

High School Band To Present First Winter Concert On Jan. 23

Avon Park High School Band will present its first winter concert Sunday afternoon Jan. 23, at 3:30 p.m., in the High School Auditorium.

Vic Mickunas, director has again made a fine choice of selections for the band to play. The program runs the gamut from modern pop to classics.

Another new first this year, is the introduction of the new song flute band (6th graders) who will next year be a part of the Junior Band. Approximately 50 in number, they will open the concert with their impression of "America," followed by the best number they can produce in less than 3 weeks practice on their new instruments.

The High School Auditorium has 1004 seats this year.

As in the past there will be no admission charges, however, the hat will be passed as was the custom last year. Concert donations last year played a large part in helping to meet the band budget.

Schedule of concerts, starting with Jan. 23, are Feb. 6-20, March 6-20.

New Year Baby Arrives Late But Its Boy

Walker Memorial Hospital's new year baby arrived a wee bit late but it was a boy, Doyle Edward Smith, who arrived at 8:15 p.m. Saturday night, Jan. 2.

Doyle Edward, whose parents are Mr. and Mrs. Norman (Betty Jo) Smith of Lake Placid, almost did not make the honored list as the first born of the new year.

Little Miss Pauline Gordon was just 90 minutes late for the honor, arriving at the obstetrics section of Walker Memorial Hospital at 10:45 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 2.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace (Pauline) Gordon of Avon Park.

Cecil Skipper Named Commissioner Leader

District One Commissioner Cecil Skipper was named chairman of the Highlands County Board of Commissioners at the board's 1966 organizational meeting Tuesday.

Carl McIntyre of District Four was named vice chairman.

Hue E. Nunnallee was named for his second year as county attorney, and Harry Lee was appointed for a fourth

year as prosecuting attorney. Seven other department heads were re-employed: Eugene Hamlin, purchasing agent; Mrs. Anna Dee Church, welfare director; R. J. Harris, agriculture agent; Harvey Roberts, veterans service officer; John Graham, courthouse

custodian; Jim Pearce, road superintendent; Don Hansen, Civil Defense director. Commissioners' appointees usually serve on a year-to-year basis.

Skipper succeeds Ben McGee as chairman. During the past year he had been vice chairman. For the Avon Park commis-

sioner this will be a second term as the commission's presiding officer.

At the commissioners' short session, Nunnallee told the board that final hearing on validation of the \$1 million certificates of indebtedness is set for 10 a.m., Friday, Jan. 14.

He expects that the certificates will be sold later this month. These certificates, approved at the November election,



CECIL SKIPPER

pledge repayment from race track funds.

Nunnallee also revealed that the final meeting with Sebring property owners along Highlands Avenue had been set for Wednesday. He said that a condemnation suit will be necessary to obtain all easements and right of way needed for improvements to this road.

The State Road Department has asked for the county's assistance in obtaining a "few feet" of right-of-way to correct a drainage problem on Route 70, near Knighton.

Commissioner J. A. Butler asked that plans be started for installing a sidewalk along the east side of Lakeview Drive in the Snob Hollow area of Sebring. Other board members asked Butler to make a complete report on this project at the Jan. 18 meeting.

Sherrin Howard, clerk, was authorized to negotiate with Sebring city officials about correction of plumbing problems arising from clogging of sewage lines from the county jail.

A policy for termite inspection at the Fish and Game Club was approved.

Permission was granted for Supervisor Registration. Ronald X. Drott, Clerk Paul Rich and a deputy from Drott's office to attend an elections workshop at Tallahassee.

Rich was given permission to buy office furniture and acoustic tile.

Red Devils Win Near End Of Arcadia Game

Avon Park Red Devils pulled their second win of the season out of the fire in the last minute here Tuesday night, coming from behind to win 42-40 from Arcadia and are now 2-2 in regular season play.

This Friday night the Devils will be idle but will host the Sebring Blue Devils here next Tuesday night with "B" squad action getting underway at 6:30 and the varsity game following. Sebring defeated the Devils in the consolation game of the Holiday Tourney in Sebring last Friday night.

The Red Devils trailed all the way in the Arcadia game until the final 25 seconds when Sportsman (Obie) Lee 40-40 tie with a two point jump shot from the outside.

Avon Park put on a pressure second half defense and scored 16 points on Arcadia's 12 in the final quarter.

Scrimpy play of reserve guard Jim Powell seemed to bring the sacking Devils to life.

Carl Holden and Ronnie Jackson led the Devil's scoring with 11 and 10 points respectively, but Arcadia's Darryl Truick took game honors with 17 points.

Coach Bill Sewell's "B" squad also won a cliff-hanger as they came from behind late in the game to win, 34-31. Billy Jackson sank 12 points to lead scoring. The Avon Park jayvees were playing without previous starters Earl Sims and Andrew Jackson.

The two juniors were moved up to the varsity this week to bolster the "A" squad after the loss of Joe Strickler with an injured foot.

Both Avon Park teams now have 2-2 records, but the varsity is 2-4 counting tournament play.

**Tag Agent Has
Trailer Plates**

Auto Tag Agent Roland X. Drott, located at the Highlands County Courthouse, is reminding mobile home owners his office is the only place to obtain the required trailer tags.

A recent ruling of the state attorney general was to the effect that such owners must obtain 1965. The ruling also said the tag agent may sell such tags for 2 months, or until the sale of the 1966 starts, March 1.

7,649 Hunters Trek Bombing Range 13 Days For Deer

Hunters, during the 13 day weekends of the hunting season, found the Avon Park Bombing Range game preserve a haven of choice for ranging from deer to dove, with hog and turkey thrown in to the basket.

Game management supervisor specialist Richard McChellan of the State Game and Fish Commission reported Tuesday that 7,649 hunters used the Bombing Range preserve to test their hunting skill.

And, he said, checking the list of game killed during the days allotted to hunting, 7,649 animals checked in a total of 126 hogs, 53 deer, 92 turkeys, 2,351 quail, 137 squirrel, 99 dove and 202 doves.

