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LAISON GROUP: Representatives of The Florida Council For Retarded Children discuss matters of mutual concern with members of the staff at The Sunland Training Center at Gainesville. Left to right at the head table are Mrs. John Browning of Ft. Pierce; Dr. Browning, who is chairman of the council's institutions committee; Superintendent R. C. Phillips of the center; and G. Franklin Ward of Avon Park, president of the council.

Summer Program Has 115 In Swimming Class

One hundred and fifteen boys and girls of Avon Park were on hand for swimming instruction on Monday morning when the Assembly Line Method of Swimming Instruction was started in Lake Tulane.

This very important part of the summer recreation program will teach all the children of Avon Park from those who will enter the first grade next fall up to how to swim if they come faithfully each morning.

The swimmer through the day of the week on Monday and Tuesday on Monday and Tuesday. Twenty-five volunteers are working with the children to aid the regular personnel.

All parents are reminded that the ability to swim may one day save their child's life and if you save it, it's a life and if your child is not a good swimmer, take this opportunity to see that he is.

\$335,000 Suit Filed Against School Board

A suit in the amount of \$335,000 was filed last week against the driver of a school bus and the Highlands County School Board.

This suit grew out of a disturbance aboard the school bus last January, and Mrs. Elaine Carter, who filed the suit, contended that the driver, Bob Hicks, did not stop the disturbance and that her son, Dalton Tyson, 8, received permanent leg injuries when knocked down by a larger boy.

It was alleged that the occurrence took place while the school bus was traveling toward Woodlawn Elementary School near Sebring.

\$30,000 in medical expenses alone resulted from this affair, according to the claim by Mrs. Carter.

Water Show At Lake Verona Proves Success

Several hundred persons ringed Lake Verona for the Water Show Sunday presented as one of a series of "Chamber Presents" events of the Avon Park Chamber of Commerce.

The opening event, the Float-A-Rama saw many local boats parading around the lake with Griffin's Restaurant taking top honors and Hobbs and Higgins Insurance Agency taking second place.

In the Ski Boat Marathon races class B, for boats with motors between 25 and 40 horse power, top honors went to a team composed of driver-David Barton, Observer-Vic Case, and Skip-Chuck Freeman. Second place went to Driver-LaRue Osborn, Observer-Mike Osborn, and Skip-Tucker Osborn. Third place went to Driver-Joe Bass, Observer-Charles Arnold, and Skip-Donald Arnold.

In Class C, for boats over 40 H.P., top honors went to Driver-Truman McElroy, Observer-Vincent DeVincent, and Skip-Elihu Hase. Second place went to Driver-Joe Bass, Observer-David Ward, and Skip-Slave Love. Third place went to Driver-Dan Williamson, Observer-Tom Chamberlain, and Skip-Linda Hurd.

Prizes also went to C. L. Craft and Don Williamson in special events.

Midget League Sees All Teams Tied For Lead

By Fred Davis

Florida Power defeated Rotary and the Lions beat the Baptists to place the Midget League in a total tie, with each team showing five wins against three losses.

A well staffed and well stocked refreshment stand was maintained by the Avon Park Jaycees throughout the event.

The Butski, a new innovation in water sports, and donated by Leo Stone Goods Store was won by Ellen Tucker of Frost-proof.

A boat powered by a Mark 70 motor and furnished by J. Paxton Hill, was used to power the show and to maintain balance throughout the afternoon.

There are seven battens in the league sporting an average over 400, they are: Mitchell of the Lions with 555; Reynolds of the Florida Power with 551; Revins of the Baptists with 550; Padgett of Florida Power with 550; Ward of Florida Power with 550; Coleman of Florida Power with 455; Childrens of Rotary with 417.

Healthy Growth Of Avon Citrus Bank Announced

William J. Briscoe, Executive Vice President, Avon Citrus Bank, Avon Park, Fla., a Sottile Group Bank, is announcing the fiscal year-end Statement of Condition for the Bank, said: "We are very proud of our progress during the past year and particularly the past 6 months. Our Bank's phenomenal growth during this period is gratifying."

"We show Resources as of June 30, 1959 in the amount of \$6,182,715. This represents an 18 per cent increase for just the past 6 months, the time of our semi-annual published Statement of Condition which showed as of December 31, 1958, \$5,244,285 in Resources."

