rank In Wilton Manors

By Charles Lachman
Staff Writer

Denying charges of political pressure and back room deals, the Wilton Manors Civil Service Board yesterday voted to reinstate police officer Fred Speaker to the rank of sergeant.

Though Speaker was wrong to punch a rowdy prisoner in the face, demoting him to patrolman — as the civil service board voted month to do — was too harsh a penalty, said board chairman Gene Douglas.

The board voted last night to make Speaker's demotion temporary. He will regain his sergeant's rank in four more months.

The police department's lawyer, Jeffery Smith, who opposed Speaker's restoration to sergeant, charged the board's about-face vote was "politically tainted."

Central to the allegations of political wheeling and dealing was a memo dictated by Douglas that stated Tracy Stafford, the city council's vice president, had ordered an attorney to research how Speaker could be legally restored to his rank.

The civil service board is supposed to be non-political and independent of the city council.

When asked about the memo, Douglas, a lawyer, said his secretary misinterpreted Stafford's involvement. Douglas said it was he — not Stafford — who ordered assistant city attorney Jack Large to conduct the

legal research that led to the sergeant's reinstatement.

But Douglas also said the idea of reversing the board's move to demote Speaker was "sparked" by a brief discussion he had with Stafford, who said he believed Speaker ought to be a sergeant.

The pivotal vote on the civil service board was Joanne Barker, a florist, who last month voted to demote Speaker.

She now says, "I made a mistake." She said she was tired after hearing more than 10 hours of testimony and didn't fully understand the charges against Speaker when she cast her vote last month.

Asked about the charges of political pressure, Mrs. Barker said, "No one has told me what to do or say."

The two police officers on the civil service board were so angered at the new vote that they disqualified themselves from participating in the Speaker case.

The two, Ron Shearouse and Mary Whisman, said they feel Speaker should give up his sergeant's stripes.

Speaker said yesterday, "I can live with the new decision.

"I still feel I was justified in what I did," said Speaker about his punching the prisoner, William Bond, 23. Witnesses testified that Bond was lewd, violent and drunk when arrested.

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Unearthed Skull Is Linked To Suspected Mass Killer

By Chuck Crumbo
Staff Writer

A bullet-riddled skull found April 21 at a construction site west of Boca Raton was identified yesterday as that of a missing Fort Lauderdale woman, Leigh Hainline Bonadies, one-time friend and neighbor of convicted killer Gerard John Schaefer Jr.

The attractive blonde waitress was last seen alive Sept. 8, 1969, shortly before she tacked a note to the door of her apartment at 2121 Davie Blvd. which told her

husband of three weeks that she was going to Miami, but would return in time for a tennis game they had planned.

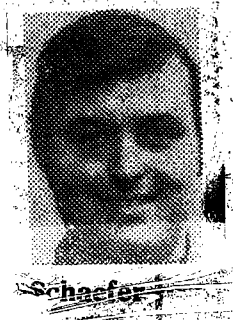
Authorities said they have not found the rest of the woman's remains, believed buried nearby.

Palm Beach Sheriff's detectives said they strongly suspect that Schaefer, a former Wilton Manors policeman, was responsible for the brutal murder. They have turned over their evidence, described by a spokesman as "largely circumstantial," to the state attorney's office in West Palm Beach to see if charges should be brought against Schaefer.

The 32-year-old Schaefer, said to be a suspect in up to 28 slayings of young women, was convicted in early 1973 for the ritualistic beheadings of Broward County teenagers Susan Place and Georgia Jessup. He was sentenced to two life terms at the state prison in Raiford.

Schaefer, who served as a deputy sheriff in Martin County before he was arrested in connection with the false imprisonment of two other teen-age girls, was fired from the Wilton Manors force in 1972 for hanging a

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drunken man upside down from beneath a bridge. The man was not seriously injured.

Police said they have investigated possible links between Schaefer and the disappearance of Mrs. Bonadies for "quite some time."

Among items found in the Fort Lauderdale home of Schaefer's mother was jewelry belonging to Mrs. Bonadies and to Carmine Marie Hallock, a 22-year-old cocktail waitress who disappeared from her Fort Lauderdale home at 5110 NE 19th Ave.

Two gold-filled teeth belong to Miss Hallock also were found in the Schaefer home, police said.

Miss Hallock disappeared Dec. 18, 1969. Her sister-in-law reported to police that when she checked the missing woman's apartment, she found the bathtub full of water.

One common link in the disappearance of Miss Hallock and Mrs. Bonadies is that both told friends that they had been offered secret jobs as narcotics investigators for the U.S. government.

Detectives say they believe it was Schaefer who approached the women with the job offers as a ruse to learn their identities and addresses.

Palm Beach Sheriff Richard Wille said the skull of Mrs. Bonadies was found by workers clearing fill that was dredged from a canal east of Powerline Road and south of Glades Road which flanks the Amberwood development of Boca Del Mar.

Three bullet holes were found in the woman's skull.

The site appears to be the same spot where Schaefer describes the murder and rape of a young woman who matches Mrs. Bonadies' description in a six-page letter to himself, sources familiar with the investigation said.

The letter was among several documents that police seized when they searched the home of Schaefer's mother, the investigator added.

In his own handwriting scrawled across what appeared to be sheets of paper from a legal pad, Schaefer wrote what he told police was his "fantasy" of a murder.

Schaefer told police that he often fantasized about murdering and raping young women. Instead of acting the fantasies out, his psychiatrist suggested that he write about them instead, Schaefer told investigators.

At the time investigators questioned him about the letter, Schaefer denied he had ever committed such a crime.

In the letter, Schaefer said he was interested in the victim because she was attractive, an investigator said.

Schaefer wrote that he took his supposedly fictionalized victim to the area of the South Palm Beach County canal, shot the woman three times in the head and then raped the corpse.

Schaefer then wrote in the letter that the body was buried in a shallow grave near the canal, but that he returned in a few days and exhumed the body.

After the body was dug up, Schaefer wrote in the letter that he had "played" with it for awhile and then severed the head with a machete, the detective said.

Schaefer then wrote that he took the head in his hands, walked a "short distance," and tossed it into the canal, the detective said.

Despite his firm denials, investigators said too many points mentioned in the letter about his supposed fantasy are coincidental.

Wille said investigators plan to travel to Raiford next week to question Schaefer again about the murder of Mrs. Bonadies.

Schaefer, who graduated from the University of Florida, was appointed to the Wilton Manors police force in 1971 and attended the Broward police academy at Broward Community College from September through December of 1971.

A fellow classmate, who asked not to be identified, said Schaefer was a discipline problem who would often cut an instructor's lecture short.

"I remembered that he once wore the same uniform for three weeks in a row," the classmate said.

During his 1973 murder trial in Fort Pierce, reports noted that Schaefer wore the same gold shirt, blue denim slacks, and white golf shirt each day.

The classmate recalled he and the baby-faced, violet-eyed Schaefer who was a former chorus singer in a patriotism roadshow, almost came to blows one day while debating the merits of capital punishment.

"He was the only guy among 56 guys in the class who was against it. He was very adamant. Now I know why," the officer said.

Mrs. Bonadies was murdered two years before Schaefer became a policeman.

Manors Chief: Officer 'Covered Up' Attack

By Charles Lachman
Staff Writer

Former-Sgt. Fred Speaker "covered up" his attack on a prisoner by falsely charging him with resisting arrest and battery, according to Wilton Manors Police Chief Bernard Scott.

The phony charges — later dismissed by the state attorney's office — were filed by Speaker "to justify his physical violence," Scott told the city's Civil Service Commission yesterday.

Speaker, a seven-year veteran, had an unblemished record until the March 5 incident in which he allegedly punched prisoner William Bond, 23, twice in the face and yelled, "this ought to teach you."

Speaker is appealing his dismissal. The hearing continues tonight at 8 at city hall.

Patrolman Jeffrey Tozzie claimed Bond should only have been charged with driving without a license and drunk driving. The prisoner was arrested after he crashed his car — filled with empty beer cans and garbage — into a utility pole.

Witnesses said Bond was lewd,

violent and drunk when Patrolman Tozzie tried to make the arrest. Bond, a Swap Shop employee, bashed his head against a plexiglass partition in a patrol car, witnesses said.

Placed inside the police department's "drunk tank," Bond allegedly pushed Patrolman Tozzie and crouched into a boxer's stand, as if to throw a punch, police claim.

Four cops, including Speaker, held Bond back. It was then that Speaker allegedly punched the prisoner twice with a clenched fist. Photos show Bond with a deep gash below a swollen eye and puffed cheeks.

Under questioning, Patrolman Tozzie — a rookie who had never made an arrest before the Bond case — said doubts about the validity of the additional charges levied against Bond began gnawing at him.

He finally reported the beating to superiors, launching the probe against Speaker.

But under interrogation by Speaker's lawyer, Patrolman Tozzie acknowledged Bond was violent in the drunk tank.

Another officer, Brad Youngberg, testified that Bond was "kicking like a mule."

Broward Not Outdone For Hoo-Hahs

A Look At The Lighter

Side Of 1977

By M. Anthony Lednovich
Staff Writer

Being done with it, 1977 probably seems to have been a year better than some and no worse than others.

It was the year comedians discovered Georgia peanuts and Billy Carter's brother.

Farrah Fawcett-Majors replaced Jackie Kennedy as figurehead for Kentucky Fried Kitchens.

An otherwise nondescript young American gained national fame by climbing the World Trade Center, sparking an overnight fad for the bored and semi-suicidal.

Los Angeles failed to slide into the Pacific Ocean.

Star Wars was.

And the Broward area was not outdone in Father Time's headlined hoo-hahs.

Assembled before a large dartboard, a team of editors from The News and Sun-Sentinel cast their ballots and fates to the wind to tally 1977's Tarnished Gold Coast Awards for Events Not Necessarily Necessary.

