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Chamber Drive Begins Monday

Just Lookin' 'Round

By Les Lloyd

News to veterans on their insurance refund... But the amount on the size of dividend checks due to veterans and War II servicemen next year came this week from a Pentagon officer. Smallest payment to be received by any serviceman is \$500.00. The biggest is to be approximately \$500.00. For example an \$8,000.00 policy kept in force for four years of service, then dropped rates from \$75.00 to \$100.00. Term insurance kept through the war and to the present but not converted drove from \$250.00 to \$300.00 dividend. A \$10,000.00 policy converted, would rate near \$500.00. Don't spend the money before you get it because there is always the possibility that YOU may not have a dividend check due you. We all hope for the best and perhaps we may all get one. Wishful thinking anyway.

With school out and millions on the roads for their summer vacation trips, the probability of a sharp rise in the accident curve is alarming. Summer should be a safety season, not only to those on their vacation but to those of you who just drive around your home town. Many of the normal restraints which help protect at other times of the year seem to disappear in the summer and especially while we are on our vacation.

The highway accident toll this summer will undoubtedly shoot upward due primarily to the increase in road traffic. Lots of people who have not been able to obtain new cars in the past few years now have been fortunate enough to get one of the limited amount that are available and set out on their prolonged vacation.

Too many of us are inclined to try and save a few minutes time by skipping lights, failing to stop at stop streets, failing to take proper care in the use of our cars on the highway. We are glad to know that some people are always careful and on the lookout, not only for their own safety but for the safety of others.

Let's all try to fool the accident predictors. Let's all help to make this a safe summer by observing the rules and regulations that make it.

People are warned to beware of any collector who is selling books or magazines and using the good name of "Boys' Town" in connection therewith. In connection with this, Rev. Major Nicholas H. Wagner, director of Boys' Home states that, "Please urge your readers that no magazine solicitors call upon you using the name of Boys' Town in any way whatsoever. If you contact your local Better Business Bureau or the local Police Department so that proper action may be made and that this unauthorized practice may be stopped."

Boys' Town is a home for homeless abandoned boys, regardless of their race or creed, and although your contribution at any time is readily accepted they do not solicit money through other means.

The Florida Highway Patrol wish to stress to all the people who may be interested, that you must have a beginners license or a drivers license before you can drive a vehicle on the public highway. In order to obtain a beginners license you must go to the city hall in Avon Park on Mondays take an eye test and also a written test on the traffic laws in Florida. This is necessary to insure the fact that you know enough about the traffic laws, road signs etc., to drive and give the proper signs when stopping, or turning. These licenses do not cost you, but you must be able to pass the test before the patrolman can issue you one. The regular drivers license, is obtainable, after you pass the eye test, the written test and a driving test. The patrolman will go with you in your car and watch you drive, turn, etc., so that you know how to give the proper sign and in general be able to handle a car so that you are not a menace and only to yourself but to the safety of others.

Be careful with brush and brush! A stray spark can start a raging forest inferno that will destroy timber, wildlife, buildings and even lives.

Join Your Chamber of Commerce.

Signals to Be Erected At Crossing On State Road 17

Highway Patrol Check Driving Licenses

Florida Highway Patrolmen began an intensive statewide search for unlicensed drivers beginning Friday, July 15th, according to Director H. N. Kirkman of the Florida Department of Public Safety. "The percentage of unlicensed drivers involved in fatal accidents has more than doubled since the first of the year. 19 percent of the drivers involved in fatal accidents in April were unlicensed," Kirkman stated, "while 8 percent of the drivers of death in this year. That is an increase of 11 percent in four months. For the first four months of this year 14 of the 190 drivers involved in fatal accidents were found to be unlicensed. We intend to eliminate the accidents caused by unqualified drivers."

The Florida Highway Patrol in cooperation with other law enforcement agencies will begin concentrated checks July 15th in an attempt to bring every violator of this type into court. "If it were possible to remove these unqualified drivers from the highway we would be assured of a reduction in highway fatalities in 1949. Our fatality record is approximately 30% under that of last year and we are not missing any bets in reducing Florida's highway death toll, Kirkman added.

