

Round About Avon Park

by W. C. Beckett

The council made the best of a bad job Wednesday night when they voted 34 mills for debt service, this action being brought to a head by alleged bond speculators who have obtained Federal court writs against the city. It is doubtful if this millage can be collected very easily and the levy was made just to satisfy some of the "bushards" who hope to reap a harvest through speculation in city bonds and coupons.

The alleged actions of these bond speculators should be stopped in some way. Cannot the Securities Commission in Washington take a hand and "crack down." The action of these "racketeers" buying bonds and coupons at a nominal cost and then trying to soak the city is just a holdup game. And it appears to be legal as they have the backing of the courts, or apparently so.

Personally, we are against a high millage and agree with the city attorney and others that it would be ruinous to the city. The thing to do is to play along until a satisfactory settlement can be reached and a refunding plan worked out that the city can live with. There is no use agreeing to a plan that would only bring on another default in a few years. It must be one that the city can stick to.

We cannot understand the bondholders' objections to G. C. Hunter as fiscal agent for the city. He was successful with his home town of St. Cloud and since he has done satisfactory work for other cities and counties in the state, it must be he knows these bond speculators too well and they know it and can't handle him. He was hired by the city and is working for the city's interests and not for the bondholders although he tries to be fair to them.

The only thing to do is get together and work out a refunding plan at the earliest date and stop these mandamus suits so the city can forge ahead. The taxpayers must take an interest and work with the city council so let's all do it.

From The Miami Herald: Courts, whether they court attention or not the spotlight beams upon them. While they decide the fate of laws and communities and individuals, the people and congress are considering their fate. The judiciary is the one free agency above partisan above government dictation, above public clamor. It alone is unfettered and unafraid and unbought. Change that, fact by a single breath and gone will be the constitution, gone laws, gone liberty. This will cease to be a democracy, a republic, the "land of the free and the home of the brave." All of us will become subjects. We shall no longer be citizens.

Knowing these undeniable truths, yet there are senators who plead with us to surrender our rights and defenses. It is not enough to make the law, they address over the radio? Who finances their speaking? And why? But Senator Borah, the great constitutionalist, moves not an inch. He sees and he has courage. He alone of the judiciary committee yesterday dissented to the Summers measure which would retire Supreme court judges at 70 with full pay. Every congressman of 70 and over, who supports this and similar plans, should resign. If age is not fit to sit in judgment it certainly cannot legislate.

It is said President Roosevelt would let his supporters bear the brunt of his fight for court reform, let them marshal public opinion. Well, it is marshaling. The National Association of Manufacturers House of Representatives adopted a resolution censuring the Roosevelt administration. George of Georgia, Democrat, announced opposition. So opinion marshals. It is well.

Ridge Gasoline Dealers Organize

Retail gasoline dealers of the ridge from Frontpoint to Lake Florida organized Tuesday night at a law held at the American Legion on Lake Wales. The organization will be known as the Ridge Gasoline Dealers Association. Robert D. Cook, owner of the American Legion, was elected president and George Rice, owner of a service station, was elected secretary. Another meeting will be held at the American Legion on March 10.

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BOND MILLAGE SET AT 34 BY CITY COUNCIL

Two Meetings This Week With Taxpayers and Bond Attorneys Present

At a special recessed meeting of the city council Wednesday night at which a number of taxpayers were present, as well as R. E. Kurtz of Fort Myers and J. T. McMullen of Clearwater, representing bondholders, the council passed a motion to levy 34 mills for debt service. This will be 20 mills for the entire city and an additional 14 mills for the old city, or the 1913 limits and will be addition to the 25 mills already levied for city operating expenses.

This action was forced on the city by the demands of the Vermont Investment Co. and the Rittenhouse Investment Co. and others who have entered mandamus suits and obtained writs from Federal court. Kurtz, who represents the Vermont Co., which is alleged to be owned by Tom Cook, a bond dealer of West Palm Beach, said his client refused to drag along and demanded action for the writ holders only, leaving out other bond holders of the city. During the proceedings, Kurtz got "hostile" and told the council they had not represented the people of the city and had not tried to work out a refunding plan.

This charge was hotly denied as the bondholders had not presented a counter proposition as promised when they refused to accept the plan offered last summer by G. C. Hunter, fiscal agent for the city. The outcome of this was a motion by Councilman W. T. Hall that the city clerk write all known bondholders inviting them to meet with the city council to discuss a refunding plan. This motion carried.

During the evening Kurtz and McMullen retired from the council room and there was a general discussion with the taxpayers agreeing to pay 25 mills and no more. The bondholders had demanded 40 mills but Kurtz finally got down to 34 but said he would have to refer this to his client for confirmation. Taxpayers and council thought more actual cash could be raised from 25 mills than from the higher levy as there was a consensus of opinion this would not be paid very easily.

At a taxpayers meeting Monday night there was a hot discussion between the high and low millage advocates with the majority finally favoring the low millage. S. J. Pendleton held out a plan of approximately 400 to cover all indebtedness but was out voted.

Hunter was present at this meeting and said the city is only able to pay 10 mills for debt service. City Attorney S. C. Pardee recited briefly the different bond issues. He said \$300,000 in bonds issued in 1925 had been retired since 1925 but the debt had risen due to interest accumulations. The bonds are owned by two classes, he said, the original owners who paid par value and the speculators who bought them at a low figure. Hunter's plan had been accepted by the original owners but it is the speculators who are giving trouble, wanting to make a "cleanup."

Speaking as a taxpayer, the city attorney said he did not want a high millage as he considered it disastrous to the city. It would not be paid and would remain a lien on the property. Should high millage force a bond service, it would take several years to work out and the city could not operate during this time as no taxes would be paid.

He advocated paying as low millage as possible even if it should be "blood money" to the bondholders who are demanding something until some settlement can be effected.

Avon Park Getting Fine Free Publicity

Through the efforts of the chamber of commerce and cooperation of the Florida Public Service Co., Avon Park is getting some precious publicity in the Associated Gas and Electric Co. magazine which has a circulation of over 300,000. In the four center pages of the February issue, is a well illustrated article and finely colored map of Avon Park and this at no cost to the city.

It is the type of publicity which cannot be bought and should be made use of to the best of the city.

Speaks At Palatka



C. E. Crabtree, President of the C. of C. Club

C. OF C. PLANS HOME TALENT CARNIVAL HERE

Booths - Concessions Would Be Operated Locally; Meeting Tonight

Preliminary plans for a home talent carnival to be sponsored by the chamber of commerce were discussed at a meeting held Thursday night at the Jaccaranda Hotel with C. E. Crabtree presiding. The meeting was held for the purpose of planning with special reference to a much needed club house. A committee consisting of Walter Betts, George Mandis, Byron Shuck, S. C. Pardee, Jr. and R. B. Brown was named to investigate and also given power to act and another meeting has been called for Thursday evening at 7:30 at the same place.

It was pointed out that the Winter Guest Club now has a paid membership of 113 and the Sebring Tourist Club, which has been in existence for a much longer time, has 150 members. The winter visitors are a direct benefit to all and accommodations are urgently needed.

Eustis has had a similar carnival which proved very successful and it was thought their equipment can be rented for a nominal sum. Mr. Brown promised the full cooperation of the Florida Public Service Co., both as to securing the equipment and the lighting of the grounds.

The plans call for a two day affair, on a Friday and Saturday in the immediate future. There will be auto and other commercial exhibits as well as the usual games, sideshows, stands, hot-dog and hamburger stands but all operated by local talent. A baby parade is also tentatively on the program. The only attractions needed to be rented, it was said, would be a few sideshows and a merry-go-round.

All organizations will be asked to cooperate and sponsor various attractions and booths but the entire proceeds will be used by the chamber of commerce for tourist work.

The music will be in charge of Prof. P. J. Gustaf of Sebring.

Grapefruit Growers Meeting At Arcadia Next Friday Morning

Of interest to all grapefruit growers in this community is a meeting to be held at Arcadia, Friday morning at 10:30. The meeting is one of a series being sponsored by the state chamber of commerce and this one embraces the growers of Hardee, DeSoto and Highlands county and all are urged to attend.

It is alleged the defendants have been operating where they were arrested for the past 10 days and entered the place last night with a number of negroes for the purpose of "throwing" the Gay band. The band was arrested about the winning number and asking who would catch the bag when the raiding party walked in and the sheriff said "I say it is reported to be the operator of the 'Casino' on the Wauchula road in Hardee county and McNeal is supposed to have been a ticket salesman.

Boy Scout Council Met Monday Night

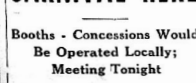
The newly revised Avon Park Boy Scout Troop Committee met Monday night at the new armory and decided to build a log cabin or small club house for the troop adjoining the armory. The troop already has the use of one of the armory rooms and the new building will be used for a workshop and similar activities. It is expected that the "throwing" of the Gay band will be donated.

The committee voted to purchase a complete set of merit badge information pamphlets to be placed in the school library at a cost of \$25.00. The troop will send two boys to the National Boy Scout Jamboree to be held in Washington, the selections to be made later.

The troop committee as now constituted is composed of J. P. Gaudin, president; R. F. Sappington, vice president; A. McKee Kilwell, secretary and treasurer and W. A. Devotion, Stanley Reeves, J. C. Bagdikian, E. C. McCard, and J. M. McCard.

Guided to Meet. St. Margaret's Guild of the Episcopal church will meet Wednesday, March 3rd at the Parish house at 8 p. m. All members are urged to be present.

Cornet Soloist



Miss Sara Staff

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Miss Staff will appear at the United Congregational church next Wednesday evening in the program to be presented by the music department of Stetson University. She has received recognition in many contests, having won first prize in practically every contest in Florida and either first or second in other states.

