

# WILTON SUN OAKLAND

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## THIS AND THAT

### From Here and There

By Carter Holmes

Is it a fact that anti-submarine nets have been installed at the entrance to Port Everglades as a precautionary measure? We so heard.

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Your editor is glad to observe the negative result of the Dade County-Miami consolidation election this week. More about that below if you will be good enough to read on.

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We've been wanting to go by and visit with Wilton Manors Council President Earle Middleton, recovering from an operation, and will do so yet. It seems circumstances keep conspiring against us, thus far. We saw Earle at the ball park the other night as the Lions were trouncing the bejabbers out of Miami. But he says it will be some time before he can be back in his customary spot alongside the grindstone. Lost 32 pounds.

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Glory be, the FEC!

The RR finally got around to installing a fine crossing gate system at Oakland Park Boulevard (Ocean Boulevard). It (the latest thing in safety devices) should be in service very soon now. So our congratulations to the Oakland Park public for its persistence and insistence. Nobody ever got a RR to install a signal any other way, that we know of.

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Folks, we certainly would be pleased to have news each week on the activities of the softball teams and Little League baseball outfits if someone will supply us with the facts. Those players and workers need support and recognition and we want very much to help them get it.

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The above applies to other news, too, naturally. Keep us posted about you and your friends. . . . who you are, where you're going, when you're coming back. All of us are interested. Just call us up or drop off a note at our office, 2007 Wilton Drive.

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Oakland Park's City Hall grounds are going to be very handsome when the landscaping job is completed. And Wilton Manors new City Hall will be a thing of beauty as well as efficiency. Architects drawings will be posted around the city for you to admire. And

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## Sign Control Laws Okayed By Council

An ordinance strictly controlling erection of signs throughout Wilton Manors was approved on first of three readings this week by the Wilton Manors City Council.

The ordinance when finally adopted will serve a number of purposes.

It will provide, for a certain degree of uniformity in that it will prohibit the erection of signs which are unsightly, and which mar the appearance of the community.

Some types of displays will have to meet safety requirements of various kinds, such as resistance to high winds and use of electricity.

The ordinance was drawn up by City Attorney William G. Miller Jr., who told the Council he had endeavored to incorporate into the ordinance the best provisions of laws already proved satisfactory in other cities while tailoring the act to Wilton Manors needs.

## Buy-at-Home Policy Set By City Council

If it can be obtained in Wilton Manors, that's where the City of Wilton Manors will buy it.

That was the policy set by the City Council this week in awarding to Mrs. Mabel C. Barwick, Manor Insurance Agency, the city's liability insurance contract covering city employees.

It meant transferring the contract at renewal time from a Ft. Lauderdale agency which has handled the city's business for quite a while.

However, Mrs. Barwick pointed out, "I am part of the community, maintain offices here, pay license fees here, live here and am active in civic matters."

Council agreement came on motion of Councilman Frank Starling, seconded by Councilman Earl R. Gurney and approved unanimously.

## Brodins Vacationing

Mrs. Peter J. Brodin and daughter, Jill, are spending a three weeks vacation visiting with friends and relatives in Warren, Ohio. Their Wilton Manors residence is at 2316 NE Sixth Ave.

## Here's A New Comic Feature; Hope You Like It

Here on Page One you'll find a new comic strip feature which we hope you'll like. Please let us know.

The idea for "Shafty" was conceived by Al Morrison to give you a comic strip that is easy to read for a fast chuckle without wading through a lot of words. It is appearing exclusively in The Sun.

Al, whose caricature you see here, is a bachelor who lives in Ft. Lauderdale at 1012 SE Seventh St. He



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has been a professional cartoon gagwriter for some 10 years and his gags have appeared in over 140 different publications, including the nation's top periodicals.

Ed W. Berry, the cartoonist who draws the strip, lives with his wife and young daughter at 81 SW Eighth Ave. He's a young man who is employed in the display advertising department of one of Ft. Lauderdale's best department stores.

A bright future has been predicted for "Shafty" by experts, including famous cartoonist Bob Barnes and others. Tell us how you like it!

## "No Taxation-Yet"

Wilton Manors City Council Tuesday night ordered the purchase of five new signs to designate the city limits of the community.

Referring to growing speculation that some kind of tax levy may be asked for soon to pay for improvements and government operation, spectator Les Bagwell suggested that the words "No Taxation" be omitted from two city limits signs now on Wilton Drive.

