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BALL PLAYERS TO HELP PUBLICISE FLORIDA CITRUS

Citrus Commission Representative Attends Meeting Of Baseball League

Lakeland, Dec. 15 (Special)—Realizing the publicity possibilities for Florida fruit in stories and pictures of baseball players who come to Florda each spring with their teams for training, the Florida citrus commission sent a representative to the midwinter meeting last week of the National Association of Professional Baseball Leagues at New Orleans.

Oranges were distributed to sports writers and baseball officials and contacts made which will prove invaluable when the teams come to Florida next spring.

The commission was represented by N. F. Lavigne, while O. D. Lenn, of Bartow, represented the Seaboard Air Line. Mr. Lenn is a former baseball player and has attended several of the midwinter gatherings. Executives of the more than 30 teams which train in Florida were present and Florida fruit was distributed to the more important officials. Wives were given tangerines, while a display was set up in the rear of the convention meeting room and orange juice squeezed and distributed to those desiring it.

Many pictures were taken of baseball executives and players drinking Florida orange juice, and these will be sent to news syndicates and local northern papers as part of the commission's program to publicise Florida fruit. Among those photographed in appropriate poses were Judge William G. Bramham, president of the association and who holds the same position with minor leagues as does Kenesaw Mountain Landis with the majors; Charles "Gabby" Street, former battery mate of Walter Johnson and manager of the St. Louis Browns last year; Branch Rickey, vice-president and general manager of the St. Louis Cardinal system; Frank J. Shaughnessy, president of the International League, and originator of the Shaughnessy "play-off" in baseball; Ed Brand, editor of the Sporting News, which has a nation wide circulation.

Special permission was granted so the orange display could be placed in the convention room, and many boxes of fruit were distributed in juice form during the three-day meeting. The Seaboard and the Louisville and Nashville railroads cooperated in transporting the fruit, furnished by the commission, to New Orleans without cost. Pictures of the railroad officials grouped around the display were taken and will be published in the L. & N. monthly magazine, which reaches all its employees.

Seventeen Bands In Gasparilla Parade

Tampa, Dec. 15 (FNS)—Seventeen crack High School bands from all sections of the state have already signified their intention to participate in the 1939 Gasparilla parade and pageant to be staged here Monday, February 5.

Determined to make the coming event the greatest in the history of the organization, officials of the Magic Krewe of Gasparilla have been working for months to secure magnificent floats and outstanding parade features.

While the famed Gasparilla parade and pageant will be but one feature of the many planned for Tampa's Pan-American Hernando De Soto Exposition which opens January 31 and continues through Feb. 18, it will nevertheless draw record attendance and anyone who misses the event the coming year will miss the most brilliant and colorful Gasparilla Day ever staged.

J. S. Francis Named Park Commissioner

J. S. Francis was named as the third member of the Avon Park park commission it was announced this week. At their meeting last week the city council named Parke Anderson and C. S. Donaldson on the park body, these two to name the third member and they chose Mr. Francis.

MRS. HAGAN IS WINNER OF THE GUESS CONTEST

Much Interest Shown In Window Contest Staged Here Last Saturday

Mrs. Henry Hagan won first, Miss Hilda Reddick, second and Sanford Hartt third prize in the window guessing contest sponsored by the chamber of commerce last Saturday among the local merchants of which 15 participated. There were a large number of contestants, with a few coming from Sebring and other towns as the event had received considerable publicity.

The merchants cooperating and the errors in their windows which the contestants had to find follow:

1. Wolf's, Child's black shoes misplaced.
2. A. & P. Store, 5 lb. fruit cake with a 2 lb. label.
3. Badcock's Furniture Store, One odd chair with a period set.
4. Stewart's, Ladies step-ins.
5. Sappington's Hardware, Electric wire on gasoline iron.
6. Abrams, Pair tan shoes, one black and one tan lining.
7. Ott & Son, Red belt over green belt on green dress.
8. Avon Auto Supply, Battery tester marked charger.
9. Davis 5 and 10 Store, Avon Park postcard upside down.
10. F. S. Jordon & Son, Cameo ring upside down.
11. B. & B. Grocery, Bulk misspelled.
12. Maddox Market, Vegetable in with fruit.
13. Smith's Hardware, Toaster placed backward.
14. Stebbins' Grocery, Uneeda with sweet cakes.
15. Ward's 5 and 10 Store, Wreath missing in decoration.

Old Spanish Bell Advertises Florida Bound Airplanes

DeLand, Dec. 15 (FNS)— An old Spanish bell, over 400 years old, will be rung at the Newark airport whenever a plane is ready to leave for Florida. Arrangements have recently been completed between Earl W. Brown, manager of Florida National Exhibits, and A. M. Bjoemquiste of Eastern Air Lines. The bell was secured in Cuba by Karl Cuesta of the Cuesta Rey Company and is known as "La Campan de Obispo". It is rung in Spanish style with a rope tied to the clapper and gives forth a mellow sound which will offer a striking contrast to the noises of a busy airport.

