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BETWEEN YOU AND ME

By Tod

Pat Dickson of Standard Service tells us that from his ad in The Bulletin, notifying the public that he has 24-hour towing, wrecking and AAA service, that he received several calls. Thanks Pat, we are pleased that you had good response.

Just getting over one costly strike to the nation, whereby production on war materials was retarded due to the steel strike when we note that there is the possibility of a coal strike in the offing. John L. Lewis, United Mine Workers head, has ordered the miners out of the pits for a 10-day "memorial day" work stoppage. The miners will observe this period Aug. 23 to Sept. 1 inclusive. The present coal wage contract expires on Sept. 30.

See where Carolyn Green, Fort Lauderdale swimming star who placed fourth in the recent Olympic games, will be the honored guest at a public reception and dinner on the 25th. The dinner will be held at Plantation Golf Club and will be open to the public. The sale will be limited to 300 tickets which will be on sale at the Chamber of Commerce, Tuesday of this week.

One of the fastest jobs on construction we have seen go on in the Village is the erection of the new home for Wilton Manors Furniture on the Drive. The work is being done by Tropical Construction. The speedy progress reminds us of the fast work done by the Seabees of U. S. navy fame—might be that Clayton Leaver was in that organization in the last war.

If applause from people attending the movies means a thing—it looks like Gen. Eisenhower is pretty popular here in this area. We noted that when the news reel was put on that when Ike's picture was shown he really got a good reception. When Gov. Adlai Stevenson's picture was presented, didn't hear a ripple of applause.

Rex Bassett, Inc. of this area have had granted an additional loan by RFC. The amount recently granted was \$70,000. The total amount already granted this organization this year is \$295,000. The firm is handling a contract for the Army Signal Corps. No bank is participating in the financing.

Note that a good nightly crowd is on hand at Tropical Club Patio Restaurant to enjoy their nightly dinner specials for \$1.25. Chef Nate and his co-workers are putting out a delicious meal.

Save time, money and parking problems on your boy's needs. Manor Men's Store is getting out a supply of boys' accessories for school.

First Report Rendered On Water System

According to a report rendered by City Engineer Dunton on the operation of the water system from July 11 until August 12, the gross profits shown to the Village was \$236.25. As time goes on, it is estimated that this profit will be "upped" considerably, when it is to be understood that more than a half million gallons of water for flushing the mains had to be used. In addition several leaks had developed causing considerable loss of water. All of this consumption had to be paid the supplier, Oakland Park. It was explained that in the start of any system that such losses were bound to happen, but as time goes on a good profit should be shown to the Village.

SUNSET MANORS:

Consumers	123
Gallons Consumed	1,055,800
Total Bills	\$565.00
Average Bill	5.40
Highest Bill	43.00
Lowest (Minimum)	2.50

WILTON MANORS (First Section):

Consumers	34
Gallons Consumed	118,600
Total Bills	\$101.50
Average Bill (No Minimum)	3.98
Highest Bill	25.00
Lowest Bill	.50

SUMMARY

Total Gallons (Oakland Park)	1,174,400
Gallons Consumed	1,174,400

Gallons Lost (Flushing treatment, leaks, etc.)	542,600
Total Consumer Bills (2 Sections)	\$665.50
Water Invoice (Oakland Park)	429.25
Gross Profit	\$236.25

METERS (Installed to Date)

Intercounty	127
Miller Plumbing	6
Sunset Manors	123
Wilton Manors (First Section)	90
Fort Lauderdale System	71
Highland Estates	121
Section 4, 5 and 6 not known	
Total Consumers to date	405
Meters (Installed Intercounty)	133
Meters - Paid	48
Amount Collected	\$2,520.00

COMMENTS

When we consider the above report in detail as to potential and actual customers on two sections on water loss, average water invoice of \$4.23, etc., it appears that this will be a profitable operation.

When the details of the operating costs are known more fully and accurately, elements of costs which are out of line can be corrected. This statement has reference to administrative, maintenance, direct and indirect costs.

NEWSY NOTES

Hear that another building is going to be erected on the Drive, adjoining the new Wilton Manors Furniture Store. Clayton Leaver of Tropical Construction is going to erect the building as soon as the new furniture store is completed.

