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STATEMENT REGARDING BAPTIST CHURCH HERE

**Mrs. L. D. Roberts Gives
Communication For the
Public and Press**

To clarify the situation that has arisen regarding the Baptist Church here in Avon Park, the Times has given Mrs. L. D. Roberts permission to use its columns to make a statement. The statement as written and handed in by Mrs. Roberts is as follows:

Mrs. Roberts' Statement.
Monday, Sept. 16, 1929.
Avon Park, Florida,

In-as-much as my friends and associates—yes even my enemies—have persuaded me to make a statement defending my position pertaining to the Baptist Cause, and at the command of God my leader and through His Spirit I am now making same.

I have been informed by a multitude of people all over this country, as well as in our City, that I had been and am continuing to be accused of (or given credit for) being responsible for the deplorable condition of our First Baptist Church. This statement I emphatically deny, and in so doing wish to announce that I have signed statements in my file to prove every assertion that I have made, and had I been allowed the privilege to present the truth in the beginning no such condition would ever have occurred, so please allow me to say that my antagonists and their confederates are only using these means to cover up and defend themselves.

Every effort was made in the beginning to settle our difficulties without the public's knowledge of same, but were debarred from so doing, and eventually were run out of our own CHURCH HOME by those who saw fit to save a man instead of the Christ. "Oh! what a tangled web we weave when first we practice to deceive." It then became imperative that the cause of our Great Baptist Denomination be defended at any cost. To say it cost nothing would be making a false statement. It has cost us all; our friends and Christian associates whom we cherished so much, our church home—everything from a worldly viewpoint—but praise the name of Him who commanded us to fight for the cause, we have marched to His orders and the victory is won.

To prove the above statement I
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MEAT INSPECTOR'S OFFICE IS CREATED

**W. Rutherford Appointed By
Council After Meat Inspection Ordinance Is Passed**

Walter Rutherford was appointed Wednesday by council to the office of meat inspector, which office was created by the passage of an ordinance requiring the inspection of native meats coming into the city from the surrounding country for the protection of health and for the protection of the stock of cattlemen, who charge that stolen meat is being brought into the city.

The resignation of Councilman Stamey, was presented by President DeLaney, and the resignation was accepted without comment. Council will operate as a four-man body until an appointment is made.

The resignation was dated September 8, received September 7, although postmark was 8 p. m., September 8.

Bartow Jurist Will Address Avon Club

Judge S. L. Holland, of Bartow, has accepted an invitation to speak before the Avon Club, of the Congregational church, on October 28th. The prominent member of the Florida bar will speak on "Municipal Government and The Duties of Municipal Officers."

In his acceptance letter to Col. Charles R. Head, who retires next month as president of the club, the judge stated that Mrs. Holland would accompany him.

300 TEACHERS TO MEET IN COUNTY IN OCTOBER

**Annual District Meeting Is
Scheduled For October 18-19**

According to instructions received from the state department of education Highlands, Hardee and DeSoto counties have been formed into one educational district and in conformity with this ruling a meeting was held in the office of County Superintendent F. N. K. Bailey Tuesday all day for the purpose of organization. Those attending besides Col. Bailey were Superintendent Johnson of DeSoto county and Superintendent J. B. Rooney of Hardee county.

Organization of the district was effected with the election of Col. Bailey as president, Mr. Johnson as vice-president and Mr. Rooney as secretary. Decision was made to hold the annual district meeting in Sebring on Friday and Saturday, October 18 and 19 at which meeting all the teachers in the three counties are expected to be present. Of these more than 300 will be in attendance besides several state officials.

Col. Bailey was appointed as chairman of the program committee and he expects to announce the program within the next few days.

Wichita Bond Man at Council Tonight

L. Rittenoure, of the Guaranty Title and Trust company of Wichita, Kan., holders of a portion of Avon Park bonds, arrived in the city this week and was to have met with the council Wednesday evening. Mr. Rittenoure was delayed in reaching here until council was about to adjourn, so arrangements were made for him to meet with the council tonight.

Mr. Rittenoure is considered the key man in the solving of the city's finance problems, and his appearance before the councilmanic body this evening, is awaited with much interest by the taxpayers.

To Install Diamond Ball Court at Park

Work on a diamond ball court at the park on Lake Verona will start today, under the auspices of the Business and Professional Woman's Club, Miss Louise Browne, chairman of the Public Relations committee stated yesterday.

The court is made possible through the contributions of a number of prominent citizens. Electric lights will be installed to permit night playing.

Mandis Opens Branch.

Formal opening of the branch depot of the Mandis Dairy company will be held at Sebring tomorrow, where Mr. Mandis has been operating for the past two weeks.

INDICTED BANKERS TO BE ARRAIGNED

Preliminary Hearing at Sebring Next Friday and Saturday

Arraignment of the indicted officials of the defunct Highlands Bank and Trust company, of Sebring, will take place next Friday and Saturday at the court house, State's Attorney L. Grady Burton, of Wauchula, advised The Times yesterday afternoon. The hearing will be held before Judge Bird, of St. Petersburg, especially presiding by appointment of Governor Carlton.

Circuit Court Judge W. J. Barker, of this district, disqualifies himself recently, on the grounds of being a debtor and depositor in the bank, and the Supreme Court upheld his disqualification. Judge Bird was then appointed to preside. The preliminary hearing was to be conducted by State's Attorney L. L. Fabinski, of Pensacola, but owing to illness Mr. Fabinski, who conducted the grand jury investigation, which resulted in the return of indictments, will not be present, and Mr. Burton will represent the state.

The officials indicted on charges of violating the state banking laws are: John H. Garst, president; Chesley A. Skipper, vice-president; Fairfax T. Haskins, vice-president and counsel; George E. Sebring, director; Walter I. Moyer, cashier; and Miss Myrtle Jack, assistant cashier.

The Sebring bank closed its doors in February, and in April the grand jury made its investigation and returned indictments.

MERGER AFFECTS LOCAL COMPANIES

**Highland Lakes Development,
Golf Club and Hotel To Be
Combined, Writes Eisle**

C. M. Eisle, manager of the Highland Lakes Development, who has been in Schenectady and Albany, N. Y., on business for several months, writes Mayor C. S. Donaldson that he expects to be back in Avon Park the first part of October. This big enterprise, which has been operated under three companies, the hotel, the golf club, and the land concern, is being merged into one. Additional capital to the extent of \$60,000 has been raised for better improvements. Highland Lakes is Avon Park's suburb beautiful, and the management intends to continue its improvement and expansion.

COUNCIL AUTHORIZES REFUND ON '26 TAXES

**Applies To New City Limits
Only, and Credit, Not
Cash, Will Be Given**

Taxpayers in the new city limits who were assessed 17 mills on their 1926 taxes will be given a refund of eight mills, approximately \$3,000, by the passage of an ordinance providing for the refund at the regular meeting of council Wednesday night. But no cash refund will be made—it couldn't be, as no money is available—the refunds will be credited on taxes in arrears and credits on 1929 taxes, in the case of those who owe nothing to the city.

Francis Is Named Rotary President

J. S. Francis, of Coca Cola fame, was advanced from the vice-presidency of the Avon Park Rotary club to the presidency at a meeting of the board of directors in the office of Col. C. R. Head yesterday afternoon. Mr. Francis was named to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Attorney J. C. McDonald, who will make his home at Fitzgerald in the near future.

Neal H. Trent was named to succeed Mr. McDonald on the board of directors.

APPLICATION MADE FOR BANK CHARTER

**To Be Affiliated With Barnett
National Bank of
Jacksonville**

Application has been made for a charter for the Barnett National Bank of Avon Park has been made to the Comptroller of Currency, J. N. Greening, of the Barnett National Bank of Jacksonville, has informed The Times. If the charter is granted, the bank will be capitalized at \$50,000 with a surplus of \$10,000, and the opening should take place about November 1. The Jacksonville bank will retain at least 51 percent of the stock.

On reliable authority it is stated that the applicants are: W. A. Marshall, C. M. Ott, W. H. Yates, S. J. Pendleton and J. H. Caldwell.

The application for the charter is the result of interviews Tuesday and Wednesday with a number of prominent citizens by J. N. Greening, representing the Barnett bank. Mr. Greening was sent to Avon Park to make a survey of conditions for an affiliated bank, after W. J. Kelly, of the Consolidated Land company, heavily interested in Highlands county, had brought the matter of a bank in Avon Park before the directors of the Jacksonville bank, of which he is a member.

The proposed bank will fill a great need here since the failures of the First National and State banks early this year.

First Kingfish Are Caught By Avon Men

The first catch of kingfish this season, according to Captain Trowbridge, of Fort Myers, favorite guide of many local fishermen, was caught Wednesday by a party of Avon Parkers.

The party was composed of O. L. Bardill, W. H. Yates and Bert Willson. Besides three large kingfish a large catch of mackerel and jack was brought back to Avon Park.

Collects About \$8,000 In Six Weeks' Period

Approximately \$8,000 in delinquent taxes have been collected during the last six weeks, Collector Louise Browne announced yesterday. The greatest part of the collections was used to bolster the sinking fund, while much of the balance went to city employees for July wages and salaries.

Ford Takes Fire.

While driving down Main street Monday afternoon, a Ford roadster, owned and operated by a young negro, took fire. The driver gave Henrietta the gas and stopped her at the Avon Motors company garage, where the employees of "Chevrolet" Keller put out the blaze with fire extinguishers.

LAST TRIBUTE IS PAID TO LAWRENCE WRAY

**Hundreds Attend the Funeral
Services of Young Man,
Who Died in Detroit**

One of the finest tributes given to a young man was that paid Tuesday afternoon at the Congregational church, where funeral services were held for Lawrence Wray, 19-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Wray, who died last Saturday at Detroit. The funeral was one of the largest ever held in Avon Park, and attested to the esteem in which the young man was held.

The church was filled to overflowing with residents from all walks of life; teachers from whom the deceased received his education; high school and grade school students with whom he attended school before being graduated from the 1929 class of the Avon Park high school.

Rev. Dr. Arthur P. Vaughn, pastor of the Union Congregational church, of which he had been a member, conducted the service, and was assisted by Rev. T. O. Baldwin, pastor of the First Baptist church.

The service opened with the singing of "Safe In The Arms Of Jesus" by a quartet composed of Mrs. A. P. Vaughn, Mrs. Paul Garber, Paul Garber and W. H. Yates. Scripture was read by Dr. Vaughn and prayer was offered by Rev. Baldwin. The quartet rendered "My Jesus I Love Thee," after which Dr. Vaughn read the obituary notice. The officiating clergymen then paid their final tributes to the young man, and at the close of the service the attendants filed past the bier, which was banked with a profusion of flowers.

The church services ended, the cortege of over 50 cars proceeded to Bougainvillea cemetery, where brief graveside services were held by Dr. Vaughn and Rev. Baldwin.