Rum Ice Cream Is Banned In Miami

Miami, Dec. 15 (FNS)— Asserting that rum, or other alcoholic beverage flavored ice cream would tend to cultivate a taste for such beverages in innocent children, Dr. George N. MacDonald, public health director, placed a ban on sale of the newly marketed rum flavored ice cream in the city.

Rotary Plays Santa

Members of the Avon Park Rotary Club will play Santa Claus this afternoon at the Crate Mill school in connection with the Christmas program being presented at 2 o'clock.

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT

TO BE PRESENTED BY

The Pilgrim Fellowship

UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Sunday, December 18th, at 7:30 P. M.

Brief Devotional Service ..... Dr. A. C. Elliott
Play—A Modern Scrooge—in two parts.

CHARACTERS

Tom Gresham—a young business man ..... J. C. Halsema
Miss Billings—his secretary ..... Lucy Wolverton

—Pictures seen by Tom Gresham—

1. THE NATIVITY:
   - Mary ..... Dorothy Weisheyer
   - Joseph ..... William Bennett
   - Shepherds ..... Henry Wild, Chas. Shepherd
   - Shepherd's Boy ..... Charles Bennett
2. A HOME SCENE (When Tom was a little boy.)
   - Mother ..... Jean Correll
   - Tom, Jr. ..... Jack Head
   - Marion ..... Gloria Garber
   - Don ..... Ted Ward
3. TRIMMING THE CHRISTMAS TREE (When Tom was a high school boy)
   - Tom, Jr. ..... William Bennett
   - Mary ..... Ruth Wild
   - Dick ..... Harmon Atkins
   - Madge ..... Mildred Wray
   - Betty ..... Lillian Bennett
   - Bob ..... John Lamb
   - Eleanor ..... Lucy Wolverton
4. THE OLD HOME KITCHEN:
   - Mother ..... Jean Correll
   - Dad ..... Harold Cooley

PART I

TIME: the afternoon of December 15
PLACE: Tom Gresham's city office

SILVER OFFERING, Christmas Music ..... Mrs. Stanley Reeves
SOLO: "The Birthday of a King." ..... Mrs. Ted Ward

PART II

TIME: The Next Morning.
PLACE: The Same.

Christmas Angels ..... Marjory McKnight, Marjory Merwin

Carolers: Mrs. J. P. Garber, Mrs. Ted Ward, Mr. J. P. Garber, Mr. C. P. Anderson.

Closing Hymn: "Joy To The World" ..... Everyone.

Mr.-Mrs. Bowman Celebrate Their Golden Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Bowman, residents of Avon Park for the past 17 years, celebrated their fifieth wedding anniversary Wednesday at their home here. Mr. Bowman is 74 years of age and Mrs. Bowman is 64. They were married in Jackson county, Ga. on December 14, 1888. They have eight children living, four boys and four girls, and 16 grandchildren.

Mr. Bowman was born and raised in Hall county, Ga. and Mrs. Bowman in Jackson county. They lived in both these counties as well as Morgan county, Ga. and in Moore Haven before coming to Avon Park.

County Assessor At State Meeting Of Association

County Tax Assessor P. G. Gearing returned Sunday from Lake City where he attended the three-day annual meeting of the Florida Tax Assessors' Association which met there Thursday, Friday and Saturday of last week.

He reports the tax assessors passed a resolution recommending to the legislature that half of the intangible tax collected in each county be returned to the county general fund.

Among the speakers at the meeting were Attorney General Geo. Cooper Gibbs and State Comptroller J. M. Lee.

The next meeting of the association will be held in Sarasota.

Avon Negro Found Guilty Of Murder In Second Degree

Circuit Court recessed Wednesday after handling a short docket and the grand jury convened Thursday morning to inquire into a negro murder case in Avon Park. They returned an indictment against Roosevelt Williams who was charged with the shot gun slaying of Annie Mae Boatwright on November 23, here.

Johnny Campbell, Avon Park negro, was convicted by a jury Tuesday night, of second degree murder for the shot gun killing of another negro in Avon Park last June. The jury was out about four hours.

Another case in the circuit court which attracted some attention was settled yesterday when the jury acquitted Harry Collier of near Lake Placid on a charge of hog stealing.

County Judge T. A. McNicholas sounded his docket Monday and set the date for the trial of Charlie Whidden and John Coker, Live Stock Sanitary Board employees, for Monday of next week. The two tick men are charged with killing turkey in the game reserve.

