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Hospital Drive Plans House To House Campaign

City To Donate Parking Meter Receipts During The Month of March

At a meeting of the Ridge Area Hospital Association Finance Committee at the Walker Memorial Hospital on Monday afternoon, much progress was made in outlining the campaigns for raising the balance of approximately $36,000 to which this community is committed.

The community of Avon Park has been divided into four areas, the dividing lines of which are Main Street and Lake Avenue. Sectors have been assigned, as follows: Northeast, Mrs. Charles O. Locke; Northwest, Dr. Stuart Ward; Southwest, Mrs. W. C. Touchton; and Southeast, Mrs. C. Parke Anderson. The aforesaid Zone Leaders will further subdivide their sectors and enlist helpers in order that quick and thorough coverage may be had during the campaign week, which is the first week in March. The chairman of the local campaign committee reported that in the former campaign more than $52,000.00 had been donated by Avon Park citizens, even though only 385 individuals had contributed. He reported that many people who were on the lists before were not seen and that some who were contacted had indicated their willingness to contribute at a later date, when the fruit season was underway. It was hoped that this house to house campaign would contact everyone so that each would have an opportunity to make a donation.

Acting upon a request from the Ridge Area Hospital Association, the City Council voted last Thursday night to donate the receipts from the parking meters for the month of March. This was done after Mayor Wilkes reported that the Duncan Meter Corporation had been contacted and were agreeable to a deferment of one month in the payments due them. They expressed their desire to co-operate in order to make this possible.

The committee plans to advertise this month of donating to the hospital fund, through cards placed on the meters and through slides at the theatre. It was their expressed hope that many dimes and nickels will be contributed through this means.

The committee plans other means of advertising the drive, such as hand bills, a letter for general distribution, and announcements from the pulpits on the day before the drive starts. A luncheon for the workers is planned at the Hospital at noon on March 1st.

After the meeting, the committee examined the Hospital building, and found that much progress has been made in final preparations for placing the Hospital in full operation. The main operating room is ready, all except the rubber-tiled floor, which Manager Baldwin reported is to be completed this week. The motor for the elevator is presumed to be in Jacksonville, with delivery expected probably before this paper goes to press. The delivery room in the maternity department will be ready within ten days. All of the committee expressed themselves as delighted with both the progress being made and the general atmosphere and equipment of the institution.

During the course of the inspection, some of the members of the committee talked with Mr. Charles A. Stratton and Mrs. Stella Frye, both of whom are local citizens and now are patients at the Hospital. They were both enthusiastic in their praise of the treatment which they are receiving.

GAY URGES VOTERS TO REGISTER

Tallahassee — Comptroller C. M. Gay, seeking return in the May Democratic primaries to a full four year term in office, today urged every eligible citizen of Florida to register as a voter, and to exercise his franchise as a patriotic duty.

"The right of the voter to express his opinion is more important this year than it has ever before been," declared Comptroller Gay. "Due to more rapidly changing conditions of government than any of us can remember, it is vital that the electorate of Florida and of the Nation become eligible, by registration, to vote, and then exercise their privilege along this line by casting ballots on election day."

Junior King and Queen Contest

The Junior Woman's Club is sponsoring a King and Queen Contest during the week of the Highlands County Fair. The contest begins March 1 and runs through the 5th. Any child between the ages of 2 and 5 may enter the contest by sending the entry fee of one dollar and submitting snapshots to Mrs. Eunice Carter, president of the Junior Woman's Club of Avon Park or Mrs. Otis Williams and Mrs. Austin Hescock, of Sebring. Photos must not be larger than 8x10.

Boxes will be placed throughout Sebring for voting, which will be by popular vote. The votes will be a penny each. The voting will close Saturday noon on March 6 and the coronation will be held at 7:30 p. m.

The winners will be presented loving cups and have their pictures made.

Excellent Program To Be Given At First Methodist Church

Pat B. Withrow, Jr., radio singer and National Director of Veterans Hospital Programs, will appear in person at the First Methodist Church of Avon Park, Tuesday, February 24, 7:30 P. M.



Pat B. Withrow, Jr.

Mr. Withrow and his radio party are appearing in the interest of Veterans Hospital Programs, an organization which provides inspirational entertainment for our veterans' hospitals and distributes free bedside radios to the disabled men.

During the war, Pat Withrow toured Army and Navy camps with Richard Maxwell, well known gospel singer. Quoting Mr. Maxwell, "Pat Withrow Jr. is one of the greatest, most influential young people on the Christian platform in America. His earnest deephearted sincerity, with his wit and humor, make him a favorite everywhere."

The program will feature the singing of Margot Power, CBS singer and 1947 winner on Arthur Godfrey's "Talent Scout" contest, as well as the talents of Mildred Young, graduate of the Juilliard School of Music in New York. Miss Young has appeared with the NBC Symphony Orchestra under Toscanini, and on the Celanese program. Mr. Withrow will tell dramatic stories of his experiences in the Army camps, Naval bases, and hospitals during the past five years.

The public is cordially invited to attend this rally in the interest of our disabled veterans.

A free will offering will be received.

QUALIFIES FOR RE-ELECTION

Justice of the Peace, Alton Elders, has qualified for re-election to the office that he has successfully served for the past four years. Judge Elders is one of Avon Park's well known business men, and has been active in all community affairs. In an interview with the writer he stated that he has tried to show good judgement in all cases that have come before him during his term of office, and is perfectly willing to stand for re-election to this important office on his record of the past four years.

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'Cracker Politics'

By Allen Morris

Tallahassee— Dan McCarty's kite is flying.

That's according to plan, reports the 36-year-old Fort Pierce citrus grower - cattleman, who helped plan another big campaign — the American invasion of the south of France, as assistant G-4 for General Sandy Patch's Seventh Army.

You may recall the McCarty campaign for governor was kicked off by most politicoes some weeks ago with the wisecrack, "Dan can't get his kite off the ground." McCarty's friends were saying that, too.

Even then, however, McCarty insisted he knew what he was doing; that he purposely was holding back until the time came when, he felt, Floridians could be interested in politics instead of just tourists or hunting or oranges and grapefruit and winter vegetables.

Now, eleven weeks to the first primary, he's been in each of the 67 counties and, by his tabulation has a functioning McCarty-for-governor club in 55. Not a man given to wordiness, McCarty says the situation both is pretty good and has "developed pretty much as I figured."

Not going unspectacularly about the state to set up local campaign clubs, McCarty has been tapping what he calls "the new blood in Florida politics"—the young men like himself.

In Dade county, for example, chairman is Eddie Boardman, leader in Miami politics; in Duval county, top man is Edgar Jones, All-Southern football player and later director of athletics at the University of Florida but now automobile distributor in Jacksonville, while in Hillsborough, the ringmaster is Howard Frankland, a Tampa tire dealer who met McCarty as they served together on Governor Caldwell's finance committee in 1945. Vice chairman of the Tampa committee is Jack Davis, an insurance man and former football captain at the University of Florida.

That's the McCarty story in the three big counties. How's he doing in an organizational way in the smaller counties?

In Jefferson, Richard H. Simpson, a Monticello nurseryman pal like McCarty, a former Speaker of the House of Representatives, is heading up an informal group, in Citrus, J. A. Smith, oil company distributor at Inverness and member of the 1949 House; in Indian River, the well-known Vero Beach lawyer, Charles Mitchell, and so on.

McCarty figures his activities in the Junior Chamber of Commerce, at the University of Florida, in the Legislature, and as a citrus grower and cattleman, give him the entree to All-Florida that other East Coast candidates for governor have lacked.

While McCarty is inclined to put emphasis upon the "new blood" of his campaign and the absence of entangling alliances with lobbyist and the like, still he has some of the best political brains in the state behind him.

Thomas A. Johnson of Pensacola, chairman of the state road department under Governor Holland, director of the state board of administration under Governor Caldwell and now Escambia tax collector, bet his prestige on McCarty long ago. No one ever denied that "Smokestack" Johnson is one of the state's wiliest politicoes.

Then there are such canny pulse-fingerers as Senator N. Ray Carroll of Kissimmee, who backed Holland and Caldwell, and J. T. Vocelle, formerly of Vero Beach, who was a parole commissioner during the Holland regime and now is Caldwell's state beverage director.

Yes, Dan McCarty's kite is up there in the clouds today— perhaps not as high as the moment of some other candidates, but nevertheless up there, "circling to plan."

Confused by conflicting claims, State Senator E. Drew Benton invested money and time in an effort to find out the score at this stage of the 1948 political game.

"I wasn't for or against anybody— I was just curious," explains Branch, a Sumatra road contractor and weekly newspaper

Branch mailed returnable postcard ballots to around 2,500 persons, all members of the 1947 legislature, all county officials, [illegible] and beauticians, and shoppers in Tampa, Miami, and Jacksonville, all weekly newspaper editors, some insurance agents, and persons picked at random from telephone books and registration lists.

He got back 841 ballots marked for governor—plus those interesting results.

For governor: Fuller Warren, 37.7 per cent of the first choice votes and 19.3 per cent of the second choice; Senator W. A. Shands, 20 per cent and 17.6 per cent; Dan McCarty, 14.3 percent and 23.1 per cent; Attorney General J. Tom Watson, 13.2 percent and 14.3 per cent; School Supt. Colin English, 11.9 per cent and 19.4 per cent; Senator Walter W. Rose (regarded as a candidate although the ballots were printed but since has announced he will not run), 1.5 per cent and 4 per cent, and Richard Cooper, 1.3 per cent and 2.4 per cent.

For attorney general: L. Grady Burton, 43.2 per cent; Richard W. Ervin, Jr., 37 per cent, and P. Guy Crews, 19.8 per cent.

For Comptroller: Senator Edwin G. Fraser, 50.3 per cent; Comptroller Clarence M. Gay, 46.1 per cent, and H. A. Lee, 3.2 per cent.

For railroad commissioner: Commissioner Richard A. Mack, 28.8 per cent; Marvin A. Peterson, 8.8 per cent, and William M. Wainwright, 62.3 per cent.

Branch turned over to Cracker Politics the postmarked ballots, and those then were independently audited for verification of the figures.

Richard W. Ervin, Jr., a candidate for attorney general, picked up these stories on his campaign rounds:

A county commissioner who has acted as an election manager reported he never had trouble voting "right" the people in his district who need help in casting their ballot. When they come to a name on the ballot they are against but he is for, he says: "Well, you are against this fellow, so we'll just cross him out." And he marks an "X" by the name.

The same commissioner (not in YOUR county, of course) said also there were people in his district who sold their vote for $2 to any candidate. So as not to lose money in any race, they take $2 from each candidate (or his local supporters) and then put an "X" by each name on the ballot so they truthfully can say they kept their bargain.

When the Suwannee Echo inadvertently substituted for Ervin's picture that of an old gentleman with a white moustache, long hair, and a wingback collar and black bow tie, the fortyish candidate received letters from solicitous friends regretting how the campaign had aged him.

Florida Sunshine Fiesta To Be Held At Kissimmee

Kissimmee— (Special) — Miss Gail Potter, director of dramatics and radio at Florida Southern College, Lakeland, is preparing a pageant to be featured in the Florida Sunshine Fiesta here on April 1, 2 and 3.

