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## SCHOOL BELLS JINGLE AGAIN FOR BROWARD KIDS



### WASHINGTON NEWS LETTER

From

*George Smathers*  
U.S. SENATOR

Senator Smathers, beginning his fall visitings in Florida, has temporarily turned over his column to Truman Felt, of the Miami Daily News and Florida Times-Union, who has prepared an objective appraisal of Smathers' work in the session of Congress just completed.)

WASHINGTON—In legislative issues of direct interest to Florida both of the state's senators have been not only in agreement but rivals only in efforts to give the most help. Both, however, insist that the Florida projects meet what in their opinion is the test of "sound economy" rather than mere "pork barrel legislation" or favors at the expense of other taxpayers.

They fought together for more flood control funds, airport development, research into citrus diseases, two federal judges for the overburdened and misnamed Southern Florida District that includes most of the state from Jacksonville south, plus many other objectives.

Smathers was the chief advocate, however, of reform in the method of selecting presidential candidates and in the electoral college, an effort that seems to be gaining momentum, while Holland was recognized for his successful fight to enact tidelands legislation recognizing the rights of states within their historic boundaries.

The junior senator was never more effective than when he led the fight against the destruction of the Bureau of Standards as a scientific institution free to give opinions of products without regard to their effect on commercial promotional campaigns, as in the battery additives case.

In this he won the plaudits of an overwhelming majority of the nation's scientists who resented the attacks on Dr. Allen V. Astin as director of the bureau.

Ironically, the attack on Dr. Astin, developer of the proximity fuse and contributor to many scientific advances, came from a Republican cabinet member, Secretary of Commerce Sinclair Weeks, and Astin's record was cleared by the help of a Democratic senator, Dr. Astin, although never active in political campaigns, is a registered Republican.

### Roy Fairfields To Be Wilton Manors Residents

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Fairfield and family, formerly of Miami, are welcomed this week as new residents of the City of Wilton Manors. The Fairfields and their two children have moved into their new home at 623 NE 21st Court. They have a son and a daughter, both of whom will attend Wilton Manors School.

Fairfield is with Hooker-Fairfield Insurance Agency.

### PTA Board Meeting Set For Thursday

The fall membership drive for the Wilton Manors Elementary School Parent Teachers Association will get underway immediately, starting during registration next Tuesday.

Mrs. L. L. Dameron, president of the Wilton Manors PTA, announced that Mrs. Peter Flis, membership chairman, will be in charge of the campaign which begins next week.

An important meeting of the PTA executive board will be held next Thursday evening September 3, at 7:30. Mrs. Dameron said. The board meeting will be held in the teachers' lounge at the school.

"All parents of school children are urged to reserve the evening of Thursday, September 10, when a reception will be held for the new teachers, and a social hour under the auspices of the PTA," Mrs. Dameron said.

### Miss Wilson Is Married To George R. Tomlinson

Miss Shirley Ann Wilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard L. Wilson of Oakland Park, became the bride of George Robert Tomlinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Tomlinson of Mansfield, Pa., in a ceremony at Elmira, N. Y., two weeks ago.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Raymond O'Brian of Grace Episcopal Church in Elmira. Mrs. W. S. Booth, twin sister of the bride, was matron of honor and her husband served as best man.

The bride was given in marriage by her uncle, George R. Wilson of Rockville Centre, Long Island.

She was graduated from Ft. Lauderdale High School and has been a student at Mansfield State Teachers College.

The couple will make their home in Mansfield.

### New Building For Club In Oakland Park May Be Completed In October

A card party for members of the Oakland Park Womans Club and their guests was held this week at the Shuffleboard Club.

Proceeds from the party went to the Womans Club's building fund for the new Womans Club building. The new structure is expected to be completed and ready for occupancy sometime in October, it has been announced.

Hostesses for the card party this week were Mrs. H. C. Dew, Mrs. W. H. Mann, Mrs. A. H. Christensen, Mrs. Harry K. Powell and Mrs. Fred Weiss.

### Mrs. Dave Turner To Be Hostess To Womans Club

Mrs. J. S. MacLaren, Mrs. George Richardson, Sr., Mrs. H. C. Cain and Mrs. Clayton R. Leaver were winners of prizes this week at the weekly card party of the Wilton Manors Womans Club.

The party was held at the home of Mrs. Ervin Eckhardt, 305 NE 20th Street, with Mrs. Harry Genthberg serving as co-hostess.

