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TWO HARDEE COUNTY teenagers were killed Tuesday when their car was truck by the Seaboard Coastline train on West Main Street. The two girls are shown covered with a sheet in the demolished car. Chief Earl Gordon and Deputy Sheriff Snelgrove checking one of the girls driver's license. — (Sun photo)

Two Killed Here In Train-Car Collision

Two Hardee County teenagh girls were killed instantly at 4:00 p.m. Tuesday afternoon, when their car was struck by a Seaboard Coast Line Railroad train at the southside crossing of the railroad on Main Street in downtown Avon Park.

The girls were identified by the Avon Park Police Department as Pamela Carlton, 17, operator of the car, and Susy Wellington, 14, both of Zolfo Springs.

Avon Park Police Chief Earl Gordon stated that the car was traveling East on West Main St. and was apparently in the left hand lane. Police are checking out a report that a passenger bus was stopped in the right hand lane and that the Carlton girl according to Chief Gordon did not see or hear the train coming. Police are still checking into the circumstances surrounding the accident.

Police also reported that the Carlton girl was coming to pick up her mother Avilath, a 7-year employee of the United Telephone Company here in Avon Park.

Chief Gordon stated that the car after impact was carried 886 feet down the track past the train station. The train the Grand Silver Star was traveling north. The car a 1967 Blue Ford Custom 500 was totally demolished.

The Carlton girl lived with her parents Mr. and Mrs. William Carlton in Zolfo Springs and the Wellington girl with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wellington.

A brother of Pamela Carlton, William Earnest Carlton is a sophomore in the Agricultural program at South Florida Junior College, here in Avon Park.

Police stated that the Engineer of the train was Edwin Camp of Wildwood, the conductor J. A. Watson of Wildwood and the head brakeman was M. L. Smith of Jacksonville. No one was apparently injured on the train and the train was delayed more than an hour.

Parking Time Limit Changed

In line with the original request from the Avon Park merchants in the downtown area, to change the parking signs from two to one hour parking, the city council at its last meeting gave the request the green light, and the signs have already been changed. Avon Park residents who are accustomed to parking in town had better make a note of this and not run over the 60 minutes.

Red Devils Defeat Naples 19-13; Play Okeechobee Friday Night

The Devils spoiled the Naples Eagles' homecoming last Friday night by taking a 19-0 lead and then holding on for a 19-13 victory over the west coast team before a large crowd of Naples and Avon Park fans. The Devils win left both teams with identical records of 4 wins, 3 losses, and 1 tie.

This week Avon Park will travel to Okeechobee to battle the winless Brahmans. It will be homecoming for the Okeechobee school also. The Devils last three games have all been homecoming affairs and the next two will be no exception. The Brahmans have lost to Jupiter (13-6), Bell Glade, Pahokee (23-6), Sebring (26-7), Leonard (26-18) Boca Raton (13-7), and Monre Haven (28-12). Last year Avon Park took a 39-0 win from Okeechobee here at Memorial Stadium.

The Red Devils completely dominated the first half of the game in Naples last week as they drove for two touchdowns and were deep in Eagle territory when the gun ended the first half.

The Eagles won the toss of the coin and elected to receive to start the game. Robert Crews kicked deep to the Naples fifteen but Eagle halfback Cleveland Winn returned the ball to the Eagle 41-yard line before being pulled down. Then the Eagles picked up two first downs and moved to Avon Park's 33-yard stripe before the Devil defense held for four downs and the Devil offense took over.

Fullback Dean Lemler was called on by Devil quarterback Denny Montesleoca and the big senior back carried the ball out of the first nine times right up the middle to move the ball to the Naples 28-yard line with the help of one four yard gain by halfback Willie Seigler. Then Seigler took the ball after a fake to Lemler and sailed around right end for the whole 28 yards and the Devils first score. Avon Park's first try for the point after was good but a five yard penalty forced another attempt and this time the run was short of the goal line leaving the Devils with a 6-0 lead.

Naples took the following kick-off and moved to Avon Park's forty-five before they were thrown back to their own 49-yard line and were forced to punt. The thirty yard punt went to the Devil twenty where Billy Richards gathered the ball in and raced 45 yards back to the Naples 35-yard stripe to set up the next Avon Park score. The Devils moved quickly for a first down on the twenty-five but then a five yard penalty moved them back and on third down with ten yards still needed Seigler broke loose again and skirted left end for a 24-yard gain just short of the Eagle goal line. Lemler powered in for the TD but again the extra point attempt was stopped short and Avon Park had a 12-0 lead.

After an exchange of punts, Naples fumbled at their own

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Thermometers Tested Free Of Charge

Grove thermometers can be checked and tested for accuracy free of charge by the Federal-State Agricultural Weather Service.

Meteorologist W. O. Johnson said weather service personnel will test thermometers in various frost-warning districts in November. Highlands County growers who desire to have their thermometers checked should bring them to either the County Agent's Office in Sebring or Touchton's Drug Store in Avon Park prior to Thursday, November 9, 1967. Growers should take advantage of the free test since grove thermometers can vary in their accuracy over a year's time.

The liquid in a thermometer's column can separate while in the field or in storage. In most cases, instruments in error can be adjusted for correct readings. Those that cannot will have the degree of error written on a tag attached to the instrument, Johnson said.

Scale markings will also be remade during the check so they can be easily read.

Before testing, each thermometer should be tagged at the top with the owner's name and address written in pencil.

The instrument should be carried in an upright position with the bulb end down to prevent separations in the alcohol column, Johnson said.

Precautions will be taken during the testing, but the Agricultural Weather Service cannot assume responsibility for breakage or loss.

Reserved Seats On Sale For Sebring Game

Reserved seat tickets for the Avon Park, Sebring football game are now on sale at the Avon Park high school office.

The game will be played in Sebring this year and it will be their homecoming game.

Only a limited number of reserved seats are available.

In order to assure yourself a good seat, come to the high school office today and get your reserved seat.

These seats will be a complete sellout, so don't delay. Price $1.00.

P.B.A. To Hold Breakfast Meeting Nov. 14

The Progressive Businessmens Association of Avon Park will hold a breakfast meeting at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 14 at the G & G Restaurant. All retail merchants are invited to attend.

Any persons business or organization who desires to participate in the Christmas parade on December 2, call GL 3-3416, GL 3-4766, or GL 3-4950 and must indicate by November 14 participation in the parade.

Law To Crack Down On Offenders

The Avon Park Police Department and the Highlands County Sheriffs' Department are conducting an extensive investigation into the damage last Saturday night to the 17th green at the newly reopened Avon Park golf course.

Authorities stated that a car or cars during the night ran over the green.

County Judge Mervin Rehrer told news media that anyone guilty of the act will be severly punished.

Avon Park $4,571,72 In Cigarette Tax

Don D. Meiklejohn, director of the state beverage department, reports that net cigarette tax collections for the month of September, 1967 amounted to $4,745,750.18 of this amount $1,652,219.77 will go to the state general revenue fund and the remaining $3,093,530.41 will be distributed to qualified municipalities.

Avon Park will receive $4,571.72; Sebring $6,193.58 and Lake Placid $1,327.32.

Notice

Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce will meet Thursday evening, Nov. 9 at 8 p.m. in the chamber office.

All members of the Chamber of Commerce are invited and urged to attend.

Zoning Restriction Lifted By Board

Highlands County board of commissioners have removed itself from the liquor licensing process by rescinding the county's lone zoning restriction on liquor.

In 1963 the county commission adopted a resolution providing that no liquor licenses were to be issued in township 33 South, range 28 East, section 7-36 inclusive. For reasons which the present commissioners say they cannot understand, this pocket at the southern edge of Avon Park was the only restricted area in Highlands County.

Recently state beverage control officers said that because their records show a restricted area in the county, all liquor license applications — for any place within the county — have been sent to the county commission for checking.

The state agency promised Clerk Earl Roth that if there were no zones at all, then no applications would be referred to the county for checking but would rather be the direct responsibility of the state beverage control agency.

Eight such applications were before the commissioners on Tuesday, but after voting to rescind the 1963 resolution those applications were returned with a note pointing out that these are the exclusive business of state officials.

Jury Questionnaire

While the commission was getting out of the liquor license business Tuesday, it was considering the topic of handling a new responsibility for the county superintendent.

Andrew B. Jackson, attorney for the jury commissioners, requested time to confer with the board on the questionnaire to be sent to prospective jurors. Jackson said that prospective jurors will be sent questionnaires.

Jackson pointed out that the jury commissioners must report by the end of January 1968 the names in the county box from which jurors will be drawn in 1969. Expense Harold had prepared studies which indicated that sending questionnaires, a letter of explanation and envelope to 4,000 of the 16,000 names from which the jury vectors are chosen would cost about $600 exclusive of clerical costs.

Jackson said that the law does not place the financial responsibility for the questionnaire costs it is to be assumed that they would be handled as other jury expenses, Jackson said. After review and approval by a circuit judge, the bill is sub-

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Sweet Trial Moves Swiftly As Widow Irene Testifies Against Lover in Husband's Death

The trial of John J. Sweet for the murder of Charles Von Maxcy was moving swiftly in the wake of opening testimony by his widow Irene that Sweet hired the killers from Boston's underworld.

"He hated Von's guts," she said.

The sultry Irene, apparently nerveless, prim in a black silk suit, and speaking firmly and clearly from the witness stand, bared details of the quick-blossoming love affair with Sweet, which she said led to the murder.

"I pleaded for him not to do it," she said. "I loved my husband and he loved me. But he said he was going to have me one way or another."

She said she did not want Von killed in their home.

And she charged that Sweet not only had her husband killed but "tried to make me sell my body for $100 to a man during the races, March 31, but the man was drunk and nothing happened."

She added that she would have done anything John J. Sweet asked her to do—even "jump out a window."

