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THESE AVON PARK youngsters look all "fired" out, as they peer back into the camera's lens. Joey Franz, 3, and

Matthew Bozeman, 4, lead the parade, with Scott Walls, Heather Murdoch, Julie Scanlan, Sean Fitzgerald and others

bringing up the rear. The children are all daily visitors to the Gingerbread Man Day Care Center. (Sunphoto by Russ Dennis).

The Gingerbread Man

"We get to know our children and by doing so, we discover that each child has his own unique personality." That statement, said by John Osborne, sums up the quality of the treatment children

receive at the Gingerbread Man Day Care Center in Avon Park. Osborne, along with his wife, Diane, started the day care center in November of 1975.

"We decided that any business we undertook had to answer three criteria," Osborne explained, "we wanted to be in business for ourselves, we had to find something that Avon Park needed and it had to be something that we would enjoy doing and that the Lord could bless us in."

The Osbornes (or Uncle Johnny and Miss Diane, as the children call them) are dedicated, religious people. Although they are Seventh Day Adventists, Osborne stressed that while religion was a fundamental part of the Gingerbread Man, teaching established "church

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Plains, Georgia Is Like Many Small Towns

By LEW MILLER

In approaching Plains, Ga., it appears to be no different than other small South Georgia town, with its cotton, corn and peanut fields along U. S. 296. On the north side of the town a modest sign, states the town's name and that it is President Jimmy Carter's hometown. In the town, many of the fine old houses and more modern day homes appeared to have been painted recently. Lawns and yards, by their well kept appearances, show the pride of ownership and good care.

But a closed off street, with what a local resident called a bear cage (for a guard) and signs proclaiming, "No loitering," "No Stopping," and "No Turning," indicate that President Carter's home is somewhere up that street, hidden by numerous trees.

The real eye-opener comes near the southern side of the town, when Brother Billy Carter's filling station comes into view with its crowd of people and parked cars. There's a Country Store and gift shop plus other stopping places, all crowded with people during the noon hour.

Motorized tour trains with their three to five trailers move out from various starting locations for a trip through the town and by its various attractions. But at this time there is no blare of loudspeakers or other loud distracting noise, only the normal sounds of slowly moving traffic.

A local resident explained that most of the tourist attractions and concessions were owned and operated by local people. The Plains City Council had worked long and hard to make things fair and equal for all of the local residents. Many of the council meetings had been long and hotly argued with fights almost starting on several occasions, stated the local resident. As the local resident put it, "It was a fight between the 'haves' and the 'have-nots', with the 'haves' trying to

keep it all to themselves, which the city council did not go along with."

What about this local resident's part in the almost carnival like atmosphere of Plains, Ga.? Semi-retired, he had started a tour train using a mule and wagon, but it was too difficult to handle for him. About the middle to latter part of August his giant peanut shaped tour vehicles will make the fifth tour train in town.

The numbers of visitors to the town had fluctuated during the spring and early summer months, but the local resident thought this had been due to many of the northern schools staying in until late June as the schools had been closed during the cold weather in the winter months.

Tour buses also brought in large numbers of people, during the spring months. There had been times when 11 to 12 tour buses had been in Plains at the same time. These people had been mostly Senior Citizens and school children.

What about prices of novelties and souvenirs? As an example — an item made in New York was a miniature bur-lap peanut sack (4 by 6 inches) with a few words printed on it and containing a three-eighths inch thick by four inches in diameter cut of cedar wood. The price — \$4.95 plus tax.

Probably one of the most power conscious individuals in Plains was a man driving an official U. S. Post Office vehicle. He pulled out of a side street forcing another car to stop for him and then continued to the main street and without slowing down pulled onto the main street, again forcing a car to stop. The driver of the postal vehicle pulled into Brother Billy's filling station.

What kind of mail could be that important on a Saturday afternoon to endanger the lives of about half a dozen people and the possible damaging of two individual cars and a car owned by taxpayers? Especially when the local resident had reported that Brother Billy was out of town.

Without any envy in his voice the local resident told of a local nurseryman, who was selling potted peanut plants, with the demand being so great he couldn't grow the plants fast enough. He expected that the nurseryman would make a million.

With Plains catapulted into the national and international spotlight, one of the novelty and souvenir shops received a long distance call from Honolulu urgently requesting that they ship 100 pounds of peanuts by plane that Saturday afternoon. But they didn't

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Postmaster General Is Blasted By Young

by Russ Dennis
Sun Editor

A story which outlined the salary of United States Postal Service employees, including postmasters, in last week's Avon Park Sun prompted an immediate response from Avon Park Postmaster Robert D. Young.

Young explained that figures revealing how many customers were served by his office needed further explaining. While the Sun's story indicated that a total of 1,479 mail boxes were rented by customers, plus an additional 1,210 rural boxes serviced each day, Young said that figure was far short of reality.

According to Young, the total number of boxes rented at the post office and the number of rural mail boxes served should be multiplied by 2.8 persons per box. Federal census figures indicated that the typical American family is 2.8 people, therefore the Avon Park post office serves a total of 16,136 persons during the summer. Young added that total is swelled by another 5,000 winter-guests each year.

Young admitted that he earned \$21,550 per year, as pointed out in the previous story, however, he claimed that postmasters, including himself, had not had a pay raise in two years.

Young stated that the recent ruling to make public postal service salaries was a deliberate attempt by Postmaster General Benjamin F. Bailar to create public resentments against rural and small office postmasters.

Young, who is a past president of the Florida Postmaster's Association, the bargaining agent for postmasters, presently serves that organization as legislative chairman; a position he has held for the past 15 years.

When asked why the postal service would wish to create a "bad image" situation for the smaller offices, local postal service employees said it was the general feeling among Congressmen and some postmasters that an attempt was being made to destroy the service. "...because there are people in Washington who are waiting to take over the postal service as a private enterprise," said one source, who asked to remain nameless.

Young indicated that organizations

like the United Parcel Service had skimmed the cream of the postal crop which has caused a loss of revenues.

Young also attacked the federal government takeover of the old postal department in 1970 and the creation of the postal service.

The postal department was more sensitive to the public's need than Congress appointed postmasters," Young claimed. "At that time, a person familiar with the community and the needs of its people was appointed to fill the job." Young, himself a political appointee of then Congressman Jim Haley in 1961, said, "I was a political appointee, but I own no obligations and I never got more involved in politics than voting."

Young said there was a move going on to have the legislature put the postal service back under the direction of Congress. "If you want to check the records," Young said, "you will find that (Postmaster General) Benjamin Bailar's staff have all gotten large pay raises, while those who are political appointees haven't."

He explained that comparing the salaries of postal employees with the salaries earned by local officials (such as police and firemen) was "very distorted." Young explained that since postal employees were represented by a nationwide bargaining agent, employees throughout the service all realized the same pay increases and benefits. He added that this sometimes caused a wide difference in "normal" local salaries and the salaries paid to postal employees, especially in the South, where workers are generally paid less than they are in other areas.

Young advocated an increase in second and third class postage rates, as opposed to an increase for first class mail. "Second and third class mail is used by many businesses who get a break because they mail large volumes of material."

When asked why the postal service, which has a \$12.5 billion budget, was \$500 million in the red last year, Young said, "A lot of people wouldn't agree with me, but I think we need more sensitivity. A lack of that and the failure of Congress to act on automating the service are the major reasons."

He added that Congress also delayed too long in granting postal increases. He also cited inflation and the rising cost of energy as other factors that came to bear on the deficit budget.

Young indicated that several major changes in the U.S. Postal Service may be in the offing. Although the government has seriously considered abolishing mail deliveries on Saturday in an effort to cut costs, Young said he thought that move would fail.

According to Young, legislation has been introduced in both Congress and the Senate which would keep mail deliveries on their present schedule, but 12

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Veteran band director of 10 years at Avon Park High School, Vic McKinnis, is teaching his last Summer Band Program in Avon Park. He will be leaving the last of this month for Pinellas County where he will head a band program there. A reception will be held in his honor this Sunday afternoon from 2-5 p.m. at the High School Cafeteria. All friends are invited to attend. See Summer Band Story on B1. (Sunphoto by Barbara Cornell).

40 Children Complete Course

Swimming Classes Stress Safety

Teaching young people how to survive in the water and how to save another person's life has become the personal task of Mrs. Margaret Collins.

Acting as an instructor for the Avon

Park Recreation Department's summer swimming program, Mrs. Collins last week graduated 40 children into the ranks of those who can swim.

As an added attraction, volunteers

from the Highlands County Ambulance Service paid a visit to the fledgling swimmers on their final day of classes last Friday and demonstrated the proper technique for applying artificial

resuscitation.

"Life saving is part of the program," Mrs. Collins explained, "but we stress that beginning swimmers never try to swim out and rescue a drowning person."

Beginning and "swimmers" classes are instructed in ways to reach those in trouble without endangering their own lives.

Those lessons appeared to have been well learned, as the most advanced class yelled out the basic life saving rules of "Throw or row" when asked. She demonstrated for the class, using a towel, articles of clothing that can be used to capture air and by stressing that a boat or raft should be used to get to the victim before a personal approach is made.

The 10 lesson swimming course costs just \$5 and a second class will be offered starting in the second week of August.

Since Avon Park does not have a community swimming pool, local residents have donated the use of their backyard pools for the swimming lessons. This week, the classes used a pool owned by Lowell Hill. The next classes will reportedly use a pool owned by Dr. Dan Davis.

When finished, beginning swimmers will have passed a standard Red Cross test which includes jumping into deep water, a 15 yard swim, the ability to float for at least 30 seconds and other skills. Advanced Swimmers have learned to dive into deep water, swim underwater, tread water and swim the crawl stroke and backstroke.

The most advanced class is required to swim 100 yards of breaststroke, 100 yards of crawl, 100 yards of sidestroke, 50 yards of back crawl and be able to disrobe and float in the water.

The oldest students ranged from 17 to 16 years of age, while the youngest students were just three years old.

During CPR demonstrations, each student, beginner or advanced, was called upon to prove that proper artificial resuscitation techniques had been learned. EMTs allowed the students to use "Renus-Arm", a life-sized rubber doll.

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DEBBIE CUSHMAN, 16, shows Lucy Loveless, 11, what to do for a swimmer in

distress, as the Avon Park recreation department's summer swimming classes

delved into the subject of water safety. (Sunphoto by Russ Dennis).

Indictment Is Returned

The grand jury which met July 15 returned an indictment for first degree murder against Evelyn G. Graham. The 26-year-old Avon Park woman is accused of premeditated murder in the slaying of a husband, Bobby Graham.

Graham was fatally shot at the couple's home on South Hart Avenue. The body was discovered early on July 7. Mrs. Graham was jailed a short time later.

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Editor's Viewpoint

by Russ Dennis

New Yorkers were busy last week patting each other on the back. That in itself is unusual, as New Yorkers seldom pat anyone on the back. Hit maybe, but not pat.

So what was the reason for all the good cheer in Gotham City? Simple. The lights went out.

In a city where people gather to watch a mugging and your next door neighbor doesn't know your name, a major calamity like last week's power failure probably caused some unusual reactions among the normally blasé Big Apple residents.

"Blanche! What 'en hell happened? The lights went out!"

"Lights, schmights, who cares? The damn television just quit right in the middle of the Movie of the Week."

"I think I'll take a look outside and see what's happening."

"Sydney, are you crazy? Do you know what time it is? It's dark! You know you can't go out after it's dark."

Don't worry, Blanche, I'll take the dog with me.

"Look, take the dog and the gun and the mace and the police whistle."

"Look, Blanche, I'm just going to step out front and see what's happening."

"So okay, you don't have to take the whistle."

"Blanche, help me unlock the door, I've never figured out how this lock in the middle works."

"This one?"

"No, Blanche. The other one."

Sydney, which one, we've got 12."

"That's it Blanche, thanks. Don't worry, I'll be right back."

"Right back he says. And I suppose I'm supposed to just sit here in the dark and wait? Not on your life, buster."

"Blanche, someone's got to stay here and make sure no one comes in through

the windows."

"Windows! Come on Sydney, we're on the 17th floor."

"Remember what happened to the Harrises last week?"

"You're right, Sydney, I'll stay here. Where's the shotgun, I can't find it in the dark."

"I'm going now, Blanche. Lock the door behind me."

"Say, excuse me mister, do you know what's going on?"

"Don't bug me, mac, can't ya see I'm busy?"

"Excuse me, I didn't know. Say, isn't it unusual to use a crowbar instead of a key to open that door?"

"Look, wiseguy, it's dark, see and I left my keys in my other pants. Okay?"

"So why are you shouting??? I just asked a question."

"Beat it buddy, or I'll wrap this crowbar around your head."

"Would you look at all the people carrying flashlights. Would you look at all the people breaking into stores!"

"Blanche, it's me, Sydney. Let me in."

"Sydney who?"

"It's your husband, Blanche, let me in. There are crazy people running around out here."

"Blanche, fer cryin' out loud, let me in before this nut in the hall beams me with a crowbar."

"What's the password?"

"Password!!!! Password? Ah, I forgot."

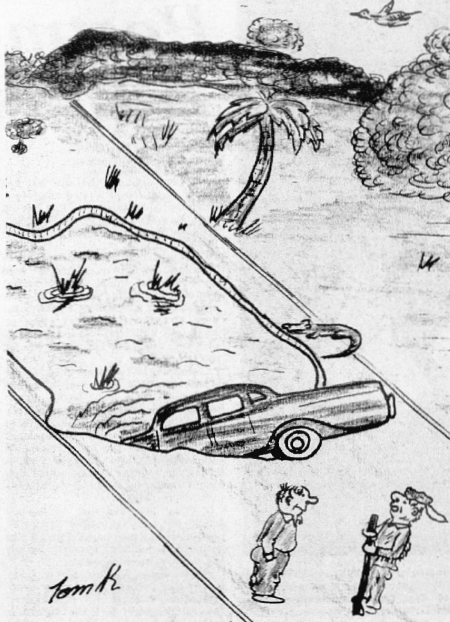
"Like I said, how do I know you're Sydney?"

"Friendship! That's it! The password for today is Friendship!"

Click, clank, creak.

"Sydney, you got back all in one piece?"

"Yeah, I guess I do deserve a pat on the back."



We don't get many strangers in this part of Avon Park.

Criminals Watch For Sniffing Dog

Police dogs apparently find wanted persons by sniffing out individual tissue types — the same genetic markers used to match organ donors with transplant recipients — a research biologist says.

Dr. Edward Boyse, an immunogeneticist at Sloan-Kettering Institute for Cancer Research in New York, said the ability of mice to distinguish tissue types by scent already has been proved and that Baltimore police dogs are now being enlisted in experiments to prove the canine capability.

