

**FICTIONIST—NOT A REPORTER**

WE HAVE been asked time and time again why we cast aspersions on Jack Kofod and belittle his literary efforts. And we've been told that his articles "sound logical," "sound" true to life, and that therefore he must be a very good writer.

Analyzing these critics' statements, we have to admit they're right, in a way.

It dawned on us that Jack Kofod's trouble is that he is representing himself to the public as a reporter, when, as a matter of fact, he is merely a writer, and a fiction-writer at that.

You have read his short stories in the pulp magazines, even in the Miami Herald, on occasion.

Kofod is endowed with a talent of writing entertaining stories. But he doesn't FACTUALLY report.



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# 'LET PEOPLE DECIDE' IF WE NEED A SALES TAX

## HUTTOE RECEIVES COLD SHOULDER AT POLICE HQS

A PARAGRAPH in Staff-writer Kruger's story in the Daily News about Huttoe's return to his police lieutenant, said:

"Smiling and natty turned out, Huttoe came back to an old home week atmosphere in the police department. This makes it appear as if the whole department extended open arms to Huttoe and were happy over his reinstatement.

The facts are much different. Hardly ANY officers in the department would even SPEAK to him!

NONE of the regular men were seen to shake his hand or make any congratulatory remarks. Huttoe is practically ostracized in the department.

Miami policemen as a whole feel that Huttoe is deliberately working against the department to serve his only political (perhaps financial) ambitions. The fact that Kruger went to such extremes to carry out the policies of his paper (the News has always been pro-Huttoe) shows where Huttoe gets his strength and uncanny ability to snap back after being caught with the goods, time and again.

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WHEN The Miami Herald first advocated a sales tax, it used Dade State Sen. Bunn Gautier as a sounding board. He declared at that time, if you remember, that he'd vote for a sales tax, if necessary—but he'd exempt "the necessities of life" from taxation.

Shortly after that, the Miami Herald editorially advocated a sales tax.

The Herald's great editorial outburst of propaganda this week is supposed to clinch matters for the special interests desperately trying to escape being taxed themselves.

A group of Miami Herald stooges, whose names are familiar to all readers of the Herald, hastily got together and called themselves The Citizens Tax Committee.

Who called this committee? Who formed it? How were its members selected?

They don't deign to explain. As representatives of Big Business in this area, they merely announce that they are asking the Dade legislative delegation to back a sales tax.

And listen:

They've now eliminated Gautier's phrase, "excepting necessities of life," and substituted a recommendation for a "broad and virtually all-inclusive" sales tax!

They've become bolder in their demands.

Lack of organized opposition gives them more courage. It is possible that the people of Florida have been lulled to sleep by their belief that Gov. Fuller Warren meant it when he said he'd fight a sales tax. And that therefore they have nothing to fear.

### OBJECT: To Shift Taxes From the Shoulders of The 'Anointed Few'!

LET'S PAUSE for a moment and see what type of business man this tax committee is formed by:

The Shaw brothers (Henry and George) oil tycoons and recipients of more than one political favor.

Hugh Purvis, member of the politically powerful accounting firm of Bob Pentland's, whose names and pictures appear periodically in the news.

Leslie D. Cann, Coca-Cola head locally.

Luther Chandler, czar of South Dade, always

on the side of the Herald and its allied Big Interests.

C. Gordon Anderson, Richards store head, also potent politically because he handles big advertising contracts.

Preston B. Bird, county commissioner, supported for re-election by the Miami Herald.

Oscar Dooley, DuPont interests' Miami spokesman.

And then there's John F. Wilmott, head of the "Dade Research Foundation"—which was formed in the offices of the Miami Herald for the specific purpose of bringing about consolidation of Miami and unincorporated areas in Dade county—ostensibly to centralize the government, but really to make it possible for the wielders of public opinion—the press—to more easily control politics and shift tax burdens off the Anointed Few's shoulders.

These aren't all the names. There are 44 in all. But these are typical of the group that the Dade delegation is supposed to listen to in their contemplation of the sales tax.

Did you notice that on it are NO representatives of labor, no representatives of the white-collar worker, or the office workers, or the domestic, or the pensioners (whom this will hit the hardest)?

No, only the representatives, emissaries, and stooges of the Powers-That-Be in the Miami area.

### "Let the People Decide!" Herald Has Said Before—Herald, Say It NOW!

THE MIAMI Herald and its stooges, when campaigning for a particular plan, and when it suits its purpose, decries the fact that the people are denied a vote when these subjects are attacked in the courts.

"Let the people decide," has been their stern headline over a fiery editorial more than once.

Now we challenge the Miami Herald and its spokesmen and stooges, to include in that "Let-the-people-decide" dictum a subject they have carefully avoided—that of the state income tax!

We say, "Let the people decide" HOW we'll obtain this added revenue. Let's decide it in a democratic manner.

Let's VOTE on a sales tax. Let's VOTE on

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## HERALD BELIEVES CHURCHES CAN BE MANIPULATED

BISCAYNE Bill's letter in the Monday Herald was addressed to the City Commission, Miami, Fla., and it was as follows:

"Gentlemen: Don't be surprised when the fall campaign for the three vacancies on your board are to be filled, if the 'church people' make an open campaign, too.

"BISCAYNE BILL."

Now we've been taught, since our first grade in school, that separation of church and state was NECESSARY for the good of the people.

It would seem that the repercussions in Europe over the warfare between the Church and various governments has caused enough suffering to make all democracies sit up and take notice; and prove the contentions of our freedom-pursuing ancestors.

The Herald merely wants to use the church as a base for its propaganda.

Church people are NOT banded together, except in their religious thinking beliefs. They vote as individuals.

And when a newspaper deliberately pressures churches into politics and tries to solidify the so-called church vote into a unit it can use for its own dark purpose, it stoops to the lowest depths of journalism.

Any preacher who blindly follows the editorial policies of a newspaper, and espouses such policies without first-hand knowledge of whether or not they are best for his congregation and his community, is lending himself, perhaps unwittingly, to a diabolical conspiracy to thrust control of the community's affairs into the hands of a newspaper editor or publisher.

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## Power Lobby Expose Has Echoes In Miami

DREW PEARSON reports that the infamous Private Power Lobby has succeeded in sabotaging the promise of Pres. Truman to extend public power over the nation.

The lobby, he says, pulled skillful wires in the Senate appropriations committee room and succeeded in having the government committee eliminate appropriations for government transmission facilities and invite private power companies to build them instead.

This stops public power from being transmitted to the public—except through the private companies at the latter's high rates!

This expose, coming on top of the recommendations of Julius F. Parker, law-partner of Former Florida Gov. Caldwell, for Florida to buy ALL of the privately owned utilities in the state for the benefit of the public, should highlight Miami's sim-

ilar condition.  
**FIRST:** Our lobbyists are the newspapers and their stooges—the same forces that advocated a sales tax, details of which may be read in another part of this paper.

**SECOND:** It is almost mandatory that the City of Miami, to keep its economic equilibrium, acquire the Power Co., and operate it as a municipal undertaking.

Columnist Pearson points out that politicians are very susceptible to lobbyists. He says:

"The Senate's sell-out to the private power companies was the result of high-paid, high-pressure lobbying."

He added that John Corette, vice president of Montana Power, personally visited every member of the House and Senate appropriation committee.

"While he was exerting his charm in

Washington," Pearson said, "his company back home was publishing a propaganda book called 'Public Power Means High Taxes, Socialism, and Less Money For Irrigation.'

"The Montana Chamber of Commerce even spread the lie that public power lines would rob Montana of power by transporting it to Idaho for an atomic energy plant.

"Released to the press by James Flaherty, president of the Montana Chamber of Commerce, this was categorically denied by Atomic Energy Chairman David Lillenthal . . ."

How like the FP&L's set-up here—with both daily newspapers, the Chamber of Commerce, and "Big Business" protecting and shielding the Power Trust.

"Senate's sell-out" struck home to us.

Pearson minced no words. He didn't say "al-

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## LIFE lines-LIFE lines

America's Chinese policy has been yellow—and pink.

A sales tax means selling Miami down the river.

With fewer buildings going up the building industry is coming down.

A tooth taken out in Miami does not necessarily mean a pain removed.

