

Here and There About Avon Park

By W. M. Hetherington

ELECT THEM

The Times suggested in this column last issue that the public was dissatisfied with the present system of appointing city officials and expressed the belief that a majority of voters would prefer reverting to the old system of electing by direct vote certain city officials.

The Pilot counters to the effect that our idea "is so absurd that it will receive no consideration at the hands of the people."

There is an excellent method provided for settling such differences of opinion. We do not presume to speak for the people. They are capable of speaking for themselves, if given the opportunity—and they should have that opportunity. They should be allowed to vote on the elective versus the appointive system. The charter could be easily amended by an act of the legislature if the people so desire; but let them have something to say about it, for a change.

Because a majority of the people elected the present council, the Pilot says they should be satisfied with the appointments. We do not presume to speak for the people. They are capable of speaking for themselves, if given the opportunity—and they should have that opportunity. They should be allowed to vote on the elective versus the appointive system. The charter could be easily amended by an act of the legislature if the people so desire; but let them have something to say about it, for a change.

The Pilot harps on the perfection of the present system. It may be a great "system" to surprise the public every two years, but it is not a system of officials, some of whom are scarcely known to most of the voters, but we are of the opinion that the public would be surprised to find a surprise package along more constructive lines—such as a refinancing plan for instance, that would take care of our defaulted bonds. Or a settlement of the city limits dispute that has been in the courts for so long, these many months, while taxes accumulate and the city cannot meet its monthly payroll.

In the last campaign there was not a single vital issue brought out upon which a voter could intelligently base his preference for one candidate above another. Over-shadowing all else was the appointive responsibility, and that was all one heard during the race. Yet in the windup, the average voter had little idea of who would get the city jobs.

We are not leveling this criticism at the present council—though we think they could have shown better judgment in some cases. On the other hand, the results obtained have been no satisfactory to a large portion of the voting public. The same thing might happen following another election. We believe that if the city officials had been given an opportunity of expressing their preference on the individual appointive offices, there would have been no serious split such as we are faced with today.

The American voter believes in the ballot rule and will abide by it. All he asks is a fifty-fifty break. But he will not be satisfied with having his office holders hand-picked for him. The sooner we return to the old "antiquated" system, the sooner harmony will prevail.

Lee Says Officers Ready To Give Up To Qualified Men

Policeman W. A. Roberts, City Clerk Louise Brown and City Engineer Phil Laegre are ready and willing to turn over their offices to their legally elected and qualified successors, but their successors are not so qualified they will not surrender their offices unless instructed to do so by a court of competent jurisdiction. Col. J. M. Lee, representing the city employees, made the statement yesterday.

City employees who were slated to go out of office were being followed, following the new city appointments, remained on the job and decided to battle it out, when they found that in their opinion the council had not made legal appointments.

Alleged failure of the council to make its appointments on a regular meeting night constitutes the chief defect to the new appointments, it is said.

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P. T. A. IS ACTIVE ON CHILD WELFARE AND CHARITY WORK

Report of This Department Shows Much Needed Assistance Extended Through That Organization.

The Parent-Teachers' association met at the school auditorium Thursday afternoon with a good attendance of patrons of the school present.

The school band under the capable direction of Prof. F. J. Gustaf played several numbers preceding the business session.

The Child Welfare committee, Mrs. J. M. Lee, chairman, reported \$60.00 received through the tag day sales and special mention was made of the work that Carmel Booth did in leading the sales. Mrs. Lee spoke of the P. T. A. cooperating with United Charities and the American Legion in the distribution of Christmas baskets, toys and candies and that a gift of \$10 was used to buy necessary articles for the older boys and girls. She also reported that the Senior class of 1930, most of whom were home for the holidays, voted to use a balance in their treasury as a gift to the Child Welfare department and that this money with the aid of services from Dr. Touchton was used for two much needed tonsil operations. Forty vests were made and 96 garments distributed, also groceries and clothing.

D. Dorman serving as this committee with Mrs. Lee.

Mrs. Fred Stevens made a call for infants' clothing for United Charities and asked anyone having the articles to donate to get in touch with Mrs. W. H. Yates.

A communication was read from Mrs. F. M. Van Slyke of Tampa, stating that the State P. T. A. wished to form a district organization composed of Hardee, Polk, and Highlands counties, and it was voted that Avon Park P. T. A. would join.

"Tegument" was sung and the program chairman, Mrs. Harry Chance, took charge of the meeting.

A reading by Anna Dee Roberts, "When Mother Has the Aid," was followed by two piano solos by Betty Touchton. A reading, "Her Country," by Carmel Booth, concluded the program.

Mrs. Covington stated that a benefit bridge would be held at the Avon Park hotel 8 p. m. on Monday evening, the proceeds to be used for charity.

R. T. Fairly announced the joint meeting of the P. T. A. of the Highlands county posts of the American Legion for next Tuesday night in the Auditorium, and extended an invitation to the Parent-Teachers' association members to attend. He stated that National Vice Commander Richard F. Paul, Boston, Mass., would conduct the installation. Avon Park, Sebring and Lake Placid posts will take part.

In the room, Mrs. Sadi Myers Brown's room had the most patrons present, while Miss Eleanora Brown's room received the highest count for the high school.

During the social hour, following the meeting Mrs. S. J. Pendleton and Mrs. M. Van Slyke served refreshments of iced orange juice and cookies.

Washington Day Program Planned By Woman's Club

Mrs. W. A. Davison, president of the Avon Park Woman's club will be pleased if other organizations are attending a celebration in commemoration of the bicentennial of George Washington confer with Mrs. M. E. Covington, chairman of the civics committee as that committee is planning appropriate services for that day with the planning and dedicating of a time in the Mall across from the city hall, and Mrs. Davison hopes that other plans may not conflict so that everyone may attend the program.

Jordan & Son Moving To Bank Building

Jordan & Son, Jewelers, will move about February first to the First National bank building, where they will occupy a room being made ready for them by partitioning off a part of the room occupied by the Avon Park Drug company.

SKIPPER REMAINS HEAD REPUBLICANS

Said To Retain His Post As Republican National Committeeman

Glenn B. Skipper of Miami, well known in Avon Park and Highlands county, was left undisturbed as Republican national committeeman for Florida when the national committee at its recent meeting in Washington, failed to go into the Florida contest. So goes a special story recently published in the Miami Herald from his Washington correspondent.

Mr. Skipper passed through Avon Park Tuesday enroute to Miami. On his short visit here he was in conference with Attorney S. C. Pardee, Otto Skipper and W. O. Skipper. His visit here was strictly a business mission and had no political significance, one of the parties to the conference.

The rumor that Pardee and Skipper had outlined a Republican county ticket was characterized as absurd by one of the parties.

Continuing, the Herald's Washington correspondent says:

"Efforts to oust Skipper were threatened by the Hovey-Pryor organization group in the state as an outgrowth of a letter signed by the national committeeman just before the election of a new state committee last year in which he made a conditional agreement to resign. Claiming that other parties to the agreement had failed to live up to their promises, Skipper later reiterated the letter."

"As the leaders of the opposing faction, W. J. Hovey and R. E. L. Pryor, Republican state chairman, have contended that Skipper's resignation became effective with his letter of resignation, a question was raised as to whether Skipper was to decide in view of the latter resignation.

"Both Mr. Hovey and State Chairman Pryor were here today (Dec. 14) observing the session of the national committee, and according to friends of Skipper, have sought to have the committee take up the Florida question in connection with a view of declaring a vacancy.

"Failure of the national committee to act means that Skipper will continue in his post until a successor is named at the forthcoming national convention, which will be held in Chicago in June. Florida delegates to that convocation will be called upon to elect a new national committee for another term of four years.

"Whether the failure of the national body to oust Skipper means that he will be vested with more authority in the distribution of federal patronage in Florida remains to be seen. He and Postmaster General Walter F. Brown have been at odds for some time, but there have been recent evidences of a tendency on the part of the administration to recognize him.

Yesterday, for example, Mr. Skipper was the subject of a letter from a number of several national committeemen invited to the White House as luncheon guests of President Hoover.

"In outside political circles the invitation, the first of its kind Mr. Skipper has received since being national committeeman, was interpreted as a move towards rapprochement with disgruntled Southern leaders preparatory to the approaching presidential campaign.

"Both National Committeeman Skipper and Mrs. Clara C. Grace, of St. Petersburg, Florida national committeewoman were named as members of a national convention planning arrangements for the coming year. It was the function of the body to draft an outline of policies to be incorporated in the 1932 platform to be adopted by the convention."

BARNETT IS NAMED PRESIDENT LOCAL NATIONAL BANK

Vice President Jacksonville Bank Is Elected To Fill Vacancy Caused by Resignation of J. N. Greening.

D. M. Barnett of Jacksonville, was elected president of the Barnett National Bank of Avon Park at the annual meeting of directors of the bank Tuesday, succeeding J. N. Greening, who resigned to join the Florida National bank at Lakeland.

Mr. Barnett is vice-president of the Barnett National bank of Jacksonville, with which institution he has been associated for the past 19 years. His father, Elton H. Barnett, is chairman of the board of the Jacksonville bank. His grandfather, W. B. Barnett organized the bank in 1877.

Mr. Barnett was also elected director of the Avon Park bank. Other directors are: S. J. Pendleton, C. H. Walker, W. A. Marshall and W. T. Coates.

Mr. Coates was re-elected vice-president, and M. V. Pilcher, assistant cashier, who was promoted to cashier.

The annual report to stockholders made by Mr. Coates, showed the bank had made substantial progress the past year. A recently published statement showed resources of \$379,143.22, on December 31, 1931.

100 Reservations Being Made For Legion Banquet

Reservations for upward of 100 plates are being made for the American Legion banquet for Tuesday night, when Richard F. Paul of Boston, Mass., national vice-commander, will be honor guest of Highlands county.

The banquet will be held at 6:30 at the Jacaranda hotel, followed by joint installation of officers of the Highlands county posts at the high school auditorium. The national vice-commander will be installing officers. Avon Park, Sebring and Lake Placid posts will participate in the joint ceremonies.

Special invitations have been issued to prominent Legionnaires of the state and local posts and a number of responses have been received indicating that the event will be widely attended.