The casket bearers, all schoolmates of Young Wray, were: Holman Stebbins, Rodney Durance, Hartwell Ginn, Aubrey Roberts, Rogers Hardegree and Frederic Wild.

Lawrence Earl Wray was born in Avon Park, March 13, 1910. He received his education in the Avon Park schools, where he was a proficient pupil and where he starred in athletics. Following his graduation
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ACKERMAN TO VISIT HERE THIS WINTER

**Cleveland Publisher Accepts
Invitation Of Rex Beach
and City To Fish**

"Where to hunt and fish" is the slogan of Ackerman's Sportsmen's Guide, Cleveland, Ohio. Morris Ackerman is a friend of Rex Beach, the author, and has a chain of hunting camps scattered over the North American continent. Mr. Beach and the Avon Park Chamber of Commerce jointly invited Mr. Ackerman to visit Highlands county and get acquainted with the hunting and fishing facilities, to which the following response has come:

"I have just returned from a motor trip in Ontario and Quebec, and I want to thank you for your kind invitation to visit Avon Park and Sebring. I have written Mr. Beach and will make the dates of my visit according to his wishes. Looking forward to meeting you, I am.

Yours very truly,
Morris Ackerman."

A TIGHT SQUEEZE

By Allen S. Jacobs

THE last screw in the metal frame which barred the hotel's washroom window fell into Jerd Perkins' hand. Pulling the frame out cautiously he set it beside the wash basin with the utmost satisfaction. After all these years, tonight would even his score against Tom Case.

Tom was the day clerk in the Clinton Hotel. Jerd was a registered guest. Both came from Colusa, a small town a hundred miles north of the city. All his life Jerd Perkins had played second fiddle to Tom—on the town baseball team, in the classrooms, and especially with Gracie.

When Gracie, a picture of shy happiness, confessed that she was hoping Tom Case would return from the city and ask her to be his wife, his hate had flamed beyond bounds. He left town the next day, believing that Gracie planned to accept Tom because he earned more money than Jerd did clerking behind the counter of the town's general store.

Almost immediately he fell in with several crooks who made their living at the point of a gun.

Burning with hatred against Tom, and with a desire for revenge, Jerd took a room in the Clinton Hotel where Tom was day clerk. Bit by bit a clever scheme came to him. At Tom's rooming house tonight he watched him pack for his wedding trip, the sting of venom in his soul.

Slipping the last screw into his pocket with the others he had removed, Jerd crossed to the box containing paper towels. With one of the keys on his ring, he opened it. Inside was folded a dark gray overcoat. Tom also possessed a dark gray overcoat, he knew, and they were about the same build. Jerd slipped into the coat, turned up the collar and tugged a brown cap down over his eyes.

Stepping out boldly he dropped his chin deeper into his turned-up collar and pushed open the door into the hotel lobby.

The night clerk, who always relieved Tom, was on duty behind the desk, working at the adding machine.

"Put your hands flat on the counter," Jerd commanded huskily, disguising his voice. "Don't attempt to reach for the gun on the little shelf below the counter or you're a dead man!"

Realizing he was trapped, the night clerk complied, casting a hopeful glance, however, toward the washroom. Jerd had come down into the lobby less than ten minutes before, complaining irritably that someone was using the floor bathroom and he could not wait up all night for them to vacate. This was not an unusual complaint, and the clerk had suggested that Jerd use the lobby washroom, as was his custom when such a case arose. Having seen him enter the washroom he naturally thought Jerd was still there and might offer help if he were to come out.

Jerd concealed a smile as he read the clerk's thoughts. Bending swiftly across the counter he jerked the gun from off the shelf on which it rested. He emptied the chambers into his pocket. Wiping the weapon clean of fingerprints with the edge of his overcoat he flung it across the floor.

"Drop to the floor and open the safe," he commanded.

He smashed the muzzle of his automatic down on the clerk's extended fingers. Stiffing a cry of pain he turned to the safe behind him.

On his knees, he swung the tumblers and opened the door. Desiring to impress him that he was familiar with the hotel's business the bandit said, "Hand out the second draw to the left. That's the cash one."

The clerk shot him a penetrating glance over his shoulder, but Jerd sank his chin deeper into his coat collar. Between his collar and the visor of his cap there was little revealed to identify the bandit in the half light of the dim lobby, for Jerd kept back beyond the bright light swinging above the adding machine.

"Hurry," he barked viciously. Having no other choice the clerk

handed up the money box. Keeping him covered with one hand, Jerd lifted his overcoat pocket up with the other.

"Slide it out of the box into my pocket." The clerk tipped the box. The wads of bills and change, some of it rolled ready for bank deposit, tumbled into his pocket till it bulged and sagged. Backing to the door Jerd opened it behind him.

"If you move before ten minutes my pal across the street will shoot you down like a dog," he bluffed.

But Jerd had misjudged his man. A paper weight was on the desk. Grasping it the clerk flung it straight at Jerd's head. Jerd ducked. The weight sailed harmlessly through the door. But in dodging Jerd's head struck the iron grilling which decorated the door. A pointed leaf caught in the rough goods of his cap, jerking it off his head.

He reached up to recover it. A bottle of ink and a pen stand sailed through the air. The bottle crashed with an alarming noise on the pavement. Cursing he turned to hide his face, dashed into the street, raced around into the alley and pulled himself through the washroom window. Jerking off his overcoat he plunged it into the almost empty towel box. Hastily he set the barred frame in place over the window, meaning to replace the screws at the first opportunity. Easing back the bolt in the door he stepped out.

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clerk looked up and down the street frantically.

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"Police headquarters. Quick!" he told the operator.

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Jerd glided noiselessly to the stairs and up it. In his room he dumped the loot on his bed, hung the overcoat in his closet. He sorted the loot into two piles. In one he put the package of five-dollar bills already handed with the hotel's wrapper for deposit, and the rolls of coin. In the other he put the loose change and currency.

This last pile he tied into a clean handkerchief and stuffed in the toe of an old shoe in his closet. The marked money he slipped into his pocket. Picking up his hat, Jerd went downstairs.

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He ran his hands over Tom's clothing in search of a concealed weapon.

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Tom listened with dawning understanding. He had been so excited and happy he had not bought a newspaper that day. From the detective's conversation it was plain that the hotel had been robbed last night and he was being accused of the robbery. But the whole thing was absurd. He had retired early, had not been out of his room till morning.

Then Tom recalled the package of bills the detective had flashed, declaring he found it in his suitcase. He had locked that package of currency, or one very like it, in the safe, before he left. How could it have been found in his suitcase? An angry red flooded Tom's face. It could not, he told himself. This was a—what did they call it?—a frame-up!

Tom leaped to his feet pugnaciously. An automatic seemed to flash from the detective's pocket into his hand.

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The second detective put his head in the door. "Come on. The wagon is coming up the street."

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At headquarters he was hustled upstairs to the office of Timothy Reardon, captain of detectives.

From behind his desk Reardon eyed Tom sharply. The detective who had the package of bills, the rolled currency and the overcoat, put them down on the desk and left.

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He pulled a brown cap out of a drawer. "This yours?" Tom set pictures down and looked at the cap.

"No," he replied promptly. He gave the captain a quizzical glance.

"Say, will you tell me just what has happened and why I'm accused of robbery? You see, sir, I'm to be married today and you're making me miss my train. I'm in a terrible fix. I can't let Gracie get all dressed and everything and the guests come to her house for the wedding and then not show up. Gee, this is fierce!"

Reardon continued to regard him levelly. "Didn't you read all about the robbery in the paper?"

"No, sir. I didn't have time. I'm day clerk at the hotel and by the time I got off duty all the shops are always closed. So I rushed out early this morning to buy some things I needed. You know how it is when a fellow is getting mar-

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The Hotel Hold-Up Had a Deeper Purpose Behind It Than Was Apparent

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CHEVROLETS USED BY REDPATH CHAUTAUQUA

Popular Car Proves Boon To Celebrities Traveling Over the United States

For the first time in its 16 years existence Redpath Chautauqua is this year employing cars to transport the members of its DeLuxe circuit. Buses and trains have been used in the past, but the comfort that the passenger car alone affords accounted for its ultimate selection.

The cars are Chevrolet six-cylinder sedans and the task to which they are placed in transporting "bag and baggage" the 40 members of the company is indeed a formidable one. The itinerary of the group trails jaggedly from Florida to northern Wisconsin. The jaunt started April 1 and will not conclude until September at which time approximately 7,000 miles will have been traversed.

Unless one has traveled with a Chautauqua troupe it is almost impossible to realize the rigors entailed by travel of this sort. In the first place, the troupers are in the strictest sense not really troupers at all. They are persons who because of an outstanding reputation are drafted to traverse the smaller cities, many experiencing the life of the road for the first time.

Among the celebrities who are traveling by Chevrolet this year over the DeLuxe circuit are Mrs. Nellie Taloe Ross, former governor of Wyoming; Anne Campbell, the celebrated newspaper poet and Captain Dennis Rook, former British Army ace and holder of the world's record for the longest solo flight, a trip from London to India, a distance of 7000 miles.

For four months now the Redpath troupers have been making their one night stands and then hopping on to the next showing place. The 12 Chevrolets have never failed to get their occupants to their destination at the appointed time. Already more than 100 towns in a dozen states have been visited. When the tour ends 140 towns will have been visited.

Redpath is perhaps the best known Chautauqua in the country. About five years ago it gave up almost altogether the custom of traveling by train. Awakenings at early hours to catch trains resulted in jaded nerves and sometimes in missed engagements. Later, until this year, large buses have been used with an occasional passenger car here and there.

Not only do the Redpath Chevrolets transport the troupers but they also serve as baggage cars. All of the luggage is hauled in trunks placed in racks in the rear. The huge tent weighing nearly a ton is the only piece of equipment not carried by the Chevrolets. This goes by train.

The average jump between show points is 100 miles. There are afternoon and evening performances. A departure shortly before noon allows ample chance for rest. Then the smooth running Chevrolet sixes click off the hundred miles comfortably in the intervening three hours. There is none of the hurry or bustle that characterized these jumps when they were made by train.

Philippine Women Are Studying In Fla.

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., Sept. 19.—Miss Maria Orosa, of Bureau of Agriculture, Philippine Islands, is visiting in Florida for the purpose of learning some of our methods of conserving tropical foods. While here she is in consultation with Miss Isabelle S. Thurstby, gardening and food conservation specialist of the State Home Demonstration Department. Miss Orosa, who is a native of the Philippines, arrived in Florida Sept. 11, and will remain here until about September 30. She is accompanied by Miss Isabelle Santos, daughter of the Philippines.

