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CORPUS MISSING IN UNIQUE CASE

Ivings' Lawyer Tries To Get Him Out of Jail When He Isn't in the Coop

SEBRING, Aug. 22.—(Special)—Excitement ran high the early part of this week in Sebring and many rumors were rife on the streets concerning the reported arrest by Constable L. W. Coker of Deputy Sheriff Walter Ivings on a charge of selling liquor, the particular liquor in question being branded "Vat 69." According to Constable Coker he obtained the warrant for the arrest from Justice of the Peace A. L. Young Saturday evening on an affidavit signed by Hugh Clinton and served the warrant on the accused Sunday morning at two o'clock. The accused was later released under bond signed by Weaver and Poer.

Sheriff Wolff when interviewed expressed the belief that his deputy was innocent of the charge but would welcome any investigation of his office. He said he could not believe the liquor said to be involved in the case had come from the court house as suggested by some as he thought other shipments of the same brand had been run in here.

Ivings retained Attorney M. R. McDonald for the defense and habeas corpus proceedings were brought which were heard before Judge W. J. Barker Wednesday afternoon. A large crowd manifested keen interest in the proceedings and arguments and the state was represented by States Attorney Grady Burton of Wauchula and County Attorney J. M. Lee of Avon Park. The accused was in court and occupied a seat at the council table.

Attorney petitioned for the release of the accused claiming the warrant was illegal and void as it was made returnable to the county judge and that service was made on a Sunday. Other claims were made in the petition. These points brought forth several technical arguments and law tones piled on the table were frequently consulted by the attorneys and passages of law and decisions quoted.

The state entered a denial that the accused was illegally detained and took the petition item by item.

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EQUALIZATION BOARD IN SESSION TONIGHT

At 8 o'clock Will Hear Complaints of Property Owners On 1929 Assessment Roll

Members of the city council will sit at an Equalization Board at the city hall tonight to hear complaints of property owners on the 1929 assessment roll. The meeting will get under way promptly at 8 o'clock.

The widest publicity has been given to the meeting of the board, and a large crowd is expected to be present.

The assessment roll for 1929 on real and personal property and improvements thereon now totals \$5,884,072, which represents a reduction of about \$2,000,000, or 25 percent, over the 1928 roll, which was over \$7,000,000. The assessments on the old city was \$2,982,282. On the new city the assessments are \$2,901,790.

The assessment books have been on file at the post office and at the city hall, where they were open for the inspection of the taxpayers. Late comers may inspect the books today at the city hall.

Fairey At School To Aid Students

Students of the high school, or their parents, will find Prof. R. T. Fairey, supervising principal, at his office in the high school every morning from Monday to Friday, inclusive, at which time he will aid or give information to those desiring such help. Prof. Fairey will be at the school from 9 o'clock to noon from now until the high school begins September 2. The grade schools will be opened September 30.

ROTES SEND THANKS TO PINE CREST HEAD

Adopt Resolution Expressing Appreciation of Col. Davidson's Faith in Avon Park

A resolution expressing the thanks and appreciation of the club members to Col. R. P. Davidson, president of Pine Crest Lakes Winter club, for his great faith and interest in Avon Park, was adopted at Wednesday's meeting of the Rotary club. Col. Davidson is now in Chicago in the interests of his club, which plans to make important additions to the club property.

A vocational talk on "Insurance" was given by Col. Charles R. Head, manager of the Avon Insurance Agency, and a past president of the Rotary club. Col. Head gave the members valuable pointers on what and what not to do with insurance policies.

A pleasing feature of the meeting was a musical program by Mrs. J. B. Waller and Mrs. J. V. Chapman. A number of solos and duets were sung, and the principals received hearty applause from the Rotarians.

The visitors were: Z. O. Jenkins and J. S. Radisill, of Chiffside, N. C., who were guests of E. G. Todd; Attorney F. T. Haskins and Ray Nicks, of Sebring; R. B. Snyder, of Lake Wales; W. H. Brown and R. M. Tucker, of Frostproof, and George Lenfesty, of Tampa.

COUNCIL SESSIONS BRIEF FOR CHANGE

Members To Get Rested For Arduous Duties As Equalizers At Meeting Tonight

Evidently of the opinion that tonight's session as an Equalization Board would require all the stamina at their command, three members of the city council, President DeLaney and Messrs. Gregory and Hood, adjourned the regular meeting on Wednesday evening after laboring for less than half an hour. It was one of the shortest meetings on record.

Tax assessor Mark Lance was engaged to work on the tax roll for another month, his present contract with the board expiring at the first of September. After the millage is set, and action along that line is expected soon, the extensions of the taxes will take from three to four weeks, making it necessary to retain Mr. Lance's services.

The delinquent tax list is now being prepared, and soon as the list is completed it will be turned over to City Attorney Lee for collection. Miss Louise Browne, City Clerk, stated. Col. Lee was authorized to collect the taxes at a previous meeting of the council. Other minor matters were disposed of in short order, and then the motion to adjourn was made and carried just about 25 minutes after President DeLaney opened the meeting. So with sighs of relief the solons departed for home and rest.

GUARDSMEN RETURN FROM TRAINING CAMP

Capt. Lance Expresses Appreciation To Business Men Making Donations

Headquarters Battery, 56th Artillery Brigade of the Florida National Guard, returned Monday evening over the S. A. L. railway from Fort McClellan, Ala., after two weeks' training under the strictest military discipline and performing field tactics with the special troops of the 31st Division headquarters.

The men report that the training carried on was the best that they have ever had and the instructors and officers of the Division paid the officers and men of this Florida unit the very highest compliments for the excellent showing they made in all of the phases of drill and tactics.

General A. H. Blanding, commanding the Dixie Division, who is also from Florida, paid particular attention to the maneuvers of the Artillery Brigade Headquarters Battery, which was the only unit at Fort McClellan from Florida, and he was well satisfied with the work accomplished.

In the training exercises a de-

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COMPLETE DETAILS FOR OPENING BANK

Citizens Bank at Frostproof Will Open Saturday or Monday, Says Maxcy

The Citizens Bank of Frostproof will reopen either Saturday or Monday, John Maxcy, one of the officers, told The Times in a telephone conversation yesterday afternoon. Practically all details have been completed for the reopening, the only matter to be settled being the actual day. Efforts are being made by the officials to begin business Saturday, but at the time of the conversation it was not known if it were possible to start at that time.

Mr. Maxcy was asked if a change in personnel had been contemplated, and he replied that was a subject for discussion at another meeting of the bank's officers. He stated that a complete statement would be given this newspaper for the August 30 issue.

The Frostproof bank, patronized by a large number of local people, closed its doors on July 17, the same day on which many of the Tampa banks failed. Since that time the Maxcy's, John and Lat, have exerted their efforts and influence for a prompt reopening of the bank. A petition to freeze 80 percent of the deposits was signed by depositors having more than 75 percent of the deposits. The signers agreed to freeze the deposits for a period of four years, with the understanding that they could check out 20 percent after the reopening of the bank.

Mr. Sachsenmaier Visiting Avon Park

Henry Sachsenmaier, of Philadelphia, one of the large landowners in this city, arrived here during the early part of the week, and returned to the Quaker state Wednesday afternoon.

The Philadelphian came here to make an inspection of his groves and to check up other matters.

You probably think you've made your last worthless investment, but you haven't.

Fingers Crushed In Ford Factory

Full details of the accident that befell Purdie Martin, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Martin, have been received from the former Avon Park boy. In a letter to his parents, Mr. Martin stated that the tips of the four fingers on his left hand were crushed while operating a lathe. Young Martin left a Detroit hospital, where he has been confined, a few days ago. The accident occurred about two weeks ago, but only meagre details were received last week.

ENGINEER MAKES NEW SURVEY OF AVON PARK

Underwriters' Representative Completes Work Towards Re-classification of City

W. G. Allen, an engineer attached to the municipal department of the Southeastern Association of the Board of Underwriters, of Atlanta, made a survey of Avon Park on Tuesday. Mr. Allen surveyed the city as a preliminary step towards the re-classification of the city, which will give Avon Park a rating of second-class, plus ten, instead of third and fourth-class city rates now in force.

The Underwriters' representative appeared favorably impressed with conditions, and spoke of the many improvements taking place since he visited the city during February of 1928. Since his former visit, recently, in fact, council passed the fire ordinances requested by the Underwriters Association, so that the way was paved for the re-classification of the rates.

Mr. Allen's report will be sent to Atlanta, and on its approval recommendations will be made to the State Rate Board at Jacksonville. The State Rate Board will then send its engineers into Avon Park, and on their report will depend the change in the classification desired.

REALTORS SEEKING TAX SALES NOTES

Avon Park Is One Of "Certain Cities Selected" By Interests Seeking Property

Avon Park is one of the "certain cities selected" by real estate interests seeking to buy tax sales certificates on property which has been sold by the city for delinquent taxes. This fact was established by a communication received by the city clerk from a Florida realtor asking if the city officials had tax sales certificates for sale.

The letter, received early this week, dispels the idea prevalent that if the city, or the bond companies sue for the collection of delinquent taxes the municipalities or investment companies will have a lot of property on their hands.

Should suit be started and the property sold, the city could easily dispose of the tax sales certificates to the realtors seeking property here.

Following is the letter: "For the past two years we have been specializing in the sale of municipal-owned Tax Certificates and have sold several thousands of dollars worth of these securities. "We have clients who are interested in the purchase of Tax Certificates on well located properties in certain selected cities. Would your city government be interested in the sale of all, or a portion, of city-owned certificates?"

"We are interested at present on some deals with other cities and

AVON PARKERS NAMED REPUBLICAN LEADERS

R. A. Stamey Appointed County Chairman By Callaway; W. T. Hall Is Secretary

Organization of the Republican party in Highlands county was effected with the appointment by State Chairman E. E. Callaway of a county chairman, vice-chairman, secretary, treasurer and the various precinct committeemen and committeewomen. A meeting of the executive committee of the county has been called for tonight in Sebring and it is understood that the party will now begin functioning actively throughout the county. The appointments were contained in the following communication from the state chairman:

There being a vacancy in the office of Republican County Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer and in all of the positions of precinct committeemen and committeewomen in Highlands county, Florida, which vacancies have existed since the Republican state convention at Daytona, Fla., on May 10th, 1928, and now feeling that the people of Highlands county should have a recognized party organization and party officers through whom they can communicate with the Republican state and national organization and officers, and the law having made it my duty to fill such vacancies, I hereby appoint the following officers and committeemen to serve until the primary election to be held in 1930 to-wit:

Chairman, R. S. Stamey. Vice-Chairman, Mrs. Ottie V. Burch.