Orders were issued from State Headquarters in Tallahassee, Florida, to all patrolmen in the State to check as many drivers as possible every day for the next two weeks beginning July 15th. The cooperation of the courts is being requested in order to severely punish unlicensed drivers. "It is only fair to the vast majority of motorists who have complied with Florida laws that stiff penalties be imposed upon unqualified drivers who continue to endanger the lives of others," Kirkman pointed out.

During the first four months of 1949, 24 of the 190 drivers involved in fatal accidents were unlicensed. In 1948, 19 unlicensed drivers were found among the 192 drivers in fatal accidents which snuffed out the lives of 285 persons.

Jaycees Have Guest Speaker At Meeting

The Avon Park Chamber of Commerce had Mr. William H. Power as their guest speaker at the special meeting held Tuesday night, July 19th. Mr. Power spoke briefly on the sanitary condition of the city and also asked that the Junior Chamber of Commerce unite with the several other civic groups in aiding the Health Department in trying to combat flies and improve the general health conditions of the city.

The new president, Billy Martin, read a letter from the Klansmen of the Junior Chamber of Commerce thanking the Avon Jaycees for their contribution toward the financing of Cowboy Jake's trip to Colorado Springs. A Health Committee was then appointed, consisting of Billy Martin, Mayor, Jim Wilson, and Leslie Lloyd, to help in any way possible, in aiding in the clean up drive. After the general run of business procedures, Billy Martin gave a short talk on the reason of the Jaycees organization stressing the fact that the work of the membership will be for the good of the club and the community at large and not for self gain.

Meeting closed at 10 P. M.

BIBLE SCHOOL

The Daily Vacation Bible School of the First Methodist Church, will begin on Monday, July 25 and continue for two weeks. I. H. Ford will be in charge of the school, and she will be assisted by a corps of trained workers. A program of Visual Education will be stressed in the school, with a portion of each day's session devoted to an interesting series of motion pictures.

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Local Brewities

Mrs. Charles Locke, Sr., returned home Friday from a two week vacation spent with friends and relatives in Birmingham, Ala.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. O'Steen attended the funeral of Mr. O'Steen's sister in Mobile, Ala., on June 27.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Carter and son Donald, have returned from a two week vacation spent with relatives in Indianapolis, and Gastrop, Ind. and Louisville, Ky.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Boat and daughter, Frances, have returned from several days visit with relatives and friends in Dallas, Texas.

Mrs. R. C. Dean left Monday night to join her husband in Woodbury, Ga. They expect to return to Avon Park next Wednesday.

Mrs. M. P. Jones of Fort Myers, Fla., daughter, Mrs. Mary Dietz, and Mr. Dietz of McAllen, Texas, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Crawford and family Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Walters and daughter, Ruth of Charlotte, N. C., and A. D. Walters, Coolidge, N. C., recently visited Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Klueppelberg and family.

Mrs. L. D. Geiger and children, Dow and Gayle of Leesburg recently visited Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Ginn. Nancy Ginn accompanied them to Leesburg for a visit.

Mrs. J. M. Adams recently left for Houston, Texas, where she was called by the illness of her mother, Mrs. B. E. Emerson. Mr. Adams who accompanied her to Houston has returned to Avon Park.

Mrs. W. P. O'Steen and daughter, Martha and Susan of Avon Park and Mr. Ellis Green and daughter, Peggy of Haines City, have returned home from a three week visit in Alabama. On their trip they visited Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Crawford and family.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Whittington and family of Portland, Ind., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Crawford and family.

Mrs. Paul Garber and daughter, Gloria, are expected to leave Washington, D. C., on Wednesday. They have been visiting friends and relatives there for the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Saults and family recently visited Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Crawford and family. While on the trip Janet and Juanita visited Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Edwards of Moultrie, Ga.

Mr. Ed Chapman, who recently underwent a serious operation at The Walter Memorial Hospital, returned to his home Friday and is reported to be getting along fine.

Plan To Raise \$6,000.00 In One Day Drive

Former Army Chaplain To Lecture On Holy Land

The Avon Park Church of Christ, located on South Forest Avenue, announces a Gospel Meeting beginning on Sunday, July 24th, and continuing through August 5th. There will be service every evening at 8 o'clock including Saturday, July 30th. The church here, after some difficulty, has been fortunate in procuring the services of Evangelist Conrad Hays, an outstanding Bible Scholar, to conduct this series of services.

