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REV. SOUTHARD SPEAKS OF JAPAN AT AVON CLUB

Meeting Was Well Attended, Nine Out of Town Visitors

The regular monthly meeting of the Avon Club was held Monday evening at the Congregational Church.

The splendid supper served by the ladies was thoroughly enjoyed by the large number at the tables which included several visitors among whom were: Mr. Shepardson of Vermont, W. H. Drummond of New York, O. B. Harris of Sullivan, Ind., R. H. Lee of Rochester, New York, M. Merwin of New York, B. E. Green of Wisconsin, and L. H. Hudson.

When the affairs of the inner man were satisfied Rev. Southard told of some of his experiences in Japan in a very interesting manner, telling of the many pecularities of the habits, religions and dress.

A description of a trip to the peak of a volcano a mile above sea level was of special interest.

The party started in the evening going a short distance by train and then walking to the top arriving in time to view the sun rise above the clouds, which was a sight hard to describe and one never to be forgotten.

Poultry Meeting At Highland Lakes

The Highland County Poultry association will hold its next monthly meeting at the Highland Lakes Casino, Avon Park, Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock.

New and old methods of feeding baby chicks will be discussed as a special feature.

Fire at the Home Of Harry Winters

A gasoline stove caused a small fire at the home of Harry Winters Thursday morning.

The department arrived in time to prevent spread of the flames and confined the damage which was very light to the kitchen.

New Pastor For Baptist Church Here

Rev. W. K. McClure, new pastor of the First Baptist Church, arrived in the city with Mrs. McClure and children, and will preach at the morning and evening services next Sunday.

For the past year Mr. McClure was pastor of the Baptist church at Brunnel where he had added many names to the church membership through conversions.

The church here recently received a letter of appreciation from the Brunnell church, speaking very highly of Mr. McClure and expressing regret at losing the the services of one of his ability.

Meeting of Cemetery Association Tuesday

A meeting of the Avon Park Cemetery Association will be held Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 7, at three o'clock at the Masonic Temple, where the new officers will be installed and other matters pertaining to the care and up-keep of the cemetery will be taken up.

The new officers, elected at the December meeting, were: W. A. Marshall, president; E. O. Williams, secretary, and Victor Smith, treasurer.

Rebekahs-Odd Fellows Hold Joint Installation

The Rebekahs and Odd Fellows will have a joint installation of their officials Thursday evening, Jan. 9 at 8:00 o'clock. These joint meetings are always enjoyable events and a large attendance is anticipated at this time.

After the business meeting a banquet will be served by the ladies with quail taking the leading role on the menu.

Vacation Over For Schools of County

The happy expressions seen on the faces of the school boys and girls recently have appeared still brighter as the time to go back to their jobs approaches.

The schools are to open Monday for the winter term with several new arrivals to swell the attendance.

NEW COUNCILMEN ARE SWORN INTO OFFICE

New Administration Take Oath and Office On New Year's Day

The newly elected city council assembled at the City Hall at 10 o'clock on New Year's day, and after taking the oath of office proceeded to the council room, according to previous invitation, where they were received and welcomed by their predecessors in office who had assembled for the purpose of surrendering their seats to them.

The retiring members greeted their successors with a smile and assured them of their co-operation with the new board at any time their services were needed for the betterment of the City of Avon Park and its government.

The greatest problem confronting the new administration at this time is that of finances and taxation and it is very apparent that notwithstanding the stringent financial crisis this problem can and will be solved, and the city's financial integrity maintained if the citizenship will lend their individual co-operation to the new administration.

Honorable E. A. DeLaney was re-elected as president of the board and after an half hour of general discussion the meeting adjourned to 7:30 when they reconvened and Mr. DeLaney named the following committees as required by law:

Finance committee: Eisele; Hall and McClelland.

Street committee: McClelland, Masters and Eisele.

Light committee: Hall, Masters and McClelland.

Sanitation committee: Masters, Eisele and Hall.

Mr. DeLaney brought to the attention of the board the responsibility resting upon the various committees and assured them of his confidence in their ability and willingness to faithfully carry this responsibility. Each member of the committees assured him that they would put forth their best efforts in the performance of their duties and that no opportunity to improve governmental policies would be passed up by them.

The new governmental machinery is now installed and it is up to the citizenship to put them to the acid test and this can only be done by proper co-operation on the part of each individual. Let's do our whole duty as citizens of the town and then expect equally as much of our public officials.

Citrus Meeting At Court House Tuesday Evening at 8 P. M.

The meeting of citrus growers called for Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock at the court house will be addressed by several noted state authorities, according to an announcement by County Agent Louis Alsmeyer this week. R. W. Ruprecht, chemist at the experiment station at Gainesville will be on the program as will H. G. Clayton, district agent with headquarters at Gainesville. Several others will speak on different problems affecting the citrus industry and the meeting is expected to be replete with interesting items for citrus men.

It is planned to form a Citrus Club at this meeting and meetings will be held once a month in different sections of the county. That is the meetings will be rotated around the county. The many problems of the industry will be discussed at these meetings and much help is expected to acrue to those interested.

Woman's Club To Meet This Afternoon

The Woman's Club will meet in regular session this afternoon at the City Hall in their club room. The meeting will be in charge of the president, Mrs. M. E. Covington and an election of officers for the New Year will be held. There will be a parliamentary drill held by Mrs. Fred Stevens. The regular program of the club will not be held until Jan. 10th and will be given at the High school auditorium at 7:30. Mrs. Florence Miles will give an illustrated lecture on Florida's Wild Flowers. Preceding the regular meeting Mrs. M. E. Covington will call a meeting of the executive board.

J. P. Garber Reelected S. S. Superintendent

At the annual election of officers of the Congregational Sunday school J. Paul Garber was chosen to succeed himself as superintendent for the coming year. Assistant superintendents, Miss Mildred Myers, Harry McFerrin. Secretary-treasurer, Miss Margaretha Vogt, Pianist, Miss Shirley Page Shepherd. Cradle roll superintendent, Mrs. Vaughn, assistant, Mrs. John Hood.

The officers thus elected will take up their duties on the first Sunday of 1930.

Sunday Evening Services at the Congregational

"What Do You Bid For 1930?" What forecast do you put on the value of accomplishment for yourself, or for your United States, or for humanity in general during the year just opening? This will be the line of thought at the Sunday evening service, 7:30, at the Congregational church. Morning service and sacrament at 11 a. m.

Reward Offered For Capture of Bandits

A reward of ten dollars has been offered for the capture of culprits who broke into the school stand and carried away nearly everything that was in the place which consisted of candies, gum, stationery and cold drinks to the value of $35.00.

MASONS AND STARS TO INSTALL OFFICERS

Public Ceremonies To Begin This Evening at Five o'Clock

Leigh Chapter Order of Eastern Star will have a public installation of the 1930 officers this evening at the Masonic Temple at eight o'clock. All Eastern Stars and their friends are cordially invited. Mrs. Mamie Lander, Worthy Grand Matron will be present and will install the newly elected officers. Officers to be installed are: Mrs. Pearl Stebbins, Worthy Matron. Grover C. Daley, Worthy Patron. Mrs. J. V. Chapman, Associate Matron, J. V. Chapman, Associate Patron. Mrs. Ola Head, Secretary. Blanche Williams, Treasurer. Mrs. Margaret Mandis, Conductress. Miss Furlow Anderson, Assistant Conductress. The Worthy Matron will announce the 10 appointive offices and they will also be installed. A social hour will be held after the installation ceremonies.

Preceeding the installation of the Eastern Star officials, the Blue Lodge will install their leaders for the year. The meeting will be called at five o'clock and the following will be installed: C. R. Ginn, Jr., Worshipful Master; Alex Stelogeannis, Senior Warden; W. A. Shefield, Junior Warden; F. S. Jordon, Treasurer; W. R. England, Secretary.

Monday evening the chapter will install Luther Farmer, High Priest; C. R. Ginn, Jr., King; Louis Hill, Scribe; Fred Smith, Treasurer and W. R. England, Secretary.

The Commandery will install T. R. Perry, Emminent Commander; C. H. Pardee, Generalissomo; H. J. Chance, Captain General; Fred Smith, Treasurer; W. R. England, Secretary.

Col. Walter Corbett at Rotary Luncheon

The weekly meeting of the Avon Park Rotarians Wednesday was made especially interesting to the large number attending by an address by Col. Walter Corbett of Jacksonville, his topic being "The Constitution."

Optimistic Note Is Sounded In the Fruit Fly Campaign

Orlando, Jan. 2.—A summary of the fruit fly situation was issued here today by Wilmon Newell, Plant Commissioner for the State Plant Board of Florida, in which a decidedly optimistic note was sounded. The statement says:

"The first half of Florida's citrus fruit shipping season has now elapsed and but one infestation of the Mediterranean fruit fly has been found during that period. This can be attributed to the thorough eradication measures pursued during the past summer and autumn by both the officials and the growers and to almost universal activity on the part of the growers in systematically removing and destroying dropped fruits and cull vegetables from the grove and trucking areas and exercising other precautions.

"Every change made in the federal quarantine restrictions on movement of Florida host fruits and vegetables since May 1, when these regulations were placed in effect, has been in the nature of extending additional privileges or opening additional markets. These modifications would not have been possible had not the effort to eradicate the fly been accompanied by such unexpected and unparalleled success. As the experience of the past eight months has shown that satisfactory progress in eradicating the fly has been followed by modifications of the quarantine, there is every reason for believing that if the eradication work continues to be successful, still more privileges will be granted Florida shippers until, when eventually eradication is achieved, all such quarantines will be removed entirely."

"However," the statement points out, "regardless of any opinions which may be entertained by citizens of Florida to the effect that the fly is already eradicated, or has disappeared or "was never here," the fact remains that quarantines, in some form or other, will continue to be enforced upon Florida host fruits and host vegetables until such time as the United States Department of Agriculture decides and officially declares that the fly is no longer existent in the state.

"Of the one thousand infested zones, each one mile in radius, created by the finding of fruit fly infestation in one thousand proper-

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Attorney General Gives Opinion on Vets Exemptions

Many inquiries having been made by veterans of the several wars in which this country has been engaged with regard to their status on tax exemption in this state, Commander R. A. Rasco of the Sebring post of the American Legion has made investigation into the matter and received a copy of the following letter sent out by Attorney General Fred H. Davis. The letter deals exhaustively with the subject and quotes the different laws relating to veterans' exemption. Being of interest to all who served in the U. S. Army at any time, the letter is reproduced herewith in full:

Veterans' Exemptions.

Tallahassee, Dec. 5, 1929.

Hon. Albert R. Caro,
Vice-Commander Disabled Veterans World War,
Hendry-Knight Building,
Tampa, Florida.

Dear Mr. Caro:

Your letter of November 28th has been called to my attention since my return to Tallahassee. I will try to answer it in detail, because of the fact that there is much confusion in the State concerning the administration of the law allowing tax exemption to disabled World War veterans.

Under Section 9 of Article IX of the Constitution, any person who has suffered the loss of a limb or been disabled in war or by misfortune is entitled to claim a $500.00 exemption. This means that he can claim the $500.00 as a deduction from the assessed valuation of his property, regardless of what kind of property it is, i. e., may be real estate or personal property and the exemption may be claimed on any kind of personal property, such as automobiles, stocks of goods, etc.

This exemption should not be confused with another exemption, which is allowed to the head of every family residing in Florida under Section 11 as distinguished from Section 9 of Article IX of the Constitution. The last named exemption is allowable to the head of the family residing in this State, regardless of whether he was in the war and regardless of whether or not he was disabled, but can only be allowed on household goods and personal effects, which means that this last named exemption cannot be claimed on an automobile, because an automobile

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THE OTHER FELLER'S GAME

By Garret Smith

CHAN POTTER, proprietor of the Red Mountain House, was entertaining a pair of small boy guests on his side porch when his new star boarder arrived. It was prophetic of much to follow, that at the moment of this fateful event he was demonstrating the art of that ancient form of hokum known as the shell game.

At the squeal of the station bus brakes, he looked up from the three halves of walnut shells spread on a shingle across his fat knees.

"Oh, gosh!" he sighed. "That would be Mr. Martin Demorest that wrote he'd be here today, takin' my end cottage fer the season. I ought to welcome him."

"Aw, let the clerk tend to him. Show us again how you hold the pea," protested the freckle-faced youngster.