Fear kept her mouth closed, and subservient to Sweet in the seven months between the murder of the tall, handsome cattleman-citrusman October 3, 1966, and the indictment of Sweet in May.

"He said all he had to do was pick up the phone and call one number if I talked," she said.

"My Time Was Coming"

But "I knew my time and my baby's time was coming and I had to have help," she said, explaining why she broke her silence. The "baby" is seven-year-old Marivon, born of her union to Maxcy.

Sweet constantly threatened her with Marivon's death, she said, at this point choking up and dabbing at her nose with a tissue. She appeared near tears. He had mentioned "Walter and Wimpy" a Boston contacts, she said.

"Didn't you have your bartender bodyguard?" asked Defense Attorney McElwen.

She said she did. He then pressed home the point that with Irene and the bodyguard, Tommy Baddock, gone much of the time, who was with Marivon.

"Mrs. Hunter, who takes care of her." Mrs. M. D. Hunter.

"How old is Mrs. Hunter?"

"About 80."

McElwen zeroed in on the age of the governess—how could an 80 year old woman protect the child?

The sheriff's office knew where she was," Irene maintained.

Mrs. Maxcy has immunity granted by the court at the request of State's Attorney Glen Darby, but she said on the stand she talked freely to Darby and to special investigator Roma Trulock of the Florida Sheriff's Bureau the day of Sweet's arrest, May 7, without any promise of immunity.

What is Immunity"

"I didn't even know what it meant!" she declared.

It means she can not be prosecuted in connection with her husband's death.

Ever since testimony began at the trial, which was shifted from Highlands County to Bartow last week, there has been a packed courtroom, with many Sebring people attending, including the slain man's grieving family.

Mrs. Maxcy's testimony took about four hours on Thursday, opening day of testimony, and at its conclusion, the prosecution began putting into evidence facts purporting to show that Irene and the Boston men who Mrs. Maxcy said were hired to kill her husband, and to tie down the case.

Gave Sweet $41,000

Mrs. Maxcy testified she gave Sweet $41,000—in sums of $20,000, $16,000 and $5,000 with which to pay the killers. He killed and said he had to have $75,000 by the next day, she said, or that was it. This was shortly before his arrest.

"I flew down to the Elks Club and we talked about it," she said, "and I drunk with him and loved him up, but he did not ask me for it again that day. If he had, I would have give it to him."

Some of the money which Sweet used to pay off the killers, Mrs. Maxcy said, came from the dead man's insurance money. She testified she has received $250,000 of this which has gone into a locked box.

"What good is the money without my husband," she cried out.

Mrs. Higgins Testifies

As Mrs. Maxcy left the stand, Mrs. Cathryn Higgins, a petite, attractive blonde woman was called. Her son, Ernest, is married to Mrs. Maxcy's daughter, Johnnie Ruth.

Mrs. Higgins, obviously quite nervous, testified she accompanied Mrs. Maxcy to see Johnnie Ruth at Walker Memorial Hospital the night of the murder, taking her a weak from Griffin's restaurant. Mrs. Maxcy left the room once, she said, explaining she had to make a phone call.

Mrs. Maxcy had previously testified she had been paged by the intercom and that when she answered the phone it was Sweet. He informed her, she said, "It's all over dear."

When Mrs. Maxcy returned from making the phone call, the women left. They stopped at the Sanford Hart home—Mrs. Hart is Mrs. Higgins' daughter—and picked up Johnnie Ruth's year old son. They had dinner with the Harts and then drove to the Maxcy home.

As they drove up to the house, Mrs. Higgins said, there were no lights. The front door was ajar. Irene switched on the front lights, walked toward the kitchen and screamed as she looked toward the bedroom door. Her husband's body was in the doorway.

"He looked dead," said Mrs. Higgins, who said she promptly

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Local Boy Injured In Bicycle Mishap

At approximately 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 2, Kent G. Akseisen was riding his bicycle behind a pick-up truck driven by Wesley Turner when the truck stopped suddenly and Kent, unable to stop, crashed into the left hand rear corner of the truck, receiving a compound fracture of the forehead, and severe lacerations of the face and eye.

Doctor Donald C. Hartwell, of Avon Park, gave the boy immediate emergency treatment, and the critically injured lad was then rushed to the Lakeland General Hospital where Dr. Hollowell, assisted by Dr. Jackson, operated and removed a section of the skull, relieving the pressure of the fracture.

Kent, according to Mr. Akseisen, is recovering nicely and may be brought home this week. His eye is closed, but the doctors believe the sight will not be impaired.

Kent's many friends and schoolmates wish him a speedy recovery.

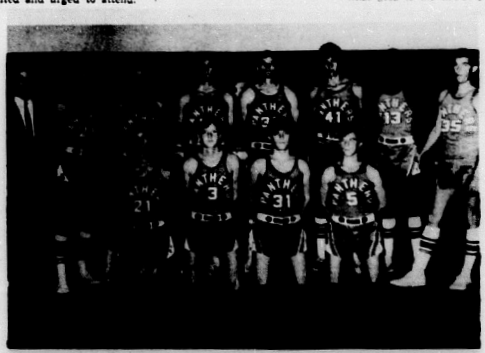
Officer Frank Williams of the Florida Highway Patrol investigated the accident.

Notice

The Board of Trustees of Youth Care will hold a luncheon meeting Thursday, Nov. 16, 12:30 at the Lamplighter, Howard Johnson Restaurant in Sebring.

A progress report will be given at that time.

Members of Youth Care are also urged to attend.



SFJC BASKETBALL TEAM— front row, (l. to r.) kneeling: Larry Allen, Rocky Kitchens, Ralph Starratt, Tim Gillis. Back row: Coach Terrell, Ted Butler, Junior Gale, John Polk, Skipper Gause, John Battillo, Thomas Williams, Alonzo Whitehead.

Voters Reject 6 Mills For Schools

By a margain of three votes Highlands County taxpayers rejected the school board's recommendation of 6 mills and set, instead, a limit of 5-mills for district school tax in the 1968-69 biennium.

This is the first time that Highlands County voters had spurned the millage recommendation of the county school board.

Three questioned ballots tipped the limit downward. A total of 2432 votes were cast—2065 of them on Tuesday. When counting was finished on Tuesday night the 6-mill recommendation was leading by a three vote margin.

When the canvassing board met on Wednesday they found five of the 27 ballots unclear in their markings. (The paper ballots, unlike the machine ballots, did not have all the possible messages printed but rather had two questions. One was for the recommended 6 mills, and the other said if not in favor of the recommended millage write in another millage.)

The canvassing board threw out two of the poorly marked ballots but agreed to count three others and since all three were for millages below the school board's recommended levy, those three dropped the millage — Superintendent George F. Douglass said.

Although shy of the recommended level, the 5 mill levy is 1.8 mills more than the board is presently levying and represents a possible boost of more than $300,000 in local funds for Highlands County schools.

Douglass, at first bitterly disappointed by the results of the voting, had recovered some by mid-Wednesday. "I should like to thank all those voters who supported the proposal of the school board and I should thank those who took the time to vote. We can operate within the limits placed upon us."

School Board Chairman Henry Bailey said only, "We'll do the best we can with what we have."

Douglass said Wednesday that he could not believe that the nearly 600 voters who cast ballots did not know they really want to close the schools. "I feel certain they were confused. I think they interpreted all those figures on the ballot as amounts of increase in millage and therefore a zero vote would mean just no increase."

The canvassing board considered briefly the advisability of asking for a re-count or even a check of the registration books to determine whether all those who voted were indeed taxpayers. Both procedures were rejected. "With machine voting it is highly unlikely that errors were made in counting," Douglass and Bailey agreed.

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Christopher's Rally

By W. F. Luscomb

The things that havn't been done before
Those are the things to try.
Columbus dreamed of an unknown shore
At the rim of a far-flung sky
— Edgar A. Guest

So wrote the layman's poet of Christopher Columbus. And so we can write today of another Christopher, Paul P. Jr., who became so incensed at the picture of a Wakefield youth burning his draft card on Boston Common that he decided to do something about it. Paul told his friends that he was going to organize a rally to end all rallies, to let the boys in Vietnam know that there are thousands of draft card holders back here that are not only proud to have a draft card, but proud to go when they are called. This was born one of the greatest displays of patriotism ever conceived and consummated by a single teenager in this modern time.

Paul Christopher, Jr. is a senior at Wakefield High School, and runs a submarine sandwich shop when he is not attending class. Burning with the idea of getting the message over to his thousands of contemporary teenagers, he printed up 1000 flyers and mailed them to high schools throughout the state. Word of the proposed rally spread slowly at first, then with increasing momentum, till nation wide news, television and radio shows picked it up. Senators, Mayors, Veteran's organizations, colleges and high schools contacted the young patriot and promised backing, attendance, and help of every kind. Paul sent telegrams to prominent statesmen and politicians inviting them to the rally. The police chief and the select-men of Wakefield held a meeting and gave Paul the green light for a two hour rally to be held on Sunday afternoon, Oct. 29th. Then they got to work preparing for the huge crowd that appeared to be coming.

Mothers of boys now serving in Vietnam, and mothers of boys who had been killed in Vietnam, sent letters and telegrams of praise and encouragement to the young patriot. He received telegrams from Senator Leverett Saltonstall, Henry Cabot Lodge, Governor Volpe of Massachusetts, Senator Edward W. Brooke in Washington, and many others. Although he was out of the country, Commander J. A. Scerra, National leader of the V.F.W., sent a telegram sayi g that he would be back in time to lead the flag salute, and perhaps say a few words. Then, on a telephone that was really steaming, came the call from the White House. It was John McNulty, assistant to President Johnson, conveying the President's best wishes and assuring Paul that he was aware of what he was doing and was proud of him and his efforts. McNulty also said that although the President could not attend the rally he wanted Paul to write him the details after it was over, and that he would personally answer the letter. The call lasted five minutes, and was one of the proudest moments that Paul has ever known.