"Just add the word 'yet' on there", suggested another spectator.

The Florida Trucking Association has raised \$4,000 in scholarships toward a projected new course in highway transportation at the University of Florida, according to C. A. Gertner, general manager of the association.

## COUNCIL ORDERS SURVEY FOR STORM DRAIN TO STOP WILTON DRIVE FLOOD

The City of Wilton Manors will advertise for bids at once for a storm drainage survey of Wilton Drive. The decision to get bids came Tuesday night on the heels of a letter from the 10-man planning board and urging from the Businessmen's Group. The planning board's letter, signed by chairman Alvar Hagen declared the board unanimously had

agreed correction of present conditions is urgently needed.

## Safety Gates Placed At Oakland Park Crossing

Workmen were busy this week installing a complete safety system at the Oakland Park Boulevard grade crossing of the FEC railway.

Oakland Park officials have led the fight to have the safety gates installed for several years.

Only a few months ago, two negroes met death when their automobile was rammed by a fast-moving train at the crossing.

FEC officials notified local authorities shortly afterward that installation of the safety device had been approved.

Les Bagwell, speaking for the Businessmen's Group, emphatically pleaded for "some fast action."

Cost of the survey, which is necessary prior to installation of permanent relief measures, was estimated at around \$500. That was on the basis of a proposal submitted by one engineer.

That proposal was rejected in order that more bids might be obtained.

Hagen himself, who owns a number of business properties in the areas of worst flooding, had proposed previously to install a temporary drain system. But it appeared this week that this idea would be dropped if permanent relief is in sight.

The consensus among storekeepers and shoppers alike seems to be that a complete drain system to take away surface water in heavy rains is the most practical answer to the problem in the long run.

## Plans Proceed For Manors City Hall

Wilton Manors' proposed new city hall in Middle River Estates may be under construction before too long.

A committee appointed to help work out details is studying problems involved in financing the municipal building, which would house police and fire departments, other city offices, and provide a sizeable meeting place for various kinds of community gathering.

Mayor Perry Mickel, meanwhile, has been designated to discuss with building material suppliers the question of obtaining materials.

And Councilman James C. Dean, one of the developers of Middle River Estates, told committee members that a letter of commitment to deed over a corner site for the building would be available whenever necessary.

The developers offered some time ago to furnish the site. Several possible financing methods for the structure have been tentatively discussed, including public subscriptions, a bond issue and others.

The building fund already stands at \$1250, the sum realized from recent sale of a city-owned lot adjacent to the present city hall.

Hear Carter Holmes and the News, 12 noon Sundays, WBRD, 1580 kc.

## Robbery Attempt Is Prevented By Patrolman

An attempted break and entry at a Wilton Drive store building in Wilton Manors was foiled by an alert patrolman. Police Chief Richard Beaney revealed this week.

The attempt occurred Tuesday night, Beaney said.

Patrolman John Lynch, a recent addition to the Wilton Manors force, was on routine patrol when he spotted an automobile parked in the vicinity of the Dairy Queen store. When closer inspection showed the car's motor to be running, Lynch grabbed his nightstick and flashlight and headed for the building, the chief related.

A negro suddenly appeared and made a dive for nearby bushes. Sheriff's officers were called quickly to help form a cordon around the area, but the would-be thief somehow eluded the authorities.

The automobile proved to have been stolen in Ft. Lauderdale and was returned to its owner.

## City Department Gets New Telephone Number

A new telephone number for the offices of the Wilton Manors water department and building inspector was announced this week.

Water Superintendent Wallace Wakely made the announcement, asking all residents to make a note of the new number. It's 5071.

## SHAFTY

By Al Morrison



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## Covenant Appoints Bible School Staff

The staff of Covenant Presbyterian Church's Bible School is now complete and ready to begin the two-week course which starts next Monday morning, June 15, at 9 a. m., the Rev. R. D. Toms, pastor, announced this week.

In charge of three-year-olds and young four-year-olds will be Beverly Smith. The older four-year-olds and the five-year-olds of the Beginners Department will have Mrs. Sidney Wright, Mrs. Clarence Waterhouse and Mrs. William Schroyer as teachers.

The primary department of six, seven and eight-year-old boys and girls will have Mrs. Joe High, Mrs. Myra Grantland, Mrs. Arthur Ball, Mrs. William Racavich, Mrs. J. C. Bols and Mrs. Howard Sahler as instructors.