"Yeah. Bet I can do it next time," seconded the towhead.

Chan had half risen and was intently studying the white-haired, quietly dressed city man coming up the walk. As the new guest neared the steps, however, his host settled back in his seat.

"Guess mebbe Tom kin tend to him at that," he decided. "Jiminy Christmas, ain't I busy lookin' after two important guests right now?"

We winked at the pair as man to men and picked up one of the shells.

"No—guess I ain't needed—not yit," he mumbled half to himself, swinging mild blue eyes reflectively across the lake and up the hemlocks of the mountainside.

"Aw, come on, Mr. Potter," Freckles nagged at his elbow.

"Sure! Sure!" Chan swung his attention back to the shells.

"All right, gents! Right this way, gents!" he intoned. "It's the old ar-rmy game! One at a time. Step up an' try it. The hand is quicker'n the eye, gents."

And it was indeed so. Chan Potter's fat and seemingly clumsy fingers did marvels with the elusive pea.

"Gee, but you're the frog's eyebrows at that," Towhead praised. "Lemme see if I can do it now. I'll take all the money away from the kids in my grade when I go back in the fall."

"Hey! Snap outa that idee right now, bub," Chan ordered. "Don't you kids go tellin' your mas I'm teachin' you swindlin' tricks an' havin' 'em pullin' out an' leavin' me with your rooms on my hands right's the season's openin'. No sir! Any man as gits money away from another man by makin' him think things is different than what they be an' not givin' him fair value fer his money, is a plain thief. I was jest showin' you somethin' to look out fer when you're away from home. That's when the bunco men git after a feller, when he's away from home.

"An' there's another thing," he added, again talking half to himself. "Even if you was goin' to be mean enough to swindle anybody, you'd be goin' at it wrong thet way. Don't care what folks say different, you sometimes stand a better chance foolin' the other feller if you play the other feller's game, thet is if ye ketch him away from home while you're doin' it."

"Aw, what do you mean, Mr. Potter?"

"Why, it's this way. That shell game was pulled out 'mong us hayseeds cause we hayseeds used to think it was our sort of game. Used to be when we went into town fair week er circus week, bein' away from home we'd keep our eyes peeled fer all the smart city tricks. Then 'long'd come a feller with three little walnut shells an' a pea. Haw! Haw! This was right where we lived. Didn't we know all about nuts an' peas? We'd fool this dumb city cuss, by gum. An' of course we was stung.

"Why, I knew a country feller went down to New York City on a visit, spell back. He was lookin' out sharp fer city skin games. Couldn't nobody sell him a gold brick ev green goods er a piece o' Central Park. Then, by jingo, long come a city man had a lot of farm company stock. Claimed he didn't understand it, but somebody'd sold him this stuff an' he'd be glad to git rid of it dirt cheap. Why, this boob from the country was tickled to death to buy thet stock off him. He knew all about farms. Why, he's got thet stock yit an' it ain't wuth the paper it's printed on."

"Gee! He was a boob!"

"Sure he was a boob, long's he was away from home an' let somebody sing him to sleep with his own game. But, like enough, thet same country jake might git one of them smart city brokers out here an' sell him a railroad on the moon er somethin'. But let us play a game thet ain't got no swindle to it. Wat say we pitch horseshoes a few minutes 'fore dinner?"

Fifteen minutes later the game of quoits came to an abrupt end when Chan stooped to pick up a horseshoe just as Freckles threw another. Chan stumbled over a root and fell, his face squarely in the path of the oncoming iron.

With a grunt of pain, he picked himself up, a broad palm spread over his right cheek and eye.

"Nothin' at all, jest a black eye mebbe," he reassured the frightened boys. "Don't tell nobody what happened an' I'll jest say I stumbled over a root. Run down to the store and git yourselves some ginger pop er somethin' and' fergit it."

Chan handed the unlucky marksman a half dollar and went in the side door of the hotel, nursing his face.

"Mr. Demorest is sure goin' to think he's picked a tough-lookin' landlord," he chuckled as he stole up the back stairs to his private bathroom unnoticed. There he did a remarkable job of dressing his wound, applying cotton and adhesive tape.

"Reckon mebbe I wouldn't look so lopsided if I put on them smoked glasses of mine," he decided.

This added touch accomplished, he viewed himself again and chuckled contentedly.

"Reckon even Ma Potter herself wouldn't know me if 'twant fer my clothes," he told himself.

From the bathroom he went to the attic and hauled out a small old-fashioned trunk, opened it and, after considerable rummaging, dug up a worn, brown envelope and thrust it in his pocket.

Chan was surrounded by solicitous inquiries when he appeared among his guests in the lobby. Before he could more than grin in reply, little Mrs. Potter thrust her nervous figure through the group.

"Well fer land sake, Chan Potter, now what ye bin up to- Hit with one o' them fool horseshoes like enough, like I always said ye would be."

"Why, Ma, what an idee! I'll tell ye how it really was. Ye see a mosquito lit on my cheek an' I swatted at it an' missed. Jest fer that the little cuss kicked me. Now take me out an' interduce me to our new boarder, Mr. Demorest."

"He's et an' gone back to his cottage already. He didn't act anxious to be interduced to nobody."

"Thet so? Thought he looked kind of snooty."

"I'll tell the world he's snooty," broke in a disgusted flapper. "Who is he anyhow, Mr. Potter? Has he got lots of money?"

"So! Settin' yer cap fer him, eh, Miss Molly? Well, he's got money enough to hire a whole cottage fer himself. He's from New York an' I kind of figgered from his letters he was a retired business man thet wanted to rest where it's quiet."

"Aw, he's no good," broke in Freckles. "Nobody'll get any of his money. I went and looked up the porter for him before luncheon and he didn't even give me a dime. And the porter said he didn't give him any tip either."

"Well, now, bub," Chan consoled the boy. "Like enough he forgot. Here's your dime an' I'll fix it up with the porter, too, an' jest charge it on his bill."

And with a general wink from his one visible eye, Chan went on into luncheon. He ate quickly then made his way over to the isolated cottage where Martin Demorest was established. There was indeed nothing much to warm up to in the frosty-faced individual whom Chan found sitting by himself on the cottage porch.

"Howdy do, Mr. Demorest," Chan greeted him. "I'm your landlord, Chauncey Potter, little worse fer wear jest at present, but glad to see ye."

"How do you do," the New York man replied coldly. "Everything seems quite all right so far. I'll let you know if it isn't."

"So you find everything accordin' to specifications, eh? You didn't say in your letter how you come to hear about Red Mountain House."

"I saw your ad in one of the New York papers. Everything seems to be as represented."

"I always aim to speak the truth," Chan admitted. "That's why folks keep comin' back. We're all sort of one big family here. Usually some of us boys has a little poker game in the evenin', nothin' steep, ye know. Like to have you join us."

"Thanks. Don't play. Usually turn in early at night. Haven't been any too well lately."

"Not thet kind of a game," Chan thought and added aloud, "Well, I'm sorry you been under the weather, but ye come to the right place to git rested up. What leetle business they is, is all taken care of an' more. Of course, some day, some feller able to see ahead of his nose an' havin' a leetle capital will come in here an' buy up all the farms lyin' idle round the lake an' up the mountain, git 'em fer a song, then boom the place as a resort an' clean up millions."

He was studying his listener's face closely as he talked. There was no answering light in the Demorest eye.

"Not thet game neither," he decided mentally when Demorest said:

"No temptation to me. Never did dabble in real estate. Now I'm out of business altogether, except to keep my money invested in good securities."

"So that's the game," he told himself. "Well, I'll have to pervide some good sound securities then."

Aloud he remarked hesitantly, "Well, that kind of touches me on the raw like you speakin' of good sound securities. I don't know much about 'em but I been thinkin' lately I ought to begin stowin' some of 'em away, bein' as I'm gittin' along in years and me an' Ma won't always be able to handle the hotel business. Like to git a little advice from you later mebbe, jest how I'm doin' some tall figgerin' makin' expenses meet income. Fact is mebbe you could help me out a mite jest now an' profit by it yourself," he added.

A film of wariness dropped over Demorest's eyes.

"No. I ain't aimin' to borrow any money," Chan hastened to say. "Jest occurred to me you might be willin' to pay your season's bill in advance, fer, say five per cent discount."

"Not enough," Demorest snapped. "Make it worth while and I might accommodate you."

"Well, now," Chan considered. "I ain't prepared to say just how much more'n five per cent I'd care to knock off. Let ye know later when I see jest what I kin figger on."

"All right," Demorest agreed, rising. "And now, if you'll excuse me, I think I'll take a nap."

"Well," Chan told himself, "not a bad start fer a send-off. I got a game picked an' found out Mr. Demorest ain't above takin' somethin' fer nothin'. So I'll jest figger on givin' him somethin' fer nothin' an' gittin' it back fer nothin', 'long with a nice slice of int'rest."

A half hour later he entered the Red Mountain Bank. He found the president, his old friend Cass Harding, alone in his office and walked in unannounced.

"Hello, Cass," he greeted. "How's the leadin' banker?"

"Still leadin' a dog's life. How's the strugglin' hotelkeeper? Well, for the love of all that's holy, what's happened to you?"

"Jest stubbed my toe, an' got scratched up a leetle. Fact is, I was tryin' so hard to see a profit in the hotel business that I didn't look to see where I was steppin'."

"Don't go tellin' me the season's taken a bad start and you want to borrow a thousand dollars or so, because I might feel I had to lend it to you."

"Reckon you'd be jest fool enough to do it," Chan agreed, "but I got to disappoint ye. All I want's a leetle advice an' information."

"Good. This is my free day fer that."

"Well, it's this way. Now I got a new boarder up to the place, Martin Demorest of New York, givin' the Manhattan Bank as reference. Now him an' me's considerin' a leetle business on the side. 'Fore I commit myself I want to find out a leetle more about him. Suppose you could look him up cautious like fer me an' keep mum about it? Mebbe he'll be in askin' about me in a day er two. Jest tell him as much as ye think best. Let him know I ain't never stole nothin' an' ain't got nothin' contagious, but don't peep thet I've been askin' about him."

The banker agreed and Chan returned to his hotel.

Late the next afternoon, he dropped in on his lone cottager again.

"Don't know's I'll find it necessary to discount your bill after all. Since I talked to you last a leetle deal's come up that's likely to yield me a bit of change. That reminds me of what you was sayin' 'bout sound securities. I'm goin' to be havin' a few thousand profit I'll be wantin' to invest good an' safe 'fore long. I wonder if you think of anything good you kin recommend at a reasonable price, somethin' thet's likely to boom reasonable."

Again Chan saw Demorest's bored eyes kindle momentarily.

"Well," he said finally, "ordinarily I don't give investment advice. I don't like to feel responsible for another man's money. But I have a stock under consideration that looks pretty good. I'm expecting a report from my broker and if it's favorable I'm going to invest myself. Maybe I could arrange to get you a block of it. I'll let you know in a few days."

"That'll be fine," Chan agreed, and the talk drifted from finance to fishing and ended by the pair going out after trout that afternoon. Demorest was visibly mellowing. During the next two days he allowed Chan to cultivate him assiduously.

Then came a phone from Harding at the bank asking Chan to drop in and see him.

"Demorest seems to be all right, Chan," the banker reported. "He carries a good cash balance and a couple of hundred thousand in sound negotiable securities with the Manhattan Bank. They tell me he is a retired importer. So I guess he can raise whatever you need to take away from him. Keep your eye peeled, though."

"Sure. Then I guess him an' me kin do business. Now another thing. What could you recommend as the safest bonds a feller could buy reasonable?"

"Well, there's a number about equally good, but on the whole I'd say Consolidated Power was about the safest an' same time most promisin' of a rise."

"You kin git hold of $20,000 wuth fer me," Chan ordered with a confident grin.

"You darn ol' coot! What ye givin' us? What ye goin' to use fer money? Seems to me I recolleck you've got about $230 in your checkin' account an' a scant $3,000 in savin' accounts between you an' Mrs. Potter. You needn't figger on my puttin' another mortgage on them ol' buildin's of yours."

"I kind of reckoned I could scare up $2,000 cash out of my bank accounts 'thout botherin' Mother an' you could carry them bonds fer me as security till I pay the balance on 'em."

