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When A Library Needs A Friend

A library needs a friend when it is in the predicament of our own Public Library: When, as is true now, an increasing number of persons enter its doors, and it cannot increase its service to the community. When it needs more books—and has no money to buy them. When it needs to stay open every day, at least during the winter season—and cannot afford to. When it needs a larger income—and instead, has had its funds lessened. When it may soon be unable to pay even present operating expenses.

Yes, it needs a friend—indeed, it needs many friends.

This is why memberships in a "Friends of the Library" group are being offered this community. These cost $10.00, and are family memships; they also cover the fee for library privileges during the year.

Those who become "Friends of the Library," number themselves, as Zona Gale, noted novelist, puts it, among "those who have grasped the function of the library as the great interpreter of us to ourselves . . . More interest, more books, more shelf space, more borrowers, more money— to help to secure all those falls within the area of operation of the Friends of Libraries—and there cannot be too many libraries or too many of their friends."

"Friends of the Library" membership cards may be obtained from Miss Avis Slaughter, librarian, or from members of the library committee — Mrs. E. G. Todd, Mrs. F. H. Truan, Mrs. R. R. Porterfield, Mrs. A. C. Wester Sr., Mrs. Walter S. Betts, Mrs. Alice Sherman, and Mrs. Floyd Wells.

If you feel you cannot afford $10.00, smaller donations will be gratefully accepted. (It goes without saying that larger donations are always welcome).

The ordinary yearly fee for library privileges still remains $1.00, and these fees, too, help support our library. All school children, as in the past, are entitled to use the library free of charge.

Second In Concert Series December 3rd

Municipal Concerts of Highlands County will present for their second concert of the season Vasilka Petrova, soprano and Stuart Fastofsky, violinist. Miss Petrova is known to opera, concert, and radio audiences for her artistry and musicianship. She has achieved outstanding success both in this country and abroad as Santuzza in "Cavalleria Rusticana".

Mr. Fastofsky, a young violinist from New York, has proved to his audiences in Carnegie Hall, Town Hall, "New York City, and Kimball Hall in Chicago, that he is unusually gifted not only as a concert artist but as a composer as well. It is hoped that in his recital at the Sebring High School auditorium on Wednesday night at 8:30 o'clock he will include his composition "Bob-Walk". Our house committee, Miss Eveline Roach and Mrs. Allison J. Hollifield, promise to again transform our High School auditorium into another festive music hall. The Parent Teachers Association will serve orange juice and coffee in the entrance lounge, the proceeds going to their very worthy cause.

Anyone desiring a membership for the sum of five dollars may purchase same to be used for the remaining four concerts. Transient guests admission is two dollars per concert.

CONGREGATIONAL SUPPER AND HOBBY SHOW

The Union Congregational Church will hold a double-barrelled church affair at Lake Byrd Lodge the evening of December 4 (Thursday).

There will be a covered-dish supper at 6:30, with the Ladies Aid in charge of arrangements.

Following the supper, the Covenant Circle will hold a combined Hobby Show and Bazaar.

The decorative plates, suitable for hanging on the wall, and imprinted with a picture of the Union Church, will be on display at the bazaar, and will be available to those whose orders have not been filled and to new purchasers. The Ladies Aid is selling these plates.

Mrs. J. C. Barrow and daughter, Terry, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Grosse and family of Winter Park, for several days last week.

Ridge Section Life Underwriters Elect Officers

The newly formed Ridge Association of Life Underwriters held an election of permanent officers at the regular monthly meeting Friday, November 21 at a luncheon at the Jacaranda Hotel in Avon Park.

Officers elected were: J. Welch Fisher, Peninsular Life, President; Elton M. Lawrence, Liberty National, Vice-President; D. Rudolph Waters, Gulf Life, Secretary-treasurer. Directors elected were: Mrs. Sally Tillman, Independent Life; J. R. Duggan Jr., Metropolitan Life; Raymond C. Jones, Peninsular Life; Gilbert Smith and Billy Norris, Liberty National, and James R. Sellars, Life of Georgia. Ralph A. Knox, Peninsular Life, was elected National Committeeman by the Board of Directors.

The Ridge Association now has 24 members, composed of life underwriters from Highlands, Hardee, Desoto, and the southeastern portion of Polk County. The next monthly meeting will be held Friday, December 12 at the Jacaranda Hotel, instead of the usual third Friday.

THANKSGIVING GAME

Avon Park Red Devils played Sebring Wednesday night, 8:30 p.m., on the Avon Park field. This was the big and last football game of the season.

It was also the occasion for big band shows. Our band and majorettes had a new and striking show. The Sebring high school band also presented a new routine between-halves.

Lion's Meat

Wherever us Lions meet there is bound to be fellowship, laughter, entertainment, some stupidity, I won't call any names on the last adjative. We met with the meat, taters & maters at the King's place in an atmosphere of comradeship helpfulness. We dived right into and disposed of the first item on the agenda and that was the meal, of course us Lions did that without any discussion.

After we were full and contented and satisfied, most were ready for any argument, President Rush called for the minutes of the last meeting, which Malcolm read with pleasure. After that we got right in the groove and down to business. After some lengthy discussion the club agreed to sponsor a benefit show, (Furst—The Magician) to be staged sometime in February and the funds to be set aside for our sight conservation program. Folks, this program is to help some child or children with their visual problems. You'll hear more about the show, to be staged in February later on.

Fred Jahsa came thru with a very interesting and enlightening program. Fred introduced Mr. Rogers who give the history and background of the Passion Play to be staged in Lake Wales in the newly built amphitheater seating three thousand people. Mr. Rogers being one of the actors of the play, playing the part of Pilot, and a very brilliant speaker, held the attention of us all. There will be people coming from all parts of the United States and many foreign lands to see these Passion plays and will receive a rich blessing. Many strangers will be in our midst in as much as it will take a good part of the Ridge to accomodate this extra influx of people at this time of the year. At the close of Mr. Roger's talk, Fred presented him with a Lion Certificate.

A song was sung and the meeting adjourned. See you next week . . . The Lion Reporter

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Mrs. Robert H. Padelford and children, Robin and Betty Ann, of Taunton, Mass., are visiting Mrs. Padelford's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Bigbie. Mrs. Padelford is the former Miss Sibyl Bigbie.

Weather Report

By Charles Howse
Weather Observer

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November 20	68	56	1.54
November 21	63	50	0.01
November 22	71	41	
November 23	78	49	
November 24	80	61	
November 25	80	56	

Second Attack On Special Act To Be Defended

Justices of the Peace and constables have embarked on another legal battle to save their jobs, which were voted out in the referendum election, Nov. 4.

And the county commissioners have instructed County Attorney Keith Collyer to defend them and members of the canvassing board, all of whom were named defendants in the second suit filed in Circuit Court last Saturday against the constitutionality of the special act that wiped out all justice of the peace districts in the county, subject to the will of the electorate.

The first suit, brought by Justice of the Peace Lottie C. Long of the Sebring district, was dismissed by Judge Rogers, who held that the special legislation was valid. In that suit an attempt was made to prevent the canvassing board from declaring the result of the referendum.

The new attack on the special act was made by W. A. Roberts, JP in Avon Park district; Mrs. Long; Constables Eddie Fowler of Avon Park, Lewis Butler of Sebring and Broward Cline of Lake Placid. All were elected when the districts were abolished.

The peace officers want the Court to enter a decree declaring the special act unconstitutional; to hold that the JPs and constables are entitled to hold office, and the referendum election was null and void.

The commissioners were made a party to the suit, the bill of complaint reveals, because they believe that the commission will refuse to pay their bills, based on the referendum result.

As in the first suit, the plaintiffs allege that the special act lacked the essentials for a referendum, and that intention to apply for the legislation was not advertised.

Attorney R. P. Dunty Jr., elected JP in the Lake Placid district, is not a party to the suit.

P.T.A. Asks Health Dept. To Make Hookworm Survey

Among the five recommendations made by the Parent-Teachers Association and accepted by the membership at the last meeting Thursday afternoon, November 20, was that the County Health Board send the mobile hookworm survey trailer to the Avon Park elementary school next March.

The P.T.A. will pay for the expense of having a maid on the trailer while it is here.

The other recommendations were:

That a letter be written to the State recommending that the funds for building the alcoholic colony here in Avon Park be released and construction started.

That necessary purchase be made to supply sheets and pillowcases for the first aid rooms in both elementary and high schools.

That the P.T.A. pay for the monthly P.T.A. publications, both state and national, for both principals of the schools.

That the membership and publicity committees cooperate in producing a yearbook at an expense not to exceed $90.00.

The Rev. Vincent Gennaro, pastor of the Nazarene Church of Sebring, gave a devotional and was also program speaker, replacing the Rev. E. F. Carwithen, who had to be out-of-town. Mr. Gennaro spoke interestingly on the spiritual development and character of the child.

Fish And Game Club Annual Xmas Party

The annual Chirstmas party of the Highlands County Memorial Fish and Game Association will be held Thursday, December 4. A barbecued chicken dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are $1.25 for adults and 60c for children.

And don't forget that Santa will visit the party. He is looking forward to seeing you.

The Rev. O. L. Curl, Sebring, will be master of ceremonies. Speakers will be: the Rev. R. F. Carwithen, Sebring; the Rev. Luther L. Price, Sebring; the Rev. Carson Brittian, Sebring; and the Rev. H. D. Graetz, Avon Park.

There will be a Christmas tree and Christmas carols broadcast over a loud speaker, and movies.

Lights for the tree will be furnished by Jack Stephenson of Avon Park and Sebring; the loud speaker by William Dutton of Avon Park and Sebring.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Gibson have returned to Avon Park from their St. Paris, Ohio home.

Goodness—Will You Look At That!

Photo by Rush Studio

That gleeful look on young Tim's face can mean only one thing at this season—he's just seen that big old Thanksgiving turkey. Our own happy "Tiny Tim" is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas N. Flaherty. (Mr Flaherty is general manager of Pinecrest Lakes Club.)

What Stands Behind Thanksgiving?

Consider this peculiar day. Consider it well. For there is nothing like it elsewhere.

Here is a holiday that commemorates no hero, celebrates no battlefield. No lobby is behind it; no group or sect or party. It doesn't even fall on the same date twice. Yet Christmas cannot dim it nor July 4th steal its glory. And all America loves it with a quiet and intense affection reserved for no other day in the year.

What makes Thanksgiving different? What makes it beloved? What makes it real?

Perhaps the answer is simple. Thanksgiving is an affirmation. It is our heart's testimony to a deeply held conviction. The conviction that these things we call free and decent and American didn't just happen to us. We didn't get them because we were wiser . . . or cleverer . . . or even luckier.

This conviction is the sum of many beliefs and experiences. The belief in the dignity of every human being. We had to fight for that belief in 1776. The belief in a real right and wrong. We had to act on that belief in 1863 and wipe out slavery or perish. The belief in decency and honesty and integrity. We had to live by that belief or fall apart as a people. And finally, the belief that calls for action today: the belief in a responsibility, under God, to our fellow man, wherever he may be.

Our attitudes as a people testify to these beliefs. Our whole national history is a witness to them. In less than a century they have caused us to abolish human slavery, establish free government across a great continent and bring about equal opportunity for all. We have demonstrated these beliefs in action to bring, in our time, the world's nearest approach to a classless society of free men and women.

As we give thanks we take stock of these things we believe in. We renew our faith in them. We renew our confidence in ourselves, in our land, our neighbors, our way of life under God. We look ahead secure in the knowledge that our children, in their turn, will bear further and greater witness to the beliefs which have sustained us.

Of all of them and of that way of life they have made possible, Thanksgiving Day is our joyous affirmation.

