

Here and There

About Avon Park

By W. M. Hetherington

LIBRARY IS AN ASSET.
Among the many assets of which Avon Park boasts is a fine public library located upstairs in the City Hall building. The library is in charge of an efficient librarian who is always glad to assist in selecting books suitable to your needs at any time. The shelves are filled with splendid books to suit every taste for reading matter and it behooves every reader of good books to visit the library, become a member and enjoy many hours of pleasure therefrom.

A number of juvenile books will be placed on the shelves in a short time and this will be good news to the boys and girls of Avon Park who are splendid patrons of the library.

Boast your home town library!

George E. Wray, Pioneer Resident, Dies at Age of 66

George E. Wray, a resident of Avon Park for the past twenty-two years, passed away at his home on Lotela avenue last Saturday night at 9:30, at the age of 66 years.

Funeral services were held at the residence at three o'clock Sunday afternoon, conducted by Rev. A. P. Vaughn, pastor of the Congregational church, and interment was made in Doughville cemetery.

Mr. Wray was born in Rochester, N. Y., August 15, 1864. He first came to Avon Park in 1889 when the site upon which the city now stands was practically a wilderness.

He returned to Avon Park in 1894, leaving his brother, Henry and mother on his property here. In 1908 he returned to Avon Park and has since made his permanent home here.

During his pioneer residence in Avon Park, Mr. Wray ran a store for a while and later carried the mail between Fort Meade and Avon Park before the advent of the railroads. He later engaged in photography, which trade he followed up until a short time before his death. He was also a lense inspector.

The deceased is survived by a brother, Henry T. Wray of Avon Park; a sister, Mrs. L. Pierce of Cuba, N. Y.; a daughter, Mrs. Edith Mack of Chicago; and a son, F. Elmore Wray of Avon Park.

Turkey Shoot Dec. 20 Will Be Big Event

Plans are being perfected for holding a turkey shoot at Cardinal field, Saturday, December 20, at which time one hundred turkeys will be provided to be distributed as prizes to skilled marksmen of Avon Park and surrounding cities.

C. D. Ordway is general chairman of the committee on arrangements and he is being assisted by a large committee. The publicity of the event will be handled by the chamber of commerce.

The program calls for four classes of shooting: Shotgun, still target; shotgun, clay pigeon; and both 22 and 25 rifle shooting at still targets. In the still target events 20 will participate and the marksmen coming nearest the bulls-eye will be the winner. There will be twelve participants in the clay pigeon shooting.

One hundred turkeys will be provided for distribution as prizes. The net profits of the shoot will go to the benefit of united charities of Avon Park. Sportsmen from all over south Florida are expected to attend.

Avalon Sweet Shoppe Opened By Johnson

The Avalon Sweet Shoppe was opened for business this week in the Avon Park State bank building and is being well received by the public. The new store is a modern confectionery shop and carries a complete line of candies, cigars, tobacco, to which is being added magazines and periodicals. Bulk chocolates will be featured.

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FIRST NATIONAL TO PAY TEN PER CENT BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Receiver A. W. Doekele Announces Checks Have Been Forwarded To Comptroller For Signature.

Checks approximating \$38,000, and representing a ten percent dividend to the depositors of the First National Bank, were forwarded on Monday to the comptroller of the currency in Washington for his signature. The announcement was made Monday by A. W. Doekele, receiver for the closed institution. The dividend, which is the first to be announced since the failure of the bank in February 1929, will be made as soon as the signed checks are received back here, of which Mr. Doekele stated should be about the 15th of the month.

The distribution of \$35,000 before the Christmas holidays will prove a timely help to many, and put into circulation during the period of holiday buying, will prove a boon to the business of the city. The checks will be distributed from the office at Avon Park.

ROTARIANS HEAR TALK ON CITRUS GROVE COST

Albert DeVane Tells How He Has Cut Cost of Production of Citrus

Avon Park Rotarians were given a most interesting talk on citrus growing by G. A. DeVane at their luncheon Wednesday. The talk was given in co-operation with "Know Florida" and was a most interesting one.

Mr. DeVane is manager of the Florida Affiliated Exchange Clubs and divides citrus generally throughout the state. He is manager of the large grove development of the Lake Placid Land company in Highlands county, and supervises the large grove interest of the Consolidated Land company in other parts of the state.

Mr. DeVane opened his talk with the statement that a large percent of the groves are not paying because the expense is too high, 52 percent of the cost of production being for fertilizer. Touted by the pruning of citrus trees he said that to prune the trees to allow room for cultivation beneath the lower branches is a mistake, in fact pruning should always be done sparingly, cutting only dead limbs and lemon sprouts. Cutting the lower limbs decreases production 20 percent, he stated.

On the subject of cutting production cost, Mr. DeVane stated that by introducing friends of the grove, spraying is reduced considerably and that cover crops reduce fertilizer costs by half, especially in this true of citrus trees which will produce \$33.30 per acre of fertilizer after replacing all inorganic matter the rotarians has taken from the soil. Another means of saving is to cut cultivation to the point of that necessary for keeping down the fire hazard. Another saving can be made by purchasing fertilizer in triple and quadruple amounts which will cost only the equivalent of \$14.00 per ton.

Mr. DeVane's talk was well received by the club members and visitors and is of especial interest to growers of Highlands county because of the fact that Mr. DeVane has charge of one of the largest groves in the county and probably more acreage of citrus than any other man in this section of Florida.

In connection with the observance of the Christmas bazaar, the Methodist Church will hold on Saturday, December 6th in the store room at the Jacaranda hotel, and will be to the Jacaranda entrance. Fancy work, pie, cakes, and candy will be offered for sale at this time, the proceeds of which will be used for the benefit of the church.

PRIZES FOR ESSAYS AT COOKING SCHOOL

Three-Day Course By Public Service Comes To Close Thursday

A three-day cooking school conducted in the high school auditorium by Miss Lucille Crawford, home service specialist of the Florida Public Service company, came to a close yesterday afternoon, with the presentation of prizes for best essays and distribution of gifts by drawings.

Mrs. T. A. McNicholas was awarded a waftion for the best essay on "What an Electric Range Means to Me," and Mrs. S. C. Pardee was presented a waftion for the best essay on "What an Electric Range Would Mean to Me." The essays were selected as the two best from among forty essays submitted, and were judged by three members of the high school faculty.

After the demonstration yesterday, the dishes prepared and used in the demonstration were disposed of by drawings. A baked ham was won by Mrs. E. W. Hart, a mock turkey by Mrs. T. A. McNicholas, a shrimp salad to Mrs. A. O. Kinsey, a fig cake to Mrs. Mary H. Skipper, and a chicken pie supreme to Mrs. J. Villkurt.

The course opened Tuesday, the first day's session being sponsored by the Parent-Teachers' association. Wednesday's program was sponsored by the Woman's club and yesterday's program by the library committee of the Woman's club. The home economics class of the high school co-operated throughout the course.

An average daily attendance of ninety interested women received the course instruction. All arrangements for the course and equipment were furnished by the Florida Public Service company.

FIRST RECITAL DEC. 16 AT BOK SINGING TOWER

Anton Brees Is Returning For Carillon Concerts For Winter Season

Anton Brees, bellmaster at the Singing Tower, who has been spending the past six weeks at his old home in Antwerp, Belgium, with his father, who is city carillon master there, has returned to his home here. He will be on Dec. 14, the Lake Wales Highlands says. He will motor down from New York.

The first recital on the Singing Tower for the coming season will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 16, at 3 p. m. There will be recitals four times each week on Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday at 3 o'clock each day. Recitals will last for three-quarters of an hour and the last one will be given on Tuesday, April 14, 1931.