"That's only a ten-point margin, but I suppose I might do that. Don't care much fer that kind of business, but doggone your ol' hide, Chan, we kind of got in the habit the last thirty years of doin' any fool thing each other asks. I'm warnin' you ,though, I can't promise to carry 'em if they up an' start slidin' down."

"I'll take thet chance, thanks."

"How much longer you goin' round lookin' like a tarnation mummy?" Harding called after him.

"Ontil I git healed real thorough. There's still a big sore spot botherin' me quite some."

For the next two days Chan studiously avoided Demorest. Also he considerably bewildered his sharp-tongued spouse by arising early each day and disappearing immediately after breakfast on various pretexts that, Mrs. Potter did not hesitate to intimate, had to her ear a hollow sound. On returning late the first evening, he learned that Demorest had inquired for him several times.

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"It's the Old Army Game," Chan Potter Said. And the Man From the City Looked Like a Good Recruit

FARM AND GROVE

HINTS FOR MAKING BORDEAUX MIXTURE

Experiment Station Specialist Tells How To Make Good Solutions

Of all the fungicides used by Florida fruit and vegetable growers it is estimated that Bordeaux mixture is used most. For the benefit of Florida farmers who use Bordeaux Dr. G. F. Weber, associate plant pathologist with the Florida Experiment Station, at Gainesville, made suggestions for preparing the mixture.

"If a large amount of spraying is to be done it is most convenient to make up stock solutions. Stock solution A should be made by dissolving 50 pounds of bluestone in 50 gallons of water. Put the chemical in a clean bag and suspend it in the top of the barrel, and it will dissolve over night. Metal containers will corrode and should not be used.

"Stock solution B is made by slaking 50 pounds of lime rock and diluting it to 50 gallons of water. If hydrated lime is used instead of rock lime add 100 pounds of lime to 50 gallons of water.

"These stock solutions will keep indefinitely provided they are not allowed to dry out. When a solution is made the level of the top of water should be marked on the barrel and water kept up to that point. Both solutions should be stirred well before any is taken out. Do not use the same stick to stir both solutions.

"In most cases it is convenient and advisable to build a mixing platform. A large platform is built high enough that the mixed solution will flow in the spraying tank. A smaller platform is built on this so that the two stock solutions may be allowed to flow together.

"Dilute each of the stock solutions to half of the amount of spray to be made. The two solutions should then be poured into a third container, both at the same time. The liquid should be carefully strained, to prevent stopping of the spraying apparatus. If the above method cannot be used, the diluted lime solution may be poured into the spray tank and the diluted bluestone solution slowly added.

The strength which is used most is the 4-4-50. To make 50 gallons of this mixture use 25 gallons of each of the diluted solutions, which will contain four pounds of bluestone and four pounds of lime respectively.

Home Egg Contest Off To Good Start

The fifth Florida Home Egg Laying Contest which began November 1 is getting off to a better start than any of the previous contests, N. R. Mehrhof, extension poultryman for the Florida Agricultural Extension Division, stated in his monthly report.

One hundred and seven flocks are keeping records, and 34,960 birds are in those flocks. During the first month 268,904 eggs were layed, for an average of 7.68 eggs per bird.

Of the 107 flocks in the Home Egg Laying Contest 15 are backyard flocks and average 30 birds, 45 are farm flocks averaging 134 birds, and 47 are commercial flocks with an average of 603 birds.

Records for the same period at the National Egg Laying Contest at Chipley were also better than either of the three previous contests.

Monthly reports of either contest will be mailed upon request.

Too ripe fruit is the cause of many failures in canning.

RURAL COMMON SENSE

By Spuds Johnson

FIXING UP THE YARD.

The holidays, didn't mean much rest for me, since Mrs. Johnson had set her head on fixing up the yard during that time. Now that it is over, however, I am kinder glad she did, for the place looks better already.

She had written to the horticulturist of the Experiment Station at Gainesville a few days before and had his suggestions there to guide us in the work.

First of all we put out a hedge of wax privet around the edge of the front yard, since the front yard was rather roomy and did not have a fence around it. Along the walk from the hedge to the doorsteps we then put out plants of cuphea, which is a very pretty plant for such a place. We had bought this from the nursery.

At the end of the front porch we set out a bignonia vine and also a wisteria. Our house is a large frame one with a big brick chimney at one end. This chimney looked rather bleak, so we planted by it a climbing fig which the horticulturist had called Ficus repens.

Around the ends and side of the porch and base of the house we set ligustrums, pittosporums, and some plumbago, azaleas, and hibiscus.

For shade trees we used orange and pecans, since both of these trees provide shade and fruit. We planted an orange tree on each side of and well back from the walk in the front yard, and two pecan trees in the back yard.

On the west edge of the front yard about even with the porch we put out two crape myrtles. Near the corner of the west side of the front yard we put out a palm of the variety Cocos australis.

On the east edge of the yard about even with the porch we put out an oleander to provide abundant flowers during the summer. In rear of this we put out our rose garden. The varieties we used were Radiance, Mrs. Charles Bell, Killarney, White Perle des Jardins, Marie Van Houtte, and Safrano.

On the site of the rose garden and before we planted it, we put a wagon load of well rotted table manure and spaded it in. Around each of the shrubs and trees set we put a handful of steamed bone.

Next spring or summer when the grass starts to growing we are going to set the entire front yard to Centipede grass for a green lawn. I believe that we shall then have one of the prettiest yards in the community if not in the state.

Alachua Home Wins Improvement Prize

Mrs. J. H. Mills, Alachua county, won the outstanding first prize in the long time Home Improvement Contest, the State Home Demonstration Department has just announced. Mrs. Mills also won third place in the Southern Home Improvement Contest, for which she was given $300 by the Southern Ruralist farm journal.

Winners in the one year contest just closed were as follows according to Miss Virginia P. Moore, in charge. Kitchen Improvement—Mrs. J. T. Adams, Calhoun county. Living Room—Mrs. Mary Murphy, Dade county. Dining Room—Mrs. Paul Sears, Dade county. Bed Room—Mrs. Lula Nelson, Holmes county. Sanitary Premises—Mrs. E. C. McVoy, Alachua county. Exterior Beautification—Mrs. V. C. Denton, Palm Beach county. Old Homes Remodeled—Mrs. N. M. Faulds, Pinellas county. New House—Mrs. Nathan Williamson, Palm Beach county.

The judges were Miss Emily P. Wilburn, head of the Industrial Arts Department of the Florida State College, Mrs. Hoard Gamble, a well known home maker, and E. Peck Green, one of the state's best known landscape architects.

START CROP YEAR WITH INVENTORY SAYS NOBLE

Date Would Differ According To Section of State and Crops

With the excitement of Christmas over, now is an excellent time for farmers to decide to make 1929 a business year, and begin by taking an inventory or deciding on a definite date for taking one, Dr. C. V. Noble, agricultural economist at the Florida Experiment Station at Gainesville, stated in a radio talk over WRUF December 30.

Dr. Noble realizes that there is no one date best for all Florida farmers to take inventories. For general farmers of North Florida January 1 is perhaps the best date. For citrus growers a date after harvest is completed would be best. For truck growers, the best date would be after the biggest crops are marketed.

In his talk, Dr. Noble explained that a farm inventory is simply a list of resources and liabilities. Resources should include such items as real estate, livestock, feeds and seed, all supplies, machinery, crops in ground, mortgages, and cash on hand or in bank. Liabilities should include all debts, notes and mortgages against the farm.

One of the advantages of an inventory is that it shows the net worth at the time the inventory is taken. It also shows whether or not the business is making or losing money. An inventory is the basis for all other accounting and it furnishes the ground work for any kind of credit statement. An inventory furnishes a valuable list of property for use in case of adjusting fire insurance or in settling an estate, Dr. Noble pointed out.

The department of agricultural economics of the Florida Experiment Station has prepared a leaflet that tells exactly how to take an inventory and several booklets which are helpful in making 1929 a business year for Florida farmers. They are all free and may be secured by writing and asking for them.

Begins Study of Bulb Diseases

Dr. J. W. Wilson began a study of the spotted mite and other insects of asparagus plumosus for the Florida Experiment Station January 1. A branch station will be constructed in Volusia county where work will be carried on.

In the summer months when the mite is not so active he will study insects of other ornamentals. Especially will mealy bugs on bulbs kept over summer, and scale-insects on such ornamentals as hibiscus be studied.

Dr. Wilson finished from Clemson College, received an M. S. degree from North Carolina State, and an Sc. D. from Harvard University. He has also had considerable field and laboratory experience in entomology work.

Heard Named County Agent For DeSoto Co.

J. J. Heard has accepted the position as County Agent for DeSoto county, and will be located at Arcadia.

He is a graduate of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute at Auburn. While at Auburn he gained considerable experience working on the dairy farm of the Experiment Station. He has also had considerable experience in his father's citrus grove at St. Petersburg.

Mr. Heard has served four years as a county demonstration agent in South Carolina.

HINTS TO HOUSEWIVES

Weekly from Home Demonstration Specialists, Tallahassee

CANNING CITRUS JUICES.

Select sound, ripe fruit, crush and heat slowly to the simmering point (about 180 degrees F.) Strain through a double thickness of cheese cloth. If juices free from sediment are desired, let stand in a cool place for a few hours, then pour off (or siphon) carefully from the dregs.

Orange Juice.

While there is no fruit juice that is more delicious to taste or more healthful for old and young alike than fresh orange juice, no satisfactory method for keeping bottled orange juice in the home any great length of time has yet been devised. Many companies have failed in attempts to produce orange juice upon a commercial scale.

The use of sugar greatly decreases the tendency of orange juice to become "stale." A mixture of sweet orange juice, lemon, Rangpur lime, Calamondin or Seville or sour orange juice and sugar, makes a most palatable orange juice, even after a year's storage.

Peel, crush and press. Mix in the proportion of one part sour fruit juice to four parts sweet orange juice and sugar in the proportion of six pounds of sugar to one gallon juice. Heat until all sugar is dissolved. Bottle while hot and pasteurize at 165 degrees F., for 30 minutes.

Dilute with twice its volume of water — carbonated preferred. Fresh, cloudy, unfiltered juices are much superior in flavor to the filtered juices.

Grapefruit Juices.

Grapefruit juice, unlike orange juice, may be bottled most successfully and should become very popular as a "before breakfast" appetizer. As with oranges, the juice should be extracted in such a way as to exclude oil from peel and an excess of bitterness from the white rag. (There are several devices on the market for extracting juice from grapefruit).

Grapefruit juice darkens in the bottle unless air is excluded. This can best be done, so United States Department of Agriculture investigators have found, by heating the juice to 165 degrees F., to 170 degrees F., in open aluminum vessel, filling hot, sterile bottles immediately with the hot juice to overflowing and cap at once. Thus all air is excluded. Place bottled juice in water at 165 degrees F., and hold 30 minutes to sterilize.

The juice of grapes, blueberries, plums and other berries and fruits make delicious and nutritious drinks and should be used frequently in our homes.

Fruit Punch.

An excellent light syrup for use in fruit punch can be made by blending one part of sour fruit juice (lemon, Seville orange, limequat), three parts of sweet orange juice pressed from unpeeled fruit and two parts grape-juice of high flavor or red plum juice. Preserve by pasteurizing at 175 degrees F., for 30 minutes. To this mixture may be added crushed pineapple, shredded oranges, sliced peaches, bananas, berries or other fruit to improve the appearance in the punch bowl.

Operatives of the United States treasury have begun an investigation at Tampa of the fruit fly quarantine and eradication campaign with the taking of depositions from about 60 citrus growers on their views on quarantine rules and the need for funds to carry out the eradication campaign. The investigation is being conducted at the request of Chairman Wood of the house appropriations committee who is opposing the request for additional $15,000,000 to continue the eradication fight.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Pendleton entertained four generations of their family at a dinner party Christmas day. As her guest Mrs. Pendleton had her grandmother and grandfather, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Stamper of Cuthbert, Ga. Her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Collins of Avon Park. Miss Mabel Collins, J. L. Collins, Tommy Lou Pendleton and Ruth Pendleton.

STATE ENTERS NEW YEAR WITH BRIGHT PROSPECT

Agriculture To Experience Much Better Year Than Just Past

Jacksonville, Jan. 2.—Florida enters the new year with opportunity to make 1930 a year of constructive progress, according to the viewpoint of the Florida State Chamber of Commerce.