Miss Potter is a graduate of LeLand Stanford University, a member of the National League of Writers, and has worked all over the United States on stage and radio presentations.

"We think the Kissimmee Fiesta committee is exceedingly fortunate in having secured such experienced talent," states Harrie T. Best, chairman.

"The Romance of Kissimmee", as the pageant is titled, will be held at night on the shores of Lake Tohopekaliga where Kissimmee was born some sixty years ago, Best adds. It is to be the high spot in three days of entertainment and will depict important historical events from the very beginning of the town to the present day. Indians, cowboys, U. S. militia, campfire scenes, pow-wows and native singing will be featured in dramatic settings.

"This is the first of a series of annual events of this kind which promises to add a great new attraction for Florida's tourists," Mr. Best continued. "Not a moment of the three-day event lacks planned, exciting and varied entertainment, including professional boat racing, rodeos, public dancing and many other features.

A howl in the rear of your car may mean two things. You need grease in the differential — or you've just backed into someone. The National Safety Council asks drivers to look before they back, and not to depend on the rear view mirror.

Dale Carnegie

"HOW TO WIN FRIENDS and INFLUENCE PEOPLE"

ADD this to your collection of stories on "How to Get a Job in Hollywood." The hero is from Ottumwa, Iowa. By name Hal Walker. Now we're off:

He turned up in the lemon groves determined to attach himself to a studio payroll. But something was wrong with the connection and he didn't attach. Finally he was licked. But he didn't have enough money to get back to Ottumwa, so he wrote a letter to a friend asking him for a loan. With the letter in his pocket, he started out to find a mail box. As he was passing the Brown Derby restaurant a car drew up and Edward H. Griffith got out. A director!



D. Carnegie

Hal Walker had watched the pictures directed by Edward Griffith; knew a good deal about them, but he had never spoken to him.

As Hal Walker saw that car slither into the parking lot, he got an idea. He wanted to meet Griffith, the director. But he had to have some excuse; he couldn't just dash up, hook a thumb in his lapel and say, "My name is Hal Walker. I am so glad we have met." Well, handily. You don't do that — not even in Hollywood.

So to the restaurant kitchen he went, borrowed a towel from an employee, then went out and got to work on the director's car. He made the job last until lunch was over—and how that car shone! When Griffith came out, there was Walker working on the car as if it were a lady's wrist watch. Griffith saw him, reached into his pocket for a coin. But the industrious Mr. Walker shook his head and said, "No, thanks, Mr. Griffith."

Griffith, the director, glanced in surprise at the man who was able to call him by name, and said: "How do you happen to know my name?"

"I've watched your pictures, and I've studied them carefully."

Grif. h's full attention was now centered on Hal Walker, who added, "The title of your next picture is so and so." There had been no publicity about this picture, so Griffith was even more surprised. He said:

"Get in and take a ride with me."

Then Griffith drew him out on his knowledge of pictures and got him a job as an extra. This was the first time Walker had ever been inside a studio. He rose in business, not as an actor, but as a director. He directed "The Stork Club," "Duffy's Tavern," "Out of This World," and more recently "The Road to Utopia."

Now what is my object in telling you all this Hollywood stuff? It is to emphasize the importance of calling a man by name. Walker says if he hadn't called Griffith by his name he would not have got his attention long enough to get Griffith interested in him.

This goes not only for Hollywood, but for people all over the world, in any kind of business, or profession. Learn a man's name; call him by it.



"SITTER" KEEPS BABE . . . Mrs. Dick King, Vancouver stenographer, smiles at the bouncing four-months-old baby left with her a week ago by his parents, who were "going dancing" and who did not return to claim the child.

Winter Guests Club News

By David Arthur Brodie

The Club was the recipient of a valuable gift of nine steel benches through the good offices of the Chamber of Commerce, and business men of the city. With the record membership we have this year, an acquisition such as this, contributes greatly to the pleasure and comfort of our winter visitors. The Winter Guest Club extends its hearty appreciation and thanks for this much needed gift.

At long last, owing to the difficulty of securing materials, the baffleboards and buffers at the ends of the shuffleboard courts are now in place and are serving the purpose satisfactorily.

The following names were registered during the week:

Mrs. Zell Spencer, Garrettsville, Ohio. Mrs. Lloyd Jones, L. A. Jones, C. F. King, B. M. Davis, all of Avon Park. A. W. Rodgers, Pittsburg-Hadley, Pa., Mr. and Mrs. Haas, Adrian, Mich., and Mrs. Gady S. Gallagher, Larchmont, N. Y.

The membership now stands at 305, perhaps the largest on record. The shuffleboards continue to be the chief attraction and are filled to capacity most of the day. In this connection, it would seem worth while to mention once more the necessity of relinquishing one's place after having played three games, according to the rules of the court, to allow those who wish to play a chance to do so. At the same time, it should not be expected that those who give way for a new player, must go about asking who wants to play. The sensible thing to do, is that the one who wishes to play, watch for a coming vacancy and be ready to step in.

Those of our members who have not yet taken the trip to Key West, and other points of interest in South Florida, would do well to consider the chance before returning home. In fact, one cannot afford to leave without seeing that part of the state. Just because Florida cannot boast of mountains, vast prairies, desert wastes, snow-capped peaks, frozen lakes, and skiing thrills, its attractions are probably just as varied as those offered by any other part of North America. Before any of us had ever seen Florida, the name at once made us think of everglades, mangrove swamps, Seminoles, bucaneers, treasure islands, flamingoes, and a host of other characteristic features learned in our schoolbooks, and from reading stories of adventure in which we reveled during the long winter evenings at home. It is also true that most of us came here with preconceived ideas of many things and have had to undergo many disillusionments when we beheld the realities. Nevertheless, as each locality anywhere, may be different from all others, yet its features are beautiful in their own natural settings, so Southern Florida is different, even from other parts of the State, and is beautiful in its own settings, in many instances reaching beyond the point of transcendency. It would be useless to attempt a description of a trip from here to Key West in one column, space will allow only a cursory and superficial mention of what may be expected. Without doubt, the two chief attractions on the trip, are the Everglades and the Florida Keys. We see the "Glades" in all stages of their natural existence. We see where extensive areas of almost level country have been elevated sufficiently above the water-table to enable certain shallow-rooted plants such as grasses, and shrubs to take root and flourish, thus affording pasturage for a rapidly-growing cattle industry. We traverse areas of swamp and unimproved lands still in the primeval state. We see particularly in the vicinity of Clewiston, thousands of acres that have been drained and cleared, revealing rich, black soil, now producing sugar cane and garden vegetables on a large scale. As we go farther south, still in everglade territory, we cross another great stretch of prairie, with scattered herds of cattle, and pass on into areas of partly submerged land. We see great flocks of water fowl, white cranes, bitterns, ibises, and other birds peculiar to the region, and once in a while catch a glimpse of a lazy alligator basking in the sub-tropical sun. Passing through Homestead, in the heart of a prosperous citrus belt, we again enter the everglades where another immense area has been drained and devoted to large-scale commercial gardening, and here for the first time we see the typical mangrove swamp growth giving down toward sea level, finally disappearing into the brackish and salt waters of Florida Bay, leaving no clearly defined shoreline.

Leaving the mainland, we find ourselves on that wonderful string of islands (keys) curving southwest and west out into the ocean, with a 125-mile drive ahead of us that has no compeer anywhere in the whole world. Most of the keys are built on coral reefs, and in one place this beautiful rock is being quarried for building purposes. The splendid highway carries us from key to key over bridges, some short, and some miles long, and along stretches of land scarcely wider than the right of way, with the Gulf of Mexico on one side and the Atlantic Ocean on the other, as we pass across leagues of shallow sea of ever-changing colors and hues to the thin, level line of the horizon—no land in sight, except the numerous small keys that dot Florida Bay, the whole panorama being one of fascinating beauty, indescribable. As we contemplate these peaceful surroundings, it is difficult to realize that we are on the very spot, the turbulent history of which, reaches back through hurricanes, storms, wrecks, Indian massacres, wars, privateers, buccaneers, and all the woes and tragedies that such scenes entail.

If one has time, there are many side trips that are well worth while, but for lack of space we cannot enumerate them here. Suffice it to say, that a trip to Key West and the southern end of the peninsula, is one that can never be forgotten, and the memory of it will be always a source of pleasure in the years to come.

Many a tombstone is carved by chiseling in traffic.

Though traffic rules they disobey, Kids always have the right-of-way.

Fortunately nothing is ever so bad as the gossips paint it.

Fort Myers, Fla.— Among the visitors who toured the Thomas A. Edison Winter Home here recently was Mrs. C. Bowers of Lake Placid.

The Edison Home, with its adjoining laboratories and extensive botanical gardens, was presented to the City of Fort Myers by the inventor's widow, Mrs. Mina Miller Edison, a few months before her death last August. In November it was opened to the public for the first time since Mr. Edison chose his winter homesite in 1886.

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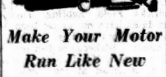
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Napoleon Bonapart, when emperor of France, ordered the governor of one of his departments to shoot anyone convicted of setting forest fires.

The penalty in any state for careless wiring may be electrocution.

RALPH McGILL
. . . One Southerner's Viewpoint

It is an old and familiar role for the Negro—this one in which he again is cast by the civil rights recommendations of the President and the rising revolt in the Southern wing of the Democratic Party.

It is his inevitable role—the dark Nemesis.

The role now is a national one, whereas before it was played on the stages of the States. It is a role familiar to anyone who knows, for instance, the history of the Populist movement in the South—the revolt of the agrarians against the Bourbons, or "The New Departure Democrats" in the South.

The shibboleths remain the same, unchanged.

Tom Watson's career, in which he "fled him down the labyrinthian ways" of that problem, is a good illustration.

In his Populist career he was to insist that the Negro had a right to full political equality. In appealing to the white and colored farmers in 1892, he said:

"You are kept apart that you may be separately fleeced of your earnings. You are made to hate each other because upon that hatred is rested the kyestone of the arch of the financial despotism which enslaves you both. You are deceived and blinded that you may not see how this race antagonism perpetuates a monetary system which beggars both."

Again, he has to say:

"You might beseech a Southern white tenant to listen to you upon questions of finance, taxation and transportation; you might demonstrate with mathematical precision that herein lay his way out of poverty into comfort; you might have him almost persuaded to the truth, but if the merchant who furnished his farm supplies (at tremendous usury), or the town politician (who never spoke to him except at election times), came along and cried 'Negro rule!' the entire fabric of reason and common sense which you patiently had constructed would fall, and the poor tenant would joyously hug the chains of actual wretchedness rather than do any experimenting in a question of mere sentiment . . . The Negro has been as valuable a portion of stock in trade of a Democrat as he was of a Republican."

It was this same Watson who turned from these typical policies to one of violent hatred for the Negro. It grew out of his frustration and failure resulting from his inability to solve the problem.