Evangelist Hays is a former army chaplain and while serving in this capacity made a personal tour of the Holy Land. He has been professor of Bible at Abilene Christian College for the past three years and is the minister of the Mingo Church of Christ. There will be congregational singing throughout the meeting under the able direction of Paul S. Jordan.

On the first Sunday of the meeting a full day's program has been planned. After the morning service there will be a friendly get-together with dinner on the ground. Following this at 6 o'clock a special service will be held at which time the evangelist will lecture and conduct the services each evening.

Avon Park Well Represented In 4-H Club

On July 4th at 8:30 A. M. the following 19 Highlands County 4-H boys left for a week's camp at Camp McQuarrie in Ocala National Forest. George Montgomery, Melton Drott, Kealey Payne, Buck McIntyre, Danny Schumacher, Frankie Burke, Mervyn Payne, Jimmy Payne, Billy Pate, Larry Taylor, Sheridan Huff, Kenneth Greig, Bobby Tomlinson, Gilbert Woods, Bobby Hamilton, Billy Moseley, Bobby Massey, A. W. Sims, and Thomas Maxwell.

We arrived at camp at about 2:00 P. M. and soon afterwards the boys were divided into squads in which each squad lived together in a cabin. There are ten cabins therefore we had ten squads. Each squad elected a leader. These 10 squad leaders were brought together to form the Honor Court which handled any boys who did not conform to camp rules. We are glad to report that no one was brought before the Honor Court. This form of self government with the boys has been in use at camp for years and has been very successful.

Soil Conservation Items

By Hiram L. Swain
The Highlands Soil Conservation District can boast of three new items of equipment, which will be made available to district cooperators on a rental basis—a new combine, which will be used to gather grain and legume seed, a new fertilizer distributor, and a maintenance chopper for use on pasture establishment and maintenance.

The second grass trial plot undertaken by the district was completed this week. This plot is located at the intersection of the Highway 12 and the Highway 13. This five acre plot has been treated with one ton of dieldrin, five hundred pounds of complete fertilizer with a urea of 10 percent per ton per acre, and planted to Pangola grass.

Mr. Jerome passed Junior Life Saving tests but were too late to receive credit. Billy Barker, Jr. and Beginning Swimming class.

Mervyn Payne was selected by the stock staff as the best square leader which was quite an honor and all the Highlands boys were proud of him.

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YOUR NEWSPAPER
The Sun is the only paper
boosting Avon Park 22 weeks
a year. Your patronage will
expand operation and bring
further benefits to you.

The Avon Park Chamber of Commerce will conduct its annual membership drive beginning Monday, July 25th. A committee of forty headed by Charles Metcalfe will attempt to reach a quota of \$6,000.00 in a one day drive. The Chamber's annual report for the fiscal year ending June 30th, has been mailed to the membership and it is hoped that all members will take time to read the report so they will be familiar with the Chamber's accomplishments for the past year. The Membership Committee is composed of men who are giving their time and effort to maintain an active Chamber of Commerce. Your Chamber is your mobilized force for progress in this community and as such is worthy of your wholehearted support.

The full committee is as follows: Dr. R. H. Jordan, Mr. E. C. Lanier, Mr. E. Ray Wells, Mr. W. B. Bette, Mr. R. R. Brown, Mr. S. F. Longbottom, Mr. J. A. Johnson, Mr. J. P. Garber, Mr. R. H. King, Jr., Mr. Neil Sellers, Mr. L. H. Ford, Mr. Paul S. Jordan, Dr. H. W. Coleman, Mr. J. M. Adams, Jr., Mr. Charles Metcalfe, Mr. Vaughn Driggers, Mr. Ned Klueppelberg, Mr. Robert Padgett, Dr. S. J. Ward, Mr. C. Parker Anderson, Mr. J. H. Hays, Mr. C. E. Hays, Mr. A. B. Whitcomb, Mr. M. G. Whitcomb, Mr. Roy Selma, Mr. Lenny Rush, Mrs. Anna Belle Warden, Mrs. Annie McDaniel.