Sunday, October 29th, dawned clear and cold; but they came. They came on motorcycles in busses on trains. They came in planes, in cars, on bicycles and on foot. Ten thousand, twenty thirty, by noon there was forty thousand cheering flag waving teenagers and they were still coming. Governor Volpe mounted the small podium that had been built for the speakers, and called for Paul. The crowd went wild as their hero stepped up beside the Governor and said a few words. Christopher's Rally was a rip-roaring success, proving to the boys who are fighting and dying over there in the jungles that patriotism and love of country are still alive and burning brightly in the hearts of thousands of young men, and that the draft card burners are only a tin, tiny fraction of the whole.

Later Paul said it was a tremendous thrill to gaze out over Wakefield Common at the cheering, flag-waving crowd that stretched as far as he could see. Never before in the history of Wakefield had there been a patriotic rally of such magnitude. There were high school pupils there from New Hampshire, Vermont, Main Connecticut Rhode Island and as far away as Michigan. Governor Volpe said, "Patriotism is said by some people to be old fashioned now—let us make it fashionable again. Let us remember that this is the America of 1776, of Washington and Jefferson." The crowd roared its approval.

As the program drew to a close Paul was awarded the JWV Bronze Medal of Merit, and Charles McGillivary, vice president of the Congressional Medal of Honor Society, told the cheering throng "The Communist Party is trying to "divide and conquer" us. Nobody likes war. But we have got to support our fighting men in Vietnam."

Well — thats the story. It really happened, and thousands of clippings from the local papers which covered it have been sent to our boys now serving in Vietnam by their friends and parents, to show them that we DO care. We in Avon Park have many friends, sons and relatives fighting over there. Clip this out and send it to them. I'm going to.

Sweet Trial—

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pulled Irene out the front door and into the car. She still carried the baby. She was afraid, she explained, the killers might still be around. Mrs. Higgins then drove the hysterical Irene to the home of Dutch VanInwagen. Mrs. VanInwagen was there, and she called her husband, who was at the Elks Club, and told him to get help.

Deputies Testify

As Mrs. Maxey left the witness stand, Deputy Sheriff George Crist took the stand, then Deputy J. C. Murdock. Both were called to the Maxey home the night of the crime and both found bed with him in a bloody sheet found near Maxey's body. It was entered into evidence. He testified the sheet had slits in it, as if from a knife. Crist had taken pictures of the body. The judge agreed, upon motion by defense counsel, to not admit these in evidence as being "too inflammatory."

Friday's Testimony

Earl Crawley, Sebring police investigator, took the stand early Friday to relate that a car containing Dutch VanInwagen and Sweet had stopped him near Southgate Shopping Center at 9:31 P.M. the night of the murder. They asked him to go with them to the Maxey home. He said he saw Maxey's empty car parked at the shopping center.

They proceeded to the Maxey home, he said, and Sheriff Brow and Coker's office was called.

Sheriff Coker testified he arrived at 9:55 P.M. and there was a "tremendous amount of blood, stab wounds in the back". He found a slug from a .38 calibre revolver, and he lifted one of the dead man's arms and rigor mortis "had just begun to set in."

No weapons were ever found, he said, and guns in the local people were compared, he said, without matching up the slug.

Did you compare Harvey Benschoter's gun?" he was asked Coker said he had, with negative results. Did Sweet have a gun?

Coker said "I believe he said he never owned a gun."

Boston Policeman Testifies

Lt. John J. Kulik of the Massachusetts State Police testified that Walter and Wimpy are brothers, named Bennett, that Walter is the owner of Walter's Lounge on Boston's Douglas Street. Walter also owned a real estate and TV store. He identified photographs of Billy Reilly who frequented the store and lounge, and of Andrew Von Etter, a TV repairman who worked for Walter.

Wimpy Kulik said has been missing since January 18. Walter, he said, was officially reported missing April 10. Walter is believed dead."

Reilly, he said, he saw as recently as October 19 of this year. Von Etter was found dead February 1, stuffed in the trunk of his car in Boston.

Wimpy Edward Bennett, Sr., who was sentenced to a year in jail after $56,000 from the Brinks armored car holdup was found in a building he controlled."

Boston Girls Testify

Other Massachusetts witnesses followed in close order—Barbara Nutley Bennett, wife of Walter Bennett. Jeane Adams Kelly, bride three weeks of William Kelly. Walter Byrne, half-brother of Elsie and Bennett. Etter, striking blonde widow of Etter.

Byrne testified his brother, Andrew Von Etter, in September of 1966 owned a nickel plated revolver and a switchblade knife —the knife with a five inch blade with a silver button and silver safety lock. He said he did not see them in Florida.

Mrs. Bennett testified her husband knew Sweet—that she knew him 18 years ago and "I believe he was associated with Walter." Mrs. Bennett, tall, dark, sophisticated, very thin, wore an expensive gray and olive green wool ensemble. Her dangling green earrings were the size of silver dollars and her grandmother was poor. Her missing husband she said, was involved in three paternity suits.

The Yellow Convertible

In April of 1967, she said, she received two mysterious phone calls—from somebody she did not know, and thought it was "some kind of message" her missing husband was attempting to get to her.

It was a man's voice and both times it asked "did I know of a yellow convertible." She said she asked around, but nobody knew anything of a yellow convertible. She did not recognize the voice.

The three women and Byrne, together with a friend, Alfred Campbell, testified they had been in Florida—Daytona Beach —during September, 1966. Their testimony was admitted over objections of defense counsel after Duty promised "this is all part of the conspiracy we will show."

W. W. Simmons, now of Monte Bello, Calif., former manager of the Daytona Inn, where the Bottomleys stayed, said Mr. and Mrs. Kelly and Mr. and Mrs. Etter and their son Ricky checked out to return North October 4, 1966.

Mrs. Etter testified her husband and Kelly were gone from Daytona on October 3, the day of Maxey's murder, from about 9:30 A.M. until 8:30 P.M. Shortly after this, all out of state witnesses were released.

Motel at Daytona

A motel operator identified registration cards indicating that Sweet was in Daytona at King's Inn September 27 and 28. Mrs. Ann Madorsky, another motel official, said her records put Sweet in Daytona September 27 and 28. A car rental official said Sweet rented a car on September 27.

Irene Got $5,000

C. W. Bailey, Oxford, Fla., cattleman, testified he bought cattle from the Maxey Estate, giving Irene a check for $5,000 and one for $54,000 to the Maxey Estate for the cattle.

C. C. Davis, vice president and senior trust officer of Citizens National Bank, Orlando, said Sweet had been introduced to him as Irene's business manager. The bank was handling a trust, he said, which Irene could revoke in full or in part. She has withdrawn $250,863.63 from the trust, he said.

Irene Maxey came to Hy Grees' house three or four months before the murder of her husband, Grees testified Wednesday at the murder trial of John J. Sweet and told his wife:

"I know Von wants a divorce, but I'll see him dead before any woman winds up with his money."

Grees, 58, former manager of the Sebring Elks Club, testified that the day after John Sweet was arrested for Maxey's murder he went to see Irene, concerned over stories he had heard. She told Grees, he said, "I knew Von was going to be killed but there was nothing I could do about it. He threatened my life and that of my baby. I already gave him (Sweet) $100,000—$60,000 at one time and $40,000 another time and he made me buy him a new car."

Grees said Irene told him she and Sheriff's Investigator Roma Trulock went to attorney Harry Lee's office and she told Lee she had "told Mr. Trulock everything, so don't deny anything."

Grees said Irene had told him Sweet had threatened to bury the baby in a grove and she would never know where she was buried.

Grees, a close friend of Sweet, said Sweet loved kids, used to take whole groups to the beach and even bought a bicycle so he could ride with Marivon."

Trap Laid at Elks

Grees said he gave Trulock an honorary membership to the Elks Club so he could eat and drink there. He also testified that Sweet was supposed to put out the gang crap game at the Elks Club when they were trying to raise money for a new club—that five per cent of the activity went to Sweet. Five per cent to the club's building fund.

Grees said he felt Sweet was innocent and "doubly sure" after hearing Irene's story.

"He's not living in this earth would leave her child in the care of a man who had threatened the child's welfare," declared Grees. He said Trulock became upset that Irene had talked to Grees and quoted Trulock as saying "that stupid s-o-b, I told her to talk to nobody."

Grees said Sweet came he ever saw John Sweet angry or violent was when he went into a violent rage and put a 75 pound male part-collie dog out of the house.

Grees said Irene had confided in a chat with his wife that she knew her husband had been running around with other women. Grees said Trulock, outside the presence of the jury, John Sweet, Jr., 25, testified Irene had danced with him at the Wauchula Elks Club after the murder and her actions were not appropriate for a grieving widow.

The son also testified that Mrs. Maxey took him aside and told him about her husband's sexual inadequacies and that, sitting beside her in the back seat on the way home, she had placed his hand and placed it on her breast.

Harry Lee Testifies

Attorney Harry Lee, former county prosecutor and Irene Maxey attorney, testified Wednesday and disputed Mrs. Maxey's story that he was John Sweet's attorney, not hers.

He said he was hired by Irene Maxey immediately after her husband's death to represent her individually and to be attorney for the estate. He said that shortly after the funeral Irene called and said she had some questions to ask about her husband's will. She had the will at Sweet's apartment. Lee said no mention was made of any gloves or wiping anything off.

Lee said Mrs. Maxey was apprehensive about Maxey's brother coming to Florida, as he had threatened to kill Sweet.

Coldest Temperature

The coldest temperature in the history of our planet was logged in the year 1958 at Sovietskaya, a Russian base about 700 miles from the South Pole. A temperature of 127 degrees below zero was registered.