Members attending were Mrs. Z. H. Pfeifer, Sr., Mrs. Clayton R. Leaver, president; Mrs. W. W. Brown, Mrs. J. S. MacLaren, Mrs. F. W. Tamburrino, Mrs. W. J. Robinson, Mrs. Raymond Marini, Mrs. H. C. Cain, Mrs. Harry Genthberg, Mrs. M. L. Stafford, Mrs. Charles A. Saxer, Mrs. John Mullock, Mrs. Ervin Eckhardt, Mrs. F. M. Williams, Mrs. George Richardson, Sr., Mrs. M. M. Mattmuller.

The next card party will be held at the home of Mrs. Dave Turner, 619 NE 21st Court, Wednesday, Sept. 2, 1953 at 1:30 p.m. Mrs. W. J. Robinson will be the co-hostess.

### Patsy Plant Honored On Birthday Occasion

Miss Patsy Plant, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Plant, 800 NE 26th Drive, Wilton Manors, was honored on Friday night with a formal party in celebration of her birthday anniversary.

Miss Plant, who was celebrating her 14th birthday anniversary, invited 14 guests for the occasion.

Her guests were Donna Stiles, Patsy Webb, Shirley Painter, Ted Clark, Carol Ponda, Gene Perry, Sable Roberts, Jan Pierce, Terry Love, Tommy Hines, Roland Hughes, Gordon Sanderson, Charles Parry.

### W. E. McGees Move

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. McGee and their daughter Sandra, former residents of Oakland Park, have now moved to their new home at Wilmington, N. C., where Mr. McGee has been transferred.

Mrs. McGee, who was president of the Floranada Club of Oakland Park, was honored recently by fellow members of the club at a special meeting.

### Pupils Called To Register Tuesday; Record-Breaking Enrollment Certain

Feelings of grief and relief are mingled in most Wilton Manors and Oakland Park homes this weekend as school-age youngsters and their parents alike plan for the fall opening of schools throughout Broward County next week. One might say the grief exists among the young, and the fathers who have a pain in the pocketbook caused by

large outlays for clothes, etc.

The relief exists among the mothers who think they now might—just might—have a few hours daily rest from the rigors of raising children.

Registration day is Tuesday; classes start on Thursday. And another year of record-breaking enrollments is anticipated by school authorities.

Officials have expressed hope that no double sessions will have to be held this fall, although some double sessions are possible in some schools.

All 7th and 8th grade students in Oakland Park and Wilton Manors still will have to travel all the way to the county airport south of Ft. Lauderdale to attend school.

Pupils may enroll next Tuesday at any time between 8:30 a.m. and 3 p.m., according to the office of County Superintendent O. K. Phillips.

Plans for the new year have been underway more than three weeks already, and maintenance men and building custodians have been making repairs and getting school buildings in shape for another nine months of activity.

Here are the formal instructions issued by Phillips' office for the open of the 1953-54 school year:

All Elementary pupils entering the public schools will register for the 1953-54 school year on September 1. The school busses will operate on September 1 for those pupils who are entitled by law to be transported. Classes will start on a full day basis on Thursday, September 3.

Students in the Junior and Senior High Schools who have not already registered will do so on the same dates.

All 7th and 8th grade students in Ft. Lauderdale will attend the Naval Air Station School. Buses will pick up those students at the following schools: Oakland Park, Wilton Manors, Bennett, North Side, West Side, East Side, South Side, Central, and Croissant Park. (Continued on Page 3)

### Mrs. John Murphy Away On Philadelphia Trip

Mrs. John T. Murphy, mother of Mrs. George Barry, 2510 NE Sixth Ave., Wilton Manors, left this week for a two month visit to Philadelphia, Pa., where she will visit with friends, Mr. and Mrs. John Sheehan.

Mrs. Barry will be hostess at a luncheon on Saturday. Guests will include Mrs. R. Koontz, Mrs. Lois Holmes, Mrs. William Fletcher, Mrs. Spencer Bowen and Miss Chris Hunter.

### Malcolm Sees New City Hall Plans Rapidly Advancing

By Norman Malcolm

The project for erecting the new City Hall in Wilton Manors, to be located on a valuable donated site at the northwest corner of NE 26th Street and Middle River Drive was decisively advanced on Tuesday evening.

