

Here and There

About Avon Park

Suggested lead paragraph by local humorist for story of the burning of a notorious boot-leg stand: Tears of the heart mingled with the cheers of the jubilant as thousands watched an early morning blaze reduce Pete's Place to a smoldering heap.

Pioneers get all the rough sledding in this life, or so it seems. Charlie Johnson had to fight all the churches in Sebring to open his picture show on Sunday, and now his successor is on the program to sing at the Baptist church next Sunday. It's a funny proposition, but the folks who cussed Johnson will hear Morrison sing at the church and decide that Sunday shows are not so bad, after all.

Mark Covington's announcement for mayor of Avon Park appearing in the Sports section of the Tampa Tribune today, would indicate that the Tribune editor had the idea that anybody who would run for mayor must be a good sport. In this case he is right. Covington is a good sport, and a good scout, as well.

Nothing is more beneficial to the growing boy than clean sports. The boys should be encouraged in their efforts and should have the support of the community. There should be more thought given to furnishing them with proper equipment and of playing field. In this connection, we start a plea for a better diamond ball court and more lights.

THE CROSS ROADS

By George Turner
Passer by: After a month's stay in Georgia it seems good to see the Dornmays passing again. Also Dr. Chandler is on the job again, and stops in every day to read my paper. A hog for fresh news, Charles (Chick) Reaves and he has a chauffeur. Chick is traveling auditor for his father's chain grocery. D. G. Perry, the flying medicine man, going out to Legion Field to get a bit of driver. Hereafter, quick, get his license number. It looks like 130-479. Yes, that's it and I could identify him as, about sixty-five years old, short, wears spectacles and a Van Dyckish grey beard. Better shadow that man. Col. C. R. Head, Boy O-boy, the colonel's right, apologies to H. K. A school teacher stops in to lament about the three months' vacation and no pay. It is a little unfair.

Tough on the husbands too. The sudden alarm of an alarm clock always throws me into a fit of the jerks. The first and only thing I think of is to stop it from ringing. This morning when my Big Ben cut loose to announce the coming of dawn I made a flying tackle in the general direction of the damned thing, but to my surprise it knocked it under the dresser. After dancing about like a monkey on a hot stove, that's the way the jerks affect me, I took a head long dive right after it, upset the dresser, bumped my head and almost lost a big toe nail, but at last I had it in my clutches, it was as good as conquered then, I pushed, pulled and twisted every little gadget I could find and finally stopped the ringing thing. The defunct clock.

Mosquitoes are causing much havoc among necking parties these warm nights, and a young lady wants to know what to do. After much research work I have found this startling discovery, ladies, and offer it free of charge to you and the boy friends. Leave the lake shores and take to the lakes. You will find the cooling and soothing breezes that blow the mosquitoes down to the lakes.

It's grand.

Avon Park Boys To Play Frostproof

The Avon Park Junior diamond ball team will meet the Silver Nip team of Frostproof here Saturday night at 8 o'clock. "Good crowds have been attending the games so far and we expect an even larger attendance to this one," Manager Reynolds said.

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SMALL COUNTIES PLANNING FIGHT ON THE GAS TAX SUIT

Suit Filed By Mathews of Duval County May Be Fought By Combined County Action.

Representatives of a number of south Florida small counties, and their legislative representatives will meet at the court house in Sebring Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock to effect a plan for assisting the attorney general in defending the gas tax allocation suit filed by the state legislature, according to announcement by Col. J. M. Lee yesterday.

J. M. Lee, county attorney, returned from conferences at Apalachicola and Fort Myers Wednesday night and said this morning the small counties are rallying splendidly for a fight to the finish and are showing a determined spirit for fight for what they consider their rights in the gas tax distribution. They consider the distribution unfair and the present law an equitable distribution, he said, and they are not asking for anything that is not fair and just.

Under the present law that is being attacked by John Mathews, the state would help pay for state highways that have been built and paid for by counties and all counties would fare alike according to miles of road built, population and area, Col. Lee said, and all of which makes for a complete leveling.

There are no prejudices against the larger centers of population, he said. Two years ago the small or counties submitted to a program of gas tax distribution that gave the larger counties a considerable advantage and contributed to the progress in a commercial way by reason of the roads built and thereby extending their trade areas. A more equitable distribution is all that is asked now, he said, in order to meet honest obligations that were contracted and contributed to the progress and development of the state.

Following the announcement in the morning daily papers of Tuesday that Rep. John Mathews of Duval county intended to attack the constitutionality of the act of the recent legislature allocating the gas tax revenue on a different basis than formerly, the county commissioners met in special session Tuesday afternoon and considered the matter. D. Graham Copeland, chairman of the Collier county board, was present and urged the smaller counties to unite in fighting the suit as the tax allocation as it now stands is equitable to all counties.

He pointed out for example that his county had built a large section of the Tamiami Trail at a cost of one million and a half dollars and if that road is not a part of the present law is declared invalid, he said. Collier county stands to lose about \$80,000 and he did not want to see the county go into paying off the indebtedness incurred.

Highlands county commissioners have joined to joint action to fight the suit and other counties had indicated they stood ready to join. While the meeting was in session a telegram was received from the Hardee county board signifying their intention to join and pledging \$500 towards the cost.

The matter was discussed from all angles and County Attorney J. M. Lee was instructed to confer with attorneys in other counties regarding immediate action. R. A. Henderson, Jr., of Fort Myers was suggested by Mr. Copeland as an excellent attorney to handle the suit and Attorney Lee was scheduled to meet with Mr. Henderson yesterday.

Highlands county stands to lose a large sum if Mathews' suit is successful and it will mean an increase in mileage for the taxpayers. It has been pointed out that although the buses and trucks from Tampa and other cities come with gas in their home cities they use and abuse the roads in the other counties which have been built and paid for with county money and at no expense to the state. Under the new law part of the gas tax collected in the larger and more populous counties would be distributed among the smaller counties and aid in liquidating the debt incurred for the roads built and now being used as part of the state road system.

Sunday Ball Game For Charity But Not United Charities

Proceeds of Sunday's baseball game, announced as a charity benefit, will not be turned over to the United Charities, officers of that organization having declined to accept the money. The game which will be played at Cardinal field between Sebring and Avon Park, will be played for the benefit of charity, however, Manager Charles Sherman announced and the proceeds will be given to Mayor C. S. Donaldson who has agreed to use the money for cutting weeds and cleaning up the city. Jobs will thus be created furnishing employment to the needy who will benefit, while the whole city will get a much-needed cleaning up.

Coca Cola will be sold during the game by the baseball management, the entire proceeds of which will also go to charity, J. S. Francis, local distributor, will donate the Coca Cola for the game.

There will be no admission charge at the gate, as previously announced. Instead, there will be a silver offering taken, following the usual custom, to prevent conflict with a city ordinance.

SWEARINGEN FUNERAL HELD IN BARTOW TODAY

State Senator From Polk County Is Victim of Auto Accident

Funeral services were held in Bartow this afternoon at three o'clock for State Senator John J. Swearingen, who was killed Wednesday night near Tampa when his automobile left the pavement and struck a stump in a ditch. Rev. H. F. Heflinger, pastor of the Methodist church, officiated at the Swearingen home in Bartow.

Palbearers were J. P. Murdock, T. W. Bryant, L. C. Oliver, Judge Harry Taylor, J. W. Clark, Ellis Gibson, Maurice Wilson and E. Gordon.

A passing motorist found Senator Swearingen dead in his automobile. His forehead was crumpled and there was a fracture at the base of his skull, indicating, officials said, that he was thrown forward and then backward when his car struck the stump. No glass was broken in the car.

Senator Swearingen was 63 years old, was widely known as an attorney and civic leader in this section.

He was a brother-in-law of John J. Swearingen of this city, who attended the funeral in Bartow today. His brother, Robert W. Swearingen, who died here several years ago, was former mayor and prominent citizen of Avon Park.

Pete's Old Place Burned to Ground

"Pete's Place" a filling station about four miles out on the Wauchula road, was destroyed by fire early Wednesday morning. The loss is estimated at about \$1,000. The property was owned by the Big Indian Lumber company.

The station was unoccupied and had been closed for several weeks. Rumors that the fire was of incendiary origin were impossible to verify as the destruction was so complete that there were no clues, investigators said.

Interest Increasing At The Revival

The Young People's revival is increasing in interest and attendance. The Gospel Trio from God's Bible school, Cincinnati, Ohio, are causing much favorable comment. Special music will be rendered by Miss Grace Meredith, Miss Elmer Talbot is in charge of the children's work. Children services are conducted every morning at 10:00, and evening services at 8:00 except on Sabbath. Miss A. Mitchell, a prospective missionary to China is the preacher of the party. This is an exceptional treat of spiritual values. Do not miss hearing these young Christian workers.

LEGION TOPRESENT FLAGS AND MEDAL TO AVON SCHOOLS

Will Present Large Outside Flag and Smaller Ones for Rooms; and Will Sponsor School Medal.

Sponsoring the Americanization program as outlined by the national body, Highlands Post, American Legion voted on Wednesday night to offer the Legion citizenship medal to a boy or girl of Avon Park high school who will be selected for the honor at the close of the 1932 term. The award will be based on scholarship, conduct and other qualifications.

The Legion further voted to present the school with a large outdoor flag for the school flag pole, and a wall flag for each room in the two buildings. The outdoor flag will be presented to the school before opening date. Presentation of the wall flags will be made as a part of an Armistice Day program, to take place at the school the day before Armistice. Some member of each class will be selected as a leader to receive the flag for his room which will be presented by post officers.

Street assessments on the Legion home property in the amount of \$133.07 were ordered paid.