Special recitals will be given as follows: Christmas Eve, Dec. 24 at 12 o'clock midnight. New Year's Eve, Dec. 31, 1930, at 12 o'clock midnight and Easter Morning sunrise service, April 5.

In addition there will be the following recitals at 12 o'clock noon: Jan. 9, memorial recital; Jan. 19, Gen. Robert E. Lee's birthday; Jan. 25, Feb. 12, Lincoln's birthday; Feb. 22, Washington's birthday; Feb. 25, March 22, and April 14.

Central Garage Is Opened For Business

The Central Garage on South Forest avenue, was re-opened for business Wednesday by L. B. Correll and L. C. Fox. Mr. Correll is well known to local business people. Mr. Fox came to Avon Park a month ago from Canton, Ohio. He is an experienced automobile repair man and will have active charge of this part of the business. Mr. Correll will do repair work on musical instruments and handle much the same line as he formerly did in his music store. Two Texas pumps have been installed and Texaco products will be handled.

Rev Paul A. Southard spent Tuesday and Wednesday of this week in High Springs on business of the Nazarene church for the district.

CLAIM COUNTY HAS NO JURISDICTION IN EBERHARDT CASE

Defense Attorney Wright Files Motions To Quash and Pleas In Abatement, Claiming No Jurisdiction Here.

The two cases of the State of Florida vs. Fred O. Eberhardt and Fred O. Eberhardt, Jr., charging criminal libel on which the last grand jury brought in indictments came up for hearing Tuesday morning and the arguments were heard in chambers before Judge W. J. Butler. The state was represented by State Attorney L. Grady Burton and the accused by Edgar W. Wright, well-known attorney of Jacksonville and former state senator. The accused were not present during the arguments.

Following the bringing of the indictments the accused filed pleas in abatement and their attorney filed motions to quash. The states attorney thereupon filed demurrers to the pleas in abatement and the pleas and motions were argued before Judge Barker Tuesday afternoon at the opening of the court.

Attorney Wright had prepared a voluminous brief and quoted and cited decisions from various state supreme and federal courts dating back for a lengthy period, some for over 100 years. His arguments were based on the contention that the courts in this county have no jurisdiction in the matter, the alleged offense having been committed in Leon county where the printing plant and office of the "Florida State News" are located and copies of which publication are alleged to have carried items libelous to Governor Carlton Wright.

He contended that if the courts here have jurisdiction then grand juries in every other county in the state in which the paper was circulated could bring indictments if they saw fit.

E. J. pleads in abatement were approximately the same in wording and claims as were the motions to quash which read as follows:

1. That said indictment, and each and every count thereof, fails to state an indictable offense, under the laws of Florida.

2. That said indictment, and each and every count thereof, severally shows that the meaning attributed to the alleged libelous words is not the true meaning thereof.

3. That said indictment, and each and every count thereof, severally, uses the names of two different jurisdictions (counties) and in connection with certain acts of the defendants refers to said counties by the use of the words "here" and "and every county" and thus makes no sufficient allegation of venue.

4. That each indictment, and each and every count thereof, severally, fails to specify which acts were done in Leon county and which acts were done in Highlands county.

5. That said indictment, and each and every count thereof severally, fails to allege and show in what manner the defendants caused said newspaper to be delivered to one A. E. Lawrence and one Rod Arkell in the county of Highlands.

6. That said indictment, and each and every count thereof severally, shows that this court is without jurisdiction to try this alleged offense.

7. That said indictment, and each and every count thereof severally, alleges that the defendants did compose, write and print in a certain newspaper styled the "Florida State News" the statements alleged to be libelous in the count of Leon and not in the County of Highlands.

8. That where a libel is alleged to have been published by its insertion in a newspaper the only place where it can be tried is the county in which said newspaper has its printing plant, press and place of first and primary publication.

In the motion to quash the indictment against Fred O. Eberhardt, Inc., there was a ninth paragraph which read:

LICENSE ON FREIGHT TRUCKS IS AGREED ON

City Council Agrees To Pass Ordinance Providing \$25 License Tax

The city council agreed on the provisions of a city ordinance providing for a license fee of \$25 per year for the operation of motor buses and express hand freight trucks doing business in the city, at its meeting Monday night. The city attorney was directed to prepare the ordinance which it is proposed to introduce at the next meeting. The subject was brought up before the council by W. W. McFarland, agent for the Atlantic Coast Line, who pointed out the fact that buses and freight trucks were operating in the city without license on as fire chief. The council was compelled to pay license to operate freight, express and passenger business.

City Attorney S. C. Pardee advised the council that he had written Wilson & Walker, Bartow attorneys, representing plaintiffs in a suit for the reduction of city limits asking when they would file a reply to his brief in the case, but that no answer had been received. He stated that unless satisfactory answer is received he will ask the court to put them under rule in order to expedite the case.

The city clerk was directed to check up on the amount due the American Legion under arrangement whereby the Legion agreed to furnish the volunteer firemen at an agreed pay of \$50 per month. This arrangement has been in effect for several years, but was terminated when W. H. McCarthy was elected as fire chief. Councilman Hall, chairman of the fire department committee stated.

Ordinance 171 on refunding bonds was taken up and the council agreed to pass it.

OFFICIAL VISIT OF STATE OFFICER O. E. S.

Miss Lillian Kilpatrick Pays Official Visit To Leigh Chapter

The official visit of the Worthy Grand Matron, Miss Lillian Kilpatrick, to Leigh Chapter of the Eastern Star Worthy Matrons was brought out a large attendance and about forty visitors from surrounding towns.

Initiatory work was exemplified and officers nominated for proficiency. During the initiation appropriate music was rendered by Mrs. Lila Shipper and Mrs. Anna Shipper. Mrs. Shipper gave an inspiring address on the teachings of the order.

Among the visiting grand officers present were: Mrs. Mamie Land, past grand matron, Lakeland; Mrs. Sarah Dugan, past grand warden, Lakeland; Walter Scott, past grand patron, Bowling Green; Mrs. Beatrice Brandon, past grand matron, Bowling Green; and Mrs. Winifred White, grand instructor district 15, Prosser.

All of the visiting grand officers were presented with flowers and the worthy grand matron was presented a bouquet of flowers in the emblematic colors of the order, red and white. The flowers and gifts were presented in a pretty ceremony put on by the star point officers, representing the five emblematic colors, and the conduct of Mrs. Florence Ellwell, who made the presentation.

The hall was decorated in poinsettias and flowers carrying out the yuletide spirit. Refreshments of whipped cream, fruit cake and coffee were served at the close of the meeting.

Rev. Hancock Will Attend Conference

Rev. A. H. Hancock will attend the adjourned session of the annual conference of the Methodist church in Lakeland Monday night, Tuesday and Wednesday night. Mrs. Hancock and possibly some other delegates from the church will attend Tuesday. The conference will meet in the First Methodist church and will be presided over by Bishop John Moore.

County To Foreclose On Delinquent Taxes For '28 and Previous

Program For P. T. A. Meeting Thursday at the School Auditorium

A Christmas program rendered by the teachers of the primary building, under the direction of Mrs. Virginia H. Cloud, will be given at the P. T. A. meeting at the high school auditorium next Thursday afternoon at 3:30. Time—The night before Christmas.

The keeper of the shop closes the shop for the night. After he leaves, the toys come to life and have a jolly time. The rooms of the primary building are represented as follows:

Tin soldier—Mrs. Perry. Books—Mrs. Cloud. Dolls—Mrs. Ragsdale. Blocks—Mrs. Wise. Jumping jacks—Miss Powell. Candy—Mrs. Stucky. Dominoes—Miss Myers. Parents are cordially invited to attend. Visitors are welcome.

