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AVON PARK SUN

WEATHER REPORT BY J. WILEY COTHRAN

	Max	Min.	Rain
April 13	89	56	—
April 14	89	60	—
April 15	85	61	—
April 16	82	62	—
April 17	82	55	—
April 18	81	57	—
April 19	82	57	—

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High School, Faculty Given 'Pat On Back'

Avon Park High School literally received a "pat on the back" in its recent evaluation.

And, the evaluation committee composed of state educators who were here last week, praised Supervising Principal A. B. Wilhite for an exceptionally fine job as administrator of the three schools in the Avon Park area.

"The Visiting Committee commends the administration and the faculty of Avon Park High School for their very excellent self-study in preparing for this evaluation," conclusion of the report stated.

"A very professional attitude was evident. There appears to be excellent rapport between administrators, faculty and students. One could not help but be impressed by the friendly attitude."

Points needing change in the school plant operation, the committee found, included need "to see that teachers hold proper certification in the subjects they teach. At the present time six teachers are teaching 11 classes 'out of field'. This deficiency should be eliminated before the start of the next school year as well as the two junior high teacher overloads."

Evaluators said "The recent report of the State Survey Team should be carefully studied, analyzed and implemented as soon as possible.

"Serious consideration should be given to building a new high school in another area and using the present structure as a junior high facility. Additions and renovations to the present plant will be determined by this planning. Proper classrooms facilities should be provided for art, bookkeeping and business education for the next school year."

Included in the committee report was the suggestion that a Diversified Cooperative Education program be instituted as well as a Vocational Office Education Course.

Band room air conditioning "should help eliminate an interfering noise problem and inconveniences caused by gnats."

"Department heads," the report continued, "should be assigned in all subject matter areas with more than two teachers."

At the outset of the committee's investigation John McDonald, committee chairman, of Palm Beach High School, West Palm Beach, told teachers at a breakfast meeting the group was "not here to accredit but to evaluate."

Representing the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, the group came to Avon Park to survey the high school facility and file its findings that the Southern Association may grade APHS's place in education.

"After examining the philosophy, the school community relations and findings, and the individual subject area reports," the evaluating committee found "that, in our judgment, the faculty of Avon Park High has done a thorough and complete job of carefully looking into the overall program of APHS.

"The committee," its report continued, "wishes to commend the administration and faculty for several noteworthy contributions which have been evidenced."

These included "genuine rapport which exists between students, faculty, and members of the community."

"An evidence of consistency between the school philosophy and classroom procedures.

"The care of the school plant, grounds, and equipment, which denotes a pride in the school system.

"The student body demonstrates a seriousness of purpose and willingness to cooperate in the total school program."

Recommendations made in the report included an "improvement in the art courses." It found class accomodations confined with more working space needed.

"Scope and sequence should be developed for each mathematics course offered." Instructors were praised for the work being done in APHS, the investigators finding all qualified in the subject they were teaching.

They found conflict in band and chorus scheduled, suggesting they be changed to allow participation in both, if the student so desired. And, they called for a new music facility, finding present areas too crowded.

This also is true of the Home Economic Department which needs expansion and more teaching materials. And, the program should "be broadened to include classes for boys and girls."

"On-the-job-work" experience was advised in the agriculture program "which needs to be broadened."

This was found to be true in the advanced shop program which "should be broadened; adequately financed and housed and set up on a permanent basis. "It was advised such students be placed on a Diversified Cooperative Training program.

Library facilities, it was noted "are badly in need of improvement. The space is too small and the office-workroom should be remodeled.

"Present scheduling of use of the library should be reviewed in order to serve the greatest number of pupils effectively," the group added.

Present clinical facilities should be located on the ground floor and adequate facilities added. And, it was recommended "an attendent be on duty in the clinic" who should be a "responsible student or Gray Lady program."

Among other recommendations were that "every effort should be made to reduce the number of teachers teaching out of field;

"Faculty organization into departments with designated chairmen should be explored with regular meetings for planning an evaluation of the school program."

It was also suggested that a junior high counselor be added; to the guidance staff; more clerical assistance be provided for guidance personnel; that a professional section be established in the library for faculty use.



GUY GARRETT, assistant principal of APHS, who next year becomes supervising principal of the Avon Park school system on the retirement of A. B. Wilhite after 40 years as a Florida educator.



A. B. WILHITE

W. P. Surrency Traffic Victim

William P. (Pete) Surrency, 48, victim of an early morning traffic accident, was buried at Pinecrest Cemetery in Sebring Monday afternoon, April 18.

Funeral services were conducted at the Chapel of Scott-Stephenson-Smith Funeral home earlier with Rev. Lester Miller and Rev. Luther Price officiating.

Mr. Surrency, an employee of the Florida Power Corporation for the last 15 years and member of the Bowling League, was returning home from the Ridge Lanes following participation in League competition Friday, April 15 when killed. Investigating patrolmen said his car was in collision with a semi-truiler.

Born at Brewster, Oct. 13, 1917, he had lived at Sebring all of his life until he moved to Avon Park in 1959.

He worshipped at the First Baptist Church; was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Bowling League.

Survivors include the widow, Mrs. Mary Ellen Surrency; two sons, William Wayne and John Allen, both of Avon Park; one daughter, Mrs. Roma Lee Jr., Avon Park; his mother, Mrs. Eddie Surrency, Sebring; two brothers, Virgil H., South America, and Ralph, U. S. Navy stationed at Miami; one sister, Mrs. Mildred Logston, Fort Pierce.

Praise Given A. B. Wilhite

A. B. Wilhite, supervising principal of APHS, was praised highly for his 40 years in the field of education by John McDonald, chairman of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools evaluation committee.

That committee made an evaluation of the APHS plant last week, and the praise came during its oral report last Friday.

Mr. Wilhite, who has been with the APHS facility 24 of his 40 years as an educator, first started his career at Okeechobee where he was a science teacher and only coach at the school. He was there five years.

Another tenure of duty occured at Lake Placid where he was supervising principal and coach six years.

Mr. Wilhite spent four years as assistant principal at Sebring and assistant coach. He went to Lake Placid prior to coming to Avon Park.

Chamber Board Meets Tonight

Chamber of Commerce directors will meet at the Chamber offices, E. Main Street, at 8 p.m., today.

Several matters of importance are expected to be aired, according to Jack DeLaney, Chamber president.

