

CRIME COMM'N TRICKERY

The Miami Crime Commission will go to any lengths, it seems, to keep the public into believing there is a valid reason for its existence.

form of a letter to Mayor deLesseps S. Morrison of New Orleans, in which it was suggested that Morrison follow up this appeal for federal help (Morrison had already asked for federal help) by a joint appeal by the mayors of the cities where syndicated mobs are deeply entrenched.

talk that the work was being done on DIRECT ORDERS OF THE WHITE HOUSE." (The capital letters are ours, for emphasis.)

So, WITHOUT the express wishes of the Miami Crime Commission (Continued on Page 8)



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TRUTH ABOUT HERALD FIRE

THE TRUTH about the Herald's \$750,000 fire is that it was NEGLIGENCE on the part of the Miami Herald that was responsible for the catastrophe.

It has long been the custom of the fire department to ask, and in most cases receive, the co-operation of warehouse operators in keeping aisles open between stored articles so that in case of fire there is some way for the city firemen to get around to fight it.

The Herald, however, had paper stacked in rolls (more than a half-ton each) stacked side by side, not only in these aisles but up against windows, blocking fire escapes (although a city ordinance demands at least two means of exit from any commercial building more than one story in height), as well as doorways.

The Herald lately waxed angry in its stern demand that a fire alarm ordinance be made mandatory in buildings such as these.

Yet the Herald itself FAILED to install such a system in its new building!

If no other ordinance was violated, the law of common sense was.

That was violated not only in the way the Herald's paper was stored, but it was violated in the way the Herald handled the fire's discovery . . . the Herald employe who first discovered the blaze attempted to put out the fire by using an extinguisher. When that was exhausted, he put it down and went to get another. By the time he returned, the fire had gained so much headway and the smoke had become so dense, he was unable to fight it further.

Not until then did he notify the fire department. Did they delay calling the fire department in the hope they could put out the fire before their GUILT (in stacking the paper so as to constitute a fire hazard) was discovered?

We don't know. We're just asking.

The fact remains that the fire department wasn't called for 15 or 20 minutes after the fire started, and it was out of hand by the time the fire-fighters arrived.

The fire would surely have been brought under control with negligible damage, had the fire department been notified IMMEDIATELY!

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Herald Publisher Knight Ignores Medical Assn's Press-Bribery

IN FACT, Sept. 26—Published at 280 Lafayette St., New York 12, N. Y., \$2 a year) IGNORING specific instances of press corruption in five states this year—the most recent discovered (and suppressed) only last month—the nation's newspapers, through Editor & Publisher, have announced they will observe the annual Newspaper Week celebration as usual, starting next week, with the customary editorials of self-praise and solicited testimonials.

A suggestion that "journalistic stinkers" be ousted from press associations, made earlier this year after several scandals had rocked the industry, will not be mentioned during the celebration. Press Lord John Knight has told the industry it is too difficult to "define 'responsibility' and brand the stinkers."

Minnesota Papers Get Ad Payoff to War on Health

Meanwhile, as the papers prepare for their annual orgy of self-praise—they are still suppressing news of the latest press scandal—a secret deal has been made to buy the editorial support of an entire state's press in the campaign against a national health program. This new effort at press bribery was revealed by Senator James E. Murray (D, Mont.) in a speech Aug. 16. The deal, he said, was made between officials of the American Medical Assn.,

of the request of the fire underwriters that no more paper be moved . . . there has been danger that the weight of the water-saturated newsprint might collapse the building.

You can bet that, in the future, the Herald will have plenty of aisles and accessible avenues in its warehouses, even if they are not forced to do so by a specific ordinance requiring it.

It was a regrettable fire, in more ways than one . . . that huge loss can be used by the underwriters as an excuse to boost fire insurance rates throughout the area! . . . This fire ruined Miami's fire loss record. Our loss, up to this time, has been negligible.

Imagine, if you can, what the Herald would have said, editorially, about the city commission or the fire department permitting a similar condition to exist in any OTHER building in the city!

operators of what he called "the most powerful and unscrupulous lobby in America," and the Minnesota Editorial Assn., which represents most of the papers in that state.

Under the agreement, Minnesota's doctors were authorized by their State Medical Assn. to abandon ethical standards of many generations and advertise for patients by inserting "professional cards" in local papers. In return for this new revenue.

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CHURCHMEN DO OPPOSE TRACKS, SAYS SPOKESMAN

AGREEING with MIAMI LIFE that legal racetracks are an evil to be condemned along with illegal gambling, some Miami churchmen take exception to the recent statements in this paper that local ministers are not opposed to the pari-mutuel gambling.

They cite the resolution adopted at a joint meeting of the Greater Miami Council of Churches, the Greater Miami Ministerial Association and the Laymen's Committee of One Thousand. This resolution strongly opposed all forms of gambling and did not differentiate between legal and illegal gambling.

That resolution sought to prevent the legalization of further types of gambling at the recent session of the state legislature, and the churches won that battle in halting the extension of legal betting.

Rev. Robert B. Giffen, executive secretary of the Greater Miami Council of Churches, said it was a mass meeting sponsored by the churches two decades ago that delayed for one year the legalization of racetrack betting. Legalization was put over by the small counties because of their desire to grab a share of the taxes. Some of those counties are living off the money bet in Dade

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Negroes SHOULD Register

THE Negro candidate for commission, O. L. Nickerson, is distinguished for having been fired from his job for having the audacity to run for city commission.

Now Nickerson knows he has no chance of winning. He's simply awakening his people to the fact that it is to their best interests to register and vote, not necessarily to elect a member of their race to the city commission but to make their votes count toward their betterment, alleviating the plight of the more than 50,000 Negroes now herded together in an area that should contain, at the most, 20,000 or 25,000 people.

Negroes SHOULD register. To those who say no, we must point out that there has not been a single "incident" caused by registration or voting of Negroes in Miami. On the other hand, Negroes' recent interest in politics has resulted in considerable improvement in the services the city renders them, especially in the last couple of years.

The main features are: permission to use the Orange Bowl to view the football games and other events; development of Negro beaches at Virginia Key; use of the municipal golf course on stated occasions, and, most important of all, the slum clearance project projected by the city commission, spearheaded by Commissioner H. Leslie Quigg and Att'y Abe Aronovitz (who nevertheless have received little credit in the public prints for their efforts).

If Negroes do not register by the thousands, they are not only foolish but they are letting down a member of their race who is willing to risk his livelihood by taking such an aggressive stand in favor of his race.

Of course, Negroes should never vote for a certain city commission candidate simply because he is a Negro.

BUT—if they think the Negro candidate will BEST serve them—that Negro candidate DESERVES their votes.

They should also support the OTHER candidates who have PROVED in the past their consideration for the Miami Negroes' major problems.

If the present city commission has done more than other commissions for their advancement, NOW is the time to show their appreciation!

But under no circumstances should they vote blindly—or in blocs.

That has been a main objection, put forward by some white leaders, to the enfranchising of Negroes . . . they claim Negroes don't THINK but are USED by crooked and predatory interests to advance selfish causes to the detriment of those amicable relations between whites and blacks that must exist for community advancement and prosperity.

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IF THIS Get-Out-The-Vote Campaign of the JCs gets under way, watch carefully. You'll see the "connection" between getting out the vote and the PUBLIC ENDORSEMENT of certain Newspaper-Pledged Candidates . . . Remember, the Dade legislative bloc that just SOLD OUT the people at Tallahassee last week on the Sales Tax was ALSO composed of NEWSPAPER-PLEDGED Candidates! . . . The JCs will try to make it look otherwise, of course. They'll pretend they're merely working for Miami's PROGRESS! . . . Watch this strategy! Be alert to every move they make! And--- BEWARE OF IT!

Quigg, Palmer, Win Acclaim

COMMISSIONERS H. Leslie Quigg and Perrine Palmer, Jr., unquestionably did themselves a world of good politically last Saturday when they dramatically turned the spotlight on a situation that could have eliminated all their opponents, in the soon-to-be-held city election—and then urged City Clerk Correll immediately to warn all the other candidates of the election qualification they had muffed, the newly required anti-Communist oath.