WAUCHULA SCOUTS GUESTS LOCAL TROOP

Swimming Party, Supper and Council Fire at Norton Smith's Home

Wauchula Boy Scouts, here for week's camp, were the guests of the Avon Park troop at a swimming party and supper at the home of Norton T. Smith on Lake Isles Tuesday afternoon. Twenty-two boys of the Wauchula troop, under the direction of Scoutmaster W. C. Buchanan, joined the Avon Park troop in a swim in the lake, supper on the lawn and a council fire on the lake shore at night.

Scoutmaster Harcourt Johnson and M. E. Covington, J. S. Francis and Phil Lacey assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Smith and a group of ladies served the boys and saw that they enjoyed themselves.

The council fire, with story telling, wrestling, and the usual run of Boy Scout work provided an interesting evening for the boys and especially so to the younger members of the newly organized Avon Park troop, many of whom saw this work for the first time.

Hargraves-Coffee Marriage Tuesday

Miss Ruby Hargraves of Avon Park and Mr. Lawrence R. Coffee of Fort Myers were united in marriage at the County Judge M. C. Whitehurst's office in Sebring Tuesday, it was learned today.

The approaching marriage was announced several weeks ago, but news of Tuesday's ceremony will come as a surprise to their friends, who were not looking for the event for several weeks ago.

Miss Hargraves is the daughter of Mrs. Ella Hargraves and has made her home here since childhood. She is a graduate of Avon Park high school and for several years has been employed in the local office of the Inter-County Telephone and Telegraph company.

Mr. Coffee, also an employee of the telephone company, came here from Fort Myers with the construction department and has been engaged in rebuilding the lines in the city.

Scoutmaster Is Rotary Speaker

Scoutmaster W. C. Buchanan, head of the Boy Scouts troop of Wauchula who camped on Lake Isles the past week, was a guest speaker at Rotary Wednesday. His talk was of interest to local Rotarians who are active in the local Scout movement.

W. T. Coates and Charles Lanier told of vacation experiences. Herbert Rock presided in the absence of E. G. Todd, who is away on vacation.

Visitors were Father Pat O'Brien and M. F. McGee, Sebring; and Frank Thompson and Arthur L. Cody, Frostproof.

Mark Covington In Mayoralty Race

Mark E. Covington made his formal announcement for mayor this week, and thus far is the only candidate with his hat definitely in the ring.

Covington has been active in community work and through his enterprise and unselfishness has many admirers who would like to vote for him. His friends predict that he will make a good race.

Charles Clements Building House

Charles Clements has started construction on a new house on East Pine street on property recently acquired by him west of the Hobbs apartment house.

Public Service Head Visits Avon Park

R. A. Jones, formerly general manager of the Florida Public Service company, and now general manager for the southern division of the Associated Gas & Electric System, with headquarters in New York, was a business visitor in Avon Park Thursday.

Florida looks good to him, in comparison with other sections of the country he said. He sees signs of improvement in Florida and said that he believed the financial condition of the state to be better than in other states he had visited.

Mr. Jones is on a tour of inspection of the company's properties, and will go from here to Louisiana and Texas. He was accompanied by W. W. Wolff of Orlando.

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300 Pound Bear Killed Yesterday

A black bear weighing nearly 300 pounds was shot and killed Wednesday morning on the east side of Lake Istokopga. Those in the hunting party were Arthur Hadley, Gordon Singletary and Frank Tauchent and Hadley fired the shot that brought Bruin to his end. One shot through the head was sufficient. The bear was brought to Sebring and created a great deal of comment. The carcass, skinned and dressed, reposed in the ice house last night.

Abramson Opens Tailoring Shop

Adolph Abramson has moved to Avon Park from Sebring and is preparing to open a tailoring shop and men's wear store in the Max Wild block in the store room formerly occupied by Allen and Thompson. In connection with tailoring, he will handle Avon Park clothes, which is the trade name of a Cincinnati, Ohio firm, and a line of men's wear.

Mrs. Donaldson Gives Book Review

Mrs. C. S. Donaldson gave an interesting review of "The Splendor of God" by Honore Witte. Morning at the library Thursday afternoon. The review was a pleasant treat to a number of ladies who attended.

Principal's Office Open Every Morning

Principal R. T. Fairley will be in his office at the high school building every morning during the next two weeks for the purpose of interviewing high school pupils concerning their school courses, and to handle such other routine matters as may come up.

It will be greatly to the interest of all pupils entering the regular high school grades to confer with Principal Fairley concerning their courses, as he is in a position to help them decide what subjects are best fitted to their respective needs.

High school books may be purchased at the school office any time after about the middle of next week. All books purchased now will lessen the confusion incident to this matter at the opening of school.

NEGROES JAILED FOR BREAKING IN HOUSE

Prescott Makes Chase and Gets GUILTY One For Suspicious Actions

George Reynolds, 17, and Homer Mack, 18, negro youths of Avon Park were arrested by officers this week and placed in the county jail, awaiting circuit court on a charge of breaking into the home of Mrs. M. Bushel Marsh on state road S. The home was entered one day last week, but as the Marsh family is away, the burglary was not discovered for several days and it was last Saturday night when it was reported to police.

Reynolds was arrested Tuesday afternoon by Officer George Prescott for acting suspiciously around Fred Collins' market. Under questioning at the police station he confessed to entering the Marsh home and implicated Homer Mack as his accomplice. Mack was arrested Wednesday. Reynolds was discovered an old ice box in the rear of Collins' market. He ran and was arrested by Prescott after a chase of several blocks through town. Officers Prescott, Roberts and Deputy Helms placed the case together and got a confession from the negroes.

Reynolds admitted entering the house, but denied that he took anything. He said he broke in to get a shirt to wear. He was wearing a shirt when he was arrested in the act of taking a shirt. He had not eaten for two days. He was weak and ravenously hungry. After he was placed in jail he was fed five hamburger sandwiches, which he put away without batting an eye.

Ample Finances Are Provided For Schools In Highlands County

Although many counties in the state are having trouble in the financing of their schools for the first months of the new term, F. K. Bailey, Highlands county school superintendent and secretary to the county board of public instruction, says this county will have no such trouble and ample finances have been provided for the schools of the county the same as last year. All teachers will receive their checks in full, Col. Bailey said and need have no cause to worry on that account.

This financial situation is possible, he said, on account of the credit rating the county board has maintained and several offers to supply the necessary funds to maintain the schools until state and county money is available, have been received. Which offer will be accepted has not been decided at present but two of the offers are receiving the serious consideration of the board.

Mrs. West Will Give Silver Tea Next Friday For Charity

There will be a silver tea for the benefit of United Charities at the home of Mrs. A. C. West on Lagrange street, next Friday afternoon, August 28th from 5 to 7 o'clock. At this time the children who have attended the story hour at the library during the summer months will give "A Mid-Summer Night's Dream," under the direction of Mrs. Ten Eyck. As there are so many needy cases in Avon Park, the public is requested to attend and give as generously as possible.

UNIMPROVED CITY PROPERTY GETS 25 PERCENT INCREASE

1931 Roll Which Was Cut Over Two Million Dollars By City Assessor Is Ordered Revised.

An increase of 25 percent on all unimproved real estate was ordered added to the 1931 assessment roll by the city council Monday night. This uniform raise was voted preliminary to acceptance of the 1931 city tax roll, and applies to all unimproved property in both the old and new city. City Clerk Louise Browne was instructed to notify Bert F. Willson, city tax assessor, now in the north, that it will be necessary for him to return and revise the assessment roll preparatory to making the budget for 1932.

The 1931 assessment roll was cut more than two million dollars over the 1930 roll by the assessor. The increase on unimproved property is designed to overcome some of this drastic cut. The 1930 roll of \$3,123,000 was cut to \$3,922,507 for 1931, showing a reduction of \$2,196,508. With the 25 percent increase the 1931 roll will still show a big cut over last year's assessment.

A claim of \$1,477.46 covered by assignment from J. W. Turner to Pittsburgh Testing Laboratories for services in 1928 paving work was ordered settled by the payment of \$1800 in bonds and a small cash balance covering interest. Fairfax Haskins, Sebring attorney, agreed to submit the offer to his clients.

C. F. Saunders, former clerk of the circuit court, threatened foreclosure on a tax certificate held by him against city property, if \$1000 was not paid by the city. The property is a section of the Mall bought by the city from the Park Motor company when the main thoroughfare was being widened and improved. The tax certificate represents back taxes on the property at the time the city purchased it which were not cleared when the title was passed. City Attorney Pardee was instructed to handle the matter for the city.

COMPLETING CO-OP PLANS FOR CANNING

Citrus Exchange Will Have Six Canneries Under Lease Or Control

According to the Saldewick Chronicle, the co-operative canning structure being promoted by the Florida Citrus Exchange for the coming season has been practically rounded out, assuring outlets for the canneries of every association.

Associations ranging about Winter Haven have organized the Winter Haven Canning association which will operate through the Bordo Products company plant at Winter Haven. The Bordo Products company will use the Exchange fruit exclusively and will operate under the supervision of the Exchange canning division, with the product labeled under the Exchange brand and sold through the Exchange.

Lake and Orange Sub-Exchanges have organized the Tri-County Canning association which will operate under lease the new canning plant at Eustis run this past season by associations of Lake county through the Golden Triangle Canning association. The latter will continue its existence until its business is completed.

Indian River Sub-Exchange will continue its plant at Ft. Pierce. DeSoto Sub-Exchange extends its canning operations through the cannery at Arcadia. Pinellas Sub-Exchange will have a new canning plant at Largo. The latter two are being completed for the benefit of the associations of Polk Sub-Exchange south of the Winter Haven section.

This gives the Exchange six plants, owned, leased or under contract to its affiliations. They are located to serve every Exchange group with only a very few moderate long hauls. It is believed that all of the Exchange cannery fruit will pass through these plants.

