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Oakland Park-Wilton Mnors Bills Introduced In State Legislature

Two bills—one to extend the city limits of Oakland Park, the other to create the City of Wilton Manors under formal state charter—were scheduled for introduction in the state legislature this week at Tallahassee. The Oakland Park annexation bill represented a compromise of a dispute with Ft. Lauderdale. Wilton Manors' incorporation measure was handed to Reps. John Burwell and Ted David on Tuesday by Councilmen Earl R. Gurney and James C. Dean, who drove to the state capital to present the approved charter.

Village Attorney William G. Miller Jr. was due to be in Tallahassee Thursday to consult with the legislators on legal details of the bill and it was due to be placed in the hopper in the House either Thursday or Friday.

Barring unforeseen complications, this local bill should slide through both the House and Senate without a hitch.

Dean and Gurney, who returned home Wednesday night, said they had received a promise of cooperation from Sen. George Leaird, who represents Broward County in the upper house of the legislature.

Mayor Dewey Hawkins of Oakland Park was slated to be in Tallahassee this week to discuss the Oakland Park bill with legislators.

The compromise effected with Ft. Lauderdale adds substantial lands to Oakland Park while relinquishing its claim to oceanfront territory.

It puts the Oakland Park eastern boundary along Federal Highway from Ocean Boulevard north to Floranada Road, except that Ft. Lauderdale will have control over all four corners of the intersection of the boulevard and the highway.

The agreement evidently ends threats of lawsuits on all sides, and at the same time seems to be "moderately satisfactory" to both cities.

Some opposition had been voiced, however, to any compromise by Oakland Park on the question of ocean frontage.

The apparent feeling of officials was that a compromise was better than taking chances on losing all their demands in lawsuits.

Strange Things Happen When 'Newt' Reaches 50

When Mr. Robert Newton turned into his driveway around six bells Saturday, May 16th, he was very surprised to find that his patio had been disguised to look like a "Pirate Ship".

What appeared to be a crew of young pirates waiting to make him Captain of the Pirate Ship was really Girl Scout troop 43 honoring Mr. Newton on his 50th birthday with a party.

Juanita Cooper placed the Pirate Captain's hat on his head while Sylvia Mansfield presented him with a sword which had been loaned the crew by Jimmie Dillard. Bonnie Oros made all the decorations including the Pirate Flag.

Carol and Dee Chabot decorated the napkins with skull and bones. Betty Reibling, who was navigator, (Continued on Page Four)

John Lynch Named As Wilton Manors Officer

Purple Heart veteran John Lynch, formerly of Milford, Conn., has been appointed by Mayor Perry Mickel to fill a vacancy on the Wilton Manors police force effective May 15.

The Village Council is expected to ratify the appointment at its next meeting. Lynch will serve a probationary period of three months before receiving permanent status.

The patrolman served with the Milford police department four years before coming to South Florida. He is married and has two children.

During World War II, Lynch served with the 609th Tank Destroyer Battalion in Europe and received the Purple Heart for wounds suffered at Bastogne during the Battle of the Bulge on Christmas Day, 1944.

He is a graduate of Bolan Academy, New York, where he took a diploma in criminology.

Spring Card Party Arranged By PTA

The P.T.A. of Wilton Manors Elementary school is sponsoring a Spring Card Party on May 22nd to take place in the school.

This is the last event of the year, so come on folks, lets make it a really big bang up affair: your donation of fifty cents all helps towards making our school a better place for our children.

The P. T. A. has done a lot this year in building the school library, helping to furnish the teachers lounge, just to mention a few of our accomplishments.

The sound movie projector campaign was started at the beginning of the year and the children in all classes have had the enjoyment and education. We are a new school and there is much that can be done and will be done if we all pitch in and help.

Come on out to your Wilton Manors School, the night of May 22nd at 8:00 P.M. bring your friends and play whatever you wish. Tables, cards and score pads are furnished, not forgetting to mention refreshments served later on in the evening.

Who can tell, you might be the lucky winner of one of our beautiful door prizes or table prizes or both. There are many prizes so don't miss out.

Don't forget, it's Wilton Manors Elementary School, May 22nd at 8:00 P. M. Tickets at the door.