Anyway, mail sticks to its business.

To say that a man is beastly is often an insult to the beasts.

## Call The Next Case

By BOND

### Who's A Liar?

Perjury Committed In Courts and No One Jailed For It; Larceny Made Easy—But Still Costly; Drunk Drivers On Highway

**PERJURY.** If everybody who commits perjury in courts and at legal hearings were committed to jails, the cells certainly would be packed to the cracking point. When principals and witnesses testify to exactly the opposite allegations, it is obvious that one side is lying or else is stretching the truth to the breaking point.

This is the case in the lower city and county courts as well as the upper. Many a charge in the municipal court is flatly denied by the defendant. They must try to determine which is falsifying or which can be most believed. It is not easy as both parties have taken the oath and both tell their stories with emphasis and a straight face. Authority usually leans toward favoring the complainants on the theory they would not have filed the complaint if there had not been a good basis for the action.

There must have been perjury, for example, in the Huttoo hearing as completely contradictory statements were made by witnesses. Both could not have been right. There was evident perjury on one side or the other in the historic Hiss-Chambers trial in the north.

In a recent county court trial, an attorney charged his dissatisfied client beat him up but the client claimed it must have been another fellow, for he had not seen the plaintiff.

Most cases rest upon what is truth.

**LET** there be light. But there was too much light shining in her window and so Patricia, born in Ireland, shot it out, and in Miami city court received a 15-day suspended sentence. A sister, Jean, born in Scotland, was charged with similar malicious destruction of property, and also with resisting arrest. Her case was dismissed.

This will not please the Florida Power & Light Co., which offers a reward of \$100, or something like, for arrest and conviction of people who damage their property, such as popping out street lights.

**THERE** have been two or three cases of larceny brought against customers in the Morris Bros. store. Now we are not surprised. Perhaps, it was the only way that customer could get attention. We and others might have walked off with a suit of clothes—and then got nabbed. For at least 10 or 15 minutes we fingered over racks of suits, which had been advertised, and not a clerk approached us. There was not even a male clerk in sight or any other in that First street side of the store. Morris didn't want our business nor that of any other man. And surely the brothers made theft tempting and easy. You couldn't buy the stuff.

Yet it is costly if you fail to pay and get caught. William L. Addis, 24, charged with disorderly conduct in refusing to pay a 30-cent part of a food bill at the Union Bus station was jailed for 15 days by City Judge Cecil C. Curry.

Theodore R. Blout, Negro porter, was given 60 days for a \$11.55 larceny. To avoid a court suit guess we shall refrain from walking off with a Morris Bros. suit, even if that is the only method by which we can acquire one.

One should also be careful of their conduct in downtown Miami. Ruth Riley of questionable age was found guilty of being drunk, disorderly and using obscene lan-

## DRUNK BRUTALLY BEATS OLD PARK LOT WORKER

**M**YSTERY surrounds the brutal beating of an elderly parking lot attendant near the Robert Clay hotel one night last week. Apparently no report was filed with the police and the beastly drunk who knocked the old man down escaped in his car.

The Robert Clay hotel, once a quiet, sedate hostelry, it seems, has branched out and become quite a gay spot at nights, what with a cocktail lounge, dancing and an outdoor swimming pool. Residents in nearby hotels and apartments complain about the late noises emanating from this area.

There are two or three parking lots to accommodate guests, and it is the rule that if a party does not remain at the Robert Clay he may get back his parking fee. On the night in question the drunk drove up, had his car parked, and attracted by the bright lights, entered the hotel. He soon emerged in angry temper, and still more viciously under the influence.

He growled to the attendant that only young squirts were cutting the capers therein and he was moving on. In keeping with the regulation, but very foolishly, the parking lot elder started to hand the brute back his 25 cents charge. For some reason that aroused the drunk to action.

He shouted that nobody was going to insult him that way; he was not asking for any money, and with that he felled the old man, beat and kicked him, while the feeble worker, trying to make a living, pleaded for mercy. Leaving the old man on the ground, dead for all he knew or cared, the liquored gentleman drove off.

This week, the trembling victim, wrecked physically, unable to labor, was leaving town.

The mad human is still at large, presumably still endangering life as a drunken driver, and ready to assault anyone who crosses his path when he is under the control of intoxicants. Such creatures are potential killers. They should be denied their permanent driving rights and locked up where they will not be a threat to decent people.

## NO CUT FOR JUDGES, ONLY FOR BLIND-AGED

**N**OW isn't this typical of political Tallahassee? Because of the alleged shortages in state funds and an ordered slash of 25 per cent across the board, the first to feel the pinch were the old, the blind and crippled, who had their pitiful allowances cut.

But the kindly state cabinet backed down on some budgets. It permitted full allowances for the circuit courts, so that the well paid judges would not be forced to accept a temporarily reduced salary; so that the judges who retire on the fat of the land with generous pensions would continue to get their full payments. The retirement system for state officers and employes was also exempted. They have lived off the state for years and now they need not suffer any lowering of their allowances in retirement. Their political influence still holds. The few Confederates may also continue to get their pensions.

But not the Florida blind, not the aged and poor. The judges and employes will get their's, even if they don't need the money.

So it appears that the Florida economy is not in such a serious shape after all. The state still has enough money to pass out to the political grabbers.

Of course, as MIAMI LIFE previously pointed out, the reason for slashing the funds for the unfortunates, was to dramatize an alleged shortage and give the Miami Herald, the Dade county delegation, the DuPont interests, and big property classes the opportunity to whoop it up for a sales tax to relieve the rich boys.

With reasonable economy there is no need for increased taxes and no necessity for cutting off the actual needy. What a despicable game to play with misery—so that the officialdom can have more money to squander.

This proves conclusively our contention that this is a land of SPECIAL PRIVILEGE.

guage at S. E. First and First, and got 30 days to quiet down and think it over.

**DRUNK** drivers still endanger the highways despite the dozens who appear before the city and county courts weekly, are heavily fined and have their licenses revoked. But Wilbur J. Schmal, 35, a dog trainer, charged with driving while under the influence, didn't have a license to revoke. On the double charge he was fined \$60 and \$25.

**FORGIVE** and forget. Assaults on women by men, white and black, are among the common cases. But Judge Curry is lenient where there is forgiveness on the part of the accuser—usually the wife. If the culprit is sorry, and, of course, he is by that time, the court dismisses him with a suspended sentence. Which means if he repeats, the law will crack down hard.

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### SPORTSCOPE

By JOE MAHONEY

**Swell BLACKWELL**

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THE TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS, IN WINNING THE 1949 STANLEY CUP PLAYOFFS BECAME THE FIRST TEAM TO COP THE TROPHY 3 SEASONS IN A ROW SINCE THE N.H.L. WAS ORGANIZED IN 1917.

IN 1948, TED WILLIAMS WENT HITLESS IN 6 OF THE 11 GAMES HIS TEAM PLAYED IN YANKEE STADIUM.

### CHEAP COURT MASTERS GIVE QUICK DECISIONS

In a recent news announcement Circuit Judge Carroll was quoted as saying he would allow only \$7.50 fees to masters for reviewing uncontested divorce suits. A local lawyer remarked:

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### OLD WORKERS ARE FIRED BY MIAMI EMPLOYERS

**A**NOTHER blow to private enterprise is the local report that Burdine's and certain other large employers are discharging their old and faithful employes, so they may avoid paying pensions and continuing social security benefits on the old timers.

Now during reduced business when personnel is being decreased, many of the regulars are the first to be released while the younger people are kept at work. There are stories going the rounds of elders, employes of many years breaking down and crying when released by Burdine's. They are too old now to find employment elsewhere, if they have no money put away they are just out of luck.

The failure to recognize the rights of the steady and dependable employes, who are unorganized, is an outstanding weakness of the American capitalistic system. The Miami Herald and Miami Daily News are among the chief offenders in this field. There is no security for the faithful, decent workers when bosses are of this ruthless, materialistic sort. By such methods capitalism helps to destroy its own house.

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## What Holds Huttoe Up?

EDITOR, MIAMI LIFE:

How goes it. I see you are still after Huttoe. Damned if I see what holds that guy up. Do you realize the heat has been on him for nearly 10 years now. A man with any brains would crack in less time than that.