County - Wide 'Rec' Study To Be Made By Special Group

Everything in the way of recreation will be studied by the Highlands County Commission.

And, the study will be with the help of a nine-man committee named by chambers of commerce at Avon Park, Sebring and Lake Placid.

Commissioners, at their meeting Tuesday, took on the recreation question when it was suggested by Mrs. Stanley Davis, chairman of the Sebring Chamber of Commerce civic affairs committee.

It was her idea that such a nine-man committee is needed, and the County Commission should give a thorough look into its recreational facilities.

Mrs. Davis told the commission that many recreation facilities in the county are not used, others are needed in some areas, and that duplication of facilities are in evidence.

She suggested that the commission name a recreation advisory committee to investigate the uses of the facilities, and survey their needs in every area of the county. She said state and federal funds possibly were available to correct and expand recreation programs so as to secure maximum uses.

Commissioner James G. Creel suggested that commission Chairman Cecil P. Skipper write to chambers in Sebring, Avon Park and Lake Placid and ask them to recommend three persons each to serve on the advisory group.

Commissioner J. A. (Jake) Butler, who is also mayor of Sebring, said the city council had discussed such a proposal and believed the city would cooperate in such a project.

Rev. John D. Benson, pastor of the Church of the Nazarene, asked the county for help in finding a suitable meeting place for a newly organized unit of Alcoholics Anonymous. Commissioner Butler suggested a room in Sebring City Hall might be available.

The commission agreed to spend $1,040 on new maps of the county which would show among usual points of interest all graded roads, lakes, streams and recreation areas. The maps will be drawn and printed by Howze and Associates of Tampa.

Sub-District Tournament To Be Held Here Today and Friday

Avon Park's Red Devil baseball team drew second-seeding and a sub-group tournament with a 10-2 Class B District 6 record. They will play Lake Placid at Head Field tonight (Thursday) at 8:30 after a game between Zephyrhills and Frostproof at 7 p.m.

Lakeland's Santa Fe will host the other sub-group meet and will open the action against Mulberry at 7 tonight. First seeded Clearwater Central Catholic, with a 12-2 record, will play Lithia Pinecrest in the night cap at Lakeland.

Finals of both sub-groups will be played Friday (tomorrow) at 7:30 p.m. at the same sites. The group championship will be decided by a best-of-three game play-off between the two sub-group winners April 28, 29, and 30 on a home and home basis.

Devils Close Season With Win and Loss

The Red Devil baseball team finished the regular season last weekend with a 3-2 victory over the Okeechobee School for Boys on Friday, but suffered a 4-0 shutout to Winter Haven on Saturday. Their record for the season was 10 wins and 4 losses.

The Friday night game at Head Field was a real cliff-hanger as it went into the bottom of the seventh tied 2-2.

The Chiefs had scored in the top of the first inning on a single, a stolen base, a passed ball and an infield grounder.

The Devils came right back by pushing over two runs in the bottom of the inning as Emmitt Money and Bobby Coleman both singled and Mike Knapp drove them in with a booming double to left field.

Okeechobee evened the score in the third when pitcher Dale Johnson was safe on an error, moved to second when Jimmy Hutto walked, and scored on Pat Andy's single.

Avon Park scored their winning run in the bottom of the seventh as Devil hurler Emmitt Money led off with a single and moved to second on Bobby Coleman's fielder's choice grounder. Mike Knapp bunted to move both runners ahead. Then Dean Lemler bunted safely to squeezed Money home.

Money gave up 3 hits, walked 7, and struck out 14 during the seven innings. The Devils got 8 hits off Johnson with Money's three singles leading the way. M. Knapp doubled and singled; Joe Strickler got two singles, and, Coleman singled.

Three Winter Haven pitchers teamed up to hold the Red Devils to 5 hits for their 3-0 win last Saturday night at the beautiful new Red Sox training field in Winter Haven.

Mike Knapp suffered the mound loss for Avon Park as he gave up a double and five singles.

Winter Haven scored its first run in the bottom of the second on a walk, sacrifice bunt, and a single. In the fifth two more Blue Devil runs were scored on two singles and a fielding error.

Boys State Group Named

Five boys, all juniors at Avon Park High School, have been chosen but only two will represent Avon Park at Boys State at Tallahassee this year.

Two is the number of delegates allowed from the local American Legion Post. And, two alternates were to be named but something happened. Instead there are three alternates.

Joe Strickler and Stephen Hugh Booth were the two regular delegates named by the High School faculty for the Legion, according to Francis LaFlam, Legion Boys State chairman.

And, the faculty also selected Steve Webber as one alternate but could not seperate their selection between John Calvin Mason and John Wright, so both were named alternates.

Political Rally Set Saturday

Under auspices of the Highlands County Democratic Committee, a political rally will be held at the bandstand in The Mall here Saturday, April 23, at 2 p.m.

S. C. Schwinn, chairman of the county committee, said Mayor E. A. DeLaney will preside. For Democratic candidates seeking party nomination in the May 3 primary, the rally will afford voters an opportunity to hear their platforms and meet them.

This will mark the second of three such rallies sponsored by the committee. The first was held Saturday, April 16, at Lake Placid. The final, according to Schwinn, will be held at Sebring Circle on Saturday, April 30.

Mother of Four Held In Death Of Husband

Mrs. Wilma Brady Ashburn, 30-year-old mother of four children, remains in Highlands County jail at Sebring charged with first degree murder of her husband, Clarence Edward Ashburn, 30.

The couple had been residents of Avon Park four years, coming from Tennessee.

Grand jury action was taken Monday during the first day of the spring session.

Mrs. Ashburn was arrested late Saturday night at the couple's home on Rte., (Alt. 27 north of Highlands Avenue) by Deputies Sheriff Harold Hopson of Avon Park and Wayne Harris, Sebring.

They investigated for Sheriff Broward Coker and arrested Mrs. Ashburn in connection with the investigation.

Ashburn, a grove worker, was reported shot with a .22 caliber single shot rifle. His death, according to reports, followed a family argument.

Mrs. Ashburn was employed as a clerk at a local store.

The couple's four children range in age from three to 11 years. They include three daughters, Carolyn, Vivian, and Janice Lee, and one son, Eddie.

Funeral services for Ashburn will be held Friday, April 22, at Vaughn Funeral Home, Spring City, Tenn. He was a native of Tennessee.

