

# RENSHAW FACES JAIL



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## Accusers Say He Misappropriated Funds, Material

TWO weeks ago, MIAMI LIFE declared in its Page One editorial that Beach City Manager Renshaw would resign before he'd do anything detrimental to the powerful S. & G. Gambling Syndicate, which he has protected and fostered from its inception.

Only a few days later Renshaw had an opportunity to substantiate everything that MIAMI LIFE had said.

Pat Perdue, probationary detective in charge of gambling enforcement, had been demoted by the new chief, Albert W. Simpson, to the status of patrolman.

Renshaw, for the first time in Beach police department annals, attempted to override the chief's actions. City Attorney Ben Shepard supported him. Shepard claimed Renshaw had the power.

But the newly elected councilmen who had sworn to end the rule of the Syndicate were adamant.

They had appointed Simpson and they backed him up. The patrolman status of Perdue stands.

## History-Making Precedent In Beach Gambling Status

BUT the important thing about this fight was not whether Pat Perdue would remain a detective or become a patrolman. It's the history-making precedent in the Beach gambling situation that's so all-important.

All the talk indicated the Syndicate would retain control.

But this action proves conclusively that, if necessary, Renshaw will be fired. At least, an attempt will be made to fire him.

Renshaw's actions stem from the fact that Pat Perdue has always faithfully carried out the wishes of Renshaw, who, by his actions in the Perdue case, proves that both he and the city attorney in the past have believed that every act of the chief of police and the police department required their o. k.

Shepard publicly stated that City Manager Renshaw had the right to undo, if he wished, the police chief's acts... in other words, that the chief was just a "front" man for the city manager.

Whether it's legal or not, we know as a newspaper that this is the way the police department has been run for the last two decades, at least.

As we stated before, Renshaw's debt to Perdue... CATE!

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## The Test For Warren Is The Sales Tax!

GOV. WARREN, it seems that you have soothed your conscience as far as the Sales Tax is concerned by saying you'll veto any sales tax that hits "the necessities of life." You mean, specifically, food stuffs and medicines, but we believe that Florida families in moderate circumstances can prove to you that many other "necessities" must be included.

Of course, their children COULD go to school naked and barefooted—and they themselves COULD go to work wearing old tattered clothes and scuffed-out shoes.

This is just one facet.

IN OUR day and time, practically everything purchased for

## Hoover Report Thumpers Are Misleading Us

FRED BORTON, who a few years ago sold radio station WQAM to the Herald, declared over WIOD last Monday night that the Hoover Plan should be put into operation in its entirety.

What a ballhoof! Borton quoted Franklin D. Roosevelt as saying that the executive duties have become so burdensome that it was impossible for a president to efficiently carry out his duties. Borton asked listeners to bombard their congressmen into accepting the Hoover Plan.

Heretofore, he said, government officials admitted there was waste, but where they didn't.

But now, he said, Hoover Report... But the... cially

appear that this talk was based on information compiled laboriously by the Research Foundation, but we wouldn't be at all surprised if the entire speech hadn't been written beforehand in the editorial offices of the Miami Herald!

If the Dade County Research Foundation is really interested in saving money for the taxpayers, why doesn't it take a stand on the Sales Tax—a subject that's affecting each and every one of us?

Why not advocate a public ownership of 'til... W...

the ordinary household is a necessity of life.

Sheets for our beds, rugs for our floors, decent furniture to make surroundings HEALTHY as well as pleasant... a radio bought on time (\$1 per week) by those in lower circumstances to cheer up the home (but perhaps newspapers are exempt from taxation—as they elect politicians, you know!).

GOVERNOR, these things—not classed by you as necessities of life—are, in our opinion, just as necessary as the food we eat and the water we drink.

For when American household heads are unable to provide these accepted home essentials for themselves and families, they will lose their self-respect... and when they lose their self-respect, they lose their morals.

And you, governor—whom we all loved and supported and counted on to BETTER our way of life—will lose more than anybody else!

NO OTHER governor of Florida had so many SPECIAL INTERESTS oppose his election... or had so many COMMON FOLKS—farmers, workers, etc.—go down the line for him!

