FHSAA Pleased With Avon Park Accommodations

were delighted with the financial report and the statements from several as to the satisfactory conditions under which the tournament was held.

The tournament was held here for the first time this past June and was a big success although attendance was not as large as it will be next year when almost every game will be played in the afternoon. The tournament was held on the Red-skin football field.

CIRCLE MEETS

Problem Of Alcoholism Is Not New One

By Harve E. Olsen

Since Biblical times, alcoholism has created problems in the society of mankind and each world society has attempted to cope with the problem in devious ways for nearly a century and a half.

Attempts have been made to control the sale of alcoholic beverages to individuals, prohibition was tried for a 14 year period (1920-1933), from time to time groups have been formed throughout the world to cope with, to combat or to outlaw alcoholism.

But only in the past 25-30 years have federal and state governments and our society as a whole come to recognize alcoholism as a treatable illness. Only in recent years, through constant study and research and testing, have notable steps been taken to curb the causes and effects of alcohol on the human body.

Today, through the unified efforts of a concerned society in all phases of our daily living, much progress is being made toward prevention, rehabilitation and education . . . and we still have a lot of learning to do.

Action on alcoholism is occurring in the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare, the National Institute of Mental Health, the World Health Organization, the National Council on Alcoholism and other public and private agencies.

Thirty-eight states, including Florida, now have state-supported programs, commissions or committees on alcoholism. There are innumerable community, private and industrial committees exploring the problem, studying the problem drinker, offering rehabilitation programs, and programs of education aimed at prevention.

Basically, the aims and purposes of these agencies are the same—rehabilitation of the existing alcoholic, prevention of alcoholism through a more complete understanding of the causes and effects of alcohol, and the education of professional and lay persons on the problems of alcoholism.

The complexity of th problem calls for complete unity in all phases of daily living, and results are being obtained through the unification of this "team approach" to the problem.

Involved in the treatment, rehabilitation and education programs are those in the field of medicine, psychiatry, social work, the clergy, education, health and welfare, law enforcement and many others needed to meet the needs of the alcoholic and through which channels of information and education may be opened for an inquiring and interested public.

The State of Florida has such a comprehensive program. From a small beginning in January 1954, the Florida Alcoholic Rehabilitation Program has focused attention on a four-point program in the field of alcoholism—Treat, Teach, Train and Test.

Approximately 2,200 patients are treated annually at four out-patient clinics and the rehabilitation center at Avon Park. More than 3,000 inquiries are answered by ARP staff members annually; an extensive public information and education program is being carried out and expanded, and a continuing program of research is carried on by FARP and through grants-in-aid.

The story of FARP and its activities is worthy of a special column in this series. Watch for it.

In the meantime, further information on the problems of alcoholism is free for the asking. Simply write: ARP, Box 1147, Avon Park, Florida.

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	Won	Lost
Blackman Ford	17½	6½
Shewmaker Plumbing	17½	6½
Ray's Bakery	15	9
Turner Furniture	15	9
Warren Funeral	14	10
Rob & Jack's TV	13½	10½
Sebring Tile & Terrazo	12½	11½
Fisher's Restaurant	11	13
Will-Rand Motors	11	13
Tropical Farms	10	14
White Cross Ins.	7	17
American	0	24

High team three games, Blackman Ford - 3035; Ray's Bakery - 2960; Fisher Restaurant - 2898.

Individual high three games, John Periaki - 723; Earl Floyd - 685; Doyle Sweeney - 655.



FARM BUREAU OFFICERS—Marvin Kahn, left, was elected president of the Highlands County Farm Bureau last week. Serving with him will be C. M. Payne, center, vice president, and Jim Turnbull, secretary. Mrs. E. A. Martin is treasurer.

Kahn Is Named Group Head

Marvin Kahn, Sebring cattleman and grove owner, was elected president of the Highlands County Farm Bureau at the group's annual dinner meeting Saturday night. Serving with him will be C. M. Payne, of Sebring, vice president and James Turnbull, Avon Park, secretary. Mrs. E. A. Martin, of Avon Park, was named treasurer.

Directors named at the meeting held at Highlands Hammock State Park were: S. E. Miller, H. W. Grotewold, Felix Uzzell, Kelsey Payne, Gene Patton, of Sebring; Norman Todd and T. Hayes Maxwell, of Avon Park and Robert Fitzgerald, Lake Placid.

Kahn, Grotewold, Uzzell, Maxwell and C. M. Payne will be delegates to the State Farm Bureau Convention in Miami Beach on November 5-8.

Soil News

This week the Highlands Soil Conservation District assisted four cooperators in stocking fish ponds. Through the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service the District furnished blue gill bream and shell-crackers to Marvin Kahn of Sebring, R. B. Oxer of Venus, R. P. Dunty, Jr of Lake Placid and Stokely Van Camp of Avon Park. These cooperators will be supplied with fingerlin bass next spring to complete the stocking. The bream and bass live in balance by the bream feeding on algae in the water and the bass feeding on the bream.

The ponds are fertilized with an 8-8-2 at the rate of 100 pounds per surface per month. This fertilizer grows the algae for the bream to feed upon just like fertilizing grass pasture for cattle. Surprisingly as it may seem, well managed fish ponds yield more pounds of fish per surface acre than pasture yields beef. A well managed pond, if fished enough yield as much as 650 pounds of fish per surface acre per year. Mr. Howard Bissland, Soil Conservation Service Biologist says, "The biggest single problem with farm fish ponds are that they are not fished enough, they get over populated with small fish because none are harvested."

The Soil Conservation Service Engineers assisted Gene and Jerry Whitaker of Lake Placid in the design of a combination water and erosion control structure for 80 ac. of citrus south of Lake Placid.