Secretary, W. T. Hall. Treasurer, W. Z. Dalgaty.

Precinct No. 1 Avon Park—R. A. Stamey, Anna K. Stevens.

Precinct No. 1 (A) Avon Park—F. S. Jordan, Laura Roberts.

Precinct No. 2 Sebring—Whitmer, Mrs. E. O. Douglas.

Precinct No. 2 (A)—Payne M. Sebring, Lois N. Cope.

Precinct No. 3 DeSoto City—F. P. Burch, Wilhelmina Kirby.

Precinct No. 4 Lake Placid—Jack Williams, Ethel Feaderns.

Precinct No. 5 Venus—Tom Crews, Mary N. Cassels.

Precinct No. 6 Hicoria—Ceylon Carlton, Miss Lillie Eures.

Precinct No. 7 Bassenger—John Smith, Mrs. Ada K. Chandler.

Precinct No. 8 Brighton—A. G.

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AVON CRATE MILLS START REPAIR WORK

Mutual Company and Avon Mfg. Co., Expect To Start Operations Next Month

In expectation of opening their mill on or about September 10, officials of the Mutual Crate company will have a corps of workmen on the property Monday to start repairs, Neal Trent told The Times yesterday afternoon. The news will be welcomed throughout the city, as it means employment to 175 or more when operations are begun next month.

Repairs are now under way at the Avon Manufacturing company, which resumes activities during the early part of September, according to O. R. Perry.

The Big Indian Lumber company is now operating, so that by the end of September the three companies will have over 400 on their payrolls.

would like to know whether or not you would be interested in disposing of some of your securities."

Commissioners Get Figures On Gas and Auto Tax Returns

Overhead Bridge At Lake Placid To Be Finished At Once

One of the most important decisions of the board of county commissioners at their meeting Monday was to the effect that the overhead bridge over the Coast Line railroad north of Lake Placid be completed immediately with the finishing of approaches and the necessary grading. The necessary work will cost several thousand dollars and will be done with county trucks and equipment under the supervision of O. C. Farris, commissioner from district four. The time required for the completion of this project was not stated but it is understood that it will be pushed as fast as possible.

County Attorney J. M. Lee presented some correspondence he had received from the attorney general relative to the supreme court decision in the case of the railroads against the state regarding the collection of taxes. Attorney Lee advised against the county entering into any further litigation in the matter and presented a long argument to show on what he based his opinion.

The attorney presented a list of figures showing the result of the Judge Love decision in the gasoline tax case and how it would affect Highlands county. The figures were compiled at Tallahassee and show that under the Love decision the county would lose approximately \$9,115.00 if the judge's findings are upheld. The figures as received and read by Attorney Lee are as follows:

Highlands County.

Operation of the 1929 Tax Laws, relating to taxation relief for county finances and revenue, as the same are affected by the recent decision of Judge Love.

In the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit of the State of Florida, in and for the county of Leon, in Chancery, John E. Mathews, complainant vs. Ernest Amos, as comptroller of the State of Florida, and W. V. Knott, as treasurer of the State of Florida, defendants.

The following is a comparison of the approximate amount of revenue Highlands county would have received under the Acts as passed by the Legislature, and the approximate amount it will receive under the decision of Judge Love.

County Receipts.

Acts as Court Passed Decision		
Revenue from 2c Gas Tax for Road and Bridge Indebtedness Relief	\$ 36,804	\$40,038
Revenue from 1 2/3c Gas Tax, 1 1/4 mills State Aids Tax and other Tax and other School Revenue for County Schools	44,814	32,465
Revenue from 25c Motor Vehicle License Fees and 1/3c Gas Tax for County Road Maintenance and Construction	20,904	20,904
Total	\$102,522	\$98,407

Therefore, the approximate annual LOSS for the county under Judge Love's decision is.

\$ 9,115

The decision provides that the 2c of the Gasoline Tax which is applicable to Road and Bridge Indebtedness must be divided among the counties, in the same proportion as it is collected in each county. The further provision that the revenue can be used only for a county purpose, would eliminate the application of this revenue to the retirement of any Special Road and Bridge District indebtedness.

The 1c of the gasoline tax which is equally divided among the several counties, 2/3 of which was to be used for county school purposes; this distribution is held illegal and under the decree must be distributed among the several counties according to the aggregate days attendance of resident pupils.

W. C. North, representing the citrus industry in the county addressed the board relative to the

employment of a man to supervise the clean-up of Medfly host fruits in the county. Mr. North stated that on the first visit of the inspectors to the county compliments were made on the conditions as found but that now certain people had permitted guavas, avocados and other host fruits to ripen on the trees in their yards and these were a distinct menace to the community. He pointed out the imperative need of keeping the county in zone three, the zone it is in at present, and showed the disastrous results that would happen should the fly be found here. Mr. North added that this county has the best crop of fruit anywhere in the state and the prospects for good returns are bright if the fly can be kept out.

State Council Meets At Farmers' Week

An open meeting of the State Home Demonstration Council for Senior Home Demonstration Work, at which reports from a number of county councils were heard, featured the program of the women attending Farmers' Week at Gainesville Monday morning. Mrs. I. C. Nelson, president, presided over the council meeting, and 17 county councils made reports.

Delegates from the following councils made reports: Alachua, Citrus, Columbia, Dade, Duval, East Hillsboro, West Hillsboro, Lee, Leon, Marion, Nassau, Orange, Osceola, Palm Beach, Pasco, Pinellas, and Volusia. The reports of Palm Beach and Pasco counties were especially interesting. The Palm Beach delegates told how they refused to be downed by a small thing like a tropical storm, and had carried on in the face of difficulties. Pasco's delegation told of the work the women of the county have done without a home demonstration agent, since this work was discontinued by the county commissioners.

Mrs. S. P. Getzen of Newberry led in a short musical program. The minutes of the last meeting, held at Farmers' Week one year ago, were read, and a report of the treasurer was heard. It was stated that there are 21 active county councils in the state.

Motor Lines Under Railway Commission

TALLAHASSEE, Aug. 22.—Despite the fact that those who brought suit against the gas tax have also brought one against the 1929 law which placed commercial motor lines under the authority of the railway commission, a total of 112 motor lines have asked permission to operate under this new law, it was announced by the commission this week. This legislative act is one designed to place all carriers on the same taxation basis and is expected source of an annual half million dollars increase in state revenue.

Information Asked About Assessments

TALLAHASSEE, Aug. 22.—Special: A mass of information, bound to be of extreme value to the state and counties, is being obtained by Frank Drew, appointed by Governor Carlton as State Equalizer of Taxes. Mr. Drew has issued circulars, asking the exact assessment condition in each county, and the value from an income standpoint of every piece of farm land in the state. Mr. Drew explains that he is not attempting to dictate to the tax assessors over the state, but is compiling this information to assist them in the business of placing a proper tax value on Florida property.

It's perfectly amazing how suddenly a little gossip will divert attention from an intellectual conversation.

A lot of people are broadminded until they come up against a practical problem.

POULTRY PRODUCTS IN STATE SHOW BIG GAIN

State Now Producing Half Of Poultry Products Needed

The production of poultry products in Florida is increasing twice as fast as the population of the state, declared L. M. Rhodes, state marketing commissioner, in a talk before the poultry section of Farmers' Week. The state is now producing only about half of the poultry products consumed Mr. Rhodes said, so there is ample room for expansion.

In the opening period for the poultry section, Mr. Rhodes told of the increased facilities which his bureau is now able to offer in marketing poultry products in Florida. As a result of action of the last legislature, a poultry marketing specialist and a market news specialist have recently been employed, and these men will devote their time to helping to develop markets and give out market information.

Under the present law, each group of growers contemplating organization is required to confer with the state marketing commissioner, who will make investigations as to the probable success of the organization, the speaker said. The marketing bureau will give every possible assistance to co-operative associations, he added.

The aim of the marketing bureau is to build up a system of carload sales of live poultry in Florida. For this work the bureau has secured F. W. Risher, who for the past few years has been doing this type of work in North Carolina with remarkable success.

Transformer Burned In Electrical Storm

Damage amounting to several hundred dollars was caused by the severe electrical storm which broke in this section Monday afternoon. A transformer of the Florida Public Service company, and located at Lake Placid, was burned out when lightning struck the lines.

A fuse was blown on the transformer at the Armory in this city, but little damage was done.

Little interference was experienced by the effects of the storm, and late Monday night the okch report was submitted to E. E. Melton, local manager of the Florida Public Service company.

A break in the water main at Verona avenue and Bell street was discovered Monday, later was repaired by the workmen.

Visitors See How Meats Are Sliced

One of the most practical demonstrations conducted during Farmers' and Fruit Growers' Week held at the University at Gainesville last week, was given by Dr. A. L. Shealy in meat cutting. The demonstration was held under the large exhibit tent and was attended by a large audience.

Two hogs were cut up and each movement was explained, showing how each cutting operation should be performed. A display of cured meats was exhibited at the same time and the proper curing and smoking of meat was explained.

Crowds Turn Out To Hear Butlers

A full house greeted Charley Butler and his daughter, Miss Lillian, when they appeared at the First Baptist church last week. "The Entertaining Butlers" provided a real entertainment of songs and stories, which is the usual brand given by the former Tennesseans.

Arrangements are being made for another entertainment by the Butlers to be given by and for a local men's club.

It may be scientific salesmanship but we hate clerks who show us \$5 neckties after we have asked to see \$1 bargains.

Farm Week Visitors Inspect Prize Home

GAINESVILLE, Fla., Aug. 22.—Farmers' Week visitors interested in home improvement had a chance to see the home of Mrs. J. H. Mills, at Archer, which won second prize in a south-wide home improvement contest. Tuesday afternoon a tour to this home was conducted by Miss Virginia P. Moore, assistant state home demonstration agent, and Mrs. Grace F. Warren, Alachua county home demonstration agent.

Visitors to Mrs. Mills' home saw an outstanding demonstration of how a poorly arranged and unattractive place, both inside and out, can be transformed into a nice

looking, desirable home, with a small outlay of money and a generous supply of effort. Mrs. Mills and Miss Moore and Mrs. Warren explained the changes which had been made in the home since the home improvement work on it was started. Each operation was explained in detail, and pictures of the home before the remodeling was done were shown. The remodeled home was there to show for itself.

A number of interesting home improvement reports were made during the afternoon, preceding the tour, by women from various parts of Florida who have improved their homes.

Automobile registration in the United States last year were 1,367,738 greater than in 1927.

That's Wind

ROOFS ripped off—chimneys cracked or blown down—shingles, shutters and doors whisked away—windows shattered by flying debris—that's wind in its destructive mood! Dependable Wind-storm Insurance is your only protection.