Mrs. D. R. Turner

Oakland Park Gets Four-Lane Bridge

The State Road Department, meeting in Tampa Thursday, voted to double the width of the new Intracoastal waterway bridge on Oakland Park Boulevard (Ocean-Boulevard) from two lanes to four lanes.

In okaying the added width, road department spokesmen said they were taking note of present needs and future needs in view of the unprecedented expansion of this area.

Editorial comment: This was a forward-looking move by the road board. A backward-looking one, however, was taken at the same time, in knocking out Las Olas tunnel in favor of a four-lane bridge.

It was a weaseling move, catering to powerful selfish interests that have held up traffic relief for the whole county for years.

Three years after the bridge is erected, net improvement over conditions as they exist today will be absolutely zero, as these blind mice will then, but not now, see.

Probably we should be thankful for this stupidity on their part.

Their jammed East Las Olas bridge will bring a lot more traffic and a lot more business to the Oakland Park-Wilton Manors region.

So hooray for the ostriches.

Phone Booths Service Oakland Park Residents

Four new outdoor public telephone booths are being placed in service in Oakland Park, it was announced this week.

The booths are placed at strategic locations along Dixie Highway, in the north of town on Fifth St., on the corner of the City Hall property, near the Post Office and at the intersection of Ocean Boulevard.

Silver Tea Marks Last Meeting In Clubhouse

A Silver Tea Wednesday afternoon represented the final meeting of the Oakland Park Woman's Club in the organization's old clubhouse.

The program was presented by the Girl Scouts.

A large number of members attended the "farewell" gathering prior to erection of a new clubhouse structure on another site. The old property was sold some time ago.

Mrs. Gurney Attends Tea With Nation's First Lady

Mrs. Earl R. Gurney, wife of Wilton Manors Councilman Earl Gurney, is in Washington D. C. with a group of 39 Broward members of the Shrine Ladies.

The group, during the week-long visit, will attend many social events and visit all the places of national interest including the White House, where they have been invited to a tea given by Mrs. Dwight D. Eisenhower.

Mrs. Gurney is expected to return to her home, 2221 NE Ninth Ave., this weekend.

Council Slaps Chain Store In Special Meeting On Drainage Woes

In a hastily-organized emergency meeting Thursday afternoon, Wilton Manors Village Council unanimously ordered Food Fair supermarket to immediately refill and seal an enormous hole in front of its Wilton Drive location. The huge hole on the east side of the Drive had been dug without official authorization as a drainage measure.

Officials charged that not only did the unauthorized cavern fail to drain surface water, but that it threatened to pollute water wells of nearby property owners. Councilman James C. Dean declared the hole constituted a dangerous menace.

Councilman J. Marvin Brown moved to order Food Fair to refill the hole immediately and replace the pavement exactly as it was prior to the digging; and further to order Food Fair to submit specifications for Council approval if the store wants to install a "dry well" for drainage.

Action last week approving a temporary drainage system for the west side of Wilton Drive was unanimously rescinded on motion of Councilman Earl R. Gurney. Alvar Hagen, who proposed the temporary system, was notified to furnish specifications before any such arrangement as proposed could be given approval.

On Brown's motion, Police Chief Richard Beaney was instructed to paint a red line 15 feet around a fire hydrant directly in front of the Dairy Queen store on Wilton Drive and to enforce parking regulations around the hydrant.

On motion of Councilman Frank Starling, Water Superintendent Wallace Wakely was directed to install iron pipe around the hydrant to protect it and to paint the hydrant bright red and yellow.

Council also took action on bar closing hours, continuing the same hours now observed through the summer.

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Silas Hendricks, 37, Dies Suddenly at Home

Silas Mathew Hendricks, 600 NE 29th Drive, Wilton Manors, died suddenly of a heart attack Sunday after being stricken unexpectedly at his home. A veteran of World War II, Mr. Hendricks was 37 years of age. He was a telephone company employe.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at Fairchild Funeral Home, with the Rev. Russell D. Toms, pastor of Covenant Presbyterian Church, officiating.

Surviving Mr. Hendricks are his wife, Joy; two daughters, Patsy and Annabelle Jean; parents, Mr. and Mrs. John O. Hendricks, Riviera Beach; three brothers and four sisters.

Improvement Due For Grounds of City Hall

Oakland Park's City Hall is being made more attractive with improved landscaping, it was announced this week.