One good member of the Avon Park Chamber of Commerce that has already received the report for the past year writes the following:

Dr. R. H. Jordan,
Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce,
Avon Park, Florida.
Dear Mr. Jordan:
I have just read the annual report of the Chamber of Commerce of Avon Park, and I want you to know that I think you have done a good job and have accomplished many things that will be of benefit to Avon Park and the State of Florida for years to come. With very best wishes and kindest regards, I am sincerely yours,
Carl Ford.

With The Eighth Army In Kobe Japan

Pvt. Bobby H. Hufstetter, husband of Mrs. Ann Hufstetter, P. O. Box 621, Avon Park, Florida, is now serving at Kobe Base with the 8th Air Force. He is the 8th Air Force's largest export and center of her import-export trade before the war, has the important mission of providing supplies for all of the occupation forces in southern Japan.

Pvt. Hufstetter attended Avon Park High School in Avon Park. He entered the Army in August, 1944 at MacBull Field, Florida, and came to Japan in May, 1947. He is working as a crane operator with the Harbor Craft. He has the responsibility of operating patrol and guard craft in the harbor. He has been in Japan since arriving in Japan.

WEATHER REPORT

Following is the weather report for July 14, and ending July 20, inclusive, as reported by Wilbur Gibbons, local observer.

Date	High	Low	Wind	Clouds	Remarks
July 14	92	74	SE	100	
July 15	92	74	SE	100	
July 16	92	74	SE	100	
July 17	92	74	SE	100	
July 18	92	74	SE	100	
July 19	92	74	SE	100	
July 20	92	74	SE	100	

Done 8-10 night at the Weather Bureau, Ft. Pierce.

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The Answer To Excise Tax Repeal

Congressman Noah Mason of Illinois has come up with what we think is the logical answer to the problem of repeal of the wartime excise taxes, at the same time saving the federal government from a substantial loss of revenue at a time when a sizable federal deficit is in the offing.

Mr. Mason is author of a bill now before Congress that would levy federal income taxes on the corporate business incomes of co-operatives and four other types of tax-escaping commercial corporations. He now suggests that this be tied in with repeal of the wartime excises.

Taxing the untaxed would produce a billion dollars a year in new federal income, Congressman Mason estimates, while it is generally admitted that repeal of the unpopular excise taxes would cost the government about \$500 million in income. If, as Mr. Mason points out, the Congress would combine his bill to tax the profits of presently untaxed corporations with one of the several bills to repeal the excise taxes, the federal treasury would come up with about \$400 million in additional income without hurting anyone. Moreover, the plan would be a godsend to small business now forced both to compete with competitive tax-free enterprises and at the same time carry the business-depressing load of high wartime excise rates on such commodities as furs, jewelry, cosmetics, luggage, communication, transportation, and a score of others.

The desirability of repeal of these excises is generally recognized by government officials, businessmen and the general public. The sticker has been the loss of revenue involved. Mr. Mason's suggestion not only does away with the danger of a revenue loss, but actually provides new, additional income for the treasury. Congress should give this earnest consideration at this time.

Unemployment Grafters

Florida's Unemployment chislers one by one are being detected and prosecuted.

Those who draw money at the same time they are working have been convicted of fraud. Some have been given the opportunity to make restitution, others have been sent to jail.

It is a step in the right direction.

Unemployment compensation was set up to act as a cushion for the jobless; as a means for an honest worker to keep going while in search for another job.

The system is supported by payroll taxes which, like all other taxes, must be paid for by workers in the cost of the goods which they buy.

The compensation chisler is stealing from the workers. The money taken against compensation chislers must be against those who use the benefits to finance a pleasant idleness at the expense of those who work.

These chislers cannot be accused of legal fraud. No showing can be made that they claimed compensation while actually employed.

But a moral fraud exists. Every weekly check drawn in compensation by a faithful idler is theft from the consuming public which actually pays the bills.

The only answer here is the tightening of the follow-ups; the weeding out of those who can work but just don't want to.

Chairman Raymond E. Barnes of the Florida Industrial Commission has sounded the alert signal and has promised vigorous prosecution and reprisals to those who draw weekly benefits; those who try to evade either the legal or moral intent of the law. He realizes that the situation must be met by the honest workers who are willing to work, and by the general public, both of which should recognize their responsibility and report known cases directly to the Commission.