Mr. Briscoe further pointed out: "The Board of Directors of the Bank have indicated their desire to bring a number of banking innovations to our area that have proved successful in other banks of the Sottile Banking Group. This is in keeping with the constant policy of our Bank's Board of Directors to bring the best and newest of

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Contract Awarded For Rewiring Of High School And Auditorium

Ray A. Parker of Bradenton was awarded the contract for completely rewiring the Avon Park High School and auditorium on the basis of a bid totaling \$25,173.

The work will include new conduit, wiring, connections and fixtures. The contract calls for completion within 110 days. Two other bids were received on this project.

They also accepted bids for four additional classrooms at the Lake Placid School and two additional classrooms at the Carver school in Lake Placid. The contract was in the amount of \$99,952. They promised completion of the work within 182 days from the date of signing of the contract. They are at present constructing additional classrooms at the Woodlawn Elementary school in Sebring.

The board also formally accepted the Avon Park Elementary school building which had been held up pending correction of deficiencies, though the building had been used during the past school year to ease overcrowding.

Payment of \$3,000 was awarded of Flamingo Mobile Homes on the purchase of a mobile laboratory trailer which they have recently voted to purchase. This unit will be transported to Sebring for the purpose of providing an extended science program for students.

Natural Gas System For Avon Park Draws Nearer

Students Named To Represent Avon Park At Girls State



Miss Claire Maxwell and Miss Barbara Lewis will represent Avon Park High School next week at Girls State which is held each year at Tallahassee. They will leave Saturday.

The purpose of Girls State is to give each girl a complete understanding of how city, county, and state governments are organized and operated. Each will take part in operating city, county, and state governments while there. Claire and Barbara are sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary and the Business and Professional Women's Club. The High School Faculty chose them on character, leadership, physical fitness, scholarship, and cooperativeness.

George Kelsey New President Of Lions Club

George Kelsey was installed as the new President of the Avon Park Lions Club Tuesday night at the Installation and Ladies Night banquet at the Jaccaranda Hotel.

Deputy District Governor C. "Speedy" Miller of Sebring served as installing officer.

Hugh Babar was installed as first vice president; Elton Crews, second president; Malcolm Crews, secretary-treasurer; Ivan Grive as Lion Tamer; Jack Delaney as Lion Twister; Harmon Atkins and Joe Perez as two year directors and Earl Rich as director to fill and unexpired term on the board. Jack Dugan is a hold-over member of the board.

City Maps Being Prepared By Avon Park C of C

New Avon Park city maps are now being printed and the Chamber of Commerce reports they are expected to be ready for distribution next week.

One side of these new maps will show Avon Park within the confines of the city limits, while the opposite side will show surrounding residential areas and nearby lakes.

Visitors as well as Chamber members will be able to secure copies as soon as they are delivered from the printers. Mrs. Anna Belle Warden, executive secretary, said.



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Jose B. Lowe, vice-president and general manager of the Florida Coastal Natural Gas Company of Jacksonville met with Mayor Scott of Reynolds, Smith and Wells, architects and engineers of Jacksonville at a special meeting of the city council Monday night to discuss a contract for the engineering work on construction of natural gas lines in Avon Park.

Florida Coastal is a bidder on the franchise for distribution of natural gas here and the discussion centered around a contract signed by the city of Avon Park with the engineering firm for the construction work back in 1953, at which time it was thought the city might operate the gas distribution system.

Discussion centered around whether or not the Florida Coastal organization would pick-up and honor this contract should they be awarded the distribution rights. If they would use their own facilities for this work. No agreement was reached between the two companies, but another meeting was set, to be held within a few days in office of Mr. Scott.

The gas line is expected to be in the city within a matter of the next several days, it is already at the Florida Power Company plant at the south edge of the city and is ready for them to cut in at their convenience, it was reported today.

Should Florida Coastal be awarded the contract by the city for local distribution of Natural Gas here they will begin laying mains almost immediately, it was reported.

Red Devil Circus Performed Sat. At Ft. Meade

The Avon Park Red Devil Circus performed before a large and enthusiastic crowd at the annual July 4th celebration in Ft. Meade on Saturday afternoon.

The local boys and girls whizzed through their acts with the skill and daring of professional performers and held the crowd spellbound. Coach Joe Franza said that it was one of those times when everything goes perfectly with all being at the peak of their performance.