A charter has been granted for the Winter Haven Canning association of which the members are Winter Haven, Florence, Eagle Lake, Auburndale, Haines City and Lake Hamilton associations and the Lynchburg and Lucerne plant houses of the International Fruit Corporation.

Similar progress has been made with the Lake and Orange Sub-Exchange co-operative cannery which will serve all of the associations of the two Sub-Exchanges, all of whom constitute the membership of the co-operative company.

Additional arrangements will be made as the need arises. It is believed that these plants will be adequate to handle the supply of Exchange cannery fruit this season.

Under the Exchange program all the plants operate under the supervision of the canning division of which M. S. Clayton is production manager. Mr. Clayton has closely studied the canning of each territory and surveyed each of the plants with the view to the most efficient and economical operation.

With operation of the plants under his direct supervision, a high quality and uniform pack is assured. This service this past season built up for the Exchange a high confidence among the trade for its pack and was one of the factors which enabled it to get a premium of 20 to 30 cents a case in face of price competition.

Big Air Carnival at Tampa All Day Next Thursday

Beginning at 10:30 a. m. with a gigantic aerial parade over the city, Tampa Chapter of the N. A. A. will stage an all day and night Air Festival next Thursday.

The event promises to be outstanding in Tampa's aviation history and entries from all sections of the state insure plenty of competition for prizes offered in 12 major events which include precision landing, 15 mile race, for planes of 100 hp. or less; 15 mile race for planes with motors of 50 hp. or less.

Inter-City Relay Race with crack pilots from a dozen Florida cities competing.

Fifteen mile race, any type plane powered with an OX5 motor.

Special demonstration and passenger flights.

Bomb dropping contest. Free for all of 15 miles.

Thrilling stunts and exhibition flying by Florida's foremost aviators.

Capt. A. B. McMullen of the McMullen Airways will give a number of unique demonstrations, and has arranged for an Aerial Wedding. A box supper at the Airport, fireworks and night flying followed by an Aviation ball and the giving away of a Buhl "Bull Pup" airplane will conclude the event. The general public is cordially invited. Remember the date Tampa Municipal Airport, Thursday, August 27.

Modern Miss Makes Being Arrested a Pleasure.



Los Angeles, Calif. — Being shackled to the arm of Miss Bailey, pictured above, is a privilege that criminals clamor for because what man wouldn't want to be escorted by America's most beautiful deputy sheriff, even if it was being taken to jail. Miss Bailey enjoys the distinction of being the youngest deputy sheriff in the country and performs her duties daily at the local battle. Photo shows her indulging in the feminine privilege of powdering her nose for the cameraman. According to those who have sampled it, the hand that holds the powder pucks a mighty wallop.

Marion County Hog Raisers Profit By Marketing Early

Marketing hogs early is paying the farmers of Marion county, Clyde H. Norton, county agent, stated during Farmers' Week recently held at Gainesville. These farmers are beginning to realize that they can get the best price for their hogs by selling early in the fall.

A recent survey by the University of Florida Agricultural Extension Service shows that during the past three years September hog prices have been about two cents per pound better than the December and January prices. The highest price paid during the spring months was during March. At this time a 200 pound hog sold in September would bring \$4 more than one of the same weight marketed during the winter.

The farmers in Marion county are thus getting the advantage of this margin. Last September they sold twice the number of hogs sold during the previous September while the October figure was three times the previous October. The next heaviest month of marketing was March.

Due to this early marketing the average price Marion county farmers received for their hogs last season was almost as good as the previous year, although the average price for the entire season was considerably lower.

These farmers have learned that the main points in getting hogs ready for the early market are plenty of green feed, and no parasites. The earliest feeders they use are oats and rye. For summer grazing they use millet, sorghum, and cowpeas. Spanish peanuts, velvet beans, and cowpeas make a fine fattening feed. This grazing system also seems to be keeping the pigs free from worms. The farmers say that this system not only furnishes cheap feed, but that sanitation afforded is much cheaper than medicine for worms or losses.

WRUF Farm Program

Gainesville, Aug. 19. — Next week's Florida Farm Hour programs over state radio station WRUF have just been announced by the University of Florida Agricultural Extension Service. These programs will go on the air each day from 12 to 12:45 p. m., Eastern Standard Time. The schedule follows:

Saturday, Aug. 22—Florida Farm News and Hints. U. S. Farm Science Snapshots.

Monday, Aug. 24—How Florida Hogs are Marketed—D. E. Timmons. Preventing Losses from Shipping Hogs—W. J. Salyer.

Tuesday, Aug. 25—The Flea-Hopper and Ant in Seedbeds—H. E. Bratley. Farm Question Box.

Wednesday, Aug. 26—Molded Plants and Antisepsis—Dr. E. F. Thomas. Primer for Town Farmers.

Thursday, Aug. 27—The Scilla of Florida and Their Utilization—Dr. O. C. Bryan. Soil Management and Organic Matter—Dr. R. M. Barlett.

Friday, Aug. 28 — Pastures on Cut-Over Areas—W. E. Stokes. Improved Pasture Grass Studies—Geo. E. Ritchey.

Arcadia—Arcadia Music Store moved to new quarters in Schlossberg Arcade.

Miami Beach—Tropical Homes, Inc., received contract for construction of 60,000 John Strongman residence at Indian Beach.

Considering how critical the average woman is of her husband's friends, the husband is apt to wonder how he ever got by himself.

Leading Trucker Says Cover Crops His Best Friend

Cover crops were termed the truck growers' best friend in a recent address given during Farmers' Week at Gainesville by C. F. Parvin, one of the leading truck growers in Manatee county. "Perhaps one reason why more truck farmers do not use this friend is because it has to be planted at a time when we had rather go fishing," he stated. "After we have spent a season fighting insects and diseases, and our marketing worries are over it's an easy matter to let the place grow up to weeds. We can cut or burn them in the fall, level the land, and think that it has been much cheaper. But what have we done for the soil?"

"One of the important requirements for a successful crop is good soil. Every year we spend thousands of dollars, and rightly so, on fertilizers. Yet we often neglect another important matter which is essential to use the same land year after year without having it run out for us."

By planting a cover crop in the spring, when the truck is harvested, Mr. Parvin figures he accomplishes several things. First of all the land is leveled so it will be easier to handle in the fall. The cover crop, which should be a legume, will add large amounts of nitrogen to the soil, thus lowering the fertilizer bill. The bill for hosing in the fall will be less since much grass and weeds will be choked out and not allowed to go to seed. Friendly soil organisms will be conserved, and the added humus will prevent the leaching of valuable plant foods from the soil.

Such cover crops as crotalaria, velvet beans, beggarweed, and cowpeas can be grown on truck lands in Florida. Discussing the different cover crops, he said that many growers had found cowpeas satisfactory on light sandy soil, but that all varieties except the Brabham are subject to root knot. Sudan grass was recommended for low much lands. He considered velvet beans good for nearly all types of soil. Crotalaria, he termed a favorite with many, but explained that it must grow rapidly or it may interfere with the next crop of truck.

RURAL COMMON SENSE By Spuds Johnson

AT HOME, CUTS COSTS FINDS THAT IT PAYS

Another instance where living at home has paid a Florida farmer was brought to my attention last week at Farmers' Week. A. D. Turner of Arcadia made a radio talk on "making a living off of a Florida farm." He started on 60 acres of raw land near Arcadia 16 years ago, and has made a good living, enjoyed it, and has given his children the advantages of a high school education.

"We have 20 acres in citrus, use about three acres for truck crops and about 12 acres for field crops and general farming. For summer crop only cows sufficient to supply the family with milk and butter. We raise about 20 head of hogs, providing our own meat, both fresh and cured, and have some to sell. We have a pair of good mules, a truck, and machinery necessary to successfully work the farm. And we have a comfortable, modest home, and shelter for the stock and equipment."

"While citrus has been our chief money crop, in the main our idea has been to produce on the farm, as near as we possibly could, all of the things that we needed. We have kept enough chickens to provide eggs and meat for the family. We have to buy very little feed."

Mr. Turner said that they produce vegetables and small fruits for serving fresh and for canning to serve in seasons of scarcity. Crops have been rotated in a way to provide a constant supply, as nearly as possible; plantings of seed a few weeks apart have prolonged the seasons for vegetables.

The Turner family takes advantage of every opportunity to cut expenses and save time. They plant sugarcane in the fall, and plant beans or potatoes in the same rows, using plenty of fertilizer. The beans and potatoes mature before the cane gets much size, and when one crop is cultivated, the other is too, without added expense.

Lake Worth—Federal highway through this city to point where it intersects the Dixie Highway at Lantana, widened.

BILL THE BARBER SAYS

To escape a hot, sticky, sultry day, why not have a cool, refreshing drink of Bill the Barber's Cream? It's the only cream that's ever been so cool and so good.

NEWS of General Interest To Highlands County

HICORIA

Chas. H. Shackelford made a business trip to Sebring last Monday.

Mrs. Davidson and Mrs. Garrett were in Okeechobee last Monday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Houston and children were in Arcadia last Saturday night.

Mrs. E. A. Whitaker and W. O. Causey made a business trip to Sebring last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith of Arcadia were calling on Mrs. E. A. Whitaker last Monday.

Mrs. C. F. Tucker, Mrs. Sapp and Esther Sapp, made a business trip to Arcadia last Monday.

Miss Edna and Miss Daisy Bell Malson spent Monday with their aunt, Mrs. Ceylon Carlton.

Mrs. W. O. Causey and baby Joyce, are spending a few weeks at Georgetown, with relatives.

Mr. McLaughlin of Panama City, has accepted the position of secretary at the W. C. Sherman Mill company.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Williams and two children, and Mrs. Louis Williams were down in Hicoria last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ceylon Carlton spent Saturday in Arcadia with Mrs. Carlton's sister, Mrs. Kit Carson.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Garrett visited Mrs. Garrett's mother, Mrs. Ella Strickland, of Kewaneeville, last Sunday.

