

Wilton Manors Topics

By VIRGINIA ROGERS

Another City Hall hurdle was surmounted last night when City Council unanimously accepted architect William Bigoney Jr.'s revised plans for a \$97,000 municipal center. Following final checks with department heads, Bigoney will present detailed drawings at the Sept. 18 council meeting for official approval.

New plans call for a one-story, 150 by 93-foot U-shaped building of 9,016 square feet, fronting on NE Sixth Ave. To the left of the city offices and combined council and courtroom is the fire department wing; to the right, parallel with Wilton Dr., is the police wing and jail. Flexible over-all plans call for a second story over the city offices and police wing when the need—and the money—arises.

OTHER COUNCIL ACTION

In other action City Council approved Mayor Starling's appointment of Raymond Saxon as provisional patrolman and Felix Miller at night dispatcher, authorized appointment of a third school policewoman, and approved purchase of a \$78 portable public address system and a \$115, 12-volt generator for the water department truck.

The council also accepted the recreation board's policy revision requiring one chaperon for

every 25 juveniles using Hagen Park; sponsors will be notified when police supervision is required and assume expense. It agreed to grant Mrs. Sharon O'Hara an occupational license for a bird shop in the old Gate Tower, providing she complies with all ordinances as to sanitation, fire and signs. Action on drainage complaints was tabled for further study.

POLICE CHANGES

Felix Miller, a retired policeman with 22 years experience in the Kenosha, Wis., police department, started yesterday as night police dispatcher, replacing Raymond Saxon, who stepped up to patrolman.

Applications are now being accepted by Police Chief Beaney for a patrolman to fill the Sept. 14 vacancy arising when Lloyd Baker leaves for the Dade County Sheriff's Department. Applications are also being accepted for a school policewoman to patrol the dangerous NE 29th St.-N Andrews Ave. crossing, starting Sept. 10 when St. Clement's Catholic School opens.

SCHOOL NEWS

Enrolled opening day at Wilton Manors Elementary School were 639 pupils, including 59 new registrations. Principal Bryan Davis says only first grades are on double session, but the two sixth grades are already overcrowded with 41 pupils apiece.

REGISTRATION

Registration for Covenant

Presbyterian Church Kindergarten will be held tomorrow and Friday from 9 to 11 a.m. at the church, 512 NE 26th St., or by calling Mrs. O. Martin Lewis, LO 4-1336. Children must be 5 by Dec. 31, 1956, to enter. Classes start Sept. 11 from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.

JAYCEES LICENSE BUREAU

Jaycees report a first-day sale of 275 driver licenses.

They were issued at the Turner Supply Co., Old Dixie at 26th St.

The local office will be open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily except Sunday. License cost \$1.50.

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Tuesday is D-Day for 1,500 school-aged children here, but it may be V Day for city officials. If the revised city-hall plans meet with Council approval Tuesday night, the first big step in transferring the badly needed municipal building from the drawing board to "concrete" reality will be realized.

At the last city council meeting city officials and department heads agreed to scrap

second-story plans temporarily and concentrate on a one-story combination fire department, city hall and police department that could be built for less than \$100,000 — the maximum allocated for city hall construction at this time.

Architect Wm. F. Bigoney Jr. says, "If the Council accepts the new preliminary plans Tuesday, we will go ahead as fast as possible getting detailed plans ready for bids." The Council still hopes to start actual construction on the NE 21st Ct. lot sometime in October.

POLICEMEN RESIGN

Police Chief Richard Beaney announced today that Officers Lloyd Baker and Edward Clode have resigned to accept positions with the Dade sheriff's department. Clode, now on vacation, starts his new duties tomorrow. Baker's resignation is effective Sept. 14.

Raymond Saxon, present night dispatcher, will replace Clode starting Monday. "We will fill the openings as soon as possible," Beaney said. Applications for a patrolman and a night-dispatcher are now being accepted at the police department.

PLAYGROUND DEDICATION

Top item on this week's recreation board meeting agenda was plans for the official dedication of the new Hagen Park playgrounds and the first Award Day, Saturday, Sept. 15 in Hagen Pavillion, at 4 p.m.

Principal speaker will be Judge Dorr Davis, Broward County Juvenile Court judge. Mayor Frank Starling will present awards to summer recreation contest winners. The \$1,800 playgrounds, for children under six and children six through twelve, were purchased and installed by the combined service clubs of Wilton Manors and the Ft. Lauderdale Civitan Club.

VACANT LOT ORDINANCE

A clean-up campaign has been launched here in line with the city ordinance requiring property owners to clean off "unsightly and fire-hazardous lots." Letters are being mailed giving owners 15 days to complete the clean-up or the lots will be cleared by the city at the owner's expense.

TEEN AGE DANCE

All teen-agers are invited to a semi-formal Labor Day dance tomorrow night, 7:30 to 11 p.m. in Hagen Pavillion. The J. D. Quartet will provide the music. Dance contests, decorations, and election of class representatives are highlights of the affair, expected to attract more than a hundred young people.

Junior Woman's Club chaperons, Mrs. Frank Gastright and Mrs. Arnold Budlong invite parents to "come see the fun" and help judge the contests. Outgoing teen-age officers include Barbara Owens, Bruce Evans, Beverly Wiess, Sandra La Gette and Sandra Doak.

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This city most likely has the political distinction of being the only city in Florida with four Republican candidates running for office . . . and no Democrats on the November election slate.

Candidates include George Richardson, practicing attorney and City Council president, running for state Legislature; Joseph J. Marquette, owner of a local insurance agency, graduate of Indiana University Law School, running for School Board, District 4; Wellington P. Hartman, business man with World War I and II experience in administration of naval ports and bases, as candidate for Port Authority, Dist. 3, Group 1; and George Sawallis, business man,

graduate of the University of Wichita and Army-Navy Petroleum School, candidate for port authority, Group 2, District 3.

KIWANIS DIRECTORY

The city's street directory is now being compiled by the Kiwanis Club and will be distributed free of charge. Committee Chairman is Vern Burnell.

FIRE-PREVENTION

Selection of "Miss Flame," plus a fire - prevention float in Jaycee Park, a fire-fighting exhibition at Wilton Manors School, and home-inspection blanks to be sent home with school pupils, are all on tap for Fire-Prevention Week here starting Monday. Jaycee Harry Speck is committee chairman.

SCHOOL SAFETY

Issued official ID cards by the sponsoring Wilton Manors Police Dept. were the following members of the sixth grade safety patrol:

Capt. Jimmy Huff, Lts. Jan Cashell and Joannie Bougher, Kathy Kreitner, Tracy Raz,

Mike Dameron, Jim Stevens, Steven Epple, Kristi Rapin, Steven Watkins, Buckley Parnell, Judy Hood, Sunie Jones, Sally Jarrett and Judy Broom.

SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

Wilton Manors Elementary picked up an additional 19 pupils this month bringing enrollment to 675. Heavily loaded are the sixth grade with 42 pupils per room, and the fifth grade with 40, 39, and 39.

CALENDAR

Tonight, Adult Square Dance, Hagen Pavilion, 8-11 p.m.

Tomorrow, Deadline, county vote registration, Hagen Playground open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

FT. LAUDERDALE DAILY NEWS, Fri., Oct. 12, 1973

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All is quiet on the local political scene. No new candidates have entered the race for two City Council seats and the city clerk post since opening filing day when incumbent Earl Middleton and Robert Schmidt qualified for Council and incumbent Marcia Staford filed for city clerk.

Judging from past election statistics, however, a contest will develop before the Oct. 22 filing deadline. Prospective candidates usually wait until the last possible moment to qualify to see how the opposition is shaping up.

Last year there were six candidates for three Council seats. With the city expanding at an unprecedented rate and a new City Hall in the offing, interest in the top city offices should be running unusually high this year.

HARMS RESIGNS

Police Chief Richard Beaney announced the resignation of Sgt. Jacob Harms late yesterday afternoon, "effective immediately." Sgt. Harms could not be reached for comment.

FIESTA PLANS

The big October 27 Halloween Fiesta sponsored by the Wilton

Manors Woman's Club is picking up momentum. Festivities will start with a costume parade at 4 p.m. at Hagen Park, with prizes for the best costumes donated by the combined service clubs.