Sweet States He Was Only Errand Boy In Maxey Murder

John J. Sweet told investigators last July 30 that he was only an errand boy in the killing of Charles Von Maxey and wanted to plead guilty to a lesser charge than first degree murder, testimony revealed Monday.

Roma Trulock, special investigator for the old Florida Sheriff's Bureau said the meeting, held in a motel room, was set up by Mrs. Maxey by phone. Sweet, she said, would talk only in her presence and on condition that no notes be taken or recordings taped.

Trulock, a law enforcement man for 26 years, said Sweet offered to identify and testify against the Boston hoodlums who on October 3, 1966, shot and stabbed Maxey to death.

Trulock's testimony was given in a courtroom from which the jury was dismissed, while Judge Love considered its admissibility into evidence. He announced Tuesday morning that it was admissible and Trulock repeated the story in the presence of the jury. The jury then was sent out of the room. Sweet took the stand, and said that the Trulock testimony was untrue. The state then rested its case.

In the course of the talk with Sweet, said Trulock, Sweet complained that he was only an errand boy in the killing. He said Mrs. Maxey once asked him to put water in her husband's airplane gas tank, but he refused to do it.

Trulock said that Sweet, wanting to plead guilty to a lesser charge, also wanted Mrs. Maxey to retain her immunity once she had it.

Trulock said he told Sweet he should take up his plans with his lawyers but Sweet refused. Trulock twice wrote out that decision by Sweet and had Sweet sign it, he said.

The agent quoted Sweet as saying he did not want to do a lot of prison time although he expected to do some and wanted to get started on it.

Trulock said he told Sweet any deal hinged on identification and testimony against the Boston figures who had a part in the murder.

So far, the prosecution has produced only circumstantial evidence. No guns or knives, the murder weapons, have been produced, and although two Boston men connected to Walter Bennett, accused of arranging the killing, were placed in Florida October 3, 1966, they were not placed in Sebring, although a Jimmy, getting a copy of the will and he advised her Jimmy Maxcy was entitled to get a copy and he had a copy made for Jimmy "but I don't know if he ever got it."

Lee said he had instructions from Irene that she did not want to be in partnership with Jimmy Maxcy "in these groves" and he was supposed to help out the partnerships. He quoted the widow as saying, "Harry, it's you and me against the world, we got all of them to settle with including the bank." This took place in the hall outside a room in Tampa where the widow, the Maxcy family and representatives of the bank met to discuss properties after the murder.

Instead of seeking out Sheriff's Investigator Roma Trulock to get a deal, John Sweet testified Tuesday "Mrs. Maxey (Irene) asked me to see Mr. Trulock and make a deal."

He testified he asked her: "What can I make a deal about" and she said "Johnny, if you ever saw John Sweet angry or violent was when he went into a violent rage and put a 75 pound male part-collie dog out of the house.

Grees said Irene had confided in a chat with his wife that she knew her husband had been running around with other women. Grees said Trulock, outside the presence of the jury, John Sweet, Jr., 25, testified Irene had danced with him at the Wauchula Elks Club after the murder and her actions were not appropriate for a grieving widow.

The son also testified that Mrs. Maxey took him aside and told him about her husband's sexual inadequacies and that, sitting beside her in the back seat on the way home, she had placed his hand and placed it on her breast.

Harry Lee Testifies

Attorney Harry Lee, former county prosecutor and Irene Maxey attorney, testified Wednesday and disputed Mrs. Maxey's story that he was John Sweet's attorney, not hers.

He said he was hired by Irene Maxey immediately after her husband's death to represent her individually and to be attorney for the estate. He said that shortly after the funeral Irene called and said she had some questions to ask about her husband's will. She had the will at Sweet's apartment. Lee said no mention was made of any gloves or wiping anything off.

Lee said Mrs. Maxey was apprehensive about Maxey's brother coming to Florida, as he had threatened to kill Sweet.

Trulock said he showed Sweet photos of suspects, but Sweet did not identify them. Among these were Andrew Von Etter and William Kelly, placed in Florida the day Maxey was killed. Etter was found dead February 1. Kelly is still in Boston and has not been subpoenaed because his lawyers will not let him talk.

There also was a picture of Walter Bennett, missing since April. Trulock quoted Sweet as saying he once ran a gambling game with Bennett, they had been arrested together, that Bennett once owed him money and set him up as a bookie in Boston instead of paying off in cash. The bookie business did not pay, he was quoted.

A second meeting was held in the Elks Club in Lakeland last August 3, Trulock said Sweet said he had not changed his mind, Trulock testified, but wanted to know more about procedures for pleading guilty and what the penalties were for lesser charges.

Under questioning by defense attorney James McEwen, Trulock conceded that Mrs. Maxey was simply first in line with a chance to get immunity in the murder investigation Had she not agreed to turn state's evidence in return for immunity, the offer might eventually have got ten around to Sweet, Trulock said. But, he added, another witness would have received the offer after Mrs. Maxcy and before Sweet.

The mystery of calls to Boston about a yellow convertible, brought up in testimony by Mrs. Walter Bennett, was cleared up when Agent Norman Desilets said he came to town in a yellow-colored hardtop car with Massachusetts license plates, such as the killers were thought to have used. He succeeded, he said, in drawing Sweet's attention to the car and getting him to follow it to the Bair's Den. They went inside for coffee. Sweet was told Walter Bennett was missing. Said Desilets:

"He said if I saw Walt to say everything's all right down here. I said if you see Walt, tell him to call home. He said to get those Massachusetts license plates out of town—they're hot and the place is full of cops."

Desilets said he called Sweet several times and told him "there's a paper out on you up there," which in underworld jargon meant a contract for his murder.

Seven $100 bills from a $25,000 check cashed by Irene Maxcy wound up in the hands of John J. Sweet, according to employes of First National Bank of Sebring. Before the money was passed out, bank president Rex Bond recorded the serial number of each bill. Four days later, the officials said, Sweet began to pay off a $700 loan. He paid with seven $100 bills and Bond said "they matched seven on the list."

Monday's final witness was Tuesday Baddock of Sebring. Mrs. Maxcy's bodyguard, who testified of a two-week trip to Las Vegas with Mrs. Maxcy paying the bills, as well as trips to other Florida cities. He said he never had had to act in her defense.

John Sweet's handling of Irene Maxcy's business affairs did not please her, she testified at Sweet's murder trial.

"I wanted Von's brother, Jimmy, to run the business. Sweet would not let me," she said. "Everything I went, John J. Sweet went. He offered to help me with the business.

"Mr. Sweet caused me to lose money," she said and explained that in two real estate deals "they did not give as much as Von gave" for the property.

A tract of 17 acres at South gate on Route 27 was sold for $20,000 cash to Mr. and Mrs. Russell Francis and a six acre tract to Carey Carlton for $6,000.

The widow said she felt the land in both cases was worth much more.

"Mr. John J. Sweet asked me to sign it."

Then there was a contract for sale to J. B. Hall.

"Was there something wrong with that deal?"

"Yes there was," said Irene, "but John Sweet told me to keep my mouth shut. Harry Lee drew the papers. He was not my lawyer. He was John Sweet's lawyer."

"You did this because you were frightened?" asked Defense Counsel McEwen.

"Absolutely," retorted. "Lee never came into our home until John J. Sweet brought him into our home."

She said she felt the land sold to Francis, which now is a trailer subdivision, was worth twice what she got for it.

"Harry Lee got $600. He was taking anything for cash," she said. The deal with Hall, she said, was a contract for $155,000 for 320 acres "and the ranch where I live."

She said her late husband "owed a lot of money so I do not know what he left me."

As to Von's will—she gave it to the Carltons for overnight keeping—"I was afraid Mr. Sweet might get it and have copies made. Lee came the next morning and got it."

Former Mayor Of Auburndale On Maxcy Jury

Three women and 11 men make up the jury which will decide John J. Sweet's fate in his first degree murder trial for the death of Charles VonCannon Maxcy.

Two of them are alternates and will be called only in the event one or more of the 12 jurors has to be excused.

Probably the best known of the group is the smallest about five feet one inch there—Jackie Turner, an architect and former mayor of Auburndale.

The woman alternate juror is Mrs. Patricia A. Pickens, a secretary for Florida Tile Co. in Lakeland. The other alternate is a man, Laurence E. Smith, a chemical company employe, of Bowling Green.

The three women on the jury proper are Ethel Cornell, Winter Haven bookkeeper, Frances Yelding a Lakeland medical receptionist, and Helen Kemp, a Lakeland widow.

The men are Carl Revell, Bartow a chemical worker; Larry Rice, Auburndale a welder; Carl Randolph, Winter Haven, an auto parts store man; Donnelly Long, of Lakeland, Dock O'Vaughn, Bartow chemical company worker; John Glenn, Haines City car company worker; Robert L. Wilson, Lakeland produce buyer, and C. Robert Walker, manager of the TV department in the Lakeland Montgomery Ward store.

Commissioners

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mitted to the county commission.

Commissioner Cecil Skipper capped some bitter mutterings about "a Legislature that won't enact new taxes to pay for the laws it passes," suggested that the county send out 1100 questionnaires to cover the requirements for the January jury box filling.

"We'll have to make do this year and then consider what to do the next time we prepare a budget," Skipper said, and the other commissioners agreed.

Plans for Highway 27

A team from the State Road Department and representatives from state and county soil conservation groups met with the county commissioners Tuesday to review plans for the four-laning of US 27.

Ed Cochran, who served as spokesman for the State Road Department, said new safety regulations will require some modification of the plans on 27 and in a few places, additional right-of-way.

When Cochran said that the four laning work should be underway by July, Commissioner Jean Whitaker protested that earlier state reports had given January date, and Cochran said some contracts may be bid in the first month of 1968 but right-of-way aquisition is always time consuming.