Grandmother Eures, who has been quite sick, is now much better and is expected to be entirely well again soon.

According to J. W. Guthrie, A. C. agent here, the W. C. Sherman Mill company shipped 50 cars of lumber last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Gwinn Guthrie are spending a while with Mrs. Guthrie's father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Peoples.

Rod Morrison, Harry Eures, Arnie Garrett and Harry Houston went to Arcadia to see the movies last Saturday night.

Mrs. A. V. Anglers, who has been visiting Mr. Whitaker's family for several weeks, returned to her home at Georgetown, Wednesday last.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Guthrie and children went to Clewiston last Sunday. Mr. Guthrie to attend a Rule Meeting of the Atlantic Coast Line railroad.

R. L. Weekley has resigned his official position with the Sherman Mill company to accept a similar position with the Danner Lumber Export company of Tampa. He left for his future position a few days ago.

LAKE ISTOKPOGA

L. L. Lininger attended church at Bassenger Sunday night.

R. A. Elliott and Jessie who have been here for some time left for Avon Park Tuesday.

Mrs. Lewis Lininger and daughter, Miss Etile of Sebring were visiting here Monday.

Mrs. Etta Montecosa and children went to Mico to spend the week with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Rigler who have spent the past year in Illinois, have returned home again.

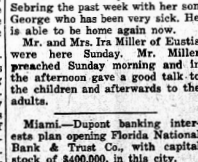
Ram Miller of Sebring was here Sunday and led the singing at the church. A large crowd greeted him as usual.

Mrs. E. W. Gray has been in Sebring the past week with her son George who has been very sick. He is able to be home again now.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Miller of Eastville were here Sunday. Mr. Miller preached Sunday morning and in the afternoon gave a good talk to the children and afterwards to the adults.

Miami—Dupont banking interests plan opening Florida National Bank & Trust Co. with capital stock of \$400,000, in this city.

Out-Lasts



Many Boxes of Face Powder

and renders a more durable, lasting beauty. The soft, even, fascinating appearance you secure, remains all of its original attractiveness through the day without rubbing or creasing. Its highly antiseptic and astringent action helps correct blemishes and skin troubles.

COURTESY OF ORIENTAL CREAM

White, Pink and Peach Shades

VENUS

The Rivers house near the still burned this week.

John Johnson and family moved to Clewiston this week.

John Guthrie and family of Hicoria motored to Clewiston Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren of Clewiston were business visitors here Wednesday.

Col. F. N. K. Bailey and T. M. Johns were business visitors here Wednesday.

Mrs. Manie Henry returned from the hospital Sunday and is improving slowly.

Mr. and Mrs. Crouch of Clewiston were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bussie Sunday.

Mrs. Gentry of Frostproof is the agent here during Q. A. Strickland's absence.

Mrs. Bert Griggs was the guest of Mesdames J. H. Holcomb and W. H. Cannon Wednesday.

Mr. Sallie Whidden is on the sick list this week. Her granddaughter, Ruth Lopez is visiting her for a few days.

Jacksonville—J. B. Cox received \$2,538 contract for alterations and addition to Loretta School building.

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Sarasota—Scott Appleby received contract for construction of new business block on Main street.

Vero Beach—Nevins Fruit company plant construction of \$50,000 citrus fruit packing plant.

Tampa—Pinellas Dairy Products, Inc., remodeling building corner of Florida avenue and Emily streets, at cost of approximately \$100,000.

Grove Manager Sees Advantages Mulching Citrus

The advantages of mulching citrus trees overshadow the disadvantages 10 to one, Albert DeVane, manager of the Lake Palmdale company groves, stated in a radio address at Gainesville during Farmers' Week. Speaking from his own experience, as well as that of other leading growers, he explained that mulching is proving a profitable practice in the Ridge section.

During the recent unusually dry spring and early summer, Mr. DeVane says, groves or parts of groves that have been mulched are holding up much better, and a better flush of summer growth is quite noticeable. A large number of growers in Highlands county have visited many of the mulched groves with County Agent Louis H. Alsemer. It seemed easy for them to see the better condition of the trees.

Among the advantages of mulching, Mr. DeVane listed: conservation of moisture, added organic matter, cooler soil condition that is more favorable to the trees as well as giving a better medium for the growth of soil organisms, added minerals and particularly nitrogen if the mulch is a legume, increased water holding capacity, lower cultivation costs, and a condition more nearly approaching nature.

Fire he considered one of the greatest disadvantages, but explained that this was easily prevented by leaving unmulched strips in the field and having a fire guard around the field. The other main disadvantage is wood lice, but damages from them can be prevented by leaving a small opening around the trunk of each tree.

Most any of our cover crops, grasses, or such material can be used for a mulch. Mr. DeVane's experience has been that some of the heavier materials will last longer and be more effective.

St. Augustine. — San Marco Garage moved to new location at No. 201 San Marco avenue.

Starke.—Magnolia Hotel being repaired and remodeled.

Wake Up Your Liver Bile —Without Calomel

And You'll Jump Out of Bed in the Morning Ripe to Go

If you feel sour and mink and the world looks punk, don't swallow a lot of salts, mineral water, oil, laxative candy or chewing gum and expect them to make you suddenly sleek and buoyant and full of sunshine. For they can't do it. They only move the bowels and a mere movement doesn't get at the cause. The reason for your down-and-out feeling is your liver. It should pour out two pounds of liquid bile into your bowels daily.

It takes the blood of CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS to get those two pounds of bile flowing freely and make you feel "up and up." They contain wonderful, harmless, gentle vegetable extracts, assuring when it comes to making the bile flow freely.

But don't ask for liver pills. Ask for Carter's Little Liver Pills. Look for the name Carter's Little Liver Pills on the red label. Remember a substitute.

It is this bile that is not flowing freely, your liver doesn't digest. It just clogs in the bowels. One block up your stomach. You have a thick, bad taste and your breath is foul, also often breaks out in blotches. Your head aches and you feel down and out. Your whole system is poisoned.

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ADVERTISING RATES FURNISHED UPON REQUEST

Mrs. Vallee, recent bride, says "Rhudy is just an ordinary man to me." He isn't that much of lots of people.

There is too much fuss being made about an apprehended invasion of hitch-hikers. Last about this time there was a similar hula-balo, and it turned out to be wholly unwarranted.

The odor of the guava is abroad in the land. It is trying to fill in the interim between the adjournment of the Legislature and the sweet-scented activities of the coming political campaign.

There's one happy spot in a world which is mostly gloomy. In Ireland the Orangemen and the Hibernians are fighting, and they are most gloriously happy. A good time is being had by all.

Greater Tampa is credited by the census bureau with a population of 125,725. That's no mean city. We are proud of the growth of our metropolis. It reflects the growth and progress of South Florida.

Note that in many places the boys back from Tallahassee are still explaining to the Rotary or Kiwanis Clubs. Explanations don't yet very far. Your friends don't need 'em, and your enemies won't believe 'em.

Almost before we realize it the tourists will be flocking to Florida. We should be planning to get our share of them, and to provide such welcome for them that they will tarry with us, and come back another year.

If our wise men can think of no better plan to meet overproduction of cotton than to plow under every third row, it augurs ill for the solution of many other problems more pressing and important that now confront the world.

Did those ardent prohibitionists who knifed the Democratic party in 1928 know that they were voting to finance the manufacture of concentrates that are designed to evade prohibition? Al Smith couldn't have done much worse, dear Hoovercat.

One of the candidates for Mayor over in Tampa is reported as not having missed a Wednesday night prayer meeting in 40 years. That man is too good to be Mayor of a great and wicked city like Tampa. He ought to run for a job as Bishop, or something.

Creastview, a small town in West Florida, must be trying to double its population overnight. The Okaloosa News-Journal has a story which intimates that there is a \$100 bill floating about in that community. People will come far and fast to investigate a rumor like that.

A lady over at Miami shot and killed her husband, and a judge, evidently determined to put a stop to such doings, sentenced her to a day in jail. This should make ladies take a bit more thought when tempted to shoot their husbands. They never know but they might get a day in jail, and perhaps miss a bridge game.

The announcement is made that, beginning in October, regular shipments twice a month will be made of Florida fruit from Tampa to Europe by refrigerated steamers. It is stated that it is cheaper to ship fruit from Florida to England than to New York. There may be a good reason for this, but we can't think what it would be.

If the farmers in the cotton belt would cut down their acreage one-third and use the land thus made available for producing essentials for "living at home," they could laugh at depression and over-production. Our farmers are not in the cotton producing area—and we are glad of it—but the same advice applies to farmers everywhere.

The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching was surprised to find that a Pennsylvania College Senior had a nodding acquaintance with only 23 out of 100 words in common use by educated persons. But just think how he can "rah, rah, rah," and "sis, boom, bang," for the dear old Alma Mater! Nor don't need so many words to do that.

SAD MUSIC



Echoes of the State Press

SEEMS TO BE ONLY ONE WAY.

The outcome of the present campaign of the Florida Citrus Exchange to secure a sufficient portion of the citrus crop to dominate the market and control prices is a matter of vital concern to every citizen of Florida, whatever he may be doing for a livelihood. It is one which affects everybody, in every walk of life.

The future of the state is pretty well tied up with the success or failure of the citrus industry.

Nobody seems to find any fault with the theory of co-operation of the growers in the effort to make their business a success. Nobody seems to find serious fault with the set-up of the Citrus Exchange. There is considerable criticism of the management, which is a matter, which it seems should be comparatively easy to correct. The management of the Exchange may or may not be at fault. Those who have been identified with it for years should be able to know.

Any way, it would seem that if those now in charge are unable to achieve the desired ends they should be willing to stand aside and let somebody else have a try at the job. Surely nobody could be so selfishly interested in holding a job that he would want to hang on at the peril of a great industry in which was centered the destiny of thousands of people and the safety of millions of dollars.