We are all mixed up in the Klan battle. Frankly I think the Klan has very little to do with it and is taking the blame for a lot of private flogging parties. It seems to me that with all of the heat on even a Klanner would have enough sense to lay off until it cools down. Even Miami gamblers have that much sense.

Thanks for the paper. I pass it around every week and it is worn out by the time the last guy gets his hooks on it.

BOB

Birmingham, Ala.

## Patients Want Miami Life

EDITOR MIAMI LIFE:

Gentlemen: For a number of years I have been a regular reader of MIAMI LIFE. However, since last August I have been a patient in the T. B. ward of this hospital. My condition is such that I'll be here for some time to come.

The one thing I miss more than anything else is your informative paper. If I were able to do so I would subscribe to same. However, I am without resources and so ask you good gentlemen if you could see your way clear to do so, to send a copy of MIAMI LIFE to me weekly. I would, of course, share this with the other patients who too would appreciate your kindness.

Thanking you, I remain, yours very truly,

CLYDE CLARK.

EDITOR'S NOTE: We are sending five copies each week complimentary.

## Neglected Unfortunates

EDITOR, MIAMI LIFE:

This town certainly needs a paper like yours in a town like this, where the truth brought into the open cannot stand the light.

That underprivileged children, the blind and the aged should suffer to keep rotten politicians in power. You cannot put it too strongly. Not the half has been told. I have written many of these facts and sent them to my son, Louis Minsky, with the National Conference of Christians and Jews in New York city hoping he will give the situation here some of the publicity it should have. I know old people that have never had a full meal or even a small oil burner to boil an egg on—if they could get the egg. Many of them—these old ones—will die of starvation or

## LOTTERY TICKETS SOLD OPENLY FOR CHARITY

IT IS a crime to sell a bolita ticket and many a person is summoned to court on that charge. Yet other kinds of lottery tickets are sold openly all the time on the streets, in business establishments and other places.

You step out of a grocery and are tackled by peddlers of chances on a Packard auto . . . Children are sent around to homes and stores begging folks to buy a chance on a radio or a floor lamp or a trip to Chattanooga. The price may range from a dime to a dollar.

All of these lotteries are offered in the name of some alleged charity or church. The money given is supposedly for a good cause. But the sucker is urged to contribute for the sake of winning something for nothing. It is exactly on the same principle as buying the bolita ticket or calling a bookie to place a bet. Except that you have a better chance with a bookie and you can use some skill in picking the horse.

If gambling is illegal and morally evil, it is just as bad when committed in the name of a good cause. It encourages gambling and it induces children to engage in these illicit acts. But you don't hear the Crime Commission and the daily newspapers screaming over the situation.

commit suicide. That this country does send its billions to foreign countries while its own pioneers are forgotten. Little children not even able to go to school for lack of clothing. Personally I tied up a sheet full of clothing and materials to make clothes from my own closet for a neighbor's family with three teen age girls who could not go to school for lack of clothes, shoes, etc. I could write pages of the things I know to be facts where no assistance or help is given or offered. I hope you may publish more of this.

And God speed you in your work, sincerely,  
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## Thanks

EDITOR, MIAMI LIFE:

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## I Was Just Thinking

By AL KIRK

It is impossible to travel in Venezuela without being impressed with the possibilities of the country as a place to live, work and develop the abundant natural resources.

Across the northern tip are the small states of Zulia, Falcon, Lara, Coedes and Aragua. The landscape is dotted with the new oil towns of American subsidiary oil companies. From Maiquetia, the airport of the city of Caracas, to Barcelona, through the larger states of Guarico and Anzoategui and on south, almost the entire distance to Ciudad Bolivar, on the Orinoco, the landscape is brightly studded with the burning torches of escaping gas from the hundreds of oil wells that are producing a new and steady wealth for the United States of Venezuela.

The northern tip and coast line of Venezuela is not a beautiful country. The dry and barren area from the oil producing region to the mountainous coast line in the region of Caracas is hot and unpleasant. Again from Barcelona to Ciudad Bolivar are dry arid plain lands which provide large quantities of oil most of which is marketed in the U. S. A.

Ciudad Bolivar is not an oil town, but has been boosted in both population and activity as well as in American dollar priming through the exploration and development of huge iron ore resources in its immediate area. This work has been and is being carried out by the Oliver Iron Co., a subsidiary of U. S. Steel. Bethlehem Steel also has a large bite of the juicy iron ore concessions that have recently been granted by the Venezuelan government. There is talk of a railroad bridge across the Orinoco river near Ciudad Bolivar and a railroad to extend to the coast, a distance of 279 miles, for making shipments of iron ore. Surveys for this work are now being effected by the Oliver Iron Co.

Ciudad Bolivar is also the frontier and wholesale supply city for the vast area of the State of Bolivar and its production of

gold, diamonds and cattle; this along with the iron activity make for a busy and prosperous little city. Here talk changes from oil as a predominant topic of conversation to gold, diamonds and iron. Avenza, a subsidiary of Pan American Airlines, flies from Maiquetia to Ciudad Bolivar twice daily.

Hotel facilities in Ciudad Bolivar are primitive as compared to an American hotel. In the leading hotel a room may contain several cots with hard and bumpy mattresses, and the traveler will share space with as many as six or eight other wayfarers. The doors have no locks. The bath is located as far as possible from the rooms and consists of two toilets and two showers. The morning and evening line-ups are not pleasant. There is no water in the rooms, except the wash basins and slop-jar, used by all of the guests quartered in the room. There are no screens, flies and mosquitoes are active. Other hotels are not so up to date, but a new and modern hotel is under construction. With luck, quarters may be obtained at the Oliver Guest House; clean sheets, private bath, screens on the windows and good Yankee food are available. This costs \$10 per day and is worth it, but you have to know somebody to get in.

Except for a few of the hotels in Caracas there is no hot water in Venezuela. Baths are taken and clothes are washed in cold water. Sewage disposal in Ciudad Bolivar is by dumping into the Orinoco and individual cess pools which work well in the sandy soil.

English as a language is used freely in Caracas but little English is spoken in Ciudad Bolivar except for a very few merchants and the American engineers and executives who also speak Spanish. Many Europeans are employed by the iron companies.

Night life in Ciudad Bolivar is similar to that of other Spanish towns and cities. In the evening the bar owners set chairs in the

## THINGS I'D LIKE TO KNOW

When the Florida Power & Light will reduce bills as well as rates

?

What Elsie was doing out so late the other night

?

Why crime in the name of charity is not crime

?

If Huttoe will include his own vices in law enforcement

?

When Theodore will stop bothering the girl

?

Paseo, or walk, along the avenue which parallels the Orinoco river. Drinks are served to the occupants of the chairs. Coco cola is a favorite drink, usually spiked with very excellent and cheap Venezuelan rum. Good Scotch whisky is obtainable as is New York beer at 60 cents per can. The men sit and drink while the young ladies of the city stroll up and down the Paseo. By 10 p. m. the chairs are removed and the Paseo is dark. There are two movie houses showing both Spanish and American pictures.

By midnight all is quiet except for barking dogs and crowing roosters. In the morning, work starts early. Contrasting scene. In the vacant lot next to the Guest House, located among new and nice modern dwellings on a beautifully boulevarded avenue, a flock of huge black buzzards swarm over a dead animal; dogs bark and harass the buzzards. A bright silver colored two motor Avenza plane runs the length of the field in a strictly modern airport a few blocks distant, rising swiftly to disappear into the horizon over the Orinoco.

## Nine Prizes For Wildlife Posters

THE annual national Conservation Poster Contest will be sponsored again this year by the National Wildlife Federation, according to advice received from D. C. Gleason, director of the servicing division.

The purpose of the contest is to develop nation-wide interest, particularly among young people, in the need of restoration and conservation of our natural resources.

The Wildlife Poster Contest is open to all students in the United States from the seventh through the twelfth grades in high school. The contest will be divided into two groups with a separate prize for each. Group No. 1 will cover all contestants in the seventh, eighth and ninth grades; and the first prize in this category will be \$100.00. Group No. 2 will cover the high school grades through the senior year, and the first prize in this group will be \$250.00. All entries must be received by Jan. 10, 1950. All awards will be made in connection with National Wildlife Restoration Week, celebrated the first week of spring in 1950. Other prizes ranging from \$100 to \$10 will be awarded.