It was the first time many of the Ft. Meade citizens had seen the circus and much interest was shown with promises of a large group of the citizens coming to Avon Park next year for the big show. A very important part of the success of the show was the seventeen-piece circus band under the direction of Mr. Victor McKenna which played so well and added to the atmosphere of the occasion.

The benefits from the performance will be used by the Circus to repair, replace, and build new equipment for next year's performance. The boys and girls of the circus act, the prop boys and the members of the band are especially to be

Building Permits Skyrocket Here In Month Of June

Avon Park building permits for the month of June totaled \$187,250, bringing the total for the first six months of this year to \$814,515, just \$68,655 short of the total for the entire year of 1958.

Permits totaled 26 with 19 being for new homes in the amount of \$181,600; 2 commercial for \$12,000 and five for home improvements in the amount of \$9,650.

June of 1958 totaled only \$42,700.

Boyd Singletary Wins Optimist Club Fish-A-Thon For Youngsters

Boyd Singletary won top honors in the Optimist Club Fish-A-Thon Saturday morning with a total catch of fifteen fish.

First prize of a rod and reel was awarded to the champ. This prize was donated by Leonard Sporting Goods Store.

The Fish-A-Thon was the first in a proposed series of events for the youth of the community by the Optimist Club and was for youths 13 years old and younger.

A wrist watch, donated by the club, was awarded to Gerald Wicker for the second largest number of fish caught with a total of 13. Coleman Long was the largest bass division, and was awarded a suit of clothes by Ward's Department Store. Largest broom honors went to Grant.



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Meikrowaves

By DON MEIKLEJOHN

TALLAHASSEE.—During the last Tallahassee Press Club headliner award skills, which lampoon public officials, there was a character who wandered around tossing greenbacks all over the stage.

His only line was to yell out from time to time, "Let's add another couple hundred thousand dollars in the budget... just in case those bums (the legislators) cut some of it out."

The character depicted a member of the Florida Development Commission.

This followed up some legislative criticism of the Development Commission for violating Florida's biggest industries and legislative intent on appropriations.

It seems that the Legislature no more than got out of town, and the Development Commission is all hot and bothered about the Legislature earmarking \$400,000 of its advertising funds for the promotion of agricultural goods.

One member of the commission was quoted as saying a way must be found to "choke that cat" of earmarking \$400,000 for agricultural promotion.

Another said that some of the tourist advertising could be financed from the earmarked money. "But we might have to put a picture of an ear of corn or something in the ad to do it."

Finally the boys ended up trying to take the \$25,000 cost of orange juice distributed at the state's six welcome stations out of the agriculture promotion money.

Now I ain't a farmer, but if I were, I believe I'd write a little note to the boys on the development commission and let them know that agriculture is one of Florida's biggest industries and deserves to get some sort of a boost from an agency that is promoting Florida.

Whether it has a \$400,000 boost coming or not is not readily apparent, but the fact that agriculture deserves a slice can hardly be argued.

It was with this in mind that the subject first came up.

Rep. Emmett S. Roberts, who hails from the Glades area of Palm Beach County—one of the poorest in Florida.

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state's richest agricultural area—noticed the lack of agriculture promotions.

He had seen what a group of "sweet corn" growers in his area had been able to do by banding together to promote their product in some of the large southern markets.

Reports of the Development Commission's own "rural county survey" showed that agriculture was one of the most important "industries" in these areas.

Roberts approached the Development Commission on the idea of some promotional money for agriculture and apparently got the run-around.

He pursued the idea, and managed to get the item into the general appropriations act.

Of course, the time to argue about whether such an appropriation should or should not be in the Development Commission budget was during the legislative session.

If the Legislature decided it should be in, it looks like the Development Commission boys are counting trouble to be spending their time figuring out ways to "choke that cat."

It might be better to find ways to put the money to good use in promoting agriculture—certainly there must be some ways.

SAME OLD HORSE.—It looks like a fellow named Earl Faircloth, a Miami attorney, who everyone seems to speak a good word for, is climbing on a pretty tired old nag to ride to the governorship.

The nag, of course, is reappointment, which has been around the track so many times in recent elections that it should be away lashed by now.

Faircloth, who was a law associate of Claude Pepper for several years, is heading the "Committee For Fair Representation."

The announced aim of the committee is to battle the proposed 44-Senator and 108-House member appointment plan that goes to the voters in November.