ARTHUR E. GREGORY

"Insurance With Service"

7 South Forest Ave. Phone 29 Avon Park Florida

FINAL NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS

Tonight at 8 o'clock the City Council will sit as an Equalization Board to hear complaints in connection with the Assessment Roll for 1929.

All property owners having complaints must make their appearance before the Equalization Board tonight.

E. A. DeLaney

President of City Council

SOCIAL and Personal News

Marguerite Sheffield
Society Editor
Telephone 37

Young People Enjoy Swimming Party.

More than twenty young people enjoyed a swimming party at the Scout House on Lake Lotela last Monday evening. Miss Estelle Carney was the hostess, and Mrs. Raymond Dille and Miss Dickie Martin were the chaperones. Following aquatic sports a picnic lunch was served, after which dancing was enjoyed.

Those attending the party were: Misses Lora Lee, Lois Rish, Barbara Waver, Geraldine Heim, Marguerite Sheffield, Hazel Cameron, Inez Dawson, May Ella Ratliff, Ruby Hargrave, Mildred Roberts, Edna Mae Delaney, of Avon Park; Miss Dickie Bass, of Kissimmee, and Miss Charlotte Starbuck, of Sebring; Messrs. Eddie Clark, Hartwell Ginn, Frederick Will, Hollins Stebbins, Ferney Reeves, Louis Meeth, C. B. Martin, of Avon Park; Zed Scarborough, of Frostproof; George Scarborough, Coley Westbrook, Harry Scarborough, Grady Clements, of Sebring.

Sebring Leaguers Entertain Avon Park Members.

Returning the compliment to Avon Park Epworth Leaguers who entertained them several weeks ago, members of the Sebring League played host to the local members at Sebring last Friday evening. The Sebring organization chartered a boat, "The Granville," and cruised around Lake Jackson. Refreshments were served on the cruise.

The guests from Avon Park were: Misses Oleta Bigbie, Zeld Langford, Mary Turner, Verna Heim and Myrtle Turner; Messrs. Cleo James, "Buck" Pardee, Claude Daly, Colquist Pardee, Harris James, Robert Roberts, Charles Harris, Phil Lacey, Jimmy Roberts, Marshall Jordan, Lamont Roberts, Edward Stringfellow and Junior Stebbins.

Dinner Party On Birthday.

In honor of her eighteenth birthday Miss Annie Mae Adams gave a dinner party at her home on South Central avenue last Sunday evening. Cut flowers and fern were used in the table decorations.

Those attending were: Misses Menophee Hatchell, Myrtle Coker, Genevieve McClelland and Edith McFarland.

Eastern Stars To Have Picnic.

Members of Leigh chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, will stage a picnic next Friday evening from five o'clock until eight at Highland Lakes casino. The picnic will be held in observance of the anniversary of Robert Morris, founder of the Eastern Star. All Eastern Stars and their families are invited to attend.

Attend School of Instruction.

Several members of Leigh Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, attended the school of instruction conducted at Sebring yesterday. Among those attending were: Mesdames, C. R. Head, L. M. Orr, H. A. Latham, J. Y. Chapman, Fred Stevens, J. A. Stebbins, David Stuckey and E. O. Williams.

C. E. Lanier was a Jacksonville visitor Monday.

Miss Myrtle Jones is visiting her sister, Mrs. E. E. Melton.

Lawson Adams has left for Orlando, where he will attend school.

Attorney S. C. Pardee and son, Colquitt, spend Saturday in Tampa.

Miss Dickie Bass, of Kissimmee, is the guest of Miss Inez Dawson.

Miss Margaret Dixon has returned from a visit to Thomasville, Ga.

Mrs. W. C. Touchton and children, Betty and Edward, have returned from a visit to Fairburn, Ga.

Cameron Epperson has Douglas Epperson, of Fort Pierce, as his guest.

Mrs. Fred M. Smith and son, Nelson, have motored to Columbus, Ga., where they are visiting friends.

After a visit to Miami, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Booth have returned to this city.

Misses Kate and Mattie Tompkins have left for a vacation in Virginia.

Miss Mildred Lee, who had her tonsils removed recently, is improving.

Mrs. G. D. Godwin and children, Wava and Junior, spent Saturday in Tampa.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sheffield transacted business in Tampa on Saturday.

Miss Lois Melton has returned from her vacation which was spent in Georgia.

Prof. Robert T. Fahey and family have returned from a visit to Bradenton.

Sam Durrance, formerly of Avon Park, but now of Waycross, Ga., spent Sunday here.

Mrs. W. B. Shelton and two children, of Miami, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Irvin H. Ford.

Mrs. A. L. Gibson, of Lakeland, will arrive today to spend some time with Mrs. Tim Collins.

G. E. Asbury, district manager of the Seaboard Oil company, was in Avon Park on Wednesday.

Junior Pottinger, who has been the guest of Billy Sheffield, has returned to his home at Lake Alfred.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Mann motored to Tampa Sunday to visit Mrs. Mann's father, who is at a Tampa hospital.

Miss Hazel Overstreet, on the staff of the Carney school, spent the last week-end here with her parents.

Miss Margaret Stevens has returned to her home at Fort Meade after visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Clare Mann.

Mrs. George Harvey returned last Sunday from Unadilla, Ga., making the trip by motor with Mr. Harvey, who went to the Georgia city recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Willson and daughter, Hilda, returned home Monday from an eleven-weeks visit in Reading, Pa.

Miss Willie Mae Sibley and M. L. Sibley, now of Miami, but formerly of Avon Park, are visiting Miss Oleta Bigbie.

Mrs. Estelle Cragg, who spent the past season at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Smith, is now touring in Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Day and Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Tarpley, and daughter, Gloria, motored to Fort Myers on Sunday.

Miss Margaret Pardee, a teacher in the Avon Park High school, has returned home after a visit with relatives in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. George Smith are now visiting relatives in Chicago. Before their return they expect to visit Mrs. Smith's father in Manitoba, Can.

The body goes to work a lot more readily than the mind.

Miss Selena Day, relief operator for the Western Union, and in charge of the local office during the absence of Tim Collins, operator, has left for Clewiston to take charge of the office in the Sugar Cane city.

Attorney J. C. McDonald expected to leave last night for Ocala, Ga., where Mrs. McDonald and family have been spending their vacation. The popular attorney and family will return to this city in a few days.

Miss Martha Durrance, of Fort Meade, who has been visiting Miss Lois Rish during the past week, returned to her home Sunday. She was accompanied by Miss Rish and Forrest Park who spent the day at Ft. Meade.

Jack Head Smiling.

"It's a girl," yelled Jack Head to one of his friends early Monday morning. Jack's face was wreathed in smiles and his pockets were full of cigars, which he passed out to his friends. On Sunday, at Bartow, the stork made his second visit to the Head family, this time leaving a girl, a playmate for Jack, Jr. Mother and baby are doing nicely, thank you.

Phillips Has Moved.

The Domestic Appliance company will have temporary offices in the Jacaranda Drug company. W. H. Phillips, the proprietor, has announced. Arrangements are being made to secure a permanent location. Heretofore the concern was housed at the Smith-McGinnis company, hardware dealers.

Goodwin Buys Market.

"This market will be known for its courteous service, quality of meat and lowest cash prices," said A. M. Godwin regarding his purchase of the interest of H. W. Redick, former owner of the meat market in the B. & B. grocery store. Mr. Godwin has had several years of experience as a butcher, and is well known in Avon Park.

Baldree Funeral Services.

Funeral services for Isaac K. Baldree, aged 75 years, who passed away last Sunday at the home of his son, J. W. Baldree, were held Sunday afternoon. J. H. McClelland, deacon of the South Side Baptist church conducted the services. Burial was made in Hart cemetery.

Important Announcement?

An announcement of much importance is expected in the near future from Z. O. Jenkins and J. S. Rudisill, of Forest City, N. C., who returned to their homes after visiting here during the week. The visitors are extensive property owners in Avon Park, and they have been making a quiet investigation of conditions in this section.

No intimation of what the important announcement will have a bearing on has been given out by those "in the know." But it will be made in a short time, The Times was informed.

Pastor Returns From Evangelistic Service

Rev. W. E. Melton, pastor of the Nazarene church, and family have returned to Avon Park after a trip to many points in Georgia.

While away from the city Rev. Melton conducted evangelistic services at Hicox, Ga., which were largely attended and resulted in new converts to the church. Rev. Melton will occupy his pulpit on Sunday.

Crotalaria seed imported from Porto Rico is giving very satisfactory growth in Highlands county, according to L. H. Alesmeyer, county agent.

An Arkansas flying school requires students to construct and fly an airplane.

SOUTH SIDE NEWS

To Conduct Revival At Baptist Church

Plans are now being made for a two weeks' revival to be held at the South Side Baptist church starting September 9. Rev. McClelland, of Lakeland, will preach, and J. A. Parrish, also of Lakeland, will have charge of the singing. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend.

Music will be a feature of the services, and beginning next Monday evening at 8 o'clock a singing school will be held at the church to prepare for the revival. Mr. Parrish will have charge of the school, and all singers are asked to meet at the church next Monday night.

J. D. Adams, of Sarasota, spent the week-end with J. D. DeLaney.

J. M. Bishop and E. A. DeLaney were Jacksonville visitors on Sunday, returning home on Monday.

Kinsey Webb, of Sarasota, spent Saturday with his brother, Tommy Webb.

Mrs. A. D. Webb has returned home after a visit to Jackson, Miss.

Joe Allen and family are home from a trip to Hamilton county.

E. A. DeLaney, of Avon Park, and O. H. Clements, of Jacksonville, spent yesterday at Lakeland.

Dickinsons Rejoicing.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Dickinson are rejoicing over the arrival of an eight pound girl on Tuesday. Mother and daughter are fine, according to Dr. Boone.

Ivings Changes Lawyers.

Attorney J. C. McDonald, of Avon Park, has been retained as counsel for Walter Ivings, deputy sheriff, who was arrested recently on a charge of selling intoxicating liquor. Mr. Ivings previously retained Attorney M. K. McDonald, of Sebring, as counsel when a writ of habeas corpus was sought.

CANNOT SHIP FRUIT UNLESS HOST FREE

Regulations To Be Strictly Enforced In Shipping From Zone 2

ORLANDO, Aug. 22.—Special: Federal regulations prohibiting the shipment of fruit next season from any property in Zone 2 upon which the host free period was not observed during the summer months are to be enforced strictly, it was said today at Orlando headquarters of the fly eradication forces.

