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Faber Hair is the 13th president to serve the Naples on-the-Gulf Board of REALTORS. He had **offices** in Naples Park. Due to the hurricane of 1960 Faber's offices became the Board Office. Board staff was still trying to dry out the papers that got wet during hurricane Donna. This made preparing the listing updates and sales information for each of the 25 member offices of the MLS difficult.

Naples High School graduated its first class from its present location. (Which included, Mike Richardson, who eventually became the seventh executive officer of the Naples-on-the-Gulf Board of REALTORS.)

- According to the Naples Daily News (NDN), “Farmers petitioned Collier County Commissioners to extend Airport Road north to Immokalee Road.
- “Congressmen proposed an interstate highway connecting Tampa to Miami via Naples. But it took much fancy footwork to defeat the original proposal to bypass the west coast (the Naples area) and cut the highway across the state from Tampa to Miami”.
- “The local telephone report says Naples has more than 6,476 telephones; callers make around 43,700 long distance calls monthly.”
- “The Naples Chamber of Commerce moved to new offices at the entrance to Caribbean Gardens on U.S. 41 at Fleischman Blvd. “
- “Collier County teachers get a \$200 a year raise, bringing the starting salary to \$4,600. Teachers with 11 years’ experience, earn \$6,300.”
- “County residents vote 2,262 to 332 for a \$1.6 million general obligation bond to move the County Courthouse from Everglades City to East Naples.”
- “River Park East, a new subdivision of single family waterfront homes, begins the “Negro development” with nine homes for \$9,000.”
- Collier Commissioners approve Gulf Guaranty Land and Title Co's (aka GAC) request to build 84 miles of roads in Golden Gate Estates. The commissioners aren't pleased, according to a report in the Collier County News. “No one was able to look far enough into the future and see a time when these roads would be used,” the weekly newspaper said.

NDN=Naples Daily News