

Here and There About Avon Park

By W. M. Hoberington

Somewhere in our exchanges see where Mr. and Mrs. SoandSo will "remain through the season," and this reminds us that another season is at hand and we are hopeful that the s. and s.'s will take up all of the delightful rooms that we have been reserving for them all summer.

This paper is in receipt of a circular advertising some kind of a book of synonyms or what have you, and it is addressed to the Head Stenographer. The head stenographer, at the moment, and the letter was passed on to the first assistant.

Avon Park is to have an ice plant built by the Florida Public Service company, whereby anybody else builds one or not, and that is a cold proposition hot off the griddle. The gentlemen failed to say when this would come to pass, but we are led to believe that it won't be as long as it has been.

Refunding bonds to take care of the principal due and which it is impossible to pay at this time, are not only in order, but they are the only salvation of most Florida cities, Avon Park included. The issuance of refunding bonds is just like renewing a note at the bank. You pay the interest and extend the principal, and the keep your credit good. It's an old story to lots of folks, and it's good business for the city. Its credit must be kept good, too.

For awhile it seemed that radio would develop a technique of its own, but when Floyd Gibbons, hunting headlines, wire services freely drawn upon, and such journalistic luminaries as Will Rogers interpreting the news through a mike, it would seem that the radio is just another one of those THINGS.

FISH AND GAME MEET SET PRESERVE LIMITS

Meeting Held at Sebring Last Evening Is Well Attended

Over 30 citizens representing all sections of the county attended the fish and game meeting at Sebring last evening where the boundaries of the proposed new game preserve were discussed from all angles and three votes for the changes proposed by DeSoto City. As some districts had more representation than others it was moved by Jack Sims of Lake Placid that three be named from each district to cast the votes from that district and this was carried unanimously and immediately acted on.

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CONCRETE ORDERS PACKING HOUSE STREET REPAIRS

Barnett National Bank Requests City Exchange Liberty Bonds For Other Securities For Deposit.

The clay road running from Lake Avenue east between the Lake Byrd Packing house and the Citrus Exchange house was ordered jacked through to state road 8 at the council meeting Monday night. This road carries the bulk of the fruit hauling for these two houses and it is the intention of the city to get the road repaired and rebuilt where needed to take care of this traffic for this season's hauling. In addition to this Highlands avenue from Castle street to the West Beach Hotel was ordered repaired, as was also Fairfield avenue from Green street to Castle street and Castle street from Fairfield to Highlands avenue. The city will do the work by day labor and get the clay from a pit recently bought. The mayor was authorized to order two tons of fertilizer for the park.

A resolution was passed authorizing the acceptance of bonds of the Bell Telephone company of Canada, the City of Avon Park and Western Union Telegraph company, offered by the Barnett National Bank as security for city funds in lieu of Liberty bonds now held by the city. This action was brought about through refusal of the bank to allow the city to hold a \$10,000 Liberty bond formally given for security. In a recent letter President Greening notified the city that unless other bonds, a list of which was submitted, were accepted as security and the Liberty bond returned to the bank, the city would be asked to move its account.

In the resolution the city agreed to accept City of Avon Park bonds at full value, but asked as security two dollars in other bonds for every dollar of city funds.

A resolution was passed offering to take over the Boy Scout property on Lake Lotela if a note held by the receiver of the First National Bank against the property could be applied as an offset against city park funds. The proposal was made by Councilman Head who stated that the Rotary club would support the proposition and pay a certain cash balance that position developed from the DeSoto City representatives but in the final voting 12 votes were cast for the boundaries set and three votes for the changes proposed by DeSoto City. As some districts had more representation than others it was moved by Jack Sims of Lake Placid that three be named from each district to cast the votes from that district and this was carried unanimously and immediately acted on.

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Gardner Speaker at Rotary Wednesday

O. F. Gardner, of Lake Placid, president of the Associated Boards of Trade of the Sebring Highlands, was a guest at the Rotary luncheon Wednesday and made a brief talk. Other visitors were H. O. Sebring, W. Z. Cannon and C. H. Bailey of Sebring, and Col. P. E. Murray, W. W. Owens, Dr. A. B. Cannon and J. W. Truett of Frostproof. M. A. Sorenson, president in the absence of J. S. Francis, who is in Birmingham this week on a short business trip.

FOREIGN BORN CITIZEN DAY HERE OCTOBER 9

Senator Fletcher Asked To Preside On Bok's Birthday

The next meeting of the Associated Boards of Trade of the Sebring Highlands will be held in Avon Park, October 9th, and plans are under way for holding a commemorative ceremony in honor of "The Foreign Born Citizen" as part of the program. The date is the anniversary of the birth of Edward W. Bok, a foreign born citizen, who has endeared himself to the American public and who has done a great work in the building of the Bok Tower at Lake Wales in bringing the Sebring Highlands to the attention of the world.

A committee is working on plans for holding the ceremonies, the selection of a place and form of the meeting to be announced later. Norton Smith, secretary of the chamber of commerce states.

Hamilton Holt has been invited to deliver an address on "The Foreign Born Citizen," which it is proposed will be the first of a series of similar addresses to be given annually on this date. Senator Duncan U. Fletcher, of Washington, D. C.

It is proposed to hold an annual commemoration of The Foreign Born Citizen. We have selected October ninth, being the birthday of Edward W. Bok and annually hereafter.

The first commemoration will be at Avon Park with a formal address invited from Hamilton Holt because of his many foreign citizen contacts. Will you honor us by presiding over the festive gathering that is expected from all central Florida.

O. F. GARDNER, President, Associated Boards of Trade of Sebring Highlands.

NEPHEW OF LOCAL MAN DIES IN JACKSONVILLE

Nephew of Dr. Touchton Is Found Unconscious On Roadside

Word was received here Wednesday afternoon by Dr. W. C. Touchton that his nephew, Russell Kirkland, died in a Jacksonville hospital shortly after noon, after having been picked up unconscious on a roadside near the city. Kirkland, who had been visiting in the Avon Park Drug store the past summer, left here last Thursday for Macon, by way of Deland, and is thought to have left Deland sometime Tuesday. He was hitch-hiking to Macon, to re-enter Mercer university, where he was taking a pre-med course.

Dr. and Mrs. Touchton left immediately for Jacksonville and a wire from them yesterday afternoon stated that the body is being taken to Homerville, Ga., for burial today.

Yesterday's Jacksonville Times-Union gives the following account of the accident: Russell Kirkland, 22, of Homerville, Ga., a pre-medical student at Mercer University, Macon, died shortly after being admitted to St. Luke's Hospital at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon from severe injuries he received in a head-on automobile accident near Callahan.

Details of the accident were unavailable last night as the student was brought to the hospital by W. E. Schneider, 636 Clark street, Westfield, N. J., who was passing by at the time, and Mr. Schneider had resumed his journey southward.

Schneider told hospital authorities he found Kirkland on the side of the highway near Callahan. His car was wrecked in the ditch. The man was unconscious and bleeding about the head. Kirkland was placed in Schneider's car and rushed to the hospital here, but died within a few minutes after being admitted.

Jackvillone Couple Married. Ebbie B. Cottle of South Jacksonville and Sophia M. Rhoden of Jacksonville were married by County Judge M. C. Whitehurst at the court house at Sebring last Friday.

AMERICAN FRUIT GROWERS OPENED SEASON HERE WED.

Other Packing Houses Are Ready Or Nearly Ready and Will Start Work in Near Future.

The citrus season opened locally Wednesday with the picking of two cars of grapefruit by the American Fruit Growers, Inc., which will start its new packing house Monday to pack the first fruit of the season. The fruit is now in the coloring rooms preparatory to packing.

The new Blue Goose packing house, all steel and concrete throughout, with the latest designed machinery and every labor saving device known to the industry, is entirely finished and ready for operation. The plant has been in operation several days this week to get the machinery limbered up for what is thought will be the busiest season ever experienced in Avon Park.

Outside of the two cars already picked, J. E. Powell, local manager would not state whether his company would continue to move early fruit in any volume, as this would depend on the market, which is reported to have dropped \$1.25 over night Wednesday to about \$3.50 f.o.b. for No. 1 grade grapefruit.

Exchange Making Repairs. The Exchange packing house will not start operating for a week or ten days yet, according to W. T. Hall, as the house is still undergoing repairs and local officials are in no great hurry to start the market. Opinion expressed at the Exchange house is that the house will not start until the first of October.

J. & C. Maxcy House Ready. The John and Gregg Maxcy packing house is about completed and will be ready to start shipping in a few days.

The Latt Maxcy house is still under construction. Work is progressing at a satisfactory rate and this splendid new packing house will be ready for operation in a short while.

Lake Byrd Ready to Go

The Lake Byrd packing house which handles the crop of the Avon Florida Citrus Corporation has been thoroughly reconditioned for the coming season and is ready to go when the fruit is ready to ship, according to Manager R. H. Stodden. Mr. Stodden states that the Avon Florida fruit is not yet ready for market and that it may be the first part of October before his house starts up.

Mayor Divides Guilt In Collision Case

A Matchett, driver of the city sanitary truck, was arrested Wednesday and fined \$15 in Mayor's court for reckless driving. The case was the result of a smash-up on the Sebring road in the outskirts of town Friday morning, in which the sanitary truck made a left turn onto a clay road into Washington Park, and Charles Johnson following the truck in his Chevrolet coupe collided with the side of the truck and damaged his car. In the trial Matchett was found to have signaled a left turn, but Johnson and other occupants of his car stated that the truck driver failed to hold out his hand.

Johnson stated that he was trying to pass the truck and had blown his horn for the distance of a block or more. Matchett claimed he never heard the horn.

In disposing of the case, the Mayor stated that Matchett was two-thirds guilty and that Johnson was one-third guilty. He fined Matchett \$15.00 and agreed that the city would pay for the damages to the Johnson car up to the amount of \$25.00.

Death of Infant Son Mr. and Mrs. Nash

James Thomas Nash, five months old son of Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Nash passed away last Friday at the home at the Mandis Dairy. Death was caused by a cold which had been contracted by the child. Remains were sent to the old family home at Ray City, Ga., and burial took place Sunday.

City Attorney S. C. Pardee Answers Walker's Letter

A statement by Mr. C. H. Walker published last week in the local papers would indicate that he is being persecuted by the editor of the Sun and the City Attorney. Now, the answer referred to will be searched in vain for a single word that reflects upon the honor or integrity of Mr. Walker. This cry of persecution is mere cannoning—probably a smoke screen designed to shut out the real issues and clinch the hold on a faltering clientele. The statements in the answer are based upon information believed to be authoritative; the city has the proof. If, however, a correction should be in order the city will not hesitate to make it.

In regard to the tax money referred to, the answer reads as follows: "... which money was not, however, turned over to the City of Avon Park but was retained unlawfully by the co-defendants, the Avon Florida Citrus Corporation, without the knowledge of the said owners."

Mr. Walker concedes they collected the money but says the filing of the suit justifies holding the same.

On August 30, 1930, Mr. C. E. Kylander, 205 Knox Avenue, Pittsburgh, writes: "Have forwarded your tax statements to the Avon Florida Citrus Corporation as they are supposed to take care of the taxes on my grove. It is my understanding that taxes have been paid."

On August 25, 1930, Mr. M. L. MacPhail, Auburn, N. Y., writes: "I am a resident of this city, state and county for 1926, 1927 and 1928."

Very truly yours, S. C. PARDEE.

PUBLIC SERVICE CO. ASSURES ICE PLANT

Officials Make Definite Announcement That Plant Will Be Built In Avon Park

The Florida Public Service Company will build an ice plant in Avon Park, whether or not an independent company builds, is the definite announcement made Tuesday by C. H. Courser, Orlando, general manager of the company and W. J. Clapp, Lake Wales, division superintendent. They were here looking into the proposition. They were unable to state when the plant would be built.

The announcement was made following recent published reports that an independent company was negotiating for the erection of an ice plant here. Public Service officials state that the plans are drawn, the money has been appropriated and two or three sites are available and under consideration for the plant.

The most desirable site and the one which will in all probability be selected adjacent to the plant in the heart of the city. Present plans call for a ten-ton plant.

Rev. Southard Accepts Nazarene Pastorate For Another Year

At the regular board meeting of the Nazarene church yesterday night, Rev. P. A. Southard accepted the pastorate for another year, beginning November 30th. The church plans extensive alterations and enlargements on both the church and parsonage, probably building a new Sunday school room or rooms, building the addition to a study on the parsonage, repairing the garage and putting new furnishings in the parsonage. The church has in addition granted a raise in salary.

Deaths Resulted From Cerebral Hemorrhage; Remains Buried In Starke Tuesday

The body of J. C. Rampley was found Saturday morning under his Lake Tulane home, at Avon Park, and taken to a Sebring hospital for treatment. He was found by Dr. W. C. Touchton, attending physician on the corner's jury, accompanied by Miss Mattie W. Tompkins as coroner.

Mr. Rampley had gone under the house to put out some insecticide to destroy ants and other insects, and was so engaged when he was stricken. He was missed from his place of business, the Cash Feed Store, all day Friday and when he failed to come down Saturday morning, the negro boy who worked at the store notified O. C. Wilkes, at the Texas plant across the street, and a search was instituted.