DISTRICT FELLOWSHIP SERVICE TO BE HERE

Next Monday night, December 1, the Churches of God of the Frostproof District will gather here at the local Church of God, located on North Florida Avenue and Church Street, for another District fellowship service.

Delegates from each of the 10 churches of this district are expected to be present.

Everyone is invited to attend this great fellowship service.

"Come Thou with us, and We will do Thee good.

Roy C. Miller, pastor

EPISCOPAL MEN TO JOIN IN CORPORATE COMMUNION

The men of the Church of the Redeemer will join with Churchmen of the Anglican Communion throughout the world in Corporate Communion on Advent Sunday, November 30.

The Holy Eucharist will be celebrated at 7:30 a.m. with a breakfast following in the Parish House. Franklyn Ward is the breakfast speaker. Roy Seims is arranging the program.

Mrs. I. W. Chandler, Mrs. A. F. Riggins, Mrs. Mary Ehlenberger, Mrs. H. C. Bigbie, and Miss Minnie Duval were visitors in Tampa Friday.

SEBRING LEADS AVON PARK IN CHRISTMAS SEAL SALE

Sebring is leading Avon Park at the end of the first week in the sale of Christmas Seals according to a report from the office of the executive secretary.

The annual Christmas Seal Sale of the Highlands County Tuberculosis and Health Association however got off to a good start reporting a total of $704.00 for the entire county. This compares with $612.75 the initial report of last year.

Numerous individuals, business firms and civic organizations who have purchased Health Bonds have added materially to the amount raised so far.

An extended program of the county TB Association places their quota at $4000 this coming year.

NEW PASTOR AT FLORIDA AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH

The Rev. Kenneth Tucker has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Florida Avenue Baptist Church.

Mr. Tucker was formerly pastor of the Temple Cvens Baptist Church in Tampa.

He will assume his new duties here on Sunday, November 30.

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Notes of Council Meeting Monday

The City Council met in regular session with all members present. Audit of the books for the fiscal year ending September 30 was presented by the auditor, Mr. Hudson, and accepted by the Council. The operating statement of the City of Avon Park and of the Avon Park Water System and the Avon Park Sewer System were audit. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. W. H. Warren appeared and requested support from the City for the Avon Park Youth Center. Mrs. Rush stated that he was definitely interested in helping this cause. Mr. Collyer made a statement as to the proper manner in which such help could be given. Mr. O. K. McClure stated that children using the Youth Center should help to pay their own way. W. H. Warren made an appeal for a plan to permit the City to help the Youth Center legally. Motion by Councilman Sparks seconded by Councilman Smith to instruct the City Attorney to prepare a plan for a city recreational program. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Thomas to accept the bid of Sivadon & Sons for sandblasting, waterproof and cleaning the exterior of the City Hall in the amount of $800.00 and sandblasting sewerage pumping station in the amount of $30. Upon roll call vote Councilmen Smith, Thomas, Sparks and Rush voted aye. Councilman Kirkland voted nay. Motion carried.

A suggested plan for a city recreation program was submitted by the City Attorney and discussed by the City Council and citizens present at the meeting. Motion by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Thomas to adopt a city recreational program as per plan submitted by the City Attorney with Councilman Sparks to represent the City Council in the operation of the program. Motion carried unanimously.

George Woodham, local manager of the Florida Power Corporation, presented Mr. Benson, Division Manager of the Florida Power Corporation. Mr. Benson presented a statement of city usage of electricity for the preceding 12 months and cost of same. He also presented a suggested new method of billing which would result in a net saving of about $150.00 per month. Motion by Councilman Sparks, seconded by Councilman Smith to adopt resolution providing for a new contract with the Florida Power Corporation effective November 15, 1952 subject to approval of the contract after examination by the City Attorney. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Councilman Sparks, seconded by Cocncilman Smith to employ J. H. G. Hutchinson as City Recreational Director at a salary of $50.00 per month retroactive to October 1, 1952 subject to his acceptance and subject to acceptance of this plan by the Youth Association. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Oppy and Mr. Wyman of the Winter Guest Club requested two new shuffleboard courts be built. Motion by Councilman Thomas, seconded by Councilman Kirkland to build two new shuffleboard courts in Donaldson Park and to employ Mr. Charles Guerndt to build same. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Councilman Thomas, seconded by Councilman Smith to purchase one Minneapolis-Moline RTI tractor from Farm and Grove Implement Company with a sickle type mower attachment at a cost of $2,386 f.o.b. shipping point. Motion carried unanimously.

The City Clerk presented a list of delinquent Occupational Licenses. Motion by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Sparks to serve warrants on all persons doing business in the City without proper city license, effective immediately. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Rush turned the gavel over to Mr. Smith in order to make a motion. Motion by Councilman Rush, seconded by Councilman Kirkland to contribute $200.00 to the Avon Park Library. Upon roll call vote Councilmen Kirkland and Rush voted aye, Councilmen Smith, Thomas and Sparks voted nay. Motion failed.

Mr. and Mrs. David Lanier are at home from Gainesville for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Progress Made On Christmas Baskets

The Christmas Cheer Committee met again on Sunday afternoon at the Chamber of Commerce building. Chairman Marshall Davis outlined plans for definite action in regard to this work. Alfred Engelmann of the Avon Park Fireman's Association announced that the firemen would again make the contribution of toys and candy for each box.

A suggested theme of "White Christmas Contribution Day" has been given for all city churches to respond to by December 7. On this day perhaps the Sunday School children will want to bring a can of goods for this worthy cause. If possible, the committee would like to know what contributions can be expected by the next meeting date, December 7.

It would be appreciated if the other organizations and clubs could have in a list of needy families and what their contributions will be by this meeting. It is quite clear that the committee has a big job and your early cooperation is solicited to make this Avon Park's most cheery Christmas to the needy and underprivileged.

Send the list of names of families and report of your contributions of food and clothing to Marshall Davis, P.O. Box 132. Your checks may be sent to A. B. Wilhite, P.O. Box 728. A representative from each group is invited to meet at 3:00 p.m. at the Chamber of Commerce building on December 7.

Awards Presented To Local Scouts

All boys who received merit awards at the Boy Scout Court of Honor on Monday night were from Avon Park. The court was held in the elementary school auditorium, with the Rev. H. D. Graetz, court of honor chairman, serving as master of ceremonies.

Second class awards were presented by A. B. Wilhite to Langford Milligan, Sterling Taylor, Elmer Moore.

First class awards were presented by William Luscomb to Gene Thomas, Howard Payne, Larry Bond, Alva Rhymes.

James Heim presented the scholarship merit badge to Walter Cook.

The local Girl Scout troop attended the court to swell the count for our Scouts.

Maurice Paige of Wauchula, field executive of the Gulf Ridge Council, announced that the National Boy Scout Jamboree will be next year on June 17 at Ervin's Ranch in Southern California near Los Angeles; and it is hoped that at least one Scout from each troop will attend.

The Jamboree lasts 10 days, but the trip will take 20 days in order to include sightseeing at various points of interest.

On December 11, the annual district meeting for Highlands County and Frostproof of the Boy Scouts will be held at Harder Hall, Sebring. There will be a covered dish supper for all Scouts and their parents.

The following officials will be installed for the coming year: Ford Heacock, district chairman; Roscoe Skipper, organization and extension chairman; Floyd Freer, leadership training chairman; Robert Taylor, vice chairman; Fax Haskins, finance chairman; the Rev. H. D. Graetz, advancement chairman; Fred Winter, camp and activities; Dr. S. K. Wallace, health and safety chairman; R. E. Backus of Frostproof, director.

HIGHLANDS COUNTY ATTENDANCE GOOD AT FARM MEETINGS

Winter Park — Highlands and 41 other Florida Counties were represented at the 11th annual State Convention of the Florida Farm Bureau in Miami Beach last week.

Among those from Highlands County who attended included: Mr. and Mrs. Cole Danley, Lake Placid; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. R. Disher, Sebring; Henry R. Goodnow, Sebring; T. H. Maxwell, Avon Park; F. C. Payne, Sebring.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Y. Montsdeoca Jr. and daughter, Ann Leigh, will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Angus Williams in Tampa over the Thanksgiving holiday. Mr. Montsdeoca will scout the Plant Hillsborough football game.

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Why A Constitutional Convention In Florida?

The present constitution of Florida was written in 1885. In 1885, Florida had a population of 338,400; there was not a mile of paved highway, outside of cities, in the state; airports were virtually undreamed of; facilities for public education were meager at best; welfare was a problem of the family; the state was recovering from the devastation of war and Reconstruction.

In 1952 the population of the state is 3,000,000, or almost ten times the 338,000 of 1885; more than 20,000 people are on the state payroll; the annual disbursements of the state are over $350,000,000, of which $65,000,000 goes for highways and $60,000,000 for public schools.

Since 1885 science has made tremendous strides in the fields of manufacturing, transportation, communication and allied fields. These changes have fostered a new concept of human relations. Many of the provisions of the 1885 constitution have become outmoded and we have sought to bring the constitution in line through amendments.

Unfortunately, however, the numerous amendments adopted through the years have made the present constitution a veritable patchwork of special, local, contradictory and unwieldly provisions. There is more material in the present constitution by amendment than there was drafted in the original document at Tallahassee in 1885.

There were presented to the people of Florida 11 proposed amendments to the constitution of Florida, of which 10 were defeated at the General Election of 1952. The defeat of these proposals makes it obvious that the voters of Florida are tired of putting patches on top of patches, tired of piece-meal revisions, weary of facing long, complicated amendments at every election on a ballot of discouraging length.

The continued patchwork and piecemeal method of attempting to amend the present constitution perpetuates the inequalities and iniquities in the unamended sections and articles. This procedure not only perpetuates the inequalities and iniquities but promotes further inefficiencies and is a continuing block to the introduction of economy into state, county and city goverment in Florida.

Florida's government will remain in operation with the constitution of 1885, as amended, but further economy might be introduced into our state and local governments with the modernization of this 67-year-old constitution. Such modernization would preserve the principles of our democratic system, yet would introduce modern methods and techniques into the management of our governments.

In the second World War American servicemen fought all over the face of the globe to preserve the democratic way of life. It makes little sense to fight for representative government on the frozen sod of Korean hills today only to find the democratic way lost at home.

The job of constitutional revision poses obstacles that are difficult to overcome: undue reverence for the past, fear of the loss of existing priviliges, fear of racial ideas. To many, the time for revision is never ripe; if existing conditions are favorable, they say there is no need to rock the boat; if existing conditions are bad, they say the serious task of revision should not be undertaken when men's minds are unsettled and disturbed.

In 1816, 136 years ago, Thomas Jefferson wrote:

"Some men look at constitutions with sanctimonious reverence and deem them like the ark of the covenant—too sacred to be touched. They ascribe to the men of the preceding age a wisdom more than human, and suppose what they did to be beyond amendment. I know that age well; I belonged to it and labored with it. It deserved well of its country. It was very like the present without the experience of the present. I am certainly not an advocate of frequent and untried changes in laws and constitutions. But I know also that laws and institutions must go hand in hand with the progress of the human mind."

The present Florida constitution is out of date and woefully lacking in workability when it comes to the good of the people of the state as a whole and of the people in the various sections of the state. Public spirited citizens and organizations should band together for the purposes of investigating, promoting and achieving this long-overdue need for the re-examination and revision of the fundamental, organic law of the state.

Now is the time to start working on our senators and representatives in the state legislature. Now is the time to begin demanding that the 1953 legislature place the question of the calling of a state-wide constitutional convention to be placed before the voters on the General Election ballot of 1954 .Now is the time to do something about a bad situation. We need a change.

—The Okeechobee News

CRACKER POLITICS

By Allen Morris

Overlooked in the furor over excessive use of the absentee ballot is the fact that under present laws it provides a perfectly legal way to manipulate votes.