If the discovery proves valid, Boyse suggested in an interview, man's best friend may have pointed the way to a new dimension of understanding about the immune system of the body which combats germs, casts out cells that go awry and rejects transplanted tissues it recognizes as "foreign."

Boyse said the discovery that the olfactory sensory apparatus can detect the so-called "HLA genes" used in transplant tissue typing suggests that the brain and the lymphoid system — the detection system of the immune system — have the same origin in an evolutionary sense.

At the very least, he noted, the discovery points up a previously unknown function of the tissue-type genes, in that they have the ability to communicate with the brain, via the sense of smell, as well as to communicate with the lymphocytes of the immune system.

Boyse said Dr. Lewis Thomas, the president of Sloan-Kettering and a noted theorist in immunology, actually suggested several years ago that dogs someday might be "used to sniff out histocompatible donors."

Thomas proposed the idea in his book, "The Lives of a Cell," after theorizing that the original purpose of tissue-type genes, early in the evolutionary process, may have been to provide organisms with a means for identifying one another.

The first evidence validating the theory came almost by accident from Boyse's wife three years ago. Boyse explained that she supervises the program for the breeding of highly specialized mice used in his laboratory.

"She happened to notice that again and again a male (mouse) of a particular type would prefer to go after a female of one particular tissue type rather than another," Boyse explained.

"After three years of work we have shown that it is indeed happening. The tissue types of mice, which we had always thought of as being solely involved in the rejection or acceptance of tissue, are in fact the source of individual odors by which mice can distinguish one another by smell."

"That is exactly what Thomas predicted."

Boyse said he and Thomas and other

colleagues now are initiating experiments with the Baltimore police dogs in which the dogs will be trained to recognize tissue types, first in mice and later in humans.

Boyse said he would bet \$1,000 to \$1 that the dogs will succeed, providing the collaborative evidence necessary to clinch the theory and open a new avenue of exploration on the frontiers of biology.

Have We Failed?

We have failed to give 20 million American children under the age of 15 the kind of medical protection they need to be safe from crippling disease.

This spring Los Angeles County had to bar children from school who were not properly immunized against measles.

The threat to our children spreads across the nation, involving polio, German measles, diphtheria, whooping cough and tetanus as well as measles.

These diseases can be killers. They can leave children paralyzed, blind, mentally retarded or with weak hearts or kidneys.

The tragedy when one of them cripples a child is made more heartrending by the fact that it is entirely unnecessary. Vaccination can give complete protection against all of these diseases.

But parents and providers of health care have become complacent. Nearly 40 per cent of the children are not fully immunized. The rate is especially high among the children of the poor.

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Keep Spirit!

This week's Interviewpoint was disturbing, to say the least, as Avon Park residents appeared to feel somewhat pessimistic about the future of our country.

Not to blame them! After all, inflation, political scandals, energy depletion, the nutron bomb and the cold war are not exactly the type of things that make for happy smiles and long range stock investments.

Be this as it may, now is the time when the United States most desperately needs the support, guidance and love of her citizens. You could search for a

lifetime and not find another single event; a country, place or thing, that offers as much as America does.

It is time that we took stock in ourselves. We gave great lip service to our Bicentennial, but now it looks like that was all it really was.

Americans are known for their spirit. We spit in the face of adversity. When other countries are going down for the count, the U.S. of A. will be in there slugging away. This spirit is what made our land what it is today. We haven't lost it, it's just getting a little harder to find.

Be Friendly!

Being friendly. Simple, easy to understand statement. I wonder how many of us really try to be friendly each day?

Anyone can tell you about people. Just hop in your auto and try to motor down the highway. We all know that someone who is feeling very friendly will cut us off, pull out in front of us or make other attempts to spoil an otherwise lovely day.

How many times has the unfriendly driver been you?

Avon Park is in a unique situation, as far as being friendly is concerned. During the summer, we can all be nice to each other and when the winter tourist

season rolls around, then we have all kinds of new faces to try out our newly made smiles.

So why the bit on being friendly? No real reason other than a desire to remind folks that it really doesn't hurt to smile, say hello or extend other courtesies to strangers and neighbors alike.

Perhaps if we all tried to be just a little nicer; if we would extend ourselves just a bit more, the world might not be such a dreary place.

Take a page from the Lions and Rotarians. Shake a hand and make a friend each day. There's nothing wrong with that. Who knows, you may find that you like it.

Things My Way

BY ALICE SMITH

Next month, up in Cincinnati, Ohio, the Reading Reform Foundation will hold its 16th Annual Conference.

This information is in my hands only because a good friend, a member of the organization, sent me a packet of material about the Foundation.

If she hoped to arouse my interest, she succeeded.

"The Reading Informer", a small periodical published by the Foundation, leads off with—Our Sole Aim: To restore intensive phonics to the teaching of reading throughout the nation.

No one needs to convert me to this campaign. I am a true believer in the phonics method of reading instruction as opposed to the look-say method. To explain what it is I believe in, let me quote the best explanation I've found.

"Phonics, or more accurately, intensive phonics, is a method of teaching reading based on the student's beginning with instruction on the 42 consonant and vowel sounds of our 26 letter alphabet. Note that sound identification of the letters and combinations, all 42 of them are given in the first grade, at the start of reading instruction."

It is important that the child is taught all 42 sounds at the beginning of

instruction. Most basal readers used currently profess to use a mixture of phonics and look-say. Don't be misled. The phonics instruction included in the basal readers is simply too little and too late."

My three children passed through public schools when the look-say method was new and presumably a great advance in teaching methods.

In each case, report cards and teachers assured me my child was at the top of the class in reading skill. Also, in each case, I discovered my child read well as long as he never encountered a new word — one which had not been presented on a flash card. When this happened, the kid substituted pure gibberish for the word and went blithely on.

With horrified visions of this future corporate president doing the same thing in an executive board meeting years later, I did a little amateur tutoring on my own. I've never been sure of the overall effect, but there was at least one good result. The parents of my grandchildren are alert to the problem and working on it.

For anyone interested in knowing more about the Reading Reform Foundation, the address is P. O. Box 1289, Bloomington, Ind. 47201. Write them for information.



My problems are a lot smaller, but the frustration's the same.

Interviewpoint

With newspapers, radio and television reporting the gloomy facts of daily life to Americans, the Sun wondered if this constant barrage of bad news had soured anyone on the U.S.

This week's question: Are you optimistic about this country's future?



KATIE DAVIS, East Wolf Street. "I feel that things have to get better, because they can't get much worse. I think the American people need to get back to the Lord for guidance. I think there is hope, but we have to act quickly."



MARSHALL DAVIS, East Wolf Street. "I guess I'm a little bit pessimist about the country. The way things are going now, it's discouraging. I feel our morals are slipping, but I do think there's hope if we act quickly. Things have gotten very bad in the last 4 years."



KEITH HENDERSON, Delany Street. "I'm optimistic about our country. It has to get better because the people will try to make things better. After 10 years of gloom, I think Americans will try to improve everything they can."



BECKY HENDERSON, Delany Street. "No, I'm pessimistic. I don't like what our court systems and politicians are doing. If looks like we may have another civil war if someone doesn't do something about crime. No one seems to care about it at all."

Station Plans Under Way

BY MARK ALBRIGHT

Even though bids from contractors to construct the new Avon Park fire station have not been accepted yet, the plans for the new facility are well under way.

City Clerk Malcolm Crews said a \$384,868 EDA grant has been set up for construction of the fire station, but it has not yet been formally approved by the federal government. August first is the date set for final approval of the grant.

Crews said that the city had originally asked for \$344,868. "They added \$40,000 to cover increased costs," Crews said. After the grant is approved the city will take bids from various contractors for a month.

After the city selects a contractor they will hold a month of planning conferences before beginning construction. Work on the facility to be located on the corner of Pine and Delaney Street, is

scheduled to begin in November.

The building, parking lot and drill area will cover five of the eight empty lots behind city hall. The other three lots are to be saved for future use, should the need arise.

Crews said of the new facility, "It will be a thoroughly modern building with a drill and practice field. The station will have modern communication equipment and we will be proud to see it after using the old building since 1927."

"We love it," said Captain Kelly Davidson, as he spoke for himself and other firemen when asked what he thought of getting a new station.

Although Fire Chief Mack Flowers is on vacation, he earlier had expressed his approval of the new building. Captain Davidson indicated

that termites have infested the old building, the walls are cracked from 50 years of vibration caused by passing trains and the ceiling tile has been ruined by a leaky roof.

"We don't have room inside for much of our equipment," Davidson said, "and it sets out back under a shed half protected."

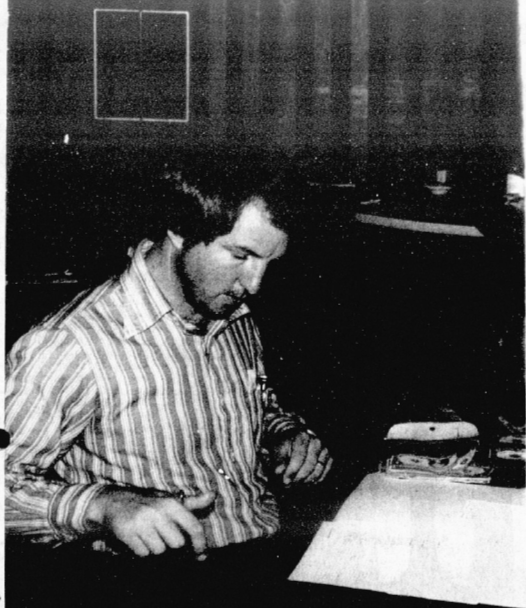
After the old building is vacated, the second floor will be removed to eliminate the leaky roof and the cracked masonry.

"The police department is planning to use the building for jail space or office space," said Crews.

James Heim, architect said four equipment bays will be able to hold eight pieces of fire fighting equipment. The building will also have an apparatus room, a duty room, a fire chief's office, a training room, dining area and room for eight bunks beds.

Heim said the one story building will be constructed from concrete block with a brick front.

The city will also receive an EDA grant of \$196,132 to install sewer lines to serve homes and businesses around Lake Isis. The sewer will serve 30 homes and businesses presently around the lake and will eventually serve 430 buildings. The completion date will depend on which sewerage contractor the city selects. The contractors will present bids to the city council. The council will then select one of them to do the job.



AVON PARK ROTARIAN Jim Brooks is a busy fellow indeed, as he assumes his duties as

newly elected Treasurer of the local club. Money, budgets, facts and figures are all part of

a volunteer day's work for Jim. (A photograph by Joe Johnston.)

Rotary Treasurer Jim Brooks Is "Unsung Hero"

Avon Park Rotarian Jim Brooks is a very busy man. In fact, if the local club had an "Unsung Hero" designation, fellow club members indicate that he would win that honor hands down.

Brooks has his hands full every Wednesday... usually full of money.

Brooks is the friendly Rotarian who collects the obligatory fee for lunches served at the club meeting. Why does Brooks get stuck with that job? Simple. He's the club's newly elected Treasurer.

Rotarians explain that some members pay for their meals and dues by the year, some by the month, some by the week and others once and twice per year. It's Brooks' job to see that all the transactions are recorded, the books kept in order and the right amount of change returned to each member. No small task. In addition, or perhaps because of his Treasurer's duties, Brooks also serves on the club's budget and finance committee.

In addition to his Rotary duties (which he performs with smile and a friendly word), Brooks is a Registered Medical Technician and the Secretary-Treasurer of the Highlands County Emergency Medical Technician Squad. He is also a member of the Highlands County Emergency Medical Service Advisory Council.

If that's not enough, Brooks also serves as the president-elect of the Avon Park Elementary School PTO. He is also active in the First Christian Church of Avon Park.

Brooks is a native of Central Florida. He is married to the former Toni Carson of Avon Park and has a nine year old daughter, Michelle. He graduated from South Florida Junior College and Florida Technological University in Orlando with a B.A. Degree.

What does he do with his free time? Brooks is employed as a registered sanitarian with the Environmental Health section of the Highlands County Health Department.

Agriculture is one of Florida's most important industries, he explained, saying that the state is ranked 13 in the nation in value of its agricultural products and output.

Last year, agriculture accounted for \$7.8 billion of Florida's economy. The largest agricultural field is citrus production, an industry that accounted for more than 100,000 jobs in Florida in 1976.

Hendrie informed Rotarians that Florida ranked second in the nation in vegetable farming, second in sugar cane production, eighth in poultry and egg farming and ninth in beef cattle raising. Dairy farming is also becoming a major industry with the average Florida dairy herd now numbering 465 head.

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Tools Stolen From Truck

Ralph Allan Hill, Avon Park, told Pt. Tom Smith of the Sebring City Police that \$700 worth of tools were taken from the back of his pick-up truck, which was parked in the First National Bank parking lot July 13.

BATTERY STOLEN
Mrs. D. G. Berry, of Avon Park, reported to sheriff's deputies last week that a \$46 auto battery was stolen from her car.

'76 Traffic Deaths Decline In County

Highlands County was one of 30 fortunate Florida counties which experienced a decline in traffic deaths in 1976.

According to a report recently issued by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, Highlands' traffic death toll fell to 14, a number equal to the lowest number killed in five years.

In 1974, the county also logged 14 fatalities, but the number jumped to 15 in 1975. In 1972, 17 persons were killed on county roads, and 23 died in 1973.

Of the counties surrounding Highlands, Glades and DeSoto experienced declines, while Polk and Okechobee suffered increases. Hardee remained the same.

Statewide, 2015 persons met their deaths in traffic accidents, the lowest toll in five years. The death rate has been decreasing since 1973, when 2062 people were killed.

The 1976 mileage death rate of 11 deaths per 100 million vehicle miles traveled is the lowest Florida has ever recorded, and represents the eighth consecutive annual decrease.

The majority, 63 percent, of fatal accidents occurred in rural areas, and drinking drivers were involved in nearly 20 percent of all fatal accidents.

The report also noted that

more fatal accidents occurred in December than any other month, and more on Saturday than any other day. The hour between 7 and 8 p.m. was the worst for fatalities statewide. It was also stated that of the 1122 persons killed who had seat belts available to them, only 101 were using them.

MAILBOX ASSASSINATED
John Davidson, of Avon Park, reported to sheriff's deputies that sometime Saturday night, unknown vandals shot his mailbox approximately 10 times. Loss was set at \$15.

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Highlands County Traffic Court News

The following cases involving Driving While Intoxicated (DWI) or Unlawful Blood Alcohol Level (UBAL) arrests have been disposed of in county traffic court as listed:

Ralph R. Born, DWI, 30 days in county jail, \$200 fine, assessed \$12 court costs, license suspended for three months.

Jerry Lee Petty, DWI, fined \$200, assessed \$12 court costs, license suspended for one month.