JUNIOR CLASS PLAY TO BE NEXT TUESDAY

"Smile, Rodney, Smile" Heralded As 3-Act Comedy of Unusual Situations

The Junior class of Avon Park high school will present its annual class play Tuesday evening, Dec. 9, in the school auditorium. The play for this year is "Smile, Rodney, Smile" a three-act comedy, the cast for which is made up entirely of the Junior class. Miss Eleanor Bryant, sponsor for the Juniors, is directing the play.

The following is the cast: Virginia Rodney, alias Miss Kogelheimer—Agnes Vilkaits. Mrs. Winslow, who lives next door to the castle—Frances Bowman. Betty Crowley, a pretty little neighbor—Dieta Bligbie. Patty Nelson, another charming neighbor—Mary Turner. Mrs. Gilbert Vance, who is looking for her fourth husband—Charlotte Shepherd.

Winton Vance, her niece—Irma Gantor. Bedelia Dwiggin, an old maid who specializes in broadcasting—Virginia Chalmers. Bruce Bradley, the peppy owner of the castle—Carol Bline. Rodney Bradley, his nephew—Clem Epperson.

Ebert Marmont, a friend of Rod's—a young Englishman—Raymond Vickery. Tardis, a friend of Rodney's—Paul Baldwin. Pickney Herring, who admits he's the town's leading citizen—Claude Daley.

Smile, Rodney, Smile is heralded as one of the most charming, delightful and yet uproariously funny comedies on the amateur stage. In the story, Rodney Bradley, which part is taken by Cameron Epperson, is a wealthy young man, surrounded by a coterie of society friends which Mr. Bradley (Rod's) uncle thinks are hanging on to Rod for his money. Mr. Bradley wants Rod to marry his step-daughter but Rod refuses. This refusal means that he will lose half of his inheritance. After thinking the matter over Mr. Bradley tells Rod that if he will prove to him that at the end of two weeks he hasn't a friend frequenting the house he will turn his inheritance over to him without question. Rod has a time getting rid of his parasitic friends, but he does it and the manner of so doing proves him full of comedy.

Mrs. Phil Abrams will render several vocal selections between acts. Tickets are now on sale at 15 and 35 cents.

Pass Resolution at Meeting Monday and Authorize the County Attorney To Proceed and Sue Property Owners.

Following a determination that all delinquent taxes must be settled at 100 cents on the dollar and no compromise will be tolerated, the county commissioners Monday passed a resolution authorizing County Attorney J. M. Lee to proceed with foreclosure proceedings against property owners who had certificates have been sold to the state for the years 1928 and prior thereto.

The matter came to the fore with the reading of a letter from Comptroller Ernest Amos stating that the supreme court had upheld the law passed by the last legislature allowing for the sale of tax certificates held by the state for the years 1928 and prior, to the effect that such certificates would be held after January 1.

Col. Lee pointed out that this was manifestly unfair to those who had paid their taxes faithfully and in full and he urged that many delinquent taxpayers, especially some large ones, were just waiting for this in order to buy their certificates at 50 cents or so on the dollar, thereby receiving a big discount on their taxes. He further stated that he had the idea that syndicates were being formed for the purpose of buying these certificates at a low rate thereby getting title to large tracts of land.

Col. Lee continued that Highlands county had never countenanced any compromise or delinquent taxes although other counties had settled at 50 cents on the dollar. He advised against any such action now and urged that foreclosure actions be started at once in order to collect the full amount and stated if authorized to do so by the commissioners he would start at once to foreclose any sale to the highest bidder. He stated that after such proceedings had been closed outside parties could be interested and the land sold to them and a clear title given. After some discussion the commissioners passed the following resolution without a dissenting vote.

Resolution.

WHEREAS, The Board of County Commissioners has been advised by letter from Hon. Ernest Amos, Comptroller of the State of Florida, that the Supreme Court has upheld the constitutionality of Chapter 14572, Laws of Florida, providing for the sale of tax certificates held by the State, issued in 1928 and previous years, to the highest bidder;

WHEREAS, It is indicated in said letter that the certificates covering taxes due the State of Florida and County of Highlands will be sold to the highest bidder after the first of the year unless other action is taken thereon; and

WHEREAS, Said Chapter 14572 provides for the bringing of suits to foreclose said tax liens in the name of the State and County for the purpose of collecting said delinquent taxes; and

WHEREAS, It has been the policy and purpose of the Board of County Commissioners to enforce the collection of past due taxes fairly and equitably as between tax payers and to refuse to permit a sale on the basis that the State of Florida and County of Highlands on a basis that would be discriminating and unfair; and

WHEREAS, In order to maintain a degree of fairness in the collection of such taxes it is necessary that foreclosure proceedings be brought in the name of the State and County and all tax certificates for the year 1928 and prior thereto be properly foreclosed and collected taxes and;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Highlands County, Florida, that the County Attorney, J. M. Lee, be and he is hereby directed to proceed at once to foreclose such tax certificates held by the State of Florida and County of Highlands, as is subject to foreclosure under Chapter 14572.

2. That he be authorized and directed to employ such clerical help as will be necessary to obtain the information and search all records, upon which such foreclosures shall be based, and to make necessary

Tax Collections Gone. Tax Collector D. F. Canfield announces that taxes are flowing in is a very satisfactory manner and collections exceed those of recent years. To date 248 receipts have been issued for automobile taxes as compared with 107 a year ago. General tax receipts to date per 1928 and last year at this time there had been 1557 issued.

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ADVERTISING RATES FURNISHED UPON REQUEST

BEING FAIR TO THE RAILROADS.

The Avon Park city council expressed a desire to treat the railroads fairly at its meeting this week, when it agreed to pass an ordinance imposing a license tax upon motor truck lines and bus lines operating in the city. Until recently these lines have been escaping the city license tax in practically all Florida cities, but a recent movement fostered by the railroads to have these lines included along with them in the payment of city licenses, has borne fruit, and as a result the license ordinance has been inaugurated rather generally over the state.

A license tax for bus and truck lines is nothing but fair in the opinion of those who have given the matter thought. Railroads, with their heavy investment in roadbed, real estate and equipment, must, and do pay heavy taxes. Along with this they are compelled to pay a city license in every city along their lines. They pay not one license, but several representing the different branches of their business. Then why should the bus lines and truck lines escape this form of city tax? The wonder is that they have been allowed to get by so long.

The bus and truck lines, with their smaller investment and consequent smaller overhead, have made such inroads into the railroad business that the local passenger and short-haul freight business has been reduced to negligible proportions.

In speaking of the situation, the Madison Enterprise-Recorder sums up a great deal in these words: "The Enterprise-Recorder believes that we have been a little hard on the railroads, in that, along with taxing ourselves, we have also taxed them in order to build a system of hard roads, which with the coming of busses and trucks, is destroying a large part of their business."

Forcing the trucks and busses to pay a city license tax will not restore this business to the railroads, but it will serve to put them on a more equitable basis in their competition for business.

THE EBERHARDT CASE.

References to the indictment of Fred Eberhardt, publisher of the Florida State News, by a Highlands County grand jury, appearing in the state press, are generally of much the same tone. Eberhardt and his ilk of barn-storming, fire-eating newspaper publishers, make few friends among the fraternity, and the demise of the State News calls for few tears in so far as the personal fortunes in the matter are concerned. But the press believes in fair play, and the filing of cases in counties far removed from the actual locality of the alleged libel savors more of persecution than prosecution. Of this the Arcadian, published at Arcadia, writes:

There's a lot of room for difference of opinion as to the merits of this controversy. Possibly the governor has not measured up to the job he holds in all particulars, and may be he has not always done his duty, but he has already played more politics than he should. Pretty certain it is that the State News in its criticism passed the bounds of reason. The grand jury which reviewed the case seemed to think it was fifty-fifty between the two combatants and found no true bill against either, and this should in reason have settled the matter so far as the past is concerned.