Most of the 27 review time went into a study of alternatives for the crossing of Josephine Creek by US 27. Bob Barben, chairman of the soil conservation board, pointed out that while the crossing at present is only involved in a portion of the Upper Josephine-Jackson Watershed Project, it may eventually become a part of the West Chain of Lakes improvement.

"We need to plan with many years in mind, and the structures which will best serve both the present and future," Barben said.

The alternatives presented by the highway planners ranged from $127,000 to $217,000 in price. The highway crosses Josephine Creek seven to eight miles South of Sebring.

Other Business

In other business Tuesday the commissioners said they would take under advisement an application for supervisor of motor vehicle inspection. The commissioners said they still have not decided whether to apply for the exclusive franchise for the required semi-annual inspections.

Received a letter from the State Road Department promising prompt attention to the erection of blinker lights at the railroad crossing on State Road 17 East of the Triangle Drive-In. The state also requested additional letters from the county asking for erection of lights at the railroad crossings on Highlands Avenue and North of De Soto City.

At the request of the county's insurance company called a safety meeting which all county road and bridge employes are required to attend. The meeting is set for 7 A.M. on Monday, Nov. 13, at the courthouse annex.

Authorized the Civil Defense Director to purchase a screen and projector table at a cost of $67.90.

Accepted the canvassing board report on the local option election.

Gave conditional approval to a plat of section three of Sebring Country Estates.

Placed Lowe and Lykes, Pine Ridge Dairy, Boot Hill and the road priority list for clearing, grading and marl base, and Lake Josephine Drive for resurfacing.

Did You Know

by Sgt. Joe Keene

Effective Oct. 1, 1967, Florida drivers of motor vehicles may make a right turn on a red signal unless municipal or county authorities expressly prohibit such turns with a sign erected at the intersection giving notice of the prohibition. The same provision is also contained for turning left from a one-way street into another one-way street.

RAILROAD CROSSINGS

Effective Sept. 13, 1967, Florida's blocking crossings at night that are not equipped with automatic warning devices will have to be illuminated. Crews will be required to place fusee or warning devices on each side of the train. Violation of the act is a misdemeanor.

Football—

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43-yard line and Devil lineman John Alwood fell on the ball. Avon Park moved to the Naples 29-yard mark as the half ended.

After an exciting halftime show featuring both the Avon Park and the Naples marching bands, the Red Devils came out, took the kick-off, and marched 70 yards for their third touchdown. Lemler picked up 16 yards on a keeper of the ball and picked it up like dribbling a basketball along during the run. Seigler added a 22 yard gain and then the Devils just ground out the yardage in short spurts to the Naples six.

Montsdeoca started around right end on the quarterback option and lateraled off to Seigler just as he was hit. Willie Joe took the ball in and trotted on into the end zone for his second TD of the evening. Then the speedy halfback scooted around left end for the point after giving Avon Park a 19-0 lead.

Late in the third period Avon Park lost the ball on a fumble on the Naples forty. After two unsuccessful running plays that pushed the Eagles back to their own thirty, quarterback Tom Bell connected with his fleet-footed, halfback Cleveland Winn for a 20-yard gain to Avon Park's 49-yard line and on the next play hit him again with a long pass as he broke into the clear behind the Eagle secondary. Winn raced the final twenty yards untouched into the end zone for the six points and Phill Saad kicked the point after.

The Red Devils were unable to move for a first down on the next offensive series and a long return of a short punt gave the Eagles the ball position early in the fourth quarter on the Avon Park 40-yard line. A couple of pass completions moved the ball to Avon Park's 20-yard line but then the Devil defense held for four downs and the offense took over only to fumble three plays later and give the Eagles a second shot at a score.

This time it took just one play — a 22-yard pass from Bell to Tom Threlkeld who was wide open on the left sideline and Naples had a 19-13 comeback game going. The kick for the point after was no good but the Eagles were within winning distance with plenty of time left in the game.

Avon Park stayed on the ground trying to grind out the clock but at the Naples 48-yard line a fourth down attempt for a couple of feet was no good and the Eagles took over. Winn broke loose for one first down but then the Devil defense set the Eagles back as they caught Bell attempting to pass. Avon Park set Lemler deep on defense and the Eagles tried to pass for the score but two incompletions gave Avon Park the ball. Again the Devils couldn't move the ball but this time punted to the Eagle 20-yard line. A fine return by a Naples back was nullified with an Eagle clipping penalty putting the ball on the eighteen with little time left. The Devils defense held again and two final pass attempts were no good giving Avon Park the 19-13 victory.

STATISTICS

	Avon Park	Naples
First downs	16	11
Yds. rushing	276	69
Yds. passing	10	127
Passes	2-5	6-16
Passes Int. by	0	0
Punts, Avg.	3-34	3-35
Fumbles lost by	2	1
Yds. Penalized	25	15

MASONS TO MEET

Royal Arch Masons, Highlands Chapter No. 42, convocation will be held at 8 P.M. Tuesday, Nov. 14 at Avon Park Masonic Temple. Visitors are welcome.

Major Rhodes Transfers To Vietnam

Major Hugh H. Rhodes has been recently transferred to Ninh Hoa, Viet Nam, for his second tour of duty there.

His wife, Celia, and son, Kyle, are living in Avon Park during his absence. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Rhodes of Bellefountaine, Ohio.

On his last tour he was awarded the Bronze Star Medal, the Air Medal with seven oak leaf clusters, and other campaign medals.

Major Rhodes, helicopter maintenance officer, is serving with 390th Transportation Detachment, which is under 268th Combat Aviation Battalion.

Mrs. Rhodes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Norris, is presently substituting in the Avon Elementary School.

Rhodes graduated from Florida State University and was employed with the Division of Corrections before he was called up with the Reserves during the Berlin crisis in 1961.

Civil Service Examinations Scheduled

The Interagency Board of U.S. Civil Service Examiners for Florida located at 123 South Court Avenue, Orlando, Florida has issued the following examination announcement to fill positions throughout the State of Florida with the exception of 10 counties in Northwest Florida.

Sales Store Checker, GS-2 and GS-3, ($3925 - $4269 per year).

Information regarding qualifications and how to apply may be obtained from Examiner in charge, Gladys H. Smith, Post Office, Avon Park, Fla. 33025.

Applications will be accepted until further notice, and should be sent to the Interagency Board of U.S. Civil Service Examiners for Florida, 123 South Court Avenue, Orlando, Fla. 32801.

L. B. Matthews Appointed To FARP Position

L. B. Matthews of Winter Park, retired U.S. Air Force colonel, has been appointed regional field representative for Florida Alcoholic Rehabilitation Program's east-central district, effective Nov. 15.

Matthews, who will be based at FARP's out-patient clinic in Orlando, will serve Marion, Volusia, Orange, Seminole, Lake, Sumter, Polk, Osceola, Brevard, Indian River, Okeechobee, Highlands, Glades, Hardee, and DeSoto counties.

FARP's division of community services, under whose auspices Matthews will work, is directed by S. George Clarke. Matthews will be assigned to developing community action on alcoholism, coordinating on-the-spot work with the assistance of FARP staff members, cooperating closely with state and county educational systems, and conducting and participating in seminars for professional persons and other key leaders.

Citrus Growers Hear Dr. Smith Tuesday

Citrus growers from around Highlands County met at Sebring last Tuesday evening to hear Dr. Paul Smith from the USDA, ARS in Orlando talk on "A minimum Citrus Fertilizer Program." The meeting was the fourth in a series of classes in the Fall Highlands County Citrus School being held at the Woodlawn Elementary School.

Dr. Smith brought out that fertilization for a long time was a major operating expense in a citrus grove. Today it is loosing its high rank to other cultural practices, taxes, etc. Many economies have been made in citrus fertilization. Dr. Smith felt that if fertilization is the major cost in a grove then the grower is over fertilizing.

Dr. Smith defined the nutrient requirements of a citrus tree and bound this together in a sound fertilizer program. The fertilizer program he described may have sounded radical to many growers who have in past years been guilty of over feeding his grove. Dr. Smith went even further to describe a "thrifty" fertilizer program for use during low price return years, he even made some suggestions for coasting as a last resort in times of low revenue.

There will not be a session of the Highlands County Fall Citrus School on Tuesday, Nov. 7, 1967 due to the Florida State Horticultural Society Meeting in Miami that week. The next meeting will be Tuesday, Nov. 14, 1967 when Dr. F. W. Williams, Research Economist for the Florida Citrus Commission will speak on the Orange Futures Market After One Year.

The school is sponsored by the Highlands County Citrus Advisory Committee, and is being held on Tuesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. at the Woodlawn Elementary School Cafetorium in Sebring. Any interested person is invited to attend.

Censuses Will Be Taken At 5 Yr. Intervals

The next group of censuses of major portions of the nation's economic activities will be taken early next year covering calendar 1967 according to the U.S. Department of Commerce's Bureau of the Census.

These censuses, scheduled to be taken at 5-year intervals, were planned to cover 1968 but were moved by Act of Congress to the years ending in "2" and "7", to distribute the Census Bureau's workload more evenly over the periods between the population censuses which are conducted every 10 years in the years ending in "0".

A large segment of the nation's economic activity, the construction industry, will be added to the 1967 Census of Business. The Census Bureau has been collecting data on housing starts and certain other construction activities but this is the first time since 1939 that a broad series of questions will be asked of firms in this industry.

Also added to the '67 Censuses will be questions for architects, engineers, and lawyers. Those groups were included at the request of their professional or trade associations. Likewise the nation's travel agencies will be requested to report on their business activities.

As in the past censuses all firms will be asked to report on number of employees, payrolls and value of sales or of shipments on an establishment basis.