Actually, the committee appears to be the kickoff for Faircloth's bid to get into contention as a governorship candidate.

Best bet: He won't make it.

THERMOS WITH A CAPITAL T.—The folks at the American Thermos Products Co. are unhappy because we used the word "thermos" no capital.

They say "Thermos" is a registered trademark and should be capitalized, or the expression "vacuum bottle" used.

The boss sent the note along to me. It says that they would like a letter together "with some assurance that appropriate personnel in your organization have been alerted to the correct usage of our registered trademark."

With those instructions, I left the following memo for Harvey, the Capital Cat.

Dear Harvey:

Hereafter, please use vacuum bottle instead of "thermos" in all stories... or spell "Thermos" with a capital T.

Harvey replied:

Williams-Wilhite Engagement Told



MISS SANDRA JEAN WILLIAMS

Mr. and Mrs. Stafford Williams announce the engagement of their daughter Sandra Jean to Lt. James Arthur Wilhite. Lt. Wilhite is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Wilhite of Avon Park High School.

Miss Williams is a graduate of Avon Park High School. She attended Florida State University in Tallahassee where she was a member of Alpha Gamma Delta social society.

Lt. Wilhite is a graduate of Avon Park High School and is now serving as a second lieutenant in the U. S. Army, Ft. Rucker, Alabama.

The wedding will take place August 8, at the Union Congregational Church, Avon Park. All friends and relatives of the couple are invited.



Freddie Dinkins, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Thomas Reynolds, 912 W. Pine St., Avon Park, Fla., has been assigned to Company A, 5th Battalion, 5th Training Regiment at Fort Jackson, S. C., for eight weeks of basic combat training.

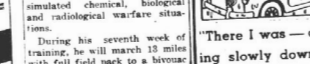
Upon arrival at Fort Jackson, he was issued clothing and a comprehensive battery of aptitude tests.

As part of his basic training he will be taught rifle marksmanship under the Army's new TRAINFIRE program.

In TRAINFIRE, he will learn to use an M-1 rifle by firing at pop-up targets on terrain which duplicates combat areas.

He will also be taught drill, tactics, camouflage, military courtesy, first-aid and other basic subjects. He will learn how to throw a grenade, fire in pitch darkness, crawl under barbed wire with machine gun fire overhead, and defend himself in simulated chemical, biological and radiological warfare situations.

During his seventh week of training, he will march 15 miles with full field pack to a bivouac area to spend a week living in the field and learning to integrate the skills he has been taught.



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Winter Guest Club News

Very quiet around the Guest Club these days, except, not much to write about. No news is said to be good news, which may be true in a sense, but not from the point of view of any newspaper scribbler. So let's see if we can dig up a little. Fingers are itching to tap the typewriter again.

Well, for one thing we met Bob Handford one day who said he had just got back from a trip to the Land of Steady Habits, or the Nutmeg State, Connecticut, that is, if you don't happen to know. He said he had met and hobnobbed with more relatives ever seen before at any one time. He had a pleasing smile when he said that, but better yet to get back. We all agreed on that.

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home on Avon Blvd. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Zahr of Bloomfield, N. J. were recent overnight guests at the George Barnes home they have bought a new home at New Smyrna Beach. Mr. Barnes also had as guests Mr. and Mrs. Harold Priestner and daughter, Patricia, of Great Neck, L. I.

Mr. and Mrs. Hall spent the holidays in Hollywood and returned with their young grandchildren.

An analysis of membership in the Avon Park Lakes Association reveals that, other than residents, 77 members live in Florida, 50 in New York, Ohio 41, Michigan 34, Pennsylvania 29, and others in varying numbers in a total of thirty states, Canada, Canal Zone, Hawaii and Venezuela. Membership at present is 440.

A ruling has been added to the book on Lake Okechobee, as well as a ladder for bathers.