Grim Reaper Beats Stork During August

The Grim Reaper waged a winning battle over the Stork during August, claiming one more victim than the number of arrivals. This fact is indicated in the vital statistics released this week by Miss Louise Brown, Registrar of Vital Statistics for Avon Park. The deaths numbered nine and the births eight.

For the Stork the count stands: Four white females and one male; two black females and one black male. Death's toll was: Three white females and one white male; Four black males and one black female.

LONG ISLAND MAN WANTS HOTEL HERE

Anxious To Locate Hotel In State; Is Third Request Of Kind Received

As one indication for a good tourist season for Avon Park still another hotel man has written to our Chamber of Commerce wanting to rent a hotel. This makes the third recent request of this kind, and indicates that Avon Park is becoming pretty well known. The latest request is from a hotel proprietor on Long Island, N. Y., who writes:

"We are desirous of locating a hotel in Florida to operate during the season. We have a hotel on Long Island which is open from May 25th to October the first. If you know of a satisfactory proposition in your section, we will come down and look it over. Our desire now, is to find a place which can be operated on a short-term lease with an option for a longer term; also with privilege to buy; or else to run on a profit-sharing basis. (We do not expect to find anyone willing to share the losses should there be any).

If you know of any such proposition, or if you know of anything which you think will interest us, will you forward us all information and data at your earliest convenience?

We would want to be ready for business this year."

Home Demonstration and County Agents To Have Conference

Florida's county and home demonstration agents will gather at the College of Agriculture at Gainesville, during the week of Sept. 30 for a week of intensive study and consultation with Agricultural Extension Division specialists, staff members of the College and the Experiment Station, and others. It is expected that about 85 agents will be in attendance. A program is being arranged by A. P. Spencer, vice-director, and other members of the Agricultural Extension Division, and Miss Flavia Gleason, state agent, and other members of the State Home Demonstration Department.

Among the speakers for the week will be J. A. Evans, J. A. Dixon, and Miss Mary Rokahr of the United States Department of Agriculture, L. M. Rhodes, J. M. Burgess, F. W. Risher, L. H. Lewis, and S. W. Hiatt of the State Marketing Bureau, J. M. Scott, newly appointed milk inspector for the State Department of Agriculture, B. F. Floyd, secretary of the State Horticultural Society, J. Phil Campbell, director of extension in Georgia, and Dr. John J. Tigert, president of the University of Florida.

Both the men and the women agents will hold group conferences on different subjects during the week.

Tag Office Open.

Motor vehicle license tags may be obtained at the office of Mark Lance at the city hall between the hours of 9 and 5 o'clock daily. Mr. Lance announced Tuesday.

OBSERVER REPORTS RAINS NOT HEAVY

Only 1.84 Inches Fell Week of September 8-14, Accord- ing To Mark Lance

The rainfalls which were plentiful from August 25 to September 7 were not quite so heavy during the week of September 8-14, the weather report of U. S. Observer Mark Lance shows. The heaviest downpour was on the 11th, when .70 inches fell, while no precipitation is recorded on the 14th.

The maximum daily temperature during that period was 93 on the 14th, and the lowest daily on the 9th, when the mercury went down to 70. The average maximum temperature for the week was 89 and the average minimum was 72.

The complete report follows:

	Max.	Min.	Rain- fall
Sept. 8	89	71	.50
Sept. 9	90	70	.38
Sept. 10	85	73	.20
Sept. 11	86	73	.70
Sept. 12	91	72	.04
Sept. 13	90	73	.02
Sept. 14	93	74	—
Average	89	72	1.84

If you don't win at the fair, don't get disgruntled and quit. Try to find out why the other fellow's products beat yours and then grow products as good as his next time.

It is now the open season for killing cotton stalks, and thereby helping to kill next year's boll weevils and anthracnose.

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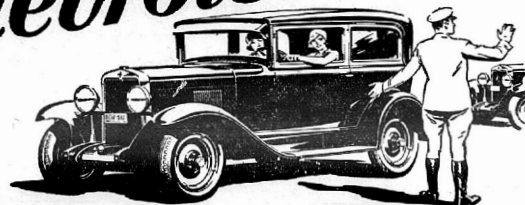
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CLEAN UP!

A trip around the city of Avon Park will convince the observer that steps should be taken immediately toward cleaning up the vacant and some occupied properties. The move should be made not only for the pleasing appearance that results, but also for its healthful affects. Hidden in the tall grass that has grown rapidly with the heavy rains during the summer are countless numbers of mosquitoes and other pesky insects that spoil an evening's walk through the city, and provide discomforts at home.

Of course all of the citizens of Avon Park have not let their properties assume a disreputable appearance. There are many beautiful homes throughout the city where the lawns, plants and trees are kept up, and which bespeaks the type of people occupying the homes.

The Clean Up campaign has been urged by the Mayor and the Garden Club, a department of the Woman's Club, and the results have been gratifying. But there are countless yards around that would be greatly benefited by the drive, which goes far toward the enhancement of the beauty of Avon Park.

For the sake of the city, for the benefit of your home and family, get out, wield the scythe, push the lawnmower and clean up, so that when visitors come to the city we need not be ashamed.

TERRIBLE ACCIDENT.

"Buford Pyatt got his ear pinched a little and Jim Brown got a little jolt in the neck and very little damage was done to the car when it skidded into a ditch," says a Bowling Green Exponent item.

"Plenty of marathon records being set lately, but no one wishes to compete with Miss Vera Stone, who hiccupped for 59 days despite the continued efforts of physicians to stop her.—Glades County Democrat. We're not so sure about that, "Kit." Some fellows would try to break the record, if the stuff that starts the hiccoughs was of the pre-war vintage.

Now that it has been determined that profts live long, we may expect to read this in the future: "To what do you attribute your longevity," asked the reporter of the white-haired man who had just reached the century mark. "I have nothing to say about wine, women or tobacco. I was just a professor at Yale."

"Haven't I a chance to become president," we were queried by a youngster glancing over the movie posters. "Yes," we replied, and asked why. "I just wondered if you would buy my chance for a dime, I want to see Tom Mix," the little fellow responded.

Moonshine was quoted at \$250 a table-spoonful at Sebring last week, when a woman was fined \$500 for having two table-spoonfuls in a bottle. At the prevailing price, it is reported, about \$500,000 worth of shine was drunk by some Sebringites.

"There are lots of things you don't know about 'smart women' and hens, P. H. A. We even do marvelous manicuring in our hen beauty parlor every day.—Ma Ruhl in Frost-proof News. Ever give a permanent wave to a bad egg, Ma?

Sinclair and Day Pardon petitions are disapproved. After reading what the Tampa attorney said about the "pardon mill," we wonder what would happen if the oil men were at Raiford.

"Queen Esther Entertains" at LaBelle, according to the Hendry County News. Esther must have been resurr—there we go, breaking our vow to M. H. D., so we won't finish.

Al Smith calls the radio "raddio." Now comes George M. Cohan, accent the "Co" please, and refers to the theater as the "the-a (a as in cat)-ter."

The photo of the girl holding Stimson's goat, as seen in the Durnellon Truth, is enough to get anybody's goat. (We didn't see the goat).

We sincerely hope that the young fellows of the G. A. R. will decide soon on a joint reunion with the youngsters of the U. C. V.

Cornelius McGillicuddy, el hombre de hora. Translated into English it means Connie Mack has won another pennant.

We missed the Cootie's column in the Sebring News last week. Jack took the count from Young Sinus Abscess.

Our wife says we may be the head of the house, but she is the neck and she turns the head. So that's that.

After a recent shave by our barber we plan to invite him to carve our Thanksgiving turkey—if we have one.

To join the Medfly forces the applicant must be able to speak the "spraynge" language fluently.

Every citizen should know the constitution. But more important are the amendments, especially the—.

Murder! Riots!! Kidnappings!!! Sounds like Chicago, but it's from North Carolina, b'gosh.

Fruit fly hearing was held at Tallahassee Monday. Wonder where they got the fly.

Believe it or not, with apologies to Ripley, comptroller is pronounced controller.

Drunken drivers in Tampa are not penalized, according to the Tampa Life.

You'd strut, too, if you had a flapper on each side of you like the rooster.

Florida educator advises taming wild youth through psychology.

No more smelly cars. The spraying order has been abandoned.

"Pardon mills" being rapped. To say nothing about gin mills.

Massachusetts is another state to have a fruit pest. Next!

Harry Guggenheim appointed Ambassador to Cuba. Gugg!

Who started those birth announcements in poetic form?

Is an invalid a person that has been invalidated?

In the olden days they called it a cat-o-nine-tails.

To make money: IODIZE your land.

Tampa has gone Lupe.

Echoes of the State Press

THE MEASURED MILE.

A familiar institution in past years has been a measured strip of roadway on which village authorities timed careless motorists, arresting them if they exceeded the local speed limit. There is more tolerance now, and this old institution appears accordingly in a new and pleasant form.

Various towns and villages are providing, for the accommodation of drivers, a one-mile stretch of roadway clearly marked. There may be a sign reading, "500 Feet Ahead, Start Measured Mile—Test Your Speedometer." Then comes the second sign, "Start of Measured Mile," and further along a third sign, "End of Measured Mile." The motorist may figure out for himself that if he run off the mile at the rate of 30 m.p.h. on his speedometer, he will do it in two minutes flat if the instrument is right. Or 20 miles an hour will take him three minutes.

There is a subtle warning to the motorist in such facilities. But the primary purpose is benevolent, and the right-minded motorist will take it so and feel grateful for the favor. This is a courteous attention which may mean more than a "Welcome" sign.—Tampa Tribune.

Now Listening To Pleas Of Applicants

TALLAHASSEE, Sept. 19.—"I beg your pardon," declared the parties of the first part in one thousand applications presented the pardon board this week. If lawyers were ever polite they are being so at the capitol now. By the time the session is up everyone here will be going about begging each other's pardon. It will be something like the old Coule days in France.

In the pardon board duties you find just one more responsibility for the state officials who comprise it. As you see them "seated from left to right," you find Nathan Mayo, commissioner of agriculture; H. Clay Crawford, the respected, by-everyone secretary of state; the governor, Doyle E. Carlton; the amiable and smiling attorney general, Fred H. Davis and the man behind the money accounts, comptroller Ernest Amos. These men sit there most of the hours of daylight and many of those during darkness, each with a large loose-leaf book in which is contained the history of each case as it is presented. The attorney for the person seeking a pardon makes his plea, and each statement is checked by the members from the book which gives them the facts. Listening ears are given the lawyers words, for the board is more than anxious to see justice work. No decision is made without profound investigation and earnest thought by each officer on the board. Making decisions on a pardon board is decidedly not a case where a biased mind can properly function.

And it must keep up for days. A visit to the pardon board is well worth the time of Florida citizens desirous of knowing the workings of their government.