A coronor's jury composed of C. R. Head, G. L. Crews, D. G. Perry, Ben F. Fouse, M. G. Langford and Otis Skipper conducted an investigation at the Rampley home and assisted by Dr. Touchton found that death resulted from natural causes.

Mrs. Rampley, who has been visiting in California for the past few months, arrived in Sebring Monday morning, and the remains were taken to Starke and buried Tuesday morning.

Mr. Rampley had been a resident of Avon Park and Sebring for about ten years. He was a substantial citizen and successful business man. His untimely end is deplored by scores of friends of both places.

CITY MAY ISSUE REFUNDING BONDS TO CURTAIL TAXES

If Bonds Are Not Issued Millage Must Be Increased In Both Old and New Territory.

It will be necessary for the city to issue refunding bonds in the amount of \$67,000 to take care of past due and this year's maturities in order to hold the millage down to last year's level. This was the decision reached at an adjourned meeting of the city council last night called for the purpose of adopting a budget for the coming year. If refunding bonds are issued to take up principal payments, current expenses and other obligations can be met for the coming year without increasing the present millage, and it may be possible to make a reduction in the millage for this year, it was agreed.

If refunding bonds are not issued to take care of principal payments, it will be necessary to make a levy of 22 mills in the old territory and 11 mills in the new territory. The council was told by City Clerk Louise Browne. Last year's levy was 15 mills in the old territory and 7 1/2 mills in the new territory.

A tentative budget under consideration was held over for a special meeting tonight. In the meantime the council is to seek the advice of City Attorney S. C. Pardee on the legal points involved in holding an election for the proposed refunding bond issue.

City Tax Assessor Bert F. Wilson reports the assessment roll complete with a total roll for 1930 of \$6,129,840, as compared with \$5,942,633 last year, showing an increase of \$186,207 over the previous year's assessment. The original roll as turned over to the council by the assessor was reduced by the council, acting as a board of equalizers, \$151,155. On this roll, 10,000 different properties were increased \$140,770, making a net decrease of \$109,575 in the assessor's roll.

Find Unconscious Man Near Lakemont Late Last Evening

Dallas Sullivan, aged about 45, of Frostproof was found on state road eight near Lakemont last evening in an unconscious condition and taken to a Sebring hospital by J. O. Witt and David Stuckey. They were on their way to Sebring and found the injured man being assisted by another man who was headed north. They offered their assistance and took the sufferer to Sebring.

Examination at the hospital disclosed the left arm and hand to be fractured, a lacerated hand and other cuts and bruises. According to Sebring police authorities, Sullivan claimed to have been hitchhiking home to Frostproof and fell off the truck on which he was riding and the truck had apparently past over his arm and leg.

The man received treatment and his relatives in Frostproof were notified and were expected to arrive in Sebring to assist him.

American Legion Have Radio Party

Highlands Post, American Legion held a banquet and radio party last night at the West Beach hotel to receive the national broadcast of the special program by the R. C. Victor company and the National Broadcasting company, in a coast-to-coast hook-up of one of the largest broadcasts in the history of radio.

Preceding the program Legionnaires enjoyed a four-course dinner consisting of barbecued pork, Brunswick stew, creamed peas, creamed potatoes, salad, fruit, pickles, hot rolls, pie, and coffee. During the dinner the R. C. Victor company announced that the Legion had signed up for an entertainment which will be put on for January 13th, under the name of "Avon Park Folies."

Parachute craftsmen handling parachute approvals have the department of commerce must have a parachute rigger's license after July 1.

PARRISH TAX PLAN TO OPEN HOMESTEADS

Benefits of Taxation On All Lands Would Be Equally Distributed

A plan that would open for homesteading in the neighborhood of 12,000,000 acres of idle land in Florida was given to the Star-Advocate recently in a statement by State Senator J. J. Parrish. The statement was made as an answer to the continuous demands upon him to work out a broad plan for adjusting the Florida tax problem. Besides serving thousands and thousands of people who were present conditions as offering no such opportunity as was offered when the west and middle west were being settled, it would enable the State the kind of people needed to develop unused Florida lands agriculturally and also provide tax revenue from lands now supplying no revenue to the State, Senator Parrish said:

The statement of Senator Parrish follows in full: "It has been repeatedly brought out in discussions during the last two years that there is a large amount of land in the State which has reverted to the State because of the non-payment of taxes. In the report filed on Florida's financial and fiscal conditions made by Mr. Dawe and submitted to the Governor on April 18th, 1928, he pointed out that, as of the end of 1928, there were 7,600,000 acres of land which had reverted to the State.

"Unofficial reports since that date indicate that the total land reverting to the State by reason of unpaid taxes now approximates 11,000,000 to 12,000,000 acres.

"The plea is advanced by the timber people and the large owners of land that they cannot afford to hold the existing acreage which they own, and pay therefor taxes of 35c to 40c an acre. It is interesting to note that during the time they were cutting timber and taking turpentine from these lands that no such complaint was made with respect to the taxes. It is certain that the counties and the school districts in which these lands are located are in need of the funds raised by the present average rate of taxation, and that they would be much better off financially if some means could be found whereby, not only the land that is now paying the taxes could continue to pay, but the land which is at present under reversion to the State could also pay something approximating the present average tax per acre.

"Since there are apparently no buyers for these tax certificates in their present form, and since it is obviously necessary that this land be put to some useful purpose so that taxes may be realized from it, the following plan is suggested: "That the Legislature authorize the Attorney-General of the State of Florida to enter suit in the name of the State and on behalf of the State for the purpose of placing in the State, clear and free of any possible claim, title to all of the land now reverted to the State under tax certificates and which has remained in the hands of the State more than two years prior to the passage of such an act with an absolutely clear and clean title established in the State by this procedure, then provide by legislative enactment machinery which will make effective the present Homestead provision of the Constitution of the State of Florida.

"Under the present Constitution, it is legally possible to do so and it is contemplated by the Constitution that the State will throw open State-owned lands to homesteaders in the amount of eighty acres per individual.

"It is suggested that with title to the land now under tax certificate established in the State, that provision be made by the Legislature so that upon application to the Secretary of State, or also the Comptroller, at Tallahassee, that any individual may file an entry for a homestead on any of the lands hereinabove referred to. It is further suggested that the terms and conditions and provisions as to residence, fencing, and improvement and cultivation of the land, be those provided for under the National Homestead Act, under which entry and proof may be established on the public domain of the United States, with the further proviso that a man and wife may be considered to be two individuals for the purpose of homesteaded entry and within the meaning of the Constitution so that they could each enter upon eighty acres for homesteaded purpose, it being arranged that where such an entry is made by man and wife the eighty acres homesteaded by each may be located contiguous to each other and form a one hundred sixty-acre tract. In the event of such an entry by a married couple the fencing provisions are to be the same as for a single entry, but the construction of one house and resi-

dence thereon will be all that would be necessary to establish proof on both eighty-acre claims.

"America, from the time of its first settlement on the Atlantic seaboard until the pioneers had its frontiers established and its settlement effected through the medium of a public domain, subject to entry for homesteading purposes with the provision for patented title to the individual from the Government after residence and improvement of the claim. The entire interior of the country, north, south, east and west, has been settled under these provisions.

"There are, at the present time, in the central part of the United States, thousands of young couples, farmers, farm raised, and farm loving, who, if given the opportunity to journey into a new country and establish their homes on public domain would undoubtedly embark upon such an enterprise. Such action is in line with the tradition of their ancestry as a pioneering nation. That tradition of those ancestors is still current in the minds of those young people and a factor in their plans in life. There is no question but that, given the opportunity to establish a home of their own under the lure of a free land, and in line with the traditions of the settlement of the central valley and western frontiers, there would be an outpouring of settlers to the land that would be equalled in recent years only by the two successive similar settlements at the time Oklahoma was opened in 1906 and the Cherokee Strip in '98. In connection with these last, it must be borne in mind that but slightly more than five million acres of public domain was opened to settlement in each of these cases, and that, based upon the settlement effected within the space of one day in these two memorable occasions, that there has come the full development of the present State of Oklahoma with all its richness of agricultural, urban, industrial, and mining attainments.

"Let us analyze the economics of this situation. Under the present provisions of the National Homestead Act, it is required that there be a residence of three years upon the land; that the land be fenced; that a home be established and that the land be put to useful purposes.

"Assume, if you please, that there now are seven and one-half million acres of land in Florida under certificates which land would be available for homesteading purposes. Under the provisions of an act such as contemplated, this would mean that if all entries were made by married couples, the entire acreage of the State would be available for homesteading in Florida of 47,000 families. If we further assume, for the purpose of fencing their land, living, and construction of their homes, and the planting and caring for of their crops during the three years, that they incur a cash outlay for the three years of \$3,000,000; it would mean an expenditure of \$141,000,000.00 in the course of the three years required to prove up their claims, or an average of \$47,000,000.00 a year. Visualize if you please, the heartening effect upon the commerce of the State of such an additional outpouring of money. Bear in mind that every acre of this land is assumed to be capable under homesteading conditions such as this, of bearing a tax of 40c an acre per annum for all purposes which means the immediate creation of \$5,000,000.00 per annum of direct tax revenue to the State and to the counties in which these lands are located; to say nothing of the improved collectibility of other taxes by reason of improved business resulting from the influence of the new money these people will bring into the State.

"This plan cannot be accused of having its inception in any sectional preference. The lands under certificate to the State are almost uniformly and equally distributed among the several counties of the State in proportion to the total acreage of the several counties. In other words, there are very few counties which would find themselves discriminated against or preferred in this program. The benefits of the plan, the money accruing from the residence of these people and from the taxes they would pay upon the land, would be equitably and uniformly distributed among all the counties almost in proportion to the acreage contained within the counties, since the reversion to the State, generally speaking, is more or less the same percentage of the total in all counties.

"Of course, it may be expected that the owners of the present large parcels of land will cry against any such program, but it should always be borne in mind that they have stated definitely and conclusively that for the purposes which they have in mind for the use of these lands, they cannot possibly afford a tax per acre of more than 10c to 12c. They should, therefore, obstruct or attempt to defeat a plan which would make this land capable of bearing a tax approximating 40c an acre, and which, at the same time, will work

no hardship upon the proposed owners of the land and the use to which they will put it.

"Furthermore, it is submitted that they have not equity in their position. They have deliberately abandoned the land by declining to pay the taxes upon it, and the land is in fact without an owner. Their property is now public domain in the hands of the State to do with as it will in order that it may secure for itself and for the counties in which the land is located that tax revenue essential to the well-being of the State and its continued maintenance and its efficient operation."

Drawdy Found "Not Guilty" On Larceny Charge Last Friday

Perry Drawdy, charged with stealing chickens, was acquitted by a jury in county judge's court Friday morning. Several witnesses were examined and one is said to have reversed himself after being recalled to the stand and told a different story from the first one he gave. J. M. Lee handled the case for the state and W. L. Long defended.

Joe Prescott, at present in jail on a liquor charge, afterwards confessed to the chicken stealing and was given a suspended sentence.

Backgammon Revived. Along with the return in Europe of long skirts, long hair and long earrings has returned the ancient game of backgammon. In France it is called jacquet, and in England the American name of backgammon has supplanted the old one of ludo. Fashionable sports are using it as a gambling vehicle.

Dungannon Rural Council, in Ireland, will financially assist farmers in building homes.

Italy is exporting, this year, more yarn than last year.

EISTEDDFFOD WILL BE HELD ON MARCH 4TH

Elimination Contests To Be Held In Various Cities of the Ridge

The Eisteddoff Committee of the Associated Boards of Trade of the Scenic Highway met Saturday night in Lake Wales, the full committee being present and fixed the date for the first annual Scenic Highlands Eisteddoff at Wednesday, March 4. Preliminary events will be held at various ridge cities, it is anticipated, so that the first Eisteddoff will be pulled off in one day only, although it is still possible that arrangements may have to be made to spread it over two days.

Members of the committee are Mrs. O. F. Gardner and Grosvenor Dawe, Lake Placid, Arthur P. Cody, Frostproof, Mrs. Jack H. Poyor, Haines City, and J. E. Worthington. Detailed arrangements for the affair will be put in the hands of committees on finance, program, location, concessions, printing, adjudication, awards and publicity. Mrs. Gardner expects to spend at least two weeks time enlarging her personal acquaintance in the Scenic Highlands before appointing the personnel of these committees, although it is understood that the committee on printing will be composed of one man from each of the Scenic Highlands newspapers.

Elimination contests will be held in several of the Ridge cities, as to cut down to some extent the length of the program for the final day which will probably consume afternoon and evening. No attempt was made to lay out the events except in a very tentative way, that being left to the program committee.

No "Tommy Rot" in Will. One of the shortest wills ever filed in Ireland was that of Arthur Bond Yockney, of Lindsafarne, who died recently leaving \$9,275. It reads: "I, Hildrop Terrace, Torquay, June 15, 1910. I leave all to my sister Augusta, and no Tommy rot about it.—A. B. Yockney." They follows the ordinary attestation clause, with the signatures of the attesting witnesses. The will as a testamentary document was quite in order, and no supporting affidavits were required for its proof.