Last year, over two thousand entries were received from all parts of the United States. The winning poster was drawn by Shirley Kabel, a student of Bennett High school in Buffalo, N. Y. Posters should be mailed to National Wildlife Federation, 3308 Fourteenth street N. W., Washington, D. C.

Rules of the Wildlife Poster Contest may be obtained from the Florida Wildlife Federation, Chamber of Commerce building, St. Petersburg, Florida. The judges for the poster contest will be announced later.

The Seaboard Airline Railroad will add 31 new stainless steel sleeping cars to its fleet of streamliners to be operated on the "Silver Meteor," "Silver Comet" and "Silver Star" between New York and Florida, it was announced by passenger traffic manager C. E. Bell.

## Cabbages and Kings

"The time has come," the Walrus said,  
"To talk of many things:  
Of shoes—and ships—and sealing wax—  
Of cabbages—and kings—  
And why the sea is boiling hot—  
And whether pigs have winks."  
—THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS

NIETZSCHE'S Zarathustra, the first to see that the optimist is just as degenerate as the pessimist, and perhaps more harmful, says: "Good men never speak the truth. False shores and false harbors were ye taught by the good. In the lies of the good were ye born and bred. Through the good everything hath become false and crooked from the very roots."

## THE FLEA

And here's the happy, bounding flea—  
You cannot tell the he from she.  
The sexes look alike, you see;  
But SHE can tell, and so can HE!  
—ROLAND YOUNG

WILHELM Stekel, the great Viennese psychoanalyst, fought hard for sexual freedom (in order to rid man of dangerous suppressions) but in addition to that he thought people needed "training for social feeling"—a training that "shall make for altruism, for genuine love." "But how is that possible," he asks, "in an age which has staged the world war with its sacrifice of millions of human beings? Our whole culture rests on the suppression of impulses for the common good. But the war has given a social sanction to the worst of impulses, to murder. What wonder, then, that the whole Pandora box of troubles has broken loose? It would mean carrying coals to Newcastle for me to endeavor to prove at this time that crime has increased incredibly since the war. The decent citizen who was guided by the broader interests of society in his action became a victim of the war fiends who took advantage of the misery of the masses for selfish gains. THEFT BECAME A CIVIC VIRTUE. It changed merely its name: it was called 'business.' Common thefts also increased in number to an alarming extent. The contamination of the youth with these social proclivities suggests a sad perspective for the future. Human life became cheap, murder common. Systematic preying on society through the juggling of the means of subsistence generated the famous type of the war profiteer, whom society at first scorned, only to open its gates to him afterwards, to accept him among the new-rich, and to bow before his success. Capital is king."

THEODORE Dreiser (great novelist, great student of human problems) once wrote George Seldes, publisher of the expose weekly, In Fact: "I one day made a solemn pact with myself to be there and then quit

the Harlot Press, as I had named it myself, for good—never again to take a reporter's job on any newspaper anywhere, even though I starved. And I did so quit and fairly approached starvation before I cut into the editorial and magazine article field, where, at last, little food or much, I could write what I knew to be so and sell at least enough of it to be able to live. And since then (I was 26 at the time) the so-called 'Free Press' has been to me and remains, as I have repeatedly stated, the Harlot Press, the Kept Press, the Corporation controlled Press, etc., etc. And Upton Sinclair's 'The Brass Check,' as well as your own vivid 'The Facts Are' have merely confirmed me in my original opinion and my very early decision."

WHERE the moralist would be filled with indignation and the tragic poet with pity and terror (declares Joseph Campbell in his The Hero With a Thousand Faces), "mythology breaks the whole of life into a vast, horrendous Divine Comedy. Its Olympian laugh is not escapist in the least, but hard, with the hardness of life itself—which, we mak take it, is the hardness of God, the Creator. Mythology, in this respect, makes the tragic attitude seem somewhat hysterical, and the merely moral judgment shortsighted. Yet the hardness if balanced by an assurance that all that we see is but the reflex of a power that endures, untouched by the pain. Thus the tales are both pitiless and terrorless—suffused with the joy of a transcendent anonymity regarding itself in all of the self-centered, battling egos that are born and die in time."

BENNETT CERF joke: Feitelbaum and Garfinkel were partners. One morning Feitelbaum said to Garfinkel: I'm sick and tired of my name. With your permission, I'm changing it to O'Brien." Garfinkel looked thoughtful, and a few days later announced that he, too, was tired of the name he had been bearing all his life. "With your permission," he said, "I have also changed my name to O'Brien." Thereupon, the old sign was taken down and a resplendent new one, reading "O'Brien & O'Brien," was put up in its place. A few mornings later the telephone rang and a voice demanded to be connected with Mr. O'Brien. "Very good, sir," said the cheery operator, "but which Mr. O'Brien do you want: Feitelbaum or Garfinkel?"

## Too Late To Classify

By RUSSELL KAY

SNEAKING away for the holiday weekend, I piled the family in the car and drove to Naples, southernmost resort city on Florida's vividly colorful west coast. Officially, I was visiting Naples as secretary of the Florida Press Association to check on facilities offered for our state convention to be held there next November, but my real purpose was to engage in a wrestling match with some of the mighty denizens of the deep that inhabit Collier County waters in unbelievable numbers.

For a year or more Stuart Rabb, publisher of the Collier County News, has been telling me about these knuckle-busting, tackle-smashing demons. So immediately upon my arrival at the Naples Beach Hotel I called Stuart and much after the manner of General Pershing arriving in Paris said, "Lafayette, we are here, where are the fish?"

Well, Stuart made good in a big way. He had Capt. Benton "Dinks" Boggess, world's best guide, with his charter boat "McChere" ready and waiting for us at the Everglades dock. Winding through the entrancing waterways of the Ten Thousand Islands area, we lolled back in comfortable deck chairs, munching tasty sandwiches and guzzling Coca-Cola and might easily have forgotten why we were there had it not been for the fact that Capt. "Dinks" had crowded fishing rods on us and began trailing shining spoons behind the boat.

Mother Nature certainly buried a mess of dynamite in those otherwise peaceful looking waters. You sit there one minute calm and peaceful watching the dive-bombing pelicans and enjoy-

ing the scenery and the next minute all hell breaks loose. A big snook, red fish or tarpon clamps down on your trailing spoon, your line whips on a smoking reel and, clutching your bowed rod like a melodrama villain, you are all trembly and bug-eyed watching that fighting "Silver Meteor" break the surface and leap 10 feet in the air shaking his massive head while you rear back to take up the slack. It's no pastime for a guy with a weak heart.

A few hours of this and you're glad to return to the luxurious comfort of the Naples Beach Hotel where you can enjoy a cooling dip in the fresh water swimming pool or frolic in the surf. If you want a long tall one, an attendant is waiting to serve you in the beautifully appointed cocktail lounge or on the patio. Then you will really enjoy a before-dinner nap and will find calm repose in a room that reflects the spirit of the famed hotel's hospitality.

Meals and service at the hotel are out-of-this-world, and how you can eat after a day of fishing and swimming! A beautiful sporty golf course awaits those who prefer this form of entertainment to the more rigorous fish rodeos, and if you just want to leaf you'll find friendly connoisseurs all about the place with books and magazines to read, brisk Gulf breezes to keep you cool and alert attendants eager to provide for your comfort.

Collier County is making elaborate plans to entertain visiting news folks next fall. While the convention headquarters will be established in Naples, the group will be taken on a tour of the area. The Collier Corporation

wants them to see the beautiful city of Everglades and learn of the plans for its expansion and development.

The Humble Oil Company will play host one afternoon and take them on a tour of the rapidly developing oil fields. There will be boating, bathing and fishing parties and those who enjoy shell hunting will be bewildered by the variety of shells found on Naples Beach. Many of the choicest shells in the world-famed collections were found at Naples.

Naples and Collier County certainly have plenty to offer the vacationist and I'm looking forward to returning in the fall when the state press gang has its annual get-together in this delightful resort community.