In the Junior Department, Mrs. Leonard Sommers, Mrs. Leslie Stafford, Mrs. Gene Peterson and Mrs. Larry Freudenthaler will handle the teaching duties. The Junior group consists of pupils in the nine, 10 and 11 year age group.

Mrs. T. A. Cook will teach the Pioneers, who are 12, 13 and 14 years old.

Mrs. John H. Lane and Mrs. Frank O. Miller Jr. will be in charge of the refreshments each day, Monday through Friday. The pastor, who is directing the school, invites all boys and girls from the ages of three through 14 to attend these daily sessions from 9 to 11.

The Men of the Church will meet for their monthly supper meeting on Monday at 7 p. m. John Vollmerhausen is president of the group.

The Pioneer Youth Fellowship will sponsor a Singspiration under the direction of Miss Patsy Hendricks, president, on Sunday immediately following the Evening Worship Service.

## Tahitian GI Bride Is Visitor of Girl Scouts

By Martha Lynn Davis

The Girl Scouts of Troop 43 enjoyed a luau at the last meeting of the year last Friday afternoon. This was a climax to a study we had made of Hawaii and the Pacific Islands. It was intended to be a patio party, but because of bad weather it was held inside at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Newton.

Mrs. Rita Gauss, formerly of Tahiti, was our honor guest. She was introduced to us by Mr. Roger Sherman, a Scout committeeman, who met her when he was working for the Post Office. Since he could speak the Tahitian language, they became acquainted. Mrs. Gauss is a GI wife and is now living in Ft. Lauderdale. She has been here a year and a half.

Before the picnic supper, Mrs. Gauss entertained us with a very beautiful Hawaiian hula dance. After this, the girls presented Mrs. Newton with a birthday gift from the troop.

Attending were Janette Sherman, Roger Sherman, Rita Gauss, Phyllis Carter, Juanita Cooper, Sylvia Mansfield, Martha Lynn Davis, Mrs. Bryan Davis, Carol Chabot, Dee Chabot, Mrs. Arthur Chabot, Judy Stevens, Betty Riebling, Barbara Halliday, Betty Ann Halliday, Nancy Lee, Joyce Bridges, Doris Peterson, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Miller, and Bonny Miller, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Newton.

## Water Service Approved For Coral Point Region

The cities of Oakland Park and Wilton Manors got approval for furnishing water service to Coral Point subdivision in eastern Wilton Manors this week. But the state board of health's OK contained several provisos.

Number one requirement calls on Oakland Park to proceed with plans for expanding its water production plant and on Wilton Manors to be responsible for making other arrangements if the expansion is not carried out.

Oakland Park has already instructed its engineers to start surveys for cost estimates, plans and specifications for expansion.

Wilton Manors City Council received a copy of the state board's letter on Tuesday night.

Council also: Approved garbage collection franchise for Julies Tukes on second reading.

Okayed a zoning board request for copies of all zoning maps and ordinances on zoning.

Gave Police Chief Richard Beany a \$5 weekly pay raise, retroactive to June 5.

Approved an ordinance permitting the fire chief to make inspections.

## Scouts Attend Service For Seminole Friend

Girl Scouts of Troop 43, Wilton Manors, attended funeral services last Monday for Wilma Billie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Billie of the Seminole Indian Reservation.

Services were held at the Mission Church in Davie.

Mrs. Billie has been a very good

friend of the Girl Scout Troop, and asked the girls to come and sing "Taps" at the services.

—Martha Lynn Davis

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**Wanda Louise Green and Jack Holley Wed In Ceremony at Oakland Park Methodist Church**

Miss Wanda Louise Green of Oakland Park became the bride of Jack Holley in a double-ring ceremony performed by the Rev. Charles F. Linger at Oakland Park Methodist Church last Sunday afternoon. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. M. B. Green, 202 SW First Ave., Oakland Park, and the bridegroom is the son of Mrs. Eunice Holley of Moultrie, Ga.

Mr. and Mrs. Holley are spending their honeymoon in Georgia, and upon their return will make their home in Rock Island Village.

For their wedding, traditional music was provided by Mrs. Russell Daniel, pianist, and Mrs. Richard Humes, soloist.

The bride was given in marriage by her brother, George Green Jr. Miss Myrtle Branham was maid of honor and Miss Clara Lettelier and Miss Norma White served as bridesmaids.

The bride was attired in a white

satin gown of ballerina length with a lace jacket and tiered net overskirt. She carried an orchid corsage.