This was an excellent hunt, he recalled, for so few days allowed.

And, he added, cattlemen

County Will Borrow To Pay Roll Changes

Highlands County will borrow funds for its tax reassessment program from First Bank of Lake Placid. A loan of up to \$100,000 has been authorized, and the Lake Placid bank made a bid of 3.9 percent.

County Commissioners had authorized Clerk Rich to negotiate for the "open end" loan and obtain the funds as needed from the Highlands County bank offering the most

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Work Starts On 4-Laning 27 At Sebring

Work on the 4-laning of Hwy. 27 is underway.

Ewell Construction Company began last week to clear the shoulders and prepare for the widening operation from Fairmont Drive (at the northern edge of Sebring) to the intersection of 27 and Hwy. 86.

The construction company has established its temporary office in the south of Fairmont Drive.

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FAIR REAPPORTIONMENT

The judicial decree, Florida will continue to operate under an unconstitutional apportionment plan for the next 18 months, but must come up with a better one sometime during that period.

A three-judge federal district court has ruled that the 1967 session of the legislature—composed of 58 senators and 109 representatives—must eliminate inequities in the reapportionment plan adopted by the 1965 session.

Essentially, the court did just what Atty. Gen. Earl Faircloth asked it to do—approve the 1965 plan on an interim basis, on the theory that a legislature so reapportioned would find it easy to complete the job.

The judges could not have reasonably refused this request, since the same court had previously thrown the job of reapportionment into the lap of a badly malapportioned legislature. That body, to the surprise of almost everyone, approved a plan which transferred control from rural to urban legislators.

The approved plan is still far from the "one man-one vote" guideline laid down by the U.S. Supreme Court. It contains many gross inequities in representation on a population basis, plus a "satellite county" system which many predicted would bring a flat veto of the whole plan from the court.

The "satellite" gimmick lumps small counties in the same senatorial district with large ones, but guarantees that one of the district's senators will come from the small county.

The court decision didn't specifically criticize that subterfuge. Instead, it invalidated the "grandfather clause" which would have kept in office through 1967 the lame-duck senators whose districts had been eliminated in the 1965 reapportionment plan.

Nine old-line senators—including former acting Governor Charles Johns, Senate President James E. (Nick) Connor, and one-time gubernatorial candidate Doyle E. Carlton Jr.—were thus ruled out. Some of these may still be back in

Tallahassee for the 1967 session, but they will have to run against and defeat a legislative colleague in 1966 to do it.

In any event, the 1967 session will be a historic one. For the first time in history, it will be dominated by legislators elected mostly by urban voters. The old "Pork Chop Gang"—through which the tail has so long wagged the dog—will be the minority instead of the majority bloc in the legislature.

If it follows orders of the federal court, as it undoubtedly will, the rural minority will be even further weakened in the 1969 session.

What this may mean in terms of new laws or repeal of old ones is a matter of conjecture. Certainly it may be expected that city dwellers will get a better break in some respects than they have in the past.

Greedy grubs like the Lake Okechobee split-up which lamed the pockets of small counties at the expense of Palm Beach County will be harder to swing. Institutions like mental hospitals which have been recommended for populated areas are not likely to be relegated to the back woods for political reasons. Pine trees will no longer hold veto power over people.

But it is to be hoped that the new legislature will be cognizant of the interdependence of rural and urban areas, and that the new legislators will dedicate themselves to advancement of the state as a whole rather than to merely the cities or section they represent.

There have been statesmen among the rural legislators of the past; there will be others in the future.

Florida, already among the 10 largest states in the nation, faces a period of continuing rapid growth. If that growth is to be healthy, our government must be guided by the best minds in the state, in a spirit of mutual respect and cooperation.

Fair reapportionment is finally in sight. It can be a blessing, but it is not a guarantee of good government.

Avon Park Band Association Plans To Present Marionette Show Here

On the evening of Friday, Jan. 28, the Avon Park Band Association will present a marionette show, "Aladdin and His Magic Lamp," at the High School Auditorium, starting at 8 p.m.

In making the announcement, the Band Association said "it is ever aware of the necessity for bringing culture into the lives of the people of Highlands County and it is announcing bringing another excellent marionette show here."

"The feeling is strong in this area that good theater is important to our children who have few chances to really see good classical plays. The coming show will bring a glamorous and colorful world of fantasy to the stage of the auditorium."

Speak of the forthcoming attraction, the announcement said it is the story of Aladdin the son of a poor tailor in China. A wicked magician hired him to go into an underground cave to get a magic ring and a lamp.

Aladdin got them but the wonderful lamp. The genie in the lamp led Aladdin into many exciting and breath-taking adventures.

This story is a natural for the marionette stage as it is full of action and vivid color.

Posters have been placed in the store windows and band parents have tickets. There will be plenty of tickets at the door but it is well to come early for the best seats.

Marionettes, or string puppets, are among the most delightful of the fantasies presented by the Women's Division of the Chamber of Commerce.

The organization, with donations from the city and local businesses, solicited funds during the fall to purchase the trimmings, lights and other reminders of the special time of year.

And their early removal this year was in contrast to a year ago when decorations remained aloft for weeks.

Charles Wesley, brother of John Wesley, wrote the words to "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" in 1739. In his first version the carol began, "Hark, how all the welkin rings," according to World Book Encyclopedia.

ented for children and adults. Puppets are imitations of life and during a dramatic presentation of a puppet or marionette show even the most wary adult has been known to forget himself.

It is believed the word marionette, of French origin, came from the religious puppet plays of the middle ages in which the Virgin Mary was one of the puppet characters. The name Little Mary, or Marionette, came to be given to all the other puppets as well.

There are references to "string pullers" (probably puppeteers) in Greek literature of about 300 B. C. It is thought string operated solid puppets originated in the Western World, with the Eastward to China, over the Eastern Straits to the Americas. American Indians were using them before the coming of the White Man.

Goethe, the German poet wrote his own plays after receiving a puppet theater for his 12th birthday. Lewis Carroll, Hans Christian Andersen and Tad Lincoln all made their own puppets and enjoyed staging plays.