Slight Portion  
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# Power Lobby Expose Has Echoes In Miami

(Continued from Page 1)

leged sell-out." He hid behind no innuendos. He boldly called a spade a spade.

It reminds us that for years and years, administration after administration, nothing has been done to relieve the local situation . . . to find out how much money the city of Miami could make if it purchased the power company and used the profits for capital improvements and for curtailing local taxes.

And when Pearson tells how the Montana company's president visited every member of the committee, it reminds us of how McGregor Smith, head of FP&L, has made it his business to know INTIMATELY each member of our city commission.

Business deals have even been consummated, with the commissioners profiting greatly by these business deals that the shrewd McGregor Smith manipulated!

And the Chamber of Commerce of Montana using its good offices to further spread propaganda for the Utility Trust, and climaxing it with the publication of a book that deliberately disregards facts—doesn't that sound like Miami's Big Business tactics?

**"Public Power Means High Taxes, Socialism, and Less Money For Irrigation."**

Substitute "Capital improvements" for "Irrigation" and you have a perfect example of the type of propaganda put out by the Dade Research Foundation!

In the coming city elections, Miamians should disregard the efforts of the daily press to create false and beclouding issues and consider only what is necessary and best for us as a whole. They should demand that candidates for the city commission state their positions on this vital subject.

Let them declare OPENLY if they're FOR or AGAINST public ownership of the FP&L.

Let them tell the public what they have done to learn all aspects of this problem.

Make them tell how much the FP&L earns and has earned—and if it is possible to divert that money into our city treasury to reduce our tremendous indebtedness.

## Digest of Recent Opinions of The Attorney General of Florida

Attorney General Richard W. Ervin in an opinion to Fred T. Saussy, Jr., assistant state attorney, Hillsborough county, held that an assistant state attorney could act as chairman of his political party's county executive committee.

The Attorney General advised J. W. Hunter, attorney for county commissioners, Lake county, that in case a suit is brought by a defendant against the tax assessor of a county for the purpose of cancelling or contesting a tax, the statute provides in substance that the county attorney shall represent the interests of the county which in such case would be the tax assessor and "for which he shall receive no additional compensation other than as paid him by the county."

oaths in the county judge's office. It was suggested, however, inasmuch as the board of county commissioners pay certain fees for services performed by the county judge that for practical and administrative reasons the county judge should also file a duplicate with the county commissioners. Such was the ruling of the Attorney General in answer to a query from Causey S. Green, county Judge, Putnam county.

Jurors, inspectors of an election, special deputy sheriffs at elections, and persons employed as day laborers for odd jobs on the court house or grounds, are not required to file loyalty oaths, in view of the fact that they are employed only on casual basis, according to an opinion of the Attorney General to C. M. Gay, state comptroller.

County judges and their employees should file their loyalty

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by Rev. William C. Kernon  
FOUR YEARS OF EFFORT AT MIAMI BEACH

Back in 1945 alert residents of Miami Beach, Florida, aware that hotels and apartment houses were using advertising weighted with racial and religious discrimination, undertook a survey to determine the actual extent of such practices.

What they found was alarming enough to prompt the formation of a committee of prominent and civic-minded citizens, representing such organizations as the B'nai B'rith's Anti-Defamation League, whose sole purpose was to further an educational campaign for the elimination of discriminatory advertising.

The committee's efforts were fruitful up to a point. A number of establishments voluntarily changed their discriminatory advertising and practices. But others, turning deaf ears to the educational appeal, refused to do anything and continued to publish their prejudices through signs and other forms of public announcements. Whereupon, it became necessary for the Miami Beach city council to pass an ordinance forbidding the display of discriminatory advertisements.

Difficulties, however, lay ahead. For, in July, 1947, the Dade county circuit court held the ordinance invalid on the ground that the city of Miami each did not have power under its charter to enact such legislation.

Nothing daunted, the advocates of the ordinance persevered. They decided against appealing the court's decision. Instead, they sought passage of an enabling act by the Florida state legislature recognizing the authority of the City of Miami Beach to pass legislation of the kind desired.

In May of this year the legislature adopted the enabling act, and on June 15 the city council of Miami Beach once again unanimously enacted into law its anti-discriminatory advertising ordinance — this time with unquestionable authority.

From now on it is unlawful and a punishable offense in Miami Beach "to maintain or display any advertisement, notice or sign which is discriminatory against persons of any religion, sect, creed, race or denomination in the enjoyment of privileges and facilities of places of public accommodation, amusement or resort."

Time may be measured in ways other than by the clock. It may be measured by effort, supported by conviction, on behalf of justice and human rights. Citizens of Miami Beach, in cooperation with their elected representatives in the city council, have been measuring time that way for the past four years. On June 15 their hour of victory arrived—and with it a better day for good human relations. Other communities—please note—and

## NEGRO COLLEGE HEAD QUILTS POST

TALLAHASSEE — (FNS) — Under fire from all directions, Dr. William H. Gray, Jr., president of Florida A & M College for Negroes, resigned his post stating he did so to "reduce to a minimum the growing factionalism" in the institution.

A total of 53 allegations has been made against the A & M College head. Charges made by individuals in affidavits and outlined to the board of control in private session and by investigators who have been looking into the case, allege a \$15,000 shortage in extension funds of the college, improper use of state property, favoritism of certain students, failure to turn in money received that belonged to the state and many other charges.

Appearing before the board of control in its secret study of the case were State Auditor Bryan Willis, Assistant Attorney General James Toney, J. J. Elliott, special investigator for the governor and State Representatives John W. Henderson of Tallahassee and B. G. Patton of Apalachicola.

In a statement following his resignation, Gray said, "I have not been guilty of any misconduct.

## LITTLE REGGIE



I'LL HAVE TO DASH OUT TO GET SAUCE FOR THE HUGE SPAGHETTI DINNER WE'RE HAVING TONIGHT!



## MIAMI BOYS HAVE ALL-SUMMER CAMP JOYS IN Y. M. C. A.

HUNDREDS of Miami boys are enjoying a summer outing without leaving town this year through the introduction of a new seasonal program at the Young Men's Christian Association in downtown Miami. This is proving to be particularly helpful to the sons of employed parents, who cannot get away for a vacation nor afford to send their lads to a summer camp. Mothers are especially appreciative of the plan, as it furnishes recreation and instruction and a place to go daily while they are busy.

Fred S. Smith, the boys' work secretary, introduced and supervises the program, which has been named "Sportsmens Frolic." There is no extra fee for this service aside from the annual membership of \$6. The daily program operates from 9 a. m. to 3 p. m., and until noon on Saturdays. The boys participating range from 9 to 15 years, and they are divided as to age groups. There are more than 600 boys registered with some 400 taking part in this unique summer frolic.

The youths bring their own lunches and a picnic lunch is enjoyed daily in Bayfront park. During the day there are swimming lessons, gymnasium work, handicraft and other useful instructions, with occasional movies. A weekly all-day bus trip is provided to some park in this vicinity, and various other features are offered, such as horseback riding at the Greynolds Riding Academy, and roller skating at the Biscayne rink. Starting August 1 the activities will embrace camp craft and first aid work. Opening the latter part of June the frolic will continue until August 26.

The annual summer camp of the Y. M. C. A. opens Saturday at Ma-Wi-An in the lake region near Odessa, Fla. There will be two groups, each of 54 boys, and they will have an outing of two weeks at a total cost of \$20 per week. In the first groups are a number of worthy lads whose outing is being financed by the Kiwanis club. Waldi Holroyd is in charge of the summer camp.

## FARM SAFETY

Tampa — (FNS) — The annual Florida Safety on the Farm survey conducted by the Florida Safety Council shows that four lives less were lost in 1948 and 284 less accidents occurred than the previous year.

Since the inauguration of the Safety on the Farm program by Commissioner Nathan Mayo in 1938, in which year there were 111 farm deaths, there were only 24 deaths in 1948 and the corresponding reduction of farm accidents shows the progress of the Safety on the Farm program.

Most farmers know their Red Cross, First Aid and are their own engineer and mechanic. They usually have a First Aid Kit on hand and know how to treat each little accident. "Safety on the Farm week is a good time for each farmer to check on any hazards around his farm and home and to eliminate them," stated Asher Frank, director of the Florida Safety Council.