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STATEMENT OF CONDITION
Tropical State Bank
Sebring, Florida
June 30, 1959
Condensed from Report to State Commissioner of Banking

ASSETS

Loans and Discounts (After Reserve of \$42,613.18) \$ 1,675,983.14
Furniture and Fixtures 15,369.33
Interest Accrued and Not Collected \$3,162.57
Insurance and other expenses prepaid 1,215.67
Other Assets 27,744.96
U. S. Government Bonds — \$7,139,762.95
State, County and Municipal Bonds \$15,014.14
Other Bonds \$85,982.50
Cash and Due From Banks — 1,087,028.16 5,437,802.85
Total Assets \$11,241,279.52

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock — \$ 120,000.00
Surplus 680,000.00
Undivided Profits 48,887.84
Reserve for Contingencies 3,500.00
Interest Collected and Not Earned \$8,552.53
Accrued Expenses and Taxes 57,231.89
Other Liabilities 4,750.00
Reserve for dividend payable July 1, 1959 3,900.00
Deposits 10,486,307.46
Total Liabilities \$11,241,279.52

3% Interest Paid On Savings Accounts
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What Are The Latest Fashions?

By Bird Woman.

What is new in the fashion world? That question is pondered and discussed probably more than the atomic bomb, or we are giving our children a balanced diet? Or how can we balance our own personal budget?

If there is a woman who has never said, "I haven't anything to wear." We would be glad to know her. Our closets may be bursting at the seams, and still there is some trivial social affair announced, every one will throw up their hands and repeat in chorus, "We haven't anything to wear."

To see how people dress and their general appearance, when seen at the Market or at a Social Affair is no criterion of what kind of house keepers or crooks they may be, in fact the opposite may be nearer the correct solution, for some people spend so much time adorning themselves that something has to suffer, and it is usually what the public does not see, for we can close and lock the door after us and put up a good front to the public.

We can sweep the dirt under the rug and kick the shoes under the bed, and put on some fresh lip stick, and away we go. But "people" are not the only "thing" in this beautiful world (that was created for our enjoyment), which wear clothing, some for adornment and some for protection from the weather. But the "human people", are the only ones that worry about it, and

spend their husbands hard earned money to satisfy the craving for beautiful clothing, for altogether we are our wonderful Creator's highest creation, we did not come to this world equipped with a covering to protect our bodies from the weather.

We assume that this higher intelligence was not given us for nothing, but how what we see sometimes on the street or at the beach, we would think that if some people were given their share they are not using it.

So let's talk about the other "people", who were given a protective covering.

Some may think that the same old attire for the duration of our lives would soon get monotonous, but the ones who have studied these other "people", are amazed how often their "garments" are changed.

Many animals in the far north change their garments and color with the season, when snow begins to cover their world, they change their coats to white so they will be invisible to their enemies, when the snow goes, they change back to their original garment and color.

We believe we are all more familiar with the birds changing their feathers. As winter approaches they lose their summer feathers and put on a nice fresh coat that will protect them through the cold weather, for they can't go into their house and start the furnace and set the thermostat and settle back for a nice pleasant winter.

They must be out in all kinds of weather and besides that they must each day gather food, for they are not of the higher order who can put away enough in the deep-freeze to last them all winter. And if they survive the winter weather, and the predators are always in wait for them, they may look forward to a new set of feathers in the spring that will be more light and airy.

Then when nesting time approaches many put on elegant attire, either in color, or lay feathers, to attract the opposite sex and the yuccat and preen like models at a fashion show, this extravagant lasts during the mating season and then they go back to a more plain covering again.

Many of us are familiar with what happened to the Egret, which has such lacy feathers part of the year, and plume hunt, almost wiped them out, and had it not been for strict laws we have, or do not enforce them, we today would not be able to see them around our lakes.

Many countries, especially the tropical countries, have their colorful birds, and some of them do not have as strict laws as we have, or do not enforce them, still many plume hunters decimate these beautiful birds for the money they can garner from selling them.

It looks from where we sit that there would be a more humane and dignified way of raising our daily bread than by slaughtering some of the wonderful beauties of this earth, not for food, but to satisfy some one's vanity and our pocket.

We were writing about birds and nests and strayed off to one of our subjects, the Canary, which has been a caged bird for many years, is one of our best singers, and its fluid notes cannot be excelled, in our estimation even by our beloved Mocker, and it builds its nest with great care, and just when it looks like it is ready for occupancy it will find a string that doesn't seem to please its fastidious maker, and the string is pulled out, and with it comes the whole structure tumbling to the bottom of the cage.

This does not seem to deter or discourage the builder, and again each little paper or string is carefully replaced, and after sitting and wagging in the new nest, it again looks it over carefully and the probabilities are that you will soon find the contents on the floor of the cage again.