Other survivors include his parents of Spring City, Mr. and Mrs. George Ashburn, and three brothers, two of Avon Park, Ray and Odell Ashburn. The third brother, William Ashburn, is a resident of Chattanooga, Tenn.

A sister, Mrs. Gladys Arliss of Avon Park, also survives.

Scott-Stephenson-Smith Funeral Home of Avon Park is in charge of local arrangements.



JUDGE REHRER

Judge Rehrer Appointed To Council Group

Judge Mervin Rehrer, County Judge of Highlands County, has been advised by Senator Beth Johnson, chairman of the Legislative Council Committee on Mental Health and Mental Retardation, that he has been appointed to this special legislative council committee after having been recommended by the Florida County Judges Association.

This special committee of the Legislative Council Committee has been created to review Florida hospital laws as they pertain to the mental hospitals, the Sunland Hospitals and the Sunland Training Centers.

Judge Rehrer has served as the chairman for the Mental Health Committee of the Florida County Judges Association for the past five years, and as such chairman he has, in addition to giving much of his time and effort to the cause of the mental hospitals, Sunland Training Centers and mental retardation programs, been the author and prime mover of a bill providing for an involuntary treatment program for alcoholics.

It has been his position that the alcoholic is an ill person and should be treated for this illness rather than confined in a county jail as a criminal.

His position was recently supported by the United States Court of Appeals when it said that proof of chronic alcoholism is a defense to a drunkenness charge because the defendant has lost the power of self control in the use of intoxicating beverages.

The federal court went on to say that since such a defendant lacks the necessary criminal intent to be guilty of a crime, he cannot be punished under the criminal law.

In ruling upon the case, the court did state that an individual could be committed to a facility for rehabilitation purposes, but not for confinement as such as a criminal.

Tag Office Here To Close Temporarily

Closing of the auto tag office at the Wells Motor Co., here temporarily between April 22 and May 16 is being announced by Roland X. Droit, county tag agent.

Droit said the closing is due to the coming May primaries during which the space will be used by election officials. He also is Highlands County supervisor of elections.

Highlands Gets School Fund

State Comptroller Fred O. Dickinson Jr., has announced the April distribution of $18,154,584 to Florida's public schools.

The minimum foundation fund and sales tax money is for instructional salaries, transportation and other current expenses in grades kindergarten through 12.

Minimum foundation funds amounted to $15,798,049, while sales tax monies contributed $2,356,535 of the total distribution.

Allocations to the counties included Highlands $85,583.



REV. TOM JONES

Rev. Tom Jones New President Area Group

Rev. Thomas Jones, First Christian Church of Sebring pastor, was elected president of the Ridge Area Association for Retarded Children.

Mr. Jones will succeed Paul E. Bennett who presided at the annual meeting held at the Day School in Avon Park Monday night.

Tom Johnson, also of Sebring, succeeds Mr. Jones who advanced from vice president. Miss Ann Karrick succeeds Mrs. Pat King as secretary. Miss Pat Lagoni was re-elected treasurer.

The following were elected to three year terms as directors: Mrs. Robert Dunty, Lake Placid; Mrs. Harvey Roberts, Lake Placid; and, Miss Maude Speakman, Sebring.

Bennett reported that Steve Roberts, with cooperation of Ed Dione and the Lake Placid American Legion, raised $186 for the association.

Bennett added that Roberts is contacting county civic groups to show a movie, "A Guy Named Larry." Work with retarded persons and their progress is unfolded in the film.

The Teen Age Group of the Friends Society painted classrooms of the Day School last Saturday, Bennett disclosed.

The Group is composed of members of the Quakers in the southeast area of the nation, who were holding their annual meeting at Lake Byrd Lodge under leadership of J. W. Trimer of the University of Florida.

Bennett, in leaving the presidency, urges all persons in the area to give support to the Association's work with the retarded.

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BUD'S THE MAN FOR JOB

Justifying the confidence placed in him by the governor and the thousands of citizens who urged his appointment, Fred O. "Bud" Dickinson has earned the right to a full four-year term as comptroller of the State of Florida.

The Avon Park Sun is proud and happy to endorse his candidacy for the cabinet-level office in the May 3 primary election.

Already known throughout the state for his valuable service in the legislature and his energetic gubernatorial campaigns, Dickinson has well applied his interest and knowledge of Florida governmental affairs to his present post.

The job, which carries a wide range of duties and responsibilities, has never been any sinecure. It was even less so when "Bud" took over on Sept. 1, 1965, with the issue of full-value property tax assessment in ferment.

But the transition was made smoothly and efficiently, and it is obvious that the comptroller's office is in firm hands.

Dickinson inherited the task of implementing a state Supreme Court decision requiring all 67 counties to assess property at 'fair market value'—the court's interpretation of state law calling for 100 percent "just value."

While that job is still far from complete, the new comptroller has made it clear that he will use the power of his office to accomplish it, and thus give all taxpayers in the state equal protection of the law.

At the same time, Dickinson served notice that a "yardstick of common sense" must be used in assessing property, warning that pre. .ty taxation has reached the point where it is about to crush the incentive of private ownership. He will be as critical of over-assessment as of under-assessment.

This is in line with the conservative philosophy which always has guided Dickinson's governmental actions and expressions. It may be depended on to guide his general course in the many other duties of the state comptroller.

These duties include supervision of all state banks, trust companies, building and loan associations, credit unions and small loan companies; acting as the state's chief paymaster and tax collector; as well as serving as a member of the state Budget Commission, board of Conservation, Internal Improvement Fund, Pardon Board, Personnel Board, Railroad Assessment Board, Purchasing Commission and other cabinet bodies.

To all of these tasks, Dickinson brings sound judgment and a flair for gentle persuasion that will serve him—and the people of Florida—in good stead in the years to come.

A vote for Dickinson on May 3 will be a vote for good government.

Saving In Use of Parcel Post Cited By Postmaster Young

Residents of Avon Park would save thousands of dollars annually on heavier packages under parcel post reform legislation pending in Congress, Postmaster R. D. Young revealed.

The saving could be $2 or $3 a parcel, or more, he explained.

Equally significant, Postmaster Young said, there are many instances where mailers decide not to send such parcels at all, with resulting losses of much business by the Avon Park Post Office.

Postmaster Young's report was based on a new analysis of parcel post reform legislation, H. H. 12367, sent to him from Washington, D. C., by President James O'Toole, of the National Association of Postmasters.