The Yungas railway of Bolivia is erecting steel telegraph poles.

use, but it was indicated there would be vocal solos for various ages, quartettes, both male and female, and mixed, church choirs, school and community orchestras, grove quartettes, city bands, negro spirituals, instrumental solos of all kinds, under the head of music. Under the head of literature, it was provided there should be a new descriptive poem with "Florida" for the theme, and one with "Crooked Lake" for the theme. In addition there is to be an essay writing contest open to all schools, with "Scenic Highlands" as the topic.

Under the head of dramatics, there will be one act plays, readings, folk dancing and esthetic dancing. An art exhibit will also probably be provided for, which will include photographs, oil and water paintings of Scenic Highland scenes. Probably there will be a close day so that new treatments only will be provided for.

Mrs. Gardner is planning to interest a host of patrons and patronesses in the affair and reports considerable interest in this phase. Reports from all communities on the Ridge show that there is much interest in the Eisteddoff as an annual event, and show that there will be a widespread list of entries and plenty of competition when the affair is finally held. The elimination contest, it is planned, will take place during the month of February.

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Commissioners Hold Routine Business Meeting Monday

Very little besides routine business occupied the county commissioners who were in regular session Monday. Mrs. Ada Ripberger, president of the Sebring B. F. W. C., appeared regarding the retention of Miss May Winfield as county home demonstration agent. Mrs. Ripberger said she understood a new plan had been offered whereby Miss Winfield could be kept on the county pay roll but the board took no further action in the matter.

The bond of Mrs. Edith Vandenberg as a notary public was presented and approved by the commissioners.

The insurance on the court house and furniture and the jail being about to expire the board ordered it renewed and apportioned it among various insurance agencies in the county.

50,000,000 Plants Now in Florida Nurseries

Gainesville, Sept. 17.—There are approximately 50,000,000 young plants now in 1,816 Florida nurseries, according to inspection reports just completed. The reports show 13,000,000 citrus seedlings, 14,000,000 ferns, 3,500,000 pecan trees, 900,000 tang oil plants, and 850,000 grape cuttings, J. C. Goodwin, nursery inspector with the State Plant Board, said. Tung oil showed the biggest increase having only 133,000 plants last year.

About 2,400 acres of nursery space were devoted to citrus stocks, and 3,400 acres to non-citrus plants.

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GROWERS' COMMITTEE FORMED FOR S. FLORIDA

Meeting at Arcadia Last Week Has Representatives From Highlands

Highlands county was represented at a meeting of citrus growers held at Arcadia last week at which time the "South Florida Growers' Committee" came into being with the object of opening up additional markets for fruit from fly-free zones. Nine counties were present and followed the talk of Dr. W. C. O'Kane, federal chief of the fly campaign, the committee was organized. The Arcadia "Arcadian" gave a very comprehensive account of the meeting in its last issue and is reproduced herewith.

Dr. W. C. O'Kane, federal chief of the Mediterranean fruit fly extermination campaign in Florida, held a group of growers from a number of South Florida counties in a meeting here yesterday morning that while he was not able to tell them definitely as to just what and when modifications in the present shipping regulations might be made, he appreciated their position and did not feel that he had cause to worry.

"If I were you," said Dr. O'Kane, "I would not worry." He said that he could not speak for Secretary Hyde of the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture, but he knew that Secretary Hyde had the situation down here very closely in hand, appreciated the what lifting of shipping restrictions meant to the growers and to the state, and would make every concession consistent with the prosecution of the elimination campaign to a successful conclusion.

Nine Counties Represented. The meeting, which was held at the DeSoto county court house yesterday morning was called at the instance of fruit growers of Manatee county, who felt that some organized effort should be made by the growers in the fly-free zone to secure marketing privileges in which they seemed interested, producing fruit in a section of the state in which no evidence of fly had ever been found.

The practical assurance of Dr. O'Kane that further modifications in the restrictions would come soon eased the present situation somewhat, but after he had spoken it still seemed to be the sense of the growers that the original purpose of the meeting should be carried out. After a number of talks were made by representatives of the nine counties represented, a motion prevailed that a permanent committee, consisting of two representatives from each county, be named to co-operate with the authorities and represent the growers in the fly-free zone in an effort to open up the middle southern states to fruit shipments without processing—a privilege which is now denied.

Committee Personnel. In accord with this motion the counties named and named their committeemen, the personnel of which is as follows:

Chairman, Dr. E. C. Aurin of Fort Ogden.
Secretary, Rupert Smith of Arcadia.
Manatee county—W. W. Hubbell, E. G. Grimes.
Palm Beach—J. C. Keen, P. B. Hull.
Polk—L. Maxey, J. O. Singleton.
Highlands—Samuel Oakley, Albert Devane.
Dade—C. T. Harper, E. A. Carter.
DeSoto—H. L. Carlton, Rupert Smith.
Charlotte—J. H. Hancock, H. R. Driggers.
Lee—D. H. LaMond, Frank Padgett.
Harris—H. G. Murphy, T. C. Perry.

It was decided to call this group the "South Florida Growers' Committee," and a date was made for a meeting here next Thursday at 11 o'clock at the court house.

"Processing" Spoils Fruit. Dr. Aurin was elected chairman of the meeting yesterday, and J. L. Dabong secretary. Dr. Aurin was first called on and declared that he had no fault to find with the growers for wanting to know what the future held in store in the way of relief from present marketing restrictions. "If I were a grower," he would want to know about these things," he said. However, the department of agriculture had assigned to those in charge in this state the task of checking its fair and destroying the last Med fly in the state, and it was necessary to consider the hazard of further outbreaks of the pest if restrictions were lifted too early, said he.

He praised the growers of Florida for their patience under the quarantine and for their cooperation with the authorities. He urged the importance of disposing of the drop fruit, especially during the early fall season before colder weather sets in.

Growers from various counties spoke of the importance of opening up the markets in the fall.

Asso. Boards of Trade Condemn Shipping of Any Immature Fruit

The Associated Boards of Trade of the Sevier Highlands do not approve of the shipment of immature fruit and have gone on record to that effect. Last Thursday the following telegram was sent to J. C. Morton, chairman of the committee of 50, which committee was in session at Arcadia. The telegram is self-explanatory.

Lake Placid, Fla. Sept. 11, 1930.
Mr. J. C. Morton,
Chairman, Committee of Fifty,
Arcadia, Fla.

We represent the Associated Boards of Trade of Sevier Highlands as collectively and individually convinced that we must stop shipment of immature unsatisfactory fruit from Florida at beginning of season. Otherwise industry committing loss will be overwhelmed as unless we emphasize quality first last and all time.

Associated Boards of Trade of Sevier Highlands.

dis southern states to fruit from the fly-free zone, without processing, as this treatment had destroyed the flavor of fruit last year and the trade did not want it.

Believe Relief Is Possible.

The sentiment seemed to prevail that if the real situation in regard to conditions in sections of the state where there had been no fly were put before the federal authorities in a proper manner, relief could be secured and the markets in the southern states opened. It was pointed out that with the big crop coming on the citrus interests would sustain a great loss if these states with their large markets were not opened.

Several speakers, who had made a survey of southern market conditions, said the trade there was anxiously awaiting Florida fruit, but did not want it processed. It was stated that since only California fruit had been available a high price had prevailed, fruit selling at \$8 and \$9 a box.

Teachers Exams Being Held at the Court House

The teachers examinations started this morning, being held in the court house with C. F. Sanders in charge. The examinations will last through Saturday. Those taking the examinations are Mrs. Anne Anne Hazen Boyce, Mrs. Lena M. White, Miss Haven Hutchison and George A. Kelsey.

Three colored girls are also trying for certificates to teach in the colored schools.

Suits Filed In Office Clerk of Circuit Court

Cases filed in the office of the clerk of the circuit court the past week included the following:
Herbert Roberts vs. J. W. Rogers, foreclosed mortgage \$1,253.34.
A. E. Lawrence, attorney.
Christine Southernland vs. Ed. Ward Southernland, divorce. M. C. Whitehurst, attorney.

Friend Given Million, Relatives Got \$7 Each

San Francisco—"To seven relatives, \$7; to one friend, \$1,000,000." Thus read the will of Mrs. Mary Hickman, widow of Louis M. Hickman, "covered wagon" pioneer of California. The beneficiary is A. C. Costigan of San Rafael, friend of Mrs. Hickman since his boyhood and has financial adviser until her death. Relatives have served notice that they will contest.

Fast Work

Mike was engaged to do a job of painting for Mr. Smith. After a while he came in saying the job was completed and asked for his money.

"But, Mike, I wanted two coats of paint," said Mr. Smith.
"You've got it," said Mike. "I mixed the first coat with the paint for the second and put on both coats at the same time. Speed is my motto."

Not Slang Phrase

Does "galore" sound like slang? Does it radiate Wild West American, cowboy lingo or rustic originality?

Maybe so, but if it is so, it's all wrong.
For "galore," meaning "in abundance," has been borrowed practically bodily from the Irish "go loir," in which language it has a meaning identical with that which it enjoys in English—Kansas City Star.

Papoose: Baw-w-w-w, I wanna drink.

Estimo Mother: Shut-up, it's only six months till morning—Illinois Siren.

Though Florida's 1930 grid schedule is a difficult one, an even score of veteran letter-men are slated to return to camp.

VETERANS COUNCIL MET AT SEBRING SUNDAY

Work of Service Officer Is Explained By Joe Chittenden

Six veteran organizations were represented at the meeting of the Associated Veterans Council which convened at Sebring Sunday afternoon in the Masonic Hall. Some 60 delegates of wars and their ladies and friends were present and some interesting discussions were heard on various phases of veterans' work.

Two buddies who served together in the Philippines in 1898 in the First Colorado Volunteers met here for the first time since their discharge and enjoyed fighting their battles over again.

The meeting was under the direction of F. F. Burch of DeSoto City, chairman of the council and Col. C. R. Head of Avon Park handled the duties of Secretary. The meeting opened with the advancing of the colors during which time Miss Madeline Bogle blew "To The Colors" on the trumpet. Dr. W. J. Layton, pastor of the Sebring Methodist church offered the invocation and then all present joined in singing the first verse of "America" with Miss Eva Butts accompanying on the piano.

County Judge Murray C. Whitehurst made the address of welcome. He complimented the ex-service men for the things they had done for their country saying they could have done nothing greater except the service each one had rendered to his God. Speaking of the work the ex-service men had done in time of disaster, Judge Whitehurst mentioned that he is always on the scene first when anything of that nature happens.

Chairman Burch explained the objects and ideas back of the association and stated it is made up of four delegates from each of the veterans organizations. No politics can enter into any of the work, he said, and the council can only recommend and cannot take any positive action itself. It is primarily a clearing house for the exchange of ideas for the general benefit of all ex-service men.

A number of letters and telegrams were read from delegates and visitors who were unable to attend. These included Grosvener Dawe who had been called to Washington, D. C., to attend a meeting relative to the lifting of the quarantine on third zone citrus fruit. General T. J. Appleyard of Tallahassee, state commander of the Confederate Veterans and who is also the state printer. Gen. Appleyard wrote they had just received the state letter for the National Soldiers' Home and it had to be printed in a hurry and he could not get away. Other letters from prominent ex-service men and others in the state were read and all expressed their keen disappointment at being unable to attend.

The next matter was the work of the state service officer, Joe Chittenden of Jacksonville, who was present and gave a very comprehensive outline of the duties of his office. He said his office had given assistance to veterans of all wars but those of the World War predominated and over 5,000 files had been handled in the past year. He also told of the red tape that had to be unravelled in getting hospitalization for veterans requiring such treatment.

Mr. Chittenden mentioned a special act that is being proposed for Florida and other counties whereby a mileage would be set, the proceeds of which would be used for the relief and assistance of veterans. Such work is a public responsibility, he said and should not be left to the veteran organizations. A motion was made and carried that a committee be appointed to co-operate with the state service officer, the veterans bureau and the veterans hospital at Lake City. E. N. Regan of Tampa was named the chairman of this committee.

The proposed new national soldiers home came in for a lot of discussion and R. N. Regan, department commander of the D. A. V., said Florida has the best chance of any state in the south for getting the home. The resolutions committee headed by M. D. Bailey of Orlando presented a resolution endorsing the establishment of the home in Florida and this was carried unanimously.

Capt. Rupert Smith of Arcadia, personal representative of Ed. Bentley, department American Legion commander, was the next speaker and said that if wealth as well as man power were drafted in the next war, there would be less war and they would also be of shorter duration. He complimented Joe Chittenden on his work as state service officer and said there should be a service officer in each county. He mentioned the menace of communism and said he knew for a fact that one of the leaders of communism is a resident of Florida at this time and had expressed his intention of making his home not far from Sebring.

On the invitation of Gen. T. J. Appleyard it was unanimously voted to meet again at Marianna on November 11, the same place and time when the Confederate Veterans are holding their annual reunion.

Mr. Regan mentioned some of the state laws pertaining to veterans and which he said some counties refused to recognize. He advised all veterans to become acquainted with these laws so they could insist on their rights being recognized.