Robert Minor acted as best man, with Ernest Joslyn and Aubrey Osborne serving as ushers.

A reception followed the ceremony.

**Baptist Mission Names Sunday School Officers**

At the regular June 3rd business meeting of the Wilton Manors Baptist Mission, Robert Newton was elected Sunday School Superintendent and Mrs. George Perrine was chosen as Sunday School Secretary.

Plans for buying the proposed church property was discussed but no decision has yet been reached. This duty was turned over to the steering committee of which George Perrine is chairman. A report from this committee will be given at a business meeting within the next two weeks.

Officers elected in the Training Union were Guy Smith, director; Mrs. Clara Vernon, assistant director; Barbara Bennett, secretary; Mrs. George Perrine, pianist; Patricia Vervaet, nursery superintendent.

**Dean, Menefee, Claggett to N. Y.**

Delegates of the Kiwanis Club of Wilton Manors to the 38th annual convention of Kiwanis International at New York City, in June, will meet with over 15,000 fellow Kiwanians from every section of the United States, Canada, Alaska, and Hawaii, according to Club President James C. Dean.

Outlining the program for the five-day convention, June 21-25, he said an exceptional panel of speakers and an elaborate program of entertainment await New York-bound Kiwanians. Also making the trip will be club vice president Lou Menefee and director Ed Claggett.

Such well-known personalities as Thomas E. Dewey, Governor of the State of New York; Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr. United States Representative to the United Nations, New York; Matthew Woll, Vice-President of the American Federation of Labor, New York; George Denny, Jr., former moderator of the "American Town Meeting," New York; Dr. Ralph W. Sockman, Pastor of Christ Church of New York; Frank G. Clement, Governor of the State of Tennessee, Nashville, Tennessee; Grattan O'Leary, Vice-President of the Ottawa Journal, Ottawa, Ontario; Kiwanis Past International President Bennett O. Knudson, President of Radio Station KATE, Albert Lea, Minnesota; Vincent R. Impellitteri, Mayor of the City of New York; and Herman W. Steinkraus, Past President of the United States Chamber of Commerce and President of Bridgeport Brass Co., Bridgeport, Connecticut, will address sessions of the convention in New York's Madison Square

**Services Are Held For Father of Mrs. Leaver**

John Merrill Thacker, father of Mrs. Clayton R. Leaver, president of the Wilton Manors Womans Club, and of Mrs. S. H. Stevens of Wilton Manors, died last Sunday at the age of 71. Funeral services were held Tuesday in Miami.

Mr. Thacker was a resident of Hialeah.

He had been a resident of Florida more than 30 years, coming here in 1922 from West Virginia.

Surviving, in addition to Mrs. Leaver and Mrs. Stevens, are the widow, Mrs. Edith Thacker, and two sons, John M. Thacker Jr. and Mack Thacker.

**Mrs. W. B. Davis Journeys To Texas**

Mrs. W. Bryan Davis and daughter, Martha Lynn, 2116 NE Ninth Ave., Wilton Manors, left Wednesday for Amarillo, Texas. There they will visit briefly with Mrs. Davis' sister before returning home, accompanied by Mrs. Davis' parents who have been visiting in Amarillo.

They are Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Colbert of Lincoln, Mo.

Garden, the scene of many a famous show and sports event.

One of the highlights at the convention will be the President's Reception and Ball, Wednesday evening, June 34, honoring the 1952-53 president of Kiwanis International, Walter J. L. Ray of Detroit. One of the features of the ball will be a show directed by Leon Leonidoff who produces the Radio City Music Hall stage extravaganzas. Tuesday evening, June 23, will be known as "Kiwanis Night" at Yankee Stadium in New York where more than 10,000 Kiwanians will see an outstanding baseball game between the New York Yankees and the Chicago White Sox.

When Kiwanian husbands are in convention sessions, ladies and junior guests will be entertained by a variety of amusements, including a professional fashion show. Receptions, teas, and luncheons are still other attractions. Mrs. Ivy Baker Priest, Treasurer of the United States, will address one of the women's meetings.

**Mrs. Sanford Installed as VFD Auxiliary President**

Mrs. W. L. Sanford was installed as president of the Oakland Park Voluntary Fire Department Auxiliary last week. Ceremonies were held at a dinner at the Tropical Club in Wilton Manors.

Also installed as officers were Mrs. Emma Green, vice president; Mrs. H. F. Hughes, secretary; Mrs. J. M. Barnhill, treasurer; and Mrs. Eddie King, chaplain.