Immediately following the parade the Fiesta will open with rides, games and refreshments for all ages sponsored by the nine service clubs. Special free attractions include Donna Kozla and her Hi-Steppers, the Stranahan Junior High band, the Venetian Aires, and the Wilton Swingers in a square dance exhibition.

NIGHT REGISTRATION

As a convenience to late voter-registrants, City Clerk Marcia Staford will keep the books open Monday and Friday evenings, Oct. 22, 26 and 29, at the city offices, 2197 Wilton Dr., 7 to 9 p.m. Residents who have lived in Florida one year and Wilton Manors six months may qualify. Daily hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. through Oct. 31.

DRIVERS NEEDED

Transportation to Pompano is urgently needed for the 40-member cheering section attending the opening Midget League

football game tomorrow at Kester Field. Drivers will assemble 9:15 a.m. at Hagen Pavillion.

WOLFE VACATIONS

Substituting for building inspector Frank Wolfe, who leaves Monday for a two-week vacation, will be Harry E. Davis, 2141 NE 19th Ave.

FIRE DEPT. FUND

Response to the Volunteer Fire Department's request for funds has been excellent, Fire Chief Wallace Wakely reported. "If checks continue to come in at the present rate, we will be able to give even better fire protection next year," he said. Anyone wishing to contribute can send checks to the Wilton Manors Volunteer Fire Department, 2197 Wilton Dr.

STADIUM VANDALIZED

Hard to understand is the continuous vandalism at Mickel Field. A restroom was the vandals' latest target.

"After so many people worked hard to give the kids the stadium, it's pretty discouraging to have them tear it down," Police Chief Beaney commented. This is the fifth case of vandalism at Mickel Field in a year.

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By Virginia Rogers



Personnel problems are plaguing Police Chief Richard Beaney. Patrolman Jack Lynch, senior patrolman with 3½ years service, asked for a "leave of absence" yesterday to take a job with the Ft. Lauderdale post office.

Lynch, with 10 years experience in police work, said, "I'm requesting inactive reserve status. I would like to be on call for emergency service—and retain my seniority if I come back later."

Within the last six months, Sgt. Jacob Harms, and Patrolmen Lloyd Baker, Edward Clode and Lee Richardson have turned in their badges.

Chief Beaney, concerned about the rapid turnover, hopes to stabilize the department by hiring more experienced officers and adopting a police manual. He has been working on the 26-page manual for two years.

"Now every officer will know exactly what his duties are," Beaney said.

NEW POLICEMAN

Starting tonight as a probationary patrolman on the night shift is Arthur J. Anderson, 1512 SE 11th St. Anderson, a six-foot, 235 pounder has had four years experience with the Redford Township (Mich.) Po-

lice Dept., and served two years as a constable. He is 36, married and has one son.

FOOTBALL OPENER

The Midget Football League Optimist team, rained out last Saturday, will open its season tomorrow against Ft. Lauderdale Kiwanis, Holiday Park, 9 a.m.

Recreation Director Harry Davis hopes to enter the local team in the South Broward League since Pompano has cancelled its Saturday schedule.

Drivers are needed to transport the girl cheering section to the game. They are to leave Hagen Pavillion at 8:45 a.m.

BASKETBALL

Basketball standards have been ordered, Davis announced, and games will be held on the tennis courts as a regular recreation activity starting next week.

REGISTRATION UP

Local voter registration is picking up as the Nov. 1 deadline approaches. In the past two weeks, 132 new voters registered at the city offices bringing the total close to 1,000. Books are open daily, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday, 8 a.m. to 12 noon, and Monday and, starting Oct. 22, Friday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m.

ELECT LIVINGSTON

At a special business meeting Wednesday night, Sam Livingston, well-known square dance caller from Indianapolis, Ind., was elected caller for the Wilton Swingers Friday night dances. All Broward County square dancers are invited to the open dances.

PACK 135 CUB SCOUTS

Cub Pack 135 will hold its monthly pack meeting at Covenant Presbyterian Church, Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. with six dens and one Webeloden. The next big event will be the Nov. 2 Orange Bowl football game.

CALENDAR

Tonight: Intermediate Square dancing, Hagen Pavillion, 8-11
Tomorrow: Recreation ll, Holiday park, 9 a.m.

Well Written

Editor, The News:

I WISH to commend you, Deputies John Lang and Edward Manger for Frank Hogan's article, "Courthouse Comment," re school safety, in the Sunday News of Oct. 14.

It sure hits my thoughts and opinions right on the head. Well written and right to the point. Too bad the column could not have been on the front page with headlines. It would have accomplished more public good than any regular front page story.

Keep up the plugging on the subject.

RICHARD BEANEY
Chief of Police
Wilton Manors

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Candidates Speak Up

This is another in a series of articles written by Broward County candidates in the Nov. 6 general election.

Wilton Manors Race

WILTON MANORS — Voters here will elect two new city commissioners Nov. 6 when they go to the polls to take part in county, state and national elections.

Three candidates are campaigning for the two vacancies.

EARLE MIDDLETON

Earle Middleton, 72, 1825 NE 24th St., the only incumbent seeking reelection, was voted into office when the city was first incorporated in 1951. He was defeated two years later but was appointed to fill an unexpired term in 1954. He won back his seat in his own right in that year's election.



Middleton

"I think we have a fine town and I want to help keep it that way," Middleton declared. "I have been interested in the construction of the first city hall for three or four years and hope to see it completed soon."

Middleton has been in business in Fort Lauderdale since 1940. He is a Mason, a Shriner and a member of the downtown Lions Club. During the past year he has helped organize five new Lions groups in the area.

ROBERT C. SCHMIDT

Robert C. Schmidt, 35, 2626 NE 11th Ter., believes that the business practices and management of the city "must be brought up to date."

Some sound method of financing the construction of the new city hall must be worked out, Schmidt adds. He feels, too, that the city's occupational license

structure needs revamping and pledges himself to work for the "growth, progress and economical operation" of the city.

Schmidt served as a captain in the U.S. Air Force in World War II and moved to Wilton Manors in 1951. He is a merchant in Fort Lauderdale.

Schmidt is the president of the Wilton Manors Junior Chamber of Commerce, a member of the board of adjustment and immediate past cubmaster of Cub Scout pack No. 123.

HAROLD T. PRICE

Harold T. Price, Third Ter., believes in city government, the sound judgment of the electoral and improvement as needed with reasonable expenditures.

A local businessman, Price pledges himself "to follow the will of the people." He claims that his everyday contacts with residents enable him to keep a finger on the pulse of public opinion.

Price came here two years ago from Irvington, N.J., where he was a director of the chamber of commerce for seven years and a Rotarian. He is now treasurer of the Wilton Manors Kiwanis Club and a member of the volunteer fire department.



PRICE

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Interest in local politics appears to be at low ebb here. Monday's qualifying deadline failed to trigger the anticipated last-minute filing rush.

The completed slate reads: Incumbent Earle Middleton, Harold T. Price and Robert C. Schmidt vying for two City Council seats, and incumbent Marcia Stafford unopposed for city clerk.

Mrs. Stafford will start her sixth consecutive yearly term Nov. 7.

CANDIDATE PLATFORMS

Questioned concerning their platforms, Council candidates answered as follows:

Earle Middleton, seeking reelection for the fourth time—"I think everyone here knows what I stand for—straight government with no favors. We have a nice city here and I want to help keep it that way."

Newcomer Harold T. Price—"I believe in economy in city government, the sound judgment of the people I represent and improvements, as needed, with reasonable expenditures. I hope to work with the people and not make decisions for them."

Robert C. Schmidt, also seeking his first elective office—"With the rapid expansion of the city we are facing some of our biggest problems right now. I sincerely feel that I can do some good by serving on Council. I'd like to try."

NEAR COMPLETION

"City Hall plans will be ready for contractors' bids by next week," Architect William Bigoney Jr. said today. Unless plans change, sealed bids will be opened at the regular Nov. 20 Council meeting. City officials hope to get lower bids by giving contractors close to three weeks to collect cost figures.

REGISTRATION LAGS

Voter registration continues to lag. City Clerk Marcia Stafford kept the books open from 7 to 9 p.m. Monday. Two people registered. Unless interest picks up before the Nov. 6 deadline, less

than 1,000 voters will be eligible to vote in the city elections. Estimated city population is 7,000.