Delegates and others registered for the meeting including: C. F. Batchelder, Tampa; Henry D. Johnson, Tampa; John W. Sullivan, Tampa; Elias Gonzales, Tampa; M. B. Bailey, Orlando; R. N. Regan, Tampa; Rupert Smith, Arcadia; W. B. Ballard, Orlando; C. W. Benjamin, Orlando; Joe D. Costigan, Jacksonville; Ed. Kane, Tampa; J. I. Osteen, Tampa; Charles R. Head, Avon Park; James H. Bradley, St. Petersburg; E. P. Brown, Sebring; F. P. Burch, DeSoto City; Sidney D. Linker, Tampa and A. L. Hoover, Orlando and the majority of whom took active part in the discussions.

County Educational Board Met Monday

The time of the county board of education was occupied mostly Monday by hearing a delegation from Lakewood regarding the appointment of a teacher for the Samland school. There were in fact two delegations, one for and the other against the present incumbent. After hearing both sides of the question the board reserved action in the matter.

Other business was the calling for bids for the transportation of pupils to the DeSoto City school. Mrs. Henry Pollard and Judson Twitty both submitted bids and the award was made to Mr. Twitty.

A church in the form of a huge tent with a warship's bell outside, has been dedicated at St. Helier, England.

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THE PASSING OF THE SLATE.

School methods have changed radically since the man now of middle age first tackled the problems of reading, "ritin" and "rithmetic." But change is not always progress, or, at least, not always improvement. So today we have a sigh in memory of what perhaps was once the most important adjunct of education—now, alas, as extinct as the dodo. We refer to the slate—the old-fashioned slate, the wooden-framed slate, the battered-up slate that we wrote on of yore.

The most brain-tussing mathematical problems we have ever confronted were mastered by means of the slate, and the answers triumphantly recorded thereon, as, for instance, "two guintia four two times." The figures confided to the surface of the slate were not cursed with the finality of those that today are inscribed all too indelibly on the modern tablet. If an error were made, the hurried application of a little moisture from a natural and always ready source, supplemental to an energetic rub with sleeve of coat or shirt, erased the mistake, even as we hope the Recording Angel many times has obliterated our errors of later years. A surface of virgin cleanliness—or, at least, of virgin whiteness—could always be quickly achieved, tending to cheering stimulation, after failure, to try, try again.

Great loves have had their beginnings through the kindly medium of the slate. Passionate notes inscribed thereon have bridged even the cruel separation of several intervening desks, the message that set the loved one's heart a-twitter standing out boldly in white relief on the gray surface turned toward her eager eyes. The note now written on paper and crumpled into a ball, to be hurled across the room, often falls short of its mark, or is captured by the teacher to be read by her, while one grovels in the depths of shame. But the old friendly slate did not betray one in any such wise. The slightest hint that teacher was "on" and there was a quick ejection of what the dingo ass describes as a "horrid word"—a lightning sweep of the sleeve—and the damning evidence was forever destroyed. Good, loyal old slate, that retained for the tyrant's eye only the proof of profound scholarly application and tremendous mental strain, as indicated by the findings, "two guintia 8 fore times!"

Yes—the slate has received, and recorded, and stimulated the first brilliant thoughts of statesmen, politicians, preachers, and potentates. It has been particularly kind to poets, encouraging thistle application in verse through offering facile means for a faulty rhyme to be swept into oblivion by a swipe of the moistened thumb, leaving space for a more lyrical word or phrase. It was, in a thousand ways, friend of our early days. But it has gone glimmering with the things that were, together with good licker, the bustle and the hoop-skirt, and the bicycle built for two. In place of a liquid substance described as a horrid word, we drop a tear on its cracked, and antiquated, and out-dated surface. Substitutes have been provided, but to our mind, modern invention has offered nothing that takes the place of the old school slate.

Will Huey Long attend the Senate in pajamas? He is likely to do something to wake up that dignified body.

With all his love and admiration for Russia, Mr. Brisbane doesn't display any burning desire to make his home there.

We are going to keep on predicting good times, confident that if we predict long enough our predictions will come true.

Those who did not get in Who's Who can find a certain comfort in the conviction that lots of those who did get in had no business there.

Can't somebody discover a plot to kill the Omnipotent Oligarch of the S. & D. of I. W. Arise? These mysterious stories make nice, tight, hot weather reading.

It's a dull day that does not record one or more prospective candidates mentioned for governor. So far there has come to our notice two examples of real gubernatorial timber, Carey Hilde and John S. Taylor.

Over in New Orleans they rescued a diver who had been imprisoned under water for 26 hours. When he came up he held a rope in his hand and was busily chewing gum, and some people thought he was Will Rogers.

In Illinois there is a movement on the part of dry enforcement officials to take the children away from the parents in homes where home brew is made. If that idea should be carried general, this country would soon have to maintain a children's home in practically every town and village in the country.

"EVENTUALLY THEY MAY HELP THE FARMER"



We are reminded that this is Constitution week. An occasional reminder is necessary because it seems we have gotten so far away from the spirit of the instrument there is danger we might forget its existence. It wouldn't be amiss to look up a copy of this statement of the fundamental principles of our government and give it an attentive perusal. Lots of people have little idea of what it contains.

The move to name Joe Robinson as prospective democratic candidate for the presidency seems to have gotten off to rather a bad start. It appears that the enthusiasm of Robinson's friends at the Arkansas convention, led them to quote other prospective candidates as favoring his nomination, but every one quoted promptly denied the utterances attributed to him. At that, it looks like Uncle Joe is to be reckoned with in the National Democratic Convention.

Fighting the devil with fire is rather an antiquated idea, but fighting Al Smith with beer is a modern variation of the principle. The prohibition administration of New York, at the time of Smith's candidacy, states that he was given orders to "loosen up brewery supervision in New York while the Republicans were campaigning against Governor Smith, that the voters of New York have been to soothe their parched throats." That must make those Democrats who voted against Smith because of prohibition, feel that they accomplished much.

We would wish to discourage our youth from the study of history. It is most interesting study, but it should not be taken too seriously. Instead of history being "philosophy teaching by example," it is too often merely the partisan expression of the individual prejudices of the person writing it. And then we have to unlearn most of what has been taught us. We are told now that St. Patrick was not an Irishman; that Columbus was a Catalan, instead of a Genoese; that the said Columbus had visited the western continent as a pirate before he sailed the ocean blue in fourteen hundred and ninety-two; that DeSoto did not land in Tampa Bay; that such a man as our popular conception of George Washington never existed; that Cleopatra had bow legs and needed a face-lift; that, in short, most of the stories we have accepted implicitly about historical figures are strictly the bunk. Study history, but keep in the back of your head that no person or institution was ever as good or as bad, as wise or as foolish, as beautiful or as hideous, as history would have you believe.

Plotting in Argentina is not the easy and harmless game that it is in Florida. A couple of alleged "plotters" were stood up in the city plaza and shot down pronto, if you know what we mean. Of course, they had the satisfaction that the next day the government denied there had been any execution, which ought to have soothed their injured feelings, if any.

"To-hell-with-the-Constitution" Please was relieved by the people of South Carolina of the cares of public service, and may now reflect in the quiet of retirement on the defects of the Constitution and the many other things he has found all wrong. A brilliant man, with unusual qualities of leadership, negated by an erratic nature and lack of balance.

Echoes of the State Press

DON'T BLAME THE SOVIETS.

This charge that the Soviets are inciting all the unrest in the U. S. A. is getting to be the daily indoor pastime of certain Americans. The Bolsheviks may have something to do with some of our troubles but it's a ten to one bet that a large percentage of our national woes are due to extravagance, inefficiency and too much high life at home, as well as the stubbornness of our people to recognize changing conditions and conform to the new standards of living. These factors, together with the revolt that woman has caused in industry and business (when she would be serving a better cause by minding her own business and trying to make home what it once was and still ought to be), are the cause of 98 percent of the unrest in the U. S. A. and blaming it on the Soviets comes with mighty poor grace from a nation that ought to be courageous enough to face the facts, admit its own shortcomings and then try to correct them.—Winter Haven Daily Chief.

THE BONDED SITUATION.

The bonded debt of some Florida towns and some special road, bridge and school districts, is a problem to be solved by the citizens of those communities. An attempt is being made by bond houses throughout the country to unload this bonded debt on Florida as a whole. This will never be done. The constitution protects the state to this extent.

But there are those who even suggest a change in the constitution in order to take care of this situation. It is suggested by Max C. H. Reeder, of Miami, according to the Lake Worth Herald, that all county and municipal bonds amounting to \$501,000 be taken over by the state and issue state bonds to the value of \$600,000 to pay off these.

This would be a good plan for the counties and the towns which are heavily bonded, but it would not suit other sections and other communities. For that reason there will be no constitutional amendment adopted by the people of Florida authorizing such a step.

The people of Florida are not in favor of repudiating their bonded obligations, but each community, like individuals, feel that every bonded district should bear their own burden.

The bond holders at this time are doing more to damage the credit of Florida than all other forces combined. If they would protect the districts in which they have bonds, encourage a re-financing plan, they would be in position to finally receive their money with interest, whereas, at the rate they are going now they are hurting their own interests.—River Junction Tribune.

CITIZENS TAX COMMITTEE REPORT.

The report of the Florida Citizens Finance and Taxation Committee made last week is, to say the least, one of the finest pieces of work along taxation lines that the Journal has had occasion to review. For the past several months this committee has been ardently at work in an effort to solve the problems now confronting the state from the standpoint of taxation. The committee has not lessened in its endeavors to perform a patriotic service and the people of Florida should appreciate to the utmost the accomplishments of the men composing the body.

The report contains sound logic and should the recommendations of the committee be put into effect by the next legislative body it will do much to alleviate the burden now upon the backs of Florida citizens.

Before long the report will be published and distributed to the members of the legislative body in order that they may be able to study the recommendations of the committee before that body meets for the 1931 session. Knowing that Florida tax payers are interested in the report as made, the Journal prints beneath the principal points contained therein:

Abolition of the ad valorem tax on farm implements.

Relief of real estate from the present ad valorem tax.

Establishment of a business-like, standard method of assessment.

An equitable system of taxation wherein all property will pay according to ability to pay and benefits received.

Levy of a low flat rate on cut over timber lands.

General revision of the license tax laws so as to yield approximately \$2,500,000 annually, entirely for state purposes.

Inauguration of an annual corporation privilege tax, yielding \$600,000 annually, entirely for state purposes.

Levy of a state inheritance tax at same rate now charged by the federal government to yield approximately \$2,000,000.

Levy of a state tax on intangibles to yield \$500,000 the first year.

A general increase in the fees of the office of Secretary of State.

Establishment of a uniform school term by legislative enactment and under the control of the state.

Maintenance by the state of an established system of highways, thus relieving the counties of a large portion of this obligation.

Establishment of a uniform system of accounts for all county offices.

Uniform dates for all offices, state and county.

An intensive reforestation program under state control for all cut-over lands with the property owner sharing the expense in return for a reduction of state taxes.

Emphatic rejection of the proposed general sales tax as a new base for the Florida tax system.

Establishment of a permanent State Tax Commission, charged with the responsibility of keeping Florida's tax system abreast of changing conditions.

Equalization of taxes on public utilities and valuations.

Enforcement of rigid economy in the operation of all public offices.

Consolidation of many smaller counties so as to reduce the cost of government.

Reduction in the number of judicial districts with attendant elimination of salaries of judges, prosecutors and court attaches.

Abolition of the fee system, with all fees to go into a special state fund to pay fixed salaries of county officials.

Consolidation of the offices of state, county and municipal tax collectors.

Legislation permitting the payment of all ad valorem taxes by installments.—Brookville Journal.

UNFAIR AND UNJUST TAXATION.

"If the individual business man were forced to grapple with a tax problem similar to that of the railroads," says Railroad Data, "he would find himself face to face with the following facts: Assuming that he started in business in 1890 his bill during the following ten years increase 55 percent; from 1900 to 1910 the increase was 119 percent; and during the next decade the increase was 182 percent. This decade, 1910 to 1920, included the war period when all taxes, of course, were increased to meet emergency conditions."

Following what above is quoted, Railroad Data proceeds to say:

The individual business man or the private business firm would doubtless consider such a rate of taxation—much greater than other lines of endeavor—as an insuperable obstacle to healthy growth, yet this is precisely what the railroads have been up against. What their total tax bill will be in 1930, at the close of another decade, is not yet known. However, the amount of railroad taxes in 1928 aggregated \$411,909,000, which was an increase of approximately 38 percent over 1910. In other words, the total increase in railroad taxes from 1890 to 1928—during a lifetime of the average business man's career—was 1220 percent.

"From 1890 to 1928, the population of the United States nearly doubled," says the Bureau of Railway Economics, in an analysis of this subject. "In that same period, the national wealth increased 454 percent, national income increased 546 percent, while the money value of our foreign trade (imports and exports) increased 460 percent."

Railway property investment—the book value of property devoted to transportation services—during this period increased 203 percent. This increase in property provided for an increase of 472 percent in freight traffic and 168 percent in passenger traffic. Railway gross earnings increased 501 percent, while railway operating expenses increased at a more rapid rate, or 563 percent. As a result, net earnings of the railways rose by a lesser relative amount than their gross earnings, the increase since 1890 being 382 percent.

"To indicate the relative importance of the tax payments of Class I railways in 1929, the tax total may be compared with what the same railways paid out for the principal costs of operation. Railway taxes were 46 percent (or nearly one-half) as great as railway maintenance of way costs; were 33 percent (or one-third) as great as maintenance of equipment costs; were 10 percent (or nearly one-tenth) as great as the direct cost of transportation (i.e., the cost of operating trains, including fuel, power, train supplies, wages of train crews, etc.), and were greater in amount than all other operating expenses combined."