Spencer, Knapp and Others On Cattle Field Day Program

A. P. Spencer, vice-director of the Florida Agricultural Extension Division at Gainesville, is scheduled to be one of the speakers at the beef cattle field day at Donalsonville, Ga., Sept. 24. The exercises will be held on the farm of P. S. Cummings & Sons, well-known cattle breeders whose farm is seven miles southwest of Donalsonville. It will be attended by Georgia, Florida and Alabama farmers interested in cattle.

Professor Spencer's talk will relate results of pasture grass tests in Florida. Other speakers will be J. J. Cummings, manager of the farm, Dr. J. V. Knapp, Florida State Veterinarian, H. E. Snow, manager of the Union Stockyards at Montgomery, Dr. M. P. Jarnagin, animal husbandry professor at the Georgia College of Agriculture, R. J. Kinzer, secretary of the Hereford Association, Kansas City, R. A. McCranie of the A. C. L. Railway, H. McDowell, manager of Swift & Company's Moultrie plant.

The Cummings farm is frequently the scene of tours from other areas, and the management has arranged this field day so that anyone contemplating visiting there in the near future can do so at that time.

FLORIDA DRUM CORPS TO TOUR THE COUNTRY

Miami Champions To Visit Cities On Way To Convention

MIAMI, Sept. 19.—On their way to attend the national convention of the American Legion in Louisville, Ky., September 30 to October 3, inclusive, the drum and bugle corps of the Harvey W. Seeds post here, national champions of the Legion in 1927 and 1928, will make a tour of several large cities and be featured in national radio broadcasting programs. The cities to be visited include Washington, D. C., Philadelphia, New York and several others along the route to be taken to Louisville.

According to Thomas J. Kelly, captain of the corps, arrangements have been made for President Herbert Hoover to receive them when they go to Washington, Sept. 20. In Philadelphia they will be given an official reception by Mayor Mackey and will be guests at a ball game where they will be put on an exhibition drill. In the evening there will be a dance and reception. In New York City the corps will play in Wanamaker's auditorium, be received by Mayor Walker and entertained.

According to Captain Kelly the National Broadcasting company of New York has agreed to give the corps thirty minutes on the air when they visit that city Sept. 22 and 23.

The drum corps will leave Miami Sept. 18, arriving in Washington, Sept. 20, Philadelphia, Sept. 20, New York, Sept. 22, Buffalo, Sept. 24, Detroit, Sept. 25, Chicago, Sept. 26 and St. Louis, Sept. 27, arriving at Louisville, September 29. On the return trip they will visit Knoxville, Tenn., Oct. 4, Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 4 and Jacksonville, Fla., Oct. 5.

Want Ads

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All persons furnishing meals, lunches or operating a hotel, boarding house, rooming house or apartment house are required to file a description and address of their business and secure a State Inspection License from State Hotel Commissioner, Tallahassee.

Those "who shall fail, refuse or neglect to pay said license on or before October 1st" of each year or the first day they open for business, "shall be guilty of a misdemeanor," and the law requires a fifty percent penalty to be added to the license fee unless paid within fifteen days after it is due. Make application for license to

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B. P. W. C. Members Enjoy Cards.

The regular social meeting of the Business and Professional Women's Club was held Wednesday evening, Sept. 18, in the Club Rooms, Brickell building. Mrs. Frances Clark and Mrs. Kathryn Bristol were the hostesses. There were four progressions of bridge, after which delightful refreshments were served, consisting of sandwiches, fruit salad, tea, and pumpkin pie. The high score for the evening was won by Miss Louise Browne and she was awarded three card table covers. Low prize was given to Mrs. Hagood, a bridge lamp. The prizes were donated by their recipients to the club.

The guest list included: Mesdames Lou Spink, Fannie Reeves, Thelma Dille, Fedalma Hagood, Clara Mann, Floyd Johnson, Misses Hettie and Clare Hundertmark, Jennie Waychoff, Kate and Mattie Tompkins, Margaret Pardee, Millie Pierson, Wilma Lear, Verta Bradley, Soure Lee Kemp and Louise Browne, and the hostesses.

The regular business meeting of the Club will be held the first Tuesday in October, which is October 1st. A number of new members will be voted on at that time.

Garden Club Elects Officers.

Officers of the Garden Club were elected at the special meeting held at city hall last Friday afternoon. Mrs. Paul Rumpsa, temporary chairman, presided until the election was held and the following officers installed: chairman, Mrs. S. A. Cox; Mrs. G. P. Thayer, vice-chairman; Mrs. J. M. Lee, secretary-treasurer. Mrs. Grace L. Raab acted as temporary secretary.

Mrs. Rumpsa gave an interesting talk on plants and flowers, which proved instructive to the members. She also spoke of the purpose of the club, to clean up the city, beautify the grounds around the homes in the city and to co-operate with the city on its beautification plan. The chief aim of the club, according to Mrs. Rumpsa, will be, ultimately, to take over the care of the Mall.

The Garden Club meets every third Friday at 3 o'clock in the Woman's Club room at the city hall.

Miss Lacey Hostess at Bridge.

Among the many parties given in honor of Miss Joan McGregor of Athens, Ga., and Miss Dixie Martin, bride-elect of Avon Park, one of the most enjoyable was the bridge given by Miss Marjorie Lacey, using as a color scheme for both the party and the refreshments, green and white. The high score was awarded Miss Margaret Pardee, Miss Lois Hart the consolation. Guest prizes were also greatly admired. Miss Lacey had as her guests on this occasion, the following young people: Misses Margaret Pardee, Millie Pearson, Wilma Lear, Mrs. J. B. Mitchell, Ethel Clark, Lois Hart, Grace Reddie, Myrtle Connelly, Mrs. J. W. Sheffield, and the honor guests Miss Joan McGregor and Miss Dixie Martin.

"Royal Ambassadors" Are Year Old.

The "Royal Ambassadors," were entertained by Mrs. J. D. Sherman, in honor of the first anniversary, at a picnic on Lake Isis Saturday afternoon.

Swimming, games and delicious refreshments were greatly enjoyed by the following boys, chaperones and assistants to the hostess: Howard Johnson, Rawleigh Foster, Peyton Covington, J. L. Green, Harold McClelland, Frank Prentice, Charles Sherman, Jimmy Lee, James Baldwin, Edward Touchton, Cyril Baldwin, Jr., and Mesdames T. O. Baldwin, Cyril Baldwin, Demorest, Prentice, Lawhorn, Lee, Luthy, and Sherman, and the Misses Mildred Lee, Genevieve Mc-

Clelland and Messrs. Curt Lawhorn and Clinton Clements of Jacksonville.

Jolly Party at the Hut.

Thursday evening was the time, the place, The Hut of the Methodist church, and the occasion, the jolly party given by the Epworth League for the following guests: Misses Mary Turner, Oleta Higbee, Zelda Langford, Honey Roberts, Verna Helms, Carmenetta Feigen, Helen Schweigart, Myrtle Turner, Dorothy Horn, Elinor Barker, and Mary Helen Rodgers, with Messrs. "Buck" Pardee, Colquitt Pardee, Lamont Roberts, Charles Harris, Holland Stebbins, Fred Barschell, Harry Hancock, Phil Lacey, Bill Lacey, Cleo James, Harrison James, James Roberts, P. Durrance and Joel White.

Games, contests and lunch were enjoyed by the guests.

Rebekahs Raise Funds For Invalid.

About 25 people attended the benefit bridge party held at the Jacaranda hotel last Friday night by the Eleanor Seavers local Rebekahs. The party was held to raise funds for Mrs. Lillian Mascott, former Avon Park, resident, who is ill at San Antonio, Tex. A number of people contributed the price of admission but did not attend the party. The money raised will be sent on to Mrs. Mascott immediately.

High score was won by Mrs. S. C. Pardee, and the consolation prize went to Miss B. M. Worthington.

Miss Wever Party Honored.

Miss Mildred Lee and Miss France Lane honored Miss Gwendolyn Wever with a party at the Wever home Monday night. Games were played and refreshments of ice cream and cake were served.

Those attending were: Misses Gwendolyn Wever, Francis Lane, Mildred Lee, Reba West, Lucille Saggus, and Honey Roberts, and Messrs. Walton Touchton, Harrison James, Alvin Ebi, Weston Smith, Cornelius Vandenburg and G. A. Christopher.

Y. W. A. Meets With Miss Saggus.

Y. W. A. held a meeting last Monday night at the home of Miss Cathryn Saggus. After the business session the fifth chapter of Acts was read and discussed. Later delicious refreshments were served. Those attending were: Misses Genevieve McClelland, Kitty Martin, Annie Mae Adams, Mertice Coker, Wava Godwin, Edna Overstreet, Virginia Reddie, Hazel Cameron and Mrs. B. F. Martin and Mrs. T. A. Baldwin.

Ladies' Aid Planning For Food Sale.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Congregational church met on Wednesday afternoon in the church parlors, and in addition to routine business planned for their first home-prepared food sale of the season, which will be held down town on Saturday, Sept. 28. The Covenant Circle program followed the Aid meeting, recent personal letters from mission workers in Africa, Turkey and China being presented by Mrs. Yates, Mrs. Wild and Mrs. Vaughn.

Georgia Guests Are Honored.

Miss Marjorie Lacey entertained Friday evening at a bridge party in honor of her guests, Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Mitchell of Athens, Ga. The decorations composed of roses were greatly admired, and after the awarding of prizes a delectable ice course was enjoyed. The following guests were present: Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Carmichael, Mr. and Mrs. Parke Anderson, Miss Joan McGregor of Athens, Ga., and Messrs. Ivor Farnell and George Turner.

Eastern Stars Journey To Arcadia.

A group of Eastern Stars of Leigh chapter journeyed to Arcadia last evening, where they attended the meeting of Peace River chapter. The meeting was the occasion of the visitation of the Grand Matron, Mrs. Mamie Landers.

Those attending were: Mr. and Mrs. H. F. R. Reck; Col. and Mrs. Charles R. Head; Mrs. Julia Moffatt, Mrs. G. A. Stebbins, Mrs. Demos Mandis, Mrs. Fred Stevens, Mrs. Dave Stuckey, Mrs. A. McKee Elwell, and Miss Mabel Seybert.

Guild Prepares For Bazaar.

The Guild of the Episcopal Church held an all day session yesterday at the home of Mrs. Arthur E. Gregory. The ladies are preparing for the bazaar they are to conduct December 5.

Meetings will be held semi-monthly, the next one being at the home of Mrs. Norton Smith on Lake Isis, October 3.

Virginia Baldwin Has Birthday Party.

Miss Virginia Baldwin had her fourteenth birthday party at her home on Lake Verona, Wednesday. Swimming was enjoyed and afterward a wienie-roast was given on the lake.

