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## LIFE lines-LIFE lines

Autumn—now come the saddest days of all the year—when the comedy shows resume on the radio.

Those officials of the sheriff's department ought to enjoy their work in making strip tease raids.

What this nation needs is another George Washington to lead the people against the tax grabbers. That was what the revolution was about, you know.

With the British and European currencies devalued, you should have more respect for that dollar bill.

There is no inflation on the value of human life.

### Call The Next Case

By BOND

## Pair of Pants

He Walked Off With Them From the Grocery Store and to Jail; Released to Mayor Floyd; Cuban Swiped Two Clothes Pins; Got Drunk in Jail

THIS is the thrilling story of a pair of new pants. It involves big business, the honorable mayor, the law, an eagle-eye detective—and simple larceny.

The case bobbed up in the city court of Judge Cecil C. Curry Monday when Paul W. Coburn, 39, of 110 N. E. 152nd street, listed as an architect-engineer, was charged with the theft of a \$4.95 pair of trousers from Shell's super-duper grocery store, 5941 N. W. Seventh avenue, where you can get anything from a shave to a dill pickle. But it is only on special bargain days that it gives a free pound of coffee or sugar or cottage cheese with an order. Thus far no pants have been offered.

According to the evidence presented, Coburn picked himself out a neat pin-striped pair of pants, retired to the men's wash room, and tried them on. They fitted so well he tossed his old duds aside and walked out with the new pants but forgot to report them as he passed the cashier with some groceries.

But this venture did not escape the eyes of Detective E. E. Kline, who is always on the watch. Kline moves around as though he was a customer gathering lemons and bread for the wife. Actually he is closely inspecting all the other patrons, as Shell is suspicious.

Kline nabbed Coburn and he was trotted to the city jail, wearing the evidence. The pants were on. He explained that the old pair had a rip in the north end and if he attempted to go out with them he would have been pinched for indecent exposure. The cops had no bathrobe so Coburn kept the stolen goods.

Then he got in his political influence, called his honor, and was released in the custody of Mayor Robert Floyd. At home, Coburn obviously found another pair and appeared in court with the new pair on a hangar. Coburn was found guilty, fined \$25 and \$10 costs, for which he could have bought a suit.

Shell got back the pants but it feels pretty much put out. Now they are used pants and may have to be marked down another dollar. It may be obliged to start a civil suit to recover damages on the important part of a suit. Only the city of Miami is ahead.

But let this be a further warning to Shell patrons. Don't try to snatch anything or Kline may get you. He has landed a number in court.

TALKING of larceny, the Cubans are still at it. The Miami Herald devoted its Sunday edition telling how the Cubans were annexing Miami. Several have been caught snatching minor articles in business places. There was Manula Anicoto, 55, of 2943 N. W. 14th street, who forfeited a bond of \$200 in municipal court, where she was supposed to appear on the charge of stealing merchandise to the grand total of \$2.01. The goods included two clothes pins, worth five cents; salt and pepper set, 69 cents, and some ornaments. Honesty is the best policy. It is certainly cheaper.

Frank McNamara, 53, may also think so. He got 30 days for taking a bicycle, valued at \$25, on complaint of Barbara Gullit.

DRUNKS also turn up some strange cases. John West, 45, was serving time in jail for being drunk. He was

## Quigg Reviews Record, Fought Against Taxes

ANNOUNCING his candidacy for re-election, City Commissioner Howard Leslie Quigg really fired his opening gun in a talk before the Miami Exchange club at the El Comodoro hotel Tuesday. Commissioner Quigg is a member of the club.

Introducing him, W. Scott Christopher, public relations, of the Miami Chamber of Commerce, praised his services, said that Quigg had been a resident of Miami since 1900; that he is the only commissioner who has never been absent from a commission meeting during the 22 months he has served.

In his remarks Quigg said it was the former commission which had allotted a limited sum to the city manager for operations, and that certain other commissioners wanted to institute new taxes. Quigg induced them to wait to see if economies would not alter the picture. As a result no new taxes were necessary, property taxes have been lowered, and the city will end the year with a surplus unless there is an emergency due to a hurricane. Perhaps thinking of the state legislature grab, Mr. Quigg declared there was no need for new taxes in Miami, that there are too many now pressing down upon merchants and the people. (What a man he would make for governor!)

Citing some of the accomplishments, Quigg mentioned the new public library started in Bayfront park after long delays; the federal loan obtained for slum clearance housing; the elimination of insanitary conditions in the Coconut Grove Negro section; the transfer of the Jackson Memorial hospital to Dade county; cutting automobile inspections to one a year, with a lessening of accidents; the addition of a carnival tax; refusal to raise the municipal water rates as sought by the water board, new developments in city parks, plans for a new fire station, for a new band shell in Bayfront park.

This was a brief presentation of a splendid record, of one community that had gone ahead without increasing taxes, without seeking more money. Commissioner Quigg has added further honors and prestige to his long service as chief of police.

The Miami Exchange club voted to support Sgt. Dollar of the police department in the campaign for safety among school children. The course conducted at Shenandoah last year was so successful that it is being extended to 33 schools this year, and prizes will be awarded for the best showings by students in the fourth, fifth and sixth grades. The Exchange club will provide the three main prizes for the winners in each grade for each of the three terms. They will be bicycles.

## FOUR CREMATORIES ARE AVAILABLE IN MIAMI AREA

Even the dead, or rather their survivors, may be cheated by advertising and misrepresentation. For a long time Lithgow's advertised as the only crematory, seeking to get all that business. Actually there are four crematories in this area and any undertaker can handle cremations.

When the unethical get hold of the apparently well-heeled family, they will try to sell a high price wood casket for the cremation. This, of course, is unnecessary, as the box and body are to be turned into ashes, with the ashes of the wood blown away, leaving the heavier bone ashes of the dead.

Then the efforts are made to sell an expensive urn for the ashes, bringing the cost of cremation as high or above a regular burial. Again this is due to salesmanship and misrepresentation. A cremation, with an ordinary plain casket, and services can be managed for as low as \$200, and less in case of poverty and charity.

Whether an urn is purchased or not is up to the bereaved. There are undertakers who have boxes of ashes stored with them for years. The ashes may be scattered on the sea or elsewhere, or buried as desired. Or put in an urn and set upon the piano.

There is no law on the matter but the state law does delay cremations for at least 48 hours after death. Before that law was effective, some cremations were hurried up to hide the causes of death, such as murder.

## BLOOD DONOR FINED FOR SPEEDING—PRESS HUSHES UP

IF YOU are a donor of blood to the blood bank and receive a call for an emergency case, don't hurry. If you speed to save a life you may be arrested and fined. That actually happened to Dave Taber, 24, of 604 N. First court, South Miami, and it cost him \$10, or rather that was the price the blood bank paid for him, in lieu of the usual fee which he heretofore has generously declined.

Taber has that rare O RH negative type of blood and he has made a dozen, more or less, donations of his blood to help others. Last week while working at Miami Beach, he was notified by his employer, an air-conditioning firm, that the blood bank needed him immediately. He rushed over the 79th street causeway and down the old Dixie highway, and near 36th street, he was halted by a traffic cop. Taber explained the emergency, showed his identification and offered proof. Naturally, under the circumstances the policeman should have joined him and sought to clear traffic to hasten his errand of mercy. That would have been done for the fire department, for the police, for an ambulance.

But not this officer. He was only concerned in making an arrest, let the patient die. He handed Taber a speeding ticket, which cost \$10. The fee came from the funds of the blood bank. After donating his blood, Taber went to the traffic department and told his story. Again he received no consideration. It didn't matter if the money came out of the blood bank funds.

Another interesting sidelight on this shocking incident is that the story appeared in the home edition of the Miami Daily News but was quickly eliminated from the Blue Streak. The Miami Herald made no mention of it. Such news is suppressed by our Miami dailies.

sent to the stockade and was assigned to work at Dinner Key. There he found a bottle of alcohol and proceeded to go on another binge. He had learned no lesson. So 15 days more were added to his sentence. But he should worry. He has board and room and per chance he will unearth the liquor.