"These facts are set forth here in order that there may be understood the inequities that are inflicted on railroads by way of exorbitant and unjust proportion of taxes. This infliction is not on an inanimate body, as railroads sometimes are regarded, apparently. The taxation infliction is imposed on men and women and children, owners of railroad securities, who must bear the losses due to excessive taxation, while at the same time feeling it their duty to continue railroad operations in order that the public may be properly served in the way of transportation—the same public by which taxes are levied and collected and the money spent for other than railroad purposes. If this is justice, then indeed, it is true that 'Justice is blind,' and also unfeeling."—Jacksonville Times-Union.

The Public Forum

UNEQUAL ASSESSMENTS

I am glad to see that Mr. Freeman is "proud of the fact that he usually tries to be fair," that he fights ONLY for the person who gets before the public and the courts with the "plain unvarnished facts." I therefore am hastening to avail myself of the opportunity to have Mr. Freeman publish to the world (and call to the attention of the Supreme Court) something I am sure he has merely omitted to mention—the fact that our present city council does nothing to serve the interests of a few men who are notorious for their manipulation of city affairs in the past.

C. E. Lanier and E. C. Todd are interested in several hundred acres of grove and high pine land in the northeast corner of the city in Sections 1-2-3-11 and 12. As long as Mr. Todd was on the ASSESSMENT BOARD he managed to secure low assessments for their holdings, as for instance in 1928 when he secured an assessment for all Section 2 of \$1850, which meant that the 100 percent that year on 470 acres of fine grove and lakeland property was only \$1850.60, even though the abnormally high tax rate of ten mills. That same year I was taxed \$87.00 for 16 acres lying immediately adjacent to the same property, even though I had only one acre of thrown away grove and an old pine house built a half-century ago that has to be repaired almost every year.

The assessments were relatively the same for 1929 again, but in 1930 an independent assessor who is the ONLY person empowered by the charter to make an assessment, roll raised the valuations on these Hillcrest and other holdings so that Mr. Todd and Mr. Lanier and associates would have to pay on practically the same basis as the Avon Florida Dev. and a few small property holders such as myself. Of course the figures on my own property had to be lowered to get them anywhere near the scale on which groves in Section 2 and Section 12 were assessed. This was done, I am informed, by Mr. Todd's go-busy. He presented in a letter to the City Council that certain properties had been raised in 1930 when the assessment roll was made. This could not be tolerated. It seems he was willing to see the city council adopt in its entirety the assessment scale formulated for the year 1929 tax roll, that is, in the five sections where he and his associates have most of their holdings. In the balance of the thirty-one sections Mr. Willson could function as the legally appointed City Tax Assessor, except in a few instances, to-wit: reduce the taxes on Mr. Lanier's home to the same figures as 1929, also the plant of the defunct Avon Sash and Door Co., which is owned by Mr. Marshall, should bear a lower proportionate assessment than the surrounding properties.

While Mr. Willson was out of the city the honorable council as I was instructed. Mr. Willson was incompetent when it came to the matter of assessing sections 1-2-3-11-12 so when he returned he was instructed to wait until he could copy the 1929 roll of valuations for those properties; in the other thirty-one sections of our fair city it seemed to me a very good job on the whole. Such was the pronouncement of the city council in one of its final acts, sitting as a board of assessors. My assessment was automatically raised over \$1000, but I have no recourse. They have done their work—their verdict is final—though not made public.

It is any wonder, Mr. Freeman, that I, in common with every small property owner in the new city limits waste no time in abandoning the loving care and protection lavished by the city fathers on its poorer constituents?

An almost impassible mud hole has blocked for four years a day road past my house built by special funds for which I am paying annually nine miles county tax. The mud and carrier gets stuck there almost every day, but his only hope is that perhaps Mr. Marshall may see fit to haul one or two loads of gravel some day to fill the hole, as this territory is finally excluded from the city limits.

It is an eight-mile trip to and from town by the nearest road, (an old worn-out road built by private subscriptions and the balance by DeSoto county fifteen years ago), but in your paper which is ever alert to champion the rights of the honest man I read, Mr. Freeman, where I get fire protection, police protection and other "city benefits" although the nearest electric light is over a mile away, the nearest fire plug two miles and a half away, the nearest phone over a half a mile away, the nearest school one half mile to the nearest road "maintained" by the city. Do we actually bite the hand that feeds us?

MRS. SARAH W. STOCKLEY

SOCIAL and Personal News

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Mrs. O. Shipper Hostess To W. M. Societies.

One of the most interesting affairs of the season was the party given Friday afternoon at West Beach hotel from three until six by Mrs. Otto Shipper, complimentary to the members of the Woman's Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church. Mrs. Shipper is the retiring president of the society having headed the organization successfully during the past year.

The program for the afternoon was divided into two sections, the first a business session and the latter featuring entertainment. "Faith of Our Fathers" was sung at the beginning of the meeting, followed by a devotional period led by Mrs. S. J. Fenderson. Each of the respective circles, paired to different parts of the hotel and discussed their pending business matters.

Following the close of the business meetings the guests again gathered in the lobby of the hotel, where a number of enjoyable games and contests were indulged in, with Mrs. W. C. Touchton, Mrs. J. B. Coen, Jr., and Mrs. Otto Shipper head of the fun committee.

Little Miss Mary Coen delighted the guests with a pretty vocal number accompanied on the piano by her mother, Mrs. J. B. Coen, Jr. The guests were ushered to the dining room and seated at the festively decorated table. Rev. W. K. McClure as a special guest was seated at the head of the table with the retiring officers coming next. A salad course was served with an iced drink and home-made candy.

Those enjoying the hospitality of the hostess, Mrs. Otto Shipper, were Mrs. J. B. Coen, Jr., Mrs. J. B. Coen, Sr., Mrs. B. F. Martin, Mrs. Ben Fussell, Mrs. J. H. McCalland, Mrs. H. Mercer, Mrs. C. D. Noland, Mrs. M. Collins, Mrs. Anna Lawhorn, Mrs. W. M. McFarland, Mrs. J. B. Dixon, Mrs. S. U. Saggus, Mrs. R. Smith, Mrs. S. J. Fenderson, Mrs. George Crews, Mrs. R. C. Epperson, Mrs. W. C. Touchton, Mrs. Cyril Baldwin, Mrs. A. A. Smith, Mrs. Horace Garner, Mrs. T. J. McGinnis, Mrs. J. W. Pabor, Mrs. J. H. Dean, Mrs. J. D. Sherman, Mrs. John Lake, Mrs. Ellis West, Mrs. W. K. McClure, Miss Mabel Lee and little Miss Mary Coen.

Mrs. H. F. R. Reck Is Bridge Hostess.

Mrs. H. F. R. Reck was a charming hostess at bridge on Thursday evening as she entertained members of her club at her home in Highland Lakes.

In the rooms where the tables were spread for play decorations of crepe myrtle and zinnias were used very attractively.

Several progressions of bridge were enjoyed during the evening after which prizes for high and low score were awarded respectively to Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Touchton and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lanier.

Late in the evening an ice course was served by the hostess, to her guests.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Hartt, Mr. and Mrs. E. Lanier, Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Pringle, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Todd, Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Trent, Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Touchton and Mr. and Mrs. H. F. R. Reck.

Mrs. E. W. Hartt Is Hostess To Informal Dance.

Mrs. Earl W. Hartt was a charming hostess to a number of her friends at an informal dance as entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. Y. Hartt on the Sebring Road, Saturday evening.

The spacious reception room was beautifully decorated with festal and fragrant cut flowers of the season arranged at vantage points. Dancing was the feature of the evening's entertainment and the guests were served a refreshment course of sherbet and angel food cake, with coffee and candy.

Those present at this affair were: Mr. and Mrs. Neal Trent, Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Chapman of Sebring, Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Pringle, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. R. Reck, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Powell, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Todd, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lanier and Mr. and Mrs. T. A. McNicholas.

Crutchfield-Knoles Marriage Saturday.

The marriage of Miss Monette Crutchfield and Orlando Knoles took place Saturday evening at the home of J. H. McCalland, who performed the ceremony. The bride and groom are residents of this city and will continue to make their home here.

B. P. W. C. Club Has Social Meeting.

The first social meeting of the Business and Professional Women's Club for this season was held Tuesday evening in the home of Miss Grace Reddick. The rooms were prettily decorated with baskets of zinnias, while the bridge tables had individual pink crepe paper baskets holding nuts and hard candies for the delectation of the guests. Five progressions of bridge were played, after which delicious refreshments, consisting of salad, pickles, potato chips, wafers and punch, were served. High score was made by Mrs. Fred Pedin, who received three most dishes as a prize, while Miss Louise Browne had second high and received two mint dishes. These were donated to the club, as has been the custom heretofore. The list of guests is: Mrs. Lee Hargrave, Mrs. Fred Pedin, Mrs. Fannie Reeves, Miss Ethel Clark, Miss Virginia Reddick, Miss Louise Browne, Mrs. Helen Mann, Miss Verna Bradley, Miss Millie Pearson, Mrs. Lou Spink, Mrs. Mae Thompson, and the hostess, Miss Grace Reddick.

Y. W. A. Meets at Home of Miss McClelland.

The Young Woman's Association of Avon Park met at the home of Miss Genevieve McClelland on Thursday evening. The meeting was called to order by President McClelland, devotional led by Mrs. J. B. Coen, Jr., followed by prayer led by Mrs. F. Martin. An interesting program was given, Miss Kitty Martin being in charge. Election of officers was held. The officers elected and installed were: President, Miss Genevieve McClelland; vice-president, Miss Virginia Reddick; secretary-treasurer, Miss Wava Godwin; and reporter, Miss Barbara Weaver. Those present were: Miss Katherine Saggus, Miss Barbara Weaver, Miss Lora Lee, Miss Annie Mae Lee, Mrs. J. B. Coen, Jr., Mrs. J. B. Coen, Sr., Mrs. B. F. Martin, Miss Wava Godwin, Miss Genevieve McClelland, Miss Elton Perry, Miss Mabel Collins, Miss Edith McFarland, Mrs. J. F. Martin, Mrs. J. M. Lee, Mrs. J. B. Coen, Jr., and Mrs. J. M. Morris of Orlando.

Miss Ella Ratliff Is Hostess at Informal Dance.

Miss Mae Ella Ratliff entertained informally at her home Friday evening with a dance. The evening was spent in dancing and playing bridge. Late in the evening punch and cookies were served by the hostess. The reception room was decorated with early fall flowers arranged in attractive baskets.

The invited guests were: Miss Inez Dawson, Miss Estelle Carney, Miss Lora Lee, Miss Ruby Hargrave, Miss Susie Lynn, and Messrs. Calcutt, Pardee, Myron Varn of Sebring, Bert Simpson, T. J. McGinnis Junior, Buck Pardee, Eddie Clarke, Wesley Davis of Sebring, Carson Sullivan, of Frost proof and the hostess Miss Mae Ella Ratliff.

Enjoy Fish Fry On Lake Henry.

A group of young folks motored to Lake Henry near Fort Meade Sunday where they spent the day. Fishing was enjoyed and at noon the catch was cooked over an open fire and served with all the other picnic goodies such as sandwiches, cookies, pickles, drinks, fruit and cake.

Those enjoying this outing were: Miss Bonnie Lee Douglas, Miss Janetta Douglas, Miss Ora Baker, Miss Donnie Baldrice, Miss Leona Baker, and Messrs. Edward Rich, Bill Rich and Forrest Silven, all of Wausatche, Denison Baker, J. C. Gieger, and Bert Weberling.

Missionary Society Holds Business Meeting Tuesday.

The Methodist Church Missionary societies met jointly for a business meeting held Tuesday afternoon at the church. Mrs. A. H. Hancock, president, was presiding during the afternoon. After the opening exercises Mrs. Charles Harris rendered a very interesting talk. The meeting was then adjourned.

Those present were: Mrs. E. P. Lacey, Mrs. Virginia Cloud, Mrs. Mary Skipper, Mrs. Ida Harris, Mrs. W. P. Martin, Mrs. S. E. Roberts, Mrs. C. H. Pardee and Mrs. C. H. Gerrard.

Among those from Avon Park spending the day Sunday at Sebring Beach were: Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Fairley and children, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Lomis and daughters, Mrs. Fred Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Martin, Mrs. Ida Harris, Mrs. W. P. Martin, Mrs. S. E. Roberts, Mrs. C. H. Pardee and Mrs. C. H. Gerrard.

S. S. Class Has Farewell Picnic For Member.

The Sunday School Class of Mrs. W. H. Yates gave a delightful picnic Saturday afternoon in honor of Miss Edith McFarland, a member of the class, who will leave soon for Washington where she will go in training as a nurse in the Garfield Memorial hospital. The members motored to Lake Wales and enjoyed a picnic lunch at the Lake Wales Pier from there they formed a motorcade to the Bok Tower. The members present were: Miss Edith McFarland, honoree, Miss Caroline Wilde, Miss Ruth Hall, Miss Shirley Shepherd, Miss Dorothy Hobbs, Miss Charlotte Shepherd, Miss Letta Beck, Mrs. W. H. Yates, teacher and other invited guests.