The grounds surrounding the municipal building have been cleared and will be sprigged with good quality grass to improve the general appearance.

BULLETIN

Word was received at press time that the Florida Senate has passed the compromise bill extending the city limits of Oakland Park along the lines agreed to by Oakland Park and Ft. Lauderdale.

Oakland Park PTA Installs Officers

The May meeting of the Oakland Park P.T.A. convened Thursday afternoon in the school auditorium with Mrs. Mary Tucker, president, in charge.

Devotionals were presented by Mrs. Walter Anglin, Mrs. Vivian Phelps' second grade room won room count for having the largest percentage of mothers present.

In an impressive candle-light ceremony, Mrs. Pat Figley, county P.T.A. president, installed the new officers for the 1953-54 school year. They were as follows: president, Mrs. Sam Mitchell; secretary, re-elected to serve a second term, Mrs. Sidney Jones; and treasurer, Mrs. M. C. Peterson. The vice-president, Mrs. Raymond Hoyt was unable to attend because of illness.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Worth Goodbread and Mrs. Sue Bruschi at the close of the meeting.

New Clothing Stolen From Moore's Auto

New clothing valued at \$130 was stolen from the automobile of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Moore last Saturday afternoon about 5:45.

Mr. and Mrs. Moore, Wilton Manors jewelers, had parked their car at Williams Pharmacy for a few minutes after shopping in Ft. Lauderdale. The clothing, four pairs of imported clocks and a sport coat had just been purchased and was hanging on a hanger in the car.

Rev. Charles Linger In Oakland Church Post

The Rev. Charles Linger has taken a temporary post as pastor of the Oakland Park Methodist Church succeeding the Rev. Warren Yates.

The Rev. Mr. Yates, whose last sermon at the church was on Mother's Day, found it necessary to move to another parish in a different climate because of the health of Mrs. Yates, a spokesman said.

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"FOR A BETTER COMMUNITY"

Too Late to Classify

By RUSSELL KAY

With the exception of the Jacksonville and Miami areas, Floridians have been more or less out of the television picture. While thousands of sets have been sold throughout the state, reception has not been very satisfactory. This week the first station on Florida's west coast, WSUN, went on the air with test patterns and expects to be televising regular programs shortly. It is doubtful if any other station will be operating in the Tampa-St. Petersburg area for at least another year.

Applicants for various channels are still quarreling, and the Federal Communications Commission is taking its own good time decid-

ing whom to license. This agency, like most all others, moves at a snail's pace, is all bound up in red tape and doesn't care a cock-eyed hoot about the millions of folks who would like to enjoy television but must wait until the all-wise and all-powerful Washington bureaucrats get around to giving the impression.

Frankly, from all I've been able to learn the future of television is not as rosy as the set salesman would have you believe. Television got off to a bum start and is mired down with a lot of problems that the layman knows nothing about.

If you happen to be one of those trusting souls who thinks that good television is just around the corner, you would do well to forget it; oil up your fishing tackle, get out your bathing suit or curl up on the davenport with a good book and maybe in another year or so you may find that you can tune in your television set and get more than one or two channels.

With the exception of some of the older and better stations in larger cities, television is not proving a profitable enterprise. The balance sheet on many stations at the end of a year's operation is one grand headache. In the first place, it costs from \$350,000 to \$500,000

to establish and operate a television station for a year. The advertiser must pay much more for time than he pays for radio.

For example, station time alone for an hour-long show on NBC's TV network costs \$58,575, while an hour on the radio network can be bought for around \$25,000. The Milton Berle show costs \$150,000 a week for time and talent. That's why big national advertisers are pulling in their horns. \$150,000 would buy a lot of newspaper or magazine advertising or a flock of billboards.

The local advertiser, of course, doesn't pay that kind of money. He can get a spot for a fairly reasonable figure. With only one station in an area and everybody listening to it, he may find it a profitable investment; but if four or five stations are in the field, the deal is too rich for his blood and he is apt to pull out of television entirely.

Don't get me wrong, I'm not talking against television. I have a set and have had for some time, but I can only get a program about once or twice a week, and that is amazing, for I'm two hundred miles or more from Jacksonville, and there is plenty of interference to contend with. When WSUN begins operating on a regular schedule, I hope it will come in without difficulty, but I know I will have no choice of program or no selection. I can look and listen to such programs as they have, or turn off my set and go back to my newspaper.