Those present were: Misses Lucille Saggus, Jane Huebner, Marcia Weisheyer, Dorothy Hobbs, Dorothy Schweigart, Mildred Ray and Cornelia Reynolds.

Mrs. Chapman Sings at Party Tonight.

Mrs. J. V. Chapman, Avon Park vocalist, will sing a group of songs at the party to be given tonight at Hotel DeSoto, DeSoto City. The affair will be staged by the Sebring Club, and a number of local people will attend the affair.

Mrs. Lanier Entertains Bridge Club.

Mrs. C. E. Lanier entertained the Thursday Evening Bridge Club at her home on Lake Lotela last Thursday night.

The house was prettily decorated with roses and ferns. Prizes were awarded to Mrs. Earl Hart for high score and Mrs. M. A. Smith for low. Delicious refreshments of punch, sandwiches and cake were served on the loggia.

Roberts Family Reunion at Zolfo.

A family reunion and a birthday party in honor of the 68th birthday anniversary of Mrs. M. A. Roberts, of Zolfo Springs, will be held there today. Mrs. Roberts is the mother of S. E., W. A., L. D., and M. M. Roberts, all of this city, and Mrs. C. S. Bryan, of Wauchula, and all their families will attend the affair.

Past Matron's Night at Frostproof.

An invitation to attend Past Matrons' Night at the Frostproof Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, has been received by Leigh chapter, and a large number of Stars are planning to attend the meeting.

Special Meeting of Eastern Stars.

Leigh chapter, Order of Eastern Star, will hold a special meeting next Friday evening, September 27, at the Masonic hall, the Worthy Matron, Mrs. Lola Head, announced Wednesday. All members are urged to be present.

Guild To Meet Wednesday.

Wednesday there will be a regular meeting of the Ladies' Guild of the Episcopal church at the Parish House at 3 o'clock.

J. L. Rish transacted business in Tampa, Monday.

Mrs. W. D. Cameron spent Tuesday in Lake Placid.

Robert Halliday left Monday for Nashville, Tenn., on business.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Orr have returned from a trip to Georgia.

C. E. Lanier left Monday night for Washington on a business trip.

H. Allen of Winter Haven visited Avon Park on business Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Day are in Jacksonville this week.

Miss Lois Hart spent the weekend in Avon Park, visiting her parents.

Messrs. Rodney Durrance and Fredric Wild motored to Brighton, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Sheffield transacted business in Tampa, Saturday.

Mrs. Knott accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Ralph Stone and Ralph Charles, returned to her home in Clearwater Saturday.



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BOOSTER ACTIVITIES PRODUCING RESULTS

West Beach Hotel Receiving Inquiries From Literature; Other Booster Notes

The Avon Park bulletins placed by the Chamber of Commerce in Blue Mountain, N. Y., through M. T. Merwin is bringing results. A local hotel, West Beach Hotel, J. H. Brightwell, proprietor, is getting requests for accommodations from Blue Mountain. Mr. Brightwell is completely overhauling the hotel, putting in steam heat, many more bathrooms, and will stucco the entire building. He will also place boats on the lake, put in tennis courts, shuffle boards, etc.

J. S. Schweigert, hardware merchant, who vacationed during July and August at his former home in Westminster, Md., did valiant work as a member of the Avon Park Booster club. He has the assurance of two families who will visit our city this winter, with prospects of others. Mr. Schweigert has also given the Chamber of Commerce a list of other prospects to whom literature may be sent. One farmer, who plans to go to either Florida or Arizona, has several members of his family who suffer from asthma. We have given him information about others thus afflicted who came to Avon Park and were wonderfully benefited.

A resident of Waban, Mass., was interested in a bulletin from the Chamber of Commerce, and writes for more information about Avon Park. He says: "We spent three months in Florida last year, and shall do the same this year. Please send me such literature as you have, giving accommodations for the coming winter and terms. We prefer family accommodations rather than hotel."

Avon Park householders should register at the Chamber of Commerce what they have to offer, not only for this fall, but for others who apply for accommodations.

Alexander Gilmour, one of our substantial residents from Kentucky has given the Chamber of Commerce a list of prospects from his old home state. One of them is a retired Admiral of the United States Navy, who is now head of the Chamber of Commerce in the Capital City of Kentucky, and a great booster.

Avon Park would be fortunate indeed to gain a winter resident of such qualities and influence. Another of Mr. Gilmour's prospects is Mrs. Emma Guy Cromwell, the State Treasurer of Kentucky, a woman of commanding influence politically, who is mentioned for the next nomination for Governor of Kentucky. Mr. Gilmour also furnished the addresses of other likely prospects for Avon Park.

No License Required Of Hotel Or Rooming House Less 10 Rooms

TALLAHASSEE, Sept. 19.—Beginning October first no license will be taken by the hotel department from rooming houses of less than 10 rooms, the state thereby losing about \$12,000 yearly revenue, but at the same time lightening the burden for keepers of small rooming houses, dependent on this for a living, Commissioner Ben H. Bostain announced this week. About 2800 licenses will be taken from the departments' list through this change, which was made possible through the work of the last legislature and a bill which Mr. Bostain sponsored.

Construction of hotels and apartments during the month of August totaled well over a half million dollars, the latest report showed. All of this was for improvements and additions. At the same time Mr. Bostain reported a saving in operating expense of \$1400 over August of last year.

When cooking frankfurters for a large crowd, place them in wire corn-poppers. They can be easily handled, heat through quickly and still acquire that much desired wood smoke flavor.

Carlton Asks Towns Put Names On Roofs To Guide Aviators

TALLAHASSEE, Sept. 19.—Further indication that Florida's chief executive sees in development of aviation, one of the primary opportunities of the state, is found in the statement issued by him this week, calling for co-operation on the part of cities and towns in a campaign to place roof markings throughout the state. Governor Carlton stated:

"While many Florida cities and towns have, either through municipal enterprise or the work of civic groups, placed roof markings for air travel, completion of this project before the coming tourist season is imperative if the state is to take its proper place in aviation. Florida has a bright future, both from the standpoint of commercial and pleasure flying and all cities desirous of being on the air map of Florida will take immediate steps to place these airy signs."

Governor Carlton predicts a considerable increase in the number of planes visiting Florida this winter but declares that the number will only increase in accordance with the work of the state in making itself a suitable location for flyers.

NEW INSPECTOR HERE FOR FRUIT SHIPMENTS

Picking Starts and Several Cars Leave the County

C. E. Brashier, inspector appointed by the plant board to supervise packing houses and the movement of citrus fruit in Highlands county arrived Monday morning and has entered upon his duties. Mr. Brashier's arrival will relieve the county agent, Louis Alsmeyer, of a mass of detail not directly connected with his office. The new inspector will issue permits and perform other duties connected with the fruit shipments.

Mr. Dillingham who has been in the county for some time, will continue in charge of the grove inspection service and both he and Mr. Brashier will make their headquarters in the office of the county agent in the court house. Should anyone wish to get in touch with them they can do so direct or through the county agent.

Citrus fruit started moving from Highlands county this week with several cars leaving the Lakemont Packing house. Picking has been going forward in several groves around Sebring and although the fruit looks green it is said to have passed the acid test and to be fit to ship according to legal standards. It is understood that the grove fruit law will be rigidly enforced and anyone found violating its provisions will be dealt with vigorously.

Vandenbergs Happy.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Vandenberg are rejoicing over the arrival of an eight and one-half pound boy, who arrived at the Vandenberg home last Friday afternoon. Mother and baby are doing nicely, says Dr. Boone, the attending physician.

IVINGS CASE DISPOSED OF IN COUNTY COURT

Other Cases Heard; Two Habeas Corpus Before Judge Barker

Of the several cases coming up in county court Tuesday only one reached the jury and in this they returned a verdict of not guilty.

The case of Walter Ivings charged with selling liquor was dismissed on motion of the prosecution after they failed to get another continuance on account of the state's witness, Hugh Clinton, not appearing. County Attorney J. M. Lee made a lengthy argument trying for a continuance and when this failed he made the motion to dismiss.

The next case was against Marion North charged with operating a still and this was dismissed on motion of the prosecution before it reached the jury. Eddie Poncier, arrested with North in connection with the same still, went to the jury, but he was found not guilty.

The case of Lewis Foster, charged with a serious offense, came before Judge W. J. Barker Tuesday afternoon on a habeas corpus petition brought by Attorney M. R. McDonald and the defendant was released from custody when it was found there was not sufficient evidence on which to base a charge. The charge was dismissed on written motion of the states attorney, L. Grady Burton.

Following the dismissal of this charge Foster was rearrested on another charge and was released under \$100 bond.

Another habeas corpus petition came before Judge Barker Wednesday afternoon in the case of C. W. Gillispie, charged with selling an automobile on which there was a lien. This defendant was also released.

Will Hubley, colored, of DeSoto City was arrested early Monday morning charged with the burning of the colored Methodist Church at DeSoto City. Hubley resisted arrest and put up quite a tussle with Deputy Sheriff Helms who made the arrest, but like the famed Canadian Mounted Police, Helms "got his man." Hubley is now on the inside of the county jail.

WRUF Farm Program.

GAINESVILLE, Fla., Sept. 19.—Radio Station WRUF, the University and State of Florida radio station, will reopen Sept. 21 after having been silent since August 3. The farm programs will be resumed Sept. 23. Following is the schedule of farm talks from Sept. 23 to 27. These will be put on the air at 1 p. m. daily. The wave length is 204 meters.

Sept. 23—For Those Who Missed the 1929 Farmers' Week—J. Francis Cooper, editor, Agricultural Extension Division.

Destroy Cotton Stalks and Starve the Boll Weevil—Paul Calhoun, field assistant, Experiment Station.

Sept. 24—U. S. D. A. farm talk.

Sept. 25—Fumigating Corn for Weevils—J. R. Watson, entomologist, Experiment Station.

Sept. 26—U. S. D. A. farm talk.

Sept. 27—What County Agents of North and West Florida Have Learned About Vech and Winter Peas—L. Lee Smith, district agent.

Carlton Expects Quick Solving Of Drainage Work In Everglades

TALLAHASSEE, Sept. 19.—That he has "every hope and confidence that the Everglades drainage problem will be solved and actual construction work well on its way before the end of the present administration," was expressed by Governor Carlton upon his return to the capitol from West Palm Beach this week. Governor Carlton based his expression on the fact that Federal aid is in sight and that Florida U. S. senators and congressmen are working ambitiously for this objective. He pointed out that industrial endeavor had increased in the glades districts and that the population had increased there. He commended the work of the Florida Flood Control association, a group of citizens organized for aid of the project and declared that the activities of this body would have much to do towards creating a rich section out of what has been one of danger points of the entire south.