T. B. Watts of Lakeland spent Monday and Tuesday in Avon Park.

O. L. Adams of Lake Wales was transacting business here Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Baldwin visited friends in LaBelle Tuesday and Wednesday.

Miss Charlotte Starback of Sebring visited friends in Avon Park Monday evening.

Bert Turner and Eddie Montedecchi were visitors in Lake Wales Sunday afternoon.

Clair Park, Lloyd Hargraves, and George Haney attended the show in Sebring, Sunday.

Mrs. V. C. Bass has as her guest this week her sister, Mrs. G. B. Pittman of Boston, Ga.

Mrs. J. B. Rabb spent a few days in Lake Wales as the guest of Mrs. John Caldwell at her home.

Lamont Roberts and Clyatt McCully of Lake Placid attended the show here Monday evening.

Mrs. E. Rudisill has returned from Tampa, where she spent several days combining business and pleasure.

Miss Joan Bryant left Sunday for Lakeland where she will enter Southern College as a Junior this year.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Hagen and Mrs. J. C. Camper visited friends in Fort Meade on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stevens and Frederic Kipp are guests of Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Gutteridge at Punta Gorda this week.

Mrs. L. D. Roberts and little daughter, Bootie, are visiting Mrs. Roberts' brother, J. H. Booth at LaBelle this week.

Powell Jones, Lloyd Hargraves, Joe Barrington, George Hagen and Tom Matthews were Sebring visitors Saturday night.

Clifford Craft, who has been attending the Tampa Business Exposition, arrived in Avon Park Saturday to spend a few days.

Miss Hazel Cameron of Lakeland spent the week-end here with her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Cameron.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Johnson spent Saturday and Sunday in Auburndale as guests of friends and relatives.

Miss Caroline Wild left Sunday for Tallahassee where she will be enrolled in the Florida State College for Women as a Junior.

Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Radloff, little daughter Barbara Ann, and Mrs. B. T. Backfill were guests of relatives and friends in Tampa on Tuesday.

Miss Edna Overstreet and Miss Ethel Windham and Miss Susie Lynn motored to Wausatche, Sunday, where they visited Miss Lynn's sister.

"Don Wahn" better known generally as Tom Matthews left Tuesday for Clermont, where he will probably join the staff of Don Lochner on the Clermont Press.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Filton and family, accompanied by Mr. Filton's mother, Mrs. L. B. Filton, arrived Sunday from South Beach, Conn., and will make their home here. Mr. Filton will be engaged for the present on repair work on the McCorkle house.

LACK FUNDS CURTAIL LIBRARY ACTIVITIES

Stories in Current Magazines Are Listed By Library Committee

Due to lack of funds wherewith to buy new books, the shelves of the public library have become rather lacking in up to date reading matter. In order to overcome this condition as much as possible and maintain interest in the library, Mrs. Sherman, Mrs. Yates and Mrs. Stevenson, members of the library committee spent the entire day of Tuesday, Sept. 9th listing such stories as they thought might be of interest in the magazines on hand. Any borrower wishing to read any story listed may get the magazines in the library.

The stories listed are: Maru-nia by Sophie Kerr, Annabel from Clarice, Ltd., by Gene Markey, in Woman's Home Companion, Tears of Niobe by Belden Duff, The Romantic Prince by Rafael Sabatini, Hide in the Dark by Frances Noyes, The Guarded Halo by Margaret Fuller, The Patience of Griselda by P. T. Jesse, The Altar of Honor by Ethel M. Dell, Green Timber by Oliver Curwood, Arizona Ames by Zane Grey, Early to Bed by Lynn and Lois Montrose, The Great Game by Harold McGrath, Wild Wind by Temple Bailey, in Fortune by H. C. Bailey, in Detective, Illusion by Arthur Train, Young, (mystery) by Milton M. Zane Grey, in Ladies' Home Journal, The Disappearance of Mary Roush, (mystery) by Milton M. Zane Grey, The Gentleman King by Russell Davenport, Field of Honor by Don Byrne, His Big Day by Richard Connell, The Secret of 37 Hardy Street, by Robert J. Casey, Wings of the Wind by George Gibbs, in Pictorial Review, Grandmother Brown's 100 Years in Atlantic Monthly, When Beggars Ride by George Agnew Chamberlain, Big Rich by George Brackett, Votes by Frank Cox, The Ladder of Gold by E. Phillips Oppenheim, King O'Meara and Queen Guinevere, (comedy) by Don M. Marquis, Happy Landings by Fanny Heaslip Lee, Hard Money by Clarence Budington Kelland, The Walking Stick by C. E. Scoggins, The Penny by Samuel Merwin, Mirthful Haven by Booth Tarkington, Gunman by Charles Francis Cox, The Long Rifle by Stowson, Harry White, Charlie Chan Carries On by Earl Derr Biggers, The Bell Bird by Henry C. Rowland, The Wrong Side of the Tracks, anonymous, in Saturday Evening Post, The Fool of the Family by Margaret Kennedy, The Kramer Gables by Ruth Suckow, All the King's Horses by George Weston, in Good Housekeeping.

Anyone having the magazines listed can render valuable aid to this service on part of the library by bringing them in Monday, Wednesday or Friday between 3 and 5 p. m.

Collier's, June 21, 1930; Good Housekeeping, Nov. 1929 and all of 1930, Delineator beginning with September 1929 to date Woman's Home Companion for June, July, October, November and December 1929 and all of 1930, McCall's from February 1930 to date, Ladies' Home Journal from July 1929 to date Pictorial Review December 1929 to date, also complete files for 1930 of any good magazines you may be taking.

Please remember that a magazine of recent date is read much more eagerly than one that was published several months ago; so why not pass on that magazine you have just read instead of keeping it until out of date.

This week. J. M. Lee of Avon Park was a business visitor in Lake Placid during the past week. Mrs. E. B. O'Neal left last week for a two weeks visit with relatives in Auburn, Ala. Mrs. John Payne is visiting her daughter Mrs. Bob Rutherford of Lake Wales, this week. Miss Etherege of the Soto City has returned home after a pleasant visit with Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Philpot. The Woman's Club will hold their first business meeting at the country club on Friday afternoon, September 19. Mr. and Mrs. M. Higgs and little son Malcolm left last week for Tallahassee where Mr. Higgs has accepted work. Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Collins and little daughter Hortense returned Friday from a three weeks visit with relatives in Georgia. Friends of little Virginia Holman are glad to know she is improving rapidly after having her tonsils removed Sunday. A meeting of the executive board of the Woman's Club was held at the home of Mrs. Jack Williams Tuesday afternoon. J. P. Duval and family who have been living in De Soto City through the summer, are now

pleasantly located in the Coahman home. Miss Vera Berner who has been the guest of her aunt Mrs. E. O. Collins for the past week returned to her home in Valdosta, Ga., Tuesday. Clyatt McCaulay, Keith Renfro, Lawton Mock, Carl Rhyne, Jr., LaMont Roberts, O. C. Parrish, Jr. and Buster Patrick made a trip to Tampa Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Berner of Cleveland were the guests of Mrs. E. O. Collins Monday. Mrs. Berner will spend the remainder of the week with Mrs. Collins. The many friends of Mrs. Jack Simms are glad to know she is resting nicely after having her tonsils removed at the hospital in Sebring, Saturday. Mrs. Simms was able to return home Sunday afternoon. The entertainment committee of the Woman's Club held a meeting at the home of Mrs. T. M. Johns Wednesday afternoon. Plans were discussed for a carnival to be given the last of October. After the business meeting the hostess served delicious iced grapejuice with cookies. More than 65,000 people now are employed in industries in and near Johannesburg, South Africa.

LAKE PLACID

Fentress, Bill and Jack Gardner left Friday for school. Albert DeVane made a business trip to Sarasota and Bradenton Monday.

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Ferdie Wild and Colquitt Pardee left, Sunday for Ocala where they will enter the University of Florida there as freshmen. Both are graduates of the Avon Park High School last year.

Mrs. B. Sherman who for the past week has been the guest of her son and wife, Mr. Furber, has returned to her home in Daytona Beach.

Mrs. T. P. Turner accompanied by her son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Harry H. Turner of Cleveland, left Friday morning for Fredericktown, Mo., where they will spend two weeks visiting with relatives and friends.

Mr. Smith of Swift & Co. will hold demonstration.

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Grove, Farm and Garden

PHOSPHATE PROVES VERY PROFITABLE

Experiments Conducted Over the State With Winter Legumes

Gainesville, Sept. 17.—Austrian winter peas given 300 pounds of super-phosphate per acre averaged nearly three tons more green manure than check plots receiving no phosphate in extensive tests conducted last season on a number of farms over the state co-operating with the Florida Experiment Station here, according to J. D. Warner, assistant agronomist.

The plots receiving 300 pounds of phosphate averaged about 3.5 tons of green manure, compared with which, according to samples tested by the Chemistry Department contained as much nitrogen as 677 pounds of nitrate of soda or about 9.5 tons of average farm stable manure.

Deducting the green material produced on the plots receiving no phosphate the 300 pounds of phosphate, which will cost about \$2.60, was responsible for nearly three tons of green manure, containing nitrogen equivalent to that in 330 pounds of nitrate of soda, worth nearly \$9.00, or about 4.5 tons of average stable manure per acre.

Beside the plot given 300 pounds phosphate on each farm there was a plot given 600 pounds, but the yield was only about 100 pounds more of green material per acre, Mr. Warner said.

Each of the farms carried like experiments with both hairy and monantha vetch, and obtained results very similar to the winter pea test. Corn is now growing on all the plots, and will furnish still further check on the value of winter cover crops and their response to phosphates.

According to Mr. Warner, and the tests, unless the preceding crop was fertilized well last year 300 to 400 pounds of super-phosphate should be applied per acre, and especially on sandy soils, or where wintering winter cover crops. He suggested planting the seed just after the first good rain following September 10. Broadcast the phosphate and seed, just after inoculation, on unprepared land, and then disc or plow break to turn the seed two to four inches deep.

Too Late To Spray Truck For Fungi When Trouble Seen

After fungi have caused plants to turn yellow, wilt, and fall to the ground it is too late to save the plant by using fungicides, says Dr. G. F. Weber, associate plant pathologist at the Florida Experiment Station at Gainesville. Fungicides are applied to plants in order to prevent infection by the various parasitic fungi, but are of little use after the plants are already infected, since trouble is seldom recognized until the parasite is firmly established and it is too late.

Apply the sprays and darts to the plants as soon as they emerge through the soil whether in the seedbed or in the field. This first application should be followed by other applications as often as may be required to keep all new growth of the plants covered with the fungicide and thus protected from infection by the numerous parasitic fungi.

Bordeaux mixture, 2-4-50 formula, has been used very satisfactorily in the seedbeds and on young plants, the strength to be increased to 4-4-50 as the plants develop. The spray can be applied to the plants any time, but preferably when they are dry. In contrast, the dusts such as copper lime should be applied when the plants are wet. Dusts such as 60-20-20 or 75-35 can be applied to the plants in any stage of development with very little danger. Fall truck crops such as peppers, eggplants, cucumbers, tomatoes, celery and potatoes should be sprayed or dusted regularly for the best results in appearance and yield, he said.

Cotton stalks should be destroyed as soon as the cotton is picked to lower weevil and anthracnose infestation next year.

Indicated production for the United States was 14,340,000 bales, about 500,000 bales less than the 1929 crop.

Austrian peas or vetch plowed into land like lot manure lasts for years.

Feed'll sell high next spring—plant oats and rye in fall and grow

WRUF Farm Program

Gainesville, Sept. 17.—Noonday farm programs broadcast by WRUF, state radio station in co-operation with the Florida Agricultural Extension Service, will begin at 12:15 each week day, and will present the following talks, along with other features, during the week beginning Sept. 20:

Saturday, Sept. 20.—Florida Farm News and Hints. U. S. Farm Science Snapshots.

Monday, Sept. 22.—Feeding the Swine Herd During Fall and Winter—Dr. A. L. Shealy.

Tuesday, Sept. 23.—Preventing Damage from Citrus Whiteflies—J. R. Watson. Farming in Hawaii and Some Impressions of California and Florida—Koji Iwasaki.

Wednesday, Sept. 24.—Winter Lawn Grasses—Geo. E. Ritchey.

Thursday, Sept. 25.—Colds and Roup in Poultry—Dr. E. F. Thomas. Possibilities of Florida Livestockmen—W. J. Shreve.

Friday, Sept. 26.—Silage in Livestock Feeding—Dr. R. B. Becker.

RURAL COMMON SENSE

By Spuds Johnson

NITROGEN IN AIR OVER LAND SHOULD BE CAUGHT AND USED FOR CROP FOOD

"He who owns the soil owns up to the sky," says an old Japanese proverb. That means that anything of value being found in the air belongs to the land under it. One of the most valuable properties of the air covering every man's farm is nitrogen.

There are a number of different kinds of plant food that are required for plant growth. However, most of these are present in the land in sufficient quantity. It is hardly ever necessary to add more than three foods—phosphorus, potash, and nitrogen. Of these three, nitrogen is most easily lost from the soil, and is one of the most expensive plant foods to be bought.