We saw a beautiful gift which was presented to Mr. Charles Robinson, brother of the former Village Attorney. Mr. Robinson was presented with a gold "Life Membership" card from his home American Legion post of Fairmont, West Virginia. It sure is something that one can feel mighty proud of.

Have heard some splendid report of the fine quality of water which is being supplied to the Village by Oakland Park. Our local water department is on the job making daily checks and reports that they are receiving splendid cooperation from Fritz Groenboom, Oakland Park Water Superintendent.

We note that the bulldozers have been at work on the extension of 26th Street to the Federal Highway. Land has been cleared and the work is progressing. Whether or not a bridge will be erected "over the river" this year is questionable.

A total of 21,000 new phone books are being distributed by Southern Bell, according to an announcement made by the local manager, W. T. Patrick. More than 3,000 more books are being delivered than last year. This in itself is an indication of the growth in the area.

The biggest single sale of the week in real estate according to the bulletin issued by the Fort Lauderdale Board of Realtors, was for \$132,000. The sale was made by Dewey Hawkins, Oakland Park mayor and his wife, to the Prosperity Development Co. The property was a large tract of land west of Oakland Park and east of the Seaboard Air Line R. R.

Councilman Frank Starling of Manor Market left by plane on Tuesday for San Antonio, Texas. Mr. Starling made the trip primarily for the purpose of making arrangements for purchasing of display equipment for the renovation of Manor Market. He is expected back the latter part of the week.

R. G. Schnars, new owner of Manor Helpy-Selfy Laundry, has taken up residence in the Village, residing in the Chabot Apartments. We note that Manor Helpy-Selfy is improving their business by installation of new modern equipment.

Businessmen Discuss Occupational License

A meeting of the Business Mens Group was called for on Tuesday night. Discussion was held pertaining to the proposed revision of Occupational License fees for the Village. The matter of license fees was discussed at the recent Village Council meeting. In the discussion at the Council meeting it was pointed out that the occupational license fees in force at present in the Village is low compared to Lauderdale and some other municipalities in the area. Other matters of interest to the business men came before the meeting which was held at Don Grose Barber Shop.

FINAL PERMISSION GRANTED BY COUNCIL TO MANOR MARKET FOR IMPROVEMENTS

Highland Estates System Still Undetermined

Village Attorney Miller advised the Council at their last meeting he hoped to meet with representatives of Highland Estates Civic Club and their attorney, John Morris, to try and straighten out the controversy which has been hanging fire for some time as to ownership of the water system in that area.

It was mentioned at the meeting that many residents living in the area in question, were in accord in having the \$4,000 balance, due on a contract entered into by the former Council, to be held in escrow and such money to be used for further improvement of the water system in that area.

At the present time water is being served the residents by the Village. The consumers formerly received water from Fort Lauderdale. The water department on Sunday read meters in that area for the purpose of rendering monthly statements.

Food Fair Permit Okayed by Officials

Construction is expected to get under way this week on the new building of Food Fair on Wilton Drive. The Village Council at their recent meeting granted permission for the store with the proviso that the Zoning Board should pass approval. The Zoning and Planning Board, at a special meeting held last Wednesday night, granted their approval. It is expected that the Food Fair official will pick up their building permit from Building Inspector Robert L. Newton the early part of the week. The building itself, located on the former golf driving range, will have a frontage of about 125 feet and 100 feet in depth. The building will be set back from the right-of-way 35 feet and parking space will be provided in the front, rear and on both sides. The tract purchased by Food Fair has a frontage of approximately 525 feet on Wilton Drive and runs about 400 feet in depth. The building itself is expected to approximate in cost of over \$125,000 and inside decoration and equipment will probably approximate another \$75,000 to \$100,000.

Officials of the Food Fair told the Council that they had their steel and materials ready to move to start construction as soon as permission was granted.

The members of the Zoning Board present who gave their approval on the erection included Messrs. Ed Smith, Francis Gates, Robert Newton and Guy Smith. President Arthur Wolfe was absent, being out of town. Mrs. Maby Thomas, secretary of the board was also present at the meeting.