POLICE TRAIN

Attending the Florida Police Academy Training School, Hollywood, from Oct. 22 through Nov. 2 are Patrolmen Wally Matlock and Raymond Saxon of the Wilton Manors Police Department. Offering courses in all phases of law enforcement, this session of the school is the first in a four-year course.

COIN CLUB

A coin club for all Broward County numismatists will be organized tomorrow night, Wilton Manors Woman's Club building, 8 p.m. "All local men and women interested in this educational, fascinating and profitable hobby are invited," Warren P. Ruth, organizer, said.

COMICS COLLECTED

Wilton Manors elementary school children can help raise money for Hagen Park floodlights by bringing their old comic books to their teachers sometime this week for the recreation committee's Saturday Fiesta project.

Others wishing to donate can call LO 4-4106 or LO 4-8955 for pickup service.

CALENDAR

Tonight—Recreation Committee, Hagen Pavilion, 8 p.m.
Lions Club, Woman's Club, 7 p.m.

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R. C. SCHMIDT



H. PRICE



E. MIDDLETON

Here are brief resumes of the platforms of Wilton Manors Council candidates in the Nov. 6 election.

Earle Middleton, seeking re-election for a fourth two-year term, is willing to stand on his record. He was council president in 1952-53 and has seen the police department tripled in size, a full-time recreation department organized and city finances stabilized during his terms in office.

For four years he has been working on the City Hall project and would like to see it through to completion.

Middleton was active in Hialeah's city government before moving to Broward County 17 years ago. Married, he has lived in Wilton Manors for 12 years and has long been active in community affairs.

He is a past president of the Ft. Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce, past president and a founder of the YMCA and is active in the Lion's Club and other organizations. He is a Ft. Lauderdale merchant and lives at 1625 NE 24th St.

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"Because of the tremendous

growth of Wilton Manors in the last two years, I believe the time has arrived to bring our city business practices and management up to date," Robert C. Schmidt said.

"Some sound method of financing the City Hall building program must be worked out. Also, our system of assessing and collecting occupational licenses is obsolete and must be revamped to realize a fair return to the city and protect our local merchants.

"I believe my formal education in business administration, my practical experience as a merchant and my keen interest in local civic affairs qualifies me to assist in the solution of these problems."

Schmidt, 35, studied business administration for two years at Indiana University, leaving to join the Air Force in World War II. He was a pilot, discharged with the rank of captain. He is past cubmaster of Pack 123, president of the Wilton Manors Junior Chamber of Commerce and a member of the Board of

Adjustment. A local merchant, he is married, has a son and has lived in Wilton Manors five years.

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"As a businessman in Wilton Manors, I am in a position to hear what the people want," Harold Price, owner of the Manor Service Station, said.

"I feel that my experience as an engineer with 22 years of business experience qualifies me to assist in the city's expansion problems.

"I believe in economy in city government, a sincere effort to find out what the people I represent want, and reasonable expenditures for needed improvements."

Price is married and has two grown children. A former resident of Irvington, N. J. he has lived here one year. He graduated from Girard College, Philadelphia, with a mining engineer degree and practiced engineering for three years before entering business.

He is treasurer of the Wilton Manors Kiwanis Club and has been active in civic affairs for 14 years.

Price

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Mayor Frank Starling urged all qualified residents to "Get out and register" today.

"With taxes being levied for the first time at the end of this year and a new City Hall in the offing, I cannot understand why fifty per cent of our eligible voters have not registered," he said. "We need the whole-hearted support of the community during this important time in the city's development."

REGISTRAR OPEN TONIGHT

City clerk Marcia Stafford will hold the books open tonight and Monday night from 7 to 9 p.m., at the City Hall offices, 2197 Wilton Dr., for late registrants. The books also will be open daily 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the water department office through Oct. 31. All residents, 21 or over, who have lived in Broward County one year and Wilton Manors six months are eligible to vote.

HALLOWEEN DANCE

All Broward County square dancers are invited to Hagen Pavillion tonight for a costume Halloween Square Dance and barbecue sponsored by the Wilton Swingers. Sam Livingston will call.

FIESTA TOMORROW

All roads will lead to Hagen Park tomorrow for the all-city Halloween Fiesta sponsored by the Woman's Club. Young and old are invited to join the 4 p.m. costume parade and stay on until 11 p.m. for a round of free entertainment, rides, games and refreshments. All participating service clubs will share in the proceeds.

Stranahan Junior High will open the special program with 5 p.m. band music followed by Donna Kozla's baton twirlers, the Venetian Aires barbershop quartet, and the Wilton Swingers square dancers.

Mrs. W. W. Brown general chairman, says booths may be decorated anytime Saturday morning. The Fiesta area will be closed to automobile traffic after 11 a.m.

TEACHER LEAVES

Teaching his last classes today at Wilton Manors Elementary School is popular Donald

Hoffman, fifth grade teacher for the past two years. After three years in the Broward County school system, he is leaving to accept a more lucrative position in the insurance field.

Succeeding Hoffman will be Mrs. Edith F. Jankunis, 203 NE Third St., Ft. Lauderdale. Mrs. Jankunis has had four years experience as a fifth grade teacher, the latter two at Oakland Park Elementary School.

KIWANIS CLUB

Kiwanis Club announces a change of meeting place to Jack Campbell's Restaurant, 1619 NE Fourth Ave. Time remains the same: Tuesdays, 6:15 p.m.

LIONS

Guest speaker at Wednesday night's Lion's Club meeting was Mrs. Marte Depew, nurse from the Broward County Health Department who spoke on "Health Department services."

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Concerned citizens here are wondering today if enough men will be running for City Council to give them any clear choice at the polls on Nov. 6. With one day remaining to file, only three men have qualified for the two open council seats. They are Earle Middleton, Robert Schmidt and Harold Price. Marcia Stafford is unopposed for city clerk.

The question arises as to whether Wilton Manors is getting too big to expect qualified men to devote the time and energy required in the ever expanding job without recompense. Last year there were six council candidates. Why else the present apathy?

CAMPAIGN ACTIVE

It's a different story for the enthusiastic hard-working Republicans here seeking county offices. The "Back Ike" campaign is in full swing with a round of teas, parties and rallies.

County Republican candidates include retiring city council president George Richardson for state representative, Joseph Marquette, local insurance man, for school board, and Duke Hartman and George Sawallis, businessmen, for Port Authority members.

HALLOWEEN FIESTA

Once again the service clubs are joining forces here to stage the biggest, gayest Halloween celebration yet on next Saturday at Hagen Park from 4 to 11 p. m.

Festivities will open with a costume parade for all ages sponsored by the Jaycees. Prizes will be awarded for the funniest and prettiest costumes for boys and girls in four age brackets: Up to age six, 6 to 12, 12 to 18 and adult.

A run-down of the fiesta booths include cider and doughnuts, Jayceettes; pizza pie, Kiwanis; desserts, Sina-wik; carousel, Lions; painted balloons, fortune telling and candy, Girl Scouts; pop corn, P.T.A.; surprise, Optimists; mattress jump and duck pool, Junior Woman's Club; cake walk, white elephants, hot dogs, soft drinks and fish pond, Woman's Club.

Free entertainment includes the Stranahan Band, baton twirlers, Barbershop Quartet, exhibition square dancing and a fire equipment demonstration.

COMIC BOOKS NEEDED

Aimed at financing badly needed Hagen Park floodlights, the recreation committee will have a baseball throw, dart throw and funny book booth at the fiesta. All children wishing to contribute old comic books are asked to bring them to the Hagen Pavilion office before next Friday.

BRIDGE COMING

Assistant County Engineer R. F. Davis Jr. says plans for a high-level four-lane bridge across Middle River at NE Fourth Ave. are complete.

However, bids will not be let out until alternative specifications for widening the present span are drawn up. Bids may be let out on both jobs to get comparative costs.

A new bridge would cost around \$40,000, entail breaking up the pavement on the Wilton Manors side and necessitate building a temporary span. Chief advantage would be to enable bigger boats to pass through the bridge. The project is being pushed as fast as possible, Davis said.

OPTIMISTS LOSE

The Optimist football team lost to Ft. Lauderdale Kiwanis, 20 to 7, yesterday in a hard-fought contest. Billy Edwards made the lone tally for the home team.

CALENDAR

Tomorrow: Beginning square dancing, Hagen Pavilion, 8 to 10 p. m.