Flower and Style Show at Babson Park on March 12

The Garden Club at Babson Park will hold its sixth Flower and Style Show Friday, March 12th at the Webber College Casino. The beautiful style show of the Garden Club will start at 3 p. m. and will be repeated in the evening at 8 o'clock. Six models will display fifty costumes.

Flowers are solicited from Sweepstakes prizes as well as ribbon prizes will be given to fortunate winners. An admission fee of twenty-five cents for adults and ten cents for children is asked, the proceeds to go toward beautification work.

Entrance prices will be given and fruit juice and small cakes will be served at the Fair free of charge.

Flower catalogues will be given freely for the asking.

Short addresses by prominent officials of Elkdom: George Chute, chairman; Mrs. H. E. Fairchild, vice chairman; Mrs. J. J. Ahern, advertising chairman; Mrs. Thomas Bennett, floral chairman.

Florida Elk's Day At Ravine Gardens

Palatka, Feb. 25.—Headed by Governor Fred P. Cone and other prominent officials of Elkdom, hundreds of members of the Antlered Herd and their friends are expected at the Ravine Gardens here Sunday, Feb. 28, to participate in the celebration of the third annual "All Florida Elk's Day" at the local attraction.

A band concert of an hour's duration, starting at 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon, will be played by the Military Band from the Bolles School, of Jacksonville, as an added attraction to the day's program at the gardens, Mayor J. W. Campbell, chairman of the program committee, has announced.

Elks will begin at 3:30 and will complete the official program for the afternoon. Refreshments will be served to Elks and their friends at the gardens all during the day under the supervision of Palatka Elks Lodge No. 1232, the sponsoring organization.

Other prominent Elks, in addition to Governor Cone, who are expected to participate in the program are Harold Cole, Jacksonville, president of the State Chamber of Commerce, J. P. Newell, Tallahassee, personal representative of Grand Exalted Ruler Dave Shuck, W. A. Wall, West Palm Beach, district deputy grand exalted ruler of Florida, East Caplan Hale, New Smyrna, past district deputy grand exalted ruler of Florida East, I. Walter Hawkins, DeLand, secretary of the State Elks Association, Frank O'Brien, Jacksonville, district deputy grand exalted ruler of Florida North, and many others.

Although the day has been set aside in honor of the Elks everywhere, it is invited to visit the gardens and enjoy the celebration with them Sunday.

Christianity commands us to be kind to all men, to love them as ourselves.—Franklin.

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LIVESTOCK MEN AND GROWERS WILL MEET

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New York Attorney Gave Interesting Talk At Rotary Club Luncheon Wednesday; Many Present To Hear Him.

The need of full cooperation among growers in order to solve their citrus problems was stressed by Merton L. Corey, attorney of Washington and New York who was the principal speaker at the Rotary Club's birthday luncheon Wednesday noon at the Jaccaranda Hotel. His subject was "Future Trends in Agriculture," and he was introduced by Stuart Thayer who had charge of the program.

Mr. Corey has been in Florida before and referred to the time when he helped with working out the marketing agreement for the citrus industry which he said is the biggest problem in the state. He referred to the depression of 1929 which, he said, had lowered agriculture and as a result had brought on foreclosures and the government had made it its special business to help remedy these conditions and through this agriculture had the highest income in 1935 since 1930, he asserted.

Land has been taken out of production and acreage has been reduced in order to reduce market glut. Scarcity or plenty are debated economic principles, he said and we are now on our way back to plenty.

Florida has been favored by both Providence and science but can't do it alone. Present with regard to the citrus industry. He favored the plan for the government to buy surplus foodstuffs and give them to the people rather than this surplus be destroyed.

He compared America's capacity to produce and to consume a food and that things have never been done which might have been done. He quoted the Brookings Institute as saying that if everyone had what they should it would take the production of 70 percent of that but only a 20 percent increase is possible. There must be a greater buying power of the average American, he asserted.

Seventy one percent of the homes in America have incomes under \$2,500, Mr. Corey said and the average income is \$2,250. 500 mark there would be a large increase in purchasing power.

Ascertaining that 21 percent of the children in New York City are suffering from malnutrition, he said that national health must be rebuilt with fruits and vegetables. 23 million more acres for production of these commodities.

Returning to the subject of citrus fruits, Mr. Corey said there are 400 packing houses in Florida for ex terms to be used in hauling the fruit. He said he would rather own all the slot machines in the state than all the citrus groves. There will never be a solution of the citrus problem in Florida until the growers realize they cannot get more than is paid in the markets in the United States and abroad. The industry is headed for ruin unless the problem is solved. At the present there are 440 Florida in the state in one mad scramble for the business.

He mentioned the fact that the United Fruit Co. had educated the people to buy bananas and even when he was a boy in Kansas they could be bought in every small town and village all over the country. Their sales costs must be lowered and the cost of shipping to New York and other large cities.

The distribution of citrus must be built along similar lines with the people in every village and hamlet in the country and this needs a broad plan of cooperation in order to create consumer demand, Mr. Corey said.

Florida has many more capable of solving the problem and it will take time to work out a solution. He cited the Waverly Cooperative as ideal and among the best in the country and saw no reason why the same cannot be accomplished in Avon Park and other towns in Florida. Fruit sales costs must be kept down and consumer buying power up, he said.

If there are 100 organizations similar to Waverly keeping packing and marketing groups in each community, much can be done but it must start at the bottom and build up with cooperative groups in each community. You must keep costs down and bring citrus within the reach of everybody, he said and hoped everyone would be willing to strive for this.

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Here's Hollywood

(By JACK HARDY)

Lanky James Stewart this week coined this gem about romantic actresses. "It is when they have their arms around your neck and begin to MUMBLE that the Hollywood bachelor has to watch out."

James Cagney's whole year off the screen apparently did not dim his popularity one bit. His first picture in that time, "GREAT GUY" was booked into New York's Criterion theatre for a week's run. It proved so popular that it was extended from week to week until it chalked up the unusual total of a five weeks.

Incidentally Cagney's leading lady in that picture is Mae Clarke, the girl who made screen history five years ago by letting Jimmy smack her in the face with half a grapefruit while dining. It was the first time on the screen that an actor had struck an actress and created a furore. However, the idea has been successfully repeated often since.

Arthur Treacher, that excessive tall and suave Englishman starred in "THANK YOU, JEEVES," is becoming a landmark at Hollywood parties. At one of these last week he found himself being followed by various stray ladies. They would come and stand alongside him for a time, and then disappear. A bit bewildered he asked a friend what was going on.

"They're just using you for a location post," the friend said. "I heard one of them telling her friend: 'I'll meet you near Treacher—you can see him over every one's head.'"

Max Terhune, comedian and one of the victims of the mild flu epidemic which is still knocking players right and left, came onto the "Hit Parade" set yesterday with what he called a "cold handkerchief." It was three yards square!

Yesterday we saw Fern Emmett swallow a mouthful of pins while acting as a lady's maid in a picture. Although to create a laugh in "Jim Hanover Detective," which stars bald Guy Kibbee, she made

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THE above radiogram received from the Captain of the MS "Point Breeze" in the early hours of the morning, and the quick action which followed its receipt, provide a vivid example of an unforeseen type of service which is being performed by a ship-to-shore radio telephone system operating 24 hours a day and covering the area of the Port of Philadelphia.

The system was established by The Atlantic Communications Corporation, a subsidiary of The Atlantic Refining Company, to direct the operation of the refinery company's fleet of tugs and those of other subscribers. Its installation has made it possible for the refining company to cut down to a matter of seconds the hours which formerly were often required to get in touch with one of its tugs after it had left the dock, and it was found that it was urgently needed at some particular point on the river. It has made it possible to keep the tugs operating efficiently in foggy weather which would otherwise make their efficient operation impossible.

The part the system has played in saving human life or mitigating suffering, however, provides the most dramatic material. The message

faces and gyrations like she was being choked, nothing happened. The "gins" are made of rock candy, which melts quickly. It's an old movie stunt.

And speaking of eating, little Lue Lue Kaye, who plays the romance with handsome Tom Brown in the same picture, nearly got sick over bacon and eggs for one scene. Being a serious newcomer, on the first day's shooting she failed to notice that the bacon and eggs scene was to be made in the afternoon. She ate her usual sized lunch, with an entree of breaded veal cutlets. Then she had to eat a bite or two of bacon and eggs, and do it in a manner to indicate she was "just starved," more than eleven times for the scene. It took that many cameras to get all the angles and closeups. Watch for this and see if you don't think Miss Kaye looks as sick as she felt.

Rest assured that the good you do unto others you do to yourself as well, and the wrong you may commit will, rebound upon you.—Mary Baker Eddy.

Experience has convinced me that there is a thousand times more goodness, wisdom, and love in the world than men imagine.—Gehles.

The control terminal of the marine radio telephone system. (Below) The captain of one of the tugs receiving instructions from the home office.



from the Captain of the MS "Point Breeze" calling for help for his sick engineer was received at 4:15 in the morning. The Atlantic Refining Company's tug "Albatross" in the Delaware, off Paulsboro, New Jersey, was reached by the radio phone and instructed to meet the "Point Breeze" at the Mantua Creek Anchorage. The tug arrived alongside within less than an hour, took the sick engineer on board, sped three miles up the river, transferred him to an ambulance waiting at the

NEWS and VIEWS ON ECONOMIC PROBLEMS

Recently the business indicators have shown the effects of two adverse influences—strikes and floods. Both caused sharp reductions in consumer purchasing power, and both were felt throughout the entire industrial structure.