Dennis Edward Chapman, DWI, fined \$200, license suspended for three months.

George Ouchings Jones, UBAL, fined \$100, assessed \$12 court costs, license suspended for one month.

Lynne Alice Curry, UBAL, fined \$100, assessed \$12 court costs, one month suspended license.

Robert Johnson, DWI, fined \$100, assessed \$12 court costs, placed on one year's probation with counseling, license suspended for three months.

James Thomas Newman, DWI, fined \$100, assessed \$12 court costs, placed on one year's probation with counseling, license suspended for three months.

Charles Kirby Richardson, DWI, fined \$100, assessed \$12 court costs, license suspended for three months.

Peter H. Riehse, DWI, fined \$100, assessed \$12 court costs, six months probation with counseling, three months suspended license.

Walter Frederick Thomas, DWI, fined \$100, assessed \$12 court costs, license suspended for three months.

Martin Santos, fined \$100, assessed \$12 court costs, license suspended for three months.

Nicholas Damasco Mesa, DWI, fined \$100, assessed \$12 court costs, license suspended for three months.

Charles Anthony Blair, DWI, credit for time already served in county jail, three months suspended license.

Monaei Kenneth Musyaka, DWI, fined \$100, assessed \$12 court costs, three months suspended license.

Clinton Michael Cushman, DWI, fined \$100, assessed \$12 court costs, license suspended for three months.

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People/Events

Avon Park Sun

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Two students from West Germany spent last weekend in Avon Park with the Melvin

Mann family. The students will be spending two more weeks in Hialeah before they return to

their country. Pictured from the left: Dirk Wiemann of Cologne, Debbie Mann and

Marisa Cox of Brigen. (Sophrate by Barbara Carnell).

Two West German Students Visit With The Melvin Mann Family

Thirty West German students are spending three weeks in the United States. Their first stop was New York for a short visit and then on to designated places, where they are staying with American families, from Boston to Hialeah.

Two students spent the weekend in Avon Park with the Melvin Mann family, also of Hialeah. They were Marina Cox of Brigen and Dirk Wiemann of Cologne.

Miss Cox is studying Physical Education at Ziemermann University in Munster, W. Germany and Wiemann will be finishing his last year of high school when he returns home.

Miss Cox stated she did not like New York City at all, it was too dirty, but she loved Miami and the beach.

"... The people are so friendly in the United States. They are much nicer than in Germany," said Miss Cox.

Wiemann liked the shows

and entertainment in New York City and he enjoyed the beaches in Miami.

"Prices here in the United States are about the same as in Germany. Some things are a little more and some a little less, so it basically averages

out," stated Wiemann.

Debbie Mann took the two students to Walt Disney World last Sunday.

Miss Cox enjoyed the shops, while Wiemann was fascinated with how many people attended and the way they enjoyed themselves.

The students will be staying in the States for two more weeks and they confessed they are not anxious to leave so soon.

Counselors Attend Mid-State Workshop

Vocational Rehabilitation counselors from Highlands, Hardee and Polk counties participated in a workshop aimed at the rehabilitation of patients with chronic obstructive lung diseases.

The percentage of such patients who are able to return to work is lower than for many other ailments, but the Florida Lung Association is spearheading a drive to raise the rehabilitation rate.

The lung association, working with vocational counselors, has developed teaching techniques to assist the counselors in making evaluations of those patients, who might be able to return to work.

The workshop was held at the conference room of the Mid-State Lung Association in Bartow.

The lung association is funded primarily by sale of Christmas Seals.



Brenda Ladwig

Couple Announce Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Roy F. Ladwig wish to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Brenda, to James Randall Ward, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Ward, all of Avon Park. Brenda graduated from Avon Park High School in June, 1975.

Randy graduated from Avon Park High School in June, 1972 and is employed at United Telephone Systems in Avon Park.

The wedding will be at 8 p.m., Saturday, September 10, at the Church of Christ in Avon Park.

The reception will be held at the Ranch House Restaurant Dining Room, following the ceremony. All friends and relatives are invited to attend.

Parents Without Partners Meet

A coffee and conversation for those interested in becoming members of Parents Without Partners of Highlands County will be held evenings at 7 p.m. For further information, persons are asked to call 385-2558.

Cradle Roll

Mr. and Mrs. Barney David Spires of Sebring, announce the birth of a son Billy, born July 1, 1977 at Walker Memorial Hospital, weighing 8 lbs., 10 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Vreen Clark, Bowling Green, announce the birth of a daughter, Linda Victoria, born July 5, at Walker Memorial Hospital, weighing 6 lbs., 11 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Clark Edwards of Sebring, announce the birth of a daughter, Helen Kae, born July 5, at Walker Memorial Hospital, weighing 3 lbs.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis LeWayne Williams of Sebring, announce the birth of a son, Kelli Alexander, born July 5, at Walker Memorial Hospital, weighing 4 lbs., 4 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Raynaldo Lopez Argueta of Wauchula, announce the birth of a daughter, Karolina, born July 6, at Walker Memorial Hospital, weighing 7 lbs.

Mr. and Mrs. James Dudley Rogers of Zolfo Springs, announce the birth of a daughter, Vanessa Lynn, born July 6, at Walker Memorial Hospital, weighing 8 lbs., 4 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Lance Allen Fieger of Sebring, announce the birth of a son Kevin Blair, born July 6, at Walker Memorial Hospital, weighing 5 lbs., 12 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Randall May of Avon Park, announce the birth of a daughter, Rebecca Allison, born July 6, at Walker Memorial Hospital, weighing 7 lbs., 13 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ray Evans of Avon Park, announce the birth of a daughter, Carmen Terraya, born July 9, at Walker Memorial Hospital, weighing 5 lbs., 9 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Davis of Lake Placid, announce the birth of a daughter, Dianna Larissa Franchon, born July 9, at Walker Memorial Hospital, weighing 6 lbs., 11 1/2 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. George Lyle Baker of Sebring, announce the birth of a son, Jonathan Lyle, born July 10, at Walker Memorial Hospital, weighing 9 lbs., 3 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Norwood Hammon Jr. of Sebring, announce the birth of a daughter Sherrell Demetris, born July 12, at Walker Memorial Hospital, weighing 6 lbs., 9 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Denny Sims of Avon Park, announce the birth of a daughter, Bryndlyn Michele, born July 12, at Walker Memorial Hospital, weighing 7 lbs., 2 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Franklin Woodrow Cole of Sebring, announce the birth of a son, Franklin James Howard, born July 13, at Walker Memorial Hospital, weighing 7 lbs., 7 1/2 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. James Phillip Coleman of Avon Park, announce the birth of a daughter, Sharika Shevon, born July 13, at Walker Memorial Hospital, weighing 6 lbs., 7 1/2 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Sandra Rose Dorsey and Enoch Sherwin Mackintosh each earned a degree from one of the college's various departments of study.

Barben earned a BSBA Degree in business administration. Davis

graduated with a BS(SE) in systems engineering. Dorsey earned an MD Degree as a doctor of medicine, while Mackintosh was awarded a BMUSE Degree in music.

The Avon Park residents were among 2,771 students who earned degrees at U of F. Of that total, 2,017 were bachelor degrees, 347 masters and 74 Ph.D.s, as well as 171 law, 22 education and 20 dental degrees.

The summer school is coming to a close

BY MARK ALBRIGHT School is formally out for the summer months, but many students at Avon Park High are still busy studying. Some 150 students are attending summer school classes.

There are four different classes being held at Avon Park High School.

Vic McKunas teaches the summer band for band members. Fred Sandin teaches the driver's education course.

Les Burch teaches senior job entry for those working students who would like to earn their salary.

Wanda Wilson teaches SPEDY (Summer Program for Economically Deprived Youth). This class is designed



MR. AND MRS. RICK LANIER

Rice-Lanier United In Garden Ceremony

Georgiann Rice became the bride of Rick Lanier July 9 in a garden wedding ceremony at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Neil D. Rice. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. David Lanier of Avon Park.

The doubling ceremony was performed by the Rev. Leland Brooker, pastor of Southside Baptist Church, in front of an arch entwined with fern and ribbon.

The bride, who entered the garden on the arm of the bridegroom, wore a gown of white organza, with a deep ruffled scoop neck bodice, puffed sleeves trimmed in lace with inserted ribbon. The overlay was caught up with tiny ribbons at the hem. The bride wore a mint green picture hat with a puff of

veiling in back with seed pearls which accented the gown.

Serving as maid of honor was Cheryl Hawkey, who wore a gown of mint green printed silk Jersey, fashioned with a ruffled neckline tying at the shoulders.

Jim Lanier, brother of the bridegroom served as best man. Mrs. Cecil Whitney was at the organ.

Assisting in serving at the wedding reception were Mrs. Denny Monte De Oca, Mrs. Marc Holtsberg, Heidi Austin, Kim Smith, Leah Andrews, Tammy Campbell, Leann Campbell and Laura Kay Hill.

Floating hostesses were Kay Calhoun, Carol Calhoun, Amy Ellis and Jackie Carter.

After the wedding, the couple left for a brief honeymoon at Longboat Key.

Fezzettes to be Guests of Nobles

Wednesday, July 27th, will be ladies night at the Highland Shrine Club.

The social hour will begin at 8 p.m. followed by dinner at 7 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Fezzettes will be August 24th.

CHARLES SWAN MEMORIAL TOASTMASTERS CLUB

Charles Swan Memorial Toastmasters Club of Highlands County will meet at 7 p.m. on Thursday, July 21, at Howard Johnson's in Sebring. The theme of the meeting will be "The Weather" and the public is invited to attend.

Ruth Kaye will be toastmaster. Table topics master will be Peggy Polity. Scheduled speakers include Jim Ziegler, Marge La Elizabeth Walker and Hendrie.

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July 22-Hazel Guendri, Harley Metheny, Mary Peters, Lawrence Pate, J. T. Gibbs, Glynda Thompson, Dottie Young, Sherry Diane Watson, Frances Hart.

July 23 - Mae Kretz, Melville David Bass, Vol. Wheelahan, Cindy Williams, Cynthia Robbins, Kenneth Smith, Kelly Jean Newsum.

July 24 - Silda Murphy, Daniel Carroll, Billie Smith, Layton E. Thompson.

July 25 - Ken Filipula, Renee Cleeney, Fred Wood, Tony Bacon, Kerilyn Surrency.

July 26 - Mrs. Nancy Shady, Linda Hill.

July 27 - Laura Heiring, William Farless, Gayle Fries, Mrs. Molly Shawver, Douglas Heiring.

If you have a friend or loved one who is having a birthday soon, please call us so we may add them to our Birthday list.

People On The Go

Harrison Has Visitor

Mrs. Sara Harrison met her granddaughter Leigh, of San Jose, California, Tuesday at Tampa Airport. She is visiting Mrs. Harrison, the R. L. Adams, and the Robert Hendersons.

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Free Blood Pressure Tests

The Seventh Day Adventist Community Service Van will be stationed at the Pantry Pride Parking Lot this Monday July 25, from 10 a.m. till 4 p.m. for the public to have their Free Blood Pressure taken. This is Free and a chance you might have to save your health.



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HEATH MURDOCK, 2, finds the play area at the Gingerbread Man an interesting place to be, especially when there is a fire swing. (Sunphoto by Russ Dennis).

Richardson To Graduate

This is a unique week for County Judge Mark H. Richardson Jr. for the first time in three years he is spending the third week of the month in Highlands County working at being a judge, rather than being in Gainesville being a student.

Judge Richardson has successfully completed the full course of training in law in five institutes offered by the University of Florida. The special studies were provided to non-lawyer judges through the university's Division of Continuing Education and University of Florida's College of Law.

Approximately two dozen of the judges of the state who were not lawyers began the studies in August 1974 and most of them were on hand for the final class sessions the third week of June 1977. Along the way a few dropped out because they were defeated in elections, and a few elected after the class had begun made up back work and will be graduated with the class.

Formal graduation is planned for Saturday, July 30, Florida Supreme Court Justice James C. Atkins, who originated the course design, will be principal speaker. James E. Pierce, director of the course, congratulated the judges on their successful completion of the studies, calling this a "most noteworthy accomplishment."

The students had to spend the third week of each month in classes at Gainesville and all of the month of August for each of the last three years. Until the completion of these studies Richardson and other non-lawyer judges had to tell defendants they could, if they wished, have their cases tried before lawyer judges. That requirement is now removed.

For this unusual third week in-county, Richardson said he has an unusually crowded schedule which includes two whole days of traffic cases.

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Board Approves Architect Firms

The Highlands County School Board has approved a final contract agreement with its first choice of architectural firms, The Daimwood, Derryberry, Pavechak Partnership, of Casselberry.

At Tuesday night's meeting, the board endorsed the contract, which was negotiated in part at a special workshop held earlier in the day.

At the workshop the school superintendent and architect battled to a draw on whether the formal contract should include a provision for penalties for the architect.

Superintendent Dan Davis noted, "Experiences show that the architect gets busy and it's delay, delay, delay."

Joe Pavechak replied that about the only type penalty the board could assess would be a financial one, and if the board were going to set up a schedule of

penalties, then it might be fair to insist that it also provide a schedule of incentives. The architect could be rewarded for getting work done early or staying under budget, he suggested.

Board attorney James McCollum advised that a penalty clause would, as a practical matter, be meaningless since the architect could "always come up with a reason that a delay is our fault."

It was also agreed that the assistant superintendent will carry the responsibility for informing the architect, in writing, of key board decisions on the building program. In a small administration where each staff member wears several hats, board chairman Ruth Davis said it is vital that a new responsibility be specifically assigned so there is no slip-up on who is to notify the architect.

Although the contract specifies that the

architect's fee is to be 6 percent of the contract cost, Pavechak and Mrs. Davis later said the fee is to "average" 6 percent. The architect will be paid at a lower rate (a little more than 3 percent) for any portion of the contract which involves re-use of plans and the fee will be higher for renovations and additions.

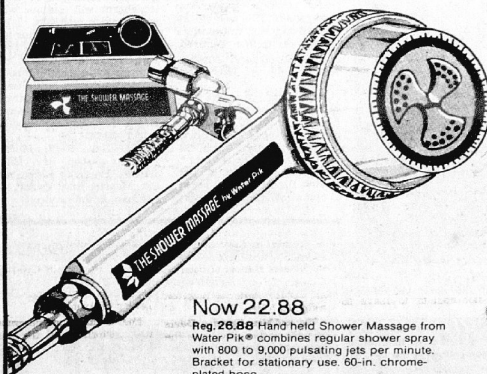
Pavechak said the agreed upon fee was the result of some "hard bargaining" on the part of the Highlands board.

Fees for renovations usually are substantially higher — 8 to 12 per cent more common than 6.