Then came some of the Governor's friends and made cases against the editor in far-flung counties, putting him in the necessity of giving bond and arranging for defense, apparently resulting in the straw of opposition which resulted in "breaking the camel's back," for soon after the making of the case in Highlands county a couple of weeks ago the paper went into voluntary bankruptcy.

There's vastly more to this case than the mere collapse of a newspaper which opposed the governor. It now appears that no newspaper dare criticize an administration, on pain of annihilation. The filing of cases against the newspaper in remote counties, after it had already been exonerated by a grand jury, was not an aid in prosecuting a case but a continued effort to persecute a defendant who had already stood trial.

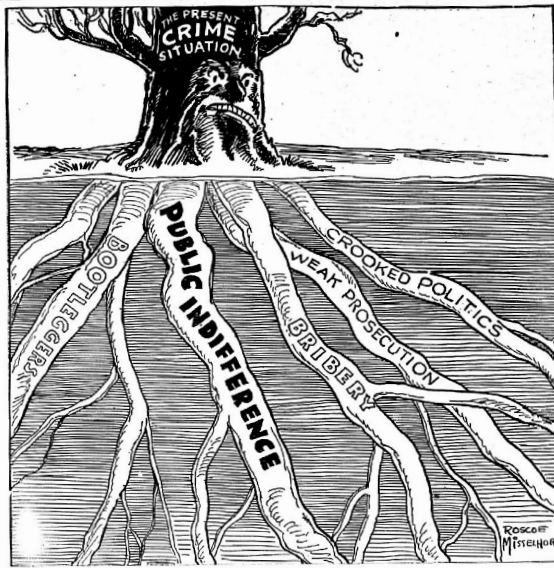
Newspapers are human agencies. Their editors lose their tempers and go off in a tangent at times and get beyond the bounds of reason, but the people of this state or any other state cannot afford to say to a newspaper that it must bow humbly to the will of the ruling faction or be destroyed. Methods of this kind belonged to a day that is supposed to be a thing of the past, certainly should have no place in the civilization of today.

Bearing on the same thought, the Madison Enterprise-Recorder observes:

It is our idea that the better course for Governor Carlton to have pursued, having a grievance against the Herald and against the State News, would have been to have sworn out a warrant charging criminal libel against the South Jacksonville Herald in Duval county, where the Herald is published, and one against the State News in Leon county, where the State News is published.

We are making no defense of the papers in question—they are amply able to take care of

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themselves, if they can. The Herald article, to our mind, was libelous, if untrue. While we read the State News, we do not keep a file of its issues and do not recall the articles upon which the Highlands county grand jury based its indictment.

But we do feel that in presenting charges for indictment in counties other than the ones in which the papers were published and in the case of the State News in a county remote from the seat of publication, and we say this with no thought of disrespect but in fulfillment of the high duty we conceive a newspaper owes the state, there is given to the public mind a suspicion that the executive department of the state is exerting an influence over the judicial department comparable to that which has already been exerted over the legislative department both in this state and in the national government.

GROSVENOR DAWES.

A justly deserved tribute is paid to Grosvenor Dawes by the Lake Wales Highlander, which we republish because we think it is well said, and because we see no reason of withholding the flowers until a later day. Dawes is the dynamic secretary of the Associated Boards of Trade, which is playing such a prominent part just now in giving this section desirable and worthwhile publicity, and is accomplishing much to cement together the closely knitted interests of the communities along the Scenic Highlands. The Highlander says of Dawes:

Those who heard Grosvenor Dawes at the Kiwanis meeting 10 days ago, saw an evidence of the change of spirit that is gradually taking place throughout the cities of the Scenic Highlands and they were able to witness a phenomena, the like of which is not going on at the present time in any other part of Florida, so far as The Highlander knows. That is to say, a concerted, well thought out, well planned effort to restore the morale of a large community, for the Scenic Highlands, are so compact and so well recognized that they practically form one large community. No better person than Grosvenor Dawes could be found for this work. Dawes is a master of propaganda, a great organizer, and a wonderful publicist. He is doing a great work for the Scenic Highlands, a work that should enhance property values in every part of the Highlands.

Did you get your Vitamin C this week during "Know Florida Oranges" week?

The mayor of Arcadia rules that damn it not profanity, which leads us to believe that he, too, hits his thumb with a hammer occasionally.

Wauchula reports the shipment of 278 carloads of truck so far this season. If the stuff had brought half what it was worth those folks would be in clover.

Many of our regular winter visitors are returning, and with them a few who are making their first visit. The glad hand of welcome is being extended to both.

If Gov. Roosevelt ever becomes president his nearest adviser no doubt will be Al Smith, which isn't so bad and above him will be Roscoe, which isn't so good and above him will be the republican party and what he democrats think of that, and on top of all will be the power and influence of Wall street, the same as it has been for years no matter what party was in power. After all it doesn't matter much who is president unless they make a radical change and elect an independent man like Borah or Norris, and if they did the money men would tie up industry so tight the people would think it was a curse upon us for deserting the two old parties.—Bowling Green Exponent.

Echoes of the State Press

A COMPARISON.

Looking at the business situation against the background of other periods of hard times in American history, one is encouraged at the improved stability of the nation.

The United States has passed the midst, it seems, of one of the most widespread business depressions she has yet experienced. Economists say it is certainly the worst since 1893.

In thirty-three years since this last great depression, strides have been taken in advancing the economic organization of our country. That they have not been long enough to prevent depression, the experience of the last year demonstrates. Still they have been great.

In 1893 the word "depression" was not used. The history books refer to it as a "Panic." And the difference between those two words just about sizes up the change.

Farmers will have to borrow money to see them through this winter. But they can get that money for a reasonable interest. In 1893 they complained of ten cent corn and ten percent interest.

Money was next to impossible to get. National banks were failing and one enterprise out of every hundred went bankrupt. Today a business failure is the exception. Money has been kept stable by means of the Federal Reserve system which furnishes an elastic and easily obtainable credit. To this system the farm hand has been added still further to facilitate farm loans.

But one of the greatest steps since 1893 capital and labor, have taken. In the former panic, as wages were cut, strikes sprang up all over the country. Today capitalists have maintained wage levels in the belief that high wages will bring back prosperity. And organized labor has intelligently understood the situation.

Now as the end of hard times draws near, the business organization of the country still is intact to meet the change. Political disruption has brought forth no new free silver monster to threaten the business and supply of the country but has taken the form of a wholesome shift in the major parties. Government ownership of power sites and a reduced tariff make up the leading battle cries of the insurgents with Mr. Borah's debutante plan stirring a modicum of interest.

Despite the errors and blindness that still make the upward march falter, three decades have seen marvelous improvement in organization and reasoning. Students of the political and economic sciences cannot help but feel encouraged.—Port Pierce News-Tribune.

MORE WATERWAY WORK.

Central Florida communities are again taking up the agitation for connected waterway systems through the peninsula. The associated boards of trade of the Scenic Highlands will hold a meeting on this subject at Babson Park on December 6th and an invitation has been received by the Leesburg chamber of commerce to secure the attendance at that meeting of interested citizens.

The importance of this movement to Lake county and particularly to Leesburg cannot be overestimated. It is the paramount development issue, we believe, and when we accomplish the construction of an inland waterway system Leesburg will hold a commanding place among inland cities of Florida.

The state chamber of commerce has sent out a bulletin on the subject this week, citing the development of trade of the Scenic Highlands will hold a meeting on this subject at Babson Park on December 6th and an invitation has been received by the Leesburg chamber of commerce to secure the attendance at that meeting of interested citizens.

We should be paying attention to such matters as this instead of trying to sit down and fold our hands and wait for something to turn up.—Leesburg Commercial.