In his later life Watson once wrote a retrospective comparison of his career with that of William Jennings Bryan. There is no doubt but that the early Watson was a more able man than Bryan. Watson said of Bryan:

"Consider the advantage of position that Bryan had over me. His field of work was the plastic, restless, growing West, mine was the hide-bound, rock-ribbed Bourbon South. Besides, Bryan had NO EVERLASTING AND OVER-SHADOWING NEGRO QUESTION TO HAMPER AND HANDICAP HIS PROGRESS. I HAD." (The capitals were his own.)

A great many men since Bryan have plunged into the problem, seeking to reverse deeply rooted racial prejudices and at least modify traditions fixed in the deep concrete of Southern history.

Watson saw the necessary start. Race hatred, political isolation, lynch law and terrorism had to be replaced with tolerance, friendly co-operation, justice and political rights for the Negro. The Negro's legitimate aspirations must be accorded serious and sympathetic consideration.

Any program which seeks to vault over that start is sure to bring in its wake violence and an acceleration of hatred and non-cooperation. That is why President Truman's proposals have so aroused many of the Southern political leaders. Some of them are sincerely aroused. Others see in the situation an opportunity to make political hay and further to strengthen their personal positions. It keeps down opposition and it is, as Watson was saying in 1892, a very handy weapon to use—this one of racial prejudices and fear.

The South is in an unenviable position, for which it must accept most of the responsibility. It is not without reason the South has a guilt complex. Our segregation laws have not been honestly or fairly administered. Too often they have been a fiction.

But, since most of the nation's Negro population is in the South, most of the impact will be felt there. It is this which makes all the more contemptible the easy and cynical political use by Republicans and Northern Democrats of the civil rights proposals.

It gives to despicable organizations, such as the Ku Klux Klan, a membership appeal.

A majority of the people in the Cotton South will not accept them, if they become law. This may be deplorable flouting of law. It remains a fact. Even those who do not object to the objectives resent the methods being proposed.

But for the South secession is no answer. The Republicans will offer a program ever more severe. Henry Wallace makes both seem conservative.

Forming a Southern "party" is futile and would further injure the Southern political position in years to come. Nor would this prevent—if they are to come—the "force" measures proposed.

It must be fought out in Congress and the issue is, without question, squarely on the representatives. They cannot escape that responsibility by crying secession, and happily few are.

We tried secession once and it is largely the reason for our present plight.

TWINS ENTER AZALEA QUEEN CONTEST



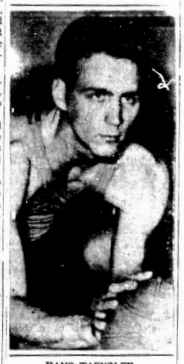
Misses Jean and Jane Strickland, 17-year-old twins, seniors at Winter Haven High School have been entered as a single contestant in the Eighth Annul Azalea Festival to be held in the Palatka Ravine Gardens on Feb. 22 at 2:30 p. m. by their local Junior Chamber of Commerce. The festivl is held under the sponsorship of the Palatka Jaycees.



REVERENT SCENES are portrayed on many of this season's Easter cards. Those reproduced above are typical.



J. Ollie Edmunds, A.B., A.M., LL.B., LL.D., is the newly elected president of John B. Stetson University, DeLand.



HANS TAENZLER
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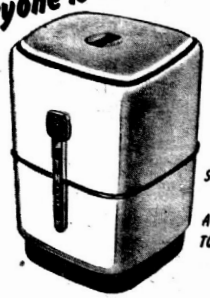
A big (six foot-four inch) reason why the University of Florida basketeers won twelve of their first 17 games is point-making Hans Taenzler, whose 226 markers pace the individual scorers. The Gators meet Miami in Gainesville on the 20th and 21st. (UF Sports Photo)



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They tell a story about the pelicans on the West Coast who hung around the fish houses and were fed by the fishermen. Whenever the boats came in the fishermen would throw sardines to the birds. The pelicans quit looking for their own food and simply walked to be fed. They got so fat and lazy it was even difficult for them to fly.

When the war came on and all fishing craft was ordered to stay in port because of mines and other dangers, food for the pelicans became scarce. Still the birds hung around the fish houses and screamed their heads off. The fishermen were sorry for them but there was nothing they could do about it.

One day a fisherman happened to take a trip to a barren stretch of beach where he noted a flock of pelicans diving after minnows and feeding themselves. Suddenly, he got an idea. With the aid of some friends he captured a few of these active pelicans and took them back home with him.

He realized that the pelicans the fishermen had been feeding all this time had just naturally forgotten how to care for themselves. He figured that if he turned these active birds loose they would go to fishing and the lazy shiftless pelicans would see them getting food and start feeding themselves again. And he was right. The starving birds got the idea in no time and, while they found it difficult at first as they were out of practice, before very long they were holding their own with the other birds.

Ever since the advent of the "new deal" a lot of folks in this country and in other countries under our influence are just like those pelicans. The government with a lot of silly paternalistic ideas has undertaken to feed and clothe and care for everybody. A lot of folks found that by taking advantage of the situation they could get by without working. Whenever any attempt was made to get them to work or assume responsibility they became indignant and contended that the government owed them a living." Shrewd politicians, consumed with votes, sided with them and screamed for larger and ever larger appropriations. People who still worked for a living were taxed more and more to give for the lazy and shiftless who wouldn't work.

Then we found that in the wake of war whole countries were destitute. We took on the humanitarian job of supplying their needs, feeding their people and caring for them and the burden becomes steadily heavier. Bureaucrats and politicos called for billions and billions for their relief. Acute shortages of all manner of goods developed at home because so much of our resources were being sent overseas. In these countries America was feeding and caring for millions of people, a large percentage of them who were doing nothing for themselves. They just took everything we sent and yelled for more.

Over in Germany an American farm boy who had learned how to take care of himself, had been a Future Farmer and a member of the National Junior Vegetable Growers, noted that there was plenty of good fertile soil near where he was camped but nobody was doing anything about it. The people stood in line every day to get their ration of American food or supplies and made no effort to help themselves.

This farm boy wrote to his congressman and asked for a supply of seeds. The congressman sent them and then the boy got busy. He gathered together a group of German boys and girls, told them how the boys and girls of America formed clubs and entered into competition in growing vegetables and livestock. He managed to get a few garden tools and made others of scrap materials; then he showed them how to make gardens and all his seed was planted and the crop given loving care and attention by these German kids.

When the crop was finally harvested it provided fresh vegetables and foodstuffs for over 100 German families. It didn't cost the taxpayers of America a penny unless you want to figure the cost of the seed the congressman sent and the soldiers pay this young farm boy G.I. received. If one American boy could figure out a way to help these people of Europe help themselves why couldn't others be helped the same way.

The story of the American boy and the vegetable garden in Germany seems to parallel the story of the West Coast pelicans. Maybe if we applied a little more practical everyday common sense in trying to solve the European problem we could do it without spending so many billions and at the same time would be giving the people of these countries a chance to regain their self respect instead of playing the role of beggars and loafers.

But such a simple solution is beyond the comprehension of the diplomats, the bureaucrats and politicians. All they know is appropriate and spend, appropriate and spend, when the real answer to the problem is "WORK and SAVE."

CHURCH Notices

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Evening Worship, 7:30 P. M.
Wednesday Prayer Service, 7:45 P. M.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
S. Lake Ave & Walnut St.
Rev. W. J. Ashworth, Pastor
Church School 9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship 10:55 A. M.
Nursery for babies and small children during Sunday School and Church.
The Youth Fellowship at 6:45 P. M.
Evening Worship 7:30 P. M.
Wednesday Prayer Service 7:30 P. M.
Service.
Choir Practice following Prayer

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. E. H. Puryear, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship 10:55 A. M.
Nursery for small children during morning services.
Training Union 6:15.
Evening Worship 7:30.
Wednesday Prayer Service 7:30 P. M.

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THE CHURCH OF GOD
S. Verona Ave.
Rev. W. O. Crews, Pastor
Sunday School 10:00 A. M.
Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Young People's Service Thursday 7:15 P. M.
Sunday Evening Service 7:00 P. M.
Tuesday Prayer Service 7:15 P. M.

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Sunday School 9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Prayer Service, Wed. 7:15 P. M.

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Sunday School 10 a. m.
Morning Worship 11 a. m.
Training Union 6:30 p. m.
Evening Service 8 p. m.
Prayer Services Wednesday Evening 7 p. m.

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Nursery for babies and small children 11 A. M.
6 P. M. Young Peoples Service League
Wednesday, 10 A. M. Holy Communion

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RECENT RULINGS ON SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

Thousands of workers in the area serviced by the West Palm Beach office of the Social Security Administration are affected by recent rulings, based on Federal Court Decisions, in connection with services performed in the commercial handling, packing, packaging, processing, grading, storing or delivering to storage or to market of fresh fruits and vegetables, according to R. C. Gehrken, Jr., Manager of the West Palm Beach office of the Social Security Administration.

Service performed in the employ of a commercial handler of fresh fruit and vegetables now comes under the Social Security Act.

Anybody who has worked in fruit or vegetable packing houses in Palm Beach, Martin, St. Lucie, Indian River, Glades, Hendry, or Highlands County, should get in touch with the West Palm Beach office at 215 North Flagler Drive.

"This is of particular importance to persons 65 years old or older who may be eligible for monthly retirement benefits," Mr. Gehrken said.

Some folks seem to think that the way to be a good friend is to tell you something disparaging about yourself that a good friend of yours said about you.

A recession is a period in which you tighten your belt. In a depression you have no belt to tighten, and when you have no pants to hold up, it's a panic.

A good workman is never satisfied with work that is any less than the best he can do.



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FEBRUARY

18—Ohio admitted to Union, 1803.

20—U.S. outlaws dueling, 1839.

21—Battle of Verdun, 1916.

22—Washington's Birthday.

23—Rotary Club founded, 1905.

24—Adm. Chester Nimitz born 1885.

25—Colt revolver patented, 1835.





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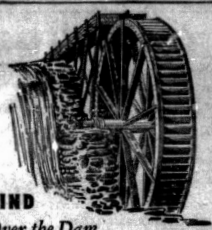
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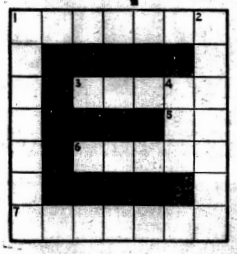
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Surprise Party For Jeanette Jones

Mrs. Kylene Williams and Mrs. R. C. Bigbie were hostesses Friday, February 13 at a surprise birthday party honoring Miss Jeanette Jones on her eighteenth birthday, at the home of Mrs. Bigbie.

The house was attractively decorated with cut flowers including carnations, dantihies, and lillies. The guests enjoyed the beautiful red and white cake along with cokes, Valentine cookies and nuts. Jeanette received many nice gifts.

Those invited were Jeanette Jones, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Phillips, Hortense Weed, Lois Floyd, Grace McRae, Barbara Chestnut, Holley Newsome, Ethelle Harden, Winifred Carlisle, Kylene Williams, Lamar Smith, Allen Martin, Wayne Newsome, Marian Young, Horace McRae, Frank Lunsford, Olin Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Bigbie and family and Mr. and Mrs. Marion Jones and family.

