

Sheriff Arnold Scheu



November 2, 1954, Arnold Scheu was elected Sheriff of Osceola County, receiving 1,678 votes over his running mates James Beacom which received 655 votes, and Lester Scott which received 752 votes.

July 5, 1955 - Fire Destroys Several Businesses in Ocheyedon

August 17, 1955 - Harold Wesselink Confesses to Raping a 9 Year Old Girl

November 6, 1956, Arnold Scheu was re-elected Sheriff of Osceola County, receiving 3,046 votes over his running mate Lloyd Stanton which received 1,533 votes.

November 4, 1958, Arnold Scheu was re-elected Sheriff of Osceola County, receiving 2,095 votes over his running mate Oliver Windrath which received 1,046 votes.

1959 - Hamburger Corner - Hwy 9 and Hwy 33-(Known today as old Hwy 60 or Northwest Blvd)

March 7, 1959 - Osceola County's 5th Traffic Fatality this Year

March 9, 1959 - Roy Lee Allen Charged with Manslaughter; Plead Guilty

September 29, 1959 - Howard Lee Van De Berg Pleads Guilty to Breaking and Entering and Sentenced to 10 Years

November 8, 1960, Arnold Scheu was re-elected Sheriff of Osceola County, receiving 3,265 votes over Henry Isebrands and John Dammer which both received 1 vote as write ins.

April 6, 1964 - Arthur Beek Jr., Danny Cook, David Engelkes, Robert Sterler, and Gary Thiele Plead Guilty to Assault with Intent to Commit Rape

March 26, 1964 - Jerry Brower and Ronald Cronin charged with Lascivious Acts with a Child



Photo from the early 1960's. From Left to Right: Deputy Harm Linbeck, Deputy Dan Schnepf, Deputy Elmer Poss, Deputy Otis "Toad" Smith, Deputy Daryl Leeper

November 3, 1964, Arnold Scheu was re-elected Sheriff of Osceola County, receiving 2,906 votes over Peter Stap which received 1 vote as a write in.

November 5, 1968, Arnold Scheu was re-elected Sheriff of Osceola County, receiving 2,862 votes over his running mate Oliver Windrath which received 1,106 votes.

August 31, 1970 - Ronald Stevenson Pleads Guilty to Rape and Sentenced to 25 Years

In 1971, the highest point in Iowa was determined to be on the Merrill Sterler farmstead, located in section 29 of Wilson Township, and named *Hawkeye Point*. Stands at 1,670 feet above sea level, Hawkeye Point's highest ground is located about 100 feet due south of the old silo. Prior to this discovery, the *Ocheyedan Mound* was thought to be the highest point in Iowa, and even appeared on state maps as the highest point in Iowa, standing at 1,655 feet above sea level. The *Mound* served as a landmark by settlers traveling across the treeless prairie, as it was visible for long distances. For many years, it was considered to be an Indian burial ground, but geologists discovered it to be made up mainly of sand and gravel, with many types of rocks embedded therein. At one time, the sand and gravel was mined from its summit, marrying its original form today. Local area residents now call the Mound "the highest scenic point in Iowa."

There was a time when Allendorf had a motorcycle policeman, John David Sr., to catch speed violators. The American Automobile Association learned about it and advised tourists to beware of the speed trap. John did not like the people's attitude or the resentment towards him resulting from his traffic duties and resigned. Lee Mitchell rode a motorcycle in the Army and took over the job for a while. Mr. Tjaden then took over the job until a piston broke on the motorcycle one day and failed to make it home to Ocheyedan. The motorcycle patrol was then discontinued in Allendorf.