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Just Lookin' 'Round

It is with less pride that we look at our Jacaranda trees on the Mall. We see that they are being carefully pruned and made ready to withstand another month of strong winds that usually come in September. The Jacaranda trees seem to be brittle and sometimes the strong winds break off some of the branches. This is a pity, as the Jacaranda tree is not only a beautiful sight but it also adds to the safety of passing motorists. The City fathers are proud of the Jacaranda tree and our famous Mall.

Business as you all know has slackened up this month. We should not complain though, because we look to the future we can see a bright outlook for the coming winter months.

As was told to me, plans are being made to uproot one tree at the Winter Guest Club and another set of Shuffie Board courts are to be installed. This will enable more of our folks to play at one time, and anyone who has said that there was not enough room to learn to play the game before to get down to sign up. Do your part now and you will add to the growth and prosperity of your town. Just in case someone has not contacted you asking you to become a member of the Avon Park Chamber it does not mean that you are not wanted. Every one is asked to join who is interested in the welfare of our City. Go in see Mr. Keller and he will explain to you the workings of the Chamber and be more than glad to make you a member. Membership is open to all who wish to join.

A note to G. L.'s: On August 2nd the Senate passed a bill providing for funds to be used to send checks to G. L.'s who have carried their life insurance long enough to receive a dividend. It is estimated that approximately 17,000,000 veterans are scheduled to start receiving refund checks ranging from \$9 cents to hundreds of dollars, as soon after January as possible. You must make application for this refund by the 15th of September. Forms will be available at all Postoffices beginning August 29th.

Youth Center Square Dances Popular
The most popular activity at the Youth Center this summer is the old time square dance. Attendance is gaining steadily at these folk dances. Thursday night "two-down" is the big night for the next "two-down." Will Thomas, who introduced square dancing to Avon Park Teen-Agers will be here again to call the dance. With new scenes up to keep the mosquitoes out and let that cool breeze in, Thursday promises to be a night of fun for everyone. Old membership cards will still be good until September 1st. Visiting teen-agers are invited to attend. Cards from out-of-town teen-ager clubs are also good here. The admission for non-members is twenty-five cents as usual.

Prof. A. B. Wilhite Returns From State University
Supervising Principal A. B. Wilhite has returned from Florida State University where he participated in a Bulletin Production Workshop, sponsored by the State Department of Education. Principal Wilhite was selected by the State Superintendent of Schools to help revise and rewrite the Florida School Standards. About thirty outstanding educators throughout the State took part in the production of the book bulletin for use by the schools of the state.

Fred Wild Attends School Conference In New York

Fred Wild, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Highlands County, Fla., was one of 34 participants who attended the Teachers College, Columbia University, eighth annual work conference on the Administrative Problems of Superintendents of Schools. The conference was held at the college from July 1-22. Mr. Wild participated in general meetings, panel discussions and seminars focused on the current challenging problems of education. The purpose of the conference was to give school superintendents an opportunity to learn how to better carry out their responsibilities, solve individual problems in their school systems, and to bring themselves up to date on new procedures.

Mr. Wild participated in the preparation of "A Charter for Public Education," which represents the major conclusions drawn at the conference by the school executives.

Avon Park Boy Completes Training

Bill Harr's Jordan, E.T.S.N. U. S. Navy, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Jordan, of 1017 W. Pleasant St., Avon Park, Florida, is on active duty about U. S. S. Carpentier (APD-18), which is taking part in the most extensive amphibious training operation of its kind ever staged by the U. S. Navy.

The training program, to be completed at midnight, July 30, is being conducted at the U. S. Naval Amphibious Base, Little Creek, Virginia, and in nearby waters. The program is a general indoctrination in the basic principles of amphibious warfare for 1,100 NROTC Midshipmen from 32 colleges, 4,800 U. S. Marine Reserve officers and men and 500 officers and men of the U. S. Air Force.

Jordan's ship is participating in the attack phase of the operation during which conditions of actual amphibious warfare are authentically simulated. A total of 22 ships, ranging from large attack transports through smaller craft of many types, form the Attack Group operating off Little Creek and Camp Pendleton, Virginia, under the command of Rear Admiral L. A. Thackeray, USN. These carry a total of approximately 34,000 officers and men.

The Little Creek, Virginia, naval exercises are enabling the NROTC Midshipmen to receive their amphibious training from men with wide experience of actual amphibious warfare. Many of the officers and men of the attack force are veterans of amphibious assault operations during World War II.