THINGS ARE LOOKING UP.

From what we hear from different parts of the United States, it is New York City that is deepest in the slough of despond right now, while in almost every other section the sunshine is beginning to shine through the clouds of business depression.

It has been a tough year there in no denying that. What with the financial slump that began more than a year ago, and this year's wide-spread drought, and the tumble in the price of wheat and cotton, and the shutting down of factories, we have not been through such a "hard times" year since 1921. But it has its compensations, by comparison with previous similar situations. Money generally has not gone up but have come down. Most of those thrown out of work had something ahead to tide them over.

The main thing the matter with the country right now is timidity. The head of a big bank said the other day: "Our bank has more money in it right now than it ever had, but where is it? It is mostly in time deposits, drawing interest, or in savings accounts. People are hoarding instead of spending. If everybody would spend even ten percent of what they have saved up, it would start the wheels of industry going again speedily."

And we hear that the "Buy Now" movement, which started a few weeks ago, has spread around the country and that people everywhere are beginning to take the dimes out of the savings banks and the dollars out of the checking accounts and buy the commodities which are for sale everywhere at bargain prices.

This is going to be a "useful" Christmas, from all indications. People generally are planning to give as Christmas gifts things which are not merely ornamental or luxurious, but such useful presents as new things for the home. That is all to the good, for it puts money circulating in channels where it is most needed.

Some smart fellow proposed a few weeks ago that everybody ought to spend ten cents a day that he had not intended to spend. That sounded foolish to some, but a lot of people have taken it up, and the accumulation of dimes thus started on their merry way is beginning to show its effect.

"Big Money" is not timid. One large financial house announced the other day that it had clients ready to invest anything from a million dollars upward. They didn't want to bother with trifles worth less than a million, but they would buy into anything profitable in million-dollar units. The ones who are holding back are the ordinary folks like us. But if we believe in the future of the United States we can prove our faith by beginning again to spend our money for necessities and a little bit more, and when we are all doing that the "hard times" will be over.—Safety Harbor Herald.

ADVERTISING PAYS YOU.

Advertising brings to millions, at reasonable prices, comforts and conveniences that without advertising would be luxuries that only a few could enjoy.

America is an advertising nation. That is one reason why the man with moderate means here enjoys more comforts than most wealthy men abroad. Because thousands on thousands of people ask for a certain article by the same name, which they have read in the same advertisements, it is possible for the advertiser to sell this item at a minimum of effort.

It is therefore possible to manufacture and to distribute this product at a saving which you share with the advertiser.

When you figure the number of those items in your daily life built by advertising, you can appreciate that advertising can pay you. Advertising enables you to buy better things at less cost.—Tampa Life.

THE PROPER MEDICINE.

Leaders in both political parties assure the nation that there will be no attempts at radical legislation in the coming Congress, or the one following. It is time the country forgot politics and turned to the problems of encouraging business.

Public officials come and go. Administrations change. But employment, which sells and industries must be maintained without interruption. They should not be at the mercy of partisan politics. If capital becomes timid, the inevitable result will be a financial panic and unemployment crisis.

Outstanding industrial leaders have pointed out that low price levels have made this a good time to buy and are following their own advice. If business and individuals will do likewise, it will stimulate production and employment.—Zephyrus News.

ADVERTISE NOW.

The sensible view that the present is a good time to advertise for quick trade recovery was presented in excellent terms by Guy C. Smith, director of advertising and research for Libby, McNeill and Libby, in an address at the Washington convention of the Association of National Advertisers.—Winter Garden Journal.

Political prognosticators aver that an extra session of congress is inevitable, owing to the great number of reports that he before that body.—Leesburg Commercial. Reports shouldn't lie, then there wouldn't be so much trouble.—Moore Haven Democrat.

A baby golf course has been built on top of a mountain near Asheville. That's the height of something or other.—Jacksonville Times-Union.

Probably a case of Mohamad going to the mountain. The smaller a thing is, the greater heights it will go to obtain recognition.

Would it be unkind to suggest that President Hoover spoke on a pickle broadcast because his party is in somewhat of a pickle? Anyway we shall expect 57 new brands of prosperity.—Starks Telegraph.

The brand we are getting is enough varieties of a pickle, in fact we prefer green apples. The effect may be more acute but there is at least a known cure.

SPEAKING of things getting worse, Will Rogers has purchased a polo stable. Imagine a man that has ridden a pessel tail Indian pony after an Oklahoma scrub steer slowing up like that.

RESUMPTION BUYING INTEREST MANIFEST

Reception Given New Chevrolet Reveals Upward Trend In Business

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 4.—Pointed indications of a resumption of buying interest throughout the nation are manifest here today in hundreds of reports on file at the home office of the Chevrolet Motor company revealing that the reception accorded the new 1931 Chevrolet Six during the early days of the national showing had only one parallel in the history of the company.

To meet the needs of dealers, the manufacturing organization consisting of 23 domestic plants is working on a tentative production schedule for the month of November of more than 90,000 cars. Despite the fact that this is a high goal for the month, the output of cars has already fallen considerably behind orders already booked, the sales division reported.

Telegrams from dealers and field officials in all parts of the country, offering an excellent cross-section of the public attitude, reveal that despite general business conditions unusual buying enthusiasm is being displayed. Particular interest is centered on the new sport models in the line, as well as the new commercial cars which are constantly accounting for a larger proportion of each year's output.

The price reductions, coupled with the increased size and improvements, attracted dealer showrooms crowds estimated as second only to the attendance during the early showing of the new cars at the time of the change-over from the four-cylinder car in 1928. Many points reported a greater number of appraisals than in any previous year, and when the tabulation of orders now being made is completed, the mark for the first 15 days is expected to compare favorably with the similar period during a normal year.

The reception the new car received throughout the country lent substance to the statements of Chevrolet officials that business conditions during the year were primarily to a "buyers' strike," and that an upward trend is imminent. To lend impetus to this move, Chevrolet advanced by seven weeks the date for the announcement of new models, and thus insured extraordinary activity during two normally dull months for the thousands of people directly dependent upon the company for a livelihood.

Public Library

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SPECIAL

Chicken Dinner

Sunday

50c

Mary Ann Hotel

MRS. BEN FUSSELL

No Substitute for Mother Nature

Old Mother Nature has no substitute when aid is needed for torpid, constipated liver. That's why Carter's Little Liver Pills are made out of pure vegetable material. Starring thirty-two ounces of bile flowing freely, they thoroughly cleanse body of all waste. Red bottles. All Druggists. Insist on Carter's by name. Take Carter's.

Smith-Dorminey Company

JOHNSON MOTORS

And a Full Line of Johnson Motor Parts.

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AVON PARK, FLA.
MOVIE TONE AND KETAPHONE

TALKING PICTURES
ALL SHOWS START 7:30 P. M.
AND 9 P. M.

Mon., and Tues., Dec. 8th-9th
"The Spoilers"
Written by Rex Beach, starring
Gary Cooper, Kay Johnson, and
Betty Compson.
Also Short Subjects.

Wed., and Thurs., Dec. 10th-11th
"Call of the Flesh"
with Ramon Navarro.

Also Short Subjects.

Fri. and Sat., Dec. 19th-20th
"Blaze of Glory"
with Eddie Dowling the Rain-
bow Man.
Also Short Subjects.

Coming—Next Week "Mammy"
With Al Johnson.

Avalon Sweet Shoppe is now
open for business with a com-
plete line of Nunnallys Box
Candies, Bulk Candy, Fountain
Drinks, and Cigars — Tobacco
and etc.

Circle Theatre
SEBRING, FLORIDA
VITAPHONE TALKING
PICTURES.