In 1915 full length plays with string puppets were produced in Chicago. Tony Sarg gave his first puppet show in New York in 1916.

Burr Tilstrom with Kukla and Galle, much television advertising and last year's successful marionette show have made the children and students of Highlands County aware of the wonder of the theater of tiny figures.

Then there were 42 businesses listed as miscellaneous running the gamut from florist through theaters for amusement to poster advertising and home furnishings.

Here the city listed 42 in the miscellaneous category. Four photographers were here to take your picture, especially those wedding "shots," in color, too, while nine doctors and dentists were licensed to care for body health.

Fifteen plumbers had permits to replace washers, or maybe heavy work, while four shops were ready for repairs, especially radios and TVs.

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119 Retailers

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city, one tile setter and one concrete firm. There were nine fuel distribution firms issued licenses, including the local gas outlets and Florida Power Corporation.

Five firms kept the city clean with laundry and dry cleaning, according to city records.

Occupational licenses were lumped together so far as new car dealers, mechanical concerns, shops and filling stations were concerned—all 29 of them.

To keep visitors housed four hotels obtained occupational licenses along with one rooming house and four motels. Here it was noted there are other motels in the Avon Park area but outside city limits.

It was found true as to mobile home parks, 13 being listed having occupational licenses while others are in the area but outside city limits.

And, a paradox was noted as a mobile home owner, even if his trailer is an orphan and alone, as long as the owner is within the city he must have an occupational license—he is occupying it, isn't he? And, is the case of mobile home sales and service—the firm must have the city permit.

There were a number of insurance agents and firms here last year, and the same probably is true this year. Occupational license were issued 43 such last year to care for your car, home, life and health, as well as personal property including grove, etc.

Merchants clothing you, or furnish other needs, totaled 42, too.

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State Fair Sets Art Deadlines

Artists who wish to enter the 1968 Florida State Fair Fine Arts Exhibition have until 6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 8, to submit their works.

Deadlines for entering Florida State Fair Women's World are Jan. 11 for painting and Jan. 11 for sculpture and Jan. 11 for photography.

Art entries delivered by hand will be received between 3 p.m. and 6 p.m. Friday, Jan. 7, and 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 8.

Articles for Women's World will be accepted only between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Jan. 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15.

There is no entry fee for either event.

County Will

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favorable rate of interest.

The Legislature last spring passed legislation permitting counties to borrow money to finance the reassessment programs and setting a limit of 6 percent on these loans.

Last month the Lake Placid bank came out on top in bids on time deposits of county funds. A deposit of \$100,000 was authorized at 4.6 percent.

Established businesses generally carrying credit rating.

Founded in 1941 in New York City, the Dun & Bradstreet organization now includes nearly 240 offices in the United States and abroad. The company was originally established to collect and report data on merchants on the Western frontier in order to promote trade, and has been gathering financial and credit data on firms of all types ever since.

Today, D&B lists nearly three million businesses and their current credit ratings in its Reference Book, which is continually being revised and is published six times a year. Each year, all businesses, regardless of size, are asked to send copies of their financial statements to Dun & Bradstreet, whose reporters collect supplementary facts and profiles each business in comprehensive credit reports widely used by suppliers, insurance companies, bankers, and service concerns.

BOUGHT AND PAID FOR

A basic tenet of our form of government is that with taxation goes representation. Indeed, one reason we broke with England was the mother country's insistence that we pay taxes without having representation in Parliament.

This principle now gives each and every one of us a say in what happens in every classroom in the United States. Formerly, when cities and towns paid their own way, with some help from the State, what they did locally was their own business. But that is no longer the case. Thanks to Federal aid to education in one form or another, the Federal government has acquired a license to regulate what is done in all the schools that get the money that pours out of Washington.

Which means that everybody shares in that authority, with the politicians having a little extra leverage because they have the money in hand. Anyway, under this system the Brooklyn housewife with time on her hands can look beyond the confines of her neighborhood school and decide that maybe they aren't doing things to her liking in Georgia. She may even take a bus there with her neighbors to get things straightened out in the deep South. It has been done, and rightly.

because it's her money that Uncle Sam is giving the schools there.

And you have the same privilege. If you have strong opinions about the shortcomings of education in Dogpatch Hollow you have every right to mess around there because the Dogpatchers are being endowed with some of your money. This gives you something to say about such things as adult classes in marksmanship for the Hatfields and the McCoy's, and the bussing of Jukes and Kallikaks.

It gives one a heady feeling to have all this power, permitting one to dictate what can be done in Mississippi, Iowa, Oregon or Hawaii. But that's the way Washington has ordained it.

The only thing wrong with the picture is that this setup gives meddlers and snoopers the right to tell us how our schools ought to be run. What do they know about our local problems? Don't they have enough problems in their own backyards without interfering in matters that are none of their business?

If this is the way things have to be—and it assuredly is — what we ought to do is tell them to keep their Federal aid, get off our backs, and let us solve our own problems in our own way.

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DINNER

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One Fourth Roast Duck w/Dressing
Creamy Sauce
Choice of Three Items
Hot Rolls Tea or Coffee

APPETIZERS
Apple Pineapple Cup Split Pea Soup

SALAD
Congeeed Cranberry and Apple
Pineapple Prune w/Cottage Cheese
Cole Slaw Tossed Greens
**Choice of Dressing

ENTREE

	Full Plate*	Plate*
Baked Chicken w/Dressing	\$1.45	\$1.30
Sirloin Roast of Beef w/Anjou	1.25	1.25
Baked Pork Chop w/Apple Sauce	1.25	1.25
Baked Ham w/Spiced Peach	1.25	1.25
Fried Clam Strips w/Tartar Sauce	1.25	1.40

VEGETABLES
(Choice of Two)

- (1) Mashed Potatoes
- (2) Fresh Green Beans
- (3) Sauté Potatoes w/Apple Cinnamon
- (4) Buttered Asparagus Cutlets
- (5) German Bean Salad