Tuesday night, the full board read over the lengthy document, and listened to McCollum explain the incorporated changes.

There was no major dissension and the contract was approved unanimously.

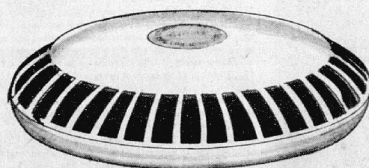
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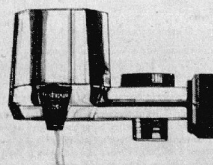
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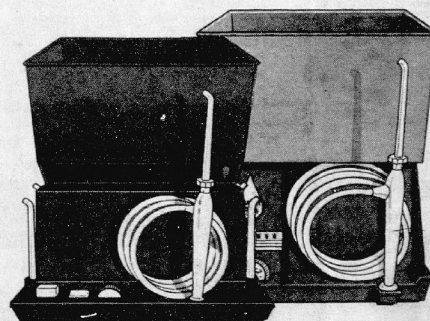


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FOUR YEAR OLD, Calie Howard will have her dog Sassy at the Recreation Department Dog Show Saturday, 9 a.m. July 23. (Sunphoto by Barbara Cornelli).

Kids Dog Show

Registration is still open for the Kids Dog Show at 9 a.m., on Saturday, July 23 at Donaldson Park for all kids, 4-14 years of age and their pets.

The Dog Show is co-sponsored as a public service by the National Recreation and Parks Association, Ken-L-Ration and the Avon Parks Recreation Department.

Entry blanks can be obtained from the Recreation Center at 101 N. Verona Ave. or by picking them up at least 30 minutes before the show. There is no entry fee for the Dog Show.

Judging of the show will be in seven categories and include: Smallest dog, Largest dog, Best looking dog, Best costumed dog, Funniest dog, Best trick, and Best of the Dog Show will be

chosen from the first place winners in the other categories. First, second and third place prizes will be awarded in each category and Merit Badges will be awarded to all contestants.

Members of the Recreation Department and other distinguished citizens of Avon Park will serve as Judges for the Dog Show.

All dogs may participate in the show regardless of pedigree, breed or special training. However, dogs must be leashed and should have their rabies shots.

Further information on the show can be obtained by calling the Recreation Center at 453-6881 after 1 p.m., or by stopping in at the center at 101 N. Verona. The show should be lots of fun, so bring your pet, Kids.



THE YOUNG LADY pictured here is a member of the Frostproof softball team which won the recent tournament staged at Hopewell softball field in Avon Park.



AN APPRECIATION RECEPTION in honor of evangelist Sam Jones was observed recently in Lake Placid. Jones' mother and other members of his family were among the many guests who attended the affair.

Please Give Your News To Calvin For Next Week's Sun

Council Demands Action

City Issues Demolition Orders

Three Avon Park buildings have been issued orders to be renovated or demolished by Avon Park Building Inspector C. W. Ellerbe.

Robert Young's building on Tulane Circle which formerly housed Young's Enterprises and was the Coca-Cola plant previous to that, was issued an order to be demolished or repaired by the 10th of June. The building was completely gutted by fire in 1976 and has since been declared a hazard

and an eyesore.

Young failed to meet the requirements of the order by the date called for and has been issued a notice by Jonathan H. Hancock, city attorney to demolish or repair the structure by the 22 of July or show cause to the Board of Adjustment of the City of Avon Park why the building should not be demolished. If the building is not demolished or repaired or reason is not shown why the building should remain

by July 22, the city will take bids and have the structure demolished at the owner's expense.

The Croft Apartment complex on E. Pine St. has also been issued an order to be demolished or repaired. The building owned by Highland Federal Savings and Loan of Wauchula.

Ellerbe said of the building, "It has deteriorated to the point that it is hazardous to human health."

Crews Construction Co. of Arcadia with aspirations of purchasing the complex, requested that the property which the building is on be rezoned for multi-family residences. But, when residents around the building complained about the rezoning request, the city denied to have the property rezoned.

Alexander and Associates of Sebring have been issued a permit to demolish the building within 60 days.

The old Skipper Packing House, located on the corner of Pleasant and Central St., has been declared dilapidated and hazardous by the building inspector. City Attorney Hancock sent Fred W. Jahna, owner of the building, a notice ordering him to have the structure repaired or demolished by the 22 of July. Ellerbe said Jahna has mentioned securing the building to the satisfaction of the city council and using the building to park his trucks in. In speaking of the building itself, Ellerbe said, "It is a structurally sound building."

Southside Community Park News



BY CALVIN GIBBS
Hi Friends,

Welcome to Southside Park Community news. Again, I find it difficult to submit an article each week, due to a lack of news submitted to me. In order to continue this column, I solicit your cooperation for future publications.

Observation: I'm inclined to believe that the doctor knows best. Recently, a person who is very dear to me disregarded his doctor's instructions of no alcoholic beverages when under certain prescribed medications. The side effects were of such that the patient's health was further impaired. James Richo and Brother Julius Belle in charge of devotion.

The morning message was delivered by Pastor Columbus L. Carter. His scripture references were Philippians 4:11, the subject of which was "the Secret of Contentment." Morning worship at the Beulah Baptist Church began at 11 a.m. Sunday, with the Dr.

Worship at the Beulah Baptist Church starts each Sunday with Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. with Superintendent N. Parker Sr. in charge.

At Mount Olive A.M.E. Church, services start with Sunday School at 9:30 a.m., followed by morning worship at 11 a.m. Evening worship services are held at 6 p.m. each Sunday.

On Monday evenings, before the first and third Sunday for each month, there is rehearsal for choir number one. On Tuesday morning at 10 a.m., the church will continue with its campaign activities.

Rev. Willie J. Jones has left for Jacksonville for participation in the state tri. There was a Sunday School convention for the Fort Pierce District, South Florida Annual Conference held at the Mount Zion A.M.E. Church in Sebring on July 12-14.

Rev. S. S. Morris presiding Bishop, Rev. H.M. Salmon, Presiding Elder and Rev. Maurice Hast, Pastor, all took part in the services.



MRS. LOIS CATLIN underwent surgery at Walker Memorial Hospital last Thursday. She is recovering well. Others hospitalized at press time were Mrs. Rosa Lee Burney, Mrs. Missouri Hodges and Patricia Lyons (Winter Haven).

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Consolidated Report of Condition of "Highlands County Bank of Avon Park"

of "Avon Park" in the State of "Florida" and Domestic Subsidiaries at the close of business on "June 30th", 1977.

BALANCE SHEET		ASSETS			Sch.		Item		Col.		Mil.		Thou.			
1.	Cash and due from banks	C	7								2	242			1	
2.	U.S. Treasury securities	B	1	E							3	160			2	
3.	Obligations of other U.S. Government agencies and corporations	B	2	E								NONE			3	
4.	Obligations of states and political subdivisions	B	3	E								NONE			4	
5.	Other bonds, notes, and debentures	B	4	E								NONE			5	
6.	Corporate stock											NONE			6	
7.	Trading account securities											NONE			7	
8.	Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell	D	4									750			8	
9.	a. Loans, Total (excluding unearned income)	A	10								4	572			9a	
	b. Less: Reserve for possible loan losses										30				9b	
	c. Loans, Net											4	542			
10.	Direct lease financing											NONE			10	
11.	Bank premises, furniture and fixtures, and other assets representing bank premises											612			11	
12.	Real estate owned other than bank premises											NONE			12	
13.	Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies											NONE			13	
14.	Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding											NONE			14	
15.	Other assets	G	7									22			15	
16.	TOTAL ASSETS (sum of items 1 thru 15)											11	328		16	
		LIABILITIES			Sch.		Item		Col.		Mil.		Thou.			
17.	Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	F	11	A								6	435		17	
18.	Time and savings deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	F	11	B+C								3	271		18	
19.	Deposits of United States Government	F	2	A+B+C								52			19	
20.	Deposits of states and political subdivisions	F	3	A+B+C								129			20	
21.	Deposits of foreign governments and official institutions	F	4	A+B+C								NONE			21	
22.	Deposits of commercial banks	F	5+6	A+B+C								NONE			22	
23.	Certified and officers' checks	F	7	A								116			23	
24.	TOTAL DEPOSITS (sum of items 17 thru 23)											10	993		24	
	a. Total demand deposits	F	8	A								3	722		a	
	b. Total time and savings deposits	F	8	B+C								6	261		b	
25.	Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase	E	4									NONE			25	
26.	Other liabilities for borrowed money											NONE			26	
27.	Mortgage indebtedness											NONE			27	
28.	Acceptances executed by or for account of this bank and outstanding											NONE			28	
29.	Other liabilities	H	9									82			29	
30.	TOTAL LIABILITIES (excluding subordinated notes and debentures)											10	985		30	
31.	Subordinated notes and debentures												NONE		31	
		EQUITY CAPITAL			Sch.		Item		Col.		Mil.		Thou.			
32.	Preferred stock	a.	No. shares outstanding									NONE			32	
33.	Common stock	a.	No. shares authorized									125	000		33	
		b.	No. shares outstanding									125	000		33	
34.	Surplus											625			34	
35.	Undivided profits											575			35	
36.	Reserve for contingencies and other capital reserves											NONE			36	
37.	TOTAL EQUITY CAPITAL (sum of items 32 thru 36)											1	243		37	
38.	TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY CAPITAL (sum of items 30, 31, and 37)											11	328		38	

MEMORANDA									
1. Average for 30 calendar days ending with call date:									
a.	Cash and due from banks (corresponds to item 1 above)								2 295
b.	Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell (corresponds to item 8 above)								1 282
c.	Total loans (corresponds to item 9a above)								4 365
d.	Time deposits of \$100,000 or more (corresponds to Memoranda items 3a plus 3b below)								2 277
e.	Total deposits (corresponds to item 24 above)								10 004
f.	Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase (corresponds to item 25 above)								NONE
g.	Other liabilities for borrowed money (corresponds to item 26 above)								NONE
2. Standby letters of credit outstanding (as of call date)									
3. Time deposits of \$100,000 or more (as of call date):									
a.	Time certificates of deposit in denominations of \$100,000 or more								NONE
b.	Other time deposits in amounts of \$100,000 or more								2 277
I, <u>John S. Teal, Vice President & Cashier</u> of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that this report of condition is true and correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.									
Correct—Attest: <u>Robert R. King, Jr.</u> Director									
<u>B. H. Griffin, Jr.</u> <u>Robert R. King, Jr.</u> <u>Charles G. Metcalfe</u>									
State of <u>Florida</u> County of <u>Highlands</u> Sworn to and subscribed before me this <u>15th</u> day of <u>July</u> and I hereby certify that I am not an officer or director of this bank. My commission expires <u>June 9, 1925</u>									

I, John S. Teal, Vice President & Cashier, of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that this report of condition is true and correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Correct-Attest: *[Signature]*
B. H. Griffin, Jr.
Robert R. King, Jr.
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State of Florida, County of Highlands, ss:
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MICKY BYRD, EMT, demonstrates the proper CPR techniques to an interested group of young swimmers. (Sunphoto by Russ Dennis)

Justice Forum Meets

Balance Called For

A call for balancing responsibilities and rights was sounded by retardation experts who addressed the Highlands County Criminal Justice Forum's summer meeting.

Criminal justice and the retarded citizen was the primary theme of the meeting held July 15 in Sebring City Hall. Guest speakers were Dave Coogan, social service worker on the Highlands-Hardee staff of the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services (HRS), and Mrs. G. Franklyn (Mary Ellen) Ward, one of the founders of Ridge Area Association for retarded citizens.

Mrs. Ward told forum members, "We are very concerned that retarded persons learn they have responsibilities as well as rights."

She and Coogan pointed out that persons actively involved in work with the retarded believe that the "Bill of Rights of Retarded Persons," passed by

the Florida Legislature in 1975, while a good step forward, has "created some new and unexpected problems when put into effect."

They believe it makes too little mention of the responsibilities of retarded persons.

Mrs. Ward pointed out that training programs now mandatory for all law officers includes two hours of instruction aimed at helping officers understand and spot differences in behavior of the retarded so that defective speech, strange walking gaits, are not mistaken for mental ill health, alcoholic indulgence or drug abuse.

All Ridge Area programs emphasize that the retarded should regard a policeman as a friend, not an enemy.

Coogan said that retarded persons may come into contact with law officers when they are suspects in a criminal activity, when they have become lost, or when they experience a mental health crisis. In

all of these, he said, quick intervention is needed and he urged police officers to call upon retardation workers for help in selecting suitable ways of dealing with the retarded person.

Forum members were supplied a list of retardation specialists and assured that among these workers someone is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Forum members discussed ways in which quick identification of retarded persons could be made and suggestions included use of some type of identification card.

Coogan and Mrs. Ward said that the modern trend is away from large institutions for care of the retarded and more toward inclusion in normal community life. This trend, they believe, increases the need for police and court awareness of the special needs and responsibilities of the mentally handicapped.

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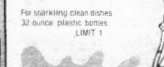
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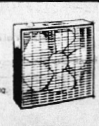


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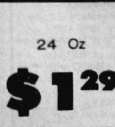
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CAROL PADGETT FINDS the going wet as she demonstrates her newly learned swimming skills. Approximately 45 Avon Park youngsters graduated from the city recreation department's summer swimming program last week. (Sunphoto by Russ Dennis).

She's Airborne!

HEATHER JORDAN, 3, isn't afraid of the water. A nice high dive into the pool was proof enough that she had learned to swim like a fish. (Sunphoto by Russ Dennis).



Take A Breath, Dummy!

DOUG HILL PROVED that he studied his Red Cross water safety manual well, as he graduated from swimming school last Friday. (Sunphoto by Russ Dennis).

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Rev. Ritenour Completes Evangelism Training

The Rev. Dwight Ritenour and his family have just moved to Sebring from Warsaw, Ind., to become the new directors of Child Evangelism Fellowship for Highlands and Hardee Counties.

Ritenour has just completed an extensive 10 week training program at the Child Evangelism Institute at Warrenton, Mo.



THE REV. DWIGHT RITENOUR

Phase I Completed

The Rev. Roger A. Whistle is pleased to announce that Phase I of the newly built First Church of God, located at 1130 17 North, Sebring, is now being occupied for worship services. The congregation has been holding services for nearly a year in a house just adjacent to the new church building.

Men Invited To Women's Church Program

The Women's Council of the First Christian Church met at noon, Thursday, July 14, for a salad bar luncheon, with Miss Ethel Bartlett acting as the hostess.

The men of the church were invited to attend the luncheon, which was held in the Fellowship Hall of the church. After the luncheon, all attending adjourned to the Sanctuary for the program and business session.