Voter registration books open, City offices, 7 to 9 p. m.

Wednesday: Recreation committee, Hagen Pavilion, 8 p. m.

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Unless today's voter-registration deadline touches off an unexpected fuse to blast indifferent residents to the City Office books, this municipality will have the shameful distinction of having fewer people registered this year than in 1955.

City Clerk Marcia Stafford says she has straken "well over 100 names" off local voter lists during the past year—more names than have been added during the month-long registration drive. Unless interests picks up markedly before today's 5 p.m. deadline, less than 1,000 people will be eligible to vote in next week's city council elections.

LOCAL POLITICS QUIET

Apparently interest in national and county politics has dwarfed local issues this year. The campaigns of council-candidates Earle Middleton, Robert Schmidt and Harold Price are so quiet this reporter has yet to hear of a single rally, etc. where the people can meet the candidates.

COUNCIL MEETING

At a special council meeting yesterday afternoon the City Council appointed Harry E. Davis assistant building inspector, authorized purchase of a \$295 mimeograph machine and appointed Mayor Frank Starling, Wallace Wakely and Earl Middleton to a committee to meet with consulting engineers this afternoon to determine whether or not City Hall bids will include piling costs.

Architect Willam Bigoney

recommends pilings at an added cost of \$3,000. The committee will make test borings at the City Hall site to see whether muck findings warrant the added cost.

MOBILE TB UNIT

The Broward County Health Department mobile TB x-ray unit will be at Williams City Drug Store tomorrow afternoon from 2 to 4 p.m.

POLICE WARNING

Police Chief Richard Beaney urges all parents to instruct their children concerning the dangers of accepting rides with strangers. Two incidents have been reported recently of a man in a yellow truck trying to pick up young boys on NE 26th St. Police are investigating.

EQUIPMENT DRIVE LAGS

The Volunteer Fire Department's excellent display of fire-fighting equipment at Saturday's Fiesta brought a lot of compliments—but very few donations. Fire Chief Wallace Wakely urges all residents who have not contributed to the month-long drive for equipment funds to send their checks to the city

offices. Only \$850 of a \$2,500 goal has been realized.

PTA EVENTS PLANNED

At the Wilton Manors PTA executive board meeting last night plans were made for a fund-raising luncheon and fashion show at Bahia Mar restaurant, Saturday, Nov. 17, 1 p.m. PTA mothers will model local fashions.

Juvenile Judge Dorr Davis will be guest speaker at the next regular meeting, Thursday, Nov. 8. Title of his address is "Give Our Broward County Problem Children a Chance."

The Optimist Midget football team will play Hollywood Optimists tonight at 7 p.m. at Dowdy Field, Hollywood. Negotiations to purchase basketball standards are under way, and basketball will probably be added to the fall recreation program next week." Director Harry Davis announced.

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The City Council has decided to use pilings in the construction of the new city hall. The decision followed Wednesday's test borings at the proposed site. Consulting Engineer Arnold Waldsmith and Architect William Bigoney's engineer, Jay Williams, found a borderline condition of muck and sand.

"Since pilings will eliminate three feet of fill, the overall building cost increase will be about \$3,000," Mayor Frank Starling said. With pilings we can safely add a second and even a third story if future needs warrant it."

Architect Bigoney said the call for contractor's bids will be advertised this weekend. The council will open the City Hall bids at the next regular council meeting, Nov. 20.

POLITICAL RALLY

The Jaycees held an open political rally at Rivercrest Farms last night. Members and guests heard two Council candidates, Earle Middleton, and Robert Schmidt, present their platforms and qualifications. Harold Price did not attend. A question and answer period followed.

Duke Hartman, John Steele (for Lloyd Quill) and W. P. Bunch also spoke.

BRIDGE WIDENING

County Engineer F. Robert Davis Jr.'s announcement that the NE Fourth Ave. bridge across Middle River will not be torn down comes as good news for Wilton Dr. merchants. Harrassed by two-years of road construction during the four-laning of Wilton Dr. and NE Fourth Ave., they feared added financial losses by being cut off from Ft. Lauderdale during the height of the season.

New plans call for widening the old bridge to four lanes with-

out stopping traffic at a saving of the present span. Specifications are now being drawn up and will be ready for bids soon.

COSTUME PARADE

In spite of occasional showers more than 800 youngsters took part in the annual PTA Halloween costume parade at Wilton Manors School Wednesday.

Award winners for the prettiest, funniest, most frightening and most original costumes went to Vicky Collier, Carl Klein, Cissy Kreitzer and Judy Mulford (pre-school), Susanne Cook, John McManus, David McJunkin, Bruce Clark (grades 1-3) and Lynne Fry, Allen Kushin, Joyce Hagen and Janet Gibson (grades 4-6).

Judges were Mrs. Marshall Caro, Mrs. Robert Newton and W. P. Hartman.

HALLOWEEN QUIET

No acts of vandalism were reported to police Halloween night. However, early pranksters re-

moved all light bulbs from Hagen Pavillion last week end. Police are investigating.

FOOTBALL NEWS

The Wilton Manors football team broke into the win column Wednesday night defeating Hollywood Optimists, 19-6. Billy Edwards starred for the hard-fighting home team, accounting for all 19 points. Tomorrow the local squad will play league-leading Ojus at 4:30 p.m. on Lincoln Field, Hollywood.

Wilton Manors Topics

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Harold Price, proprietor of the Manor Service Station, was high man in yesterday's City Council race with 481 votes. Incumbent Earle Middleton ran second with 453 votes to retain his council seat for a fourth two-year term.

There were 710 votes cast in the city election, representing approximately 70 per cent of the total registration.

Robert Schmidt, defeated candidate, polled 365 votes.

City Clerk Marcia Stafford, unopposed, received 624 votes.

A council organizational meeting will be held today to give the oath of office to Middleton and Price and to elect a new council president.

ELECTION DATA

A record-breaking 1,728 voters waited for hours outside City Hall to vote in the municipal, county, state and national elections and showed decided preference for four Wilton Manors Republicans.

Unofficial precinct 7 results were: 924 for George Richardson, 625 for A. J. Ryan; 784 for Joseph

Marquette, 570 for John Patton; 841 for George Sawalls, 440 for C. F. Ball; 900 for W. P. Hartman, 526 for C. A. Watkins.

President Eisenhower polled 1,417 votes against Adlai Stevenson's 299. The last vote was cast at 8:45 p.m. Two-hour waits were common.

PTA MEETING

"Give Our Broward County Problem Children a Chance" will be the topic of Juvenile Court Judge Dorr Davis when he addresses the Parent-Teacher Association at 8 p.m. tomorrow at the school.

COIN CLUB

The Broward County Coin Club will hold its second organizational meeting at 8 p.m. tomorrow at the home of Marcella Osborne, 1719 NW 10th Ave. The club is open to all men and women interested in coin collecting.

FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

A three-game schedule faces the Optimist football team. It meets Pete's Hotpoint team at the South Broward High School stadium at 7 p.m. today. It will play Ojus at Lincoln Field, Hollywood, at 4 p.m. Saturday and at 2 p.m. Sunday faces the Ft. Lauderdale All Stars at Holiday Park.

YOUTH COUNCIL

Now in the planning stage is a civic club for outstanding youths. To be known as the Wilton Manors Youth Council, it is sponsored by the Kiwanis Club under direction of Marshall Caro, youth activity chairman.

Patterned after a successful experiment in Oshkosh, Wis., the council will assist with community projects suggested by city officials and sit in on City Council meeting to learn about local government.

The 13 original members, aged 14 to 18, were appointed by the pastors of the First Christian, Covenant, Presbyterian, Wilton Manors Baptist and St. Clement's Catholic Churches.

Temporary officers are Clarence [Bon] Riggs Jr., president; Edward Claggett, vice president; and Larry Adams, secretary. The first project is to assist with the installation of basketball standards at Hagen Park. The group will meet at City Hall at 1 p.m. Sunday to adopt a constitution and bylaws.

Boy Scouts are out in force this weekend with attractive door-knob hangers urging the people to "Use their freedom to vote" Tuesday. If all registered voters here heed the call, 2,307 will cast their ballots in the national and county elections, and around 1000 in the city council race.

