

## City Of Key West Is Host To Enlisted Men At Dance Tonight

Plans are complete for the dance sponsored by the City of Key West to be given at the National Guard Armory tonight, starting at 8:00 o'clock. All enlisted men of the navy, army and marines are specially-invited guests at this affair and invitations have been sent to a host of Key West girls to turn out to provide dancing partners for the service men.

The committee consisting of Mesdames Frank Pierce, Russell Hoff, Hugh Williams and Eva Warner announce the following program and acts to be presented at the dance:

## KEY WEST WOMEN Their Homes and Gardens

By MYRTLE COSGROVE

### THE WATLINGTON HOME

The history of Captain Francis B. Watlington is so interwoven with the house still bearing his name that in writing of the home, one must of necessity include the master. . . The Watlington home, designated as Key West's oldest house, was erected by Captain Coussens in 1825. It is said to have been situated near the corner of Whitehead and Caroline streets. . . The present location of the Naval Station. . . Attracted by its salubrious climate, Captain Watlington, in command of a Chinese Clipper, frequently made Key West a port of call. Later, when he married Miss Emmeline Johnson of New York, he purchased and moved in 1832 Captain Coussens' cottage to its present site, 322 Duval street. . . Nine daughters were the fruit of his union, seven of whom lived to a ripe old age. Elizabeth Lily, the last and youngest, known to hosts of friends as "Miss Lily", passed away in the old home in 1936. . . Three granddaughters still live in Key West—Mesdames Stephen Douglass, Lillie Cold and Ross Sawyer. . . The compact white structure is of New England style architecture modified by a long, narrow veranda running the full width of the house. An interesting detail is the plastered ceiling of the veranda; probably the only one of its kind on the island. . . The years sit lightly on this house that was for many years the social center of the city. Its excellent state of preservation no doubt being due to the fact that it was constructed of cedar by skillful ship carpenters. . . As time passed rooms increased in ratio to the family. Dormer windows in the attic were enlarged, giving two additional rooms, while three were added to the rear of the lower floor—as such the house stands today. . . An interesting feature is the kitchen. Built some 20 feet distant, it is connected to the house by means of a covered runway, as was customary in many of the old southern homes. Striking details are the massive chimney and Dutch oven, built of brick with foundation of native limestone, the quaint Dutch door and tiny windows. . . Today the small rooms, low of ceiling, contain little of the original furnishings brought here from England. Termites have destroyed many of the valuable pieces; others have been divided among heirs. At present the house contains a chest of drawers intricately carved, a drop-leaf table, some few chairs, a bureau, wardrobe, a delicate French sofa upholstered in red damask, several small tables of exquisite workmanship, a hurricane lamp, and two crystal candlesticks. The unique wardrobe is equipped only with shelves and drawers, having been designed long before clothes hangers were introduced. . . An old-fashioned China closet contains broken sets of many rare and fragile pieces of Haviland, Hawthorn Sprigs, and Meito were made in Japan. . . Three handsome portraits grace the walls. These are of Captain Watlington, his daughter Emmeline and her husband, William Wall. It is interesting to learn that Mr. Wall, prior to the Civil War, was the able and fearless editor of Key West's newspaper, "Key of the Gulf". . . An air of romance hovers about the name of Captain Francis B. Watlington. Born in New York in 1804, he died in Key West in 1887. The intervening years are colorful and fascinating. His portrait enclosed in a massive mahogany frame is the highlight of the house. A Mason of exalted rank, the artist has painted him in the full regalia of a Knight Templar. There is unusual intelligence in the dark, wide-spaced eyes; humor in the curved lips; determination in the square jaw. All in all, it is the face of a man who has sought and found adventure; who has loved life and lived it to the fullest extent. . . For

### Hoefels Return For Annual Visit

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Hoefel, of St. Louis, Mo., arrived over the highway last week for their annual visit to Key West and are now comfortably residing at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Roberts on Southard street.