Then there was the gay family party in Bayfront Park of the Calloways, husband and wife, and a brother down here from Georgia and Maryland, all staying at the Ford hotel. They were arrested in the park by Officers C. L. Guest and J. G. Keller. The lady, a nurse, was dismissed, the two men received one day in jail.

Our tourists should do their celebrating in night clubs and behind closed doors. Keep out of parks and off the streets if they wish to stay out of jail. Miami encourages the wide sale of liquors but cracks down on those who buy the stuff and indulge in it too freely in the open.

## LABOR TRENDS

By Florida State Employment Service

Dade county non-agricultural establishments showing employment decreases during the past month slightly over-balanced those industries with expanding employment, with the result that there was a net drop of one per cent below the revised July figure to an estimated total of 127,800. Contraseasonal changes occurred in two major industry groups: construction employment fell four per cent because of the completion of several large housing projects, and employment in service industries increased moderately as a result of the area's unusually good summer tourist business and early conventions. Wholesale and retail trade firms offered a substantial payroll loss, particularly in retail general merchandising where temporary workers were laid off at the end of the clearance sales period.

Over-all manufacturing employment has been well maintained through the summer months, but the apparel industry sustained sharp curtailments during the past month. Several garment making firms have closed down and others have cut their forces to a minimum because of a slackened market, but this con-

dition is of a temporary nature and most firms expect full employment in the next two to four months. Other manufacturing industries which anticipate moderate to substantial increases are lumber and wood products, furniture and fixtures, and printing and publishing.

The demand for labor increased during August. Job opportunities available at the FSES during the month totaled 2,815—118 more than in July. Of the job listings remaining open on Sept. 1, 26 per cent were in trade establishments, 17 per cent in non-domestic service, 14 per cent in private households, and 11 per cent in manufacturing firms. The most pronounced change in the occupational pattern of the labor demand was the marked increase in the number of professional and managerial job opportunities, consisting of grocery and produce managers, a medical technician, a medical librarian, a tree surgeon, radio operators, and accountants. The demand for clerical, sales and service workers continues to lead all other occupations. Employers in non-agricultural establishments hired 1,626 workers through the FSES during August—8.3 per cent more than in July.

## NEWS PICKS UP LIFE IDEA ON HOW TO LOSE WEIGHT

MIAMI LIFE demands credit. That's what. Or we may sue. It is not ethical—this department of the Miami daily newspapers. They crib ideas and stories from this leading weekly and fail to accord us mention.

For example the Miami Daily News had a big local story Tuesday announcing that a way to lose weight was to get married, according to divorce cases filed in the Dade circuit court.

Well, what do you know about that? MIAMI LIFE cited exactly the same facts a few days earlier in the column "Matrimony Row" and directed attention to it on the front page. So the News picks up the idea. All right. It wasn't copyrighted. Glad to know you follow LIFE. But how about credit?

## Amazing Miami Editors

These Miami newspapers. They will be the death of us yet. The Miami Herald Thursday morning printed an account of the death of a prominent Miami realtor. It gave his age as 50 and said he was a veteran of the Spanish American war. Figure that out.

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## FLORIDA LEATHERNECK NEWS

By M/Sgt. Walt Swindells, USMC  
DID YOU KNOW THAT . . .

In May, 1936 Colonel Archibald Henderson, then commandant of the Marines, offered to personally lead his Leathernecks against the Creek Indians in Georgia and Florida.

WE HEAR THAT . . .  
Staff Sgt. Mary M. Jamison and Sgt. Ernest C. Trimbarger, both of Miami, have graduated from the 15th Class of the Recruiters' School, Paris Island, S. C. . . . Sergeant Jamison graduated third in a class of 36 and was transferred to Pittsburgh, Pa. . . . with an average of 94.8 she led the other five women Marines attending the class. . . . Sergeant Trimbarger was transferred to Chicago.

HERE AND THERE  
Technical Sgt. Lamar D. Daniels, Route 2, Fort Pierce, a member of the Eighth Marines, is presently visiting Istanbul, Turkey. . . . Private First Class Les L. Redfern, Delray Beach, is currently visiting Greece and is BACK TO CIVILIAN LIFE. . . . Cpl. Robert L. DeAquila, N. E. 80th terrace, Miami, has been discharged from the Marines at Cherry Point, N. C. . . . He plans to go to college in Florida.

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# Press Fails To Tell Public US War Preparations Depend On Nazi Germany As Main Ally

## Cannot Rely on France, Other Western Nations; Warmakers Place Hope in Revived Nazis

(IN FACT, Weekly Newsletter, 280 Lafayette St., New York, N. Y. \$2 Yearly)

OFFICIALLY, Great Britain is to be the stationary airplane carrier for the atom bombers in World War III and France to supply the main land fighting army. At least, this is what American newspaper readers have been told for almost four years. The headlines on this vital subject read, on Aug. 11, 1949:

"WEST COUNTS AGAIN ON FRENCH ARMY"  
"BRADLEY REVEALS FRENCH ARMY WILL BE KEY TO EUROPE'S DEFENSE"

However, the press, the politicians, the military and naval heads, and all others interested in World War III (rather than in any plans for preserving peace) continue to fool the American public.

The truth is known to many of the 800 Washington correspondents, special writers, columnists, and others in the national capital.

### No Europeans Fooled; But Americans Are

THE TRUTH is that the West cannot and does not rely on any of its officially announced allies, and has no reliance on France despite the Bradley pronouncement, because the West and U. S. authorities know that not one ally in Europe will fight.

The truth, known to officials and correspondents, is that the West relies on only one army in the proposed West-East World War III, and that is the revived Nazi army of the revived Western German "republic."

The American embassies in Western Europe have reported to Washington—as In Fact's editor has also reported last Autumn and Winter—that the vast majorities in Britain, France, Italy, Belgium and other countries not only do not want the next war but will engage in revolution, general strikes, even civil war rather than fulfill the official commitments of their governments to pay for the Marshall Plan by being part of the Atlantic Pact's World War. No one is being fooled about this—except the American people.

### Churchill For Rearing Nazis; News Suppressed

ON THE other hand there is evidence, which is not being published in the big daily newspapers, that the West does rely upon the Germans to fight on its side in the war against the East. The German army would be the only big, reliable, important army in this war—until the American army is shipped over.

The small armies upon which the West counts on are the Greek, Turkish and Spanish armies. The Germans are, according to the American Military Govt. reports, still 85 per cent Nazi or pro-Nazi. The Spanish army is under 100 per cent fascist control. The Greek army is under reactionary-fascist-monarchist control. U. S. aid to fascist Spain had a majority vote in the House of Representatives and 35 votes on record in the Senate, based on the assumption the fascists will fight.

The arming of Nazi Germany as an ally—the main one in World War III—is pushed by Winston Churchill openly in Europe. The arming of Germany, however, is one of the great hush-hush matters in Washington, and when news does come up it is suppressed. Here is an example:

On August 17 the debate on the Military Assistance Program (see Congressional Record, pp. 11901-5) was participated in by Rep.

Walter Judd, best known as a leading spokesman in Congress for the corrupt Chiang regime, and Rep. Francis Case (one of the 4 members of the House and Senate from South Dakota elected with money supplied by NAM members). It went as follows:

### Rep Case Asks Why Nazis Are Not in Our Army

REP. JUDD: "Let us face it frankly. We have the atomic bomb and the Soviets still do not have it. . . . We have a chance to build up the defensive armaments of these countries and get them on their feet. . . ."

Rep. Case: "Is Western Germany included, and if not, why not?"

Rep. Judd: "Western Germany is not included. . . . I think it is understood that the German economy will contribute basic things, such as coal, steel, chemicals and so forth and not finished armaments."