Sun., Mon., and Tues. Dec. 7-8-9
"Leather Necking"
A comedy drama of the U. S.
Marines stationed in Honolulu.
They go A. W. O. L.
Also Short Subjects.

Wed., and Thurs., Dec. 10th, 11th
"Laughter"
with Nancy Carroll.
Also Short Subjects

Fri., and Sat., Dec. 12th, 13th

**"Check and Double
Check"**
with AMOS 'N' ANDY.
Also Short Subjects.

Coming—"Silver Horde" Writ-
ten By Rex Beach.

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and smart styling

note of charm.

Technical improvements evident in this Bigger Six. Among these are same; easier steering; better clutch; a quieter, more spacious and im-

PRICES α α

Sport Coupe with rumble seat.	\$575
Standard Sedan.....	\$635
Special Sedan.....	\$650

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Chas. F. Johnson
Inc.

NEW LOW PRICE

S WISE TO CHOOSE
Motors Co
Avon Park, Florida
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Strikingly beautiful, fleet and smart
—a masterpiece of Fisher styling

Never has the superiority of *Body* by

ity. Interiors, too, are exceptional. The new mohair and broadcloth upholstery is smartly tailored. Seats are wider and more luxuriously cushioned. A deeper windshield and wider windows give better vision. And beautiful new modern fittings lend a final note of charm.

smartness, comfort and luxury. Inside and out, scores of refinements stamp this car as a masterpiece of modern coachwork. Radiator, headlamps and tie-bar form an unusually attractive and distinctive ensemble. Mouldings sweep back in an unbroken line to blend with the smart new body contours. And new color combinations lend a new individual-

Many mechanical improvements are also evident in this Bigger and Better Six. Among these are a stronger frame; easier steering; a more durable clutch; a quieter, smoother transmission; and important engine refinements.

The Bigger and Better Chevrolet Six is now on display. See it today—drive it! It is the Great American Value!

» » **AT NEW LOW PRICES** « «

tion.....	\$510	The Coach.....	\$545	Sport Coupe with rumble seat.....	\$575
ster.....	\$475	Standard Coupe.....	\$535	Standard Sedan.....	\$635
rt Roadster with rumble seat.....	\$495	Standard Five-Window Coupe.....	\$545	Special Sedan.....	\$655

NEW SPECIAL EQUIPMENT EXTRA
Chevrolet Trucks from \$355 to \$695
All prices f. o. b. Flint, Michigan **SIX**

CHEVROLET

IT'S WISE TO CHOOSE A SIX

Avon Motors Company
Avon Park, Florida

Weaver & Poer
Sebring, Florida

School News

Editor-in-Chief.....Inez Dawson
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Senior News

Preparations have begun for the party given by the Seniors and Juniors of Avon Park for the Senior Seniors and Juniors. The entertainment committee includes Claude Duly, Oleta Hinkle, Raymond Vickery, Wava Godwin, Kathryn Sargus, Genevieve McRoberts, and Karen Vikan. Shirley Sheppard, Cleo James, Dorothy Coleman, and Agnes Vilkaitis form the refreshment committee. This party will be given at the Parish House.

Another Typing Speed test and Barbara Weaver has joined Wava in that she made the semester requirement of twenty-five words per minute. Mrs. Peden has a list called the "Champion Speed and Accuracy Typists." On this list appear the names of the five most accurate and the five having the highest speed. The second speed test finds these names on the:

Speed List
Wava, 29 per minute
Barbara, 25.5 per minute
Kathryn, 22.5 per minute
Ruth, 22.2 per minute
Kitty, 21.7 per minute.

Accuracy List
Karen, 3 errors.
Kitty, 5 errors.
Novella, 6 errors.
Ruth, 7 errors.
Wava, 7 errors.

The highest speed was made by Karen Hagan, who made 37 words net per minute. She is not included with the Speed Champions because she is a two-year typing student.

Just a word from the Shortland class. When a discussion arises about the way a certain word should be written in Shortland, the students say it should be written this way. Mrs. Peden says it should be written that way. So we always compromise and write it Mrs. Peden's way for she has John Robert Gregg to back her argument.

What would Nadine be without her curls?
Wava without her dimples?
Roscoe without his "Wise-cracks"?
Paul without his nose?
Karen without her glasses?
Shirley without her intellect?
Blossom without her mouth?
Fred without his "Froelicks"?
"Squatter" without his personality?

Helen without her "Nature"?
Genevieve without her piano?
Kitty without Paul?
Dubio without his grin?
Oria without her Joe?
Barbara without chewing gum?
Kitty without her "You know who he is."

—Karey Woods

Freshmen News

What would happen if Louise Marshall wasn't late?
Josephine Folsom was quiet?
Hal Wingate didn't know his English?
"Shorty" Lee didn't know her algebra?
"Bill" Sargus didn't have something to say?
The Fresh didn't have a "poetry club"?
The Freshies didn't have a "what would happen if?" column?"

The Freshman class is sorry to lose one of its talented students, Althen Glisson, who moved to Ft. Myers. Althen was not with us very long; having moved here in October and moving away again last Tuesday. We extend our best wishes to her.

Sophomore News

The Sophomores were very glad to have with them two new pupils. Phyllis Wark comes from Buffalo, New York. She joined our class Monday morning. She intends to spend the remaining part of the term in Avon Park high school. The other pupil is Majorie Denney, who attended school here last year. Majorie comes from Cincinnati, Ohio, but has been attending school in Miami this fall.

These two new pupils bring the Sophomore enrollment up to thirty-one. It is the largest class in the Senior High School.

Eight B News

Ernest Decker came back to join our ranks Tuesday. There were only twenty-two desks in the room so we had more pupils than desks. Tuesday afternoon, however, Norman Glisson dropped out. He is moving back to Fort Myers, and so Ernest has his desk in our room.

SAYS FLORIDA PEOPLE MUST THINK FLORIDA

David Sholtz Says State On Threshold of Real Prosperity

Daytona Beach, Dec. 3.—Florida thinking on the part of its own citizens can do more than anything else to cement the prospect of the State's future greatness, is the opinion of David Sholtz, of this city, past president of the Florida State Chamber of Commerce and now counselor of the organization to the Chamber of Commerce of the United States and a member of the State Chamber Board of Directors.

"Florida is actually on the threshold of prosperity, the right kind of prosperity," says Mr. Sholtz, in discussing general conditions of the state. "There is no state in union that offers greater possibilities today than Florida. Florida citizens, however, must have a greater confidence, respect and exhibit more co-operation through an organized channel such as the State Chamber of Commerce if these possibilities are to be fully realized upon."

"We have all been too much concerned with our individual problems for the past few years," continued Mr. Sholtz, "and as a result we have not concentrated our efforts on behalf of Florida the State as we should. It is time that we of Florida realize that our future prosperity is dependent upon a cooperative thought and effort to a greater degree than ever before. The Florida State Chamber of Commerce has the vehicle for the carrying out of Florida problems in a business like manner. This organization should be given adequate support and used to express our concerted thought upon statewide problems."

"The splendid program of the State Chamber of Commerce during the current year has resulted in definite concrete results and the foundation has been laid for sound development in Florida. The agricultural, publicity and aviation committees have done particularly outstanding work this year in the significance of their importance to the state. The annual meeting of the State Chamber at West Palm Beach on Tuesday of next week will give opportunity to Florida business men to hear discussed vital subjects to all of us," concluded Mr. Sholtz, "and it will become the right thinking citizens of Florida to attend the meeting and become more conversant with what the State Chamber is doing for Florida."

WRUFF Farm Program

Gainesville, Dec. 3.—Farm program leaders of state radio station WRUF will have six helpful and interesting farm broadcasts sent to them next week, the Florida Agricultural Extension Service has announced. These broadcasts will come at the regular time, 12:15 to 12:45, Eastern Standard Time. Some of the leading topics follow: Saturday, Dec. 6—"Florida Farm News and Hints. U. S. Farm Science Snapshots."