## SPORTSCOPE By JOE MAHONEY

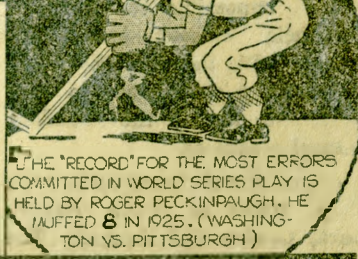


## STRANGLER LEWIS

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THE "RECORD" FOR THE MOST ERRORS COMMITTED IN WORLD SERIES PLAY IS HELD BY ROGER PECKINPAUGH. HE MAFFED 8 IN 1925. (WASHINGTON VS. PITTSBURGH)

## John S. Knight Now Goes Reactionary

IT IS easy, especially in tough times, to get the public to forget the horrors experienced in the last war . . . easy to get them to forget that everybody—100 per cent of America—has already gone on record as agreeing that isolation is a thing of the past and that our former isolation policy had much to do with the starting of World War II.

Yet U. S. Senator Robert Taft, the Ohio icicle, with the backing of Herald Publisher John S. Knight, also of Ohio, has started a crusade to get the American public aroused over signing the North Atlantic Pact . . . a Pact that would insure our intervention in case any of the treaty signers were attacked.

Without the U. S., the Pact would be only a futile gesture.

The mere fact that the U. S. was pledged along with the others would keep any war-minded power of Europe (whether Russia or Germany) from promiscuously starting a war, which, as everyone knows, would eventually involve us, even if we never signed the Pact.

That's a known and established fact by now. So why create any doubt in the minds of aggressive nations as to the possibility of our staying out? Don't give more dictators another opportunity to delude themselves into trying again for world domination.

Publisher Knight is so determined to get an anti-labor, reactionary president in the White House that even now he is grooming Sen. Taft for that position, choosing to FORGET that he and his newspapers formerly OPPOSED Taft and his ilk as heads of the G. O. P.! He professed to want Progressives and Liberals like Stassen.

It is obvious that he NOW believes that the only way he can get a Republican in the White House is to turn the public, in any manner he can devise, against their own interests!

Creating animosity in their hearts toward all foreign countries might accomplish this, he figures.

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# MASON at MIDNIGHT

Lee Mason is heard nightly in his own program, Mason At Midnight, from 11 p. m. to 2 a. m. through Radio Station WINZ, 940 K.C., broadcasting directly from the air-conditioned Brigadoon Room in the Hyde Park Hotel, 41st street and Collins avenue, Miami Beach.

By LEE MASON  
In the papers, you know that the summer is with us—Jack Lait is writing the column of Walter Winchell. Wonder how many remember Jack's "Help Wanted"? And the dashing around he did after Tommy O'Connor? Or the trip to Mexico

to see if the Hearst interests could be bettered? But the swing is still there—and tho it may be less majestic, there are many who think that a daily column by Lait would once again show the world what a real reporter writes like.

Spent some hilarious hours



with the Marshall Brothers before they left for Philadelphia. The boys have about fourteen

weeks of theatres ahead of them, then hope to come back here for the season.

Attended a Tuesday meeting at the Delano, and was the richer by a very fine luncheon. As far as doing any business was concerned, it was a total bust. I have never been able to understand how it is that people with so little knowledge of a city can be experts on everything concerning it in so short a space of time. It seems that Stella, of Jose and Stella, who designed and perpetrated the humbug that passed as an authentic Latin American dance fiesta, now has the idea that as an impressario

she is the tops, and wants to include the whole beach in the flop. I say this advisedly—Stella sold me the thing with the idea that there were a number of dancers who were coming here from various Latin countries, and that they were here to represent the dance culture of those countries. According to the reports that I received, the hit of the show was Maria Diaz, who appears each night in the Brigadoon room of the Hyde Park Hotel, with Ricci Carman and the orchestra—which makes her a local act. Nino, I am told, was the opposite end of the scale, and held stage for three quarters of an hour or more, in spite of the fact that

the audience was quite audible in their dissatisfaction. It was worth the price of admission tho, to hear Stella was indignant as she said that the Beach had as many bands as Miami—she must have meant professional dance bands, and the idea at the time was the high school bands—Jackson, Edison and Miami, as well as a good unit at once, with the Drum and Bugle Corps, the Harvey Seeds unit, and many others available to Miami for any civic affair. As a matter of fact, the Beach uses professional bands from the A. F. M., when it wants a top marching unit. It was no worse, however, than the deep-throated speech about what hap-

pened at Philadelphia that we had to sit thru—the orator forgetting completely that Philadelphia is within ninety minutes of twelve million people—and we are so far down the road that the visitor who comes here, needs a week or more for the trip. The idea of something for the summer visitor is great—or for the in-between season spring or fall, that will bring people here. But as Ernie Siler of Miami so diplomatically suggested, it might be well to give the thing a lot of thought, and get some ideas on paper. On that theme, we adjourned. But, as Paul Bruun said to me, "It is amazing how fast some Johnny - come - latelays will

give away other people's money." Several out-of-studio radio shows are now cleared for interviews by members of AGVA or AFRA. The Paul Bruun show on WINZ, the Allan Courtney show on WINZ, the Barry Grey show on WMIE, the Lee Mason show on WINZ, the Dick Stern show on WKAT, are all O. K. But performers who are asked on any other show had better check with the AGVA office.

The tip is out that a certain night club is on the verge of a crack down for lewd shows. If the reports are true, this club should be put out of business, as it is this type of show that can close every place in town. AGVA has warned its members that they will be held accountable for anything indecent, and club owners who permit it are even more short sighted.

Bill Jordan sets the tee off for his summer show as next Wednesday. He will have some new acts, but the feature will be, of course, the two pianos.

Give Jack Goldman credit—he won't stop. Anne Rooney opened at the Clover Club, with comic Milt Ross and Rita Duprey rounding out the bill. I called Lennie, and he told me that business was steadily on the up—and that means that the public wants shows—summer or winter. The Rooney gal and her hangs are a national item—and she is really that good.

June Leone opened at the City Club, and once again proved that people follow a favorite, Phil reports her opening night as one of the best the house has ever had, and the business is holding up. June is getting the top salary ever paid an act at the City Club—and earning it!

Is it true that the Club Benni will change its name to the Eddie Barnes Room?

Freddie Bernard, Mary Lane and the Princess Tulane, all at the Club 22 on the Beach, were tossed a party the other day even by a customer who sat thru all three shows, and then had to show his appreciation by the after hours shindig. It wound up with Mr. Man offering to take the three of them to South America with him—and he could do it, as his private plane was waiting at the airport. If the night's promises are made good, the girls will be wearing diamond studded "G" strings, and Freddie will have a new car.

A note from Joey Adams to say that the engagement at the New York Copa is great, and that he has met many of the Beach folk there—mostly Bookies who left here to escape the heat.

Another note from Willie Nevada says that the lovely Harold Minsky some new headaches. Wonder how long it takes some of these glamour pussies to find out that you can slip down a lot faster than you went up? Willie also says that Minsky at the Colonial this winter will present a really sensational show.

The take off on Calvert that Helene Polka is using in her Jungle Club advertising has the whole town laughing. But a bigger laugh is Helene's fruit salad number at the club—and don't miss it.

Souls, the nature girl, back at the Red Barn, brings Max Caops' load of lovelies up to par, Saint Satan and Penny Art, two of the town's best attractions, hold over, of course.

Jackie Paul, the Panther Woman, now at the Ball and Chain for Phil Zwill, has had so many offers that she is set in Miami for as long as she wishes to stay. But Lester Tyndal of the Windmill in Jacksonville told me that he wanted Jackie for his club there, and that he was willing to bid for her. Lester also O. K'd the clever Kelly girl at the Paddock as soon as she finishes for Maxie and Willie.

