

Four Cells Will Be Added To County Jail

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SCENES AT THE COUNTY JAIL
—Sheriff O. T. Carter and Mrs. Al Smith (top left) listen to the radio in their comfortable apartment adjoining the county jail. Smith is the night jailer and Mrs. Smith is the jail matron. Sheriff Carter and Bill Kissinger, day jailer, (top center) point to the window on the west end of the jail, which will be removed to add four new cells to the jail. Kissinger (right top), demonstrates how the jail's kitchen is used. Deputy Sheriff Ira Byrd and Sheriff Carter, (bottom left) are on the inside looking out. They claim it is easier to get into the county jail than to get out! Mrs. Al Smith, jail matron, (bottom left) demonstrates how the jail's automatic washers operate and the fine art of bed-making in her apartment at the county jail. Jailer Kissinger (bottom right) fingerprints a juvenile offender. Fingerprinting is the first step taken after a person has been arrested. Picture by Paul Jenkins.



Officers Suspended For Ignoring Gambling

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — (AP) — A sheriff and a constable have been suspended in Volusia county for failing to crack down on gambling.

Gov. Fuller Warren ordered the suspensions of Sheriff Alex Littlefield and Constable W. M. Slaughter, after Atty. Gen. Richard Ervin reported he had evidence that gambling had been permitted in the county.

The 1951 state senate will review the charges against the pair, and may make the removal final or may reinstate them.

Daytona Beach is the main city in the county, on Florida's Atlantic coast.

In all, Warren has suspended five sheriffs in his campaign to clean up gambling in the state.



Crowded Conditions, Separation Problem Necessitate \$13,000 Expansion Program

Construction on four additional cells for the county jail atop the Douglas county courthouse will be started soon, according to County Judge D. N. Busenbark.

Sheriff O. T. Carter says there are two primary reasons which prompted the expansion work: an increase in the number of inmates and the need for segregation in the women's cell units.

At the present time, the county jail has facilities to handle a total of 48 inmates. However, Jailer William Kissinger says there have been times when the jail has handled a total of 51. This can be done by placing extra bunks in the corridors of the jail for additional inmates.

Kissinger says there are roughly six units in the jail building. The largest unit is the federal jail section which will hold 19 inmates. This section of the jail was built according to federal specifications for holding their prisoners. Kissinger says the unit is used primarily for billeting federal prisoners while in transit and all felony cases are also housed in the federal jail section.

The juvenile ward and the women's cell block each holds six inmates. The "bull pen," used only for male inmates, will hold 10 prisoners. The cell block for "trusties" has sleeping facilities for four inmates. The "drunk" tank has one bed in it but can hold as many as eight men. At the present time the jail is a little crowded and two inmates are sleeping in the corridor.

Kissinger says when he joined the county jail staff in 1944, the jail averaged from seven to ten inmates a day. Since that time the number has steadily increased. At present, Kissinger says, the jail is handling from 35 to 40 inmates a day.

Sheriff Carter says the women's cell facilities have been totally inadequate in recent months. He says there are not enough cells available to permit the separation of juvenile girl offenders from the habitual and hardened women criminals. The new cell units will allow additional space for this separation.

In the county budget for the fiscal year of 1950-51, the county

appropriated \$13,000 for the construction work on the jail addition. County Judge Busenbark says L. W. Metzger is drawing up the final plans and specifications for the additional cells. As soon as the plans are completed, the county will advertise for bids on the work.

The new cells will be added to the present jail on the west end of the court house. A window will be removed and a door cut into the wall. A corridor will then be built running with the four new cells facing the corridor.

The new cell block will be used primarily for male inmates. Each cell will be equipped with two double bunks, increasing the capacity of the jail to a total of 64 beds.

Hydrogen Bomb's Effectiveness Not Yet Proven

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Chairman Gordon Dean of the Atomic Energy Commission says the United States has not yet determined whether the hydrogen bomb can be made to work.

"We haven't completed our determination as to the feasibility of the projected super-bomb, Dean said in an interview with the magazine U. S. News and World Report.

Dean also reported that this country is still "well ahead" of Russia in the development of the atomic bomb, but he said it would be "foolish to minimize the Russian achievement."

Rent Decontrol Asked By Corvallis Council

CORVALLIS — (AP) — The Corvallis city council has approved a resolution requesting housing, expediter Tighe Woods to order immediate rent decontrol in the Corvallis area.

The action was taken by the council with little discussion following a public hearing. Several landlords spoke in favor of decontrol but no opposition to the proposal was expressed.

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