They loved you for your sincerity, and they gladly elected... Continued On Page 8)

## IS DADE DECONTROL VALID?

Rent decontrol of Dade County by a "population" act of the 1949 Legislature may be unconstitutional on the basis of the ruling made Wednesday by Circuit Court Judge George E. Holt that the 1949 law providing for a 23-member grand jury in counties having a population of...

a certain section of the state bears no relation to its population and needs in any respect. "Crime is crime wherever it may be found, whether it is in populous Dade County or in the most remote rural section of Florida. It therefore offends the state constitution which requires laws enacted by the legislature to be uniform in their application... application

## 17 COMICS UNFIT

A YEAR or so ago, MIAMI LIFE militantly opposed some of the comics published in the newspapers and comic books, and advocated barring them from public consumption, for affecting the morals not only of youngsters but of grown-ups as well!... Too stimulating sexually, we said, for a family journal.

Consequently, we're pleased to note in a wire service story that a group in New Orleans classified 17 comics as unfit. The wire story did not name these comics.

Was it because the big newspapers that are dishing this stuff out to their readers would be open to criticism if they continued publishing censored comics?

MIAMI LIFE promises you we'll try to find out what the 17 discredited comics are. We'll let you know—letting the chips fall where they may!

## LAW CATCHES UP AGAIN WITH THE 'TORTURE' M. D.

GRANADA PSYCHIATRIC CLINIC, 4835 S. W. 8th Street.

That's the trade name of T. Earl Moore, Miami's "torture doctor."

BUT—he's violating Florida State Law every day that he operates under that name, according to the records of the Clerk of Circuit Court for Dade County.

Chapter 20953, Laws of 1941, is known as the "FICTITIOUS NAME STATUTE." Under its provisions, trade name, must be advertised in some newspaper in the County once a week for four weeks and registration made with the Clerk of Circuit Court—unless the business or profession is in the name of a corporation.

"GRANADA PSYCHIATRIC CLINIC" is not registered with the Clerk of Circuit Court. T. Earl Moore has been violating the law by failing to comply with the FICTITIOUS NAME STATUTE.

PENALTY FOR FAILURE TO COMPLY:

"Section 5. The penalty for failure to comply with this law shall be that neither the business nor the members nor those interested in doing such business may defend or maintain suit in any court of this state, either as plaintiff or defendant, until this law is complied with, and further that any person violating this law may have information filed against him by anyone aggrieved or believing himself aggrieved, before the proper court... ANOR, and... twenty-five... both, in... said

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## LIFE lines-LIFE lines

Miami certainly loves a parade And has them.

With forest fires raging, with hurricanes roaring, and quakes quaking, nature is demonstrating it can equal man in destruction.

Better start shopping early for Christmas.

It's funny but these widely advertised sales never have a suit to fit you.

This practice of buying up farm crops, destroying them, to maintain high prices for the hungry is the height of some form of insanity.

## Call The Next Case

By BOND

### Law On Watch

**Beverage Inspector Spends Three Hours To Catch Pinball Operator; Game Wardens Hunting Cats Snare A Man; Housekeeper, Employer Scrap It Out**

AT TIMES it is difficult to tell which is the greater offender, the plaintiff or the defendant, as evidence develops in local court cases. And that, strangely, applies also to the law, which goes out of its way to pinch somebody. This may be a land of liberty but you must be mighty careful not to violate one of the countless regulations when an officer of some kind is around.

...the Court of Crimes before Lawrence Grasso, a ... a gambling ... as Edward R. ... who admitted ... hours in the ... at Grasso ... with Wall-

## Thursday Exposes Fakes In Detective Fiction

Thomas Thursday, Miami's best known and most prolific purveyor of detective articles and fiction, is pretty much burned up over the mystery stories in magazines, on the radio, films and stage. He so expresses himself in no uncertain terms in the August issue of "The Author and Journalist" under the title of "The Case of the Defective Detective."

Right at the beginning Tom hammers out this: "The average private operator in fiction tales is a brazen and stupid swindle on the credulity of readers and radio listeners. When he is not outrageous burlesque, he is a positive insult to the more than 133,000 law-enforcement officers in the United States. In brief, the yamhead could not, and does not, exist in official life."

So these imaginary private Dicks should be ferreted out, tucked under the bed or encased in Chattahoochee, according to Thursday, who knows whereof he speaks. At least Tom admits that he has been writing the detective stuff himself for 34 years—and that's long enough to become acquainted with the facts of life. For 25 years he has been associated with the Miami division of police. Tom has seen nine executions.

Thursday writes that the present detective fiction began with Sherlock Holmes by the late Dr.