Before the midnight deadline Saturday the other 23 candidates therefore were enabled to qualify legally for the race.

This law had just come to light. Commissioners Quigg and Palmer were first to hear about it.

Now they could have, had they been dirty politicians, simply asked City Clerk Correll to meet them at City Hall at 11:30 p. m. last Saturday—just a half-hour before the deadline—and then they could have taken this oath (which the last legislature made a requirement for political office in Florida) and thus become the only VALID candidates for the electorate to consider.

But they preferred to play ON THE SQUARE.

For this friendly gesture, other candidates are going to be hard-pressed to find a way they can gracefully criticize Messrs. Quigg and Palmer, aren't they?

If any should, the public would likely say, "Why, those ingrates!" and slap 'em down!

It's the cleverest piece of politics we've seen in a long time.

What matters it if it was intentional or not? It's certain to be fruitful.

QUIT MISREPRESENTING BRITISH SOCIALISM—CORRECT OUR EVILS!

THERE'S never been any question in our minds but what the American press has been misrepresenting Britain's political situation, especially the popularity of Socialism.

Now the truth is coming out—and it's just like we suspected.

It seems that Britain took a leaf from America's book and patterned their government along the humanitarian lines that found encouragement during FDR's regime.

As Herald Correspondent William H. Stoneman says, "for all their mistakes, the Laborites are as popular now as the New Deal was after four years of Franklin D. Roosevelt's presidency, and for the same reasons."

He points out that every person in the land has received some benefit.

Let's quote another paragraph from this remarkable piece of enlightenment:

"The great illusion that this election will be a knock-down, drag-out, nip-and-tuck battle between Socialism and Capitalism is due largely to wishful thinking on the part of the Conservatives and the personal brilliance and popularity of Winston Churchill."

Capitalism in America should wake up and make consciousness to the public, so that the people will not overthrow entirely our Capitalistic system—which so far has kept this country on top of the heap, economically. Otherwise, we're headed for a Welfare State—which'll weaken us considerably in time of war!

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LIFE lines-LIFE lines

Those Dade county sales tax legislators are really "dade" politically.

If somebody suddenly greets you with a warm handshake and a slap on the back and the offer of a smoke, you know your long lost friend is a city commission candidate.

Now if everybody can receive a free education until they are 35 and then go on a government pension, this ought to be the perfect country.

Although they were here first, the Seminoles don't seem to have made much progress.

If war becomes more expensive and destructive, nobody will be able to afford and enjoy it.

Call The Next Case

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Women and Negroes

White Girls Forfeit Bonds On Charges of Fraternalizing; Negro Navy Veteran Gets Guns Back After Claims of Illegal Seizure; Neglect Children

THERE are more offenses for which you can be arrested in this town than you can shake a stick at. But better not shake that stick. It might bring you into court for disorderly conduct, for making threats, for assault, and for wielding a dangerous weapon. Asleep or awake you can be hauled to jail, fined and imprisoned—especially for sleeping—on private property. Or on public property, for that matter. So stay awake but don't wander around like a lost soul or you will be pinched for vagrancy. And by all means stay sober.

Negroes are very much in the front at the municipal court, filling more than half the courtroom of Judge Cecil C. Curry Monday morning. And some of them hire a lawyer.

There was Eugene Atkinson, accused of assault in connection with a confused case. The cops had copped three handsome big boss pistols they found in his room, to which he fled after a quarrel with the wife. He returned home to find a drunken Negro therein—and a fight followed.

Attorney Frank Clark made a fervent plea for client Atkinson, emphasized that Atkinson was a veteran of both wars, that he had served 30 years, 10 months, three days, and we don't know how many hours in the U. S. Navy. He explained that Atkinson bought the revolvers because he was studying to become a gunsmith, not having learned enough in the Navy. Clark charged the search of Atkinson's room and seizure of the guns were illegal, without a search warrant, and even hauled out the Constitution to prove it.

The plea was effective. Atkinson went free, got his guns back, and the drunk was convicted; fined \$15 or six days.

ANOTHER case, revolting and shocking, involved two Negroes, and two white women. One of the women was a student of 17 and the other was listed as a housewife of 34, both at the same address in the Coconut Grove section.

The women were out on bonds of \$100, charged with disorderly conduct in alleged fraternization with the Negroes. The women failed to appear in court and forfeited their bonds, indicating shame or guilt.

The Negroes were represented by Attorney Clark—and were acquitted on the pleas of not guilty, denying the accusations and lacking the evidence to prove that they were "entertained" by the white "ladies."

In old times and in some parts of the South today, such dangerous charges would never reach the court—not with

HERALD PUBLISHER KNIGHT IGNORES MEDICAL ASSN'S PRESS-BRIBERY

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many papers which had complained about carrying AMA propaganda without remuneration, will devote news and editorial columns to the anti-health campaign.

The Minnesota scandal follows earlier disclosures this year that newspaper publishers and editors were on secret payrolls of state officials in Illinois, Florida, Georgia and N. Y., and that in return for public funds, which in Illinois amounted to more than \$500,000 (In Fact May 9), propagandized for the officials in power.

10 Recent Cases of State-National Press Corruption

In recent years, this weekly has exposed no less than 10 instances of state and nationwide press corruption, almost all of which were suppressed by the daily papers, but picked up by many liberal and labor weeklies and, in recent months, by Don Hollenbeck who broadcasts the CBS Views the Press program.

A nationwide plot to corrupt the press during the last steel strike was exposed Feb. 25, 1946, when this weekly revealed that the American Press Assn. had written to every weekly paper in the country—the so-called "grass roots" press—and had offered to include on the advertising list of the American Iron & Steel Institute every paper printing phony "news" stories and canned editorials attacking the CIO Steel Workers, then on strike. Copies of sample editorials and stories were revealed. Hundreds of papers cooperated with the American Press Assn., and for months thereafter the same editorials appeared all over the country, followed by paid ads from the steel firms.

Later the same year, on April 29, this weekly revealed how the National Ass'n of Manufacturers, which had set aside \$200,000 for ads in 450 dailies and 150 weeklies in its effort to stampede Congress into abolishing the OPA, was forced to raise an additional \$700,000 for ads in 2,100 other weeklies after protests were received about not being included in the advertising payoffs. Formal letters were sent by the Indiana and Mississippi Press Associations, declaring their members had printed NAM propaganda for years without being paid, but would no longer co-operate unless they, too, were included in the advertising budgets.

Last year, two efforts by the AMA lobby to corrupt the press—and the press' willingness to be corrupted—were also exposed, one involving newspapers in California, the other a bribe offer to cartoonists (In Fact May 3, 1948). This year's crop included the political payroll scandals in the four states.

Says AMA "Digs Own Grave" by Fighting Public

The Minnesota bribe offer, coming almost on the eve of Newspaper Week, has been reported by some liberal and labor weeklies and brought to the attention of all papers by Editor and Publisher, but except for one or two dailies, has been suppressed by the bulk of the U. S. press.

Senator Murray attributed this latest effort to Clem Whitaker and his wife, Leone Baxter, the two publicity "experts" retained by the AMA at a \$108,000 annual fee to guide their propaganda program.

"In the long run," he said, "I sincerely believe that the AMA is digging its own grave, and that in the end every doctor in America will regret the blindness and arrogance their leaders are demonstrating today. But this is of no concern to Whitaker and Baxter. They never miss a trick to keep the iron hot, to justify their six-figure income. They have a good thing."

The Montana senator described the latest "paid advertising techniques" with which, he said, the AMA "hoped to bribe the nation's press into editorial opposition to the national health program." He said the information would come "as something of a shock to many senators, as it did even to me—and I am used to this kind of thing."

Murray said that the Minnesota State Medical Association at its annual meeting, passed a resolution "which amounted to an open bribe to the press of the state, and was, in fact, an abandonment of ethical standards which the medical profession has held sacred for more than 100 years."