DESSERT
Apple, Blueberry, Apricot or Lemon Custard Pie
Cottage Pudding w/Orange Sauce Sherbet or Ice Cream
Hot Rolls Tea or Coffee

*****Choice of Dessert*****

*Plate Dinner includes meat, three items, rolls and drink.
**French - Mayanese - Blue Cheese - Thousand Island
Sausages - Italian

STATEMENT OF CONDITION

Avon Citrus Bank

December 31, 1965

RESOURCES

Cash and Due from Banks	\$ 671,880.32
U. S. Government Securities	\$2,241,457.93
State, County and Municipal Bonds	1,225,461.35
Loans and Discounts	3,555,217.54
Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures	229,047.27
Accruals and Other Resources	109,958.37
TOTAL RESOURCES	\$8,033,022.78

LIABILITIES

Deposits	\$7,176,901.19
Accrual and Other Liabilities	85,599.91
Capital (Common Stock)	\$ 350,000.00
Surplus	300,000.00
Undivided Profits	35,137.16
Reserves	85,384.52
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$8,033,022.78

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Sermonette

BY REV. HERBERT D. GRAETZ
Union Congregational Church

THE SWORD OF KINDNESS

"Love is patient and kind," II Cor. 13:4.
Most of us can look back on life and single out someone who has been very kind to us. Often that kindness has had a significant effect upon our lives, sometimes it has pointed us to Christ.

We remember the very beautiful tribute that the pastor of Old South Church in Boston paid to a man who had rescued him in youth. He said: "I should be lifted before me as the greatest of all human creatures; as I grew older and came to realize that might be the ultimate character of this still mysterious universe in which I live, I found that the compassion, seemed an ever-present way to the supreme reality of God."

What a precious thing to say about any man, that his compassion seemed like an index finger pointing to God! Such compassion is illustrated in Dean Brown's story of Bishop Welcome who had a palace of 60 splendid rooms. The town hospital across the street had only 6 rooms. The good Bishop visited the hospital and asked the question: "How many patients do you have here?" "26" was the reply. The Bishop said that some mistake had been made. He asked that the sick people be moved across the street to his house. He himself took up his residence in the small house that had been used as a hospital.

Bishop Welcome visited the rich in order to get help for the poor. He announced that he intended to go into the mountains to visit and help poor shepherds. The mayor warned him of the brigands and even offered to send an escort of soldiers. When he refused, he was told that he would be robbed. "I have nothing," he responded. "They will kill you," the mayor said. "What good would that do them?" he replied. "What if you met them?" he was asked. "I would ask alms for my poor," he answered. He went on his journey of mercy. When he returned, he brought back a large treasure that had been sent to him by the brigands with a note pinned: "To Bishop Welcome from Cravatte."

Kindness has a way of reaching into the heart to warm it and sometimes changes it for the better. There was once a girl who tried to get a turtle out of its shell. Her uncle advised her to warm it by the fire and then it would probably come out itself. He said: "People are like terrapins. Never try to force a fellow into anything. Just warm him up with a little human kindness, and more than likely he'll come your way."

A class in sociology in Johns Hopkins University went into a slum section of Baltimore and made a study to determine the influence of a bad environment on the growing lives of boys and girls. Two hundred of the cards that were turned in were marked "Healed for Jail," the prospects were bad.

Some 25 years later another class at the University found the cards and decided to make a project of checking up on the people whose names were listed. They made a surprising discovery: only 2 of the 200 listed landed in jail. Upon further examination the reason was found. The reason was "Aunt Hannah," a woman of fine character who had spent 40 years teaching in a grade school in that slum area.

"I sure was a bad egg," confessed a doctor. "I was the worst kid in the whole neighborhood, and how the cops did like to pin everything on me! And they were usually right. One day 'Aunt Hannah' kept me after school and I thought I was in for it. But instead of scolding me and threatening me with expulsion from school, she just talked to me like a mother. I never knew what it was to have a mother, and that was new to me. She told me I was too smart a kid to be getting into trouble, and before I left she asked me to come to her home for Sunday dinner. I just never had the heart to let her down."

Aunt Hannah, of course, had her own answers when she was questioned at a home for aged teachers. "Oh, I just loved them like they were my own boys and girls. You see, I never had any of my own and they were all mine in a way." And so it is with all "Aunt Hannahs." There's always in proving the point the uncle sought to make; if you want some one to come your way, just warm him up with a little human kindness.

The Psalmist, in a most descriptive passage, speaks of "The loving kindness of the Lord," Psalm 107:43. In the Parable of the Prodigal Son we glimpse the infinite kindness of God. The father has received his prodigal son into the home again. This act angered the elder brother and he refuses to enter the house. His father comes out and entreats him. One can almost hear him saying: "Please come in, Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours."

Just so, God comes and entreats us: "Please come in, the gathering will not be complete without you." We can almost hear these words in the pleading of St. Paul: "We beseech you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God," II Cor. 5:20.

"Let me today do something that shall take a little sadness from the world's vast store And may I be so favored as to make Of joy too scanty sum a little more."

Let me tonight look back across the span 'Twixt dawn and dark, and to my conscience say Because of some good act to best or man The world is better that I lived today."

Church To Hold Annual Meeting

Annual meeting of the Union Congregational Church will be held Thursday evening, Jan. 13 at 7:30 o'clock in Fellowship Hall.

At this meeting the members will receive reports from the officers, boards and organizations of the church. Such business as may regularly come before the church body will be conducted.

A few guests to the coming year will be elected.

First Methodist Plans Mission Program Series

Opening session of the First Methodist Church's mission program will be held at the church Sunday evening, Jan. 16. It was decided by the committee in charge at a planning meeting Tuesday morning.

These meetings will be held for the succeeding five Sunday evenings, according to plans, with the topic for all meetings "Missions—the Christian Calling."

Dr. Charles Laymon, writer of Methodist literature and prominent church speaker, will appear Sunday, Jan. 16 to open the series.