At the same time, the postmaster reported the parcel post reform measure would help the Post Office Department reduce the postal fund deficiency to its lowest level since enactment of the Postal Policy Act in 1958—from the present $376 million deficit to $187 million.

On behalf of the Postmasters Association, which has thrown its full support behind legislation introduced at the request of Postmaster General Lawrence F. O'Brien, Postmaster Young made these points of particular interest to residents of Avon Park:

As a first class post office, the local office cannot accept most parcels of more than 20 pounds or more than 72 inches dimensions if they are going to another first class post office 150 miles or more away.

Such parcels sent by private express, at much higher charges, often cost several dollars more than by parcel post.

However, H. R. 12367, would provide new parcel post limits of 40 pounds and 100 inches, with resulting savings for mailers at the Avon Park Post Office.

An increase of 14 cents a parcel would be needed to offset the parcel post deficit, but, if HR 12367 is enacted into law, a much more moderate increase averaging 8 cents a parcel would be provided, Postmaster Young said.

More than 100 smaller size post offices are raised each year from the second class to first class. When they are raised, parcel mailers under the present restrictions must often suffer added costs involved in private express company handling of the heavier parcels.

Residents of smaller post offices enjoy limits of 70 pounds and 100 inches for parcel post packages.

In a recent typical example, Roanoke, Alabama, a second class office, was raised to first class. A parcel of 21 pounds was formerly sent to Bainbridge, Georgia, about 155 miles away, for $1.59. Now, if it is sent at all, it is sent by more expensive means. In the case of the Railway Express Agency, it would be $4.70.

Residents of small communities who do not have the limitations imposed on first class post office mailers suffer nevertheless as a result of the limitations on parcel post, provided 14 years ago under a law favoring REA, the NAPUS report indicated.

Because of lost volume in first class offices—which today serve 140 million Americans—parcel post rates (or taxes) for everyone have been raised about $500 million since 1951. Overall increases in parcel rates have totaled about 130 percent.

Some post offices more than 150 miles away from Avon Park which are now affected by the limitation here include: Jacksonville, Tallahassee, Pensacola, Key West, and Marianna.

The parcel post reform legislation would go a long way toward correcting parcel mailing problems and reducing expenses, the Postmaster noted.

For parcels going less than 150 miles, the present 40-pound limit would be retained, but a new size liberalization to 100 inches from the present 72 inch limit would be beneficial for these parcels, the Postmaster explained.

Red Devils Take First Back Seat In Year's Thinclad Meet

The Avon Park Red Devil track team lost its first meet of the season last Thursday night, coming in just one point behind first place Mulberry in a five-school meet at Fort Meade.

Mulberry won four individual first places and two relay events for 77½ points. Avon Park totaled 76½ points, also winning four individual firsts but only one relay—the mile.

Fort Meade placed third with 64 points, Arcadia was fourth with 37 points, and Sebring fifth with 6 points.

Harold Callaway tied his own school record of 9.8 seconds to win the 100-yard dash and the 440-yard run in 56.9 seconds.

Tom LaFlam set a new school record winning the mile in 4 minutes, 51 and 9-10 seconds. He also won the half mile race in 2 minutes, 8 and 6-10 seconds.

The Devil's mile relay team came from behind to win that final event in 3 minutes, 41.2 seconds. Tom Nunnallee started the mile for Avon Park, Bobby Barben ran the second leg, Jim Burrescia ran the third leg, and Bill Wild anchored.

Avon Park's 880-yard relay team of Burton, Barben, West, and Wild came in second behind Mulberry, with Fort Meade taking third and Arcadia fourth.

The Devil's sprint medley relay team also came in second. Running for Avon Park were Barben, Richards, West, and Callaway. Fort Meade was third, and Arcadia fourth.

Other Red Devils who contributed points to the Avon Park total: Mike Coleman with a third in the high hurdles, Bobby Burton with a fourth in the highs, Bill Wild placing third in the 100-yard dash, Tom Nunnallee who tied for fifth in the 100 and came in second in the 440-yard run, John Wright with a fifth in the mile run, Kenny Dixon and Jack Crunkelton who placed third and fifth respectively in the half mile, and Robert King with a fifth in the 220-yard dash.

In the field events the Devils scored only 12 points. Henry Heilig took second in the discus throw and third in the shotput. H. Callaway was fourth in the discus and fifth in the shot. Earl Sims was fourth in the broad jump event.

Yesterday, the Red Devils hosted Clermont in a duel meet. It was Avon Park's last scheduled meet before the District set for May 6 at Fort Meade.

According to Devil coach Jeff DeCola, eight teams will participate in the district. Winners of the first three places in each event will qualify for the state Class B meet to be held in Gainesville on May 13.

Participating with the Devils in the District meet will be Mulberry, Fort Meade, Tampa Catholic, Lake Placid, Zephyrhills, Clearwater Central Catholic, and Frostproof.

Preliminary events for the District meet will start at 3 p.m. They will include qualifying for the 100-yard dash, the 220-yard dash, the 120-yard high hurdles, and the 180-yard low hurdles, and all field events.

Running events will start at 7 p.m. Points awarded in the district meet will be 5, 4, 3, 2, 1 for individual events and 10, 8, 6, 4, 2 for relays.

NAACP Meeting Slated Here

An NAACP mass meeting will be held here at the St. Mark Baptist Church Wednesday night, April 27, starting at 7:30 o'clock.

The program, according to Rev. I. G. Stripling, local NAACP president, and Rosa S. Lee, secretary, will consist of singing and an address by Rev. Isadora Edwards of Fort Myers, as well as other speakers.

It will also mark termination of a membership campaign.

Of the approximately 80,000 male first admissions to mental hospitals each year, almost 25 percent are for alcoholism or alcohol intoxication, says the Florida Alcoholic Rehabilitation Program.

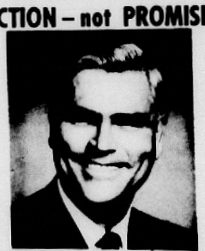
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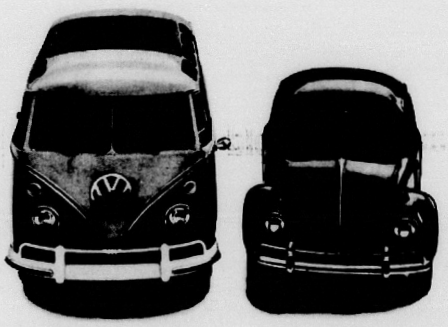
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CONGRESSMAN HALEY REPORT

WASHINGTON—In his special message to Congress on the question of federal protection of the American consumer, President Johnson presented a number of worthwhile proposals—and especially worthwhile, it seems to me, were those having to do with safeguarding health and safety.