(TO BE CONCLUDED NEXT WEEK)

SOLONS JUMP AT CRY OF PASTORS, IGNORE BUSINESS

IT WAS interesting to note how local legislators and Gov. Fuller Warren jumped at the behest of ministers while they ignored the wishes of organized labor, of merchants, and all citizens.

When several clever ministers noted that the Dade delegation, headed by George Okell, had slipped through a bill to give large hotels the right to sell liquor even if next door to a church or a school, the protest against the measure went forward at once and a great cry was raised.

Immediately the local legislators whimpered they were unaware of the purpose, that they thought it tightened up the laws, and they were just children wandering in the woods. So they joined in asking the governor to veto the very bill they had put through, and which would have become a law if the truth had not been discovered and revealed by the churches.

However, this law actually, for the present, would have affected only one hotel and church in Jacksonville. But the sales tax, against which many thousands of people protested, including the business interests of Florida, was supported by this same delegation of Okell, Gautier, Stockdale and Lantaff. That tax grab was put through with colors flying. To hell with the merchants, the little shops, the newspaper advertisers, union and non-union workers, and the taxpayers.

Perhaps, all these people should have taken the matter up with the ministers and churches. They might then have received recognition.

a rod and rope handy. But maybe this shows our civilized progress toward Communistic ideals and civil rights.

WOMEN are becoming offenders more and more, disclosing their advancement into the masculine world. They are arrested as drunks, for drunken driving, for contributing to the delinquency of minors, including their own children, for petty larceny, for disorderly conduct, and all the other crimes on and off the calendar.

Helen C. Cashmer and Henry Cashmer, of 6191 S. W. 8th street, were charged with contributing to the delinquency of their two small children, Carol, aged one year; Jean, aged two. The Cashmers were arrested at the Gang Plank bar, 2100 W. Flagler street, sentenced to one day in jail.

Vivian Schultz, aged 37, of 6480 S. W. 43rd street, was convicted of neglecting a minor and given 15 days.

What Service—Brothers?

The Miami Beach Elks honored three editorial writers on Greater Miami daily newspapers for their community service Thursday night.

Please be more specific—Brother Elks, and cite what service they performed. Was it the promotion of the sales tax to oppress all the people for the benefit of the few? Or what?

Actually, of course, MIAMI LIFE promotes more causes for the general welfare of the community in a week, than the dailies undertake in a month. And virtually every cause that the dailies support or oppose is done for their own selfish purposes, not for the betterment of the community.

MOB LYNCHINGS CAN OCCUR IN N. Y. AS WELL AS HERE

"A CROWD of about 20 men threatened to lynch a Negro itinerant worker . . .

"The men streamed out from taverns and a hotel when the Negro was captured after the cab was wrecked.

"But state troopers arrived and quickly took him into custody."

THE ABOVE happened—NOT in the South—NOT in Georgia, Florida, South Carolina.

This threatened lynching was NOT over the rape of a white girl. No, this took place in Pine Island, N. Y. The above story came over AP wires.

It concerned a woman taxi driver being cut with a knife and robbed of \$509 by the Negro after a scuffle.

We in the South have been maligned, over and over again, for lynchings and pictured as having peculiarly sadistic minds where Negroes are concerned.

The fact is, however, that most lynchings in the South take place in rural sections where there is not too much law and the Vigilante type of protection is still relied on to keep the preponderant population from taking undue advantage of the whites. Klanism is still imbedded in the minds of the people as necessary. There are no modern police available in these rural communities, nor are there FBI agencies to enforce racial deportment.

The population must otherwise depend upon the sheriff and his deputies or a one-man municipal police force or town marshal.

The same conditions possibly exist in Pine Island, N. Y. What we want to point out is that the temper of people is the same—everywhere. And that education, not law, is the means of remedying the situation.

Don't forget, there is now a law against murder, whether it's committed in the north or south. And lynching is murder.

As we've said before, mere law won't remedy this deplorable situation.

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James Henderson Is Absolved Of Guilt

CHARGES of unethical business practices filed against James A. Henderson, member of the Dade county school board, by a competitor in the waterproofing paint business, have been dismissed by unanimous vote of a committee of the Builders' Association of South Florida.

The confidential finding of the committee was that the complaint was without foundation. It grew out of the use of "Sta Dri," a waterproof paint for which Henderson is Southeast Florida distributor, at the Booker T. Washington

School. "Sta Dri" was on the approved list for use in the schools and was used by a painter who purchased it from Henderson's interests.

Henderson has since the Miami Daily News for his part in stating, in a news item that he had violated the law that prohibits members of the school board from going to the board.

Henderson claimed that he sold only to contractors and does not know where or how they use the paint and are interested.

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Racing Limitations

EDITOR MIAMI LIFE: I refer to your article captioned "32 days meet proposed for Hialeah." As I understand it, A. W. Partak proposes to have the Hialeah track limit its meet to 32 days—giving four days to Tropical and four days to Gulfstream. To me, that appears to be a fair way to find out whether the races bring the crowds, as has been suggested by Hialeah supporters, or the crowds bring the races. In other words, just now, with Hialeah getting the best days of the Miami season, days that were good for the tourist crop before any race track was built here, to me one can say definitely that any track is better than another for bringing crowds. I venture that both Tropical and Gulfstream would do as much business in the four days allotted them from Hialeah as Hialeah now does during the same days. Good sportsmanship and a desire to keep racing out of politics and keep the public temper calm would dictate that Hialeah "share the wealth" with its neighbors. If the situation is not soon settled, there may come a day when horse racing in South Florida will be banished altogether.

CHARLES BOZART. BOZART RADIO.

Note For Tourists

EDITOR MIAMI LIFE: Dear Mr. and Mrs. Tourist: If you are coming to Florida for a winter holiday be sure that you add to your vacation budget 1 per cent additional on every dollar you expect to spend. What! Haven't you heard? Yes, a 3 per cent sales tax socked onto Florida, and just so shortly before the season is in full bloom. Quite a coincidence! But you should welcome an opportunity to help take Florida out of the red. It's so nice down here!

GEORGIA HEGERTY.

So What?

EDITOR MIAMI LIFE: Some time ago, about four or five years, I don't recall the exact date but am sure it is indelibly etched in your mind, you wrote an article referring to Pat Peters as Hugh Peters. Knowing you as I do and knowing Pat Peters as I do, I am sure you will publish this as an open letter to the editor. Here's another slogan: "The Conwells Are Coming." NED MOULTON, better known as the Village Idiot.

Why All This Help For Nations, Indians, Beggars?

EDITOR MIAMI LIFE: See where Congress has just allotted about six billion more dollars to various poor foreign nations. When will they ever be able to take care of themselves? It's also somewhat of a mystery why our aborigines throughout this country are still supposed to be unable to take care of themselves. Federal government has given them vast reservations for their special use—far more favors than any ordinary white

WEEK'S NEWS



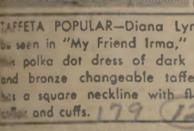
BIGGEST TUNA CATCH—George C. Thomas, Los Angeles, Calif., stands beside the 357-pounder which he caught during the 6th International Tuna Cup Match held off Wedgeport, Nova Scotia.



NEW UNITED NATIONS PRESIDENT—Brig. Gen. Carlos P. Romulo of the Philippines, speaks to the United Nations General Assembly at Flushing Meadows, N. Y., after his election. At left is Trygve Lie, U.N. Secretary-General and at right, Andrew Cordier, Asst. Secretary-General.



JIMMY AND DON RETURN—Jimmy Durante, the Wizard of Schnoz, genially fights his way back to the microphone as his partner-in-laugh Don Ameche tries to squeeze in the first joke. "The Nose" returns to radio following a summer vacation, on Friday, Oct. 7, over NBC at 9:30 p.m. E.S.T.



TAFFETA POPULAR—Diana Lynn, to be seen in "My Friend Irma," wears this polka dot dress of dark green and bronze changeable taffeta. It has a square neckline with flanged collar and cuffs. 179 (12)



MISS SPRINGMAID OF 1950—Before a vast audience at Lancaster, Pa., Mrs. Mavis Funderburke, lovely blonde of that city, was crowned MISS SPRINGMAID of 1950. There were 14 contestants, each of which wore bathing suits of colorful SPRINGMAID material.

man or Negro enjoys. They have had that advantage for many years.