It is well understood that, nationally business today is more closely-knitted than at any other time in our industrial history. This condition makes for strength. Because of this we have for the first time the possibilities of far more enlightened and compact co-ordination of team-work which is an indispensable element in economic stability.

Florida's business for the new year lends itself to a most encouraging outlook for the basic structure of the state's activity differs in many respects from the general national situation.

In spite of the fact that national forecasts predict a recession in industrial circles for the early part of the new year this condition should not materially effect Florida. During the past several years Florida industries have been under-going a process of reorganization and development along conservative economic lines which should place them in position to move forward instead of having to curtail at this time because of past expansion.

Agriculture, according to all predictions, will experience a much better year during 1920 than in the year just past. As Florida business is greatly dependent upon agriculture this fact should furnish an optimistic viewpoint for a profitable year.

The tourist season, now reaching its height, is said to be one of the best experienced in several years and as this peculiar Florida business asset is not effected to any great extent by business conditions in other states this feature of Florida activity can be predicted to be on par with past years.

Farm Radio Talks Given Over State Station Next Week

During the next week WRUF, the state broadcasting station, will present a varied and general series of farm talks, the Florida Agricultural Extension Division, in charge of the farm program, announced. These programs are given from 1 to 1:30 Eastern Standard Time each week day, and the station broadcast on 830 kilocycles.

An outline of the program for week beginning January 4 follows:

Saturday, Jan. 4—Weekly agricultural news review.

Monday, January 6—Production of Comb Honey—R. E. Foster, apiary inspector with the State Plant Board. Planning Boys' Club Work for 1930—R. W. Blacklock, boys' club agent, Florida Agricultural Extension Division.

Tuesday, Jan. 7—Talks to citrus and vegetable growers from U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Wednesday, Jan. 8.—Feeding, Breeding ,and Marketing Hogs in Florida—H. G. Clayton, district agent, Florida Agricultural Extension Division. Cattle and Hog Tuberculosis—County Agent Robbins, U. S. D. A.

Thursday, Jan. 9—Primer for Town Farmers.

Friday, Jan. 10 — Agricultural College Workers Give 1930 Farming Suggestions—J. Francis Cooper, editor Florida Agricultural Extension Division. January Should be a Busy Month on the Farm—R. M. Fulghum, assistant editor Florida Agricultural Extension Division.

Answers from the Farm Question Box will be the concluding feature on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.

Buy weeds, sow weeds, pull weeds, harvest weeds—is the short story of impure seed buying.

It is unwise to sow weeds with one hand and fight them with the other.

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RETROSPECT.

At this season of the year municipalities as well as individuals are accustomed to survey the record of the year's accomplishments.

In a review of the year the citizen of Avon Park has no cause to regard the year just ended as one of void of results. The Times cites a few of the year's accomplishments.

Improvement and re-opening of the Jacaranda hotel on a scale more in keeping with the requirements of the public.

Renovating and re-opening of the Penn-Carol hotel.

Remodeling and re-opening of the West Beach hotel.

Completion of the new City Hall, and removal to that beautiful building, of the city offices, the public library, the chamber of commerce, and the Women's club of Avon Park.

Continued beautification of Avon Park's Mall, one of Florida's beauty spots.

Erection of the new and beautiful place of worship of the Church of Christ.

Construction of the Avon-Florida company's office building.

Establishment of the Chesley poultry farm and enlargement of the Engleman poultry farm.

Re-opening and operation of the Scoville Canning company's plant, giving employment to a considerable number of our people.

More intensive cultivation of citrus groves, conducting of the Mediterranean fruit fly campaign, and salvaging for canning much fruit that would otherwise be wasted.

Re-opening of several stores on the Mall, that were formerly vacant.

Establishment of the Baptist church on Forest street.

Improvements for athletic sports made at Donaldson recreation park on Lake Verona, and at the Outdoor Pleasure club's grounds on the Mall.

The first year's publication of The Times, Avon Park's popular weekly paper.

Improvement to Avon Park Cemetery by popular subscription and donated labor.

Laying of water and fire mains in Highland Lakes section, and the extension of the golf links there.

Erection of, and complete equipment of the new club house at Pine Crest Lakes.

These are only a few of the year's accomplishments, but they go to show that, notwithstanding reverses in some quarters, the city has been made a pleasanter place in which to live.

Inventories are made periodically in order that a true condition of business affairs may be known.

By introspection, the citizens of our community have the data for civic inventory. Avon Park has many assets of which it may well feel proud. True, it is that this city does not offer a class of amusements that appeal to certain sporty classes of winter visitors to Florida, and there are many of our residents who would not care to lower the ideals or pervert the morale of our people by the promotion of amusements that stimulate the gambling instinct or that would tend to desecration of the Sabbath.

As a base for hunting and fishing parties Avon Park is admirably located. As a place of residence for those who are contented with the better ideals of life, our churches, schools, library and social and recreational facilities have much to offer.

During the year just closed, the chamber of commerce, through the activities of Mayor Donaldson and his associates, has done much to place Avon Park before a worthwhile clientelle of winter visitors. These efforts have had some reward this year and a continuation of this program will produce more noticeable results in subsequent years.

A survey recently made has been placed before numerous industrial plant operators. This should appeal to industries in which economical labor conditions, sunshine, good water and climatic conditions are essential, and will be of especial interest to industries that may make use of the products and by-products of our groves and farms.

HIGHWAY BEAUTIFICATION.

Highway beautification is becoming an important item in the civic programs throughout the state and should be encouraged. The smooth roadway is made easier to ride upon when lined with trees, shrubs or flowers, and as so much of the average persons time is spent on the road every effort should be made to mprove them and keep them in good condition.

The State Beautification conference held recently in Cocoa was well attended by representatives from all parts of the state who report a very interesting and successful meeting showing increased interest in the matter.

More palms should be used, especially in the southern part of the state, as nothing adds to the southern atmosphere as do the stately palm. Thousands could be planted in Avon Park and add so much to the attractiveness of the city.

JUST IN PASSING

By R. J. HOLLY

Now that Virginia O'Hanlon of New York City has again settled the question of Santa Claus the newspapers can put the article back in the moth balls and save it for next season.

Very few deaths from alcoholism were reported for the Christmas holiday throughout the country. This means that either the liquor is better or that less of it is being used or the price is beyond the reach of many.

Business is getting better in Florida. A Scotch lady recently telephoned her parents in Scotland in Christmas greetings and paid $102 for the privilege. Where else in the universe would anyone of Scotch parentage use this much money for a telephone message.

In his Christmas greeting Governor Carlton said: "Let personal passions be forgotten, bitter prejudices be cast aside, partisan jealousies be discarded." A splendid sentiment and one that could have been used to advantage in the last election.

Now that another New Year approaches we suppose that Hell will again be paved with good resolutions. And if it is to be so paved it is our hope that good, honest contractors from Florida will do the paving under the supervision of the State Road Department with a newspaper man in charge. We editors may have to walk it in our golden slippers, some time.

A Florida sheriff will appoint fifty members of a crime commission to keep down crime. Not a bad idea. If the sheriffs could appoint every man and woman in the county on the commission there would be no one left to commit any crimes and the entire community could be engaged in the pleasant pastime of taking each other's fingerprints.

Now it seems that there will be or has been an investigation of the investigators of the Med Fly in Tampa and perhaps in other counties. What Florida growers want is not so many investigations but the right to ship fruit to all parts of the United States, get the fruit off the trees early in the season and there will be no chance for the fly to live. Another thing in our favor is the present cold spell that would mean death to the Med Fly in any country in the world.

A celebrated scientist in a recent address on the origin of man states that there is no monkey business in it. He believes in the evolution of man but that man never came from apes. Now that this question has been settled we hope that the Irish can again take their places in politics and run for office if they choose without being cartooned.

In the good old days whiskey drinkers used to tickle their throats with "Three Feathers," Avery Powell in Times-Union. Or take a little Green River Without a Headache for the tired feeling and on waking in the morning pick Four Roses before breakfast. But now if you take a drink it is an awful Sin-thetic.

We wonder what Bob Holly is going to do to those editors who use his "Just In Passing" as straight editorial matter without credit?—Tallahassee News. Not a thing, Fred. Not a thing. We have already told them they can use it any way they please. Spread it on their bread or use it for mustard. The only restriction is that they do not use it in place of the mail order catalogues, with all due respect to Chic Sales.

OPTIMISTIC NOTE IS SOUNDED IN FRUIT FLY CAMPAIGN

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ties, all but one have been officially released from classification as "infested zones," thus permitting the host fruits and vegetables produced in them to be marketed under the status of "Eradication Area" fruits and vegetables, a classification under which much more liberal shipping and marketing privileges are allowed than from infested zones.

"Despite the criticism heaped upon federal and state officials by uninformed but perhaps well-intentioned people, the eradication work has been steadily pursued with the result that the farmers and fruit growers of Florida now have an opportunity to follow up the big advantage thus gained and complete the eradication of the fly. To this end it is necessary that Congress appropriate sufficient funds for the work, as well as that continued co-operation be given by citizens and growers. In this connection, it should be remembered that failure to complete the eradication of the fly will not mean the abolition of quarantines. On the contrary, it will result in quarantines on Florida host fruits and vegetables being continued indefinitely. The federal government is under legal and moral obligation to prevent the spread of the fly to other states. These facts are too well established to admit of argument.

"Florida has also cause to be grateful that, in the serious situation created by the occurrence of the fruit fly in the state, the federal government came to her assistance and expended, through its own agencies, more than three million dollars of federal money in combatting the pest, with the result that the fly has been so reduced in numbers that the average citizen cannot find one.

"The fact that the fly has been found but once since August 27th should not be interpreted as meaning that the fly is now eradicated. One fly is too small a thing to be found by any system of inspection that can be devised. Infestations are found, as a rule, only when a few flies in a given place have had time to increase to large numbers. Nature has endowed all insects with a marvelous ability to survive unfavorable conditions and man-made efforts to destroy them. Nevertheless it is a certainty that if the eradication measures already found so effective are continued to their logical conclusion, the destruction of the last fruit fly in Florida will be accomplished. On the other hand, one pair of Mediterranean fruit flies remaining in the State is a threat and a menace. The descendants of one such pair could, in one year, multiply so rapidly as to endanger the citrus and other susceptible crops of the State.

"The opportunity to eradicate is an immediate but not a continuing one. If taken advantage of, it will remove this menace to our great fruit and vegetable industries. If not taken advantage of, these vast resources will, to say the least, labor under such handicaps of reduced and expensive production and of drastic quarantines as to make it extremely doubtful if they can be profitably continued."

BAGGAGE INSPECTION BEING INVESTIGATED

Necessary To Enforce Inspection Due To Smuggling Attempts

Jacksonville, Jan. 2.—Investigation is being made through the federal authorities of complaint that north bound travelers are subjected to inconveniences and unnecessary disarrangement of baggage at the Florida-Georgia line inspection point according to advice received by the Florida State Chamber of Commerce from Washington.

This action is being taken, says the advices, in an effort to assure the traveling public that the inspection of baggage will be made expeditiously and without any undue handling of personal effects of the traveler.

The actions of some travelers in persisting in all sorts of efforts to smuggle fruit and other host products through the quarantine lines makes it absolutely necessary to enforce a thorough inspection of all vehicles and baggage going out of the restricted areas, continues the report.

The job of carrying on the inspection service is a difficult one and every traveler should endeavor to assist instead of retard the work. Undue delays are caused by some overact on the part of the traveler in innocently, or otherwise, having contraband in his possession.

New Year Meeting at Nazarene Church

A slight change has been made in the time of Sunday school, which will begin hereafter at 10:00 a. m. The other services for the coming Sabbath are as usual.

The pastor will preach on "The Golden Pipe," in the morning and in the evening "The Handwriting On The Wall."

The church held a watch night service to pray the New Year in; much blessing was felt by all. Refreshments had been prepared at the parsonage, but because of an especially large number coming, they were scanty. During the meeting, at the request of the pastor many related the leadings of God which had led them to be Christians, to the great interest of all.

The church urges all to make this a New Year donated to God and prayer.

All friends are cordially invited to join in worship.

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Bride and Bride-elect Honored at Shower.

Mrs. Zed Scarborough and Miss Mildred Roberts, bride-elect, were honorees at a lovely shower given by Miss Lora Lee, Mrs. Lois Rish and Miss Estelle Carney at the home of Mrs. W. D. Dorminey, Tuesday afternoon.