The greatest deterrent to the vote buying and to machine and bloc voting always has been that the vote buyer and the machine boss could never be sure that his "guaranteed" ballots would be cast according to instructions, once the voter had reached the privacy of the booth.

But since there is no law which penalizes a voter who shows his marked absentee ballot to any other, the uncertain element is thereby removed. A candidate buying a vote, for example, can have the voter fill out an absentee vote in his presence and then take the ballot and mail it personally to the election authorities. That way, the voter's traditional right to double-cross the vote buyer is effectively nullified.

There has been increasing evidence in both last spring's primaries and in the general election that the absentee ballot is being used for just these purposes. Some registration supervisors, for instance, report receipt of numbers of form postcards requesting applications for absentee ballots. This plainly showed that somebody was at work organizing the absentee vote in a manner that the regular vote on election day never can be organized.

The leader of a bloc, by resorting to personally-checked-and-mailed-absentee votes, can make certain that nobody gets independent ideas and votes against the bloc ticket in the polling booth.

There are other reasons that current legalized abuses of the absentee ballot makes life easier for the machine bosses and the controllers of block votes. For one thing, it makes unnecessary that he go through the election-day grief of getting all his people to the polls in a single 12-hour period. Instead, he can spread out the job over a period of several weeks. And every vote that he personnally drops into the mail is one that he doesn't have to worry about. Moreover, he doesn't have to bear the onus of having all his bloc bunch up at the polls conspicuously - a development that sometimes provokes an adverse reaction among voting groups of dissimilar economic or racial characteristics.

Thoughtful registrars and county judges believe that two weaknesses in the present law facilitate the abuses outlined above.

1. The vague statement of intent in the application for an absentee ballot should be made more positive by changing the "I intend to be out of the county . . ." to "I will be out of the county . . ." Laws in Minnesota, Missouri and other states use the "I will" language and seem to have worked well.

2. The statement that the voter has filled out his ballot without assistance, and has not exhibited it to anyone should be strengthened. At present, the elector and two witnesses, neither of whom is necessarily identified even by an address, merely sign the statement. Since no oath or attestation is involved, many county judges believe this provision is unenforceable. Under a plan which has worked effectively in a number of states, the absentee voter must fill out his ballot in the presence of a person to whom he is known and who is qualified to administer oaths. These would include the Supervisor of Registration, other public officials authorized to administer oaths, including notaries public, and supervisory employes of the post office. By including the oath provision, the law makes it possible to prosecute violators for perjury.

There is a second type of citizen who is suspected of abusing the absentee voting privilege in recent elections. This is the conscientious-but-busy-voter who remembers long lines on a previous election day and envisions ah absentee vote as a rather shrewd way to avoid the inconvenience of waiting in such lines. The vagueness of the present "I intend to be absent . . ." language makes it fairly easy for this type of voter to rationalize and see nothing genuinely dishonest in applying for an absentee ballot. After all, he just might be out of the county - you never know.

The cure for the second type of violator doesn't require any changes in state law. Some county commissions already have discovered the cure - adequate facilities, properly located, for voting in person on election day. Where such facilities exist, it becomes more convenient to vote in person than by absentee vote.

"TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY"

By Russell Kay

Another successful State Chamber of Commerce conference has come and gone and those who were fortunate enough to attend the three-day session in Jacksonville last week agree that it was outstanding in every respect.

The Florida State Chamber of Commerce, under the able management of Harold Colee, provides this state with a business and industrial leadership that is playing an important part in Florida's steady growth and development.

The annual conference of the FSCC attracts top-flight executives from every walk of business and industrial life. It is the one convention of the year where you can count on finding just about everybody of consequence.

I have not missed such a gathering for many years and can safely term the one just closed an outstanding success. From the smoothly operating registration desk, where capable secretaries greet most everyone by name, through the business sessions and entertainment features, the affair is big time and a credit to its officers and directors, particularly Harold Colee and his efficient staff.

It would take many columns to tell in detail about the constructive program that went to make up the recent conference, but the talks by outstanding leaders were inspiring, reflecting this state's amazing progress and its promise for the future.

Important action taken during the session included the passage of resolutions asking accelerated Federal appropriations for the Central and Southern Flood Control and Central Southern Flood Control projects as well as studies for other needed waterway improvements, improved state services, abolishing excise taxes and traffic safety.

One resolution urged continuation of the Florida State Industrial Development Council which Governor Warren inaugurated. In a talk before the conference later in the day Governor-elect Dan McCarty gave assurance that he wouuld continue the Council in its present form.

Laurence F. Lee, president of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, addressed the gathering and warned business men they should not expect miracles or the impossible as a result of the change in the national administration. He pointed out that it will be up to Congress and the American people to solve "the serious problems which the election did not solve."

Dr. J. Ollie Edmunds, president of Stetson University, in a self-styled "blunt" keynote speech, said that Florida has far to travel before it becomes a "Premium" state. He said that to gain the position it is entitled to it must clean up its cities and highways to match the state's natural beauty, improve its colleges and public libraries to provide a cultural stimulus, take advantage of the opportunity afforded by the recent elections to rid ourselves of a socialistic octupus and encourage citizens to take greater interest in civic and governmental affairs.

Alfred A. McKethan, chairman of the State Road Department, termed a series of modern arterial tollpikes one of Florida's imperative needs if we are to be prepared to maintain our highways adequate to the ever-expanding need of our growing tourist and commercial travel. Florida's road system is inadequate to meet today's needs and such highways as are needed cannot be financed unless taxes are sharply increased or tolls are employed. He strongly urged construction of the highway from Jacksonville to Miami as the first link in such an overall tollpike system on a long range road building program.

Banquet speaker was Donald R. Richberg, Washington attorney, who stated that the election of General Eisenhower was a crucial turning point in the history of the United States. He said that this nation, which has slid dangerously far toward socialism and the welfare state under Trumanism, can save itself under the new president and establish again a sound responsible government that will command worldwide respect.

During the closing session Earl W. Brown of DeLand was elected president of the Florida State Chamber of Commerce to succeed Doyle E. Carlton of Tampa who has served during the last two years. Reelected were James Ingraham, Jacksonville, treasurer; Ed R. Bentley, Lakeland, Joe Adams, Miami and Wilson Carraway, Tallahassee, vice presidents at-large; and five district vice presidents. Walter L. Hays of Orlando was elected corporate secretary to succeed the late William L. Wilson. Two vacancies for vice presidents-at-large were filled by Baron de Hirsh Meyer, Miami, and Sam D. Summers, Lake City; 66 state directors were also named.

Select the Service that selects its men—U. S. Marines.

AVON PARK SERMONETTE

GIVE THANKS UNTO THE LORD

W. G. Larson, Pastor
Walker Memorial Church

Thanksgiving Day is an American holiday of which all America is very proud, and rightly should be. It is a holiday that stands for something worth while. We as Americans, of course, believe that in a special way the day belongs to us. It is the oldest of our holidays, dating from 1621 and the Pilgrim Fathers.

What a sturdy stock of God-fearing souls stepped on New England soil on that memorable day of December 12, 1620.

"The breaking waves dashed high
on a stern and rock-bound coast,
The woods, against the stormy
sky,
their giant branches tossed.

"And the heavy night hung dark
The hills and water o'er
When a band of exiles lowered
their bark.
On the wild New England shore."

Religious freedom had its birth in this country of ours, and what a favoried people we are still to have this wonderful gift of God—religious freedom.

Thanksgiving in its truest sense must always involve the religious element, for in the end gratitude for all things goes back to Him who is the Giver of every good and perfect gift—material, physical, intellectual, spiritual. (James 1:17)

The Pilgrim Fathers followed the example of King David in setting aside a day for Thanksgiving. Let our minds go back to the year of 1042 B.C. during the reign of King David. "So David and the Elders of Israel, and the captains over thousands, went to bring up the ark of the covenant of the Lord out of the house of Obed-edom with joy." I Chronicles 15:25.

It was a great day of thanksgiving and joy when, after so long a time, the ark was to be brought back to Jerusalem. There developed a pageant par excellence. It drew near to the capitol city "with shouting and with sound of the cornet, and with trumpets, and with cymbals, making a noise with psalteries and harps." Verse 28.

With joy the people erected altars for sacrifice, and the smoke of peace offerings and the clouds of incense ascended to heaven mingled with praise, adoration, and expressions of gratitude of all Israel.

The services of David's Thanksgiving day were ended, its worship completed. It was in very essence a religious celebration. In conclusion David pronounced his benediction upon all the people and added also another evidence of his bounty. "He appropriated to all the people, to all the multitude of Israel, both men and women, to every one a loaf of bread, and a sweet drink, and a raisin cake." I Chronicles 16:3 (Rotherham) How inseparably will the thanksgiving service always be connected with the thanksgiving feast, regardless of how meager that feast may be.

"It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord." Psalm 92:1. Moffatt's Translation of the text reads, "It is a joy to give thanks to the Eternal." This rendering of the text reminds us that the grandest joy is found in the thankful heart.

Dr. G. Campbell Morgan tells of the poverty-stricken fishwife who was found eating a holiday dinner consisting of a piece of bread and a toasted herring. When the visitor said something to her about the poverty of her fare, the old woman with her face aglow replied: "Poor fare? Dear heart, don't you see that the Lord has laid tribute on sea and land to feed me this blessed day?" Yes, it's a joy to give thanks to the Lord.

How many things we can be thankful for this turbulent, year of 1952. We can thank God for the church, for her sweet communion in Jesus Christ is worth everything to us. We ought to be proud of her radiant record in a world of sin. The church is the best institution in all the world for the advancement of civilization and the betterment of society.

We should never fail to thank God for our country, the greatest that exists. We who live in America are most favored. We have more freedom and privileges than do those of any other country in the world.

We can thank God for opportunities for service. Genuine thanksgiving will express itself in wholehearted service. The giving of ourselves and of our means to help bring the gospel of Christ to a world steeped in sin is an opportunity afforded to each of us today.

We, the ministers of this county, are thankful for the confidence that our friends have placed in us. We hope and pray that this coming year may be one of great success in the Lord's work, of souls brought to a nearness to the cross and to a realization of Christ's soon coming.

"It's a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord." Yes, it is a joy to give thanks to the Lord.

Reason and experience both forbid us to expect that national morality can prevail in exclusion of religious principle.

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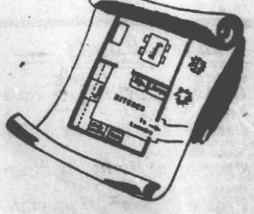
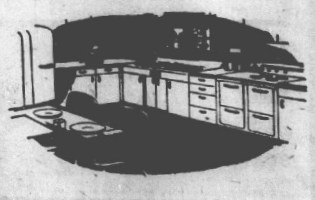


A well-planned kitchen, with each appliance, the sink and the cabinets properly placed, is just like a well-coached football team . . . all working together to get the best results.

The modern kitchen, of course, includes an automatic electric range, refrigerator, perhaps a dishwasher and garbage disposer as well as a food freezer and automatic water heater. This ALL-ELECTRIC team will score again and again with economy and convenience to you.

So, if you're building or remodeling, our kitchen-planning experts will be glad to assist you. A free service to help you get the most out of your electric dollar.

G. F. WOODHAM, Manager



FLORIDA POWER CORPORATION

FAMED CHRISTUS PLAYER COMMENDS NEW WORKSHOP

Lake Wales — "This can be, undoubtedly will be, magnificent."

So commented, on his first sight of Passion Play Amphitheatre here, Josef Meier, famed Christus player whose Black Hills Passion Play opens here for a special preview January 9th, with regular performances three times a week scheduled from January 11th through March 5th.