Jordan has been on active duty with the Navy since Sept. 9, 1942.

County Commissioners Meeting

The County Commissioners meeting brought some disturbance to Avon Park when the Board agreed that they were contemplating to do away with the County Veterans Service Office in Sebring. This office, with one man in charge, takes care of all veterans affairs for the entire Highlands County. Hundreds of veterans groups within the county west down to and about the river. Rumor it was that Mr. Schumacher asserted the boys that the budget would remain the same as it was last year and there would be no one left out or any office closed.

It was agreed to build a road on the Pinecrest property for Mr. H. C. Wright in return for two acres near the County Jail. The road was to be built in three years in which to remove the clay, and this would shorten the hauling to most county roads by approximately five miles per each load.

Checks were to be paid to the county in the amounts of \$2,837.50 and \$1,688.97 respectively, which amounts were due to the county for the Road and Bridge Funds.

In accordance with a new law which took effect July 1st, the County Commissioners salaries and that of the Chairman were raised to \$150.00 and \$175.00, which raise was to begin next month.



Local Brevities

Mr. and Mrs. George Gribble and Miss Evelyn Gribble spent the week end in Gainesville. Mr. and Mrs. Fred England spent the week end in Clearwater. Miss Martha Smith has returned home after a week visit with Miss Carol Presley in Fort Myers.

Rev. and Mrs. B. D. Locke and family are spending this week at Naples Beach. Mr. and Mrs. Ira Smith of Tampa were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Landress last Monday. Mrs. Stewart Thayer of Orlando visited with Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Dorniny Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Stokely spent a couple day of last week visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Al Nelson in St. Petersburg. J. W. Smith, Jr., of Williston is spending two weeks with his mother, Mrs. Mark Smith and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Caton of Castle, N. Y., who are touring Florida, called on Mrs. J. D. Sherman Thursday last week. Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Williamson and daughter, Mary Edith, enjoyed a visit to Silver Springs, at the end of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Ferrell of Miami were visiting Sunday with friends and relatives in Avon Park. Mr. John J. Schmidt of The Walker Memorial Hospital was a business visitor in Atlanta, Ga., this week.

Mr. and Mrs. James Basemore and Mrs. Cleve Albright of Melbourne, were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. Carl Rich and mother, Mrs. Dessie Rich.

Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Critchfield, parents of Paul Critchfield, who for the past week has been in Rochester, N. Y., and Illinois. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Ferrell and two children, and Mr. and Mrs. Francis Shockey and son are spending a month's vacation at Bradenton Beach.

Mrs. Delberta Saylor and two children, Jan and Butch and Mrs. Saylor's uncle, H. E. Godwin left Wednesday to spend a two week vacation in Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Snodgrass, who have been tenants of Mrs. J. D. Sherman for the past three months have moved to Tallahassee.

Miss Mary Bush returned to Avon Park Monday after spending a month's vacation with her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Standiford of Lexington, Ky.

Mrs. Jim Wilson is planning to leave soon to attend the wedding of her brother in Cape May, N. J., after which she will spend a few days in New York sightseeing.

Florida Farm Debt Has Not Increased

Co. Key Banker Says

While Florida farmers have spent millions of dollars for improvements, soil conservation, and the purchase of new equipment since the war's end, farm debt has had no significant increase; and savings in cash, bank deposits, and United States Savings Bonds are at record levels, according to S. F. Longbottom, President of the Barnett Bank of Avon Park, who represents the Florida Bankers Association as a county key banker.

"Florida farm families are going through these final months of adjustment from a war to a peace-time economy with very little disturbance," Mr. Longbottom said. "They are maintaining a sound financial position, and while they are using more credit for improvements and new equipment, their obligations are being paid off in relatively short time, and they are adding to their already substantial financial reserves."

Reporting on the results of a fifth national survey of bank bankers serving agricultural communities, the American Bankers Association, Mr. Longbottom said that "total farm debt held by banks of the state at the beginning of 1949 amounted to only about \$16,000,000, compared with \$15,000,000 on January 1, 1948.

In 1948, the last full year of operation, the 158 Florida banks serving agricultural communities loaned \$25,596,000 to 13,614 farmers. This represents a total of \$164.28 per acre of the state's 15,570,000 acres of farmland. The total of \$164.28 per acre is an increase of \$1.28 over the \$163.00 per acre of the preceding year. The total bank-held farm debt on January 1, 1949, was \$16,000,000.