A meeting of the City Hall Building Committee was held under the chairmanship of Perry Mickel, who is also mayor of Wilton Manors. Attending were officials and representatives of all the local organizations including:

Mrs. Clayton Leaver, president (Continued On Page 4)

### Wilton Manors Gets Police Station Wagon

Wilton Manors police officers are now patrolling the city in a new, light green Ford station wagon.

The new patrol car replaces the tan sedan which was demolished recently when rammed north of Oakland Park by a stolen car driven by a fleeing escaped convict from the state road prison camp west of Oakland Park.

Patrolman Bob Hickman had joined other enforcement officers in an attempt to head off the speeding car driven by the convict, who was captured after smashing into the Wilton Manors police car.

### Womans Club Rummage Sale Slated Saturday

The entire membership of the Wilton Manors Womans Club is cooperating in the rummage sale to be held under the club's auspices in Ft. Lauderdale this Saturday, August 29.

The sale will be held at the Florida East Coast railway tracks on SW Second Street, a block behind Burdine's department store.

All kinds of clothing, dishes, linens and other items will be offered.

The sale will be an important phase of a fund-raising project on which the Womans Club is embarked.

Mrs. H. C. Cain is chairman of the sale committee with Mrs. John Mullock serving as co-chairman; other members of the committee are Mrs. W. J. Robinson, Mrs. Charles A. Saxer, Mrs. Alvar Hagen, Mrs. Z. H. Pilcher Sr., Mrs. Ethel Gallup.

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# BUSINESS GROUP'S NERBER ASSAILS CRITICISM OF SPEAKER AT DINNER

Carter Holmes, Editor  
Wilton-Oakland Sun  
Wilton Manors, Florida

In the article in last week's "Sun" under your by-line you sharply criticized Robert F. LeFevre, news director of WFTL-TV, for his talk "Should We Go It Alone?" Mr. LeFevre was not only principal speaker but he was principal guest at the rally-dinner of the Wilton Manors Business and Professional Association August 19 at the Tropical Club Patio.

I would like to state (you neglected to do so) that your criticism was your own opinion and not the official feeling of the association. In fact as far as I could determine the majority of those present enjoyed the talk and all the comments I heard were extremely favorable. The least we can do when a man as busy as Mr. LeFevre gives up an entire evening with no recompense to help a newly organized group get off to a good start is to accord him courtesy. Therefore I believe your criticism was in bad taste and completely irrelevant in reporting the affair.

The first and only duty of any newspaper whether large or small is to report the news as it happens, uncolored and uneditorialized. You devoted three paragraphs to the rally-dinner and then in the same article you used seventeen paragraphs to blast Mr. LeFevre. The least you could have done was to report that those present enjoyed the talk and had a good time at the meeting and then dwell at some length on the aims of the organization and what we hoped to accomplish. Then in a separate editorial take Mr. LeFevre to task if you differed with him on his subject matter. You have been given ample material and information on the hopes and aims of the Wilton Manors Business and Professional Association but you used none of it.

Your head line referring to the principal speaker as "All Wet" whether it was written in haste or after careful consideration and your use of profanity in proving your point were insulting both to Mr. LeFevre and to your readers. Any good reporter should be able to write a news report or an editorial without resorting to the use of slang or profanity. The written word must carry dignity and resorting to the language of the street hurts you, your paper and the city of Wilton Manors.

I am not advocating that all of us agree with Mr. LeFevre's repudiation. It is our privilege to disagree if we see fit but I do say if we criticize let's do it like a gentleman and do it in the right way. Whether we agree that "We Should Go It Alone" or not is beside the point. However, I do know that Mr. LeFevre's talk stirred up a lot of thought and that is good in America where we are apt to let things slide and then when it is too late try to do something about certain situations.

I would suggest, Mr. Holmes, that you consult your 1,556 page dictionary and find out the real meaning of "diplomacy" and "good taste" and start using them. In my humble opinion your report of the August 19 affair was "All Wet". Take note, friend, when you

sharpen your ax for other people you may cut yourself.

**Cliff Nerber**  
Business Manager  
Wilton Manors Business & Professional Assn.

**EDITOR'S NOTE**—We respect Mr. Nerber's right to criticize our criticism and we're glad to contribute this space for that purpose. I would like to clarify, however, just a few points.

1. We try to serve the public, and in this instance it was and is my opinion that the public would best be served by my effort to counteract the speaker's extreme isolationist statements.