Mr. Meier, now playing in Birmingham, Ala., spent Friday night and Saturday here on an unannounced tour of inspection as the guest of Harold Rogers, his personal representative who has been stationed here since early October.

Citizens of Lake Wales who accompanied Mr. Meier on the tour expressed amazement at the inspirational effect the Amphitheater seemed to have on the man who has played the part of Christ all over America and Europe. Pioneer Club Chairman Walter Woolfolk summed up:

"If we had that man here to help with the Pioneer Club membership sale, our troubles would be over by Saturday night . . . he is truly magnificent."

Chairman Woolfolk reported splendid response to initial efforts of radio stations in particular in selling Club memberships which carry with them the privilege of attending the Gold Plate preview Friday, January 9th. All sections of Polk County are now well-represented and "it seems to be catching on in other counties".

Manager Carl Sink reported a block order from Sebring, in Highlands County, for 25 memberships, accompanied by a request to "hold our section open, there will be more".

Sink also reported a full accounting of the Polk County campaign would be made by next weekend.

Health Topics

Presented by your Doctor of Medicine as a Health Service of the Florida Medical Association and your Local Medical Society.

UNPLEASANT ODORS

Unless some disease exists, unpleasant body odors medically called bromhidrosis can be controlled without medical supervision if everyday attention is paid to good hygiene.

Sweat glands of the body, functioning normally, produce perspiration which is from 98 to 99 percent water. In hot weather more perspiration is excreted by the glands through the skin. This is important in regulating the heat of the body. Unpleasant body odor is caused by the accumulation of excretions of the skin which undergo chemical changes.

Because the odor is so noticeable, it is difficult for the person offending to be unaware that he "smells" unless there is a defect in his smelling device. For this reason, it is hard to understand why so many people persist in giving this odoriferous unpleasantness to others.

In these days of good sanitation and excellent bathing facilities, there is no excuse for not ridding the body of these odors. Because the skin and clothing retain the odor, daily bathing and frequent change of clothing are essential. Particular attention should be given to the underarm areas, the groin and the feet.

There are conditions that cause excessive perspiration which stem from underlying factors such as nervous and emotional states. These are medical problems.

The unpleasant odor from the mouth is known as halitosis. This condition stems from many causes, each of which should be investigated and corrected. Constipation may be a factor. Improper mouth hygiene, defective teeth, infection of the throat, tonsils and sinuses are all involved.

All moral obligation resolves itself into the obligation of conformity to the will of God.

A National Dividend For Every Voter

By JOHN H. PERRY JR.

Cloth-bound copy, with jacket, of Mr. Perry's book may be obtained by forwarding Money Order or check for $2.00 payable to the Bay County Publishers, Inc., P.O. Box 516, Panama City, Fla."

Chapter Two
The Capitalist's Biggest Sin

For the sake of votes, the demagogue promises the voters all kinds of benefits for "nothing" and readily denounces capitalism if the occasion warrants. But regardless of what names he may be called, the capitalist is, first and foremost, a great risk taker, and the principal producer of the country's wealth.

To start with, he usually has to have a little more money than the average man, but in this day and age he has probably gotten that money the hard way. Under the present inheritance tax program, it's almost impossible to become a capitalist through inheritance.

Having managed to amass some capital, a man starts to figure out ways and means of holding on to it, making a living by it and possibly increasing it. He is prepared to take a risk because basically he is a creative man.

He establishes a business and forms an organization. As his business expands, he continues to create more money and more jobs for other people. He works longer and harder than most of his employees to keep his organization operating smoothly and swiftly. He acquires the habit of keeping one eye on profits—because profits mark the border line between success and failure.

This rising capitalist is a prime mover in the great process of wealth creation. Just so long as he continues to make a profit, this great process continues and just so long as he will take risks, will there be any chance of profit. But without profit he is doomed to failure and so is his organization. The greatest sin of the modern capitalist is not that of making a profit but in his failure to do so.

However, if he has properly analyzed his market; if he makes as few mistakes as possible; if he is careful about the selection of his associates; if he sees to it that his associates operate under good working conditions, are not overworked and receive fair wages—and IF he doesn't crumble under the added weight of Government restrictions, red tape and taxes, then his venture MAY be successful.

Just so long as the capitalist is observing the restrictions and paying his taxes, he is tolerated by the Government. But if he starts to lose money, the Government wants no part of him. By the same token, if he is accused of making excessive profits he become the victim of an investigation that costs him time and money.

The capitalist gets his reward only after he has made a success of his business, and even then, his share is on a very small fraction of the gross sales—or gross wealth he created. And an even smaller fraction of that fraction remains after the double taxation system has taken its bite.

The present ruinous method of taxation, plus the many other stifling provisions of the Revenue Act are, in fact, stifling the expansion of business and encouraging monopoly among the fewer big businesses.

This much can be said for the Democratic proposals for a solution to our economic ills . . . they are at least colorful and appealing. They have the aura of the carnival midway. So much so that their tendency toward demagoguery is obvious. It becomes more and more apparent that our economic planners are far more concerned with party perpetuity than they are with a practical solution to our economic ills.

The Republicans have come forward with some reasonably sensible and down-to-earth proposals. But most of their suggestions have been utterly devoid of popular appeal, imagination or human interest. And while they are sound from a business standpoint, they offer nothing to the Voter. It is the Voter to whom we must appeal. It is the Voter who must okay any political proposal.

Mr. and Mrs. America of the period have long been sold on streamlining. They have streamlined cars, furniture, television sets, radios and ideas. They have been sold on the technical advantages of streamlining and have succumbed to its eye appeal.

In this new and streamlined era, a new and streamlined economy is needed, particularly during the coming world crisis. The National Dividend Plan—through which every Voter will receive the corporate wealth of the Nation — would provide such streamlined economy.

It doesn't seem fair that of the forty-odd billions of dollars that our Federal Government collects each year that the average man and the average woman get nothing. They merely contribute.

Their contributions help to support hundreds of agencies and bureaus and divisions and units of government, many of which could be completely eliminated. Our tax money is pouring down the drain of duplication of effort, and much of this duplication is represented in the functions of Federal and State Government. Our State Government can and should do the bulk of legislation because they are closer to the voter, because if ones makes a mistake all do not suffer, because there is a healthy state of competition in State and local government that encourages improvement and discourages corruption. And the opportunities for graft and corruption in State and local government, which are under microscopic scrutiny by the public, are dwindling as rapidly as they are mounting in vast and confusing Federal picture which is less subject to Voter control. I am referring to the vast bureaucratic Federal departments over which the Voter has lost practically all contact and control and over which his local Congressman has also lost contact.

However, we have in effect today a national system of private enterprise that has proved thus far to be better for everybody than any other system attempted. The demagogues tell us that this system of private enterprise should be manipulated by the Federal Government.

On the contrary, it is incumbent upon us to find a way of perfecting what we have rather than replacing it with a dubious or undesirable system. Manipulation of private enterprise by the Federal Government is the forerunner of control of the Federal Government which, of course is Socialism.

The greatest danger of our system at the moment is that it is being throttled by forces which are confiscating the wealth it creates in order to perpetuate themselves in power.

We need a plan which will accomplish what the Democrats say they are trying to do but which, at the same time, will insure the continuance of individual liberty and private enterprise while eliminating buresucracy and waste. In other words, we should encourage private business to earn more profits so that these profits may be distributed evenly among all the people.

The National Dividend For Every Voter is a proposal that would be of the people, by the people and for the people—a most fitting amendment to a Constitution which provides that that is the way our Government should be.

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Chest X-ray

He's having his lungs checked to make certain he hasn't a hidden case of tuberculosis. Because TB has no symptoms at first, chest X-raying of apparently healthy people is advocated by the voluntary tuberculosis associations whose work is supported by the Christmas Seal Sale being conducted from Nov. 17 to Dec. 25.

A&P Super Markets recently sold 17 Bendix washers in Columbus, Ohio through demonstration and generous newspaper advertising.

GM Opens $194,000 Highway Contest

FROM DETROIT headquarters of the 48 states plus the District of Columbia will receive and rule books were being mailed out this week to contestants in the General Motors Better Highways Awards Contest.

The contest is the largest of its kind ever attempted and GM is offering 162 prizes, totaling $194,000 for the best essays on the subject, "How to Plan and Pay for the Safe and Adequate Roads We Need."

Open to every man and woman in the United States, the contest offers a first national award of $25,000; second place nationally, $10,000; third place, $5,000; and three national honorable mentions of $3,000 each. In addition, there will be nine separate regional awards of $3,000 each.

Entry blanks, rule books and $1,500 each. Two honorable mention awards for each state and the District of Columbia will be $500 each, a total of 98 state honorable mentions.

GM is sponsoring the essay writing contest, which closes on March 1, 1953, in an effort to stimulate "more nation-wide thinking, discussion and understanding of the facts of our current highways requirements."

Entry blanks, rule books and further information about the contest may be obtained at any GM passenger car or truck dealer in the U. S. or by writing to General Motors Better Highways Awards Contest, General Motors Building, Detroit 2, Mich.

DAV SWEETHEART -- VA NURSE

BOSTON—Pretty Laura Power, a Veterans Administration nurse, has been selected as the DAV Sweetheart of the year by the Disabled American Veterans. The selection was made by the organization to express the disabled veteran's gratitude to VA nurses for their unselfish devotion to the care of the wounded and disabled in the VA hospitals throughout the country.

(Note to Editors: The above feature is available in one or two column mats. Please check postcard indicating size you wish.)

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CHURCH Notices

CHURCH OF CHRIST
(South Forrest Avenue)
Charles Tidwell, Minister
Sunday Bible Study, 10 A.M.
Preaching 11 A.M. and 7:30.
Wednesday Bible Study, 7:30.
All are welcome to these services

FIRST ASSEMBY OF GOD CHURCH
Rev. E. T. Corbin
Sunday School 9:45 A.M.
Morning Worship 11 A.M.
Evening Worship, 7:30 P.M.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:30 P.M.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
S. Lake and Walnut St.
Rev. H. E. Garrett
Church School 9:45 A.M.
Morning Worship 10:55 A.M.
Nursery for babies and small children during Sunday School and Church.
Youth Fellowship at 7:15 P.M.
Evening Worship 7:30 P.M.
Wednesday Prayer Service 7:45 P.M.
Choir Practice following Prayer Service.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Robert T. Liner, Pastor.
Sunday School 9:45 A.M.
Morning Worship 10:55 A.M.
Nursery for small children during morning services.
Training Union 6:45.
Evening Worship 8:00.
Wednesday Prayer Service 7:45 P.M.

CHURCH OF GOD
832 S. vernon Ave.
Rev. Roy C. Miller, Pastor.
Sunday School, 10 A.M.
Sunday Morning Worship, 11 A.M.
Sunday Evening Worship, 7:30 P.M.
Tuesday Prayer Service, 7:30 P.M.
Thursday Young People's Service, 7:30 P.M.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY
Cor. E. Pine and Fairfield
Sunday School 9:30 A.M.
Sunday morning service 11 A.M.
Wednesday evening 8 P.M.
Reading room open Monday through Friday from 3:00 to 5:00 P.M., except legal holidays.

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH
Woman's Club, Oak St., Sebring
Services 10:30 A.M.
Sunday School 9:15 A.M.
Rev. E. G. Tippin, Pastor

UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
Church St. and N. Forest Ave.
Rev. Herbert Graetz, Pastor.
Mrs. J. Paul Garber, Choir Director
John P. Garber, Jr., Sunday School Superintendent.
Sunday School, 9:45 A.M.
Morning Worship, 11:00 A.M.
Nursery for small children during morning service.