"The farm mortgage debt that Florida remains only about one-half of what it was in a comparable period after World War I," Mr. Longbottom pointed out. "Farm borrowings are usually a liability indicator of the economic condition of agriculture and that of the business of the state."

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"Cash reserves held by Florida farmers, which are being consistently increased, are estimated to be \$1,000,000,000, or \$100 per acre," Mr. Longbottom said. "However, the farmers are wisely holding the reserves as a safeguard against emergencies to enable them to buy new equipment and make farm improvements."

At the meeting it was decided among other things: (1) request Governor Warren to include the farm tractor gas refund bill in the call to the state legislature; (2) to oppose the principle of subsidies paid farmers and growers and methods and land management. This trend insures a steady improvement in the condition of agriculture for many years in the future."

Sgt. Woodrow W. Tomlinson, serving with the Far East Air Force and son of Mrs. H. Tomlinson, route 1, Avon Park, Fla., has recently received his diploma upon completion of a specialized course for instrument specialist at Yokota, Japan.

Mr. and Mrs. John E. (Spot) Bunting returned to their home in Lakeland last Friday. Mr. Bunting was admitted to the Walker Memorial Hospital on Tuesday of last week where he received treatment until Friday, during which time Mrs. Bunting was with him in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Booth.

Mrs. Albert Demorest, Avon Park, and daughter, Winifred of Winter Haven, have returned home after spending a week at the Southern Baptist Association at Ridgecrest, N. C. They visited Albert Demorest at Tampa on Saturday. Mrs. Demorest, at present is staying at the home of Mrs. J. D. Sherman.

Mr. and Mrs. Talmadge Suggs and children, Beth and Jane left Saturday for New Smyrna Beach to stay until August 15. They stopped on route at Winter Garden, Fla., to visit Mr. and Mrs. S. Reddick over the week end. They will be joined at the Beach by their son, Morris Suggs and John Tyndale, both boys are students at Wake Forest College in N. C.

MUTUAL RENEWS DRIVE TO SIGN UP ALL GROWERS

Report Of Highlands Co. Board Committee

Guinnard Maxcy, Highlands County Chairman of the Treasury Department's U. S. Savings Bonds Committee announced today that the report of the final week's sales in the Opportunity Drive added \$17,940 Series E, U. S. Savings Bonds to the total previously announced bringing the figure for the entire campaign up to \$92,713, which is 178.3% of the county's quota of \$52,000.

While the promotion phase of the Opportunity Drive ended on June 30th, the accounting period was set to end July 18 to permit the processing and transmittal of sales attributable to the drive activity.

The final week's report added \$3,348,302 to the state total, which with \$539,000 Florida's pro-rata allocation of Army, Navy and federal employee purchases, brought the state sales to \$15,475,654 or 128.7% of its quota of \$12,000,000. The County at a whole brought 120% of the national quota and Florida finished in the 14th place in the nation.

In the Highlands County's 87 Counties oversubscribed their Opportunity Drive quotas by more than \$1 million while only 15 failed to attain by an aggregate deficiency of less than \$200,000.

Mr. Maxcy stated that he had received an expression of extreme gratification from State Advisory Chairman, V. H. Northcutt of Tampa and R. L. Markham, State Director of the Florida Bonds Division, for the commendable participation by the people of Florida in the Treasury's Opportunity Drive and for a most creditable sales record.

Mr. Maxcy stated that he had received a letter from the Board of Directors of the Florida Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Company, which is the only class eligible to own Series E Bonds, have increased their holdings of these securities by \$1,000,000 in 1948-49 season and are unused until 1950 would increase in value through interest at annual by more than \$5 million.

Local Men Attend Farm Bureau Meeting Last Week

W. F. Ward and H. C. Worden of Avon Park; Guinnard Maxcy of Sebring and John Smook of Lakeland were the only representatives of the Highlands County at the important specially-called meeting of the Florida Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Company in Lakeland last week.

Mr. Ward is chairman of the Highlands County Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Committee, an honor which entitles him to a seat on the state committee.

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MRS. HOWELL DIED AT MOBILE, ALABAMA

Mrs. H. H. Howell, 64, passed away Friday night, July 29, at the home of her son, John Howell, at Mobile, Alabama.