A letter to all district inspectors from Charles M. Hunt, agent of the Plant Quarantine and Control Administration, United States Department of Agriculture, under date of August 19, contains the following:

"Paragraph 2, Section B, Regulations 3, Quarantine No. 68, reads as follows:

"(2) Protective zone. (a) No permit will be issued for the interstate movement of citrus fruits produced on premises within any protective zone unless the host-free period has been maintained on such premises. (See Regulation 2-B)."

"According to this regulation you will see that we will not be able to issue permits for the movement from any property on which the host-free period was not maintained. It is thus necessary that we receive a list of all property owners who have failed to comply. Accordingly we would ask that you send us a list of all property owners in your district who have violated the host-free period. We in turn will see that this list is turned over to the proper Permit Agent with instructions to issue no permits for the movement of fruit from such properties."

POWER INTERESTS ARE BEING WATCHED

Morgan-Mellon Interests In Contest With Insull Over Spoils

According to a story appearing in the Jacksonville Times-Union of recent date there is much more to come out of the investigation of the federal government of the Insull power interests. The story which carried a Washington date line follows:

"Government officials here are watching the developments of the gigantic hydro-electric power groups. They see a great struggle over the consolidation of interests in the rich eastern section of the United States. Morgan and Mellon money and forces are combating the Insull organization, which has captured strategic points from Maine to Florida."

"More than \$10,000,000,000 are invested in power plants and sites and the sum is increasing daily."

"Recently the Morgan group has brought about mergers of companies in northeastern states, and the Aluminum Company of America, in which the Mellons are leaders, has outlined a vast constructive program for the South."

"Samuel Insull of Chicago and his aggressive associates have bottled up power in Maine and New Hampshire and other parts of New England. They have important interests near Harrisburg, Pa.; Baltimore, Md.; Trenton, N. J.; Dover, Del., a strip of country running from Washington to Bluefield, W. Va.; Lynchburg, Va.; Florence, S. C.; a section extending from Savannah, Ga., to Tallahassee, Fla., and a large development about Tampa, Fla."

Insull's Cleverness Seen.

"Hydro-electric experts here say that the Insulls have demonstrated their cleverness in power contests by getting control of very valuable key properties in the East and they can make trouble for their rivals, and ultimately quit the territory in dispute with large profits."

"The federal trade commission, under the authority of the Walsh resolution to inquire into public utility activities, will begin in September a thorough investigation of the financial support of the forty or more groups which exercise control over power corporations. It has already gone into the propaganda question, and will shortly take the more substantial side."

"A few ragged ends of the newspaper power connections are yet to be considered. During the summer recess government representatives have been looking into the information brought to Senator Norris in North and South Carolina control or are financially interested in four or five daily papers. These reports, left over at the first half of the year, will be thrashed out before the financial backing of power developments will be commenced."

"The Electric Bond & Share Company of New York refused to submit its books to the trade commission but the desired evidence can be brought out by interrogating witnesses under oath, and that the commission is prepared to do."

The 1930 Kiwanis Convention To Be Held In Miami

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. Aug. 22.—Florida is alone in the field of states which can invite the 1930 convention of Kiwanis, and Miami will next year be the scene of this gathering, due to the combined work of the Miami club and Governor Doyle Carlton. Mr. Carlton, who is a Kiwanian, extended Florida's invitation at the 1929 session and succeeded in getting this state the sole honor of bidding for the session next year. Governor Carlton will speak at the Miami meeting the twenty-third, the day before the start of the "South to the North" air race, for which event he was asked to make an address.

Men worry a lot about their hair when it's half gone.

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PAY DELINQUENT TAXES.

Taxpayers of Avon Park, who have neglected to pay taxes rightfully due the city, should make an effort at once to pay up so that the city may pass the present financial crisis.

There are many reasons why the taxes have not been paid. Some hold that they will not pay until others do so; others will not pay because, they claim, that this official or that official has failed to pay; and others have not paid because of their inability to do so.

To those who are holding back because others do not pay, we say: Help the city, wipe out the delinquent tax list, give the municipality money with which to operate; perhaps the other fellow is holding back because you are taking the same action. Failure to do so will add another burden to those who have already sent in their check. Council must take into consideration the money outstanding on taxes when the budget is made; and consequently the millage must of necessity be high, and the burden is passed on to those who have settled promptly.

It isn't fair to the prompt payers; it isn't fair to the city, and more than that, it isn't fair to you. Mr. Delinquent Taxpayer. Avon Park will be given assistance during the crisis if the people show a disposition to help themselves.

During the past week many delinquents have settled their score. To those who haven't, we make this appeal: Pay Delinquent Taxes.

QUESTIONED RIGHTS.

(As seen in the day's news)

The right of Walter McClintock to continue as acting state motor vehicle commissioner.

The right of closed banks to protest against the appointment of liquidators when the depositors haven't the same right.

The right of the state to tax gasoline stored in the state to be used in the state.

The right of the state to distribute gas tax monies as legislated.

The right of the state comptroller to permit the reopening of the First American State Bank and Trust company, West Palm Beach.

FACTS AND FIGURES.

There has been some exception taken to the story published in the issue of August 9 of the "Times" relative to the millage figures of Avon Park as set by the board of county commissioners. The figures we published were given us by the chairman of the board of county commissioners and we have on file in our office the original sheet of paper with those figures as handed to us by L. C. Pearce and this paper can be seen by anyone who cares to do so.

It's bad enough to have our wife pick on us, but when "Ma" Ruhl and Mary Hayes Davis train their editorial guns on us, we capitulate. And furthermore, we promise and vow never to pick on them again—unless we can't resist the PARAGRAPHER's temptation. In the meantime we shall speak to our own "proof." (Linotype: Don't make that "spoof.")

How the headwriter jumped from China to Sino:

China
Chins
Shins
Sins
Sino

PANACEA

When the week is over
And our typewriter takes a rest;
We pack our troubles in a tackle box
And go where fishing's best.

Oh! The TOUCH SYSTEM, Avery; not the touch system. Now we gotcha. And by the way, how about a little of the H & H you mentioned?

Postal savings revenue has increased greatly, according to postal government authorities. Floridians using the government as a depository are partly responsible for the increase.

In trying to avoid hitting a black cat running across the road, an Ohio tourist struck a tree and smashed his car into a thousand pieces. But of course that wasn't bad luck. —Times-Union. We saw that cartoon, too.

"Borah For Bonus Smoot For Slide," says Leesburg Commercial headlines. Which reminds us of the time we were promised a bonus and got the "bouns."

Bob Mehrle, half back who won all-American mention when he lugged the pigskin for Missouri, has been batting around \$325, according to the Tampatrib.

Amos adds to that "mental unrest" with his latest move, that of appointing officers of closed banks as liquidators. "Rubbing it in," is a mild expression.

Say, "Ma" Ruhl. We couldn't find "adarice" in Noah's writings either; neither could we find "deligently" after a diligent search. Now we're even, huh?

Uncle Ben, we hope you get lined up soon. We hate to miss your columns, and we envy the paper that lands you. Wish we could do it.

Makes Millions In Bull Market, headline in Tampa Times. If that's the case this editor should be worth ten millions, says our linotype.

Tampa will be the scene of "The Little Pirate," but Jacksonville announces a permanent studio. Busy Jax is busy.

Naturally a stockholder of a closed bank will defend the appointment of one of its officers as the liquidator.

"Florida Suffers That Others May Not," says the Manufacturers Record. Seems like we have the job ad vitam.

Snook's lawyers claim their client's treatment was unfair. What about the doctor's treatment of his victim?

It has now reached the point where a prisoner will run away rather than be cooped up in a jail that's not dedicated.

The Times-Union PARAGRAPHER regrets the absence of Mary Adams Dosh's paragraphs. Maybe she's MAD.

Speaking of the rights of depositors of defunct financial institutions under the new law, the depositors have none.

The Tampa Tribune performed a real public service when it published its editorial "End the Uncertainty."

Fred H. Davis' ruling on short skirts in pictures is a masterpiece. Fred knows his anatomy.

State legislators are called misfits by Indianan. Many Floridians are of the same opinion.

"Mobile Concern Gets Printing From State"—News item. Why not trade at home?

A Bee holding two pigeons is shown in a recent Tampatrib photo.

The 18-day diet is nothing new to a lot of newspapermen.

The tariff bill is Smoot evidence of a battle in congress.

We note that Moore Haven has a Bill Tilden, too.

Add six cent gas tax states: Georgia.

Stockyards at Ocala. Phew!

Echoes of the State Press

JUSTICE?

The grand jury of Jefferson county, Alabama, has indicted the state superintendent of banks because four banks failed in that state. Golly, if Alabama had a superintendent of banks like ours she would lynch him. Pretty good way to do, too. In Florida, we have had thirty bank failures in the last few weeks and over a hundred in a little over three years. We hope more Alabamians will move to Florida.—Palm Beach Independent.

Church Notes

BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. T. O. Baldwin, Minister.
B. Y. P. U. at 7:00.
Evening sermon at 8:00.
Mid-week Prayer service, Wednesday at 8:00.
The public is cordially invited.

UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
Rev. Arthur P. Vaughn, D. D. Minister.

Morning:
Bible school for adults and children at 9:45. J. P. Garber, Superintendent and Miss Shirley Page Shepherd, pianist.
Sermon by the pastor at 11:00.

Evening:
Christian Endeavor Society at 6:30.
Sermon by the pastor at 7:30.

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER
(Episcopal)

Mark Lance, Lay-reader.
Mrs. A. E. Gregory, Organist.
Sunday school at 9:30.
Morning prayer at 11.

METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. A. H. Hancock, Pastor.

Morning:
Sunday school at 9:45. John D. Raab, Superintendent. Miss Virginia Chandler, Pianist.
Morning worship at 11.

Evening:
Junior Epworthians, at 4. John Jackson, president.
Epworth League at 6:30. Miss Mildred Roberts, president.
Evening worship at 7:30. Special music by the choir at both services.

Mid-week prayer service Wednesday evening at 7:30.

CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN
Rev. Spanogle, Pastor.

Sunday school, 10:00 a. m.
Morning service, 11 o'clock.
Evening service, 7:30 o'clock.
Mid-week Prayer, Thursday evening.

CHURCH OF GOD
(Fairfield Avenue)

Rev. W. H. Yates, Pastor.
Sunday school, 10 o'clock.
Morning worship, 11 o'clock.
Evening worship, 7:45 o'clock.
Mid-week prayer service each Thursday evening.

A cordial welcome awaits you.

CHURCH OF CHRIST.
Clyde C. Corner, Minister.

Morning:
Sunday school, 10 o'clock.
Worship, 11 o'clock.