Most serious strikes involved Pacific Coast maritime workers, and automobile workers. These strikes have been at least temporarily settled. West coast shipping, tied up practically 100 per cent for more than 90 days, is returning normal proportions. General Motors plants are again operating. But the labor outlook is still mixed.

It is regarded as inevitable that more strikes will be called this spring and fall. Objectives of two of these strikes will be the coal and steel industries, which employ about 800,000 men. At the present time, the soft coal mines are operating under a labor agreement effected between the operators and the United States Mine Workers. This agreement expires on the last day of March, and it is widely forecast that at that time the union will make demands the operators will refuse to meet, and a strike will follow. So far as steel is concerned, it has been the avowed intention of John L. Lewis to force the closed shop on the industry, and it is said that he has his plans all ready for what may prove to be the greatest strike in recent history.

As the U. S. News recently pointed out, "Most workers are now so integrated and interrelated that the troubles of any one part soon reflect themselves throughout the whole. Strike effects take on national importance. In other words, when a strike hits a big industry, such as motors, its dampening effects on trade are felt immediately throughout many other big industries—steel, rubber, oil, textiles, transport. Car dealers run out of stock, and must discharge salesmen. In a thousand communities purchasing power declines, is felt by groceries, drug stores, movie theatres, every commercial activity. Cumulative losses run up into the billions. These widespread influences of a general strike are regarded by some labor leaders as an asset—they feel that public opinion, impressed by the brakes put on normal prosperity, will throw its weight to their side to force a settlement with employers. Yet the automobile strike settlement gave labor heads a great deal less than they asked for, as regarded by A. F. of L. President Green as a setback for the workman.

The influence of a natural disaster, such as the Ohio river floods, are of course similar. Factories and stores close, people must leave their homes. Their purchasing power is almost entirely stopped. First and most drastic effects, as a result, are felt by the retail trade industries. During and following the recent floods, large mail-order houses reported serious drops in orders. However, retail trade for the country as a whole is managed to stay ahead of the levels of 1936. And it is of course certain that there will be an im-

balance of construction in the afflicted areas after the waters recede, and the extent of the damage has been determined.

Consequence of these adverse influences has been a recession in the standard business index lately. Yet the general tide of industry has continued forward, if adjustment has been for catastrophe, and seasonal influences. Items of interest follow:

RAILROAD: Carloadings are running consistently ahead of the comparable period last year. Outlook for business is good. Worst problem faced by the industry is legislative—it fears that laws which will materially increase the cost of operation without providing means for increasing income to compensate, may be passed by Congress.

ELECTRIC UTILITIES: Also face a grave legislative problem, are up in the air as to what Federal power policy will be in the future. Power consumption has been very high, is now declining somewhat, due to seasonal influences. Summer electric consumption, particularly the domestic field, is naturally least of the year.

STEEL: Iron and Steel Institute says the industry's 1937 construction and equipment budget will be 45 per cent above of 1936, totaling about \$290,000,000.

PRICES: Cost of living is holding close to recent levels, with neither important advances nor recessions in sight. Commodity prices are likewise reasonably stable, with drops in a few lines. Some experts look for sharp jumps in grain futures, due to a relatively small world crop.

PROFITS: January divided declarations were not extraordinary. A number of industries paid less than in the same period last year. Advances were registered for such industries as packing, food, utilities, department stores, steel.

It is one of the most beautiful compensations of this life, that no man can sincerely try to help another without helping himself.—Chakraparee.

LEGAL NOTICES

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"Notice is hereby given that the Board of County Commissioners of Highlands County, Florida, will apply to the 1936 session of the Florida Legislature for the passage of a law giving to all counties of Florida having a population of not less than Nine Thousand and Three Hundred acres, one-third of the second class of the gasoline tax and allocated to all counties having said population that it is to say the State Board of Administration shall turn over to the Board of County Commissioners of each of said counties, one-third of said gasoline tax to be expended for county purposes within the discretion of said Board; that a copy of said proposed Bill recorded with this Resolution in the Minute Book of said County Commissioners of Highlands County of date Feb. 16, 1937, and a copy of same is furnished to Dr. A. T. Eide, Representative from Highlands County, and a copy to E. L. Murphy, Senator from this Senatorial District. Signed: R. E. KELLER, Deputy Clerk, Board of County Commissioners of Highlands County. Feb. 19-26-Mon. 7-12-19.

Ford Home Almanac Is Brimful of Facts

Brimful of useful facts and information and other material of human interest, the Ford Home Almanac for 1937 goes to the homes of the United States this week, distributed free by dealers of the Ford Motor Company.

Readers of the booklet will find that, in addition to the time of sunrise and set, adjusted to each latitude; moon phases, eclipses and the usual other information given in Almanacs, the Ford Home Almanac is replete with interesting reading material dealing with ancient and modern prophecies, some of which shaped the destiny of different countries; sea mysteries that generations of research have not solved and other miscellany.

There are also short articles dealing with the views of Henry Ford on various subjects, as well as an article showing in detail what he has done with the \$13,000,000,000 which the public has paid for Ford cars and trucks since the Ford Motor Company began business in 1903. Most interesting are the facts that, of this vast sum, the Ford Motor Company retained for itself but 6.4 cents out of every dollar, spending the remainder, totaling nearly \$12,900,000,000 for wages, taxes and materials.

While such information about one of the modern world's greatest industries will be found interesting by students, teachers and economists, the housewife and mother will also find the little book handy because the reliable information it brings for first aid treatments in many different kinds of emergencies, hints for the kitchen and care of the garden, and a well planned garden chart. The motorist planning a trip to any part of the United States will find in the Almanac a chart giving accurate mileages between important cities.

The end of learning is to know God, and out of that knowledge to love Him, and to imitate Him, as we may the nearest, by possessing our souls of true virtue.—Milton.

God has so ordered that men, being in need of each other, should learn to love each other, and bear each other's burdens.—Salat.

State Road Dept. Announces New Tentative Budget

Tallahassee, Feb. 23.—(PNS)—A tentative 1937 budget of \$12,167,311.06 and an estimated deficit of \$1,775,000 at the end of the year, was announced this week by the state road department, together with plans of call a session in Tampa on March 10 to consider final adoption. No provision is made in the new budget for operation of a state road patrol which had an appropriation of \$150,000 in 1936 and was recently abolished by Governor Cone, together with ending the right-of-way inspection and revision of department administration costs which the governor says saves the state \$500,000 yearly. There was also no provision for new highway construction financed solely by state funds, though \$1,357,447.16 was set aside to match federal funds for construction projects.

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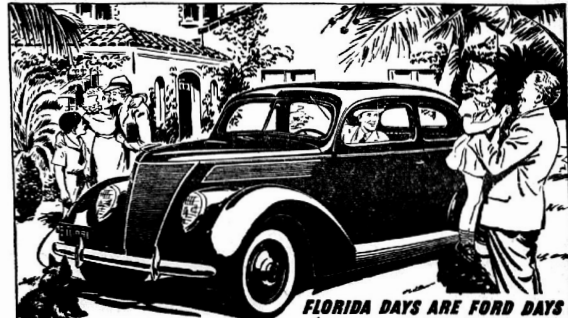
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The new "60" Ford V-8 (Illustrated) is the thriftest car in all Ford history! Drive it all day on a tankful of gas—owners report 22 to 27 miles per gallon. And it's the lowest priced "8" ever sold in America!

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Come To School
and Raise
Attendance

"TIMELY NEWS"

The Red and White

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EDITORIAL

RAISE ATTENDANCE

School commenced this year the way all schools should commence. The students seemed to like to go to school after their long vacations.

Gradually this feeling changed. It is natural for the students to become tired of school to a certain degree, but it is not natural for them to become so tired of school that they take the liberty of excusing themselves for a morning, an afternoon, or even in some cases, a whole day.

Dr. Reeves, principal, has become impatient with those students who have been taking such unscheduled vacations, and has taken a decisive step to stop them. He has made a rule that all persons from home in order to obtain an excuse with a "yes" on it, in some cases he is going to call the pupils' parents or guardian on the phone to verify the pupil's absence or tardiness.

We are glad that action has been taken on this matter, because there has been an alarming number of unnecessary absences during the past six weeks period.

Of course, skipping school is fun to the students, but they do not know the way that their loafing harms their school work. It would not be so bad if the pupils had permission from their parents or guardians before taking these steps.

BOOK REVIEW

"SPEAKING OF OPERATIONS"

by Irving S. Cobb

Are you planning on seeing a doctor soon?

Are you planning on having an operation soon?

If you are, then you would not enjoy "Speaking of Operations," by Irving S. Cobb.

A great number of persons have had operations at one time or another whether in the minor or major key but very few have had one like Mr. Cobb's.

Tracing his reactions and various emotions from the first, he tells of some harrowing experiences.

These experiences have for a background hospitals, doctors, nurses, and doctors' offices.

Mr. Cobb writes of seeing parts of the anatomy canned and stacked in neat rows, of his loss of appetite and of his convalescence. His descriptions are so vivid that one can imagine himself in the same predicament.

All in all it is a "Classic of Fun" that ought to tickle your sense of humor, but it might have in doubt about the doctors' methods.

Basketball girls
Get only 93 Points
Against Opponents

Avon Park girls' basketball team has scored 93 points against opponents this season and have had 117 points scored against them. Elmeria Sadler, being eligible only one-half of the season, leads the group with 26 points in the greatest number of goals made this season. Sundstrom with 25 points and Weaver with 20 points ranked second and third. Nancy Betts takes fourth place with 13 points. These points were scored against conference foes, and points scored against Moore Haven were not figured in.