But at length, a satisfactory nest is ready, and the eggs are laid and in due time the young are hatched, but of all the birds we know none live in such a filthy nest.

When we used to raise many of them each year, the young had to be transferred to clean nests many times before they were able to leave the nest, fortunately the Canaries being accustomed to the human family, do not object to their young being handled and transferred to clean quarters.

Most birds will throw out the shells from the nest, but a few, the Purple Martin, and the Meadow Lark, with which we are all familiar, will remove the excrement from the nest, and when the young are grown they can look around and say "Mamma sure is a good housekeeper."

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. DeLaney and their children, Karen, Tim and Alan, returned this week from a visit with relatives in South Carolina.

PERSONAL NEWS ITEMS

The Garden Clubs appreciated everyone's enthusiasm and their participation in making this year's "Plant Exchange" a big success. There was a steady flow of a large variety of plants, cuttings and bulbs brought in Wednesday morning to the Tourist Club where the Plant Exchange was held.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hill and their family of Mississippi were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Ward at their beach cottage on Anna Maria Beach last week. Mr. and Mrs. Franklyn Ward and their children, Debbie, Marcia, and Robbie joined the group for the 4th celebration.

Mr. and Mrs. James Lindeman of St. Petersburg and their children spent last weekend visiting the Graber family at their home on Lake Byrd.

Mrs. Ruth Walker of Coral Gables was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Keller and visited friends in her former home here last week.

Capt. and Mrs. P. B. Fordham and their daughter, Lorraine, and son, Danny, left July 1 for Melbourne, Australia, to make their home. Capt. Fordham has recently returned from the USMC and Mrs. Fordham is a native of Australia and her entire family resides there with the exception of one winter who is working for the government and recently was in Laramie where the Fordhams were able to see her. The Fordhams plan to return to the U. S. for visits and be back in Avon Park to visit his mother, Mrs. Mike Skinner, and many other friends and relatives here. Capt. Fordham is a native of Avon Park and his wife and children made many friends here while they were living during his overseas tours of duty.

Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Booth and their children, Steve and Susan, will leave Wednesday for Holmes Beach near Bradenton to spend the week with his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Grizzard and their family who have a cottage there.

July 4th guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tim Landress and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Montemayor and their children were Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Pannell and their children, Pam and Wendell of Miami. Mrs. Pannell is the Landress' daughter and Mrs. Montemayor's sister. Leven Landress, their son and brother, of Miami was also a weekend guest. Little Miss Pam Pannell stayed for a longer visit and will return home on Friday with Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Sullivan of Miami who arrived Wednesday for a visit with Mrs. Sullivan's sister, Landress.

A family reunion and picnic supper was held at the Florida Power Clubhouse last week when Mrs. Audrey Hill and her children gathered for an afternoon together. Enjoying swimming, picnicking and visiting were Mrs. Ed Sharpe and their children, Eddie, Tommy, Gwen and Stacy. Mr. and Mrs. Bill McCullough, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Sharpe and their children, Eddie, Tommy, Gwen and Stacy. Mr. and Mrs. Bill McCullough were happy to have their son, Dalton, who is attending the At-

lanta School of Electronics in Atlanta, Ga., home for the weekend of the fourth. Dalton has returned to school and reports that he likes his work very much and is learning a lot. He is a recent graduate of the local high school.

Several days last week visiting her sister, Mrs. Henry Davis in Tampa. Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Booth and their children, Steve and Susan, returned last Thursday from a vacation tour through South Carolina, Georgia and Florida. They were away for six days and visited Charleston, S. C. where they were especially impressed with the famous Hutton plantation there. On the way home they stopped in Augusta and Tallahassee for more sight-seeing and all had a wonderful time. The state capital was of interest to the children.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Anderson, Jr. and their children, Sybil, Stephen, Mark and Tom returned home from North Wilkesboro, N. C. last week after a visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Anderson, Sr. and his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Frasier and their daughter have moved into their new home in the Avon Lakes development. Mr. Frasier is the owner of the Economy Tour in Avon Park.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Zeigler attended the annual reunion of the Stewart family on Sunday, July 5, at the home of her uncle, Collie Stewart near Bradenton. About 75 members of the family enjoyed the delicious dinner and an afternoon of visiting.

Mrs. Mike Skinner has had as her guest her daughter, Mrs. R. E. Deal and her three children of Statesboro, Ga. They also visited many other relatives and friends while here.

