

# Two Threats For New Commiss'n: Quigg & Recall!

H. LESLIE Quigg may become a symbol to conjure with in the future when politics is mentioned, to be pointed out as politically sacrificed by those who voted without thinking.

The people now have become aware that they were not sufficiently apprized of what he had done for them; they didn't sufficiently realize what he stood for; they didn't realize what might happen to them if he was defeated.

Already, the first guns in the water department's new battle for higher rates have been fired. We quote the Daily News:

"At a meeting with the new mayor and two commissioners, J. E. (Ted) Preston, chairman of the water board, made it clear that new revenue is needed if proper treatment is to be given water coming from the new southwest fields and that additional revenue is necessary to comply with thousands of new requests for water services.

Mayor Wolfarth and Commissioners William Charles and Robert Floyd indicated their opposition to the rate boost had been lessened after listening for two hours to Theodore F. Seelye, vice president of Day & Zimmerman, Philadelphia water consultants."

Wolfarth scheduled a debate for this week to learn whether or not it's possible to consolidate the city and county tax assessors' offices.

Consolidation will mean, as MIAMI LIFE has previously warned, a 30 per cent DECREASE on downtown business property assessments—held in the main part, by big interests—and a 30 per cent INCREASE in residential property assessments.

Mayor Wolfarth is in favor of both an increased water rate and Tax Consolidation which means, as we have said, an increased residential property assessment.

Bob Floyd, who is going to run for some office, will NOT vote for a water increase.

**Fall In Trap Set For Quigg**

Bill Charles, we predict, will NOT vote for EITHER the water increase or Consolidation because he knows the temper of the public too well.

HERE IS the stumbling block that the would-be bosses of our political life did not foresee:

They took Chief Quigg's reelection for granted, for they knew Quigg had done a good job. And they knew that the very thing on which they had based their attempted recall of him had backfired, turning out to be the best thing that ever happened for the betterment of Miami

## We Breed Sex Fiends!

WE MIAMIANS are apt to call Cuba (Havana) immoral. And, from what we read and hear, to put France and parts of England in the same category. Their views on sex are too realistic to suit our deep-rooted puritanism. Sex never seems to be a "problem" in these mother countries; curiously, it's a problem only in America where neurotic lawmakers and social leaders and religionists have succeeded in getting laws passed to curb very natural (and necessary) instincts and desires.

It looks like we're paying a big price for our suppression.

For it's the U. S. that is having a scourge of child-molestation and sex murders.

They're practically unknown in these supposedly "immoral" countries. We suspect it's because the people of these countries mentioned live closer to the earth than we do and "let nature take its course."

If it's immoral to permit "social houses" that might eliminate ghastly sex-murders and sex offenses, MIAMI LIFE thinks it is worse than immoral to impose unnatural sex barriers that BREED such sex-murderers and sex-offenders!

## WE PREDICT:

MIAMI BEACH DETECTIVE PAT PERDUE WILL GET JOB BACK, THROUGH ORDER OF CIRCUIT JUDGE HOLT IN A FEW DAYS



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# RACE TRACKS WAX WEALTHY ON HUMAN MISERY HERE

## Tobin Launches \$100 Pension Plan

By DON SABRE

WASHINGTON—Pensions of \$100 per month for every person at age 65 have been proposed by Maurice J. Tobin, secretary of labor.

Like the mass education idea the pension plan will probably be one of the hot controversial issues in the 1952 presidential campaign.

The heat will be turned on, not by the middle-class taxpayers, but those in the upper income brackets on whom the cost of the pensions would fall.

The per capita tax has been figured at \$5 per week for every individual in the taxpaying group.

This figure is statistically correct, but it is actually not the truth; but is propaganda to deceive the average American and arouse him to fight against dangers that do not in reality exist for him.

### ENTRENCHED WEALTH WOULD HAVE TO PAY

What the opponents of the pension plan are trying to get across is that pensions for the 11,000,000 persons in the United States who are 65 or over would cost Americans from 20 to 65 years of age a rough total of \$153 each per year.

The view here is that the price is low when thought of in terms of security at a time of life when security is important and few old persons in America are sure of it.

Actually, the cost of the pensions would be levied against those age brackets on the basis of income, even as income taxes today are based.

The greater part of the cost would be borne by persons and corporations of extreme wealth and from them taper down in increasingly smaller levies to the man and woman whose income before taxes averages out at about \$1,200 per year.

One administration official close to President Truman said that "there is no question that the American economy can afford to take care of its aged."

This statement can be considered as administration approval of Tobin's plan, for, although President Truman has made no public remarks about it, the view here is that Tobin would not come out with the idea unless with approval of the president.

The prospect of further inroads on their profit millions has got Big Business swearing "to get President Truman" in 1952, if it calls for some fantastic coup de etat to bring in a Fascist State.

This is absurd, of course, but, not surprisingly, there is a substantial part of industry and banking in America that would bring in the Fascist State tomorrow if it could get organized.

Such men think that the American electorate could be summarily pushed aside on some factious excuse that national emergency requires a firmer set of controls to ward off chaos.

The chaos they refer to, of course, is the spectacle of the great American middle-class raiding huge wealth accumulating areas of special privilege and economic control and wresting the means of future security from those who can best afford to pay.

In many ways the conflict shaping up is reminiscent of FDR's "economic royalist" indictment and which, as most Americans know, started the nation off on the road that has now led us to the threshold of Welfarism and the inevitable separation of American society into FDR's concept of the Haves and the Have-Nots.

This is somewhat beside the issue, however. The fact is that provision must be made for our aged. Today they number 11,000,000. Five years from now

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ATTENTION, Crime Commission—and church leaders— crusading daily newspaper editors—and reformers and hypocrite-politicians—and all the rest of you Headline-Hunters who would sacrifice this great resort's well-being this coming season to prove your personal weight and importance!

The other day a northern business man attempted suicide because of betting losses here.

What a hue and cry would have been set up here if he'd lost his money in a local bookie joint!

In other words, if he'd gambled his money away ILLEGALLY!

The newspapers would have heralded the story with inches-high type.

The Crime Commission would have arranged a multi-hookup broadcast.

Aye, and some pulpits would have quivered under the exhortations of preachers, rabbis and priests against "such crime-breeding places that induce our visitors to suicide," and threatening law-enforcement officials who refuse to drive such spots from our midst.

Ah, but this northern business man had not gambled away his money at an ILLEGAL gambling spot.

He'd lost it at a LEGAL gambling spot—the RACETRACK!