Mulberry girls won the Ridge basketball championship, with St. Made taking second place. Third and fourth places will be announced at tonight at 8:30.

The girls' team has played the last game for this season. It has been a successful year for the girls and shows a great improvement over the records for the past few years.

THE RED and WHITE

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AVON PARK HIGH SCHOOL, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1937

FACULTY PLAY NETS SCHOOL SUM OF \$130.15

Money Will go as Payment
On Audition System
Of Auditorium

Acting before as many people as could get in the auditorium, the high school faculty made a success of the first play to be presented here in recent years by the faculty members of the Avon Park schools.

Filled with laughter and tears at the same time, the audience watched the play that turned out to be a success both financially and entertainingly.

With only seven practices before presenting the play, the faculty were able to work and through hard work one of the best plays of the year was enacted.

"I have never worked with such an agreeable and hard-working group before," said Dr. Stanley N. Reeves, director of the play.

This play was presented in order to pay the first payment on the sound system now installed in the high school auditorium.

Expenses for the play amounted to \$22.75, this being used for play books, tickets and the prizes presented to the room selling the most tickets. The total amount taken in was \$152.90, thus leaving a clear profit of \$130.15.

Helping at the door with the ushering were: Martha Mae Harris, Marguerite Loomis, Blanche McCord, Auretta Reed, Tommy Lou Green, Dorothy McNicholas, Jane Hart, Frances Dorminey, Francis Clout, Dorothy Hughes, Bootle Roberts, Lillian Bost, Elizabeth Hetherington and Barbara Betts.

Selling tickets at the door were: Misses Louise and Helen Pittman, Dorothy DeShong, and Nell Wilford.

Ethelle Bozeman Composes Best Poem In Seventh Grade

"Abe Lincoln" by Ethelle Bozeman is the best poem from both seventh grade literature sections. The poem follows:

ABE LINCOLN

Abe Lincoln was born and raised.

In a little log cabin, but he was praised;

He married the one who was his mate.

He became the president of the United States.

When he was small, he wanted to be a lawyer.

And people called him the little book worm;

He studied and earned by the fire side at night.

When it seemed there was scarcely enough light.

Abe said when he was small,

That he wouldn't be like his father, another scorned man,

His father often scorned him and even said,

"Much more education with bust your head."

Not much attention he paid to this;

He kept right on and conquered his wish.

And among us all he still rates

One of the wisest and kindest of the United States.

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HOME ECONOMICS CLASS FRILLS "AIN'T WHUT THEY USED TO BE" IN MODERN CLASS INSTRUCTION

Cooking and Sewing are Only
Basic Elements of Work
In Laboratory Method

By Betty Brooks

"The greatest reason for teaching home economics is to try to have our girls live full, happy lives," explains Miss Rhoda K. Thomas, home economics instructor in Avon Park high school.

Miss Thomas believes that some day the subject will be known as "Home Living" or "Home Problems." She feels that: "Girls and boys of today have so many problems, this subject helps to solve them."

When asked why cooking and sewing are taught, Miss Thomas said: "Every girl should know how to cook and sew for the satisfaction gained from such knowledge. If she is fortunate in having aunts she would be able to direct them."

Do you think the average high school girl would be handicapped in trying to care for her home if she had not taken home economics in answer to this Miss Thomas stated:

"If the girl will be alert to the problems we try to solve, she will be much better able to care for her own home, or to help her mother in the home she now lives in. Four girls who registered for home economics this year have married."

At the question what is taught besides cooking and sewing? Miss Thomas said: "I'm glad you asked this question, for many people call home economics 'Domestic Science,' meaning only cooking and sewing. This is unfortunate, because it includes so much more."

The following are the units included in the required unit of home economics as it is taught in all Florida schools:

Orientation into problems confronting the family.

Earning, spending, saving the family income.

Housing.

Furnishings and equipment.

Foods and nutrition.

Health and safety.

Educational growth and development.

Clothing.

"I really consider it just as important when studying the clothing unit for a girl to know how to select a ready-made garment as to how to be able to make one."

This I think is true because many girls, who can afford to buy their clothes, this enables them to select becoming colors, flattering lines suitable for their particular figures and personality. To be able to judge workmanship and material in ready-made garments is important. It is certainly old fashioned home economics teaching to have students make samples of various stitches which will never be used."

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Bronze Loving Cup Added To Trophies By Football Team

By Betty Brooks

A golden bronze cup was presented to the Avon Park Red Devils by the Ridge Conference athletic association for winning the Ridge Conference championship in football.

A silver cup was presented to the Red Devils at their banquet given in Orlando by the Orlando Sentinel.

These cups will be found in the trophy case under the clock in the high school building, which makes four the total number of trophies.

Red Devils Sextet Sink Brewer 9-8; Boys lose by 19-21

The Red Devil girls' team added another victory to their string as they defeated a local team by the score of 9-8 and the boys 19-21.

Betts, being high point girl made 4 of the 9 points for the Avon Park girls, and Albritton made 6 of the 8 points for the Brewer team. Avon Park girls beat Brewer team also in their first game of the season.

The Brewer team was high point man for the Red Devil boys' team making 13 of the 19 points. Galbreath was high point man for Brewer making 10 of the 21.

The Avon Park girls' team: Betts, (4); Sadler, (2); Weaver (3); Sundstrom; G-Correll; Townsend; Mathis and Hart.

The Brewer team: F-Albritton (6); McNeil (2); Peters; G-Pardner; Dixon and Boutwell.

The Avon Park boys defeated the Brewer team the first game of the season by the score of 19-21. The Brewer team: F-Albritton (6); McNeil (2); Peters; G-Pardner; Dixon and Boutwell.

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NIGHTMARES OF A BUS DRIVER PRESENT NOTHING TO COMPARE WITH DAILY SCHOOL GRIND

Louisville Schools
Receive Funds Sent
From Local System

By Betty Brooks

The Louisville Public Schools of Louisville, Kentucky have sent Dr. Stanley N. Reeves, a letter of gratitude for the \$20.00 donation the Avon Park schools sent to the flood stricken area.

A few weeks ago when the flood was at its height, Dr. Reeves asked every room in the two buildings to donate something to the flooded area as Louisville. Dr. Reeves had sent the quota of this school at \$15.00, but before the date set to sent the money off the students had reached the quota and passed it.

We thank Mr. W. T. Rowland, supervising principal, for his letter and hope that if Kentucky needs any more assistance that we will be able to give it to them. It is the sentiment of the student body.

The letter received by Dr. Reeves follows:

"Upon my return to my office today after two weeks of absence, your letter with the attached check for twenty dollars contributed by students of your schools, was on my desk. Not only do we appreciate the spirit that prompted this generous gesture on the part of school pupils far away, but I assure you that a very definite place can be found for the use of the money. I shall be glad to tell you later just what disposition is finally made of it."

"We are taking stock of our situation at the present time, and we hope to open some schools a week from today. Others we hope to open from time to time over the period of the next month or so, until we are running again. Many schools are still being used as refugee stations and hospitals and others in the inundated area are severely damaged by the flood waters and the remaining muck and grime."

I hope that you are enjoying a good year and that some of these days when you are back in Kentucky we may get together for a good long talk."

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State Press Comment

NO CHANGE IN DEMOCRACY.

According to some of our esteemed contemporaries, the doctrine of state's rights is no longer anything to fight for, but rather it is looked upon as a threadbare excuse for opposing some of the current efforts to centralize all power in Washington.

The child labor amendment, as a case in point, finds both The Ocala Star and The Tampa Tribune branding anyone who opposes its ratification as an opponent of the New Deal simply because President Roosevelt has called for favorable action from the many states which have not yet adopted it.

Such opposition, based upon the threadbare doctrine of state's rights, is simply hiding behind a smoke screen, concealing its real character of opposition to humanitarian desires in Washington, say our journalistic friends. In other words, the doctrine of state's rights is so far in the discard by Democrats that it serves no useful purpose except to befuddle more virile issues in the minds of the public, they would have you believe.

If that is true, Democracy has indeed changed its spots. If Democrats no longer are imbued with the idea that the states have certain rights which should be kept from the Great White Father in Washington, the complexion of the party has so changed that it no longer can call upon the names of Jefferson, Cleveland or Wilson with a straight face.

We do not think this is true. We do think that some Democratic groups, overcome with their opportunity to get favors out of Washington, are willing temporarily to blind themselves to the principles of the party in order to avoid any appearance of opposing the Great White Father and his powers of patronage. Under this head the child labor amendment, which would take the control of children away from the wardship of the states and regiment them all under the bureaucrats of Washington, is being pushed before legislative groups.

Real Democrats refuse to concede that the party is falling to pieces just to promote more places at the pie counter. We think our contemporaries now failing their heads in efforts to please Washington will realize this before long. We hope they realize it before this country has plunged into the centralizing experiment of the child labor amendment.—Miami Herald.

OUTLAW HEART-BALM

The unhappy fate of the violinist, Dave Rubinoff, gives emphasis to the warning of Jay E. Darlington of Hammond, Ind., that Florida should quickly adopt a law eliminating breach of promise and heart-balm suits.

Of course, when prominent men are caught in compromising positions with women who are not willing to forgive and forget, such men claim scant sympathy from society. After all, there must be some bounds to behavior between the sexes.

But the heart-balm racket had become so noxious in New York and several other states that laws were enacted to drive the slyster lawyers and their easily betrayed women accomplices out of court. In countless cases only the threat of suit has been enough to bring prompt settlement from the victim, regardless of how innocent a man might be. The breath of scandal cannot easily be deodorized with protests of purity.

