

Little Geraldine

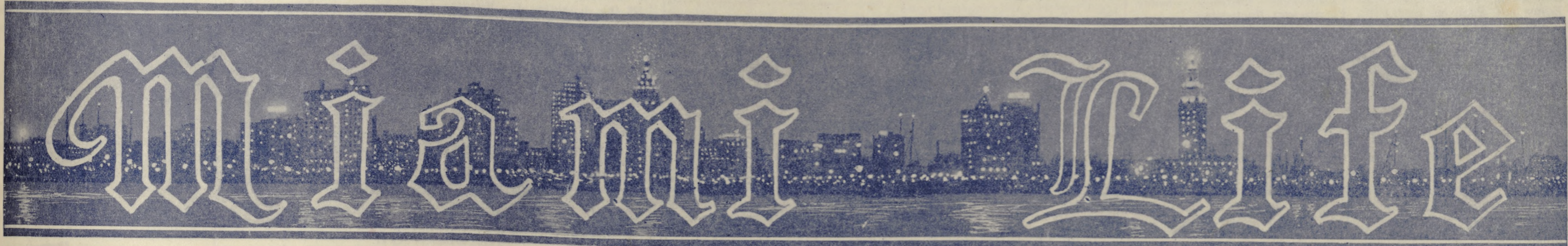
LITTLE GERALDINE'S brother was making a date over the telephone with a married woman and little Geraldine just laughed and laughed when she heard him say, "Yes, I'll go out with you but I won't kill your husband."

POLITICAL BLUNDERS

Are We Starving?

The Color Question

A TRAIN-LOAD of Paris-Green is enroute to Miami to be put in Biscayne Bay for the International Lions Convention. It is being obtained from the same company that painted Coral Gables' 40 miles of water-front and tinted the Fulford sea.



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Our Representative Misrepresentatives

WELL, it looks like horse racing is gone and North Florida, the section we built all those good roads for, has saved us from the clutches of Satan.

Her representatives can now go back to their constituents, whittle their pine sticks on the porches of their favorite country store and laugh at the revenue-producing district that has been raising the tourist crop.

They can fatten their hogs to win cash prizes at the county fair in the fall; race their sorrel mares in old Jim Weatherfoot's field for side bets and pitch horse-shoes for a swig of shine, for Florida has been saved from the depths to which New York state, Maryland and Kentucky have sunk.

And we can sit in our offices, twirl our thumbs and watch the trains roll south to Cuba because, so far as politics are concerned we are babes in the big, big woods, among the red clay hills of Tallahassee.

Of course, we'll have to admit that we have been too busy building a magic land, too much occupied making the name of Florida a household word throughout the country, to learn the game of lobbying. We have heard our chief executive (the former mayor of Jacksonville) tell us how proud he was of us, glorious Miami. We have watched him in silence, almost in awe, as he constructed the machine in which he expects to make a non-stop flight to Washington when he surrenders the gubernatorial toga.

High Fliers Lost

JOHN JOHNSON, well-known father-about-town, and his nervy companion, Jess (Baardi) Brown, prominent elbow-tilter, have not been heard of since their jump-off on an intrepid non-stop flight between Miami Beach and Coral Gables Friday evening.

The wives of the brave pair expected to be present at the take-off but missed the ceremony and the christening was done by two Miami Beach cabaret girls. The wives promised to do better for them later.

Fear was expressed today that they may have become lost in one of the many unmarked subdivisions west of the city or have made a forced landing in one of the city sewer ditches.

A whirring sound was heard by a resident of Central Miami late in the evening but there were no traces of empty bottles found in that vicinity. The loud noises may have come from revenue men in the district, experts say. As the pair carried only liquid food, it is thought that they may have stopped at a road house to get a bowl of ice. Road houses, it is understood, only report to police at lengthy intervals and there is hope that they are still alive but probably too broke to get home.

A fleet of Picture City busses had taken up the hunt today and the non-stop flight from Hialeah to the Million Dollar pier in an effort to test the explosive power of Hialeah rye, was postponed on advice of counsel.

It is understood that the Herald is offering a reward of three second-hand classified ads for their return and have their own A. B. C. experts investigating their circulation.

And we'll probably be foolish enough to give him a big hand when he tries to get us to give him transportation and board money to the nation's capitol.

We might as well admit that Governor Martin and the rest of the politicians were a little too much for us.

But the big laugh the boys will take back to the

backwoods with them, when they hibernate until the next session of the legislature, will be the kicking around Miami's most prominent business men got from Dade county's representatives when they visited Tallahassee last week.