Residents Object to Zoning Restrictions

The Village Council at their recent meeting, due to objections of certain property owners in the former Highland Estates section, disapproved of certain restrictions on lots in that area which had been zoned strictly for residential homes. The objectors stated that they had bought property with the understanding that it would be permissible to build additional homes on the size property which they had bought. According to the new zoning regulations, this would not have been permissible.

The Village Council, as predicted in The Bulletin last week, granted permission for Manor Market to go ahead with the improvement of their store. After much discussion between the attorney for the objectors and Warren Windle, representing Manor Market, a motion was made by Councilman James Dean, seconded by J. Marvin Brown and unanimously carried by the Council reading as follows:

Lots 13, A, 11, 10, and south 62.51 feet of lot 9 of Block 47 shall be zoned as B-1. Lots 6, 7, 8, and remainder of lot 9, 14, 15, 16, 17 shall be zoned as R-2 and a non-conforming permit to use these lots for off-street parking with entrance on 22nd and 23rd streets and no truck traffic be allowed on 23rd street and further hat the back of the store of Manor Market, for the disposal of garbage or refuse be, "binned."

The attorney for the objectors, of which there were 11 signers, filed a petition stating that we the undersigned objectors living and owning property adjacent to block 47, object to changing single family residence zoning and the granting of any permit to use said lots for public parking of vehicles and permitting vehicles entrance leading into or out of said lots on N. E. 23rd Street.

This question of Manor Market for improvement of their store has been before the Council for months. Many months ago the Zoning and Planning Board gave their approval for the granting of a permit to the applicants.

Manor Market during the week will start their improvements, we have earned from reliable sources. Already Mr. Frank Starling, a partner in the business, has left for San Antonio for purchasing of equipment and accessories for the interior of the Manor Market. On various occasions it has been pointed out by citizens that Manor Market has contributed many hundreds of dollars to the Village treasury through cigarette tax monies.

Off-street parking will be provided for patrons of the market.

Fire Company News

By Sec. Harry Wells

The regular meeting of the Wilton Manors Volunteer Fire Department was held on Monday, August 11, with only 14 members present. This indicates that we need more members as we should have about 20 at all times. It was decided to hold the charter open for the present time. Why don't some of you new neighbors drop in and get acquainted and join up?

The first reading of the by-laws was passed and the second reading will take place at the next meeting. Mr. J. L. Bowden was unanimously elected to membership.

THE DRIVE IS ON. Please remember, neighbors, that between now and August 30th a Volunteer Fireman is giving up his time to knock on your door and ask you for a donation to help purchase additional equipment for the fire company for your protection. Please give as much as you can to this worthy cause. When you give remember that the firemen are volunteers and are helping you. In further explanation of their work, it might be mentioned that the firemen have joined together with the Red Cross Disaster Organization in the Village to further protect you and yours during a hurricane or other disaster.

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According to City Manager Link of Fort Lauderdale, that community will not furnish water to any new users outside the city limits until such time as the water supply is adequate to provide for the city needs. Lauderdale is constructing a plant off Prospect Road and it is expected that water from that plant will not be available for approximately a year.

The announcement was made by City Manager Link as the result of a controversy at Lauderdale-by-the-Sea. Attorney Warren O. Windle, local resident and town attorney for the smaller community, resigned his office as town attorney. Mr. Windle submitted his resignation to Mayor Raymond Brady on August 4 over a difference of opinion. Mr. Windle has stated that he tried to explain to the mayor that Fort Lauderdale could not supply water at this time and advised Mayor Brady to wait for a short time when he believed that we could get water at a cheaper rate.

In view of the fact, as announced, that Lauderdale needs its present water supply for its own use, it may be considered fortunate that the Village officials negotiated the water contract with Oakland Park.

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The school is a non-profit, interdenominational, Christ-centered faith work, independent of but in fellowship with the Boca Raton Bible Conference. It is a member of the National Association of Christian Schools.

It is the aim of the Academy to strive for and maintain the highest standards of scholarship, but the faculty is even more interested in seeing in the students the development of distinctive Christian character.