B. P. W. Club Held Meeting Monday

Monday night the Florida Power Customer's room was the scene of the Business and Professional Women's Club meeting. Mrs. T. J. McGinnis, Mrs. Vera Sellers, and Mrs. Johnie King, Mrs. Mary Maddox, Miss Louise Barnett acted as hostesses. Members and guests were served a desert course of strawberry shortcake at the Jacaranda dining room.

A Valentine motif was carried out in decorations with beautiful arrangements of red glads placed throughout the customers room.

Mrs. Edna Leighton presided over the business meeting, previous to bridge and rummy. Plans were made for a White Elephant sale to be held at the March meeting. This is to be arranged by the finance committee chairman, Mrs. Kenneth Harris.

After the business meeting a table of rummy and six tables of bridge were enjoyed, with Mrs. Ethel Redd winning the high bridge score prize. Ann Wilhite won second high prize. Pearl Wilhite won the rummy prize, and Muriel Boardman won the floating prize. Mrs. Leon Crowell, Chicago.

Guests and members present included Pearl Wilhite, Martha Allen, Baby Bass, Muriel Boardman, Clara Bigbie, Addie Lee Best, Georgia Dinnison, Ann Farrior, Juanita Graham, Gladys Hagan, Tommie Hall, Helen Harris, Josephine Hanson, Patti Hill, Edna Mae Leighton, Johnnie King, Estelle McGinnis, Helen May, Millie Pearson, Ethel Redd, Vera Sellers, Margaret Stewart, Lena Suggs, Mattie Tompkins, Anne Wilhite, Anna Belle Worden, and Margaretha Vogt.

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Pinecrest Lakes Club Notes

Mr. and Mrs. Fernando de Sa Rocha entertained guests at dinner on Wednesday evening on occasion of Mr. Sa Rocha's birthday.

There have been two additional members of the "Hole in One Club"—Mr. Robert Stevenson, of Chicago and Mr. Jack Patroni of Rye, New York.

On Wednesday, an exhibition and sale of articles made by the Blind was held at the Club. Guests were entertained on Wednesday evening by the magic of Mr. and Mrs. Lesta, prominent and renowned magicians.

Sunday, February 22nd is the start of the match between the pros at Pinecrest and Kenilworth. The first of these matches is to be held at Kenilworth. There will be as well a team match between Pinecrest and Kenilworth.

The players in the Mixed Foursomes of last Sunday were treated to a barbecue at the 17th Hole at the home of Mr. Cy Hyde.

List of arrivals:

Mr. H. T. Willis, Champaign, Ill., Mrs. Edgar A. Stevens, Winnetka, Ill., Mr. and Mrs. Grant Ridgeway, Kenilworth, Ill., Mr. Arthur P. Day, Hartford, Conn., Mr. and Mrs. Frank Soden, Milwaukee, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. O'Brien, Elgin, Ill., Mr. and Mrs. Richard Delaney, Swampscott, Mass., Mr. and Mrs. John Fitzgerald, Osterville, Mass., Mrs. E. G. Fitzgerald, Pinehurst, N. C., Mr. J. Edgar Marston, Colorado, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Vinnicombe, Jr., Baltimore, Md., Mr. and Mrs. Carl Blahchard, New Haven, Conn., Mr. and Mrs. Geo. J. Richards, Hartford, Conn., Mr. and Mrs. John Lovett, Detroit, Dr. and Mrs. N. M. Scarbrough, New Haven, Conn., Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stevenson, Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. William Lander, Sodus, N. Y., Mr. Frank Quail, Cleveland, Ohio, Mrs. Charles Hager, Lancaster, Pa., Dr. and Mrs. L. G. Maison, Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. Arvis Fredrickson, Milwaukee, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Shanley, Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. McNutt, Minneapolis, Mr. and Mrs. David Seaman, Providence, R. I., Mr. and Mrs. Frank Zaug, New London, Wisconsin, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lee, New York, Mr. and Mrs. Wrisley Oleson, Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Crowell, Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. James Levens, New York, Miss Lillian Townsend, Evanston, Ill., Mr. and Mrs. Walter C. Martin, Madison, Conn., Mr. and Mrs. Frank Archer, Valley Hills, Mass., Miss Lou Penn, Evanston, Ill. Mr. and Mrs. Faber Croll, New York, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Beatty, Wellesley Hills, Mass., Mr. and Mrs. William Neergaard, Rye, N. Y., Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Neilson, Boston, Mass., Mr. Joseph MacArthur, Caldwell, N. J., Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Andersen, River Forest, Ill., Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sherman, Haddenfield, N. J., Mr. and Mrs. Francis Buckley, Boston, Mass., Dr. and Mrs. Harry Mueller, Winchester, Mass., Mr. and Mrs. Clive Day, New Haven, Conn., and Mr. Paul Dean, New Haven, Conn.

Olive Laughton Circle Meets

The Olive Laughton Circle of the First Baptist Church met at the home of Mrs. Paul McFarland on Charles Street, Tuesday night, Feb. 16. Chairman Mrs. Albert Nelson called the meeting to order for a short business session. Mrs. Ed Gaugh was appointed flower chairman, Mrs. A. G. Hanson, secretary, Mrs. J. P. Coen, Jr., taught the lesson in "Through the Bible Study", after which the hostess served a custard cup and iced fruit drinks to the following members: Mrs. Ed Gaugh, Mrs. Sam Howell, Mrs. Albert Nelson, Mrs. E. A. Martin, Mrs. Bernie Johnson, Mrs. J. B. Coen, Jr., Mrs. J. E. Spencer, Mrs. Bertha Pabor, and Mrs. Albert Hanson.

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This picture shows the 1948 Florida Citrus Exposition queen, brownette Shirley Rhodes, 18-year old high school junior. Queen Shirley was selected from a field of 25 girls in competition at Winter Haven to signal the opening of the exposition which closes Saturday.

ALPHA OMEGA GUESTS OF WINTER HAVEN CHAPTER

The Alpha Omega Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi was guest of the Sigma Chapter in Winter Haven on February 10.

Miss Llwyn Jones and Miss Ouida Fields took their pledge ritual to become members of the Alpha Omega chapter.

Mrs. Elmo Hood, International Representative, gave the Ritual, assisted by Miss Jo Roby and Peggy Viertel, DeRita Saylor and Barbara Bridges.

Mrs. Hood will install three new chapters of Beta Sigma Phi on March 2, at ceremonies in Winter Haven.

Silver Anniversary

Eleanor Beavers Rebekah Lodge No. 65 observed their Silver Anniversary Monday evening Mrs. Lillian Bridges and her officers in the chairs. The hall was beautifully decorated with spring flowers, silver oats and silver hearts in keeping with the Valintine motif. Identifications were silver hearts tied with pink and green ribbon, the Lodge colors.

Mrs. Fannie Spink, vice president, Rebekah Assembly of Florida and a charter member of this Lodge, being there to help celebrate the occasion. As she was introduced "Memories, of 1923" was sung to the three charter members present, which was Mrs. Spink, Mrs. Helen Mann and Mrs. Pearl Spink. Mrs. Mann was presented with a 25-year veterans jewel for her loyal and unselfish service. Under unfinished business, Mrs. Agnes Cox, DDP installed Mrs. Estelle Jones Vice Grand, and Mrs. Pearl Spink, R. S. V. G. Mrs. Mary Reed acting as Deputy Marshal, and Mrs. Helen Mann, as Deputy Warden.

Under good of the order, several Rebekahs gave a skit, "When the Northern Rebekah meets the Southern Rebekah". After the meeting a social hour was enjoyed and the large birthday cake was cut. The cut was a white cake trimmed in pink and green inscribed in the lettering "No. 65 Silver Anniversary." Happy Birthday was sung as the three charter members, with their hands on the knife cut the cake, and they made a wish for the Lodge. Each tourist was presented with a corsage as they were special guests for the evening. Other guests from Orlando were Mrs. Fyeda Welker, P. N. G., Mrs. Irene Brown, P. N. G. and Mrs. Hilda Rogers, P. N. G.

Fay Taylor Circle Met Tuesday

The Fay Taylor Circle met with Mrs. J. H. Pate Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. S. J. Pendleton, chairman of the circle, presided over the business session. Circle members were delighted to have Mrs. Dolly Skipper, Mrs. Tressie Albrittian and Mrs. B. Frizzell as visitors.

The meeting was turned over to Mrs. Harold Guerndt, who had arranged a miscellaneous program on Home Missions leading toward preparations being made for the observance of the "Annie W. Armstrong" Week of Prayer for Home Missions the first of March. This week of Prayer will be observed by all Missionary societies throughout the Southern Baptist Convention and a goal of $800,000 has been accepted, which is an increase of $300,000 over the goal of 1947.

At the conclusion of the program the hostess served refreshments of tuna salad, potato chips and sardines with iced tea, to the following members and guests, Mesdames L. W. Wicker, Tressie Albrittian, O. C. Wilkes, Harold Guerndt, J. L. Collins, Dolly Skipper, J. R. Wells, J. B. Coen, Sr., J. P. Chilvers, B. Wrixell, J. B. Coen, Jr., and S. J. Pendleton.

Garden Club Met Thursday

The Garden Club met Thursday afternoon, Feb. 12, Mrs. P. L. Rumpsa, president, presided. Mrs. E. W. Batt, secretary, read the minutes. Mrs. Donaldson gave an interesting talk on Day Lillies. Hostesses at the meeting were Mrs. W. D. Dorminy and Mrs. DeLoy James. The meeting was attended by members and several visitors.

BETA SIGMA PHI CHAPTER HAS BUSINESS MEETING

The executive board of the Alpha Omega Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi held a short business meeting at the home of Martha Bunting, Monday night.

Plans were laid for the following year and a skeleton of the year book was drawn.

The next regular meeting of the club will be February 23, at the home of Llwyn Jones on Highland Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Anderson announce the arrival of a daughter February 14, weighing nine pounds and four ounces.

Drive slow — Children move fast.

Inspect your car today—protect your life tomorrow.

Mrs. Herbert Todd Entertains For Bride Elect

Mrs. Herbert Todd entertained with a bridge luncheon Friday, honoring the charming bride elect, Miss Peggy Mandis.

The Valentine color scheme was set off by a beautiful center piece of red and white carnations and roses.

Following luncheon, bridge was enjoyed. High score prize was won by Mrs. Robert King, second high, Mrs. J. W. Tuten, Mrs. Browne Lyles, low.

Those invited were Peggy Mandis, Mrs. Walter Mandis, Mrs. Demos Mandis, Mrs. Albert Wester, Jr., Mrs. Robert Padgett, Mrs. Charles Locke, III, Mrs. Eddie Klippleberg, Mrs. Edward Touchton, Mrs. Nels Khueberg, Mrs. Charles Metcalf, Mrs. Morris Adams, Mrs. Browne Lyles, Mrs. Stuart Ward, Mrs. Edward Huie, Mrs. Roscoe Bass, Mrs. J. W. Tuten, Mrs. Robert King, Mrs. Keith Collyer, Mrs. H. C. Coleman, Mrs. Roy Sims, Mrs. G. D. Godwin, Mrs. Marion Nelson, Mrs. H. E. Biggs, Mrs. E. G. Todd, Mrs. W. C. Touchton, Miss Sujette Dorminy, and Miss Elizabeth Hetherington.