But whether Congress is prepared to translate sound principles of consumer protection into practical legislation is an open question—in fact, the feasibility of devising practical legislation is itself open to question. In the past, many of the consumer bills which have been considered by congressional committees have been, to say the least, confusing, if not obviously impractical and unworkable.

In the present instance, however, there is no question but that Congress should give priority consideration and effort to impiementing the President's recommendations for the protection of children who might be enticed by easy access to medicines or other products with appearance and packaging similar to candy. Banning the sale of toys containing substances clearly harmful to children is another proposal deserving of prompt attention.

In the field of packaging and labelling, there ought to be federal safeguards against deceptive practices, but there should not be rules which would impose mandatory monotony and uniformity and, in doing so, stifle the competitive ingenuity of American private enterprise that is the envy of merchandisers around the world and which has provided consumers in this country with wide choices of quality and prices.

Regarding credit regulations, the basic need is to be helpful to consumers, not to penalize them. Certainly the purchasers of any service or product should be told clearly what the interest rate and all carrying charges shall be. But the rules should not be written so that they would, in effect, destroy or weaken the revolving credit systems and optional charge accounts which many buyers prefer.

Neither the Administration nor Congress has ever, to my knowledge, come up with an economist who can predict with certainty the precise interest (not just the rate, but the total outlay) on an item bought under revolving or optional credit systems. It is difficult, then, to see how we could reasonably enact legislation which would require that the precise amount of such interest be specified on every item purchased.

I would repeat that the consumer is entitled to, and should have, all the protection he can reasonably get against deceptive practices, whether in the field of merchandising or in that of installment buying.

Not all fishes have stomachs, says the Miami Seaquarium's Capt. Bill Gray. The intestines of the parrotfishes, for instance, connect to the throat.

St. Pete Gets Air Exposition

One of the highlights of the five-day International Aviation Exposition in St. Petersburg will be the solo flight of Miss Exposition, Wanda Sue Ward.

The shapely Clearwater girl is now taking flight training and her solo performance for her pilot's license will be made on the opening day of the Exposition, April 27.

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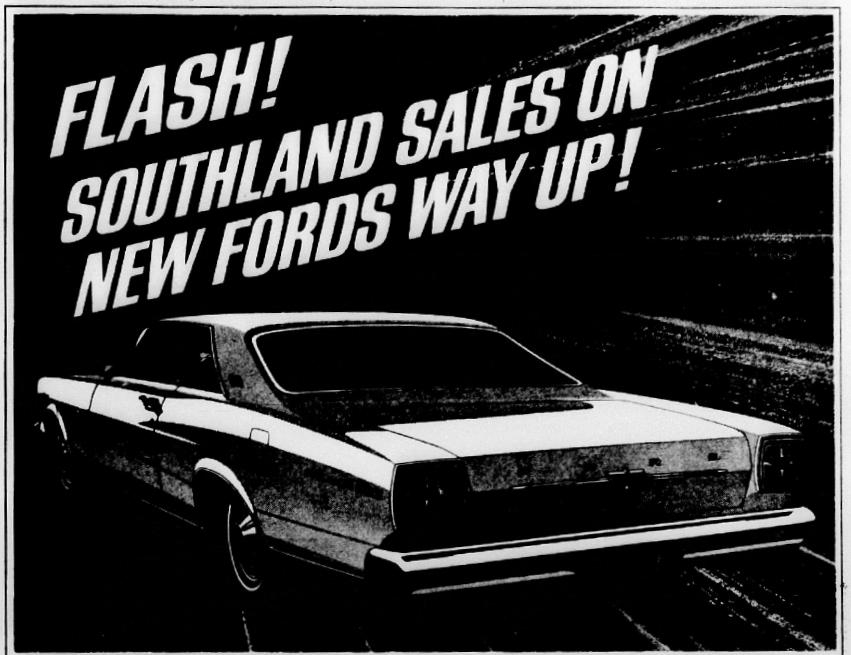
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WOMEN'S SECTION

Calendar of Events

Civic Calendar

Kiwanis Club, each Tuesday, 12 noon, Jacaranda Hotel.

Rotary Club, each Wednesday, 12 noon, Jacaranda Hotel.

Chamber of Commerce, 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 8 p.m., Chamber Offices.

Lions Club, 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 7 p.m., Griffin's Restaurant.

Jaycees, 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m., JC Executive Suite.

Band Parents Association, 2nd Monday, 7:30 p.m., High School Auditorium.

Highlands Shrine Club meets at Shrine Club headquarters, Alt. 27, fourth Friday of each month, 7 p.m.

World War I Avon Park Barracks and Auxiliary, 1150, meets the 2nd Thursday at the Youth Center at 7:30 p.m.

American Legion Post meets 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month.

Masonic Orders

Masons, 1st and 3rd Mondays, 8 p.m., Masonic Temple.

Royal Arch Chapter No. 42, 2nd Tuesday, 8 p.m., Masonic Temple.

Order Eastern Star, 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 8 p.m., Masonic Temple.

Holywood Commandry No. 27, Knights Templar, stated meetings fourth Mondays, 8 p.m.

Rebekahs

Rebekah Lodge No. 65, 1st and 3rd Mondays, 8 p.m., Youth Center.

Triple Links Club, 4th Monday, 8 p.m.

Women's Clubs

Senior Woman's Club, 1st Friday, 2 p.m., Woman's Club House.

Junior Womans Club, 1st Tuesday, 8 p.m. Woman's Club House.

American Legion Auxiliary, 1st Thursday, 8 p.m., Legion Home.

Business Women's Club, 3rd Monday, 8 p.m., Woman's Club House.

Federation of Garden Clubs, 1st Thursday.

Founders Circle, 2nd Thursday, 10 a.m.

Hibiscus Circle, 2nd Thursday, 2:30 p.m.

Personals

IRA McCLLAREN, a resident of the Jacaranda Hotel now at Walker Memorial Hospital where he is recuperating from a recent illness, is able to see friends.