Village Hall polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. [corner of NE 26th St. and NE 5th Ave.]. Since sample ballots will not be permitted at the polls, residents are urged to study their sample ballots at home. Voting machines will be used in the county election, and a simple preferential

ballot in the local election. Voters will choose two city councilmen from three candidates.

CANDIDATES SPEAK

Council candidates Earle Middleton and Robert Schmidt gave three-minute talks at the Thursday night Jaycee meeting explaining their platforms. Candidate Harold Price was unable to attend on 24-hour notice because of a previous commitment.

Middleton's platform includes early completion of City Hall, solving drainage and sewerage problems, a revision of the occupational license-scale and a long-range sidewalk program.

Schmidt favors a "sound method" of financing City Hall an up-to-date method of assessing and collecting occupational licenses, and bringing city business practices and management up to date. He believes Wilton Manors is essentially a residential suburb and each council candidate should consider this basic fact when dealing with zoning matters.

MANORS WITH AN "S"

Police Chief Richard Beaney's pet peeve is the number of residents who don't know where they live! "Even the Boy Scout shoulder strips say "Wilton Manor" — without the "s", "he commented. "Almost every day someone asks which spelling is correct — Manor or Manors."

NAME HISTORY

For the benefit of newcomers, the city was named by E. J. Willingham back in 1924 when the first unit here was platted. Ac-

cording to Norman Malcolm, who has made an extensive study of the city's early history, the name Wilton was selected to perpetuate a branch of the Willingham ancestry in England of which Willingham was very proud. "Manors" comes from the dictionary meaning, "landed estates".

Original plans were for a high - grade subdivision with Wilton Drive the axis. The elaborate Manor Gates still stand after 20 years. Although the 1926 hurricane blew away most of Willingham's three million dollar investment, the original name remained.

CLEAN-UP CAMPAIGN

City workers are winding up their month-long campaign, "to clear off every vacant lot in the city." Road superintendent Wallace Wakely announced today that arrangements will be made to clear off any overlooked areas if residents will call him at the city offices. Owners will be assessed charges.

CALENDAR

Tomorrow—Beginning square dance instruction, Hagen Pavillon, 8:30-10 p.m.

Tuesday—Kiwanis, Rivercrest, 6:15 p.m.

Tuesday — Optimists, Normandy, 7 p.m.

Norman Malcolm

Wilton Manors Topics

By Virginia Rogers



County Commissioner Richard Gallon has reassured city officials that the widening of NE Fourth Ave. bridge will go ahead of schedule, regardless of changes in county commission personnel Jan. 1st.

Plans for the redesigned four-lane bridge connecting Wilton Manors and Ft. Lauderdale are now complete and a call for bids probably will be made next week. By using the old bridge and adding one-lane on either side the commission expects to save about \$25,000 over the cost of a new high-level structure and also will maintain traffic at all times. Work should start sometime this month.

TRANSPORTATION PROBLEM

Friday's statement by James Bevis, county school transportation director, recommending that present state school transportation laws be relaxed offers new hope for parents of elementary school children living east of the FEC tracks here.

A petition bearing 121 names, presented by Mrs. Herbert Stevens, 2706 NE 17th Terr., was rejected "with regret" by the county school board last month. The youngsters, aged 6 to 12, live 1.9 miles from Wilton Manors Elementary School, and must cross a railroad track, a dangerous five way intersection and walk a mile along heavily travelled NE 26th St. [no sidewalks] to get to and from school.

Though sympathetic, school officials explained their hands were tied by the state law requiring that children live two miles from the nearest school to be transported by the county school system, and suggested Mrs. Stevens contact the Lauderdale Transit Co.

Now the transit company says it must carry 70 children per load with 20 or more standing in the aisles to pay expenses at ten cents per trip. "We are still looking for a safer solution," Mrs. Stevens explained. "I think the whole law is wrong. It is too much for elementary children to

be expected to walk almost two miles with no sidewalks, and no police-protection at the busy five-way light. Real hardships are being created."

SUNRISE PTA

Parents of children attending Sunrise Junior High are invited by the PTA to "Back to School" night tomorrow, 7:30 to 9 P.M. Naval Air Base parents will follow their child's full-day schedule spending five minutes in each classroom. Bring a paper - bag snack to eat during "lunch hour", the PTA suggests. Punch will be provided.

JUDGE DAVIS SPEAKS

Pointers to parents on keeping their children "out of trouble" were presented to an absorbed Wilton Manors PTA audience by Juvenile Judge Dorr Davis Thursday night.

"Ninety-percent of our problem children have not developed self-control," he said. "They show a total lack of respect for their own property and the property of others, for themselves and other people. Teach them these things. Be a good example yourself."

"To combat juvenile delinquency here we desperately need a special class in every Broward County school for the slow child," he added. "To push him ahead by age creates an unbelievable load on the teacher, detracts from the over-all educational process and leads the slow youngster into trouble."

SQUARE DANCE CLASS

A new beginning square dance class open to all adults in the Wilton Manors area starts tomorrow night at Hagen Pavillion 8:30 to 10:30 p.m.

CALENDAR

Today—Midget football, Milton Manors vs. Lauderdale All Stars, Holiday Park, 2 p.m.

Beginning of Optimist Week.

Tomorrow — Beginning square dance instruction, Hagen Pavillion, 8:30 to 10:30 p.m. Tuesday—Kiwanis, Rivercrest Farms, 6:15 p.m.

Optimists, Normandie, 7 p.m.

Wilton Manors Topics

By Virginia Rogers



Judging from past turnouts, a light vote will be cast in Wilton manors Tuesday in the important state and county primaries. Village Hall polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

All persons duly registered are eligible to vote. In previous elections, a number of city-registered voters have kicked up a fuss when told they could not vote in county elections.

The only Wilton Manors candidates on the primary ballot is George Richardson Jr., attorney running on the Republican ticket for the State House of Representatives.

PTA PLANS SHOW

"The Burnt Toast of the Town," a variety show using an all-father cast, is the special feature of the last Wilton Manors PTA meeting of the school year at 8 p.m. Thursday at the school.

Other program highlights will be the installation of 1956 officers and singing by the school chorus. A social hour will follow. Mrs. Dorothy Mercer, program chairman, is in charge.

The PTA executive board will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday at the school.

BOY SCOUT BARBECUE

Several hundred Boy Scouts and their families turned out Saturday to watch Cub Scouts compete in field and track events, enjoy a barbecued chicken dinner and to dance in the park pavilion.

Center of attraction was the primitive camping display set up by Eagle Scout Al Green. The Wilton Swingers, city-sponsored square dance group, provided the entertainment

with an exhibition of square and couple dancing.

Proceeds from the eight-hour affair will be used to set up camping fund for Troop 1 Scouts. Parent chairman was Joe Rogers.

NEW SCOUT TROOP

Following a meeting with George Brown, district Boy Scout executive, the Optimist Club is organizing a second Boy Scout troop for Wilton Manors. Dr. Clemin heads the planning committee.

JAYCEES INSTALL

Robert Schmidt, active city worker here, took over his duties as a new Junior Chamber of Commerce president last night during impressive installation ceremonies at the Reef Restaurant. Other new officers are David Ault, vice president; Judge William Leonard, secretary, and John Rees, treasurer.

STADIUM LIGHTS DUE

Poles have been erected at Mickel Field as the first step in the Sports, Inc., program to install full lighting facilities at the baseball stadium. Hopes are high that the field will be ready for Little League night ball May 26.

CONTEST WINNER SPEAKS

Guest speaker at last week Optimist Club meeting was Jimmy Lourey, 14, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lourey, Dania, who won the Dania region oratorical contest for his essay on "Freedom." Final plans for organizing an Opti-Mrs. chapter here May 15 were discussed by Mrs. Eva Saunders, Dania Opti-Mrs. president.

Wilton Manors Topics

By VIRGINIA ROGERS

A big turn-out is expected at Village Hall next Tuesday night when two items of wide public interest come up before the new City Council. Heading the agenda is the opening of sealed bids for construction of long-awaited City Hall. If the low

bid falls under city officials' tentative top figure of \$100,000, work on the badly needed municipal center could start this month.

Of special interest to residents living east of the FEC tracks is the public hearing on a request to rezone a controversial parcel of land on NE 26th St. just east of the Wilton Manors National Bank from R2 to B1. Petitions are now being circulated protesting the extension of the business district along this east-west thoroughfare.