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Broward County Commissioner Hugh Anderson in '77 year earned headlines by achieving the worst attendance record on the county's governing body. "I have never indicated I would devote full time to this job," he explained. The year ended, with Anderson's fellow commissioners electing him chairman of their group for the coming year.

DON'T SHOOT TILL YOU SEE THE WHITES OF THEIR WALLS

It will probably never be seen on television's *Police Story*. But police last January slaughtered a Chevrolet run amuck in Wilton Manors. Driverless, the five-year-old Chevrolet Impala was cut down by four blasts from a police sharpshooter's shotgun after ignoring all orders to halt.

The blue and white auto took off after its owner had started the car and was disconnecting a pair of jumper cables from the car's battery. Police were summoned after the auto had injured one neighbor, knocked down a palm tree and was heading with obvious malice toward an innocent carport. No warning shots were fired. After the shooting, the chassis was taken to the police headquarters for examination.

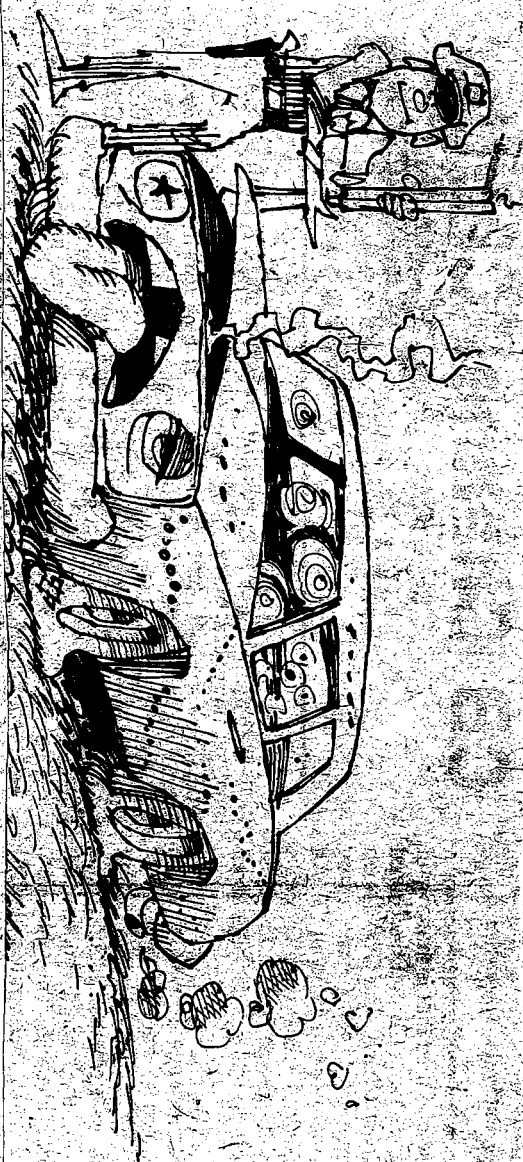
BE PREPARED, BUT READ THE FINE PRINT

Liability insurance covering some 26,000 Boy Scouts and 10,000 scoutmasters in Broward, Dade and Monroe counties was canceled last March due to high costs. The volunteer scoutmasters were asked to personally shoulder a \$450,000 liability risk while carrying kids to and from a camping trip.

Responding to the crisis, one scoutmaster said, "The byword among my troop is 'hike,' the lack of auto insurance won't curtail our activities."

QUICK! CALL GOODRICH

Fort Lauderdale Vice Mayor Virginia S. Young asked city officials to see if the 160-foot, silver Goodyear blimp *Mayflower* could be based here. This followed rumors Goodyear was considering a move to Walt Disney World in Orlando or New Orleans. The issue proved to be one laden with hot air. The blimp remained in Miami.



BUT CAN HE DANCE?

Accused of smoking cigarettes and singing while performing abdominal surgery, a Fort Lauderdale plastic surgeon had his license revoked. During testimony before the state Board of Medical Examiners, one woman said, Dr. Kenneth Winslow sang "Clementine" and other songs while performing a four hour operation on her. An employee of Dr. Winslow's said he had been known for years as the "singing surgeon." Winslow has appealed the decision and has been allowed by the courts to continue performing operations.

MAYBE HE WEARS A UNION SUIT

The rank and file were rankled when the foster son of the vanished former Teamster czar James R.

Hoffa was found using non-union labor to build a \$138,000 home in Plantation. When asked about all this, Charles "Chuckie" O'Brien snorted, "I don't think that is any of your business."

No picket lines went up. O'Brien, a general organizer for the Teamsters' southern region, said, "I told my wife to use as much union help and products as are available in South Florida."

"We have a lot of union plumbers out of work," fumed one local union head in response to O'Brien's non-union plumbing and electrical crew.

THOU SHALT PAY —THE 11TH COMMANDMENT?

A Dade County judge ordered a Hollywood couple to pay \$90 in back dues to a Jewish temple that filed suit against them. Richard and Nina Kaufman were told to pay their dues when documents introduced as evidence at the trial showed the Kaufmans had paid only \$5 of \$180 in annual synagogue dues.

UP, UP AND AW!

A 25-year-old Fort Lauderdale stuntman, who dreamed of replacing Evel Knievel as the country's top daredevil, failed in his bid to leap over a Corvette barreling down at him at 45 miles per hour. Before a crowd of 300 persons in Orlando, Allen Starr cleared the hood of the car — but his legs got hung up on the top and smashed the windshield.

Starr suffered two broken legs and head injuries. Still recovering six months later in Fort Lauderdale, Starr said, "Now my pastimes are Scotch and cigarettes."

MAYBE IT WAS JUST A BAD YEAR IN THE JUMP GAME

Millionaire daredevil Evel Knievel had a multitude of problems unrelated to hurdling canyons, jumping buses and breaking bones.

Knievel signed a contract to purchase a \$700,000 mansion in the Harbor Beach area of Fort Lauderdale and then was the target of three lawsuits totaling \$1.29 million. One suit for \$975,000 accused Knievel of damaging a \$2.2 million yacht, another for \$315,000 when Evel failed to meet financial deadlines to purchase the house, and a third court action for \$100,000 was filed by a 63-year-old Broward drawbridge operator who contends Knievel assaulted him for raising the drawbridge on Hallandale Beach Boulevard — too slowly.

To top things off, Knievel was placed on a six-month work-furlough program in Santa Monica, Calif., for beating his former press agent with a baseball bat.

BUT DID THEY READ THEM THEIR RIGHTS?

Last Jan. 6, a group of Tamarac Elementary School children, aged 6 to 11, were arrested for watching two of their number fight after school had recessed. The arrests prompted a City Hall investigation and an inquiry by the Broward State Attorney's Office.

At the time of the arrests, a Tamarac police officer piled the kids into his patrol car and locked them up at the 88th Avenue police station. Parents of the children claimed they were denied access to their children from 45 minutes up to two hours and that the kids were denied water and bathroom privileges.

TAKE ONE EVERY 100 YEARS

A time capsule filled with artifacts and memorabilia of the Bicentennial year was buried April 4 in Pompano Beach. Officials pooh-poohed a rumor

the items included an autographed picture of Broward County Commissioner Jack Moss having his hair styled.

The the time capsule burial crypt was donated by a local funeral home.

YOU CAN'T GO HOME AGA

The world's largest warship, the USS Nimitz, pulled into Port Everglades on Oct. 9 with a crew of 5,000. At the docks are two men who previously jumped the ship and are AWOL. The men were spotted by their shipmates and arrested along with 13 bags of marijuana found in the trunk of their car. The two apparently were selling pot to their friends from the ship coming on shore leave, police theorized.

A TREE GROWS IN SUNRISE — MAYBE

The City of Sunrise paid \$125,000 for trees and bushes for the Sunrise Musical Theater, although the plantings cost landscapers only \$7,000. Not only were the plants possibly overpriced, but the majority of them were discovered dead or dying. The landscaping episode is now part of an investigation by a special prosecutor

of the Broward State Attorney's Office into various city contracts.

DROP BACK 10 AND PUNT ... SPLASH!

The idea was to build this giant stadium in Broward so the Dolphins could play football and stuff. It came to naught.

But during the issue's muddled midst, one promoter envisioned a floating stadium of sorts — complete with bleacher-laden barges capable of seating 70,000 fans. Nobody mentioned seasick pills. The idea sank. Before it's launching.

THE GIFT THAT KEEPS ON GIVING

"A pleasant surprise." That's how Sunrise Mayor John Lomelo's wife described \$160,166 she received from her brother-in-law, Henry Bass — this after Mayor Lomelo helped clear the way for a West Broward subdivision being sought by a development firm headed by Bass.

Mrs. Lomelo told newsmen the money was a gift from Bass after he had been a houseguest at the Lomelo's for several years. Mayor Lomelo, however, said the \$160,166 "was not a gift." Added the mayor: "She makes money, God bless her because that's what it's all about."

APRIL 19, 1966

Youngsters Nabbed In Break-Ins

Two juveniles who slipped from their homes at 2:30 a.m., broke into a bait shop and carted away about \$400 worth of ammunition on their bikes, were apprehended by police yesterday.

Questioning of the pair by Detectives Wes DeBow and Glenn McAtee led to the apprehension of two more juveniles — ages 14 and 15 — and cleared up at least 15 recent burglaries.

ITEMS RECOVERED

Recovered were four shotguns and rifles valued at \$880, stolen from the home of A. L. Rountree, 2600 NW Sixth Ter., Wilton Manors; two pistols from two other break-ins and more than \$1,000 worth of ammunition, according to Wilton Manors Sgt. Bernard Scott.