The cold fact remains that our legislature has licensed one particular set of gamblers to ROB the people systematically and efficiently through a pari-mutuel betting system—ROBBING all who are unable to withstand temptation.

A bank or private party cannot charge more than 10 per cent interest annually.

But the racetracks charge YOU at the rate of 15 per cent EVERY FEW MINUTES!

Yet we hear no word of censure against these LEGALIZED crime-breeders . . . for crime-breeders they are, in spite of their legislative sugar-coating!

Their activities draw more undesirables to a community than any other DOZEN sources!

Racetracks are the LIFE BLOOD of gambling—the most powerful weapon of corrupters of government.

So the blame for this condition we're facing should not be placed at the door of officials who cannot resist a bribe or two from gamblers.

Blame the racetrack OWNERS—who are able, through bribery and conniving, to LEGALIZE their Florida gambling in the first place (they bribed the 1931 legislature to pass the racing bill)!

What we want to impress upon you is the fact that these reformers are hypocrites.

They'd scream if a near-suicide happened in an ILLEGAL gambling place—but they raise not a whimper when it happens at a LEGAL gambling place . . . moreover, one that advertises extensively in the holier-than-thou daily newspapers!

### City Hall Sidelight

BOTH Mayor Wolfarth and Commissioner Louie Bandel entered arm-in-arm—and late—at Wednesday's city commission meeting.

This is significant because Bandel was the only commissioner at the initial meeting who voted against City Judge Cecil Curry—and shortly after their entrance at this week's session, Wolfarth angrily announced he wanted to change his vote on Curry.

After Commissioner Ferrine Palmer, Jr., had informed him a state law prohibits such a change of vote, and asked him why he didn't introduce a resolution, Wolfarth muttered: "I'm not saying anything." Under his breath, he said he wanted to "clarify a lot of things."

Had Mayor Wolfarth just been raked over the coals for disobeying Herald Editor Pennkamp?

Pennkamp for years has been trying to "get" Judge Curry. Wolfarth's approval of Curry recently had therefore surprised City Hall observers.

### City Officials Spank LIFE!

MIAMI LIFE newsboys were barred last Wednesday from the Dinner Key fight arena, located on city property.

We could not understand why until we recalled the headline which read: HERE ARE 20 BOLITA SPOTS PROTECTED BY CITY HALL!

## Killing of Negro By Cop Plain Murder

IN OUR eyes, at least, a murder was committed in the heart of Colored Town one night a couple of weeks ago. So far it appears to have been condoned by our officials. Regardless of the fact that a coroner says this Negro was "accidentally" shot by a white policeman, it still looks to us like a cold-blooded slaying.

This Negro was shot while running away, mind you, from a police officer.

He had committed no crime. He was not a known desperado. He had no record in Miami and, to the best of our knowledge, no record anywhere. On top of that (but why should it make a difference?), he was an ex-GI. Moreover, a disabled veteran drawing a pension from a government whose "Americanism" principles he had fought to protect and preserve . . . a government that (we dryly remark) has done nothing to show its displeasure in his UNNECESSARY killing?

He was shot in the back of his head.

And it wasn't the FIRST shot from this officer's pistol—but the THIRD or FOURTH shot—that killed him!

What could have been ACCIDENTAL about such a shooting?

Moreover, he wasn't shot in the leg, or the lower part of his body.

But he was shot where a man's arm would have to be fully extended.

It happened on a crowded thoroughfare, where the shots that missed him endangered other Negroes on the street.

We hear that after the first shot there was a pause; and then two or three shots in rapid succession.

What we can't understand is why we hear nothing from these groups that spend so much time, money, and effort fomenting ill-feeling between whites and blacks that have lived here harmoniously for so long a time—who insist upon miscegenation—who insist upon the rights of Negroes to play golf (although most whites don't care a rap about playing golf any time!)—who resent the fact that the colored people sit in the rear of a bus and whites in the front of a bus—who want, for one reason or another, to keep the Negro (and white, for that matter) in constant strife and turmoil about fancied rights that are allegedly trampled on, etc., etc.

Where are these groups? What is more important than the fact that a Negro here is murdered in cold blood—and yet there is no demand for a grand jury investigation?

Is it just because there's no gambling angle—or big money angle—to it?

We say it's not right. No policeman, or anyone else, should get by with being trigger-happy, to the extent of taking a human life, whether it be a Negro, or a Chinaman, or a poor white.

He is likely to be more reckless, more inhuman the next time, if he goes unpunished on his first offense.

Next time, it may be someone close to YOU—who runs from this policeman!

This killing should, at least, result in police being warned that it is better to permit a suspect to escape rather than kill him . . .

Cops should be told that to fire a gun at arm's length, whether they intend to kill or not, endangers others in the path of their bullets. A bullet can ricochet and kill an innocent bystander.

If this murder passes without protest from the various Negro groups and Negro newspapers, it'll be difficult for us to sympathize with them later when they cite trifling indignities.

To us, murder is murder. It should never go unpunished.

### HOTELS IGNORE MIAMI FIRMS TO HIRE CHEAP OUTSIDERS

WHILE certain hotel men are so concerned over the protection of their patronage against alleged turkey money payments, J. C. Price of the Palm Tree Upholstery Company wants to know why they are not interested in dealing with local reliable established merchants. These merchants are part of the community, they pay taxes or rent; they are here the year-around and can be depended upon. They employ Miami people at the established wages.

But some of these very hotel men who cry the loudest about losing guests are the ones who grab up the snowbirds at the cheapest prices to perform their work, charges Price.

He cites the Patricia Hotel, managed by Peter Niles, head of the anti-rackets committee of the hotel association, as among the leading offenders, along with various Miami Beach hotels. Price declares these hotels will pick men right off the trains, unlicensed upholsterers and decorators, and other craftsmen. They are glad to work for anything so they may stay in Miami during the winter. They may be given accommodations at the hotel and engaged to care for the upholstery and other work around the hotel, while the Miami firms are denied the opportunity to bid.

At times when business is scarce, this discrimination against Miami companies and Miami workmen is serious; means an increase in unemployment of local people while the floaters from elsewhere get jobs at reduced wages. These fellows have no overhead expense. Frequently they remain without a license or registration, and there is no guarantee as to their work.

Yet owners and managers of these hotels weep over the claims that taxicab drivers or clerks are collecting a little turkey money on the side to divert guests. They are carted into courts, even on "perjured testimony," according to the latest developments in the Miami city court. They want Florida and Miami laws and courts to protect them but they fail to support the tax-paying citizens and firms of Miami when they can chisel any savings for themselves.