NO TAXES NOW

Responding to new residents' questions about city taxes, City Clerk Marcia Stafford explained today, "1956 taxes will not be billed here until late in 1957. County assessment rolls will be used but City Council has not yet determined the millage. The maximum permitted by city ordinance is 7 mills."

SAFE SCHOOL ROUTE

Today Police Chief Richard Beaney has announced the "safest possible" route to school for the 121 youngsters living east of the FEC tracks.

Children should cross NE 26th St. at the new cross-walk across from William City Drug Store, walk facing traffic to the Turner Supply Co. corner; cross old Dixie at the light and proceed on the Wilton Dr. sidewalk to the push-button crossing at NE 6th Ave.; then up 6th Ave. to NE 24th St. and west on NE 24th to the school.

"The only danger area is between the William City Store and Turner Supply Co.," Beaney said. "We are hoping Maule Construction Co. and Turner's Supply will cooperate in furnishing a paved walk-way for that dangerous 600 feet."

BIRD QUEEN REQUEST

Trouble-plagued Shary O'Hara tried vainly this week to purchase a one-month occupational license. Her lease on the Manor Gatehouse expires Jan. 1st. Building inspector Frank Wolfe explained the city ordinance would not permit a short-term license.

BICYCLE WARNING

"Bicycle-riders breaking the city ordinances by double riding, riding at night without lights or weaving across the road will be

warned only once," the police department announced today. "Then the bikes will be impounded at the police station until claimed by the parent."

OPTIMISTS' BIRTHDAY

Wilton Manors Optimists celebrate their first birthday today, mid-point in a full week's celebration. Today the Optimist Creed is being read in the public schools, tomorrow local Optimists will join with Pompano Beach, Dania, Hollywood and West Hollywood in a motorcade and dinner at Dania's Seashell Restaurant. Friday between 7 and 9 p.m. they will give roses to every "lady with a smile" in Wilton Manors shopping areas.

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Bird Queen

Wilton Manors Topics

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The new 1956-57 City Council will face some weighty problems next Tuesday when it holds its first business session at 8 p.m. in Village Hall. The proposed zoning change on NE 26th St. seems sure to generate heated emotions. And the building of a \$100,000 city hall is not without its headaches.

The five men elected to assuage the city's growing pains include Vern Burnell, replacing retiring George Richardson, Jr. as council president, Earle Middleton, vice-president, Fred Stevens, William Joslin and Harold Price. Stevens and Joslin start the second year of their two-year terms. Price, this year's top vote-getter, is the only newcomer to the local political scene.

POLICE CRACK DOWN

Concerned over the growing disregard for bicycle safety here, police are cracking-down on

young offenders. Penalties include a warning, bike impounded, discussion with parents, and finally Juvenile Court in that order.

BIKE SAFETY CAMPAIGN

Last year's highly successful bicycle-safety campaign sponsored by the city and Optimist Club, will be an annual affair. During "Bicycle Safety Week," Dec. 12-18, Optimists will offer free bike inspections daily, and give honor-seals to cyclists whose bikes are in safe running condition.

The seal entitles the bearer to choose a bike-tag number of his choice at the police department. Tag fee is seventy-five cents. Tags for 1957 in the grey and white city colors, go on sale Dec. 12.

FOOTBALL SEASON ENDS

The Optimist Midget Football team will meet Hollywood Optimists tomorrow afternoon at Hagen Park Field, at 3 p.m. in the last game of the season. Coached by Paul Rogers, the first-year squad needs a win to break even. They have lost 3 and won 2. Sports enthusiasts are urged to come out and give

the local boys some moral support in their only home appearance.

BASKETBALL STARTS

Basketball standards have been installed on the Hagen Park tennis court ready for league play scheduled to start after Thanksgiving. Jaycees and Lion's Club have volunteered as sponsors, but coaches for both the boys and girl's teams are urgently needed. Anyone willing to help should contact Harry Davis.

NEW STATE FLAG

The city has a beautiful new Florida state flag, thanks to civic-minded Cyril Gower. Gower has given American flags to most of this city's service clubs and is ready and waiting to provide flags for new City Hall!

CALENDAR

Tonight—Opti-Mrs. bake sale, Wilton Manors bank, 5 to 7 p.m. Intermediate square-dancing, Hagen Pavillion, 8-11.

Optimist's "Flowers for Smiles," Shopping centers, 7-9 p.m.

Tomorrow — Midget Football, Hagen Field, 3 p.m.

Optimists dinner dance, The Reef, 7 p.m.

Wilton Manors Topics

By VIRGINIA ROGERS

Interest here this week-end continues to center around next Tuesday's City Council meeting when construction bids for the city hall will be opened. With a full month's city business on the agenda, including appointment of a new zoning board, monthly statement, department reports and a controversial rezoning hearing, the session promises to be long and stormy.

ZONING CHANGE HEARING

Up for rezoning from R1 to B1 is a parcel of land, extending approximately 660 feet along NE 26th St. between NE 16th Ave. and NE Seventh Terr. Part of the tract faces lots already zoned B1 on the south side of the NE 26th St. east-west thoroughfare.

Owners of the 600-foot-deep tract are asking that the front 350 feet be zoned business, leaving an R1 buffer zone between the proposed business area and the adjacent residential area. Since the tract, one fourth of a section (a section is 640 acres) has never come up for zoning, it is automatically R1 until zoned otherwise.

NEW FOURTH AVE.

The stretch of NE Fourth Ave. between Wilton Manors south

boundary and the FEC tracks, Ft. Lauderdale, is nearing completion. R. H. Wright Co. has applied the primer coat to NE 13 St., alleviating much of the dust on the city's most direct route to Ft. Lauderdale.

Road Commissioner Wallace Wakely said the road could be completed in 15 days providing the good weather holds. Now all that remains between a four-lane highway all the way from Wilton Manors northern limits to downtown Lauderdale is the four-laning of the Middle River bridge bottleneck. County Commissioner Richard Gallion has assured city officials the bridge job will be let out for bids within two weeks.

SCHOOL CROWDING

Wilton Manors Elementary School is feeling the pinch of an unprecedented increase in Broward County school enrollment. When local registration hit 698 this week with more than 45 students in the two sixth grades, Bryan Davis, principal, converted the music room into a third sixth-grade classroom. Mrs. Helen Kelyyn is the new teacher. Over-crowding is still being

felt at the fifth grade level. There are 40, 41 and 41 children in the three sections with an increase a certainty.

GOING UP

Completed this week is a Drive-In Market and Dairy Queen stand in the Manor-Gate Shopping Center, and also the city's first professional building in the 1900 block on Wilton Dr. In the planning stage is an Al Christensen Health Studio to be constructed on the NE 14th Ave. lot once offered to the city for a municipal center. Jim Dean and Dave Turner are the developers.

VANDALISM REPORTED

Police are keeping a close watch on Wilton Manors Elementary School. Two windows were broken recently, and cigaret butts indicate young vandals have been smoking underneath the school.

CALENDAR

Tomorrow—Beginning square dance instruction, Hagen Pavillion, 8:30-10:30 p.m.

Tuesday—City Council meeting, Village Hall, 8 p.m. Optimists, Normandie, 7 p.m. Kiwanis, Jack Campbell's, 6:15 p.m.



Wilton Manors is fast earning the reputation of "the city with a heart." Sunday's response to the Youth Council's appeal for toys, clothing and food to help the needy was overwhelming. Two truck-loads were collected east of the FEC tracks and three-fourths of the city is yet to be canvassed.

Yesterday, city attorney Bill Miller, Jr., gave a rent-free home to a mother and her four young children, recently evicted for non-payment of rent. The father is hospitalized with amnesia.

Today the hand of friendship is being extended to the Robert Myers family, completely wiped out by the Sunday night fire that destroyed their rented home at 2722 NE 6 Lane and snuffed out the lives of their pet cocker spaniel and parakeet. The family, mother and father, son and daughter-in-law returned from the movies to find everything gone. There was no insurance. An agent was supposed to write up a policy last week Tuesday. He didn't come.

Mrs. Myers, fighting hard to hold back tears, spoke of the new \$325 television set, the pop-up toaster just purchased with green stamps — the priceless snapshots of her children—all the Christmas presents wrapped and ready to go—the clothes and groceries, important papers—the wrist watch she left on the dresser—all gone.