Our Seminoles in Florida have thousands of acres allotted to them. How much land have other citizens been given free? They really have a better chance to make good than the rest of us; why haven't they done so? True, the Indians at Brighton have now large herds of cattle on their extensive reservation, and it is hoped they will be able in future to take care of themselves without extra handouts.

The test of any people, provided they have a sufficient start, is to be able to take care of themselves. If they cannot or will not, there is something wrong somewhere. Either they are too indolent or else they are not equally capable with those of us who get along through life rooting for a living without any favors. Any race that demands equality with all, must prove their capacity all the way around.

It isn't fair for certain members of the human race to consent to bear the burdens of so many others to their own detriment. The only way permanently to raise the level of humanity is to as far as possible throw each one on his own personal effort.

As to world relief, our leaders who pose magnificently as world benefactors never seem to realize that for every handout they make, they are cutting shorter the assistance that millions of their voters need daily.

Give, give, give, is the cry dinned into our ears, day and night by hordes of beggars for this and that and the other—charity. Some disgusted citizens say bitterly—why don't you lop off a paltry million or two from that latest world donation—that will take care of you whining beggars. It's all I can do now, to pay my bills and feed my family. A plague on all your houses, to quote an old phrase. AVERAGE AMERICAN. F. W. WILKISON

Digest of Recent Opinions of The Attorney General of Florida

In an opinion to John W. Schumacher, Chairman, Board of County Commissioners, Highlands County, the Attorney General ruled that the sale of clay unsevered from the land would seem to be the sale of an interest in lands, and should the Board of County Commissioners make a finding that such property is not needed for county purposes such unsevered clay could be sold pursuant to publication of notice, to the highest and best bidder according to requirements as set forth in the statutes. Should the board wish to sell clay that has been severed from the land so as to become personal property instead of real property, such clay may be sold as other personal property not needed for county purposes. It was noted that with regard to selling less than the entire interest of any parcel of land, nothing is found in the statutes requiring that the entire interest in the county lands be sold. It was further noted that unless the lands or property sold are held by the county for some specific purpose, the proceeds from the sale should be paid into the general fund of the county, but if lands were purchased from some other fund for a specific purpose any proceeds from its sale probably should be paid into that fund.

The Attorney General advised J. N. Lummus, Jr., County Tax Assessor, Dade County, that the determination of the word "residence" depends upon facts and intention, and that "a permanent resident" has been defined as "a person who has a settled and fixed abode with an intention of remaining there permanently," and as, "a person living at a fixed place of abode with no present intention of removing therefrom." It was noted that a person to be a permanent resident does not have to be a citizen of this state, in fact an alien may have his permanent home in this state, according to an opinion of the Supreme Court.

The Attorney General notified Dan L. Brock, Sheriff Washington County, that he was withdrawing an opinion rendered to him under date of August 26, 1949 (049-421) and was substituting therefor, an opinion holding that where a person sentenced to pay a fine or costs is also sentenced, under a provision of the statutes to serve a period of time in prison in default of the payment of such fine or costs, and serves a portion of the sentence in prison, he may be allowed credit upon the fine or costs for the period of time served in prison.

Col. A. G. Matthews, Chief Engineer Division of Water Survey and Research, State Board of Conservation, received an opinion from the Attorney General which held that a 1949 act which prohibits the pumping of sand or earth from Biscayne Bay for the purpose of constructing or adding onto existing lands bordering on the bay or islands within the bay without first obtaining a permit

from the state, county or municipality in which title to the submerged lands is vested; would not complicate or prevent the execution of federally authorized projects in the navigable waters of the United States in Biscayne Bay.

FLORIDA LEATHERNECK NEWS

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

Twenty-one per cent of the 18-year-olds who enlisted in the Marines from the seven southeastern states during the first six months of 1949 came from Florida? AT BOOT CAMP . . . Pvt. William L. Fagan, 630 N. W. 51st street, Miami, is taking his "boot" training in Platoon 79 of the First Recruit Training Battalion at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S. C. . . with the Second Recruit Training Battalion is Pvt. William R. Moore of Hobe Sound . . . he's assigned to Platoon 78. CIVILIAN-MARINES . . . Cpl. Belva E. Corpening, 1530 Washington ave., Miami Beach, has enrolled in the Marine Corps Reserve . . . she served two years with the women Marines during World War II . . . other reserve enrollees include Cpl. Melvin G. Ward, Perrine, with four years



active service with the Marines . . . Sgt. Irving S. Brown, 1501 S. W. First street, Fort Lauderdale, an aircraft mechanic with the Marines . . . Pvt. First Class Michael F. Coughlan, 4600 Red Road, Coral Gables, who served three years with the army . . . and Pvt. First Class Bernard V. Callahan, 1117 North "K" street, Lake Worth. BACK TO CIVILIAN LIFE . . . Cpl. Richard N. Davis, 1553 N. Wilcox, Hollywood, has been discharged from the Marines at Bangor, Wash. HERE AND THERE . . . Cpl. William D. McKee, 2330 N. E. Seventh ave., Miami, is now serving with the Eighth Marines aboard the USS Coral Sea . . . he will return to the United States within the next few days. OUR FLAG . . . Readers of this column may receive a colorfully illustrated, 30-page booklet concerning the proper method of displaying and respecting our national flag by dropping a postcard to the writer of this column in care of this paper.



THINGS I'D LIKE TO KNOW

- If Sol is married or not ? With all of these crackpot jackpot quiz shows why so few calls ever come to Florida ? What Mannie is going to do about it ? When it will stop raining ? Whether Washington will ever start considering the welfare and security of the United States before it is too late ?

Tourist Buying Is In Big Money

STRONG tourist spending is an important force in Florida's annual retail sales volume, accounting for some \$258,600,000 in 1948, according to the weekly business review of the Florida State Chamber of Commerce.

The research and industrial division of the state chamber reported a total expenditure in retail stores, filling stations, eating places, liquor stores, etc. of \$2,192,000,000 last year by both tourists and residents of the state.

Nationally 63 per cent of the income of all persons in 1948 was spent through these outlets. The corresponding figure for the 11 southeastern states was 68 per cent and for Florida was 79 per cent.

This high Florida percentage of retail sales in relation to personal income of Floridians is obviously the result of tourist expenditures. By scaling down the Florida percent to approximately the rate of the southeast, the tourist retail expenditure in Florida is thereby computed at \$258,600,000.

It is emphasized that this tourist spending figure includes only purchases through regular retail outlets and does not cover amounts tourists spend for services, amusements, utilities, rents and hotel rooms.

Dade Airport Is Up; Leads Nation

MIAMI International Airport continued the nation's leader in number of passengers and amount of cargo carried in international traffic for the first half of 1949, according to figures just released.

Dade county Port Authority revealed that international passengers in and out of the airport here from Jan. 1 to July 1 totaled 235,146. The Airport Users' Bulletin put overseas passengers in and out of LaGuardia field, N. Y., at the same time at 161,418.

During the same period, 16,903,960 pounds of cargo moved in and out of the country from Miami International Airport, while LaGuardia's total amounted only to 5,947,570.

The figures showed substantial increases in both travelers and cargo over the similar period in 1948.

While domestic traffic in passengers, cargo and air mail routed through Miami International Airport were under LaGuardia's, figures revealed steady increases for this area.

Total passengers using the airport here during the first six months of 1949 came to 571,460. In 1948, the total was 514,297.

Air cargo totals for the first six months of this year were 23,903,010, compared to 22,331,521 for the same period in 1948.

Domestic air mail poundage for the first half of 1949 totaled 2,104,098 compared to 1,883,000 for the same period last year.

International air mail reached 945,154 pounds in the first six months of this year, while the same period of 1948 showed 809,259 pounds.