Monday, Dec. 7—"Timely Marketing of Feeder Cattle," by Stocker-Clay L. H. Lewis. Preparing for Next Spring's Beef Calf Crop—W. J. Shelly.

Tuesday, Dec. 8—"Making the Clean-Up for Aphids—J. R. Watson. Answering farm questions and insect problems mailed in."

Wednesday, Dec. 10—"How Unpleasant Fever is Transmitted from Animal to Man—Dr. A. L. Shelly. Transplanting Them—John W. Watkins."

Thursday, Dec. 11—"Controlling Worms in Dogs—Dr. E. P. Thomas. Friday, Dec. 12—"Building Fences, Mixing Cement, and Other Farm Construction—Prof. Frazer Rogers. Dairy Practices in Leon county—G. C. Hodge."

Farmers who plan their 1931 farming to make a living will find themselves better off than those who farm to make money.

SOCIAL and Personal News

S. S. Sargus, who has been critically ill, is reported as being in a greatly improved condition.

Fredrick Wild, of Gainesville, was home for the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Max Wild.

Mrs. W. E. Dawson, Miss Barbara Weaver and Miss Inez Dawson were visiting friends in Kissimmee on Sunday afternoon.

Miss Bertha Cameron and Jimmy Bond of Lakeland spent Sunday here as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Cameron.

Mrs. S. M. Ratliff and young daughter, Miss Mae Ella Ratliff, have moved their home to Sebring, recently.

Miss Eleanor Bryant, Mr. R. C. Carrette, Miss Keitha Powers and Mrs. J. Wise were visitors in Tampa on Saturday.

Miss Carmelita Feagin who has been the guest of Miss Barbara Weaver for the past week returned to her home in Gainesville, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Ginn Junior spent the Thanksgiving holidays in Kissimmee with Mrs. Ginn's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Ames.

Wendell Roberts returned Monday from Orlando where he has been employed with the plant board for the past several months.

Mrs. A. P. Vaughn returned Friday from the Municipal hospital in Tampa after recovery from an operation.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Smith of Williston are spending a short visit here as the guests of their daughter, Mrs. R. C. Epperson.

Miss Evelyn Young of Tampa and Edna Mae Driver of Mulberry were the guests of Miss Wava Godwin over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Decker and son, Ernest, Mr. Charles Burkishaw of New York, arrived Saturday to spend the winter here.

Mrs. J. L. Risha who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Carney of Lake Wales, returned home Tuesday.

Mrs. Gilbert Stebbins and daughter, Mary Lyda, Mrs. A. M. Ellwell and son Harry, were visitors in Tampa on Saturday.

Miss Marjorie Lacey of Fort Pierce was home for the Thanksgiving holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Lacey, at their home on Pleasant street.

Philip Boardman spent the Thanksgiving holidays here with Mr. and Mrs. Demos Mandis. Philip is a freshman at Rollins College in Winter Park.

Mrs. W. R. England of Washington, D. C. returned to her home recently after spending a short visit with her husband at the Pointsettia hotel.

Miss Evelyn Young who has been the guest of Miss Wava Godwin for the past few days here at her home, returned to her home in Tampa, Saturday.

Mrs. T. H. Hughes and two daughters, Dorothy, and Gloria, Mrs. C. H. Gerrard, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Gerrard and son, Ralph, were visiting in Tampa on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Smith and children, Johnny Mae, and Leo and Mrs. T. O. Palmer spent Thanksgiving in the Everglades, returning Friday night.

Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Chandler and daughter, Hope, of Tampa spent Thanksgiving here with his brother, and family, Dr. and Mrs. I.

W. Chandler.

Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Durranee and son, Rodney, and Mrs. Carmelita Feagin returned to their home in Gainesville Saturday after spending several days here.

Mrs. Loda Skipper, Miss Bradley Pearson and Miss Verna Bradlee were among the teachers attending the teachers meeting in Orlando on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Overstreet and daughters, Misses Hazel and Edna, spent Thursday in Plant City the guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. C. White and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stanton were the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hillhouse of Haines City at their home in the Golf Grounds estate on Sunday.

Sara McGregor of Winter Haven spent several days here as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Powell and daughter, Joyce, returning to her home Sunday.

Jake Hogan returned Monday from Winter Garden where he has been employed for the past month with the state board doing inspection work.

Miss Elizabeth Chandler, Miss Kitty Lou Martin, Miss Virginia Chandler and Mrs. I. W. Chandler spent Friday in Wauchula shopping.

Miss Minnie Sargus of Cartersville, Georgia arrived Sunday to spend the winter here with her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Sargus.

Mr. and Mrs. David Wark and daughter, Misses Phyllis and Doris Wark of Buffalo, N. Y., are spending the winter in Avon Park at the Huebner cottage on Lake Viola.

Miss Mammie Barnette, a teacher in the Umattilla high school, spent several days here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Barnette. Miss Barnette returned to Umattilla Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Pierce and daughter Betty of Union Springs, Ala., arrived Sunday to spend several weeks here the guests of the late sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Lacey.

Mrs. Lena Blumenthal has returned from Cleveland, Ohio, accompanied by Miss Marie Turkus of Youngstown, Ohio, who will spend the winter at Mrs. Blumenthal's home at 140 Pine street. This will make Mrs. Blumenthal's seventh season in Avon Park.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Crabtree have returned from a motor trip to Stevenson, Alabama, where they visited Mr. Crabtree's relatives, and to Memphis, Tennessee, where they were joined by Mrs. Crabtree's mother, Mrs. R. T. Segraves, who accompanied them home and will be the guest for several months.

Fresh popcorn and toasted peanuts are turned out on a modern automatic machine.

There will be a night of prayer at the Nazarene church Saturday evening, beginning at nine o'clock, conducted by Rev. Paul A. South, and the pastor. In announcing the service Rev. South says: "It is felt by all that there is a need of the deepening of spiritual life in the church today. Indifference and formalism creep in, and nothing but an old-time revival will correct this declining influence, and it is to that end that the prayer meeting is being held. Any that are looking to the same end are cordially welcomed here to unite with the church in this meeting to pray the prayer through."

Bill the Barber says a marriage license is a slip of paper which costs 25¢ down and you get the rest of your life.

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International Bible Sunday at Nazarene

In connection with other churches of Christian lands the Church of the Nazarene will celebrate International Bible Sunday at 11 a. m. The American Bible Society of New York has supplied the church with individual responsive reading cards for the service in the form of little Bibles, which will be given out to all for the service and for keepsakes.

A special message on the subject of "The Whole Bible for the World" in the form of a reading will be rendered by Mrs. Bertha M. Starkey of the local church.

HICORIA School News

The night before Thanksgiving was a great time with us. We had a lot of interest, especially among the school children, was the fish pond. Most of them visited the pond several times. Another interesting thing was the visit of Madame Skevich, who told the fortunes of those present. All evening a mass line of customers waited for her unfolding the mysteries of the past, present and future. Despite the cold weather, the soft drizzle that continued doing business until a late hour. In the cake walk contest, the cake went to Mr. George Garrett and Miss Judefe Ferguson. Mr. Tucker, after a very close race, managed to defeat his opponents for the honor of being the homeliest man present. This race was exciting. Miss Nina Sapp was awarded the prize, a cake, for being the best looking young lady in the house. This race was also very close. Miss Sapp winning by a close margin.

A great many unique designs were used in the preparation of the boxes. After all expenses were deducted, we found that we had made \$68.27. Taking the weather and the general "hard" money, we find that we did well. This money has been deposited to the credit of the Hicoria School Improvement Association.