Mrs. Mary Stutsman gave an account of the work of John and Dorothy Harper, missionaries in the Indonesian area. Mrs. Hazel Freeland and Mrs. Johnie Berry also had a part in the program.

At the business session, which was conducted by the President, Mrs. H. J. Rutherford, a financial donation was voted upon for the use of the Indonesian Missionaries. There was a reminder of the Christian Convention to be held in Jacksonville in October and registrations are requested. Several bills were ordered to be paid, and announcement of Vacation Bible School in August was made. There will be no meeting of the council in August.

Seeks \$50,835 Jail Budget Other Requests Considered

Sheriff Joe Sheppard appeared before the Highlands County Commissioners last Wednesday night, seeking approval of his requested \$50,835 jail maintenance budget.

The largest single item in the budget is a \$25,000 request for the replacement of several commodes and sinks in the cells. The request is part of an ongoing drive to eventually replace all the old, porcelain fixtures with stainless steel fixtures.

Other items in the proposed budget included \$5,500 for a second-story fire escape; \$4,400 for a smoke alarm system; \$2,500 for the paving of a parking lot; \$1,500 to convert a cooler into a freezer; and \$5,900 to repair the jail roof.

The budget also included \$5,885 for a security fence, which has been deleted from Sheppard's proposed \$1.45 million department budget.

Commissioner Robert Skipper questioned the fire escape, saying that the jail was built to state specifications and an escape was not required at that time.

Commission Chairman "Jug" Heston pointed out that the specifications by which the jail was built were "several years old," and the sheriff said the department is presently having problems finding an insurance carrier for the jail.

"You usually wind up having to do what the insurance people ask you to," said Sheppard.

Skipper also questioned the need for the smoke alarm system, since "I really don't know of anything over there that would burn, except the beds."

The sheriff replied that the system was included in the budget at the insistence of a state fire marshal.

The board agreed to consider the budget, but expressed doubt about some of the costs listed in Sheppard's request, and asked the sheriff to attempt to procure more definite cost estimates from area dealers.

The board also reviewed several other departmental budgets, striking a total of \$202,000 in requests and questioning several more.

The biggest sum yet to be eliminated was \$175,000, scheduled for renovation of the courthouse's third floor.

The funds were quickly written out of the budget, as the county has recently received notice that monies for the project will be coming out of a federal anti-recession program.

The board also ruled that an additional parking lot, to hold 45 cars, is an unnecessary expense at \$27,000.

Administrative Assistant Charles Cullen asked the board for a \$12,000-a-year position to be added to the payroll, but the commissioners were openly skeptical of the need for such a position.

Cullen said the new employee would be responsible for all facets of personnel directly under the board's supervision. Other budget requests considered included Administrative Building maintenance, at \$62,700; Animal Control, at \$30,800; and Circuit Judge, at \$26,728.

Obituaries

Oscar Benson
Memorial services for Oscar Benson, age 85, who died early July 16 at Arcadia, were held Sunday, July 17, at 3 p.m. at Sun Ray Methodist Church in Frostproof, with the Rev. Ivey officiating.

He will be laid to rest in Stillwater Cemetery, Jamestown, N.Y.

Mr. Benson was a Charter Member of the Sun Ray Methodist Church and lived in Sun Ray, until about 4 years ago when he moved to Avon Park.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mabel S. Benson of Avon Park; two daughters, Mrs. William Phil of Asheville, N.Y.; Mrs. Betty Farson, Chauyahoga Falls, Ohio; One son, Stanley C. Benson, Jamestown, N.Y.; 5 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren.

Local arrangements by Stephenson - Nelson - Smith Funeral Home, Avon Park.

Bernard F. Land Funeral Home of Jamestown, N.Y. in charge of interment.

MRS. CONSTANCE KEHOE
Mrs. Constance Kehoe, Avon Park formerly of Clayton, N.Y., died July 4, in the Edward John Noble Hospital, Alexandria Bay, where she had been a patient since May 10.

The funeral was held at St. Mary's Church, with Msgr. Herbert H. Hanson, officiating. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery.

She leaves a daughter, Mrs. Michael (Eleanor) Bily, Richmond, Va.; three sons, John W. Clayton, Fla.; Joseph, Margrethville, and Edward L. Blyche, Calif.

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THE SOUTHERN SIDE of Plains, along U. S. 280, had the most advertising for tours and souvenirs. (Sunphoto by Lew Miller).

Court To Enforce Traffic Penalties

Drivers who receive traffic tickets need not expect any special breaks because of court reaction to the new, higher schedule of fines. County Judge Mark H. Richardson Jr., who presides for traffic court hearings, said, "After the Legislature has delineated public policy the court has the duty to enforce it."

The Judge declined comment on whether he considers the new penalties too high or unfair, but he was disapproving of the announcements that some lawmen had threatened to reduce ticket-writing because of the high rate of fines. Some officials have voiced fears that traffic courts may be deluged with requests for hearings. Under the traffic decriminalization procedures adopted a few years ago, most drivers are able to pay civil penalties in traffic cases. There is no judgment as to guilt or innocence and no hearings for most traffic charges. Any driver who wishes to contest the charge

made by a law officer may request a hearing. Judge Richardson has an unusually heavy docket of traffic hearings this week but the schedule is not, the judge believes, the result of drivers asking for hearings. Even under decriminalization some charges (such as might be made in accident cases for example) must be handled in court hearings. It appears, Judge Richardson said, that a large number of these were due for court appearance this week.

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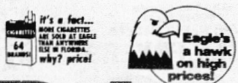
have that many peanuts available. Most of the tourists leaving Plains probably didn't think they would get a bargain at the road junction about a mile

north of the city where two farm girls were selling tree-ripened peaches and Black Diamond watermelons at reasonable prices.

When heading out of Plains one began to wonder if there ever had been such an impact on a small southern town since the days of the Carpetbaggers?



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Food For Thought

The blender is that utensil most Floridians own but rarely explore. When it first arrives (often it's a wedding or anniversary present), Father gives it a workout mixing frozen daiquiris and Mother puts it through its paces creating mayonnaise and cold soups. Then it is shoved to the back of a kitchen cupboard, there to be neglected while Mother, if she has her ear tuned to what is going on in kitchen appliances, may long for something more novel—the new and expensive food processor, for example.

In an explanation of that remarkable piece of equipment a couple of months ago, a demonstrator led off by showing how the processor grubs bread and grates cheese. Well, so does the blender—laughably and with dispatch.

It also may be pressed into expedient service in mixing sauces, salad dressings, molded salads and desserts, and not-too-thick bread and cake batters. And though a blender cannot slice or cube fruits and vegetables as neatly as does a processor, it can coarsely chop or shred them provided the cut-up specimens in the blender container are covered with ice water.

All this is to suggest that you remember what you have forgotten about the blender, especially at this season when even a food editor may feel it's too hot to cook. Many Florida Kitchens are warmer than they used to be because of higher air-conditioning costs; hence, shortcut dishes have special appeal. Long hours over a hot stove could anything be more unattractive in our sub-tropical summer?

Here are recipes advantageously using the blender that I enjoyed trying because I did them, literally, in minutes; the results had homemade flavor even though quickly put together. Two, the vichyssoise and pepper relish, are adapted from an excellent demonstration on the blender staged a few months ago by Josephine Cameron, Polk County extension agent in home economics.

VICHYSOISE

2 cut-up spring onions, most of the green portion removed
1½ cups cold chicken broth
1½ cups cooked diced potatoes
½ teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon pepper
¼ teaspoon nutmeg, or more to taste
1 cup cracked ice
1 cup chilled cream or milk
Chopped chives

1. Blend together on high speed for 6 seconds the onions and one-half cup of the broth.
2. Add potatoes, salt, pepper, nutmeg and remaining broth. Cover; blend 8 seconds.
3. Add ice cream. Cover; blend at highest speed 10 seconds. Serve immediately. Garnish with chives.
Yield: 8 portions.

BEEF STROGANOFF

1½ pounds tender, boneless steak
3 tablespoons butter
2 tablespoons flour
1 cup beef broth, heated
1 teaspoon prepared mustard
1 onion, sliced

Salt, pepper to taste
3 tablespoons sour cream, at room temperature

1. Remove fat and gristle from meat. Cut in narrow strips 2 inches long and about ½ inch thick. Set aside.
2. Combine 1½ tablespoons butter, flour, broth and mustard in blender container and blend at highest speed till smooth. Transfer to a small pan and bring to a boil, stirring, over low to moderate heat. Keep warm.

3. Quickly cook meat and onion in remaining butter, hot but not smoking, till beef looks brown on the outside but is rare within. Transfer meat to a heated platter; discard onion or use in another dish. Season meat to taste.

4. Add a little of the sauce to the sour cream, then spoon all of the sour cream into the sauce. Heat, stirring, a few minutes over moderate heat. Pour over meat. Serve immediately.
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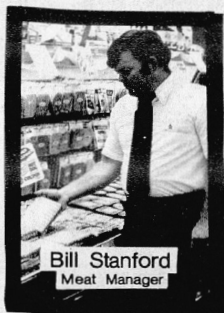
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Avon Park's Postmaster Blasts Postmaster General

allow postal employees to make "curb deliveries" instead of their normal door to door stops.

The measure, labeled House Resolution 770, was introduced by Democrats from California and New York. Under that resolution, which Young claimed would probably be approved, the present board of postal governors would be abolished and the appointment of the postmaster general would be returned to the hands of the president.

In 1970, Congress approved sweeping postal changes which removed postmasters and postmaster general appointments from the arena of political patronage and established a board of governors to screen all candidates and recommend to the postmaster general.

A companion Senate resolution introduced by Robert Dole, would maintain the six day per week mail delivery schedule but would allow mailmen to deliver material to curbside boxes, such as is presently done on rural routes. Exceptions would be invalids and other persons not able to walk to the curb to pick up their mail. "That alone would save millions every year," Young said.

Quoting from the "Federal Times" a private publication devoted to federal government employees, including those in the postal service, Young claimed that a significant majority of Congressmen and postal officials felt that postmaster appointments, including the postmaster general's job, should be controlled by Congress. "The inability of high level postal employees to communicate with Congress, the President and the public has angered many people," Young quoted, "and I feel that both measures will be passed into law."

Young said that the Avon Park post office has been commended for devising ways to save the government about \$10,000 yearly in operating costs. "Avon Park is one of eight offices in the Tampa section that is under budget," he said.

Young criticized the postal system for allowing salary discrepancies to exist due to political reasons.

"The postmaster in Sebring (M. E. Scott) is paid \$22,127 per year," Young said, "and he has been a postmaster for just five years in Sebring. I've been a postmaster for 16 years." Young continued by saying that the reason for the salary differences was not because the Sebring office was larger, "it's about the same size," but because Scott was appointed by Balilar, while Young was a political appointee.

"The Postal Act of 1970 was supposed to put the postal service on a paying basis," Young said, "and stop it from being a public service organization. But we issue passports, distribute IRS forms and register aliens, among other things and we can't be anything else but a public service organization and it will never break even this way."

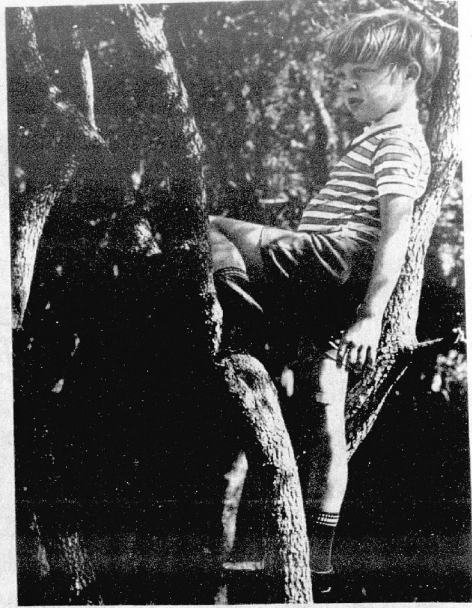
Young said he thought the federal government was trying to cut down on the personal touches offered at the post office, such as forwarding mail, in an effort to put the operation in the black. "People want a sensitive service," Young said, "and the only way to do that is to be a public service operation."

"We are well paid," Young concluded, "and I have no argument about that, but the national postal employee salary average is up due to closed shop conditions in some states." "Bankers make more money than postmasters do," Young said, "and they only have to serve a portion of the public. A postmaster has to serve the entire community. I've been offered jobs that pay more money, but I have turned them down because I like Avon Park and the job I'm doing."



CHILDREN OF ALL ages attend the Gingerbread Man, where they each receive individual attention. Miss Diane

(center) is watched closely by Janelle Lunsford, 2, (r) while David Osborne (r) enjoys his pacifier. (Sunphoto by Russ Dennis)



BOYS AND TREES seem to go together well. Derek Raymond, 6, strikes a pensive mood as he watches other children play at the Gingerbread Man. (Sunphoto by Russ Dennis)

Gingerbread Man Day Care

doctrine" was not.

"We feel we are offering a place for Christian parents to send their children while they have to work," he added, "and we teach the children about Jesus and love."

"When we first started, many of the children could not tell us who made the flowers and the trees. Now, all the children know that God did." Aside from a solid background in religion, Osborne has been a public relations and advertising manager for the Avon Citrus Bank. "The pay wasn't very good," Osborne explained, "and we felt we wanted to try our hand at our own business."

Presently, there are 20 local children attending the day care center five days per week. In the winter, that number will swell to 35.

While the center offers the usual play things, it also offers something else, an accredited kindergarten teacher, Mrs. Charlotte Wilson, who teaches the class to those of age in the fall.

A typical day at the Gingerbread Man starts for the Osbornes at 5:30 a.m. By 6:30 a.m., the first of the children start to arrive.

From 6:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m., it's free play time inside for the youngsters. From 8:30 a.m. until 9 a.m., the children sing and listen to stories about Jesus. This is followed by secular singing, finger plays and other activities from 9 a.m. until 9:30 a.m.

Once the sun is well up and the weather has been checked, the children are free to leave the modern building and take advantage of the center's well equipped play area. A well balanced hot meal is served at noon, followed by a nap, Sesame Street and other activities.

The Osbornes charge a nominal fee of \$4.50 per day for all of the above activities.

"The entire concept of the Gingerbread Man, is to give the children a chance to learn bible stories and songs. Our relationship with Jesus Christ is the focal point of our lives."

"The children appear to eat it up," Osborne concluded, "and I think they all know the basic plan of salvation."

As for future plans, Osborne said he would leave that in the hands of God. "We are very happy and fulfilled,"

"These aren't just a bunch of kids," Osborne concluded, "and maybe this is something the parents don't understand. We know each child here and each one has a distinct personality that we know and love."