Rep. Case: "Where is the great industrial-producing capacity for armaments in Europe?"

Rep. Judd: "The greatest industrial-producing capacity for armaments is in Germany, but unfortunately it is an area which, because of our threat from defense barriers further east like the Elbe, could not be kept under our control."

Rep. Case: "Where is the greatest reserve of trained fighting manpower in Europe?"

Rep. Judd: "Excepting Russia, it is in Germany."

Admission that the Western Alliance, and especially the U. S., plans on using the veterans of the Nazi Army for the war between East and West is made by one of the most conservative publications in the country; and by one of the most reactionary and isolationist daily newspapers.

The fact that the military leaders count not on France, or any other former ally, but the Nazis, is stated by United States News & World Report (edited by David Lawrence) in its August 19 issue, as follows:

"In U. S. planning for the next war:

"China is crossed off. Japan, other Pacific Islands, are Pacific outposts.

### U. S. Generals Rely on Germans As Future Army

"Britain is regarded as a big airbase, a jumping-off place. France is to provide the army on the Continent. French Army didn't do so well against Germany, but U. S. expects to help rebuild it, with lend-lease.

"Actually, if the truth be known, U. S. military view is that Germany can offer the only really effective land army in Western Europe. Germany, if lined up with the West, would have the most to fight for, at least dissension. That's the military opinion, which remains a bit skeptical of France.

"Lend-lease, in reality, is designed more as a morale builder than as a builder of armies that could stand effectively against the Russians."

The week previously U. S. News said: "Generals and admirals heading U. S. armed services, in private, are far less enthusiastic over the idea of giving weapons to European nations than they are in public. Military officials of this country are not sure that the French, Belgians, Greeks and some others could resist Russia effectively. They find the German potential more interesting."

Although conservative and pro big business, U. S. News is not reactionary or fascist, as is the record of the N. Y. Daily News, one of the old McCormick-Patterson-Berlin Axis press. The News has reverted to its old isolationist theme, has opposed the Atlantic Pact, and the present armaments race. The News, however, believes these political and military steps are leading to World War III, and for that job it prefers that the Germans do the fighting on the Western side.

Thus, in an editorial declaration August 15 it recalls that the British hired the Hessians—Germans—to do their fighting in 1775. "The nationalistic line will be represented in the new government only by 5 delegates. . . . We note in Germany, as elsewhere, a corresponding abandonment of socialism and its doctrines of planned economy. . . . Our position in that world (the Christian world of the West) makes us the eastern bulwark of a free and democratic Europe against those parts of the continent dominated by communism, and it is my belief that America as a member of the Atlantic world must have a strong interest in giving Germany the protection she needs. . . ."

"We are of the West. . . . In our relations with America we are at the receiving end. But in years to come an economically and politically healthy Germany, indebted as it will for aid from the West, may eventually repay these commitments by contributing her share to the benefit of the Atlantic world to which we all belong."

### Biggest Paper in U. S. Favors Taking In Nazis

Today the U. S. is preparing to send more than a billion dollars worth of armaments to Western allies, states the News. It says: "Eventually, if our lords and masters in Washington have their way, we'll equip a number of divisions in those countries. . . . Joint Chiefs Big Chief Omar Bradley gasses about western Europe supplying the 'hard core' of ground resistance. Dean Acheson says we're more open to attack in our own territory than ever before. And so on.

(Concluded Next Week)

### Youth Leads In Automobile Accidents

"The years of supreme—and dangerous—confidence."

Thus, Director H. N. Kirkman of the Florida Department of Public Safety described the teens and early 20's when, based upon miles driven, the drivers have the highest accident rate of any group.

"Teen-age drivers," Kirkman said, "have been under an increasing barrage of criticism during the past few years—criticism which, in the face of the evidence, seems justified."

Kirkman spoke in connection with the Florida highway patrol September program of traffic safety which has as its theme "Child Safety." The campaign is being conducted in co-operation with the National Safety Council.

"At no time in life does one have greater, misguided confidence in his skill, ability and luck than during the teens," Kirkman said. "And it is this notion that

contributes to the death of about 70 young persons in Florida annually. Only about 5 per cent of our drivers are in the teen-age group, and yet this same group is involved in over 8 per cent of all our accidents. In the 15 to 24 years old class, motor vehicle deaths in 1948 were 56 per cent of the accidental death toll for this age group—a percentage that statisticians call 'significant' and that officials call 'staggering!'"

Kirkman, pointed out that many insurance companies, in view of the rising accident rate among the young drivers, have upped their rates on cars that will be driven occasionally by teen-agers. Some states, Florida included, have also tried to combat this tendency by putting the blame squarely on the shoulders of the parents and making them liable for the actions of their children.

### THINGS I'D LIKE TO KNOW

Why some neighbor usually wants to use a noisy power motor on Sunday

When security will be offered little business and the unorganized workers

What time Wennie got back from that date

Whether Rudolph will ever call her again

What will be done with all of the empty stores in downtown Miami and elsewhere

### WANT GOLD MEDAL FOR CONSERVATION

THE Florida Wildlife Federation is canvassing the entire state of Florida to discover the person who is eligible for the 1949 State Chamber of Commerce Gold Medal Award for conservation work.

The Gold Medal has been awarded annually for the past eight years to some individual who has performed outstanding work intelligently contributing to the conservation of our woods, streams, and wildlife in Florida to the greatest degree, in the opinion of the judges.

The Gold Medal will be presented this year at the annual meeting of the Florida State Chamber of Commerce which will be held Nov. 13, 14, and 15, in the city of Jacksonville.

Previous winners of the Gold Medal for conservation services, beginning with 1941 and through 1948, are as follows. The Honorable Spessard Holland, Augustus S. Houghton, now deceased; Erl Roman, Honorable J. Hardin Peterson, James Murphy, Dr. Herbert Mills, Paul G. Mains, and Ernie Lyons.

Nominees for the 1949 award will be referred to the Florida Wildlife Federation, St. Petersburg, or to the Florida Outdoor Writers Association, Miami, before Oct. 15, together with their accomplishments and supporting data.

No government official or employee receiving pay for his or her services is eligible for the award, nor is any official of the Florida Wildlife Federation or of the Florida Outdoor Writers Association eligible.

### TRADE EARNINGS NEARLY BILLION

A total of \$883,840,000 was earned by owners and employees of trade and service establishments in Florida last year, according to the weekly business review of the Florida State Chamber.

The research and industrial division of the Florida State Chamber of Commerce reports this total as the most important single source of income of Floridians. It includes wages, salaries and income of proprietors and accounts for 32 per cent of the \$2,762,000,000 total earned by all Floridians last year. The comparable national figure was 27 per cent.

Floridians employed by the government (federal, state or local) either as civilians or members of armed forces and Floridians receiving any type of public benefit payments were paid a total of \$516,494,000 in 1948. While this amount is less than in 1947 it made up 18.7 per cent of the total income last year. Only Virginia, Utah and New Mexico outranked Florida in this percentage. The figure for the nation as a whole was 13.9 per cent.

Manufacturing payrolls in Florida totaled \$220,960,000, up 10 per cent from 1947. Agricultural income (payrolls and proprietors' net income) amounted to \$218,198,000 last year, an increase of 2 per cent over 1947.

Other sources of the income of Floridians account for the balance of the \$2,276,000,000 total. Breakdowns are not yet available on these items which include transportation, communication, construction, finance, mining and income from investments.

# 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 wings."  
—THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS

BEST BOOST for Florida we've seen in many a year was a line in Walter Wiggam's column last Monday. It merely said: "Bing's California orange juice firm uses only Florida fruit." That (Frozen Minute Maid) is worth taking full pages in all the big-city dailies to impress Florida's future population with. Our state couldn't spend its money more profitably.