We are very grateful to Messrs. Coleman and Sullivan for the use of their gasoline lights. The lights for the school have been ordered but have not come yet.

The students and faculty appreciate the hearty co-operation of our community in helping to make this entertainment a success. We hope to have more in the future.

The Primary pupils, under the direction of Miss Jessie Holton gave a short Thanksgiving program prior to our Box Supper. It was enjoyed by all.

We did not have school last Friday. Prof. Peters was a delegate to the State Educational Association which met in Orlando.

Bill French was out one day last week, attending the funeral of his brother-in-law, Mr. Dawson Walker. Mr. Walker was killed in an automobile wreck above Sebring.

We are beginning to plan on our Christmas program.

We did not forget our news last week, but we were so busy doing other things that we just did not get around to it.

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12 FLORIDA MEMBERS ATTEND CLUB EXHIBIT

Spending This Week at Live Stock Exposition at Chicago

Gainesville, Dec. 3.—Twelve Florida 4-H club members, seven girls and five boys, are returning the last of this week from the National Club Congress and International Live Stock Exposition at Chicago. They left Jacksonville Friday, Nov. 28, and will return Saturday, Dec. 6.

R. W. Blacklock, state boys' club agent, and Miss Mary E. Keown, district home demonstration agent, are in charge of the party, which is accompanied by James A. Barlow, a student at the College of Agriculture and former club member.

The champion 4-H club members in the party are Dora Lee Bryant, Escambia county, health winner; Barbara Blaisy, Escambia county; Oleta Lee Bass, Okaloosa, outstanding club work; Annabel Raulerson, Alachua, outstanding club work; Ruth Durbinberger, Orange, canning; Ruth Yates, Osceola, home improvement; Lorena Duffy, Manatee, clothing; Hugh Dukus, Union, pig club champion; Nelson Reeves, Leon, reserve pig club champion; Eugene Moss, Leon, calf club champion; Yuth Lee, Santa Rosa, outstanding club work; and William Clegg, Alachua, outstanding club work.

Dora Lee Bryant of Escambia, Florida's healthiest club girl in 1929, entered in the competition for the nation's healthiest club girl, which title was won in 1929 by Florence Smock of Lake county, Florida. Florida girls have finished very near the top in this contest for the last several years.

The trips were donated by Montgomery Ward & Company, the Chicago Mail Order House, the L. N. Railway, the Quaker Oats company, Armour & Company, the Kerr Glass company, Leon county bankers, the Gainesville Chamber of Commerce, the State Department of Agriculture, and the State Club department.

Florida club boys competed this year for the first time in the corn, cotton and sweet potato contests at the International. Miss Lorene Reeves of the national dress revue contest.

Hugh Dukus of Union county showed the champion fat barrow and Nelson Reeves of Leon county reserve championship at the state pig club show held at Tallahassee recently. The Leon county calf club show was held at the same time, and Francis Moss was declared winner.

All three of these winners were awarded free trips to the National Club Congress and International Live Stock Exhibition at Chicago. The trips were given by Armour & Company, the State Club Department, and Leon county bankers, respectively.

Wilma Bassett, a Monticello club boy, showed the champion breeding pig and won the Frank E. Dennis scholarship to the University of Florida. This scholarship consists of the \$250 in cash, given the winner while he is a student at the University.

Over 100 pigs and 12 calves were exhibited in the contest.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

FOR DECEMBER 7, 1930.

SUBJECT: Stephen.
GOLDEN TEXT: "They chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Ghost." Acts 6:5.
LESSON TEXT: Acts 6:54-60.

When the early church was established at Jerusalem they adopted the voluntary community of goods among its members. The Grecian Jews soon complained that their widows were neglected in the daily distributions of supplies.

Then the twelve called the multitude of the disciples unto them, and said, It is not reason that we should leave the word of God, and serve tables. Wherefore, brethren, look ye out among you seven men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business. They chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Ghost, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolas.

And Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and miracles among the people. Then there arose certain of the synagogue, which is called the synagogue of the Libertines, and Cyrenians, and Alexandrians, and of them of Cilicia and of Asia, disputing with Stephen. And they were not able to resist the wisdom and the spirit by which he spake.

The number of disciples multiplied greatly and many priests were added to the church. These were probably the least important priests who did not have the prejudices against Jesus, as did the high priests and scribes.

When those persons were freed and returned to Jerusalem they formed societies of their own and had their own synagogues. It is said there were more than 400 synagogues in Jerusalem.

Concerning the seven deacons Philostrate says, "From the Greek names of the persons chosen—Stephen, Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolas—we may infer, though not with absolute certainty, that they were of Grecian descent. The reason for choosing Hellenists would be simply that the complaint had come from the Hellenists, and the church, in impartial love, was disposed to give them all advantage in the election."

The seven "were of good reputation, full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom."

"Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and miracles among the people. Then there arose certain of the synagogue... disputing with Stephen." It is said this "disputing" was not "disputing," but debating with great earnestness the points in regard to which the Jews and Christians did not agree. But Stephen's opponents "were not able to resist the wisdom and the spirit by which he spake."

Becoming angered, the Jews seized Stephen and took him before the Jewish council.

They set up false witnesses who testified against Stephen. "Then said the high priest, are these things so?" Stephen then began his notable defense of nearly two chapters, closing with a terrific accusation. "When they heard these things, they were cut to the heart, and they gnashed on him with their teeth."

Stephen had just accused them of killing the prophets and murdering the Christ, and then Stephen "looked up steadfastly into heaven... said, Behold I see the heavens opened, and the Son of man standing on the right hand of God." This seems to be the only place where anyone, except Christ, applied to him the term "Son of Man." Then the Jews "cried out with a loud voice, and stopped their ears, and ran upon him with one accord, and cast him out of the city and stoned him." Under the Mosaic law no person should be killed within the city, and at least two witnesses were required to condemn a person to death. The execution of one condemned was to be by stoning, and the witnesses were required to cast the first stones. They had given Stephen a form of trial before the Sanhedrin, where they "set up false witnesses" against him. "And the witnesses laid down their clothes at a young man's feet, whose name was Saul, whom we know as Paul the apostle."

"And they stoned Stephen, calling upon God, and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit. And he kneeled down, and cried with a loud voice, Lord, lay not this sin to their charge. And when he had said this, he fell asleep."

This scene at the death of Stephen was very like that at the crucifixion of Christ. He died asking God to forgive his enemies. If we could only acquire that spirit, we would do much toward carrying out the will of Christ. A writer says, "He who would die with Stephen's prayer on his lips must spread the spirit of Christ over the whole of daily life."

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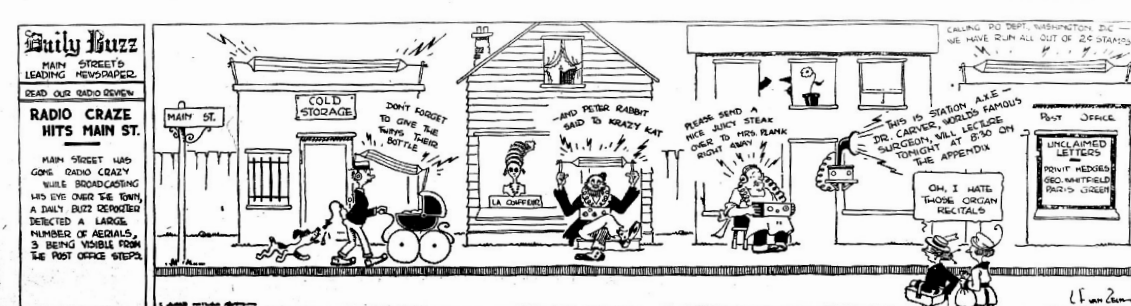
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