Growing use of Miami International Airport has caused the port authority to launch a \$10,000,000 expansion program. Experts forecast that traffic will double within the next 10 years.

Florida's many streams and lakes provide recreation for thousands of vacationers, fishermen, boaters and swimmers, but clear water depends on widespread forests.

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

YES, we saw with our own eyes in the Herald want ads—a Miami realty broker advertising for a \$38,000 second mortgage and guaranteeing 10 per cent interest PLUS bonus! There's a definite state law making it a criminal offense to charge in excess of 10 per cent interest INCLUDING bonus! . . . Sunday's News had a bunch of "Famous Firsts" (first kiss, first time you walked, first haircut, etc.) But what about the first time you swam successfully, the first time you caught onto bicycle riding, the first time you—oh, there are so many Firsts the News overlooked!

HATS ON America Week, Oct. 2-8. But what does it mean in Miami? Not a thing. Sometime, out of curiosity, count the hats you see even on women in Burdine's store, or the men's hats you see on Flagler street. In fact, you can't find hat-racks in the Miami restaurants. As you travel upstate you won't find hardly any until you reach Jacksonville. But by mid-Georgia you'll find hat-racks occupying at least one wall, and in Atlanta, they have them on both walls, with all kinds of fancy locking devices to insure protection to the habit-slaves who probably feel like they're walking nude along Peachtree street when their heads aren't properly covered.

SEX DEPT: According to the current Ladies Home Journal, the first thing a teen-age boy looks at is the gal's figure, then eyes, smile and third finger left hand to see if she's "going steady." And a "real doll" is understanding, has a sense of humor, is sincere, and has a real sense of value "about everything from money to morals." As for "dream dates," the LHJ "Profile of Youth" indicates that girls prefer boys taller than they are, weight about 160 pounds, brown eyes and brown hair, wavy or crew cut, wearing white dress shirt with sleeves rolled up, over T shirt; blue pull-over khaki or gray slacks. (We wonder!)

AL LYON is chairman of the board of Philip Morris and largely responsible for that cigaret's recent comeback. He's

bald, good-looking, with a big smile—"everybody's salesman," he likes to call himself. He even "sells" the night-club cigaret girls on PM's. Fortune Magazine thus quotes him: "When I felt that I was friendly enough with them to talk frankly, I used to say, 'Honey, will you do something for me?'—and they would say, 'Yes.' Then I will tell you what I want you to do. Every time a man asks for a package of cigarettes, I don't care if he asks for Lucky Strikes, Camels, Chesterfields, or Old Golds, I want you to take a package of Philip Morris and tear the corner off and give them to the man. Now don't argue with me, don't tell me he won't take them. I know he won't, if you ask him. But I'm going to tell you something: nine out of ten men will not argue or fight with a pretty girl. And if the man says to you, 'I asked for Chesterfields or I asked for Camels or what have you,' all you say is, 'I'm sorry, sir, I opened these in error.' When he doesn't take them, keep them, and when I come around the next time give them to me. I'll buy them back from you, if you haven't been smart enough to smoke them yourself.' I won't say I had all, but I'll guarantee I had 75 per cent of the night-club girls in New York, when a man asked for a package of cigarettes, open a package of Philip Morris and place them on his table and very few gave them back. It's a very good idea. You don't get anything unless you go all out."

THE strike at the Herald and the News is filling local humorists' scrapbooks with juicy errors (the proofreaders being "scabs," you know). Here's one that probably made Society Columnist Cholly Knickerbocker gnaw his finger nails, it being a mutilation of his column and concerning one of his favorites, the singer, Claude Alphan, beautiful wife of French Diplomat Herve Alphan. It said:

Tall, blond, Botticellian Claude embarked on her singing career during the war, when she had to support herself and children here in America, while her husband had gone to join the staff of Gen. DeGaulle. She was so successful at it that she has been sinking professionally ever since.

Too Late To Classify

By RUSSELL KAY

What about Florida's tomorrow? How will people react to the sales tax? What attitude will the tourist take? How about the coming citrus season? Will the Citrus Mutual succeed and result in a stabilized industry with orderly marketing of the coming season's crop?

How effective will state advertising be under the new commission and new agencies? Will new industries be attracted to the state? What about tourist prospects for the coming season? How will this tourist business affect the state's economy? How will Florida fare in the expenditure of Federal funds? How much will be spent on the inland waterway and intercoastal canal, on flood control, housing and other projects?

Will the sales tax provide enough money to meet the state's financial needs or will it fall short and necessitate additional taxes as some contend? What effect will the Everglades National Park have in bringing people to Florida? Will public health and welfare programs be expanded?

An attempt will be made to find the answer to these and many other questions by the Florida State Chamber of Commerce when it stages its annual conference at Jacksonville, November 13, 14, 15.

In announcing the coming meeting, President Walter L. Hays said, "We propose to forecast Florida's tomorrow. That means we will look into tomorrow's citrus situation, tomorrow's industrialization, tomorrow's advertising, tomorrow's tourist prospect—in fact everything that will indicate what lies ahead for Florida."

Under the able leadership of Executive Vice President Harold Cole, the Florida State Chamber of Commerce has become the state's one great clearing-house for the exchange of ideas and information necessary for the growth and progress of the state. Keynote of the meeting will

be George B. Hills, industrial engineer of Jacksonville. Few men are better acquainted with the state and its industrial potentialities or better qualified to lead a discussion of Florida's tomorrow.

Senators Claude Pepper and Spessard L. Holland as well as several members of our congressional delegation will be in attendance to bring Floridians up to date on national affairs.

A relative newcomer to Florida, the Honorable William D. Pauley, now head of Miami's transit system and former United States ambassador to Brazil, will discuss the industrial outlook. Following him will be Ralph A. Morgan, director of the Engineering and Industrial Experiment Station at Gainesville, who will outline the steps to be taken by communities concerned with the development of their industrial economy.

Although at that particular time he will probably be the busiest man in Florida getting the new sales tax in operation, State Comptroller C. M. Gay will be on hand to speak objectively on the problem of financing state

government and he should be in a position to answer a lot of questions that business executives will have to ask. Leading the discussion of Florida's citrus outlook will be Marvin H. Walker, former manager of the Florida Citrus Commission and now assistant to the president of the Florida Canners' Cooperative of Lake Wales.

Those concerned with tourist prospects and who want to see the state make the most of its opportunity in this direction will find much of interest in remarks to be made by Dr. Charles M. Taylor, one of the South's leading economists who is attending the conference as a representative of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta. He is scheduled to speak on the subject of Florida's tourist economy.

The forthcoming statewide conference will be the 33rd sponsored by the Florida State Chamber of Commerce and officials of the organization are determined to make it the best in the organization's history. Five hundred or more top-flight business leaders from all sections of the state are expected to attend.

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WOMAN'S WORLD Investigate Hidden Possibilities To Modernize Furniture, Rooms

By Ertta Haley

MODERNIZING the home does not always mean that you have to get an architect in to lift the face of the house. Much of the work can begin inside with such easily managed things as turning a door into a built-in bookcase, cutting down the legs of a dining room table to make a handy coffee table, removing an old-fashioned archway to make place for glass blocks or modernizing walls with plywood or plastic.

Don't be too startled with pictures you've seen of houses of the future. Remember, these are products of evolution and take time. For most people, their various features are incorporated into homes little by little.

Many older homes do not have as much light or storage space as is necessary. These are two important features which it's important to try to achieve, even though you do only a small amount at a time.

Lots of homes are full of clutter such as heavy old banisters and handrails on the stairs, semi-partitions with columns between rooms or in the hall, ugly cabinets over mantles, not enough space for books, heavy pieces of

Smart Storage Space



A few square feet of clay tile and some built-in cupboards worked wonders in giving this old kitchen more storage space. Even space underneath the sink, so often wasted in old kitchens, was boxed in and now serves for storing the drying rack and cleaning materials. Drainboards and counter are finished with clay tile because of its ease in cleaning and waterproof qualities. The tile was also used to face the lower cabinets, giving them a trim look, and for wall space over the counter tops.