Arthur Conan Doyle. Then Thomas grows rabid again and says:

"But good Lord, what atrocious tripe has followed the Doyleian formula. It is nothing but a mass of impossible and absurd caricatures in the overwhelming main by ladies and hot-house gentlemen who, obviously, never have been inside a police station. They know nothing of factual police functions and much less of modern criminology. They have spawned a roe of quack detectival fish in a sea of utter nonsense, unable to swim in the light of sound reason."

That ought to put the fiction fakes on the spot or in the ocean. Thursday refers to Miami magazine news stands as among the biggest in the country, and to learn the public fancies, he occasionally quizzes the buyers at these stands. He suggests publishers do likewise, and it is an excellent idea. Editors must come down from their ivory towers. He also advises writers to study real police methods. He quotes Chief Walter E. Headley as being incensed at both the printed and radio counterparts of detectives.

It is a hot article in tough language, and it is gently referred to the consideration of writers and publishers of this—and all types of fiction.

Barbara Hodge. Barbara, obviously pregnant, was employed to look after the Carson children while they were employed. Barbara was paid \$15 a week, plus board and room.

Barbara complained she wasn't fed enough—and she was hungry—there was no food in the house even for the Carson children. So there were words and Barbara alleged Mrs. Carson paid her off, pushed her out of the house, hurt her in so doing, and tossed her clothes and radio after her.

Mrs. Carson said there was food, that they brought home a big bag that night; that they gave money to Barbara to buy groceries but instead she gave the money to her husband for liquor; and that the drinking husband was hanging around the house. She declared Barbara cursed, had threatened, and had hit one child.

Judge Allen interposed to remark that children were usually hungry and might claim there was nothing to eat, when there was plenty. He knew that from experience with his own daughter, he said.

Mrs. Carson was freed of the assault charge, fined \$15 for destruction of property—the radio was broken when thrown out.

But what a time the poor children must have when caught in such a mess.

A repeated ... was before the judge and received a sentence ... enforced ... ordered ...

## Storm Warnings To Be Broadcast

The Dade County Red Cross disaster radio communications system which gained national recognition last year will again be inaugurated in the event a hurricane or similar disaster strikes this section this year.

At a meeting of representatives of all radio stations in Dade County and Red Cross disaster officials, as well as officials from the U. S. Weather Bureau, plans were discussed for giving complete coverage to weather advisory announcements and official Red Cross bulletins.

When a storm approaches this section, two Red Cross volunteer announcers will be assigned to the U. S. Weather Bureau. After the weather advisory has been read by Grady Norton, meteorologist in charge, an official Red Cross bulletin will be read. All radio stations in this vicinity will carry the messages and keep the public informed of

emergency measures in this area. At the meeting Mr. Norton expressed alarm at the continuing complacent attitude of Dade Countians toward hurricanes and emphasized that we have not had a really serious storm since 1926. "Unless our people obtain a deeper sense of appreciation for the possible danger which might be wrought by a tropical storm, a serious condition might develop in Miami." "As far as my office is concerned," continued Mr. Norton, "we will give the plain facts about the severity of the storm and urge all listeners to take proper precautions."

Florida's state government appropriations for the two years beginning July 1, 1949, equal the total value of crops raised on Florida farms during 1948. Appropriations by the 1949 legislature total \$240,322,636.

## Florida Teachers Now Educated

TALLAHASSEE — More than 15,000 of the state's 17,760 teachers will be college graduates when schools open in September.

State School Supt. Thomas D. Bailey has estimated that 84.78% of the teachers in Florida schools will hold teaching certificates based on four-year college degrees or better. That compares with 73.4 per cent in 1947-48 and only 62 per cent in 1945-46—before the state adopted a policy of giving counties more money

for employing better trained teachers.

A national school survey shows Florida ranking 8th in the nation in the number of teachers with college degrees.

Bailey reported complete satisfaction with the results of the state's "learn more, earn more" pay provisions under the Maximum Foundation Program. He said Florida will soon have the best qualified and highest trained teachers in the nation.

## Dentists Wary Of New Tooth Dope

Don't expect too much from your new ammoniated dentifrice as a preventive of tooth decay. It is still in the experimental stage, the Journal of the American Dental Association said editorially today.

Many of the claims now being made for the new dentifrices are not warranted by present scientific evidence, the Journal editorially stated.

"Whether ammoniated dentifrices will prove as effective in sweeping away caries (decay) as

their advertisers have been sweeping the country with glowing claims, time alone will tell.