Departments of the Academy

The departments at the academy include from kindergarten through Senior High School in addition to a Secretarial School for high school graduates. There is both a resident and day school program at Florida Christian Academy. Day school enrollment is open to boys and girls from nearby communities. Station Wagons pick up pupils as far north as West Palm Beach and south to Fort Lauderdale. On the resident program, boys and girls live in separate dormitories. Each dormitory has its own experienced house mother.

Some of the advantages at Florida Christian Academy are: small classes, qualified teachers, excellent instructions, day and resident facilities, transportation furnished, reasonable rates and the development of Christian character in a Christian environment from kindergarten through high school.

Information is available by writing S. J. Drake, director of Florida Christian Academy, Boca Raton, Florida.

Among those attending the Academy from Wilton Manors last year were Bruce and Gary Swinea and Tommy Hinds, r].

**Kiwanis Club Speaker
Lectures on "Mangoes"**

Bob Pryor, assistant County Agricultural Agent, gave an illustrated lecture on mangoes at the August 12 meeting of the Kiwanis Club held at the Tropical Patio Restaurant.

Duke Hartman was elected as second Vice-President to replace Bob Lewis who tendered his resignation, due to the pressure of business. Arthur Wolfe is president of the local Kiwanis Club.

The Kiwanis ball team by losing to the Downtown Lions by the score of 14 to 11, are tied for third place with the victors. Both teams have won 2 and lost 2. The Jaycees are the leaders in the Service Club league having won 4 and lost 0. Toms, Moore and Owens were the hitting stars for Wilton Manors with three hits each.

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Village Council Notes

City Engineer Dunton told the Council that he has been working on getting certain big users of water to hook up to the system in the Village. Mr. Dunton suggested to the Council that he be given authority to contact Oakland Park to see if it were possible that a commercial rate could be worked out between both municipalities.

The question of a commercial rate had been discussed previously by the former Council with Oakland Park. At that time the Oakland Park officials did not favor a reduced rate for commercial users. What their attitude is at this time is not determined until the City Engineer meets with the Oakland Park body.

The Council authorized the payment of \$1,000 to Councilman J. Marvin Brown for the water system which he had installed in his properties. Mr. Brown formerly was serviced with water from Fort Lauderdale. An appraisal committee felt that the price for the system was fair to all concerned. The question of payment was held in abeyance until funds are available. This was agreeable to Mr. Brown.

It was reported that for the last installment from the State, that the Village treasury was enriched to the tune of \$1,598.45 by the receipt of cigarette tax monies.

A letter was received from Mrs. Richardson, owner of the golf course, objecting to the placement of a sign adjacent to her property on Wilton Drive. It was pointed out by Al Hagen

that the sign was not on the property, but on the right of way. The "welcome" sign to the Village was formerly by the bar-b-q stand but permission was granted, for more visible purposes to move the sign to the other side of the street. The sign was installed by Mr. Hagen and repainted at his expense and placed by Chief Beaney of the Police Department. The letter was tabled for further study.

An ordinance of voluminous content was introduced and passed first reading, which regulates traffic on the streets in the Village. The Council members will have the opportunity of studying the ordinance before final passage.

The question of providing storage space for materials necessary for the Water Department was called to the attention of the Council by the City Engineer. Mr. Dunton pointed out that there were certain pipe and connections that had to have a storage place so that they would not deteriorate or be stolen. He stated that Mr. Hagen had offered a temporary storage space, but that a permanent place should be provided.

The police department through Chief Beaney requested that certain wearing apparel be provided for the department. This included shirts and trousers. Council agreed to the request. The police department also requested permission for the placement of certain street signs in the Village for traffic regulations. It was pointed out that, due to new developments and growth that as a traffic safety measure this had become necessary. Permission was granted.

City Engineer Dunton pointed out that he was making a study to see if it were possible to reduce the cost to the Village on meter installation. Mr. Dunton stated that he was in contact with Superintendent Groenboom of Oakland Park and felt that there was a possibility of saving \$3.75 by using the method employed by Mr. Groenboom. This was adopted by the Council.

The Village Clerk read a report whereby a total of \$241 had been collected in fees by the Building Inspector for the last period. This included \$130.00 for building permits, \$19.30 for electrical permits, \$11.50 for plumbing and \$50.00 for occupational license.

