

Little Geraldine just laughed and laughed when they turned the clock back at Tallahassee because she knew they would be sleeping on their own time.

School is out and thanks to the Grace of God none of the youngsters attending the Citrus Grove school, on Twenty-second Avenue, have been killed as they plodded along "side-walkless" Seventh Street to and from school. A majority of the students at the

IT WILL BE MURDER

Citrus Grove school live east of the school building and use Seventh Street both ways. The street is generally heavy with traffic; is very narrow and has no semblance of a sidewalk. Many harrowing accidents have been narrowly averted and if this condition continues to exist, disaster is inevitable. Now is

the time to remedy this deplorable condition and provide safety before the next term starts. The cost of sidewalks along the street would be exceedingly trivial as compared to the terrible toll caused by some excited driver slaughtering a group of innocent laughing children.

Then the law makers just laughed and laughed at Little Geraldine because they knew the \$6 per diam they got from the state wasn't the only payroll.



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NRA Spirit Will Survive In Miami

is gone but its spirit lingers on. Effect of the Supreme Court's decision against the Blue Eagle will be far reaching. Unpatriotic business concerns will, doubtless, take advantage of the withdrawal of government regulations and restrictions, but wise executives will carry on with complete harmony existing between employer and employee.

Much has been said for and against NRA, but it must be admitted that it proved beneficial to business conditions and especially beneficial to employees in the matter of specifying living wages and decent humane working hours. Under NRA regime, Miami has conquered the depression and stood like a beacon for the remainder of the country to envy and admire. A general feeling prevails that a vast majority of Miami business concerns will continue to co-operate and observe practically all of the principals of NRA despite the Supreme Court ruling.

Wage earners MUST NOT BE THRUST BACK INTO BONDAGE. They are entitled to fair wages and decent working hours and conditions. It has been suggested that Miami merchants display signs stating that they are still observing NRA hours and wages voluntarily and that they are co-operating with their employees in a determined effort to bring back prosperity. Such merchants deserve the patronage and support of every fair thinking citizen in the community. Any business taking advantage of the Supreme Court ruling and reverting to former unfair working conditions deserves nothing—and should receive nothing in the way of recognition from the public. All that is needed is the suppression of selfish sentiments and interests, and intelligent concern for the general welfare.

Responsibility is back home where it belongs. Every business man now assumes the responsibility of helping to establish conditions which will benefit not only himself but others. Regular employment must be maintained, wages must be kept at the highest possible standard and working hours kept as short as is compatible with efficient productive effort. HOW ABOUT IT, MR. MIAMI BUSINESS MAN? ARE YOU WILLING TO DISPLAY YOUR OWN SIGN TELLING THE WORLD THAT YOU HAVE THE INTEREST OF YOUR COUNTRY AND FELLOWMAN AT HEART?

REPLACES ONE-ARMED BANDITS!



Four marble boards in operation at noon last Tuesday at the Lavine's Cut Rate Drug Store, S.E. First Street and Second Avenue. Note how the boards protrude out over the sidewalk to block pedestrian traffic and the excited expressions on the faces of the players—there's a reason—they are wagering with each other on the outcome of the games without expectation of winning any of the petty prizes offered by the swindle machines. Five minutes before this picture was taken a 13-year-old boy poked half a dozen nickles into one of the boards right under the nose of the manager who made no effort to stop him. This picture is typical of a score of such places in the downtown area.

Marble Board Gambling Racketeers Operate In Defiance Of The Law

Shop Girl's Dimes Go To Princess Barbara

EVERY time Princess Barbara buys herself a new foreign husband with a fancy title a few more drops of blood are squeezed from the veins of the unfortunate wage slaves who labor behind the nickle and dime counters of Woolworths.

Maybe Princess Barbara never saw the long soda fountain in the Miami Woolworth store. Furthermore she probably has been too busy chasing husbands to see the pinched faces of the dozen or more girls who sweat out their days and lives reaping in nickles and dimes behind that counter RINGING UP THEIR TIPS IN THE CASH REGISTER INSTEAD OF KEEPING THEM AS THEY SHOULD.

Girls behind the soda fountain are not permitted to keep tips. Any time a well served customer leaves a dime for the waitress it GOES INTO THE CASH REGISTER. Just to make sure that some underpaid waitress doesn't yield to temptation THE MANAGEMENT HAS PROVIDED UNIFORMS WITHOUT POCKETS and every girl leaving the store after the long day's work is over IS CAREFULLY SCRUTINIZED by the manager to make sure she isn't getting away with a single dime. Any girl caught trying the get away with a tip is fired immediately. Of course there is only one Princess Barbara, and she is probably too busy spending money for which these girls sweat to even give the matter a thought.

MARBLE BOARDS—Miami's newest million dollar racket —have replaced the vicious one-armed bandits and half a dozen cheap chiselers have assumed leadership in the new gambling orgy which is sweeping the city.