"Meanwhile the public will have the privilege of being guinea pigs, the dentist will be extremely cautious in his recommendations and the purchaser will brush his teeth with tongue in cheek if such is physically possible."

Members of the dental profession, however, are viewing the current large-scale promotion of the new products with mixed emotions, the editorial said.

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# IT'S WHAT YOU PUT IN LIFE

## STATE LEGISLATORS LOSE CONFIDENCE OF THE PEOPLE

Editor, MIAMI LIFE:

The behavior of the entire Florida Legislature in regard to that brazen bribery case was, to put it mildly, very peculiar. They just stood aside and kept their mouths shut, so none of us have found out how they stood—they acted as if it was just none of their business.

This has practically amounted to a whitewash of the whole business. Why, when such a serious thing as bribery threatens, don't you all get together and stop everything before the scandal which concerns your good name breaks? Don't pretend you are so much concerned when a thing has happened before and someone gets away with it, than it's time to be on the alert. All our legislators have lost the confidence of the people.

And the way they have been sidestepping and squirming on the sales tax, we might have known from the first that they were going to place that sales tax on us from now and forever henceforward. And there's Governor Warren, too; he said he just didn't have any ideas on the subject. And after getting elected on the promise he would not back a sales tax.

It will be no wonder if they pass a legal bookie act, too. No matter if the people of certain counties don't want it, all those little high counties that live off the graft they get from South Florida see a new chance to grab more if they put over that legal bookie law. Why not—they will get more money sitting down on their hands while Dade and South Florida painfully collect and put up with all sorts of trouble from the gambling crooks. Because we are deprived of the votes to which we are legally entitled down here, they put over on us whatever dirty plots they wish, up the state. In so many northern states they like to throw slurs at the South because they say we don't give the Negro his rights. What about giving the South Florida white man his rights equally with the voters of the rest of the state.

F. W. WILKISON, Miami, Fla.

## INGRATES WON'T STOP US FROM FIGHTING FOR LABOR UNIONS!

Editor, Miami Life:

This writer noted with surprise the July 27 issue of the Miami Union PRINTER, the periodical that the union puts out to present the side of the striking printer as opposed to that of the two big daily newspapers' union-busting management.

The surprise was seeing MIAMI LIFE cartooned in it as a Scandal-Monger, and therefore something vicious. I've been a reader of MIAMI LIFE for over 20 years. I have always been thankful that there's such a periodical as yours available to the public.

You have cudged in the public's behalf, regardless. In all this time, I've never seen you unfair to Labor. If memory serves me right, it was you and you alone who stood staunchly by the printers when they first struck the two dailies. You attacked your fellow publishers, closing the door to the possibility that you, too, might in the future employ labor-saving devices at a lower cost.

If comparing the Miami Daily News to you is an insult in the eyes of union printers, it seems to me you are rather foolish to give your support to such an un-

## Rents Must Come Down

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grateful bunch of men.

Obviously, they do not appreciate your sacrifices.

R. A. TODD.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: We have never supported Labor in the hope of returns. We don't even expect thanks for supporting the union printers in their fight. We are fighting now, and always will fight, for a principle in which we believe. We won't abandon our fight for Unionization just because some over-zealous ignoramus thinks ill of us.)

## Aid For Miami University

EDITOR, MIAMI LIFE:

Urge your readers to flood the Governor with cards and letters asking him to include the University of Miami in the monies raised for scholarships.

HENRY G. MICHEL.

## Clay—His Hoover Feet

EDITOR, MIAMI LIFE:

In view of your recent headline, "Hoover—His Clay Feet," and the visit to Miami of the Berlin airlift general, may we suggest that the proper screamer for your front page this week should be: "Clay—His Hoover Feet." That would place them both on a good footing.

PRO BONO.

## John "Red" Lake In Race

EDITOR, MIAMI LIFE:

In announcing my candidacy for the City Commission, I want to give you a few of the things I stand for and will work for.

Primarily, I believe in strict enforcement of all laws, including the gambling laws. The Police Department should be completely divorced from politics and should be run by the Safety Director who should not be interfered with by the City Commission.

I will work hard to bring about the consolidation of the City and County tax offices—both the assessors' offices and the collectors' offices. There should be "One Assessment—One Tax Bill." This will result in a great saving to the taxpayer.

I further believe that the City should immediately carry through with its building plans; that is, the plan for the library, the sewage system, and a new railroad depot. I believe more emphasis should be placed on the building of your centers and playgrounds.