Evening:
Worship, 8 o'clock.
Wednesday:
Mid-week prayer service 8:00 o'clock.

SOUTH SIDE BAPTIST CHURCH
J. H. McClelland, Leader.

J. D. DeLaney, Superintendent.

Mrs. Robert Landers, Pianist.
Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.
Evening services at 8 p. m.

NAZARENE

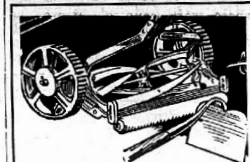
Rev. W. E. Melton, Pastor.
Sunday school at 10:00 a. m.
Preaching at 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.
Wednesday night prayer service at 7:30 p. m.
A spiritual message and a welcome to all.

Governor Carlton To Give Official Send-Off South to North Flight

TALLAHASSEE, Aug. 22.—Special: Florida will be given an opportunity to express itself to the nation at large, on the advantages possessed to the establishment of the industry of aviation, the night of August 23, when Governor Doyle E. Carlton will give the official send off to planes entered in the first "South to the North" air race, scheduled to take off from Miami the following day. The chief executive has accepted an invitation to deliver the principle address and has chosen as his subject, "Florida's Position in International Aviation." This address will not only be broadcast but will be published in news story form in all the cities in which the planes will make brief stop-overs. They include: Tampa, Miami, Jacksonville, Macon, Atlanta, Birmingham, Nashville, Evansville, Ind., Louisville and Cincinnati, Cleveland, the goal city, is making arrangements to observe the event in an outstanding manner. Planes will be entered from every section of the country and pilots will include many who have helped in the present record breaking campaign.

C. H. Reeder, mayor of Miami, is in charge of the event, and advised the governor's office this week that one of the largest crowds in summer time history will be on hand to hear his address.

Denmark will have talks next fall.



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Phone 144

THE HANGING CLUE

By William Bruner

HAD Ludlow suggested a dinner or show together, John Evans would have turned him down. But there was something of an appeal for the senior partner in going to Coney Island. He had not been there in years; not once, indeed, since he and Ludlow had gone to celebrate getting out of debt.

This trip, too, would mark a change in the affairs of Evans & Ludlow, cabinetmakers. For nearly a year the partners had been disagreeing on nearly every important point which came up, and on the details they were forever at odds. It had started when Evans began to insist that they admit his nephew, William Doyle, to full partnership. Doyle, young, ambitious and keen-headed, had worked hard. He had the modern slant; it had been his suggestion which turned the business from near bankruptcy to prosperity such as it had never enjoyed before.

But Adolphe Ludlow was a hard person to convince. He was thick, both in mind and body. Whenever Evans would mention giving Bill Doyle a boost, he would squint his pale brown eyes and puff out his thick, moist lips.

"Our agreement," he would sputter, jabbing at the air with his stubby hands. "You forget the agreement, John Evans! For years we have got along well with it. Neither partner to sell, except to the other—and, should one partner die, the business to go to the other. Why a third to lessen the income? I will not have it!"

Evans, however, for all his meekness, was persistent. He never quite let the matter drop. Adolphe began to hate the sight of him, to detest the sound of his mild, drawing voice. It would be foolish to have two partners. It was idiotic, for that matter, to have any. He, Adolphe, was the one whose work counted. It was he who did the architectural interiors which now brought prosperity to the firm. Evans and Bill Doyle still puttered with cabinetmaking and furniture repairs. To be sure, Bill Doyle had suggested going in for business interiors and such—but what good was an idea, Adolphe asked himself time and again, if one didn't have the stuff to carry it through.

Buying John Evans out was not to be considered. More money was what Adolphe wanted; to purchase the whole business would sadly deplete his savings. And yet, something had to be done. One couldn't go on doing good work, and all the while be upset by impossible proposals.

It was an effort, at first, for Adolphe to be friendly once more. But he found that he could force a fairly convincing grin, and a slap on the shoulder now and then did no harm. The little shop on East Twenty-second Street became a less dreary place. Bill Doyle whistled over his furniture repairs again, and the reproach went out of Evans' slow voice.

There came a contract for a bank interior—the best they had ever gotten. It fell to Evans & Ludlow largely through Bill's efforts. Adolphe beamed all that day and then he drew Evans off into a corner where Bill, who was replacing a leg on a ponderous mahogany sideboard, could not hear.

"We go tonight to Coney, yes?" Ludlow suggested. "A shore dinner we shall have, and then taken in the sights. Perhaps we can talk over something."

John Evans did not like business after hours. To a show or a dinner in town he would not have agreed, saying they could talk right now. Beyond doubt Adolphe was ready to admit Bill to partnership; that had been his contract at last convinced him that Bill was a good lad to encourage. So John Evans said yes; and, on sudden impulse, he held out his hand and shook with Adolphe on it.

Later that day Evans stopped by the bench where his nephew was working.

"Adolphe and me are cutting loose tonight," he grinned. "Going to Coney Island. Guess maybe he's ready to do something about tak-

ing you in, Bill."

He picked up the length of mahogany on which Bill was working, glancing at it critically. Bill had shaped it well. It was now about eighteen inches long and two inches square, tapering gracefully. He held it by the narrow end and brandished it playfully, while Bill made ready to give it a coat of filler.

"Sure could give a man an awful sock with that," he commented. "Well, do a good job. Old lady Sturdevant's a good customer. She moves every year, and something always gets smashed."

They quit work at five, Evans and Bill and Adolphe going out together. Adolphe glanced at the sky.

"Looks like rain," he said. "Guess I'll carry an umbrella. You go on slow—it's inside—and I'll catch up with you."

Adolphe scurried back to the shop. Bill laughed.

"Sure is cautious," he said. "I'll bet a dollar it doesn't rain." Evans grinned. "Yeah—Adolphe's funny. Too careful, maybe. That's why we never had the courage to try anything new till you came along. Hope I have good news for you in the morning, Bill."

Doyle shrugged, a slight frown puckering between his gray eyes. "Don't know," he said doubtfully. "Ludlow has never been keen on the idea. I won't be expecting it."

Adolphe came panting back, the umbrella clutched tightly in his

below them, like a long, fat, glittering dragon. In one direction was the blackness of the sea, punctured by lights of two lonely ships, far out. This vast darkness was ward off by littered beach and rambling boardwalk, which swarmed with miles of people who had nothing to do and money to spend. Then—noise and light everywhere, everywhere people, drifting aimlessly, stifling for excitement and a breath of air.

From one thing to another they went, trying the Whip, the Caterpillar, and entering The Pit to laugh with the crowds there. Both of them were having the time of their lives. They picked a mild looking roller coaster, and found it too tame.

"One of them old-fashioned scenic railway things," Evans scoffed, "and all the scenes have rotted away. Let's try that wicked one." They waited in line for their ride, and then fought for seats. The train of cars clicked upward slowly. Girls giggled, anticipating excitement.

"Hold your hat," said Adolphe, reading a sign. "Don't stand up in cars—danger!" John Evans quoted another warning.

They reached the top, the cars swerving around a curve, and then plunged breathlessly downward. The passengers shrieked—laughing thrilled shrieks. Adolphe and John, feeling like a couple of kids, joined in the racket. Down—a quick

"Ride 'im, cowboy!" someone shouted. Laughter rippled along the train, mingling with the pseudo cries of alarm. Under the higher tracks the cars swerved, into the half dark.

Cutting through the merriment, through the rattle and roar of the coaster, came a shrill, terrifying, icy cry.

Silenced by sudden fear, the pleasure seekers in the cars ahead turned around. They saw a little, stocky man tugging desperately at his companion, hauling him back into the seat, and screaming fearfully all the while.

The cars came to a jerking stop at the ride's end. The passengers fled from it, and then stood on the platform, gasping with horror. Attendants came running, shouting questions, not knowing quite what to do. Collecting instantly, a vast crowd milled outside the fence, blocking the street. Police came running, blowing their whistles and brandishing their clubs, but the crowd was too large and too eager to see. It could not be moved.

John Evans was lifted out of the last seat. His forehead was shattered by the terrific impact of his death blow. And all the while Adolphe, umbrella clutched so tightly in his hands that the knuckles stood out white, ran about sobbing, muttering over and over.

"He stood up! I told him not to do it. He stood up! Good God—" "It was terrible," Adolphe told Bill, there in the dimly lighted



Ludlow's Purpose in Carrying the Umbrella Reflected a Cautious Nature; It Also Concealed a Deadly Intent.

hand. It was a huge, old-fashioned affair; large enough, Bill thought, glancing at its bulk, to shelter a family.

Bill left them at the subway and went home. He shared an apartment on Lexington Avenue with his bachelor uncle. Hours later the phone brought him an hysterical voiced message from Adolphe. John Evans had been killed on a roller coaster!

Bill Doyle had always felt a deep respect for his uncle. Now he listened, behind the drawn curtains of the little shop on East Twenty-second Street, to the first coherent story Adolphe had been able to give, and his heart was heavy. Just a few hours ago—

At a large restaurant where there was music and dancing the two had enjoyed a leisurely dinner. They talked, Adolphe said, about the business, making plans for future expansion. Bill suspected that they had talked about him, but Adolphe, chewing his thick lips and blinking his little eyes, seemed anxious to avoid details.

Then they walked along the boardwalk, watching the late swimmers, telling one another how different Coney Island was from years ago.

"Place has changed," John Evans had said. "Bigger and better behaved crowds. No beer. More tricks for shaking the life out of a man."

Their first venture with the amusement devices had been the giant ferris wheel. From the gently swaying car the two men looked over the island. There it sprawled

swoop upward, a crashing curve, an unexpected perpendicular drop. Then a thundering, twisting route under the tracks where they just had been, with crossbeams by close overhead, only half seen in the semi-darkness. A last jolt, a brake-screaming halt, and laughing, eyewiping disembarkation.

"Let's go again," suggested Evans, grinning widely.

"Go!" A young couple was passing by, gasping for breath. "That last seat! Talk about a kick—" "The last seat for us," Evans said, jumping out and racing for it.

"I—I didn't want to do it," Adolphe told Bill, who sat on the edge of his chair, face white and tense, eyes staring blankly.

Filling in with pictures the details Adolphe omitted. Of course, it was a hard thing to talk about—

"John said, 'Don't be so blamed cautious, Adolphe.' He pulled me into the seat with him. Look at that umbrella, now—an' not a cloud in the sky!"

So they took their second ride on that mad, roaring thing, back in the last seat where the biggest kick was.

"Take off your hat," again warned Adolphe, doing his best to clutch umbrella and hat and guard rail.

"Don't stand up!" John repeated. "Say—I bet there's a kick in that!"