College Offers Special Course In Advanced Pomology

A special course in advanced pomological practices is being offered by Prof. E. L. Lord, of the Horticulture Department of the College of Agriculture at Gainesville. This course, designed especially for Smith-Hughes teachers and county agents, will be held every other Saturday morning, beginning Sept. 21. Graduate credit will be allowed those who finish the course.

Prof. Lord is offering the course as the result of a demand from teachers and county agents.

Has Tonsils Removed.
James Jordan, more familiarly known as "Jimmy," son of Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Jordan, had his tonsils removed at the Touchton hospital Wednesday morning. His condition is regarded as favorable.



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A TIGHT SQUEEZE

By ALLEN S. JACOBS

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ried." He colored self-consciously. Reardon pointed to the overcoat. "Put it on and turn up the collar." Tom opened his lips to protest, then thought better of it. The quicker he convinced the captain he was making a mistake, the quicker he was going to get out of this mess. He slipped into the overcoat.

"Pull on this cap and pull it down over your eyes."

Tom tried to pull it down over his eyes, but it was too small in the head size. He only succeeded in tipping it rakishly over his eyes.

"Kind of a close fit," Reardon remarked thoughtfully.

"Yes, sir. It's not my cap." "I'm going to let a couple of men look you over. Stay just as you are and don't speak a word."

The captain put his finger on the buzzer. The door into the next room opened. A uniformed officer led two men into the room. Tom almost spoke out in surprise, recognizing Jerd Perkins and the night clerk at the hotel where he also was employed.

"Is this the man who stuck up the hotel?"

The hotel clerk spoke hesitatingly. "It look like him. He had on a brown cap and dark gray overcoat all right, and he was about the same build."

Reardon turned to Jerd. "And you?"

"It's him all right," he responded positively.

"Take off that cap," Reardon ordered.

Dumbfounded at the identification, Tom remained rigid till Reardon barked his order a second time.

"Why, it's Tom Case!" Jerd exclaimed with well simulated horror. "It's a mistake. It couldn't have been him."

Reardon eyed him sharply. "Didn't you just identify him?"

"Yes, but that was before I knew who was under that cap," he lied smoothly. "Oh, no, it couldn't be Tom."

Tom flung him a grateful look. He had known a moment of white-hot rage against Jerd, for which he was deeply regretful now.

"Thanks, Jerd," he managed to say.

"You can go now," the captain told the two shortly.

When the door closed behind them Reardon walked over to Tom, took the cap from him and tried to pull it down.

"H'm-m. Quite two sizes too small." He jerked it off, apparently catching a strand of Tom's hair in his fingers by accident, causing Tom to wince sharply.

Walking over to his desk he pressed the second button in a row there.

Tom broke the silence. "Look here, Captain, you're making a big blunder."

Reardon regarded him sharply. "We're not holding you for robbery, my friend. You're going upstairs for murder."

"Murder!" Tom gasped.

"Yes."

"W-what murder?" Tom stammered.

"The murder of William Horst, a pedestrian who was shot down almost a month ago resisting a hold-up. He's been in a hospital all this time. He died this morning. This cap here was his. His wife identified it and Horst told us in his statement before he died that the bandit who shot him used the cap to carry away the contents of his pockets."

Tom dropped into a chair weakly. He could scarcely believe his ears. Robbery, and murder! For a moment his spirits hit bottom level, then honest anger surged through him. He jumped to his feet.

"This is too much! I won't stand for any more. I'm to be married this evening. I won't let you ruin everything because you've made a crazy mistake."

"Sit down, boy," Reardon said quietly.

Despite himself Tom sat down. People usually obeyed Reardon's commands.

"Let's look at the case against you. Your hotel was stuck up last night. We hadn't any idea who did it till we received an anonymous tip."

"We acted on our tip about you and found in your suitcase awad

of bills and rolls of money still bound by the hotel's own stamped paper. Now, the cap which the hotel bandit wore was accidentally caught in the iron grilling of the hotel door when he dodged a missile fired by the clerk. That cap is identified as the one taken from the victim of a hold-up, who died today. Ergo, it is reasonable to conclude that the man who possesses this cap is the one who fired the fatal shots. You're been identified as the hotel bandit, and it was the hotel bandit who had this cap in his possession."

"But that money couldn't have been in my suitcase," said Tom.

"Those detectives planted it there," Reardon shook his head sadly.

"My boy, why should my men plant that money in your suitcase? And where, then, did they get it in the first place?"

A uniformed officer entered.

"Take this prisoner upstairs and put him through the regular fingerprinting and photograph routine."

When Tom stumbled through the door in custody of the officer, Reardon picked up the brown cap and went upstairs. He walked into an office where a man was working at a long table littered with bottles, burners and test tubes.

Reardon set the cap down on the table. "Think you can find a hair or two sticking inside this cap, Norman?"

The other picked it up and examined the inside with a powerful microscope. Taking up a pair of tweezers he extracted three short hairs, putting them down on a square of white paper.

Reardon opened his clenched hand, revealing one long and one short hair which he had succeeded in pulling from Tom's head when he jerked off the cap.

"Label these 'Tom Case' and see if they're the same. Better send downstairs and get a sample from the head of the William Horst stiff, too. Let me know the result as quick as you can."

A half hour later Norman walked into Reardon's office.

"Those hairs I dug out of the brown cap don't match those labeled 'Tom Case.' However, one of them does come from the stiff downstairs. But the other two are orphans."

Reardon shoved his chair back from his desk. Then someone besides the dead man and Tom Case has had that cap on his head and I'm going to find out who."

He strode into the hall and pressed the bell for the jail elevator. Upstairs he went straight to the cell where Tom Case was sitting disconsolately on the hard bed.

"Case," Reardon called.

Tom came to the bars uncertainly.

"Who hat a grudge against you?" he asked him sharply.

"Why, no one that I know of, Captain Reardon, will you please let me send a telegram to Grace?" he pleaded anxiously.

Reardon's eyes lighted with a new thought. "Who was your rival for Grace?"

"Well, all the boys at home were crazy about Grace, but she only liked me and Jerd Perkins."

"Jerd Perkins? The man who identified you a moment ago?"

"Yes. But what has who liked Grace to do with my predicament?"

Without replying Reardon strode away from the cell. He went downstairs to the police garage and told his chauffeur to drive to the Clinton Hotel, the scene of last night's hold-up.

An hour and a half later Jerd Perkins was shown into Captain Reardon's office.

"Say, what's the idea?" he snarled.

"You're arrested for the murder of William Horst," Reardon informed him. "Search the prisoner, Hennessey."

Jerd made a break for the door, but Hennessey grabbed him and spun him into a chair. Frantically he reached for his pocket, hampered by his manacled wrists. Reardon leaped across the room and pinioned him while the officer jerked the automatic from Jerd's fingers.

"Take that gun upstairs to Norman's laboratory, Hennessey. I think he'll find where the bullets the doctor dug out of the late

Lance To Make War On Medfly

The Medfly, that pesty insect that has caused havoc in Florida citrus groves, will have to look to its laurels. And all because Mark Lance has joined Uncle Sam's forces in eradicating the visitor from the Mediterranean.

His work as city assessor being completed, Mr. Lance left Wednesday morning for Orlando, where he was signed up as a member of the fly-fighters.

William Horst came from it. At first I couldn't dope out how this fellow could be in the washroom during the robbery and still be the robber. But when I examined the barred window it was plain enough, for there were fresh scratches on the screws that held the bars in place. Then I went up and searched his room, finding a sum of money that completes the hotel's total loss stuffed into a shoe in his closet. I also took a sample of his hair from the military brushes on his bureau. When Norman said they matched those found in the cap I knew I had my man."

Jerd stared helplessly at Reardon. He knew the game was up. They would undoubtedly find the fatal bullets had been fired from his gun. He had never thought of getting rid of it, first because William Horst was reported alive in the hospital to which he was taken, and second because he never dreamed he would be suspected after creating an apparently airtight alibi.

He wet dry lips. "Tom Case gave me that gun and begged me to get rid of it."

"Yes?" Reardon commented. "Well, if it's his he hardly had a chance to use it on William Horst, since he was one hundred miles away in Colusa the night William Horst was shot down. I've a telegram here verifying that. You see it was an important date to two families, since it was that night young Tom Case went home and proposed to his Grace."

Jerd swayed with baffled rage. "Maybe you can get me for the murder because of the gun, but you can't hold me for robbing the hotel," he gloated. "The marks on the screws in the washroom don't prove anything conclusively, nor does the money you found in my shoe. Tom's still guilty. He's been identified as the bandit. You can't get around that."

"I notice you're about the same general build as Tom Case," Reardon remarked meaningfully. Sauntering over, he slapped the brown cap down on Jerd's head and pulled it over his eyes. "And the cap fits you snugly. It doesn't fit Tom."

"What's that got to do with the case? You yourself say it doesn't belong to the robber, was taken from William Horst, and I'm telling you right now I made Tom a present of it."

"Too thin," Reardon retorted. "The minute I saw the cap didn't fit Tom I knew it couldn't have committed the robbery. You see both you and the night clerk testified that the cap got caught in a leaf on the grilled door and was jerked from his head when he dodged a missile flung by the night clerk. Well, if Tom had worn this cap on top his head and dodged a missile, it would have fallen off his head when he dodged. To fasten onto a dull point in grill work and be jerked from anyone's head this cap would have to be on someone's head mighty firmly."

"Come along," Hennessey jerked the prisoner to the door.

A sob of fury broke from Jerd. To think a perfect plot had been spoiled and he himself trapped because a cap did not fit!

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State's Attorney Speaks at Rotary

Hon. L. Grady Burton, of Wauchula, states attorney for Highlands, Hardee and DeSoto counties, delivered an inspiring address on the Constitution of United States at the weekly luncheon of the Rotary club Wednesday. The popular attorney acceded to the request of N. H. Trent, chairman of the program committee, to deliver the address at Rotary's observance of the 142nd anniversary of the Constitution.

One visitor, T. J. McGinnis, former Avon Park business man, but now of Cartersville, Ga., was present. Vice-president J. S. Francis presided.

Mosaic Law Prohibits Tearing on Holidays

In compliance with a Mosaic law which prohibits Jewish people from tearing anything during their holidays, the Western Union will deliver unsealed telegrams during the celebration of Rosh Hashana, which starts at sundown October 14, according to Mr. Sprayberry, manager of the Avon Park office.

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SOCIAL and Personal News

Mrs. S. P. Durrance has returned from Tifton, Ga., after an absence of several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Lacy have gone to Birmingham and Montgomery for a few days.

Mrs. W. A. Sheffield and daughter, Marguerite, motored to Fort Myers, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy McGibony and Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Skipper went to Orlando, Saturday.

Mrs. R. W. Swearingen and Miss Elizabeth Ewing spent Tuesday in Bartow and Lakeland.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Masters have returned from a month's visit in Chicago and St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. Burtis Simmons of Bartow were Sunday guests of Miss Edna Mae Delaney.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Dilly, Miss Wilma Lear and Fred Peden motored to Orlando Sunday.