Apparently there is now only one way to open to the citrus fruit grower, and that is to line up with the Exchange and give it sufficient volume to dominate the market. And then, if the managers who are asking for this and promising to secure profits to the grower if control is given, fail to make good, it will certainly be time to make a change in management.

The federal government is backing the Exchange because it is the only organization which can receive such backing under the law. It is the only instrument at hand through which the grower can co-operate. If the Exchange needs a house-cleaning, it should get it. If it is necessary to change the set-up from top to bottom, it should be changed.

The growers can produce the fruit and the people all over the world supply the consumer demand, so the only thing left to do is to organize a system of marketing—bridging the gap between the producer and the consumer to put the industry on a sound basis. Surely there are men in the nation who are capable of eliminating present chaos and properly organizing the industry, if one was singled out and given authority to do the things that are necessary to be done.

This is not the time for selfishness and petty politics. Such individual sacrifices as may be necessary to save the industry should be made. The industry is big enough that it should be able to adjust the necessary changes so that no individual should be seriously hurt.

And if those now in charge cannot straighten things out, they should give place to somebody else. The rights of the few are always paramount to the rights of the many—Arcadia Arcadian.

ARE WE COMING TO GOVERNMENT PRICE FIXING?

As Dr. Tiger truly said in his address before the assembled farmers in the auditorium of the University of Florida at the opening of Farmers' Week last Monday, nobody can definitely foretell the outcome of the present economic depression felt throughout the world. And it is because the condition is worldwide that the greatest minds in all countries are bending every energy toward a solution. It is not the problem of the United States, of Canada, of Brazil, of Germany or England—it belongs to every group of people.

However, each political unit has its own immediate course to pursue. Russia is engaged in what is known as the Five-Year Plan, the most discussed experiment before us today. Several European nations are experimenting with the dose—perhaps the only method of preventing revolution for hungry men and women will do desperate things to keep life in body and feed and clothe their children. The dose is under discussion in the United States but the side make no bones about a declaration that what they want is

work and not a cash hand-out.

Along comes Senator Gerald Nye, Republican, North Dakota, who, having surveyed the agricultural situation in his section of the country, read about the recent corner on corn, the slump in cotton and the collapse of the wheat market, offers the suggestion that government price fixing on staple products is going to be necessary during this emergency. He supplements that with the proposal that the federal government give a debt holiday to all farmers who have secured loans from the Intermediate Credit Banks.

Senator Nye believes that government price fixing would help restore the buying power of fifty million people on our farms—Galveston Sun.

FLORIDA'S TRADE BALANCE.

We hear a great deal about Florida's troubles from our own people. We admit it has its troubles, but we know of no state without troubles, except the "state of ignorance and bliss." We have bonds to pay, and have had an unusual run of hard luck, but we can overcome what hard luck we have had, and nature has provided us with citrus and produce, and a climate that brings us many dollars from the other states of the nation. However, it is our trade balance that makes financial conditions tight. We must not send out of the state more money than is brought in. It is evident that this cannot be done for any long time. This leads us to remark that Florida is making progress. We are using our own products more than ever before. Our stores are stocked with our own vegetables, we are canning our citrus juices, and seeking markets over the world. We are producing more milk and butter and have about stopped shipping in eggs from other states. We have enough meat of our own for our needs, however, we still import from other markets.

As the nations are beginning to realize that Germany must save herself, so we must realize that Florida must feed herself. The millions that we spend for things we can and should produce within our own boundary, are the millions that we need now, and if we had them would be on easy street. Every one can help in this matter by demanding the "made in Florida" labels on what we buy, thus encouraging our own industry to become greater and at the same time to keep our dollars at home. Florida's home industries have just begun to grow—Wauchula Herald.

ONE SPEED, FORTY MILES PER HOUR.

When we read that the speed limit for automobile traffic on the highway between Gary and Michigan City—one of the most-traveled roads in the country—has been set at forty miles an hour, we are not especially interested, but when we are reminded that the speed limit is for both high and low, and that the effort will be made to keep all traffic at a uniform forty miles per hour rate, we all want to know just what the results will be.

According to the Chicago Motor Club, this is the first time that such a traffic regulation has been adopted, and the club spokesmen think that if the state police can enforce the law the number of traffic accidents on this busiest section of the Cleveland-Chicago highway will be greatly lessened, also that the plan will be adopted on every trunk-line motor road in the country.

It looks as if the time is coming when motorists touring the country for pleasure will have to keep off the main arteries of travel. Fancy never overtaking the car ahead and never being overtaken by the car behind—Melbourne Times.

DON'T DESTROY MINNOWS.

Most people have noticed in fresh water streams and lakes what is known as "top minnows," usually thought to be the young of large fish but according to the state department of game and fresh water fish, this is not so. These minnows are in a class by themselves and the largest seldom attain a length of two inches. Scientifically it is known as the "gambusia." One source of food for the gambusia is the larvae of the mosquito, the well known vector. It is well fitted for the task, as the minnow tilts upward, enabling it to swim just under the surface of the water and yet skim the surface, where the wigglers come up for air. In turn the minnows become food for larger fish—Frostproof News.

SELF-STARTERS

By JUDGE JOHN W. DODGE

Business, commerce, industry, agriculture, and what not, for over three years past, have been sliding backward downhill.

With brakes clamped down upon much circular wheels of thought, with our motors of junk and oil, piling, our human gears and clutches released, our shifting gears of transmission of power set in neutral, and our various bodies of "ought to" do this and that to better conditions, we have signally failed to move forward.

Our autos, or "ought to" bodies, seem to be without skilled drivers and without self-starters. We need to install some new self-starters in our "ought to" bodies, and to employ some new chauffeurs.

If the past and present leaders and self-starters are antagonized, worn out, do not function as they should, then it is now time for each individual starter to step up, show his own "ought to" into first, release his clutch, stop idling his engine of activity, add of power, break the brakes clamped down, give the motor fuel and sparks, and produce an expansion of his own human energy, along orderly, planned, safe, and conservative line of power, production and prosperity.

Power there is in the mass and masses of human self-starters, when each forgets the past, puts his foot on his self-starter, presses down the accelerator, starts revolving his own human cogs and wheels, thus doing something with that which he now has and knows how to rightly use.

With a million new individual self-starters in action, the race may be made to grade, make headway, get into high, and speed along life's paved and other highways of prosperity.

Inspiration is attracted by human moisture and perspiration, and like lightning will easily run through an unisolated conductor. The bolts of business are generated electrical currents from millions of human dynamos who start revolving with activity.

Engines on centers are dead. Move a little ahead. Florida Self-Starters will then start up. BE A SELF-STARTER. If you start others will follow. Be an inspiration to others. Get in action.

COMMITTEE PRESSES KISSIMMEE CONTROL

Will Present Case To Congressmen at Kissimmee On Labor Day

The Kissimmee Valley Waterways Conference, recently called for the purpose of working for government aid on the Kissimmee River and control project, will hold another meeting at Kissimmee on Labor Day, September 27th.

County Commissioner John Hood, Avon Park representative who attended the first conference, has been invited to attend with representatives of the county, at which time Ruth Bryan Owen, member of Congress, and other Congressmen and Senators are expected.

Although an unfavorable report was recently made by the United States army engineers on the Kissimmee river project, the conference is still pressing the need of some attention to flood control of the river. Its letter to the engineering asks that the case be held open until January, 1932, and that a continuing appropriation be made in order to keep the project under consideration. The letter follows:

August 10, 1931.
Board of Engineers for Rivers & Harbors, Munitions Building, Washington, D. C.

Subject: Kissimmee River Report.

On July 24th, representatives of men and women met in Kissimmee from Orange, Polk, Osceola and Highlands counties to consider general features of the unfavorable report recently made by your Jacksonville office regarding Flood Control along the Kissimmee River in Florida.

The attitude of the meeting was one of general acceptance of the verdict of the Engineers as reasonable. No one present was able to explain how or when the idea of Flood Control had appeared on any request on Congress, through the Engineers; for we immediately recognize the Engineering problem involved in a flat country. But, we do not wish to be placed in the position of consenting to have no action taken on the problem, for it grows more acute yearly, through the silting and choking of canals by sand and hyacinths, and the choking of channels by the sand.

We have therefore asked Senator Fletcher to present to your Board, the recommendations made by our Resolutions Committee on the above date; asking your particular attention to the following points:

1. That the case be held open until January, 1932.
2. That the Kissimmee River be benefited by a small continuing appropriation, instead of being shown out of consideration altogether.
3. That affidavits of damages from floods in the northern end of the Valley will be promptly placed in your hands.
4. That an important meeting is planned for further consideration of the matter on September 27th.

Respectfully,
Kissimmee Valley Waterways Conference.

J. M. Johnston, Sec'y.

Florida Weekly Industrial Review

The following record of industrial activity lists items showing investment of capital, employment of labor and business activities and opportunities. Information from which the paragraphs are prepared is from local papers, usually of towns mentioned, and may be considered generally correct.

Large—W. B. Meares opened fish market.

Key West—Waldo Bravo opened grocery store at corner of Angela and Ashe streets.

Jacksonville—Ray Davis Garage and service station moved to 9 East Ashley street.

Fort Pierce—Rebuilding of State Road No. 8 from Kissimmee River bridge to this place, distance of 46 miles, underway.

Kennaville—Surveying underway on Road No. 20 from Okeechobee county line to this place.

Hollywood—Local streets to be repaired.

Fort Myers—Plans progressing for construction of proposed \$200,000 post office.

Tarpon Springs—Royal Theatre reopened under new management after being renovated.

Arcadia—Municipal tourist camp improved.

A well-grounded business man is like an old-time doctor—most of the time he can tell what's wrong by just looking at a situation.