Group Entertained With Luncheon

Mrs. M. G. Huebner and Mrs. C. P. Lord were entertained with a luncheon at Mrs. Huebner's home on Lake Isis last week.

Those invited were Mrs. Arthur Johnson, Mrs. Toby, Mrs. Catland, Mrs. Theo. Weinsheyer, Mrs. A. B. Crawford of Sebring, Mrs. W. Reddick, and Miss Avis Slaughter.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Pardee, Jr., spent the week-end in Miami.

Mrs. Elsie Gill from Brooklyn, N. Y. is visiting her friend, Mrs. Frank I. Cason.

Mr. and Mrs. Barton Clark of Jacksonville visited with Mrs. R. C. Dean last week.

Mrs. Leo Hoinsky and daughter Charlotte, are spending the week at Miami.

Mrs. H. C. Worden attended the Florida Fashion Mart on Sunday and Monday in Tampa.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Ware of Tampa visited friends in Avon Park on Thursday, February 12.

Miss Eva McNutt of Pompano spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Rush.

Mrs. Dan Shaffer of Sebring spent a day last week with Mrs. F. W. Anderson.

Henry Glanz returned from the hospital at Sebring last Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Glanz are winter visitors here.

Gerald Wicker, a student at Stetson, was home last week-end and visited with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Wieker.

Mrs. Elizabeth McClelland and daughter are leaving Friday for New Smyrna Beach to visit friends there.

Mrs. Clara Hensley and son John, of Clearwater, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Wilson of Highlands Ave.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Cain and Mr. and Mrs. R. Leon Campbell attended the parade at Ft. Myers Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Ray Wells and sons, Lawler and Kenneth, spent last Thursday in Tampa, where they attended the State Fair.

The Charles Earl Rich family has as their guest for two or three weeks, Mrs. Delia Hill of Mulberry.

Mr. and Mrs. William R. Hood of Charleston, S. C. spent Friday and Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hood.

Mrs. Mary N. Fields had as her guests last Sunday Mr. and Mrs. William A. Granger and daughter Jolani, of Wauchula.

Mrs. W. D. Dorminy has as her guest Mrs. Dorminy of Fitzgerald, Ga. Mrs. Dorminy plans to visit here until the Georgia weather warms up.

Mrs. Holland and daughter, Betty Ann of Bartow, visited Mrs. Holland's mother, Mrs. J. H. Dean last Sunday.

Mrs. Frank Gregor and daughter, Delores Jeanne of Youngstown, Ohio, are visiting several weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Gregor and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Crosby, Mrs. Chas. Gay and Mrs. Rex Welch attended the Florida State Fair on February 13th, in Tampa.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas Gay of Avon Park and Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Kelley of Frostproof, went to Winter Haven Monday to the Orange Festival.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Stuart were at the Florida Fashion Mart which was held in Tampa this week. They attended the Mart on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Pendleton, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Collins and Mrs. A. S. Collins were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Beasley in Lake Wales on Sunday.

Donald Ford, who is attending the University of Florida, was home for the weekend last week.

O. F. Wyckoff of the Rex Beach Farms spent Wednesday of last week in Miami on business.

Miss Lois Richardson of Orlando spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. G. E. McBride.

Mrs. Juanita Holt of Miami visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Hunt over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Berkowitz and daughter, Johnnie Lee, of Orlando spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. T. J. McGinnis.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Denton recently left Avon Park to return to their home in Dansville, N. Y.

Mrs. Horace Beasley and daughter Myrtle left Friday for Orlando to visit Mr. Beasley. They will return on Monday.

Mrs. S. E. Sonnemann of 17 Kendall Blvd., and guest F. L. Sonnemann and son of Woodmore, Maryland, are spending week in Miami and Key West.

Miss Nell McConnell of Pittsburg, Pa., is spending the winter soason with Mrs. Sara Watson and Mrs. Geo. Price at their home on Lake Isis.

Mr. and Mrs. Odell Thompson of Orlando, joined Mr. and Mrs. Horace Beasley at the Wekima Springs for a joint picnic on Friday, Feb. 13.

Miss Ann Sides had as her guest last week her sister, Miss Vergie Sides of Albemarle, N. C. Before returning home Miss Sides visited friends in Miami.

Clayton Fields, who is attending the University of Florida, was recently elected vice president of the Florida Players at Gainesville.

Burl Cox spent last week in Tampa and St. Petersburg. While there he visited the Florida Military Academy which he used to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Ford, and Mrs. Fords' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Hitt of Clinton, S. C., are spending Friday of this week in Tampa.

Mr. and Mrs. Atchinson and Mrs. Blanche Francis of The Chicago Evangelistic Institute were recent guests of the Poinsettia Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank England and family, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Chester Kniffin drove to Sarasota Sunday and visited the Ringling Brothers Circus Winter headquarters.

Elaine Worden was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Earl H. Ware of Tampa from Thursday until Monday evening, when she returned home with her mother, Mrs. H. C. Worden.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Lord of Cleveland, Ohio, are spending the winter in Avon Park. They have rented a home on Lake Viola and are enjoying the warm sunshine.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Austin and children, Frankie, Jr., and Ginger Lee of Alligan, Mich., Mrs. C. F. Mann and daughters, Daisy Ivell, Jennie Bell and Harriet spent the day at Bok Tower Sunday.

Mrs. J. A. Lander, Mrs. Robert Porterfield, Mrs. C. P. Anderson, Mrs. J. A. Johnson, Mrs. P. L. Rumpsa, and Mrs. W. W. Hartt attended the flower exhibit in Lakeland on Thursday.

Capt. and Mrs. J. D. McEaddy have as their guest Mrs. Loyce D. Grice of Atlanta, Ga. While visiting here Mrs. Grice will attend the Citrus Exposition at Winter Haven.

Mrs. W. W. Anderson left Tuesday, February 10 for Anna, Ill., to take her mother home, who had been visiting the Andersons for the past three weeks. Mr. Anderson returned to Avon Park on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Childers had as their guests Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Clark and daughter, Beverly Sue, of Lake Wales, Mrs. Childers' father, W. J. Pate, also of Lake Wales, visited the Childers.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Smalling and daughters, Elva and Agnes, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sellers of Johnson City, Tenn., are visiting Mrs. Walter Sieretz for a few weeks at their home on Lake Isis.

The Avon Park Firemen Basketball team will play Gainesville in a benefit game Saturday night at the Youth Center. The proceeds of the game are to go to the hospital. The game will start at 8 o'clock.

Recent guests of the Poinsettia Hotel included Mr. and Mrs. James Rhodes of Tampa, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Fisher of Maplewood, New Jersey, Mrs. B. Ahrens of Miami, Mr. T. J. Walley of Tampa and Mr. T. W. Mayo of Orlando.

Mrs. A. S. Collins, who is spending the winter with her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Collins, had as her guests on Monday, her daughter, Mrs. L. W. Arwood, Sr. of Dalton, Ga., her grandson and wife, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Arwood, Jr., and great grandson L. W. Arwood, III, of Key West, Florida.

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Scientists like Einstein, Compton and Urey say that in atomic fission we have not a cat but tiger by the tail. They say, as do philosophers, sociologists, judges, statesmen and all thinking people who meet the problem, that some spiritual force is needed to save us from the destruction of our civilization and, maybe, of all human life on this planet. The church stands for that force. The church works for and prays for a great spiritual revival and turning to God, who alone can save us. What is your relation to the church? Are you an opponent, bystander or a faithful worker.

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Political Announcements

FOR SHERIFF

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Sheriff of Highlands County, subject to the will of the voters, in the Democratic Primaries in May, 1948. Your vote and support earnestly solicited.

Broward Coker

FOR STATE ATTORNEY

I hereby announce my candidacy for State Attorney of the Tenth Judicial Circuit, subject to the will of the voters in the Democratic Primaries in 1948. Your vote and support is respectfully solicited.

Walter W. Woolfolk

FOR STATE SENATE

I hereby announce my candidacy for re-election to the State Senate from the 27th Senatorial District, comprising Hardee, Highlands, DeSoto and Glades Counties, subject to the will of the voters in the Democratic Primaries in May, 1948. Your support will be appreciated.

Jeff Flake.

FOR TAX COLLECTOR

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Tax Collector of Highlands County, subject to the will of the voters in the Democratic Primary on May 4th 1948. Your vote and support is respectfully solicited.

J. C. DeShong.

FOR TAX ASSESSOR

I hereby announce as a candidate for re-election to the office of Tax Assessor in and for Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary to be held May 4th, 1948. I will sincerely appreciate your support.

P. G. Gearing

FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of State Representative of Highlands County, subject to the will of the voters in the Democratic Primaries on May 4, 1948. Your vote and support will be greatly appreciated.

Edna Pearce.

FOR SUPERVISOR OF REGISTRATION

I hereby announce as a candidate for re-election to the office of Supervisor of Registration of Highlands County, subject to the will of the voters, in the Democratic Primaries in May, 1948. Your vote and support will be appreciated.

Roland X. Droit

FOR JUSTICE OF PEACE

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Justice of Peace, for District One (Avon Park), subject to the will of the voters, in the Democratic Primaries in May, 1948. Your vote and support is earnestly solicited.

L. D. Roberts

FOR CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT

I hereby announce as a candidate for re-election to the office of Clerk of the Circuit Court of Highlands County, subject to the will of the voters in the Democratic Primaries, May 4, 1948. I will sincerely appreciate your support.

H. T. Piety

For Superintendent of Public Instruction of Highlands County

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Superintendent of Public Instruction of Highlands County subject to the will of the voters in the Democratic Primary in May 1948. Your vote and support is respectfully solicited.

Fred Wild

FOR STATE ATTORNEY

As a candidate for the office of State Attorney for this Circuit, I respectfully solicit your vote and support in the coming Democratic Primary. As your State Attorney, the duties of that office will be fulfilled with ability, courage and fairness.

Wallace Shafer

FOR JUSTICE OF PEACE

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Justice of Peace, for District One (Avon Park), subject to the will of the voters, in the Democratic Primaries in May, 1948. Your vote and support will be sincerely appreciated.

George W. Haynie

FOR COUNTY JUDGE

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FOR CONSTABLE

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Constable for District one and two of Highlands County, subject to the will of the voters, in the Democratic Primaries in May 1948. I was a candidate for this office in 1944 and was defeated by a very narrow margin. Your vote and support will be greatly appreciated.

Thomas (Slim) Wells.

FOR JUSTICE OF PEACE

I hereby announce my candidacy for re-election to the office of Justice of Peace, for District One (Avon Park), subject to the will of the voters, in the Democratic Primaries in May 1948. Your support will be greatly appreciated.

Alton Elders

For Supervisor of Registration in Highlands County

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Supervisor of Registration of Highlands County subject to Democratic Primaries in May. Your vote and influence will be earnestly appreciated.