However, Nature has provided us a good way to capture nitrogen from the air, where it is abundant and free. All we have to do is to set our nitrogen trap.

This nitrogen trap is simple and easy to set. It consists of leguminous crops, and all we have to do is to set it to plant these leguminous crops. The little nodules on the roots of these crops then set to work and take nitrogen from the air and convert it into a form that can be used by plants.

There are a number of other crops which will get nitrogen from the air, and we should have them growing on every acre possible. They will not only bring nitrogen from the air, but also help to keep the soil from leaching out or being washed away.

Hawaiian Graduate Farmer Visiting Fla.; Will Give Radio Talk

Hawaii believes that citrus would be profitable on the island, and Hawaiian graduate of the University of Hawaii, and Hawaiian farmer, after spending about two months in California has just arrived in Florida where he will study nurseries and citrus groves for about a month. He is now making a tour over the state with E. F. DeBussy, extension citrus pathologist-entomologist, and will cover the entire citrus belt, particularly studying pineapple and Mediterranean sweet oranges.

Upon returning to his native state he plans to set 200 acres to citrus.

He will speak on Farming in Hawaii and Some Impressions of California and Florida over state radio station WRUF at 12:25 Tuesday, Sept. 23.

FLORIDA PRODUCED MANY BULBS LAST YEAR

Only Large Bulb State Found Free From the Usual Pests

Approximately 100,000,000 narcissus bulbs were grown the past season by 179 Florida nurseries, according to storage inspections for pests which have just been completed and announced by J. C. Goodwin, nursery inspector with the State Plant Board. A year ago \$2,000,000 bulbs were produced by 147 growers.

According to the inspection reports 75,000,000 paper whites, 16,000,000 Chinas, and 2,500,000 soilil D'ors were the leaders, while several other kinds were produced.

Federal regulations require that bulbs be inspected for bulb flies and eelworms, and after a careful search none of the pests were found. This places Florida as the only bulb producing state free of the major bulb pests, Mr. Goodwin said.

Florida bulbs are of good quality. They are finding a welcome market in Northern markets, and are replacing those formerly imported, he said.

The three leading bulb producing centers in the state are Green Cove Springs, Sanford, and Jacksonville. Two nurseries near Jacksonville had the largest output, producing over 17,000,000 bulbs.

Chickens Poorly Housed May Get Colds and Roup

Chickens may take cold just as humans if they have to stay in wet, damp quarters, poorly ventilated houses, or roost in drafts this fall and winter, and be made quite susceptible to roup.

Colds are simply a nasal catarrh and is recognized by a watery discharge from the eyes and nasal passages, dullness, and diminished appetite, according to Dr. E. F. Thomas, assistant veterinarian at the Florida Experiment Station at Gainesville. Birds with lowered vitality, such as those naturally weak or infested with worms, are far more susceptible to colds, and treatments for the worms, and weaklings should be culled out.

The control for colds lies in simply removing the cause, he said. One pound of Epsom salts per 100 hens, given in the water they will drink in a day is a good treatment. In bad cases spraying or washing the head with antiseptics may be advisable.

Roup, likely to follow colds, is caused by a contagious organism, he explained. It is recognized by the offensive rosy odor, and thick mucous discharges from the eyes and nasal passages. The cheesy mucus may accumulate in the eyes, and parts of the head often swell.

The spread of roup can be prevented by quickly removing all infected birds from the flock, cleaning and boiling or disinfecting drinking vessels, using more antiseptic in the drinking water, and cleaning and disinfecting the houses.

Treatment of individual birds should be similar to that recommended for colds, but badly affected birds are such a menace to the rest of the flock that the best treatment would be to kill and burn them, he said.

Hungary has a good bet for the 100-meter swim at the 1932 Olympics in St. Louis, Mo., who finished second to Johnny Weissmuller at the Amsterdam games.

By F. O. Alexander

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Corner Drug Store of Persian Mountaineers

Red Devils Will Play Wauchula On September 26



A primitive apothecary weighing out a prescription for a customer.

SEVEN REASONS FOR WINTERING IN FLORIDA

Coast Line Announces Low Coach Fares and Issues Folder

In order to attract a greater tourist travel than ever to Florida this winter the Atlantic Coast Line is offering some very low one-way coach fares from a number of northern points. They have had printed and distributed thousands of attractive folders giving information about the various sections of the state and in this folder there is set forth seven reasons why the winter should be spent in Florida. These reasons are headed by a quotation by Dr. John Harvey Kellogg and are so sound and interesting they are being reproduced herewith:

Spent This Winter in Florida. "This sunny land (Florida) is perhaps the most favored section of the whole United States, considered from a health standpoint."

1. The cost of heating the average northern home will pay the round-trip railroad transportation of the family deciding to spend this winter in Florida.

2. One may live as comfortably and as cheaply in Florida in the winter as at home. Any class of accommodation desired is available.

3. There is a Florida location to suit everyone. . . . On the seacoast or in the hills; on a lakefront or the palm shaded bank of a subtropical river; in a city where night clubs furnish music, or an orange grove where mocking birds sing in the moonlight.

4. Winter is Florida's "open season" for sunshine, fresh home-grown vegetables, the juiciest ripened fruits on earth, milk-fed chickens, fresh eggs, milk and cream from dairy herds self fed in shaded green pastures.

5. Florida schools are of standard grade; many of them are free to the children of winter visitors. Some of them are "out-door" schools. Just imagine the mental stimulation of going to school under the shade of a banyan or rubber tree! Oh! what a head start and health start wintering in Florida gives to children.

6. No matter where you elect to spend your Florida winter, all manner of outdoor sports will be available nearby: golf, fishing, tennis, riding, shooting, bathing (sun, surf and fresh water), boating, walking, dancing, or just reading and loafing.

7. Florida is only "one-night-out" from more than half the population of the United States.

Hotel Clerk: Why, the very ideal! What do you mean, registering here as man and wife and trying to get a room without any baggage whatsoever? I've a good mind to . . . oh, pardon me, I didn't notice the name. . . . I'm awfully sorry, Mr. and Mrs. MacTavish, go right on up!

Want lots of manure on all your farm? Impossible; plant Austrian peas and vetch.

Red Devils Will Play Wauchula On September 26

One open date in the Red Devil's football schedule for the 1930 season has been filled and a game rearranged with Wauchula in the Hardies city to be played September 26, Coach E. F. Carmichael announced The Times this week.

The preliminary game on November 14 and the Red and White eleven will do battle with the Charlotte County High School in Punta Gorda.

As the schedule stands now the only vacancy remains, October 10, in which the Red Devil mentor was negotiating with Coach Leddy Water of Auburndale, but the Polk city coach has asked for a two year guarantee.

Secrets of Successful Wash. It is wash day still, but a wash cloud in a sunny sky. Perhaps you are not making full use of modern conveniences and modern methods of laundering. You can't manage it without plenty of soap and warm water. You need hot water for white clothes, lukewarm water for colored clothes and silks, and warm water for rinsing. That is the secret of the secrets of successful wash.

Sometimes it is necessary to give clothes a preliminary dip in cool or cold water before plunging them into hot water. Albuminous waste on the skin, holding oil and perspiration and other forms of soil, as well as various stains from meat, eggs and milk, may be cooked in the fabric by hot water and thus be rendered difficult to dislodge. Especially on neckbands, cuffs, and collar bands is this likely to happen.

Therefore, each load should have a dip in cool or cold water first. A short soak in a tub may be sufficient, but it is advisable to give them a short preliminary washing in cool water to which a soap solution has been added.

Time to Side-Dress

One of the most critical times in the life of cotton and corn comes about 35 to 40 days after planting. Experiment stations have shown that these plants are particularly needy of nitrate nitrogen at this stage of growth. The use of quick acting nitrogen at this time keeps the plants green and vigorous and fruiting during July and early August.

Necklaces for Fair Bathers. Necklaces for fair bathers is the reigning novelty in Paris. Nearly every shop has its particular feature "Necklaces" for beach attire. Each bathing suit is being accompanied by a necklace or a bracelet of wood, cork, glass or rubber. But to be among the very best dressers one must wear a bath-sponge necklace. For these pieces of colored sponge are cut into large squares and strung with silver bells or glass gongs between them.

Liverpool, Manchester, Birmingham and London, England, have been connected by an air service.

Florida's track and field team under Coach Nash Higgins has not been defeated in a dual meet since 1927.

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Girls Fight Octopus. A party of eight, including three girls, had a 20-minute fight with an octopus recently among the rocks of Cobble Lighthouse on the coast of Jersey, Atlantic Miss Olive Downey, of Adelaide miss took the creature for a large crab, and disturbed it.

Air mail is being transported from Paris, France, to Buenos Aires, Argentina, in three and one-half days.

Grow manure; plant Austrian peas and vetch.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

SEPTEMBER 21, 1930.

SUBJECT: Jonah—The Book of Jonah.

GOLDEN TEXT: "Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons: but in every nation he that feareth him, and doeth righteousness, is accepted with him." Acts 10:34, 35.

LESSON TEXT: Jonah 3:1-6, 10, 4:1-11.

The book of Jonah has four chapters, 48 verses and 1,328 words. It is referred to by many as the foundation for foreign missions.

Jonah's work as a prophet is referred to in both the Old and the New Testaments. In 2 Kings 14:25, we are told that one of the kings acted "according to the word of the Lord God of Israel, which he spoke by the hand of his servant, Jonah, the son of Amittai, the prophet."

In Matt. 12:38-42, Christ spoke of Jonah and his work. Prof. Townsend is thus quoted by Peloubet's book on these lessons, "If these incidents recorded in the book of Jonah are fabrications instead of facts, then these unqualified references to them by our Lord imperil either his intelligence or his integrity."

We mention these facts and statements, that you may not be misled by the criticism and ridicule which some writers and speakers make against the book of Jonah. You will find that such persons act without thought or are those who deny the supernatural power of God and deny all miracles. Grant the power of God to work a miracle, and the book of Jonah may be freely accepted, and becomes a valuable guide in foreign mission work.

The first two chapters of the book tell of God's call to Jonah to go to the city of Nineveh and warn the people; of Jonah's refusal to go and his effort to run away by taking passage on a ship from Joppa to Tarshish in Spain, near Gibraltar; of the storm at sea and the casting of lots to learn who had sinned to cause the storm; of Jonah's confession that he was the cause of the storm, and his telling the sailors to cast him into the sea; and how the Lord "prepared a great fish to swallow up Jonah," and after three days "the Lord spake unto the fish, and it vomited out Jonah upon dry land," which involved a miracle.

Today's lesson begins, "And the word of the Lord came unto Jonah the second time, saying, Arise, go unto Nineveh, that great city, and preach unto it the preaching that I bid thee." Not all who violate God's commands are given a chance to repent and accept and follow Christ.

"So Jonah arose and went unto Nineveh." * * * and cried "yet forty days and Nineveh shall be overthrown." Nineveh was the capital of Assyria, the powerful enemy of all Israel. "So the people of Nineveh believed God, and proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them even to the least of them." "And God saw their works," * * * and repented the evil threatened. But this "displeased Jonah exceedingly, and he was very angry." Then Jonah explained to the Lord why he had disobeyed the first command to go to Nineveh and warn the people, "I pray thee, O Lord, was not this my saying, when I was yet in my country? Therefore I fled before unto Tarshish: for I knew that thou art a gracious God, and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repentest thee of the evil." Nineveh was a strong and cruel enemy of Jonah's country. He had prophesied their destruction and was disappointed at the repentance of the Ninevites and at the forgiveness from the Lord.

In Jonah's anger he exclaimed, "O Lord, take * * * my life from me for it is better for me to die than to live." The Lord answered, "Dost thou well to be angry?" Jonah * * * still angry * * * went to the edge of the city and built a booth to sit under and "see what would become of the city." The sun and wind were exceedingly hot, and "God prepared a gourd, and made it to come up over Jonah, that it might be a shadow over his head. So Jonah was exceeding glad of the gourd. But God prepared a worm and it smote the gourd that it withered." "And * * * when the sun beat upon the head of Jonah, that he fainted and wished in himself to die." The Lord said to Jonah, "Thou hast had pity on the gourd * * * And should not I spare Nineveh, that great city, wherein are more than six score thousand persons that cannot discern between their right hand and their left hand; and also much cattle?" Should not strangers and enemies have our sympathy and aid?