You hear a lot about color television. I understand it really has

been perfected but it will be several years before it is available to you and me, and when it does come we will probably have to shell out several hundred dollars for a new set capable of receiving it.

Smart Florida publicists like Dick Pope of Cypress Gardens, Peter Schall of Silver Springs, Bill Chambers of Marine Studios and

Beverly Grizzard of the Florida Advertising Commission, realizing the tremendous demand for good television programs are getting plenty of excellent publicity for Florida by providing television stations with attractive feature films that they can use as fillers at nominal cost. At any event, it is a boon to Florida, and we should make the most of it.

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Wilton Manors SCHOOL NEWS

Fifth Grade, Mrs. Dilsaver: This week we saw two movies about Mexico and Central America. We enjoyed them very much.

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We would like to give our thanks to Tommy Monkus for bringing our room more magazines.

Billie Durdin and Ann Parker

Fifth Grade, Mrs. Mattmuller: Last week we wrote business letters to the editor of the Miami Herald and Station W.Q.A.M. telling how much we appreciated the "News Magazine of the Screen" and thanking them for sending it. The people who had their letters sent were: David Palmateer, Joe Bachman, Kenneth Beimly, Virginia Morris, Karen McElhattan, Pam Mitchell, Carole Stiles, and Sandra Doak.

Virginia Morris

Sixth Grade, Miss Murphy: Saturday afternoon the Wilton Man-

our Little League team played Deerfield. The score was 7 to 1 in favor of Wilton Manors. Peter Raz, Pitcher for Wilton Manors Little League, Pitched a 1 hit game.

The School Patrolmen have settled down after returning from their three-day trip to Washington, D. C. They are still talking about the good time they had. Each member is to receive one of the group pictures taken on the capital steps.

Valuable prizes are being offered by the AAA for the best letter, of 200 words or less, written about the trip to Washington, D. C. It would be nice if one of the Wilton Manors School Patrols win.

Only two more weeks till school is out. At the end of school the sixth grades are planning a party. We will either go to the Serpentinorium in South Miami or spend a day on the beach.

Mary Smith

Sixth Grade, Mr. Robinson: Today we had Gray. Miss Evelyn Wood, our Gray leader brought slides of her trip to Europe. Mr. Robinson explained each as it was flashed on the screen.

Mr. Robinson brought some slides to school about the May Day Program and the Presentation of the School Flag. On March 17, Mr. Kenlaw of the Woodmen of the World presented the two sixth grades with an American Flag.

Lately in Arithmetic we have been studying about the length width and depth of areas.

We have been finishing our Language Arts, Arithmetic and Reading work book.

Donna Marie Henderson
Doris Mae Peterson and
Ellen Louise Lund

Oakland Park SCHOOL NEWS

The students of Oakland Park School have been very busy this past week making Ming trees. They gather roots of a certain weed and wash the dirt off. A plaster base is made and painted moss is glued to the roots as leaves. These make beautiful gifts for the home.

Many of the children are bringing to school different things they have made during our activity period to display at our Art Fair. Some of the things we plan to show are Bamboo floor lamps and table lamps, shadow boxes, palm trays, paper mache animals and coconut banks.

We enjoyed the program Saturday night in our auditorium, put on by Mrs. Knaub. Many of our students danced in the program.

Mrs. Tucker, this year's president of PTA, Mrs. Mitchell, our new president, Mrs. Peters and Mrs. Waters attended the installation affair of the Broward County Council of the PTA at the Governors Club Hotel May 19th.

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Boston Blackie, 4:30 Sunday — Benny Goodman, 2:00 P.M. Sunday

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6:00 Sign On
6:02 S'land Sere
7:15 Our Town
7:30 Morning Meditation
7:45 Our Town
8:00 Henry Kinney, News
8:15 Our Town
8:30 B'Wagon
9:00 News
9:15 B'Wagon
10:00 News, B'Wagon
10:30 Town Crier
11:00 News, Music
11:15 Public Service
11:30 Music

—P.M.—

12:00 News
12:15 Farm Hour
12:30 Farm Hour
1:00 News, Music
2:00 News, Music
2:30 Music
3:00 News, Music
4:00 News, Music
Sports, By George
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Splash Party Given For Baptist Children

Twenty-seven youngsters from the Wilton Manors Baptist Mission enjoyed a "Splash Party" in the pool at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Robert Newton Monday, May 18 as a reward for their help in the rapid growth in membership in the Sunday School Classes. It is very gratifying to find so many of our young people anxious to work in the church. The young people's choir will meet for practice at 7 P.M. Wednesday evening. Mrs. George Perrine will direct the choir.