Syra, who was voted 'Miss Switzerland of 1947,' has returned to the Jungle Club after straightening out her difficulties with the immigration authorities. The Swiss stripper has just closed an engagement in Havana.

### Miami Moonings

By TONDE LEYHO

MEMO TO POLICE CHIEFS: Especially to Headley of Miami and Simpson of Miami Beach. We know the transient problem is keeping you awake nights, the more aggravated by occasional scoldings from citizens who 'protest' police 'brutality.' (Please note, both of you the semi-quotes). So, Chiefs, what's wrong with a winter camp for vagrants, putting them to work at nominal pay and board, doing essential city work. Second Thought: Unions might be on your tails. Well, there's an idea there somewhere.

JUST BETWEEN PRESIDENTS: The United States has had 33 Presidents in 158 years. Of them the first 32 spent all together \$179,620,113,645 in 153 years. The other one—the 33rd, in less than five years has spent \$191,081,394,191.

MIAMI SCHOOL TEACHERS who want to raise their teaching ranks or be issued a new certificate to qualify for higher pay are hereby notified that national teachers' exams will be held February 18 at Florida State U; U of Tampa; U of Miami and Flor-

ida A and M. Deadline for applications, January 9.

ALL YOU LANDLORDS who called in about the sales tax and the hotel licenses—here 'tis: Any building or part thereof, where separate accommodations for more than two families living independently of each other are supplied to transients or permanent guests or tenants is deemed an apartment house and should have a Hotel Commission license. That's straight from the office of Commissioner James T. Lannon. He goes on to say that every house, boat, vehicle, motor court, trailer court or other structure or any place or location kept, used, maintained, advertised or held out to the public to be a place where living quarters, sleeping or housekeeping accommodations are supplied for pay to transient or permanent guests or tenants, whether in one or adjoining buildings, is considered a rooming house and comes under Hotel Commission jurisdiction . . . So, watch out for the inspectors!

MODERN AGE REFLECTION: One thing about the horse; when you brought him to the blacksmith for shoeing, the BS couldn't find a half dozen other things to do to him.

MORE REFLECTIONS: Dade County judges tell me that a lot of those appearing before them are really high and rum drivers . . . Wonder if that \$1,450,000,000 West Europe arms package may not turn out to be a big bungle . . . Substitute "swindle" for "dwindle" and you often get an answer to where public funds go . . . A lot of people are just round pigs in square holes . . . And, thinking of drivers, a lot of them get into trouble for what may be called "caress" driving.

EDUCATION GOING TO THE DOGS NOTE: Attorney General Richard W. Irvin informs me that there are no restrictions on the kind of scholarships that may be granted out of proceeds of the one-day set-aside from dog racing.

GO TO ITS NIMRODS: Miami sportsmen can go hunting Monday after Christmas and New Years. First, there was some question because some smart mind in the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission offices suggested that December 26 and January 2 could be called legal holidays.

THINGS I ONLY GUESSED ABOUT FLORIDA: That, according to Drs. L. M. Bristol and W. W. Ehrmann of the University of Florida, one's chances of getting married are better in the western part of the State . . . In 1946 Florida ranked next to Nevada with the highest number of divorces filed and granted . . . However, the State tops the national averages for marriages.

TAKE IT EASY: More people are missing Christmas by winding up in the morgue or hospital . . . all from not looking. Idea for frantic shoppers, loaded to eyebrows with packages is to stop, look and listen. The Florida Highway Patrol grimly reminds that 26 persons were killed last year.

SOCIOLOGICAL TIDBITS: In most backward countries it is quite noticeable that children obey their parents . . . Elmer Adams tells us that the Russians invented the steam locomotive, then spent spies over here to find out what it was for . . . The oldest men and women in Miami are usually to be seen at 7 a. m. . .

ON BREAKING A HABIT: A Miami Shores friend was proud of the fact he had quit drinking and intended to stay on the wagon. Another friend exclaimed wistfully: "Gee, I bet that took will power." "Sure did," the other said sadly. "Sure did. But, she'll weaken some day." "Who?" asked the mystified friend.

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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE WEEK

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With the official opening of the new Promenade Hotel on the Beach, it is quite fitting that WINZ has been selected to carry the broadcast of the ceremonies direct from the hotel with the inimitable Lee Mason officiating at the mike. One full hour packed with excitement is yours just by turning your dial to 940 Friday night, Dec. 16th.

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6:15 My People	3:30 Martha Tilton
6:30 Bronze Voice	3:45 King Feature Race
6:45 Bandwagon Detour	4:00 Sports Report
7:00 Hollywood on the Air	4:15 Xavier Cugat
7:15 Drive King Selections	4:30 Gordon Jenkins
7:30 Brunch Time	4:45 Jo Stafford
7:45 Denny Kirwan	5:00 Gems of Melody
8:00 Hallandale On the Air	5:15 King Resume
8:15 Melody Time	5:30 Kirwan Sports
8:30 Mystery Time	5:45 Sport Quiz
8:45 Rhythm Time	6:00 Supper Serenade
9:00 Reports On Sports	6:15 Record Review
9:15 Victor Young	6:30 Requestfully Yours
9:30 Fran-Warren	6:45 Jerry Bell Show
9:45 Harry James	7:00 Lee Mason
10:00 Sports Report	7:15 Paul Perry

BROADCAST SCHEDULE

Schedule for Sunday, December 25

8:00 Sign On	3:30 Gracie Fields
8:01 Sunday Serenade	3:45 Vaqabonds
8:30 Bible Class	4:00 940 Club
9:00 Morning Matinee	4:15 Mel Torme
9:45 Nat'l Guard	4:30 Perry Como
10:00 Song Stylist	4:45 Dick Hynes
10:15 Our Church	5:00 Band of the Day
10:30 Fascinatin Rhythm	5:30 Hollywood Church
11:00 Hollywood Church	6:00 Programa Hispano
12:00 Yiddish Classical Hour	6:30 Latin Rhythms
1:30 Mendelsohn Program	7:00 Record Review
1:45 Living Synagogue	8:30 Italian Four
2:00 Eddie May Show	9:00 Hillbilly Review
2:15 940 Club	10:00 Dance Digest
2:30 Georgia Gibbs	10:45 Program of Canada
2:45 Peggy Lee	11:00 Lee Mason
3:00 940 Club	12:00 to 1:00 Paul Perry
3:15 Jack Smith	Sign Off

Additions to Regular Broadcast Schedule

FOR WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 25, 1949

MONDAY	6:15 to 6:30 P.M. Composers Corner
	6:30 to 6:45 P.M. Supper Serenade
	6:45 to 7:00 P.M. Pan American Story
TUESDAY	6:00 to 7:00 P.M. Yiddish Classical Hour
WEDNESDAY	10:00 to 10:15 A.M. South Broward on the Air
THURSDAY	6:15 to 6:30 P.M. Composers Corner
	6:30 to 7:00 P.M. Supper Serenade
SATURDAY	7:30 to 10:00 A.M. Broward Recreation
	10:00 to 11:00 A.M. Hollywood on the Air
	12:05 to 12:15 P.M. Florida Highway Patrol
	12:15 to 12:30 P.M. Hallandale On the Air
	1:30 to 2:00 P.M. Eddie May Show
	6:45 to 7:00 P.M. Mr. Schreibman

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## LIFE lines-LIFE lines

America is really threatened by Red—the Russian Red, red tape and red ink.