Readings appropriate to the affair were given by Mrs. E. E. Melton and Miss Frances Dorminey. The beautiful gifts were brought to the honorees in a small wagon decorated in pink, pulled by little Miss Sujette Dorminey and Buddie Johnson. The bride and bride-elect were presented with two small white cakes topped with miniature brides.

The lovely hostesses served refreshments of coffee and cake. Those present at this delightful affair were: Mrs. W. A. Sheffield, Mrs. C. A. Clark, Mrs. Raymond Dilley, Mrs. Floyd Johnson, Mrs. C. E. Lanier, Mrs. W. H. Carney, Mrs. J. M. Lee, Mrs. Russell Tinney, Mrs. Paul Jett, Mrs. W. D. Dorminey, Jr., Mrs. E. N. Brown, Mrs. Park Anderson, Mrs. E. F. Carmichael, Mrs. Leon Ragsdale, Mrs. Jimmie Spencer, Mrs. C. C. Dempsey, of Frostproof, Mrs. Wheeler Sheffield, Mrs. E. E. Melton, Mrs. D. G. Perry, Mrs. Fred Montsdeoca, Mrs. C. R. Ginn, Jr., Mrs. J. H. Hood, Mrs. Dave Stuckey, Mrs. Roy Felknor, Miss Christine Reeves, Miss Barbara Wever, Miss Kitty Lou Martin, Miss Katherine Saggus, Miss Opal Cochran, Miss Elizabeth Chandler, Miss Virginia Chandler, Miss Wava Godwin, Miss Inez Dawson, Miss Georgia Scarborough, of Frostproof, and Miss Margaret Pardee.

The Misses Shepherd Hostesses.

Miss Shirley and Carrolette Shepherd were hostesses to a number of their friends Friday evening at their home on Lake Byrd.

Christmas decorations were very attractively arranged in the reception rooms. Dancing, bridge, and contests were enjoyed until a late hour. Prizes were awarded Miss Katherine Saggus, James Davis, and Ivor Farnell as winners in the contests. A salad course and cake was served by the lovely hostesses to their guests..

Those present at this happy event were: Miss Ruth Hall, Miss Edith McFarland, Miss Wava Godwin, Miss Mertice Coker, Miss Mary Wilde, Miss Caroline Wilde, Miss Kitty Martin, Miss Katherine Saggus, Miss Elizabeth Chandler, Miss Virginia Chandler and Miss Datha Wilson, of Athens, Ga.

Rodney Durrance, Harry McFarrin, Paul McFarland, Fredick Wilde, Holland Stebbins, Lusby Rawlings, Devon Reddick, Philip Boardman, Rudolph Conely, Iva Farnell and James Davis.

Miss Datha Wilson Honoree at Bridge Luncheon.

Miss Ruth Hall entertained with a delightful bridge luncheon Saturday noon in honor of her guest Miss Datha Wilson, of Athens, Ga.

Tallies, prizes and decorations in the reception room, were in Christmas designs and colors. Luncheon of fruit-cocktail in orange baskets, cream-chicken in patty shells, potato chips, fruit salad, hot chocolate, snow pudding and cake, was served.

Miss Margaret Pardee was awarded high prize, a lovely evening handkerchief, Miss Christine Reeves was given a novelty tape measure as consolation.

Those enjoying this attractive party were: Miss Caroline Wilde, Miss Lois Harrt, Miss Margaret Pardee, Mrs. R. H. Lawhorn, Mrs. Francis Shockley, Miss Marjory Lacey, Miss Wava Godwin, Miss Lois Wood, Miss Mamie Barnett, Miss Ruth Hall and the honoree Miss Datha Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Epperson of Tampa, were visitors here Friday.

Watch Party at Schweigart Home.

Miss Helen Schweigart was hostess to a delightful party at her home New Years eve.

A red and green color scheme was carried out very attractively. Proms and dancing were enjoyed until the time for the old year to go and the new to come.

Cocoa and cake was served to: Miss Mildred Lee, Miss Lucile Saggus, Miss Frances Lane, Miss Katherine Saggus, Miss Dot Roberts, Miss Honey Sue Roberts, Miss Verna Heim, Miss Novella Connell, Miss Zelda Langford, Miss Guendolyn Wever, Miss Reba West, Miss Carminetta Feagin, Miss Grace and Dorothy Schweigart and the hostess, Miss Helen Schweigart.

Messrs. S. P. Durrance, Nelson Smith, Cleo James, Harrison James, Otto Foster, Walton Touchton, Fred Simpson, Marshall Jordon, Robert Roberts, Jimmy Roberts, W. A. Maddox, Paul Baldwin and Claude Dailey.

Mrs. A. C. West Hostess at Bridge Luncheon.

Mrs. A. C. West entertained with a lovely bridge luncheon Friday afternoon in honor of her sister, Mrs. G. E. Smith, of Fredick, Md., who is her guest for the winter.

The reception rooms were attractively decorated in poinsettias and Spanish moss. After a delightful luncheon four games of bridge were enjoyed. Mrs. G. P. Thayer was awarded high prize and Mrs. W. H. McKalip was given second high.

Those present at this lovely affair were: Mesdames G. P. Thayer, W. H. McKalip, C. H. Pardee, S. C. Pardee, W. P. Yates, M. E. Covington, Paul Rumpsa, B. H. Webster, of New York, A. C. Pringle, H. J. Harrolson, of Atlanta, and Miss Mattie Thompkins.

Mrs. West was assisted in entertaining by Mrs. W. S. Rawlings.

Missionary Society Watch Party.

The Missionary Society of the First Methodist Church gave a lovely Watch Party at the home of Mrs. B. H. James last Tuesday evening.

A program consisting of readings from Mrs. J. L. Harralson, Mrs. J. L. Cloud, little Miss Anna Dee Roberts, B. H. James, and Rev. A. H. Hancock, and musical selections by Elmo and Sara Hancock and old fashioned games were played. This feature was carried out beautifully in the costumes worn by Mrs. W. S. Rawlings, Mrs. I. M. Chandler and Mrs. J. A. Jackson.

Refreshments of cocoa and doughnuts was served.

At 12 o'clock the social was given over to a New Years devotional, lead by Rev. Hancock.

Mrs. DeLaney Hostess at New Year's Party.

Mrs. E. A. DeLaney entertained at her home Tuesday evening with a delightful New Year's Eve party. Poinsettias in attractive baskets formed the decorations. Dancing and games were enjoyed. A midnight lunch was served and much fun was had in watching the old year pass and the new enter.

Those attending this merry event were: Miss Mae Ella Ratliff, Ferney Reeves, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Felknor, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Butler, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Durrh Martin, Miss Barbara Wever, Miss Joan Bryant, Jack Brown, of Lake Wales, Bert Simpson, Miss Maud DeLaney, Randolph Bryant, Miss Magaline Sheffield of Wauchula, and Mrs. E. A. DeLaney.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Latham and son Buck, Miss Maxine Tillison and H. S. Thomason motored to Sarasota Sunday and were visitors at Ringling Brothers circus winter quarters.

Miss Verna Heim Hostess at Dinner Party.

One of the most attractive dinner parties of the season was given by Miss Verna Heim, Wednesday evening at 6:30 o'clock at her home.

Favors and place cards were in Christmas design as were the floral decorations. A two-course dinner was served. After the delightful dinner the guests motored to Sebring where they attended the show.

Those attending were: Miss Oleta Bigbie, Miss Carminetta Feagin, Miss Jeraldine Heim, and Miss Verna Heim. S. P. Durrance, Rodney Durrance, Fred Simpson, and Eugene Zimmermans, Sebring.

Mrs. Coen Hostess at Luncheon.

Mrs. J. B. Coen, Sr., entertained at her home on Lake avenue Monday noon with a lovely luncheon. Holiday decorations prevailed and dinner was served family style to the happy group.

Covers were laid for: Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Lee, Mrs. D. W. Marsh, of Cross City, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Coen, Jr., and daughters, Mary and Florence Gayle and the hosts, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Coen, Sr.

Miss Katherine Saggus Hostess at Slumber Party.

A number of the younger set were entertained by Miss Katherine Saggus with a slumber party at her home last Monday evening. Cards and games proved lively entertainment.

Those present were: Misses Shirley Shepherd, Wava Godwin, Elizabeth Chandler, Kitty Lou Martin, Charrollette Shepherd, Virginia Chandler.

Mrs. Mammie Barnett will return to Umatilla, Sunday.

Mrs. G. T. Nelson of Sebring, was a visitor here Friday.

S. P. Durrance spent Monday and Tuesday in Waycross, Ga.

Adam Shaffer will leave Sunday on a business trip to Miami.

George Wood of Lakeland was visiting friends here Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Lee spent Thursday and Friday in Tampa.

J. M. McCorkle and family have returned from Jamestown, N. Y.

Mrs. C. P. Garrison and son are visitors of relatives in Bradenton.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Peters and daughter, spent Sunday in Bartow.

Miss Louise Wolf left Wednesday for Southern College at Lakeland.

Miss Oleta Bigbie is visiting Miss Mary Wolf in Sebring, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Davis and son, motored to Sarasota, Wednesday.

Mrs. G. A. Stebbins was the guest of friends in Tampa, Monday.

Mrs. Dan Griffith of Moore Haven was visiting friends here Sunday.

Miss Souri Lee Kemp and Miss Mabel Seybert spent Sunday in Arcadia.

Mr. and Mrs. Durrh Martin, Purdee Martin, left Tuesday for Detroit.

Will Hoping of Granton, Nebr., is spending a week with E. N. Ggiffth.

Miss Dot Robberts and Kensy Webb, of Sarasota, motored to Tampa, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Pitchford of Walhalla, S. C., are the guests of Mrs. T. H. Hughs.

John Beckwith motored to Deland Friday to spend the week-end.

Miss Mae Ella Ratliff and Ferney Reeves, attended the show in Sebring, Thursday night.

Miss Lois Rish and Forest Park, attended the Vitaphone in Lake Wales New Years day.

Miss Eileen Elliot of Frostproof is spending the week as the guest of Mrs. Park Anderson.

Miss Margaret Pottinger, of Winter Haven is the guest of Miss Marguerite Sheffield.

Mr. and Mrs. George Crews formally of Canal Point, are now making their home here.

Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Medows, formally of Frostproof are now making their home here.

Miss Margaret Peterson of Kissimmee, was the guest of Miss Inez Dawson, Thursday.

Miss Wilda Marsh and Mrs. D. W. Marsh of Cross City, were the guests of Mrs. J. M. Lee.

Judge W. S. Collins of Titusville, was the week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Collins.

Mrs. L. N. Smith of Clewiston, returned Tuesday accompanied by her mother, Mrs. B. F. Martin.

Miss Creola Fortner, who spent the holidays with friends in Rome, Ga., has returned to Avon Park.

Miss Oleta Bigbee and Miss Bonnie Lee Douglas attended the talkies in Sebring, Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Carney, of Lake Wales, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Carney here.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Van Develde and children of Moore Haven spent Sunday with Mrs. J. D. Cochrane.

Dr. and Mrs. I. W. Chandler and Misses Elizabeth and Virginia Chandler, spent Friday in Tampa.

Mrs. John Jackson and Mrs. Anabell, formerly of New York, spent the day in Lake Wales, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Epperson and children of Tampa were the holiday guests of friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Dawson, Miss Inez Dawson, Billy and Buddy Dawson, spent Sunday in Kissimmee.

Mrs. C. A. Crews and children and Miss Mertice Coker motored to Wauchula Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Bertha Cameron of Lakeland, spent the holidays here as the guest of her mother, Mrs. W. D. Cameron.

Miss Souri Lee Kemp will leave Wednesday for Atlanta, to be with her father, who will undergo an operation.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Rector. of St. Petersburg, are the week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Rawlings.

H. S. Thompson, Miss Mildred Beckwith, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Thompson, spent Wednesday in Lakeland.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. White of Winter Haven, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Overstreet for the holidays.

Miss Mildred Beckwith left Sunday for Miami, where she will enter the Jackson Memorial hospital for training.

Lusby Rawlings left Wednesday for University of Virginia, after spending the holidays with his parents, here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Kuhn and daughter, Miss Mabel Kuhn of Ft. Meade, were the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Thomason New Years day.