In shorter parlance, the courts were being used as instruments of blackmail. Driven out of New York and the East, such promoters might very well follow the crowd to Florida, where they would already have seen in a few Dade county cases, accomplish here in the heart-balm racket what they are prevented from doing elsewhere.

The temptation is too great for this sort of thing not to break out here unless prompt steps are taken to stop it. We hope this next legislature will throw the mantle of its protection around those who otherwise can be made to pay through the nose by these society leeches.—Miami Herald.

WORKING FOR THE WORKERS.

(By J. E. Jones)

Many people of many minds hold widely conflicting opinions about the measures that have been proposed, and tried out, for the socialization of American industry.

In defiance of all those carefully prepared remedies the country has just witnessed a piece of old-style showmanship, staged under the fiction that it was a piece that was "working for the workers," but which in reality was an out-of-date method with modern progress as decidedly out of the window as the practice of "shooting up the town." If old-time practices had been applied in repelling and ousting the invaders and trespassers who staged civil warfare against the peace and dignity of the State of Michigan, there would have been a frightful tragedy in Flint.

In June, 1933, the National Industrial Recovery Act became a law, and it was the major measure of the Administration to create a new order in the social economies of the United States. The Supreme Court by a unanimous opinion, declared the Act unconstitutional. President Roosevelt explains that his present position concerning the Supreme Court is actuated by a desire to secure interpretation of the Constitution along "liberal" lines, so that his national program to secure further benefits for working men and women may be framed according to his program. That radical proposal has little—if any—merit.

The National Labor Relations Board completed its first year last October, at which time it reported that during the twelve-month it has acted on 1495 cases involving \$21,464,000.

During 1936 Congress passed twenty-three new

labor bills. The Child Labor Amendment to the Constitution seems certain to be ratified.

The United States Department of Labor reports that 14,566,337 "man-days' idle" were due to strikes in 1935. The totals for 1936 will be as large. The Department's Conciliation Service reported that it was exercising its "good offices in connection with 68 disputes, which affected a known total of 45,304 employees," during November, 1936. Of these disputes 40 were adjusted.

Governor Murphy of Michigan, devoted most of his first six weeks in office in efforts to bring about a settlement of the automobile strike. He was the authorized representative of the President of the United States.

The very unusual procedure was resorted to, in Michigan, of holding up the enforcement of court orders and injunctions against the labor unions and the "sit-down strikers." Perhaps no case in recent history exists in which the majesty of the law has been set aside in such a way. That procedure was exercised as part of the "strategy" of the strike settlement—a rather doubtful method.

The Social Security Act, approved in Aug., 1935, provides for unemployment compensation, old-age, the blind, security for children, extension of public health services, and vocational rehabilitation. In all the States new laws have been passed to help the nation's workers.

The record is perfectly plain that the machinery and powers of organized Federal and State government are being utilized in efforts to secure the rights, comforts and privileges that belong to the employees of great and small industries. The same record shows that progressive heads of the automobile industry and most other major industries have shared in the spirit that lies behind all these attempts to improve the conditions of the nation's workers.

Thoughtful persons in every station of life have long agreed that there must be equal justice—the balance to the top—and our conditions of life are understood—and the changed responsibilities are met by re-arrangements of human and economic measures.

BACK ON THE JOB.

The making of parts and material for automobiles normally employs approximately 384,000 workers. Directly employed in the making of cars are approximately 239,000 workers. Reports from the different parts of the country indicate that General Motors furnishes good job, good pay and fair treatment for all. Hence the enthusiasm on the behalf of the "back-to-work movement."

Unemployment in the United States has been very materially reduced by the return to work of a total force of 215,000 in General Motors factories. A large percentage of whom were recalled after the six weeks of strike.

Imagine the demoralization that would fall upon the Nation should there be an insufficient supply of steel, an industry threatened by a strike. Already the United States Navy has felt the pinch of a short-
age of steel.

The wheels of modern industry are closely geared. Glass factories make windows and windshields for automobiles; which are just as essential as rubber tires. Both industries depend on automobile production.

Who would the petroleum industry be headed for should the automobiles of the country stop running tomorrow?

It is difficult to contemplate the losses that would overtake our country, recovering as it is from the depression, if our great electrical, cement, textile and other major industries should suffer the loss of their fuel. For the strike of Ford and Chrysler plants, in coal mines and in many other threatened industries.

So what happened in Sanford, Maine! Fifteen hundred men, probably about one-fourth the town's population, were thrown out of employment when one-half of the looms in the Sanford Mills shut down. The men were engaged in weaving lambs-
wool upholstery. The "national assembly line," that slowed down in Flint, speedily produced unemployment for the "innocent bystanders" in the small Maine city.

The building of new roads and the hard-surfacing of additional thousands of miles of highways furnishes the soundest method of existence for the WPA, and other methods of public and private employment.

The happiness and comforts of workers in industry depend on the prosperity of our national industries and national institutions.

When the purchasing power of the public begins to fall off there are panics and depressions. When these conditions are made they are quite inexcusable. Droughts and floods are bad enough.

The right to work—to get "back on the job" is an American principle that never has, and never will fail. Progress never stands still.

OUR NATIONAL SHRINES.

Throngs of visitors at the monument to the Father of His Country, not only on Washington's Birthday but throughout the year, prove that sentiment still reigns in the American heart. Since this great obelisk was first opened to the public in 1888, nearly 12,000,000 patriots have climbed to its top, and millions more have viewed it from the ground.

The controversy raging in Washington over the nature of a proposed memorial to Thomas Jefferson has its smaller counterpart in almost every city and town that seeks to honor distinguished residents. Realists write to the papers protesting against spending the people's money for "useless" memorials; but the Washington Monument and the Lincoln Memorial close by serenely deny the contention that museums and stadiums and colleges and other "utilitarian" monuments are the most appropriate reminders of our great men.

COURT BATTLE LOOKS LIKE A TOSS-UP.

When Senator Lodge attacked the League of Nations and the Versailles peace treaty brought back from Europe by President Woodrow Wilson the wise men about Washington who thought they knew it all shook their heads and silently confessed the belief that "Lodge is going crazy."

The situation in Washington growing out of the proposed Roosevelt Court plan has striking reminders of the days when Lodge touched off the dynamite that destroyed the power and prestige of the great President.

Whether the President's plan—largely formulated

by Attorney General Cummings, will be finally accepted or not, no one can tell. Senator Hiram Johnson reveals that in a thousand letters he received but four favored the Roosevelt proposal.

It is quite evident that there is going to be a long drawn-out battle, and it is of this point that seems to have been clarified in these early days, that point may be stated as an almost universal conviction among friends and foes of the President, that he would have fared much better had he taken this question before the people and asked for a constitutional amendment.

As this item is prepared in Washington it is a toss-up as to whether the President, with his tremendous prestige, can put his plan across.

GOVERNMENT DEALINGS SHOULD BE LIKE CAESAR'S WIFE.

Recent events—beginning with Dr. Arthur Morgan's public statement as to his views on a national power policy and culminating in the President's declaration that negotiations for the Southeastern power pool have been called off pending legal hearings—have again focused the spotlight of public interest on the electric power issue.

On the one hand are those who would use the wealth and authority of the Federal government to destroy the private electric industry as rapidly as possible—whether or not good workmen are deprived of jobs, whether or not millions of innocent investors are penalized to the tune of billions, and whether or not Federal agencies are prepared to give service that is as good and as cheap—when all phases of cost such as taxation, subsidies, etc., are considered—as the private utilities are giving the country now.

On the other hand are those, led by Dr. Morgan, TVA chairman, who adopt the view that private investments should be protected, that amicable arbitration between the interests involved should take the place of destructive warfare, that the achievement of the private end, in technical matters should be recognized, that facilities should be pooled equitably so that both Federal and private plants may receive a fair and profitable share of the business, that private properties should not be confiscated but bought at a fair price, that government should go ahead slowly so that standards of electric cost and service will not be imperiled, and above all, that the government should set a moral standard of business dealing that is above reproach.

Infinitely more than a mere electric question is involved. In Dr. Morgan's words, "The manner in which we achieve our ends may have a more enduring influence than the ends we may achieve." This is simply to say, as Birmingham Age Herald observes, "that the ascending triumph of the way of reason and tolerance over that of conflict and intolerance is far more important, even than what happens to the TVA or any other material project whatsoever."

If the principles for which Dr. Morgan stands are thrown into disrepute, that standards of electrical, a new and menacing precedent will be established in America. It will mean that lawful business may be ruined at the whim of politicians drunk with power. It will mean that every resource of the government may be given to achieving that end. It will mean that a man's job, no man's property, no man's investment is safe.

Thus, the power issue, as it stands today in its larger aspect, may well determine whether the United States is to keep democracy or surrender it to socialism, fascism, communism or some other theory equally alien to the spirit of liberty.—Industrial News Review.

TWENTY BUREAUS FOR ONE JOB.

In a plea for reorganization and consolidation of Federal bureaus, Senator Byrd of Virginia, recently pointed out some astonishing instances of duplication and overlapping.

For example, at least 24 agencies have been created to deal with lending government funds, and five similar agencies are now in liquidation.

At least 3 agencies have been concerned with insuring deposits and loans.

At least 10 agencies have been concerned with government construction.

At least 9 agencies have been concerned with credit and finance.

At least 12 agencies have been concerned with home and community planning.

At least 16 agencies have been concerned with wild life conservation.

So it goes, down a long list. Every one of the purposes for which these agencies have been created is accomplished in Washington in the United States. First, the agencies and liberal entertainment.

Second, the astounding "massiveness" of the country—one American interconnected power line alone being longer than any nation in Europe, except Russia.