Retail firms again will be asked to report on sales of merchandise lines and on a new item—"total under-roof floor space and total selling space."

The questionnaires to be sent out early next year will bear a return date of April 30, two months later than in the 1963 censuses. The Census Bureau is hopeful that the additional time allocated will result in more accurate returns and a virtual elimination of late returns. It is planned to start the flow of published reports late in 1968.

CHUCK'S CAR MART

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4 dr. V-8 automatic P.S., P.B., R & H, Air	
66 Ford Custom	$1895.00
4 dr. H.T., V-8, P.B., P.S., R & H	
64 Chevrolet Impala	$1495.00
500 V-8, 4 dr., P. S., P. B., R & H, Air	
62 Ford Galaxie	$ 795.00
9 pass wagon, V-8, P.S., P.B., R & H	
64 Chevrolet Impala	$1550.00
4 dr., V-8, P.S., P.B., R & H, Air	
63 Chevrolet Belair	$ 995.00
2 dr., st. trans., V-8, R & H, Air	
65 Chevrolet Biscayne	$1595.00
62 Fiat 4 dr.	$ 450.00

KIWANIS CLUB President Aden Childress is shown receiving the three year attendance pin from Harold Nute Saturday night at the Ladies Night banquet. — (Sun photo)

Magician Is Featured At Kiwanis Club

The Kiwanis Club held their annual Ladies Night Banquet Saturday Nov. 4, at Griffins Restaurant, with President Aden Childress giving the welcome.

After dinner attendance award pins were given to Joe Ward, 1 year with perfect attendance, Shorty Bouis, Tom Hallam, Charlie Williams, 2 years, Aden Childress 3 years, George Haynie, James Ivey Paul McFarland, Paul Zuck, 4 years, Henry Caffee, C. S. Crotty, Don Eastman, Ted Ward, Harold Nute 5 years, Roy Kirby 11 years.

Special recognition to Club Pianist, Mrs. Edna Jackson who has missed only one meeting since 1962.

Orbra Mathews, magician from Sebring with his right ear pierced, gave an interesting show for the Kiwanians, wives and guests.

Officers for the coming year James Ivey, President; Will Beumel 1st Vice Pres.; Ronald Burton, 2nd Vice Pres.; Harold Nute, Secretary and Milton Bishop, Treasurer.

Homemakers Hold Meeting

The Avon Park Future Homemakers of America meeting was held Tuesday October 31, at 7:30 p.m.

Delegates were chosen to vote at the District VII meeting in Lakeland on Saturday, Nov. 4. Delegates chosen were Celia Albritton and Nina Cini.

A committee was formed to make name tags for all members of this chapter planning to attend the meeting.

Members voted to give a $5 check to the F.H.A. scholarship fund. All members are eligible for this scholarship and so far at least two members from Avon Park have received it.

The initiation of all new members will be held Tuesday, Nov. 7. This initiation is always fun — at least for the old members who can still remember what they had to go through when they were initiated.

Part of the initiation will take place at school with the participants wearing long skirts with a blouse that doesn't match and carrying a pot around all day. But this is just a sample of their unusual appearance.

At Lake Byrd Conference Center they will have the pleasure of performing stunts that have been made up especially for them by the older members.

Administration Courses Offered

Anticipating the requirement of federal licensing of nursing home operators, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, will offer the first of a series of courses in nursing home administration in early December.

Subsequent courses are scheduled to follow the December program at FAU which will provide more advanced training in all phases of nursing home operation. The complete series will comprise six one-week courses over a period of two years. Participants who satisfactorily complete the series will be awarded a certificate of completion from the University.

The first course will be limited to 20 nursing home operators on a first-come-first-serve basis.

FHA District Meeting Held In Lakeland

Saturday, Nov. 4, the Avon Park Chapter of FHA attended a District VII meeting in Lakeland, at the beautiful Florida Southern College in the Branscomb auditorium. The two out of three national projects which were emphasized on the program were:

1. Good family relations through communications.

2. Morals and manners matter.

Thirty-three chapter members from Avon Park attended this meeting. They were: Sandra Dorsey, Landa Bennett, Chada Sanders, Gladys Ousky, Linda Kicks, Sarah McClure, Nelda Watson, Carolyn Runner, Nickie Runner, Sarah Turnbull, Nina Cini, Cecila Albritton, Felecia Allen, Lela Smith, Becky Tomek, Barbara Rewis, Ina Myers, Carol Field, Betty Sparks, Carol Kinsey, Jean Lamar, Nanneal White, Catherine Lewis, Sue Ayerst, Janie Barben, Bonnie Rowland, Cynthia Sims, Freda Light, Theresa Wade, Sherri Kelly, Lee Barker, Nancy Thomas, Toni Gibson.

Mrs. Charles Moseley, FHA advisor and Mrs. Joe Kinsey a junior chapter mother were chaperones.

Nancy Coleman Is Home

Nancy Coleman, daughter of Dr. H. W. Coleman, is home after spending over two years in Europe.

She graduated from Avon Park High School in 1962 and then attended Jones Business College in Jacksonville for a year. Her first job was as Medical Secretary at J. Hillis Miller Hospital in Gainesville. She was there for two years following which she accepted a position in New York City with Fieldcrest.

She was then transferred to the London office of Sperry & Hutcheson Co. in September 1965. Next she accepted a position with the United Nations in Geneva, Switzerland. In July 1967 she was transferred to their Vienna office.

While in Europe, Miss Coleman travelled extensively.

She is now home for a while and then plans to work for the United Nations in New York City.

Girl Scouts Will Hold Christmas Sing

A Christmas Sing during the Christmas season will be held by the Girl Scouts of Avon Park, it was decided at a meeting Monday morning.

The Jacaranda Neighborhood of the Heart of Florida Girl Scout Council met at the home of Mrs. Robert Barben, Neighborhood Chairman. A full 1968 Calendar of events for the Girl Scouts in the Avon Park area was approved. The inter-troop Christmas Sing is scheduled in the Mall, date to be announced later.

Four Girl Scout adults from Avon Park, have registered for the American Camperaft course being offered to campfire and girl scout leaders at Camp Kegan, Dundee, Fla. Those registered for the four day course are Mrs. Robert Barben, Mrs. Welch Fisher, Mrs. Carson Culbreth, Mrs. Mervin Behrer.

The Girl Scout organizer Mrs. Kenneth Filppula, announced that any girl wishing to become a Girl Scout should contact her.

Duck Wings Needed For Survey

The Florida Duck (commonly known as Florida Mallard or Summer Mallard) is a significant part of the hunter's bag in our state. It has been estimated to comprise up to 45 percent of the early season kill in many south Florida areas; and yet we may be underharvesting the "crop" for it is impossible to tell just what effect hunting is having on the population without a thorough wing survey.

We need wings from Florida Ducks killed this season. From a wing we can tell whether the bird was hatched this past summer or was an adult bird. The ratio of young to adult birds tells us how good a "crop" of birds was produced. Wings returned by hunters also help us estimate the total Florida Duck kill. This information is necessary to manage our Florida Duck population so that we can harvest the crop without reducing our "seedstock."

We cannot carry out our study without the help of duck hunters. If you are willing to send us a wing from each Florida Duck you shoot this season, please notify us by November 15 at the following address: Florida Game & Fresh Water Fish Commission, Wildlife Research Projects, Suite 21, 412 N. E. 16th Avenue, Gainesville, Florida 32601. We will send instructions and postage-paid wing envelopes to you in time for the November 23 season opening.

PTA Conference To Be Held November 10

November 10 has been designated as Parent Teacher Conference Day. Since there will be no classes for the children, the teachers will be free to see the parents during the entire day.

Parents are urged to confer with the teachers in the Avon Park High School from 8:00 to 11:30 a.m and from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Parents are requested to register in the Main Hall of the High School building. The future teachers of America (FTA) will handle the registrations and direct the parents to the various rooms.

The following schedule is to be observed at the Elementary School, in order the parents will have sufficient time with each teacher. All parents whose last name begins with:

XYZ 8:30 - 9:30; ABCD 9:30 - 10:30; EFGH 10:30 - 11:30; IJKL 11:30 - 12:15; Lunch hour 12:15 - 1:15; MNOP 1:15 - 2:15; QRST 2:15 - 3:15; UVW 3:15 - 4:00

If it is impossible for you to confer with the teacher at your designated hour, please contact the teacher for another appointment. To avoid interruption during conferences, please go by the office before going to the classroom, and register.

The parent-teacher conference should help the parent to understand the type work his child is doing as well as the rate of progress he is making. The parent should be able to aid the teacher in a better understanding of the child and his need.

Hopewell School will observe parent-teacher conference day Friday and are expecting parents from 8 to 12 a.m. and 1 to 3:30 p.m. Parents are urged to meet with the teachers between these hours.

Rotary Report

Mr. Harvey Jackson from South Florida Junior College was our guest speaker Wednesday, November 1. Mr. Jackson gave a most interesting talk entitled "The Church in American Politics, Where Does it Stand?"

Mr. Jackson emphasized that his discussion was in regards to the topic "Where Does the Church stand, and not Where Should the Church Stand in American Politics. He discussed the historical role of the church in politics from the days of the American Revolution which was followed by the question of slavery in the 1840's, the Church fighting politically against child labor, sweat shops, low wages and the like in the 1900's, then in conjunction with the Populist movement of that time and then prohibition. In recent years, beginning with 1954, Mr. Jackson discussed the involvement of the Church in problems of desegregation and race relations, demonstrations, etc. which has most caused the split in the division of organized religion in America, the "Old Church" or simply the "Church" and the new church now called the "Church Militant". He stated that those members of the Church who defend the "Militant" wing say that the Church has too long refused to face the political and social evils of our nation in more than a token manner. On the other hand, those opposed to clergy participation in the demonstrations point out that if those members of the "Church Militant" acted as individuals and did not call to attention the fact that they are clergy it would be all right but as it is now, they give the appearance that the whole church approves when in reality it doesn't. Now the Church and the leaders of it are undecided as to what action should be taken by the Church and the central governing bodies of the various churches are reluctant to take any stand, this being often as disturbing as the protests themselves. Although the church leaders are undecided, public opinion has evidently become polarized in opposition to clergy taking part in demonstrations, he said.