Curiosity makes people interesting and successful.

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Student Dance at Lake Byrd Lodge

Lake Byrd Lodge was the scene of another of the popular student dances Thursday night sponsored by H. R. Currie, manager.

The young folks enjoyed cards and dancing. Fruit punch was served and the evening proved very lively and entertaining.

Among those present were: Miss Louise Robbins, Bob Wade, Clarence King, George Marchand, Miss Dorothy Houck, Charles Baker, Miss Charlotte Starback, Hazen Boyce, Miss Inez Willis, M. L. Peor, Miss Ruth Hogan, Sunny Hendrickson, Jim Bogle, John Bogle, Mal Pickett, Bill Turner, Roy Rogers, Miss Mary Evelyn Rogers, Alfred Varena, J. P. Warren, Ralph Morgan, Charles Fowler, and Eddie Merrick all of Sebring. Miss Dorothy Roberts, Colquitt Parden, C. C. Martin, Bill Possier, Miss Barbara Weaver, Miss Inez Dawson, Miss Joyce Powell, Miss Ruby Jean Beaver, Paul Baldwin, Robert Roberts, Miss Almaroe McGinnis, Charles H. Smith, Miss Ethel Clark, Miss Grace Reddick, Fred Simpson, Clarence Wilcox, Horace Garner, Martin Roberts, Miss Gwendolyn Weaver, Miss Mary Turner, Miss Myrtle Turner, Miss Bessie Briggs, Buck Parden, Frederick Wild, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Shockley of Avon Park, Douglas Bailey of Wauscha, C. D. Howland of Greenville, Bill Downing of Wauscha, Miss Baker and Roland Claypool of Sebring.

Bride-Elect Given Shower Thursday.

Miss Lora Lee honored Miss Ruby Hargraves, recent bride-elect of this city, with a shower at her home on Main street, Thursday afternoon.

The program of the afternoon was: Tap dancing and popular songs by Miss Patsy Lee, Miss Mary Turner, a bride's flowers contest and the bride's register presided over by Miss Barbara Weaver.

A dainty color motif of pink and green was carried out in the flowers and refreshment course.

The invited guests were: Miss Barbara Weaver, Miss Estelle Casary, Miss Inez Dawson, Miss Inez Reeves, Miss Ethel Hinn, Miss Pauline Langford, Miss Ethel Winham, Miss Edna Overstreet, Miss Joan Bryant, Miss Susie Lynn, Miss Pauline Willeford, Miss Grace Reddick, Miss Martha Morris, Miss Josephine Sheretz, Miss Kitty Lou Martin, Miss Mary Turner, Miss Hazel Kicklitter, Miss Wilma Roberts, Miss Wava Godwin, Miss Doris Williams, Mrs. Roy Felmer, Mrs. Durbin Martin, Mrs. Ella Hargraves, Mrs. J. L. Deleal, Mrs. J. M. Lee, Mrs. R. V. Timney and the honoree, Miss Ruby Hargraves.

Mrs. Noland Is Honoree at Bridge.

Mrs. Russell Timney was hostess to five tables of bridge, complimenting Mrs. Forest Noland of Sebring, at Lake Byrd Lodge on Thursday afternoon.

The reception room of the lodge was decorated with pink radiances roses and ferns. Other appointments, tables and place cards also carried out the pink and green color scheme.

Mrs. Noland received a lovely guest prize. Mrs. Jack Head, Mrs. H. E. Keller and Mrs. Francis Shockley received high score honors.

At the end of four progressions a delicious ice course was served. The guests for the afternoon were: Miss Louise Robbins, Miss Wava Godwin, Miss Lillian Smythe, Miss Grace Reddick, Miss Joyce Powell, Miss Marie Lacey, Mrs. E. E. Melton, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Park of Winter Haven visited their parents here Sunday.

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Joint Hostesses at Bridge Friday.

Miss Christine Reeves, Miss Ethel Clark and Miss Joyce Powell entertained jointly at a party given last Friday evening at Lake Byrd Lodge.

The lodge was decorated very attractively and the party appointments carried out a pastel color motif. Five tables were arranged for play. Mrs. Mel Bass received high for the ladies and Parker Anderson received the gentlemen's high score prize.

The charming hostesses served an ice course to their guests of the evening: Miss Grace Reddick, Miss Pauline Langford, Miss Marjorie Lacey, Miss Myrtle Connelley, Miss Millian Smythe, Miss Pauline Scaggs of Fort Meade, Miss Susie Lynn, Miss Bessie Briggs of Lake Wales, Mr. and Mrs. Mel Bass, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Timney, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Shockley, Clyde Leach, Eddie Clark, Francis Roberts, Parke Anderson, Neil Greening, Colquitt, C. B. Martin and Fred Montecore.

Intermediate B.Y.P.U. Party Tuesday.

The Intermediate B. Y. P. U. members met at Lake Byrd Lodge Tuesday evening of this week for their regular social gathering.

The young folks enjoyed various games and indoor sports during the evening. The reception room was attractively decorated with cut flowers and Spanish moss.

A light refreshment course was served to the guests who were: Miss Reba West, Miss Virginia Baldwin, Miss Mildred Lee, Miss Lucille Saggus, Miss Mildred Epperson, Miss 'Mabel Connelley, Miss Sarah Smith, Miss Gwendolyn Connelley, Miss Evelyn Clement, Miss Marie McFarland, Messrs. G. D. Godwin, Walton Touchton, Harry Knook, Charles Carter, Julian Pendleton of Tallahassee, Ernest Eaves, Bruce McRann, Rev. W. M. McClure and Mrs. W. McFarland.

Mrs. D. G. Perry Is Bridge Club Hostess.

Monday afternoon was the regular meeting of the Monday Bridge Club with Mrs. D. G. Perry as hostess at her home.

The party room were decorated effectively with early fall flowers and ferns. After several progressions of bridge Mrs. J. E. Powell was awarded first prize and Mrs. John P. Garber second prize.

The hostess served a salad course at the close of the afternoon.

The present were: Mrs. S. E. Booth, Mrs. W. C. Touchton, Mrs. L. V. Pringle, Mrs. E. E. Melton, Mrs. C. E. Crabtree, Mrs. E. E. Powell, Mrs. John P. Garber, Mrs. W. D. Dornmyer, Mrs. M. E. Givington and Mrs. D. G. Perry.

Ladies' Aid Society Meets To Sew.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Christian Church met at Lake Byrd Lodge Tuesday afternoon.

The afternoon was spent in sewing for the annual bazaar held during the Christmas holidays. At six o'clock a cold plate supper was served by the ladies.

The ladies who served were: Mrs. C. H. Donaldson, Mrs. W. H. Yates, Mrs. David Farnell, Mrs. J. Thompson, Mrs. John Wood, Mrs. Paul Jones, Mrs. J. Brooks and daughter, Mrs. S. Y. Harts, Mrs. Francis Shockley, and Mrs. Van Wyre.

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Auto Owners May Face Additional Tax In Future

The Florida State League of Automobile Owners has been formed in Tampa with August B. Muggs as president, the purpose of the league being to combat any further additions to the present taxes on automobiles and also get a number of those already in force repealed or reduced. Regarding an added one cent on gasoline the league says:

The 7c gasoline tax might be raised to 8c a gallon this fall. Governor Carlton is considering another session of the Legislature to provide funds for the State Health department and other bureaus. Both governor and Senate favored the 8c tax at the last session. It is expected that the legislature will also turn a majority for the 8c tax at the coming extra session. A driver's license for every person driving a car is also one of the possibilities.

Motor car owners of the state have begun to organize themselves for the protection of their interests as a Florida State League of Automobile Owners. The league has headquarters at the Bayview hotel in Tampa, August B. Muggs of that city being president. When interviewed, Mr. Muggs stated: "We automobile owners realize the serious financial condition the state is in and are willing to contribute our share, but to single us out and make us shoulder the whole tax burden is unfair and unjust. An automobile has ceased to be a luxury, it is now a necessity for rich and poor alike. The state might as well tax bread and butter. I hope that automobile owners in every nook and corner of the state will join the Florida State League and help us fight the battle against this unjust taxation. It is absolutely unfair to make the owner of a silver using five gallons a day pay annually \$142.75 in gas and license taxes."

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Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Keller moved to Haines City Monday to accompany their son, Bobby, who remained there to be a guest of his grandparents for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Schweigart and family have returned from a pleasant vacation spent with relatives in Westminster, Maryland. They were away nine weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Spencer and son moved to Orlando Sunday. Mrs. Spencer and son remain at Lake Byrd Lodge. Mrs. Briggs was a roommate of Mrs. Shockley at relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Holland and daughter, Miss Kathryn, of Barnwell, S. C., who have been guests at the Gilbert A. Stebbins home returned to their home Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Neal H. Trent and children, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lanier and son, returned Saturday evening from Dartmouth, Tenn. where they spent a very pleasant vacation.

Miss Bessie Briggs of Lake Wales was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Shockley at Lake Byrd Lodge. Miss Briggs was a roommate of Mrs. Shockley at relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Roberts and daughter, Miss Wilma, and Miss Honey Sue, and son, Desmond, returned to this city after spending a delightful three weeks vacation at Daytona Beach.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Touchton and family returned Thursday evening from a vacation which was spent in Atlanta, Georgia with relatives.

Mrs. D. T. Lockett and daughter, Miss Audrey of Cocoa left Sunday for their home after a two weeks visit with Mr. and Mrs. Milford Dilley.

T. G. Taylor, representing the Florida Times-Union in north Florida, left Monday for Fort Pierce and other points on the east coast.

Mrs. Marion Lawson, A. W. Sargent and Pat Leger of Kissimmee were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Smith at their home on Lake Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Dilley and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dilley are enroute to Avon Park after a delightful vacation spent in Iowa and Michigan.