GIVE practically any columnist enough time and he'll crucify himself. The Herald's Dr. Crane, who ordinarily conducts a snappy and clever column of life-pattern suggestions, went off the deep end the other day in touting people off sun-bathing. His greedy-doctor innards shown through for a moment—and that was enough for a lot of us who think the sun is worth cultivating. The way he went after sun-tans disclosed the usual M. D.'s horror of anything that might help the people get cured FREE. Dr. Crane would have everybody wearing hats and avoiding sun like a pestilence. He winds up his blast, like so many charlatans, by ringing in some very aged person to apparently prove his point. His two grandmothers, he said, died "at 91 and 96, yet I never saw even the slightest tan on either of them in the 40 years I knew them."

SIMILAR "proof" is always forthcoming. No matter what the point is, as every reader will recall. Haven't you heard pro-whiskey folk tell you how great uncles who drank like fishes all their lives and then died at 98 only because they got drunk and got hit by autos or switch-engines or something? Likewise, with tobacco-chewers and pipe-smokers. Chauncey DePew said the way to live long was to avoid exercise. Benarr Macfadden says the way to live is to keep it up—and both prove it by age. So as to Dr. Crane's proof, Miami sun-lovers may easily reply (as nimble wits have replied to the pro-whiskey and pro-tobacco people): "Those grandmothers of yours might have lived a quarter century longer if they'd had the foresight to do a little sun-bathing!"

CONTINUING the harangue, another clever Herald columnist, in the same comic section, same paper, made Dr. Crane's contention seem a bit silly. Dr. Albert Edward Wiggam (How to Improve Your Mind) talked, by coincidence, of longevity,

too. He wrote that "Mother Wiggam" lived to be 93. "Never talked to a doctor," Dr. Wiggam wrote, "until she was 92." We're hateful enough to add that there's no telling how long Mother Wiggam would have lived if she had NOT talked to that doctor! . . . Curiously, the Ripley feature that came out the same day concerned Belle Rhyes (1811-1934) of Savannah who "suffered from asthma for 101 years—then she was cured and lived to 123!"

GREYHOUND Bus patron and MIAMI LIFE customer: "They could cut at least two hours off the time between Miami and Atlanta. We stopped at least a dozen times on the first lap. Only four stops scheduled but the driver must have had flux or some running-off disease. Every time we stopped he would say how many minutes we would be there and it was always just twice as long. . . . After we got on another bus at Jax we made grand time. Only stopped at Alma and Macon."

HOW these monopoly concerns gouge the customer and show that inhuman greed that Government must ever be alert to restrict and curb and, if possible, stop completely. W. B. Saunders, for instance, is a huge textbook manufacturer and gives a short discount to dealers. They printed the Kinsey Report—which, through shrewd publicity, became and still is a best seller. But does Saunders share the wealth with the dealers? Not on your life. Still short discount!

PAGEANT comes up with a new twist to a good gag. According to its version, a man with a very low voice walked up to a lunch counter. "Rice pudding," he said to the counterman.

"What's that again? I'm hard of hearing," said the counterman.

"Rice pudding."

The counterman looked bewildered. A truck driver at the other end of the counter became annoyed. "The guy wants rice pudding!" he yelled.

The counterman moved down to that end. "Did you call me?"

"Yeah," bellowed the truck driver. "Give that guy a dish of rice pudding."

The counterman's face grew resentful. "See here, you," he shouted, "are you trying to tell my customers what to eat?"

# Too Late To Classify

By RUSSELL KAY

Health and outdoor recreation are two of the most appealing advantages Florida has to offer the visitor and homeseeker. Health, energy, vitality, recreation appeal to everyone and Florida offers them in abundance.

For years Dick Pope of beautiful Cypress Gardens has been telling the fascinating story of Florida's outdoor advantages with pictures of beautiful girls and sturdy lads featured in thrilling action shots against a background of unsurpassed scenic beauty. So vivid and alive were these pictures that editors have snapped them up and used them at every opportunity.

Practically every metropolitan newspaper in the country has used Cypress Gardens pictures; they have graced the covers of the nation's foremost magazines, trade journals and house organs. Hundreds of thousands of feet of motion picture film have been shot and every picture theater in the country, at one time or another, has featured shorts and newsreel shots from Florida's Cypress Gardens.

Thanks to the backing of Dick Pope scores of Florida teen-age youngsters have developed from flat-footed country girls and gawky boys to charming, accomplished, national and international stars.

Today the famed Aqua-Maids of Cypress Gardens are known throughout the nation and the world. At the Railroad Fair in Chicago the "Varsity Team" is stealing the show with a Water Thrill Show that is recognized as the most sensational outdoor show of the year.

Twenty-one all star Aqua-Maids are playing to capacity crowds in the great aqua-theater and showering witnessing the event

rank it with Billy Rose's Aquamade at the New York World's Fair from the standpoint of thrill packed entertainment. Four performances are staged daily and each of them vividly tell the story of health and outdoor recreation in Florida.

It is the only attraction in connection with the Fair that is not sponsored by one of the 39 railroads and yet the newspapers, magazines, radio and television stations of the Middle West are featuring the beauty and grace of these glamorous Florida aquabelles doing their clever routines and aquamaneuvers under the guidance of Glenn Kirkpatrick who has produced the ski shows at Cypress Gardens for the last three years.

At Baltimore this summer, Dick Pope, Jr., won the Men's Championship in the National Water Ski Tournament for the second year, while Willa Worthington McGuire of Cypress Gardens captured the Women's Championship for the fourth time.

Bringing more glory and fame to Florida were Lois Thornhill, young blonde junior Aqua-Maid who won the Junior Girls Championship and Buddy Boyle who smashed all records by making the longest ski jump in the world and, on top of that, placed second in the Men's Championship competition.

Immediately following their Baltimore engagement these Florida aquastars flew to Europe via Pan-American Airways to compete in the International Water Ski Tournament at Juan Les Pins, France, officially representing the United States at the meet and at the same time spreading the fame of Florida and Cypress Gardens across the

Atlantic. Willa won the World's Women's Championship and Dick Pope, Jr., set a new world's water ski jump record.

From France they journeyed to Milan, Italy, where they gave a special Water Ski Show for the Maharajah of Dinjapur, later touring the Riviera and staging sensational shows and developmental volumes of publicity for the United States and Florida in particular.

Then, hurrying back to this side of the world they arrived at Toronto, Canada, just in time to join other Cypress Garden stars and stage a Water Ski Show at the Canadian National Exposition from Aug. 28 through Sept. 10th.

So Florida's Dick Pope, not content with being America's No. 1 picture wizard, has branched out into a new field to compete with Billy Rose in the production of novel and sensational outdoor shows and Florida high school boys and girls so fortunate as to be under his tutelage are becoming world famed entertainers.

In the meantime the "show goes on" at Cypress Gardens, where other eager Florida youngsters are learning the game as they stage shows daily for the thousands of visitors who visit this famed attraction.

### No Flowers

A motorist on a muddy road pulled up alongside a fellow traveler who was digging his car out.

"Stuck in the mud?"

"No, my engine died here and I'm digging a grave to bury it."

## WEEK'S NEWS

**PLANE RACE TRAGEDY**—Bill Odom's plane in recent air race, crashes the Laird home at Berea, Ohio, killing himself, Mrs. Laird and son.

**THE RUSSIANS** are afraid of two things, according to Henry J. Taylor, General Motors' radio commentator who recently completed a 20,000 mile trip around the world—the atom bomb and the American free press. During his three month trip Taylor came to the conclusion that while there is no likelihood of an immediate hot war, he saw no end in sight of the cold war.

**DOG BUYS WATCH**—The smartest and best-loved dog is Lassie, the wonder Collie, who owns her own car, has just bought a wrist watch (via trainer, Rudd Weatherwax) as a reminder that her radio program, "The Lassie Show," now is carried Saturday mornings by NBC at 11:00 o'clock (E.S.T. and P.S.T.).

**ATTRACTIVE SUIT**—Rhonda Fleming, soon to be seen in the Bob Hope picture "The Great Lover," is shown wearing a white alpaca skirt and jacket with a printed wrap-around blouse which fits at the waist to form a corset.