With five months rent paid in advance, and every extra penny invested in the charter fishing boat Mr. Myers, a carpenter, is building, there could be a bleak Christmas ahead. Young Frank Myers, just out of the Marines, plans to start college at the University of Miami in February.

Needed most is a place to live, a furnished two-bedroom house or apartment for less than \$100 monthly. Anyone with such a rental please call Mrs. Myers at her sister's home, Pompano 3-3456.

FOOTBALL TEAM FETED

Members of the midget football team enjoyed a dinner and movies at the Stut 'n Tut restaurant last night as guests of the sponsoring Optimist Club. Coach Paul Davis received a surprise gift from the football squad as a token of thanks.

SUCCESSFUL DRIVE

Swamped with the generous donations given by residents here Sunday, Wilton Manors Youth Council and Girl Scout

Troop 183 have joined forces with the Salvation Army in their Christmas-giving project. Major V. W. Walker has turned over the well-equipped Salvation Army workshop, 109 NW Fifth Ave., to the teen-agers nights. They plan to paint and repair toys every night from now until Christmas.

House-to-house pick-up service will resume next Sunday. The young people thank all the donors here who are helping to make their first community project so successful.

REGISTRATION DISCUSSED

City Council met with Easter Gates, Broward County Registration supervisor, last night to discuss joint city and county registration, voting machines for city elections, and new voting precincts. Recommendations will be submitted at next Tuesday's regular Council meeting.

Tomorrow PTA Christmas program, school, 8 p.m.

Oil Ventures In Two States Are Watched

MOBILE, Ala. (AP)—Success at any of three widely watched oil ventures in southwest Alabama and northwest Florida would trigger extensive oil activity throughout the area, oil men predict.

The deep-well tests are considered highly significant because they aim at the Rodessa sands from which the Citronelle field in north Mobile County draws production. The three are all within 100 miles of Mobile.

The deepest well ever drilled in extreme northwest Florida is a test in Escambia County, southwest of Pensacola. Zach Brooks Drilling Co., El Dorado, Ark., plans to drill to 12,500 feet, and is already below 11,600 feet.

Brooks brought in the well which opened the Citronelle field in August, 1955. That field already has 53 producers of high grade crude oil.

Several oil companies are co-operating in the Florida test.

Justiss Mears Drilling Co. is rigging up for a 12,000-test of the Rodessa at a site east of Vinegar Bend, Ala., in Washington County about 10 miles north of Citronelle.

Wilton Manors Topics

By VIRGINIA ROGERS

Revising the City Hall plans downward to fit the \$100,000 the city can afford to pay is the purpose of tonight's special council meeting at the city offices at 7:30 p.m. Mayor Frank Starling feels confident an agreement with low-bidding Floridale Construction Co. will be reached. Approximately ten thousand dollars must be lopped off the original bid of \$109,700.

COUNCIL PLAYS SANTA

Biggest Christmas-giving project here to date is being planned

by the Wilton Manors Youth Council when 15 teen-aged boys led by Clarence Riggs Jr., play Santa Claus to Broward County's less fortunate families.

The boys will collect, repair and distribute toys, games, clothes and non-perishable foods for Christmas giving. Anyone living in Wilton Manors and the surrounding areas who wishes to contribute call the Wilton Manors Police Dept., LO 4-1000, and leave name and address. House to house pickups will be made every Saturday from 1 to 5 p.m. now until Christmas. Gifts may also be left at the police office, 2197 Wilton Dr. Let's all get behind this youthful service club, and put its first community project over the top.

KIWANIS SANTA

Kiwanis Club will play Santa Claus again this year. Anyone wishing Santa in his sleigh to personally deliver a package Christmas Eve, deposit the gift wrapped and clearly addressed at any of the participating city stores. Kiwanis Santas will take it from there, delivering the package to the small fry Christmas Eve.

PAY SCHEDULES REVISED

A full pay scale for all city employes to be presented at the Dec. 4 City Council meeting, is being drawn up by the new payroll committee. Members include Mayor Frank Starling and Coun-

cilmen Harold Price and Earle Middleton.

CIVIC ASSOC. MEETS

All residents living east of the FEC railroad are invited to the East Wilton Manors Civic Assoc. meeting, Friday, Nov. 30, in the Broward National Bank conference room at 25 S Andrews Ave. Free parking.

MEETING POST-PONED

Tonight's recreation committee meeting has been postponed until next Wednesday at the city offices at 8 p.m.

MIRACLE MILE DOUBTFUL

Miracle Mile, million dollar-shopping center planned for Wilton Drive apparently died with developer Harold Sher last Aug. 24th. All the family except Sher's six year-old daughter, Robin, were killed in a tragic head-on Minnesota car collision. The estate is still under litigation.

Sher, 45, held a 99 years lease on ten acres across from Manor Market and was completing plans for a deluxe shopping center when the accident occurred. Unless the estate remits a lease-payment within 30 days the property will revert back to the owner, J. N. McJunkin.

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The end of the six-year struggle to build City Hall is now in sight. First item on next Tuesday night's City Council agenda is the signing of the City Hall contract with Florida Construction Co. Work on the \$100,000 municipal center will get under way Wednesday noon, on the 150x250 ft. NE 6th Ave. lot donated by Food Fair stores, barring some unforeseen complication.

The eye-appealing structure, designed by architect William Bigoney Jr., will house the fire and police departments and all city office employees. It should be completed in early April.

COUNCIL AGENDA

Other items on the Council agenda include discussion of a payroll plan for all city employees, the paving of NE 20th Dr., and discussion of the 1957 budget.

AUTO SHOW

In connection with their new auto loan department, Wilton Manors National Bank sponsored a giant auto show in their NE 26th St. parking lot yesterday. Seventeen exhibitors displayed their 1957 models before hundreds of interested spectators who came to "oo and ah" over the sleek new models.

OCCUPATIONAL LICENSES

Building inspector Frank Wolfe reminds business men here that occupational licenses were due Oct. 1st. Starting yesterday a 10 per cent fine was added to all license fees.

CHRISTMAS PROJECTS

A giant "Christmas light tree" was erected at Jaycee Park this weekend, the annual project of the Business and Professional Association. Christmas lighting the length of Wilton Dr. is under way as merchants get ready for a big holiday season.

Wilton Manors Youth Council is joining forces with Girl Scout troop 183, led by Mrs. Donald Turner, in collecting and repairing toys. Anyone wishing to donate toys, games, clothes or non-perishable food, call Wilton Manors Police Department for pickup service.

Senior Girl Scout Troop 36 is now rehearsing for an outdoor play, "Christmas in a Barn" written by troop member Martha Lynn Davis, 16. The play will be presented around Mrs. Robert Newton's swimming pool the week before Christmas.

OPTIMIST CLUB

Sheriff-elect Quill Lloyd will

be guest speaker at Tuesday night's Optimist Club meeting at 7 p.m. in the Hut Sput restaurant (formerly Normandie). Lloyd will outline his program for the Broward County sheriff's department. He takes office Jan. 1st. Other Optimist projects are: Christmas party honoring Optimist football team, Dec. 11, Bicycle safety week inspections, Dec. 13, 14, 15; Charter Party, Dec. 15.

CALENDAR

Tomorrow

PTA Board meeting, Wilton Manors school, 8 p.m.

Beginning square dance instruction, Hagen Pavillion, 8:30-10:30 p.m.

Tuesday

Kiwanis, Jack Campbell's, 6:15 p.m.

Optimists, Hut Sput, 7 p.m.
City Council meeting, Village Hall, 8 p.m.

Wilton Manors Topics

By VIRGINIA ROGERS

Cautious city officials decided last night to wait another 10 days before signing the contract with the Floridale Construction Co. for the proposed \$100,000 city hall.

Their decision followed a financial report by city attorney William Miller Jr. stating that \$14,000 of the funds earmarked for city hall must be set aside for the water department reserve sinking fund. Therefore, Miller wants to see the November financial statement to be "absolutely sure the funds are available" before making any commitments.

A resolution was passed on first reading authorizing the contract at Floridale's low bid of \$109,727, subject to certain deductions amounting to \$10,000. Similar action was taken on a contract with Lauderdale Refrigeration Service for \$2,727 in duct and pipe work and \$7,067 in air conditioning and heating equipment (to be purchased at a later date).