Since arrival the Hoefels have been visiting relatives and renewing friendships of many years standing.

Mr. Hoefel is a retired railroad employe. During his early years he was stationed at the Key West Army Barracks and while on his tour of duty here met and married the then Miss Katie Demeritt, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Ben (Tink) Demeritt of this city. After leaving the service, Mr. Hoefel secured a position with a railroad company.

### Dinner-Dance At Raul's Club

Raul's Club will hold its first dinner-dance of the season tonight. This is the beginning of a series of mid-week affairs which will continue throughout the season.

Menu will feature Spanish cooking prepared by an expert Key West cook. Dinner will be served from 7 till 9 o'clock, after which guests will enjoy an evening of dancing.

On tonight's program there will be rhumba dancing and other entertainment. Music will be furnished by Ray Baldwin's Native Hawaiian Orchestra.

years he roamed the high seas, trading his wares in many countries and many climes. . . With the approach of middle age, he resigned command of his ship, thinking to spend his remaining days with wife and daughters. But Fate had other plans. Perhaps it is like the poet tells us: "Tis the set of the soul that decides the goal

And not the calm or the strife". This man's career had not ended, rather had it only begun. In 1858 he left for the Legislature, where he served two years as state senator. . . When the bombardment of Fort Sumter called forth the armies of Blue and Grey, Captain Watlington sided with the Confederacy. . . It will be recalled that Key West was in the hands of Federal forces for the duration of the Civil War. In fact, it was the only city in the South which never lowered the Stars and Stripes. . . The band of gallant citizens who joined their Confederate brothers, escaped from the island at the risk of their lives. Among them was Captain Watlington, who reached the mainland by means of a schooner commanded by Captain Sam Filer. The intrepid captain was soon cast in the part of a blockade runner, a fitting role for a daring and courageous spirit. . . When runs were no longer feasible, he was placed in charge of the Mobile Navy Yard. While in this position he designed and supervised the building of the ram Tennessee, successor to the Merimac. . . He numbered among his intimate friends, Jefferson Davis, President of the Confederacy, and General Robert E. Lee. A cherished photograph of the former still hangs in the old home. . . When the war was ended, the gallant captain returned to home and fireside, only to find Key West in the throes of the Reconstruction Period. Restive to laws which forbade his public employment, he again went forth to join the men who go down to the sea in ships. . . It was only when age had taken its toll that Fate relented and the weary wanderer at last allowed to drop anchor in the home port. . . Fifty and three years ago, Captain Watlington cast off his lines and set sail for that port from which no voyager ever returneth. But the old house still sits by the wayside, a mecca for the thousands of visitors who yearly visit the southernmost city.

Next Week: Miss Elizabeth Sharpley

## 'Riley Review' Will Be Colorful Pageant

One of the most interesting and inspiring entertainments to be offered here will be presented on Tuesday evening, January 30th, at 8 o'clock at the High School auditorium.

This program, which is entitled "The Riley Review" will feature some of the works of the immortal James Whitcomb Riley and will be a colorful and diversified pageant from beginning to end, interspersed with musical readings, songs and comedy sketches, it was stated.

A cast of approximately seventy five members, including some of the best local talent, with proven histrionic ability, and a number of winter visitors and service men will take part in this review and all are working under the capable direction of Mrs. Geo. W. Hutchinson, wife of the pastor of the First Methodist Church.

The many characters to be represented, and the songs, readings and unusual costumes to be used in this pantomime of living pictures, will tend to make this an entertainment that can be enjoyed by young and elderly people alike, and should prove to be highly interesting and entertaining, it was pointed out.

Space does not permit the publishing of the many characters to be represented nor the names of the many who are taking part in this pageant, but Mrs. Hutchinson advises that the "Grand Old Hoosier Riley's" most famous characters, will be brought here, and invites the public to witness this affair next Tuesday.

Rehearsal for this Review is called for tonight at the High School at 8:15 o'clock, and all taking part are requested to be on time.