**MONETARY CONFERENCE**—The big four who will seek a solution to Britain's financial crisis. They are U. S. Secy. of State Acheson, Secy. of Treasury Snyder, Sir Stafford Cripps and Ernest Bevin.



WOMAN'S WORLD

Convert Rarely-Used Spare Room Into Cozy Retreat of Your Own

By Ertta Haby

THE MEN of the house have their libraries, dens or work-shops, the youngsters their play-rooms or dens, but what does the lady of the house have? Frequently, nothing!

Homemakers need a room of their own, a sort of private retreat where they can follow their hobbies, home management or entertain a guest or two just as much as anyone else in the family. In many houses this is a very real possibility, too, if space is utilized properly.

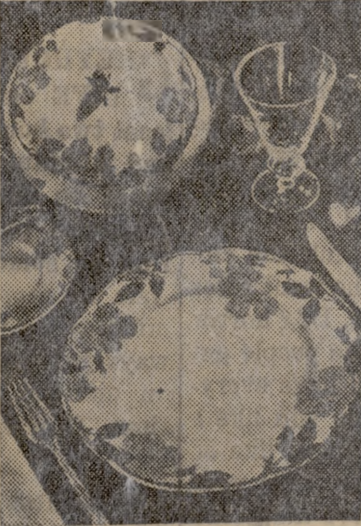
So many houses have small rooms which may be used as a spare guest room, or as a sort of a den, or as a catch-all for things that really could go into the attic or basement. Since these rooms are so small, few have thought of putting them into real, busy use.

The room I have in mind can be as small as 8'x8'. When all the space is carefully and fully used, this can be converted into a "room of her own" for the lady of the house who not only so much deserves it but also needs it.

Here she can do her market-ing if there's a telephone at hand; here she can catch up on

There will be bare-top dresses with matching jackets and sleeveless dresses with jackets. The trend is toward hipbone length and simple design. In itself this fashion is a wonderful double-duty idea, giving the same outfit a range from day-time casual to dress-up! Another new jacket idea for evening includes separate jackets of taffeta, often lace-trimmed.

Table Topic



The beauty of the fragile desert rose, that all too briefly blooms in the Mojave desert, has been captured for permanent enjoyment in all its lovely colors under the durable glaze of this California earthenware. The dinnerware is shown on brown tablecloth with a pink napkin reflecting the pink of the decorative floral design.

These may be made into drawers, if desired, but at any rate have the sections which can be used for spools of thread, needles and pins, fasteners, trimmings, tape measure, scissors, pinking shears, patterns, sewing books, remnants to use in mending or quilting as well as sewing machine attachments.

If you do not feel that you have room for an ironing board in the closet, perhaps you'll want to place a card-table in the closet. Another possibility is a board that can be used for pressing and cutting. For the latter purpose you should have a board that is at least 27" wide and 60" long.

Now available are card tables which all fold into a small suitcase which would also be handy for the room. This will serve for pressing and sewing, and some cutting operations. It can double as a table for refreshments or bridge when you entertain.

The closet might also be used to store one or two folding chairs that you want handy in case of entertaining.

Use Decorations To Reflect Personality

In a room of her own, each homemaker has a real opportunity to reflect her own personality, effectively. The room can be gay, smart, subdued but charming, with bright or brilliant colors.

If the room is small, take it easy on pattern since too much decoration will make it seem too full and crowded looking. With a little more space, you can use some pattern, if this is wisely done.

A picture or two, your favorites, of course, may be used on the walls, but too many of these will only add clutter. Much of what is used depends upon the proportions of the room.

With lots of natural light, you need but few lamps. If the room is on the shady side of the house, and you lack space for lamps, use the pin-up types on the walls as they will be space-savers.

Have at least one comfortable chair in the room, as you will do much of your work in it. Other chairs may be added as space and necessity dictate, but when space is lacking, store folding chairs in the closet.

You'll find that linoleum is a practical covering for the floor since its easy to clean, and makes such jobs as picking up thread and scraps of material simple.

A rack for current papers and magazines should be provided. Or, if your desk is simply one that is built-in you might have space on that for periodicals.

It's nice to have a radio in the room because you may like to listen as you work; it's frequently good to have when you're entertaining to provide background music, entertainment or an educational feature you want to dis-

THEY TELL ME

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That Aaron did pay the bill after all.

That over-worked ambulance drivers need an ambulance for themselves.

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Discuss with your friends.

Make the Room Ideal for Sewing

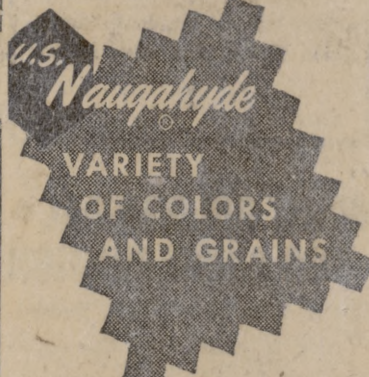
As has been indicated from the section on designing the closet, you'll notice the room is planned to be the ideal sewing room. No longer will you have to create the lining room table for cutting, or toys from the floor, or the bed. Everything is handy right here in one small room.

Unfinished material may be left on the dress form; or on the table since the room need not be left open if you have sewing in progress and do not want to have it disturbed.

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placed in the room rather than the closet and it should be near natural or artificial light so that you can work properly. Place it near the window, or flush against the window for best conditions.

Engineers Knock Utility Services

STRONG disapproval of manufacturing firms or public utilities offering engineering services to owners using their products has been voiced by the Florida Engineering Society. So stated David B. Lee, secretary, at Jacksonville.

The Society's board of directors has drawn up a resolution to that effect stating that it has come to their attention that certain manufacturers and public utilities were furnishing such engineering services.

The resolution stated that "the Florida Engineering Society realizes that the providing of

such engineering advice, consultations or designs may be considered as a related activity involved in developing and promoting the production and sales of the product offered," however it is the opinion of the society that "such service is a violation of the society's ethics; is contrary to the best interest of the client, and is a practice that should be discontinued."

The society recommended that the efforts of manufacturers, utilities and producers in developing use of their product be directed to and through the owner's registered consulting engineers.

Sports ...

By MEL KANN

This column will introduce the fact that MIAMI LIFE is now going in for all Sport News. Naturally, the writer will head for all the football fields in this Miami area, to bring to our readers our observations and predictions (no punches being pulled) on the real conditions of all squads, also their possibilities in team play, both in offense and defensive performances. So, with the Pigskin Preview in full swing, we have been spending the past week watching Coach Gustafson and his assistants getting the University team ready for the opening game with Rollins College Sept. 23, in the Orange Bowl.

Followers of the University of Miami team will find the squad in excellent condition (and why not?), due to Coach Gustafson's experiences with the Cadet teams at West Point, as of the past.

There probably will be about 48 players on the squad when the opening game gets rolling; line weight on offense and defense will average about 195 pounds; the backfield weight will average 165 pounds; this bringing into effect two teams which are called separate offensive and defensive units, and last, but not least, the T formation being used.

From our observations through this past week, the coaches are digging in for speed and deception which, of course, the T formation is noted for. We might add here that as long as Whitey Campbell keeps rolling, so will the team; if anything happens to Campbell in way of injuries, the team's chances on speed slows down to a walk. During the past week, the Miami University squad held two scrimmage games against the Tampa University (Tampa University being mostly made up of some very promising freshmen). These scrimmages

brought to light for the benefit of the university followers that Campbell is raring to go from his position as fullback. The following members of the squad bear watching for good results: Art Davies, No. 50, weight 197, center; Ray Arcangelotti, No. 61, weight 188, left guard; Tom Jelly, No. 89, weight 211, right end.

For a surprise package there is a young man by the name of Jack Hackett, quarterback, weight 155, who will positively find his way into the favorable comments of all the university football supporters. He is known as "Mighty Mouse" by the coaches and you can rest assured that this young man will make more than good.