Fred Weede, Earl Wilson and Joe Dillon were sent to the legislature to represent the people of Dade county. But what a lot of high-hats they put on when the men who had done the voting attempted to talk to them about an important piece of legislation, the racing bill. And with the most influential men of Miami Beach when they sought a hearing on division of the county.

Maybe our votes didn't count. At least Wilson, when urged to remember his constituency, is quoted as saying, "I represent Earl Wilson," right out loud. My goodness, are we going back to that "Rex Dei Gratia" business that gave kings the divine right to rule?

We've got to be more careful about our elections. Especially on the eve of the most important city election ever held. Let's not make the mistake we have made in every past election held in Dade county and its municipalities. Let's do away with this government by individuals.

Let's mark our ballots for representatives rather than mis-representatives!

City Manager

THREE city commissioners will be elected in June. Then what? Perhaps the most important work that will be done after the new commissioners are safely settled in office is the choosing of a new city manager. At least, that is understood for the present incumbent, Frank P. Wharton, wishes to relinquish the reins of office and retire from his shrunken salary. Who will be appointed to fill this most important position? It is an important position, much more so than it has ever been before. The new city manager will be up against a problem or two that only a good business man can solve and still remain in office. The future welfare of Miami rests on this appointment and it is one that should be thoroughly threshed out before a final choice is made. The next city manager is going to have a lot of grief. He is going to be ridden roughshod from pillar to post. He is going to be a goat for every department in the city. He'll have to be a good man to stand the strain. Candidates should begin their work-outs for the coming bout.

JACKSONVILLE and the other villages up in Old Florida say that boss racing and hound racing is bad for us folks down here in New Florida. Who entertains the tourists, anyway?

This New County

IN ADOPTING a hands-off policy, the chamber of Commerce of Miami seems to be taking a fair stand on the movement afoot to form a separate county of Miami Beach. A resolution has been passed by the board of directors regretting the action that might tend to separate the two cities but refusing to interfere with the self-government and self-determination of a community. On first thought, Miami Life cannot see a tremendous advantage of a new county at this time when the conservation of the finances of the district is so necessary, but agrees with the chamber that if the people on the beach want the change, and sentiment on the other side of the causeway seems solidified behind the movement, it is their affair and may the bed they make be a comfortable one.

What we like about the whole affair is that the two chambers are assuming a chummy feeling towards each other, to their mutual benefit. If nothing comes of the new county movement, at least that much has been accomplished.

'Round the TOWN with ROD

THE RECALL TALK

From the Miami Beach Beacon THE talk of recalling J. Newton Lummus, Jr., from the position of mayor is absolute foolishness and should be stopped forthwith. The Beacon is flat-footedly opposed to permitting the talk to reach the point where action will be taken, because a recall election is not going to do this city any good.

We believe that Mr. Lummus is entirely out of step with the majority of his constituents when he opposes the movement for a new county. But that is not sufficient reason to start action seeking his recall. Certainly, there is none who will deny him the right to his own opinion. So far as we are able to determine, there is no provision in the city charter which requires the mayor or to be in accord with the opinion of a majority of his constituents. If Mr. Lummus desires to rip the "political trousers" he shall wear in the future, that is nobody's business but his own.

A SUITABLE BUILDING

One look at the empty Burdine and Quarterman store and the post-boom history of Miami is brought to light. I think that this building would make an excellent home for the All-States Society and would give them some immediate place of meeting. If they intend to go on with the two million proposition on Biscayne Boulevard it will be many years before funds will be available. The Burdine and Quarterman store is a beautiful edifice and one entirely suited for such a society's quarters.

EMPLOYEES SELL STOCK

All employees of the Florida Power and Light Company are told to sell shares in the company or look for new jobs. As the selling of a share must take considerable time it would appear that a meter reader would (Continued on page 4.)

What's the Answer?

LAST Sunday the Miami Herald ran an editorial telling the world in general that Miamians were starving to death in great numbers. Many people failed to read this editorial as it appeared to be one of the numerous Mothers' Day editorials that had been dotting this page for several days. The editorial pointed out that it would be necessary to raise a further \$5,000 each month for ten months to help the needy in this city. It stated that great suffering would be engendered if this money was not forthcoming. The Welfare Board has received \$22,000 to \$25,000 from the Community Chest and it is this organization that, like Oliver Twist, is asking for more. Why do they need the money and what are they doing with the money that they have already received? While everybody will admit that there is a lot of distress in Dade county no one believes that it is anything like as bad as the Miami Herald editorial indicates. What with the locals of the unions, the Legion, the Masons, the Klan, the Knights of Columbus, the Jewish Welfare, and all the civic clubs and church organizations, all helping to relieve distress, there can hardly be the necessity for this extra \$5,000 a month. What's the answer? Is somebody trying to bring every out-of-work down to Miami to be fed by the city—or what?