Bombing Range Honor

On Saturday, July 9, Lieutenant General James V. Hartinger, Commander of the Ninth Air Force (TAC) with headquarters in Shaw Air Force Base, S. C. presented the men and women of the 56th Combat Support Squadron on the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award for the period May 1, 1974 to April 30, 1976. Lt. Col Donald A. Griffing, commanding officer of the 56th CSS, formally accepted the prestigious award on behalf of all the personnel assigned to the local bombing range in formal ceremonies at the base headquarters building.

The citation accompanying the award read in part: "During this period, the 56th Combat Support Squadron significantly improved training realism for Tactical Air Command aircrws and also contributed to effective training and readiness of the many different military organizations utilizing range facilities, communications, and logistics support. In addition, comprehensive programs were developed to provide progressive management of natural resources on the 106,210 acre wildlife reservation at Avon Park, Florida."

General Hartinger praised the men and women of the local Air Force range for their outstanding accomplishments during the period of the award. The general was accompanied by MacDill Air Force Base in Tampa by Colonel Beck, 56th Tactical Fighter Wing Commander, and Colonel Adams, 56th Combat Support Group Commander.

This was the first time this award has been presented to the local bombing range personnel.

THERE IS a time for being shy, but not at the Gingerbread Man. John Osborne takes time out to comfort a youngster who needs it. (Sunphoto by Russ Dennis)



AHHH, THAT HITS the spot. John Osborne, owner of the Gingerbread Man Day Care Center offers a helping hand to Brenda Muscoriel, 3, while other youngsters wait their turn. (Sunphoto by Russ Dennis)

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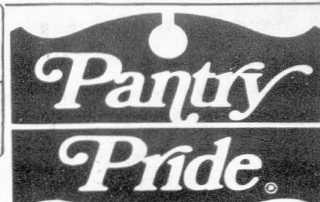
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by Lucy Derkman

Hal McRae

Looks For Pennant

"By Aug. 15, we'll be in the drivers' seat," a Kansas City Royals spokesman last Thursday, July 14, quoted Hal McRae as saying because Hal thinks the Royals will win the pennant this year.

Hal, from Avon Park, has reason to feel confident, as the KC's have won 6 straight, taking a 3 game sweep from the American League defending champion New York Yankees and winning 23 of their last 30 games, as of last Sunday.

As an outfielder-designated hitter,

Hal was the first player to collect over 100 hits for the Royals this year.

In scoring 32 runs he leads the club, and his 49 runs-batted-in takes second place. In the league his 28 doubles is second to Reggie Jackson of the New York Yankees. His 10 home runs is his highest in two years. He also has 6 triples.

In 89 games this year as outfielder and designated hitter (65 games), Hal has been at bat 361 times collecting 104 hits

for a .288 batting average. The last two weeks has been Hal's most productive the spokesman stated.

Last Thursday afternoon in Kansas City Hal said there was a difference this season of 11 to 12 hits with his getting more triples and home runs than last year. He hopes to get more base hits, but would like to get either more runs batted in or the base hits.

As for the All-Star baseball game in New York, Tuesday night, Hal stated he

didn't particularly want to make the trip to New York and he mentioned that there were several other players in the league who were battling over .300 and should be given first choice.

When would Hal get back to Avon Park to see his family and friends? Probably not until sometime this winter, when he would come over from his home in Bradenton.

All-Stars Lose To Plant City

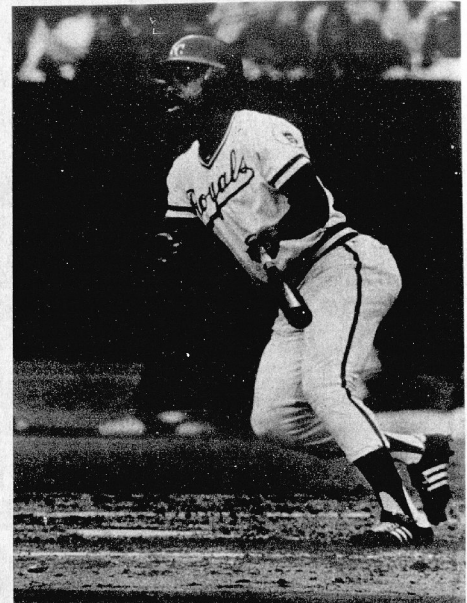
The Avon Park Senior League All-Star team dropped into the losers bracket of the District 4 tournament played at Plant City, when they lost to the Plant City team by a score of 6-4 in a game shortened to six innings by rain.

Tonight, (Wednesday) they are scheduled to play the loser of the Kathleen-Hardee game at 8:15 at Plant City's Jake Rush Field.

Big Boys Play Dade City Tonight

The Senior League Big Boy team, Highlands County Bank of Avon Park defeated Dover 7-4 last Tuesday night at Lake Wales.

Tonight Wednesday they were to have played Dade City at 6 p.m. at Lakeland on the Henley Field diamond.



OUTFIELDER-DESIGNATED HITTER, Hal McRae of the Kansas City Royals, thinks the Royals will win the pennant this year. As of last Sunday the

Royals have won 23 of their last 30 games. Hal has shaved off the beard since the photo was made. (Sunphoto courtesy of the Kansas City Royals).



AVON PARK'S SENIOR League All-Stars won their first two games in the District 4 baseball tournament being held in Plant City last week-end but dropped into the loser's bracket last Tuesday night with a 4-6 loss to host Plant City. They were to have met the loser of the

Hardee vs Kathleen game last night (Wednesday). Kneeling (left to right): Ricky Derkman, David Sisemore, Jeff Adams, Tim Minard, and Gary Farless. Standing (l to r): Coach David Johnson, Steve Thompson, Ricky Johnson,

Dwayne Council (alternate), Gerald Jones, David Hardy, Dennis Tondee, Tim Cribb, and Coach Dennis Hart. Not pictured: Bubba Starling, Wayne Lewis, and Dennis Barefield. (Sunphoto by Russ

Zodiacs And Lady Foxes Tied

The Zodiacs and the Lady Foxes continued to dominate play in the Avon Park Women's Softball League as they both won games last week to move to 3-0 records.

The Zodiacs defeated Grace by a score of 21-7 and the Lady Foxes won over the Super Blacks 15-4.

Jahna Concrete and Cox Plumbing both won their games last week to set 2-1 records. Jahna knocked off Texas 13-5 in a five inning game and Cox Plumbing outscored Scotty's 16-2.

W. R. Grace and Texas had 1-2 records after the first three weeks of play and Super Blacks and Scotty's remained winless with 0-3 records.

Last Tuesday night W. R. Grace was to have played Texas in the 7 p.m. game with Jahna taking on Super Black in the 8:30 p.m. game. Tonight, Thursday, July 21, the first game at 7 p.m. will be between Scotty's and the Lady Foxes and the second game at 8:30 p.m. will be between Zodiacs and Cox Plumbing.

Next Tuesday night, Tuesday, July 26, Texas and Cox will meet at 7 p.m. and Zodiacs will play Scotty's at 8:30 p.m. All games are being played at the Avon Park Little League Field at the corner of LaGrande and Anoka. Fans are invited to attend the games. There is no admission charge but a hat is passed each night to collect donations to help defray the cost of umpires.

Fans are asked not to park or stand behind the outfield fence. The outfielders on the women's teams are sometimes distracted by comments made by fans in that area and umpires may ask fans to move around to the sidelines or to the bleachers.



JAHNA CONCRETE CATCHER, Betty Hart hit a high pitch during a practice session last Monday night. Jahna has a 2-

1 record in the Women's slow pitch softball league. (Sunphoto by Lew Miller).



MAUREEN MURPHY RIES to meet the throw to first base as Lia Hill keeps her eye on the ball during a Texas practice game last Monday night.

(Sunphoto by Lew Miller).

Jackson's Undefeated

Five games were played in the Avon Park Men's Commercial Slow-Pitch Softball League last week. Jackson Masonry remained undefeated with a 5-0 record by taking a 11-0 win from Coca Cola on Monday night, July 11.

APCI held on to second place with a 4-1 record after beating Coca Cola 6-5 on Wednesday night, July 13. Air Force was in third place at the end of the week as they shut-out the Avon Park Eagles 13-0 last Friday night to set a 3-1 mark.

Coca Cola, Avon Paint & Body, and Agra-Chem all had two wins each but A.P. had only three losses while Coca Cola and Agra-Chem had 24 marks. The Avon Park Eagles remained winless with an 0-6 record.

This week Air Force was to take on APCI last Monday evening. Coca Cola was scheduled to go against Avon Paint & Body last Tuesday, and Agra-Chem was to meet APCI last night (Wednesday). Tonight, July 21, it will be the Avon Park Eagles against Jackson's Masonry and tomorrow night (Friday) the Air Force will take on Agra-Chem.

All games are scheduled to start at 8:30 p.m. at the northeast field of the new City Ball Complex. John Zeigler is the official umpire for all Commercial League games.

Senior League All-Stars Take Two Games In District 4 Tourney

Avon Park's Senior League All-Star team defeated Zephyrhills and Dade City last Friday and Saturday nights to advance to the quarterfinals of the double-elimination District 4 tournament being held in Plant City this week.

The Avon Park Senior All-Stars were to have played Plant City last Monday night but the game was rained out and rescheduled for last Tuesday night. If the Avon Park team defeated Plant City, it

would have advanced to the finals of the winner's bracket and would have faced either Hardee, Kathleen or Dover on Wednesday night. Weather permitting, the finals will be played Friday or Saturday night.

Avon Park All-Stars 3 Zephyrhills 1 In the opening game of the District 4 tourney, Avon Park jumped off to a two run lead in the first inning, and after an hour wait, due to rain, went on to win the game by a score of 8-1 behind the 4-hit pitching of Wayne Lewis.

The Avon Park team, coached by David Johnson and Dennis Hart, added a third run in the bottom of the fourth frame and scored four more runs in the last of the fifth. The eighth run was scored in the sixth frame. Zephyrhills scored its lone run in the top of the seventh inning.

Wayne Lewis went the distance on the mound for Avon Park striking out 8 batters, while he gave up only four scattered hits and walked only four batters.

Avon Park got six hits off two Zephyrhills pitchers. Jeff Adams and Tim Cribb had a double each and Tim Minard, Gerald Jones, Dennis Barefield, and Ricky Johnson all had a single each.

Trailing 2-1, the Avon Park All-Stars came from behind in the last of the seventh inning to take a 3-2 victory in the second round of play over Dade City. Dade City had scored two runs in the top of the fourth inning on a single and a triple.

Avon Park came back to score a run in the last of the fifth frame. Wayne Lewis singled, Jeff Adams singled and Lewis scored on an error, by the shortstop, on Bubba Starling's grounder.

The exciting finish to the game came in the bottom of the seventh. Then drew a walk to lead off the inning. Then Bubba Starling's fly ball behind first base was caught by the firstsacker and Adams was doubled off first for two outs. But David Sisemore waited out a walk and Tim Cribb singled to put runners on first and second. Dennis Barefield, Avon Park Senior League's leading hitter, came up and lined the ball down the middle. The centerfielder tried to catch the ball and it rolled past him allowing both Sisemore and Cribb to score.

The Dade City team appealed to third base umpire thinking an Avon Park batter had missed the base, but the umpire ruled everyone safe and Avon Park had the 3-2 victory.

David Sisemore was Avon Park's winning pitcher going the full seven innings. The fifteen year old lefthander gave up a double in the first inning and the single and the triple in the fourth for just four hits to the Dade City batters.

Avon Park batters got eight hits off losing pitcher Freddie Smith. Jeff Adams had a double and a single and Gerald Jones hit two singles. Dennis Barefield got credit for a triple that drove in the tying and winning runs. David Sisemore, Tim Cribb and Wayne Lewis got singles for Avon Park's other three hits.

Bank Team Takes Tourney Games

In spite of rain wreaking havoc with the schedule of the District 4 and Big Boys Little League tournament being held in Lakeland, Avon Park's Highlands County Bank baseball team won two games over the week-end and was scheduled to play Dover last Tuesday night in a game moved to Lake Wales.

The Avon Park team of sixteen through eighteen year olds, coached by Ronnie Jackson, got off to a bad start when starter Robert Freeland was ruled ineligible for the play-off by the District 4 Director. Although Freeland, who lives in Sebring, had been allowed to play during the regular season, several teams in the district indicated they would protest any game Avon Park would while using Freeland.

However, the Highlands County Bank team took on Plant City last Saturday morning at 9:30 a.m. at Henley Field in Lakeland and shut out the Plant City All-Star team by a score of 10-0 without the services of Freeland. The game was originally scheduled for Friday night but had been rained out.

A Saturday night game with Pinecrest was also rained out and was played Sunday morning. The H.C.B. team, behind the two-hit pitching of Don Wildish, took a 3-1 win from Pinecrest to advance to the quarter-finals of the double elimination tournament.

In the opening game on Saturday morning, Dade Sisemore went the distance on the mound for H.C.B. and scattered seven hits. Charlie Pough and Freddie Moore each had two hits to lead Avon Park's victory.

Danny Pickern was 2 for 3, including a double, for Plant City and relief pitcher McEver held Avon Park to one run on four hits over the last five innings of the game. Dade Sisemore hit a triple and John Mickunas had a double for the winners.

Last Sunday morning young Don Wildish held the Pinecrest batters to two hits and one run during a seven inning affair. Mort Jackson went 2 for 3 at bat and knocked in the tying run. The other two Avon Park scored on an error in the three-run sixth inning.

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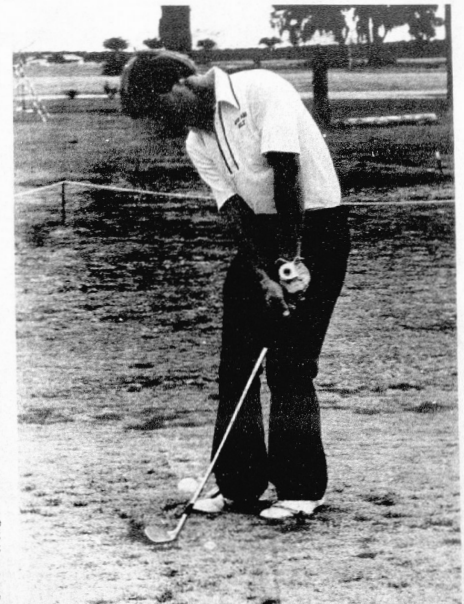
Avon Park's young Pete DuPriest narrowly missed winning the Florida State Junior Championship golf tournament for 15 through 17 year olds last week-end at LeHigh Acres when he lost on the third hole of a sudden death play-off with Jeff Morley of the Orlando area. Pete shot a 71-71-70 to tie for first place with Morley. Morley had lost out last year on the third hole of a sudden death play-off.