Loot taken from the Friendly Bait and Tackle Shop, 1950 NW Ninth Ave., Ft. Lauderdale, including 105 boxes of rifle ammunition, five cases of shotgun shells, 10 cartons of cigarets and \$24 cash, was found hidden in one of the boys' houses, DeBow said.

AMMUNITION

Ammunition was stashed in the attic and in the laundry room without the parents' knowledge, according to detectives.

The four boys, all from Wilton Manors, allegedly broke into 13 homes in Wilton Manors, the Ft. Lauderdale bait shop and at least one place in the county.

Sgt. Scott said the juveniles told him they were using the weapons for shooting in a rock-pit.

Wilton Manors Detectives Robert Siler, William Damm and Sgt. Scott today were continuing recovery of property stolen by the boys.

Man Robbed By 2 Negroes —1 Nabbed

WILTON MANORS — A 27-year-old man was beaten and robbed of \$30 early today by two Negroes, one of whom was apprehended about two hours later by sheriff's deputies.

Ptl. Bernard Scott identified the victim as Harrison Williams, no address listed, who was given emergency treatment for injuries.

Scott said he was patrolling along NW 31st St. near the Seaboard Airline Railway tracks when he saw a car pull out of a road leading to a freight station.

As he approached the car, Scott heard a woman scream that her "boy friend" was being beaten by two Negroes in the rear of the station. When Scott got to the scene, the Negroes ran into nearby undergrowth.

Scott radioed the sheriff's department for assistance and at 3:10 a.m. Willie Wright, 27, Jones Quarters, Pompano Beach, was run down by deputies near Ocean Blvd. at SAL tracks. The second Negro still is at large.

Scott identified the woman as Mary Brown, about 35, no address listed.

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QUENTIN V. LONG
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Basinger Denies Naming Michael As Wrongdoer

State Attorney Quentin V. Long, who a news conference today that Richard Basinger, Port Everglades Authority chairman, accused Sheriff Allen R. Michael of wrong doing.

Basinger asked to comment after the news conference, admitted telling Long of an elected official's misconduct, but denied that he had identified the person to Long.

Long said, "Basinger certainly did not name Michael and I don't think there is any evidence that Michael is a wrongdoer."

Senator Basinger, who by the way is a state legislator, said that he had no evidence on wrong doing and should not be signing affidavits.

"If Basinger has any evidence on wrong doing, he should come out and sign an affidavit."

Long told reporters that

Basinger refused to tell him what evidence he had against the sheriff.

Basinger, who ran unsuccessfully for sheriff against Michael, for a hearing publicly "hall" as a private official "agent" activities put "deliberate" identity one person to identify one.

Long also disclosed that he has opened a busy agency for the grand jury that goes into the case and that he is

He said these are the possible reasons for the possible investigation of the grand jury. He said that the police department is not a police department.

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More Probing Urged

Text Of Jury Report

TO: THE HONORABLE JUDGES OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT. IN AND FOR BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Your Grand Jury again convened on Monday February 28, 1966 at 9:00 A.M., with 17 members being present at this the Fall Term 1965 Session of the Circuit Court, in and for Broward County, Florida, in room 481, and begs leave to report that they have investigated all matters brought to their attention and in making such investigation the following witnesses were sworn and examined between the date of February 28, 1966 and Monday, March 7, 1966.

John Hovey, Hal Stoller, Edward Clode, Frank Pinter, Frank Troy, Walter Ramsdell, Ken E. LeRoy, W. E. Mulford.

Jim Spears, Ben Shine, Harry "Buster" Duane, Thomas H. Slater, Paul Messenger, George Hublitz, Joe Mazur, Montie Smith, Richard A. Basinger, Henry C. Donath, J. Norman Mehl, Dave Hellman, David Bishop, Charles Bloom.

James L. DeCoursey, Milt Kelly, Samuel Hirsch, Jim Coryell, Ed Yonkman, Joe Sonken, James Christian.

Enoch Aparacio, Ralph Pantuliano, John Glasgow, Cleave Brown, Phillip Kovolick, Bernard Scott.

Henry Picozzi, George Polney, Hyman Martin, Clarence Giles, Dorothea Tannetta, Allen B. Michell, Pierre Pelletier, Hank Messick.

It is recommended that the succeeding Grand Jury continue the probing into the crimes involving narcotics, lotteries, prostitution and bookmaking.

Your Grand Jury finds that there was unnecessary delay in the taking out of the warrants by the proper officials in the City of Hollywood, Florida, in the matter involving the death of Marcy Polney, although this delay was not illegal—speedy justice instills public confidence.

Your Grand Jury finds that the conduct of the two North Bay Village Police officers involved in the cases of State of Florida vs. Louis Ghelfi and the State of Florida vs. Anthony Antone, although not indictable, certainly was not in keeping with good Law Enforcement procedures. And further, that the conduct of the Dade Sheriff's Intelligence Officer was in keeping with good law enforcement procedure in the above mentioned cases.

Your Grand Jury finds that there are at least two small groups of private individuals who have been engaged in the posing and taking of obscene and pornographic pictures in our County. This type of perveted sexual behavior should be ferreted out by the responsible law enforcement agencies, particularly in Wilton Manors and Sunrise Golf Village, and the perpetrators punished in accordance with Section 847.011 of the Florida Statutes. Although this type behavior presents a serious problem, it has been magnified way out of proportion to the actual number of occurrences.

Your Grand Jury recommends that the Police Department of the City of Dania have added to its present staff at least two men to work vice crimes.

Your Grand Jury returned an Indictment against one public Official, charging him with a common law crime of misfeasance, non-feasance and malfeasance in office.

Your Grand Jury wishes to recommend to the Board of County Commissioners that the Sheriff's Department be placed under some form of merit system.

The Grand Jury wishes to compliment the State Attorney's Office and its entire staff for the complete cooperation received.

Dated this 7th day of March, 1966.

Respectfully submitted,
GEORGE A. LUNNEY
Foreman

Wed May 20 '64

Sex Photo Charges Dismissed

DANIA — Mrs. Barbara D. Smith, 35-year-old mother and self confessed member of a state wide sex club, won a dismissal of two charges in city court today.

Obscene pictures were suppressed as evidence in charges of possession of lewd photos and contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

The suppression was granted by Judge Archibal Black on a motion filed by Mrs. Smith's attorney on the ground that the pictures had been obtained by an illegal seizure by Police Chief Montie Smith and Sgt. Det. William Jones.

'HANDED TO HIM'

Sgt. Jones said the pictures were handed to him by the 15-year-old daughter of Mrs. Smith last week. He said the girl had taken the photos from the mother's suitcase in the Smith trailer at 801 E Dania Beach Blvd.

Mrs. Smith was not present at that time but Leonard Smith, ex-husband of Mrs. Smith, was present and gave the officers permission to enter and agreed to let the daughter give them the pictures.

Testimony of the daughter was shut off by objections at every question of Norman Thomas, city prosecutor.

A second request to suppress the damaging photos was granted by Judge Black and the charges of possession were nolle prossed.

Mrs. Smith, who has been in custody in lieu of \$1,000 bond for one week, was released. She said she had no immediate plans but would try to get another job. She said she would not stay in Broward County.

Sex Ring Woman In Suicide Threat

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DANIA — A woman charged with possessing lewd photographs and contributing to the delinquency of a minor daughter, threatened to commit suicide last week, police revealed today.

Mrs. Barbara Drew Smith, 35, also known as Barbara Davis Sr., showed Police Chief Monte Smith a note to her ex-husband, Leonard Smith, in which she said life was not worth living since her daughter had turned against her. She refused to tell police what method she would use, only said "When I'm ready I know a way," according to the chief.

BAIL IS \$1,000

Mrs. Smith, mother of three, will face charges in municipal

court Wednesday morning. She is being held in lieu of \$1,000 bail.

The claim that many prominent local professional and business people are in a sex club known as "The Swingers," who allegedly held orgies in Wilton Manors, Hollywood, Ft. Lauderdale, Miami, St. Petersburg, Delray Beach and Stuart, will not bring additional charges. "No Dania people are involved except Mrs. Smith," Chief Smith (no relation to the defendant) said.

Chief Smith obtained the photos in question from Mrs. Smith's 15-year-old daughter, who got them from her mother's suitcase.

Woman In Vice Troubles Gets Mysterious Legal Aid

A lawyer blonde Barbara Drew Smith said she didn't hire, doesn't know and can't afford, will defend her in her vice troubles with Dania police.

Baffled by the mystery, Mrs. Smith hosted guests in her Dania city jail cell Saturday—St. Petersburg police intelligence officers who wanted to know if a wild sex ring she disclosed to Dania police last Wednesday has the West Coast city lasoed.

The twice-married mother of three children, charged with contributing to the delinquency of a minor and possessing obscene pictures, linked an eyebrow-raising assortment of local and out-of-town men to a sex ring she called the "Swingers."

LAWYER KEEPS SECRET

Some of the prominent persons named heatedly denied any connection with the sex ring when contacted by The News. Mrs. Smith said the "Swingers" swung in Miami, Ft. Lauderdale and St. Petersburg.

The lawyer, Leonard Fleet, of Hollywood, refused to identify who hired him to represent Mrs. Smith.

"I'm surprised to know I have an attorney," said Mrs. Smith. "I have no idea who is paying him. I certainly cannot afford him."

Veteran Police Chief Montie Smith of Dania indicated earlier his only concern with the woman is the vice charges.

Mrs. Smith's accusations did not embrace Danians, the police chief said.

The woman is scheduled to appear before City Judge Archibald Black Wednesday. Her bond was set at \$1,000.

She was arrested last Wednesday when her 15-year-old daughter gave a dozen photographs to Dania police.

The mother said her daughter became angry when she would not let her "go north" with an elderly male nudist.

Mrs. Smith told Dania police a doctor who hired her about two months ago told her that "parties" were part of her job. The woman has had previous brushes with Wilton Manors and Ft. Lauderdale police.