New Causeway Costume

LITTLE PERI WINKLE of Miami ready to cross the causeway from Miami to Miami Beach. Since Mayor Newton Lummus of Miami Beach had advocated a new ordinance which would prohibit people from crossing the causeway in bathing suits, little Sarah has been working day-times to perfect a suit that would meet police inspection. She hasn't worked nights on it because she is \$84.50 mad with the Florida Power and Light Company.

POLITICS

THE registration workers are finding a lot of people in Miami that have been lost for years. Bob Simpson is doing much business these days and using up that supply of poll tax blanks.

It looks like the fireworks for June 7.

We thought you Miamians would wake up in the middle of one of these nights with a nightmare about electric light bills, thirty-year protective franchises, traffic regulations and a lot of other things.

A lot of conversation will pass under the bridge between now and the seventh, but it looks to us like Sewell, Reeder and Gaudier for city commissioners. All except Reeder are being opposed by powerful machines but people are thinking about their voting this time.

A powerful group of citizens are lining up behind Harry Platt, Jimmie Donn and Reeder, not in the hope of controlling them but in the interest of better government.

You had better watch these three men.

Wise birds say that Aronovitz is getting a lot of grooming for the races and is putting many of those new names on the registration books.

The battle for the trio of positions on the commission is still under cover. Friends and candidates are working to pull up the registration to new Miami records but it will be out in the open before very long.

And watch the smoke on election day. Miami is learning politics and how to vote again.

This year will go down as the year Miami woke up after its twenty year sleep. From now on this city is going to do a lot of fighting for its rights. The easy-going times are past—just as the easy-money times are past. People now are spelling Politics with a capital "P".

Who Are These People?

THE Herald is to be congratulated on the special edition of 87 pages published on May 9. It should have been called the "Lot Edition," but anyhow it was brim full of interesting news.

For instance, it carried the first complete and unabridged list of sub-divisions in the Greater Miami area.

It didn't have a display ad or news on 63 pages.

Most of the pages looked exactly alike.

And the most interesting thing in the whole edition was the information that all of the owners of Miami real estate were unknown.

No wonder Mr. Huddleston can't collect the city taxes.

WELL, Ev succeeded in getting Tom Arnold's picture in the News and a story about the Miami Tribune in the Herald, all of which has something or other to do with the freedom of the press.

Those Everglades Bonds

WE JUST looked over our check book and decided not to get into this controversy with Governor Martin and the Daily News about that \$10,000,000 that is being raised for the benefit of the Everglades.

In the first place we don't believe there is that much money in the world. Furthermore we don't believe that Governor Martin is going to pitch his tent in the swamps, after the legislature adjourns, to supervise the work. We believe we are a better judge of mosquitoes than that, although he might get some relief from those pesky babies in the house.

Anyhow, if you want the figures, here they are: \$9,099,100; 5 5-8 per cent; 90.99; \$600,000; 97 per cent and 1947.

Now here's a few expressions, by courtesy of the News: murk of secrecy; misinformation; befogged issue; contradictory telegrams; ignorant; reluctant and silence. Scramble these two together and you'll have the story. Yes, we thought the same thing about it.

Things That Shouldn't Be Aloud

- POLICE sirens.
- Fires after midnight that require the attention of fire trucks.
- Rattle of sash weights on hubby's head.
- Blow-outs (both private and on automobiles).
- Burglar shooting after 11 p. m.
- High winds whistling around palm trees after taps.
- The neighbor's radio or Victrola when you have insomnia.
- Parlor stories.
- Proposals.
- And saxophones.

WHAT EVERYBODY'S ASKING TODAY: —"How Much Did Our Representatives Lose at the Races?"

Round the Town with Rod

(Continued from page 1.) have to neglect his business if he wanted to retain the weekly check. This would entail extra expense on meter reading which would be passed on to the ultimate consumer.

BENEFIT CARD PARTY The American Legion Auxiliary will inaugurate a series of

Stupid Secretary

PRACTICALLY the only trouble experienced by those in charge of the Florida Exhibition trains was at the Ohio city of Youngstown. There they ran into the secretary of the chamber of commerce, one F. T. LaBelle, who had a grouse against Florida simmering in him.

He refused to have anything to do with the Florida train. He said that he did not know whether it was a fly-by-night proposition or a sales promotion scheme for Florida real estate.