Marble boards are just as illegal as slot machines and the type of cheap hustlers who head the syndicates controlling them are even lower than were the leaders of the slot machine syndicate.

Bill Frey, tin-horn gambler and former speak-easy operator, is a fitting example of the brood of short horns operating extensive syndicates controlling marble boards. A couple of years ago Frey was "mooching" dimes from friends and carrying his personal belongings in his mouth because his pockets were too ragged to hold them. Today he is the "Czar" of the marble board racket; operates a fleet of red trucks to convey his illegal gambling boards from one spot to another and EVEN HAS A SECRETARY TO ASSIST HIM. He likes to be called the "Big-Shot." A few months ago he was arrested for driving while drunk and handed a jail sentence WHICH HE HASN'T SERVED.

It was this same Bill Frey who "squealed" and ran to the law a few months ago when a drunken stumble bum was caught poking slugs in a marble board in the back room of a saloon. HE HAD THE BUM THROWN IN JAIL and later tried to crawlfish out of it when the finger of ridicule was poked at him by a battery of square shooters.

More than 1,200 marble boards of every shape and description are in operation in Miami today. LESS THAN 600 OF THEM HAVE PAID THE \$11.00 city license fee; every single one of them is illegal and should be seized by the authorities and the heads of the various syndicates controlling them should be indicted. MORE THAN \$1,000,000 IN NICKLES IS POKED INTO MARBLE BOARDS ANNUALLY IN MIAMI AND THE CITY DERIVES LESS THAN \$6,000 IN LICENSE FEES.

Just how any sane person can study a marble board and say it isn't a gambling machine is beyond all human comprehension. Every board in operation offers a CASH PRIZE FOR MANIPULATION OF THE MARBLES and very few prizes, if any, are ever paid because the cheap chiselers operating them have "gaffed" them so it is practically impossible for the player to win.

In event a player does become "lucky" and wins a prize it is paid to him in cash by the proprietor of the place where it happens to be located. The old slot machines paid prizes by dropping coins through a vent and IF THERE IS ANY DIFFERENCE BETWEEN AUTOMATIC PAYING AND HAND PAYING WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHAT IT IS. Marble boards in the vicinity of school buildings are especially productive to the "Czars" and no effort has ever been made to keep the minors from dropping their nickles into the greedy maws of the marble boards. NOT A SINGLE ARREST OF A MARBLE BOARD OPERATOR FOR PERMITTING MINORS TO GAMBLE HAS EVER BEEN MADE AND THE BOARDS HAVE BEEN IN OPERATION NEARLY THREE YEARS.

In addition to the natural gambling afforded by the board itself the fad of players wagering with each other on the outcome of the games has grown to gigantic proportions and hundreds of dollars change hands every day through such channels. It is nothing unusual to see from ten to thirty players and spectators grouped about a marble board extending clear out over the sidewalk excitedly watching the marbles roll as they wager with each other on the ultimate score. Women as well as men and children have become addicted to the gambling fever and even the banks are hard pressed to keep enough nickles on hand for ordinary business.

The marble board racket MUST BE STOPPED. Less than a month ago the voters of Miami elected three new city commissioners who pledged themselves to work for the betterment of Miami's welfare and morals. It is now the duty of those three newly elected commissioners to keep faith with their constituents AND ORDER AN IMMEDIATE INVESTIGATION OF THE MARBLE BOARD RACKET. If the commissioners are sincere in their zeal of Miami's welfare it behooves them to order one dozen of these marble boards seized at random and hauled into the commission chambers. LET THE ENTIRE COMMISSION EXAMINE AND STUDY THE MARBLE BOARDS AND DECIDE FOR THEMSELVES WHETHER THEY ARE GAMBLING MACHINES OR NOT. There can be but one answer and the syndicate heads are deathly afraid of such an investigation and know that no sane man could, by any stretch of the imagination, label the boards anything but gambling machines. THERE IS A STATE LAW COVERING MARBLE BOARDS AND THAT LAW IS BEING VIOLATED IN NO LESS THAN 1,200 PLACES IN MIAMI. HOW MUCH LONGER SHALL IT CONTINUE?

MIAMI LIFE believes in liberality and fair play. MIAMI LIFE opposed the slot machines because they were vicious and didn't give the player a fair gamble for his money. MIAMI LIFE condemns marble boards for exactly the same reason and ASKS THE AUTHORITIES TO ACT. Remember, gentlemen, this week MIAMI LIFE IS ASKING —We trust we will not be forced to DEMAND.

The fact that the city issues licenses for marble boards does not alter the situation or change its complexion in the least. The city has no legal right to license gambling in any form and SHOULD NOT BECOME A PARTY TO SUCH A LOW, VICIOUS, FORM OF THEFTERY AS MARBLE BOARDS.

POLITICAL WHISPERS

DYING hours of the present session of the state legislature are zero hours in political circles and speculation is rife regarding many important changes and appointments in state, county and city offices. MIAMI LIFE hears the following whispers:

GOV. DAVE SHOLTZ will resign as governor within a month to accept a high executive position in the Elks Lodge.