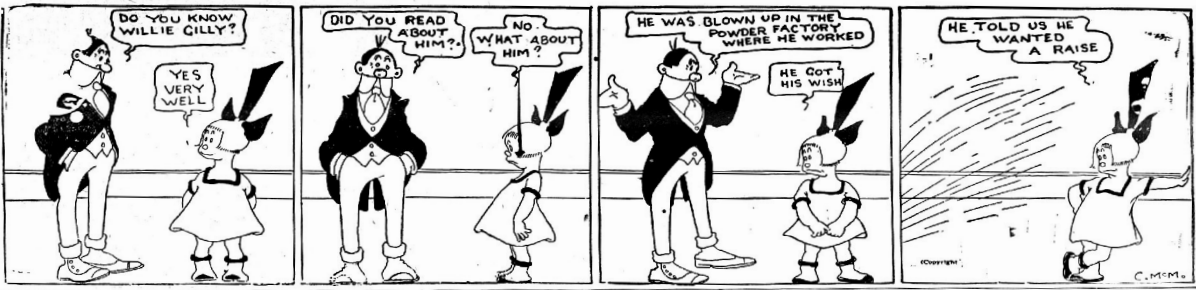
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ALL WORK AND NO PLAY MAKES A KIBITZER

THE TIMES' WEEKLY PAGE OF COMICS

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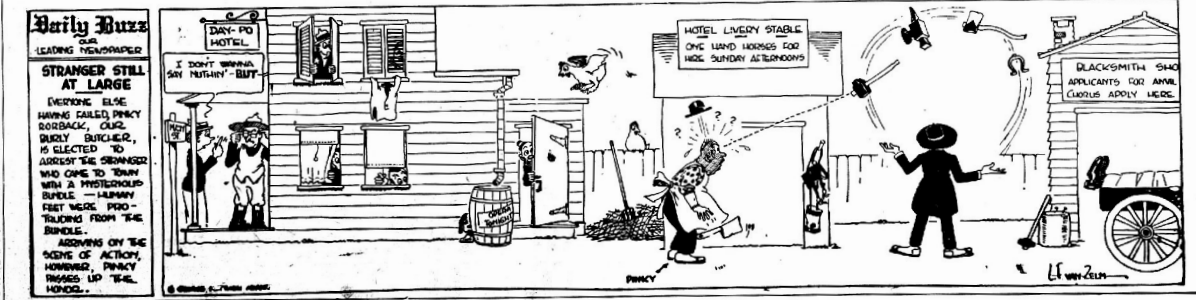
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"A GENIUS"

By M. B.



FROSTPROOF TO USE THE WALKER PROCESS

Macey Interests Complete Negotiations With Tampa Chemist

"An announcement of vital interest to the growers and packing interests of the state, has just been made by Florida Fruit Canners Inc., Division of L. Macey, Inc., Frostproof, Fla., in which the state negotiations have been completed with the Seth Walker company, Tampa, for the manufacture of Orange Juice under Mr. Walker's process.

"The Walker method will be used commercially for the first time in the history of the canning industry in Florida, and assures the consumer an absolutely pure, palatable Orange Juice without the use of preservatives, which will retain all the natural flavor and color of the juice, as well as freedom from separation.

"In the Walker process, the natural vitamins and especially vitamin C, are retained, permitting the juice to be used as a Baby Food and in every manner in which juice from the fresh fruit is used.

"Mr. Walker has devoted the past several years to the study of the Orange Juice question and has samples which have been canned for over two years and which are still commercially salable.

"The Florida Fruit Canners Inc., are installing special equipment in their new plant for the manufacture of pure Orange Juice, which will give them a capacity of over 500,000 cases of Grapefruit, Grapefruit Juice and Orange Juice. They also contemplate building additional plants in various sections of the state, which will be operated exclusively on Orange Juice.

"The fact that an established canner has taken over the Walker process, means that hundreds of thousands of boxes of misshapen, and off-size oranges will be used during the season of 1930-31, from which the growers of the state will receive a revenue from fruit heretofore discarded in packing operations."

VENUS

Benjamin McGee spent the week end in Venus.

Dr. and Mrs. Dyess of Hicoria were in town Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. DeLoach of Arcadia were in town Wednesday.

Mrs. Sallen Olive was the guest of Mrs. Arlen Mallins Wednesday.

Mrs. Machie E. Langston and children were in town Wednesday.

Prof. and Mrs. I. C. Ellenberger returned Friday. He will open school September 29.

Mrs. L. C. Thorne returned last week from a visit to her mother in Alabama.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Smith and family were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Gillis Sunday.

Rev. Glasier of Moore Haven, was the dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Alex McDugald, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Silcox and two sons Bobbie and Billie are the guests of her parents Mr. and Mrs. F. K. McGee.

James McDugald and Arlo Carson of Immokalee spent Sunday in Venus as the guests of Mr. McDugald's parents.

Mrs. Fred Engelman and two sons were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Jackson Wednesday. They also called at the Cannon house.

L. D. Mullins was in town Saturday soliciting votes for county commissioner on the Republican ticket. He and Mrs. Mullins were Sunday afternoon at three o'clock the members of the Baptist church are requested to meet and call a pastor. Everybody welcome.

Rev. F. K. McGee and son Farrel, Mrs. Percy Silcox and children and Benjamin McGee and children and Mrs. McDugald motored to Lake Placid, Tuesday.

L. C. Thorne, John Shepherd, Mrs. Perry Sellers and Miss Lula Shepherd motored to Arcadia Thursday to visit Perry Sellers who is in the hospital there.

dinner guests of Mrs. Arlen Stalls.

Mrs. Sullivan and three children of Rochester, N. Y. arrived Wednesday. They will spend the winter as the guests of her parents, Prof. and Mrs. L. C. Ellenberger.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Stalls of Calmdale and her son Ira Malloy, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Stalls and daughter Pauline were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Stalls, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bussey and two daughters Sara Jo and Louise moved to Venus, Friday. They expect to spend a long time here and the girls will attend the local school. Their many friends will find them with Mrs. J. H. Holcomb for a short time until all their household goods arrive from Georgia.

The Man About Town

By DON WAHN

SPRING NIGHT.

Spring was kind to you that night; She filled all the air with light;

She put candles in the sky, Hung her golden lantern high,

Tucked the muted violin Of the wind beneath her chin,

Playing low melodies that we Trembled at in ecstasy;

She spread sweet scents every where;

She put dusk in Sylvia's hair;

Love, she said is happiness—

She was lying, though I guess.

—Wilfred J. Funk.

ODD OSCARS

A few Sunday's ancient, O. O. McIntyre stated in his New York Day by Day column that there were "Some Things I Can Get Along Without."

A few of these were the following and we graciously agree with Odd Oscar on these:

Hard time moneys. (After all we had the magnificent opulent years and we'll have more.)

Silly cigarette ads.

Drunks.

Letters to the editor.

Newspaper columns.

The Maine Stein Song.

Jack Sharkey's prize-fighting.

Hard luck stories.

A telephone lady's "all rightie."

AN ANCIENT PREDICTION.

Many, many moons ago George Washington predicted that the French people would not come to America via water but they would fly over "The Big Pond" to reach this country some day.

At last Washington's prophecy has come true. Captain Dieudonne Coste, noted French ace, and his mechanic, Maurice Bellonte, have spanned this watery space for the first time in history above the ocean. They came on the heels of ten other brave adventurers, who were jotted down as the "ones who failed."

I'll not endorse a cigarette, That's what the actress said; But when the paper came out, She had signed her name for Matchless Rods.

ON YOU FLOYD

When the girls got through discussing the best place to hold the picnic, what seemed to be the slow, indolent drawl of Floyd Gibbons became audible over the radio—Boston Herald.

GIVE YOUR SECRETARY A GUN.

A picturesque business man once gave his secretary instructions to start him six times a day by rushing into his private office and shouting "Are you doing this time to earn your salary?" He had supplied her with a loaded revolver to use in self-defense in case tried to choke her—a real possibility when a big executive is asked embarrassing questions so bluntly.

The first three days this business man was caught doing these things:

Mumbling curses against his competitors—a waste of time which he would criticize in a cub salesman.

Swinging a mid-iron in the office—All right on the links, but not included in managerial functions.

Throwing away a letter from a firm of engineers that offered to cut his power costs 25 percent.

Reading a bunch of letters from an old sweetheart. Too bad but that's "out" as managerial stuff.

Sitting with his feet on the desk, smoking, drumming on the arm of his chair with the shears and singing "We Won't Go Home Until Morning."

—Spinal Colymus.

HICORIA

Robert Franklin was a business visitor in Tampa, Monday.

Lewis Waldron of Tazmanias has moved here with his wife.

W. O. Causey and wife motored to Venus Tuesday afternoon.

C. H. Long and wife visited in Avon Park, Sunday, with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith of Cleveland called at E. A. Whitakers, Monday.

Joe Tucker got his hand burnt last week. It was not reported how seriously.

The road men are putting down palmetto leaves on the lateral roads, this week.

Prof. E. J. Peters was a business caller in our community Thursday afternoon.

Roy Sharpless and wife are the proud parents of a ten pound boy, born Saturday night.

Rev. R. E. Huey and wife of Lake Placid were calling on friends here Monday.

Zone Meeting of Nazarene Church Is Great Success

The regular monthly zone meeting of the Nazarene church, held at the Avon Park church Tuesday of this week proved to be one of the outstanding meetings of this year. A large attendance was present at both morning and afternoon services, various delegations having come from different cities of the north central zone.

The subject of the day's discussions was Home Missions. The people received the various papers with a spirit of enthusiasm and vision, becoming greatly enthused over the needs and opportunities of the state of Florida. At the close of the afternoon service a praise offering was taken for the benefit of the district superintendent's salary, amounting to about \$35.00.

In the evening Rev. L. P. Driskell preached a most astounding message, dwelling on the condition of God's holy people, what they should and what they should not be. The large audience that filled the house to the doors was rocked repeatedly with laughter at the unique statements of Mr. Driskell. A good response was given to the message, and two young people came forward to the altar for pardon.

The coming zone meeting, and the last of this year's series of monthly zone meetings will be held at Sparr, October 21st.

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"CRACKER" MAKES GOOD.

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Carlton "Cracker" Dean, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Deans, of this city, is making a name for himself in professional baseball with his hurling, since being signed by the St. Louis Cardinals a few days ago while the National League was in training in Avon Park.

Dean was taken north by the Cardinals and after a series of exhibition games, in which Dean performed A-1, he was turned over to Danville, Va., in the Three-I League, a Cardinal farm team.

After a season with Danville, he was re-signed by the Cardinals, and transferred to another Cardinal farm.

Indianapolis scouted him for a while and finally purchased him. The American Association club turned him over to a team in the Indianapolis City League for further seasoning, where he is now pitching.

It is the belief of Indianapolis sports writers that Dean will have a chance with the Indians next year and that club is already contemplating taking him on the training jaunt to Sarasota.

According to Madison, Ga., press reports, C. B. Martin, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Martin of Avon Park, is showing up better this year at the Madison Agricultural and Mechanical School, down at Madison, Ga., on their 1930 grid team the most natural athlete ever to attend that school. He is C. B. Martin, captain and halfback, who received credited honorable mention on the All-Georgia Inter-Scholastic and grows to be certain of a lower berth on the all-star team this year. This season calls curtains for Martin at A. & M. and he will in all probability follow up his career at the University of Georgia.

This was written by Morgan Blake, noted sports authority and sports editor of the Journal.

Martin is captain of the 1930 grid team at Madison. Last year he was presented with two palates with captain elections therein. He led the basketball team, playing forward, and while playing first base on the baseball line also captured that team.

Martin, as the old-timers say around these parts, is a natural born athlete. Before going away to school he was first string backstop for the local city team while not sixteen years of age.

While playing basketball for the

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Avon Park high school, he captained the quintet two years ago and was the most outstanding cageter ever to attend A. P. H. S.

Roscoe Bass, football star for the Avon high school for the past few years, will appeal to the state athletic president, J. B. Patten of Plant City, in an effort to obtain a certificate which will entitle him to play football during the coming Red Devil football season.

With the exception of three weeks last year Bass did not attend school and officials claim that he is not eligible to play.

If the word is said by Patten it will answer the prayer of Coach Carmichael who is in need of such material as Bass.

The center position, now being groomed for Carroll Bailey, will be the indirect post for Bass. Cleo James will be moved over from guard to center and Bass will take the guard post or take a tackle.

Fruit To Ship Must Have Proper Amount of Juice, In Test

The committee on regulations for the shipment of citrus fruit "unfit for human consumption" which met in Winter Haven Thursday passed by a vote of 15 to 3 a resolution recommending that Commissioner Mayo put a juice standard into effect, based on findings made by the state chemist and read before the body. The minimum amount of juice before shipment is allowed, according to the table presented by Joe Taylor, assistant state chemist, follows:

Size C. C. Juice

126 90

106 105

80 125

70 135

64 155

64 165

46 195

Commissioner Mayo stated that the new ruling would go into effect this week when new equipment for the use of inspectors is delivered. The standard set out above is subject to change if it is not a fair test.

The new rulings will not apply to fruit now in the packing houses but only to that which is to be picked. Mr. Mayo expects to have little use for the new regulations in the near future because of the heavy rains that have prevailed in most sections of Florida for the past few days.

At the opening of the meeting when the new standards of juice content were read by Mr. Taylor, many of the committee appeared to be skeptical of the fact that certain sizes of grapefruit contained the amount of juice given as the minimum requirement. Mr. Taylor produced laboratory equipment for testing the amount of juice in fruit and proved conclusively by the following results that the tests were not unfair.

A number of 46 grapefruit from Dade county was tested and found to contain 276 cubic centimeters of juice compared with the minimum requirement of 186 cubic centimeters. A Polk county grapefruit size 70 was then tested and found to contain 196 cubic centimeters of juice in spite of a slightly ricey condition.

In addition to the report of the state chemist Jay Singleton, a private chemist of Fort Meade gave a report which coincided in almost every detail with the report given by Mr. Taylor.

J. J. Parrish, of Titusville, president of the Florida state senate, presided over the meeting as chairman.—Winter Haven Chief.

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