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LEGAL NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICE
IN THE COUNTY JUDGE'S COURT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
IN RE: ESTATE OF RUTH BRYAN STRAUSS, Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
TO ALL CREDITORS AND PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS OR DEMANDS AGAINST SAID ESTATE:
You, and each of you are hereby notified to file all claims and demands which you have against the estate of Ruth Bryan Strauss, deceased, in the office of Howard G. Livingston, County Judge, at his office in the Court House at Sebring, Florida, within eight calendar months from January 30, 1948, which is the date of the first publication of this notice. Each claim or demand must be in writing, must state the place of residence and post office address of the claimant, must be sworn to and must be filed as aforesaid, or else same will become void.
JEROME STRAUSS
Domiciliary Executor.
Judson & Wilson
Attorneys at Law
Bartow, Florida
Jan. 30-Feb. 6-13-20, 1948.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
BILL FOR DIVORCE
ANN DONAHUE MAGRAINE, Plaintiff
vs.
ARTHUR A. MAGRAINE, Defendant
NOTICE TO APPEAR
TO THE DEFENDANT, ARTHUR A. MAGRAINE:
You are hereby notified that a bill of complaint has been filed against you in the above named court in the above styled cause, the purpose of which is to procure a divorce, a vinculo matrimonii. You are hereby warned to appear to said bill on or before the 18th day of March 1948, A. D., and should you fail to do so a decree pro confesso will be entered against you and the said cause will thereafter proceed ex parte.
Witnesseth the Honorable D. O. Rogers, one of the Judges of the said court this 18th day of February 1948 A. D.
H. T. Piety, Clerk
By H. M. Calahan, Deputy Clerk
S. Colquitt Pardee
110 S. Forest Ave.
Avon Park, Fla.
Feb. 20, 27, Mar. 5, 12, 1948.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
BILL FOR DIVORCE
JOSEPH LAWRENCE KUTCHER, Plaintiff
vs.
SOPHIA ANNE KUTCHER, Defendant
NOTICE TO APPEAR
TO THE DEFENDANT, SOPHIA ANNE KUTCHER:
You are hereby notified that a bill of complaint has been filed against you in the above named court in the above named suit, the purpose of which is to procure a divorce a vinculo matrimonii against you, the defendant, and you are hereby warned to appear to the said suit on or before the 18 day of March 1948, and if you fail to do so a decree pro confesso will be entered against you and the cause will then proceed ex parte.
Witnesseth the Honorable D. O. Rogers, one of the Judges of the said court this 18th day of February 1948
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LEGAL NOTICE
PUBLIC HEARING
AVON PARK ZONING COMMISSION
As Chairman of the Avon Park Zoning Commission, appointed by the City Council of Avon Park, Florida, and charged with responsibility for the preparation of a preliminary report intended as a basis for the preparation and adoption of a ZONING ORDINANCE for the City of Avon Park, Florida, under authority of Chapter 176 of the Statutes of the State of Florida.
All interested persons are advised that the Zoning Commission has completed its preliminary report and, in compliance with the Statutes referred to above, will hold a public hearing at the City Hall, Avon Park, Florida, at 7:30 P. M., Monday, March 1st 1948, at which time and place the preliminary report recommending boundaries, regulations, restrictions, etc., will be read.
After reading of the preliminary report, the Zoning Commission will receive for consideration suggestions or recommendations for changes therein, and will give full consideration to any suggestions or recommendations prior to the submission of its final report to the City Council.
All citizens and property owners of the City of Avon Park, Florida, or their legal representatives are invited to attend the meeting scheduled as above.
O. C. Wilkes,
Chairman, Avon Park Zoning Commission.

NOTICE TO RECEIVE BIDS
Sealed bids will be received by the City Council, City of Avon Park, Florida, a Municipal Corporation, up to Monday, March 1st 1948, at 7:30 P. M., at the City Hall, at which time all bids will be publicly opened, on the following described items.
Specifications
Item 1. 1700 feet Transite Pressure Pipe, 6 inch inside diameter, for use as water line.
Pipe shall be Class 150, suited for working pressure of 150 lbs. per square inch.
Each pipe shall be subjected, before shipment, to a hydrostatic pressure equal to twice the maximum specified working pressure.
Each pipe to be 13' 0" in length with an allowable tolerance of 1".
With each length of pipe there shall be furnished one appropriate coupling and flaesaway rubber rings suitable for connecting the lengths of pipe together and meeting all the strength requirements for the pipe on which it is to be used.
All bids to specify F.O.B. point.
All bids to be accompanied by full description of item offered.
Any tax to be included in the bid price to be stated separately.
The City Council reserves the right to reject any or all bids, as authorized by law.
Dated at Avon Park, Florida, this 16 day of February 1948.
E. O. Touchton,
Pres. City Council.
Attest:
A. M. Owens,
City Clerk.
February 16 1948.

Testing Program In Highlands
By Fred Wild, Supt.

In order to adjust a curriculum to the capacities and needs of the pupils it is necessary to have some measure of their ability and achievement. If the level of difficulty of the program offerings is too low, the superior students will be unchallenged and will probably fall into poor work habits. On the other hand, if the level of difficulty is too high, the average and slow-learning students will be unable to succeed and will very soon lose interest.

Objective standarized tests are now recognized as an integral part of a sound persistent program of teaching and guidance. They are the tools we in Highlands County employed to determine each individual child's mental capacity, his academic achievement, and his special abilities. At the same time, the testing program enables us to determine whether children are working up to their capacities to achieve, and also how our children compare both in general ability to achieve and in actual attainment with national norms.

We chose the California Mental Maturity Test which is designed to measure general ability to do school work. This is a battery of tests, some presented in verbal form and others in non-language form in order to obtain a separate evaluation of each of these aspects of mental maturity. The battery tests (1) visual acuity, (2) auditory acuity, (3) motor coordination, (4) memory-both immediate and delayed recall, (5) spatial relations—certain aspects of thinking, (6) logical reasoning, and (7) vocabulary. This test was administered to all children, grades 4-12, white and Negro, by the same person and under similar conditions.

The Stanford Achievement Test was then given to all children through the ninth grade. To the upperclassment the Sones-Harry Achievement Test was given. The scores from both mental maturity and achievement tests were recorded on a form which shows the following data: Name of Child, Chronological Age, Sex, Mental Age, Achievement Age. At a glance one can tell whether a child is working up to his capacity.

Favored with the finest weather it has enjoyed for many years the 1948 Florida State Fair, held at Tampa, February 3-14, closed its gates last week end on one of the most successful and well attended fairs in the organization's long history.

PUBLIC HEARING ON ZONING ORDINANCE

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from cash on hand. The remainder will be borrowed from the Barnett Bank on a note at 4 per cent interest. Loan to be repaid from current receipts of the Water Department at the rate of not less than $200.00 per month, the total amount to be paid in 18 months or less.

The Council also gave further consideration to the matter of the purchase of the 50,000 gallon water tank situated near the crate mill in the southern part of the city. Due to the difference in the level of the water tank offered for sale and the presently owned city water tank situated near the intersection of Main Street and the Seaboard tracks, it was considered advisable to employ a qualified consulting engineer to make a study of the benefits to be derived by the city from the crate mill tank. The report of the consulting engineer was not favorable to the purchase. It was felt that it would be better to use available funds to install larger mains, where greatly needed, and delay the purchase of an additional water tank until one could be purchased new and installed on an elevation which would insure adequate service to all parts of the city.



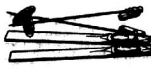
SETS RECORD . . . Gil Dodds, the flying clergyman of the Boston athletic association, who has set a world's indoor record for the mile, puts his arm around the neck of Gregg Rice, left, former mile champion, after streaking to victory. Dodds set the new record of 4:08.3 in the Wanamaker mile at the 41st annual Millrose games at Madison Square Garden.

One of the chief causes of traffic accidents is following the car ahead too closely, the National Safety Council says. The rule of one car length for every 10 miles of speed is good except when streets are wet or icy.



TO PERFORM AT SEBRING FAIR

Bob Fisher's Fearless Flyers, one of America's outstanding troupes of aerealists will be a featured free act of the Royal Crown Shows on the midway of the Highlands County Fair in Sebring March 1st thru 6th. Their daring performance on the flying trapeze is said to be sensational. The fairgrounds will be at Firemen's Field.



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Highlands County Fair Will Open At Sebring Monday

Anticipate Greatest Crowds In Fair History

On Monday Highlands County's twenty-second annual fair opens at Firemen's Park, Sebring, and officials of the Fair Association stated this week that this year's exposition will be the best and largest ever offered in the county. J. P. Lightfoot, president of the association, told The Sun that Louis Alsmeyer will have his usual fine exhibit of vegetables and fruit. Encouraging also, has been the response on the part of merchants and others in taking commercial booth space in the large tent. The educational exhibits will be up to their usual fine standard with displays by Avon Park, Sebring, DeSoto City, Lake Placid, Venus and Lorida as well as the three colored schools at Sebring, Avon Park and Lake Placid.

Large fruit packing establishments in the county have been contacted and it is believed that effective displays will be arranged for Highlands citrus products.

The 4-H Clubs of the county will have exhibits of their work as well as the Future Farmers group.

The midway attractions will be handled by the Royal Crown Shows, recognized as America's finest carnival. Fine programs have also been arranged for presentation before the grandstand.

A giant parade will be held Tuesday with bands from the Sebring, Avon Park, and Lake Placid high schools furnishing music and featuring many beautiful floats by commercial firms.

Wednesday will be known as "Political Rally Day" when most of the candidates for state offices will be present, as well as county officials and candidates.

Thursday will be "Winter Tourist's Day" with special events of interest to our many visitors.

Friday has been set aside as Children's Day and County Supt. Fred Wild has declared the day a holiday for all schools of the county and it is expected most of the students will take advantage of the opportunity to visit the fair. Special reduced rates will be in effect on all rides and concessions for the children.

Saturday, the last day of the fair, will be known as "Cattlemen's Day" and will feature fine livestock exhibits.

Free Exhibition at Hendricks Field

Herb Parsons, America's fastest gun handler, is scheduled to hold a demonstration of dramatic marksmanship at the pistol range at Hendricks Field, Florida on March 4th, at 3:00 P. M.

This announcement is made by the Western - Winchester Arms Co. and is being sponsored by the Highlands County Fish and Game Club.

Herb is considered the most famous marksman since "Buffalo Bill" Cody and Annie Oakley.

His exhibition will include feats of crack-shooting with rifles, shot-guns and pistols.

ALPHA OMEGA HOLDS MODEL MEETING

The Alpha Omega Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi held a model meeting at the Florida Power Customers' Room on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock Members and guests were present at the meeting.

Business Man Dies Suddenly

Mr. H. R. Alderman, owner of the Avon Plumbing Co., of this city passed away at 1:30 a. m. Wednesday morning, at the Walker Memorial Sanitarium and Hospital, where he was being treated for pneumonia. Mr. Alderman was born July 5, 1886 at Melrose. He came to this city about four years ago where he engaged in the plumbing business. He is survived by his wife, Marian, two daughters, Mrs. Rita Mae Scarborough, Frostproof; Mrs. Louise Moser, Avon Park; four grandchildren; one sister, Mrs. Emma Frazer of Gainesville; three brothers, Guy and Gus of Melrose and Seigler of Jacksonville.