Lt. C. A. Meyers, of the St. Petersburg police department, conferred with Mrs. Smith Saturday.

"We're trying to find out if the sex ring has been operating in St. Petersburg," said Lt. Meyers. Miami law enforcement authorities also have indicated an interest in the case.

Broward's Sheriff's Department reportedly made its own investigation. A deputy linked by Mrs. Smith to the sex ring, denied it Saturday, and said he has been cleared in a probe by his superior.

*May 17/64
Ft. Lauderdale News*



EATING WELL — Mrs. Barbara Smith's announced hunger strike isn't Dania Police Chief Montie Smith said Saturday. The chief said Mrs. Smith, who has described a statewide sex ring based in Broward County, "hasn't missed a meal" in jail despite her statement that she "wouldn't eat a thing until this thing is cleared up."

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Miami Herald*

Judge, Doctors Among 'Swingers'

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Miami Herald

Nudist Details 'Sex Ring' Life

By MARTHA HALL
Herald Staff Writer

A jailed nudist mother named a judge, a public official and three doctors Friday as members of a Fort Lauderdale-Miami-St. Petersburg sex club called "The Swingers."

She is Barbara Davies Smith, 34, a blonde green-eyed mother now on a hunger strike at the Dania jail. Her 15-year-old daughter, also a nudist, gave Dania police 12 pornographic pictures taken from the mother's suitcase.

The woman said that more than a month ago she gave police in Wilton Manors, a suburb of Fort Lauderdale, about 50 pornographic pictures after an arrest.

"And I identified the people. I wrote their names on the back of the pictures," she said.

At Wilton Manors, Police Chief Harold Gair said he didn't recognize anyone he knew. "Hearsay information," he said. "The names were first names mostly, like 'Joe, the bartender,' or 'Bev over in

Clearwater.'"

In the Dania jail Friday, Mrs. Smith, a one-time divorcee married to a cowboy she hasn't seen in two years, spun a wild story of sex parties and orgies of "The Swingers."

"I'll take a lie detector test," she said. "These people have parties two or three times a week. I went to one in a Miami home that had 60 people.

"The men didn't wear anything. Some of the women wore black bras, black hose, and black garter belts. There was a lot of wife-trading. Some people didn't bring their wives or husbands."

Appraised of the accusations, State Attorney Richard E. Gerstein said Friday he had asked Dania police to send him their taped interrogation.

In a 75-minute interview in Dania Chief Montie Smith's office, Mrs. Smith told how she went to work about two months ago for a doctor who told her the parties "were part of my job."

She said they once flew an airplane to St. Petersburg for a party there with "only six

couples." "He has a fabulous album of pictures," she said.

She named the doctor, as well as two other doctors, a judge and a public official, all of Broward County. Broward Sheriff's men also questioned the woman Friday.

April 10, the woman was arrested for disorderly conduct and indecent behavior on Fort Lauderdale beach. She pleaded guilty and was fined \$25.

That's when she offered to help police set up a raid of "The Swingers." "That would be entrapment," a Fort Lauderdale policeman explained Friday.

"I gave them a bunch of names. They did nothing," she said.

Police said they put a club and a home she mentioned under surveillance.

It was about a week later, she said, that four men in a car forced her off the road one night, beat her up, and left her unconscious. Still another week later, a man grabbed her on a street corner, she said.

"A car came by and I got away," she said, showing

bruises on her arm. "My life won't be worth a cent after I get out of here."

Dania police arrested her Wednesday after her daughter brought 12 pictures to the police. She identified one of the participants as a Dade man, a pill salesman.

Her daughter, she said, was "mad at me" because "I wouldn't let her go north" with a 60-year-old male nudist. She has two other children.

Mrs. Smith is now in jail on \$1,000 bond, charged with two misdemeanors. Her trial is set for next Wednesday.

Dania Chief Smith (no relation) said her accusations were not his matter. "None of these people are from Dania. Nothing happened here."

Stock Car Races Tonight 8:15
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Woman Held

'Won't Eat', Prisoner Says

DANIA — While three police agencies probed deeper into the affairs of a sex club, Barbara

Drew Smith, 35, of 801 E Beach Blvd., a member being held on a charge of possessing lewd pictures of herself went on a hunger strike in the Dania city jail.

The mother of three children, also charged with contributing to the delinquency of a minor child, said "I will not eat until I am cleared. I was tried for the same offense in Wilton Manors and I shouldn't be tried again for the same thing in Dania."

She was arrested Thursday when she came to police headquarters to find out why police were questioning her 15-year-old daughter.

LEWD STORY

Dania Police Chief Montie Smith said "My daughter told me one of the lewdest stories I've heard in my police career."

Joining Chief Smith in the probe were James DeCoursey, chief criminal investigator in the sheriff's office, Sgt. Edward Clode, and Wilton Manors Police Chief Harold T. Gair.

DeCoursey, on viewing photos in Mrs. Smith's possession said "This calls for a cooperative effort on police departments to clean up this filthy mess."

The identity of the two men and a married woman in the lewd photos was established by police.

Dania's chief said Mrs. Smith will be given a hearing May 20. She is being held in jail in default of \$1,000 bail.



BARBARA SMITH
... held in jail

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Woman Arrested County 'Sex Club' Operation Charged

DANIA — An attractive 35-year-old Dania woman facing charges of possessing lewd pictures of herself today told the Dania police chief that a number of prominent Broward County residents were members of a widespread sex club to which she belonged at one time.

She was identified by Chief Montie Smith as Mrs. Barbara Drew Smith of 801 E Beach Blvd. She is no relation to the police chief.

Besides the possession of lewd photos charge, Mrs. Smith is also charged with contributing to the delinquency of her 15-year-old daughter who inadvertently opened the investigation by showing the police official secret photos of her mother.

NAMES CLUB

Mrs. Smith said the name of the sex club was "The Swingers."

She also told police that some members of a nudist camp were converted into being members of "Swingers."

Mrs. Smith said there were more than 100 local members who met in groups of six or seven three or four times a week.

She claims that she became involved with the club when she took a job as a nurse and receptionist with a doctor.

"It was part of the job for me to be a member of this club," Mrs. Smith contends.

She also told about meetings out of the county. One such meeting was held in St. Petersburg.

Mrs. Smith's arrest came about when she sent her daughter to police headquarters to complain that a man was trying to make her mother take over a house of ill repute.

The chief accompanied the daughter to the home to talk to the mother. She was not there at that time. But during his visit the daughter brought out pictures of the mother and showed them to the police chief. The photos had been secreted in a

suit case, the police chief said. He then took the daughter back to police headquarters to obtain a complete statement. While he was talking to the daughter, the mother came to headquarters, and was booked on the two charges.

TELLS MEMBERS

It was while Mrs. Smith gave her statement to police that she began to "rattle off names."

She decided to talk, Chief Smith said, "because this time I am not going to stand alone."

Mrs. Smith was referring to the time she was arrested on a disorderly conduct charge in Wilton Manors on April 10.

Wilton Manors police admit that "a party was going to start and we nipped it in the bud."

Further than that police would not elaborate on their statement except to say, "We are still investigating."

Ft. Lauderdale police also said they are investigating the case.

She Tells Of County 'Sex Club'

By MARTHA HALL
Of Our Broward Bureau

DANIA — A woman arrested Thursday for possession of pornographic photos revealed she was a member of a Broward County sex club and named 30 other Browardites as members.

Among those named, said Police Chief Montie Smith, "Are some very prominent people in neighboring cities."

The woman was arrested after police received a tip from her daughter, a minor.

The woman, Mrs. Barbara Smith, 34, of Weiner's Trailer Park, said the group held wild parties at which sexual orgies were carried on, photos were taken and films shown.

The last one, she said, was at the home of a Hollywood physician and his wife.

She said the club was state wide and a group had flown recently to St. Petersburg to meet with another club.

The woman, mother of three, was arrested Thursday after her 14-year-old daughter brought in "lewd and obscene" photos which she said her mother had been showing her.

Police seized 12 photos, which Chief Smith described as "the worst possibly kind, in indecent and obscene conditions, of Mrs. Smith and other people."

She has been charged with possession of the photos and contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

The daughter said her mother had "introduced me to so many men, I can't count them," according to Chief Smith.

The woman said she had been a member of the club until a few weeks ago when she was arrested for disorderly conduct in Wilton Manors.

She said since then the club members would have nothing to do with her.

She also said all the sex club members were members of the Coral Lake Nudist Club. The club is on Griffin Rd. in Dania.

Mrs. Smith will be tried in city court May 20.

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Board Hears Ray Londo's Job Appeal

WILTON MANORS — The Civil Service Board will forward a written opinion in an appeal taken by former Patrolman Ray Londo when he was fired by his chief. The appeal hearing was completed last night after two sessions totaling more than 10 hours.

George Richardson, chairman of the board, said the members would meet privately to reach its findings. He did not indicate when the decision would be made, but said it would be posted on the bulletin board in City Hall.

Londo's attorney called 10 witnesses in attempting to disprove the validity of the charges brought by Police Chief Harold Gair against Londo.

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Manors Gives Ex-Patrolman New Hearing

WILTON MANORS—This city's police civil service board has reopened the Londo case, granting the ex-patrolman an appeal to his discharge. The board held hearings on the matter yesterday but succeeded only in having members disqualify themselves when Londo's attorney charged "they have accused and are prejudiced."

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Following a civil service board hearing and airing of the matter by the City Council Londo was fired May 27 for "conduct unbecoming a member of the police department," and attempting to bring discredit on the police force.

In a letter of discharge to Londo, Police Chief Harold T. Gair, who was charged with permitting the sale and lottery, stated the patrolman "did wrongfully charge various members of the police department in such a manner as to try such charges before the newspapers rather than before a competent tribunal."