All of these things have been talked about a great deal, but I believe in doing them now—with emphasis on the "NOW."

JOHN R. LAKE

## Former Miamian Now In Los Angeles Tells How Sales Tax Harms California

Mr. Reubin Klein, EDITOR, MIAMI LIFE:

I read in MIAMI LIFE about your valiant fight against a Florida State Sales Tax. I hope you win for the good of the state and its people.

I enclose a copy of my letter anent this subject. You may print it if you wish.

He... 1 1/2% state and city sales tax, artificial rubber making

## THINGS I'D LIKE TO KNOW

- Why all those paraders are not arrested for going the wrong way on Flagler St.
- Why kids have to yell so much and if this won't hurt their vocal cords.
- When Jane will reveal all to mother.
- How these veterans can stand up under such prolonged gas attacks from speakers.
- If Harold will ever make that trip.

## Health Topics

Presented by your Doctor of Medicine as a Health Service of the Florida Medical Association and your local Medical Society.

## PRECAUTIONS FOR SUMMER

Medical authorities tell us to avoid prolonged exposure to heat, indoors or out, particularly on humid days. They advise that youngsters playing indoors be carefully watched and to keep old folks at rest and in the shade. These precautions should be accompanied by eating lightly, drinking plenty of non-alcoholic fluids, and the taking of salt tablets at mealtime.

A doctor should be called at the first sign of any of the three heat produced conditions of stroke, exhaustion or cramps. For that reason everyone should be familiar with the more obvious signs and symptoms, and so that first aid may be given until the doctor arrives.

Headache is a warning symptom of all three conditions according to an article in the health magazine, Hygeia. Nausea, lassitude and cessation of sweating are early symptoms of heat stroke, most serious of these three summer afflictions. The body temperature is usually quite high, the skin hot and dry, the face flushed and the patient unconscious.

In heat exhaustion, the temperature may be subnormal or only slightly elevated, and the skin is moist, sometimes cool and clammy. Heat cramps are severe, painful spasms of the muscles.

The first step is to get the afflicted person out of the sun. Immediate cold water baths or spray and cold compresses are first aid measures for heat stroke. Bed rest is indicated for the other conditions. Water and salt tablets should be given for

# Cabbages and Kings

These hair-line distinctions—by organizations not accustomed to abstruse thinking! Miami Jaycees, for instance, voting against legalized gambling. What do they think horse- and dog-track pari-mutuels constitute? Jack (Jehovah Complex) Bell sternly inveighs against a soldiers' bonus. He's in good company, namely, the Morgan-DuPont and Rockefeller combinations, the American Legion (dominated by the aforesaid buccaneers), NAM (Nat'l Ass'n of Manufacturers), Boss John S. Knight and his publishers ass'n, the Real Estate Lobby, and every other reactionary, predatory organization that kowtows to the Much-Too-Rich. They're all against, Anti-Bonus, Anti-Labor, Anti-Jew, Anti-Negro, and ANTI-PEOPLE! . . . Have we so soon forgotten that we started moving out of the Great Depression the moment FDR started "pump-priming" — in effect, giving the public "a bonus"—or needed spending money? As long as "bonuses" go to people who'll spend it freely and immediately—thus creating new wealth—our government can't be very wrong. And who spends it like a veteran?

has hit Miami! And that was 23 years ago!

REALTORS may argue that "rent receipts are worthless," in trying to sell you on the idea of buying now and owning your own home. But in the last two years, new homes have dropped in value 10 percent each year on the average. On a \$13,000 (the average price for a 2-bedroom home in 1947) home that means a \$1100 to \$1300 investment loss annually, not including normal depreciation and obsolescence.

MANY, MANY more television artists like Martha Raye can be counted on to do what she's doing—selling out her California residence and building permanently in Miami, so as to be within 3 hours of her New York studios (via air). Don't you realize that television is going to bring the East back as a broadcast center—for it's not going to be easy to transmit pictures from California like it is sound. And Miami, with the choicest climate and setting, is bound to get the cream of the new business.

CHOLLY KNICKERBOCKER says "Marshall Field, Jr., scion of Chicago department store millions" is dating a lovely dressmaker's assistant in New York. He should know better. Marshall Field II was murdered by a Spanish girl in the Everleigh Club, a fashionable bawdy house in Chicago, in 1906, the same year the original Marshall Field died. But perhaps the reason Cholly doesn't know is because not one paper or newspaper press service in the nation carried this extraordinary piece of news (for Daddy Marshall Field by then had already become the fabulous prince of merchandise). The present head of the House of Field is Marshall Field III. How could there be a "Jr." now in this family?