The Avon Park banquet and installation follows immediately after the mid-winter conference at Orlando on the 17 and 18, and Vice-Commander Paul, accompanied by State Commander Emmet Safay and others will come here to take part.

Invitations have been issued to all nearby posts of the sixth district, and it is expected that the unusual opportunity of meeting the national vice-commander will bring together the largest gathering of Legionnaires in this section this year.

New Stove Will Heat the Avalon Theatre

This fine warm weather doesn't mean a thing to Manager H. R. Klatzer of the Avalon theatre, who is making plans to install a new furnace. Convinced that Mother Nature is holding out on us, and will soon deliver some of that snappy overcast, the Avalon management is installing adequate heating equipment to make the theatre comfortable if and when the cold does come. He has ready for installation a large sized Hotolite, one of the latest wrinkles that science has produced in the stove line, and this will soon be dispelling warm and good cheer when needed while movie fans enjoy the show in comfort.

Mayor Rejects Attorney's Advice and Proposes Cure

Refusing to act upon the advice of City Attorney S. C. Pardee, Mayor M. E. Covington has notified the city council that he will not accept its appointments due to irregularities under which the appointments have been made, and recommends as a cure for same that the council meet again on its regular meeting night and make the appointments of all city officials.

The mayor's decision was embodied in a letter to S. J. Pendleton, president of the council, delivered today.

In his letter, the mayor bases his refusal to swear in city appointees on the ground that the appointments were irregularly made, and are subject to attack which would necessitate the cost of legal defense.

President Pendleton sent the mayor a curt reply that so far as he was concerned the election was over, and that he would not have anything further to do with it.

Mayor Covington's letter, refusing to abide by the City Attorney's decision, follows:

"I beg leave to submit, for consideration of the City Council, the following statements and recommendations in reference to appointments for the coming term."

"Certain gentlemen chosen by your body Wednesday, January 6th, to hold city positions, have applied to me to be sworn in. Having heard rumors of irregularities, I declined and appealed to the City Attorney for a written opinion, at the same time requested attorneys representing officers whose terms are expiring, to give me a synopsis of their contentions."

"After a study of both, I have come to the conclusion that there is danger that what has been done has been done irregularly, is subject to attack, and would necessitate the cost of legal defense, and I am further convinced that it is needless to risk any attack as the alleged mistakes may be readily rectified."

"I am of the opinion that an ordinance may only be amended by a regular meeting of the council, therefore, that the provision of the charter regarding the election of officers at the first Council meeting in January has been complied with."

"I am furthermore of the opinion that even if the meetings on Tuesday night and on Wednesday night were not meetings on regular meeting nights that all members of the council being present and no objection being made, the proceedings would be valid notwithstanding a mere irregularity in procedure."

"The regular meetings will hold office until his successor has filed oath and bond and has taken the oath of office whereupon he will assume the duties of the office of City of Avon Park, not authorized to act as one, not to receive compensation from the city."

Home-Grown Menu Will Feature Free Feed By C. of C.

A home-grown menu consisting of Highlands county vegetables, fruits and meats will feature the Chamber of Commerce luncheon at the Parish house next Friday, when the annual membership campaign gets under way.

Karl Lehmann, secretary of the Seminole county chamber of commerce will be the principal speaker of the luncheon. About 150 invitations have been sent out to members and non-members alike and luncheon will be followed up by an intensive two-day membership solicitation.

Jimmie Dundee To Fight at Armory

Jimmie Dundee, Pittsburgh, brother of Johnny Dundee, former world's featherweight champion, will meet Young Diamond, Tampa, in a main bout of the boxing card at the Armory next Wednesday night, January 20th.

Also on the card are Avon Park and Elmore Douglas, Frontpoint, are announced as the semi-final attraction by Promoter Eddie Callahan.

GOOD GOVERNMENT LEAGUE INITIATES RECALL MOVEMENT

Petition Placed at City Hall Asking Recall of Entire Body Requires Signatures of Thirty Percent of Voters

A petition asking for the recall of the five recently elected city councilmen has been filed at the city hall, where it awaits the signatures of thirty per cent of the registered voters of the city to make it mandatory upon the council to call an election to vote upon the recall of the entire council body. S. J. Pendleton, C. R. Head, J. L. Masterson, L. H. Ward and E. A. Delaney are named in the petition, the first of its kind in the history of the city in asking the recall provision of the city charter.

Daily conferences of group after group of citizens for the past week resulted in the formation of a Good Government League, with a membership of over 400 registered voters. At a meeting last night, attended by upward of 100 active members, the week's deliberations were brought to a head with the approval of the recall petition, and the petition was ordered placed in the city hall for signatures of the league then voted to meet at the city hall in a body Saturday morning at nine o'clock and sign the petition.

Decision of citizens to take the drastic steps called for in the petition grew out of the dissatisfaction of a large part of the people over recent appointments of the city council, and a recall petition to wipe out the entire body and start over with a clean slate is the remedy sought by the Good Government League.

The recall petition sets forth that the official conduct of the said officers since induction into office as members of the City Council of the City of Avon Park has been in opposition to the wishes of their constituents and obstructive of the best interests of the said City of Avon Park; that by reason of their political affiliations, standing out of personal interests, said Councilmen have been unable to agree, and have failed to give due and proper consideration to the needs of public importance coming before them."

The petition in full is set forth in a page advertisement appearing in this issue of the Times, with an invitation to the citizens of Avon Park to go to the city hall and sign it.

Under the provisions of the charter, the petition cannot be carried around to voters as is usual, but those wishing to sign it must go to the city hall where the petition is in the custody of the city clerk.

McNicholas Not An Applicant for City Attorney

Speaking before the Good Government League Friday night match play, J. A. McNicholas stated that under no circumstances would he be an applicant for the city attorneyship.

"I am acting as a citizen as well as an attorney in this matter, and I am acting for what I consider the best interests of the city," he said. "You will probably hear reports that the Charlie Lanier gang is behind this recall movement. If you do, you can say for me, I am not an applicant for the office of city attorney. I do not want it, and I would not have it under any circumstances."

Sunday Services at the Congregational

"This Week's News from Mizpah" will be the subject of the morning sermon at the Congregational church next Sunday. The C. E. choir will furnish a musical number. At the 7:30 evening service Dr. Vaughn will give the findings of a scientist 160 years ago on the morals and spiritual ceremonies of the Florida Indians, an interesting historical document.

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ADVERTISING RATES FURNISHED UPON REQUEST

One reason prosperity is delayed around the corner is because it is blocked by so many whiners and shirkers who are standing on the corner griping about hard times and depression.

Brisbane says there are a dozen men more important to the world than any other 100,000,000 and names several whom he would include in that group. But no Floridian is mentioned.

We Democrats just have an over-supply of fine Presidential timber. Roosevelt is our choice, but we could very cheerfully join in a "Rah for Ritchie" chorus if he should be the convention's choice.

The other day we saw one of these beautiful "colonels" with which it is proposed to make the country safe for Democracy. We immediately made application to be in her company.

Luke Lea is "also running" for Congress in opposition to Mr. Drane. He is too much of a humorist to be taken seriously. Perhaps a compromise might be effected whereby he could write a funny column for the Congressional Record. It would vastly improve the publication.

This paper's ticket still reads "Roosevelt, Drane and Hardee." We picked them because we consider them the best men for the high places they seek, and we are gratified to note that they look more and more like three winners.

One Asher Frank, of Tampa, has announced as a candidate for Congressman-at-large on a wet platform. We doubt he will cut enough figure in the campaign even to cause the W. C. T. U. to view him with alarm. When the people of Florida dispose of the wet and dry question it will be when the matter is put squarely up to them through a referendum.

The government plans to give away 40,000,000 bushels of wheat to the needy. And just think, during the war we were having "wheatless days" to save wheat. We were hysterical then, and we are foolish now. Giving a hungry family a bushel or two of wheat would be a ludicrous thing to contemplate if it were not so tragic.

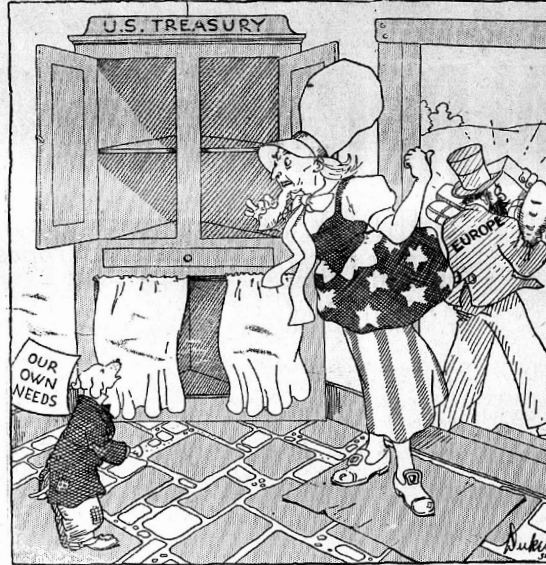
"Daughters of the poor" make the best grades at the Florida State College, a survey of the 1,658 students of that institution shows. But if you have a daughter attending there don't let her know this. She might not make a good grade for fear that she might be considered as one of the daughters of the poor.

There is a rumour over in Alabama because Governor Miller would not yield to do away with the lash as a feature of prison discipline. Whipping is a form of punishment repugnant to civilized sensibilities. It has the sanction of Bible authority, but that seems to mean little nowadays. There is one sure way of escaping this punishment — that is to keep out of institutions where it is administered.

Some years ago Winter Haven started an annual "Orange Festival" on a small scale. Now the enterprise has grown until interest in it has become almost national. Other towns in the orange belt are sorry they didn't copy the idea first, but we are willing that Winter Haven should enjoy the benefits of her bright idea. The Orange Festival advertises the whole State. This year's event, beginning January 26th, promises to be the best and biggest yet.

This period of hard times will be worth all the grief and worry it has caused if it shall result in getting individuals and communities back to a cash or pay-as-you-go system. It looks now like people, for a long time, at least, will be compelled to adhere to a program of living within their means. Advertising to bring about a sadder and more wholesome plan of living. Too easy credit is largely responsible for the trying situations most people and many communities find themselves in today.

It Looks Like Everything Has Been Loaned Out



You can't say they are not busy boys up at Washington. In less than a month after the Congressional session began 10,000 bills had been introduced. The best method of disposing of them would be to bale 'em up and ship 'em out to the various constituencies for fire-kindling purposes.