Miss Mabel Seybert has returned to her home after spending the holidays with friends in West Palm Beach.

Mrs. Roland Droit and Mrs. T. W. Lofton are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Melton in Homestead.

Miss Inez Dawson, Miss Jeroldine Heim, Pate Grace, and Check Grace, attended the talkies in Sebring Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Smith, Detroit, Mich., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Grey. They will spend the winter here.

Mrs. G. D. Godwin, Miss Wava Godwin, Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler Sheffield and G. D. Godwin were in Tampa, Saturday.

Mrs. Ira Dickson and two children of Paducak, Ky., have arrived to spend several weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Noble Allison.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Waters and children of Avon Park will make their home in Sebring, where Mr. Waters will be in business.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Epperson and children have returned from Williston, Fla., where they spent the holidays with relatives.

Miss Hildreth Wilson and her brother Druid Wilson of Lakeland were the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Shockley, Thursday.

Miss Hazel Overstreet left Wednesday for Winter Haven, where she will spend a few days as the guest of her sister, Mrs. O. C. White.

Miss Oleta Bigbie, Miss Verna Heim, Peewee Zimmermans, and Rodney Durrance, attended the show in Sebring Wednesday evening.

Paul Bryant of Madison, Ga., former resident of Avon Park, is renewing old acquaintances in this city. He is the guest of B. L. Adams while here.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Goodrich of Eagle River, Wis., are spending their fourth winter in Florida, and are now the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stevens.

Holland Stebbins who has been the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Stebbins during the holidays, returns to his school, the Georgia Tech., Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Lofton and Mrs. Roland Droit left Monday for Homestead, where they will spend the week with their parents, Rev. and Mrs. W. E. Melton.

Mr. and Mrs. William Reitzner and daughter, Miss Doris Reitzner of Rock Island, Ill., arrived Tuesday to be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Guerndt for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Durrah Martin who have been the guest of Mrs. Martin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Guerndt for several weeks left Tuesday for their home in Detroit, Mich.

Mrs. Paul Jett was hostess at two-course dinner Sunday noon entertaining Mrs. Russel Tunney of Colorado, Mrs. Ellen Smith of Clewiston and Miss Tillie Marsh of Jacksonville.

Mesdames G. A. Stebbins, Anna K. Stevens, Ola Head, Anna James and Mrs. W. A. McFarland attended the installation of officers of the Order of the Eastern Star at Sebring Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Stansbourgh, of Tampa, who have been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Shockley returned home Saturday accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Shockley, who were their guest at a house party last week-end.

Miss Myrtle Crump of Tampa, state manager of the Woodmen Circle, was the guest of friends in Avon Park Thursday and attended a meeting of the Circle which was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Noland. Several visitors from Frostproof were present.

BUICK INSTITUTE TRAIN MEN FOR SERVICE WORK

Approximately Six Hundred Men Have Completed This Course

Automotive service has always been a vital consideration in the problems confronting the automobile manufacturer. The Buick Motor company has been foremost in the emphasis of this point and an indication of this emphasis is in the extensive training program for service men that is carried on by that company through the General Motors Institute of Technology.

As a part of this program, a three-months course in Buick authorized service has been conducted since the fall of 1923. The course is offered to men who are already in the Buick service organization and who recognize the value of a more specialized knowledge and training in Service Station Management and modern methods of maintenance and repair of Buick and Marquette automobiles.

Since its conception, approximately six hundred men have completed this course of training. In practically every case the graduates who were experienced men before entering, have been able, upon their return, to do a very constructive piece of work for their respective dealers. This has been especially true when the men have returned to responsible positions in the dealer's organization as inspectors, shop foremen, service managers, etc. The success of this training has been proved and its affects felt in a large number of Buick dealer organizations.

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This course has been developed for the purpose of training men specifically for Buick - Marquette dealer organizations and is open to members of the dealer organizations or such experienced men who possess those qualities of character and personality which would warrant a Buick dealer, zone or regional service manager, or someone similarly connected with the Buick organization, to recommend him for the training.

The greatest enrollment is during the Fall, Winter and Spring months because of the opportunities at that time to take advantage of this training due to the usual slowing up of service work in all sections of the country, permitting service men to leave their respective stations for the required length of time.

The location of this training at the General Motors Institute of Technology at Flint, Mich., is a distant advantage affording the student a direct contact with the Buick factories while the instruction is closely supervised by officials of the Buick Motor company. The course offers an exceptional opportunity to men in the service field and is indicative of the wide scope of the service program of the Buick Motor company.

Cases Filed In Office Clerk of Circuit Court

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

Daniel F. Ranhan and Sarah Jane Ranahan, joined by her husband and next friend, Daniel F. Ranahan vs. Brear Realty Co., a corporation of Florida, Joseph J. Hensen (alias Hesan, alias Hessan) J. M. McGuown (alias McQuown, alias McQuion) and Sebring Builders Supply Co., a corporation of Florida.

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Public utilities; complete water, power and light plants and systems, will accommodate about eight thousand users—original cost price about eight years ago more than $450,000.00; now clear, good titles, want borrow $100,000.00, will pay 8% and bonus of $25,000.00 or will sacrifice for cash, or consider trade as whole clear.

Timber and Mineral lands, 15,000 acres very desirably located, now clear all encumbrances, good title, trade for large improved properties assume some encumbrances or if clear would pay some cash difference.

Proven oil properties in three different states and fields clear, will lease or trade, production all around them.

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Mrs. D. G. Perry was hostess to the Monday Afternoon Bridge Club Monday afternoon. The rooms were prettily decorated with Christmas greens and flowers. Mrs. Booth was declared winner of high score while second was awarded to Mrs. A. R. Pringle. Club guest were Mrs. Park Anderson and Mrs. D. V. Rouse. After the game the hostess served a salad course.

Notice of Meeting.

The annual business meeting of the Congregational church will be held Thursday evening, Jan. 9 at 7:30, with annual reports of all officers and organizations, and election of officers for terms expired.

GENERAL NEWS OVER FLORIDA THIS WEEK

Industrial, Financial and Agricultural News Of Interest

To help tourists secure automobiles license plates while wintering in Florida, affidavits have been made up in forms by the local auto tag agency at Tampa. The tourist may sign one of these and present it in lieu of a tax receipt, provided he has paid his personal taxes in his county and is not employed in Florida.

An air meet, which is expected to write history in Central Florida has been tentatively set for January 20 in Orlando by the joint aviation committee of the Orlando Junior Chamber of Commerce and the Exchange club, which are sponsoring the derby. The program will start Sunday, January 18, with the arrival of a fleet of ships making a state-wide aerial tour following the Miami air meet January 13-15 which, it is predicted, will be the largest and most elaborate event of its kind ever held in the South.

C. C. Commander, general manager of the Florida Citrus Exchange, is to represent the citrus industry of the entire United States at a co-operative marketing conference in Washington on January 14, called by the Federal Farm Board. Nearly all of the other 21 men invited also are officers of growers' selling organizations, six representing apples, four potatoes, two canneries and one general fruit growing.

For use in beautifying Florida parks, highways and idle acres, over 300,000 slash and longleaf pines are growing at the Raiford state farm for distribution at cost, which will not exceed $4 a thousand, it is stated. The Bonifay Advertiser says a one-acre plot with 680 slash pine trees will be used in that section to illustrate the growth and benefit of this tree to the farmers who desire to make their idle acres productive. One acre will take about 700 trees, and it is stated that two men can plant them in less than a day, so the cost of planting idle acres to productive and valuable pine is not so great.

Fifty-two road and bridge projects contracted by the state road department during 1929 represent construction amounting to $5,465,236,25. Included in the program are 310 miles of highway and 7,319 feet of bridges, 39 miles of paved road being concrete. Twenty-eight counties are effected in the system which received awards during the year just closing. Only 19.13 miles of roadway contracted during the last year was classed as sand clay, all other types being hard surfaced.

W. M. Fifield, chancellor of the Florida Chapter of Alpha Zeta, national honorary agricultural student fraternity, represented the chapter at the Biennial Conclave held in Louisville, Ky., December 28-31.

Legal Advertisement.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MASTER'S SALE.

IN CIRCUIT COURT, NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY.—IN CHANCERY.
CHARLES H. WYACK, Complainant, vs. C. B. EARLY and CARRIE EARLY, his wife, M. W. BAKER and JOSIE B. BAKER, his wife, and HENRY SHARPE, Defendants.

Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of that Final Decree rendered in the above styled cause pending in the Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida, wherein C. B. Early and Carrie Early, his wife, M. W. Baker and Josie B. Baker, his wife, and Henry Sharpe are Defendants, on the 15th day of November, 1929, by the Honorable W. J. Barker, Judge of said Court, I will offer for sale and sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in front of the courthouse door in Sebring, Highlands County, Florida, on Monday, the 6th day of January, 1930, between the hours of 11 o'clock A. M. and 2 o'clock P. M., being the legal hours of sale, the following described real estate in Highlands County, Florida, to-wit:

Lot Ten (10), Block Seventy-nine (79), in the Town of Sebring, Highlands County, Florida, as said lot is distinguished on the recorded plat of said town in the public records of said County and State,

to satisfy the terms of said decree, and I will make and execute at such time a Special Master's Deed conveying the said property.

R. A. RASCO,
Special Master.
A. E. LAWRENCE,
Solicitor for Complainant.
Dec.6-13-20-27 Jan.3

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATOR. (For Final Discharge)

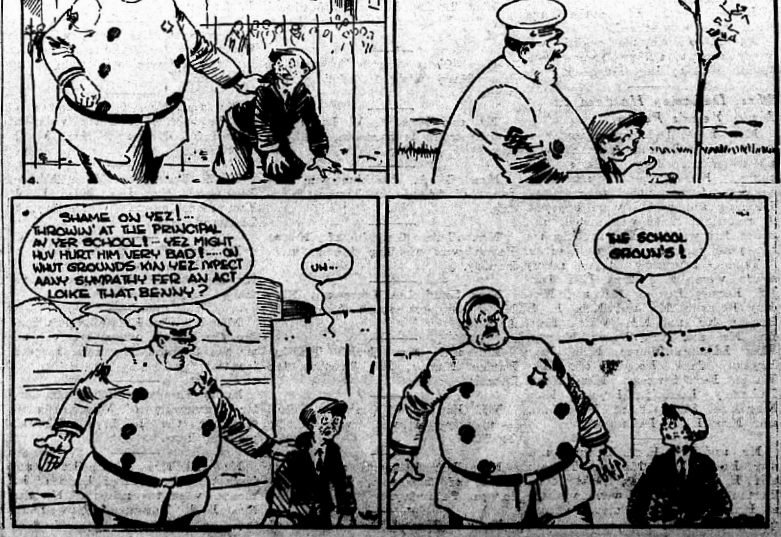
IN COURT OF COUNTY JUDGE, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, STATE OF FLORIDA.
In re Estate of A. A. ROBERTSON.

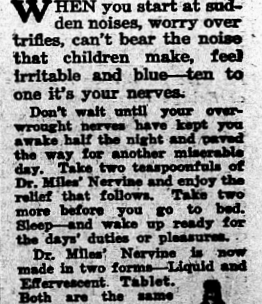
Notice is hereby given, to all whom it may concern, that on the 15th day of January, A. D. 1930, shall apply to the Honorable M. C. Whitehurst, Judge of said Court, as Judge of Probate, for final discharge as Administrator of the estate of A. A. Robertson, deceased, and that at the same time I will present to said Court my final accounts as Administrator of said estate, and ask for their approval.

Dated Nov. 13, A. D. 1929.
J. L. MASTERS,
Nov.15-Jan.10-incl. Administrator.

FINNEY OF THE FORCE

By F. O. Alexander





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The Other Feller's Game

By GARRET SMITH

(Continued from page two)

"Guess he's got a hen on all right an's gettin' anxious about it," he mumbled happily.

At a late hour the following evening, he found a memo saying Mr. Harding wanted to see him at the bank. Chan was there when the bank opened next morning.

"I got your bonds, Chan," Harding greeted him. "So if you'll turn over that two thousand an' sign contract to buy 'em, I'll hold 'em as security till you pay the balance. I suppose you want to make monthly payments?"

"Well, no. Jest set down that I'll pay fer 'em in a month 'er give 'em up again. Maybe I'll pay fer 'em sooner."