Londo denied the charges saying "at no time did I contact any newspaper or reporter."

"I only answered such questions as lawfully asked me," he said.

He also charged that he was not given the right to cross-examine witnesses in the earlier civil board hearing which found that "games of chance were conducted in city hall and participated in by all city employees."

SUIT FILED

After Londo was fired he filed a court suit for \$15,000 damages and reinstatement.

Yesterday's appeal hearing was tied up with motions and objections on the part of Londo's and Gair's attorneys, and finally resulted in two members of the civil service board disqualifying themselves.

Officer Bernard Scott, whom Londo has charged with misappropriation of \$50 from the soft drink machine in the police department stepped down first.

He was followed by Dispatcher Joe McGinnis who admittedly ran the "game of chance" in the police department.

Both policemen sat on the previous hearing and voted.

Tangled in motions the board adjourned after three hours at 6 p.m. without actually getting into the "meat" of the case.

It will meet again July 8th at 6:30 p.m. and "go until we're finished," according to Chairman George Richardson.

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Londo and his attorney were called by two of seven witnesses called by Gair in an attempt to validate the firing.

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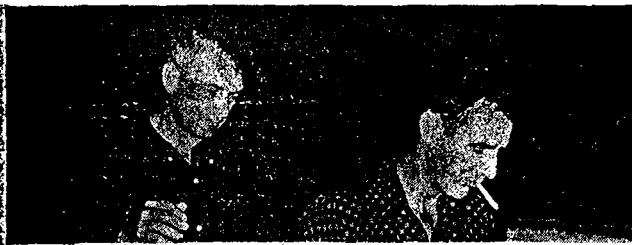
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Fight Starts Over Band

Fifteen Hurt As Revelers Riot In Wilton Manors Bar

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Mrs. Arvilla Bradley, proprietor, called the sheriff's office when the disturbance broke out. Officers Lloyd Baker and George DeCell, assisted by Edward Clode, investigated the report, dispersing the crowd and closing the bar.

With the help of Police Sgt. Jack Lynch 63 persons were questioned on the scene or taken to headquarters for statements.

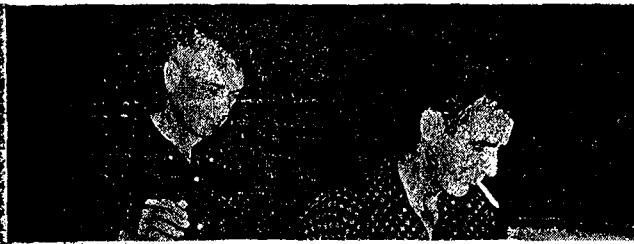
Given treatment were: Donald Payton, NE Second St., Oakland Park, severe contusions and lacerations about the head; Charles A. Holliday, 5501 NW Sixth St., Miami, knife wound in the right arm, and Larry Grice, 1428 NW Seventh Ave., Ft. Lauderdale, left eye pupil lacerated.

POLICE HOST SKATING PARTY

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Purpose of these youth activities, according to Scott, is to promote better relations between police and children.



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He said he shot the three-foot-high animal, described as a mongrel hound. The dog was taken to a Pompano Beach veterinarian's office for treatment. Mrs. Barton, charged with keeping a vicious dog, told police her pet "doesn't like anybody in uniform, including the mailman," according to Sgt. Bernard Scott.

A mailman, Donald S. Levie, had filed a previous complaint with the postoffice after having trouble with the dog, Sgt. Scott said.

Mark New Numbers Down

WILTON MANORS — A new telephone number for all police and fire calls will go into effect here next Tuesday.

Sgt. Bernard Scott said residents should dial 566-1556 when trying to reach either police or fire department instead of the former LO 4-1000, which will be discontinued after Tuesday.

Manors Recruiting Policemen

Applications now are available for men interested in joining the Wilton Manors Police Department.

Civil Service examinations — written and oral — will be given at 9 a.m. Oct. 9 at Wilton Manors School cafeteria, NE Third Ave. at NE 25th St., Sgt. Bernard Scott said today.

Applicants must be between the ages of 21 and 35. Starting salary is \$84.80 weekly with pay increases every six months. Top salary after two years is \$106.00.

Scott said one additional patrolman is needed immediately. Applications can be obtained at the police station desk, he said.



(Staff photo by Henry Fichner)

COULD THIS BE OUR FRIEND OL' SATCHMO?

. . . Jackie Willie ropes the eight-foot gator

Only Indians Will Know If It's Poor Ol' Satchmo

WILTON MANORS — Poor Ol' Satchmo may be doomed to a life of wrestling Indians.

The police aren't exactly sure it's Ol' Satchmo so they intend to watch for increases in the duck population to make sure.

Folks living along Jenada Isle will be watching the water to see if their old buddy has been captured by the Indians.

The sad saga began Thursday night when Mrs. Ruth Brestel, of 2325 NW Sixth Ave., complained to police about noises in the storm drain outside her house.

Officers found a healthy and none too happy eight-foot alligator stuck in the drain. They decided to let him spend the night there.

Friday morning Seminole Indian Jackie Willie came from the Oakalee Village and with the judicious use of ropes captured the alligator and took him to the village where he will probably be used in alligator wrestling shows.

Police Chief Bernard Scott said the "gator probably got into the drain during high tides in a recent storm and when the water receded was unable to turn around.

What worries the chief is that his department may be partly responsible for the capture of Ol' Satchmo.

Ol' Satchmo, he explained, is sort of a neighborhood alligator who floats up and down the canal off Jenada Isle.

"People come out and throw him bread and every now and then one of the ducks disappears," he said.

"We don't know if this is Ol' Satchmo or not, but if he doesn't show up for bread and the duck population goes up, we'll know it's Satchmo."

After all, alligators can be hard to identify. The officer who filled out the report on the capture of this one described him as having "four legs, a long tail and very big teeth."

—John O'Neill

WHO'S WHO IN UNIFORM



BY DOROTHEA TANNETTA

I probe the Sunshine State---MY ASSIGNMENT---
"EXPOSE"---the Men and Women who bring DIGNITY
and PRIDE to LAW ENFORCEMENT---"PLUS"---the
Uniform they Don.