Clenton Clements of Jacksonville, was the guest of J. M. Lee and family for the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Sappington and son Roger, have returned from a few weeks visit in Miami.

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Covington entertained Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Rabb at dinner Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Crews of Lake Placid spent Sunday as the guests of Mrs. W. D. Cameron.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Ginn and son Hartwell, have returned from a few days' visit in St. Petersburg.

Misses Clyde and Vera Brown of Jacksonville, have been visiting Miss Sdna Mae Delaney for a few days.

Major and Mrs. L. P. Berry of Tampa, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Covington, last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron, of Loughman, with their children, visited Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Ginn, Jr., last Sunday.

Mrs. L. M. Langford and daughters, Lucille and Josephine, have gone to St. Petersburg for the winter season.

Col. and Mrs. M. A. Wilson and brother of Ft. Meade, were visiting Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Roberts, Tuesday.

Mrs. H. P. Davidson and the Misses Alice Davidson and Mabel Lee, expect to leave for New York next week.

Dr. and Mrs. E. H. Vines and son, Earl, have returned from Saratoga Springs, where they spent the summer.

Mrs. J. C. McDonald and son left Sunday to join Mr. McDonald at Fitzgerald, Ga., where they will reside in the future.

Miss Bertha Cameron and Jimmy Bond, of Lakeland, spent Sunday in Avon Park, as the guests of Mrs. W. D. Cameron.

Mrs. Raymond Dilly, Misses Wilma Lear and Milly Pearson and Fred Peden, attended the theater in Tampa Friday night.

Miss Elizabeth Ewing and Mrs. R. W. Swearingen, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Covington, Sunday evening.

T. J. McGinnis and son, T. J., Jr., formerly of this city, but now of Cartersville, Ga., arrived here for a short visit Tuesday night.

Frank Armistead, Fernie Reeves and Eddie Clark, went to Jacksonville last Thursday to drive back cars for the Park Motor company.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Turner of Clewiston, spent Sunday in Avon Park.

Miss Alta Ruth Overstreet, Miss Margaret Peterson and Milton Payne, of Kissimmee, were the guests of Miss Inez Dawson, Sunday.

Mrs. Nettie Barshell, who underwent an operation at the Mitchell hospital, Sebring, Tuesday morning, is improving, according to Dr. Boone.

Miss Eulalia Melton, Miss Bonnie Lee Douglas accompanied by Forrest Howard and Sally Rogers, of Sebring, motored to Bartow, Sunday.

The Tampa visitors from Avon Park last Friday included Mrs. W. H. Yates, Mrs. L. E. Bass, Mrs. Harry Dilly, Mrs. D. B. Farnell and Midd Asborough.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lanier and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Sheffield, accompanied by Misses Lora Lee and Marguerite Sheffield, attended the Tampa Theater Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Peterson and daughter, Miss Margaret and friend, Miss Alta Overstreet of Kissimmee, Fla., were visiting Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Roberts, Sunday.

Little Edna Booth Roberts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Roberts, returned Sunday after spending a week in Kissimmee, where she visited Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Peterson.

Among the Lakeland movie visitors Sunday night were the Misses Edna Mae Delaney, Audrey Godwin, Bessie Albritton and Messrs. Roy Felknor, Pete Jones and Ernest Jones.

T. N. Smith of Clewiston was the week-end guest of his sister, Mrs. R. C. Epperson. Mr. Smith was accompanied home by his wife, who has been visiting in Avon Park.

Mrs. C. E. Lanier and sons, David and Vernon, Mrs. W. A. Sheffield and daughter, Marguerite and son Billy, accompanied by Mrs. E. N. Brown and Mrs. J. W. Sheffield, motored to Punta Gorda Wednesday.

The many local friends of Col. John J. Swearingen will be pleased to learn he is expected home in two weeks from Virginia, where he has been recuperating from a sprained ankle received in an auto accident some time ago.

Among the Avon Parkers who attended the dance in Sebring Monday night were: Misses Grace Reddie, Jeraldine Heim, Barbara Weaver and Messrs. "Buck" Pardee, Charles Harris, Colquett Pardee, Holland Stebbins, Ralph Stone, Aubrey Roberts, Ferney Reeves and G. P. Garrison.

Among the Avon Park girls and boys who have left for college and those who are planning to leave are: Miss Marjorie Lacy, University of Georgia; Miss Ruth Hall, Agnes Scott College, Georgia; Miss Myrtle Conley, Boston Conservatory of Music; Miss Joan Bryant, Southern College; Miss Louise Wolff, Southern College; Miss Lois Hart, Lakeland Business College; Miss Menophee Hatchell, Tampa Business College; Miss Lois Melton, Strayers College, Washington, D. C.; Miss Carolyn Wild, Florida State College for Women; Ivor Fornell, Georgia Tech; Fred Barlett, University of Florida; Louis Meeth, University of Florida; James Davis, Southern College, and Holland Stebbins, Georgia Tech.

Mrs. Staff Captain Lebby of Atlanta, Ga., was visiting Col. and Mrs. William Evans the past week-end and they accompanied her to Haines City, enroute to Orlando and Jacksonville.

STATEMENT REGARDING BAPTIST CHURCH HERE

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invite you to our only court of justice for settling our differences—(Doctrinal differences)—which will convene in Bartow October 17th and 18th, 1929. Until then you will find me and the others of the First Baptist Church worshipping any place that we can secure. "We are not ashamed of the Gospel of Jesus Christ," and in these modern days—so called—we are liable to be forced to worship in caves, as did the martyrs of days gone by. If that's the test God requires of us we are submissive to His will. Brethren, friends and all, had this been a "personal fight" it could have been brought to a close long ere this date, but since it was for the cause of Christ, whom we are trying to follow, it must be carried to the place where God will be most glorified.

A copy of this will be spread upon the minutes of our Church, carried in the Avon Park Times of date, Sept. 20, 1929, and thence throughout the Baptist Denomination.

If I have failed to make myself understood I assure you that I shall be glad to have those come to me personally who want to know the truth.

We, the First Baptist Church, at present are worshipping in unity of spirit. We are not hostile, as you have been made to believe, but are anxious and willing as we have always been to lead you to our Master, which is our vocation. I pray that the same spirit that prompted me to write these words will lead you to see the light. "Jesus is the light of the world." "I am the way the truth and the life." "He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, is the same as a thief and robber."

In the conclusion let me ask, WHAT WILL YOU DO WITH CHRIST MY LORD?

LAST TRIBUTE IS PAID TO LAWRENCE WRAY

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ation in the Spring, Wray went to Detroit, and entered the Ford Trade school. He was taken ill with pneumonia on September 2 and was confined to the Henry Ford hospital. He died at that institution September 14, his mother being at his bedside when death came.

Besides his parents, Mr. Wray is survived by two brothers, Ellis and Howard, and a sister, Mildred.

The body arrived here Monday evening, and the funeral arrangements were in charge of Lloyd Correll, local mortician.

A "dressed up" Rollins will greet the students and faculty when they return for the forty-fifth opening of the college at Winter Park on October 2. According to Treasurer E. T. Brown's report to President Hamilton Holt, slightly more than \$9,000 has been spent in the program of rehabilitation of the campus and buildings during the past summer. All of the improvements are classified as permanent or semi-permanent in nature and the more expensive items will not have to be repeated during the ordinary life of the present buildings.

Adj. and Mrs. Thomas A. Peart and daughter have left for their new Salvation Army appointment at Wheeling, W. Va. They had been making their home on North Lakeview Drive.

Legal Advertisement.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED.

Notice is hereby given that D. D. DeBatts, purchaser of tax certificate No. 981, dated the 4th day of July, A. D. 1927 has filed said certificate in my office and has made application for tax deed to issue thereon in accordance with law.

Said certificate embraces the following described property, situated in Highlands County, Florida, to-wit: N 1/2 of Lot 5 Prizell-Sub-Division of Lot 3, Block B, First & Gorman's Subdivision, in Section 27, Township 33, South, Range 28, East.

The said land being assessed at the date of the issuance of such certificate in the sum of \$100.00. Unless said certificate shall be required according to law, it shall be issued thereon on the 25th day of October, A. D. 1929.

(Circuit Court Seal)
L. T. FARMER,
Clerk Circuit Court,
Highlands County, Fla.
Sept. 20-27-Oct. 4-11-18.

Congregational Service.

At the Congregational church Sunday morning the sermon will be a further study of the International Sunday school lesson for that date, centering on the text and theme, "He Shall Come—He Shall Purify." The superintendent of the Sunday school, J. P. Garber, has returned from his vacation in the north, and it is especially desired that all members of the school be in their classes to take up the autumn's work with full programs and interest.

A definite assurance that the celery growers of the state will have a clearing house functioning before the next crop is marketed was given by officials of the Florida State Celery association Saturday at Sanford. Shipping and growing interests in the Sanford, Oviedo, Manatee and Sarasota districts have agreed to combine in an orderly marketing program, one feature of which will be a national advertising campaign involving \$100,000.



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29x4.50	\$6.95
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30x3 1/2	\$5.45
30x3 3/4	5.95
31x4	9.90
32x4	10.55

FORD CHEV.

Specials
Factory first Speedway Cords

30x3 1/2	\$4.25
29x4.40	\$5.55

Main Street Service Station
Avon Park, Fla.



Hardware For Fall CLEANING

Here you'll find stoutly built, accurately fashioned appliances that will add much comfort and efficiency to the execution of your household duties. And you can easily afford to fill your needs now at these remarkable prices.

Floor Mops	49c
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METHODIST PASTOR IS ROTARY SPEAKER

Rev. Hancock Speaks On
"Brotherhood"; Ewell
Named Secretary

Rev. A. H. Hancock, pastor of the Methodist church, was the principal speaker at the Rotary luncheon Wednesday. The clergyman spoke on "Brotherhood," and his talk was well received by the Rotarians.

Another speech on the medicinal value of Florida's vegetables, because of its iodine contents, failed to materialize when the speaker was unable to appear.

J. S. Francis, who was elected to the presidency by the board of directors last week, assumed his permanent position at the meeting. Mr. Francis was advanced from the vice-presidency to fill the vacancy existing when Attorney J. C. McDonald resigned the presidency. Mr. McDonald resigned to make his permanent home at Fitzgerald, Ga.

A. McKee Elwell was named secretary of the club, succeeding Earl Hart, resigned. Mr. Hart is now at Orlando, where he is a member of the Medfly force.

The visitors were Jack Stevenson, of the Sebring Club, and F. de Anguera, of Avon Park.

Cases Filed In Office Clerk of Circuit Court

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

J. E. Riley as receiver of the State Bank of Boca Grande vs. M. C. Whitehurst.

J. E. Riley as receiver of the State Bank of Boca Grande vs. H. A. Winter.

James L. Moore vs. John L. Ivey et al (two cases).