Survivors are H. H. Howell, husband, Mobile, Ala., and four children, Julia, Crawford, John, and Don Howell, Mobile, Ala., and Sam Howell of Avon Park.

M. D. MOODY SUGGESTS TO HEART ATTACK
Maxcy Del Morfy, 65, known as a heart specialist, died at his home in Jacksonville, Fla., Saturday, July 30, after a heart attack. He was a member of the American Road Builders Association, died Wednesday, July 27, in Sebring.

Mr. Moody was a native of Ocala but had lived in Jacksonville 18 years and for 11 years in Sebring. He was president of M. D. Moody and Sons, Inc. Mr. Moody was well known in the state for his outstanding achievement in the construction of a tourist center.

Prostroof Reports Of C. Of C.

Approximately fifty members of Prostroof Chapter of C. of C. for their regular meeting last night.

Secretary A. J. Snook reported that about five hundred seventy-five thousand dollars in new construction was spent for flood control in 1948-49 season and that the 1949-50 season was one of the best in the history of the industry.

In his letter Mr. Todd requested written reply from the growers whether or not they were interested in the plan to encourage those who were interested to sign. It is hoped a good response will be forthcoming.

Major E. T. Keenan, president, explained that the board of directors had authorized an application for advertisement signs to be placed throughout the state calling attention to the beauties of the Ridge Section. This is in accord with a plan made to cooperate with other cities of the Ridge and a competition to raise five thousand dollars of which sixteen hundred is already available.

Following is the weather report beginning July 29 and ending August 4, inclusive. It is secured by Wilbur Giddens, local observer.

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Aug. 3 ... 80 ... 71

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Winter Guests Club News

By DAVID ARTHUR BRODIE

We are glad to report that Mr. Mitten continues to improve from the operation on his eye. Mr. C. H. Moore, who underwent quite a serious operation two weeks ago, has reached a stage of convalescence where it requires the combined efforts of Mrs. Moore and Mr. Wheeler to make him behave as a person should who has been through such an experience.

Mrs. Barnard writes to her friends here that she is trying to sell her farm. She does not feel equal to continuing the responsi-

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Joining their new home at Palmersdale, Ala. where they have four acres of land and a lovely gazebo and pool.

Our Baptist friends will be interested to learn that the foundation of the new church is already well under way.

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The tag nearest the center shows the age of the tree in 800 A. D., the year of the Coronation of Charlemagne, at which time the tree was 71 years old. The second tag shows the size of the tree when the Battle of Hastings was fought by William the Conqueror, at which time the tree was 337 years old. In the same way, it was estimated that the tree was 346 years old during the first Crusade; 486 years old when the Magna Carta was signed; 702 years old when Joan of Arc appeared on the scene; 763 years old when Columbus discovered America; 1047 years old when the Declaration of Independence was signed; 1121 years old when the Civil War broke out; 1185 years old when the first World War began, and the tree fell fifteen years later.

As I wrote these notes, seated at a picnic table, with these giant trees towering 300 feet or more all around me, making a shade so dense that all my snap-shot pictures were under-exposed, I had a feeling akin to reverential awe in the presence of such antiquity. With these facts in mind, one

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Clubs

Margaret Smith And Harold Henderson Wed Saturday

Miss Margaret Ann Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Smith and Harold E. Henderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Uel Henderson of Wauschula were united in marriage Saturday night at 7:30 o'clock, July 23, in a beautiful candlelight ceremony at the First Baptist Church. The Rev. Don Durrance of Wauschula performed the double ring ceremony before a large gathering of friends and relatives.

Mrs. L. M. Mosely, organist played the nuptial music and Miss Lynn Longbottom, soloist sang "At Dawning" and "Always". Stately palms and fern foliage a background for floor baskets of white gladioli at the altar, with branched candelabra holding tall white lapers burning on either side. Carl Frey Weeks and Russell Henderson, brother of the groom lighted the candles preceding the ceremony. Pews for the family were marked with large white satin bows.

The bride given in marriage by her father was lovely in her bridal gown of white embroidered organza, worn over satin. The illusion yoke was outlined with a bertha and the full skirt terminated in a train. Her finger tip veil of illusion fell from a wreath of crystal orange blossoms. Her long white gloves were made of net and she carried a white biblic surmounted with two purple orchids showered with tuberoses and white ribbon.