Bible Class To Study Acts Of Apostles

Beginning this morning, Col. Mylon D. Merchant will meet his Adult Bible class from 10 to 11 a.m. to study "The Acts of the Apostles."

The authorship, history, and date of the writing will be taken up. The purpose and meaning of the contents will be presented.

It is hoped the members of the class will read the first chapter of the Book of Acts and be prepared to ask questions.

Sebring Church Sets Conference

Beginning Wednesday night, Jan. 12 and running through Jan. 16, the Southside Baptist Church of Sebring will hold its annual missionary conference.

Representing Evangelical Baptist Missions will be the Rev. Joseph McCalla, Rev. Cameron Bacon and Rev. Mel Pittman. Representing Baptist Missions will be Rev. and Mrs. Paul Metzler, and Mrs. Rhea Gershon. These two missionary Agencies have missionaries in every part of the world.

Colored slides will be shown each evening preceding a Bible missionary message. On Saturday evening, the colored sound film, "The Niger Nomad" will be shown by Rev. McCalla. The film depicts the rugged trail work carried on by Evangelical Baptist Missions on the Niger River in the Republic of Mali, Africa.

The pastor of the church, Rev. Leland Brooker extends to a warm welcome to all.

At The Churches

Fellowship Baptist Church

N. Summit and Pleasant Street
Avon Park, Florida
Rev. Harrison Crews, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 A.M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.
Training Union 6:30 P.M.
Evening Worship 7:30 P.M.
Mid-week Prayer Service Wednesday, 7:30 P.M.
Christ Is The Answer

Church of God

105 N. Florida Avenue
Jerry Howell, Pastor
Sunday School 10:00 A.M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.
Evening Worship 7:00 P.M.
Family Night, Wednesday 7:30 P.M.

Church of Christ

200 South Forest Avenue
Sunday Services: 10:00 A.M.
Bible Study 11:00 A.M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.
Evening Worship 7:00 P.M.
Wednesday 7:30 P.M.
Bible Study 7:30 P.M.
Thurston Lee, Minister
GL 3-4374
510 Tulane Circle

First Baptist Church

N. Lake and Church Street
Rev. Aden D. Childress, Pastor
Otis C. Strickler, Min. Music-Education
Early Worship 8:30 A.M.
Sunday School 9:45 A.M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.
Training Union 6:30 P.M.
Evening Worship 7:45 P.M.
Mid-Week Service 7:45 P.M.
11:00 Service broadcast over WSEB.
Nursery open at all services.

Resurrection Lutheran Church

Lutheran Church in America
Corner Main St. and Highlands Ave.
Rev. Donald E. Himmelmann
608 E. Canfield
GL 3-8049
Sunday School 10:15 A.M.
Sunday Worship Service 9:00 A.M.
Visitors Always Welcome

Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church

Rev. Armand Gregoire
E. Main St. — Ph. GL 3-4757
Daily Mass 8:00 A.M.
Sunday Masses 8:30 and 10:00 A.M.
Confessions Saturday: 4:30 to 5:00 P.M.
7:00 to 7:30 P.M.
Religious Instruction: GRADERS: Friday after their afternoon classes. High school students: Wednesday at 7:30 P.M.

Florida Avenue Baptist Church

Lester Miller, Pastor
Phone GL 3-4957
Sunday School 9:45 A.M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.
Training Union 6:30 P.M.
Evening Worship 7:30 P.M.
Mid-week Prayer Service 7:30 P.M.
Nursery Open At All Services

Where The New Year Is Born



For millions on the eastern seaboard of the United States, this is where it happens. A lighted "hall" falls from the top of a tower—and it's 1966.

But in Chicago and Winnipeg it is still 1965. In Saskatoon and Denver it is 1965. In Frisco and Vancouver it is 1965. So where in this broad continent is the New Year really born?

When it is born at all—it happens in men's own hearts!

Otherwise the Old Year goes on. And older years add not their blessings but their drags . . . as men grope for shreds of time to complete old patterns . . . remnants of hope to patch worn-out dreams.

But somewhere a heart speaks to God. In the quiet of a church sanctuary it recounts the past with its failures, its defeats. And boldly it enquires into the future with its hope and promise. That soul commits time and talent and treasure to the purposes of Jesus Christ.

And the Father of All, who is not clock-watcher but soul-watcher, turns the page of that calendar. For one soul at a time the New Year is born!

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Exodus 12:1-13	Job 6:8-22	Psalms 37:1-11	Psalms 65:9-12	Psalms 94:1-9	Proverbs 14:1-9	Romans 6:1-11
GL 3-4374	GL 3-4374	GL 3-4374	GL 3-4374	GL 3-4374	GL 3-4374	GL 3-4374

Faith Lutheran Church

1600 N. Lakeview Drive
Sebring, Florida
Gustav Reesche, Pastor
Sunday School and Bible Class 8:45 A.M.
Morning Worship 10:00 A.M.
This church sponsors The Lutheran Hour and the TV program "This Is The Life."

First Christian Church

Pine and Fairfield
Stanley Johnson, Minister
Bible School 10:00 A.M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.
Evening Worship 7:30 P.M.

Union Congregational Church

Herbert D. Graetz, Minister
Sunday School 9:45 A.M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.
Jr. Youth Fellowship 6:45 P.M.
Sr. Youth Fellowship 6:45 P.M.
Nursery for small children at Sunday School and Church Services

Church of the Nazarene

James E. Lighty, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 A.M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.
Youth Services 6:30 P.M.
Evening Service 7:00 P.M.
Mid-week Service, Wed. 7:00 P.M.

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A GUEST IS SERVED from the huge punch bowl at the Open House Reception of the First Federal Savings and Loan Association in Sebring, last Friday.

day, as President Stanley Davis and Secretary-Treasurer Haywood Taylor look on. First Federal was celebrating its 10th anniversary.

First Federal Savings And Loan Of Sebring Celebrates Birthday

Tenth birthday of the First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Sebring was celebrated by the financial institution Friday, Dec. 31 during an open house lasting from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The celebration drew crowds to the institution which, during the 10 years of its operations in the Highlands area has financed more than 400 new homes and other buildings. It has contributed substantially to the upbuilding of the area by its savings and loan program.