The remains were taken to the Seigler funeral home at Mulberry and services will be held at 10:00 a. m. Saturday at the Lake Swan Church in Melrose, with the Rev. H. P. Rankin of Orlando officiating.

The United States has 643,000,000 acres of forest land within its borders.

BE SURE AND REGISTER TO VOTE IN PRIMARIES

The Registration Books for Avon Park will be at the Wells Motor Company office until Saturday night of this week. If you have not registered as yet we urge you to do so at once, as after this date it will be necessary for voters to go to Sebring in order to register. All voters must register in order to vote.

Concert Band To Play Here March 3rd

The Davidson College Concert Band, under the direction of James Christian Pfohl, director of music, will be heard in a concert at the Avon Park High School Auditorium Wednesday night, March 3rd at 8:30 o'clock, under the auspices of the Avon Park High School Band. Frequently called "the South's Finest College Band", the Davidson organization is widely recognized throughout the section for its excellent caliber. Forty-six musicians will make the trip here.

Admissions will be 35 cents for students and 75 cents for adults. The Avon Park Band Association hopes to realize enough from the proceeds to purchase new instruments, sorely needed to bring our band up to par. Mark a must by this date on your calendar, and hear this all male band make sweet music.

PINECREST LAKES CLUB NOTES

Activities at Pinecrest this past week were highlighted by an entertainme at and fashion show as a benefit performance in aid of the Walker Memorial Hospital in Avon Park. The fashion show included the latest styles from Ward's in Lake Wales and the models were the guests of the Club. The entertainment featured the talent of the employees.

Mr. Mark Thompson, president of Pinecrest, welcomed the guests. Mr. D. Spencer Berger, of New Haven, Conn., spoke in the interests of the hospital, pointing out the necessity of a hospital in such a community. A sizeable amount was realized through contributions and donations which will be turned over to the Hospital Fund. The committee in charge of the affair included: Mrs. Mark Thompson, chairman, assisted by Mrs. W. W. Shoemaker, Ill., Mrs. A. V. Shanley, Ill., Mrs. L. Lishon, Mass., Mrs. John Dawson, Ill., Mrs. Clarence Hyde, Mass., Mrs. E. J. Vinnicombe, Md., Mrs. W. E. Holden, Mass., Mrs. W. Olieson, N. Y., Mrs. John Lovett, Mich., Mrs. Thomas Judge, N. J., Mrs. James Cunningham, Ill., Mrs. James Brown of Vermont, Mr. and Mrs. Fernando de Sa Rocha of New York. Mr. and Mrs. J. Furay of New Hampshire, Mr. and Mrs. W. Martin, Conn., and Mr. and Mrs. J. Lander, Ill.

The golf enthusiasts are primed for the exhibition match between Kenilworth and Pinecrest. The first match is to be played at Kenilworth on Thursday. Dr. Lawson Cabaniss of Virginia has added his name to the "Hole in One Club" as well as Mr. and Mrs. Wrisley Oleson and Mrs. Oleson has the distinction of being the first member of her fair sex to win a trophy.

The shuffleboard tournament this week was won by Mrs. W. Kemper of Milwaukee and Mr A. N. Anderson of Illinois.

RUTH PENDLETON TAYLOR IN RECITAL

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Taylor are presented in the mid-year recital of the Sioux Falls College Conservatory of Music of Sioux Falls, South Dakota on Thursday evening, February 12, 1948 at 8:15 P. M."

The above announcement is of interest to the many friends of Mrs. Taylor in Avon Park. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Pendleton and in her senior year at Sioux Falls College. She is an English major and four year voice student. Both Mr. and Mrs. Taylor are prominent in all campus activities, and Mr. Taylor is a member of the college basketball team, undefeated this year.

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor travel extensively over the five state area served by the college, presenting its type of training to the people of the Central Northwest.

Hospital Campaign To Be Inaugurated At Luncheon Monday

The campaign to raise the balance of $38,500 for the Walker Memorial Sanitarium and Hospital will be inaugurated March 1 with a luncheon at the Hospital for approximately 60 solicitors. The solicitors will be taken on a conducted tour thru the hospital to familiarize them with the full scope of its operations. Each solicitor will be handed an envelope containing instructions and answers to possible questions asked by contributors. They will also be supplied with official receipt blanks from the Ridge Area Hospital Association. It is planned to conclude the campaign by March 6 and it is hoped that the people of the community will cooperate to the fullest extent.

Approximately 1,000 letters were mailed this week by E. G. Todd, chairman of the campaign committee. The purpose of the letter being to acquaint the people of the community with the progress of the campaign thus far and the work yet to be accomplished.

It is also contemplated that the Ridge Area Hospital Association will have a booth at the Highlands County Fair beginning on Tuesday, March 2, for the solicitation of funds.

EASTERN STAR Chicken Supper will be given Tuesday, March 2nd, at the Parish House, of the Episcopal Church, beginning 5:30 P. M. All are invited to come, and tickets may be purchased for $1.00. The committee in charge of this supper consists of Loca Stuckey, Neva Atherton, Helen Harris, Vera Kirkland.—Adv. 1tc



Fuller Warren

Fuller Warren To Speak Here Monday

Fuller Warren, prominent Jacksonville attorney, will speak here in behalf of his candidacy for governor of Florida on Monday evening, March 1, at 8:00 o'clock. The address will be made from the bandstand in the Mall.

Mayor O. C. Wilkes has graciously consented to perform the usual introductions. A large crowd is expected to be present due to the wide-spread interest in Warren's campaign here.

Warren will also speak at three other places in Highlands County on the same day. His first address will be at Venus at 10:00 in the morning, his second at Lake Placid at 3:00 p. m., and before coming to Avon Park he will make a third at Sebring at 6:00 p. m.

Warren plans to spend the night at the Jacaranda Hotel.

Local Brevities

Claude Lee is leaving soon to re-enlist in the Army.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Pendleton were visitors at Belmont and Key West for several days last week.

Miss Gladys Pate and Ruby Hargraves spent last week-end in West Palm Beach.

Mr. W. B. Freeman was called to Hehderson, Tenn., because of the serious illness of her mother.

Dr. and Mrs. J. B. Hall of Jacksonville are guests of Mrs. Ruby Bass.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Gay spent Sunday in Frostproof at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Gay, Sr.

Joe Lee left on Tuesday for South Carolina where he will be inducted again into the Army.

Mrs. Lennie Lou Gandy spent last week-end visiting friends in West Palm Beach.

Little Georgie Denman of Auburndale spent Friday and Saturday with his aunt, Katherine Mosetti in Avon Park.

C. W. Rugledge of Arabi, Ga., arrived Tuesday night to visit friends and relatives in Avon Park.

Jack Amatt of Washington, D. C. and Mr. Avenel of Colorado Springs are in Avon Park this week on business.

Mrs. Ella Hargraves visited her son in West Palm Beach last week-end, and returned to Avon Park on Monday.

DeWitt Story and Mrs. Ruby Bass attended a General Electric meeting at Jacksonville, on Wednesday and Thursday of last week

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Causey moved to Miami last week. Mr. Causey is connected with the Eastern Air Lines there.

The Avon Park Firemen are scheduled to meet the Fishermen in the Tribune Basketball Tournament on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock.

J. W. Johnson has recently taken over the management of the Park Theatre. Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Taylor and son came here from Haines City and will reside in Avon Park.

Mrs. Charlotte Smith, who is a student at the University of Florida, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Shepherd.

Richard A. Hales, who is now living in Pennsylvania, and formerly of Avon Park, is back for a visit with his many friends here. He is staying at the Verona hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Mozena of Tarentum, Pa., have arrived in Avon Park to spend several months. The Mozena's are living at 315 S. Verona.

Burton K. Phillips, firemen, second class, USN, son of Emory H. Phillipe of 801 Woodruff Heights, Avon Park, is serving aboard the destroyer USS Vesole, which has returned to the United States after a six-months cruise in European waters.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hopkins spent Sunday in St. Petersburg with Mrs. Hopkins' parents, Mr. and Mrs. McClelland.

Mrs. H. R. Hoffman was a business visitor in Albany on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of this week.

Mrs. H. C. Worden spent Sunday in DeLand at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Knowles.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Baker of Louisville, Ky., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Bridges and family.

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Culler and Dot Roberts of Sarasota visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Roberts on Monday.

Mrs. C. P. Worden will arrive from Winter Haven to spend several days with her son, H. C. Worden.

Phil Abrams of Miami visited friends in Avon Park on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of last week.

Juanita Holt visited Avon Park last week-end. She returned to Miami on Monday. Mrs. Holt is employed by Eastern Air Lines in Miami.

Mrs. Eva Reed of N. Verona Ave. has been seriously ill with a heart attack. Mrs. Reed's friends will be glad to hear that she is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred P. Ley, Miss Virginia Baldwin and Paul Baldwin of Tallahassee spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Baldwin.

Loca Stuckey will be honored in Fort Meade by the local chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star on Wednesday night, February 25.

Hugh Hayworth, who has been visiting his wife, Mary Hayworth for the past few days left Sunday to return to Washington, D. C.

The Rev. Chafles Frick and Mrs. Frick, who have been guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jackson and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jackson, have returned to their home in Sweet Valley, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Kappis are returning to Michigan this Thursday after visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Geiger for the past month Mr. Kappis is the express agent at Marshall, Michigan.

Mrs. Lyal Smith has arrived here from Odessa, Texas to visit her sister Mrs. Glen V. Mills of 930 W. Main St. Mrs. Smith plans to stay for a few months. This reunion is their first in 19 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Kniffin, who have been spending the winter with Mrs. Kniffin's mother, Mrs. A. S. Kinney on South Highlands Avenue left Wednesday for their home at Burbank, Calif. Mrs. Kniffin is a sister of Mrs. Frank England, Jr.

A Splendid Band Concert Arranged For Sunday Feb. 29

The Avon Park High School Band, under the direction of Gene Gorman, will celebrate the reaching of another milestone in its march of progress by presenting a concert which will represent all phases of the band's achievements. This concert will be held in the high school auditorium at 4:00 P. M. Sunday.

First of the outstanding features is the performance of the tone poem "Sequoia" by LeGassy. This number is the required number for class "A" band competition at the contest this year; therefore, it is quite an achievement for a class "C" band.

A second feature is a cornet solo with band accompaniment, "Stars in the Velvety Sky" by Herbert Clarke. Harold Worden will be the soloist.

Two more solos are to be included: a soprano solo, "Just Me Again" to be sung by Lynn Longbottom and a flute solo, "Andante from the Concerto in D Minor" by Molique, to be played by Ted Ward accompanied by Mrs. J. B. Coen, Jr., at the piano.

To demonstrate its versatality the band will play several marches in the fast style that has earned the band much comments as "a concert band that marches", "exciting to watch—exciting to hear"; "one of the finest marching bands in the state."

This concert promises to be the finest of the season. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Kinney, of the Avon Park Sun attended the annual Press Breakfast at Winter Haven Friday night, Florida Citrus Exposition, Inc., were the hosts.