In conclusion Mr. Jackson stated that the power and influence of organized religion is considerable and how it is to be used may become one of the pressing domestic issues of this decade.

Reported by David Lanier

New Committee Will Administer Farm Program

This is the new Highlands County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation ASC Committee, which will be responsible for administering farm-action programs in the county for the next year. The members are:

Malcolm C. Waters, chairman, Sebring. R. B. Oxer, vice chairman, Lake Placid, and Wilbur H. Durrance, regular member, Lake Placid.

The terms office for county committeemen are on a three-year basis, with one new member normally being elected each year. The situation varies, however, according to the number of actual vacancies on the committee. In addition, federal funds, and second alternates are elected for one year each.

Mr Watters is serving his last year of a three-year term. Mr. Durrance is serving his second year, and Mr. Oxer was elected this year. The newly elected alternates are L. C. Smith of Sebring, and M. E. Stephens, III, of Sebring.

The ASC farmer-committee system is unique. No other group of citizens has so direct a voice in developing and running government programs. Farmers eligible to take part in programs administered by the committee, in turn elect the county committee.

The county committee is in actual charge of administering the program locally, including the hiring of fieldmen, federal funds, and are particularly responsible for keeping their neighbors informed about the programs available.

The elected committees are not federal office holders. Congress holds the Department of Agriculture responsible, and the Department in turn relies on the judgment and leadership of the locally elected farmers and the county office employees.

The county office serves as the headquarters for farmer business connected with program participation.

For all its immense size and awesome appearance, the giant manta ray is actually an inoffensive creature which feeds only on plankton, the small drifting and swimming life of the sea, state Marineland of Florida scientists. Giant mantas have been known to attain a span of over 20 feet and a weight approaching two tons.

The Library Corner

Pay the Doctor—Elizabeth Seifert. Elizabeth Seifert is the author of a long list of Doctor books of which young Doctor Galahad was the winner of a $10,000 prize. Her latest book, Pay the Doctor, is the story of young Dr. Aaron Battle who marries Laurie Goode at the end of his internship. He is determined to begin practicing medicine so that he and Laurie may have a normal married life and family. Because Aaron is especially gifted in and sensitive to human relationships as well as showing marked skills in surgery, he is persuaded by the head of the surgical staff of the large University Hospital and his fellow doctors and interns and finally by Laurie to accept a residency. Although he has not applied for this residency, he has really yearned for it perhaps even subconsciously. Aaron and Laurie both know it involves sacrifice for both of them. Neither of them realized the extent of the cost nor the scars it would produce.

Here is an eye-opening story about the low pay and long hours of residents and interns in our hospitals today and of the problems this system brings to a young doctor and his wife. It takes real dedication for them both.

PTA Will Meet November 16

Avon Elementary PTA will hold a meeting Thursday, Nov. 16, 1967 at 7:45 in the cafetorium.

Mrs. Jamie Edge, speaker on topic "Library Training in the Elementary School" will emphasize on the visual aids to help the class rooms instructional more meaningful.

A film "Discover the Library", will be shown, then a tour of the library will follow to show the parents the material that each student has a chance to use.

Raymond Lilley Promoted to Sgt.

A1C Raymond Lilley, son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Arlie King who has been stationed at Cannon A.F.B., New Mexico was promoted to the rank of Sergeant, Nov. 1, 1967. Sgt. Lilly re-enlisted in the Air Force Dec. 4, 1966.

Sgt. Lilley and his wife (Kathy King of Avon Park) have been stationed at Clovis, New Mexico since January of this year.

A bridge over the Missouri River near Decatur, Neb., was built over dry land, a few years ago. Then, the river was routed under it—and the project saved many thousands of dollars.

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WOMEN'S SECTION

Miss Susan Clayton Gentry Wed To David M. Rowlson

Miss Susan Clayton Gentry, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Gentry of Avon Park became the bride of David Marvin Rowlson, Saturday afternoon at 4:00 p.m. in the First Methodist Church. The Rev. A. G. Hardee performed the double ring ceremony.

Mr. Rowlson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Rowlson of Sebring.

The Church Chancel was arranged with five large palm balls, white kneeling bench and two large baskets of yellow glads, yellow and bronze mums tallow satin bows. White bows marked the relative pews. Two nine branched gold candelabra held white tapers for the candle light ceremony.

Miss Lawrence Clayton, aunt of the bride served as soloist accompanied by the organist Mrs. A. G. Hardee. Before the ceremony she sang "Oh Promise Me" and "Because" and the "Wedding Prayer" during the ceremony.

The bride given in marriage by her father, was gowned in short white organza de soie dress, A line skirt, over all Alencon lace and fitted lace bodice, with round neckline, three quarter sleeves, white accessories. Her short detachable train was edged in matching lace motifs. Her shoulder length silk illusion veil was held in place by a crown of pearls and sequins. She carried a bouquet of Stephanotis, centered with a white orchid arranged on a white bible.

Her attendants were Sandra Dixon as Maid of Honor, Bobbin Padelford, bridesmaid, junior bridesmaids, Patsy Gentry, sister of the bride, Robin Clayton, and Susan Clayton, cousins of the bride. All were gowned identical in short street length dresses of buttercup gold loose flowing lace over cotton organza sheath and matching accessories. Their tiny veils were held in place by tiny crowns, material matching the dress.

They all carried matching arrangements of large bronze dahlia, fashioned southern with gold satin ribbons.

Two tiny flower girls wearing short white dresses like the attendants, wearing gold daisies in their hair, spread red rose petals in the path of the bride. They were Penny Padelford and Kim McKenzie. Ring bearers, Troy Gentry, brother of the bride and Larry Clayton, cousin of the bride carried the rings on satin covered crosses, edged with lace.

Ushers Dean Rowlson, twin brother of the groom and Donnie Gentry, brother of the bride, seated the 100 guests and relatives.

Mr. Wayne Gourley of Sebring served the groom as best man.

The brides mother chose an ensemble of light blue bonded crepe, empire bodice and matching coat and navy blue accessories. Her corsage was white carnations.

Groom's mother was gowned in a yellow crepe skimmer dress white accessories and wore a white carnation corsage.

The bride wore a butterscotch gold suit, brown accessories, and the white orchid lifted from the bridal bouquet for their wedding trip to South Florida.

The bridal couple will make their home at 1223 Palm Terrace, Jacksonville. From where the groom is employed as manager of the Crown Aluminum warehouse. He is a graduate of Sebring High School and attended South Florida Junior College and is a member of the National Guard.

The bride, a graduate of Avon Park High School was formerly employed as cashier at Touchton Drug Store.

RECEPTION

The reception was held in Wesley Hall of the First Methodist Church following the ceremony. The four tiered cake topped with a bride and groom was centered on a white lace edged cloth, pleated pleats falling to the floor. It was flanked on both sides with two sets of crystal candelabra, holding yellow tapers, yellow mums and fern. Punch was served from a table covered with white daisy dotted white cloth which held the crystal punch service, surrounded by the bridesmaids bouquets, and two sets of twin branched gold candelabra filled with yellow mums. Nuts and mints were served with the cake and punch.

Guest book was placed on a round table covered with a floor length lace trimmed cloth and held a bud vase of a single yellow mum.

Mrs. Billy Dixon presided the guests to the receiving line. Hostesses were Mrs. Lois Hooper and Mrs. Sybil Padelford. Assisting were Mary Lou Stewart, Gail Chestnutt, Lisbeth Liles, Linda Wesby and Beverly Turner.

Out of town guests were: Mrs. O. M. Gentry, Rockingham, N.C.; Mrs. Geneva Clayton, Jacksonville, grandmother of the bride, Mrs. Neil Puryear, Mr. Cecil Gentry, and Mr. and Mrs. Buster Wrenn all of Rockingham, N.C.; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cobb, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Moman all of Dave, Fla.; Mr. and Mrs. Forest Adams and Mr. and Mrs. Sid Lee, Jr. from Jacksonville and Mrs. W. O. Long Jr. from Burlington, N.C.

Christmas Cheer Appeal For Needy Families

Christmas Cheer, Inc. a community organization appeals to individuals, Churches, Civic, Fraternal and social groups to send in names of families in Avon Park who need help to bring happiness to their children at Christmas time.

Please give the children's names, sex and age. Send the information to Mrs. Rena K. Smith, P.O. Box 781, by December 1.

This agency's responsibility is for the children, families without children do not qualify.

Measles Vaccine Helps Prevent Retardation

Mr. Thomas Johnson, President, Ridge Area Association for Retarded Children, announced today the appreciation of the Association for the leadership taken by the Junior Women's Clubs of Highlands County and the practicing physicians who are participating in the measles immunization program Sunday, November 12 between 1 and 4 p.m. at points throughout the county.

Measles, long considered a "harmless" childhood disease are now known to be a very serious illness which can kill or leave lifelong aftereffects. Four million children get measles annually in the United States. Five hundred die each year from complications of measles, such as measles encephalitis and measles pneumonia. Measles pneumonia is responsible for most of the infant deaths from measles. Of those who develop measles encephalitis, about 1600 become mentally retarded. New vaccines are available today to control the highly contagious measles infection.

We congratulate the Junior Women's Club of Avon Park for spearheading the drive for county wide measles immunization said Mr. Johnson. "We strongly urge all parents with children ages 12-and younger to take advantage of the opportunity to vaccinate their children against measles on Sunday, Nov. 12 between one and three p.m. Doctors will be at Avon Elementary School and Hopewell School in Avon Park to administer the vaccine."