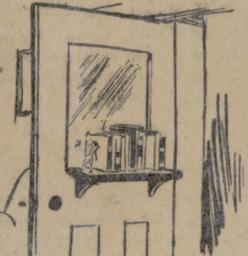
Turn dining table into coffee table

furniture that take more space than they give use and too few narrow windows which should be combined into one to let sunlight and air into the home.

Modernizing the place by yourself can be lots of fun because you watch ugliness transformed into loveliness with your own hands, step by step with your own eyes. The sum total of the effect is well worth the sense of achievement as well as a more livable and lovable place to live and truly call home.

Start with the small things first, and as your energy and zeal grows, as it certainly will, go on to the bigger tasks.

First, however, plan, mull over and then replan what you want to do. Though you may start with smaller tasks, you should have an over-all, unified plan in



And door into bookcase.

mind so the house, or that part of it you're redoing will give, finally, a harmonious appearance. Wipe Tired Look From Furniture

One of the easiest ways to give a more pleasing appearance to rooms is to do a face-lifting job on some furniture. This is often economical because you yourself can do most of the work. Often old and discarded pieces can be reclaimed from the attic by this method at very little expense.

Take the case of an old dining room table which is round and was found too small as the family grew in size. The first thing to be done is to saw the legs down to coffee table height. Next the old, dark finish is removed with varnish remover and sanding. The table may be finished with lacquer or painted with a high glossy paint, whatever is needed.

Other furniture renovating to match the room. tricks may consist of taking off "gingerbread" the name frequently applied to ornate and excessive trim on legs, arms and backs of chairs, sofas, tables and cabinets. The furniture will then have to be refinished, to show the good and simple basic lines of the piece.

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Sports Life...

By MEL KANN

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At last!!! And what a scramble—a Subway Series, between the New York Yankees baseball club and the Brooklyn Dodgers for the World's Championship. Our selection—the New York Yankees in four out of seven games. Reason!!! Too much hitting power and a decisive edge in pitching.

After spending a few days with the Miami Edison Red Raiders, naturally we kept Coach McKinney busy answering questions as to the possibilities of his squad going places this season. Coach McKinney's team numbers 50 boys on the squad—line weight, 160 pounds and backfield weight, 155 pounds. The formation being used is the single wing. There are a few of last year's letter men back, but the majority of the boys on the starting lineup are inexperienced but raring to go. Followers of the Red Raiders team should keep their eyes on the future individuals: Fullback, Julian Daniel, weight 170; Left-half, Frank Egler, weight 155; right-half, Bob Shepherd, weight 170 pounds; center, Jack Prater, weight 145, is a small package of dynamite and the outstanding linesman is Gene Gunter, left tackle, weight 185 pounds. In looking this team over Coach McKinney has without a doubt plenty of hard work ahead to whip this club into a winning combination. A very good sidelight on Coach McKinney is the fact that when his boys leave their school with their graduation diplomas, Coach McKinney still looks ahead in getting them located in college circles, his slogan being: "They produce for me and I shall produce for them."

Now!! Over to find out what Coach Pop Parnell has put together with the Tech High school football squad. We were not there very long when we found out that Coach Parnell is a driver with his boys for a perfection of every play (we would say a pocket edition of Lou Little of Columbia University). Coach Parnell informed me that 75 per cent of his squad have had only seven weeks of football competition. The Tech High school line will average 165 pounds; the backfield 170 pounds. The single wing formation with balanced line is being used. There was one young man who caught my eye, by the name of Julian Gunter, weight 185. The supporters of Tech High school should keep their eye on this chap. Here is an interesting sidelight on Coach Parnell. He has been coaching for the past eighteen years in this Miami area. From 1932-36 he was the coach of the Edison Red Raiders, and in 1936 the Edison squad was admitted to the Big Ten circle. From this year on until 1942, while Parnell still handled the coaching reins of Edison, they lost only four conference games, while also bringing the school four Conference titles to Edison. After his discharge from the U. S. Navy, which he joined during the war period, Parnell took up his coaching duties with the Tech High school and in the past four years has brought Tech High school to the front in local high school football prominence.

Just to remind boxing fans that Monday night, Oct. 10, Frankie Abrams, Detroit welterweight, meets Bobby Dykes in a ten-round battle to be held at Dinner Key.

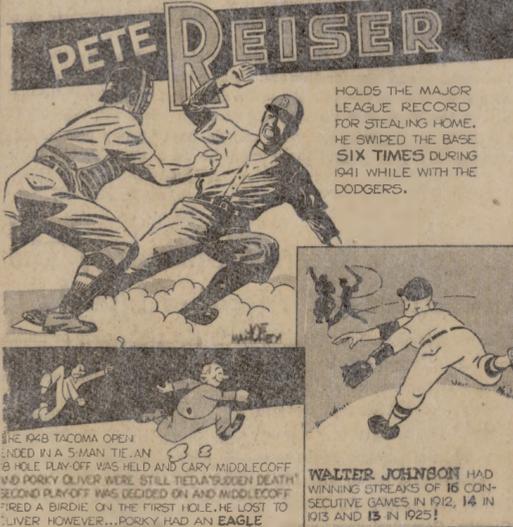
Next week, this column will report on Ponce de Leon and Miami Beach High school squad.

Plato held that an animal that killed a man should be prosecuted for murder.

The flesh of the kangaroo is much prized by natives of Queensland, according to the Encyclopaedia Britannica.

In India, barren women walk around trees so that they may be fertilized by the spirits living within.

SPORTSCOPE By JOE MAHONEY



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By LEE MASON
Wednesday the Miami Beach City Council handled a lot of hot potatoes, among them the proposal to permit entertainment in the hotels. Elena Galvan and Berry Mack, appeared for the American Guild of Variety Artists, supported by Lee Mason (I was acting in my capacity as Chairman of the local Branch

Executive Committee). Councilman Burnett Roth seemed to grasp the situation immediately and without hesitation advised his fellow council members that he believed that, inasmuch as shows were now running under the subterfuge of being exhibitions by the Rhumba Teachers, he could see no reason why people who were in the main, citi-



zens of the community should be deprived of their employment.

The matter seemed very smooth until Councilman Lee Powell came up with the statement that the Council had practically agreed with Danny Davis that nothing would be done in the matter until Davis' return. At this patent attempt to side-track the matter, Councilman Roth jumped to his feet and said, "That is not so; we told Davis that this matter very probably would be taken up while he was away and could not be held for his return. If you will remember he said at that time, that he had made a recording which he wanted us to play." Powell replied to the effect that he thought this matter was too seri-

ous to go into at this time, and there were a number of jeers from the audience, most of whom seemed highly sympathetic with the actors. Roth maintained his stand that the matter should be considered immediately. But Klein and Turk said they needed more time for consideration, and it was finally passed until the next council meeting, two weeks from Wednesday.

Harry Smith, a local agent, threw quite a bombshell when he announced himself as a property owner, tax payer, voter and theatrical agent on Miami Beach. Smith said that he did business with both cafes

and hotels and in proof of the fact that cafes hire very few local acts he said he had only four cafe contracts last year and one hundred eighty-two hotel contracts.

This situation is serious. As was pointed out by the speakers before the Miami Beach City Council, local acts, that is people who live here the year 'round and work out of this territory, obtain very little employment in the major cafes in the winter time. The hotels in the past have been their principal source of revenue, and cutting off this income makes it almost impossible for them to find employment. It

was pointed out to the Council that with the opening of the Jewish War Veterans' Convention only one first class cafe, the Five O'Clock Club, is operating on the Beach and their total seating capacity is around two hundred. Some sensible agreement must be reached whereby the hotels who do not run these rooms for profit will be able to offer entertainment up to a reasonable hour at night for their guests.

With all the talk about the Club 22, it looks as though it will revert to Mary and Mack, who are holders of the mortgages. I understand that Mack

Nathanson is not too anxious to operate the Club but he may be forced into the operation in order to protect his money. It seems that all the deals that were pending have fizzled out, which means that Nathanson will have to take over. The unsettled claims which amount to a couple thousand dollars, at least, for labor, will have to be cared for by the party that opens the Club, and I believe that, at the moment, is the stumbling block in the way of re-opening.