W. C. HODGES, president of the Senate, will be appointed Governor to fill the unexpired term.

ROBERT TAYLOR'S name will be sent to the senate and his election as county solicitor confirmed during the closing hours.

GLENN C. MINCER, state representative, will resign to become assistant county solicitor.

PATRICK A. CANNON will be appointed assistant county solicitor.

MAX GOLDSTEIN will be the third assistant county solicitor.

WAYNE ALLEN will be appointed as judge of the Court of Crimes.

JOE FRANK will be appointed to fill George McCall's place as clerk of Criminal Court.

JOHN ROWLAND is to be named chief of police of Miami.

MAJOR E. J. CLOSE is in line for the job of safety director of Miami.

MAYOR LOUIS A. SNEDIGAR of Miami Beach will resign and the office will not be filled until next election.

Petitions To Stop Dog Racing To Be Circulated

DOG RACING must stop in Dade county! With the 1935 session of the state legislature practically over and no relief in sight scores of Miami business concerns find themselves tottering on the ragged rim of bankruptcy dreading the approach of another season which brings inevitable doom unless something is done.

No city in America can overcome the financial disaster of three dog tracks operating from December until April and Miami is no exception. Other cities have experimented and failed. They have awakened to the menace before it was too late and all over the country indignant business men have arisen and stamped out the menace before it strangled them. Miami business men must do the same.

MIAMI LIFE has long been cognizant of the inevitable ruin and now arises to carry the standard to restore Miami's economic conditions to normalcy by slaying the octopus which is rapidly strangling legitimate business. THERE IS ONLY ONE WAY TO DO THIS AND MIAMI LIFE EXPECTS, AND ANTICIPATES BITTER OPPOSITION FROM DOG TRACK OWNERS BEFORE THE BATTLE IS WON. On the other hand MIAMI LIFE expects every fair-minded business man in the city to enroll in its army and march forward toward ultimate victory.

Dog racing can be eliminated in Dade county by the voters without the assistance of the legislature. Petitions carrying the names of 15 per cent of the registered voters of the county will bring about a referendum on the issue and DOG TRACK OPERATORS ARE DEATHLY AFRAID OF SUCH A REFERENDUM BECAUSE THEY KNOW THAT IF THE ISSUE CAN EVER BE BROUGHT TO A VOTE THAT DOG RACING WILL BE VOTED OUT TEN TO ONE. MIAMI LIFE PROPOSES TO CIRCULATE SUCH PETITIONS AND SEEK AN ELECTION AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE.

Miami business leaders are unanimously opposed to further dog racing in Dade county because they are thoroughly convinced that it is detrimental to the welfare and future of the entire community. They have disapproved that dog racing has little or no drawing power for visitors and that it is patronized principally by Miamians who can ill afford the losses they take each season at the dog track pari-mutuel windows.

One leading business man approached on the subject replied, "I most certainly am opposed to continuance of dog racing in Miami. We struggle through the summer and expect to overcome our losses during the short winter season. When the season finally arrives we find that the dog tracks are getting all the money; that they are keeping thousands of persons at the tracks night after night and away from theaters, business houses, night clubs and other places where they would surely be if it weren't for the dog tracks. Every city in America has turned thumbs down on dog racing after one or two seasons with ONLY ONE TRACK IN OPERATION, yet Miami has permitted dog racing for years and NOW HAS THREE TRACKS GOING AT THE SAME TIME. Operators of the tracks tried to squeeze a bill through the legislature this year requiring 40 per cent of the registered voters on a petition to bring about a referendum and nearly succeeded. Unless something is done quick they will succeed in passing such a vicious law and if they do we may as well give the country back to the Indians and call it quits. I commend MIAMI LIFE for having the courage to take up this fight and I pledge myself and everything I command in the fight."

MIAMI LIFE reiterates its expectation of bitter opposition from dog track operators in every conceivable form and would like expressions of confidence from honest business men and private citizens anxious to enlist in the fight to eliminate dog tracks from Dade county. The petitions will be put into circulation at the proper time and the FIGHT CONTINUED UNTIL THE DOG TRACKS ARE BANISHED.

While MIAMI LIFE'S fight is directed primarily at dog tracks it will likewise be turned upon horse racing tracks unless the owners agree to a four or five days a week program which will give visitors an opportunity to spend money elsewhere than at the mutual windows, and likewise agree to refrain from seeking extensions of the racing season. It would be exceedingly easy to eliminate ALL RACING IN DADE COUNTY AND MIAMI LIFE FEELS THAT EVEN MESSRS. WIDENER AND BRADLEY ARE SMART ENOUGH TO ACCEPT HALF A LOAF RATHER THAN NO LOAF AT ALL.

What Everybody's Asking Today... Has Mayor Fossey Thanked Ev For Getting The Mayor's Salary Increased???