Imagine trying to be merry at Christmas with all of the taxes due and the Internal Revenue bureau sending out its greetings.

A railroad ticket office is one of the last places to find courteous travel information.

Tax consolidation under the county would save money for the Big Boys—not the little fry.

It begins to look as though New Yorkers may have to come to Miami even for a drink—unless the newspapers and crime commission want to shut up the taverns, too.

## Call The Next Case

By BOND

### White or Colored?

Woman in Court Faces That Terrible Race Problem—Unwanted; Caught Too Many Fish; Women Sin; One Laughs At Sentence of Three Months

LIKE in the movies, in fiction, in drama, a young woman stood before Judge Wayne Allen in the Court of Crimes this week charged with vagrancy. She was white to all appearances. Officers had arrested her working in a Negro bar. It was no place for a white woman, they said.

But the woman, Mildred Williams, explained to the judge that she was not white, that she was colored. Her father was a white man and her mother a mulatto. As a consequence she was light colored, could easily have been regarded as a Latin or a white person. But there was the tinge of Negro blood.

Where could she go, what could she do? She could mingle with the whites, but if detected in the South, she would be ostracized, driven forth, prosecuted and persecuted. And yet she seemed out of palce among the dark members of her race.

She was Pinky in life, a person of mixed blood. Dr. Everett Smith of the First Presbyterian church, who has made a study of racial mixtures, has declared that every white person has a slight percentage of colored blood, and every Negro has a bit of white. Where is the line drawn?

Here is an opportunity for the churches, for the civic groups, for the politicians and government that shout so much about tolerance and equality. This was a girl of neither one nor the other.

Mildred had been held in jail for 20 days and her only crime was in being born in this land of freedom. She had no money. The judge suspended sentence upon her promise she would go home to New York. A person without a race. That's tragedy.

THERE was no doubt about the race of the five who were arraigned before the judge on the same morning. They were black as coal, four women and one man. This was comedy—except to the culprits.

They were charged with catching fish in the Tamiami canal in excess of the legal limit of 25. Like all fishermen, however, they were proud of the record—even if lawless. Together they had snared more than 300 fish in about an hour. Their reward was not an engraved certificate but a fine of \$10 each. They were Thomas and Gertrude Mingo, Mary Sue Lawrence, Pansy Harris and Morilla Glover.

Judge Allen was envious. The fish never bite like that for him, he said.

WHITE women, too. They are very much in court these days to prove that under equality the weaker sex can get as drunk as the men. Three women loudly chattered in argument as to which was the drunk and worst offender. Marie Perry lost out with three months.

Billy Britt was accused of driving while drunk, after her license had been revoked; also with vagrancy. Billy was unconcerned. She admitted the intoxication. The judge dismissed the vagrancy, handed her the winter season of three months behind the bars. "Okeh," she laughed, seemingly satisfied as she left with the matron.

Mary was given a private hearing in the offices of the judge on vagrancy charges. She had been arrested by a detective who gave her a marked \$10 bill at the McBride hotel, pinched her while she was undressed. She admitted employment by prostitution chiefs. The prosecution asked for clemency, said she had played in hard luck, had cooperated with the law. She was freed to return to her job

### HANSON H. HATHAWAY

INDICATIVE of the alarm and mounting fear in industry and commerce that the United States is headed for the Welfare State is an advertisement by the Warner and Swasey Machine Tools Corporation of Cleveland. It appears in the December 9th issue of U. S. News and World Report, and is similar in tone and import to hundreds of appeals being made to the American electorate:

#### YOU WOULDN'T LIKE THE WELFARE STATE

"I spent this summer in England. I saw the Welfare State at work. You wouldn't like it. You thought the workers (who voted the Welfare State in) would get the welfare? No—only the politicians. Remember that, just this summer, the Welfare State used troops to break a dock-workers' strike.

"And when the government takes over an industry, it becomes an employer, and is just as anxious as any employer for a profit. Except that government can force a profit, and does so, by requiring speedups and by cutting wages by the simple process of taking back in taxes more and more of what it pays out in wages.

"Under the Welfare State, your real wages go down because the cream must first be skimmed to keep a horde of bureaucrats in easy well-paid jobs.

"Without the incentive the hope-of-profit gives, people produce less in the Welfare State, so costs and therefore prices are higher.

"Without competition between firms bidding for your business, quality is poor—shoddy clothing; drab appearance; bad food and not enough of it. (And it would be even worse if America—the capitalist, profit system country—didn't donate billions to keep that Welfare State nation alive).

"Welfare? That's only for politicians. "As for you—work harder . . . and faster . . . pay more taxes . . . eat less . . . have less. And nothing for you nor your children to look forward to.

"No, you wouldn't like a Welfare State. No self respecting man or woman would."

In many respects this advertisement of Warner and Swasey is a remarkable document. It admits the danger of the Welfare State, but fails to lay bare the causes which have pushed the Welfare State idea into the forefront of American consciousness.

In failing to determine causes the advertisement becomes a thing of questionable special pleading.

The author of this says that "without the incentive" of profit, people produce less. The direct opposite is true in America today and, therefore, the Warner-Swasey advertisement is in itself a dangerous and anti-social statement. For the truth is that American productive genius and ability is the world's greatest.

We are able to produce more than we can sell, at home, and have therefore resorted to Marshall Plan spending to create markets abroad for American goods and services. As Warner-Swasey must know—since the fact is apparent to and has been commented upon by many an industrial and political leader, there are millions of Americans who could use those goods and services. The added truth is that there is no profit involved in producing for a large segment of America that can't afford to buy because, as many a business leader has pointed out, unemployment is growing and other millions are hanging, desperately in an attempt to survive in an economy that has no place for them.