Received a call from Danny Kallin, erstwhile lessee of the Monte Carlo on Southwest Eighth Street. Kallin claims that the bartenders and waiters who worked under him were paid off; but that bartenders, waiters and musicians who worked under Sam Brooks remain unpaid. Kallin also claims that Brooks did not pay rent for the last month of his occupancy and that until now he has received no settlement for the government tax collected by Brooks. It is my understanding that the property is to be sold at public auction to satisfy a foreclosed mortgage, and is an open book that the Brooks Brothers, Kallin, Demerree and probably several others will be in there bidding for the property.

Jesse Weiss of Joe's Stone Crabs and his lovely wife have every reason to be proud. Their opening night was a complete social register of the Beach, with most of the town's notables and near notables in attendance. There is a pretty well substantiated rumor that Jesse Weiss has his eyes on an up-town location, but that does not mean that the old landmark, Joe's Stone Crabs, will be moved. The present idea is to operate two places.

Jerry Hirsch, Branch Representative of the American Guild of Variety Artists, reported that Art Green, disc jockey for WMLE, whose remarks concerning the labor difficulties of 133 (Cooks, Bartenders, Waiters, etc.), American Federation of Labor, had brought considerable complaint from that organization, was NOT a member of AGVA but was a member of the American Federation of Radio Artists, an affiliated organization. Just what action will follow can only be determined after the next Board Meeting of both organizations.

Nikki Parker, the girl with the hinged back, is leaving the Paddock for a vacation of several weeks. I have been told it is a busman's holiday—that Nikki will have to play a couple weeks in New Orleans, and a couple in Tampa, before opening at the Paddock some time in December.

Jack Solomon, new managing director of the Hotel Wofford, is going all out for the teenagers' Club. The opening, Friday and Saturday, will have the first authentic milk bar on the Beach and an elaborate system of unobtrusive chaperone will be provided. No intoxicating beverages of any kind, class or character will be permitted on the premises, and a very fine lounging room has been furnished for the parents of any of the teen-agers who care to attend. This experiment is being watched with keenest interest by juvenile authorities and those interested in the suppression of juvenile delinquency. In an area such as this, it is undoubtedly much needed.

for it gives the juveniles the opportunity to dance and be entertained under proper conditions. Although the present schedule calls for only Friday and Saturday dancing, an extra one will probably be added during the winter season, but at all times, a schedule will be set so as not to interfere with the school work of the teen-agers.

Art Monney, the band leader, who has just scored another success with his recordings of "Foot-foot-tootsie Goodby" and "Scotch Polka," is in town, readying his Hampshire House for the winter. My little fat spy tells me that he has installed a putting green and a driving net in the rear of the Hampshire House and plans have been drawn to add sixty

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They lived at 1920 N. Palm avenue until Jan. 19, 1948, when, she contends Haber abandoned her. She charges that he connived to get her out of that house on the pretense she could occupy an apartment in a building at 2843 Sheridan avenue, Miami Beach, owned by them. However, Joyce reports that she was ousted also from Apt. 6 and kept out by physical force; that



on July 12, 1949, he went to the apartment and ordered her out, that he beat her and threw her to the floor, kicked her and pushed her out.

Now, she asserts, the defendant is seeking to purchase the mortgage on the property so that he can foreclose and deprive the plaintiff of her interest in the building. Haber, she says, is a man of means, in excess of \$150,000, and he is trying to divest himself of interests to avoid payments to her. On March 4 last year she was awarded \$75 a week alimony, which was paid to Feb. 28, 1949, and then stopped.

Joyce asks costs, fees and alimony, that Haber be enjoined from encumbering or disposing of his real or personal property, and from molesting her at Apt. 6. The attorneys are Louis M. Jepe-way and Sydney L. Weintraub.

HE took no interest in the family, claims Mary H. Bolton in a suit against

Alex B. Bolton, who were married in Fort Lauderdale Sept. 9, 1930. Despite his lack of interest and his absence from the home they have six children. He came home, she says, only to sleep and he intended to live his own life.

On Sept. 24, this year, she

alleges that he beat her on the face and head, which upset her. The defendant earns \$100 a week, she reports, and she requests fees, costs, alimony and support for children. Asserting he broke down the door of her parents' home looking for her, she asks a restraining order

against molesting. William W. Charles is the solicitor.

THIS hubby chased her friends out of the house, according to Pearl Goldman, seeking liberty from Philip Goldman of Allston, Mass. They were united in Roxbury, Mass., Jan. 1, 1933.

He was employed at a liquor store and returned home at 3 a. m., when he would rant, rave, and yell at the plaintiff, arousing the neighbors. He belittled her, made fun



of her clothes, and would not let her read books and newspapers. She tried to study to become a pharmacist. He said he was going to drive her crazy and have her declared incompetent by frightening and striking her. This made her pale through worry and she lost weight. They separated Feb. 25, 1947. She asks restoration of her name of LaCob. Leo Sheiner is the barrister. IT WAS a one-sided marriage on his side, records

Marie T. Gillmor against Reginald E. Gillmor of Glen Cove, N. Y. They were wed Aug. 22, 1947, in New York, N. Y., and parted April 30, 1949. In cohabitation, she declares, the defendant treated her as a convenience; he wanted a woman to take care of him and the home. He was domineering.

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MORE than \$6,000,000 will be spent to tell the world Miami is the place to visit this fall and winter.

Four air lines—Pan American, Eastern, National and Delta—say they have budgeted \$2,400,000 to advertise Miami's merits as a fall and winter resort.

Executives and association officials estimate the 534 hotels in the area will spend at least \$3,000,000 more.

The city of Miami will put about \$300,000 in the kitty, with most of this earmarked to underwrite events designed to attract visitors.

Heavy advertising schedules also are planned by the railroads and bus lines.

Newspaper and magazine ads, color motion pictures, billboards, placards, brochures and other media will be employed to broadcast Miami's bids for visitors.

In a normal year, it is estimated by the city of Miami research department, Greater Miami entertains about 3,000,000 visitors. Statistics indicate that more than 2,000,000 are entertained here from October to April.

I Was Just Thinking

By AL KIRK

The business of searching for diamonds is not an easy road to follow by any means. The lower the diamond producing areas, for the most part, are in the jungle growths which are only to be reached by foot and the use of a machete in the trails, or in river boats. Diamonds do not, unfortunately, lie on the surface but are hidden in the gravel from several to 30 feet below the surface. The fact that

the dry stream beds are thickly covered with heavy jungle growth brings the first problem of how to determine where they are located. This is done by using a long, thin rod, which is thrust into the earth at regular intervals in likely places along the former stream bed. Where to thrust and what could be a likely stream bed is determined by nothing more than hard earned experience. In the hands of an experienced jungle prospector a rod becomes

the medium of determining the proper depth to which it will be necessary to dig to discover if diamond bearing gravels are present. The feel of the rod determines if diamond-bearing gravels are present and if so at what depth the gravels have been deposited, but does not determine if the associated gravels have diamonds. Having discovered the existence of the gravels, the next step is to cut away jungle

growth and sink a shaft to the depth indicated by the rod test. Upon reaching this location, a portion of the material, usually a granular cemented clay, is carried to the nearest stream for washing. A good prospect may not have any diamonds, but may have the minerals that are always present with the diamonds. In this case it is necessary to clear more jungle growth and dig more shafts until diamonds are actually discovered. After a discovery, the digging of a larger pit is then undertaken and the pay gravel which may be from a few inches to several feet in thickness is removed for washing. This is accomplished through

the use of a circular screen. The diamond bearing material is dumped into the screen which is held under water. A peculiar circular motion of the screen, similar to that given a regular gold pan, washes all clay and fine material through the screen, while the coarser material is thrown to the outer rim. The diamond minerals and diamonds are thrown to the exact center of the screen. As the weight of a screen-load of gravel is from 40 to 50 pounds the job is tiring and from 25 to 35 minutes is the average time required to wash out a screen-load of gravel. The diamonds are then removed by hand or in the case of smalls, with a pair of

tweezers. The above described method is the most primitive and the one most used by the jungle diamond miner in the Guyanas and Savannah areas of northern South America. Bush buyers make regular trips into the interior to purchase the diamonds and gold. The price

varies, small diamonds bring an average at present of about \$24 per carat depending on color and shape. A good one carat diamond uncut will bring about \$80. The largest diamond I have seen in this area was discovered in British Guiana in a tributary to the Mazaruni river. This diamond weighed 48 carats. The first owners, or discoverers, received \$12,000 for their find. It was later sold in New York for \$40,000. Since it was an excellent stone the price received after cutting may well be imagined. The majority of diamonds, of course, are smalls, but fine jewel stones of good color, weighing from one to

five carats, are not rare. The principal diamond producing areas are in the extremely isolated areas that are adjacent to the international lines of Brazil, British Guiana and Venezuela. Woods protected from wild fires grow more timber per acre yearly.