CAN YOU write a literary gem that will deal with the following subjects: Religion, Royalty, Sex, and Mystery? According to the American Medical Journal, this was put up to students in a recent examination. The first student to complete a symposium and cop the prize turned in this: "My!" said the King, "the princess is pregnant! Who done it?"

## War With Russia Inevitable Congressman Hits

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call "democratic capitalism" cannot live side with communism!

One or the other, they say, must rule!

be all-potent.

Ignored is the fact that D. Roosevelt, recognize years after its inception fact that

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# Radio Giveaway Ban Follows Life Attack

By B. B.

IT WAS only last week that we commented upon the quick response we often get to our articles in MIAMI LIFE, how a public announcement on sidewalk cleaning was issued as soon as this paper hit the streets directing attention to this need.

Now comes another surprise—and this is of national consequence, affecting just about everybody in the U. S. A. Several weeks ago we turned our guns on the giant radio give-away lotteries, how they were tending to destroy radio, how they discouraged business and purchases, and how they created false hopes in winning fortunes without effort and knowledge. They had a bad moral and economic effect—and were quite idiotic. Or words to that effect.

And what happens? Well, by the time our exposition of the evils had reached and been digested by Washington, the Federal Communications Commission issued a cease order, banning such big prize handout programs from the air after October 1. The Commission is to be commended for its prompt response to our appeal in ending the nonsense.

While one or two of the large stations announce they will fight the ruling through courts, we have a sneaking suspicion that most of them are glad of it and were in cahoots in bringing about the prohibition. Producers and advertisers must have been appalled at the vast numbers of articles distributed on the various national quizzes. Radio managements must realize that these tawdry shows, in which people are called on the telephone, have been weakening respect for the radio and cutting down the listening audience, at least to all other and better programs. This absurdity could not go on indefinitely. It was bound to blow up eventually of its own accord—like all silly American crazes.

Presumably the order will not halt the old standard quiz shows in which members of the audience are given opportunities of winning from a dollar to several thousands for answering bonafide questions. But the huge jackpots depending upon the chance of a phone call will go into the pot—even if this does interfere with the telephone company.

MIAMI LIFE hastens to extend congratulations and points to this as a further achievement in which we led the nation. Our winter series of articles exposing Spiritualist fakers were reprinted by a number of national publications and excited wide comment.

We launched and spearheaded the fight upon the proposed Florida sales tax, which has since been taken up by Miami and Florida merchants and business men and the citizens. The Dade county delegation of mis-representatives in the state legislature, ignoring the wishes of their constituents and the welfare of this area, were seduced by the Miami Herald, the duPont and other big interests. Politicians and all those with their feet in the trough are shouting for the sales and other taxes, but the merchants, the Herald advertisers, little business and the mass of the people have swelled the opposition chorus to such an extent that even Gov. Fuller Warren and his legislators may be forced to listen to the voice of the people.

...waged the battle against ...over the housetops,

...ttle and big, often ...we go to bat. ...and discourtesy

...of more ac- ...ly press.

### THEY TELL ME

That hurricane fear is good for the blind—business.

That Westbrook wasn't mad about something one day.

That not only hell but many Miami streets are paved with good intentions.

That Amy cannot make up her mind about that proposal.

That the sales tax hearings by the so-called legislators were just a smokescreen.

### Flagler Theater

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## Hateful Herald

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on their description of Florida's illustrious senator, Claude Pepper, as a "solitary figure."

What on earth?

Now if the people of Dade County ACTUALLY loathed and shunned this great man, the Herald would SAY SO—in just those words!

But the people of Dade County don't. They—or two-thirds of them, at least—LOVE and RESPECT and ADMIRE Claude Pepper.

So the Hateful Herald plays dirty. It employs trick English to try to give people who don't know Pepper, who don't understand the political situation here, the IMPRESSION that Pepper is unpopular.

That's the "technique" of this expression — "a solitary figure."

It's the same tactics they've already—UNSUCCESSFULLY—used against Truman . . . and, we might point out, against Pepper at the outset of his last campaign—which, we hasten to remind you, Pepper won in the FIRST primary election—a clear MAJORITY!

They'll have a hard time making MOST of the people of Dade County believe he's through—that he can't win—that they should desert him.