As the train lurched itself toward the ground, John Evans suddenly stood up. He yelled, along with the others, while Adolphe vainly tried to pull him down.

"Sit down!" he shrieked. A few in the cars ahead glanced back, but John had settled back.

shop, with the smell of woods and varnish heavy on the air. "Terrible! There in the car—with me!"

He shuddered, and pressed his hands close against his temples. Bill stared at him dully, noticing the middle finger of his right hand. The top joint was missing from an accident with a hand saw, years before. A person never knew, Bill reflected unhappily. Even with all his caution, Adolphe had once got hurt.

Ludlow sighed heavily and jerked to his feet.

"Terrible!" he said again, and closed his little eyes. "I—I can't stand it in here, Bill. I'm going home."

He put his umbrella in the office, behind his desk where he always kept it. Adolphe was a methodical man; everything in its place, always. Often he had complained of Bill's carelessness, and of John Evans', too, for that matter.

"You can't expect to keep tools if you do not properly put them away," he frequently said. "Not make a smooth-fitting joint if your habits are slipshod."

He let himself out the door. Bill still sat on the edge of his chair, listening until the drum of Adolphe's hard heels had died with distance.

John Evans was dead.

The thought went through Bill's mind with pounding monotony. He knew he should go home and try to sleep; he knew he could not if he tried. But to sit here, doing nothing, was maddening. He paced about the shop nervously, trying to think of other things, of the fu-

ture. There, now Adolphe had said nothing of the long disagreement the two partners had had over taking Bill into the firm. Not a word. And yet, Bill knew that the subject had been brought up during their dinner at Coney Island. John would have made a point of it, even over Adolphe's protest.

John would have made a point of it, and he would not have gone on with the evening unless some satisfactory agreement had been made. He would have come home, offended, and he would still be alive.

But Bill's groping, stunned mind soon found an explanation for that John Evans was dead now. Bill knew of the agreement the two men. Why would Adolphe say anything, now that all the business was his, instead of a third of it? Well, Bill told himself, he didn't care about that. He could find a better job elsewhere. Already the shop, with its clean smells and stacks of wood, seemed unpleasantly different.

Bill Doyle came to a halt beside the mahogany sideboard on which he had worked that afternoon. To work with his hands, he knew, often relieved the mind. He would finish the job of replacing Mrs. Sturdevant's leg. He smiled a little. John Evans would have appreciated a joke like that. It would be easier, so to pass the first dreary hours of his grief.

The morning sun was still red on the desolate emptiness of Coney Island when Bill Doyle arrived again at the roller coaster where his uncle had met death. Bill woke up the watchman and talked seriously with him for a few minutes.

The watchman blinked and stared in turn, and shook his head doubtfully when Bill had finished.

"You don't mean to say—" he began, and finished with an uncertain gesture.

"I hope not," Bill told him. But—well, I'm not sure. I've got to find out, see?"

The watchman nodded sympathetically and opened the gate.

Over that whole roller coaster Bill climbed, with a folding rule in his hand. His uncle and he were of the same height—five feet eleven. And the floor of the cars was thirteen inches. Bill had determined above the tracks. That made seven feet. Bill was looking for cross-beams less than seven feet above the track.

Before he was through, he had found plenty of them. Solidly bolted they were, reinforcing the steel skeleton of the coaster, and still fresh and white with their season's coat of paint. Not one of them, after long and painstaking search, could Bill find with the stain of crimson on it. And yet, his uncle's forehead, when he saw John Evans after the accident—

His gray eyes dark with troubled thoughts, Bill prowled for a long while under the rollercoaster racks. More troubled still, he looked forward, carefully searching the whole vicinity. Then, puzzled, uncertain, he dusted his hand and prepared to go home, glancing upward as he did so. He let out a long whistle of amazement and started to climb the framework of the roller coaster, his heart pounding with suppressed excitement.

Several hours later, Bill Doyle walked into the shop in which his uncle had been partner. Adolphe was there, busy over a sheet of figures, over which he dropped a blotter at Bill's approach. His little eyes blinked and he sighed ponderously.

"Hello," he said in a flat, toneless voice.

Bill nodded and leaned on the edge of Adolphe's desk.

"Going to keep open—today?" he asked.

The little man sighed again. "Yes," he said. "John Evans would think better of it. He was always a great man for attending to business."

Bill shook his head. "No," he said. "He wasn't. He'd close shop on every excuse: I—I sort of think we ought to close today, Adolphe."

The bright little eyes snapped. "So!" he exclaimed angrily. "You think, do you? You have nothing to say about it!"

Bill rapped his fist hard on the top of Ludlow's desk, and the shop owner puffed out his moist lips indignantly.

"I've lots to say," Bill told him calmly. "You were—"

A steady beat of footsteps drum— (Continued on page seven)

BAPTISTS MEET AT EAGLE LAKE

J. V. Chapman, of Avon Park, Retires As President Of Brotherhood Association

(Lake Wales Highlander)

The Baptist Men's Brotherhood of the South Florida Baptist association met at Eagle Lake Thursday evening for a picnic and election of officers, says the Lakeland Ledger. After the luncheon, the meeting was called to order by the vice-president, J. C. Poppel, Plant City, who presided during the evening. The song service was led by Ira M. Harrell, Lake Wales, with Mrs. J. F. Townsend at the piano.

The address of welcome was made on behalf of Lake Wales, the entertaining brotherhood, by J. F. Townsend, and the response was made by J. V. Chapman, Avon Park, the retiring president.

A. J. Peddy, Don Walden, F. P. Day and Rollie Tillman were members of the nominating committee and the following officers were elected for the coming year: J. C. Poppel, Plant City, president; J. F. Townsend, Lake Wales, vice-president; Deane L. Hart, Lakeland, secretary and treasurer. Group area leaders chosen were: W. S. Yates, Plant City, strawberry area; Fred R. Nichols, Lakeland, orange area; A. L. Weaver, Lake Wales, grapefruit area; Ed. Anderson, Bartow, phosphate area.

The chief address of the evening was made by Rev. Dr. Ecton, of Lexington, Ky., on the subject, "How a Christian Layman is Recognized." He named five ways for this recognition: character, conversation, creed, conduct and contributions. A. J. Peddy spoke on "Stewardship"; Don Walden on the needs of the Baptist orphanage, and J. V. Chapman, a word of appreciation of the co-operation given during his two years as president.

Tax On Stored Gas Found Constitutional

TALLAHASSEE, Aug. 22.—An act of the 1929 legislature sponsored by Governor Carlton which placed a tax on petroleum products stored within the state, and from which an anticipated annual revenue of \$1,500,000 was to be received, was found constitutional following hearing before Circuit Judge E. C. Love at Quincy this week. This decides the action against one of the tax measures which has met with political opposition, the other gas tax law awaiting decision of the supreme court. This latter law which placed an extra cent on gasoline was found constitutional, but its methods of distribution of funds in equal amounts to the counties was disputed.

Manufacturer's Record Again Boosts Florida

TALLAHASSEE, Aug. 22.—Special: The Manufacturer's Record, always the friend of Florida, has again come to its assistance and in its daily Bulletin of August 10, publishes a front page editorial saying that, "Florida's Spirit An Inspiration to Others." The value of this editorial cannot be estimated and friends of Florida welcome accurate accounts which will tend to explain to other states, the position and hopes of the Empire of Sunshine.

Orange county 4-H club girls were honored with a number of distinguished visitors at their annual camp at Rollins College in July. Among the visitors present were Dr. and Mrs. Wilmon Newell, Miss Flavia Gleason, state home demonstration agent, and five members of the special committee sent to the state from Washington to study and report on the fruit fly situation.

Parting advice: Put a little water on the comb—Colgate Banter.

CORPUS MISSING IN UNIQUE CASE

(Continued from page one)

Attorney Burton led for the state and cited sections of the statutes to show that a justice of the peace does not have jurisdiction in liquor cases. The question of Sunday service of the warrant caused much argument, the state contending that according to common law Sunday is between sunrise and sunset. The matter and interpretation of a "speedy trial" was also argued as was the admission of evidence in a habeas corpus hearing. The state closed by alleging that the petition did not justify the release of the accused.

Attorney McDonald questioned the legality of the process by which livings was being held in the county jail and alleged that there was no warrant to show. His contention on the Sunday service item was that Sunday is from midnight to midnight. He further claimed there is not a county judge but a judge of the county judge's court and argued that the warrant should have been made returnable to the issuing justice of the peace who should then have disqualified himself. On the "speedy trial" item, Attorney McDonald claimed that the next term of county court, September 10, was too long a time for the defendant to wait for trial.

When asked as to whether he had a warrant for the accused, the sheriff said he did not and never did have. The court questioned the whereabouts of the warrant and Constable Coker produced it together with the bond he had accepted from the accused both of which were on file in the county judge's office and these documents were examined by the judge. The court remarked that the defendant appeared to be out on bond filed in the county judge's court and then had been returned to jail and not to the constable who had accepted the bond.

This phase of the proceedings caused a flurry in the court and Attorney Lee stated that the constable had served the warrant and obtained bond and released the defendant, who now appeared to be in jail for some other and unknown reason. The court held that the defendant should have surrendered to the constable who held the bond. States Attorney Burton then expressed the opinion that the petition was well founded and asked that the habeas corpus be dismissed. The court ordered the release of the defendant under bond to the constable who had accepted the bond in the first instance and now held it.

This case is now expected to come up for trial at the next session of the county court which is scheduled for September 10. The whole business has caused so much discussion that early in the week petitions were circulated asking for a special grand jury investigation of the whole affair. Many signers appear to have been obtained including signatures of the whole of the sheriff's force including the accused. When asked as to his probable action on the petition, Judge W. J. Barker stated that if and when presented to him he would give them his consideration. When these petitions will be presented has not been learned at present.

The fact that Hugh Clinton who signed the affidavit on which warrant was issued has left town has caused much talk but the constable states he has another witness and that he considers he has an "open and shut" case. What the evidence and defense will be at the trial is not known.

Carlton Stresses the Value Of Cold Storage For Citrus

TALLAHASSEE, Aug. 22.—Recommendation that the citrus growers of the state give attention to the value of cold storage as a factor in the equalization of markets, was made in a statement this week by Governor Carlton. Mr. Carlton, a fruit grower himself, declares that cold storage facilities offer a means of stabilizing the market.

By the time you're able to boast about how well your hens lay you find that everybody's hens are laying.