First Federal Savings and Loan Association was chartered Dec. 31, 1955, and opened for business May 18, 1956 on N. Ridgewood Drive in Sebring.

The institution soon grew its first location and moved into its new building on East Center in February, 1960.

It boasts its original board of directors, with exception of Ed Hainz, who died in 1961. Directors include Frank E. Bryant, Dr. W. S. Coon, Henry Crutchfield, Stanley H. Davis, Sadie Kahn, W. C. Schaffer.

Officers are composed of Mr. Bryant, chairman of the board; Mr. Davis, president; Mr. Schaffer, vice president; Haywood O. Taylor, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Olive B. Pilling, assistant secretary; Mrs. Donna Crawford, assistant treasurer.

Personnel, who with the officers greeting the public at last Friday's open house: Mrs. Sara L. Hollifield, head teller; Mrs. Edd Martin, teller; Mrs. Lawrence Meyer, teller; Mrs.

Dan Davey, teller; Mrs. Charles Laine, stenographer; Miss Sandra Ford, high school trainee. Robert Kinchen is custodian.

First Federal was chartered Dec. 31, 1955. Its assets, which were \$15,801.44 on Dec. 31, 1956, during the 10 years have grown to \$11,236,713.92 (unaudited) at the close of business Dec. 31, 1965.

Its rate of growth is shown during the years in its report when on Dec. 31, 1957 it reported assets of \$1,440,643.35; Dec. 31, 1958—\$2,060,742.73; Dec. 31, 1959—\$3,183,519.46; Dec. 31, 1960—\$5,094,265; Dec. 31, 1961—\$6,653,172.10; Dec. 31, 1962—\$7,423,284; Dec. 31, 1963—\$8,741,327.17; Dec. 31, 1964—\$9,943,947.27; and, Dec. 31, 1965—\$11,236,713.92 (unaudited).

During the 10 years the savings and loan association has paid out a total of \$1,850,983 in dividends, including an estimated \$403,728 for 1965.

It paid out in dividends a total of \$5,096 in 1956. Dividends rose to \$29,745 in 1957; \$53,449 in 1958; \$94,250 in 1959; \$147,791 in 1960; \$218,245 in 1961; \$280,173 in 1962; \$300,415 in 1963; \$347,961 in 1964.

Rate of dividends earned increased from 3 percent semi-annually in 1956 to 4 1/4 percent quarterly in 1965, the highest during the period.

Quarterly dividends were started in 1962 by the association when a 4 percent were paid.

Savings deposited on hand when the loan association opened May 18, 1956 were \$182,024.82. Now they have

grown to \$30,175,766.75 as of Dec. 31, 1965.

Withdrawals through Dec. 31, 1965 totaled \$19,829,345.95. Savings on deposit were reported as \$10,528,943.62 on Dec. 31, 1965.

Total first mortgage loans made 1956 through 1965 (excluding improvement loans and advances on existing mortgages) were 1,382 and totaled \$13,062,408.

Association breakdown of these loans are as follows: 403 for construction purposes—\$4,217,640;

330 loans for purchasing existing properties—\$2,997,645; 640 loans for refinancing, borrowing on existing properties owned and participation loans within Highlands County as well as other counties within the state—\$5,748,123.

As of the end of business Dec. 31, 1965, the first mortgage loan balance totaled \$9,427,009.89.

First Federal Savings and Loan Association has done much for the Highlands area, including its support of civic enterprises. And, for the last four years the association has given \$1,000 college scholarships to the county's top student, and \$300 scholarships to the top student of each of the county's three other high schools. Avon Park High, Sebring High, Lake Placid High and E. O. Douglas High participate in the program.

Says Mr. Davis, president of the savings and loan association: "It is our purpose to continue the support of worth-

while projects in the county. You are invited to join us by becoming a depositor here and creating a reservoir of capital for use in the upbuilding of the area."

Child Is First Traffic Victim

Highlands County's first traffic fatality of 1966 was a 4-year-old Lexington, Ky., boy, victim of a 3-car crash on Hwy. 27 near US 96.

Killed was Robert Marcum, dead on arrival at Highlands General Hospital at Sebring where three others injured in the crash were taken.

Injured were William F. Marcum, 33, father of the dead child; a brother, Donald, 5. Both were listed in fair condition.

Mrs. Marcum and a daughter were not admitted. In another car were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Turner of Miami.

Turner, 75, was hospitalized in fair condition. Mrs. Turner was not injured.

In the third car, Bessie Lake of Zephyrhills, was not injured. Police said a preliminary investigation revealed that one car apparently tried to pass another on the two-lane road, sidwiped the car it was passing and ran head-on into another vehicle.

Mrs. Bessie Lake, 72, of Zephyrhills was arrested by Florida Highway Patrolmen who investigated the accident and charged with driving on the wrong side of the road.

Highway Patrolmen William Woods, O. L. Rawlerson, Cpl. C. A. Humphries investigated assisted by the Sheriff's Department.

Parish To Hold Annual Meeting This Sunday

A attractive feature adding to fellowship Sunday at the Parish House of the Church of the Redeemer covered dish supper and annual parish meeting will be the Hand-Bell Choir of the Congregational Church, directed by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Zuck.

All members, including families, of the Parish are expected to gather at 5 p.m., bringing their table service and a passing dish.

Mrs. Joseph Kuhn and Mrs. John Knapp are co-hostesses for the supper.

The annual parish meeting will be conducted by the rector, Rev. John Knapp. After brief reports from Parish groups, a discussion of the budget, winding up with election of vestry-men for three year terms.

Winter parishioners and other friends are invited to join us Sunday evening. The program should close by 7:30. A nursery will be provided for the younger children.

This Thursday is the Feast of the Epiphany. Holy Eucharist will be at 9 a.m. as well as continuing our weekly services Wednesday at 9 a.m.

It takes one farm worker to produce the food requirements of 27 people.