Claude Howerton, Soil Conservation Service Technician assisted Mr. Sol McClelland of Lorida in the layout of a 40 acre irrigation system on improved pasture. He is installing a pump in Istokpoga Canal to supply water for this system.

The Soil Conservation Service is making progress on the Upper Josephine-Jackson Creek Watershed. The survey has progressed 9 miles with about 90 percent complete. The design is now in progress in the Soil Conservation Service office in Gainesville, Florida under the direction of State Conservationist J. W. Hammett.

Florida led the nation in phosphate production for the 67th consecutive year, according to 1960 reports. The Florida State Chamber of Commerce says 12,251,000 long tons of phosphate valued at over $18 million were mined.

Livestock Owners Urged To Keep Close Watch For Screwworm Sign

Tallahassee, Florida — Commissioner of Agriculture Doyle Conner today issued an urgent plea to all livestock owners in Florida to be particularly watchful during the next 30 to 60 days for any signs of screwworms that might be introduced into the state on animals shipped from Mississippi, Tennessee, Alabama and Georgia.

"We have reports that screwworms are present in four nearby states" Conner said. "These include seven western and south central counties in Tennessee: four northern and northeastern counties in Alabama: one northwestern county in Georgia and in Mississippi bordering the river. It will be thirty to sixty days before we can expect cold weather in those areas to freeze out any screwworms there."

According to Dr. C. L. Campbell, director of the Department's Division of Animal Industry, every possible precaution is being taken to guard against another re-entry into Florida of the deadly livestock pest which was wiped out in the state in the eradication program of 1958-59.

"We receive reports by wire of any livestock shipments to Florida originating in infested areas of the four states," Campbell said. "In addition, all truck stop stations in Florida have been alerted to report daily by phone any livestock passing through from those areas. However, it is particularly important that livestock in north and west Florida be inspected as frequently as possible for any signs of screwworms that may have been on animals going to locations north of the truck stops."

Aerial dispersal of sterile screwworm flies produced in Texas is continuing at the rate of 500,000 flies per week in the Bonifay area of west Florida, location of the state's most recent outbreak of the pest, Campbell said. No positive cases have been discovered there since June 27.

State and Federal livestock regulatory authorities in Mississippi, Tennessee, Alabama and Georgia are co-operating closely with Florida authorities, Campbell added, in an effort to prevent any possibility of the deadly livestock pest from gaining a new foothold here in a sub-tropical climate where it can overwinter and spread north again in the summer.

Livestock owners' cost of fighting screwworms in the Southeast from 1933 to 1958 were estimated at 20 million dollars a year of which the cost in Florida alone was put at 10 million. The State-Federal eradication program of 1958-59, based in central Florida, which rid the Southeastern states of screwworms, totaled more than 7 million dollars.

Schedule For College Day

College Day for Juniors and Seniors will be held on Friday, October 20. Representatives from 32 colleges and the Armed Services will be in Highlands County and will meet with students as follows:

9:00 a. m. to 12 noon—Students from Lake Placid and Sebring High Schools at Sebring High School.

1:15 p. m. to 3:05 p. m.—Avon Park High students at Avon Park High School.

Pine Seedlings Still Available To Landowners

TALLAHASSEE, Oct. 15—Florida Forest Service nurseries still have some pine seedlings available to landowners who plan to plant this Fall. With the passing of the guaranteed delivery deadline of October first all requests will be treated on a first come first served basis.

Cost of the seedlings at the nurseries in Munson, Olustee, Chiefland, and Punta Gorda, is $4.00 per thousand. For the landowner's convenience, seedlings will be shipped to several elected truck delivery points for planting now so their timber will be ready when the demands reach new heights in the future.

For order blanks and further information contact the nearest Florida Forest Service office, Soil Conservation Service technician, County agent's office or ASC office.

City Pound Is Full of Hounds

About 25 stray dogs are having a howling good time, city officials reported this week, after the canines were picked up last weekend and the early part of this week.

The action was taken following several complaints to the city council regarding the stray animals. The pound is located at the fire station and after a holding period prescribed by law, the dogs will be disposed of if not claimed.

The firemen had one request from a dog owner this week, when she asked the man on duty call each of the dogs by a specific name to see if her animal responded. The fireman confessed he couldn't speak dog latin.

More Scouts and Explorers—21,175—qualified for Eagle rank in 1960 than in any previous year. Since 1910, 387,800 have earned this high rank.

Commissioners

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the best solution seems to be relocation of the transmitter.

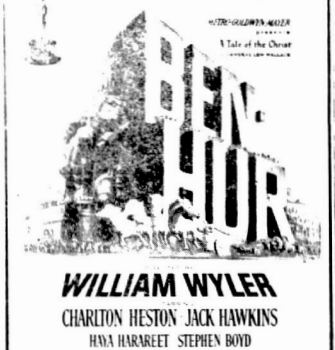
Fred Wild of Sebring, in a letter to the board, said that he assumes that the commissioners are not interested in buying a track of land he had offered for sale as a park.

This land, located near the polling places in Avon Park, had been offered to the commissioners last winter. Wild said he intends to put the track on the market immediately.

WOODMEN'S CIRCLE

The Supreme Forest Woodmen's Circle Convention will be held in Sebring, Wednesday, Oct. 25, at 2 p. m. in the American Legion Home. The Sebring Orange Blossom Circle No. 298 will be host for the convention. New Manager, Mrs. Faye Littman of Miami and District Manager, Amy Strickland of Belle Glade and District Secretary, Estelle Searcy of Wauchula are all expected to attend the convention.

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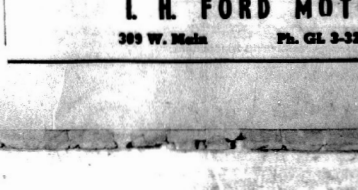
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