The banker looked at him with a mixture of bewilderment and unbelief.

"See here, you ol' coot! What you givnin' us anyhow? I know you're honest as the day is long an' as long as you put your name on the dotted line an' I got good security, how you're goin' to raise money ain't any business of mine, but I hope you ain't been lettin' a slick sharper sing you a song about git-rich-quick profits."

"I'm lettin' anybody that wants to sing, sing his fool head off, but I don't aim to go to sleep on him none er do any dancin' to his tunes. You ain't seen nothin' green in my eyes fer quite a spell. I usually tell ye what's on my mind, Cass, but this happens to be confidential even to you. I can't tell ye a thing, 'thout lyin' to ye an' I ain't never lied to ye yit. 'Stid o' that I'm goin' to ask ye to stretch thet banker's conscience o' your'n a little further. I want you to let me have personal custody o' them bonds fer a few days."

"What!"

"Ye see I got to show 'em to somebody as an evidence o' good faith. You see I'm dealin' with a feller that don't swaller everything I say like you do an' there might not be time er chance fer him to git in touch with you an' prove I've got them bonds. I won't do any misrepresentin' about 'em an' I won't let 'em out o' my sight fer a second."

"Lucky fer you this is a private bank. All right. What you say sounds like plump nonsense, but long's it's you it goes. Give me a receipt fer 'em an' take 'em. If ye lose 'em God help ye."

So it was finally arranged and Chan made his way back to the Red Mountain House with $20,000 worth of Consolidated Power bonds in his pocket. He sought out Demorest.

"Say, I been jumpin' round so fast lately I just ain't had time to talk to nobody. Heard you wanted to see me. Anything wrong with the cottage?" he asked.

"Oh, no." Demorest assured him, "I just got word about that stock I told you ought to be a good buy. It's O. K. I've ordered $50,000 worth for myself and I can get you a block of it. It isn't on the open market yet and the issue is pretty well taken up, so you'll have to speak quick."

Thereupon Demorest launched into a description of a stock known as Southwestern Agricultural Corporation, Limited.

"Say," Chan said, "that certainly sounds good to me. An' don't it beat the Dickens thet jest when I got a chance like this, I find myself tied up tight's a drum."

"Can't raise any money, eh?" Demorest asked.

"That's the Dickens part of it. I got to raise a lot of money for another purpose an' do it quick or lose all I put into a certain deal that's got a sure-fire fortune in it. Why, month from now, at the latest, if I could raise the money I need right now to carry on with, I could buy, say $20,000 worth o' that stock o' yours."

"I remember you spoke the other day of developing the land around here for summer resort purposes," Demorest remarked.

"Developin' land!" Chan exclaimed. "Did I speak o' that?"

"You mentioned it. It's barely possible, although real estate speculation is out of my line, that if this deal looks all right I might take an interest in it just to help you out."

"Oh, thet! Why—guess I did say somethin' 'long that line, jest suggestin' what somebody with money an' brains might do. But that ain't what I'm workin' now."

"Oh, this is something else again?"

"Yeah. After it's all over you'll see how different it is, when I'm privileged to explain. Wish I could take you in on it now. But if I let the cat outa the bag now the deal would be off. Only way you could come in on it would be for you to lend me some money personal to put in on it an' I tie myself up with you some way so you git your share o' the profits."

"I'm certainly not investing in anything I don't know anything about and I'm not in the money-lending business."

"But mebbe now if I was to give you sure-fire security and fix it so you could make at the rate of say ten per cent a week, you might be interested," Chan persisted, "'specially if I'm goin' to invest the profits of this deal in stock you're interested in. Oh, I take it fer granted you'll make somethin' outa sellin' me that stock an' you oughta. Fact is, I need money so bad right now an' got such prospects from the use of it, I can afford to pay heavy fer it."

Demorest maintained a poker face. "Show me," he said dryly.

Reluctantly Chan drew from his pocket the envelope containing the $20,000 worth of Consolidated Power bonds.

"Those yours?" he demanded.

"Didn't think I stole 'em, did ye?"

"What's the big idea then? You can sell these easy or borrow almost to their par value."

"Oh, I don't need more than $18,000. These are worth $20,000 an' goin' up stiddy. But the trouble is the bank down here is the only place I could go to borrow on 'em quick. In the first place, I'd have to tell the president jest what I wanted the money fer. In the second place, I already made a little loan from him kinda personal on the strength of ownin' these bonds. He's a good friend o' mine an' didn't make me leave 'em with him as actual security, but if I tried to sell 'em er borrow a lot o' money on 'em, he'd raise hob.

"See here. I'd pay you $2,000 cash fer the use of $18,000 fer jest one week. An' I jest been thinkin' how I could do it so there wouldn't be anythin' embarrassin' on record an' I could be sorta keepin' my word to Cass Harding. You give me $18,000 in currency an' I give you the bonds. We jest seal up the bonds in an envelope an' put 'em in a safe deposit. You give me an option to buy these bonds o' you one week from date, at the market, that is $20,000 an' mebbe more. So there won't be any record o' my borrowin' the bonds to keep if I ain't able to buy 'em back."

The prospect of making $2,000 in a week finally won Demorest over. Chan took him to the bank and introduced him to the president. Demorest rented a safe deposit box and arranged with Harding to telegraph his bank in New York and negotiate a transfer of $18,000 credit to Demorest.

Early that afternoon Harding telephoned that Demorest's currency was ready for him and again the pair adjourned to the bank. With the money in hand, they retired to a conference room to complete the matter of Chan's little loan.

"Better check them bonds over ag'in 'fore we seal 'em," Chan told Demorest, taking the envelope from his pocket and tossing it over to the other man.

Demorest in his turn passed over the sheaf of bills and while Chan counted and pocketed them, went over the bonds again carefully.

"All O. K." he said. "Here's the option on them."

He handed Chan the paper agreed upon.

"Fine!" Chan exclaimed, reaching for the envelope and taking some seals from his pocket. "Jest let me seal that up now an' label it."

After the flap was fast, he wrote across the gum-paper seals, "Bonds held for Chauncey Potter to be delivered to him on fulfillment of option held by him, on or before date when said option expires.

"Jest as well to have thet on the envelope in case you git drowned fishin' er somethin'. Then I could purchase 'em of your estate on presentin' my option. But I want you to live till I close this deal so I can finish the dicker over them farm bonds."

He inspected the drying ink and gave the envelope one more flourish, then handed it to Demorest.

"There ye are. Jest put yer John Hancock under thet writin' an' stick it in yer safe deposit box, while I talk to Mr. Harding about another matter. Be ready to go back with you by time you're through."

In Harding's office Chan drew from his pocket a long envelope, an exact duplicate of the one Demorest was at that moment slipping into the new safe deposit box, even to the instructions Chan had written across the sealed flap, lacking only the signature Demorest had just placed on its twin. Ripping open the seals, Chan drew from the envelope a sheaf of Consolidated Power bonds, also strangely duplicating the supposed contents of the other envelope. These he placed on Harding's desk.

"There you are, them bonds back ag'in all shipshape," he announced. "Guess I better let ye keep 'em fer me, but I might's well finish payin' fer 'em."

And he placed the $18,000 on the desk beside them.

"Well, I'll be darned!" the president exclaimed. "Quick work! I sort of reckoned your friend Demorest was gettin' that money fer you. I hope y're through with him, now I see you got real money outa him. Somehow I don't like that critter any too well. I've been worryin' fer fear you'd get stung."

"Nope. Jest kind of got unstung. Tell ye about it later."

Next morning when Chan Potter appeared at breakfast his face was on full view again, free from bandages and tinted glasses and, curiously enough, devoid of any hint of a scar from his late injuries. The most interested observer of this phenomenon was Mr. Martin Demorest. He viewed the features thus newly exposed to him with a start like that of a man suddenly confronted with a long-lost acquaintance. But the expression that followed his first surprise was not one of delight, rather that of ill-concealed consternation. He displayed sudden distaste for food and presently left the table with his breakfast practically untasted.

Outside the dining room door, he hurried to the desk.

"I find I'll have to go down to New York for a couple of days. Will you have a man run me down to the station?"

An hour later, Martin Demorest, his face now given over to an even greater degree of dejection, sat in the New York Limited, fast leaving Red Mountain behind forever. On his knees lay an envelope, its seals broken and its contents spread out.

They included a sheaf of neatly printed stock certificates bearing the name of the Southwestern Agricultural Corporation, Limited, a familiar security to Demorest, the one he had recommended so glowingly to Chan Potter, but, as he and Chan both knew, worth just the value of the paper the pretty certificates were printed on. These certificates were signed, "Amos P. Mercer, President," in script not at all dissimilar to that recording the name of Martin Demorest on the register of the Red Mountain Hotel.

With these certificates was the following illuminating bill:

Amos P. Mercer (alyus Martin Demorest)
to Chauncey Potter, Dr.

To 500 shares of Southwestern Agricultural Corporation, Lt., at price guaranteed by seller at time of purchase, as of this date	$10,000.00
To dividends in arrears for five years, at rate guaranteed at time of purchase	7,000.00
To cost of printing special circular of Red Mountain House and mailing same to seller for five years	50.00
To rent of cottage at Red Mountain House for three months, as contracted	900.00
To unpaid tips to employees and other sundries	50.00
Total	$18,000.00

Received payment in full,
Chauncey Potter
Thank you.

And about the time Demorest (or Mercer) was tearing this impudent document into bits and casting them from the car window, Chan Potter was completing the choice recital of the episode to his appreciative friend, Cass Harding, in the privacy of the banker's office.

"You see," he wound up, "time I fell fer his phony stock was thet winter five years ago I was spendin' in New York. He never did git me connected with Red Mountain, so I figgered by leavin' my name off that special circular I kept sendin' him, he'd never suspect anything an' some day when things got hot fer him in New York an' he wanted a quiet hidin' place fer a spell, he might come here. By this time I knew he wouldn't remember my name among all his sucker lists. But I was afraid, after the lickin' I giv' him in his office when I found out he'd been too clever fer the law to touch, he might jest possibly remember my face. So I fixed up thet little horseshoe accident an' them bandages as an ambush."

"But I still don't see jest how ye switched them envelopes on him."

For answer, Chan picked up the envelope and weaved it swiftly.

"Step up, gents an' watch close," he intoned. "It's the old ar-rmy game. The hand's quicker'n the eye, gents, quicker'n the eye."

Then he laid on the desk, not the envelope, but the blotter he had spirited off the table.

"See?" Chan inquired. "One of the oldest games there is. Thet's the way to ketch 'em, like I always said, git 'em away from home an' then let 'em play their own game."

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Start with a Clean Slate

Moses Folsom, versatile writer of facts, who compiles a page of Florida material for the Florida Times-Union each week, is 82 years old, and still full of life and vigor, carrying a burden of work that would swamp many a young man. He is secretary of the State Marketing Bureau, having held that position since 1917, and in conducting a department for the Times-Union he has that newspaper touch without which he could not be happy. Moses Folsom is a newspaper man of many years' standing, says the St. Augustine Record.

To give best results a variety of pecan should bear at an early age, produce medium to large nuts, and be resistant to disease and insect attacks.

Preparation should be made for planting tobacco beds. It should be remembered that most tobacco diseases are conquered in the plant bed.

Keeping flower beds and borders cleaned out will destroy a lot of disease fungi.

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CHEVROLET ANNOUNCES A NEW CAR FOR 1930

Production Being Speded Up With All Haste To Accommodate Early Demand

The Chevrolet Motor company today announces a new car for 1930 known as "The Greatest Chevrolet in Chevrolet History."

Announcement of the new car today comes right at the close of Chevrolet's greatest year, for the sensational success of the six-cylinder Chevrolet, introduced just a year ago, resulted in an output of 1,350,000 cars this year, breaking by a wide margin all former Chevrolet annual production records.

In making public Chevrolet's plans for 1930, W. S. Knudsen, president and general manager, declared that with the improvements incorporated in the new car, Chevrolet was anticipating a volume of business that will equal, if not surpass, the phenomenal record of 1929. And, in order to accommodate an early demand, production is being speeded with all the haste consistent with the precision methods for which Chevrolet manufacturing operations are famous.

New car shipments have been going out to dealers for the past 10 days, with deliveries to owners scheduled to start today. The cars went on display this morning in thousands of Chevrolet showrooms from coast to coast, while at the same time the announcement of the new car was being broadcast through the advertising columns of more than 6,500 newspapers.