The Rev. Harry Koontz is acting pastor of the Wilton Manors Baptist Mission which holds its meetings at 199 NE 24th Street. Rev. Koontz is a student at the University of Miami and has been coming up to hold services each Sunday. He plans to move to Wilton Manors at the end of this school session.

There will be prayer meeting at 7:30 Wednesday evening. Also the Worship hours at 11:00 A.M. and 7:30 P.M. each Sunday.

Oakland Park Presents Men's Fashion Show

An evening of hilarious entertainment is planned for Friday night at 8 o'clock when the men of Oakland Park don milady's latest fashions for the Fashion Show to be held in the school auditorium.

Highlights of the program will feature Russell Daniel and his two sons modeling "exclusive" mother-daughter playsuit creations. Joe Lee Goodbread and Brady McGee are expected to model the very latest in foundation garments. "Up-to-the-minute" bride and groom attire will be worn by Lennie Cahill and Eddie King. Many other ladies garments will be modeled by the local men.

Other features of the evening will include a Barber-ship quartet made up of Russell Ebker, Bob Lieb, Sam Brenner and Harry Beedles. A sensational dance act featuring Leon Enzor and Sam Mitchell is also on the bill with Russell Ebker acting as M.C. Music will be furnished by an orchestra composed of local talent.

There will be all this and much, much more to round out a full evening of fun for all.

World Day of Prayer

Men and women of many different races and creeds throughout the world will join in voicing a world prayer next Sunday, the second annual World Invocation Day, according to Lay Servers Group.

The group invites people everywhere to unite for goodwill and true peace for all humanity by voicing on May 24th this prayerful demand:

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From the point of Light within the Mind of God
Let light stream forth into the minds of men.
Let Light descend on Earth.
From the point of Love within the Heart of God
Let love stream forth into the hearts of men.
May Christ return to Earth.
From the center where the Will of God is known
Let purpose guide the little wills of men—
The purpose which the Master knows and serves.
From the center which we call the face of men
Let the Plan of Love and Light work out.
And may it seal the door where evil dwells.
Let Light and Love and Power restore the Plan on Earth.

If you haven't as yet obtained your ticket, do so now by contacting either the chairman, Mrs. Russell Daniel at 2-7440 or Mrs. Jean Stevens at 2-4887. Adult tickets are 50 cents.
All proceeds will go to the Oakland Park P.T.A.

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charted a course on a map to Never-Never Land which included stops at Water Melon Island, Barking Bay, Popping Peninsula and many other fabulous places. At Pirate's Cove Mr. Newton found a "Treasure Chest" filled with gifts from his many friends.

All guests aboard ship formed a friendship circle around the Captain's table to make his wish come true. While the captain cut the enormous birthday cake, Judy Stephens pulled the cork of the punch keg.

The crew believes it will take another 50 years to complete the trip they have mapped out for Mr. Newton.

Guests aboard ship were: Sylvia Mansfield, Juanita Cooper, Betty Ann Halliday, Betty Riebling, Bonnie Oros, James Dillard, Uncle

Fuller, Judy Dillard, Terry Hamby, Mrs. Audrey Raz, Peter Raz, Dee Chabot, Mr. and Mrs. Art Chabot, Carl Chabot, Judy Stephens, Nancy Lee, David Lee Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Miller Jr. & Bonny, Mr. & Mrs. W. Bryan Davis, Martha Lynn Davis, Rev. Sam Tommie, Mildred Tommie, Dorothy Tommie, Doris Peterson, Paul Hutchinson, Linda Hutchinson, Rev. Harry Koontz, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Perrine, Mari-Sue Halney, Mrs. George Lee, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Dillard, Mr. & Mrs. Perry Mickel, Mr. & Mrs. G. A. Hutchinson.



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