This week I found the 61 year old CHIEF JOSEPH KONICEK of the "North Miami Beach Police" a tribute to his badge and an asset to the People of Dade and Broward County. Joe lives in Hollywood and is an eager beaver in the Hunting and Fishing Department. Chief Konicek retired from the Racine, Wisconsin Force after 28 years with SAID Department. He has two sons and a daughter, plays Chess like a champ and partakes in the hobby of collecting rare coins. Joe has an excellent sense of humor "YET" possesses the serenity and efficiency of a TOP RANKING LAWMAN.---NORTH MIAMI BEACH is "ALSO" fortunate in having the protection of Detective ROBERT W. GARTNER, as Chief Konicek puts it, "Gartner's a fine worker, good detective, and an EXCELLENT MAN." Bob is 55 years old and has been with the Department since 1951. Both Detective Gartner and his wife ISABEL are extremely fond of the Southland.---HOLLYWOOD'S boasting a GOOD LOOKER, the 6 foot, brown haired Sergeant SAMUEL MARTIN. The 41 year old Sam dedicatedly works in the Department of Identification and Records, "WHERE" he successfully maintains continuous achievement, "DESPITE" the rapid growth of said community. Sergeant Martin is married, his wife's name is PHYLLIS, the Martins have one daughter. Sam loves football and denotes the type character "WHICH" brings Homage to the uniform of the Hollywood Police Department.---FLORIDA HIGHWAY PATROL manned an ace "WHEN" they uniformed SERGEANT R. DOYLE. Trooper Doyle was born in Connecticut, however he has spent most of his forty odd years in Florida. Sergeant Doyle was formerly a Navy Pilot and a Graduate of the University of Florida. The name Doyle demands righteous respect "NOT" only from the people "BUT" all Troopers praise Sergeant Doyle's ability to evaluate the underlying facts INVOLVING modern day highway policing.---DANIA gained a GEM OF A COP IN CHIEF ANTHONY J. CARRACCI. Tony knows his business (Enforcement) and intends to pursue his career to the utmost efficiency. Chief Carracci was born some 58 years gone past in Chicago, Illinois, he is married to ELLAMAE, "A Devoted Policeman's wife" (according to the Chief.) The Carracci's have one son and two grandchildren. Tony's a superior golfer and can really make with the Par "NOT ONLY" in sports, BUT as an "UP TO THE MINUTE LAWMAN.---" SERGEANT JOHN BERKY has won the admiration of THE MANY PEOPLE OF PEMBROKE PINES. John "The People's Choice for Justice" was born in Long Island, New York, some 64 years gone past. Sergeant Berky policed the New York area for many years, eventually retiring to Broward County "WHERE" we gained (via Sergeant Berky) BIG CITY knowledge in a small town enforcement area. CHIEF JOHN BALLANTYNE of Pembroke Pines has acted as Chief in SAID area for the past three years. He made the Pines a secure, wholesome community "SPOUTING" the proper environment for the average American family. John was born October 6th, 1904 in Brooklyn, N. Y. under the sign of Libra. Astrologers for many years have signaled Libran's as the "PEACEMAKERS" and "THAT" Chief Ballantyne is. John served 22 years in a challenging position "WITH" a rugged New York Police Force. He is married, has two sons and the same number grandchildren. He loves baseball and plays an ardent part in America's NUMBER ONE family sport---Bowling.---PLANTATION'S OFFICER JOHN GARRY is admired by "ALL" the inhabitants of said community. The City Father acts as Supervisor of IDENTIFICATIONS and RECORDS, he handles each individual assignment as though it be his own brother. John spent seventeen years with the New Jersey Police, thirteen years with the New Jersey Sheriff's Department, four years with B. S. O. and one year with "The Palm Beach Enforcement Men." Officer Garry is 58 years old, married and has one daughter. John represents the Pillar of Justice and Integrity, I (Dorothea) should KNOW, having lived in Plantation for some time. Viewing "SAID" on behalf of the Staff of La Viva Voce and the self, we wish to pay tribute to a MAN who has brought common sense, heart and dependability upon every path he has strove. Congratulations John Garry---keep up the good work.---CHIEF GEORGE VIET The third of Davie is devoting endless efforts "TOWARD" the newer, up to date Methods of Policing Davie's outlying Ranch and Farm area. This difficult task requires a man "WITH" Nerves of steel and a heart of Gold, thus believe you me, Chief Viet fits "mentioned" bill. The sharp witted officer (Viet) has an excellent sense of evaluation (a necessity in Policing). George is 39 years of age, was born in Pennsylvania, he's married, has one son and makes golfing his hobby.---The 44 year old Patrolman AL GIUNTO additionally sharpens "THE DAVIE RANCH PATROL." Al was born in Ohio, has three children and is a real family man, "who" is understanding of the problems encountered by those "WHO" live by the soil. Probing back some I found the name Al Giunto somewhat prominent in sports, viewing Al was at one time a Noted Football Player.---CHIEF BERNARD SCOTT of Wilton Manors has accomplished a rather debated task "becoming" one of "FEW MEN" to reach "THE RANK OF CHIEF" at the tender age of 30. The young Chief is a diligent man "WHO" holds High Integrity Bernard is a scholar to upstart Police Tactics, he understands Psychology and utilizes every modern method, "hereby" leading a TOP MAN FORCE. Chief Bernard was born in St. Louis, Missouri. His wife's name is "Mary Lynn" Mary and Bernard have three children, Ernest (age 10) Donna Lynn (age 8) and the baby Bernard Jr. (16 months). The Scott family enjoys Picnics, fishing and thrive on togetherness.---WILTON MANORS drew "The Lady Flashing Four Aces" having in addition to Chief Scott, Desk Sergeant PETE HEPP. Pete served thirty years with the rough and ready Chicago Force "PLUS" an additional ten years defending the rights of the people of Wilton Manors. Sergeant Hepp has six grown children "who" are scattered throughout the U. S. A. Several of the Hepp children have achieved High positions "SUCH AS" one of the Hepp boys is a Major in the Marine Corps, another son maintains "THE TITLE PROFESSOR" at the University of California. The Hepp's also have a daughter who teaches locally (here in Broward). Congratulations Sergeant Hepp, a superior Police Officer and successful parent.---OAKLAND PARK'S CHIEF STANLEY KUBALA was born in Akron, Ohio---some forty seven years gone past. Stan was (at one time) a Scuba Diver, however he now prefers viewing Basketball and baseball. Chief Kubala's wife Helen also enjoys sports. The Kubala's have two sons, one son being Officer Kubala---Traffic Division (Motorcycle) Fort Lauderdale Police, the second Kubala boy is a NAVY MAN. Stan has been with the Oakland Park Force over thirteen years, he's an exceptional officer and a shining example of the MAN IN UNIFORM.---Miramar's CHIEF SAMUEL RAMPUTI is a debonaire gentleman POSSESSING strong authoritative characteristics, he stands six feet tall, weighs 200 pounds and MAINTAINS the QUALITIES so essential to Proper Law Enforcement. SAM is 39 years of age and is married to Catherine Ramputi. The Ramputi's have four sons, ages (14) (11) (9) and (3). Sam was born in Long Island, New York and is a staunch supporter of the ALL AMERICAN SPORTS. Chief Ramputi personally plays softball, Golf and takes his shake rolling strikes and spares at the various local bowling establishments. CHIEF SAMUEL RAMPUTI is a credit to the force and an asset to THE UNIFORM of the Miramar Police.---As for B. S. O. Sergeant Helen Panoast (Juvenile) received the "WOMAN OF THE YEAR" Award given by the Hollywood Business and Professional Woman's Club at the Holiday Inn on March 8th, 1967. Congratulations Helen, keep up the good work.

At this time The Staff Of La Viva Voce wish to pay homage to the recently deceased CHIEF HOLT. Chief Holt remains a moment of Integrity, Honor and Trust---A MAN who stood fearless-Fought Felons-and NOTED Dignity and Pride to the Uniform of his choice, "THAT" (of the Fort Lauderdale Police Department.) Dispatcher TO CHIEF---TEN---FOUR, OVER AND OUT.

Sincerely Yours

by John Powell



Tomorrow will be an important day in the lives of several thousand residents that live in the town of Wilton Manors.

The residents will vote to decide if they should be annexed into the city limits of Ft. Lauderdale.

Whether it is right or wrong as far as taxes going up or down, whether services would be improved or worsened, the pro and con of this sort I am not prepared to discuss.

I do know one thing and could write an endless number of words on the subject: It does represent something evil in my mind.

I am dead set against doing anything that increases the size of any government body.

There can be exceptions, but for Wilton Manors to become a memory grates against the grain pretty bad. It may well be that there are certain material advantages; but, the fact still remains that Wilton Manors has been on the map for a long time. If things were so bad in the past, I would think they would have asked for annexation... but they didn't.

Excluding the Mayor and other members of the city commission, the one person I know who runs a service department is Bernard Scott. "Scotty" is the Chief of Police of Wilton Manors. I doubt if any city in the country has a more efficient police force than Wilton Manors.

Even if they have to put up with less services and conveniences, I personally hope they stay as Wilton Manors. It will be a blow against those who are the advocates of big government. It is a slap in the face against those who believe in mob rule and mob strength.

It will be a victory for people who believe they are an independent individual who has the right to live his life as he sees fit, not regimented into a mass of humanity to be led thru life by the whims and desires of others.

There are too many people in this country today who live off of others. They sap others strength and resources. They use force thru words that warp a person's mind and if that doesn't work, they often use force against a person to make them submit.

These people are murderers because they kill a person's individuality and identity.

Whether it be people, or cities, I am personally against this absorption.

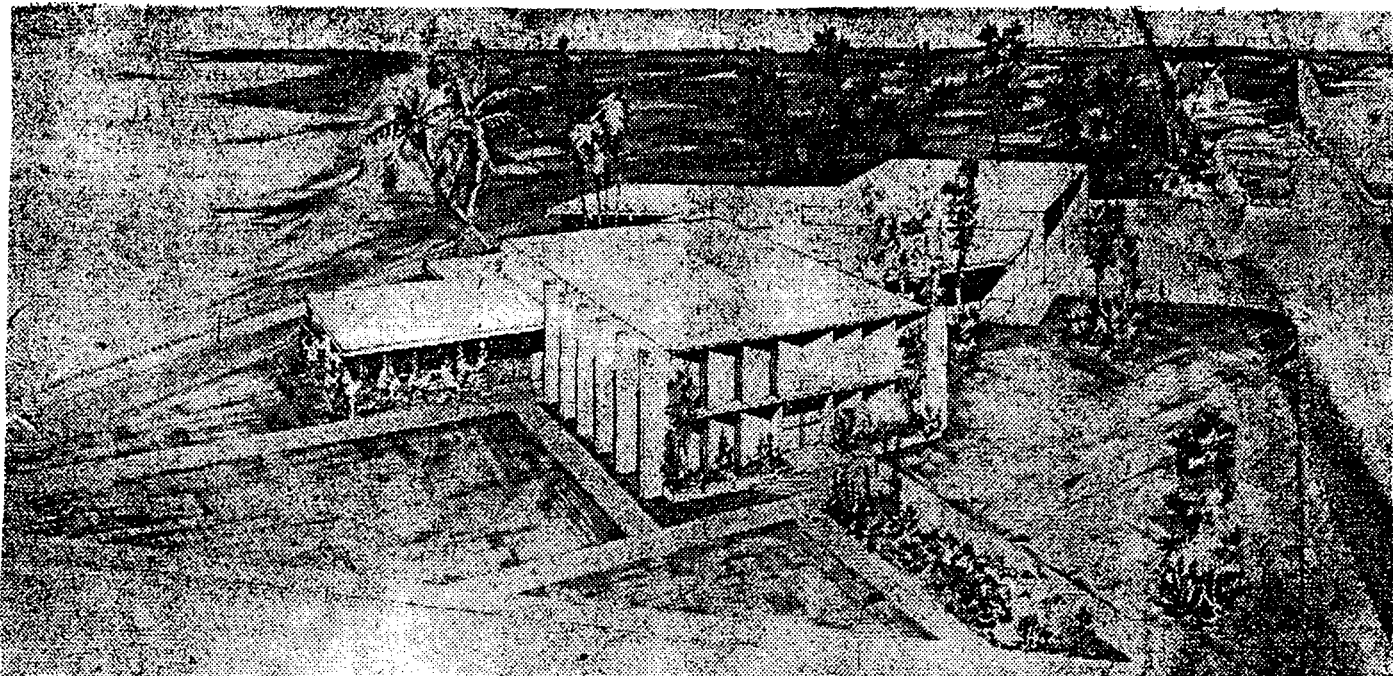
Have you ever thought about this... do you breed life to those around you or do you breed death?

It is efficient for many reasons under Chief Scott's leadership and a resident of Wilton Manors should never have any trouble sleeping for they know a policeman can be on the scene anywhere in less than five minutes after a call for help is received.

Our offices were in Wilton Manors for about three years. Many nights we were forced to work all night to make a deadline. Never once did they miss coming around three or four times a night to make sure everything was O. K. at the Tribune. Even though they are small in number, because of the size of Wilton Manors, there isn't a square foot that isn't patrolled. Their equipment is modern and up-to-date. Their computer puts them in immediate touch with the police of neighboring cities.