Thus far Florida has made a favorable record—below the national average in fraud cases. The national average is 1 1/2 of 1 per cent; Florida average is under 3.0 of 1 per cent. This average can be reduced however by cooperation of all who are interested in law enforcement.

EDITOR'S MAIL BAG

Editor
Avon Park Sun,
Avon Park, Fla.
Dear Sir:

As you have probably noticed on our weekly program in this paper a movie titled "The Snake Pit" will play at the Park Theatre Thursday and Friday.

The Theatre is a public place where young and old are admitted but due to the nature of this picture I think every person should be told to see it if they are very emotional.

Miss Olivia DeLavalland won the Look Award and was runner up for the Academy Award for her performance as an inmate in an insane asylum in "The Snake Pit" but if you see the movie you may feel as she did.

"The Snake Pit" will be shown at regular hours and at regular prices for those who wish to see it but I do not recommend it for adults and no child should be allowed to see it. Several good family type pictures play at the Park this week so please tell your readers to select them and overlook "The Snake Pit."

Sincerely,
J. W. Johnson,
Mgr. Park Theatre.

Arthritis Pain

The great, unexplored territory for relief of arthritis, rheumatism, and other painful conditions is the blood. The only way to get the blood clean is by using the "Arthritis Relief" tablets. These tablets are made of natural minerals and are completely non-toxic. They are the only tablets that can be taken without restriction on eating, drinking, or anything else.

RALPH McGILL

... One Southerner's Viewpoint

COTTON OUTLOOK

IS NOT GOOD
Old and broken two-story houses, some with the traditional white columns, with roofs fallen in, with windows aghast—
Chimneys, standing stark and lonely, in brush-grown fields—
Decaying tenant houses, long abandoned—
Old terraces in thickly grown pine forests—

These are some of the monuments to the boll weevil. The weevil has others not tangible, among them being graves of men and women who died of worry and broken hope; inmates of mental hospitals, and grown men and women who look bitterly back on the past when the boll weevil reduced their families to poverty and made impossible college careers in medicine, law and other professions.

Wrecked and abandoned—mortgages foreclosed; despair and heartbreak—these are the less tangible monuments to the boll weevil which, first eliminating the vast sea island cotton empire, then brought ruin to the upland regions, so that by 1923 the basic economy of the South was prosstrated. It was the weevil of the War Between the States.

This year is one of the worst weevil years in recent times. Infestation is heavy all over the South. The damp weather which retarded cultivation was grist in the weevil's mill.

There is reason now to believe that the cotton crop will be run at 10 per cent below estimates. The weevil will account for most of that.

If the season should really be disastrous, it will mean more and more people will leave the land and come to our cities.

It is not yet appreciated how many small and medium-sized farms are being operated by men who are right on the ragged edge of economic defeat. A really severe cotton loss would ruin them. The price of shirts and dresses, of underwear and socks and of other materials will be higher or lower, depending on the cotton weevil, as will the lives of thousands of small Southern farmers.

Go look at almost any cotton field. You may see one of many methods of poisoning being done. You may see this picture: A man, his wife and his children moving slowly down the cotton rows. Each has a bucket filled with poisoned molasses or syrup. Each has a "mop," a stick with a rag tied on one end. As they pass each stalk of cotton they "mop" it. That is to say, they daub some of the poisoned syrup on one or more leaves of the plant.

The weevil, seeking moisture, will eat it and die.

This is hard, back-breaking, but effective if done early. If one has to hire it done, the cost is too great. Only the man with a family can afford to mop cotton.

Even more effective is "dusting." Dusting requires capital. If the man who "mops" has capital he wouldn't have his family out there mopping.

At such a time cotton experts are plain scared.

offerings received from our kind friends, neighbors, and organizations. The American Legion, Alabama Power Company, First Baptist Church, Rebekah Lodge, and the Legion Auxiliary, during our bereavement in the loss of my son and our brother, Pic. Howard O. Wray.

Mrs. Cora Wray
Mrs. Mildred Waddell
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St. Matt. 2:23 And when he was entered into a ship, his disciples followed him. And behold, there arose a great tempest in the sea, inasmuch that the ship was covered with the waves; but he was asleep.

And his disciples came to him and awoke him, saying Lord, save us, we perish.