People read Eddie Guest's poetry because it deals with the lives, emotions and reactions of the people, and the latter can understand it. Most of the "modern" stuff is like the peace of God, in that it surpasses all understanding. If it is poetry, then little poetry was ever written until during the last few years.

Over at Tarpon Springs a woman was shot to death in a row over religion. It always seemed to us that people who row over religion haven't much religion. Anyway, there is nothing more unprofitable than religious discussion or controversy, which breeds discord and hatred more bitter than anything else can generate.

Most Florida towns will envy Fitzgerald, Georgia, which has no debts, has \$5,000 in the treasury, and \$40,000 in 1931 taxes yet to collect. That's an object lesson we might study with advantage, once we get out of the present slough of debt and despond. For some time to come it will take a brave man to suggest a bond issue for any purpose in these parts.

Note that a business institution in a nearby town states that, to its surprise, its business was better in 1931 than in 1930. Most of us are better off than we think we are, but we hear and talk hard times so much we lose sight of the things we have. Like that marcher in a hunger parade, who fell from exhaustion, and in whose pockets \$1,000 in currency was found.

DID YOU EVER STOP TO THINK

By EDSON R. WAITE
Shawnee, Oklahoma

THAT every citizen should support the business concerns of the home city because they are active, alive, and doing the things that go to make the home city a better place in which to live and make a living.

Cities grow through the leadership of its live citizens. They set the standard of the aims and ambitions of the home city, and should have the wholehearted support of the entire community in carrying those plans to a successful conclusion.

A live city is simply impossible without live citizens.

Knockers who constantly hammer away at every project should stop and think. They only hurt themselves.

Live citizens never side-step an unpleasant duty. They just step over all obstacles and go on their way.

Real boosters are always working to advance the interests of the home city.

Boosters know the truth when they see it and get busy and let the other fellows know it.

Boosters get going and keep going, and the rest of the people should go the way the boosters go.

BOOSTERS REALIZE THAT EVERY DOLLAR INVESTED IN THE HOME CITY MEANS A NEW DOLLAR ENLISTED IN ITS SERVICE.

TALENTS

By JUDGE JOHN W. DODGE

Everybody seems to think that happiness and contentment depend upon what he or she has, or would like to have. There never was a greater mistake.

Happiness depends upon how we use the talents, or things, which we possess or desire.

There is an "Arts and Crafts" of talent, as Carlyle once wrote thereof, and which each of us might reach with great profit at this period of life. He said:

"When an individual is miserable, what does it most of all behoove him to do? To complain of this man or of that, of this thing, or of that? To fill the world and the street with lamentation and obnoxious? Not so at all; the reverse of so. All moralists advise him not to complain of any persons or of any thing, but of himself only."

He is to know of a truth that being miserable he has been unwise, he."

Unfortunately, for our own good, few of us are manly, or womanly enough to own our own lack of wisdom — that we are to blame.

The whole world is placed before us for our use thereof as we have the wisdom to reduce it to our possession and use.

But, in order to secure possession and the use thereof, we must ourselves act according to "the laws of God, which are also called the Laws of God, and mistake them not for the laws of Sham and Semblance, which are called the Devil's laws," said Carlyle.

The same is true of nations. Our modern leaders and guides, including journalists, political economists, politicians, pamphleteers, and others, seem to overlook this.

The prophets of old warned the rulers: "Ye have forgotten God, ye have gone your way, each of you Emerson has said, 'A Fact is the end or last issue of spirit.'"

In other words, both the leaders, and the individuals, each, regardless of the law of fact, in his self-conceit, in his love of self as first, they each disregard and acted contrary to the actual facts.

We are miserable because of our self-conceived delusions, imposture, and wilful and unlawful mistakes of fact. The transient and superficial semblance of both ourselves and facts we mistake for the substance and truth; and we thereby become the prey of chaos and confusion without the law of facts.

Let us herewith solemnly and quietly ponder, gather the facts, act with thought, learn the laws of facts; and, above all let us first admit our own ignorance.

Life's greatest talents are thinking, finding facts, admitting our own ignorance, a sense of humility, and a prayerful attitude at all times for Supreme Guidance from God to use our talents for Goodness — not for Self alone. That is wisdom — and without wisdom we are miserable.

Talents so used increase — and, "To him that no hath will be given; and from him that hath not shall be taken away even that he hath."

It is a common occurrence for various kinds of businesses to change hands but you seldom hear of a town or city doing so. However this has happened in the debt settlement plan at Polk City. Through an adjustment recently made, the Van Horn interests have decided the entire community to creditors who take it over with the view of developing it as planned originally. All lots outside the corporate limits will be turned back into acreage, thereby greatly reducing taxes. The new owners have opened the Way-side Lodge and the golf links for the season. The Van Horn interests will continue operators of the tung oil industry — Winter Haven Herald.

It is quite evident that there is nothing that former Attorney General Harry M. Daugherty will not stoop to in order to make a little money. The oil deals and the war contracts that he has been charged with manipulating are to our mind rather mild in comparison with his proposed book about a dead president.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY.

By RUSSELL KAY

And I see where some of the papers are still talking about the Governor's RACE. — Well, it may have been a RACE while back, but now it ain't nothin' more or less than a doggone stampede, and the boys in the lead better do some tall steppin' or they will just naturally get run down and tramped to death.

I know a couple of fellows that want to run for Governor, but they been out of employment so long they ain't even got HATS to throw in the ring. — I tell 'em to go on ahead and run anyhow, nobody will know the difference, with all them hats in there now, who would take the trouble to count 'em.

I don't know whether they're givin' out hat-checks or not, but if they ain't, it sure is going to be one of them times when the boys come out of the meetin' at the same time and start lookin' around for their bonnets. — If some of 'em don't go home BARE HEADED, I'll be surprised.

And you know I get a big kick out of readin' all these platforms that tell us what they're gonna do if they get enough votes. One guy says he's gonna take an AXE to Tallahassee and start cuttin' expenses. Now ain't that a swell little dish of flavored gelatin for you? He may take an axe alright, but I'll bet he'll be so blamed busy GRINDIN' it he won't have time to do any cuttin'.

But it does seem like kind of a raw deal lettin' two X-Governors compete with all the amateurs. — It's a tough break for the other guys when two of 'em can get an X in front of their names before the votin' starts.

John and Cary are passin' out that old saw about being "harvy." They say "Vote for me, I know the ROPES, have a cigar." — And Tom Hammond is tryin' to block that kick with "Vote for me, I'm not a politician, I don't know anything, Hav-A-Tampa." — I don't know about the rest of you folks, but I smoke cigarettes myself. Just the same, there'll be a lot of birds roppin' in on that rope rag.

And I see one guy states his position RELATIVE to this and in RELATION to that. — Imagine a bird comin' right out and talkin' about what he's gonna do for his RELATIVES and RELATIONS this early in the game.

You know, I think there ought to be a law that would compel each candidate to print the names of all his kin on the ballot along with his own, so that we would know who we were really votin' for.

And they tell us that what we need is a good SOUND MAN. — Maybe so, but I know a lot of folks that ain't so hot about these TALKIES, they want some ACTION.

And now comes Mr. Lester W. Jennings of Jacksonville who wants to know what time them Blue Buses leave for Washington; he's got it all figured out that you're gonna buy him a ticket. With so many birds runnin' for Congress it must be awful tough on these here passenger agents, tryin' to figure out who to solicit. — Well Lester, SEARS lookin' at you ALSOP, a lot of luck and a pleasant journey but ASHER were 'till the BELL rings.

And while I get a big kick out of your encouragin' letters tellin' me how you like these little doses of banana oil, if you really WANT to show your appreciation in a great big way, why not stop in to see your editor and tell him about it while you're writin' out a check for your subscription. He's the fellow that gives it to you, I don't do nothing but write the blame stuff.

Echoes of the State Press

MONEY TROUBLES.

Now that hard-times have come, with money scarce, many so-called statesmen are demanding that the silver dollar be brought back to help the gold dollar bring back prosperity. We suggest that if the alleged statesmen would cease making so many unnecessary appropriations and save down governmental expenses it would not require fifteen billion dollars annually to meet the total tax bill of these United States and its several divisions and taxing units. Just now the Dollar, whether it is Silver or Gold, is about the most valuable commodity in the world. It will remain high until we get down to work, quit spending, economize in governmental expenditures, and live more at home.

An intelligent and observant Englishman once spent six months touring America. On his return home he was questioned by a friend about America. "It is a fine country," he told his friend, "the most prosperous and busy country in the world."

"But," he said, "it has one unusual peculiarity."

"What is that?" asked his friend.

"I never saw a single person in America trying to make a living. Everybody was trying to get rich."

When most of us have fully decided to make a living, and make that living on a modest scale and live at home, then we won't worry so much about whether our dollar is Silver or Gold. We'll have prosperity then, and not before that time. And, when politicians become statesmen it will take less of money to conduct the affairs of our state and nation.

We need to substitute work for whining; to abandon untold lies and theories and return to old tried and true fundamentals. The Dollar God cannot be substituted for home, work and common honesty — Okeechobee News.

Kentucky judge jails a newspaper editor for refusing to disclose the author of a letter published in the latter's paper and then bars representatives of the newspaper from his court. That judge who believes he is greater than the institution which created his is riding for a fall. This Kentucky judge has proven that he is incompetent to sit in judgment. Representatives of the paper in question probably had no more control over the editor's action than the judge, and should not be held responsible for his acts. The judge has shown open. Not a pleasant attribute for a judge. Public opinion holds the judge in contempt. — Jacksonville Herald.

All over the country, organizations of every nature and description are laying plans for celebrating the bi-centennial of George Washington's birth, February 22, 1932. Entire states are announcing plans and as the time grows near we wonder what provisions are being made by this state and its organizations for such celebration. — Davenport Times.

Advance Blackberry Proves Good Variety For Florida Gardens

The advance blackberry is proving to be a good variety for Florida in tests at the Florida Experiment Station, states Harold Mowry, associate horticulturist. He suggests that Florida growers might well try this berry on a small scale.

During four years of testing it has proven to be a prolific fruiter. So far it seems to be immune to the double-blossom disease. The fruit is firm and appears to hold up better under shipment and canning. The variety is adapted to sand soils.