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MR. AND MRS. HUBERT ALBRITTON of 922 W. Walnut St. had as their guests last Monday night, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Smith of Secane, Penn sylvania. They were in Avon Park on business.

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MR. AND MRS. JAMES CHAMBERLAIN OF SCHENECTADY, N. Y., spent Sunday with friends in Orlando and vicinity. Some Mrs. Chamberlain hadn't seen for about 50 years. One friend they visited was Mrs. Edith Mynderse who used to live in Schenectady with the Chamberlains. On Thursday, they visited friends from their home town at Brown's Trailer Camp in St. Cloud.

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MRS. FRANK WADDELL of Lake Panasoffkee spent a couple of days in Avon Park with her mother, Mrs. Cora Wray.

W. Charles, last week. Mrs. Wray has been fortunate to have her daughter visit her about once a month since she and her husband moved last year.

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MRS. LUCY SYKES celebrated her 70th birthday on Sunday, April 17. Relatives and friends called during the afternoon to surprise her with silver offerings and many gifts.

Cadettes Enjoy Their Cookout

Cadette Troop 117 had a cookout at Lake Lotela on Tuesday, April 12. The girls worked in patrols dividing the jobs into three catagories: preparation cooking and cleaning up.

Several of the girls went wading in the lake and got caught in a bog hole. After dragging themselves out, they hung their clothes to dry, and spent the night in bathrobes.

Plant Exchange

The Avon Park Federation of Garden Clubs will sponsor a plant exchange on The Mall today (Thursday, April 21) from 8:30 to 11 a.m. Club members and the public are invited to bring cuttings or plants to exchange.



JUNIOR SCOUT Mariam Limcangco in her Philippine dress as she will represent troop 206 at the Girl Scout International Friendship Festival in Lake Wales.

Several Meetings Announced For Churchwomen

Following the Holy Communion and breakfast service in the Church of the Redeemer on Wednesday morning, April 13, Mrs. Rena Smith, Mrs. Edith Young, and Mrs. Arthur Irwin (hostesses), served coffee and tasty accomplishments to the Episcopal Churchwomen.

The business meeting having been called to order by Mrs. Eugene Hise, president, Mrs. Frank Kinner led the devotions. In addition to the prayers she read an appropriate article.

Reports were then given on events which had taken place since the February meeting.

Under new business announcement was made of the UTO ingathering on Sunday, May 1, the special coffee hour on Sunday, May 8, to honor the members of EYC who will be graduating from Avon Park High School this spring, the May meeting of the Episcopal Churchwomen to be held at Camp Wingmann, Wednesday evening, May 11, and the Diocesan meeting of Episcopal Churchwomen to be held at Miami Beach May 12, 13 and 14.

Mrs. Paul Calvert will be chairman for the graduates breakfast at which this year the Church of the Redeemer will have a record number of 10 graduates.

At the May meeting to be held at Camp Wingmann, the ladies of St. Agnes Episcopal Church in Sebring and the ladies of the Episcopal Church in Lake Placid will be guests of the Church of the Redeemer ladies at a covered dish supper. Preceding the 6 p.m. supper there will be a tour of the camp for those who have not previously been there. At a later date further information regarding this meeting will be given in this paper and in the church leaflet.

Mrs. Eugene Hise, president, Mrs. Paul Calvert and Mrs. Arthur Irwin are delegates to the Diocesan Episcopal Churchwomen's meeting to be held at Miami Beach at the same time the Episcopal Churchmen are holding their convention there.

For the program Mrs. John Knapp gave a book review using two books, "That Man is You" and "The Magnificent Defeat." She deviated from her usual procedure by reading from each book before making a few pertinent observations. From the first book she chose the chapter "God is a living thing." It is always a pleasure to hear from Mrs. Knapp.

Memorial Held For Mrs. Delegal

Members of the Hibiscus Circle of the Federation of Garden Clubs held memorial services for Mrs. Jewel Delegal at their meeting Thursday, April 14.

The group met at the Wayside Park off US Hwy. 27 for a breakfast and tea at which Mrs. George Kelsey was the chairman.

A silent auction took place during the meeting at which plants were sold.

Supper Set

The Triple Link Club, which meets next Monday night, April 25, at 6:30 at the Youth Center will have a covered dish supper. Each member is to bring table service and a covered dish.

Woman's Club Members Holding Series of Meetings This Week

A series of coffee meetings are being held this week for members of the Woman's Club.

Mrs. T. H. Maxwell, president of the club, is hostess to these meetings which end Friday morning.

They are held for the purpose of organizing the membership into departments. Each department will elect a chairman and promote designated programs and projects of the club.

Of the four departments to be organized one will be the Education Department. The Library Committee will function within this department and its first project will be the forthcoming Quartet Concert which will be presented at the High School Auditorium on Sunday, May 1, at 3 p.m. as a Library Benefit.

The public will be invited to this Concert featuring musical artists, Jack Smith, Mrs. Ann McKunas, Miss Marilyn Keller, Buford Jasper, Jerrold Perkins and Don Meiser.

Miss Helen Marie Thomas Will Wed George Wayne Oliver Friday

Miss Helen Marie Thomas will become the bride of George Wayne Thomas Friday evening, April 22, at 8 o'clock at the First Baptist Church.

Miss Thomas is the daughter of Mrs. Vivian Searcy of Sebring and Purvis Thomas of Avon Park. Mr. Oliver is the son of Mrs. Nina Oliver of Lake Placid.

Friends and relatives of the couple are invited to attend the ceremony.

Business Women's Club Selects Mrs. Helen Harris As President

Mrs. Helen Harris is the new president of the Business Women's Club, being elected at the annual monthly meeting Monday night at the Woman's Club Clubhouse.

She, with the new panel, were elected when the membership accepted the nominating committee's selection.

Those who will be seated with Mrs. Harris at the installation in May, when the club holds its annual picnic, include Exie Caffee, vice president; Esther Johnson, recording secretary; Elizabeth Mizelle, corresponding secretary, and, Tom Ekhill, treasurer.

Composing the nominating committee were Thelma Merrill, Anna Belle Worden and Catherine Callaway.

Picnic and installation site will be the Woman's Club Clubhouse.

There will be a dutch auction during the picnic at which all members are expected to participate.