Florida's cantaloupe market tends to vary with the availability of peaches, a competing crop.

STATEMENT OF CONDITION

FIRST FEDERAL SAVINGS

AND LOAN ASSOCIATION OF SEBRING

SEBRING, FLORIDA

As of December 31, 1965

ASSETS

Mortgage Loans and Other Liens on Real Estate	\$ 9,448,892.95
All Other Loans	68,043.19
Real Estate Owned and in Judgment	351,349.76
Cash on Hand and in Banks	517,066.94
Investments and Securities	584,228.13
Fixed Assets Less Depreciation	168,527.83
Deferred Charges and Other Assets	98,604.92
TOTAL ASSETS	\$11,236,713.72

LIABILITIES

Savings Accounts	\$10,568,603.58
Loans in Process	162,874.58
Other Liabilities	52,990.13
Reserves for Income Taxes	10,200.00
General Reserves and Surplus	442,045.43
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$11,236,713.72

RECORD OF GROWTH

May 18, 1956 (Doors Opened)	132,390.21
December 31, 1956	615,601.44
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DECEMBER 31, 1965	\$11,236,713.72

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Two Masonic Orders To Hold Joint Installation

Highland Chapter No. 42, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, and the Avon Park Chapter No. 27, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, will hold a joint installation of 1968 officers at the Masonic Temple in Avon Park on Tuesday, Jan. 8, at 7:00 p.m. The public is invited to attend this ceremony.

The installation is being held at the Masonic Temple, 101 N. Main St., in Avon Park. The ceremony will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 8. The public is invited to attend this ceremony. The ceremony will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 8. The public is invited to attend this ceremony.

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Roses Can Be Sticky Subject For Gardener

Roses and mother-in-laws are often sticky subjects. But remember, without either this would be a dull, dull world.

Often both have to be handled with a gloved hand. But roses are treated properly both will bring enjoyment to home and the garden.

Since gardening is a safe subject than domestic affairs, here are a few tips on roses. However, you might keep in mind that a dozen roses and a few kind words often soften the damage of a domestic fight.

Roses come in two main classes, dominant (bare root) and container grown. The dominant rose plants are graded number 1, number 2, and number 3 based on size and number of canes. A number 1 is best.

Container grown rose plants are Florida Fancy No. 1 and Florida Fancy No. 2. Plants which do not conform to standards for one of these grades are not eligible for a Florida grade label. The best quality rose plant obtainable is a Florida Fancy container grown plant with roses for a minimum rootstock.

For those who lack a definite green thumb, try the pot roses as these plants are almost sure to live.

Varities to plant can be a problem. Old-fashioned roses have advantages over the newcomers. These include such roses as Louis Philippe, Summer Samsung, Michersday and Queen Elizabeth.

STP
Plant roses on soil which is in a separate cutting garden, because they are far from hard and cold ground, and cold ground.

Educators Form Irrigation Society

A group of educators, engineers, and businessmen have organized the Florida Irrigation Society to help guide the state's irrigation industry and solve the growing water problem.

The Society is a non-profit organization whose main objective is to promote sound irrigation practices. It will develop the irrigation industry and solve the growing water problem.

The Society will promote the development, proper design, use, and acceptance of irrigation equipment. It will encourage water and soil conservation in order to increase yields and improve the quality of crops through the economic use of irrigation.

It will develop the irrigation industry standards of design, installation and specifications for the various types of systems under consideration. It will provide within the Society a mechanism for encouraging compliance and a way to show compliance.

Joe M. McNamara, of Orlando, was elected president of the Society. George Black Jr., of Tampa, is vice president. D. Bentley, Tampa, secretary; Jim Saunders, Vaudolia, treasurer.

Serving on the board of directors are Don Adams, Palatka; Hubert Incey, Gainesville; Ken Harris, Stuart; Liole Latorre, Lake Placid; Charles Porter, Tampa; and J. H. Veerman, Tampa.

Persons or firms interested in joining the Florida Irrigation Society should write Secretary D. Bentley, 1000 N. Tampa, for application forms.

ered most of the time with protective fungicides and drenched of flower buds daily.

Select a site in a sunny location. In the event the bed is located near large plants, protect the rose bushes from wind-raiding roots with a sheet of metal roofing buried vertically along the side of the bed.

Prepare the planting site prior to securing the rose bushes. If the soil is loose, light and deep, remove it to a depth of 12 inches and replace with compost of rotted leaves, manure and rich hummock soil. The new growth, but in the replaced material is quite acid. Many sandy soils in south Florida contain too much lime for best rose production, say University of Florida rose specialists.

Choose an overcast day for planting. First check the plant carefully and cut back the bush to four or five eyes. Trim off all broken roots.

Be sure the planting holes are large enough to accommodate the roots without crowding. In the bottom of each hole dig a handful of garden fertilizer and cover lightly with top soil. Dip the roots of each plant in a bucket of water just before planting. Insert the new bush so that the root system will stand at the same level that it stood in the nursery row.

With a slow stream of water from a hose, work the soil about the roots, filling the hole to the ground level. Pack firmly and put a saucer of earth about the plant to hold water.

When the rose bushes begin to leaf out, keep an eye out for diseases such as black spot, brown canker, and powdery mildew. Insect pests that may harm the bushes will include aphids, thrips, pumpkins, bugs, cottony-cushion scale, and red spider mites.



CARL HOLDEN is one of the outstanding athletes of this scholastic year at Avon Park High. Carl proved a great football star during the season just past and is one of the best game team players. He scored 11 points against Arcadia Tuesday night.

BOBBY COLEMAN, tallest player on the Avon Park Red Devil cager squad, is proving himself a good position player and basketball. Coleman is going to the University of Florida next year on a basketball scholarship.

Florida Will Observe Arbor Day on January 21 As Civic Clubs and Schools Plant Many Trees

The public's interest in Arbor Day is on the upswing, says State Forester C. H. Coulter.

When the big day for tree planting comes Jan. 21, civic clubs, garden clubs, conservation groups, schools, and even individuals are expected to break ground in all corners of Florida to plant their favorite varieties.