The disciples were in the boat in a great storm. They were troubled because they were taken up with the visible. The tossing billows, the raging wind, the Son of God lay asleep. He knew it was evening. Whose heartbrenching unto Me shall dwell safely, and shall be quit from fear of evil. He had been asleep.

Trust your sleeping hours with the one who knows your every need. Trust Him to supply just what He sees you need in the night seasons when the mind is occupied with the many things which would hinder the working of the Spirit of God but in the night seasons He is active. He that keepeth Israel neither slumbered nor sleeps. In the night season He kept back the walls of the Red Sea so that Israel could go across dryshod, but at the right moment He let the angry billows come down upon the enemies of Israel.

In the night seasons He can work and frustrate the power of the enemy, commit your sleeping hours to One who will work in the night seasons. He can give you grace in the night, songs of praise because you know that He works. My Father worketh hitherto and I work. Yes He works in the night seasons to give to His beloved that which will satisfy.

Adam had no complaint to make about what God wrought while he was asleep. And you will have no reason to complain when your eyes are open to see the infinite benefits that are wrought for you in the hours when you are asleep.

Dry and sandy areas are best for growing pine trees.

You can help prevent woods fires by being careful.

All over the Southeast the weevil is present in great numbers—perhaps greatest since the 70s. Businessmen, bankers and grocers might look around their communities. Some of the boys need help.

There are times when special seasons of prayer are needed.

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at the City Hall, Avon Park, at 8:00 P. M., for the pur-

pose of electing 3 directors who will represent High-

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Mrs. George Gribble

Winona Gee And George Gribble Wed Saturday

Miss Winona Elizabeth Gee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Gee of Sebring, became the bride of George B. Gribble, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marcus H. Gribble of Avon Park, in a double ring ceremony July 9, at 7:30 o'clock, at the First Methodist Church in Sebring. The Rev. E. F. Carwithen performed the ceremony in the presence of a large gathering of friends and relatives.

Palms and fern created a background for pedestals of baskets of white gladioli and Bristol Fairy Gyp intermingled with greenery, on either side of the altar before which the marriage vows were spoken, and alternated with seven-branched candelabra holding tall lighted tapers. White candles burning in double holders tied with white satin ribbons, in which were tucked white carnations and gladioli blossoms, marked the entrance to the chancel. Lighted candles twinkled from each window of the church and pews for the families were designated by large white satin bows to a point.

A program of nuptial music was presented by Robert Carwithen, organist, and Mrs. M. M. Ferguson, soloist, before the ceremony. The traditional wedding marches were played.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, was lovely in her picturesque wedding gown of white marquisette, fashioned on period lines. The moulded bodice was designed with a sweetheart neckline, with a deep ruffle of chantilly lace outlining the yoke of solid material. The long sleeves, fashioned with tiny buttons covered with the fabric came to a point over the hands. Wide ruffles of the gossamer lace originating at the front of the voluminous skirt, extended over the hips and swept into a full court train. Her finger tip veil of sheer white net was caught to the hair with clusters of orange blossoms, and she carried a colonial bouquet of white carnations centered with white orchids, showered with narrow white satin ribbons.

Mrs. Russell Cousins of Winter Haven, sister of the bride was matron of honor. Her gown was of daffodil yellow organza fashioned over a taffeta foundation in a deeper shade with tiny bouffant skirt. The portrait neckline of the fitted bodice was defined with tiny double collars of self material in Peter Pan design. In her hair she wore a matching halo in which nestled tiny tuberoses blossoms, and she carried a nosegay of blue carnations showered with sweetheart roses.

The bridesmaid, Miss Betty Ann Coody, and the junior bridesmaid, Miss Joyce Gre, sister of the bride, wore identical frocks of ice blue organza worn over crisp taffeta foundations, made on lines similar to the honor attendant's gown. Their flowers were yellow carnations fashioned into nosegays.

gays tied with satin ribbons and they wore miniature floral arrangements to match their dresses in their hair.

The brides mother chose grey crepe, with which she wore a strand of pearls and matching earrings and navy and white accessories. She wore a purple orchid corsage.

The groom's mother wore a salmon pink crepe gown, with white accessories and a purple orchid corsage. The couple left during the late evening for a wedding trip, which they are spending on the west coast. The bride traveled in a two-piece navy blue gabardine suit, with which she wore a white nylon blouse and white gloves. Her other accessories, including her hat, bag and shoes were in a bright red. The orchid corsage, which she wore at her wedding, complimented her costume.