Absurdly and pathetically, the Warner-Swasey writer declares that it is our capitalist economy that is keeping England alive with donations of billions of dollars.

He fails, however, to say how England got into the economic difficulty it faces today, and which prompted the English electorate to vote in the Welfare State. Yet, is it not reasonable to assume that the difficulty also accounts for the disposition of the Truman administration and worried Americans generally to speed the Welfare State into being?

The profit system in which all Americans have a stake cannot hope to escape the fate that has overtaken England unless it is operated to include those Americans whose stake is the least.

This number of Americans is growing as technological unemployment increases, 11,000,000 U. S. aged, make their impact on the economy, and millions of our youth leave schools to try and find places that do not exist in the ratio of one for every three of them.

This fact must be clear to all of us, the wealthy, the middle-class mass and the poverty-ridden millions.

That it is clear seems implicit in the Warner-Swasey advertisement and the Administration's preoccupation with welfare state notions.

Something is wrong, and the advertisement hints at it, but, like Warner-Swasey, those who have the power to make the changes are reluctant to face the facts.

Yet, pressure is increasing from below.

at Key West where she had a sailor sweetheart. She is to keep in touch with the law here. A tear or two glistened in her eyes. Here was pathos, here broken life, a girl apparently ready to go straight.

But again where are the churches, the civic and charity groups, the crime commission to aid such persons?

IN the Miami city court, Judge Cecil C. Curry ground through the Monday morning grist of hundreds of cases in quick tempo. It was the usual bunch of drunks, and vagrants who get 15 days now.

It was the same sentence for three trespassers from Puerto Rico. But eight Negroes were dismissed after their arrest by Officers R. E. Esser and J. M. Miller on the claims of loitering. Perhaps the court feels there is enough real crime in this town without dragging in folks merely because they stood on the corner.

Patty larceny bobbed up, of course, with the climax of a grand fine. Sam Caton, 1111 N. W. Sixth street, 62, was hauled into court by Tanners for picking up a package of candy at 25 cents; and a half pound of bacon worth 35 cents, with no sales tax. The fine and costs reached \$60, one dollar for each penny taken. It is cheaper to pay than cheat.

### THEY TELL ME

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That the Christmas spirit has not been promoted by the Florida sales tax.

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That Herbert doesn't know whether to go north for Christmas or not—and leave somebody behind.

That home folks are kicking about all these football dinners when there are no tickets for the game.

### UM Orchestra Plays An Egge

By B. B.

That daring University of Miami Symphony orchestra presented in the Sunday and Monday concerts at the Miami Senior High school the premiere American performance of Symphony No. 1, Opus 17 by Klaus Egge.

Right away, as an old gagster, we remarked to the nearby press critics, we hoped the orchestra wouldn't lay an egg in playing Egge—note the yolk even if it is half cracked. And the first name was Klaus, so appropriate for Christmas, Santa Klaus.

But returning to the serious discussion of music, this symphony must be so considered, because it was very serious stuff Egge was hatched (oh there we go again) in Norway and educated up there, and his work carries the typical heaviness and coldness of that northern country. It must have been a job to study and play, and a musician's delight or headache. But to our tender soul it was not altogether music—that is sweet sound which soothes or stirs the emotion to love and hope. It made us nervous, and, perhaps, it thereby typifies the present jittery character of the world. But for audience enjoyment and appeal Egge can have his symphony. Possibly it should be poached or unscrambled.

As a vivid and pleasant contrast was the second half of the program when violinist Tossy Spivakovsky appeared with the orchestra in the rendition of Concerto in D. Major by Ludwig von Beethoven. Here was the beauty sought in music, the lovely strains, the sweet melody that quiets or arouses one to dream of the past and future. It was grandly given by soloist and orchestra under Director Modeste Alloo, stirring the large audience to enthusiastic applause.

For the next concerts the orchestra will present on January 22 and 23 the noted pianist Jesus Maria Sanroma, of Puerto Rican birth and New England training, who recently celebrated his 400th performance with symphony orchestras. It will be another treat for the music lovers of Miami.

R. D. Keene, of the United Growers association, says that Florida oranges for the first time in many years, are selling in auctions at almost a par with California's.

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JACK Woodford, who has had dozens of his racy novels published, and more than 50 other novelists' books dedicated to him, and who has spent his life with other novelists, says he has YET TO SEE any letter, from any publisher, to any novelist, accepting a novel in words such as these:

"Dear Mr. Schmuck: "We read your novel. We liked it. We are going to publish it. Enclosed find contract.

"J. Aldington Pickletail, Editor." Instead, says Jack Woodford, they always go something like this:

"Dear Mr. Fuddlefanny:

"Our readers have enjoyed reading your novel. We think it has possibilities. However, there are some things about it which I am afraid we shall have to discuss in detail. (Follows a long mess of hooey about the leading character really ought to be a two-headed boy, instead of a bearded lady; it should be set in Alaska, not Africa. It should be twice as long as it is.) The title is all wrong. Will you please send us five hundred alternative titles, all of them good? Do you mind taking the first eighteen chapters out altogether, and rewriting all the rest of the chapters?"

(Signed) "Oswald Yankoff, Editor."

JACK Kofeod says that some of the toughest, most brutal people he ever knew were animal lovers, and that fine character cannot be guaranteed by a fellow's kindness to beasts. Jack is right, and might offer, as an example, "The Theory And the Hound," one of O. Henry's best short stories . . . Wonder why WLRD, Miami's FM station, quit playing fine music and is now going in for music that isn't at all easy on the ears? (You can tune in any other station and get that!) . . . It's getting so it's hard to tell whether the idlers on street corners downtown are tourists, ex-realty salesmen, or ex-bookmakers.

STEALING: "For de little stelin' dey gits you in jail soon or late," declared Brutus Jones (Charles Sidney Gilpin) in the play, Emperor Jones. "For de big stealin' dey makes you emperor and puts you in de Hall o' Fame when you croaks. If dey's one thing I learns in ten years on de Pullman cars listenin' to de white quality talk, it's dat same fact."

THERE are now something like 37,000 printing establishments in the U. S., and, according to Fortune Magazine, they are all going to be affected soon by "evolu-

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# Defense Secretary Should Be Removed

IS Defense Secretary Louis Johnson a menace to the welfare of the people of the United States?

MIAMI LIFE addresses this question seriously to the president of the United States.

The implications of the question should be thoroughly investigated by the American people, acting through their elected representatives in congress.

The president has apparently gone to great pains to ensure stability, efficiency and harmony in the armed forces.