The outstanding weak spot is in the kicking department (fans will sure miss Henry Ghaut). Right now, we believe there is about five candidates trying out for the very important positions of the kickoff, and the extra point try after the touchdown. For a complete summary of this past week with the University of Miami team and looking ahead to season's schedule, we call for three wins, with a possible on a fourth win, as follows:

Miami University over Rollins College. Miami University over Louisville. Miami University over Detroit. Miami University over South Carolina.

So in the midst of all this pigskin ballyhoo, don't lose sight of the coming World Series (baseball) and our local boxing shows.

The following week will find this reporter looking over Miami High and the Jackson High school squads for their possibilities for a successful coming season.

SUNNYSIDE

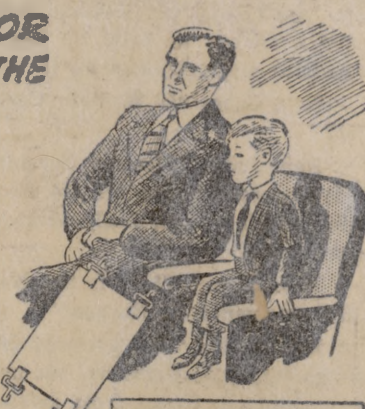


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In reality, the room can be to the homemaker an office such as many have from which they direct their activities.

Select Room With Closet One feature which the room absolutely needs is a closet, especially if it is to serve a variety of uses. This need not be large, for one which is 21 inches deep will hold all that it needs in the way of sewing aids.

The closet will serve its purpose first of all if it has double mirrors one mounted on front of



And entertaining guests. the center door and one on the back of the closet door. These will be invaluable in helping you to fit clothing properly when you're sewing.

Also in the closet you'll have space for a dress form which is so helpful in sewing, an ironing board, an iron and cord, a large box for mending, etc.

Another aid which will be extremely helpful is to have six or eight shelves running from top to bottom on one side of the closet.

Be Smart!

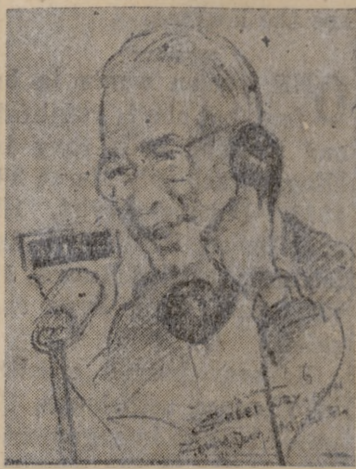


A high fashion theme that will add smartness and versatility to ever so many dresses, come Autumn, is the dress and jacket combination. This may be chosen in sheer wool, jersey, tweeds, checks and plaids with a plain fabric for contrast.



# 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  
Hottest tip of the week seems to be that lovely Barbara Long, the songstress, has come to the parting of the ways with Tatem Wofford. Barbara is on Miami Beach now but NOT at the Wofford mastery. If this matter goes

to court it will undoubtedly provide a new brand of high-class fireworks. Of course all this may be cancelled at any time—both parties are experts in the art of making up.

There are a great many chuckles in town about the tele-

gram received by John Prosser, general manager of WKAT, in

relation to the supposed employment of Barry Gray on Mutual Network. The telegram states emphatically that Gray is not appearing on the Mutual network and will not appear there. WOR reports Gray appears twice a week—once for about 25 minutes and the other time for a couple of hours. The reason for the wire was Art Green's statement on the same program that Gray was on the network and that Katzentine was responsible for the program not appearing down here. Many times he asked the listeners to call either Prosser or Katzentine at WKAT and demand the appearance of Gray on the network. I don't know about

Green's pull with his audience, but if he doesn't do any better for his commercial accounts than he did on this plea, things must be in a bad state because WKAT received two-count 'em—two calls—and both parties went back at Green for broadcasting an obvious falsehood. There are a lot of things I cannot understand. Certainly Barry Gray had no cause to complain of the treatment he has received in Miami. He has earned more money here than he ever earned in his life and his record has been one continuous oration about going on the network. I don't know whether or not anybody in the world cares whether he is on the

network or not because people in this area who like the man's program have no difficulty receiving it and enjoying it from whatever local station he might be on.

Doctor Grimes whose avocation is keeping show people well reports that Sandra, who has been ill with a fever running to 104, is on her way to recovery and entirely out of danger.

The Red Barn has been the scene of a great deal of activity this week. It seems that after quite a hot contest which was participated in by all of the show gals regular in town, Laugh, the

national magazine, picked Penny Art as the "show girl of the month" and the current issue shows a very wonderful spread of Penny's pictures conferring the title. There is however one little fly in the ointment—the caption under the picture identifies them as Kitty Collins, another Red Barnite, by the way, who actually was the runner-up. Little Max Capp has spent a lot of money telephoning the magazine offices in New York in an effort to get some sort of an explanation printed before winter, but unfortunately he has found that Laugh is made up several months in advance. In the meantime believe me it is a "G" string shaking matter at the Red Barn.

Jackie Paul, also current at the Red Barn, is now in the process of waiting out passports. It seems that some Latin American agent has booked her to open in Caracas, Venezuela, and tour her way into Mexico City, arriving there in time for the convention of the International Association of Travel Agents which will hold for ten days in October. About a thousand travel agents from all parts of the world are expected in Mexico City and Jackie's agent in confirming the booking, said he believed "she would keep things moving."

Heard from Carrie Fennell and her ever-loving Tommy in New Orleans. Business, they say, has been holding up wonderfully and they may buy the building that houses the cafe where they work. Both of them agree that next to Miami New Orleans is a wonderful place to live, but Carrie says he has not abandoned entirely the idea of buying a trailer camp here. Carrie let me know about a girl by the name of Bert St. Laire, described as one of the most beautiful blondes ever to work New Orleans, who will open in Miami Beach at the Paddock his week. According to what Carrie says the girl is a top performer and will give any of our localities a good race for top honors.

Speaking of the Paddock—the whole Beach is interested in the marriage of one of its best known employees—Casey. Yep, Casey and Smithy went and done it which set at rest all of the rumors about it wouldn't happen and brought lots of smiles to the faces of their friends. Both of them have a host of friends and well wishers, and we would like to add our congratulations and best wishes. The ceremony late Tuesday afternoon was very lovely and the wedding party had dinner at the Five o'Clock Club after which the new Mr. and Mrs. Casey left on an automobile honeymoon vacation which will take them as far as Palm Springs.

Mary Lane, long a Beach favorite, leaves this week to play an engagement in Palm Beach and thereby hangs a tale because Mary signed that contract weeks ago and could have stayed over at the Paddock as long as she wished. She will probably return there in four to six weeks.

Bonnie Woods, another blonde New Orleans favorite, is in town locking the situation over with the idea of remaining here for this winter season.

Lou Figerato of the Frolics in Tampa is again holding over Milie Kelly and June Daker who has created quite a sensation. Business in Tampa, which was very, very bad for several weeks, took a big jump after Labor Day and cafe men there are again wearing smiles.

The engagement of Jerri Blanchard at the Clover Club, brings that popular entertainer to the Miami side for the first time in many years. Mill Ross again holds over and don't be surprised if the boy winds up as a permanent season fixture of the Clover Club shows. The only thing in the way at the moment is the fact that Ross has already contracted for some vaudeville dates which he put to one side to come down here and is trying to push still further back in order to make this a record run at the Clover.

Received a very nice letter from Jerry Colona who went back to the coast to vacation for a couple of weeks only to find himself up to his ears in pictures, radio and television. However, the pop-eyed mustache says he is going to try and squeeze in a week on Miami Beach this season.