The ceremonies were conducted by Mrs. Buford Edwards, Lake Worth, assisted by Mrs. Roy Chadwick of Oakland Park.

Others present included W. L. Sanford, Roy Chadwick, Mrs. G. E. Umstead, Mr. and Mrs. F. Ringer, Mr. and Mrs. B. Sanford, Mr. and Mrs. John Maas, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Mitchell, Mrs. Clarence Gast, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Dunn, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Green, Mr. and Mrs. N. Faillace, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Marthens, and H. F. Hughes.

**Charles Nealis Honored On His 11th Birthday**

Charles Thomas Nealis, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Nealis, entertained a number of friends Monday evening with an outdoor hot dog-and-watermelon feast at the Nealis home, 200 NE 26th Drive, Wilton Manors.

The occasion was Charles' 11th birthday anniversary and, at the same time, his promotion to the sixth grade in Wilton Manors Elementary School.

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while you're admiring, you might be figuring how you can help get it built. There will be ways and if you are willing to help let us know. We'll call on you when the time comes. It won't be long.

Business note: Dale Hull, who needed more space for his TV &

appliance business, swapped stores with Steve Sharrow of Manor H & H, who will concentrate on hobbycraft and toys when he gets back from the north. Steve takes over 2182 Wilton Dr., Dale set up shop at 2188. Steve and his family entourage leave Sunday for Michigan. Be gone several weeks.

Your editor was glad to see Miami voters turn down consolidation in the form it was offered to them. To me, it would have been a step backward. To explain the thought, put it this way: government that is closest to the people is the highest refinement of the "democratic" or "republican" form.

No amount of money saved in the name of "efficiency" could justify such a concentration of power as that proposed in Miami to be given the Dade county commission (and thus the legislative delegation which has great powers over the county).

In Oakland Park and Wilton Manors, we can walk around the corner, sit down in council meetings, and exercise our citizenship. Would we prefer to be "consolidated", save a few paltry bucks, and have ourselves controlled from the county court house? I think not.

Some, if not all, of our own Broward legislative delegation, favor consolidation here in a few years. I say the saving in dollars would be doubtful to say the least, and the price in democratic principle would be much too high. And would suggest we put our fingers on that simple fact and be on our guard.

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By RUSSELL KAY

A Miami couple of modest means seeking a new vacation experience for their three children, came up with a novel exchange idea. They are offering to accept in their home and entertain three children from an inland Florida farm home in exchange for the privilege of sending their children to the country for a like period. Jack I. Singleton and his wife have three lovely children, Phyllis 12, Lester 11 and Kenneth 9. I have a picture of these youngsters before me and they are fine looking kids, clean, healthy, alert.

Born and raised in a metropolitan area, they know nothing of rural or small town life. A chance to spend a week with an inland farm family would be a new and

interesting experience for them.

On the other hand, there must be thousands of country-bred boys and girls who would be thrilled and delighted to spend a week in Miami, visit the fabulous beaches, amusement parks, playgrounds and enjoy all the thrills that a big city affords.

Explaining their unique proposal

in a letter, Mr. and Mrs. Singleton point out that through such a plan they could give their children an interesting and educational vacation experience and, at the same time, provide an equally delightful and different vacation for three desirable farm or rural children. It makes sense.

References, of course, would be exchanged by both families. The family pastor and reputable citizens would vouch for the Singletons and they would require similar information as to sobriety and character of the exchange parents.

Under their plan there would be no expense other than transportation. Each family should find the experience interesting and enjoyable. The Singletons favor central Florida and hope that they can find a family in Lake, Orange or Polk county where their children might visit.

"It would be nice," said Mrs. Singleton, "if we could arrange different weeks so that all of the children could be together and get acquainted. Our children would enjoy entertaining their new found friends in Miami, and when their turn came the country children would have fun showing their city friends around the farm or grove."

Any family interested in the plan should communicate with Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Singleton, 2768 NW 57th Street, Miami, Florida.

Publicity minded Florida civic leaders seldom miss an opportunity to promote their area or the state as a whole. When Mayor Haydon Burns received a form letter from the town of Brilliant, Ohio asking for the donation of \$1 toward providing the community (population 2,066) with a swimming pool, the alert Mayor sent a check for \$5 explaining that when he thought of the advantages the people of Jacksonville enjoyed with fine beach and pool facilities, plus ocean breezes and Florida sunshine, he was happy to send five times what they asked.

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