2. Anyone should know that this community newspaper speaks not for any group or organization, but for itself. Anyone also should know that when a writer writes under his own byline and in the first person, he is expressing his own opinions and sentiments and not those of someone else.

3. Any public-figure expressing strong views on highly controversial subjects expects, from experience, to be criticized. Mr. LeFevre did, and was, and I did, and was.

4. I did not "blast" Mr. LeFevre but the extreme isolationist statements which he uttered and which I consider to be more dangerous than any threat now facing this country.

It would be nice if it were possible to make everybody happy, but it isn't.

The one thing I do regret is the fact that the use of the mildly profane term "damn" was rather thoughtless and may have offended some readers. To those folks, I will indeed offer apologies.

I am not afraid of criticism and will continue to call the shots as I see them, to the best of my ability.

Carter Holmes, Editor

## Pupils Register Tuesday

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All children who will be entering the first grade must be six years of age prior to January 1, 1954 in order to enter school. A birth certificate must be presented at the time of registration.

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**Pompano**—Prospect Highway on the South to Sample Road on the North.

**Wilton Manors**—North of N.E. 16th Street between N.W. 9th Ave. and FEC railroad. Also between North & South forks of Middle River.

**Oakland Park**—North Fork of Middle River to Prospect Road and between North Andrews Avenue and Federal Highway.

**Riverland**—West of S.A.L. railroad to 35th Avenue and South of West Broward Blvd. to Riverland Road.

**Stranahan**—West of North and South Forks of New River and East of S.A.L. Railroad. West Broward Blvd from North Fork of New River west. Also North of Broward Blvd. Also South of S.W. 24th Street between Andrews Avenue and Federal Highway. Also Lauderdale Manors, Rock Island Village, Prospect Gardens and Melrose Park. Also South of S. W. 12th Court and West of a Firmount Avenue. Also South of Broward Blvd. and West of State Road 7 to Road 84. South of Road 84 and West of S.A.L. Railroad.

**North Side**—N.W. 6th Street on the South to N.W. and N.E. 16th streets on the North between N.W. 9th Ave. and the FEC railroad.

**Bennett**—N.E. 8th Street on the South Fork of Middle River on the North, between FEC railroad and Middle River. Also east of Middle River and North of Sunrise Blvd. Also South of Sunrise Blvd. to N.E. 6th Street and East of Victoria Park Rd.

**East Side**—New River on the South to N.E. 8th Street on the North, excepting North of N.E. 8th Street and East of Victoria Park Road. Also between FEC Railroad and Intercoastal Waterway. Also South of Sunrise Blvd. East of Intercoastal Waterway and Harbor Beach.

**West Side**—West of FEC railroad to North fork of New River and N.W. 2nd Street South to New River.

**South Side**—Between New River and SE and SW 12th Streets east of the South fork of New River.

**Croissant Park**—S.W. and S.E. 24th Streets on the North. Also North on Road 84 to S.W. 19th Avenue.

**Edgewood**—South of Road 84, between S.A.L. railroad and S.W. 9th Ave.

**Davie**—South of North New River Canal to Stirling Road between State Road 7 and Western limits.

**Dania**—South of Dania cut off canal, to McKinley Street in Hollywood between F.E.C. railroad and State Road 7. Pupils living North of Arthur and East of FEC railroad should attend Dania.

It is possible that these division lines may be altered later depending on the enrollment at the various schools.

The School officials will make every effort to solve all problems as rapidly as possible.

It is hoped that parents will continue past cooperation and feel free to consult with officials at all times.

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(James 4:3.) Read Matthew 20:17-22.  
In some sections of our country we have a great shortage of electricity. Brazil occupies a major place in the world, as regards waterpower. The scarcity of electric energy is due, therefore, not to lack of power but to the fact that the available supply is not used. The entire world is undergoing at present a crisis because the great supply of spiritual energy is not tapped.

On many occasions Jesus showed what is possible to one who taps God's reserve of spiritual energy. We need but remember His raising Lazarus from the tomb, multiplying the loaves, establishing Mary Magdalene and Zacchaeus in the faith.