## COUNTY CALLS FOR BOND BIDS

(Continued from Page One) funds, with the statement that the remittance could be used for public schools or any other purpose for which the fund is appropriated.

Receipt from the First National Bank showed that there had been deposited by Sheriff K. O. Thompson, funds amounting to \$477.89.

Deposit of Tax Collector Frank H. Ladd in the bank was shown to be \$5,369.05, to the credit of the following funds: General Revenue, \$826.01; Fine and Forfeiture, \$309.75; Outstanding Indebtedness, \$1,239.01; Road Fund, \$619.51; Special Advertising Fund, \$309.75; General School Fund, \$1,032.51; Special School District Number 1, \$1,032.51.

Commissioner Monsalvatge presented a letter from R. K. Bishop, Director of Public Relations of the Miami Chamber of Commerce, advising that the Follett Publishing Co., publishers of text books, are getting out a new book on a geographical history of the United States. They have asked the Miami Chamber for pictures of various sections of Florida.

The pictures requested of Key West are, as follows: Of the Florida Keys, and air view of the coral islands, close up view of the same, showing how formed, the Overseas Highway, running over the old railroad bridges and viaducts, cigar manufacturing, winter sports and airports.

The pictures are to be 8x10, and the board decided they would furnish them as requested.

Letter from the Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of Key West was read in which it was said that Senator Claude Pepper and Representative Pat Cannon will appear before the U. S. Board of Engineers on January 30 and present the desirability of making the survey of the extension of the inside waterway from Bahia Honda to Key West.

The communication contained a request that the commissioners get as many endorsements for "this great addition to the resources of Key West as you can".

The secretary's letter concluded with the statement that he was sending charts of the inland waterway to the senator and representative.

## ANSWERS TO TODAY'S DAILY QUIZ

Below are the Answers to Today's Daily Quiz printed on Page 2

1. An instrument for measuring minute angles and distances.
2. Solely in Congress.
3. Cayenne.
4. It rests between the beats.
5. Castor and Pollux.
6. James J. Corbett.
7. The Netherlands.
8. Son.
9. Nicotine.
10. Amidschip.

## PERSONAL MENTION

Mrs. Louise D. Cassidy, who is spending the winter season in this city, left over the highway yesterday afternoon for a short business visit in Lexington, Ky.

Mrs. E. J. Wendt, who was spending a short vacation in the city with friends, left on the 7 o'clock bus this morning for her home in Aurora, Ill.

J. G. Bright, auditor for the Dupont Hotel System, who has been in the city checking accounts at the La Concha Hotel, left this morning for Jacksonville.

J. J. Yellen of Perth Amboy, N. J., was an interested visitor in the city today and was intrigued at the display of ancient and modern aids to navigation on display at the Coast Guard museum.

## Alice Perez' Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Perez, 506 Elizabeth street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Alice Joyce, to Anthony Carmon Attilio of the U.S.S. Tender Gannett.

The wedding will take place in the near future, it was announced.

## GREAT BRITAIN WARNS GERMANY

(Continued from Page One) hasty in that regard will be undertaken was the word sent forth.

A British delegation is now on its way to Finland to study Finnish needs so that England may more effectively aid that little Baltic country. The delegation will report back to the British Labor Board.

Head of the group said that England hates Russia because British people are against all aggression.

Protest of the Allied countries against continued flow of oil from Rumania into Germany was answered in Bucharest by the assertion that Rumania was striving to remain absolutely neutral.

Italy protested today against the French blockade in the Mediterranean Sea. Detaining of ships for four days while cargoes were overhauled was particularly objected to it was announced.

## HOLD GROUND IN JAP INCIDENT

(By Associated Press) LONDON, Jan. 24.—British statesmen today indicated that they would hold ground in their action of taking 21 German seamen from the Japanese liner Asama Maru earlier this week. Reason for the action was given out as being desirous of stopping all military workers of Germany from proceeding to the war zones.