J. E. Powell, Bob Baldrice and J. Paul Garber spent the past week end at Fort Myers on a fishing trip. They report a plentiful catch and a good time.

Miss Mabel Seybert who was formerly employed at the Bon Ton Beauty shop here has accepted a position with the Hollywood shop in Sebring.

Mrs. W. E. Dawson, Miss Inez Dawson and Billy and Buddy Dawson spent Sunday in Kissimmee as the guests of Mrs. Hunter Dillard and family.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Fleming and children, Wilma and Ann and Miss Wilma Johnson of Macomb, and Mrs. H. M. Hargrove arrived in Avon Park Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Hargrove has been visiting at points in Georgia.

What To Put In "Bon Voyage" Box To Speed Your Parting Friends

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"Sailing, sailing, over the bounding main" or whizzing over the landscape in motor, plane or train go our various friends on vacation trips. Those of us who remain behind and want to make their "Voyage" as "Bon" as possible, will see that the send-off includes a "Happy Trip" basket. It's just an old custom—but a very nice one!

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Sunday School Lesson

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SUBJECT: Gospel for All Men.
GOLDEN TEXT: "There is no difference between the Jew and the Greek; for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him."
Rom. 10:12

LESSON TEXT: Acts 11:15-18.
TIME AND PLACES OF LESSON: A. D. 40; Joppa, Caesarea, Jerusalem.

INTRODUCTION: Peter was a Jew with the Jewish view toward all Gentiles. Cornelius was an officer in the Roman army. A Centurian was a captain, or officer, over a century, a company of 100 Roman soldiers. A short time before this lesson there was at Joppa a disciple named Tabitha, or Dorcas, who had done many good deeds toward the needy. She became sick and died. The disciple Peter healed a man named Aeneas at Lydda (a town between Joppa and Jerusalem) "and all that dwelt at Lydda saw him (Aeneas), and turned to the Lord." When Dorcas died her friends sent to Lydda for Peter, and he went with them to Joppa. When he came to the house where Dorcas lay dead, he knelt down and prayed, and turning him to the body said Tabitha, arise. And she opened her eyes; and when she saw Peter, she sat up. And he presented her alive to the Saints. And Peter tarried many days in Joppa with one Simon, a tanner, whose business was to tan the hides of animals and make leather of them. Such a business was to be considered "unclean" because it required contact with dead bodies.

Caesarea was built by Herod the Great on the shore of the Mediterranean Sea, thirty miles north of Joppa.

Acts 10: 38-40 tells of Philip baptizing the Eunuch and says "The Spirit of the Lord caught away Philip," and passing through he preached in all the cities, till he came to Caesarea."

It is probable that Cornelius heard Philip preach and tell of Jesus.

The tenth chapter of Acts tells of Cornelius. "A devout man, and one that feared God with all his house, which gave much alms to the people, and prayed to God always." "He saw in a vision," and angel of God. "said, 'Cornelius. And he said, 'What is it Lord. And he said, 'Thy prayers and thine alms are come up for a memorial before God. And now send to Joppa, and call for one Simon, whose surname is Peter.' "he shall tell thee what thou oughtest to do and things that have happened to me."

They found Peter, who went with them and preached to Cornelius and his friends, who were converted and received the Holy Spirit. The strict Jews "members of the Church of Jerusalem" heard of this visit of Peter to Cornelius and were indignant, saying, "Thou wentest in to men unclean, and didst eat with them. But Peter rehearsed the matter, saying, 'then follows the printed lesson for today:

"I was in the City of Joppa praying; and in a trance I saw a vision, as it had been a great sheet, let down from Heaven by four corners; and it came even to me. I considered, and saw fourfold beasts of the earth, and wild beasts, and creeping things, and fowls of the air.

And I heard a voice saying unto me, Arise, Peter, slay and eat. But I said, Not so, Lord; for nothing common or unclean hath at any time entered into my mouth. But the voice answered me again from heaven, What God hath cleansed, that call not thou common.

And this was done three times; and all were drawn up again into heaven.

And, behold, immediately there were three men already come unto the house where I was, sent from Caesarea unto me.

And the Spirit bade me go with them, nothing doubting. Moreover these six brethren accompanied me into the man's house. And he shewed us how he had seen an angel in his house, which stood and said unto him, Send men to Joppa, and call for Simon, whose surname is Peter:

Who shall tell thee words, whereby thou and all thy house shall be saved. And as I began to speak, the Holy Ghost fell on them, as on us at the beginning.

Forasmuch then as God gave them the like gift as he did unto us, who believed on the Lord Jesus Christ; what was I, that I could withstand God?

When they heard these things, they held their peace, and glorified God, saying, Then hath God also to the Gentiles granted repentance unto life."

The great truth in the lesson was spoken by Peter (Acts 10:34-35) "I perceive that God is no respecter of persons: But in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him."

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Don't blame your wife, mister! Remember you selected them.

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SCHOOL BOARD LET FIVE CONTRACTS AT MONDAY MEETING

Contract Made For New Roof
On Venus School; Awards
Made For Transportation
In Various Districts.

The county board of public instruction had a busy session Monday when bids were received and opened for a new roof to the Venus school building and for transportation of the pupils in various districts of the county. Bids on the Venus school repairs were opened. There were eight bidders ranging from \$501.25 to \$837.20 and the lowest bidder, M. J. Miller of Venus, was awarded the contract. Mr. Miller bid on a complete job including a 28 gauge galvanized roof for the school building as well as a roof for the pavilion and the engine house.

Transportation bids were next opened and read. There were seven bidders for the Venus district and Alex McDugald, who has held the contract for the past four years, was again awarded the contract at \$75 per month.

There were five bidders for transporting the Hicoria junior and senior high school pupils to and from Flacil and the award was made to Mrs. E. A. Whitaker at \$100 per month. The contract for transporting the DeSoto City high school pupils to Sebring went to Mrs. Emily Barrow for \$35 per month. There were three bidders on this contract.

The contract for the DeSoto City district, for which there were eight bidders, was awarded to Frank Tauchens at \$69 per month. All the contract awards were made on the recommendations of the local boards of trustees of the respective districts.

Mrs. T. J. and Bert Crawford and George Layport of Cornwell appeared before the board and stated there are about 25 children at Cornwell to be transported to the Bassenger school, a distance of four miles, and asked that the county board make the necessary arrangements for the safe and comfortable transportation of the children. This the board promised to do.

Some of the patrons of the Bassenger school who live at Cornwell presented a petition to the board requesting that a school be opened at Cornwell in order to save the transportation to the Bassenger school. The board instructed the secretary, F. N. K. Bailey, to notify the petitioners that owing to the fact there is no school building at Cornwell and the objections of the state department some two years ago to such a school at Cornwell, the request had to be denied.

Dave Durrance appeared before the board on behalf of the school patrons in the Palmist community and asked that the same arrangement that held last year for the transporting of the children to the Lake Placid schools be continued this year and the request was acceded to by the board.

Secretary Bailey reported a conference he had with the Avon Park local trustees and informed the board that Miss Joe Shaw who had been named as endorsed as teacher for the Avon Park schools, had declined the appointment. On recommendation of the trustees, Miss Lee Shirley of Fort Myers was named to the position.

A petition from patrons of the Bassenger school and endorsed by the local trustees asked that Miss Pearl Pearce be named as teacher for the school. The board endorsed and granted the request. Miss Pearce formerly taught at this school for two years and has spent the past three years at the State College for Women at Tallahassee from which she recently graduated with an A. B. degree.

Sebring Juniors Win From Avon Park 15-9

The Avon Park junior diamond ball team fell before the on-rush of the Sebring boys here Wednesday night in a hard fought battle which ended with a score of 15 to 9 in favor of the visitors. Avon Park's partial rally in the last of the eighth brought their tally up but failed to overcome the Sebring lead.

The hard hitting of the Sebring juniors combined with the errors of Manager Reynolds' proteges put the visitors in the lead from the start and when the home boys finally rallied down the lead was so great that they could not overcome it.

Batteries: Hewitt, Hart and Massey; Sebring, Long, Waldron.

Do you remember how old you thought your father was when he was your age?

Standings of the Orange Belt League

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Okeechobee	7	1	.875
Wauchula	6	3	.667
Bowling Green	5	8	.385
Fort Meade	3	9	.250
Avon Park	5	4	.555
Sebring	3	5	.375
Lake Wales	1	6	.142
Frostproof	1	7	.125

Avon Park Metros Swamp Frostproof

Avon Park defeated Frostproof Thursday afternoon in an Orange Belt league game at Frostproof to the tune of 15 to 8. The game was at no time close and was featured by many hits and errors.

Dilley took the mound for Avon Park and pitched nice ball until he was pulled in the fifth after his team had built up a lead of twelve runs. C. B. Martin finished the game and was hit frequently.

McArthur started in the box for Frostproof but the locals soon found him and drove him from the box. Boyd and Young also took their turn on the mound for Frostproof but met with little more success than did the first pitcher. Twice during the frame Avon Park batted completely around, once in the third scoring five men, and again in the fifth adding seven runs to their tally.

Head, with two bingles and a triple out of six times at bat, and Lawhorn with four out of six, were the outstanding men at the plate for Avon Park. Young the last pitcher for Frostproof got a home run in the seventh. The batteries were:

Avon Park: Dilley, Martin, Martin and Eads. Frostproof: McArthur, Boyd, Young and Cox.