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER
Rev. John Q. Crumbly, Vicar
Sunday Services:
Holy Eucharist 7:30 A.M.
Church School, 9:45 A.M.
Holy Eucharist, 11 A.M. (2nd and 4th Sundays, Morning Prayer)
Wednesdays, Holy Days, and Saints Days, Holy Eucharist 10 A. M.
Saturday:
7:00 P.M. Angelus, Compline, Preparation, and Sacrament of Penance

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
W. Main St. and Desoto Ave.
Pastor: Rev. Craig Wyant
Sunday School 9:45 A.M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.
Young and Junior Society 6:30 P.M.
Evangelistic service 7:30 P.M.
Mid-week prayer service Wednesday 7:30 P.M.

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH
Chapel at Walker Memorial Sanitarium and Hospital.
Woodrow Larson, Pastor
Services:
Morning Sermon.
Sabbath Worship, Saturday 11 A.M. Sabbath School 9:30.
Prayer Meeting, Wednesday, 7:45 P.M.
Public cordially invited to all services.

FLORIDA AVENUE BAPTIST Church
Rev. Lawrence Collins, Pastor.
Sunday School, 9:45 A.M.
Morning Worship, 11 A.M.
Training Union, 6:45 P.M.
Evening Worship, 8 P.M.
Prayer Service Wednesday evening, 8 P.M.

ST. CATHERINE'S CATHOLIC CHURCH OF SEBRING
Sun. Mass, 7:00 and 11:00 A.M.
Altar Society meets second Monday in each month.

WOODRUFF HEIGHTS BAPTIST CHAPEL
Location: rental office Recreation room.
Sunday School, 9:45 A.M.
Morning Worship, 11 A.M.
Evening Worship, 8 P.M.
Wed. Prayer Service 8 P.M.

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Frozen Foods

MINUTE MAID *ORANGE JUICE,*	3 cans	49c
WINTER GARDEN *Fresh Frozen Peaches, 5 pkgs*		95c
AGEN REGULAR or *French Cut Beans,*	5 pkgs.	95c
PRIME BRAND *Frozen Rhubarb, 12 oz. pkg.*		23c
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SUPERBRAND *MARGARINE, lb.*		18c
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SWIFT'S JEWEL **Shortening**	3	LB. CAN	69c
LARGE TIDE	2 boxes		55c
CLOROX BLEACH, quart			15c
HUNT PEACHES, No. 2½			25c
ASTOR TEA, 4 oz. box			19c
CABIN HOME MEAL, 5 lbs.			31c
EL PENON **Corned Beef**		12 OZ. CAN	39c
STARKIST **Tuna Chunks**		½'s	28c
DONALD DUCK **Mayonnaise**		QT.	43c
FOREST PARK **Evaporated Milk**	3	TALL	39c
ARGO **Sugar Peas**	2	No. 303	25c
FAMOUS **Swift's Prem**		12 OZ.	39c
KRAFT BLUE ROSE **Bag Rice**	3	LBS.	37c

Clubs - - Social Activities - - Personal Items

Yula Fisher
Society Editor
PHONE 54

Christmas Music At Woman's Club Dec. Meeting

A special Christmas program will be given at the next meeting of the Woman's Club, which will be held in the Union Congregational Church, Friday, December 5, at 3:00 p.m. Mrs. H. Edward Garrett will be in charge of the program.

Since this is a special program, and will include a fine selection of Christmas music, the meeting will be opened to interested non-members.

Mrs. Earl Jackson and Mrs. J. Paul Huber will be in charge of the music.

Also, the club invites new memberships. Mrs. W. D. Dorminey and Mrs. E. F. Armstrong will take the applications for any women interested in joining.

Important to Members

The Welfare Committee urgently asks all members please to bring their canned goods for the Christmas Cheer baskets, also the articles of clothing for the box to be sent to the Jacksonville State Children's Home. A free will offering will be taken for the purchase of meat to complete the Christmas baskets.

The Committee regrets asking for so much at one time, but must do so if the annual Christmas gifts are to be made. Because of various difficulties, the requesting of some of these articles earlier in the club year—as was proper—was overlooked.

Legion Auxiliary Regular Meeting

The Women's Auxiliary of the American Legion met Monday night, with Mrs. Arlin King, president, presiding.

The Christmas party on December 22 was discussed and a committee appointed, with Mrs. Ben. T. Stewart and Mrs. Floyd Wells chairmen.

The "Joy Shop" chairman, Mrs. Stewart, said that she had sent $88.80 worth of Christmas gifts to the veteran's hospitals at Bay Pines, Coral Gables, and Lake City.

The house and grounds committee reported that the electrical work had been completed in the new Auxiliary room.

It was requested that the money from the sale of Christmas cards be turned in as soon as possible.

The next meeting will be December 8.

At the close of the meeting, Mrs. King and Miss Verna Heim served refreshments of Danish pastry, fruit cake, and coffee.

Woodruff Heights Class Meeting

The Mary and Martha Sunday School Class of the Woodruff Heights Baptist Chapel met at the home of Mrs. Willis G. Robinson for its quarterly meeting.

An evening of fellowship and games was enjoyed, after which refreshments were served.

Closing devotional was given by Mrs. H. R. Croom.

The next meeting will be in January.

Members present: Mrs. Sam Howell, Mrs. Woodrow Watson, Mrs. Charles Howze, Mrs. Betty Clark, Miss Wilma Willis, Mrs. H. R. Croom, Mrs. J. B. Sparks, Mrs. D. H. Wolverton, Mrs. J. H. Mintz, Mrs. L. M. Cairns, Mrs. Willis G. Robinson. Miss Elizabeth Howell was a guest.

METHODIST BAZAAR

The women of the W.S.C.S. of the First Methodist Church are having their annual bazaar in the church's educational building Saturday, December 6, from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

There will be baked sale, fancy work, white elephant, plants, parcel post, and a good assortment of rummage. Adv. 3-3tp

MARRIAGE ANNOUNCED

Announcement is made that Mrs. Belle Hopley McKnight and Charles Vardell Peterson were married the morning of November 23 at Orange City, Florida. They will make their home in Avon Park.

Mr. Peterson is associated with Lake Byrd Citrus Packing Company.

GARDEN CLUB PLANT MART TO BE NEXT WEEK

The Garden Club's Plant Mart will be held next week, on Thursday morning, December 3, from 9:00 to 12:00, on the Mall opposite the Post Office.

This sale of annual plants is held every year.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to express my sincere gratitude to those who gave blood for the transfusions I needed following my operation. I also thank my friends for the many flowers and cheering messages sent to me while I was in the hospital.

Mrs. Grady Campbell

Patronize Sun Advertisers

Florida Avenue Baptist Circle

The Florida Avenue Baptist Church W.M.S. Circle met at the church Thursday night, November 20, with seven members and one visitor present. The meeting was opened with a song. Prayer was led by Mrs. Evie Farmer. All enjoyed the Bible study from Exodus, chapters five through ten.

During the meeting, plans were made for Thanksgiving baskets.

Closing prayer was by Mrs. Wavy Frizzell.

Refreshments of mincemeat and pumpkin pie and coffee were served.

Present: Mrs. Grace Pickett, Mrs. Wavy Frizzell, Mrs. V. C. Bass, Mrs. George Lewis, Mrs. Evie Farmer, Mrs. J. G. Harrell, Mrs. Ethel Lassiter, Mrs. Joe Elder.

ARDEN ANDERSON NOW HONOR SOCIETY MEMBER

Miss Arden Anderson, student at Florida Southern College, Lakeland, has been tapped for membership in Cap and Gown, honor society for women.

Basis for selection is scholarship, leadership, and character. To be eligible for membership, a student must have a cumulative standing 1.5, be a junior or senior, and have completed at least two semesters at FSC; and must also have been prominent in any two of the following fields: scholarship, social and religious life, athletics, publications, dramatics and art.

ATTEND MEETING WELFARE BOARD

Mrs. L. M. Moseley and Mrs. Z. M. Seron, members of District No. 8 Welfare Board, representing Highlands County, attended the regular meeting of the Board in Fort Myers on Tuesday, November 25. In addition to the regular meeting in the afternoon, there was a morning session particularly for the benefit of new members of the Board, at which State Welfare Board policies, Federal and State regulations, and general procedures of the agency were explained and discussed.

Among items of business discussed at the regular session of the Board were plans for Board participation in the Regional Conference, to be held at the Civic Center, Fort Myers, on December 8, under the auspices of the Florida Children's Commission.

DONALD—AMES

Miss Lenis Donald of Lakeland and William L. Ames, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Ames of Avon Park were married in Lakeland, Monday afternoon, November 24, at 3:00 o'clock. The Rev. James H. Sutley, a Baptist pastor, conducted the marriage service.

We Thank Thee

We thank Thee, God, for all
Thy loving care;
We thank Thee for the name we bear
When things go wrong to Thee we pray
Uphold us now and with us ever stay.

Our spirits, Father, Thou alone can't raise,
Guard us from harm, sincere be our praise!
Defend our homes; teach us,
Good Lord, to say
God bless this land, bless her alway.

Our Father's faith, ours too shall be,
Faith in the right, the truth and liberty,
Save us, O God, from national decay,
Lead us with courage to the better day.

Be with our men wherever their lot may be
Fighting on land, in air, on sea;
Bring them back home, to Thee, we humbly pray
To walk with us, the truly Christian way!

By Thomas C. Thomas
Sebring, Florida
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COW GIVES 21 QUARTS MILK DAILY

With 724 pounds of butterfat and 17,488 pounds of milk testing 4.1 per cent to her credit, Vista Lane Regal Fobes Walker, a registered Holstein-Friesian cow owned by A. H. Brusky, M.D., Seymour, Wisconsin, has completed a 365-day production test in official Advanced Registry.

She was milked 3 times daily, and was 2 years 10 month of age when she began her testing period.

Her record averages approximately 22 quarts of milk daily for the period covered by her test.

Testing was supervised by the University of Wisconsin, in cooperation with The Holstein-Friesian Association of America.

—Seymour (Wis.) Press

Join Your Chamber of Commerce

Miss Patricia Smith is at home from Gainesville for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Mrs. Don Adkins of Dundee and Mrs. Jesse of Sarasota spent Sunday with Mrs. Gladys Smith.

The Avolon Grill is now open every Sunday evening from 5:00 to 8:30. Adv. 11c

Mrs. Alda Bush of Mohawk, N.Y., is spending the winter with her sister, Mrs. W. R. Dinnison.

Mrs. R. Neal Sellars visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Grant, in Wildwood for a few days last week.

Miss Joan Harty and Miss Martha Brown, former teachers here, visited Avon Park for a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Stokes, Mrs. William Renfro, and Miss Martha Renfro spent Saturday in Orlando visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Swartz are again at the North Highlands home, after spending the summer in Harrisburg, Pa.

The Senior Woman's Club owns a Santa Claus suit which other organizations may rent for $1.00. See Mrs. K. F. Harris.

Among the college students home for the holiday are Miss Anne Pabor, Tallahassee, and Edgar Pabor, Gainesville.

Christmas is really coming! The city Christmas lights are being strung along the street and on the flagpole this week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Sircom of Tuckaho, N.Y., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Lander. Mrs. Sircom is Mrs. Lander's sister.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Prevatt and son, Rainey, and Mrs. J. N. Prevatt, visited relatives and friends in Winter Haven last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elva Bodkin, winter visitors who have been staying at Mrs. Walden's garage apartment, have moved to Bradenton.

Mrs. W. E. Fowler and son David, of Bronson, will spend Thanksgiving with her parents, the Rev. and Mrs. John E. Pickens, at Lake Byrd Lodge. Mr. Fowler will join his family Saturday.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Porterfield for the Thanksgiving weekend are Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Bierly of St. Petersburg, until recently residents of River Forest, Ill.