In mentioning the Five o'Clock Club, I didn't mention because I didn't know that our old friend, Jack Young, is assistant to Martini on the floor. Service and food are excellent and any show with Georgie Price has got to be top entertainment. The problem is whether there are people enough on the Beach to make the thing pay. Week ends will

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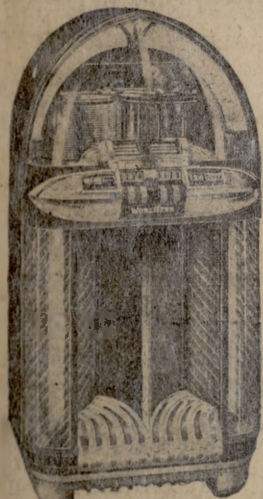
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This was the sad case of Charles W. Mathis who is only now seeking legal liberty from Pearl Mathis of St. Louis, Mo., where they were united in the summer of 1906. They came to Miami in 1920 and cohabited until that first hurricane in the fall of 1926, when the defendant blew out and never returned. She wanted no more of Miami, with or without Charles.

After coming to Miami he opened a cabinet shop but the lady did not like Miami and left here after 15 months. She returned north but came back in January, 1926, during the boom. Came the storm and out went Pearl. She said she would not live in Miami as she did not like to see hurricanes. Charles, at last, has decided he has been deserted. E. Paul Beatty is the attorney.

ANOTHER gentleman long separated from his wife and a long resident of Florida is William Collins Conklin of Miami, who wants divorce from Ollie Moore Conklin of Louisville, Ky., where they were wed Jan. 6, 1908. They have seven children, all of age.

They were very much in love at the time of the marriage and all the time that the children were being born. A year or two after the last child, born April 6, 1928, he declares that the defendant lost control of herself and affection, became petulant, flew off the handle and abused the plaintiff. She became obsessed with the idea that he enjoyed illicit ventures, and in spite of all those children accused him of infidelity.

William contracted tuberculosis due to the inhuman treatment he suffered, and he was advised to leave. He came to Florida Sept. 3, 1931, and regained his health but not his wife. Herbert U. Fiebelman is the barrister.

SHE had their son baptized in a church and kept this a secret, endangering an inheritance, contends Joe N. Rutland, suing Sammie D. Rutland of Nashville, Tenn., where they were married. They have one son, Joe, Jr., 18 years of age, who is attending college financed from the fund of \$10,000 from a paternal uncle.

They were happily married for the first ten years. The defendant was employ-

ed and allowed her family and business associates to influence her. The secret baptism might have caused the loss of the educational fund from uncle, who was of a different faith.

She was jealous, says the plaintiff, nagged, cursed, slapped him. Sammie super-

vised some 50 girls, and carried this superior attitude and dignity into the home. She demanded that her wishes be carried out, and employed servants. She browbeat Rutland, who was a safety engineer, with responsibility for human lives. Her conduct upset him and

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DURING their married life she cooked only two meals for him. The wife was not of much value to him,

complains M. R. Beaver against Irene Annett Beaver, who were married during the war, and while he was in service. They lived together intermittently until June, 1948, when she deserted him.

They rented an apartment after a child was born but she stayed only a few days. Later she joined him in Indianapolis, and then her parents prevailed upon her to return to them. She prefers her mother. Bell & Bell

are the lawyers. ONE woman wants to be free, but she is youthful, and wedding bells rang in Miami Beach only March 29, 1948. Dolores Levitt, 19, sues Robert Dell Levitt, 21, having separated August 11 this year. They have one child.

Dolores charges cruelty, indifference, selfishness. He would engage in arguments, nag, berate in the presence of others, and while they co-

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He appeared a mannerly person before marriage, but afterwards he began his abuse. First they had a separate apartment and then were forced to live with the defendant's brother and mother. The brother was hostile toward Dolores and was opposed to sharing quarters. He was also vile and abusive and encouraged the

brother to become an egg of despair.

During a quarrel in June the defendant said he did not love her. He was cold, hurled epithets. She was employed for five months after marriage. Following a visit to the doctor Aug. 11, she was advised to leave to preserve her health and moved to the maternal home. The defendant is unemployed and she asks support for the child, alimony if he obtains a job.

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Lot of Bull Whip  
The legislators of a western state were holding a banquet. A newly elected member, an old cowman who had been persuaded by neighbors to run for office, was ill at ease, and a little irked at the incessant chatter going on around him.

Finally a buxom woman, whose husband was a professional politician, turned to the old cowman. "You had better vote for my husband's new bill," she warned loudly. "After all, you know he's the party whip."

"I know," said the cowman-senator. "But there's one big trouble with whips. They're often cracked."



# I Was Just Thinking

By AL KIRK

E. Dorado, Venezuela. The week it has been my misfortune to be cast in the role of chauffeur in driving a new jeep picked-up from Ciudad Bolivar, across country to Tumeremo. I made this trip alone over roads that should not be dignified by such a name. The government is constructing a new graded road which will eventually reach Tumeremo but which now ends abruptly at Gausapati. From there, through El Callo and on

to El Dorado there are no roads and such roads as are available follow a cattle trail pattern. A road used today may, by tomorrow, well be abandoned and due to the present rainy season end in a body of water which is impassable. Faced with such an impasse it is then necessary to back-track and try the others until a passable one is located. The principal thing is to keep traveling in the right direction which through

this broad Savannah country presents considerable difficulty, especially at night. The few isolated ranch houses that are scattered along the road offer the only means of obtaining directions and this device is not unfailing since road conditions soon again follow the same confused pattern. My idea of a comfortable vacation does not include driving a jeep over the roads of interior Venezuela and such a trip makes

one appreciative of the efforts of Taca and the government to maintain an air service into the interior. This morning in Tumeremo I met one of my friends from the interior mining regions; a prospector and minor who has been working on a tributary of the Upper Caroni river. He had with him about 100 carats of very nice rough diamonds, some of them weighing as much as three carats each. He also had about fifty ounces of free alluvial gold. This gold is pure and quite coarse, some of the nuggets weighing as much as two ounces. My friend has been prospecting and working in the Upper Caroni area for sev-

eral months and is quite optimistic over the future of this particular area. To reach this section requires an airplane trip from Tumeremo to St. Elena and several days walking and packing from there to reach the claims. I have been invited to visit the area and live at the house of my friend, who is a Venezuelan, and will do so at the first opportunity. After driving the jeep over these roads, walking in the bush will be a pleasure. Obtaining a drivers license in Venezuela is quite an operation and involves passport photos as well as the signature of the governor. When finally received it is of such proportions that a special pocket is required to carry it. It more resembles the Cedula that all resident Venezuelans carry as a matter of "identification." Having these two pieces of identical information on the person at all times is a must under the laws of Venezuela. How to do it is the problem, since each document contains several out-size pages. Next week I will tell you how diamonds are recovered from the streams and alluvial gravels by local hand mining methods.

Nice Another nice thing about silence is that it can't be repeated.

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# CALIFORNIA CHURCHES FIGHT

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the crowds—become enmeshed in trouble—wreck their own lives and their loved ones' as well.

Alongside this promotion, in California, of an anti-racetrack drive, don't the antics of our so-called civic leaders in touting the local Racetrack Monopoly's game DAMN them as HYPOCRITES of the FIRST ORDER?

## How Can Preachers Forget '41 Legislature Bribery?

HERE, in Miami, mind you, even churchmen are actually taking the part of one set of gamblers (the racetrack owners) against another set of gamblers (bookies, nightspot operators)! . . . skilfully avoiding condemnation of wholesale gambling (racetrack gambling) as an evil and hypocritically condemning an adjunct of it, the lowly bookmaker (whose earnings the greedy racetracks hope to appropriate to themselves)!

Here, in Miami, the heads of these racing institutions are made to look LEGITIMATE (even though it is common knowledge that the 1931 legislature was scandalously bribed by the Widener-Bradley combination, which had purchased Hialeah, to pass the racing bill) . . . they are mentioned in revered and awesome tones by the daily press—they are made to appear as social lights—they are maneuvered into positions of importance in this drive and that drive, mentioned in this civic organ-

ization and that, strictly for publicity sake . . . the Big Wolf in Sheep's Clothing!