The Low Down on the Weeks Happenings

Robbers getting busy in Miami Herald reports thousands are starving . . . but not the robbers Prohibition forces still busy raiding . . . they haven't located the manufacturers of the bum liquor flooding Miami yet

THEY TELL ME

THAT Phyllis doesn't seem to be as fond of canoeing as she did before her vacation THAT Julius has at last found a use for canned tomatoes THAT it's a long day that has no phone calls for Pauline

the other way round . . . so say we all

THAT the Tallahassee mamma is back at her old job . . . attention, you sheiks THAT Dan will arrive too late

LITTLE GERALDINE Little Geraldine heard her father saying that his light bill was too high and that the meter must be running too fast but she just laughed and laughed because she knew that electricity traveled at 180,000 miles a second.

picture in the News while he was the guest of Henry Chase THAT even the Girl Scouts are doing their bit in raising funds for the needy . . . and that they are a great bunch of young ladies

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card parties next Monday night at 8 o'clock and each week thereafter at the same time in the American Legion Memorial Home.

BETTER LATE THAN NEVER

A vote of thanks should go to someone who is responsible for making the steel contractors on the new courthouse building put in wind braces.

WHAT? PADLOCKED?

A movement is on foot by federal prohibition officers to padlock the Rainbow Gardens for a year and a day, if rumors current in Miami have any truth in them.

THAT'S A NICE GIRL

It seems that the old Miami fight just can't be beat. "Miss Miami" was last night selected to represent the state of Florida at the Galveston beauty competition

In The Editor's Mail

FOR CROSS-TOWN THOROPFARE Editor Miami Life:

I am a regular reader of your paper, and perhaps the only reason that I like Saturdays better than any other day, is because on that day your Miami Life is issued; and one is sure to get a real kick in reading your paper.

house, and this ought to set a good example to the property owners who will build on that street in the future. Perhaps he would have been more than glad to give up ten or fifteen feet if he thought that everybody on the street would do the same.

Let us call the attention of the city officials to what it cost the city to widen some of our streets that already had good buildings put up, and it should not take much persuading to convince them that now is the time to look into matters on that street, which may some day be the pride of Miami, and perhaps the State of Florida.

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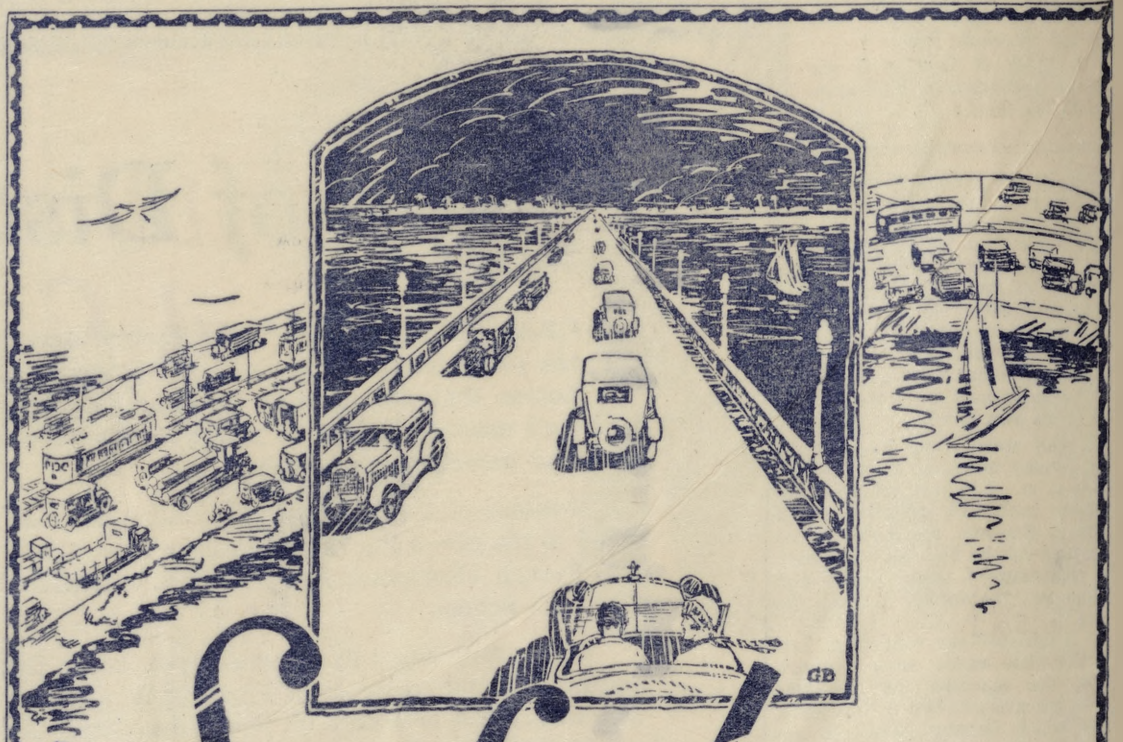
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