The town officials have worked hard for and have achieved a sewer system. I wish I knew all the things the officials have accomplished. I can also say with authority that these elected officials who run the city are not in it for the money. They are paid a pittance for the service they render. The people of Wilton Manors like their little island community and they are proud to be called a member of that community.

What does it all stem from other than people will continue to fight for individual freedom.



NEW CITY HALL — An architect's drawing of the new Wilton Manors City Hall, to be located on NE 26th St. on lots donated by Dave Turner and Jim Dean, is shown above. Construction on the city hall is ex-

pected to begin in two weeks. The building, when completed, will house all city offices, including the police and fire departments, a two-cell jail and an auditorium on the second floor. City Council voted to go ahead with plans for the building, Feb. 1.

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2 Slain, 1 Wounded At Manors Rest Home



BODIES ARE CARRIED FROM MANOR PINES NURSING HOME
... after shooting melee which killed two and injured one

(Staff photo by Arnold Ernest)

Visitor Sprays Bullets

By OTT CEFKIN
(Sun-Sentinel Writer)

WILTON MANORS — An ailing insurance man shot and killed his wealthy 73-year-old mother-in-law at a nursing home here Monday, wounded a doctor, then sent a bullet through the roof of his mouth killing himself.

Police said William M. Johnson, 39, apparently went berserk without warning and opened fire as his 45-year-old wife, Margaret, looked on in stunned horror.

Mrs. Colleen Mee, widow of Gerber Baby Food Co. treasurer William Mee, was killed as she lay on her bed at Manor Pines Nursing Home where she became a patient a week ago.

Dr. Robert A. George, 34, of 2110 NE 39th St., Mrs. Mee's attending physician and a close friend of the family, according to reports, was shot twice as he stood near Mrs. Mee's bed.

Dr. George was reported in critical condition at Holy Cross Hospital following four hours of surgery late Monday night.

Police Chief Bernard S. Scott said the shooting started around 4:40 p.m. shortly after Johnson and his wife came to visit Mrs. Mee at the 1701 NE 26th St. nursing home.

The Johnsons live at 4401 NE 25 Ave., a posh residential area.

Scott said the couple was in Mrs. Mee's room about 10 minutes when Johnson pulled a .38 caliber revolver from under his shirt and fired two shots at Dr. George.

The bullets ripped into the doctor's chest and side. He fell to the floor with his legs sprawled atop a television set.

A third shot struck Mrs. Mee in the upper abdomen as she lay on her bed looking at Johnson and Mrs. Johnson, her adopted daughter, Scott added.

Mrs. Johnson told Detective D. R. Ridenour and Patrolman Hempstead Perry that she was so shocked she failed to hear the first shot.

"I just saw a flash," the policemen quoted Mrs. Johnson.

Mrs. Johnson was standing on her husband's left at the foot of the bed when the shots were fired. The doctor was standing to the right of the bed in a direct line with Johnson, Ridenour and Perry reported.

They said Mrs. Johnson was too overcome to be questioned at any length, but she reported there was just "general conversation" before the shooting.

Chief Scott said little is known about Johnson other than he owns Johnson Insurance Company and was reported to have been ill and despondent.

Stunned neighbors described the Johnsons and Mrs. Mee as "lovely people."

"We didn't know them well," said William Leonard, "but we had visited in their home and they were the first to call on us when we moved into the neighborhood."

Leonard, an attorney, said Johnson had complained of not feeling well.

"He was quite upset at the time of Martin Luther King's death," Leonard continued. "Johnson had a valuable gun

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Two Slain In Shooting

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collection and was disturbed at all the clamor made over rigid gun control legislation.

"He was a genuine collector and apparently felt gun registration and other requirements unnecessary."

Mrs. Johnson visited her mother at lunch time every day," Mrs. Leonard said. "I understand her mother had

become restless and wanted to return home," she added.

The Leonards and Johnsons live on the eastern perimeter of the Coral Ridge Country Club.

"Johnson was a golfer but hadn't played recently," Leonard said. "He complained of not feeling well. I doubt that he weighed more than 115 pounds."

Manors May Get Police 'Ambulette'

WILTON MANORS — When the police department gets the new vehicles it has requested, one of them probably will serve a dual purpose as patrol car and "ambulette."

Chief of Police Bernard Scott has asked the council to consider the purchase of a station wagon, for use as a patrol unit and also equipped with stretcher, oxygen, and other emergency equipment.

He has strong support from Council President Larry Sullivan, who is also a Broward Sheriff's deputy.

"I've seen people who have to lie in the street, bleeding, sometimes profusely, until a private ambulance comes along," Sullivan said. "I've seen injured persons wait as long as 25 minutes for transportation . . . from what I've seen of the ambulettes, they're worth every penny you put into them."

A number of Florida communities have similar units, Scott said.

The council has agreed on the necessity, but will wait for cost figures before taking action.

Pair Held In Robbery

By **SAM JACOBS**
Of Our Broward Bureau

WILTON MANORS — Quick work by a police officer led to the capture of two jewel-robbery suspects only minutes after Moore's Jewelers, 1429 NE 26 St., was held up at gunpoint Monday afternoon.

Arrested were Marvin Pickett, 46, of Atlanta, and Howard H. Underwood, 43, of 828 NE 17th St., Fort Lauderdale. They had in their possession \$7,565 in jewelry and \$58 in cash which the store owner, Robert Moore, said had been taken in the holdup, police said.

Wilton Manors Police Chief Bernard Scott said **Officer Kenneth Kruelen** arrived at the jewelry store at about 5:30 p.m., shortly after the call came in.

Moore joined Kruelen in his patrol car and the two chased the suspects to the corner of NE Ninth Ave. and Wilton Dr., where they forced their car to pull over.

Pickett and Underwood did not put up any resistance although Pickett was carrying a loaded .38 caliber revolver, Chief Scott said.

Officers Ronald Novy and Robert Zullick arrived on the scene a few seconds after Kruelen to assist in making the arrest, Scott said.

Rookie Policemen Nab Suspects In 4 Minutes

A pair of rookie police officers, only seven weeks out of the Broward County Police Academy, captured a pair of jewelry store robbers in four minutes flat yesterday in Wilton Manors.

Ptl. Kenneth Kruelen, 24, and Ronald Novy, 22, also recovered a brown paper bag containing \$7,565 in jewelry, \$58 cash and a loaded .38 caliber revolver.

Police Chief Bernard Scott said the burglary alarm sounded at Moore's Jewelry Store, 1429 NE 26th St., at 5:29 p.m. Officer Kruelen zoomed to the store, picked up watchmaker Charles Baker, 54, and took off in pursuit of the fleeing robbery car.

Baker spotted the car and the

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RECOVERED JEWELRY IN PAPER SACK ON TOP OF BLOCKED OFF GETAWAY CAR

... Ptl. Novy, right, covers suspect being handcuffed by Ptl. Kruelen

(Photos by Terry Hamby)

Policemen Nab Pair: 4 Minutes

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police cruiser blocked it off at 11th Ave. and Wilton Dr., at the rear of an appliance store, at 5:33 p.m.

Arrested were Howard H. Underwood, 44, of 828 NE 17th St., Ft. Lauderdale, driver of the car, and Marvin B. Pickett, 56, whose last known address is Atlanta, Ga.

An amateur photographer, Terry Hamby, 26, snapped the dramatic arrest.

Chief Scott said the pair met at Raiford State Prison, where both have served previous sentences.

Store owner Robert Moore, 50, said an armed gunman entered the store carrying a brown paper bag, cornered three employees with the gun, scooped up jewelry from the showcases and left.

He jumped into a waiting car parked at the rear of the store and was driven off, Chief Scott said.

Neither suspect resisted arrest, Scott said.

Both officers are also expert shots, according to their chief. "Both were firearms instructors in the service," he said.

Novy and Kruelen joined the department last September and immediately began the 13-week academy classes. They were graduated Dec. 16.



PTL. ROBERT ZULLICK LEADS UNDERWOOD OFF TO WAITING POLICE CAR
... amateur photographer snapped pictures from window of nearby house



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SHORT HAUL — A pair of rookie police officers, only seven weeks out of the Broward County Police Academy, captured a pair of jewelry store robbery suspects in four minutes flat yesterday in Wilton Manors. Ptl. Ronald Novy, 22, top right, covers suspects while Ptl. Kenneth Krueken, 24, places handcuffs on him. Paper bag containing \$7,565 in jewelry stolen from Moore's Jewelry Store, 1429 NE 26th St., sits on top of car. Ptl. Robert Zullick, bottom

right, leads suspect Howard Underwood, 44, of 828 NE 17th St., Ft. Lauderdale, off while Krueken watches second man, Marvin B. Pickett, 56, whose last known address is Atlanta, Ga. Photographs were snapped by Terry Hamby, 26, visiting his stepfather, Clarence Riggs, at 2300 NE 11th Ave. Hamby, an amateur photographer, heard the noise outside and began photographing through the window with a long-distance lens.





CHIEFS POWWOW — Police chiefs from several cities gather around Thomas Walker, seated right, as planning continues for the coming United Fund campaign in residential areas. Residential campaigning will begin October 5 under Walker's chairmanship. Area chairmen are, seated, Chief Robert Johnston of Ft. Lauderdale; standing, from left, Chief Bernie Scott of Wilton Manors, Chief Hank Donath of Plantation, Chief Stan Kubala of Oakland Park and Chief Charles Brookover of Davie. Persons who would like to assist in residential campaigning are invited to contact these men.

(Staff photo by Mel Kenyon)

Manors Due New Radio Base Station

WILTON MANORS — After making do with makeshift equipment for the past four years, the police department will finally get a new 35-watt inter-city radio base station.

On the recommendation of the police committee, the city council has voted to spend \$935 for the new unit, which will handle four channels.

It is somewhat in the nature of a "birthday" present for Police Chief Bernard Scott, who marked his tenth year with the department Tuesday.