Junior's Gag

The Greybeards of the Miami Junior Chamber of Commerce explained that the announcement in the Miami Daily News that Lord Beaverbrook, London publisher, would address their meeting, was just a gag. It sounds very much like our Jr. chamber. It frequently makes us all gag.

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CRIME COMM'N TRICKERY

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mission, our duly constituted FEDERAL authorities (in other words, without being FORCED by the Miami Crime Commission to carry out their DUTIES) have ALREADY done what the Miami Crime Commission was PRE-TENDING to suggest.

These various "Crime Commissions" throughout the United States—whose sudden and orderly formation suggests some powerful Big Business "red herring" scheme to divert people's minds from their own skulduggery—have given the impression that they are the ONLY HONEST organizations looking out for the interests of the public . . . by inference and innuendo, these organizations cast aspersions upon the FBI, the greatest, most efficient, and most trustworthy anti-crime organization in the world today.

The Miami Crime Commission has as its director a former FBI man.

There is no question but what Dan Sullivan KNOWS that the FBI is constantly investigating and working to protect the public against Organized Crime and to destroy all such criminal groups.

There is no doubt in our mind that when Col. Younger endeavored to get publicity for the Crime Commission in requesting Pres. Truman to investigate, he ALREADY KNEW that such an investigation had ALREADY been ordered.

IF HE DIDN'T, HIS ORGANIZATION IS NOT A CAPABLE, EFFICIENT, ORGANIZATION.

He must have been taken back

when Mayor Morrison of New Orleans told him, after receipt of this letter, that Morrison knew of NO Syndicate (Organized Crime) operating within the city limits of New Orleans, although he said "syndicates" were operating on the fringes of the city. (However, MIAMI LIFE deems this merely a conjecture on Mayor Morrison's part.)

Oh, well—did you ever hear of the Miami Crime Commission giving credit where credit is due? In all the years we have lived in Miami, no national "syndicate" — or syndicate member — has ever been permitted to light in Miami's city limits!

This policy was instituted in the early 1920's by the then chief of police, H. Leslie Quigg, now Miami city commissioner.

The Miami Crime Commission, to this day, has never named a SINGLE nationally known criminal figure LIVING IN OR OPERATING WITHIN the city limits of Miami!

Yet they CONTINUE to give Miami a BAD NAME as a veritable HAVEN for such.

For that matter, the city of New Orleans, whose mayor denies there are any Syndicate operations within its city limits, has been given a bad name locally by erroneous publicity.

But as long as the Miami Crime Commission director draws down \$300 WEEKLY, and its sponsors are silly enough to pay out big sums for its operation, so long will this UNDEPENDABLE propaganda continue to be broadcast throughout this area—and, unhappily for us, among our winter customers up North!

Herald Assessment

In connection with the Herald fire it is interesting to note that James Knight, business manager, estimated the loss at from \$600,000 to \$750,000, and indicated that approximately \$1,000,000 in newsprint was stored in the building. This is personal property. The personal property assessment of the city of Miami against the Herald, as of Jan. 1, 1949, is \$631,000 and the Dade county assessment is \$550,000, an increase of \$200,000 over the preceding year. This represents the mighty presses, the value of which may go far above the personal property assessment alone, plus the hundreds of thousands of dollars in linotypes and other machinery and equipment, the stereotyping and engraving, the editorial and business office departments. And now the hundreds of thousands of dollars in stored paper. And the moral, honesty shouting Herald, the pro-sales tax Herald, pays on a total personal property assessment of about \$600,000, which is supposed to be cash value. How do you like that—taxpayers?

It Proves You Cannot Believe Your 2 Dailies

MIAMI has two daily papers both owned by Ohioans, and both, as every voter (and practically every taxpayer to his sorrow) knows, trying to dictate every local election from dog-catcher up to high sheriff, state senator, and city commissioner, and distorting and coloring every news item that will help them—and their Big Business associates—perfect their political-financial stranglehold upon this community.

What can John Q. Citizen believe in either of them? Very little, we admit—if it concerns his pocketbook or politics.

Just before the legislature closed, this was vividly illustrated.

The Daily News in its afternoon edition editorially lambasted City Commissioner H. Leslie Quigg for opposing the proposed 5 per cent state cigaret tax with its kick-back to cities, then being considered at Tallahassee.

The News tried to make out that Quigg—whose record for HONESTY is unparalleled in the history of Miami politics—was indulging in "cheap grandstanding" and was doing Miami a great injustice, etc., etc.

The very next morning the Herald editorially PRAISED Commissioner Quigg's opposition to this tax as "timely and realistic."

Whereas the News seemed to think that the \$1 million additional the city would receive was wonderful, the Herald declared that the bill "is basically dangerous to the proper balance that should exist between the state and municipal governments," and that there is great danger that the "hand that hands out the dollars inevitably becomes the hand that dictates how they shall be spent" and that we can't afford to be put in that position.

WHICH CAN THE POOR VOTER BELIEVE? Yet very shortly these two papers will be telling Mr. Citizen PRECISELY how he should vote in the coming city election!

Well, it just goes to prove that a Herald or a News editorial can twist facts to make HIS side look good—in brief, that he can make white black, or vice versa—and it further proves that Miamians had better THINK FOR THEMSELVES in the coming election!

EVEN STEPEN

The druggist gently hung the telephone receiver back on its hook and grinned triumphantly.

"What's up, boss?" asked his assistant, who couldn't help but see the look of high glee on the druggist's face.

"Remember the job the plumber did on our steam pipes when they froze last winter?" he asked.

"Do I?" shivered the assistant, "and how."

"Well," said the druggist, rubbing his hands together, "he's coming in here to get a prescription filled for a cold in the throat."

MASON AT MIDNITE

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additional rooms, a swimming pool and a cabana club for the following season.

Schuyler and Casey are keeping up the pace of the Five O'Clock Club; Lenny Kent, whose last engagement on Miami Beach was cut short, returned to give summer Beachites their first set of belly laughs. With the games closed, Kent will probably depart with a good size portion of the swag he earns which is just about as it should be. Lovely Jane Manners, whose appearance in a night club always means an active cash register for the

owner, appeared with new gowns, new songs and, it has been rumored, a brand new Brazilian millionaire, who is anxious to say it with a big-sized diamond. A great show—don't miss it. And—don't miss Bobby Baxter, new here, who does magic as it shouldn't be done. He is a laugh a minute.

Pictures worth seeing: Rope of Sand and I Was a Male War Bride. Don't miss either one; they're good.

By the time this hits the stand, I expect to be back in harness, so I'll be talking to you from the 940 spot on your dial, from 11 P. M. to 2 A. M. as usual. So long now—see you next week.

Shell's Private Eye Greetings You

E. E. Kline, official "greeter" at Shell's Super Market, invites all his friends to visit him but here's the rub: Don't try to get away with anything FREE. It's his job to see that you don't. His latest was catching a Negro, C. Raiford, with \$77 worth in a shopping bag and \$55 worth more at home.

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