## Hypocrisy Among Church Leaders and Crime Commission

THE TRUTH is ever shunned. Namely, that they are Kings of Racket! That they head the MOST VICIOUS, MOST-EXTENSIVE CRIME - BREEDING AGENCY EVER KNOWN TO MAN! That's the TRUTH that is always buried by the Daily Press.

What makes this condition so intolerable is the fact that they are able even to enlist such a number of local ministers in their nefarious enterprise!

Only last week MIAMI LIFE high-lighted the wholly inconsistent attitude that church-leaders and the "Crime Commission" are taking toward gambling in this area . . . i. e., trying to differentiate between "legal" and "illegal" gambling (as if legislative bribery isn't a crime at all!) . . . concentrating upon bookies (who, after all, merely fill a need that the populace demands) and ignoring the Master-Culprit, the racetrack itself!

We contend now, as we've contended before, that those fighting illegal bookmaking deserve no public support until they doff their robes of hypocrisy and come out slugging the REAL MENACE—the RACE-TRACKS THEMSELVES.

Without the racetracks, bookmaking cannot exist. Don't forget that.

## Crime Prober Girl Jailed As Drunk

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town at the bar, N. W. Third avenue, between 14th and 15th streets. Maria, the girl, was born in Porto Rico, has been in the United States for six years, lives at the Dixie hotel. She testified she saw Johnson at the bar, while she was with her boy friend, Turner. Johnson asked them to have a drink, and each had a bottle of beer, paid for by Johnson. Johnson asked her to go in the bar and she repulsed his attentions and said no. She admitted that Turner supported her. She claimed Johnson gave her \$3 but she did not go with him.

Willie Shepard, 1840 N. W. 15th court, testified he saw the three of them at the bar; that Turner had a knife, tried to get his girl to go with Johnson, and that Johnson had his arm around the girl.

Turner, 1448 N. W. Fifth place, said Maria was his common-law

wife but he did not live with her. He testified that Johnson came to a beer joint, got him, Turner to go to the Ritz bar on the pretense of seeing another man. A colored boy came to him and said: "That white man is looking for some colored woman." Turner denied he tried to induce his woman to go with Johnson.

There was some hemming and hawing over the testimony on the following day. Johnson said he just wanted to make friends. Judge Cecil C. Curry found Johnson and Turner guilty, warned the white investigator to keep out of colored town unless he was looking for serious trouble.

Perhaps, Mr. Sullivan, who had no comment, should first lecture his own workers before he confides in the public as to the dangers of crime and naughty behavior.

Where can the people look for safety, protection, and honesty, when investigators must be investigated?

## Another Capt. Billy Mitchell

SHADES of the late Capt. Billy Mitchell! . . . Mitchell was court-martialed for his remarks he made about our military. Mitchell insisted that we should center our defense and offensive strategy on aviation. He belittled the army and navy practices—and it was many years later (World War II) that he was proved right.

And, in death, Billy Mitchell finally achieved great honor as a fearless man of vision.

Now comes the case of Capt. John G. Crommelin, U. S. Navy, and here again we find hush-hush favored over investigating the facts of the matter openly so that the public (which, after all, is the proper judge) may decide whether our military is pulling another Billy Mitchell and again deluding themselves—

Navy Secretary Francis P. Matthews warns navy officers against making public statements "without getting clearance"—meaning without the Top Brass deciding if it's EXPEDIENT.

"While there is no intent to impair your right of free expression of views," Matthews is quoted as saying. But what follows, stripped of its politeness and diplomatic touch, indicates very clearly that the Top Brass intends doing that very thing.

They don't like Capt. Crommelins—or Capt. Mitchells and will continue to discipline all who speak without being told to. Truth does not enter into it.

## GLOSE CHECK FOR HOTEL LICENSES

TALLAHASSEE — Hotel, restaurant, apartment house, rooming house and motor court licenses are due for renewal October 1, it was announced from Offices of the State Hotel Commission.

Commissioner James T. Landon warned operators that this license would not be renewed unless their establishments met Hotel Commission standards. He stated that six restaurants, five rooming houses and three apartment houses were closed by the Commission during August because of unsafe or unsanitary conditions. Many others were given a limited time in which to comply with regulations.

Landon said that with the lifting of rent controls throughout most of Florida, he was instructing the field staff to tighten up on inspections; especially of apartment and rooming houses. The Commissioner explained that the department had been lenient in some cases during rent control in order not to work undue hardships on landlords.

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## MASON AT MIDNITE

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undoubtedly be crowded but it is always the Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday that has caused many a cafe owner to walk the last mile.

Wonder if there is any truth in the rumor that Little Jack Little, such an outstanding success at the Neptune Room of the Robert Richter, will leave there as of November one, because of difficulties between the hotel and the Neptune's room concessionaires. I understand Abe Allenberg would like to retain Little Jack but at the moment it seems Jack is going to stick by the "guys who bring him." I heard that an offer was made by this combination for Bucky Gray's Mardi Gras but Gray and his associates refused the offer feeling that the opening of the Five o'Clock would bring enough additional business to the street so that the Mardi Gras would get its share. Several places have been mentioned as a Little Jack Little location but as far as I know nothing definite has been set. However, Betty Lee Taylor and her organ will go into the Robert Richter this week.

And Bill Jordan snagged Cliff Winehill who can never

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couple of days vacation without going to work. Cliff and schnooz are just as funny as ever and I think he will be a welcome addition to Jordan's staff.

Well that's about it for now. We are going to shut-up about the Brigaddon Room in a week or so and if my son, Phillip, goes home so I can take a peak at him maybe this old man of mountain will be able to take a day's vacation. At any rate will be meeting you here long.

The price of sugar is expected to take a sharp climb in the next few weeks, according to Bureau Week.

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### Washington Seeks Life

EDITOR MIAMI LIFE:

Thirteen years is a long time and it has been just about that long a time since I last saw you; but being blessed with a good memory I haven't forgotten that you put out an interesting weekly paper.

Only last night I was talking to a chap here in Washington who gets out a weekly sheet taking a slam at various members of Congress and I said I would write to you today and ask you to send me your latest copy of your paper and if possible a copy of the one you got out when you took a blast at that M.C. in one of the night clubs on the Beach and ran a banner headline about his deserting his bastard baby. If you don't have a copy of that, perhaps you have one on which you ran a big headline about the drug store at Flagler and First streets.

Anyway I am enclosing thirty-five cents in stamps to cover the purchase price and postage on two copies. Am also enclosing a copy of this chaps weekly sheet which he put out last week and if you want to use any of it, I am sure he wouldn't object.

Looking forward to receiving the two copies of your paper and with every good wish for your continued success, I am,

TOM ABBOTT.

1 2nd Street N. E., Washington, D. C.

### Lawless Police Tactics

EDITOR, MIAMI LIFE:

We are shocked at the revelations in your paper relative to the questionable procedure of the Miami police in their efforts to arrest, prosecute and jail alleged offenders in the field of vice and gambling.

When an officer of the law seeks to induce a citizen to commit a crime in order to arrest him, that is illegal

entrapment. When cops get a taxi-cab driver half drunk so he will take them to women, that is lawlessness by the law.

It is strange, too, that the police are so anxious to nab the little fellows of no consequence and with no influence, while the big boys get away. Peculiar, that the law does nothing about Dr. Moore, whose torture tactics, suicides, sexual depravity are alarming, but they will go to great extremes to trap some feeble old man who may take a bet or two.

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### How About Nude Men?

EDITOR, MIAMI LIFE:

Raids are made upon certain niteries because the girls take off too many clothes. Well, how about the hairy-chested men who bare their torsoes without any admission charge and right out in the open. Stripping for work is excusable, but when they sit beside you at a lunch counter or pick up groceries in a store, it is a bit sickening. They don't arouse the sex in me at all—at all.

BETTY B.

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