The Station has a limited supply of plants for free distribution for Floridians to try. As long as the supply lasts 12 plants will be sent, postage collect, to farmers requesting them. Address the Florida Experiment Station, Gainesville.

Every idealist is looking for a materialist to back him.

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Butter Fat
Mineral Matter
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Vitamins

All the substances necessary in maintaining Good Health.

Our Truck is on your Street at Day-break!

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Mrs. John Simpson says: "At times I am very nervous, and unable to sleep at night. I find that I can take Dr. Miles' Nervine and sleep like a baby. My money back if this time-tested medicine fails to do as much for you. At your drug store, \$1.00."

NERVINE

Keeping Ahead of the Times

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John Ruskin now contains more Havana Tobacco than when they added it, making John Ruskin by far the greatest value and the best tasting cigar in America at 5c. John Ruskin Cigars are machine made and Cigars wrapped to keep them sanitary and fresh.

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AVON PARK High School News

Senior News.

My former readers will now prepare themselves to listen in on news pertaining not so much to personalities as facts and happenings that are of general interest to the Seniors and outsiders.

We are sorry to hear of Agnes' resignation—she always contributed a variety of unusual happenings. I will try to fulfill my place as best as possible. Cameron Epperson gives a strong hint of being my assistant—I must say that will be excellent if he sticks to his promise. I shall appreciate any additional news from any Senior.

The second week of luck or agony has arrived for the Seniors. Our year 1932 better be full of luck! Shall we call it that? Some of us are really cramped (especially the typing and shorthand students), and we can't begin to think of being uncramped. But how do we know, it may be for the best.

Someone suggested "The Thirtieth Chair" for the Senior's forthcoming play. We really wonder if our audience would appreciate a mystery play of this type. Remember the picture with Conrad Nagel in the cast? Which Senior boy could imitate him? Don't misunderstand me—we have not picked out the play yet, and besides our sponsor, Miss Bryant, thinks a play of this type is entirely too difficult for the acting ability of the members of our class.

Although I didn't attend the Junior-Senior party given by the Juniors on account of their unfortunate chance of winning the Curtis Publishing Co. contest, I understand it was a howling success. Some of the girls had a grand time picking their ideal man. I imagine that's the term in which they speak of him.

Remember, Seniors, a Junior-Senior banquet is yet to be given by the Juniors. Ask the Seniors of last year if the Seniors of this year didn't have a gorgeous bill-of-fare, and that should be considered before anything else at a banquet. Are you able to understand it? Hope so.

Eighth-A News

As the bell rang before we could elect a reporter last Tuesday, we elected Hazel Wilkerson this meeting.

The girls have chosen two sides to compete in the games we play every Monday and Thursday. Josephine Langford is captain of the Blue group and Helen Vandenberg is captain of the Red group. The side which loses has to entertain the winning group with a party after school.

Carmen Booth, Jeanne Snarr, Virginia Dixon, Linda Wingate, Emily Phillips, and Hazel Wilkerson are on the honor roll for January. In order to be on the honor roll one must not make a monthly class grade below B the preceding month.

Junior Class News.

Thoughts while waiting for 12 o'clock to come. Wonder if it always takes Charles Kempton as long to dress as it did the night of the Junior's Leap Year party? Could Little Bubbie have been so infatuated with Miss Bryant that he forgot the ice for the party? Those cookies that were served for the party with the big red "S" and the '32 were Miss Atchley's own idea and the Hon. E. C. girls fixed them. Dr. Davidson is the sweetest man. He donated the use of the Casino at Highlands Lakes free of charge to the Juniors. Elton makes a wonderful hostess. Wonder where Nelson got the rouge and lipstick that he used Friday night? Oh, those book reports! All the Juniors are behind. Little Bubbie is a good driver. Why does Cornelius always come dressed the last period with tennis shoes and everything all ready for basketball. Marcus Shepard, W. H. LeRoy, Harry, Joel and Nelson are going out for basketball. Elizabeth, Ethel, Cornelius, Honey and Gwendolyn make up the girls that are going out for basketball. Seems sort of different with Honey Bee not around. Robert Stewart has a black and white striped tie. At last—there's the twelve o'clock bell.

Thoughts From a Wise Man.

Wells, friends, we will put on a little news in these papers. (Pardone me but we have just been studying Old English.)

Canto first: As Seniors Agnes J. Vilkaitis has resigned as Senior news reporter, a very capable successor has been appointed, to wit: Garroll O. Bell, who with the aid of his very proficient assistant (identity of name at present under-

termined) promises the public the benefit of his and his assistant's marvelous intellects.

Canto second: We are eagerly awaiting the forthcoming issues of Terrence, The Terrible. Such marvelous paths and heart-rending drama it has seldom been our privilege to observe upon a printed page.

Canto third: All of those who were not present at Highlands Hammock Sunday at the Band concert will doubtless be surprised to learn what they missed; inasmuch as that celebrated virtuoso, Tubbey Bailey had entire charge of the bass section (numbering one player, namely himself), and he triumphantly exclaims that he blew louder than anyone else in the band (a certain cornet player, however, vigorously contests this remark).

Canto fourth: Now, children, begin saving your pennies, and advice at home, so that Mamma and Papa will let you attend the great Senior class play to be given in the future. Considering the large number of beautiful and talented Seniors, this play cannot help but be a starting success, and good as the Junior play was, we venture to say that the Senior play will be every bit as good and may even surpass the Junior play.

As yet the Seniors have not selected any particular play, but watch the newspapers for the announcement and remember: it's bound to be good. Twenty-three Seniors can't be wrong.

—ADIOS.

Avon Park High To Play First Game.

The Avon Park high school basketball team will have their first game Friday night. They will play Haines City on the home court. The girls' game will begin at seven-thirty and the boys will play when the girls get through.

Both teams are in good condition for the game. There have been about twenty boys and fifteen girls out to practice from which a good team is expected to be selected.

The boys are to play ten games this year and the girls will play only eight.

The schedule:

Jan. 15—Haines City, here, boys and girls.

Jan. 19—Lake Wales, here, boys only.

Jan. 22—Frostproof, here, boys and girls.

Jan. 26—Open date, boys and girls.

Jan. 29—Sebring, there, boys and girls.

Feb. 2—Fort Meade, there, boys and girls.

Feb. 5—Haines City, there, boys and girls.

Feb. 9—Lake Wales, here, boys only.

Feb. 12—Sebring, here, boys and girls.

Feb. 16—Fort Meade, here, boys and girls.

Feb. 19—Frostproof, there, boys and girls.

Jokes

Harrison: Have you had your miniature cocktail yet?
Carmen: No, what's that?
Harrison: One drink and a miniature out!

Mrs. Ginn: J. T., name one of the greatest men in history.
J. T.: Lindbergh.
Mrs. Ginn: But, what about Benjamin Franklin?
J. T.: He couldn't fly anything but a kite!

Elizabeth: Do you know why your hair has electricity?
Elton: No, why?
Elizabeth: Because it is attached to a dry cell.

Yo Joke Editor: This column is dedicated to Phillip!
Critic: Phillip who?
Yo Joke Editor: Phillip Space!

Then there's the one about Nelson being so dumb he thought Easter Sunday was Billy Sunday's wife.

Seventh-A News

We have elected new officers. They are: President—Clifford Windham; vice president—Mark Carter; secretary—Evelyn Thomas. This is the last time we report; but you won't miss us as from now we have two new good reporters by the name of Evelyn Thomas and Jimmie Skipper.

The first three officers will take part in conducting the home-room chapel programs.

Dorothy Weisheyer and J. L. Green, reporters.

By the time a man has been in a pantry five minutes he has uttered 16 complaints about the way the house is managed.

Terrible Terrence in Africa.

After our old pal, Terry, delivered his pep speech to his faithful retainers he reached inside his boot where he had carefully secreted pamphlet 4 of Hector Hawkshaw celebrated works. Diving in it a bit, he discovered that the logical thing to do was to find a fortune teller. By crossing the mystic's hand with silver he could then be persuaded to divulge the line of that worm of worms, Sir Winthrop Anchovy.

"Wall, summon the elephants!" cried the valiant Terrence.

"O. K. Boss, in one little second. Do you wish the one equipped with the patent cigar lighter and vanity kit?"

"Nerts," retorted Terry, "but naturally and with the saddle that I bought to suit my personality."

So they elephantoned along past hamburger stand and filling station. At last they decided a sign, Me Pullum Toothee, the one astrologer who reads the past, present and future all in the small sum of 25c, the quarter part of a dollar. Stop right up, ladies and gentlemen, strictly a cash proposition.

"Soy, lady, has either of you change for a dollar?"

"S. I. F." spoke up Bolla.

"Well, then, how about two bits until I cash a check?" requested his employer.

Boola, like the true nature's nobleman he was, was compelled as gracefully as possible under the circumstances, though registering a great deal of consternation.

In the den of the astro palm and humpologist at Me Pullum with a wide grin showing all two teeth pointing in opposite directions. As the boys and girls administered a final polishing to his glass ball and dimmed the lights.

"Greetings, old dears, and what do you desire from the constellations?" gushed the omniscient Toothee.

"Toothee, boy, just adjust your peepers, for that jumbo marble ball find that snake in the eye, Winthrop Anchovy."

"But, certainly," answered Me Pullum, "and would you like to know of what he is thinking?" So saying the astrologer mumbled the conventional jabber and looked peeringly into the mystic apparatus.

"Ah," he went on, "I see Anchovy seated in the apartment of a certain blonde mouse who sings in the Club Franconie. Boys, if you want to get that man, just go to Apetown on the Tree and turn left after the first schoolhouse."

WRUF Farm Program

Gainesville, Jan. 13.—Radio talks about Florida farm problems will be given over state radio station WRUF each day next week, the Florida Agricultural Extension Service has announced. These talks will be given by College workers during the Florida Farm Hour from noon to 12:45 Eastern Standard Time, each day.

The schedule follows:

Saturday, Jan. 16.—Florida Farm News and Hints. U. S. Farm Science Specialists.

Monday, Jan. 18.—Citrus Irrigation and Spring Fertilization.—E. F. DeBuck, Farm Reporter at Washington.