Bubbles De Marco of the 22 took a three-day vacation to fly to Havana. While there, she set herself for some dates (Continued on Page 8)

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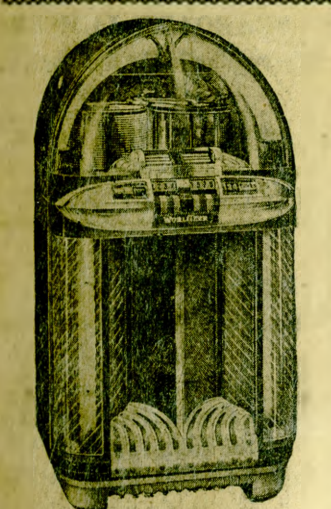
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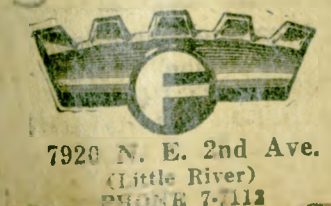
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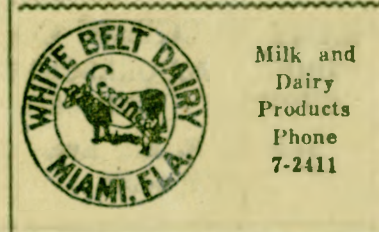
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WOMEN have the toughest time with their husbands. It's a wonder they ever get tied up. Matrimony has its atrocities no less than war.

It is hard enough to operate a restaurant in these days without the proprietor smashing dishes when he goes on a tear. Betty Jane Adams sues Stanley Adams, 3086 S. W. Fifth street. They were first married August 8, 1942, in Lakewood, Ohio, and were separated March 15, 1947. The plaintiff was granted a divorce in May but a year later decided she was willing to resume relations and they were re-wed May 25, 1948, in Miami, but this one did not last as long as the first.

After the second marriage the defendant, she says, started drinking and refused support. They operated a restaurant at 3664 S. W. 8th street, Miami, and on May 15, 1949, Stanley came in while inebriated and began smashing the dishes and throwing knives, hurling one at her. He smashed their child's finger in the cash register. He kept pestering her and on May 24 Betty locked him out and he forced his way into the house with an axe, threatened to kill her. She asks fees and costs. The law firm is Hickey and Newbold.

Statements made herein are taken from the official files at the Dade County courthouse and are not those of MIAMI LIFE.

### 'Tis Sober News, Smash Moonshine

FOR the second month in a row, agents of the state beverage department smashed all records for locating and destroying illegal moonshine stills, Director Lewis M. Schott announced.

A total of 77 stills were seized during the month of June, Schott said. The stills had a weekly capacity of 13,700 gallons of moonshine—or enough to defraud the state and federal governments of approximately \$7,500,000 in taxes in a year's time.

With both sections of the statewide flying squad concentrated in north Florida, that area provided the richest haul for the beverage agents, with 61 stills being destroyed in the territory from Escambia to Duval counties. District One, with headquarters in Pensacola, was tops for the month, with 38 stills in its 10-county section.

District Three, with headquarters in Jacksonville, came in second, reporting destruction of 17 stills.

Agents for District Two, working out of Tallahassee, uncovered six stills. District Four, with headquarters in Ocala, located four stills, while the Orlando office, headquarters for District Five, reported two stills.

Agents from District Six, working out of Tampa, destroyed five stills, the District Seven office at Sarasota was low for the month with only one still destroyed, while beverage men from District Eight, with headquarters in Miami, discovered four stills.

Beverage men arrested 262 persons for violations of state beverage statutes, went to court with 109 cases and got convictions in 96 of these.

Among items confiscated were 17 automobiles, a boat, a wagon and one mule.

Teen-agers represent real buying power today, according to a recent survey conducted by Sales Management Magazine. Boys and girls between the ages of 13 and 19 have an average allowance or personal earnings of \$12.71 per week. Allowances and earnings of teen-agers run from \$4.03 to as high as \$25.56 per week.

FOR 30 years Lillian C. Cole and Walter J. Cole, married April 20, 1919, in Chicago, lived together in a haphazard way until March 23, 1949, when they finally parted. He would absent himself from home, stay out nights, and was infatuated with another woman, claims

Lillian. He spent week-ends with her at Miami Beach and made trips with her. A property settlement has been reached. Morrow & Mays are the attorneys.

THIS marriage was far more brief, being solemnized in Dade Jan. 27, 1949.

Within two months, Ida Sue Poyer charges Charles E. Poyer started drinking, consuming a fifth of whiskey daily. During violent arguments, Ida alleges Charles assaulted and beat her, and he would awaken her in the morning at 8:30 o'clock by striking her on the head

with a pan. In May they went to Michigan to take back the body of a relative for burial, and Ida asserts that she was deserted in Detroit. On June 11 he beat her on the head and injured her eye so seriously that she suffered an eye hemorrhage. She left him on June 22.

The defendant has a house and garage apartment at 9450 Collins avenue, Miami Beach, and has a large sum of money in excess of \$5,000.

He has real estate holdings and is co-executor of an estate valued at half a million dollars, and is an executor and beneficiary of another estate. The plaintiff is employed as a secretary at \$40 a week, and she asks alimony and costs. Leo M. Alpert is the barrister.

HE would argue about everything and nothing, sets forth Bonnie I. Cooper against Eugene B. Cooper, who were united in Miami

July 24, 1946. He hit, slapped and beat her, and caused bruises. On June 18, 1947, she filed divorce proceedings but withdrew the action when he promised to be good. He left her five times for several days, telling her to get a divorce. Again the lady wants a divorce, costs and fees, charging cruelty. L. Earl Curry is the solicitor.

MINA L. O'Connell and John A. O'Connell were

married in Miami March 7, 1948, and she reports that he deserted June 9 of the same year. Two weeks after the marriage John complained he did not have as much money as expected and thought she should support him. They are advanced in years. Arguments ensued and he moved out. She has been unable to locate him. The lawyer is Irving F. Kaiback.

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Instituting a loyalty movement among the Exchange and other civic clubs of America, the Miami Exchange club members today at El Comodoro hotel swore to an oath of allegiance, to support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic.

President Charles S. Roberts and the board of control had approved the action, and the oath was read by Judge Norman C. Hendry. In assuming the oath the members also swore that they do not advocate, are not members and will not become members of the Communist party nor any other political organization that advocates the overthrow of the government of the United States by force, and will not aid any such movement.

Similar oaths are now required of public employes but this is believed to be the first time that civic club members as a group have joined in a similar loyalty pledge.

An address opposing President Truman's socialized medicine

was delivered by Dr. Edward Roland Annis of the Dade County Medical Association, who announced that MIAMI LIFE's plan for a central clearing house for doctor calls will begin operating the first of August. Just call the Dade County Medical Association in case of an emergency and when the person afflicted has no regular physician and does not know whom to summon.

Dr. Annis described the political medicine plan as another step toward socialism and collectivism, and asked why this should not then next be extended to milk, to groceries, to lawyers. He branded as false some of the statements made by the advocates of the compulsory health insurance movement. He pointed to the proud record of American medical progress under the private system, the conquest of diseases and the prolongation of life expectancy from 49 to 69 years.

Dr. Annis supported the various voluntary health insurance plans and said they cost less than would the proposed socialistic health act, which, he said, would call for a payroll tax of from 3 to 10 per cent.

BIG PORGY CATCH FOR OIL SUPPLY

Menhaden, commonly known as porgy, is Florida's top non-food fish, the research and industrial division of the Florida State Chamber of Commerce reported in its weekly business review.

"Last year's catch of 100,344,248 pounds stood above the 95-193,000 ten-year average, 1938-1947. This 1948 catch was previously reported by a state agency as 892,303,457 pounds but a recent check shows this figure referred to numbers of fish, not pounds.

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East Coast History

St. Augustine — (FNS — Dr. A. J. Hanna and his wife, Dr. Kathryn Abbey Hanna, professors of history at Rollins College at Winter Park, and widely known in historical work, are at it again. This time it is Florida's East Coast from Fernandina to Key West, and they hope to put together a highly readable, detailed history.

The two professors said the title has not been selected but

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that it was scheduled for publication by Bobbs-Merrill in the fall of 1950. Their Lake Okechobee book is their latest delving into history but prior to that there was her "Florida, Land of Change," and his "Flight Into Oblivion," "A Prince in Their Midst," and "The St. Johns" in collaboration with James Branch Cabell.

The new story will be one of the gradual building of Florida's Atlantic Coast as civilization pushed Southward. Piracy comes in for some telling for the Hannas say justice never really has been done to that aspect of Florida's history.