The people at heart are sound.

We believe most of them retain the sentiment toward Sen. Pepper as demonstrated in a letter we've just received from a former Miami newspaperman who is now connected with the Birmingham News and Age-Herald, Bob Crossland.

If they do, Sen. Pepper has no fears. Here's the Crossland letter:

August 15, 1949

Dear Rube:

Your front page story about Sen. Pepper in the current issue of MIAMI LIFE shocked me. Is there really a serious movement on foot to try to unseat him in the next election? Are the people of Florida crazy?

Why, ditching Pepper would be just like pouring ice in the gulf stream to cut off Miami's climate. Pepper and Florida are synonyms. You say Pepper is the greatest man to come out of the South since Andrew Jackson. Don't make me laugh. As compared to Pepper, Andrew Jackson wouldn't have even made a good kindergarten pupil.

I was in Washington a couple of weeks ago and, believe me, boy, they have plenty of respect for Pepper in a joint where big boys are a dime a dozen.

They don't kick him around in Washington.

When he speaks, they listen, and when he wants something, he damn well gets it.

He is the first and only man Florida ever sent to Washington who has ever done anything for the state.

Who do you think gave Florida more airfields, and training camps than any other state? Who do you think turned Florida into the Summer White House?

It was Pepper and that is only a small drop in the bucket as compared to other things he has done for the state, which until the time of his election, was treated like a stepchild and ignored by the powers that be.

Pepper changed all of that almost from the beginning. He went to Washington determined to emerge from the flock of blind followers that had followed him long to get the head of the parade.

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It's easy to count the number of eggs in a dozen, but can you estimate a thousand board feet of timber by just counting the trees?

The Florida Forest Service plans to install county forest fire control units in 17 counties during the next two fiscal years.

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### Florida Gambling Pays Twice Nevada's In Percentage of State Tax Money

Florida's collections from pari-mutuel betting amount to 12 per cent of the state's total revenues compared to Nevada's 6 per cent from "admissions and amusements" (including legalized gambling).

In the comparison of state tax systems (1947 tax year) shown below, California is listed as a "sales-income tax" state, Georgia as an "income tax" state, and Indiana

as a "sales tax" state. Florida and Nevada do not have either sales or income tax levies.

The table shows, in addition to the complete picture of tax revenues for the five states mentioned, the high, low and average percentages of contribution to state revenues in each taxed category in the 48 states.

#### COMPARISON OF STATE TAX SYSTEMS, 1947

(Tax revenues by sources as proportions of total.)

Sources	Florida	Nevada	California	Georgia	Indiana	High	Low	Aver.
General Sales	0	0	41	0	40	61	13	20
Income	0	0	19	22	0	47	1	15
Gasoline	32	37	13	34	23	46	11	19
Motor Vehicle	13	16	4	4	9	21	4	9
Alcoholic Bevs.	17	8	3	18	9	18	1	7
Property	4	24	5	6	6	24	0	4
Tobacco	9	0	0	9	0	11	0	4
Insurance Co's.	2	2	3	3	3	8	1	3
Death & Gift	2	0	3	*	5	10	0	3
Public Utilities	1	1	2	0	0	13	0	3
Corps.-in-Gen.	*	1	*	1	*	26	0	2
Pari-Mutuels	12	0	3	0	0	19	0	2
Severance	*	1	*	0	0	20	0	2
Miscellaneous	0	6**	0	0	0	12***	0	*
Total, these taxes	92	95	96	97	95			
Other, not def'd	8	6	3	3	5			

NOTE: Detail does not necessarily add to 100 per cent because of rounds.

(\*) Less than 1-2 of 1 per cent. (\*\*) Admissions and amusements. (\*\*\*) Auto sales 3, Hunting and Fishing licenses 9.

SOURCES: Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, State Finances (basic data), Computations by Tax Foundation. Courtesy reprint by Florida Taxpayers Ass'n.

## Warren Nemesis: Sales Tax

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you governor of this state so you could carry out your destiny of serving its people well.

They admired you for your guts . . . undergoing so many major operations in order to get in physical condition for acceptance into the armed forces as a fighting soldier.

They knew you as a liberal, as a champion of the people. Even now they do not realize that you may desert them and permit a Sales Tax!

If you do—as we stated before—you'll lose more than any other man in the political history of Florida . . . in one fell swoop! . . . through a SINGLE mistake!