William Evans vs. Harold S. Day, Receiver of the First National Bank of Sebring.

Joe B. Johnson, trading as the Wholesale Auto Supply House of Tampa vs. L. D. Roberts and Gilbert A. Stebbins (Roberts & Stebbins).

J. E. Riley, Receiver of the State Bank of Boca Grande vs. C. E. Lanier et al.

Avon Florida Citrus Corp. vs. Kate K. Keast.

Bertha Kemp vs. Horace Kemp. First Mortgage and Guaranty Co. vs. M. Edna Roberts and her husband, Leslie D. Roberts.

Moffett Resigns From County School Board

The county board of education received the resignation late Friday of C. H. Moffett, the member from Avon Park, due to his moving out of the state for further residence. The resignation was telegraphed and was received while the board was in session.

Governor Doyle Carlton will appoint the successor to Mr. Moffett and the local board is not making any recommendations and whoever is appointed by the governor will be acceptable to them. The appointment will be for the unexpired portion of Mr. Moffett's term which runs to January, 1931.

Among those mentioned as possible successors to Mr. Moffett are Neal Trent, T. C. Hobbs and E. G. Todd.

Advised of Death.

Mrs. W. A. Sheffield has been advised of the death of her grandmother, Mrs. Julia LaBrash, last Tuesday, in Minneapolis, Minn. Mrs. LaBrash had just celebrated her 87th birthday, and was a Minnesota pioneer.

Bond Man Demands Lee's Resignation or Face Suit; Council Refuses Demands

WASHINGTON GETS BANK APPLICATION

Charter For New National
Bank Asked By Barnett
Bank President

An Associated Press dispatch from Washington early this week announced that an application for a national bank at Avon Park had been received by the Comptroller of the Currency from William R. McQuaid, president of the Barnett National Bank of Jacksonville. The Jacksonville bank will control at least 51 percent of the bank, which is to be titled "The Barnett National Bank of Avon Park."

As announced last week in The Times the local business men signing the application were: W. A. Marshall, G. N. Ott, S. J. Pendleton, W. H. Yates and J. H. Caldwell.

The bank will be capitalized at \$50,000, with a surplus of \$10,000. Another A. P. story announced the granting of a charter to the Barnett National Bank of DeLand.

Mrs. West's Father Buried In Indiana

Burial was made Wednesday afternoon at Brazil, Indiana, of Leander Hunt, father of Mrs. Ellis R. West and Lonnie Hunt. The daughter, son, and grandson Denzil Hunt, attended the services.

The deceased, who had spent several seasons in Avon Park, died at Brazil Saturday morning. That evening Mrs. West, Mr. Hunt and his son motored to the Indiana town.

Red Devils Beat Selected Team, 6-2

The Red Devils of Avon Park High trimmed a selected team, 6-2, in a practice game yesterday afternoon. A large crowd of students and members of the faculty witnessed the game.

Fred Wild scored a touchdown for the first team in the second period.

A safety was recorded for the opposing eleven, when Bass fumbled the pigskin over the goal line and Jordan pounced on it for the two pointer.

Seaboard Acts To Safeguard Crossing

Replying to letters from Mayor Donaldson requesting action on the safeguarding of the Main street crossing of the Seaboard Air Line railroad, the mayor has been advised that the railroad company will flag fast trains and order the speed of freight trains reduced to 10 miles per hour on the crossing.

The Atlantic Coast Line have issued orders for a 10 miles per hour speed over their Main street crossing, they having signified their intentions some time ago.

Shoot Six 'Gators.

Six 'gators measuring from six to nine feet were shot in Arbuckle lake Tuesday afternoon by Carl Williams and Paul Surginur. The saurians were brought to this city by the local men.

Retains Lee As City Attorney;
Suit Against City
To Start Soon

TO COLLECT BACK TAXES

Charter Is Council's Guide As
To Manner of Making
Collections

Discharge of Col. J. M. Lee as City Attorney was requested of council yesterday by L. Rittenoure, bond department manager of the Title Guaranty Title and Trust company, of Wichita, Kan., which holds over \$100,000 of Avon Park bonds. Failure to comply with that request has resulted in the bond company naming the council as defendants in mandamus proceedings to be instituted in the circuit court within the next few days by Attorney L. Grady Burton, of Wauchoa. The papers are now in the hands of Mr. Burton and they will be filed as soon as possible.

The bond company will seek the writ to compel the councilmen to levy a special tax to meet the \$25,000 of time warrants held by the Wichita concern, and due December 1. When the budget was adopted no provision was made to care for the warrants, council fully expecting that satisfactory arrangements would be made with Mr. Rittenoure, or through a refunding program with other companies.

Mr. Rittenoure at the opening of what turned out to be a meeting of heated arguments, chiefly between the Wichita man and the City Attorney, read a letter addressed to the council stating the position of his company, what they had done for the city, what they requested council to do, and what the bond company would do if the request wasn't granted.

In asking that council select new legal assistance, Mr. Rittenoure recommended the name of Attorney T. A. McNicholas, of this city, in whom Mr. Rittenoure stated, he had confidence in his ability to pursue the proper course in the collection of delinquent taxes, which confidence he said he had lost in the present city attorney.

When the reading of the letter was concluded the fireworks started. Col. Lee flatly refused to resign, saying he could not be dictated to in the conduct of his profession by the bond company, and that if other attorneys could be influenced and dictated to "by the bond house, he couldn't and wouldn't. The Colonel said he couldn't be buffed by the threat of court action against the city.

Furthermore, Col. Lee stated, council could not discharge him without charges being preferred, and Mr. Rittenoure interrupted to remark that he made a charge in his letter, that being that Mr. Rittenoure believed that the Colonel's ideas were unsound, legally referring to Mr. Lee's ideas on the collection of the delinquent taxes and its procedure. Mr. Lee countered with the question as to whether the Wichita representative would reduce his charges to writing. This Mr. Rittenoure agreed to do.

Mr. Rittenoure outlined a procedure for the collection of taxes by the city attorney, which in a brief resume is to the following effect: That the attorney, with the

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GRAMMAR GRADES TO BEGIN WORK MONDAY

Full List of Teachers Named
With Everything In
Readiness

Several hundred youngsters, pupils in the grammar grades of Avon Park, will start the trek to school Monday morning. Vacation is over and next week the boys and girls will again occupy their seats and pour over the Three R's. All arrangements for the opening have been completed by Prof. R. T. Fairley, head of the city's schools.

Following is a list of the teachers:

Mrs. Susan M. Stamey, Mrs. H. J. Mumman, Miss Loula Chesser, Mrs. Joy Raggsdale, Mrs. Virginia Cloud, Mrs. D. G. Perry, Mrs. Loea Stuckey, Miss Mildred Myers, Miss Agatha Baker, Miss Juanita Adams, Mrs. C. H. Sheppard, Miss Furlow Anderson, (music department).

Teachers in the negro school are: D. Bouknight, principal; Beatrice Gary, Lucile Nimmons Myers, Charlie Hall, Freddie May Sands.

Over \$11,000 Paid By City Yesterday

Payment of over \$11,000 on bond maturities and interest was ordered by council yesterday. The money will be paid from the sinking fund. One of the maturities is a coupon note held by the First Trust and Savings company, of Tampa, and is in the amount of \$1,000. The note was one of ten issued in 1920 for building and paving projects.

Avon Crate Mills Begin Operations

With expectations of putting on their big force by today, provided the expected storm doesn't cause a change in plans, the Avon Manufacturing company started operations at their crate mill Monday morning, O. R. Perry announced yesterday.

The Mutual Crate company expects to start a small force on Tuesday and adding additional help until a full crew is on the job.

Storm Failed To Hit Last Evening

The tropical disturbance expected to hit the east coast for the past forty-eight hours had failed to strike when The Times went to press early this morning.

Since Wednesday Avon Park has been the refuge of hundreds of people, white and black, from the Everglades towns around Lake Okeechobee, and from east coast towns reported in the path of the hurricane.

The 56th Artillery Brigade is holding itself in readiness for a call, and the Red Cross throughout the county is prepared for any emergency.

Hourly bulletins from the Associated Press were posted yesterday by The Times, and radio shops had large audiences throughout the day and night.

HUDSON REPLIES TO LETTER OF MADEIRA

Agrees With Rector; Says
City Has Little To En-
tertain Outsiders

H. H. Hudson, of Chicago, has written to Mayor Donaldson and comments on the letter from Rev. E. E. Madeira, former Episcopal rector, regarding the amusement, or lack of amusement, in Avon Park. Mr. Hudson's opinion coincides with the rector, as will be seen from the letter which follows: Mayor C. S. Donaldson, Avon Park, Fla.

Honorable Sir:

The enclosed clipping from your Avon Park paper is along the same lines that I have discussed with some of your citizens. There is no doubt that Avon Park is terrifically lacking in entertainment. I have been there repeatedly, but never for more than three days and it was business that kept me there that long.

I do not say this in resentful frame of mind, but merely because it is so sadly dull, that I have been glad to get away, even though I have friends there. The citizens of Avon Park do not seem to realize how terrifically little there is to entertain outsiders, call them tourists or what you will.

You have one or two golf courses to be sure, and you have the Avolon Theatre for the evening. Will you tell me what else there is to entertain people?

What was the situation last winter? You had an enormous number of people going from Tampa to Miami and vice versa, did they stop in Avon Park? Yes, between busses over night, and then immediately got out. What was the result? Avon Park did not get her share, and therefore was not prosperous last winter as she should have been. The citizens of your town must exert themselves. I have repeatedly and for years back, told some of your leading people to pattern after St. Petersburg. The cost will be very little—the returns may be great. People want to be entertained, and Avon Park has nothing to entertain them with.

I have stock in some Avon Park investment companies. Furthermore I have property on Main street. Is it not quite natural that I should be keenly interested in seeing Avon Park develop and grow?

I sincerely hope that the article of Rev. E. E. Madeira will have its effect, and that a real effort will be made to provide something entertaining for the tourist and winter visitors.

Yours very truly,
Signed: H. H. HUDSON.

Avon's Water Supply Analyzes 'Very Good'

Analyses of two samples of water from Avon Park's water system, owned by the Florida Public Service company, have been made and the bacterial or sanitary quality of the water is reported as being "very good." The samples were submitted to the State Board of Health by E. E. Melton, District Superintendent of the Florida Public Service company.

Analyses of the city's water supply are made every month. The samples are taken from two wells, 1040 feet and 1170 feet deep, respectively. Each succeeding month finds the water supply in excellent condition.

Flag On Display.

Old Glory on the Mall was again unfurled this week after being in storage while repairs to the ropes were being made and a coat of paint given to the staff.