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In every instance of our asking and receiving not, we have asked amiss. In every instance when we have our requests granted, we have asked in a spirit of unselfishness and desire to do God's will.  
**PRAYER**  
O God, Thou art the fount of every blessing and of all power. Enlighten us of our real needs that we may do that which is for our own good and for the good of those around us. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY**  
"Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you."  
Luiz Caruso (Brazil)

**Too Late To Classify**  
By RUSSELL KAY  
For years motorists have amused themselves by playing games while on tour to pass the time on long trips and help entertain the children. Some folks watch signs along the highway in an attempt to complete the alphabet: starting with the letter "A" they then look for "B, C, D" and so on and the first person in the car to complete the alphabet is the winner.

Others watch license tag numbers and try to make poker hands or try to see how many different state licenses they can record. Some folks make a note of the number of vehicles they pass over a given distance or during a period of time.

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**Eddie King Is Host To Seventeen Friends**

Eddie King Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie King of Oakland Park, was host recently to a large group of friends at a party at the King residence, 285 NW First Street. There were games, prizes, punch and cake for the entertainment of the young group. Guests were Mary Lee Hoket, Margie Smith, Toni Brenner, Helen Rinehart, Mary Ethel Enzor, Diane Young, Shirley Kinsey, Jean Ehrke, Clifford Bates, Thomas Stadler, Sonny Ziegler, Robert Young Jr., C. B. Maxson Jr., Dudley Williams, Alvin Green, Charles Wilkerson and Bob Fitch.

**Joan Kitson is bride of Billy L. Layrock**

Miss Joan Kitson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Kitson of Palisade, Colo., has become the bride of Billy L. Layrock, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hartford C. Dew of Oakland Park. The double-ring ceremony was performed in Clifton, Colo., in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Waters, maternal grandparents of the bride. The bride will be graduated next year from Palisade High School. Mr. Layrock is serving in the signal corps of the United States Navy and is stationed at Long Beach, Calif.

questions and also be impressing on your subconscious mind the things motorists do that imperil their lives and those of other drivers.

Among these driving offenses are: exceeding the speed limit, passing on the right, passing on a hill or curve, passing on a shoulder, following too close, failing to stop for school bus, weaving in and out of traffic, riding the center line, crossing center line where prohibited, making turns from wrong lane, parking in prohibited areas trying to beat the red light, entering or leaving car from wrong side, failing to signal properly and ignoring traffic signs and warnings.

Barit suggests that instead of counting letters or checking licenses to occupy our time while motor-ing, that we make a game out of noting driving offenses. He particularly advocates this as a game for children as it will not only prove a source of entertainment but will impress on their young minds the importance of observing traffic laws and acquaint them with the principles of safe driving.

Recently Hudson sponsored a non-stop run from New York to San Francisco, sending a couple of personable young women on the cross-country journey, instructed to be careful and observe every traffic regulation and use the check list in noting driving offenses of other motorists enroute. Proving that speed isn't too important they made the trip in three days, eight hours and 15 minutes never driving over 60 miles an hour in daylight or more than 50 miles an hour at night.

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### NEW CITY HALL PLANS RAPIDLY ADVANCING

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of the Wilton Manors Womens Club; Mrs. L. L. Dameron, president of the Parent-Teacher Association; Mr. Charles Sills, president of the Highland Estates Civic Club; Mr. Frank Hainey, president of the Wilton Manors Civic Association; Mr. James Dean, president of the Kiwanis Club; Mr. Les Bagwell, president of the Business and Professional Association; Mr. Edward Thomas, chief of the Wilton Manors Volunteer Fire Department; Mr. Richard Beaney, chief of the Police Department.

Membership of these organizations totals over 500 and indicates a city-wide interest with definite prospects for the success of the Building Committee plans.

It was voted to send a letter to every resident of the city to inform them of the emphatic need, of the advantages to the city and to every property owner.

Only approximate cost of the improvement is available since the plans are being revised by the architect. Figures mentioned ranged from \$25,000 to \$35,000.

Financing is expected to be provided, in part by public subscription, by certain allotments from present funds of the City, and by contributions of labor and materials by public spirited citizens.

The present old Village Hall, at NE 26th Street and Fifth Avenue, now wholly inadequate, was constructed five or six years ago almost wholly by voluntary cooperation. Wilton Manors has always been noted for public spirit when a definite need is shown and Mayor Mickel is convinced the new City Hall for Wilton Manors will soon be a reality.

A further meeting of the Building Committee will be held as soon as the revised plans are ready and this will be followed by public meetings to be announced.

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