Yet, in the short time that Johnson has been head of national defense, the armed forces have been plunged into bitter service quarrels.

High army, navy and air force brass have been at each others' throats, and have undermined by these publicly reported quarrels the morale of personnel in all three service branches.

Whatever the president has hoped to achieve by the appointment of Johnson has so far failed.

Johnson has been given powers without precedent in American history. He has become a virtual military commissar over the America people.

And, Johnson is helping to bring about a war with Red Russia from which we may not emerge victorious.

It is time for Johnson's record as defense secretary to be reviewed and, in this article, MIAMI LIFE, will review it in all its implied danger to the American people.

Number one specification in our indictment of Johnson is the fact that at a time when armed force harmony, co-operation and integrated operation is most needed, we have dangerous tensions, rivalries and hatreds running like disease viruses through the organizations that are the backbone of internal defense and of offensive strategy.

And, what is worse, we have no grand strategy to cope with the menace of Soviet Russia, if such a menace exists and which, in the minds of most Americans, does exist.

Specification number 2 is this lack of grand strategy. The navy has taken third place in defensive and offensive duties during Johnson's time in power.

Under Johnson we have virtually abandoned the defense of the Pacific Ocean; and this at a time when Russia is emphasizing great submarine fleets to operate from Siberia.

Alaska has also been virtually abandoned, while Siberian war bases are rushed to completion by the Soviets. No radar system encircles the nation to give timely warning of enemy air fleets.

### OKINAWA A WEAK DEFENSIVE LINK

Under Johnson emphasis has been given to development of Okinawa as an air base. Yet Russia, under arrangement with the dominant Chinese Communists, will soon have bases on the China coast to seriously hamper if not cripple and vanquish, air striking power from this supposedly key island.

MIAMI LIFE readers will take note of this situation and other factors in the incredible mal-administration of defense under Johnson.

Lacking radar warning systems the nation has not enough navy vessels suitably equipped to provide radar interception in either the Atlantic or the Pacific.

The Mediterranean has become a Russian lake through



Martha King, Chez Paree warbler, is a featured attraction on the bill that stars dance-comedians Steve Condos and Jerry Brandow.

which move the Snorkle submersibles of the Soviets. Under Johnson our navy is 'covered' with mothballs. The military judgment of dependable navy leaders in demanding air power as an auxiliary of navy power are peremptorily and STUPIDLY brushed aside.

Our navy is incapacitated at a time when modern military reasoning inclines to the policy of instant retaliation. To Johnson this apparently means retaliation by air power in the control of the air force alone.

In pushing the navy into a third position role in American defense Johnson has also had the temerity to question the loyalty of navy men. They, being professional military men are mostly concerned with keeping their service ready for emergencies.

Whatever emergency America faces it will not be one that can be successfully met by the army alone, by the air force alone, or by the navy alone. It requires a maximum development of them all.

### TASK FORCE PROTECTION IS ESSENTIAL

In relegating the navy to backwaters in defense consideration, Johnson is guilty of incompetence, and lacking in the vision required of a man who should direct our defense organization.

It is true that air power is destructive, but another defect in Johnson's handling of defense is the failure to anticipate or give weight to what every military man privately knows, even though he dare not speak up to openly.

And this is that we are perfecting a Western European army coalition to fight in Europe. The coalition calls for American land troops. These troops have to be supplied and the offensives they mount supplied with arms, heavy guns, ammunition, gasoline and all the items in the logistics of war.

Who is to keep land armies supplied? The air force? Hardly.

That is a navy job. Under Johnson what has happened to the navy?

The truth is this and MIAMI LIFE commends it to its readers with a suggestion that their various representatives in congress be told of their feelings:

We have committed ourselves to the defense of Europe.

We have abandoned the Mediterranean, the Far Pacific and Alaska. But, the war will break out in Europe. —GAL TWO—DC 10 PT No guide or head—Hathaway. At least, that is what man of the Johnson type of strategy think.

As things now stand, it would take at least six months to get our war vessels out of mothballs, to train navy fliers to meet on the seven seas of war the ravaging attack on our ocean supply lines by enemy air force.

Johnson is dangerous. His conduct of the defense department has altered our basic war concept to include the brash item of policy that Russia has no navy.

That is a lie and a dangerous one. Russia has the world's greatest active submarine fleet. Unquestionably Russia has kept pace with and, probably, has surpassed World War II submarine improvements. During World War II American submarines fired with astonishing success guided missiles to distances of 250 miles.

Think of the havoc a fleet of submersibles could work on our coastal cities without an adequate navy. And that doesn't mean a navy adequate in six to nine months; but a navy adequate now!

MIAMI LIFE thinks the United States should have a new chief signal caller in the defense department.

What do you, as readers, think? You whose sons may have to make the plays called by the man with this kind of record?

# Civil Rights Invoked By 6 After Pinch

THREE New York youths, arrested by Miami Beach police and charged with vagrancy, have threatened to sue the City and, in doing so, bring up again the old problem of invasion of civil rights.

The youths, Irving Hailpern, 23, a wartime Merchant Marine sailor; Bob Eisenberg, 18, who describes himself as a male model, and Robert Bloom, 22, a crippled automobile mechanic, claim they were wrongfully arrested Dec. 6.

Police think otherwise and this is the bone of contention that may, if the boys go through with plans for court tests of their civil rights.

On both sides there is much to be said, much to condone and much, MIAMI LIFE believes, to be corrected.

Facts in the case appear to be these:

The three men were arrested after being stopped on their way to the ocean side in the typical 'jolly' favored by youth without bankrolls.

They were taken to jail, fingerprinted, booked on vagrancy and 'held for investigation' charges and then lodged in cells.

The men were in jail from shortly before noon Wednesday, they said, until court time Friday morning, about 10 a.m.

Eisenberg, the spokesman for the trio, said all three possessed draft cards, car ownership and registration were in order, and, while admittedly jobless, they showed the arresting officers cards indicating visits to employment agencies.

### CASE DISMISSED, TOLD TO STAY OFF BEACHES

The men alleged that all pleas to be allowed to use telephones to apprise their landlady of their predicament were ignored by the arresting officers and the jailer.

They appeared before Judge Bernard Frank who dismissed the case and admonished the lads to keep away from the beach.

As basis for action against the city the three claim that they have a right to move freely so long as they are self maintaining, that they had committed no offense and were held virtually uncommunicado.

These contentions, MIAMI LIFE believes present a serious challenge to inherent American individual rights. Police, too often, are guilty of invading the privacy of individuals in whom no social fault is found.