Hostesses for the Monday night meeting, attending by 25 members, included Elizabeth Nellis, Mildred Logan and Ruby Carter.

Girl Scout International Festival To Be Held Saturday at Lake Wales

"Dream of World Friendship" is the theme of the Girl Scout International Festival to be held Saturday, April 23, at Lake Wales. The setting will be the Passion Play amphitheater.

Dream of the founder of Girl Scouting, Juliette Gordon Low, was furthering world friendship and understanding through exchange of programs among Girl Scouts and Guides.

It is through the Juliette Low World Friendship Fund, established a year after her death in 1926 that her dream is made a reality.

Mrs. Russell James has served as program chairman for the festival at which Avon Park Cadettes of troop 117 will present the American Flag ceremony.

Avon Park's International Friendship chairmen who will parade in the "Parade of Nations" are Denise Carlise, troop 143; Janet Lindgren, troop 79; Mariam Limcangco, troop 206; Melinda Limcangco, troop 140; Meroe Henry, troop 117; Vickie Murphy, troop 305; Lunn Greenway, troop 67.

The festival is open to the public.

Girl Scout Camp Dates Are Revealed

Camping dates for the Heart of Florida Girl Scout Council have been announced and include the following:

CAMP WILDWOOD—First session, June 12-26, for Cadettes. Second session, June 29-July 12, for Juniors—one primitive unit for 16 Cadettes.

CAMP WONDERLIFE June 11-18, for Brownies.

CAMP WILDLIFE—Aug. 10-23, girls who have completed fourth grade through junior high school.

HIGHLANDS COUNTY DAY CAMP—Highlands Hammock, July 21-29, for all Girl Scouts.

APPALACHIAN TRAIL TRIP—Aug. 8-19, for Seniors.

The heart of Florida Girl Scout Council follows the National Girl Scout Council standards and the American Camping Association standards.

All directors are trained and experienced. All counselors spend at least five days in precamp training.

A full Girl Scout program, including swimming, canoeing for Cadettes and Seniors, campcraft, arts, hiking, cooking, campfires and many homemaking skills will be included in each camp program.

Miss Florida Truitt Love Weds Lamar Lewis Young Jr., April 8

The wedding of Miss Florida Truitt Love to Lamar Lewis Young Jr., at Gaffney, S. C., on April 8 is being announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Steven Love of Kingston, N. C., and Avon Park.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Lewis Young of Shelby, N. C.

Mrs. Young Jr., is a junior at Queens College, Charlotte, N. C., and a member of Chi Omega sorority.

Mr. Young Jr., is a graduate of Wake Forest. He is secretary-treasurer of G. B. Howell, Inc.

A large reception was held in Avon Park some weeks ago honoring Mrs. Young Jr., when her engagement and prospective wedding was announced.

Seniors May Reserve Place On AF Team

Highlands County high school seniors can reserve a place on the Aerospace Team through the Air Force's delayed enlistment program, M. Sgt. Paul Smith, Highlands County Air Force recruiter announced.

Program gives seniors an opportunity to sign up in the inactive Air Force reserves from 30 to 90 days. After graduation, seniors will be enlisted into the active duty Air Force.

The delayed program enables applicants to complete their paper work early and offers a wider selection of career training areas. More facts on the program can be obtained from Sergeant Smith who visits the Avon Park Chamber of Commerce office from 10 to 10:30 a.m. the second and fourth Tuesday of each month, or contact the Lakeland Air Force Recruiting Office, 124 S. Tennessee Ave.

Card of Thanks

I would like to extend my deepest appreciation and thanks to the many friends and relatives for their cards, visits, flowers and prayers during my recent stay at Walker Memorial Hospital. And a special thanks to Drs. Outling and Foster, and all the nurses for being so wonderful to me while I was there.

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Marriage Licenses

John Morgan Burkhalter, 26, r Frostproof, and Julia Clarice Arnold, 17, Frostproof.

James Gilbert Brandon, 25, Albany, Ga., and Norma Nancy Alberts, 23, Sebring.

Edward Earl Benton, 25, Wauchula, and Karen Sue Lanier, 21, Sebring.

4 Attend State Y.W.A. Meeting

Diane Landress, Cheryl Guerndt, Dianne Sizemore and Mrs. Myrtis Guerndt, counselor attended the State Y.W.A. Associational meeting held on the campus of Stetson University in DeLand last weekend.

Glee Club Sings For Rotary Club

The Avon Park High School Glee Club presented a concert for the Rotary Club last Wednesday.

The program consisted of: "To Thee We Sing," "More," "Go Tell It On The Mountain," "Jamaica Farewell," "Now Let Every Tongue Adore Thee," and "The Cherubium Song No. 7."

The Glee Club plans to travel to some neighboring schools in the near future to present a concert for their student bodies.

Mrs. Ward On Program At FFWC Convention

Mrs. G. Franklyn Ward, president of the Florida Association for Retarded Children, appeared on the program at the Florida Federation of Women's Clubs Convention in Clearwater last Thursday to present the Hope Chest Award to the clubs for outstanding work in the area of retardation.

On behalf of FARC, Mrs. Ward presented silver punch bowls to the Cutler Ridge Woman's Club, Miami and to the DeLand Junior Woman's Club, Deland. Receiving these beautiful first place awards for their clubs was Mrs. John Drescher, president of the Senior club and Mrs. Gary A. Meadoros, president of the Junior club.

A plaque was presented to the Cocoa Woman's Club of Cocoa and the Junior Exosis Club of Orlando for second place winners. Honorable mention certificates were presented to the Ocala Junior Woman's Club and the Palmacela Junior Woman's Club.

Miss Judith Ann Reina of Tampa, who is attending Junior College at Pensacola on a Hope Chest Scholarship from FFWC for specialized study of the exceptional child and mentally retarded child, was also a guest at the FFWC Convention for Thursday's program.

Delegates from Avon Park representing the Senior Woman's Club at the convention in Clearwater were the president, Mrs. T. H. Maxwell, and second vice president, Mrs. H. Otto Kreiger. Delegates from the Junior club were the past president, Mrs. Kenneth R. Filppula, Mrs. H. R. Hasslander, incoming president, and Mrs. R. L. Young.

The Avon Park Junior Woman's Club was the recipient of the Hope Chest Award four years ago.