Mrs. Milton Durrance, who attended the bride as matron of honor was attired in an ice blue organza gown, with matching gloves and hat and carried a bouquet of yellow gladioli. The two bridesmaids, Mrs. Harold O. Lambert, sister of the bride and Miss Clarice Skipper, cousin of the bride were gowns made of yellow organza with matching hats and gloves and carried bouquets of purple gladioli. Diane Landress, niece of the groom, was flower girl, and wore a yellow organza gown and carried a bouquet of orchid gladioli.

Horse J. Sheely, Jr., of Columbus, S. C. was best man and usher were Jess N. Hanson of McAllister, Oklahoma, Elmo Roberts, Wauschula, Leon Singer, Gainesville, and Joel Pierce of Wauschula.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith entertained members of the wedding party and a few close friends at a reception at their home following the wedding.

A bridal note of green and white prevailed in the decorations for the reception rooms, composed of various arrangements of fern and white gladioli.

The bride table in the dining room was overlaid with an ice linen cloth and centered with a three tiered cake, flanked by crystal holders holding burning candles. Miss Wilma Carnes of Sebring presided at the punch bowl. Mrs. Cecil Skipper, of Jacksonville and Mrs. L. M. Shackelford assisted in cutting and serving the cake and Mrs. Harold Rhiner was in charge of the bride's book.

The couple left during the evening for a wedding trip to Key West, the bride wearing a two piece Aqua suit with luggage brown accessories and a loghorn hat.

Mrs. Henderson is a graduate of Avon Park High School and for three years held a position with the Barnett Bank. For the past two years she has been employed with the Federal Housing Administration here.

Mr. Henderson graduated from the Hardee County High School and attended the University of Florida where he received a Bachelor's degree in Animal Husbandry in 1946. Since that time he has been doing graduate work

Mrs. Chestnut Honored At Shower

Mrs. Janice Chestnut was honored at a stork shower Monday evening at the home of her mother, Mrs. W. M. DeLaney on North Dakota Avenue, with Mrs. Edna Mae Leighton and Mrs. J. C. Chestnut as co-hostesses.

Among a setting of floral arrangements and various decorations in pastel colors the guest played games appropriate for the occasion, after which the hostesses served ice cream, cup cakes and punch.

The honoree received lovely gifts from Messrs. Dewey DeLaney, Emma Pearson, Cora Lee Hamilton, Edna Mae Leighton, Mildred Ford, Mrs. Gulliland, Mrs. Shivers, Messrs. Derrell Doll, Ruth Wood, J. H. Kase, Mrs. Van Parter, Messrs. Edith Bryan, Dorothy Williams, Bonnie Dirksen, Lorette Brooks, Ida Williams, Lucious Stewart, George Wingate, Maude Norris, Zelma Dixon, B. D. Locke, W. D. Fletcher, B. R. Quiller, J. C. Chestnut, W. M. DeLaney, Miss Bessie Ames and Mrs. S. F. Merchant of Lakeland.

Hibiscus Garden Circle Meets With Mrs. Loomis

A shaded area of the spacious garden surrounding the E. P. Loomis home on Highlands Lake proved the ideal location for the first morning meeting of the Hibiscus Garden Circle, Thursday, July 28.

Members and guests were served refreshments upon arrival by the hostess, Miss Verna Heim.

A short business meeting was held, at which time Mrs. Ford was appointed Secretary for the remainder of the year in place of Miss Heim.

Mrs. Paul Rumpas of the Founder's Circle presented a most enlightening demonstration, a lecture on the topic, A. B. C's of arrangements. Flowers were placed in a line in a line in a line.

Mrs. Norman England was the happy recipient of the plant presented by Mrs. Rumpas for the drawing.

President Loomis presented Miss Heim with a small basket filled with dainty posies made from handkerchiefs by the members, as a going-away remembrance of the circle.

The August meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Marion Nelson.

Dr. Cummings To Preach At Congregational Church

Rev. J. W. Cummings, retired Minister, who has recently come to Avon Park from Illinois will preach at the Congregational Church Sunday morning during the month of August.

The Minister of the Church, Rev. Herbert D. Gratz will be away on vacation this month.

At the university and received the M. S. A. degree in Animal Nutrition in June. He was chosen one of eight selected students from Fla. to receive training at the Ala. Polytechnic Inst. Dept. of veterinary medicine at Auburn, Alabama.