The tournament was played last Friday, Saturday and Sunday at the LeHigh Acres Golf Course with around 130 young golfers from all over the state participating.

Both Pete and John DuPriest will be playing in a meet in Sarasota this week. On August 10, the two brothers will compete in the Florida Junior Invitational Golf Tourney at Howey-in-

the-Hills. John will be eligible for this meet although he has just turned 18 years of age.

After the Junior Invitational at Howey, the two golfers will try to qualify for the U. S. Amateur.



AVON PARK GOLFER, Pete DuPriest took second place honors at the Florida State Junior Championship matches at the LeHigh Acres golf course last

weekend, losing out on the third hole in a sudden death play-off. (Sunphoto by Lew Miller).



BOBBY LEITCH (RIGHT) killed this 125 lbs. hog while hunting with Stan Reed.

near Okeechobee last Thursday night. Assisting in the hunt were Stan's dogs

Nig (left) and Tar Baby. Sunphoto by Barbara Cornell.

Big Bass Seminar Set For Dec. 2-4 At Orlando

It's difficult to talk about bass fishing without discussing Big Billy Westmorland. He's one of the few anglers who can brag about landing both bigmouth and smallmouth bass weighing more than ten pounds.

While not a bragging sort of guy, Billy also established an enviable record when he was named top angler of the Florida Invitational Bass Tournament on the St. Johns River in 1974 and 1975. The veteran bass angler from Celina, Tennessee, is one of seven top flight professional tournament fishermen scheduled to appear at the Big Bass Seminar in Orlando on December 2-4.

The former Tennessee fishing guide will discuss the glories as well as the trials and tribulations of a professional bass angler. "It's not all fun and games," Westmorland said, "and if I could compile all the highlights and heartbreaks of professional bass fishing, I could write another book."

Westmorland's first book, "Them O' Brown Fish," is a complete guide to smallmouth bass fishing and viewed by serious bass anglers as a vital link in their bass fishing education.

Joining Westmorland at the Big Bass Seminar will be Bill Dence, Tom Mann,

Forrest Wood, Jim Rogers, Johnny Morris and Jack Hains. The seven professionals will be complemented by seven Florida bass biologists. While the tournament anglers talk about fishing, the biologists will address various subjects relating to the research, management and future of Florida's black bass.

The Big Bass Seminar is being coordinated by the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission with the active cooperation and sponsorship of the Florida Federation of B. A. S. S. Chapters, the American Bass Fisherman, the National Bass Association, the United Bass Fishermen and the Poor Boy Bass Association.

According to Jim Floyd, seminar coordinator for the Commission, the program will feature a Big Bass Exhibit Center with displays of everything that's new for the bass fisherman and include special programs by the famous "Gadabout" Gaddis and Florida's own Fishing Hall of Fame notable Roy Martin.

"The ultimate goal of the seminar," Floyd said, "is to focus attention on Florida's bigmouth bass and bass fishermen. The black bass is America's number one game fish and Florida is the number one bass fishing state."

Westmorland's record smallmouth bass was caught in Tennessee but his best bigmouth is a 12-pound Florida bass.

The seminar coordinator continued, "Hopefully, the seminar will establish a cooperative concept for the future of bass fishing. We feel that when bass anglers and bass biologists get together and exchange ideas, something good is bound to happen."

Information and reservations for the Big Bass Seminar may be obtained by writing Big Bass Seminar, P. O. Box 15602, Orlando, Florida 32808.

Football Practice Starts Aug. 15

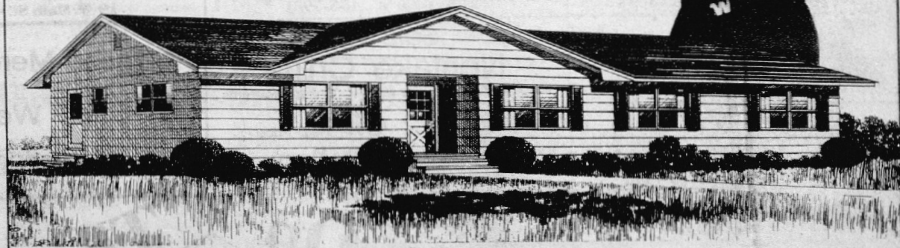
Presently the football season is over and the players are out for the summer. But, come August 15 they will be back on the field practicing for the upcoming season.

In preparation for the fall jamboree, to be held in Wauchula on August 27, the players work out in shorts for a week before they put their pads on and get down to business.

Assistant Coach Ronnie Jackson said they are expecting about 40 boys to come out for varsity and almost the same number to play junior varsity this year.

This first regular season game scheduled for the Red Devils will be against Lake Wales. The game is to be played here on September 9.

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Citrus Bank Sponsors 24 Team Tournament

Avon Citrus Bank will sponsor a men's slow-pitch softball tournament here at the new City Ball Complex starting tomorrow, Friday, July 22, at 6 p.m. The first annual Avon Citrus Bank Invitational Slow-Pitch Softball Tournament will be the first tournament to be held at the City Complex and all proceeds from the tournament will go to the Senior Little League program here in Avon Park.

Ronnie Jackson will be tournament director of the meet that will have twenty-four teams competing for the championship and runner-up trophies. Eighteen teams had already entered the meet at press time and six more were expected to enter this week.

Four teams from the Avon Park Commercial League were set to enter the big meet. Jackson's Masonry, Coca Cola, Avon Paint & Body, and Air Force had indicated they will take part. The Ben Hill Griffen team from Frostproof, an

Okeechobee team, and Wedgeworth Inc. of Pahokee were also entered. Also from Pahokee will be the Union 76 team. Ellison Realty of Ocala and Dave English Garage of Bradenton along with Pleasant Barber Shop of Auburndale will be in the first tourney at the new complex.

Coach Jackson indicated that many Avon Park softball fans and the city crew had been working long hours to get the fields in shape and to dry out the electrical boxes in the concession stand in order that the lights may be hooked up this week. John Ziegler and his city maintenance crew have the ball fields in great shape according to Coach Jackson.

Kenneth Tate, John Ziegler, Coach Jackson and two Sebring umpires will be the men in blue for the large tournament. Fans are invited to come out for the games that will be played almost continuously from Friday night until Sunday night. The new City Ball Complex is located west of Highway 27 behind the Southern Motel and Bonnie Brae Mobile Estates.

Baptist No. 1 Nazarenes Undeclared

Going into the second half of the season this week, First Baptist No. 1 and the Nazarenes were both undefeated in Avon Park Church League Slow-Pitch Softball.

First Baptist No. 1 was 6-0 with an unfinished game pending with the Nazarenes. The Nazarenes were 5-0 with the unfinished game and a rained out game with the Seventh Day Adventists, yet to be played.

The Episcopalians and the Seventh Day Adventists both had 3-2 records after last week's play, but both had a rained out game to make up.

First Baptist No. 2 went into a game with the Episcopalians last Tuesday night with a 2-4 record and Florida Avenue Baptist was 1-4 after losing to First Baptist No. 1 last Monday night. Fellowship Baptist had an 0-6 record with one rained out game with the Episcopalians to be made up.

All games in the seven-team Church League are being played on the Southeast Field at the new City Ball Complex. Until the lights are hooked up, one game is played each week-night except Wednesday. The games start at 5:30 p.m. Fans are invited to attend the games.



ERIC PEARL, 5, son of Ms. Cheryl Pearl of 415 Winthrop Street, Avon Park, proudly shows off the first bass of his young fishing career. Eric landed the three pounder in Lake Chilton on the first time out with his new rod and reel.

Donates Land To County

The Highlands County School Board did its part to establish a recreational area in Lake Placid's Highway Park area, when it donated a tract of land to the county for \$1.

At Tuesday night's school board meeting, county commissioner C. J. "Buddy" Wise asked the board for the land, near the old Carver School site, which the school board has decided to sell.

"That has been a popular recreation area for residents down there," said Wise, "and we had several people approach the county and ask us to establish a park."

He added that the county has tentatively allotted \$6600 for the construction of recreational facilities on the property, contingent upon the school board deciding the land over to the commission for the sum of \$1.

"I think we can all agree that this is a very much needed project in that area," said Wise.

Board members expressed agreement, but pondered whether they should sell or lease the land to the county.

Steve Roberts favored the proposal, but wondered if the county would take the entire parcel, which includes several old buildings.

Wise replied that the county has only considered spending the money on the park, adding, "We want no part of the buildings. They would be just too much to worry about."

Board Attorney James McCollum told the board that the law allows it to sell any land owned by the board, "as long as it would be of benefit to the school district, and you can sell it for whatever you feel appropriate. You can sell it for a dollar if you so desire."

Superintendent Dan Davis noted, "The county has worked with us on several occasions and I feel this is the type of development we need to make the county a better place for all kids."

Ken Grady moved to sell the land to the commission for \$1, with stipulations that the land should revert to the board if ever used for anything other than a park, and that the county erect a fence to separate it from the remainder of the board's property.

The county plans to renovate a basketball court on the site, adding a softball field, handball court, children's playground area and parking lot.

In addition, there will be a section set

aside for the Highway Park Volunteer Fire Department.

In other business the school board approved a student transfer request, over the strong objections of Superintendent Davis.

Mrs. M. C. Scates of Sebring asked the board to approve a transfer for her six-year-old son, who was destined to attend Woodlawn Elementary in the fall.

Mrs. Scates asked that the child be allowed to attend Fred Wild since both parents work near Fred Wild, and could drive the child to school every day.

"I feel it would be a hardship to make my child walk all the way across town to Woodlawn, crossing several dangerous intersections. If he went to Fred Wild, we could drive him, or my daughter who attends high school could walk him to school."

"Or, if something had happened at the school, my husband or myself could be there within minutes."

Dr. Davis advised that the count has set up Desegregation Lines required by the federal government, and that allowing students to cross lines to attend other schools could lead to problems.

"These lines are very specific, and there are rules which we must adhere to. I predict that if you permit this one request, you'll be bombarded with several similar requests which you would almost have to approve."

Margaret Turnbull and Ruth Davis sympathized with Mrs. Scates, as Mrs. Davis commented, "I think the age of the child is a prime consideration in this case, and we'll just have to take the other requests on a case by case basis."

Mrs. Turnbull moved to allow the transfer, but the superintendent again "strongly recommended" rejection.

However, the board unanimously allowed the transfer.

Following the action, the superintendent stated, "There have been other similar requests, all of which I have turned down for the same reasons I have voiced tonight. There is one person sitting in the audience who I have turned down. Each of those applications will be reconsidered, and submitted to the board."

In other action: The board accepted the same school student insurance carrier used last year, The Heacock Agency.

Delayed action on a request from the Lake Placid Jaycettes to use the new Lake Placid High School auditorium in

December. The board felt it was too soon to start scheduling the new facility, but gave the Jaycettes permission to use the middle school.

— Voted to move three county-owned portable classrooms and two trailers.

— Renewed the lease on the DeSoto City New Prospect School building.

— Approved additions to the new Lake Placid High School irrigation system, at a cost of \$1,000.

Board member John Wirick Jr. called the additions to the new system a serious oversight on the part of the designer.

Heard two representatives from Southeast Municipal Bonds, Inc. discuss the "refunding" of the board's 1970 issue bonds, at a possible savings to the county of \$100,000.

The representatives received permission to gather more information and report back at the next board meeting.

County Attorney's Car Stolen

Highlands County has a relatively low auto theft rate, but the auto thief who struck Tuesday has a high level of audacity. The thief made off with a car parked in front of the courthouse, and the vehicle selected belongs to an attorney.

A late model station wagon belonging to the county commission's lawyer, Robert Danty Jr., was stolen Tuesday while Danty was attending a county commission meeting.

The parking place was "a stone's throw" away from the county jail and sheriff's office. Sheriff's deputies made the initial investigation of the theft. Early Wednesday no leads had developed.

Used paper diapers in garbage often end up in landfill. A recent study by a university medical team points out that viruses—including live polio viruses from vaccinated babies—from landfill sites might filter out and contaminate underground water supplies.

Bombing Range Will Be Open For Camping This Weekend

The entire recreational area will be available for camping beginning at 8 p.m., Friday, July 22, and closing at 8 p.m., Sunday, July 24.

As always, all personnel wishing to utilize the Air Force Recreational Area will be required to check in and out with the Air Force Security Police located in Building 425 approximately 1/2 mile past the main entrance of the Range on State Road 64.

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Last Band Session For MicKunas

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Vic MicKunas, band director, helps his beginning band trumpet player during their summer session last week.

Vic MicKunas has been band director at Avon Park High School for 19 years and for those 19 years and longer the band has always had a summer program.

When asked why MicKunas answered, "I love kids and the students that attend are the ones that enjoy music. I give them training material and I get to know the students a little better."

The beginner band he could only spend about 15 minutes with because of their schedule at the Middle School. But with the summer program he gets to know them better and what they need to improve on music wise.

"The band students that do not come in the summer are the ones that get hurt. The students that come progress so much and I love to see this," stated MicKunas, "They are the ones that love to learn."

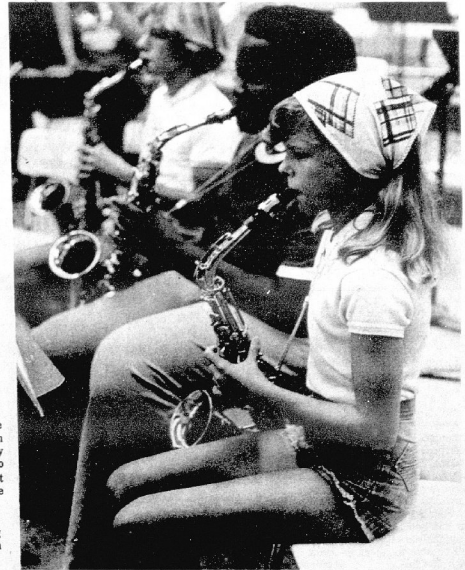
He teaches the three levels of band, beginner, intermediate and advanced.

MicKunas also gives private lessons to students and students from Highland Lakes Academy are attending the summer program.

Under the direction of MicKunas the Avon Park High School Band has grown from 80 members in 1967 (when they transferred to the Grenadier uniforms) to 136 members on the marching field last year. For a Class CC band this is a large number of members.

In these 10 years Bagpipes, Flag Corps and an Honor Guard has been added.

This year MicKunas will be teaching the band program in Pinellas County. He has been an asset to the band will be missed by both students and parents this coming year.



Saxophone players, Penny Langston and Gerald Snell follow the music under the direction of Vic MicKunas during one of last weeks Summer Band Session.



O. C. Stephens III (center) teaches five students to play the bagpipes for next years band. Students are (l-r) Steve Brown, Amy Brown, Cheryl Dennis, O.C., Ina Warner, Beverly Williams and Joy O'Quinn.