Japan, on the other hand, has handed stiff denunciations to the British state department through the ambassador in London. The seizure of the Germans was called "an insult to the Japanese navy", according to releases from Tokio, and retaliatory measures were reported to be considered by the Japs if satisfaction is not forthcoming.

## TRY TO OUTFLANK MANNERHEIM LINE

(By Associated Press) HELSINKI, Jan. 24.—Observers here reported that the Russians were still trying vainly to outflank the Mannerheim Line with ferocious onslaughts on Finnish defenses east and north of Lake Ladoga. All attacks, however, according to the Finns, have been repulsed.

Some new activity on the arctic front, near Petsamo, was reported today with no important changes in fronts noted.

Air activity over Finland was increasing today as skies cleared following recent snows.

The only success scored by Russia yesterday is declared to be the direct hit made by a bomber on an air-raid shelter. Eighteen persons were killed and many injured. Most of the victims were women and children.

## How To Relieve Bronchitis

Bronchitis, acute or chronic, is an inflammatory condition of the mucous membranes lining the bronchial tubes. Creomulsion goes right to the seat of the trouble to loosen germ laden phlegm, increase secretion and aid nature to soothe and heal raw, tender, inflamed bronchial mucous membranes. Tell your druggist to sell you a bottle of Creomulsion with the understanding that you are to like the way it quickly allays the cough or you are to have your money back. **CREOMULSION** for Coughs, Chest Colds, Bronchitis

## COUNCIL SEEKS SIGN CONTROL

CALLS ATTENTION TO REGULATIONS IN OTHER STATES HALTING ROAD SIGNS

BRADENTON, Jan. 24 (FNS).—"Will California Outsmart Florida?" is the question asked by an illustrated article in the new Florida Magazine, describing what certain California counties have accomplished through county zoning.

The writer, Mrs. W. L. Lawton, chairman of the National Roadside Council, points out that Florida has only one stretch of ocean front highway, where for three and one-half miles just north of West Palm Beach the traveler may enjoy the ocean rolling in just below the road. Without marginal control of any kind this stretch is rapidly being spoiled. "Have you noticed", Mrs. Lawton asks, "how signs and roadside commerce are increasing on this scenic stretch, even between the road and the sea?"

California, on the other hand, rich as she is in ocean highways, appreciates their value and seeks to protect the most scenic stretches. "The idea of protecting our highways by zoning is spreading in the south", the article states. Mississippi recently authorized her Gulf counties to zone for the protection of the Gulf Highway. In Georgia roadside control through county zoning is actively sought in Fulton county and in Glynn county.

"We cannot hope to pass any effective law for roadside control in Florida until the general public is informed as to what has been done elsewhere and what can be done here. A central state committee should be formed to recommend measures to be submitted to the legislature, and to organize the state in support of those measures.

"Such groups exist now in fifteen states. Why not in Florida?" concludes Mrs. Lawton.

## NEW KIND OF SOUP

DETROIT.—Ludvik Ritbak of this city was granted a divorce when he testified that his wife fed him soup made of soap, rubber bands and eggshells, and had hung this sign in his garage: "Garage for Rent and Man for Sale".

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## CASA MARINA NOTES

MANY LUNCHEON GUESTS were noted yesterday at the Casa Marina. Mr. and Mrs. William L. Mellon of Pittsburgh motored down to Key West for the day and left immediately after lunch to return to their yacht "Old River", which is moored at No Name Key. . . Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Herrick of Boston entertained for a party of six. . . Clifford D. Mallory of Greenwich, Conn., president of the Mallory Steamship Lines, and Magruder Dent, also of Greenwich, motored down

## SERVICE CLUB FETES LADIES

(Continued from Page One) of the Preamble of the Club—Gerald Saunders.

"Anchors Away"—Lions Club Stringed Trio.

Vocal Solo—Mrs. Andrew Elwood.

Vocal Duet—Mr. and Mrs. George Mills White, accompanied by Gus Ayala.