Box Score:	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Milton, as-c	5	0	1	8	2	0
Young, 3b-p	4	5	1	2	1	0
Fong, cf-as	4	1	3	1	2	0
Fugh, 1b	3	0	1	6	0	0
F. Gibbs, 1b	1	0	0	2	0	0
F. Gibbs, 2b	5	0	2	0	2	2
Davis, if	5	3	1	0	1	0
McCollum, rf-3b	4	3	1	0	1	0
Cox, c	1	0	0	1	1	0
Mullins, c	4	0	1	3	0	1
McArthur, p	0	0	0	1	0	0
Boyd, p	1	0	1	0	1	0
Harrell, 3b-rf	2	0	0	1	0	3

Totals	39	12	27	8	12	
Avon Park	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Head, as-c	7	1	3	0	1	1
Armistead, 3b	7	1	2	0	2	1
Dilley, p	4	2	2	0	1	0
Eads, c	8	0	0	0	0	0
C. Martin, 2b	2	0	0	2	0	2
Lawhorn, 2b	6	2	4	2	0	0
Talk, 1b	6	1	0	9	0	0
Waters, rf	6	0	2	0	0	0
Conoley, cf	6	4	3	1	0	1
Fardee, if	6	1	1	0	0	0

Totals	57	15	19	37	10	5
Frostproof	011 010 122	8	12			
A. Park	015 170 001	15	19	5		

Okeechobee Tightens Hold on Lead in Orange Belt League

Okeechobee, Aug. 20.—Okeechobee defeated Bowling Green today, 7 to 3, and the local team thereby got a stronger hold on first place in the Orange Belt League. The visitors' outburst here, but Albrook kept them well scattered and fanned 11 men.

McRae, Bowling Green hurler, was wild at the start, walking four men in the first and finally was pulled by B. Albrook. Okeechobee was not in danger after pulling across four runs in the first frame. Three more were added in the sixth for good measure.

Batteries, Bowling Green: B. G. McRae, B. Albrook and Addison. Okeechobee: Albrook and Pitta.

Bryant Pitches Wauchula to Sixth Straight Win

Wauchula, Aug. 20.—Behind superb pitching by Claude Bryant, Wauchula won her sixth straight victory here this afternoon to take third place in the Orange Belt league race. Fort Meade furnished today's opposition and went down under a 4 to 0 defeat.

It was Bryant's second straight shut-out and he had splendid support. Steele started for the visitors but a smashing drive from Moseley's bat in the second hit him in the mouth. Durrance finished the game, Bryant allowed six hits.

Steele and Durrance were touched for seven. Every hit was a single. Score by innings:

Steele, Durrance and Mayo; Bryant and Moore.

TAX CERTIFICATES ARE ASSAILED IN SUIT FILED TODAY

Validity of Certificates Questioned Due Alleged Irregularities in Setting Millage and Advertising Tax Sales.

Suit is being filed in the circuit court today by M. R. McDonald, as attorney for the City of Sebring, seeking to test the validity of state tax certificates for the years 1926, 1928 and 1929. The suit is directed against Ed Wolf of New York and George P. Street of Atlanta, Ga., who hold tax certificates on property to which the City of Sebring claims title and against Ernest Ames as comptroller of the state of Florida and L. T. Farmer as clerk of the circuit court. The city also owns tax certificates on certain property and the suit is not for the purpose of evading payment of taxes, Mr. McDonald says, but for the purpose of testing whether the form of the certificates has good title.

A suit heard before Judge W. J. Barker here recently assailed the validity of tax certificates in Glades county and the court found for the plaintiffs thereby practically nullifying the millage levy in that county for the years attacked.

In the suit filed here it is alleged that the county commissioners failed to "ascertain and determine" the millage necessary for such item in the budget for the years in question and also failed to total the millage. Irregularities in the tax sales are also alleged; it being claimed the tax collector's signature was omitted in some instances and in the 1928 sale it is alleged failure was made to state the name of the county in which the lands advertised for sale were located and also the year in which the sale was to be made was omitted.

The length of time for which the tax sale was advertised in one instance is also attacked, sufficient number of days notice not being given, it is claimed.

The suit is in the nature of a test case and is expected to clear up any doubt that exists as to the legality of tax certificates.

Federal Sub-Tropical Fruits' Investigator Assigned To Florida

Dr. H. P. Traub, head of the sub-tropical fruits section, office of horticultural investigations, United States Department of Agriculture, has been assigned to Florida and will conduct research in co-operation with the Florida Experiment Station, according to an announcement by Dr. Wilmon Newell, director of the Station. For the present, his experiments will deal principally with cold storage and with Satsumas. He will work out of Gainesville.

Dr. Traub, a former horticulturist at the Texas Experiment Station, will begin work in Florida on September 1.

Road Petition Is Presented and Withdrawn Later

The petition that has been in circulation the past several weeks asking that district two be made a special road and bridge district for the purpose of completing the road to Highlands Hammock, was presented to the county commissioners Monday morning. The petition was withdrawn in the afternoon on the advice of C. B. Betts, secretary to Alexander Blair, pending the receipt of further information from Mr. Blair who is at present on vacation in England. He is expected to return to Lake Placid about the middle of September.

About the only subject on which there seems to be no difference of opinion is that an automobile is a necessity.

Queen of Checker Board To Be Named at Kissimmee Fiesta

The Kissimmee chamber of commerce is planning a big celebration on Monday, September 7, Labor Day. There will be a beauty contest decided in a human checker game, which is an entirely new wrinkle in things of this kind. Ruth Bryan Owen will lay the cornerstone for the new post office building, a ball game, basket picnic and fish fry will be features of the day. The chamber of commerce has received this outline of events, which sounds like there will be plenty doing for one day's entertainment, and all of Avon Park is invited.

A human checker game will be staged at eight o'clock p. m., made into red and black checker board.

We are asking the Mayor and Secretary of Chamber of Commerce of the 24 towns near Kissimmee to select one of their pretty girls to be one of the checkers in this game. The girls to wear pajamas, any color she may desire. Red and black hands will be furnished for the head, also the name of her town. Rooms will be provided for the girls at the Arcade Hotel, that will be headquarters for the guests that day. Mr. H. Gilbert very kindly offered his hotel on that date.

Girls are asked to report at the Arcade Hotel not later than 7:30 p. m., where numbers will be supplied which correspond with number on checker board, at which point you will take at 8 o'clock on Broadway when the game begins. Music will be furnished suitable for this affair, and the game will be played by a Kissimmee and an Orlando man.

At the close of the checker game, the queen of checker board will be named.

Expect the Secretary of Chamber of Commerce, Mayor, with a pretty girl from your city, to be introduced from the platform at 10:30 a. m., to the many thousands people we expect here on this date. All we ask is that you appear in your usual charming manner, and with your very best boy.

Give us a little idea of the program of the day.

The program opens at 9:30 with a very spectacular parade. At 10:30 introductions of the guests of the City. This is where your town shines.

Laying of the Corner Stone of our new post office building. Mrs. Ruth Bryan Owen makes the address. We expect a number of celebrities in and out of the state on this date. After this will be a basket picnic and fish fry out at the ball park. The city is providing tables for your comfort. Coffee will be furnished, also good salt water fish. Tell all your people in your town to join Kissimmee in this big celebration. Bring their baskets, and meet the people and have a big time with Central Florida folks.

Big ball game in the afternoon, Coosa and Kissimmee. Come root for the best team. Horse races, boat races, dedication of our new boat basin. Karl Lehmann makes the address. Bull frog races. In the evening at 8 o'clock the Human Checker Game will be staged. Cake walk put on by Legion Auxiliary. Street dancing until 12 o'clock p. m. Good music will be furnished throughout the day. The Kissimmee Boy's Band will assist in furnishing music. Good dance music promised.

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Constitutionality of Distribution of Gas Tax Is Attacked

Tallahassee, Aug. 18.—Constitutionality of Florida's 1931 gasoline tax revenue distribution law was attacked in a suit filed here today. The case will be argued before Circuit Judge E. C. Lowe of Quincy, Aug. 28.

A chancery suit was filed in Leon county circuit court by Rep. John E. Mathews of Duval county, acting as a citizen and taxpayer. It named Governor Carlton, Comptroller Amos and Treasurer Knott as defendants.

Subpoenas to appear were served on the state officials today, service being made on the governor through his secretary since the chief executive was out of the city. The state's case was turned over to the attorney general's office.

Charging that the distribution act violated both the state and federal constitutions, Mathews' bill of complaint asked that the three officials be restrained from distributing the tax revenue under the 1931 plan, that the law be judged unconstitutional and that the act be nullified.

Four legislators were listed as Mathews' associates in the case. Their names appeared as attorneys for him in the suit. They were Rep. S. P. Robinson, Duval county; W. M. Madison and J. Henry Blount, Duval county, and Hugh Taylor, Gadsden county. J. W.

population and money spent for construction of state roads. The law levying a seventh cent gasoline tax was not attacked in today's suit.

Validity of the distribution act was attacked on more than a dozen grounds. The law was termed "arbitrary, unjust, inequitable and oppressive." The bill further charged that the act "constitutes robbery in some counties for the benefit of other counties." And it is "not legislation but a decree under legislative form."

Other charges against it were that it was not a legal state tax and not a legal county tax, that it attempted to appropriate state funds for purposes prohibited by the constitution, that it attempted to recognize county bond debts as state obligations and to levy a state tax to pay debts of the counties.

The bill alleged that the law violated the United States constitution in that it deprived a citizen of his property without due process of law. The title and text of the act were assailed as contrary to the state constitution. The manner of its passage by the legislature was assailed as irregular and in violation of legislative rules as set out in the constitution.

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Black, Jacksonville, also was listed as an attorney. Mathews today said the 12 larger counties of the state would lose nearly 50 percent of their gasoline tax payments under the 1931 distribution method. But the suit raised a bigger question, he said, the question of the state paying the debts of its counties.

Mrs. Nora Stewart Now at K-B Grill

Mrs. Nora Stewart, who for several years was chef at Lake Byrd lodge, has taken a similar position with the K-B Grill, recently opened by Kinsey Webb and Bert Turner. Mrs. Stewart has had a varied experience in restaurants and lunch rooms here and elsewhere.

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B. E. Peas can

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