Tuesday, Jan. 19.—Control of the Tomato Fruit Worm.—J. R. Watson, Farm Question Box.

Wednesday, Jan. 20.—Small Fruits Adapted to Florida.—Harold Mowry, Primer for Town Farmers.

Thursday, Jan. 21.—Green Corn Production in Florida.—Fred H. Hull, County Agent Robbins.

Friday, Jan. 22.—Managing the Dairy Herd for Profits.—Hamlin I. Brown, Farm Reporter at Washington.

Certified Seed Irish Potatoes Prove Best

It pays to use certified seed Irish potatoes, according to demonstrations conducted last year by Jefferson county farmers and County Agent E. H. Finlayson.

On two plots side by side, neither fertilized, B. O. Granger raised 48.1 bushels per acre of Red Bliss Triumph and 48.6 bushels of certified Red Bliss Triumph.

On two well fertilized plots C. F. Leach grew 74 bushels per acre from B. O. Granger's Red Bliss Triumph seed, and 205 bushels per acre from certified seed of the Prince Edward Island variety.

Mr. Finlayson states that potato production in the county is severely cut by a number of seed-borne diseases. These diseases are not carried on the certified seed.

Make a little bit of simple record keeping a part of every day's farm work.

Farmers Advised To Keep Simple Set of Records

An annual farm inventory and a simple cash account is recommended to Florida farmers by Dr. C. V. Noble, economist with the Florida Experiment Station.

Just as bookkeeping is essential to the city businessman a few simple records are important to the farmer if he is to know whether or not he is actually making money and where he is making it.

The records Dr. Noble suggested are simple and practically any farmer interested has the time and ability to keep them.

The annual inventory gives more information for the effort expended

than any other type of record, he said. It should be taken at the same time every year, and at a time when there is the least amount of produce on hand to inventory and at a convenient time. On the ordinary farm and with a blank prepared for the purpose the inventory can be taken and summarized in a half-day's time.

In the inventory should be included all resources and liabilities of the farm business. Under resources should be listed the amount and value of all land, buildings, livestock, feeds, crops growing, equipment, money due the farmer, cash on hand, and all other items that the farmer owns. Under liabilities everything that the farmer owes should be listed.

The difference between a farmer's resources and his liabilities is

his net worth. The difference between the net worth now and a year ago is the profit or loss made during the year.

The inventories will show the total gain or loss, but will not show the cause for it. To get this information it will be necessary to keep some day-to-day record, and the simplest type is a list of cash receipts and cash expenses. Starting with the cash on hand, put down all the money that is taken in and all that is spent along with what it was taken in from or spent for and the date. This with the inventories at the beginning and close of the year will allow the farmer to study his business and see where he can improve it.

4-H Boys Carry On.
The 4-H club boys of Escambia

county knew what to do last year and they did it. For two months County Agent E. P. Scott was sick and could not visit the club, but the work was kept up and 30 percent more boys than the year before completed their club work.

POLITICAL Announcements

CANDIDATE FOR SHERIFF
I hereby announce that I am a candidate for Sheriff subject to the Democratic Primary next June and will appreciate the support of the voters of Highlands County.
DOYLE SCHUMACHER.

COFFEE

7 TILL 7 COFFEE

21c Pound

BULLS EYE

15c Pound

B & B
Cash Grocery

COFFEE

MAXWELL HOUSE

or
DEL MONTE

1-lb. Can

32c

White Bacon

Clear Sides,
Xtra Quality

10c

KEROSENE, 5 gallons . . 49c

FLOUR

24-lb. PILLSBURY

24-lb. Fluffy Ruffles

79c

Cigarettes

Paul Jones

20 to pkg. 10c

Snowdrift

6-lb. Can 83c

3-lb. Can 42c

2-lb. Can 29c

1-lb. Can 15c

WESSON OIL

Pints 23c

Quarts 45c

FLOUR

GOLDEN RULE

24-lb. Bag 59c

BLUE TAG 65c

Prunes

3 pounds for 17c

Potatoes,

SWEETS,
10 lbs. . . . 21c

IRISH,
10 lbs. . . . 19c

CORN FLAKES

(POST TOASTIES)

3 Pkgs.

19c

PEACHES

No. 2 1/2 SWEET

PICKLED

30c

MEAL or

GRITS

6 lbs.

17c

Rice

5 lbs.

19c

LARD

Flake White

6-pound Pail . . . 65c

4-pound Pail . . . 35c

2-pound Package. 18c

SYRUP

DREAMLAND

Gals.

69c

PHILLIPS

PORK and

BEANS

Can

05c

TINAPA SMOKED

SARDINES

Can

19c

RED PITTED

CHERRIES

SOUR

19c

CORNER BEEF, Certified Brand, Can 19c

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PORK CHOPS

Per Pound 18c

FRYERS, per pound 32c | LEG-O-LAMB, per pound 26c

OYSTERS—LAMB—VEAL

County Court Was Short and Snappy

Monday's Session Resulted In One Conviction and One Plea of Guilty

The session of the county court of Judge M. C. Whitehurst last Monday was short and snappy. There was one jury trial resulting in the conviction of the defendant. One defendant pleaded guilty. Three affidavits and warrants were quashed, seven cases were continued and a large number of bonds were forfeited due to the failure of the defendants to appear for trial. The cases called and their disposition were:

Jessie Lee, Jr., charged with the possession of moonshine, was not present and the case against Maed Tiltman, charged with the same offense, was continued. John A. Polard was charged with selling the intoxicating liquor and this was not pressed. Roy Cooper was charged with drunkenness but forfeited his bond.

W. G. McClelland, L. V. McClelland and H. B. McClelland were all charged with violations of the game laws but the affidavits and warrants were quashed. The charge of assault and battery against Vito McEade was continued and W. E. Scarborough who was charged with having an improper tag on his car, failed to appear and his bonds were all forfeited.

John Jackson, charged with the possession of moonshine, Robert Polk, said to have had moonshine in his possession, William Jakes who was charged with having an improper tag on his car and W. L. Thompson, charged with driving without a license, all failed to show up and their bonds were all forfeited.

Holly Andrews was charged with the possession of moonshine and this charge was dismissed on payment of the costs. Day S. Ben Trigg and J. E. Slater all had

gambling charges against them but they all forfeited their bonds. Oscar Williams and Flossie Webster also failed to appear. They were both charged with assault and battery. Will Stringer and Perry Williams were charged with the possession of a still. Williams pleaded guilty but Stringer decided he wanted a jury on his case. The jury said "guilty" and both men were assessed a fine of \$500 each and costs of six months.

The case against Harry Crutchfield, charged with assault and battery and Robert Stokes charged with gambling, were both continued. Nathan McCleary had a gambling charge against him which was dismissed. Edd Jackson, charged with the possession of moonshine, Charles Black with gambling, Fred Brown with the possession of moonshine, Pater Fagan with having an improper tag on his car and Ben Robinson with gambling, all failed to appear and their bonds were forfeited to the fine and forfeiture fund.

James Giddens and Julian Stephens were both charged with infractions of the automobile laws and their cases were continued. The same happened to Minnie Polk, charged with the possession of moonshine. The charge of hunting without a license against George Delaford was dismissed.

Willie Jordan, charged with the possession of moonshine, was not present and the case against Lennie Cooper for gambling, all failed to appear and their bonds were forfeited.

Grow Home Gardens. Ninety-three grow home gardens were reported by Palm Beach county home demonstration and 4-H club members at their December meeting. Mrs. E. J. Yarnall, home demonstration agent. Sixty-one of the gardens belonged to 4-H club girls and 32 were reported by the women.

When no other green feed is available feed the layers and grower of the chicks sprouted or germinated.



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ARTICLE NO. 11

One of the writer's correspondents has asked for an opinion on the following question which, he says, "is not sufficiently or explicitly covered in any recent book we have been able to obtain, to definitely settle the matter." It is in such a nature that any discussion regarding it is bound to be of interest to all Auction and Contract players:

"Under what conditions should the initial bidder, if he has not suit, bid entirely or represented by only a singleton, declare no trump? Do the ordinary no trump indications hold in such cases?"

A sound no trump bid is composed of two elements: (1) the proper value for the no trump bid; (2) the proper distribution of such value among the four suits. The authorities practically all agree that the minimum amount on which the dealer should bid one no trump is two and one-half quick tricks, distributed among at least three suits. The quick trick strength must not only be there, but it must be "divided among the four suits" in that it is more than a reasonable chance. A hand might very easily contain two and one-half quick tricks and still not justify a no trump bid. If these quick tricks are distributed in such a way that it is not advisable to bid no trump, experience has shown that it is better to pass. That, a no trump bid seldom is sound. For that reason, to justify a bid of one no trump, the hand must contain at least two and one-half quick tricks and these should be distributed among at least three suits. That is, there must be suit partner to protect or, if he also has no protection, only one suit for opponent to make.

In case the dealer has a singleton of a suit or none at all, experience has shown that the no trump bid as a rule is a losing bid. For that reason with this type of hand, it is better to bid a suit even though hand contains two and one-half quick tricks. The Miller has three suits. If the opponents bid the missing suit, then, of course, the dealer trump bid, when the dealer has the missing suit, then the dealer should bid the second round of bid.

Solution to Last Week's Problem

Hearts—A, 7, 6, 5
Clubs—A, Q, 10
Diamonds—K, 5
Spades—9

Hearts—2
Clubs—5, 4, 3, 2
Diamonds—J, 6
Spades—J, 6

If spades are trumps and 2 is in the lead, how can Y win eight of the nine tricks against any defense?

Solution: Z should lead the jack of spades and discard the king of diamonds from Y's hand. If Z is forced to lead the king of diamonds, Z should win any card played by A. At trick three, Y should lead the five, which he will follow with the five, which

All of them contain at least two and one-half quick tricks and the distribution of such value among the four suits is a reasonable chance to make the bid. The following hands, however, are not justifiable no trump bids, even though they contain the necessary quick trick strength. The distribution of such value among the four suits is such a nature that the suit bid in black-type is bid, rather than the no trump.