Mrs. Walter Mandis and her daughter, Ann and Linda Bohling, are spending several days this week at the golf beaches

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GIRLS SWIM SUITS

BY CATALINA

Sizes 2 to 16

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BY CATALINA and PARFORM

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Girls SLIPS AND COWNS 1/2 PRICE

Ladies PURSES AND HATS 1/2 PRICE

1 Table LADIES BLANKET 1/2 PRICE

Come In and See

Philpott-Dunn Engagement Told

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis E. Philpott have announced the engagement of their daughter, Frankie Joan, to Herbert J. Dunn, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Dunn of Glendale, Cal.

Miss Philpott is a 1959 graduate of Collegedale Academy, Collegedale, Tenn. Prior to this time the bride-elect attended the Highlands Lake Academy in Avon Park and the Forest Lake Academy in Orlando.

The bridegroom-elect is a graduate of Forest Lake Academy and is now a student in the Southern Missionary College in Glendale, Tennessee.

The wedding will be held in the Walker Memorial Seventh Methodist Church on August 16.

Garber - Zuck Wedding Vows Are Exchanged

Mrs. Elizabeth Garber and Paul Zuck were united in marriage in the Union Congregational Church on Friday evening, July 3, at 8 o'clock.

The ceremony was performed

by the Rev. Herbert A. Grunbaum, Mrs. Edna Jackson presented a program of music at the organ.

Mrs. James Hetherington of Keystone Heights, was the mother's only attendant and John Garber, Jr., served Mr. Zuck as best man. Mrs. John Garber, Jr. of Ft. Myers, sang The Lord's Prayer following the ceremony.

James Hetherington was usher. After greeting their family and friends present Mr. and Mrs. Zuck left for a wedding trip. They will be at home in Norristown, Pennsylvania, during the winter months where Mr. Zuck is a professor of psychology in the schools. During the summer months Mr. and Mrs. Zuck will live in Avon Park.

Brown - Casey Wedding Vows Exchanged Here

A quite ceremony June 12 united in marriage Miss Helen Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Brown of Sebring and Pfc. Jerry Casey, son of the late James M. Casey and Mrs. Cliff Thomas of Avon Park.

Rev. J. M. Gilbreath of the Florida Avenue Baptist Church performed the ceremony at 4 p. m. at his home, 401 South Florida Avenue, Avon Park.

The vows were exchanged in the living room in a double ring ceremony.

The bride wore a sheath dress of light beige cotton-satin with a green cummerbund and white accessories. She wore a corsage of white roses.

Attending the couple were Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Thomas of Avon Park.

After the ceremony the couple left on a wedding trip to Oak, Alabama and Columbus, Georgia. After returning from their trip Pfc. Casey returned to the Marine Base at Cherry Point, North Carolina where he is presently stationed in the band there. Mrs. Casey will continue her employment at the Florida Alcoholic Rehabilitation Center in Avon Park and will live at 822 South Lakeview Drive in Sebring.

You are what you think you are.

Capitol Capsule . .

By Don Meiklejohn

LIGHTING ROD SEASON—

As other folks try to dodge the summer electrical storms, others are getting out in the open, hoping for "political lightning" to strike.

It's the political lightning rod season for Florida's 1960 governorship campaign hopefuls.

If the list keeps growing at the present rate, there won't be any one left to vote by the time the election rolls around—everyone will be a candidate.

LAST COUNT—18 being mentioned—about six seriously; some "hopefully," and others "just in case."

The cost of financing a statewide campaign will cut the ultimate field down to six at the most—maybe less.

So far, only two appear to be making the kind of plans that appear to mean they will definitely be in the race—C. Farris Bryant, Ocala, who ran third in 1956, and Sen. Fred O. (Bud) Dickinson, Jr., West Palm Beach.

SOUTH FLORIDA—Others are still jockeying and the lines haven't been drawn, but it appears that there will be at least one other major candidate from the South Florida end of the state.

Best bets: Doyle E. Carlton, Jr., Wauchula, or Rep. Cliff Herrell, Miami.

SEGREGATION—There also will probably be a strong segregationist candidate.

Best bets: Sumter Lewis, Tampa, who ran second to Gov. LeRoy Collins in 1956; Fred Kent, Jacksonville attorney and former Board of Control member, and Sen. President Leeway Johnson, Quincy.