The misses Minnie Lee, Margaret, and Ray Chase of Westminster, Maryland, have returned to Avon Park for the winter, and have taken the Thigpen cottage on East Cornell Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Donohoe and three sons, Harold, Paul Devich and Kenneth, are spending the winter in one of the Thigpen apartments. The boys are attending the local public schools.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Wilson of Zanesville, Ohio, are staying at the Terrace Motel, Highland Lakes. They are friends of Mr. and Mrs. Ray L. Talley, winter residents, also from Zanesville.

Charles Dick, who has been in the Walker Memorial for treatment of a spinal injury, was able to return home last weekend. He will have to wear a brace, however, until he is fully recovered.

Mrs. Nannie B. Jones and Walter T. Jones of Miami will spend Thanksgiving day with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Mintz and their son, Ronnie. The two guests are the mother and brother of Mrs. Mintz.

Arriving Tuesday to be the guests for a short stay of Mrs. W. H. Kempton were her sister, Dr. Mary E. Cheham, Miss Clara H. Mooney, and Miss Ada B. Lower, all of Miami.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Rodgers of Hadley, Pa., are again spending the winter here and have taken an apartment at the Charles Swarts home on North Highland Ave. They have with them Mrs. Rodgers' sister, Mrs. Ernest Orr.

Mrs. Charles Lawhon and three children, of Roseville, Ga., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Lawhon through the winter holidays. They will be joined at Christmas by their husband and father, the Rev. Charleh Lawhon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Head, accompanied by Mrs. Head's mother, Mrs. W. D. Smith of Fort Meade, will go to Vero Beach to be the Thanksgiving Day guests of Mrs. Head's sister, Mrs. C. C. Hart.

Registered at Chamber of Commerce this week are: Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Little, Syracuse, N.Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Lee MacAdams, Revere, Mass.; Roy and Paul Walters, Colon, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Kerr, Johnstown, Pa.; Mr. B. E. Gheen, Cheapeake, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. John E. Johnson, Gerry, N.Y.

Mrs. L. G. Haviland Jr., sister of Mrs. W. S. Betts, and her daughter, Miss Betsy Ann Haviland, of Highland, N.Y., and Mrs. Gilbert Terwilliger from Mt. Kisco, N.Y., arrived this week to be the Thanksgiving holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Betts, and to be present at the family Thanksgiving party to be given by them at the Jacaranda Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Deibler have purchased and are now living in the former D. W. Manson home on North Forest.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Creighton, Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Thigpen, and Mrs. Willard Wingfield were business visitors in Orlando last week.

Mrs. Grady Campbell, who has been convelescing at home, is recovering very nicely from the major operation she underwent recently.

Mrs. Vallie L. Purdy of Canandaigua, N.Y., writes that she expects to return to Avon Park for her seventh winter here about December 1.

The Rev. Clyde Geren, Ray Wells, and the Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Hilton attended the Florida Baptist State Convention in Ft. Lauderdale.

Mr. and Mrs. William Schwerdtfeger and son, Bobbie, of Norristown, Pa., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Clemmons on West Pine Street.

Mr. and Mrs. William Travis Collier are the parents of a daughter, Maureen Ann, born November 25 at Walker Memorial Hospital. Birth weight was 7 pounds 12 ounces.

The Rev. and Mrs. John E. Pickens and Dr. and Mrs. Wm. N. Tuttle returned home Wednesday from LaGrange, Ga., where they had gone to be present at the ordination of the Rev. John E. Pickens Jr. last Sunday. Mr. Pickens Jr. is pastor of the Congregational church at LaGrange.

CUB SCOUTS AND PARENTS TO MEET FRIDAY

The Cub Scout Pack No. 156, sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary, will meet at 7:15 Friday evening, November 28, at the Episcopal Parish House.

All prospective Cub Scouts and all parents who are interested in having their sons join a Cub pack are urged to attend.

Christmas Savings Plan To Stop Accidents

The National Safety Council today announced a nationwide Christmas savings plan to stop accidents.

"If every American will join this savings plan before the Christmas holidays, a real yuletide bonus — human life — will be paid," said Ned H. Dearborn, Council president.

The campaign has been joined by more than 160 national organizations, and by city and state public officials and civic leaders. They will unite in creating an awareness of the special holiday hazards, and will enlist voluntary cooperation from every American to hold accidents to a minimum this Christmas.

The year-end holiday season is the most dangerous period of the year, Mr. Dearborn said, and accidents annually mar the celebration in thousands of homes. Traffic accident deaths on both Christmas eve and Christmas day are about twice as high as the annual daily average.

This year, with the holiday consisting of four days for many persons, the toll could be even higher than the 351 traffic deaths reported during the four-day Christmas weekend last year, Mr. Dearborn warned.

"Travel is especially heavy over long holidays, which encourage traditional family get-togethers even when the members must drive considerable distance," he said. "The festive spirit of the season, plus the normal winter hazards of bad weather, slippery roads and longer periods of darkness create added danger."

For a safe and merry Christmas, the National Safety Council suggests these precautions:

1. Driving or walking, put the Christmas spirit of "good will toward men" into practical use by being extra courteous to others. And take your time!

2. If streets are icy or slippery, keep your speed down and your caution up.

3. If you imbibe Christmas spirit in liquid form, stay away from the steering wheel of a car.

4. Avoid home hazards, too. Don't use candles, be sure tree lights and wiring are in good condition and keep gift wrappings away from the fireplace or other source of heat.

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Ask Your Loss Enforcement Officer

News Of Our Service People

Billy Sellars, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Neal Sellars, who recently joined the Air Force, is now at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas, where he will receive his basic training.

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Major C. W. Daly and family of Miami are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Daily, over the Thanksgiving weekend.

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Major J. D. McEaddy, formerly stationed at the Bombing Range, visited Avon Park this week. He has just returned from two and a half years in Okinawa, and is now retired. His present plans are to live near Leesburg. He was entertained Tuesday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wright. Several old friends called during the evening.

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The bodies of seven Floridians who died in the Korean war arrived in San Francisco Tuesday from Japan. Among them was the body of T/Sgt. George M. McBride, Air Force, husband of Mrs. Geraldine M. McBride, Avon Park.

Military honor guards will accompany the caskets to cities designated by the next of kin.

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Phone 68

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FOR SALE — Baby Parrakeets. Various colors. Carver's, Highway 27 North. No. 1 tfc.

FOR SALE — Two-bedroom house and grove, either together or separately. On Viola Street. Phone 310-W. 46 tfc.

PERSONALIZED CHRISTMAS CARDS — Any subject from your own negative, $1.25 dozen. Rush Studio, Avon Park. 50tfc.

IF YOU NEED Fill Dirt, Overburden, for lawns, or clay for roads or driveways, call Gordon Hart at Hart's Garage. Phone 237-R, day or night. Will contract job, or by the hour or load. Free estimate. 47 tfc.

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ONLY THREE WEEKS till Christmas. Let us help you choose a gift of lasting pleasure from our sporting goods or Westinghouse appliance dept. Think now, lay away now, act now, and you'll be wise avoiding the last minute rush to buy a gift that has been sold out of stock. Smith Hardware Co.

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME LAW

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, pursuant to the "Fictitious Name Statute," House Bill No. 1773, Chapter No. 26903, Laws of Florida, 1941, will register with the Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for Highlands County, Florida, upon receipt of proof of the publication of this notice, the fictitious name, to-wit:

Avalon Grill

under which we are engaged in business at Avon Park, Florida.

That the parties interested in said business enterprise are as follows:

Ida Turner
Reba Turner

Dated at Avon Park, Highlands County, Florida, November 14, 1952.
Pub. Nov. 14, 21, 28, Dec. 5 - 4tc

IN THE COURT OF THE COUNTY JUDGE IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, STATE OF FLORIDA
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
ELIZABETH S. COEN, DEC'EARED.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All creditors of the estate of Elizabeth S. Coen, deceased, are hereby notified and required to file any claims or demands which they may have against said estate in the office of the County Judge of Highlands County, Florida, in the court house at Sebring, Florida, within eight calendar months from the date of the first publication of this notice. Each claim or demand must be in writing and must state the place of residence and post office address of the claimant and must be sworn to by claimant, his agent or his attorney, or it will become void according to law.

Dated this 26 day of November, 1952.
Samuel F. Longbottom
Mattie W. Tompkins
Executors under the will of
Elizabeth S. Coen, Deceased.
Date of first publication Nov. 28, 1952.
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NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that the Board of Public Instruction of Highlands County will accept bids up until nine a.m. on December 11, at the office of County Superintendent Fred Wild from those desiring to furnish twenty pendant type Guth No. 7013 or equal incandescent light fixtures with three 42ish aluminum concentric rings, with 500 watt silvered bowl incandescent lamp in each, and also ten same described close ceiling mounting light fixtures. Price to be quoted delivered County Superintendent's office, Sebring, Florida. The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Fred Wild, Superintendent
and Secretary, ex officio
Board of Public Instruction
Highlands County
Sebring, Florida
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NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that the Board of Public Instruction of Highlands County will receive bids up until nine a.m. on Thursday, December 11, from those desiring to furnish the 16mm sound projector with a three-inch speaker and Carlen-Dutch take-up reel. Bidder to state complete specifications of machine and also guarantee of machine. Machine to be delivered Avon Park school, Avon Park. The general funds name preferred is Ampro Premier 30, or equal from another make. The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids and accept the best bid.

Fred Wild, Superintendent
and Secretary, ex officio
Board of Public Instruction
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NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that the Board of Public Instruction of Highlands County December regular meeting will be held at the Courthouse, Sebring, Florida in the office of Superintendent Fred Wild at nine a.m. on Thursday, December eleventh.

Fred Wild, Superintendent
and Secretary, ex officio
Board of Public Instruction
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INSURED MORTGAGE LOAN FUNDS AVAILABLE

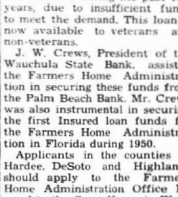
Insured Mortgage loan funds have been made available to the Farmers Home Administration to be advanced to family-type farmers in South Florida, according to Wilson H. Harrison, FHA Supervisor in Wauchula. These funds have been obtained from the First National Bank in Palm Beach.

These funds may be obtained to enlarge and develop farms to enable the family to realize a satisfactory net farm income. The development may include essential farm buildings, establishing citrus groves and permanent pasture, fencing, ditching, irrigation, etc. This loan may extend over a period of 40 years at 4 percent.

Many Farm Ownership loans have been made through the Farmers Home Administration in South Florida, but this type of loan has not been available to non-veterans during the past two years, due to insufficient funds to meet the demand. This loan is now available to veterans and non-veterans.

J. W. Crews, President of the Wauchula State Bank, assisted the Farmers Home Administration in securing these funds from the Palm Beach Bank. Mr. Crews was also instrumental in securing the first Insured loan funds for the Farmers Home Administration in Florida during 1950.

Applicants in the counties of Hardee, DeSoto and Highlands should apply to the Farmers Home Administration Office located in the Court House in Wauchula.



IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
IN CHANCERY

CLARA BELL NAPPER, Plaintiff
vs.
LEE C. NAPPER, Defendant.
NOTICE TO APPEAR
TO LEE C. NAPPER

You are hereby notified that you are required to appear on the 8th day of December, 1952 before the undersigned court, to the bill of complaint filed against you in the above entitled cause, the purpose of which is to procure a divorce from you, and then to file your answer or other defensive pleadings and serve a copy thereof on Keith E. Collyer, Box 111, Avon Park, Florida, or said bill will be taken as confessed by you.