Hearts—J, 7, 4, 2
Clubs—none
Diamonds—A, K, 10, 7
Spades—A, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2

Hearts—A, 6, 4, 3, 2
Clubs—A, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2
Diamonds—A, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2
Spades—A, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2

Hearts—A, 7, 6, 5
Clubs—A, Q, 10
Diamonds—K, 5
Spades—9

Hearts—2
Clubs—5, 4, 3, 2
Diamonds—J, 6
Spades—J, 6

Z should trump with the eight of spades. Z should then lead the ten of clubs and if A shows up with any card played by A, Y should then lead his jack and follow with the five. If A shows up with the king of diamonds, Z should win any card played by A. At trick three, Y should lead the five, which he will follow with the five, which

Avon Park Girl Organization Formed

Under the leadership of Misses Alice and Ruth Kempton, twenty-six girls met at the Congregational Church on Friday evening and organized the Girl Scouts. The girls were divided into three patrols, according to age and ability, and a corporal were selected for each group. It was decided to hold the meetings on Friday evenings at the Congregational Church at seven o'clock and all girls interested between the ages of ten and eighteen are eligible to membership. Miss Kempton explained what Girl Scouts means and what is the purpose of the organization. The girls were very enthusiastic and are making great plans for learning many new things which will be interspersed with lots of fun, such as hiking and camping.

Miss Mildred Myers assisted in organizing the Scouts.

Congregational Has Annual Meeting

After a very enjoyable supper in the church parlors Thursday evening, the annual business meeting of the Congregational church heard the reports of all its organizations, officers and committees for the year past, elected its staff for the current year, and planned its fiscal budget. Officers for 1932 are: Clerk, W. T. Hall; treasurer, Sam Will; business manager, Miss Stella Mitchell; auditor, C. H. Shepherd; Sunday school superintendent, J. P. Garber; churchwarden, J. P. Garber; education, C. Smith; missions, Miss Mitchell; music, Miss Marsh; usher, Col. R. Hoad; flowers, the Ladies Aid; trustees, W. H. Yates, W. T. Hall; deacons, W. H. Russell, E. E. Melton; deaconesses, Miss Alice Davidson, Mrs. B. T. Cox.

Cemetery Association Re-Elects Officers

All officers of Bougainvillea Cemetery association were re-elected at the annual meeting Wednesday afternoon. Those re-named to carry on for the coming year are: W. A. Marshall, president; J. B. Smith, treasurer; Paul Jordan, secretary. The annual report showed the association to be in a satisfactory financial condition, and that in addition to planting pines and palms and other ornaments in the beautification program, 1300 feet of regulation duty road had been built in the cemetery during the past year.

Anti-Aircraft Battery Stops Here

B Battery, 19th Coast Artillery, from Fort Bananas, Pensacola, stopped over in Avon Park Tuesday night enroute home from the Miami air meet, and billeted with the headquarters company 56th Artillery. The unit consisted of 22 enlisted men commanded by Capt. K. Bonney. While here the company demonstrated the anti-aircraft searchlight, which was used at the Miami air meet for night illumination. The searchlight used was a 60-inch Sperry with a 4,000,000 candlepower light, and had a range of seven miles.

Odd Fellows and Rebekahs Hold Open Meeting

Commemorating the birthday anniversary of Thomas Wilson, founder of Odd Fellowship in America, Highlands Lodge 1, O. O. F., and Eleanor Sevens Rebekah lodge were hosts at an open district meeting at the hall Friday night. Master R. M. Crawford of Fort Meade made the principal address of the evening.

At the meeting, Hubbard, and Fort Meade lodges were represented among the visitors.

The meeting was called by H. W. Zehner, district deputy grand master of Fort Meade.

Purebred Beef Bulls Proving Profitable

Purebred beef bulls are proving profitable to farmers in Duval county who are cooperating with County Agent A. S. Lawton in demonstrations. In one herd of 90 native cattle three registered bulls were used and 60 calves were raised. They were 40 percent better than calves from native bulls but when butchered dropped 30 percent more to the calf.

So live that you always have money to buy a new tire without laying your car up for a week or two.

L. Placid C. of C. Met Tuesday Eve

Old Body To Be Reorganized; Present Officers Hold Till Election

Lake Placid, Jan. 14.—(Special to The Times).—A large number of citizens met at the hotel for a meeting of the chamber of commerce at the city hall on Tuesday evening for the purpose of deciding whether the old chamber of commerce was to be revived or if a new organization was desired. C. H. Rhyme, president, called the body to order and he stated the purpose of the meeting. The constitution and by-laws of the organization were read for the benefit of those who did not understand the purpose of the chamber. Interesting talks on the value of the chamber of commerce and what assistance it can render the town were given by J. E. Sims, city manager, W. F. Cochman, Professor John R. E. Huey, Ivey Futch and J. Taylor. After much discussion, pro and con, it was decided to revive the old organization and a committee on membership consisting of Prof. T. M. Johns, O. C. Parrish and R. E. Huey was appointed by the chair.

Upon motion of J. T. Taylor a committee composed of J. T. Taylor and Ivey Futch were appointed to solicit and provide free fruit to be given passengers of the train passing through the city. J. T. Taylor spoke on the value of raising truck and around the lakes of this city, providing the fruit could be drained. O. C. Parrish, county commissioner, gave a report on what the commissioners are trying to do regarding the lake and lake sufficient for cultivation in and around this place.

The following were received as new members of the organization: J. T. Taylor, W. F. Cochman, R. F. Cody, J. S. Rice, W. M. Roberts, J. M. Andrews, Prof. T. M. Johns, Dr. A. T. Eide, Ivey Futch, L. Tappin, A. M. McAnally, Swayne Bowers, E. A. Bowers, R. B. York and Claude Cass. The following were present at this meeting were: Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Cochman, Mrs. Price, Claude Cass, R. F. Williams, J. W. Williams, Paul High, A. T. Eide, Swayne Bowers, Dr. A. T. Eide, G. H. York, E. A. Bowers, O. C. Parrish, R. E. Huey, J. T. Taylor, J. E. Sims, W. F. Cochman, W. F. Cochman, J. C. Rhyme, A. M. McAnally, Chief of Police Tom Rice, R. F. Cody, Professor J. M. Boren, R. T. Morgan, E. L. Tappin and Ivey Futch.

Before adjournment it was decided that the old officers should hold office until the annual election in February at which time a complete reorganization of the body will be made. The present officers and directors are: C. H. Rhyme, president; E. L. Tappin, acting president; W. F. Williams, treasurer; Directors: C. H. Rhyme, R. F. Williams, R. E. Huey, J. E. Sims, O. C. Parrish, P. T. Richards and T. M. Johns.

Before adjournment a communication from the Sebring chamber of commerce was read by the secretary, announcing the Sebring Chamber of the Greater Highlands Club at Harder Hall, Sebring on Thursday evening.

Lake Placid Drug Store Has Moved

Lake Placid, Jan. 14.—(Special to The Times).—E. L. Tappin president of the Land company and Mrs. L. A. Thomas, secretary, who have had their office in the front of the Arcade building formerly occupied by the Arcade hotel dining room, have moved their office in the rear of the Arcade vacating the front room for Lee Crews who is having the partition in the room taken out preparatory to moving the drug store into this building from the Whitmore building.

Work of taking out the partition has been finished and Dr. Crews commenced moving his office fixtures into his new location Wednesday afternoon and will have everything in shape by Friday for opening.

To Appeal Sebring Suit On State and County Tax Certs.

The case brought by the City of Sebring against Ed. Wolf, George P. Street, and others in order to test the validity of certain state and county tax certificates was ordered dismissed this week by Judge W. J. Barker unless an amended declaration was filed within 10 days.

City Attorney M. R. McDonald announced he is filing an appeal today with the state supreme court so as to get the ruling on the matter and have it settled for all time.

The suit attacked the legality of tax certificates for certain years due to alleged irregularities in making the budgets and levies.

Every man succeeds in finding a satisfactory reason for his follies.

NEWS of General Interest To Highlands County

VENUS

Richard Stalls was in town Sunday.

W. L. Gillis is grinding cane this week.

W. H. Cannon motored to Lake Placid Tuesday.

L. M. Lee's father is spending a few weeks in town.

W. D. Hope and Brownard Cline were in Venus Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Busie and daughter Louise moved to near Fort Myers Monday.

Mrs. Bell Hendry was the dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Holcomb Sunday.

Mrs. Clara Hendry is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Kizzie Maphis this week.

Mr. Taylor's daughter was dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Southern and family.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Stalls and two daughters were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Stalls Sunday.

J. H. Holcomb spent the weekend in Venus and returned to his work at Venus Center Sunday afternoon.

B. C. Cline motored to Arcadia Sunday as the guests of Mrs. B. L. Cline and daughter, Mrs. Norman Cline.

Miss Rachel Studley and Mary Jane McDugald attended the case grinding at W. L. Gillis' Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Farrington and two sons motored to Moore Haven Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Farrington, Rev. and Mrs. Henry Smith of Wauchula were here Sunday.

Edna and Mrs. Walter Smith and small audience. They were the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Jackson.

Mrs. Mabel Walker and baby of Mrs. Dyes Tuesday.

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Rev. G. A. York and son Randall of Lake Placid were the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Farmer on Sunday.

Martin Rawls, Carl Hare and Dr. Keisler of Leaville, S. C., were the guests of Bernard Eldersberg for several days this week.

Carl Franke has been fortunate in catching his fat of Red Beach Lake. He recently caught one bass weighing 95 pounds and another that tipped the scales at 114 pounds.

Miss Mayne Martin of Cedar Springs, Ga., who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Carrell, Jr., for the past several months has gone to visit her sister, Mrs. J. E. Mock, in Sebring.

Among those attending the Firemen's Minster from here Friday was Mrs. M. and Mrs. L. T. Farmer, Miss Flora Spangler, Miss Narcie Leaphart, Miss Thelma Bailey, Miss Sara Leaphart and Mrs. A. A. C. Leaphart, and Col. F. N. K. Bailey.

Ceylon Clark is grinding cane this week.

Charlie Williams of near Venus was in Sebring last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Senterfitt of Wauchula, were in Sebring Sunday.

Garvin Shackelford was a business visitor in Sebring last Saturday.

Miss Lillie Eures and Mrs. C. F. Tucker visited in Avon Park last week.