LITERARY DIGEST TO ISSUE FLORIDA EDITION

Rex Beach To Be Asked To Write Article To Be Included

TALLAHASSEE, Aug. 22.—Special: A group of men, including nationally known authors as well as a number of outstanding citizens within the state, have been suggested by Governor Doyle E. Carlton to prepare a series of Florida articles, following request from the Literary Digest. This publication asks for information covering every phase of development and every advantage of the Sunshine state, the material to be published in a special issue now being prepared.

The subjects and those who have been suggested to prepare the articles, are as follows: "Florida's Political Significance and Power in the Nation," Morton Milford, prominent Miami editor.

"Florida's Social and Industrial Conditions and Problems," Grosvenor Dawe, who had charge of the state's first industrial survey.

"Florida's Great Manufacturing and Commercial Enterprises," Wm. L. Wilson, well-known business man of Panama City.

"Florida's Agricultural Interests, Difficulties and Accomplishments," Nathan Mayo, Commissioner of Agriculture.

"Florida's Physical and Scenic Features and Attractions," David Shultz, president state chamber of commerce.

"Florida's Accomplishments in the Development of Natural Resources, Roads, in the Improvement of Public Health, Homes, and Living Conditions," W. L. Straub, editor of the St. Petersburg Times.

"Florida's Contributions to the Prosperity of the Nation," Rex Beach, well-known fiction author and Florida booster.

"History of Florida and Outstanding Men and Women," Jack Lacey, director Capitol Facts Service.

Plans of the Literary Digest to give Florida opportunity to discuss its problems and developments, is considered one of the best opportunities for constructive publicity the state has ever received, and it is hoped by the present administration that the men who have been suggested to contribute to the work, will lend their co-operation.

Dentist Lands Shark On Fort Myers Trip

"And boy, oh boy, what a time I had in landing him," it was Dr. A. H. Able referring to a 200 pound shark he landed on his rod and reel last week at Fort Myers. "Never had such a thrill in all my life," continued the cavity filler.

"Doc" and his cousin, Rev. Dr. A. L. Gunter, of Columbia, S. C., and Stuart Thayer and H. A. Winter comprised the party that went down to the west coast last Thursday. And all had the usual lot of tales to tell on their return.

The South Carolina clergyman, down here on a vacation as a result of an invitation from Dr. Able, had the experience of catching a ray fish, and believe it or not, tales as a golfer. The tooth saver and the soul saver were at their best in relating the incidents of the trip.

L. T. Dyer, county agent of Union county, reports that crops are good and farmers are hopeful, as they have plenty of hogs and plenty of feed.

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THE HANGING CLUE

By WILLIAM BRUNER

(Continued from page five)

med on the dry floor. Bill broke off, looking up. The man came slowly toward them with the uncertainty of a customer not quite sure of what he wants.

"Make cabinets for radio sets?" he asked, halting a few steps in front of Ludlow's desk.

Adolphe glanced malignantly at Bill Doyle. "Yes," he said. "We have built many of them. I could give you an estimate."

He started to search in his desk drawer for something. Bill knew he would not find it, for the thing was in his pocket. It was the folding rule with which Bill had measured the cross beams on the Coney Island coaster.

"Things are always getting misplaced around here lately," Adolphe muttered. "All I do is pick up after others."

"Yes," agreed Bill. "I noticed last night you put that filler brush back in the turps. I forgot it when I finished giving that sideboard leg a coat."

Adolphe pretended not to hear. He yanked a ball of green twine out of his desk and slammed it down angrily. It had become partly unrolled, and tangled in his fingers. The customer stood silently by, watching Bill rather than Adolphe.

"I wanted to use your umbrella last night, too," Bill went on casually. "It was raining when I left here this morning, early. I thought you'd brought it back. But it's gone now."

Ludlow leaped and looked back of the desk. Certainly there was no umbrella there. He turned about and faced Bill, his dark face twisted with a scowl.

"You can go," he said. "I do not need you here. You bother me."

"Maybe this is the umbrella," the customer suggested. He brought his hands from behind him. Adolphe stared.

"Yes!" he admitted uncertainly. There was no mistaking the ungainly, old-fashioned thing with its ponderous handle. "Where did you get it?"

"At headquarters," he said unconcernedly, "when I was assigned a this case."

Adolphe dropped his hands and stared blankly. "Case," he repeated. "What?"

"Yeah," the man said. "Might as well tell you. I'm Farwick, from the homicide squad. I arrest you for the murder of John Evans, last night at Coney Island. Anything you say."

Adolphe Ludlow sat down abruptly in his chair and laughed nervously.

"There are dozens of witnesses," he said, "who can prove that Evans was killed accidentally. On the roller coaster, yes. You are crazy!"

"No," Bill cut in, taking the umbrella from Farwick's hand, "you were too careful, Adolphe."

Ludlow looked at his partner's nephew contemptuously.

"I suppose," he suggested scathingly, "that you have made it out that I killed John Evans with my umbrella?" He leered. "You noticed the wound on his head?"

It was made by a sharp corner—a cross beam, I tell you! My umbrella has a round handle."

"No," said Farwick. "The death blow came from a flat surface, about two inches wide. None of the cross beams on the roller coaster could have made such a mark, for they are all heavier timbers—four by sixes, most of them."

Adolphe stared at him uncomprehendingly.

"I think even the coroner would have passed it up, though, if it hadn't been for this chap here. It seemed so obviously accidental, the death of John Evans. No one would think of such a thing as murder, first off."

Ludlow swallowed a couple of times to relieve the tight dryness of his throat, and then he made a half attempt at unconcern.

"What're you driving at?" he demanded.

Farwick nodded at Bill, who reached his hand into the deep, black silk folds of the old umbrella. He brought out a piece of unvarnished wood, long, tapering, about two inches square.

"I stayed last night after you left," Bill said slowly, speaking to Adolphe. "I was upset. I thought I'd work. But the mahogany leg for that sideboard was gone. I couldn't find it anywhere, Adolphe. But I found one thing."

"I remembered that I had put the filler coat on it, but that I forgot to place the brush back in turpentine put away. That brush was, nearly put away. Even at such a time, when you rushed through the shop—while we thought you were getting your umbrella—your habitual neatness could not be overcome. You put that brush away, and then you saw the mahogany leg."

"It's a lie!" Adolphe managed to mutter. "A pack of lies!"

"It doesn't matter," Bill told him grimly.

"I can prove it," Adolphe said desperately. "There won't be any fingerprints. I never touched that piece of wood in my life!"

The detective looked at Bill meaningly, a quizzical pucker on his face.

"Not a single fingerprint!" Bill agreed icily. "Not a one. I'll tell you, see? You listen! You put that mahogany leg inside the umbrella, handling it with newspapers. But the filler wasn't quite dry. Some of the paper stuck. And, Adolphe, some of the filler rubbed off on the inside of your umbrella. It's there. You overlooked that in your cautiousness. A stick of wood, even mahogany, might not be enough to convict you, even if you were suspected of the crime, which was hardly likely."

"But there was that brush in place—and the stick was gone. I wondered. How could you carry it? In the umbrella? With such a weapon, you could easily kill my uncle. You meant to hit him with the edge of the stick, but a lurch of the cars threw you off balance, perhaps. The thing hit flat, leaving its mark. The stick fits the mark. And you carried that stick out there."

"How do I know? Look!"

With a sudden motion Bill Doyle pulled a long piece of green twine from inside the umbrella. Adolphe Ludlow looked at it in horror, and his eyes turned, inexorably drawn, to the ball of twine on his desk. It was of the exact shade.

"You were too careful, Adolphe—too careful. You tied that piece of wood inside the umbrella, so it could not fall out, wrapping it round and round so there would be no knots to fumble with."

"But the string tangled, see? It tangled around the stick—and then the stick caught as it fell, after you had thrown it aside. It hung there on the girder, when I went to look this morning, by its green twine. I nearly missed it."

"Too careful, Adolphe!" Bill's voice was low and in a monotone. It was maddening to hear. "If you had not put that brush away, now. If you had taken a chance on fingerprints, and discovered that the filler was not yet dry. If you had been willing to risk the stick falling out on you, and neglected the twine—any of those things, had you been less careful, might have let you by. It would have been called an accident. But there this stick of mahogany hung—"

Ludlow jumped to his feet with a snarl of rage and defeat. For one moment his beady eyes blazed, and then the fire died out of them. He sank back in the chair and seemed to the other two to shrink into himself.

"A hanging clue," Farwick said, "you might call it. Only it won't hang you. I'll send you to the chair. Come."

Listlessly Adolphe got up, following the detective out of the shop. Bill Doyle lingered a moment, sniffing of the clean wood and varnish smells that hung heavy on the air.

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A tour of dairy farmers of Santa Rosa county into Escambia county and Baldwin county, Alabama, was conducted recently by County Agent J. G. Hudson, H. L. Brown, extension dairyman, and E. M. Creel, agricultural teacher of the Allentown school. Many new ideas were brought back and put into application, Mr. Hudson declares.

STATE DAIRYMEN MET DURING FARMERS' WEEK

Special Speakers Addressed the Gathering and Officers Elected

Dairymen from all corners of the state gathered at Gainesville Thursday last week to attend "Dairy Day of Farmers' and Fruit Growers' Week." The dairy meetings were well attended and swelled registration figures to the 1200 mark, well ahead of expectations of those in charge of Farmers' Week.

J. P. Love of Tallahassee was elected president of the State Dairymen's Association for the next year, succeeding S. Ben Skinner of South Jacksonville. Other officers elected were: John Phiel of Lowell, vice-president; Ralph Scott of Tallahassee, secretary; and Oscar Thomas of Gainesville, treasurer.

A number of special speakers were scheduled for the day, including W. C. Lasseter, editor of the Progressive Farmer, Birmingham; Nathan Mayo, Commissioner of Agriculture; L. A. Higgins, extension dairyman, Mississippi A. and M. College, and a number of staff members of the Experiment Station and Agricultural Extension Division.

The feature talk of the day was delivered by Mr. Mayo, who took as his subject the new state milk law. This law, he explained, will now place Florida milk producers on an even basis with producers in other states, and at the same time will insure the health of thousands of people in the state who drink this important milk.

A spirit of optimism was evident in the meeting, the dairymen showing that they were looking for better times ahead. However, a number of the speakers warned that the mere passage of the milk law would not alleviate all of the problems that the dairyman must face. The necessity of producing home-grown feed was stressed as an absolute necessity for permanent prosperity.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

FOR AUGUST 25, 1929.

SUBJECT: Rebuilding of The Temple.

GOLDEN TEXT: "I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord." Psalm 122:1.

LESSON TEXT: Ezra 3:10-13; Ezra 6:14-16; Psalm 84:1-4.