Witness my hand and seal of said Court this November 24, 1952.
COURT SEAL
H. T. PIETY,
Clerk of said Court
Publish Nov. 28, Dec. 5, 12, 19, 1952

CITY OF AVON PARK
WATER DEPARTMENT
STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 1952

Revenue		
Sale of water:		
Residential	$39,196.88	
Sprinklers	232.55	
Municipal	269.40	$39,698.83
Municipal hydrant rental		2,760.00
Tapping fees		2,094.50
Service charges		156.00
Total revenue		$44,938.83
Expense		
Office salaries		3,279.16
Office expense		1,252.72
Salaries - repairs, service and meter reading		4,381.89
Materials and supplies		2,459.89
Power		2,523.75
Truck expense		214.61
Freight and express		160.94
Meter repairs		424.12
Auditing		500.00
Bank fees (bond coupon expense)		191.15
Bond validation expense		300.00
Insurance		536.09
Social security tax expense		102.56
Unemployment insurance		104.49
Total expense - before depreciation		17,460.77
Total		27,478.06
Less: depreciation		10,775.42
Net income from operations		16,702.64
Additions to Income		
Interest income	138.61	
Miscellaneous revenue - sale of scrap, etc.	758.80	897.41
Total		17,600.05
Deductions from Income		
Interest on bonds		10,581.67
Net revenue		$ 7,018.38

Malcolm K. Crews
Supt. of Water System

CITY OF AVON PARK
STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENSE
YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 1952

Revenue		
1951 tax roll	$76,875.09	
Less: discounts and adjustments	1,795.46	$74,879.63
Airport		990.96
Building permits		350.50
State cigarette tax		26,427.33
County road tax		2,000.00
Fines and forfeitures		11,097.50
Franchise tax		2,946.51
Garbage service		4,397.56
Interest - delinquent taxes		504.60
Occupational licenses		7,789.65
Parking meters		5,191.25
Sewer service charges		7,725.84
Sewer permits		169.00
Stadium tax		405.30
Swimming pool		148.75
Miscellaneous		2,632.67
Sale of real estate		1,285.00
Total revenue		$151,956.15
Expense		
Airport		23.21
Auditing		1,000.00
Appraisal of property		600.00
Ball park		500.00
Bank collection charges		539.29
Departmental expense (schedule)		71,383.18
Electricity, water and hydrant rental		6,385.74
Engineering fees		750.00
Insurance		2,601.67
Interest on bonds		45,968.00
Legal		956.00
Maintenance - recreation facilities		454.28
Miscellaneous		921.59
Office supplies and expense		1,156.69
Property maintenance		986.56
Publicity		983.82
Public library		300.00
Social security taxes		621.39
Salaries (schedule)		9,541.67
Youth Center		420.78
Total expense		154,660.10
Excess of expense over revenue (deficit)		$ 2,511.95

Malcolm K. Crews
City Clerk

SCS Makes Water Control Plans

The Highlands Soil Conservation District at its special meeting last week tackled the water control problem worrying Lake Placid farmers and citrus growers, affecting several lakes.

Sam Polston, SCS conservationist for the district, said, after the meeting:

"There were several land owners present and two petitions were presented to the supervisors asking technical assistance in working out ways of regulating the levels of lakes Grassy, Huntly, Clay and Apthorpe. It was asked by the group for ways and means to be worked out whereby the lake stages would not fluctuate as much as they do now.

"The supervisors accepted the petitions on Lake Grassy and agreed to take it up with the Highlands County Flood Control Committee and the Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District.

"The Highlands Soil Conservation District will ask the Flood Control District to assist in working out relief on this lake and the petition on Huntley, Clay and Apthorpe was referred back to the petitioners for a more complete list of ownership on the watershed. When completed this petition will be taken through the same procedure."

Soil Conservation News

By Sam Polston

Several cooperators of the Highlands Soil Conservation District are planting clover this week. Among them are Everett Boney of Lorida H. C. Kennard of Sebring, Wessel Durrance of Lake Placid, and W. F. Ward of Avon Park. This clover is being planted on land that has had from 2 to 4 tons of liming material per acre and fertilized at time of planting. Ward is planting Ala-Lu Clover in mixture with Rescue Grass on organic land and H. C. Kennard is planting White Dutch Clover in mixture with Pensgcola Bahia grass on heavy flatwoods land. Everett Boney and Wessel Durrance are planting White Dutch Clover in mixture with native carpet grass on heavy flatwoods land.

Ivey Futch has limed 100 acres of Dallis Grass on organic land at the rate of 3 tons per acre that will be planted to Ala-Lu Clover in the near future. This field will be irrigated. Futch also plans to plant a few acres of big trefoil on orangic land that has had 1 to 2 tons of lime per acre.

Cleveland Boney, and O'Neal and Boney put on an application of complete fertilizer on a total of 90 acres of Pangola grass in an effort to get extra growth and increased quality (Protein) for the winter months ahead.

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Dan McCarty Names His New State Road Board

Gov.-Elect Dan McCarty Monday selected a five-man board headed by Richard H. Simpson, Monticello, to run the $75,000 a-year State Road Department.

Serving with Simpson, a nurseryman and veteran state legislator, will be:

Earl P. Powers, Gainesville accountant who was McCarty's state campaign manager.

J. Saxton Lloyd, Daytona Beach automobile dealer and former chairman of the state advertising commission.

Thomas B. Manuel, Broward County, farmer-rancher and former mayor of Ft. Lauderdale.

W. Howard Frankland, Tampa manufacturer and auto supply dealer.

They will take office when McCarty is inaugurated governor Jan. 6 and serve four-year terms coinciding with his. All indications are they will inherit from the out-going Warren road board a record batch of uncompleted projects plus several million dollars worth of unpaid bills for work performed in recent months.

McCarty designated Simpson, one of his closest friends and advisers for years, as his choice for chairman of the board. Although the board elects its own chairman, it has been customary for members to name the man selected by the governor.

The chairman is a full-time administrative head of the road department. He gets $9000 a year. The members serve part-time as policy-makers and get $2400 a year each.

Rev. Rodney Shaw

SEEKS WORLD PEACE

Under special appointment from the Wisconsin Conference of the Methodist Church, Rev. Rodney Shaw, is the first man in the history of any church to be given an appointment to work explicitly and exclusively for world peace under world law. As national field representative of United World Federalists, Rev. Shaw was banquet speaker at the Sixth Annual State Assembly of UWF in Clearwater.

James Howell Ordained Minister

James O. Howell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Howell, 402 South Central Avenue, was ordained as a Baptist minister at an impressive service held Sunday afternoon, November 30, at the First Baptist Church. Some one dozen Baptist preachers and scores of friends were present for the ceremony.

The service was opened with singing of a hymn by the congregation after which Rev. Kenneth Tucker, the new pastor of the Florida Avenue Baptist Church, led in prayer. Malcolm Crews read the report of the examining council which recommended to the church that Mr. Howell be ordained to the ministry. Rev. Charles Lawhon sang as a solo "O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee".

Rev. Milton D. Durrance of Chattanooga, Tennessee, preached the ordination sermon and Rev. Charles Lawhon, also of Chattanooga, gave the charge to the candidate. Rev. R. C. Dean, pastor of the Lake Alfred Baptist Church, led in the prayer of ordination. Rev. Clyde Geren, former pastor of the Woodruff Heights Baptist Chapel and now pastor of the New England Heights Baptist Church of Apopka, gave the charge to the church.

Mr. S. F. Longbottom, Chairman of the Board of Deacons of the First Baptist Church, presented the Bible to the candidate. As the organ played softly Mr. Howell knelt as all ordained ministers and deacons present by and laid hands on his head.

Mr. Howell stood with his family to receive the hand of fellowship from those present after which he led in the benediction.

Mr. Howell is a sophomore at Mercer University, Macon, Georgia, and while a student there is serving as pastor of the Houston Lake Baptist Church of Perry, Georgia.

9 HIGHLANDS MEN CALLED FOR INDUCTION

Eight Highlands County men will be inducted in the armed service at Miami Dec. 8. Two of the eight are whites. They are George Lawrence Wilkes and Julius Edward Batson, both of Avon Park.

Negroes to be inducted are Rudolph Roosevelt Robinson, Lake Placid; Elijah Littles Jr., Sebring; Leonard C. Hollinger, Joe Solomon Hardy and Early Robinson, Avon Park.

Wilkes, Batson and Rudolph R. Robinson volunteered for induction.

Mrs. R. P. Davidson, who first came to Avon Park before 1900 and is well known here, fell recently and broke her arm. She is living in Tampa with Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Masters, at 1811 East Osborne Ave. Mrs. Davidson and her husband built "Hollyhurst" on Lake Lotela, now the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. McGiboney.

Former County Judge McNicholas Dies

Judge Thomas A. McNicholas, 58, at one time Highlands County judge, died Tuesday, December 2, after a long illness.

He was born in Albany, Ga., September 24, 1894, and was a graduate of Mercer college. He came to Avon Park in 1924 and opened a law office, winning for himself a reputation as an able member of his profession. He served as city attorney and, later, as county attorney. He was appointed county judge to fill the unexpired term of the late Judge Selwyn Ives and in 1939 began a four-year term to which he was elected.

Judge McNicholas is survived by his three daughters, Mrs. A. C. Wester Jr., and Miss Mary McNicholas, of Avon Park, and Mrs. L. C. Davis of St. Augustine; one sister, Mrs. Garrett Flemming of Albany, Ga.; and two grandchildren, Judy and Linda Wester, of Avon Park.

Funeral services were Friday morning, December 5, at 10 o'clock, in the Stephenson Funeral Home chapel, with the Rev. John Q. Crumbly, vicar of the Church of the Redeemer, officiating. Burial was in Bougainvillea Cemetery.

Assault Charge Filed Against Ellis Elder

William R. Latson, of Dade City, field judge in the Sebring-Avon Park game here Thanksgiving eve, has filed an assault and battery charge against Ellis Elder, one of the spectators. The charge was filed Tuesday, and a warrant served on Elder by Deputy Sheriff R. H. Barringer the evening of the same day.

Bond was set at $50.00. The case will be heard in Highlands County judge's court on Monday, January 12.

Elder is accused of hitting Latson on the nose after the first half ended. The nose injury forced Latson to retire from the game. By agreement of the opposing coaches, the second half was played with only three officials on the field.

Shortly before the first half ended, Latson called a 15-yard penalty against Avon Park which gave Sebring the ball on the Avon Park one-yard line, from where Sebring scored on the next play.

Reports of the treatment of the field judge have been sent to Executive Secretary Lazlo Hayden of the Florida High School Activities Association by Supervising Principal A. B. Wilhite and Bob Doty, of Lakeland, game referee. What action Golden will take is still not known.

Junior Class Play Tonight At Eight

The Junior Class of Avon Park High School will present its annual play Friday, December 5, in the High School auditorium at 8 o'clock.

The play is a three-act comedy entitled, "Too Many Relatives." This is a hilarious play and the public is assurred of side-splitting laughs.

The cast includes Gloria Sheffield, Stanley Butler, Nancy Harris, Shirley Farmer, Lacey Moore, Paul Beckley, Paul Bigbie, Christene Harrell, Sharon Stringer, Wayne McConnell, and Billy Jones.

The play has been coached by the Junior sponsor, Mrs. J. Paxton Hill.

The Junior Class urges everyone to come to the play Friday night and have a good laugh. Adults, 65c; students, 35c.

Woman's Club Invites Public

A special invitation is extended to the members, friends, and Winter Guests of the Avon Park Woman's Club to the meeting to be held Friday, December 5, at 3 o'clock at the Union Congregational Church. The following interesting program of Christmas music and lovely Christmas story has been arranged:

Shepherd's Flute (Drum), organ ,Mrs. Earl Jackson.

Cantique de Noel (Adams), vocal solo, Miss Lillie Mae Collins.

Amahl and the Night Visitors (Gian-Carlos Menotti), story, Mrs. H. Edward Garrett.