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Woodmen Circle Installs Officers

Orange Blossom Grove No. 298 and Victory Grove No. 345, Woodmen Circle held a joint installation of officers at the W. O. Hall in Sebring Tuesday night. Mrs. J. B. Grimley acted as installing officer and the following officers were installed for the Orange Blossom Grove:

Guardian, Mr. Percy Morrow; Past Guardian, Mrs. W. H. Dutton; Adviser, Mrs. Helen Long; Chaplain, Mr. George Babcock; Attendants, Mrs. Emory Brown and Mrs. Billie Coker; Banker, Mrs. J. N. Register; Secretary, Mrs. Mary Wynn; Inner Sentinel, Mrs. R. S. Lewis; Outer Sentinel, Mrs. L. D. Dimberline; Auditor, Mrs. Leola Kendrick; Junior Supervisor, Mrs. C. O. Coker; Reporter, Mrs. Billie Coker; Captain, Mrs. J. B. Grimley.

Officers installed in Victory Grove were: Guardian, Mrs. H. A. Latham; Past Guardian, Mrs. Mary A. Nolan; Adviser, Mrs. H. W. Redick; Chaplain, Mrs. Desha Hays; Attendants, Mrs. Ella Clark and Mrs. Ben Fussell; Banker, Mrs. Louise Tomlinson; Secretary, Mrs. C. O. Coker; Reporter, Mrs. Billie Coker; Captain, Mrs. J. B. Grimley; Annie Massey; Captain, Miss Inez Rowland.

One new member was initiated into Orange Blossom Grove, Mrs. Alice Bowen.

Refreshments were served to a large number of members and officers at a late hour.

The more clocks and watches there are in a house the often somebody asks somebody else what time it is.

Venus will be in charge of the services.

Col. F. N. K. Bailey was a visitor to the school last Friday. While he was presented with a smoking set given by the pupils of the school. The presentation was made by little Miss Janet Peters, with a few appropriate remarks.

News was received this past week of the death of Mrs. J. I. Rothger of Cleveland, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Rothger were former residents of Sebring and were once pupils of the school here. Their many friends will regret to learn of her death. She died on December 28. Burial was in Cleveland.

Sam Dimberline, County Probation officer, was a visitor to the school last Friday.

Mrs. Bob Wester of Millville, Fla., was a visitor at the home of Mrs. Dyes Tuesday.

Albert Rowell and little brother Frank, made a business trip to Haines, Fla., last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Peters and family and Earl Peoples were in Arcadia last Saturday night.

Mrs. Aubrey Horn of Sherman, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sharpless.

Eck Williams and Earnest White of Bonifay, Fla., were visitors at the home of Mrs. W. J. Peoples' Tuesday.

Messrs. W. O. Causey, Harry and Earnest Eures and Roland Williams were in Sebring Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Lyle and family of Bartow, visited at the home of Miss Lillie Eures last Sunday.

Mrs. Bill Skipper, Mrs. E. A. Whitaker and Mrs. Dudley attended a play in Okechobee last Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Barnes and children and Messrs. W. J. Peoples and Boyce Tompkins were visitors in Arcadia Saturday night.

Sunday School Lesson

FOR JANUARY 17, 1932.

SUBJECT: Jesus and Nicodemus.
GOLDEN TEXT: "God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16.
LESSON TEXT: John 3:1-21.
TIME AND PLACE: A. D. 27; Jerusalem.

"There was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. The same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him." "Pharisees" were the most religious class of Jews, fanatical in their religious and national ideas.

"Came by night." Possibly Nicodemus feared to let the Pharisees know of his visit. Peloubet quotes Professor David Smith as saying, "It was not on his own account that he sought our Lord; for when St. John calls him 'a man of the Pharisees,' he means not merely that Nicodemus belonged to that party but that he was its delegate. We think, however, that the better view is that Nicodemus had heard Jesus teach, and saw the miracles he did, and believed he was sent from God. But whether to accept him as the promised Christ, he was not certain. We are told in John 12:14, 'Among the chief rulers also many believed on him; but because of the Pharisees they did not confess him, lest they should be put out of the synagogue.'"

Nicodemus' first words show that Jesus "was a divinely-commissioned teacher," and that his teaching was "authenticated" by his miracles; that he was "a teacher sent from God." If we believe that Jesus and the writers, Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, Peter and Paul, actually lived and made the statements set out in the New Testament concerning Jesus, then we ought to believe that Jesus had supernatural power, performed miracles and was the Son of God.

"Jesus answered, 'Verily, verily, I say unto thee, except a man be born of water and of the spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.'" In explanation of these words, Tarbell's Guide quotes Mr. Henry Drummond thus, "Except he be born of water and of the spirit," verse 5, and "Ye must be born of water, and of the spirit," verse 7, were familiar thoughts in another sense to every wise man. * * * nothing more nor less, indeed, than two of the common political phrases of the day. The man with a foreigner who came to reside in a Jewish town in those times was to regard him unclean. He was held at arm's length. If he wished to leave his gods and share the religious hopes and privileges of the Jews, there was one way out of the old state into the new * * * just one way * * * he must be born again. He was baptized with water, and passed through certain other rites, till finally reckoned clean, when he became as truly one of the chosen people as if he had been a literal descendant of Abraham. And the process of initiation from the Gentile world into the kingdom of the Jew was called a regeneration, or a being born again. There was nothing, therefore, in the thoughtful consideration of the new birth in the higher sense for the Jew to marvel at."

The phrase spoken by Jesus, in our lesson, "that which is born of the spirit is spirit," is to indicate that the new birth mentioned by Jesus in, "Ye must be born again," is a spiritual birth. "Nicodemus answered, How can these things be?" Jesus answered, "art thou a master in Israel, and knowest not these things?"

Evidently Nicodemus was honest and really desired to understand the teachings of Jesus. That "is shown from the full and careful answers Jesus gave him. Every honest inquirer for religious truth is usually aided in his search by Jesus, or his representative, the Holy Spirit.

Jesus then spoke what is probably the most important statement in scripture, "as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up: that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life." The story of the brazen serpent is told in Numbers 21:4-9. You should read it in connection with these words of Christ.

Then Jesus further spoke verse 16 of the third chapter of John, which is perhaps the most beloved verse in the Bible. "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

BILL THE BARBER SAYS

We are told that the Ape Man of prehistoric times was about 5 feet 6 inches tall. Rather small for his age, we should say.

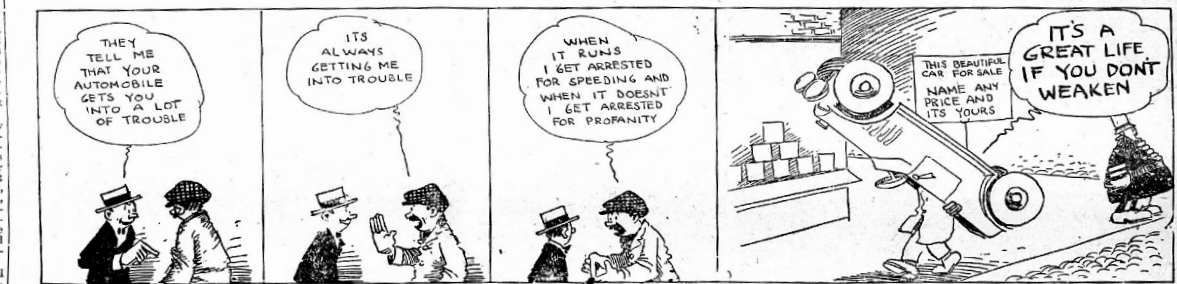
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By Charles McManus



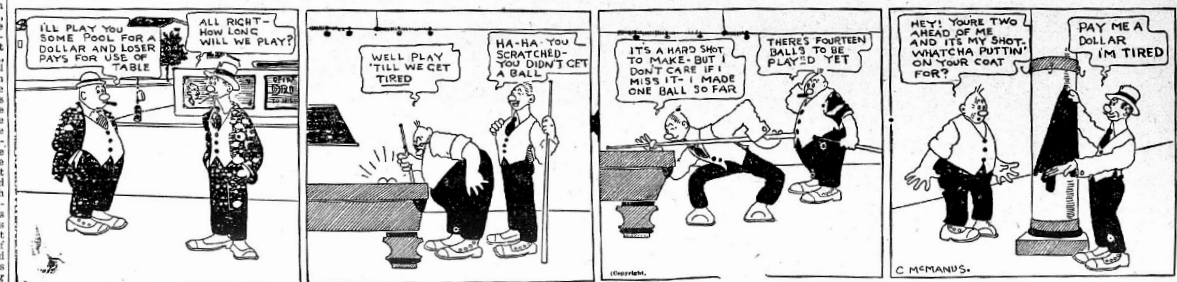
"IT'S A GREAT LIFE IF YOU DON'T WEAKEN"

By Jack Rabbit



MR. BROAD OF WALL STREET

By Charles McManus



"THE MAIN THING ON MAIN STREET"

By L. F. Van Zelm



FINNEY OF THE FORCE

(L. F. Van Zelm)



Or Else Some Imagination

Lake Placid News

Ernest Mock was a visitor in Haines City Sunday.

J. E. Sims was a business visitor in Sebring Thursday.

Curtis Trowell was a business visitor in Belle Glade Friday.

Sam Wamack was a business visitor in Tampa Monday.

G. A. DeVane was a business visitor in Winter Haven Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Barrett were visitors in Sebring Sunday afternoon.

E. A. Whitaker of Hicoria was a business visitor in town Friday.

Hasel Sessions of Hicoria was a visitor in town Thursday evening.

Ernest Mock was a business visitor in Sebring Thursday afternoon.

T. W. Lofton was a business visitor in Avon Park Tuesday morning.

Keith Renfro was a business visitor in Sebring Thursday morning.

W. M. (Jack) Williams was a business visitor in Ft. Myers Tuesday.

Miss Nell Weed was a business visitor in Sebring Tuesday afternoon.

Herbert Seavers was a business visitor in Sebring Tuesday afternoon.

Deputy Sheriff Mathis of Venet was a business visitor in town Saturday.

Mrs. Florence Becker was a business visitor in Sebring Saturday evening.

T. W. Lofton and J. F. Morgan were business visitors in Clewiston Monday.

Otis Causey of Hicoria was a business visitor in town Thursday morning.

Mrs. T. U. Jackson was a business visitor in Sebring Thursday morning.