The station will provide for county-wide police communication.

That the old rebuilt unit is ready for retirement no one doubted.

"If you crank it up tight, before it fades away you'll get maybe 11 watts out of it," Scott told the council. "You can talk to the county courthouse, maybe—but only if it's a clear day and there aren't any pigeons on the antenna."

Speed Zones Now Faster

WILTON MANORS—Motorists may legally drive a little faster now on two main Wilton Manors streets, Police Chief Bernard Scott said today.

Speed limits will be raised from 25 to 35 miles per hour on NE 26th St., between NE 15th Ave. and Federal Hwy., and from 25 to 30 mph on the entire length of Wilton Drive, Chief Scott said.

The changes will be effective as soon as the areas can be posted, probably this week, he said.



(Staff photo by Tom Roper)

HANDLING NEW POST 'WITH DISPATCH'

... Bernard Scott new Wilton Manors police chief

Scott Takes Over As Manors Chief

Bernard Scott today became—at age 30—the youngest police chief ever named in Wilton Manors.

Scott was appointed following civil service examination for the chief's post, vacated when Harold Gair resigned in May because of illness.

Capt. Felix Miller had been acting chief since January 1965 when Gair first became ill. Miller was also a candidate for the job of chief.

Chief Scott joined the department as a patrolman in 1958 and was promoted to Sgt. in 1962.

The department, he said, has been "running very well, but there will be some minor changes."

Rotation of shifts is planned immediately—"as soon as I can get the schedules worked out." The new chief said he also will create lieutenant rank after Oct. 1 and is considering adding an additional detective for the 3-11 p.m. shift.

"I am also planning more training," he said. "This will be done through the Broward County Police Academy and

any other available police training that would be beneficial to the men and the department."

Chief Scott and his wife, Mary Lynn, have three children, Ernest, nine; Donna Lynn, seven; and Bernard Jr., 10 months.

Wilton Manors Appoints Chief

WILSON MANORS — A 30-year-old sergeant was named chief of police here Tuesday.

Sgt. Bernard Scott, who placed highest on a civil service qualifying exam recently, replaces former Chief Harold Gair, who resigned because of illness.

Scott, the youngest police chief in the history of the city, joined the force as a patrolman and was promoted to sergeant in 1962.

GOODDEAL DEPT. *Insight* **Broward**

Sept. 1966



SCOTT

Here's an item I've been waiting to ink for months . . . It's a genuine kick to extend "IB's" verybest "Good-deal!" and a big-batch of "Well Done!" to Bernard

Scott ("Scotty") on his well deserved promotion to "Top Cop" of the Wilton Manors Police Dept. . . . Scott formerly a Sergeant, had been "Acting Capt." of the W.M./P.D. for many months, while Capt. Felix Miller filled in as "Acting Chief" — in the void created by the unfortunate illness of Chief Harold Gair . . . Chief Gair eventually was forced to tender his resignation, and the City Council scheduled a civil service exam to determine which of several qualified men had the most Smart to backup the Big Badge. Scott socked up top scores and won the brainbuster hands down — so they hauled off and tossed the gold shield, making Chief Scott the youngest (age 30) Top Cop ever appointed in Wilton Manors . . . I've known Chief Scott since I first made the Lauderdale scene, and the way I see it, they couldn't have picked a better man — Scott is real "First Fuzz" material . . . So, like — "Lotsa' Luck Chief, Bang-On!", and all that jazz.

HAVE A GO AT PAGE FOUR



Wilton Manors Chief Bernard Scott With Mace
. . . liquid gas in a can used to stun a person

New Crime Tools Used Here, Too

ALL OFFICERS

DECEMBER 2, 1968

NEXT TO EACH OFFICERS NAME LISTED BELOW YOU WILL FIND AN IBM NUMBER THIS WILL BE THE NUMBER YOU WILL USE WITH YOUR NAME FOR ALL FUTURE REPORTS AND FOR USE IN MAKING IN-QUIRES OF THE COMPUTER.

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CHIEF BERNARD S. SCOTT



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

November 3, 1971

Mr. Bernard S. Scott
Chief of Police
Wilton Manors, Florida 33305

My dear Chief:

I am very pleased to congratulate you for having successfully completed twelve weeks of study with the 88th Session of the FBI National Academy. This significant accomplishment was recognized with the awarding of a diploma to you at graduation exercises this morning here in Washington, D. C.

During the course of your studies here, you have participated in discussions concerning Management Principles, Law, Behavioral Science, Forensic Science, Education - Communication Arts and certain vocational functions of Law Enforcement Arts. This exposure should result in benefits for you and your department. Your interest and determination were noteworthy, and it was a pleasure having you as a member of this class.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, which appears to read "J. Edgar Hoover". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "J" and "H".



GRADUATE — Chief of Police Bernard S. Scott is among 100 law enforcement officers who were graduated today at the 88th session of the FBI National Academy in Washington. Previous FBI Academy graduates from this area include Chief Robert W. Johnston, Fort Lauderdale, Chief Stanley B. Kubala, Oakland Park, and Capts. Leo Callahan and Thomas E. Randel of the Fort Lauderdale Police Department.

Police Chief Graduates

Miami Herald 11-3-71

WASHINGTON — Wilton Manors Police Chief Bernard S. Scott graduates today from the FBI National Academy in Washington.

Scott is one of a class of 100 law enforcement officials completing the 88th session of the academy. They will hear an address today by U.S. Chief of Police Warren E. Burger.

Congratulations
Smiley - Best
2 last.

Charlotte



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Honorable Bernard S. Scott
Chief of Police
Wilton Manors Police Department
524 N.E. 21st Street
Wilton Manors, Florida

Dear Bernie:

I just read that you have graduated from the F.B.I. National Academy. You have indeed a feather in your cap, and I wish to commend you for having accomplished same.

Cordially yours,


PHILIP S. SHAILER
State Attorney

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<u>CITY</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>TOP WEEKLY SALARY</u>
FT. LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPT.	PATROLMAN	\$226.00
POMPANO BEACH POLICE DEPT.	"	199.50
LAUDERHILL POLICE DEPT.	"	200.00
PLANTATION POLICE DEPARTMENT	"	194.00
OAKLAND PARK POLICE DEPT.	"	195.98
DEERFIELD BEACH POLICE DEPT.	"	195.98
MIRAMAR POLICE DEPARTMENT	"	191.00
LAUDERDALE LAKES POLICE DEPT.	"	187.00
BROWARD SHERIFF DEPARTMENT	DEPUTY	237.00
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SUBMITTED - Tuesday, 2-15-72, to Chief Bernard S. Scott
 By: Det. Raymond Null

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Uniform Division

	CHIEF	ASST. CHIEF	INSP.	CAPT.	LT.	SGT.	PTL. 1ST	PTL. 2ND	PTL. PROB.	SCHOOL PATROL	OTHERS
ANNUAL SALARY	13,977.69			13,510.05	12,912.48	12,116.00	11,147.29	9,420.68	8,060.00		
MONTHLY SALARY	1,164.80			1,125.83	1,076.04	1,009.66	928.94	785.05	671.66		
WEEKLY SALARY	268.80			259.80	248.31	233.96	214.37	181.16	155.00		
NO. EMPLOYEES IN EACH RANK	1			1	1	3	8	4	2		

Detective or Plain Clothes Division

Miscellaneous Personnel

I.D. and
Records Bureau
~~Police~~
~~Officer~~

	CHIEF DETECTIVE	DEP. CHIEF DETECTIVE	CAPT.	LT.	SGT.	DET.	RADIO OPERATOR	JAILER	Police Officer	OTHERS	POLICE WOMAN
ANNUAL SALARY	11,044.07								8,797.15		
MONTHLY SALARY	920.33								733.09		
WEEKLY SALARY	212.38								167.17		
NO. EMPLOYEES IN EACH RANK	2								1		

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Police arrest man on arson charges

WILTON MANORS — A man suspected of twice trying to fire-bomb the home of his former girlfriend was arrested on charges of arson, police said.

Douglas Jones, of Hollywood, was accused of throwing bottles filled with gasoline at the woman's home in the 2600 block of Northeast Ninth Avenue on Jan. 27 and

Jan. 29, said Detective Sgt. Rick Wierzbicki.

On Jan. 27, a small fire started in front of the home, burning a pile of tree clippings and charring a fence, Wierzbicki said.

On Jan. 29, the woman found a broken beer bottle on her front doorstep and gasoline stains on the steps, he said. A witness told police

he saw a man throw the bottle.

Jones was arrested on Monday and confessed to both incidents, Wierzbicki said. He was charged with two counts of arson, two counts of throwing a destructive device and one count of making a threat to a public servant.

— KEVIN DAVIS
2-5-89

2-1-89

Police charge 2 with burglaries of eight auto shops

By KEVIN DAVIS
Staff Writer

WILTON MANORS — An anonymous tip has led to the arrest of two men suspected of burglarizing eight auto-repair and auto-parts stores in Wilton Manors and Oakland Park recently, police said.

Undercover detectives investigating the case arrested the men on Saturday after they sold the detectives stolen auto parts, said Det. Sgt. Rick Wierzbicki. The suspects admitted they committed the burglaries to support their crack cocaine habits, Wierzbicki said.

Arrested were Christopher Bender, 27, of the 3000 block of North Andrews Avenue, and Doyne Avery, 34, who listed no address.

Avery was charged with burglary, possession of burglary tools, grand theft and two counts of dealing in stolen property. Bender was charged with burglary, grand theft, possession of burglary tools and five counts of dealing in stolen property, Wierzbicki said.

The two have been linked with at least five burglaries in Wilton Manors and three in Oakland Park, Wierzbicki said.

The shops were burglarized in early mornings or late evenings. Police said they recovered parts worth an estimated \$5,000.