Christmas Carols, vocal, Mrs. Claire Wells.

Christmas Fantasy (Kolhmann), organ, Mrs. Earl Jackson.

BURGLARS FED AND CLOTHED—BUT CASHLESS

Three burglaries committed Tuesday night netted the culprits (presuming they were the same in each instant) refreshments, an after-dinner smoke, and a change of clothing, but no cash.

Places entered were the Sevon Drive-In theatre and the Triangle restaurant, both on State Road 17 between Avon Park and Sebring, and the Progressive Dry Cleaners, Sebring.

The burglars had hot dogs, milk, and coffee at the Sevon, but couldn't force the vending machine—so, no money. Cigars and cigarettes were taken from the Triangle, and some clothing from the cleaners (naturally).

Sheriff Broward Coker and his deputies are investigating the break-ins.

ROY LILES NEW MANAGER AT B&B

Roy Liles who has been connected with the B&B Super Market here in Avon Park for the past four years was promoted to manager of the local store on Monday.

Mr. Liles has made many friends here in Avon Park who will be glad to learn of his promotion, and wish him success.

Christmas Lights Shining Again

Thanksgiving night our streets were aglow with colored Christmas lights and the flagpole again blazed against the sky like a giant Christmas tree, to remind us that the Yuletide season had begun.

Florida Power employes, who put up the lights each year, made a special effort to get them up earlier than usual, according to George Woolham, local manager.

Now that the lights are up, and the Christmas tree on the Mall is decorated for Christmas, we should be getting into the spirit of our great winter festival.

GRATITUDE EXPRESSED BY FT. MEADE MAN

(We reprint a letter sent to the Tampa Tribune, which appeared in its November 27 edition, because our Avon Park Firemen were among the most diligent of the "fine people" mentioned. Incidentally, they used 120 gallons of gas.)

Fort Meade — There was a warm spot left in our hearts upon observing the way so many fine people came to our aid and so willingly gave their efforts in the recovery of our beloved brother and friend, Chester Arthur Jones and Miss Ruth Canup, after their recent drowning in Lake Arbuckle. In the event a person's faith in mankind has been shaken I believe it would have been restored if he had had the privilege to observe this diligent operation.

I sincerely hope you will be able to print this, as it is the best way that I know to express our deep appreciation to the many kind people that took part in the operation.

Horace A. Jones

"Life Is Fascinating"

Is the opinion of Charles Raymond, an alert young man who spends his time observing the interesting behaviour of all those big people around him. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Raymond Haviland, grandson of Mrs. J. G. Harrell of this city. His mother is the former Miss Louise Lewis.

Highway Slowpokes To Be Speeded Up For Safety Sake

Tallahassee — Florida Highway Patrolmen are going to bear down on the highway slowpoke.

Patrol Director H. N. Kirkman said today that speed to either extreme can be, and more often than wanted is, a killing factor.

The fellow who pleasure-drives on the highways, often holding up long lines of traffic, is going to feel the effect of intensified patrol 'enforcement action" which the director has ordered.

The legal limit of speed in Florida is fixed by law. Sixty MPH in the daytime and 50MPH at night, with regulated speed limitations in restricted areas.

"While excessive and unlawful speed on the highways of the state continues to cause deaths at an alarming rate, the highway slowpoke is a contributor of very definite proportions," declared the director.

Re-emphasizing his remarks with figures to prove them, Kirkman said:

"In 1951 there were 54,000 accidents in Florida; 10,127 were caused by improper passing and following too closely. Those accidents caused 57 deaths."

"It is safe to assume that in both instances of cause, there were many slowpoke drivers indirectly involved, although only 18 persons who were in the 'slow drivers' classifications were directly involved in 1951 wrecks."

In some areas of Florida, local traffic laws have been activated to regulate traffic movement by a minimum and maximum speed, and enforcement officials report satisfying results.

New Unit Operating At Power Plant

The big new 45,000 kilowatt unit at the Avon Park plant was test operated on November 21. All tests were satisfactory and the unit is now in complete operation, according to H. K. McIlhon, general superintendent. With this unit in operation, the system net generating capability was brought up to 307,200 kilowatts.

While the plant is now in operation, finishing touches such as painting, cleaning up, landscaping, etc. will not be completed for some time yet. The date for dedication ceremonies has not been set yet, but it is expected that they will be held some time early next year.

KELSEYS' SON ELECTED TO HONORARY SOCIETY

Mr. and Mrs. George A. Kelsey have received word that their son, George Stanley, has recently been elected to membership in Phi Kappa Phi, Georgia Tech's senior honorary society. To be eligible for membership a student must be a senior and must rank in the upper seven percent of his class. This means that the student must have an average of approximately B plus.

Far from being a strictly local honorary group, Phi Kappa Phi is national in scope, and has chapters in many colleges and universities. Each year the Georgia Tech chapter of Phi Kappa Phi awards a scholarship cup to one of the two men who rank scholastically as first in the senior class.

Ware Sales Agent For Metal Home Furnishings

Two Florida manufacturers have joined forces to spawn a new industry for the State.

Metal Manufacturers, Inc., of Pinecastle, and Ware Manufacturing Co., Inc., of Tampa, have completed a contract by which the Pinecastle firm can market its products, a line of popularly-priced metal kitchen utility cabinets and porcelain top tables.

Ware becomes sole sales agent for the Pinecastle plant.

The agreement puts into full operation W. C. Wallace, Jr.'s plans for pioneering the first metal home furnishings enterprise south of Birmingham, Ala., and adds another spurt of growth to Earl Ware's furniture fabricating plant in Tampa.

The president of the metal products firm said current plans and facilities call for production of $1,000,000 in merchandise in the first year of opeftation. The cabinets and tables will be made at the Pinecastle factory and stocked and distributed in Ware storage houses and through Ware outlets.

Wallace, a former real estate developer who got into metal manufacturing by way of government contracts, forsees a rapid expansion of his firm, which will be reflected in the Orlando area in more employment and bigger payrolls.

He said he is convinced of Florida's potential as a center for light manufacturing, and pointed to the swift growth of the Ware plant in Tampa as an example.

The Tampa manufacturer has, in seven years, developed a busty business, with nearly a half-million dollar payroll, furnishing employment to about 200 persons.

Its products, chiefly upholstered living room furniture and imported Philippine rattan pieces and suites, are distributed by a fleet of vans to outlets throughout Florida, in Georgia, Alabama and South Carolina.

TB ASSOCIATION PRESENTS FILMS TO SCHOOLS

The Highlands County Tuberculosis and Health Association this week presented a series of film strips to the County Board of Education to be added to the school's library of visual education. They all pertain to health education. The films which are in full color and produced by the National TB Association will offer a good introduction to the class study of community health resources. They will have significance too in social studies in connection with the development of the voluntary agency as a unique feature in democratic life.

Film strips have the advantage over motion pictures in that each picture can be projected on the screen for as long a period as needed for questions and discussion. Wall charts, posters and pamphlets are included with each subject.

This is one of the unique services rendered by the local TB Association made possible by the annual sale of Christmas Seals.

Miss Leila Johnson was the guest over the Thanksgiving holiday of Miss Tirzah Thayer in Orlando.

Red Devils Made Good Showing Against Blue Streaks

Fire Chief Warns Of Added Hazards In Holiday Season

Fire Chief Giddens warned today that combustible Christmas decorations introduce serious fire hazards during the current season, and asked local citizens to take extra precautions to avoid turning holiday cheer into grief and tragedy.

Chief Giddens recalled last year's tragic Christmas fire in Tijuana, Baja California, when 34 died and 98 were injured in a fire resulting from a blazing Christmas tree at the annual charity party for orphans and poor children. To prevent a similar disaster this year, he urged that these safety rules suggested by the National Board of Fire Underwriters be followed by any persons or organizations holding parties at home, school or church.

1. Don't locate the Christmas tree near any stairway or elevator shaft which would provide a draft.

2. The tree should not block a door or any exits.

3. An inspection of the tree should be made by someone in authority to determine whether the tree has dried out to the point that it should be removed.

4. Be sure plenty of ashtrays are provided for smokers. Don't allow smoking near the Christmas tree.

5. Be sure that all decorations throughout the room have been flameproofed.

6. Avoid using net or gauze-like fabrics for dresses, costumes or children's clothes. Loosely woven fabrics easily catch fire.

7. If loosely woven costumes have to be worn, they should be flameproofed with the following solution: mix 9 ounces of borax and 4 ounces of boric acid in a gallon of water. Dip the fabric into this solution, wring by hand, then hang to dry. This flameproofing method must be repeated after each laundering of the garment.

Youth Center Given Generous Gift

The Teen-Club, which was last week assured by help from the City Council and individuals that the Youth Center would remain open, has received another welcome gift. Santa Claus, in the person of Benny Fordham of Sebring, made a pre-Christmas visit to the Center.

Mr. Fordham, who supplies and services the music or juke boxes in this vicinity, gave the Youth Center a music box and 20 records, as a free gift. The box has been installed, and plays by pressing a button—no nickels needed. Mr. Fordham, also as a free gift, replaced a broken part and sent two mechanics to service the machine. And he has promised to repair it at any time with no cost to the Teen Club beyond the cost of any new parts.

Mr. Fordham was moved to make this gift by the reports of the Youth Center's many financial difficulties.

New records for the box will be purchased by the Teen Club.

ILLUSTRATED LECTURE ON EARLY CHURCH HISTORY

An illustrated lecture, with pictures in color, on the history of the early Christian Church will be given by the Rev. Herbert D. Graetz at the Union Congregational Church on Sunday night at 7:30 o'clock. The first fourteen pictures reproduce frescoes from the walls of the catacombs, with perhaps the oldest representation of Christ in existence. The history is based on Dr. Roland Bainton's Church of Our Fathers. Dr. Bainton, a professor at Yale University, is recognized as one of the great authorities of our time on Church History. The public is cordially invited to attend.

AVON PARK STILL LAGS ON CHRISTMAS SEAL SALES

A county-wide total of $1038.75 had been contributed to the Christmas Seal Sale fund up to noon on Saturday. Of this amount Avon Park had raised $369; Sebring $622.75, and Lake Placid $47[illegible] according to Sam Longbottom, treasurer of the Highlands County Tuberculosis and Health Association. The Association hopes to raise $4000 to finance an extended health program this coming year.

Fine Halftime Show

The annual Turkey Day game was also the occasion for an extra big effort on the part of the high school bands (both high-ranking) of Avon Park and Sebring.

The Sebring band, in blue and white appeared first. Its majorettes presented different routines on each side of the field.

Our own band, after playing two selections, climaxed the show with a beautiful and novel majorette dance. Revealed by floodlights against a blacked-out field, the majorettes, waving huge plumy fans instead of their batons, danced to "Smoke Gets In Your Eyes." The number received much applause from the crowd. The band closed with "Rock-a-By My Baby to a Broadway Melody," accompanied by a majorette dance.

Sponsors for the game from Avon Park were Paul Beckley and Fred Meeks, and their dates, Patricia Bassemore and Gloria David. Sebring sponsors were Nancy Dailey and Patricia Jackson with their escorts.

FINES, FORFEITURES BRING HIGHLANDS $4000

Fines imposed on those pleading guilty, and forfeiture of bonds by other defendants netted Highlands County's fine and forfeiture fund over $4000 Monday on arraignment of the accused in the county judge's court.

The bimonthly trials in the court will be held Dec. 8, with Judge Howard Livingston presiding for the last time in his eight-year tenure. He will be succeeded next January by H. A. Lee.

Weather Report

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November 27	80	57	
November 28	78	53	
November 29	81	55	
November 30	79	59	
December 1	75	57	
December 2	78	53	
December 3	81	59	