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(John S. Knight's Herald Editorial Sunday)

Northerners never seem to understand why Florida sends Claude Pepper to the United States Senate.

(Drew Pearson's Column, Same Page)

Friends of Sen. Claude Pepper, of Florida, are burned up over an item published in Newsweek Magazine that Pepper was picked by newsmen as the "Worst Senator" in a poll conducted by Pageant magazine. . . . Since then the Pageant poll has been made public, and shows that Newsweek was all wet. For Sen. "Honest John" Bricker of Ohio was newsmen's first choice for "Worst Senator." Pepper was rated eleventh on the list of best senators.

## Being Broke Is a Crime at Miami Beach!

FOR a resort city that breeds so many humanitarian groups and organizations to protect the downtrodden, restore deprived rights of citizenry, confer constitutional privileges, and sternly protect all its people regardless of race, creed or color—

For a community that goes so far afield in its apparent devotion to the PEEPPUL as to breed even an organization to fight segregation (although it itself bans Negro residents)—

We repeat, for all this—and for all its other fine aims and

pretensions—Miami Beach can be a Champion Hypocrite at times.

To prove it, let us submit the warning issued at the Miami Beach police station this week along with the commencement of jail sentences for convicted vagrants.

You'll find no vestige of humanitarianism in the cold-steel announcement that jail awaits "job-hunters and destitute visitors" who might chance to step foot on the precious soil of Miami Beach.

The warning has been printed

in the Miami dailies and has been picked up and broadcast the length and breadth of our land.

Millions of people in the U. S. who are unemployed—a few millions of them only in recent months—are thus put on notice that if they'd be so foolish as to come down here in the hope of finding jobs with TOO LITTLE money in their pockets, they risk being JAILED if they happen to visit Miami Beach.

Likewise, those whose health no longer permits them to stand the rigors of northern snow and ice, and who, too, perhaps have little more than train-fare to Miami, or who have friends who'll drive them here.

prejudices. For there we still see "restricted clientele" signs—which MIAMI LIFE resents, of course, yet must acknowledge, being a believer in the democratic ideal.

Oh, we're not unmindful of the arguments with which the town fathers "needle" themselves. (Jailing vagrants stops petty thievery, etc.)

But maintaining Americans' personal liberties and rights as Americans is far more important.

Being unemployed is no

crime.

To jail a man simply for being unemployed is, to our minds, a MAJOR CRIME!

For there is such a person as an honest but penniless American . . . in fact, there are millions of them in such a condition—through no fault of their own—and in spite of all the taxes they have paid into Government supposedly to protect them and their jobs!

It's time Miami Beach achieved adulthood.

## PRINTERS WIN BIG VICTORY

SETTLEMENT of the prolonged newspaper printers strike in Chicago, with victory for the workers, will encourage the local union printers now on strike at the Miami Herald and Miami Daily News. It may tend to remove some of the animosity prevailing between the unionists and publishers, and it may force the hand of the Miami dailies in agreeing to negotiate. Representatives of the Miami printers declare that the publishers have refused to negotiate. Attorney Emmett Choate, speaking for the publishers, said that they are ready to meet with the printers at any time, but that under the Taft-Hartley act, the present employed printers, union or non-union, must agree to a bargaining agent.

Under the strike settlement in Chicago the printers are to receive an increase of \$10 per week. The pay rates will be \$19.10 per day for 7 1/4 hours; \$20.20 for night work; \$20.20 for the third shift of six hours. The printers will be entitled to three weeks of paid vacations, six paid holidays, and four weeks severance. The publishers give recognition of I. T. U. laws, the struck work clause, reproduction clause, and gives the printers jurisdiction over all new processes—one of the leading contentions made by Miami printers.

If Miami publishers will offer the same contract as that granted in Chicago, it is certain that the local union will accept and the strike would be ended.

Scab printers now employed by the two Miami dailies probably will start looking for new jobs as they realize their days are numbered. As ever, they will be sacrificed when a union settlement is reached and they will be replaced by the I.T.U. members. That is the custom and the non-unionists know it. The lip-service promises given them by the publishers that their positions will be protected is so much hogwash. Big capital never keeps its promises when it is to the advantage of business to kick out the workers.

The Herald and News show no consideration for their unorganized employes and fire them without notice, whenever they so desire. Labor is guarded only through unionization. The publishers, headed by John Knight, have sought to wreck the typographical union, but now admit defeat in Chicago. They must next back down in Miami.

## If Bookmaking's Evil Racetracks Are Worse

THE growing antagonism of the people toward gambling, legal as well as illegal—is becoming more obvious to those who've made a study of the subject in this area.

Opponents of gambling claim that if off-track gambling is legalized, the wire service is sure to control it—for by arbitrarily rendering or refusing wire service, they would soon monopolize the entire set-up. (We doubt this, however, because legalization would certainly provide safeguards.)

But what we're getting at is this:

If bookmaking is so harmful to society, it should be stopped.

Now the only reason bookmaking COULD be bad for society is that it provides a means for people to gamble, to lose their money. If licensed, you could say that it, in effect, is a license to steal. . . . People gamble away the money that should go to school their kids, clothe their families, pay rent. . . . It's argued that people will even

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## WHY YOU CAN'T TRUST THE A-P

NOTHING destroys public confidence in the American daily press so much as conflicting stories about the same event and each pretending to be true. Last Sunday's Associated Press coverage of an important news event offered the most horrible example of IRRESPONSIBLE JOURNALISM we've ever encountered. Not only did these two conflicting stories about the same event appear in the same paper (Sunday Daily News)—but they came from the same wire service—and were on the same page—moreover, were in adjoining columns!

We refer to the 4-year-old girl's kidnaping up in Trenton, N. J.

In the Associated Press story in Col. 1, Page 4-A, we read this:

"Thank God, thank God," sobbed the mother when a reporter told her the child was safe"

In the Associated Press story in Col. 2 (signed by Melvin J. Grayson, the Associated Press reporter) we read how the girl's father opened the door for him, the reporter—how the reporter told him the girl had been found in Philadelphia and was O.K., and how the father yelled upstairs to the mother:

"Mary," he yelled, 'Janie's all right. She's all right.

"I ran upstairs after him and saw Mrs. Mary Franz—Janie's mother—sitting on a chair in a corner, her face tear-streaked. A picture of Janie was on the table in front of her.

"She didn't say anything, but her eyes seemed to come alive. . . ."

Now how do you like that?

How about a "horrible example" exhibit for the school of journalism at the University of Miami—with this page from a Miami daily prominently displayed?

## Don't Censure The Underling

SOME time ago one of our dailies editorially took the Illinois editors to task for holding state jobs, many of which, the editorial declared, were "political sinecures." The Society of American Newspapers Editors' code, which the editorial declares corresponds to the medical profession's Hippocratic oath, dedicates the profession theoretically to ethics that frown on "outside" emoluments.

But how can the writers of such editorials as these censor anyone for getting out of the profession all he can—when these same editors are themselves (and nobody knows it better than they) PROHIBITED and FORBIDDEN from expressing their REALLY HUMANE views on virtually all public questions in which the financial or political power of the paper's friends and allies is involved?

These underlings see all around them a slavish and fanatic devotion to the Special Interests, which are eternally anti-Public.

They see hypocrisy in its most vicious form practiced by the newspaper owners, the publishers, and their closest friends.

That's why their derelictions should not be too severely dealt with.

They're like the low-paid policeman who patrols a beat who isn't permitted anyway to enforce certain violations of law—and who finally decides to take the few extra bucks that some good-hearted petty violator throw his way for "looking the other way."

It's the publishers—not the working newspaperman—who's to blame.

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