In last Sunday's lesson we read of the return of the Jews, under a decree of King Cyrus, to Jerusalem to rebuild the temple. On their return the exiles worked for a few months in clearing, plowing and planting the land, and digging their vineyards and groves. Then they erected an altar on the site of Solomon's temple, on which to offer their sacrifices, as they did before they were taken captives to Babylon. Of course only the older people could remember Solomon's temple or its altar. Then the returned Jews undertook to collect, by subscription, funds for rebuilding the temple. The Cedar and other wood were brought from the mountains of Lebanon and were mostly paid for in grain, wine and olive oil produced in Judea.

The actual rebuilding of the temple began nearly two years after their return. Our lesson says, "When the builders laid the foundation of the temple of the Lord, they set the priests in their apparel, and the Levites the sons of Asaph with cymbals, to praise the Lord, after the ordinance of David king of Israel." They thus re-established the old form of temple worship, but with less of the splendor and gold and precious stones of the former temple. Yet, this new temple was to be larger than that of Solomon. The temple built by Solomon was Twenty cubits broad and Thirty cubits high, while this new building was to be sixty cubits broad and Sixty cubits high. In this new temple there were no ark, cherubs, vase of

mannah, rod of Aaron, nor golden shields, as were in the older temple. Also in the new temple "the Court of the worshipers was divided for the first time into two compartments, of which the outer enclosure was known as the Court of the Gentiles, or heathens." May we not suppose that the Jews had learned that Jehovah was the God of the Gentiles as well as of the Jews?

The lesson continues, "The people shouted * * * because the foundation of the house of the Lord was laid. But many * * * that had seen the first house * * * wept with a loud voice—so that the people could not discern the noise of the shout of joy from the noise of weeping." Some shouted with joy because a new place of worship was being built. Others wept because they remembered the older temple whose greatness and glory could not be restored. Yet, "to appreciate the good in the present" is better than "to bewail the good that is lost. * * * A man may appreciate the past even while he makes the best of the present." But a comparison of the past and the present should aid us in shaping our future. The mere church building is not so important as the spirit of the worshippers and the truth of the teachings therein.

Gypsy Smith is quoted as saying, "St. Paul's Cathedral is nothing but a glorified quarry if Christ be out of it, and my old gypsy tent is a Cathedral when Christ is in it." Sometimes the greatest churches and the services most pleasing to Christ are conducted in cheap and unfinished buildings. God looks more upon the spiritual qualities within than on outward form or beauty, even in churches. You should remember there were three temples; Solomon's temple completed about 1005 years before Christ, and destroyed by the Babylonians about 585 before Christ. Then for fifty years there was no temple nor altar for sacrifices at Jerusalem. The temple we study about today was begun about 536 B. C., and finished nearly twenty

years later. This was replaced by Herod's temple begun about 18 years before the birth of Christ, and which stood until destroyed by the Romans about A. D. 70. It was this temple built by Herod in which Christ sat, and taught and performed miracles. Since its destruction there has been no temple, and the Jews appear not to have followed the Mosaic form of sacrifice and temple worship. Our lesson closes with the 84th psalm, expressing reverence and devotion to God and his place of worship. "How amiable (lovable) are thy tabernacles, O Lord of hosts! My soul longeth * * * for the Courts of the Lord * * * Blessed are they that dwell in thy house." And the gold in text says, "I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord."

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SOUTHERN BANKER LIKES HIGHLANDS

Visits Avon Park and Plans
Return Trip In December;
Other "Booster" Notes

J. E. Harris, a banker of Alabama, with a party of five relatives spent three days last week in Avon Park at Harris tourist camp. They liked the Scenic Highlands so much that intend making a return trip here next December, and have in view buying a home. Mr. Harris, owner of the camp, says he has twice as many tourists this summer as during the summer of 1928. Many of the traveling tourists are school teachers. Four young women teachers were here from Monticello, Ark. The Chamber of Commerce has furnished all the visitors literature describing Avon Park's attractions.

The Chamber of Commerce is in correspondence with Fred Fletcher, rod and gun editor of the New York Herald-Tribune, relative to sports in this region. Encouragingly he writes: "Just what Avon Park holds in the way of fish and game, I do not know, but if you will send me a little data on the subject, I will see what can be done to promote those sports down your way. I should like to visit your locality at some future date for the purpose of seeing what can be done to induce northern anglers to try their luck in Avon Park."

Avon Park is being exploited to the limit at the Adirondack mountain resorts in New York, to which large quantities of additional literature have been sent, including some photographs. M. R. Merwin, proprietor of Blue Mountain House, in acknowledging receipt of photographs sent to him, says: "We are in the middle of a very busy season, and do not get time to write letters. But do not think that because we have said nothing about boosting that we are not doing it. We have several good prospects on the way to Avon Park next winter. I wish you would have sent me the rates that will prevail next winter at the Jacaranda, the Pointsettia, the Mid-State, the Highland Lakes, etc. Also will there be good places to feed at. Please have the rates sent soon as I have several interested in Avon Park that are here now."

Mr. Merwin also enclosed a check for the needy in Avon Park.

OLD SOL CRAWLED OVER THE NINETIES

Strikes An Average Of 93 For
Week Ending 17th; Rain-
fall 2.68 Inches

Old Sol crawled all over the nineties on the thermometer during the week from August 11 to 17, and when crawling ended weather observer, Mark Lance, found that the solar system had struck an average of 93.

For the second time in two months the sun hit 97, which is the highest temperature recorded in several years. The high mark was reached on August 11, and the previous 97 was registered on July 1.

To offset the work of Old Sol, Mr. Jupiter Pluvius paid six visits during the week from the 11th to the 17th, and the records show that 2.68 inches of rain fell during that period. Only on one day during that week did rain fail to fall, and that was on the 14th. The heaviest precipitation was 1.62 inches on the 11th, the hottest day of that week.

The complete report follows:

	Max.	Min.	Rain
August 11	97	70	1.62
August 12	93	73	.30
August 13	91	74	.03
August 14	93	74	—
August 15	94	73	.09
August 16	94	72	.40
August 17	90	73	.24
	93	73	Tot. 2.68

Boosting Highlands County



REX BEACH, internationally known novelist and owner of the Rex Beach Farms at Avon Park, who plans to bring a number of America's leading sportsmen to this section during the coming winter season. The famous writer has extended an invitation to Fred Fletcher, fish and game editor of the New York Herald-Tribune, and Morris Ackerman, publisher of the Sportsmen's Guide, Cleveland, to visit Highlands County and the Ridge Section, which Mr. Beach believes to be the best center in Florida for devotees of the rod and gun. Mr. Beach returned to New York last Sunday after inspecting his model farms in this city.

BROTHERHOOD MEETS HERE IN NOVEMBER

South Florida Association Ac-
cepts Invitation Of First
Baptist Church

The South Florida Baptist Brotherhood has accepted the invitation and will hold its next quarterly meeting in Avon Park November 21, Rev. T. O. Baldwin, pastor of the First Baptist church, announced on his return from Eagle Lake, where a quarterly meeting was held last week. The invitation to convene here was extended by a group of local Baptists attending the session.

J. V. Chapman, of Avon Park, retired as president of the association on the expiration of his term of office. W. W. McFarland is president of the Avon Park Brotherhood.

Those attending the meeting at Eagle Lake are: Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Pabor; Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Chapman; Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Martin; Mr. and Mrs. W. W. McFarland; Rev. and Mrs. T. O. Baldwin and Mrs. LeGrande.

The Times Union says that while the early fall and winter is the time for harvesting the crops in the north it is spring time in Florida. Just at this time and in the next few months the Florida growers will be starting their fall and winter crops of fruits and vegetables. September is the commencement of the months in this state.

1904 BOTTLES LIQUOR SMASHED WEDNESDAY

Court Orders Destruction Of
Liquor Captured At
Lake Placid

One thousand and nine hundred and four bottles of liquor were destroyed at the court house Wednesday afternoon at 5 o'clock on order of W. J. Barker, judge of circuit court. The liquor was that captured on the camouflaged lumber truck at Lake Placid some time ago. Sheriff Wolff received the order at 5 p. m. and immediately proceeded to destroy the liquor in the presence of Circuit Court Clerk Farmer, and States Attorney Grady Burton, County Attorney J. M. Lee and others. The order stated that the destruction was to take place in the presence of the clerk of the circuit court and by-standers.

The liquor was poured into a sink in the basement of the circuit clerk's office and from thence it went into the sewers. The bottles were smashed and the debris loaded on a truck and hauled away. The order was dated August 21 and ordered the sale of the truck also. This truck will be sold Monday, September 2 and the legal notice of the sale is published to that effect.

The destruction of this liquor caused considerable comment in Avon Park yesterday morning and various expressions of opinion were heard.

Young Woman Dies Of Typhoid Fever

Stricken ill several weeks ago, Mrs. Bertha Lena Gill, aged 20 years, wife of Harry B. Gill, died last Sunday at her home. Death was caused by typhoid fever.

Funeral services were held Sunday morning, with Rev. W. H. Yates, of the Holiness church, officiating. Burial was made in Bougainvillea cemetery.

Besides her husband, Mrs. Gill is survived by two small children.

A lowbrow is a person who refuses to be bored if there's an "exit" near by.

GUARDSMEN RETURN FROM TRAINING CAMP

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fensive engagement was fought over the territory of the camp, using a Division on the defensive, and in this work all the means of communication and chains of command were used, and it was the first time that the Infantry, Artillery and Air Force had been combined into a unit problem and the results were very excellent, also the training value was great in its scope.

The men who attended the camp report that most of the command suffered with colds, and that the dust from the clay hills of Alabama, together with the millions of rocks to stumble over, made life interesting to say the least.

The officers and men of the Battery wish to acknowledge their appreciation to J. S. Francis for the several cases of Coca Cola furnished for their use on the trip to camp, and also to the Jacaranda Drug company for the cigars and cigarettes donated, and to the Avon Park Times for the sending of papers to camp which kept the men informed as to the activities of the folks at home.

Suits Filed in the Office Circuit Court

Suits filed in the office of the clerk of the circuit court this week include the following:

Highlands Securities Corp. vs. Mitchell Electric company.

C. Boardman Tyler vs. The Scenic Highlands Development Co. et al.

City of Sebring vs. State of Florida. (Validation of refunding bonds).

Lake View Place Corp. vs. H. C. Stacey et al.

To Install Simplex.

Officials of the Western Union Telegraph company were in town two weeks ago and made arrangements for the installation of the Simplex machine, and Tim Collins has been ordered to Rome, Ga., to take a course of study in the operation of the Simplex. The Western Union spends millions of dollars annually in the training of Simplex operators, who are assigned to cities where the machines are installed.

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