Ball-Thibeault Wedding Is Held In Robbinsville Methodist Church

Miss Geraldine Gay Thibeault, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Thibeault of Robbinsville, N. C., became the bride of Donald R. Ball at the Robbinsville Methodist Church on Saturday, March 26.

Mr. Ball is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald C. Ball of Avon Park.

The double ring ceremony was performed by Rev. E. G. Altland of Suit, N. C., and Rev. Henry Justice, pastor of the church. Mr. Altland is a close friend of Mr. Ball.

The maid of honor was Miss Barbara Medlin of Robbinsville, friend of the bride and the bridegroom's brother, Allan Ball, of Avon Park, was the best man.

The bride, given in marriage by her brother-in-law, Osborne W. Sawyer, wore a street length white dress with lace bodice and lace trimmed three-quarter length sleeves. She wore white accessories and carried a bouquet of white carnation and pom poms with cascades of streamers tied with lover's knots.

Miss Medlin wore a mint green street length dress with matching hat and white accessories. She wore a corsage of pink carnations.

Music was presented at the organ by Miss Anna Mae Robinson who played several selections before the ceremony and then played "He" and the traditional Wedding March.

The bride is the sister of Mrs. Stella Sawyer with whom she made her home. She is attending Robbinsville High School.

The bride's sister wore a green knit dress with black accessories and the mother of the groom wore a blue knit ensemble with matching accessories. Both wore a corsage of white carnations. The male attendants and father of the groom wore boutenaires of white carnations.

After a short wedding trip the couple will reside in Robbinsville.

Following the ceremony a reception was held in the recreation room of the church. The bride's table was attractively decorated in white and green motif.

Those serving were Mrs. G. P. Sandall, Mrs. Agusly Clifford, and the Misses Debbie Johnson and Linda Grindstaff, both schoolmates of the bride.

Mr. Ball is a graduate of Avon Park High School, attended Asheville-Buncombe Technical Institute and is employed by Smoky Mountain Resorts.

Rutz To Get Degree Today

Florida State University has announced the named of 1316 candidates for degrees at spring commencement Thursday, April 21.

Highlands County graduates will include Darryl L. Rutz, BA A&S of Avon Park, and Race M. Foster, BS Soc. Wel., Sheila Patricia Brown, BS Ed, Sebring.

Mason Ladd, presently dean of the University of Iowa College of Law and shortly to become dean of Florida State's new College of Law, will be the commencement speaker.

Crutchfield Coffee Planned

North Highlands County friends of Earl Crutchfield, Sebring grove owner, candidate in the May 3 Democratic primary for County Commission, District 2, plan a coffee for him in Avon Park April 26.

Time and place will be between 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. at Griffin's Restaurant.

Mrs. Crutchfield, the candidates wife, will be present to greet friends and supporters.

The coffee will be for both men and women, and open to the public that voters may have an opportunity to meet and hear the candidate's views on Highlands problems.

Three Cadettes Work On Badge

Three Cadettes from Troop 117 visited Mrs. Jones Wee Do Nursery school last Wednesday, April 13 to complete requirements on their Child Care badge. From children attending the school, Tommy Anderson was selected as the Child of the Day. School hours are from 8:30 to noon each day with refreshment time at 10:15 a.m.

Rebekah Lodge Honors Three

Eleanor Seaverns Rebekah Lodge, 65, which met April 18 at the Youth Center celebrated the birthdays of Lucy Sykes, Helen Mann and Lula Fisher.

Florence Lowry, currently living at the Hillcrest Nursing Home is a member of the Arcadia Lodge.

Louise Clark and Cora Wray were hostesses.

Commandry To Meet On Monday

A stated meeting of Holy-rood Commandry, 27, Knights Templar, will be held Monday, April 25, at 8 p.m., at the Avon Park Masonic Temple on W. Main Street.

Official visit of R. E. Grand Captain General Louis R. McSwain Jr., of the Florida Knights Templar, will be made during the meeting.

Visiting Knights Templar will be welcomed at the meeting.

Go To Church

Elementary Will Register On April 27

It is necessary to register all children who will be beginners in the Avon Elementary School next year on April 27 for the 1966-67 school term.

Pupils with names beginning with letters "A through "L" inclusive will report at 9 a.m., and pupils with names beginning with letters "M through "Z" at 10:30 a.m.

If it is impossible to register the child that morning it is permissable to come in the afternoon.

The Highlands County Health Department, under the direction of Dr. William F. Hill Jr., and assisted by Mrs. J. E. Endicott has consented to be present from 8 to 12 to give physical check ups to the children, if the parents desire this service. This is an aid to the parents because it gives sufficient time to make proper corrections of the physical defects of diseased tonsils, teeth, and other defects that a child may have, before he begins school in the fall.

School officials said they "hope to make this a profitable occasion for the parents and that they will cooperate with us by being present on the above date.

"Be sure to bring with you to the clinic on April 27 a copy of the child's birth certificate or accurate evidence of age. No child will be allowed to enter the first grade without evidence or proof of age. All children entering school this fall must be six years old on or before Jan. 1, 1967.

Retired Group Holds Meeting

The Highlands County Chapter, 222, of the American Association of Retired Persons held their regular monthly meeting at the Sebring Hotel on April 12 with President W. B. Delin presiding.

It was opened with the group singing "God Bless America with Glen Badman at the piano, followed with prayer by Rev. Iverson Mishler.

E. C. Ludington gave an interesting address on legislation and insurance, and stated that he had been informed that the revised group insurance will be open and available in May.

Clem Bowers introduced Glen Badman and Paul B. Brodersteun who presented a program on the piano and harmonica with the audience joining in singing a number of old familiar songs.

There were 125 members and guests present.

Homemakers Club Meeting Has 16 Present

The Avon Park Homemakers Club met Tuesday morning, April 19, at the home of Mrs. Violet Davis with Mrs. Ruth Watkins co-hostess. Fourteen members and two visitors were present.

Mrs. Mildred Tharpe, president, presided. The devotional was given by Mrs. Olga Bridges.

Mrs. May Saditler presented the study lesson, "The Family Life Cycle," and spoke interestingly on the subject.

Next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Rena Smith, May 17.

Cake and coffee were served by the hostesses.

On Tour

Ann McKunas, an Avon Park student at the University of South Florida, will tour south Florida next week, April 25-28, with the USF Fine Arts Chorale.

The group will appear with choirs at 10 high schools in the Tampa Bay and Miami areas.