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Aircraft Spotting
 Delayed for Present
 Air Force officers have announced that the spotting at Bahia-Mar will be delayed for the present. The aircraft spotting was to have started on last Friday. Forty-two members registered at a recent meeting held at the City Hall. This brings the corps to a near full 80. The Air Force decided to delay the spotting until North Broward communities have organized their forces. Instructions for the corps will continue until the actual spotting program is put into effect.

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Mrs. Nettie Linton
701 N. E. 26th St.
Highland Estates

Aug. 16th, 1952

Mr. Tom E. Hinds
Editor of The
Wilton Manors Bulletin

Dear Mr. Hinds: —
The Press is our voice and I admire you for the way you fearlessly champion a right cause. Please print the enclosed and caption it, "You must be 70 years old before you get a ticket."

I have been quite ill and my son (Jack Linton) who is a professional Hammond artist and vocalist came to see me before going north to fulfill some coming engagement. He carries his organ and magnavox in a trailer. When he came home Friday night very tired after getting his paraphernalia together at Miami and wanted to proceed with his journey, I asked him to wait until the morning. He didn't know where he could park, (not in front of my house as it is all torn up on account of putting in water pipes). All of the stone I had put there is now sunk in the sand, so I told Jack to park across the street. He was loath to do so, until I said, this isn't New York, it is a friendly community and it will be O. K.

At 12:30 A. M. a flashlight was shone through the door and I was told it was the POLICE, and I want to say here that the young officer was polite and a gentleman, just doing his duty. Nevertheless I received a summons for breaking the law. I really didn't know there was such a law in this little burgh, but ignorance is no excuse. I think we should be told what the laws are, so that we won't unintentionally land in jail. Forewarned is forearmed.

As long as I am writing you, I may as well tell you of other things. First I am the organizer of the Highland Estates Civic Club and why it was organized. Mr. Paul Dye who developed the property, wrote different residents that someone else must take over the water proposition. No one person was willing to take on such a responsibility and I was asked for my advice. The parties at the time know that I had been active in civic work, having been the chairman of The Bronx-Queens Bridge costing 18 million. Also Democratic Captain and County Committee Woman of White-stone, L. I. So I suggested a Civic Club where all residents would be responsible for the water bills. I organized the club and installed the officers and we made a success of our project. Here I want to say, there are no finer people than those in Highland Estates. They aren't HIGH-HATS and aren't trying to keep up with the Jones. They are hard-working people who love their homes and are kindly, if treated with respect, which I am sorry to say is not demonstrated by those in the Village. We only pass ONCE this way, so why not be humble and kind to one another.

Yours very sincerely,
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School Plans Okayed; Loan Interest Rate Must Pass State

William G. Crawford, school board architect and school board Attorney Ted David, returned from Tallahassee where preliminary plans were approved for the Sunrise Junior High School. Approval was granted by the State Board of Public Instruction.

Details of financing may hit a snag on the proposed loan. Attorney David has stated that Broward County banks were asking varying rates of interest on a \$517,000 loan, which when all were tabulated, worked out at three and a half percent interest rate. According to David, the State limitation is three percent.

David said that, should the loan not be made by Broward County banks, it would not hold up financing. State regulations permit the board to borrow outside the county if the three percent interest rate is not met. The state is furnishing David with a list of counties where loans have been made to school boards at rates varying from two per cent to three per cent. The state has approved any loan where the interest rate does not exceed three per cent.

David stated, however, that where there are extenuating circumstances, the state could relax its stipulations.

Architect Crawford has stated that his office has started to draft the final plans and they should be ready in about three weeks time. The school will be erected on the old county stockade site on Federal Highway at N. E. 14th St.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Vanditti Celebrate Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Vanditti celebrated their 13th wedding anniversary with a dinner party on Wednesday night at the Tropical Patio Restaurant and Club. "Chef Nate" was in charge of preparations for the delightful dinner, assisted by Jack Storm, co-owner of Tropical Club. Mr. Vanditti is associated with the Intercounty Construction Corp., contract managers for the Village water supply system. The Intercounty at the present also is doing a municipal job at Hollywood.

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