Lecture, "Miss Primrose"—Mrs. Katherine Sweeting.

Selections and Encores—Eva and Norman, courtesy Club Cayo Hueso. "Long, Long 'Trail"—Gerald Saunders and Kingman Curry. Adjournment, "Blest Be The Tie That Binds."

Eva and Norman were repeatedly called back as Mrs. Sweeting, Adrian O'Sweeney sang several bass selections during the program. Both club members and their guests lauded the program and expressed desire for more entertainment of that particular type.

All hands turned to the shuffle-board courts within the building for further pleasures.

The following wives of Navy men were present: U. S. S. Wickes, Mrs. M. R. Mansfield, Mrs. W. W. Allen, Mrs. E. Williams, Mrs. W. B. Farris, U. S. S. Lea, Mrs. I. R. Fahrback, Mrs. A. W. Johnson, Mrs. L. J. Bordalle, Mrs. H. F. Lee; U. S. S. Twigg, Mrs. Geo. Schliemer; U. S. S. Evans, Mrs. F. M. Broderston, Mrs. A. J. Kuntz, Mrs. Evelyn L. Ritchie.

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## STRONG ARM BRAND COFFEE

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from No Name Key for the day. They left after lunch at La Casa to return to Mr. Mallory's yacht, "Bonnie Dundee". Before he left Mr. Mallory said that they would be down to the Island City soon for some fishing.

MRS. W. N. FRANCIS returned today from a two-weeks' visit to her home in Lancaster, Pa. She is the former Ann Funkhauser, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Funkhauser of Roanoke, who are regular winter visitors at the Casa Marina. Arriving also was S. D. Ferguson of Roanoke, who will visit Mr. and Mrs. Funkhauser.

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GINS left this morning for Miami. They have been at the Casa Marina for the past two weeks. From Miami they will motor to New Orleans, where they will spend a few days. From there they will then return to their home in Chicago.

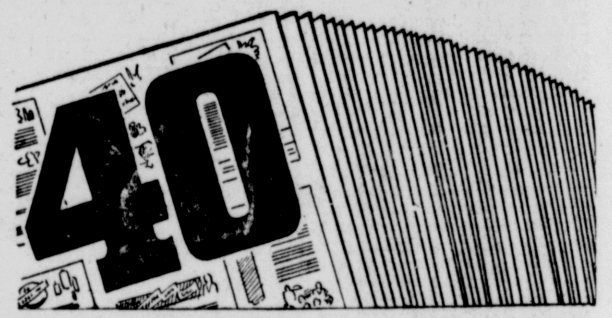
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## The Home Newspaper

"The sorriest newspaper in the United States does more for the support of its community than the finest community in the United States does for the support of its newspaper." Thus Karl Lehmann, secretary of the Lake County Chamber of Commerce, gave his opinion of the value to a community of the local newspaper, in his speech at the weekly Kiwanis Club luncheon in the Valdez Hotel . . .

Mr. Lehmann went on to point out that every civic, religious and educational organization in a city is in the habit of coming to the newspaper publisher asking him to give away free the one commodity he has for sale, space.

"This," the speaker stated, "was something we would ask of no other form of business, or business man in our community. We would not go into a bakery and ask the baker to give us a loaf of his bread. Yet we will go to the newspaper owner and ask him to give away the space he has to sell; perhaps not realizing that that commodity, like any other merchandise, costs money to produce."

Mr. Lehmann proceeded to enumerate the various sources of income which a newspaper has: first, the advertising space that is sold; second, the money derived from the sale of the paper to the public; third, if the plant is equipped for such work, commercial printing . . .

The speaker closed his talk with the statement, "if an editor were to tell you this you would think he had an ulterior motive; now I'm telling you with an ulterior motive, too. I want to see you improve your city. An editor gladly gives all the space he can afford, and more, to the community. It is only fair for the community to return this service the only way it can, by purchasing advertising space and subscriptions from the editor."—Sanford Herald.

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