INSECTICIDE CARE

SPECIAL precaution in handling parathion, one of the newest and most effective insecticides, was advised by the State Board of Health.

The warning was especially directed to workers in insecticide and fertilizer plants where the substance is mixed.

Caution should also be used when insecticides containing parathion are used as sprays on farms and in citrus groves. Insecticides containing the substance carry labels, warning that they should not be used as household sprays.

A set of directions for handling this material has just been published by U. S. Public Health Service. According to that agency, special precautions are needed because parathion can be absorbed through the skin. Work clothes should be laundered daily and parathion mixers should wear rubber boots and gloves. A shower bath at the end of the day's work is advised. If parathion gets on the skin, it should be washed off immediately.

PREVENTIVE MEDICINE

Florida has been selected as one of the 17 states where physicians may take their residency in preventive medicine and public health, it was learned here. The American Public Health Association approved the In-Service Training Center at the Alachua County health department as the training area in this state.

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# Herald Puts New Life In Florida K. K. K.!

THE Ku Klux Klan got its first journalistic "shot in the arm" for a long time this week when the press—rather, some of the press—connected the Klan with a Groveland, Fla., mob who appeared before the jail where three or four Negroes, who allegedly kidnaped and raped a 17-year-old wife, were being guarded by the sheriff.

Now these men were unmasked. They had no connection with the Klan. They were open and unafraid when they approached the jail and demanded that the Negroes be turned over to them.

The sheriff, as you readers know, had already removed them.

Now the reason he removed them was this: he knew the temper of the PEOPLE of this community—not the Klansmen. He knew their temper was the same as righteous people anywhere, South or North.

In our Herald appeared a full-length, double-column editorial specifically denouncing the Ku Klux Klan and "mob violence."

Only one line was devoted to the crime itself. The Herald characterized it as a "heinous crime."

No explanation was given—no bewailing the fact that a great many people circulate freely amongst us with those same tendencies in their heart and makeup.

We honestly believe that the powers that advocate social equality are not entirely blameless. They have instilled hate in the hearts of the youthful Negroes who haven't matured sufficiently to digest radical teachings. Persecution complexes result. Some of the bolder now seek the opportunity to wreak vengeance and humiliate what they choose to call their

"white oppressors." This isn't a case where a single sex-maniac attacks a lonely woman, but one in which four Negro youths, with a unity of mind and purpose, overpowered this girl's husband, kidnaped and ravished her.

So what difference is it going to make if the Klan is dissolved?

Regardless of how much the K K K is fought, regardless of how the Klan is disbanded, the mental attitude of Southerners toward this kind of sex brutality will be UNCHANGED. The good people of the South (like the good people of the North) will always resent, sometimes VIOLENTLY, bestial acts of this kind!

It is because of these atrocities that it is easy to organize hate societies—possible to instill in the minds of people wanting to protect their women-folks, the need for a Vigilantes organization.

Negro organizations, just as much as white organizations—in brief, the good citizens of every good community in Florida, black and white, should hold protest meetings. Not protest meetings against the treatment these four Negro youths will receive, but protest meetings against their actions . . . meetings demanding swift justice to these rapists!

The Negroes who commit such acts stigmatize their race, already 11,000,000 strong in the U. S. alone.

If this happened to YOUR sister—or to YOUR wife or mother—do you think YOU could restrain yourself from VIOLENCE?

No!  
Not if you're a MAN!

## 'Let People Decide' If We Need A Sales Tax!

(Continued from Page 1)

an income tax. Put them in a dual bill, hold a special election throughout the state, and ASK THE PEOPLE TO CHOOSE WHICH THEY PREFER!

However, the Anointed Few in Miami will refuse to go along with this idea.

It's easy to see why. They know they cannot propagandize people who're not able to pay a tax of ANY kind into endorsing a sales tax!

VOTE A sales tax if you will, members of the Citizens Tax Committee.

But permit a referendum.

We say "permit" because we believe that you are in a position to dictate to our Dade representatives. For, horrible as it may seem to democratic minds, they represent YOUR group and NOT the people of Dade county!

### Homestead Exemption Great Drawing Card For Settlers From the North

LOOK FOR a Herald editorial saying that the people need a sales tax and want one.

But, good people of Miami, don't look for an opportunity to express yourselves on the subject.

The Herald forces are upset because Florida has a homestead exemption law, which exempts up to \$5,000 valuation the home of a citizen who votes. Now every such home is exempted.

"But the people who can afford only a \$5,000 home pay practically nothing!" the Special Interests shout angrily.

They don't point out that such was the idea, first of the stalwart legislators who voted to submit this constitutional amendment to the people, and then of the great mass of Floridians who voted for it—namely, to assure people in the lower income brackets of always having a roof over their heads. A corollary was, that this amendment would draw people with small incomes to settle in Florida.

They don't point out the phenomenal growth of this section since Homestead exemption was in-

stituted is proof of its great value. They don't point out that the father of Homestead Exemption—Dwight Rogers (Broward representative)—got his political promotion mainly because of his fight for Homestead Exemption. Rogers is now in congress!

No, they resort to hokum and specious phrases. They yearn to circumvent this law and FORCE the poor to pay.

"DAMN the tourists," is the cry of these blind and selfish Power-Crazed fanatics.

### Job Is Cut Out For Gov. Warren—He Must WIN For the Masses!

A SALES tax is a nuisance. Besides it's a punishment for those with an income under which they can even now barely exist.

The unemployment situation becomes a bigger problem each passing hour.

Yet Mr. Big still insists upon a sales tax! However, he and his crowd at the same time want to LOWER ad valorem taxes, which would aid LARGE property holders . . . but NOT the small, because he doesn't pay ad valorem taxes now. Only the very wealthy would benefit from lower ad valorem taxes.

Let's remind Fuller Warren that we're counting on him, as governor of this great state, to keep his word! . . . not do us a favor, but merely be man enough to resist double-crossing the people of the state. When they elected him, they PLAINLY expressed their sentiments AGAINST a sales tax!

The one open candidate who espoused a sales tax, W. A. Shands, was overwhelmingly eliminated by the people.

IN this issue of MIAMI LIFE you'll find coupons which we ask you to sign and return to MIAMI LIFE. We'll see your legislators get them.

### FLORIDA RAILROAD COMMISSION IS PUT ON THE SPOT BY THE PRESS

IN A story about the moving of the Florida East Coast R. R. station northward, Reporter Luther Voltz of the Miami Herald, stated:

"Although thousands of words of testimony will go into the record, the upshot is expected to be just this:

"Final designation of a site at N. E. 20th terrace, which the railroad's trustees have said they will not oppose."

Now this clouds the integrity of the Florida Railroad and Public Utilities Commission . . . just as Reporter Steve Harris's "nail-on-the-head" prediction last week that Lieut. C. O. Hutchie would be returned to active duty within 48 hours, put a cloud on the judge, City Manager Hart.

Everyone now believes that pressure was brought on Dr. Hart by the majority of the city commission — AND the daily newspapers.

Voltz's statement, coming on the heels of Harris' puts the railroad commission ON THE SPOT!

Well, we know intimately at least one member of the railroad commission. And we don't believe he now has the SLIGHTEST idea where that new railroad station will go, nor will he have UNTIL he has heard all the evidence.

We believe he will HONESTLY arrive at his judgment ONLY after a weighty consideration of all its aspects.

The Herald will certainly receive an "E" for effort in its All-Out attempt to help out the railroad's representatives by pressuring the commission into choosing the site recommended by the railroad, regardless of whether or not it serves the best interests of the city. The Miami city commis-

sion recommended a different location, emphatically turning thumbs down on the 20th terrace location.

Our guess is that if the 20th terrace location is UNANIMOUSLY voted by the railroad commission, the evidence to support that location will be indeed overwhelming.

Otherwise, it'll be another site.

### Mason At Midnite

(Continued from Page 5) later in the summer in the Cuban capital.

There is a very big story brewing that may develop into a first class business scandal. I hope it won't break—but if it does, I'll print it.

That's about all for now. Hope you all will be able to drop into the Brigadoon Room at the Hyde Park Hotel—I'd like to see you. And, of course, I'll meet you here next week.

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