Jane Nickerson

Food For Thought

Homemade Mustard

A delicious sauce that offers a use for the egg yolks left after making the carrot soufflé. This mustard is just a bit less powerful than Chinese mustard; delicious, in judicious amounts, with cold cuts, sausages, ham, etc.

3 egg yolks
1/4 cup water
1/4 cup vinegar
1 1/2 tablespoons dry mustard
1 tablespoon honey

1 tablespoon butter
1/4 teaspoon salt
1. Blend all ingredients at medium speed until well combined.
2. Transfer to a small pan and cook over medium heat, stirring, just until mixture comes to a simmer. Remove from heat; cool quickly by setting pan in ice water; refrigerate.
Yield: Three-fourths cup.

Hot Pepper Relish

Great with summer cold cuts.
2 green peppers, seeded and cut in eighths
2 sweet red peppers, seeded and cut in eighths
1 rib celery, coarsely cut
1 medium onion, coarsely cut
1/4 cup sugar
1/4 cup vinegar
1/4 teaspoon crushed red pepper
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon each nutmeg and cinnamon

1. Put peppers, celery and onion in blender container; cover with ice water; blend for 4 seconds at high speed. Drain.
2. Combine remaining ingredients in blender container; blend a second or two till well combined.
3. Combine vegetables with vinegar mixture. Simmer 20 minutes; cool; pack while hot into hot, clean jars; seal; refrigerate.

On The Consumer's Side

If you as a consumer have been misled, received, or have questions you need clarified, call the toll free telephone number of the Florida Department of Agriculture, Consumer Services, Tallahassee: 1-800-342-2176.

Or write: Mrs. Lee F. Rumbley, Consumer Services Coordinator, The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, The Division of Consumer Services, Mayo Building, Tallahassee, Fla. 32304.

Question: I just graduated in June from our county vocational high school with my degree in electronics. I have applied for two jobs that I saw in the newspaper, and was very surprised at the response I received from one. They told me I didn't need any experience and that they would train me for the job. The catch was that I would have to pay for the training. It sounded a little strange to me, but I need a job. Should I pay?

Answer: Unemployment is up. The job market is tight. But don't let your anxiousness to get a job or change jobs allow you to fall victim to "help wanted" advertisements designed to trap you into buying a product or service.

If you're not careful, instead of getting a job, you could end up spending money for useless courses, unnecessarily expensive resumes, or costly equipment. Here are examples of the kinds of schemes to be on the lookout for:

The "Disguised" Correspondence School

Operators of this scheme run ads for what appear to be jobs (particularly truck driving and construction jobs).

When you make application for the jobs advertised, you are told that you need to become qualified.

The usual outcome is that you pay a lot of money for courses or training—courses or training that probably won't make you any better qualified because it doesn't involve actual experience on the job.

And, ultimately, you find out that the company doesn't have any jobs nor can it get you a job.

Resume Mills

When you apply for jobs advertised by these operators, you are told that they don't have any jobs, but for a fee they will prepare a resume for you and mail it to prospective employers.

Such companies usually promise that with the resume they prepare and with their contacts, you will be able to get a job.

In actuality, those who buy the service pay a high price for the preparation of the resume.

Moreover, the resume — if it is actually sent out to businesses randomly without any attempt to discover whether they have jobs or, if they do, whether they need someone with your qualifications.

Needless to say, hardly anyone gets a job through the services of resume mills.

Deceptive Work-At-Home Plans

Again the ad offers employment. But instead of a job being available, you find out you have to buy equipment or products to make something that you then have to sell yourself.

Again the company doesn't have any jobs; it simply wants to sell you something.

Backward Glance

by Barbara

One of the most popular summer clubs is now in full session. It is composed of married men and meets regularly and hurriedly each morning, except Sundays. It is the Summer Vacation Widowers' Breakfast Club. Any morning if you drop into a restaurant in the Park you will find the club members holding forth over cantaloupe, shredded wheat, two eggs over and coffee.

Returning to Avon Park after a week in Lakeland, where he had planned to enter the grain business with his uncle, after selling out his drug business here, T. Henry Lander, prominent in business and Shrine circles throughout the state and one of the mainstays of Egypt Temple's band as well as Morocco Temple's says, he's here to stay.

25 Years Ago

Tuesday night at Head Field, Avon Park won a double header from Frostproof 2-1 and 13-4. Both games were limited to five innings. Sam Elder pitched the first game and whiffed 15 Frostproof batters. Jimmy Waldron was on the mound for Avon Park in the second game.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Wilhite and son, Jim, accompanied by Mrs. Wilhite's mother, Mrs. Bertha Wilson will leave Saturday for a two-week vacation trip to Kentucky.

10 Years Ago

Eleven youths of the First Methodist Church left Monday for the Youth Methodist Camp in Leesburg where they will spend a week. They were: Donnell Brassell, Sue Ferguson, Johnny Giddens, Brad Giddens, Jimmy Hardee, Jimmy Magenheimer, Candy Redick, Chris

Cushman, Diane Cushman, Susan and Billy Woodall.

Mrs. Steve Roberts, son Bazile and sister Linda have been Mrs. Roberts' sister and family.

Cooking Corner

Mrs. Gene (Pat) Landress has lived in Avon Park 14 years. She is a graduate of Avon Park High School and now teaches at Avon Elementary. Her hobbies are cooking and softball. Mrs. Landress is sharing her recipe for her famous Cherry Cheesecake with us this week.

Cherry Cheesecake

Cheesecake
3 (8 oz.) pkgs. Cream Cheese
1 1/2 cups sugar
3 eggs
1 1/2 tsp. vanilla extract
Topping
1 pt. sour cream
1/4 cup sugar
1/2 tsp. vanilla extract
1 (21 oz.) can cherry pie filling

Graham Cracker Crust
2 cups graham cracker crumbs
5 tbs. sugar
1/4 cup butter or oil, melted

Mix crumbs and sugar-add oil. Press into bottom and sides of (9X3 inch) Spring form pan-crust should be 2 inches high on sides. If you don't have a springform pan you can use a 9X13X3 inch cake pan.

Mix cream cheese, sugar, eggs and vanilla together and beat well for 10 minutes until smooth. Pour into prepared pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 50 minutes. Cool half hour. Combine sour cream, vanilla and sugar. Spread on cake. Bake 350 degrees for 7 minutes. Cool, then chill overnight. Top with cherries just before serving (or any thickened fruit that you like).



Library Budget To Increase

BY MARK ALBRIGHT
The city library board held a meeting last Tuesday.
The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the proposed library budget for the coming 1977-78 fiscal year.
The proposal received unanimous approval from the board. It will be presented to the city council sometime in August for final approval.

Since the new addition to the library was completed in May, available space has doubled. Activities at the library have also increased since the move.

Mrs. R. D. Moore, Librarian, said if good use is going to be made of the

addition, an increase in the library's budget is called for. "We are continuing to build the basic collection of books that all public libraries should have and that we want to have to meet the standards so that we may qualify for state and federal grants and funding," said Mrs. Moore.

She also said the library wants to meet these standards so that it will provide good service to the community. Mrs. Anna Belle Worden, Executive Director of the Chamber of Commerce and a

member of the Library Board, said of the library, "I am very pleased with the library's growth under Mrs. Moore, and I hope that the city council will approve the library's budget. As citizens should be proud of our city's library as is a great asset to our community."

Although the library's proposed budget is larger than last year's, library board members refused to publicly reveal the budget until the city council has had a chance to see it first.

July's Session Of Trials

July's session of criminal trials has ended with one defendant being convicted on two felony counts and another entering a nolo contendere plea.

In a jury trial held July 11 James Lee Thacker was

convicted of possession of a firearm by a convicted felon and possession of a short-barreled shotgun. On the former he was sentenced to five years in state prison. Rosezema Hedgemen, who

had been slated to go to trial on possession of cannabis and sale of a controlled substance, entered a nolo contendere plea on the possession charge. The state attorney said the sale charge would be dropped.

Judge Clifton M. Kelly who presided for the criminal matters this week, ordered a presentence investigation. Trial of Marsha Weaver, charged with robbery, was postponed.

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
FILE NO. 77-161
Division

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INVITATION TO BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Highlands County School Board will receive bids for the Purchasing Department, George Douglas Administrative Building, 408 School Street, Sebring, Florida 33870 up until 11:00 A.M. FRIDAY, AUGUST 5, 1977, from those desiring to bid on the above listed below. Bids will be opened and tabulated at this time and the results presented to the School Board on August 5, 1977, at 1:00 P.M.

CAPACITY: Two (2) 40 passenger FORD B-200 chassis, Year Model 1967, Year Model 1962, PICKUP TRUCK 5/4 TON FORD, Year Model 1962.

To view the equipment please contact Mr. Doyle Lashinger, Superintendent of Bus Maintenance, phone 331-555-0919 between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. weekdays.

Bidders must submit bids in sealed envelopes plainly marked "BID ON USED BUSES AND TRUCK." Bids received after the specified hour and date will not be considered.

The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any or all formalities.

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Marriage Licenses

Robert E. Lippert, 58, of Wauchula, and Jacqueline Patricia Burdshaw, 19, of Sebring, Duane Madison Farless, 19, of Avon Park, and Gloria Ann Clark, 18, of Avon Park, James Douglas Keene, 22, of Avon Park, and Judy Dacene Ramer, 22, of Avon Park, Melbourne Mathaniel Berry, 32, of Lake Wales, and Cassandra Michael Lee Eisenhart, 26, of Lake Placid, and Patricia Ann Norton, 22, of Lake Placid, Charles Odell Henson Jr., 46, of Avon Park, and Judith Elaine Courtman, 32, of Avon Park, James Dalton Sanders, 27, of Alabama, and Amelia Kay Smith, 30, of Sebring, Dominick La Forte, 21, of Sebring, and Cynthia Claire Siegle, 19, of Sebring, Michael Anthony Smith, 16, of Avon Park, and Carol Lynne Davis, 16, of Yemassee.

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Young Cyclist Sue Local Business

A young motorcyclist has sued Surplus City and its owner, Don Card, for sale of a helmet the cyclist charges was defective.

The suit, on behalf of Richard Arnold, was filed by Arnold's father, John R. Arnold. He claims Richard was injured in a motorcycle-motor vehicle accident which occurred on Avon Park's W. Main street on Nov. 8, 1975.

Arnold says the retention assembly or system on the motorcycle helmet was defective and failure of this safety device contributed to the extent of injuries suffered. The father contends that the product sold at Surplus City was "impliedly warranted" by the retailer. The suit was filed July 13.

Savings Bonds Sales Reach \$183.3 Million

Sales of Series E and H United States Savings Bonds in June were \$18.3 million — up \$4.8 million over June of 1976. January through June sales totaled \$101 million — an increase of \$6.7 million over the same six months last year. The state attained 47.8 percent of its annual sales goal June 30.

George H. Gage, state chairman, reported June sales in Highlands County were \$74,988. The county reached 36 percent of its annual sales goal June 30.

The state chairman noted that the Series E, Bond represented 95.6 percent of the state sales. The Series H, Bond which accounted for 4.4 percent of the sales is a current income Bond. The chairman pointed out that many thousands of wage earners in Florida are taking advantage of the tax deferral privilege offered by the E Bond and the payroll savings method of purchase.

Witness my hand and the seal of said Court on July 18, 1977
(Seal)
EARL RICH AS Clerk of said Circuit Court
(s) Suzanne Jones Deputy Clerk
July 21, 28; Aug. 4, 11, 1977

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF SEBRING
(s) Emmett Andrews Vice President and Trust Officer
(s) Robert W. Germaine Attorney for Personal Representative
Estate of Alma D. Phillips, Deceased
POST OFFICE BOX 40 AVON PARK, FLORIDA 33885

ADVERTISING FOR BIDS
The Housing Authority of Avon Park will receive bids for the purchase of one (1) new or low-mileage (under 6,000 mi.) pickup truck. Truck to have the following minimum equipment or specifications: 1 ft. bed, heavy-duty package, step bumper, power steering, and preferably cyclinder engine. Bid queries should be made in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Request for Proposal, which may be viewed by contacting the Authority office at 451-4323. Bids will be received until Thursday, August 4, at 1:00 P.M., at the Authority office. The Housing Authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

(s) Richard T. Freary Executive Director
July 31, 1977

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State Bank No. 406

Consolidated Report of Condition of "Avon Citrus Bank" of "Avon Park" in the State of "Florida" and Domestic Subsidiaries at the close of business on "June 30", 1977.

BALANCE SHEET		ASSETS			Sch.	Item	Col.	Mil.	Thou.	
1.	Cash and due from banks		C	7				1	036	1
2.	U.S. Treasury securities		B	1	E			2	082	2
3.	Obligations of other U.S. Government agencies and corporations		B	2	E			404	3	
4.	Obligations of States and political subdivisions		B	3	E			3	521	4
5.	Other bonds, notes, and debentures		B	4	E			None	5	
6.	Corporate stock							None	6	
7.	Trading account securities							None	7	
8.	Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell		D	4				None	8	
9.	a. Loans, Total (excluding unearned income)		A	10				17 557		9a
	b. Less: Reserve for possible loan losses							61		
	c. Loans, Net							17 516		c
10.	Direct lease financing							None	10	
11.	Bank premises, furniture and fixtures, and other assets representing bank premises							477	11	
12.	Real estate owned other than bank premises							None	12	
13.	Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies							None	13	
14.	Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding							619	14	
15.	Other assets		G	7				25 655	15	
16.	TOTAL ASSETS (sum of items 1 thru 15)							6 343	17	
		LIABILITIES			Sch.	Item	Col.			
17.	Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations		F	11	A			14 973	18	
18.	Time and savings deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations		F	11	B+C			44	19	
19.	Deposits of United States Government		F	2	A+B+C			2 349	20	
20.	Deposits of States and political subdivisions		F	3	A+B+C			None	21	
21.	Deposits of foreign governments and official institutions		F	4	A+B+C			2	22	
22.	Deposits of commercial banks		F	5+6	A+B+C			77	23	
23.	Certified and officers' checks		F	7	A			7	24	
24.	TOTAL DEPOSITS (sum of items 17 thru 23)							23 795	24	
a.	Total demand deposits		F	8	A			7 254	a	
b.	Total time and savings deposits		F	8	B+C			16 541	b	
25.	Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase		E	4				None	25	
26.	Other liabilities for borrowed money							None	26	
27.	Mortgage indebtedness							None	27	
28.	Acceptances executed by or for account of this bank and outstanding							None	28	
29.	Other liabilities		H	9				135	29	
30.	TOTAL LIABILITIES (excluding subordinated notes and debentures)							23 930	30	
31.	Subordinated notes and debentures							105	31	