Third, the remarkably fine job American private utilities have accomplished in technical improvements that lower rates and better service.

Fourth, the anomaly of an industry with such a splendid record being under constant political attack to undermine it.

Fifth, why are government projects so economically sabotaged? Why is it so far from large, centralized demand for power?

A prophet is not without honor save in his own country—and the American electric utilities seem to be more or less in that position now. If a visit from Mars were to read the end-of-the-world attack on the utilities, he could very well label down on his job of serving his customers adequately, and be

made the cost of power one of the largest items in the family budget. But the facts indicate that we have the best and most used electric service in the world, and the cost of power to the average home is less than the cost of tobacco.

The delegates from Europe—representing both public and private power agencies—looked at the American utilities without prejudice, and they saw the facts. It's no wonder they went home feeling—as many of them did—that the rest of the world has a great deal to learn from the progressive utilities of the United States.—Industrial News Review.

ASHES TO ASHES.

Many otherwise sane citizens become thoughtless fools when they get behind the wheel of an automobile. This paradox cost 38,600 lives in auto accidents last year. In the same period 10,300,000 were injured, of which number 400,000 were more or less permanently disabled.

Such a staggering slaughter of human life could not be much more if the country were in a state of constant revolution. How can it be cured? According to the Portland Oregonian there is no answer to the problem "except in more ruthless law enforcement, and that cannot be achieved this side of public indignation." Thirty-eight thousand-five hundred lives sacrificed on the altar of reckless driving would seem to be sufficient cause for public indignation.

Safe driving campaigns, designed to appeal to the common sense of the individual have apparently been of little benefit. Speeding, drunken driving, gross negligence in approaching crossings, and weaving in and out of traffic, are increasing every day. The only ones who have been thoroughly cured are the victims, and bitter experience cured them. Lying mangled in hospitals, perhaps clinging to this earth by a mere thread, they have come to realize how precious life is, and the death will never have any other chance. In that spirit second before oblivion they too realized—but too late!

The next time you hit a cross street at sixty miles an hour STOP AND THINK of what might have happened if you had not been alone in your foolishness. Pictures pursue the thought of your final resting place with the clouds dropping on your coffin, and the minister chanting "ashes to ashes, dust to dust." If you are blessed with the life loving instincts of the average individual you will approach the next street with due caution and trembling knees.—Industrial News Review.

A GIANT OF DESTRUCTION.

Every day, somewhere, newspapers carry headlines of disasters, such as these: Exploding Kerosene Stove Wipes Out Family; Man Killed Parking Oil on Fire; Smoker Dies in Gasoline Explosion.

Apparently the common use of petroleum products in motor cars and stoves has lulled people into a false sense of security while using these fluids. It has caused them to become careless. The record indicates that a warning must be given if lives and property are to be spared.

Here are recommendations of the National Board of Fire Underwriters: Don't attempt to start fires in stoves or furnaces with gasoline or kerosene.

When using a kerosene or gasoline stove, always follow directions of the manufacturer. Keep the stove clean, extinguish flame after use and allow to cool before filling. Store the supply can outside the house.

Don't smoke while filling the stove. In order to be sure your stove is safe, buy only those listed as "standard" by the Underwriters' Laboratories.

Don't clean clothes with gasoline, naphtha or benzene. Human life is our most precious possession; guard your own and that of your dear ones from this giant of destruction.

Petroleum, properly handled, is one of man's most useful servants. Improperly handled, it can become a giant of destruction. Remember that it may save your life.—Industrial News Review.

"SOGGY SENTIMENTALITY."

"In former days it was supposed to be a cardinal virtue in a public man to prevent waste of the public funds," writes Frank Kent. "Today he is treated as a criminal for so doing. This is a case of affairs can exist without public concern is the best evidence of the degree to which the popular mind has been anesthetized by . . . soggy sentimentality." Emergency spending, taxes and the national debt have marched inexorably to new high records. The magnitude of this spending has given the average citizen an entirely false idea of economic waste. Where, a generation ago, we regarded a million dollars as a lot of money, we now read about billions with little or no thought. Where once the country was stirred by the rise of the Federal debt to the billion mark, we today view a Federal debt of thirty-five billions with equanimity. Where a single Congress that a generation ago appropriated as much as a billion dollars for a year's Federal spending was once denounced for extravagance, we now take a ten-billion dollar congress for granted.

Whether this is due to "soggy sentimentality" or something else, it is obvious that the public mind has become anesthetized. It fails to see the place of the debt and tax picture. It is almost incredible that we should permit the central government to spend two dollars for every one dollar taken in—but we do, with the apparent idea that someone besides ourselves will pay. It is equally incredible that the present-day program of "economy," of a thousand freeholders should be openly and even proudly violated—but they are.

When will the American people come out of the ether, and realize that they are the ones who must pay the tax and debt load? The government has no way to pay its bills except by taking hard-earned money away from all the people through taxation.—Industrial News Review.

CHEAP.

Ten Senators of the United States are reported to have received one thousand dollars each for the cigarette testimonials that are appearing in advertising pages of leading publications—which indicate that bribery is cheap and that a thousand dollars is a lot of money for those men who enjoy their several place in life by the connivance of the different states.

European Tourists Throng Florida Ports This Season

Miami, Feb. 25.—(FNS)—Further evidence of Florida's growing popularity as the world's winter playground will be given Friday morning as the RMS. Atlantis of the Royal Mail Lines Ltd. docks here with some 300 cruise passengers representing a number of prominent Europeans and members of the English peerage.

The ship sailed from Southampton, England on January 23. Arrival of the Atlantis here will climax a mid-winter, sunshine cruise which has included calls at many West Indian ports, including Havana. A 3-day stop over in Miami will permit the European visitors to visit a number of such nationally known Florida beauty spots as Everglades National Park, McKee Jungle Gardens, Royal Palm Park and the McMillan-Hutton Lion Farm, as well as other points of interest in this section of the state.

Exports of Florida Goods Increases Perceptibly

Tampa, Feb. 24.—(FNS)—The value of goods exported from Florida last year, 1936, increased \$2,893,215 over the volume of 1935, it is known in figures released here by the U. S. Census Bureau. The value of exports for the Florida district, however, dropped from \$14,171,264 in 1935, to \$13,171,264 in 1936.

Imports through Florida ports in 1936 were valued at \$19,036,810 in 1935 against \$14,171,264 in 1935, Mr. Angle said.

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Colonial Tea Was Colorful Affair.

Leigh Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, held their annual Colonial Silver Tea at the Jacaranda Hotel Friday afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock.

Receiving at the door were: Worthy Matron, Mrs. David Stuckey; Past Worthy Matron, Mrs. C. L. Johnson; Past Grand Matron, Mrs. Lulu Scott of Sebring; Grand Instructor, Mrs. Lottie Alameyer of Sebring; Worthy Matron, Mrs. Allen Altvater of Sebring; Worthy Matron, Mrs. McClelland of Frostproof; and Worthy Matron, Mrs. Bailord of Wauchula. Presiding at the tea table were Mrs. Katherine Bristol and Miss Jennie Gribble.

The spacious lobby and palm room were most attractive with tall vases and vases of gladioli and snapdragons, carrying out a red, white and blue color motif. A large floral star in the emblematic colors of the Eastern Star formed a beautiful center piece for the tea table, which was surrounded with tall tapers of red, white and blue.

On one side of the room was a table on which stood a spinning wheel and many other antique articles of interest.

A very interesting and entertaining program was given as follows:

Piano solo, Miss Jane Hartt. Scotch vocal solo, Mrs. W. H. Yates.

Piano solo, Arthur Crews. Duet, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Garber. Vocal solo, E. L. Roberts.

Violin solo, Bill Chaddock. Piano solo, Mrs. Fred Stevens. Playlet, by pupils of Mrs. Chas. Sherman, (all in colonial costume).

Vocal solo, Mrs. T. J. Ward. Piano solo, Miss Betty Touchton.

Piano solo, Miss Mary Lydia Stebbins. Vocal solo, Mrs. Marian Kerns.

Wilkes - Gough Wedding Friday.

Miss Virginia Gough and Frank Edwin Wilkes were married Friday evening, February 19th, at the home of Rev. Lora Frink.

The bride wore an attractive two-piece satin suit with white accessories.

Mrs. Wilkes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gough of this city, graduated from the Avon Park High school with the class of 1936, and was president of both the junior and senior classes. At present she is manager of the Park Theatre.

Mr. Wilkes is the son of Mrs. J. E. Wilkes of Adel, Ga. He graduated from Plunkett's Finishing School in Georgia, after which he attended the University of Georgia at Athens. He is now employed with the Badcock Furniture Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilkes spent several days on the west coast, returning to Avon Park Sunday evening. They will make their home at the Hobbs' apartment upon their completion.

Mrs. Sherman Hostess to Circle Two

Circle No. Two of the Baptist Missionary Society met Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. D. Sherman. The scripture was read by Mrs. Sherman, after which a short business session was held. The lesson for the afternoon was taught by Mrs. Lora Frink from the study book, "Follow Me."

Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess to the following: Mrs. Louis Sulbert, Mrs. Frank Costine, Mrs. Dolly Skipper, Mrs. David Stuckey, Mrs. Lora Frink, Mrs. Otto Skipper, Mrs. J. D. Sherman and Mrs. B. F. Martin.

Woman's Club Will Meet Next Friday.

Hon. Harold Kessinger of Chicago will be the speaker before the regular meeting of the Woman's Club to be held at the club rooms on Friday afternoon, March 5 at 2:30 o'clock. His subject will be "The Old Main Street and The New America." Mr. Kessinger is a speaker of wide experience, a student, writer, publisher, traveler and an orator.