Sebring Elks Friday Bingo

One hundred thirty-five members and friends participated in the regular Friday Night Bingo, with 26 cash prize winners for a total of $252.00.

Come join the Bingo group, proceeds of the game is used for charity.

Schedule of events at the Lodge, Nov. 15, regular meeting preceeded by a covered dish dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Initiation of new members and a visit of Hon. Bedford Prescott, DDGER SW. Nov. 18 a teenage dance. Nov. 25, ladies of the Elks will hold an Elks dessert card party, starting at 1 p.m. There will be a door prize and a prize for each table. Tickets are $1.00 per person.

Avon Personals

By Happy Strom

Mr. and Mrs. T. Ed Elethorp from Mineola, Long Island have returned to their home at 706 Oak Lane, where they will spend the winter months.

Mrs. Carolyn Sherwood from Zephyrhills will spend the winter months with them.

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Mrs. T. Hayes Maxwell spent the major part of last week with her son and family, Thomas H. Maxwell in Hollywood, Fla.

The main reason for the visit was to attend the two night production of the Annual Red Stocking Follies, sponsored by the Jr. Woman's Club. She reports the show was excellent and the club received net proceeds of over $4000. It was given for the Mentally Retarded Children's Home in Dade County.

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Mr. and Mrs. Henry Retter have returned to their winter home in Avon Park after spending the summer in Blissfield, Mich.

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Mr. Floyd Oldham has returned to his home in Avon Park after spending some time in Indianapolis, Ind.

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Mr. and Mrs. John Williams, winter guests of many years in Avon Park, were enroute from their home in Three Oaks, Mich, when Mrs. Williams became suddenly ill and it was necessary for them to return to Laporte, Ind., where she entered the hospital for surgery. Her friends are anxiously awaiting word from them as to her condition.

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Garvin Elkhill recently enlisted in the Navy, is now stationed at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station in Chicago, Ill.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Partridge who spend their summers in Roxbury, Vt., are now in their winter home in Lake Wales.

They were guests of Mrs. Toni Elkhill last Sunday.

Roy Taylor who has spent the past thirteen weeks in traction at Walker Memorial Hospital, due to a fall from the roof of a barn, is now at his home, the Southernaire Motel.

He is still confined to his bed in traction and a complete cast on his body. He will remain this way for the next four to six weeks.

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Mr. and Mrs. Arlin King drove to Erskine College at Due West, S.C. last week end to visit their daughter Arline. On Sunday they picked up Candi Flint and Jeanie Gruber and drove to Columbia, S.C. for the day.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Stevens, Allegan, Mich. have returned to their home in Avon Mobile Home Park. This will be their sixth winter in the Park.

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Mrs. Hubert Bussard, Mrs. Bertha Pabor and Mrs. Guy Decker attended the annual meeting of District 9 Federation of Garden Clubs in Fort Myers last Tuesday.

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Mrs. Cora Wray, 21 W. Charles St., has young plants of papaya trees, red powder puff, yellow elder now in bloom, which she will be glad to share with anyone who will plant them.

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Jess and Ada Parsons have returned from a two-week trip to Martinville, W. Virginia, where they were called by the sudden illness and death of Mrs. Parsons sister, Mrs. Ray Grimm.

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Spec. 4 Stanley Wilson flew into Tampa Tuesday from Viet Nam, where he has been assigned with the 18th Medical Corps. He was met at the airport by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Holley Wilson, 619 Rainbow, with whom he will spend his leave. He will leave December 5 for a new assignment, which he expects to be Camp Polk, La.

MRS. HENRY CARLETON, Florida State President of Woman's Clubs shown with Mrs. Edgar Smoot president of the local Woman's Club. Mrs. Carleton spoke at the regular meeting of the Club last Friday. She was honored with a luncheon preceeding the meeting. (Sun photo)

AP Grange 203 Hold Meeting

Avon Park Grange 203 met in regular session Thursday, Nov. 2, with Master Baudette Howard in the chair.

A motion was passed to send a donation to Christmas Cheer, Inc. of Avon Park. Officers were elected for 1968 and will be installed December 7.

The Grange Officer's Creed was read.

Refreshments were served by Mr. and Mrs. B. Howard and Mrs. W. H. Clarke.

The next meeting will be November 16 at 8:00 p.m.

Mrs. H. Carleton, State Woman's Club President Speaks at Meeting

A luncheon was held at Griffin's Restaurant Friday, Nov. 3, honoring Mrs. Henry Carleton, Florida state president, of the Federation of Woman's Clubs, preceeding the meeting of the Woman's Club at 2 p.m. in the clubhouse. Mrs. Carleton was presented a corsage.

Mrs. Edgar Smoot, president opened the business meeting with devotions given by Mrs. Samuel Norris who had as her theme "Gods Love and Care" taken from the 6th Chapter of St. Mathew 24 to 34 verse also Chapter 7, 7 and 8 verse.

Mrs. Otto Krieger introduced the guest speaker, Mrs. Carleton, who spoke on "Federation Frosting" and the three S's Study, Service, and Sociability as the cake, the frosting representing the conventions and programs and extras. She dwelt on the "Let" program sponsored by the club for law enforcement and training at the general convention in San Francisco she told of Art Linkletters speech at the Club where he said the young people have too much too early and too much too soon."

Mrs. George Walper favored the members with a solo in the spirit of November, "Bless This House" accompanied by Mrs. Edna Jackson. Mrs. Thelma Merrill introduced the new members. Members introduced their guests. Sixty members attended.

Mrs. Reisner gave a favor able report on the library telling of the increasing number of books that are being read especially by children.

A concert of local artists will be given at the Highlands School on November 11 at 8 p.m. for the public for the benefit of the library. A free will offering will be taken.

Mrs. Glenn Long revealed plans for the fashion show to be held in January, "The Wonderful World of Women" Mrs. Wilford Buemel reported on the recent thrift sale which net the club $152.32. Articles not sold were sent to the Arcadia Hospital.

Mrs. E. M. Westfall, president of the Woman's Club in Sebring reported that Mrs. John Arnold will teach about leadership at their club November 13, 9:30 a.m. for the nominal fee of 50c each for the course.

There will be a tour of homes Nov. 16, starting at 1:30 to 4 p.m. Maps will be given with the purchase of tickets from any member of the club for $1.00. Tea will be served at the club house.

Refreshments were served by the hostesses, Mrs. Thelma Merrill, Mrs. D. C. Hartwell, Mrs. Mervin Rehrer and Mrs. Art Turner, Jr.

Rhymes Surprised On Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Rhymes were honored with a surprise party celebrating their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary, Monday, November 6, 1967.

The party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Landress. There were many couples waiting at the Landress home when the couple was ushered in under false pretenses. They were led to believe they were having a quiet dinner at Griffin's Restaurant.

They received many beautiful gifts and best wishes for another twenty-five years of marriage.

The anniversary cake was covered with silver wedding bells and topped with a silver 25. Punch and coffee, nuts and mints were served with the cake.

A memory book containing many old and forgotten pictures of the couple was enjoyed by everyone.

Joy Susan O'Steen - Sol Moseley, Jr. Announce Wedding Plans

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. (Bill) O'Steen announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Joy Susan to Sol Youmans Moseley, Junior, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sol Y. Moseley, Sr.

Miss O'Steen is a graduate of Avon Park High School, Class of 1966, and has attended South Florida Junior College. She is presently employed at the Avon Park Correctional Institution.

Mr. Moseley is a graduate of Avon Park High School, Class of 1966, and he attended South Florida Junior College. He is presently employed with Bennett and Moseley Building Contractors of Avon Park.

No formal invitations are being sent in town but all relatives and friends are invited.

The wedding will be an event of February 17, 1968, at the First Methodist Church of Avon Park.

Notice

Avon Park Federation of Garden Clubs will hold a bake sale, Friday morning, Nov. 10 at the Kwik Chek, starting at 8:30.

Proceeds will be used for their building fund.

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Hibiscus Circle of the Federation of Garden Clubs will meet Nov. 9 at 2:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Otto Krieger, 511 E. Bell St. Mrs. W. B. Dick will be co-hostess. There will be a special program on roses, Tony Mitchell will be the speaker.

Mrs. Hubert Bussard has been appointed district chairman of Garden Therapy for District 9, by the District Director Mrs. Wm. McBride of Fort Myers.

The Club is very proud to have one of their members on the District Board. Mrs. Bussard is the first to receive this honor.

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Honored On Birthday

Mrs. Samuel Norris honored her husband with a birthday dinner on his birthday last Saturday evening.

Guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Lucius Greib, Mr. and Mrs. William Dunn, Mr. and Mrs. Merhl Routebush, Mrs. Mildred Sheaner, and Mrs. Lillian Hayes.

The traditional birthday cake provided the centerpiece for the table.

The evening was spent, just visiting.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Coburn Celebrate Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Ray O. Coburn celebrated their fifty fifth wedding anniversary Monday, Nov. 6, with open house at their home on Avocado St.

They were married November 6, 1912 in Morgantown, West Virginia and moved to Avon Park eight years ago from Gary, Ind. The parents of two children, now deceased, they had the pleasure of raising one grandson, James Hugus, who is now serving in Vietnam.

Their home was gaily decorated with red roses. Twenty-four of which were a gift from the WSCS of the First Methodist Church.

The refreshment table covered with a drawn-work white cloth was centered by an arrangement of pink and blue carnations. Punch was served from a crystal service with dainty pastries, party sandwiches, nuts and mints.

Mrs. John Bridges attended the guest book. Mrs. Clifford Smith, Mrs. Mary Curtis and Mrs. Nell Pixler served.

They received many cards and beautiful gifts from friends.

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