All three boys burn with humiliation, and contend that Judge Frank's dismissal of the case does not remove the stigma of a police record not earned.

They have something there; but MIAMI LIFE thinks, neither he police nor Judge Frank are to be censured for what was done.

The police have a tough job. In many cases they make arrests on no more than suspicion, and, in the long run, such arrests have often prevented a tendency toward crime born out of economic desperation.

It is reasonable to assume that the arresting officers in this case were motivated by their obligation to protect the citizenry from possible assaults, thefts and other crimes.

MIAMI LIFE, however, while not charging the officers with unwarranted display of authority, believes that a more devoted attachment to duty would have prompted them to get in touch immediately with New York authorities and the homes of the boys, as well as the FBI, if they had reason to think the boys had criminal records.

Had this been done promptly the three men would have been cleared and spared the humiliation of appearing in court on charges that were dismissed by the judge.

### YOUTHS HAD GOOD FAMILY BACKGROUNDS

Hailpern particularly feels hurt. He served his country as a merchant seaman during the war, saw his ships often bombed and enjoys the honors accruing to a merchant marine sailor in war time.

Eisenberg's father is a New York construction man and, ironically, he says, his father is an annual winter visitor to Miami Beach.

Bloom's father is a carpenter. In Bloom's case there was less than no reason at all to arrest

# PRINCESS SAYS GOVERNMENT FUNDS FOR SEMINOLES VANISH

OPEN charges are made by Princess Red Rock that thousands of dollars appropriated by the federal government for the Seminoles disappear into the hands of Indian agents without much evidence of benefits reaching the Indians. She declares the Seminoles are impoverished and ill-fed and that is the real reason for the recent epidemics.

The princess is making these statements before local clubs where she appears to sing, to tell of her work and conditions among the Seminoles and to make appeals for help.

Mrs. C. N. Walker of the Florida Baptist Institute at Lake Worth recently wrote Senator Holland about Kenneth A. Marmon, superintendent of the Florida Seminole Indian agency, charging him with neglect. Marmon denied the charges but the Indian conditions speak for themselves.

# U. S. Stops Flow Of Money Abroad

ONE of the principal reasons for the costly Marshall plan is to distribute American dollars abroad. Yet postal inspectors in Miami announce they are turning back letters from the United States carrying money for the Irish and Jamaica Sweepstakes. American dopes who thus ship out currency, are merely helping to accomplish the same aims as the Marshall plan and business—increasing the flow of American currency to other countries where it will help buy our goods and strengthen foreign economies.

But the government apparently thinks it is wrong for private gamblers to toss away their money on the slender chance of winning something, but it is all right to take the wealth of the American people through taxes and scatter that money abroad without any hope whatever of a return.

Ain't government funny and beyond comprehension?

# CHARLIE WHEELER HONORED

CHARLIE WHEELER, Beach boxing commissioner and pioneer hotel man, has been elected National Boxing Ass'n regional director for boxing for Florida and Georgia. Wheeler is a member of the championship rating committee.

(P. S. Charlie, by the way, refereed this editor's first ring Biscayne Arena; our weight, 126 pounds—believe it or not! And opponent, Young Trevor, Key West, weight 133. Promoter, the late Ed Douglas.

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### FROM FIRE TO FLAME

Nazi Prisoner Finds Escape Into the Horrors of Matrimony; Miami's Warm Climate Makes Men Cold; Follow Circus, Races, Gamble.

FROM the fires of the Nazi concentration camps into the frying pan of enforced and unhappy marriage was the sad adventure of Cornelia Viola Pollak, and, now in the freedom of America, she would clasp liberty through a Dade county divorce action, although her foreign wedding might never have become known if she had not mentioned it. She seeks annulment from Bertil Bengtsson, whose name she does not take, and who remains in his far off home of Halmstad, Sweden, where the supposed ceremonies were performed April 27, 1946.

away from home. Mabel Olive Haney asks divorce from Archie Harvey Haney, of Springfield, O., to whom she was wed in Valdosta, Ga., Feb. 28, 1949. Her suit sets forth that she was loving and chaste, and was induced to marry on the promise that he would provide a home and be permitted to raise a family. After marriage he said he had no intention of having a home or children and demanded that she use means to prevent pregnancy. He declared that he would continue to follow races and not provide a home. Mabel contends that he allowed her only enough money for meals, and then frequently he would not re-

turn until hours after the meals had been prepared. He insulted and ridiculed her, was domineering, quarreled, asserted he married her only for convenience, that he would continue to gamble. He treated her as a servant, so she removed to Miami Beach. She requests restoration of her name of Archer. Michael M. Isenberg is the barrister.

La Rene Davis against Daniel McDowell Davis, Jr. of Baltimore, where they were united Dec. 26, 1942. She charges a violent temper; that he went out several times weekly for gambling and drinking. When she asked for explanations he would reply with vile language and tell her it was none of her business. He was dictatorial and stingy and would rage over money. At social gatherings he sought to humiliate and embarrass her by paying attention to another woman, flaunting his relations to cause her pain. Jack A. Abbott of Miami Beach is the lawyer.

MORE violence occurred in the matrimonial rowing of Edith G. Withrow and Robert D. Withrow of Dade. They were married in Fort Lauderdale July 22, 1944. She claims that he drank constantly and refused support so she had to pay the expenses. Edith alleges that he choked her, and once would have killed her if the neighbors had not interfered. She left him in July, 1946. But, it seems, that the defendant liked marriage anyway, and naturally could find other women. She claims that after their separation Robert on Oct. 2, 1948, was married to another woman, Eva, by name. Eva did not like the experience, and she

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During the war the plaintiff was a prisoner of the Nazi government in German concentration camps and suffered unspeakable privations and hardships. As a Jewess her life was almost unendurable, but she survived, broken in spirit and body. Through an international organization she was rescued and removed to Halmstad, Sweden, where she was hospitalized, and was taken into the family of the defendant. There he demanded she become his wife.

Cornelia was in a state of emotional shock and unable to think for herself after all her sufferings. Bertil ranted and raved, insisted she should accede to his wishes out of gratitude. This was climaxed by physical violence and the threat that he would drive her into the streets and back to Germany.

Terror stricken she wordlessly performed the requirements of a marriage, and he forced cohabitation. She relapsed to the depths. Then she began recovery. Cornelia says that she realized fraud had been perpetrated upon her and in October, 1948, she ended the relations with Bertil, and came to the United States. Philip Medvin is the attorney in this strange case.