The biggest boost to Arbor Day is given by the Florida Forest Service with its program of free pine seedling distribution. In 1967 there were 100 Florida schools, public and private, from elementary to junior colleges, are expected to have a group of youthful planters setting out trees on the school grounds.

The Service gives 20 young pines, plus instructional literature, to any school group requesting them prior to the Jan. 5 deadline. In 1967 there were 228 school classroom sessions participating in the program, and 327 groups in 1968.

The interest of non-school groups in Arbor Day ceremonies also shows an upswing. One of the most novel Arbor Day celebrations will be a "plant exchange" at the Tallahassee Garden Center. Participants bring a plant or small tree from home to swap for a more desirable species.

Tree-planting "festivals" are probably as old as civilization itself, but Arbor Day is purely American in origin. It all began on the wind-swept and treeless plains of Nebraska in 1872. Florida citizens first observed Arbor Day in 1880.

For many years Florida had two Arbor Days—one observed by the public schools, the other by the State Federation of Garden Clubs. In 1945, the Florida Legislature adopted the third Friday in January as Florida's Arbor Day.

Sometimes confusion results, as the day is celebrated in most states in April or May, depending on the geographic latitude. However, the January date is regarded as the most advantageous for Florida's climate.

The Florida arborist has a wide choice of what to plant. There are 34 kinds of trees growing in Florida, representing nearly half of all the species in north America above the Rio Grande. Gum, maple, pine, magnolia, cypress, dogwood, hickory, cedar, oak, palm, magnolia, and cactus are all native to Florida, but some favor the coastal regions.

A favorite for Arbor Day is the slash pine—mainstay of Florida's forest industry. It has long needles, grows rapidly, and bears large cones. It grows on wet and dry sites.

Another is the slash pine, to or cabbage palm—Florida's official state tree. It may attain a height of 20 feet or more. It grows in sandy soil or hammocks throughout most of Florida, but seems to favor the coastal regions.

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Devil Cagers Lacked Punch In Tourney

Avon Park's Red Devil cagers came in last in the first annual Holiday Basketball Tournament in Sebring last Thursday and Friday nights, losing to Oviedo.

The Devils didn't look like the same team that set a 1-2 record in the first quarter when they caught fire and gave the Oviedo Lions a run, almost overtake the tremendous lead they had allowed the scrappy team.

Trailing 60-39 going into the final quarter, the Avon Park 3 pumped in 26 points to the Lions' 10 to close the gap but time ran out before the local lads could catch up.

Against Sebring, the Devils never did get going. The Blue Streaks jumped to a 16-13 quarter lead and were never caught.

Avon Park's team showed a lack of teamwork and seemed completely disorganized against the Streaks who took advantage of the confusion to pump in the points and take the win.

Lake Placid edged out Oviedo in the finals with a free shot in the final three seconds of the game.

The Green Dragons' Ronnie Eales won the trophy for the outstanding player of the tourney.

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Three States Set Fast Pace In Tree Farming

Alabama, Florida and Georgia are running neck-and-neck, well ahead of the rest of the nation, in the development of tree farm acreage.

The nation as a whole has 66,279,650 acres of tree farms embracing 48 states. Nearly one-third of this immense total—20,792,737 acres—is concentrated in Alabama, Florida and Georgia.

These three states and nine others in the South have 43,244,071 acres—two-thirds the national aggregate.

During recent years, the nation's individual leadership has shifted back and forth between Alabama, Florida and Georgia. As of November, 1965, Georgia ranked No. 1 with 7,291,494 acres, followed closely by Alabama with 6,881,182 and Florida with 6,620,061. No other state in the union comes near these figures.

Who are tree farmers and what are they doing? What is the importance of their work?

Some tree farms are owned by individuals, such as doctors, lawyers, businessmen, and farmers. Others owned by industries, such as lumber companies and paper mills. All owners manage timber as a long-term crop along specified guidelines which assure quality harvests and permanent supplies.

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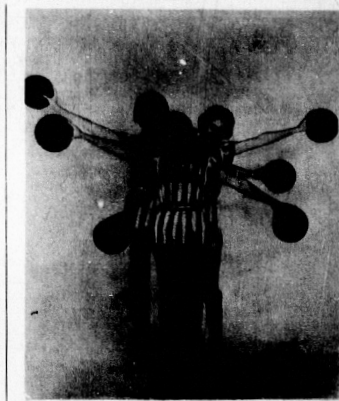
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ELVIS CRASHES HAREM IN NEW COMEDY



In his new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer musical comedy, "Harlem Nights," Elvis Presley leads the life every man dreams of — that of a cultured, sophisticated, night life surrounded by beautiful women. The crash-bombing film, in color, highlighted by a medley of new Presley songs, co-stars Mary Ann Mobley and Frank Jeffries. It was directed by Gene Nelson.

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Past Auto Speed Records Hang As Sebring Looks To Racing Season

The 1966 Championship racing season will start in earnest and past records will fall when, on Saturday, March 26, the Chevrolet powered Chaparrals from Texas defend their 1965 win in the opening round for the Alitalia Cup and the World Speed and Endurance Trophy. Sebring continues as America's race with the highest points toward the Manufacturers' Championship.

Jim Hall and flag sharp of Midland, Texas, the builders and drivers of the revolution of the automatic transmission Chaparrals will have their new 1966 creations ready for the 11 a.m. Le Mans type start on March 26, for the grueling endurance race which is considered to be the most demanding of man and machine in the world.

These American prototypes have been redesigned to meet the exacting weight specifications dictated by the FIA, the international body governing the sports, so that they will slug it out on equal terms with the best types Europe and the United States have; history will be made on the 6.2

mile course, when Jesse Coleman, Atlanta, drops the checkered flag at 10 p.m., 12 crucial hours later.

Stung by last year's defeat, the Ferrari factory in Italy is preparing new 1966 prototypes to be entered and driven by factory drivers. This will be their first appearance anywhere in the world. Will these new creations of Enzo Ferrari be dominant position of seven previous wins?