E. A. Whitaker of Hicoria was a business visitor in town Saturday afternoon.

Lillian Sharpless of Hicoria was a business visitor in town Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney McDowell of Pahokee were visiting friends in town Saturday.

Garvin Shackleford of Hicoria was a business visitor in town Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. E. L. Peck and Mrs. Mary Pearce were visitors in Sebring Sunday afternoon.

Uncle Ned Spencer of Tamsala was a business visitor in town Thursday morning.

Otis Causey of Hicoria was a business visitor in town Saturday afternoon and evening.

P. D. Moore, who is working at Clewiston, spent Sunday in town visiting his family.

Donald Hall of Moore Haven was visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Trowell of this city Saturday.

J. B. North and Jack Johnson were visiting friends and relatives in Bradenton Sunday.

Jack Johnson and "Dad" Grunder were business visitors in Pahokee and Belle Glade Friday.

A. M. McAdley and Frank Harris were business visitors in Sebring and Avon Park Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Case, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Case were visitors in Sebring Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Gardner, Jr., were business visitors in Winter Haven Monday afternoon.

C. W. Gussa has leased the M. A. Jones residence on Washington avenue, moved in last week.

Mrs. J. C. Trowell and grandson, Donald, were visiting Mrs. Trowell's sister in Lakeland Friday.

O. C. Parrish, Jr., and Harry Johns were visitors in Sebring Sunday evening attending the show.

Mell Bass, county game warden, of Avon Park was a business visitor in town Thursday afternoon.

Edward Kelsey and Keith Renfro were visitors in Sebring Thursday evening attending the show.

Edward Kelsey and his sister, Miss Lolla Kelsey were visitors in Sebring Monday evening attending the show.

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Johns and son John Eddie were business visitors in Venet Saturday setting out citrus trees.

Rev. G. H. York and son were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Farmer of DeSoto City Sunday for noon dinner.

Prof. and Mrs. E. J. Peters and small daughter of Hicoria were visiting Mrs. Florence Becker Sunday afternoon.

"Dad" Grunder spent several days last week visiting at Canal Point, Pahokee, Belle Glade and West Palm Beach.

Mrs. A. M. McAdley, Mrs. A. D. Roberts, Mrs. R. T. Morgan and son Lloyd Morgan, were visitors in Wauchula Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Morgan of Arcadia were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Keen of this city Sunday. Mrs. Morgan is a daughter of the Keens.

The high school band is practicing to give a concert at Highlands Hammock Sunday afternoon at the Vesper services at 3 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Cobb who have been living in Hicoria have recently moved to this city where they will make their home.

James Hayes of Winter Haven is spending some time in town visiting his daughter and son, Mrs. T. U. Jackson and Ben Hayes.

Rev. G. H. York, pastor of the DeSoto City Methodist Church, filled his pulpit Sunday morning

bringing a very helpful message.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hagedorn will be sorry to learn that their small son James Allen has been confined to his bed this week.

Friends of Dorothy Sims will be sorry to learn that she has been confined to her bed for the past week with a severe cold and tonsillitis.

Orders have been issued by the city that all persons having dogs within the city limits must have them inoculated before they can turn them out.

T. J. Smith, father of Mrs. J. E. Sims who has been spending some time in town, left here Monday for Sidney where he will visit relatives for several weeks.

Miss Nina Sapp of Hicoria is taking a post graduate course in the Lake Placid high school making preparations to take the county teachers examination.

W. G. Waters, engineer for the Lake Placid Land company and L. A. Thomas, business manager, are erecting a new garage, extending the building the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Turner, Will Yancey and Miss Evelyn Collins of Unadilla were visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Trowell of this city Monday for a short time.

Mr. E. L. Peck of the S. D. Department of Animal Industry has been busy for several days the past week so no inoculating dogs in the city as a preventive against rabies.

Mrs. Hubert Seavers, Harry Seavers, Rebecca High, Alma Morgan and Lolla Hancock were visitors in Sebring Saturday morning.

While in town they visited the Ringling Art Museum.

Grady Mock who made his home in this city with his brothers, Lawton and Earnest, for several years left here for his home in Sebring Saturday morning to assist his father in his work.

The regular monthly business and social meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church will be at the church Tuesday afternoon at 3 p. m., with Mrs. J. M. Andrews in charge.

Agnes Renfro, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Renfro, recently Morgan, small son of Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Renfro, was new pupils recently enrolled in the kindergarten taught by Miss Nell Weed.

R. L. Gay who recently purchased a residence from M. A. Jones on Washington avenue has been busy the past week setting out palms, grass flowers and shrubbery making his place more attractive as a home.

Deputy Sheriff Mathis of Venet is residing in this city and is making preparations to move his family to this city as soon as business repairs are made to the house.

W. F. Coachman of the Consolidated Land company has removed his office from the office formerly occupied by O. F. Gardner and the office formerly occupied by Mr. Coachman will house the new public library which the Woman's Club is sponsoring.

A. E. Austin, proprietor of the Austin Electric and Hardware company of this city, has accepted a position with John A. Roebeling as chief electrician and will run the power plant at the Roebeling estate, while Mrs. Austin and son will continue to run the store.

Regular worship services will be held at the Methodist Church next Sunday morning and evening in charge of the pastor. Church school meets at 9:45 a. m. Morning worship at 11 a. m. Epworth League at 7 p. m. Evening worship at 7:45 p. m. A cordial welcome is extended to all to attend our services.

Mrs. F. H. Lewis entertained members of the Baptist Young People's Society at her home on Friday evening with a chicken picnic and a social. Those present were: Lorie Henderson, Roy Henderson, Lucius Henderson, Leon Walker, Willie Lee, Catherine Lee, Judell Peoples, Thomas Gould, Virginia Bowers, John Pope, Emmitt Bates, Mildred Booker, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Bowers, Mary Lewis, Edith Marie Lewis, Emma Laura Payne and Dorothy Payne.

Rev. and Mrs. G. H. York entertained members of the Methodist

choir at the parsonage on Wednesday evening, where a good time was enjoyed by all present.

The evening's program consisted of games and contests, after which delicious refreshments of cake and punch were served by Mrs. York.

Those present enjoying the social occasion were: Mrs. George Kelsey, Mrs. C. T. Jackson, Miss Lolla Kelsey, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Roberts, George Kelsey, E. W. Kolmetz, Stanley Kelsey, Rev. and Mrs. G. H. York and son.

The Woman's Missionary society of the Presbyterian church met at the church on Friday afternoon for their monthly devotional, business and social meeting, with Mrs. Lucy Patch in charge of the devotional program. The subject for discussion was "Home Missions."

At the conclusion of the business session delicious refreshments of apple pie, ice cream, cake, sandwiches, coffee and punch were served by Mrs. Lee and Mrs. Lily Bures.

Those present were: Mrs. C. T. Jackson, Mrs. J. W. Payne, Mrs. Lucy Patch, Mrs. W. M. (Jack) Williams, Mrs. Guss Hoffman, Miss Lily Bures, Mrs. Herbert Seavers, Mrs. Lee C. Crews, Mrs. A. E. Austin, Mrs. R. E. Huey and Mrs. E. E. Austin.

The Workers Council composed of officers and teachers of the Methodist Sunday school evening at the church on Friday afternoon for a business session and a social time. The subject for discussion was "The New Year's Resolutions."

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State Arbor Day Observed Today

Forest Service Will Give Trees To Schools For Beautification Purposes

The Florida school laws have designated the second Friday after the first Monday in January as Arbor Day. January fifteenth will be Florida's Arbor Day in 1932.

This year Arbor Day can serve a two-fold purpose; it is the bi-centennial anniversary of the birth of George Washington. Wide circulation has been given to the story about Washington's chopping down a cherry tree in his early youth. Historians are unable to obtain definite information as to whether or not Washington was ever even felled a cherry tree in his early youth, it will be replaced many times by the school children of this county; in this county each school will set out a cherry tree in honor of George Washington. There is accurate information now at hand which states that, later in his life, when Washington was busy managing his plantation at Mount Vernon, he planted ornamental trees there to beautify the grounds. He also gave young trees to his friends.

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The Florida Forest Service, says Harry Lee Baker, state forester, is willing to distribute young trees to school children for beautification on their school grounds. Parent teachers associations should take the opportunity to beautify their school grounds by taking advantage of the offer of the Florida Forest Service. Not only will the grounds be beautified by such action, but living, growing memorials will be set out to honor the Father of Our Country.

The nice thing about the restaurant business is that it's possible to do business with the same customer three times each day.

To the Citizens of Avon Park!

THERE has been filed with the city clerk a petition as follows:

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AVON PARK:

We, the undersigned citizens and registered voters of the City of Avon Park, and being more than thirty percent of the registered voters of said city, under and by virtue of paragraphs eight, nine and ten of Section Twenty-two of the Charter of the City of Avon Park, do hereby petition your honorable body, in compliance with said provisions of said Charter, to call an election for the purpose of voting upon a recall of the following named officers, members of the City Council of the City of Avon Park, to-wit: S. J. Pendleton, C. R. Head, J. L. Masters, I. H. Ford, and E. A. Delaney, and to fill the place or places of said officers now petitioned against.

Petitioners say that the official conduct of the said officers since induction into office as members of the City Council of the City of Avon Park has been in opposition to the will of their constituents and obstructive of the best interests of the said City of Avon Park; that by reason of their political affiliations, growing out of personal interests, said Councilmen have been unable to agree, and have failed and refused to give due and proper consideration to subjects of public importance coming before them.

Name:

THE City Charter of the City of Avon Park provides that when the people become dissatisfied with their city officers, the right is reserved to them, upon the filing of a petition containing 30 percent of the registered voters to recall the officer or officers whose official conduct is unsatisfactory. That the official conduct of the City Council of the City of Avon Park has been highly unsatisfactory to the taxpayers of this city we believe admits of no argument. Believing that the future prosperity and harmony of our people demands that the unsatisfactory conditions be adjusted, we have filed this petition, and we ask that the citizens of Avon Park who are interested in our city's welfare, present themselves at the City Hall and sign their names to this petition, to the end that we may place in office men who hold the welfare of our people and town above their own personal interests, and that government of the people, for the people and by the people may be perpetuated and the rule of a dictator be put to an end.

GOOD GOVERNMENT LEAGUE

MEMBERSHIP OVER 400 REGISTERED VOTERS