Every member is urged to be present and winter visitors are cordially invited to attend. The husbands of club members will be welcomed and local residents will be admitted on payment of the guest fee.

In addition to the speaker, other items on the program will be: Business session, 30 minutes. Program invocation, Rev. Lora Frink.

Music, "America the Beautiful." Pledge to the Flag, led by Mrs. E. O. Williams.

Collect, Leader, Mrs. William Davidson. Solo, Mrs. T. J. Ward. Social hour.

The chairman for the afternoon will be Mrs. Fred Stevens and the hostesses will be Mrs. Aitchison, Mrs. Covington, Mrs. Irving Smith, and Mrs. Julia Baldwin.

After several interesting progressions of contract, high score prize, a potted croton, was presented to Mrs. Parke Anderson.

Lemon pie and coffee formed the dainty refreshments which were served by the hostess to the following: Mrs. Paul Garber, Mrs. Jack Head, Mrs. W. H. Yates, Mrs. Arthur Crews, Mrs. S. S. Thayer, Mrs. Stanley Reeves, Mrs. W. D. Dorniney, Mrs. Parke Anderson, Mrs. C. E. Crabtree, Mrs. C. E. Wright and Mrs. J. E. Frey.

Bride Club Met at Willis Home.

Mr. and Mrs. Brisco Willis entertained the members of their bride club Thursday evening at their home. The rooms were prettily decorated with bows and candles of roses and nasturtiums.

After several progressions of bridge, the following were awarded prizes: Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Dilley, high; Mr. and Mrs. John Hood, second high and J. L. Wells was presented with the floating prize.

Delicious fresh coconut cake and ambrosia were served to the following: Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Dilley, Mr. and Mrs. John Hood, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Wells, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Armstrong, and Mr. and Mrs. Brisco Willis.

Mrs. Hunnings Hostess to Club.

Mrs. Vernon Hunnings was hostess Thursday afternoon when she entertained the members of the Thursday Auction Club. The party room was beautifully decorated with bows of blue lupin.

After several progressions of auction, high score prize was presented to Mrs. O. Hend.

A dainty salad course with coffee was served by the hostess to the following: Mrs. O. Hend, Mrs. S. McKnight, Mrs. Vickery and sister, Mrs. C. A. Clarke, Mrs. Lulu Bass, Mrs. J. B. Rogers, Mrs. Katherine Briggs, Mrs. Norton Smith, Mrs. W. H. Kempton and Mrs. S. Y. Hartt.

Episcopal Vestrymen Dinner Hosts.

Members of the Vestry and their wives entertained at dinner Wednesday evening at the Avon Grille, honoring Fr. and Mrs. Richard L. Brown of Tampa. Fr. Brown is the Rector of St. John's Episcopal Church of Tampa.

Those attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Gregory, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Fairbanks, and Mrs. A. M. Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Betts, Mr. and Mrs. Demos Manda, W. M. Reck and H. R. Currie.

Mrs. H. C. McFerrin Honored Monday.

Members of the Ladies' Aid of the Congregational Church entertained Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. W. H. Yates, honoring Mrs. H. C. McFerrin.

The home was decorated with vases of roses and cut flowers. A very enjoyable afternoon was spent at the conclusion of which delicious refreshments of fruit juice and cake were served.

Among those present were: Mrs. Parke Anderson, Mrs. Paul Garber, Mrs. Stanley Reeves, Mrs. Charles Shepherd, Mrs. R. P. Shepherd, Mrs. Woods, Miss Alice Davidson, Mrs. Charlotte Leigh, Miss Olive Armstrong, Mrs. Earnest Armstrong, Mrs. Irvin Smith, Mrs. Lulu Bass, Mrs. Tuten, Mrs. A. C. Elliott, Mrs. Mac Will, Mrs. D. Farrell, Mrs. Ed Tomlinson, Mrs. Harry Dilley, Mrs. Pearl Spink, Mrs. L. H. Park, Mrs. W. H. Yates and the honoree, Mrs. H. C. McFerrin.

Mrs. Pilcher Bridge Club Hostess.

Mrs. M. V. Pilcher was a cordial hostess at her home on North Lake Avenue Monday afternoon to the members of her bridge club.

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Mrs. Brick Hostess to Tuesday Club.

Mrs. J. E. Brick entertained the Tuesday Contract Club on Wednesday afternoon at the Jacaranda Drug store balcony.

At the conclusion of the games, scores were totaled and it was found that Mrs. S. Y. Hartt was holder of high score.

A delicious refreshment course was served to the following guests: Mrs. C. H. Pardo, Mrs. S. C. Pardo, Mrs. Alexander Gilmore, Mrs. S. Y. Hartt, Mrs. W. H. Kempton, Mrs. J. B. Hart, Mrs. O. Hend, Mrs. G. S. McKnight, Mrs. W. H. Yates, Mrs. Lulu Bass, Mrs. H. A. Throppe and the hostess, Mrs. J. E. Brick.

Circle One Met With Mrs. Ford.

The meeting of Circle One of the Baptist Missionary Society met Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. D. Sherman. The scripture was read by Mrs. Sherman, after which a short business session was held. The lesson for the afternoon was taught by Mrs. Lora Frink from the study book, "Follow Me."

Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess to the following: Mrs. Louis Sulbert, Mrs. Frank Costine, Mrs. Dolly Skipper, Mrs. David Stuckey, Mrs. Lora Frink, Mrs. Otto Skipper, Mrs. J. D. Sherman and Mrs. B. F. Martin.

West Coast Council Met at Zephyrhills.

The West Coast Council of the United Spanish War Veterans and the Auxiliary met Sunday at Zephyrhills.

The local camp and an auxiliary were represented by fifteen members.

Those from Avon Park attending were Mrs. N. T. Smith, Mrs. L. Langford, Mrs. Jennie Gribble, Mrs. O. Hend and guest, Mrs. Ida Butler.

Mr. - Mrs. Drott Dinner Hosts.

A delightful event of this week was the Spanish dinner given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. X. Drott Monday evening.

Those enjoying the evening were: Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilkes, Mr. and Mrs. R. X. Drott, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. McFerrin, Mr. and Mrs. Devon Reddick, Miss Adelaide Antidale and Bill Carter.

Fr. and Mrs. R. L. Brown of Tampa spent Wednesday in Avon Park.

Jimmy Brewer of Tampa was a visiting friend in Avon Park on Saturday.

Miss Sally Moore of Lake Worth was the guest of friends here for a few days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Landauer of Kansas City were visiting Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Dally this week.

Will Dance in Gardenia Festival at Florida Cypress Gardens



WINTER HAVEN—A beautiful reflection picture of two lovely dancers, Maudie Cox and Jane Grey Ballou, who will dance before the Queen of Gardenia and her royal court at the annual Gardenia Festival, sponsored by the Lions Club on March 12th, at the Florida Cypress Gardens. Photo by Dahlgren.

Mrs. Ethel Ware and Carl Ware of Orlando were the week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Ware. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Head, Mr. and Mrs. Mel Bass and Mr. and Mrs. R. X. Drott spent Sunday in Tampa.

Mrs. J. M. Lofton and Mrs. Albert Devane of Lake Placid were visiting friends in Avon Park on Tuesday.

Mrs. J. M. Dyer returned to her home in Watervliet, N. Y. after having spent several weeks in Avon Park.

Miss Oletha Gillispie will spend the week end in Ft. Meade, the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Gillispie.

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World Traveller To Appear Here

What is said to be the outstanding entertainment of the current season has been announced for our city when on March 4th at 7:30 p. m., at the Jacaranda Hotel and under the auspices of the Woman's Club, Mr. John S. Baughman will present for the first time here his well known travelogue "Wonder of the Mediterranean" with views exclusively in color. During the winter season for the past ten years this fascinating travel presentation has delighted thousands in the larger cities throughout the east and each summer finds Mr. Baughman touring the Mediterranean lands in search of new and surprising views.

In a recent letter from Dr. Ludd M. Spivey, President of Southern College at Lakeland, Florida, we quote: "I want to thank you for bringing us the complete Mediterranean tour. It is entertaining and instructive and the pictures in color were most beautiful."

Hundreds of other letters from teachers, ministers and women club groups testify to the merits of this exceptional presentation which covers the entire Mediterranean cruise including Madeira, Morocco, Gibraltar, Spain, Algiers, Tunis, Malta, Athens, Turkey and Palestine. Egypt has been most completely pictorially including King Tut's tomb near Luxor in the Valley of the Kings, Albania, Jugoslavia, Venice, Naples, Corsica, Monte Carlo, Nice and London are also shown and described in the two hour picture tour. By means of a plan on being presented for to miss this treat will be to miss the very finest entertainment of the year.

The offering will be taken to defray expenses.

Corey Stresses Need of Citrus Cooperation

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An entertaining novelty on the program was the musical offering of Albert Kalani of Hilo, Hawaii to whom credit is given for introducing this instrument in Sebring and Avon Park.

There was a very large attendance for this meeting, including a number of citrus growers.

Besides those on the program the visitors included: W. H. Kempton, W. M. Reck, Demos Manda, R. A. Hales, Alexander Gilmore, W. M. Morgan, Walton Touchton, O. W. Louis, W. Hauptmann, Byron Shockley, S. F. Longmorton and G. C. Morrell of Avon Park; C. E. Skinner of Pittsburgh, Pa., T. B. Todd, Jr., of Sparrows Point, Md., Ernest F. Coe of Miami, John S. Peirce of Burlington, N. C., Y. Chapman of Orlando, Capt. T. W. Webb and Alexander Blair of Lake Placid, W. M. Storer of Pittsburgh, Pa., R. E. L. Brown of Tampa, W. L. Corbitt and R. A. Fendler of Orlando, Harry Allen of Greensville, Ind., Col. F. N. K. Bailey of Sebring and J. F. Miller.