The young couple at the present will make their home at Ocala, where Mr. Henderson is connected with the State experimental station, planning later to resume his training at Auburn Polytechnic Institute, Auburn, Ala.

Social Activities



Miss Marjorie Thompson

Marjorie Thompson And Eugene Hamlin Engaged To Marry

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Thompson announces the approaching marriage of their daughter, Marjorie Ann, to Eugene William Hamlin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Hamlin of Sebring.

Miss Thompson is a graduate of Avon Park High School, and is now employed at The Palms Restaurant. Mr. Hamlin attended High School in Sebring and is now employed with his father, as a carpenter.

The ceremony will be performed at 8:00 o'clock P. M. Friday, August 26, at the Church of Christ in Avon Park, with the Rev. Albert E. Holt officiating. The public is invited to attend.

The young couple plan to make their home in Sebring.



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Fla. Ave. Baptist Church Circle Entertained

Circle No. 1, of the Florida Avenue Baptist Church met at the home of Mrs. Lizzie Eiders on Tuesday night, August 2, with ten members present.

The meeting opened with a prayer by the Circle Chairman, Mrs. Wilma Lewis. Minutes were read by the Secretary, Estelle Bass and the Treasurer report was given by Thelma Bass.

Refreshments of sandwiches, cookies and cold drinks were served to the following: Messrs. Otis Smith, W. D. McInnis, Estelle Bass, Wilma Lewis, Eva Moore, Thelma Bass, Grace Pickett, Anny Jean Bass and G. L. Wingo.

Three Community Missions were made in the month of July. The regular business meeting will be held at the Church August 16. Members of all Circles are urged to attend.

MRS. COX COMPLIMENTS MRS. WEEKS AT BREAKFAST PARTY

Mrs. Louise Weeks, Stanley products Representative was graciously honored at a breakfast party, Tuesday morning at nine o'clock at the home of Mrs. Agnes Cox.

Mrs. Cox served a most delicious breakfast consisting of ham, eggs, bacon, sliced pineapple, sliced tomatoes, grits, hot biscuits, jelly and coffee.

Those enjoying the treat were Messrs. L. Crawford, P. Spink, C. Way, P. Fabor, H. Pace, H. Mann, D. Thompson, T. Boss, V. Murray, C. Wilcox, B. Earnest, Y. Corneglia, A. Dick, and Louise Weeks.

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Personal Items

MISS JANET SAULS HONORED AT BIRTHDAY PARTY

Miss Janet Sauls was honored at a birthday party last Friday at the home of Miss Arden Anderson with Rosemary Mens assisting the hostess in the entertainment.

After swimming and dancing refreshments of cookies, cake and Cokes were served to the following: Marjorie Heatherington, Arden Anderson, Rosemary Mens, Betty Anne Anderson, Helen Knowles, Janet Sauls, George Chikrens, Bobby Keller, Sonny Hagen, Jack Foster, Frank Camp, Jr. and Pal Skipper.

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Dependability

Following is a copy of a letter from Rev. Luther Price, former pastor of the Sebring Presbyterian Church, now pastor of the Northminster Presbyterian Church of Roanoke, Va.:

July 18th, 1949

Dear Jack:

Congratulations on your outstanding Funeral Service of twenty-five years! You have done a genuine service in the town of Sebring. People in sorrow have been comforted by your understanding spirit of friendliness. Your steady manner has quieted restless spirits. Your available service through the years, while others in the business have come and gone, speaks of a dependability worthy of the trust and confidence of bereaved people. The renovation now in progress is indicative of your love for the people of Highlands County and of your sincere desire to serve in capable and dignified fashion the many people who through the years experience sorrow.

To me personally you have always been a real friend. . . . I shall always remember your kindnesses. My regard to Mrs. Stephenson who certainly has added in great measure to the character and dignity of your useful service. The encouragement and love of a loyal wife is cause for thanksgiving to God, and I am sure Mrs. Stephenson has occasioned such gratitude on your part.

. . . . I have never seen a funeral home give more efficient and sympathetic service than that given by the Stephenson Funeral Home. May God bless you with health and such understanding of people's sorrows for many years to come, and may His blessing of peace, made possible by his Divine Son, be upon your home and loved ones be the prayer of one who feels that he is more than a friend—almost a pastor. So here's to the one who is always thinking of other people—Jack Stephenson—and this letter is a "bouquet" which he so richly deserves.

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