IN warm Miami men become cold to their wives. Explain that! Does tropical heat cool affections or create competition? Sarah Rose Williams, 38, sues Rea Colfax Williams, 45, who were married in Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 7, 1931, and they led a normal life until four years ago when he became cold and indifferent, showed a lack of love.

The plaintiff was forced to find and keep employment to support her home, self and young son. The defendant was moody, refused to seek employment, and they lived in a trailer. For three years he would leave home to travel with the circuses during the summer, and then would return to Miami to enjoy the winter climate. But here under the beams of the sun he grew chilly toward her.

Sarah was obliged to borrow from her sister, cash her bonds and use her savings. She established a home. But his conduct made her nervous and ill, so she desires legal independence. The solicitor is Jacob W. Siegel.

THERE was coldness here, too, but the man followed the races and not the circus. Anything, it seems, to get

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# Tobin Launches \$100 Pension Plan

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they will number 13,000,000 and by 1975 will make up nearly 15 per cent of our population, or 19,900,000.

## ECONOMIC ROYALISTS SEE END OF ERA

Big Business, on whom the cost of pensions will most heavily fall is angry and disturbed. It may be counted on to fight with every legal and psychological means at hand to prevent the nation's people from making this provision for the old.

Business and industrial leadership fears that pensions will mark another step toward murk talked of nationalization and the Welfare State.

As it has resisted adequate pensions for its own employes so will Big Business oppose any attempt of the average American to provide security for himself.

The important thing to remember, however, is that wealth in America is created wealth and that its creators

have a right to insist and to take enough of it to assure security.

What Big Business doesn't want people to do is make the invidious comparison. This would show that to provide economic security for the 11,000,000 pension eligibles now in the United States would require an annual expenditure of \$13 billions. This figure is \$6-billions less per year than the combined cost of national defense commitments and veteran payments.

## THE WAY PROPAGANDA WORKS

Highly paid public relations experts even now are preparing the barrage of words that soon will be blasting across the front pages of the American press, through radios, and on the screen. Ministerial groups will be approached in an attempt to swing the pulpits of the nation into the attack.

The cry will be that it will cost every wage earn-

er at least \$20 per month to provide the pensions. This is false. It will cost on an average of \$20 per month for each of the 50-million who now pay taxes.

The word 'average' is the joker. What Big Business hopes is that the public will not see it. "Average" does not mean individual. It means that if one man has ten dollars and another has a hundred dollars that the average wealth of both of them is \$55.

The real joker is, at least administration officials say ironically, "that we know who has the hundred."

And it's the man with the hundred who objects, naturally, to ponying up.

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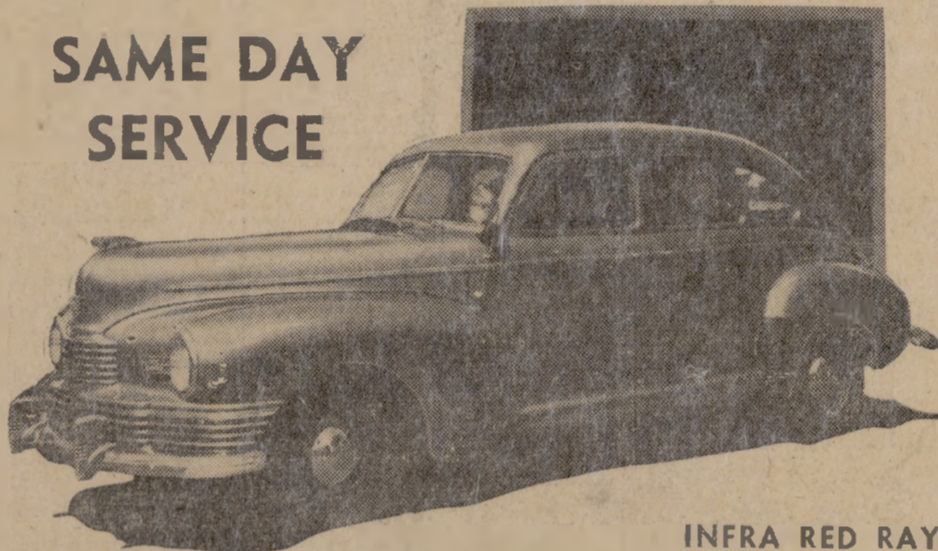
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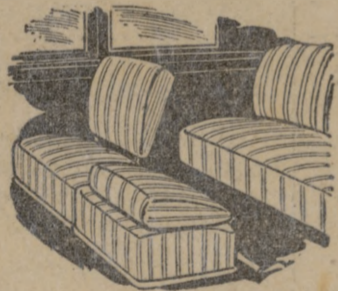
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## BIGOTED SPAIN

THE NARROW-MINDED view taken by official Spain (the Falange party) toward Freemasonry shows why Spain has failed to gain a respected position in the eyes of most nations. The party organ, Arriba, declares Freemasonry is to blame for all of Spain's misfortunes.

The Falanges, you should remember, overthrew the Spanish liberals who in turn had overthrown the monarchy a decade ago. The Falanges worked hand in hand with the Nazis in World War II.

Such bigoted and intolerant attitude towards everything that does not coincide 100 percent with their ideas precludes the possibility of this nation ever being acceptable to fair, democratic and free people elsewhere.

The Falanges are blood-brothers of Fascists and Nazis.

## BLANK CARTRIDGES CAN BE DANGEROUS

SURELY Ray Mills, West Miami police chief, was kidding when he told reporters that a pistol one woman in his bailiwick had pressed between the eyes of another woman, was harmless because it contained only blank cartridges.

Surely he should know you can kill a person that way.

If a "blank" explodes even against your hand, it can make you wish you were dead.

This writer can verify this from a bitter experience he had on a Fourth some 30 years ago when he disobeyed his parents.

If you fire a blank pistol within a foot of ones eyes you can blind them much less if held to ones forehead.

Ask any one who knows firearms.

## THINGS I'D LIKE TO KNOW

Why American people are so submissive to robbery by politicians and officials

If the telephone company won't get around to metering local gossip on the wire.

When Evelyn will stop encouraging Peeping Toms.

Why Santa Claus wears such heavy garments in Miami

Whether Walter will raise more of a holler over the lack of Orange Bowl tickets for Miami-ans.

## Matrimony Row

Continued from Page 6 obtained a divorce last month on the grounds of extreme cruelty. The first wife, still married to him, was unaware of his second marriage until she read the decree of divorce in the newspaper.

Edith charges cruelty, desertion and adultery, and asks alimony, fees and costs. Rollo E. Karkeet is the attorney.

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