The bride, a graduate of Lake Wales high school, has resided in Sebring for the past three years. She has been employed as secretary to Senator James W. Moore Sebring attorney, and served as secretary to Mr. Moore at the recent session of the legislature.

The groom was graduated from Avon Park high school, after which he enlisted in the Army Air Corps and served on the island of Guam.

He was discharged from the service with the rank of lieutenant. He is attending the University of Florida in Gainesville, where he is majoring in business administration.

Upon their return from their wedding trip, the couple will make their home in Avon Park until September, when they will move to Gainesville, where Mr. Gribble will continue his studies at the University.

The members made a tour of the spacious yard. Special interest was shown in Mr. Jol's fine collection of Hibiscus. Garden Club members noted to the attractive planning and careful design of this informal yard.

First Methodist Stewards Meet For Organization

The Stewards of the First Methodist Church met last Tuesday evening to organize and adopt the financial budget for the year. Dr. W. Chandler was elected President of the Board, with the retiring president, R. L. Cleveland as Vice President and G. L. Harrison as Secretary. A. McKee Elwell is Church Treasurer.

Olive Lawton Circle Met With Mrs. J. B. Coen

The Olive Lawton Missionary Circle of the First Baptist Church met at the home of Mrs. J. B. Coen, Jr., Tuesday, July 19, for the regular business meeting, also an interesting Bible study led by Mrs. Coen. Mrs. Bernice Johnson led an interesting Stewardship program.

Mrs. Biggie Entertains Faye Taylor Circle

The Faye Taylor Circle of the First Baptist Church met at the home of Mrs. Ross Biggie, Tuesday, July 19.

Mrs. Biggie, in the absence of Mrs. Wilks, chairman, presided over the business meeting. Mrs. R. H. Lawton taught the bible lesson after which a social hour was enjoyed.

Karen Crawford Celebrated On Birthday

Karen Crawford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Crawford celebrated her sixth birthday with a party, given at her home on West Pleasant St., Thursday, July 14.

The guest were favored with blue and pink plastic bouquets filled with mints, chewing gum, nuts and tiny ships and planes.

Games were played during the evening and refreshments of birthday cake, ice cream and orangeade were served to the following: Pat Tomlin, Judy Stringer, Scarlett Cleveland, Tara Ann Delaney, Sally Nott, Vicki Carter, Carolyn Biggs, Sara Leslie and Michael Harrison. Dolores and Milton Stockey, Nancy and June Coleman, Johnnie Comara, and Mary Edith Williamson, Miss Sharon Stringer and Mrs. G. L. Harrison assisted Mrs. Crawford with the entertainment.

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Zeiss, Sebring, July 12, girl, Lucy Marie, weighing 5 pounds, 9 ounces.

Marion Nelson was a business visitor in Jacksonville last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kiesewetter of Covington, Ky., were recent guests of Mrs. Mary Fields. Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Swift of Winter Haven were guests of Mrs. Mary N. Fields Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gay, Jr., and daughter, Anne, visited relatives in Frostproof Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Williamson and Mary Edith visited relatives in Lake Wales Friday night.

Adm. and Mrs. Washburn are vacationing this month in Cleveland, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Creighton left Friday to spend a month's vacation in New York. William Lynn of Wauchula was a business visitor in Avon Park Monday.

Danny Willis of East Tallahassee is spending several weeks with his sister, Mrs. W. P. O'Steen.

Mrs. W. A. Granger and daughter, Helen of Wauchula spent the past week with Mrs. Mary N. Fields.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Fields returned to Covington, Ky., Friday after spending the past week with Mrs. Mary N. Fields.

Mrs. J. K. Smith and children, Martha and Jackie have returned from a two weeks visit with relatives in Laumburg, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Ebert Cribbs of Sebring attended the funeral services of P. C. Howard, Friday Sunday.

F. Ellis Wray of Montgomery, Ala., and Set and Mrs. Frank Waddell and family of MacDill Field spent the week end with Mrs. Cora Wray.

Mrs. Cora Wray. They attended the funeral services of P. C. Howard Wray here Sunday.

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