RIGHT OPENING—In case the right kind of opening appears, other probabilities could include House Speaker Thomas B. Bradley, who acts like a candidate; Earl Faircloth, a Miami attorney, who hopes to edge into the picture by waging a fight to defeat the proposed correspondence formula that goes to a vote in November; former Gov. Millard Caldwell, who can't be ruled out officially until he says so; J. Bailey Odham, Sanford house builder who has twice been an unsuccessful candidate but appears to have taken the cure; Sen. Verle J. Pope, St. Augustine, a cousin of Carlton who

won't run if Carlton is in the race; Alan Boyd, a member of the railroad commission, who doesn't appear to be too interested in the Supreme Court Justice Stephen C. O'Connell, who has already announced plans to remain on the court and appears to mean it; former House Speaker Ted David, Hollywood, who would like to run but doesn't appear likely to get the right kind of backing; Jacksonville Mayor Haydon Burns, who some folks say has long entertained governorship aspirations; former U.S. Sen. Claude Pepper, who after he got whipped by Sen. Spessard Holland said he might run, but is not considered as a likely prospect, and Sen. Joe Eaton, Miami, who says he isn't interested.

It may be some fellow around with a "mystery right" like the one displayed by Ingemar Johansson.

Factors to consider: SEGREGATION—Integration—Possible court rulings in this field, and what happens in September when schools open their doors again.

APPOINTMENT VOTE—mentioned in relation to Faircloth.

STATE FINANCES—whether finances get better or worse. At present the state appears to be making a recovery from its shaky fiscal position.

Best Strategy—wait and see who announces officially.

MAY TO WATCH—Sen. Tom Adams, Orange Park, who was recently elected chairman of the Legislative Council, is a man to watch as a force in shaping 1961 legislation.

The Council, which is composed of legislators from each of Florida's eight congressional districts, has often been dubbed "powerful" and "influential" in news reports—but it has never really lived up to the adjectives.

Adams is a hard working fellow, who proved he can get things done as chairman of the agricultural services committee. The committee pushed a program through the 1959 legislature to revamp the Agriculture Department.

With Adams' leadership the Council could live up to the terms "powerful" and "influential."

... heretofore pretty chiefly Railroad... TALLAHASSEE, Fla.—Three Constitutional amendments will be on the ballot Nov. 3—"unless the courts hold otherwise"—according to Beverage Director's post officially July 1, says the first order of business in his new job will be to relieve overcrowded conditions at the state prisons—

REPORT OF CONDITION OF AVON CITRUS BANK

OF AVON PARK IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON JUNE 30, 1959

ASSETS	
Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balances, and cash items in process of collection	\$ 614,582.61
United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	2,890,110.43
Obligations of States and political subdivisions	25,000.00
Loans and discounts	2,886,355.34
Bank premises owned \$35,000.00, furniture and fixtures \$37,469.40	72,469.40
Investments and other assets indirectly representing bank premises or other real estate	1,735.71
Other assets	17,823.76
TOTAL ASSETS	\$6,518,027.15

LIABILITIES	
Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	\$3,189,392.48
Time deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	1,561,247.54
Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	58,533.82
Deposits of States and political subdivisions	1,135,550.44
Other deposits (certified and officers' checks, etc.)	60,651.74
TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$6,505,376.02
Other liabilities	180,750.25
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$6,127,126.37

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
Capital	\$ 100,000.00
Surplus	290,000.00
Undivided profits	50,900.78
TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	390,900.78
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$6,518,027.15
*This bank's capital consists of: Common stock with total par value of \$100,000.00	

MEMORANDA	
Assets pledged or assigned to secure liabilities and for other purposes	\$1,977,500.00
(a) Loans as shown above are after deduction of reserves of:	\$7,437.96
1. Robert C. Whitcomb, Cashier, of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, and that it fully and correctly represents the true state of the several matters herein contained and set forth, to the best of my knowledge and belief.	

ROBERT C. WHITCOMB
Correct Attest:
William Bruce, Cashier
Blue Nunnallee, Charles G. Metcalfe, Directors
State of Florida, County of Highlands, ss.
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 7th day of July, 1959, and I hereby certify that I am not an officer or director of this bank.
MELBA D. BARRINGER, Notary Public
My commission expires February 12, 1963, Notary Public



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