President Wilkes Elliott announced that five new members would be initiated into the club at the meeting next Wednesday noon.

Miss Jessie Agnew of Louisville, Kentucky, who has been spending some time in Avon Park, the guest of her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Welch, left Thursday for her home.

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Judge Whitehurst Opens Law Offices

Judge M. C. Whitehurst, who has served eight years as county judge of Highlands county and retired from politics on completion of his last term, is opening up offices in the county seat for the general practice of law, and will specialize in estate and guardianship matters.

Covered Dish Supper.

Planned to aid the penny bank movement, there will be a covered dish supper next Monday evening at 6 o'clock at the Parish House of the Church of the Redeemer.

An entertaining program is being prepared, Dr. A. M. Morgan being chairman of the committee in charge. This will be the first of a series of monthly affairs of a like nature which will be held on the first Monday in each month.

Want Ads

FOUND: Purse containing money. Owner can have same by proving ownership and paying for this ad. W. M. Reck, Real Estate, 15 Jacaranda Arcade. 52-1-c.

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Tax Revision League Issues A Statement

Scores What They Term Deliberate Attempts To Misconstrue Program

Jacksonville, Feb. 25.—(Special)—In a statement released here today the Tax Revision League scored what they termed deliberate attempts to misconstrue the program of the organization, ridiculing insinuations that they are sponsoring an under-cover movement to "exempt property from all taxes." The League's spokesman said:

"It is surprising to note that some one occasionally makes the statement that this organization is sponsoring an under-cover attempt to 'exempt all property from taxation.' Nothing could be further from the truth. When such statements are made we always wonder if it is the result of a misunderstanding of the facts or a deliberate attempt to misconstrue the issue."

"We have publicly and repeatedly stated at every opportunity, for the past two years, that the ad valorem tax system should be abolished, in the interest of the State. We have never stated, or intimated, that property should be exempt from all taxation. Our ad valorem tax system is merely a method of taxation under which property taxes are levied by 1497 overlapping boards and commissions on a basis of assessed capital value, at a specified number of mills on the dollar. No other tax in Florida is levied on basis of capital value."

"We submit, without fear of successful contradiction, that this method of taxing property is obsolete, unscientific, inequitable, and is definitely retarding development throughout the State."

"There are many ways that property can be justly and equitably taxed, on a fair and reasonable basis. This organization has maintained, however, that the working out of a new system of taxation should be left to the discretion of the legislature, after the ad valorem method has been abolished by referendum vote of the people."

Lands Nine Pounder.
C. L. Franklin of Adairville, Ga., a guest at the Mid State Hotel, landed a nice nine pound bass Tuesday afternoon in one of the local lakes. Mr. Franklin is an ardent fisherman and received congratulations on his catch.

Champion Pitcher Coming.
Blair Nunnemaker of Cleveland, Ohio, said to be the world's champion fancy trick horseshoe pitcher will be here next Thursday, March 4th, at 3 p. m. A large crowd of local fans is expected to be on hand to see him do his stuff.

Slight small injuries, and they will become none at all.—Fuller.

Florida Considers the New York World's Fair of 1939



NEW YORK.—(Special)—Florida's participation in the New York World's Fair of 1939 was given consideration today in a conference at Fair Headquarters in the Empire State Building. The State was represented by Earl W. Brown, vice-president and manager of the Florida National Exhibits Company of Deland, Florida, who is shown at the right in the picture above. Commander Howard A. Flanagan, administrative assistant to the president, Grover Whalen, was spokesman for the Fair. Mr. Brown inspected Fair Headquarters and said he was thrilled by the models, sketches, architectural drawings and plans for various features of the Fair as exhibited to him. Mr. Brown said he would report to his associates in Florida and to Governor Cope and that he was confident his State would arrange a creditable exhibit for the New York exposition.

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Dr. Northern Tells Business Men of Mineral Food Need

Babson Park, Feb. 25.—(FNS)—"American housewives are beginning to ask farmers for the foods for their families that are health giving and the only way that agriculture can answer that demand is to grow those properties into foods," Dr. Charles Northern of Orlando, head of the Colloid Institute of America, told the annual business conference conducted here at Weber College recently by Roger W. Babson.

Dr. Northern, who is considered one of the greatest living authorities on colloids, told the assembly that the colloidal fraction of the soil will have the greatest effect on the future of agriculture, and that by replacing the lost mineral and metallic salts to balance the soil, plants growing therein will not only be disease resistant but will provide that little extra something that makes for abundant health in humans. He also pointed out that there was little use to improve breeds and strains of domestic animals unless the food they receive with the rarer minerals which can be supplied by these tiny mysterious colloids.

His work of replacing mineral and metallic content of the soil for transmission into improved agricultural products, gained national attention for Dr. Northern during the last year through a magazine article written by Rex Beach.

DEMAND INCREASES FOR FLORIDA ORANGES

Florida Said To Be Taking Over Markets Formerly Controlled By California

By Florida News-Service.
F. O. B. demand for Florida oranges was strong in all markets last week and citrus, ordinarily controlled by California, began to buy Florida fruit; Lawrence Gephre, general manager of Tree-Cole Co-operative growers said in his weekly report to growers members.

Restricted shipments from both California and Florida were credited for the rise in prices.

California has exhausted fruit picked before the freeze and the effects of her losses are beginning to be reflected in prices as well as the volume of fruit shipped from the Pacific coast. Markets have declined steadily for California fruit for the past week after a rise immediately following the cold spell.

Canada, usually strictly a California market, is buying Florida citrus in increasing volume.

Late and revised estimates on the losses in California make it apparent that about half the navel crop was ruined and approximately 40 percent of the Valencia crop.

Florida grapefruit found a steady f. o. b. demand.

Texas continued to ship in heavy volume.

Auctions in the east was closed Monday for Washington's birthday.

Averages of all auction markets for oranges advanced. The weekly averages follow:

In New York, up 55 cents at \$2.81; in Philadelphia, up 55 cents at \$2.58; in Boston, up 37 cents at \$2.75; in Pittsburgh, up 22 cents at \$2.52; in Cleveland, up 45 cents at \$2.63; in Chicago, up 37 cents at \$2.60; in St. Louis, up 44 cents at \$2.11; in Cincinnati, up 3 cents at \$2.54; in Detroit, up 22 cents at \$2.52; in Baltimore, up 45 cents at \$2.52.

Grapefruit oranges in the auction market, is buying Florida citrus in increasing volume.

In New York, up 5 cents at \$2.22; in Philadelphia, up 9 cents at \$1.27; in Boston, up 5 cents at \$1.27; in Pittsburgh, up 5 cents at \$1.27; in Cleveland, up 5 cents at \$1.27; in Chicago, up 5 cents at \$1.27; in St. Louis, up 5 cents at \$1.27; in Cincinnati, up 5 cents at \$1.27; in Detroit, up 5 cents at \$1.27; in Baltimore, up 5 cents at \$1.27.

Democrats Will Not Hold Victory Dinner In Highlands County

J. M. York, county chairman of the Democratic party in Highlands County, said today that the party would not hold a victory dinner in the county.

Interesting Program At Congregational

Sunday, February 28.—Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. and 4:45 p. m. Superintendent J. P. Garber, with classes to suit all ages. Adult classes taught by Miss Alice Davidson, Miss Mable Lee and Dr. Elliott. Morning worship at 11:30 a. m. with sermon by Dr. Elliott, subject, "The Gospel of Quietude." Quartets, "The Lord is My Shepherd," by Mrs. J. P. Garber, Mrs. T. J. Ward, E. L. Roberts, J. P. Garber. The Young People's Fellowship Fellowship Hour will be held at 6:45 p. m. June Gough will lead the meeting and Lucille Bowman will introduce the topic.

The "Quiet Hour" service will be held on Tuesday at 7:30 p. m. when Dr. Elliott will give an address and also a reading from "A Soldier of the Future" by Dr. W. J. Dawson. As we are now in the Lenten season it is urged that the people of the community devote some time to the consideration of spiritual affairs by attending the church services.

On Wednesday, March 3rd, at 8 p. m., a musical program will be presented in the church by John B. Stetson University, Department of Music. The program will feature Double Quartette, Contralto Solo, Double Trio, Tenor Solo, Cornet Solos, Male Quartette, Soprano Solo. Twelve artists will take part in the program and an excellent concert is promised. The price of admission is 15 cents and 25 cents.

The choir will meet for rehearsal at the church on Saturday at 7:30 p. m. under the direction of E. L. Roberts. All members of the choir are expected to be present to practice the Easter music. The public is cordially invited to attend all these services.

Mrs. Ida Davison of Vernal, N. Y. arrived Thursday afternoon for an extended visit with Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Haughaboom. This is Mrs. Davison's first visit to the Southland.

Mrs. H. F. Sachsemaier and Carney Winterbottom left Wednesday for their home in Philadelphia after spending the past two months in Avon Park, the guests of the former's son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sachsemaier.

We may be as good as we please, if we please to be good.—Barrow. If there be a divine providence, no good man need be afraid to do right; he will only fear to do wrong.—Haywood.

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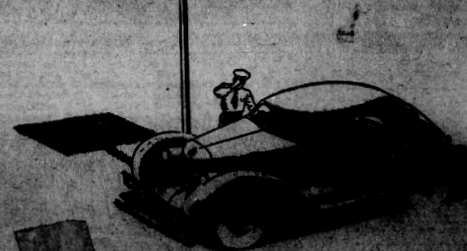
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