A special meeting to wind up city hall construction negotiations will be held as soon as city accountants prepare the November statements—probably in 10 days.

SALARIES INCREASED

City Council accepted the following recommendations of the payroll committee: To raise the salary of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Noonan, city accountants, from \$165 to \$200 a month; to increase the city clerk's salary to \$60 a week and the city attorney's salary from \$50 to \$100 monthly.

Most other employes will

receive a \$5 raise every six months until they reach the maximum at the end of two years. Starting salaries will remain the same.

OTHER COUNCIL ACTIONS

The council authorized purchase of two typewriters and a Conalrad Monitor System.

A special council meeting to discuss voting registration problems with Mrs. Easter Gates, supervisor of county registration, was set for 7:30 p.m. next Tuesday at city offices.

It was decided unofficially to declare Shary O'Hara, the bird woman, "a hardship case" and allow her to sell her bird shop in the Manor Gate House during the next 15 days without taking legal action, providing she pays the \$15.75 she owes the water department. Her lease expires Jan. 1.

BRIDGE BID LET

The contract for widening the NE Fourth Ave. bridge was let to the Powell Brothers Construction Co. by the County Commission yesterday. Work will get under way Monday.

Powell representatives reassured city officials that traffic will be maintained at all times. When the four-laning is completed in February, it will open up a super highway all the way from Wilton Manors' northern limits to Las Olas Blvd., Ft. Lauderdale.

RECREATION MEETING

The Wilton Manors recreation department will play host to the Broward County Recreation Council at 10 a.m. Friday

at Hagen Pavilion. Speakers will include John C. Jones Jr., director of first aid and water safety, and Joe Jaquinta, Ft. Lauderdale athletic director. Luncheon at the Strut 'n' Tut Restaurant will follow the business meeting.

FINE ARTS SHOW

Residents are invited to a free one-man art show of oils and water colors by Russel Conn, noted West Palm Beach artist, tomorrow and Friday, at the Wilton Manors Woman's Club, 600 NE 22nd Dr. Hours are from noon to 8 p.m. tomorrow and noon to 5 p.m. Friday. Conn will give a lecture at 2 p.m. Friday.

Bird Shop

Wilton Manors Topics

By Virginia Rogers



Christmas holds the limelight here as churches, merchants and service clubs alike plan special holiday activities. The Youth Council starts the ball rolling this afternoon with their house-to-house citywide canvas. The boys are collecting toys, clothes and non-perishable food for Christmas Eve distribution to needy families.

PTA CHRISTMAS EVENTS

Special attraction of next Thursday's PTA meeting, at 8 p. m. in Wilton Manors School, is the presentation of a musical playlet by the first three grades under the direction of Mrs. Frances McKinney, school music teacher.

The PTA executive board announces that the annual magazine subscription drive has been cancelled to give the junior high schools full reign in their February magazine campaign.

All classes will hold Christmas parties Thursday, Dec. 20, the last day of school. Classes resume Jan. 3.

BAKE SALE

Before and after Thursday's PTA meeting, Girl Scout Troop 85 will hold a bake sale on the breezeway connecting the two school wings. Proceeds will be used to defray the cost of the troops Christmas project of wrapping and giving gifts and a party to the crippled children at the Easter Seal School, Dec. 21.

YULE LIGHTING PROGRAM

Hoping to make Wilton Man-

ors the brightest spot in the county this year, ten Wilton Dr. merchants are sponsoring a Christmas lighting contest here. Prizes will be awarded first, second and third place winners in three divisions: door and window decorations, yard decorations and house decorations.

HEAVY COURT DOCKET

Next Saturday's 8:30 a. m. police court session at Village Hall could be an all-day affair. Because of the cancellation of the last court, Judge William Leonard faces the heaviest docket to date—49 cases so far with a week yet to go.

BICYCLE PROCLAMATION

A proclamation by Mayor Frank Starling declares the week of Dec. 12-18 as "Wilton Manors Second Annual Bicycle Safety Week." Posters are being erected throughout the city this weekend, and children will receive special bicycle safety instruction in school.

Police Chief Richard Beaney asks parent's cooperation in seeing that all children bring their bikes to Hagen Pavillion for free safety inspections Dec. 12, 13, 14, given by the Optimist Club. 1957 bike registration tags go on sale at the police department Dec. 12.

CALENDAR

Tuesday—Kiwanis Club, 6:15 p. m., Jack Campbell's Optimist Club, football dinner, Sput 'n Tut, 7 p. m.

Wednesday—Lion's Club initiation, Woman's Club, 7 p. m.

Wilton Manors Topics

By VIRGINIA ROGERS

WILTON MANORS — Typical of families everywhere the families of Wilton Manors are traveling to be with loved ones or welcoming visitors who have arrived to be with them during the Christmas holidays.

Mayor Frank Starling, his attractive wife, Mary and young daughter, Shirley, will greet members of both their families as they arrive early Christmas morning to join in all the festivities that go on around the Christmas tree and will stay for dinner. Members of the family who will be here are Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Starling Sr., Frank's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Starling and their son, Joey, Frank's brother and his family and his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. V. H. Burt, all from Miami. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hartley, Mary's parents of Dania and her brother, John R. Hartley with his son, Bruce, Ft. Lauderdale.

Open house will be held at the Starling home, 2515 NE Sixth Ave. during the evening for their friends. This has been a typical Christmas Day for the popular young Mayor and his family for many years and one they look forward to each year, according to Mary.

Another family who will celebrate with a family reunion is Fred and Christine Kenneth, 301 NE 22nd St. They met Fred's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Mondary in Miami Saturday when they flew in from Grosse Pointe Woods, Mich., for a holiday visit. Another sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Tucker have arrived from Findley, O., with their five children, much to the delight of the three Kenneth

youngsters who have not met their Northern cousins before.

Gathering around the dinner table with the Kenneths and their guests to complete the family picture will be Mrs. M. Louise Turner, Chris' aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Bryan, her brother and sister-in-law from West Palm Beach, Mrs. Frank A. Bryan, her mother and Miss Dot Bryan, her sister, Ft. Lauderdale.

The five adorable children of Jim and Lawayne Dean, 1825 Coral Gardens Dr., are in for a treat this Christmas as they will have their grandfather with them for his first holiday visit. He is Badger Chaplin, Lawayne's father, who, with his wife will motor down from Jacksonville to see what Santa leaves for Beverly, Pam, Jimmy, Jeffrey and baby Jonothan Dean. According to Lawayne, "the day will be spent at home, relaxing with the children and our guests."

WILTON MANORS — A long motor trip across the country brought Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Welch and their children, Sandra and Billy from Houston, Texas, to be with Mrs. Welch's parents, the Harry E. Noahs for the holiday season. This is their first visit to Florida so they plan to see some of the sights here as well as doing some sightseeing enroute back to Texas.

Happy news via the telephone came to Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Rosemann as they packed their bags for a trip to Jacksonville to spend Christmas with their daughter and her family, the

Earl Wagoners in the absence of her husband — they thought. Their son-in-law, who is in the Navy and has been on maneuvers with the Sixth Fleet was on the phone to let them know he was home and would be there to greet them when they arrive tomorrow for the holidays. The Rosemanns will in Jacksonville until after New Year's.

WILTON MANORS — While Pat and Bill [Mr. and Mrs. William G. Jr.] Miller, 723 NW 22nd St., are busily decorating their home and preparing for the family get-together on Christmas the children, Bonnie, Gary, Sharon and Tom are keeping a close watch around the fireplace to see that nothing is there to hamper the descent of Santa.

This is the first Christmas for the Miller family in their beautiful waterfront home and the children are anxiously awaiting the moment when the four stockings go up across the huge crab orchard stone fireplace. Pat, laughingly says the children were very concerned when she started making an evergreen arrangement around the hearth for fear the jolly old man would be too crowded.

For the traditional Christmas dinner the Millers will have as their guests Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Breslin, Pat's parents and her brother, Don, who spent last Christmas on the French Riviera with the Navy, Mr. and Mrs. W. Gerry Miller, Bill's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Miller and daughter, Terry, Lake Worth, Bill's cousin and Miss Alicia Zachman, formerly of Columbus, O., a close friend whom the Millers have "adopted" into their family circle.

Handwritten note:
Mary