Mrs. F. Rietz and grand-daughter of Milwaukee, Wis., Mrs. Frank Nimitz, and Frank Dove of Chicago, Ill., were callers at the home of Mrs. Amelia Dick, N. Verona Ave.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Zehner and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Guinther, of Toledo, Ohio, have returned to their homes after a visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jackson on N. Highlands Ave.

Mary and Martha Duck, twin neices of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Anderson are visiting the Anderson sons. The twins are from Marion, Ill. Mr. Duck plans to retire next year and take up residence in Avon Park.

Mrs. Louise Tomlinson, Helen DeShong, Thelma Willis, Loca Stuckey, attended the Eastern Star meeting in Frostproof on Tuesday in honor of Loca Stuckey, Grand Instructor of District 15, OES.

It pays to advertise. Mr. Thompson believes this to be true. One week ago Mr. Thompson advertised the loss of an expensive platinum bracelet, this week Mr. Thompson canceled the ad, his bracelet had been returned.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred England have as their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Ludy Van Love and daughter, Delores, of Cape May, N. J. and Mrs. Ludy's mother, Mrs. Margaret Magill of Larchmont Acres, New York.

Miss Ruby Pate, student at Florida State University, who is interning this quarter at Sebring, is ill with intestinal flu. Miss Pate is scheduled to return to Tallahassee next week if she has recovered.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Cox of Lexington, N. C., are guests of R. E. Cox and family of 217 N. Verona Ave. for two weeks. The group recently went fishing at Lake Okeechobee, and returned with plenty of fish.

Jo Ann Harrell and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Harrell have moved to Lake Wales where Mr. Harrell is employed at Ben Stearart's Store. Jo Ann has been employed at the Touchton Drug Co. here. The Harrell's are formerly from Lake Wales and will reside at 322 First St., Lake Wales.

According to an advertisement in this week's Sun, the Ware Furniture Company now has on display the brand new General Electric all - automatic washer. They extend an invitation to all the ladies to come and see this wonder machine and arrange for a demonstration.

Mr. and Mrs. Stout of Pittsburg, Pa., purchased a home on Hybiscus Way, Mrs. Stout and her guest, Sue Robinson are moving furniture into their new home and will return next fall to make their permanent home in Avon Park. Mr. Stout is a retired railroad man.

Florida's forests are meant for use, not abuse.

Garber Selected As Outstanding Citizen Of County For 1947

Wanted— Baseball Players

All interested in playing baseball with the Avon Park Firemen in the Orange Belt League are asked to report Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock at Head Field.

The Orange Belt League will consist of the following 10 towns: Avon Park, Plant City, Wauchula, Frostproof, Bowling Green, Arcadia, Lake Wales, Ft. Meade Sebring and Bartow. It is expected that the first game of the season will be Sunday, April 4th. It is hoped that as many players as possible will turn out for practice, as the Firemen are very anxious to build as strong a team as humanly possible.

NEGRO ARRESTED FOR SERIES OF ROBBERIES

Chief of Police James Pate and Patrolman Roberts, Friday night arrested Lonnie Johnson, 42-year old Negro, in connection with a series of robberies of breaking and entering several business places here in Avon Park in the past two weeks. Johnson has admitted breaking and entering three of the establishments. Some of the loot was found by the police in Johnson's room.

Chief Pate and his assistants, used several means of trapping the suspect and are to be given credit for doing a good job.

Body Of Avon Park Soldier To Arrive At Lake Wales

The body of Pfc Edwin J. Goolsby arrived at San Francisco on the United States Army Transport "Cardinal O'Connell" about February 11th, and is expected to arrive in Lake Wales in a week or ten days. Private Goolsby, better known to Avon Park friends as "Junior" died in Australia in 1944. The Veterans of Foreign Wars in Lake Wales are making arrangements for a military funeral.

Before entering the service, Private Goolsby lived with his sister, Mrs. Virgie Hall, for about a year here in Avon Park.

The remains of 1st Lieutenant Harry A. Bates, Jr., of the Air Force of Sebring arrived on the same boat and is expected to arrive in Sebring at about the same time as Goolsby's at Lake Wales. Of the group, second to be returned to the United States from the Pacific Ocean area, fifty are listed as having next-of-kin residing in Florida.

BENNETT - PATTERSON

Miss Audrey Patterson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Patterson and Mr. Roy Bennett, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Bennett, were married at the Florida Avenue Baptist Church on Friday evening, February 20. Rev. L. E. McRae performed the ceremony.

The bride was attired in a white suit with black accessories. Dot Elder was the maid of honor and Jack Elder acted as best man. Mrs. Bennett is employed by the Jacaranda Hotel. The couple will make their home in Avon Park.

KIRKWOOD CIRCLE ELECTS

The Kirkwood Circle of the W. S. C. S. of the First Methodist Church met Tuesday, Feb. 17, at the home of Mrs. Arthur Brodie on E. Canfield St. The purpose of the meeting was to elect officers for the coming year. The following were chosen: Mrs. Earl Jackson, leader, Mrs. Ethel Ames, secretary, and Mrs. Mary Gresham, treasurer.

After making plans for the coming year a social time followed. The hostess served a delicious luncheon in the George Washington style in colors of red, white and blue.

SURPRISE PARTY

Mrs. F. E. Hunt was guest of honor at a surprise birthday party on Sunday afternoon. Those present enjoyed dinner and the cutting of a lovely pink and green decorated cake.

Mrs. Hunt was pleasantly surprised by the presence of her sisters, Mrs. J. W. Dawson of Miami, Mrs. L. E. Lane of Lakeland, her daughter, Mrs. Juanita Holt of Miami and her son, T. F. Hunt, who is attending the University of Florida Southern College Will Award Citation Thursday Night, March 4th

J. Paul Garber, president of The Avon Park Chamber of Commerce, has been selected by a committee of newspaper publishers and leading citizens of Highlands county to be the 61 outstanding Floridian to receive a citation from Florida Southern College, Lakeland on Thursday Honor night, March 4th.

After careful consideration by the committee, Mr. Garber was selected as the citizen to be honored, for so many various reasons that we are listing only the high lights of his career.

Outstanding work in the field of education, as chairman of Highlands County Board of Public Instruction. Now serving his ninth year on County School Board.

Chairman of Community Service Committee of Avon Park Rotary Club, which club received the President's Award from Rotary International for Rotary year ended June 30, 1947 as the outstanding Rotary Club in Florida.

Organized the Avon Park Youth Association and served as first president. Now serving on board of directors.

Organized the Avon Park Children's Committee, that is endeavoring to curb juvenile delinquency in Avon Park and Highlands County, serving as vice president.

Helped to organize the Avon Park Negro Youth Association and Avon Park Negro Hospital Association. The Youth Association provides recreation for children and adults of the Negro community. Building furnished by county school board. The Hospital Association plans to have a small Negro hospital in Avon Park.

Was secretary and now president of the Ridge Area Hospital Association, that made it possible for the Ridge Area to have established just north of Avon Park a 100 bed hospital that was opened on January 6, 1948, by the Seventh Day Adventist organization.

This association acquired the buildings from the government at no cost to the Seventh Day Adventist organization, and is now making plans to complete the raising of $150,000 for equipping the hospital. Mr. Garber did outstanding work in making this hospital possible.

Mr. Garber was chosen by Governor Caldwell as a member of Highlands County Children's Committee that is trying to assist the youth of our county.

Paul Garber also is very active in church work, and as we said before in making this selection he has done so many things for the good of the community that has not been listed above, as for instance, he has taken a 12 year old boy into his home where he will remain until he is 18 years old. Since entering the Garber home in January 1947 he immediately picked up in weight, skipped a grade in school, now active in Boy Scouts and making a fine record in school and the community. The county Juvenile Judge committed the boy to the Avon Park Rotary Club until he is 18 years old, and Garber agreed to take the boy into his home on behalf of the Rotary Club.

The people of Avon Park are justly proud of Paul Garber, and, while we cannot be present personally when you receive the award, we assure you that we will be with you in spirit. May many more honors come to you in the future.

ALPHA OMEGA CHAPTER HOLDS MEETING

The regular meeting of the Alpha Omega chapter of Beta Sigma Phi was held at the home of Miss Llwyn Jones last Monday evening. All members were present. Miss Jones presented a most cultural program. At the close of the meeting simple refreshments were served to the members by the hostess.

WOMAN'S CLUB TO HOLD SILVER TEA WEDNESDAY

On Wednesday, March 3, the Woman's Club will have a Silver Tea at the home of Mrs. Earl W. Hartt on Lake Lotela. Special mention is made to the Winter guests, who are cordialy invited to attend this tea.



J. Paul Garber

Dogs Will Have To Be Vaccinated for Rabies

The Council adopted City Ordinance No. 290 which is intended to prevent the sale of beer, wine or spirituous liquor within 250 feet of any church or school. Under the ordinance it will be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to sell any beer, wine or spirituous liquor and any kind within 250 feet of any established church or school and prescribes that no dealer's license for the sale of beer, wine or spirituous liquor shall be issued to any person, firm or corporation where the place of business designated in the application is within the City of Avon Park and within 250 feet of any established church or school located within the City of Avon Park.

The council also directed that action be taken to have all dogs located within the city vaccinated against rabies. Arrangements will be made for a registered veterinarian to visit Avon Park during the month of March for the purpose of treating dogs against infection from rabies. It is expected that the fee will be $1.50 per dog, to be paid by the owner. The veterinarian will give each owner of a dog vaccinated a certificate of vaccination and a metal tag. Dogs found on the city streets after the time of vaccination without the prescribed tag will be destroyed. The time during which the veterinarian will be in Avon Park for this purpose will be determined soon and the time and place to which dogs will be brought will be published in this paper.

A report on the status of equipment and material required for installation of night lighting at the ball park indicates that but two items remain to be delivered. The city has been advised that the 14 poles required have been cut and will be moved to the creosoting plant in the near future. Advice was also given that the other item, 2-37½ KVA transformers will be shipped in about two weeks. It is hoped that the new lighting system will be installed before the end of March.

The council was also advised that the Wells Motor Co., had offered to deliver to the city a one and a half ton truck instead of a one ton truck as previously agreed upon, at the same net price. The council expressed its appreciation of the action of the Wells Motor Co., in supplying the larger truck at the same cost to the city.

MISS ALICE PURYEAR IN A CAPELLA CHOIR

The Wake Forest A Capella Choir will leave on its first major tour on February 27 for the eastern part of North Carolina. Included in the itinerary for later spring tours are the First Baptist Churches of Winston-Salem, Charlotte and Ashville. The choir will be heard in 30 concerts during the winter and spring months. This choir of approximately 40 voices is a new organization on the campus of Wake Forest College having been selected from the larger Glee Club of some 75 voices.

Alice Puryear, who was graduated from Avon Park High School in 1948, is one of the altos with the choir and is violin soloist.

Mr. and Mrs. Cross spent the weekend in Sarasota with Mr. and Mrs. Hunter and family. While there they enjoyed the fair and the Sara de Sota Pageant.