MIAMI LIFE already has thousands of its Sales-Tax vote-coupons returned, properly signed—and OPPOSING a Sales Tax.

We hope they will STEEL you into RESISTING ANY form of Sales Tax.

Study the means by which other states without a sales tax or the benefit of pari-mutuel wagerings

and in better financial conditions than Florida—raise their taxes . . . AND YOU WILL FIND A WAY!

In this same issue, we're citing other localities. Study the New Jersey set-up, for example.

New Jersey receives 13 per cent of its total income through taxing public utilities.

Florida receives LESS THAN ONE PER CENT FROM THE SAME SOURCE!

Don't tell us, governor, that we can't be as smart as New Jersey!

Again we're printing coupons all through MIAMI LIFE so that the public may express its views.

Please, dear reader, mark your coupons and send them to us immediately. Time is growing short.

## Renshaw Faces Jail

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forced to answer to the council for his acts.

The Syndicate definitely IS THROUGH.

While their friends controlled the council and the city manager, the Syndicate got all the breaks in the gambling field.

Now the friends of the majority of THIS council are going to get the breaks.

The present city council is, by no means, opposed to a liberal policy . . . and we certainly include Melvin Richard, who attained his councilship by fighting the Syndicate.

This majority simply feel that they're not going to be servilely subservient to a gambling oligarchy. If necessary, they'll get a NEW city manager to help them maintain their independence.

### Did Renshaw Misuse Public Funds and Materials?

AN INVESTIGATION is being made at this very minute to determine if Renshaw has illegally and wrongfully misused public funds and materials for his own use.

If the facts are as suspected, charges can be preferred against Renshaw, not only politically but criminally.

The statute of limitations, by the way, doesn't protect a public official who holds office continuously!

Renshaw may not realize it, but he actually faces jail.

### 'Liberal Policy' Will Live—But It'll Be CLEANED UP!

ONE councilman (D. Lee Powell) declared this week: "It'll be a sad day for Miami Beach and the police department when Mr. Renshaw cannot direct the police department."

This again proves MIAMI LIFE'S contention that it was by Renshaw's personal orders to the Miami Beach police department that it was possible for the Syndicate to come to life and carry on its vicious government-undermining and cut-throat monopoly.

It received more protection and became more open than any other gambling alliance between Underworld and Officialdom in America's history—not even excluding the hectic criminally dominated areas of New York and Chicago!

The Syndicate became an accepted fact in Miami Beach.

Councilmen and Syndicate heads openly fraternized. Ate together.

Voted the same slates. It wasn't strange to see the head of the Vice Squad riding around with members of the Syndicate.

But those days are ended.

Liberal policy will live in Miami Beach.

But in the future, it's going to be a much cleaner affair.

## EXPLAIN THIS!

"LOST BOUNDARIES!" BANNED IN MEMPHIS, REFUSED PERMIT BY ATLANTA CENSOR!

NOW SHOWING IN MIAMI! This film adaptation of William L. White's article published by READER'S DIGEST opened at the Florida theatre Friday. Advertising was cautious, referring to the "family that lived a lie for 20 years."

Actually, "Lost Boundaries" deals with a racial problem. It is

the story of a young Negro doctor and his wife who "pass" as white in a New England town without declaring their background. Previously that had been rejected by both white and colored groups.

According to a press release by Film Classics, producers of "Lost Boundaries," the picture tells the story of the man's winning for himself twenty years of the community's affectionate respect: "Suddenly his life is disrupted

by the revelation of his race. The effect on the townspeople and the shock to the doctor's two children bare prejudice not often acknowledged, frequently not even recognized. The story is based on fact and actual New England locations were used in production."

The producer has been quoted as trying to make arrangements to televise the picture in Memphis, to overcome the censor's ban.

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### "What Is Itemized?"

When the governor's committee on taxes and finance met in Miami last week, Mr. Cordes of Burdine's asked for a detailed statement on the appropriations act of 1949. He said that he believed the taxpayers should know how much was for salaries, expenses, other items, so that conclusion could be drawn as to actual need. The MIAMI HERALD'S account on the meeting skipped over this request.

But THE HERALD told a letter to the editor correspondent off this week. Answering "T.H.B.'s" comment on no "itemized statement about what the money is to be used for or has been used for in the past," "Editor's Note" stated: "The appropriation bill passed by the Legislature itemized the proposed expenditures. The Legislature, however, didn't provide the tax bill to raise the needed money."

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