Scores of distinct improvements have been made in the 1930 Chevrolet line, the factory announces. Greater beauty, added safety factors, improved riding comfort and better all-round performance with added power, and faster acceleration are announced as features of the new line.

Larger tires, small wheels, Delco-Lovejoy hydraulic shock absorbers at all four wheels, Fisher slanting non-glare VV windshield and vastly improved four wheel braking system are some of the highlights.

Brakes are of the internal expanding "articulated shoe type" both front and rear, those on the front wheels having two shoes while those on the rear have four. These brakes, also, are fully enclosed giving perfect protection against water and dirt.

The brakes represent an innovation not only in the Chevrolet line but in the entire passenger car field. The length of service that these linings give in the new design Chevrolet brakes is second to none. The brakes may be adjusted without the removal of any plates from the brake drum and operate with equal efficiency on all four wheels. The brake drums are 11½ inch in diameter. The emergency brake is an independent unit operating on the rear drums. A new method of construction known as the "articulated shoe type" assures uniform braking under all conditions of temperature. Tests at the General Motors Proving Ground show that the new brake will stop a car traveling 30 miles per hour in two and two-tenth seconds within 48 feet.

The attractive new closed bodies, in a variety of colors, carry the famous Fisher stamp of craftsmanship. Eight models, three of which are new to Chevrolet, comprise the line. Of the eight, five are closed cars and three are open. The closed cars are the sedan, coach, coupe, sport coupe and club sedan. The open models are the roadster, sport roadster and phaeton. The models new to the line this year are the sport coupe, sport roadster and club sedan.

Leigh Chapter O. E. S. met in regular session Friday night at the Masonic Temple with Ola Head, Worthy Matron, presiding. Plans were made for the installation of the newly elected officers by Mrs. Mamie Lander, Worthy Grand Matron, Jan. 3rd. After the business meeting a social hour was enjoyed by those present.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

FOR JANUARY 5, 1930.

SUBJECT: Childhood of Jesus.

GOLDEN TEXT: "Thou shalt call his name Jesus: for he shall save his people from their sins." Matt. 1:21.

LESSON TEXT: To be read, Matt. 1:1 to 2:23; the printed part, Matt. 1:2-23.

Jesus was born in Bethlehem, Judea. The date of his birth has been fixed as December, B. C. 5. This seems strange. Tarbell's Teacher's Guide says:

"Our present system of chronology, by which we reckon the years before and after the birth of Christ (B. C., before Christ; A. D., Anno Domini, in the year of our Lord), was established in the sixth century A. D. The task of computing the birth of Christ so as to make a new reckoning was given in the sixth century to a learned monk named Dionysius. He made an error in his computation and placed the date several years too late. Herod died in April 750 (B. C. 4). Some months must have intervened between the birth of Jesus and the slaughter of the babes at Bethlehem by Herod and the latter's death, Joseph, having meanwhile taken Mary and the young child into Egypt (Mt. 2.16, 19). The date usually accepted for his birth is B. C. 5, four years and one week (if we accept Dec. 25th as the day) before the year which is called A. D. 1. In January A. D. 2, Jesus was five years old; in January A. D. 3, Jesus was six years old; thus we must always add three years to the date of any event to determine his age at that time."

Jesus was crucified in April, A. D. 27, but he was a little more than thirty years old.

Another troublesome point about Jesus is, how is he shown to be a descendant of King David?

Arnold's Commentary gives this explanation:

"Mathew gives the genealogy of Jesus back through David to Abraham. Luke gives the genealogy back through David to Adam (Luke 3:23-38). From David down to Jesus Luke's list of names differed widely from Matthew's. Eminent scholars conclude that both Joseph and Mary descended from David and that Luke gives the genealogy of Mary, for Heli, mentioned as the father of Joseph, was really the father of Mary and only father-in-law to Joseph."

In the lesson for December 22nd we studied about the birth of Jesus and the appearance of the angel to the shepherds who left their flocks and went into Bethlehem and found the babe Jesus in the manger.

Immediately following that lesson Luke tells of Joseph and Mary taking the child to the temple at Jerusalem and offering the required sacrifice.

Then they probably returned to Bethlehem where they remained until the wise men, being led by a star, came from the east to worship the new born Christ, as told by Matthew. They stopped at Jerusalem and inquired of Herod the king "Where is he that is born King of the Jews?" "Herod was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him." He called the chief priests and scribes who told him the child was to be born in Bethlehem. Then Herod asked the wise men "What time the star appeared, and he sent them to Bethlehem, and said * * search diligently for the young child; and * * bring me word again." Herod had slain most all who might claim his kingdom, and now he desired information that would enable him to kill this hild. Our lessons says, of the wise men, "When they were come into the house, they saw the young child, with Mary his mother, and fell down and worshipped him * * and presented him with gifts; gold and frankincense and myrrh. And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way." Immediately God warned Joseph to take this child and Mary into Egypt, saying, "Herod will seek the young child to destroy him." Joseph did that. "Then Herod * * was exceeding wroth * * and slew all the children that were in Bethlehem * * from two years old and under," thus thinking he would kill the child Jesus. Afterward Herod died, and an angel appeared to Joseph in Egypt and told him to "take the young child and his mother, and go into the land of Israel." Joseph took them and started, but heard that a son of Herod was king, and, "being warned of God, * * he turned aside into the parts of Galilee * * a city called Nazareth in order that Jesus might be called a Nazarene." In studying this lesson you should read the first two chapters of Matthew. You will find five places where an angel appeared with some message concerning Jesus.

For six months now we are to study about Jesus, his teachings and kingdom.

Weekly Weather Report by Observer

	Mex.	Min.	Rain-fall
Dec. 22	76	56	.50
Dec. 23	68	46	.03
Dec. 24	68	39	.16
Dec. 25	59	30	....
Dec. 26	64	31	....
Dec. 27	75	40	....
Dec. 28	78	41	....
		Total	.69

Mean maximum, 69.70.
Mean minimum, 40.43.
Mean, 55.10.
M. W. Lance, Observer.

SOUTH SIDE NEWS

By WILEY CLARK

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Armstrong and children and Mrs. Armstrong's mother, Mrs. Johns, were visiting relatives in Manatee Saturday.

The Crate Mills have started up again full force, expecting to continue for some time if conditions permit.

Raymond Shaw and family left Saturday for Bowling Green, where he intends to farm this year.

Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Perry are the proud parents of a daughter, born to them Thursday morning, December 26.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. DeLaney gave a New Years party to celebrate the coming of the New Year, and reported a nice time.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Waldron gave a midnight supper Thursday night for those looking forward for the New Year.

Joe Allen and family spent the latter part of last week with his brother at Zolfo.

C. C. Folson, Ellis Clark and Linsday Peters spent the day hunting Saturday, but it was a bad day, consequently no luck.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Wald of Lake Wales have moved back to Avon Park, where he will work for the Mutual Crate company.

South Side Baptist Church.
J. D. DeLaney, Supt.
Wiley Clark, Sec. and Treas.
Miss Elton Perry, Pianist.
Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.
B. Y. P. U., 6:30 p. m.
Preaching services, 7:30 p. m. by Brother J. H. McClelland.
Mid-week prayer meeting Wednesday night 7:30 p. m.
The public is cordially invited.

Church of God.
Sunday school, 10:00 a. m.
Young Peoples Meeting Tuesday, 7:15 p. m.
Mid-week prayer meeting Thursday evening, 7:15 p. m.
Preaching services every Sunday and Sunday night by Rev. W. H. Yates, pastor.

Those attending the dance at Sebring Friday night were: Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jett, Miss Wilna Roberts, C. B. Martin, Check Grace, Colquitt Pardee, T. J. McGinnis, Miss Estelle Carney, Buck Pardee, Francis Roberts, Miss Eileen Elliott, Roscoe Bass, Warren Atkins, Cliff Wooten, C. P. Garrison.

ATTORNEY GENERAL GIVES OPINION ON VETS EXEMPTIONS

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is not within the category of household goods and personal effects.

Furthermore, under Section 9 of Article IX of the Constitution, only those veterans who have lost a limb in the war or were disabled in the war to the extent equal to the loss of a limb can claim the exemption, unless after the war they have suffered an accident or misfortune, which has caused them to lose a limb or been disabled to the extent equal to the loss of a limb. It must be remembered that Section 9 of Article IX of the Constitution, which gives this exemption is not a new law, but is part of the Constitution which was adopted in 1885.

Many veterans are under the impression that a service-connected disability from which they are presently suffering is a ground for claiming the exemption, but such is not the case, as the exemption is limited to those soldiers only who incurred their disability in the war.

Soldiers who have become disabled through illness or other natural causes since the war has ended cannot claim the property tax exemption under Section 9 of Article IX above referred to, but can claim the benefits of Chapter 13876, Acts of 1929, which authorizes them to obtain a free license to do business, under certain conditions. The only thing necessary to enable a disabled soldier to claim the free license is to show that he is now suffering from a disability, which makes him unable to perform manual labor.

There are a great many soldiers in Florida who are entitled to the benefits of Chapter 13876, but who would not be entitled to a property tax exemption under Section 9 of Article IX of the Constitution, which plainly limits such exemption to those persons only who suffered the loss of a limb or who were disabled in the war or subsequent thereto by misfortune having the same results.

The word "misfortune" is equivalent to the word accident and means that a soldier, although not disabled in the war, but who has had an accident since the war by which his eye was put out or his leg cut off, or some such injury was inflicted, can still claim the exemption on that ground, but that ground only.

In those cases where tax assessments have been made against disabled World War veterans without allowing them the exemption to which they might be entitled under Section 9 of Article IX, the procedure is to establish the right to such exemption by making claim for same by affidavit before the tax collector. If the tax collector is satisfied as to the claim, he should present it to the county commissioners, who are authorized to approve the same, after which the tax collector can take credit for the exemption on his Error and Insolvency list. Inasmuch as the tax collector is charged with the amount of taxes assessed on the books, he will not be authorized to allow the exemption without first obtaining the approval of the county commissioners.

The impression seems to exist that the exemption cannot be allowed unless the tax assessor shows it on his books, but such is not the case as a person who is entitled to a tax exemption given him by the Constitution can claim such exemption up to the very day of his property for taxes. However, under the 1929 tax law, beginning with January 1st, 1930, it will be necessary for widows and disabled veterans to make a return on their property to the tax assessor and claim the exemption in such return and unless they do so the exemption cannot be allowed. See Chapter 14571, Acts of 1929. Prior to the passage of this law there was no time limit prescribed nor particular method set for claiming tax exemptions, but the effect of the new law is to require that the exemption be claimed in the return if it is to be allowed. See Section 1, paragraph 5, Chapter 14571.

The impression also seems to prevail that the Constitutional exemption which is allowable under Section 9 of Article IX is limited to State and county taxes. Such is not the case, as no city or town in this State has the right to violate the Constitution and refuse to give a Constitutional tax exemption of this character.

Yours very truly,
FRED H. DAVIS,
Attorney General.

CC—Hon. Howard Rowton,
Adjutant.
Palatka, Fla.

Sacred Concert at the Congregational

An audience that crowded the seating capacity and temporary chairs of the Congregational church on Sunday night greatly enjoyed the Sacred Concert which has been a holiday feature in the community for some years past. The choir numbers were presented by a double quartette, Sopranos Mrs. Yates and Mrs. Vaughn, altos Mrs. Garber and Mrs. Shepherd, tenors Messrs. Garber and McFerrin, basses Messrs. Anderson and Yates; accompanist, Miss Martha Marsh. Mrs. E. E. Melton gave a very appropriate and much appreciated reading, "The Christmas Substitute." Three guest artists, new to Avon Park audiences were present: Mrs. S. L. Holland presenting two solos, accompanied by Mrs. Elsa Wilson, both of Bartow, and Mrs. J. Craig Smith, who, beside a 'cello solo number, played in an instrumental trio with Miss Marsh, violin, and Mrs. Garber, piano, in the prelude and the offertoire.

Though Avon Park has lost several vocalists during the year by change of residence, and no community chorus work has been attempted this holiday season, the audience Sunday night were given full evidence that a very creditable musical program is still practicable, and the director, W. H. Yates, and his group, are to be warmly congratulated on the results achieved.

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