Lila Martin In Stetson Xmas Play

DeLand, Fla., Dec. 15 — Lila Martin of Avon Park, will represent the "Spirit of Light" in "The Coming of Christ" by John Masefield, the Christmas play to be presented at Stetson University Saturday, December 17.

Santa Claus Here In Mall Saturday

Arrangements were concluded this afternoon for Santa Claus with his sleigh and reindeer to be in the Mall Saturday afternoon in connection with the Turkey Day doings, B. H. Overpeck, secretary of the chamber of commerce announced. The kiddies will be allowed to sit in the sleigh with Santa and this has been suggested as a fine opportunity for them to be photographed with the jolly gentleman.

TURKEY DAY TO BE EVENTFUL OCCASION HERE

Threats of Arrest Will Not Stop Turkeys Being Given Away

Avon Park's first annual Turkey Day scheduled for tomorrow, December 17, promises to be the high light of the season with threats of the law being invoked to stop the affair. The event has received considerable publicity throughout this section of the state and both Tampa papers and others contributing their share as well as station WDBO at Orlando.

The climax came Thursday with the arrival of three telegrams, all identical, addressed to the chamber of commerce, the mayor and the "city marshall." These wires, signed by W. E. Blancher of the Humane Society of Hillsboro county, said the proposed throwing of fowl from buildings is a violation of the state law and arrest of all participants may follow.

What the outcome of this will be has not been finally decided by chamber of commerce officials, sponsors of the affair, but the turkeys contributed by the merchants will be given away as advertised.

Anyhow, Avon Park has received untold publicity through this "stunt" and large crowds are expected to be on hand with the expectation of grabbing some free Christmas dinners.

Remember, the fun starts at 1 p.m. and will continue until late at night. The turkeys will gobble, the chickens will squawk and the guineas will try to get away and everyone knows how that bird can fly.

The afternoon and evening will be a succession of "fowl" plays with fun for all and all for fun.

Band Makes Fine Impression In Orlando Parade

Avon Park's high school band, resplendent in their red and white uniforms, made an excellent impression in the Christmas parade at Orlando Wednesday. There were six bands altogether which received hearty applause from the crowds along the streets.

The band left here Wednesday morning in the school bus and were served lunch at the Orlando Shuffleboard club before the parade. They returned home late the same evening.

B. H. Overpeck, secretary of the chamber of commerce and who made the arrangements for the band to attend the Orlando parade, said what the band badly needs is an attractive banner to be carried in front of the organization when they parade.

Miss Mary Coen Sings At Stetson

DeLand, Dec. 15— Miss Mary Coen of Avon Park, will sing in the traditional presentation of "The Messiah" outstanding Christmas event on the Stetson University campus which takes place Sunday, Dec. 18. Handel's oratorio is given by the combined men's and women's glee clubs and the symphony orchestra.

PRESENT TREND IN EDUCATION IS CRITICISED

Tampa University President Is Speaker at Rotary Club Luncheon Here

Criticism of the present day elective system of education as used in high schools and colleges was heard by the Rotary Club at their luncheon Wednesday noon at the Jacaranda Hotel, the speaker being Dr. John H. Sherman, president of the University of Tampa. The need of a student receiving thorough instruction in subjects pertaining to the life work he intends to study and not the chosing of easy subjects in order to get through easily and have a good time, was emphasized by Dr. Sherman.

In his opening remarks the speaker called attention to the many changes in education during the past 25 years in Florida and yet this state is far behind many others in this respect. Far more attend college now than formerly and more are graduated from high school than formerly from the eighth grade.

Educational requirements have advanced, especially in the last four years but as yet Florida stands fortieth in the educational lineup of the states. Some states have more negroes attending college than Florida has whites, he said.

Many large towns of 30,000 and over in Ohio, Indiana and Illinois have their own colleges. They are setting the pace for Florida and are themselves trying to keep up with the New England and Pacific coasts states. This makes it hard for Florida youth to compete with those from other states, some of which have schools for 12 months in the year and whose teachers are paid higher salaries.

Mentioning the many advances made along all lines, Dr. Sherman said that machinery had caused fewer jobs with the competition far keener. Employers now require college graduates when they used to be pleased with high school students. He was afraid that many now coming on are destined never to hold regular jobs.

College entrance requirements have been lowered and the graduation standards reduced. Students take elective subjects, the easier courses attract them and induce them to stay longer in school. The high schools started this system, he said. Some pupils cannot grasp the hard subjects but the choice is not made on their ability.

It is foolish to pass up algebra for commercial arithmetic and other subjects, he said. Those students lose out in the end and cannot attain the higher education necessary for some professions.

He pleaded for the reverse of this system, saying that football games are won by strenuous work and not easy practice and education should be the same.

Every community should have a college with tuition at reason-

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Highland Lake Hotel To Open For Season

Highland Lakes Hotel will open for the season about the first of January under the management of Vinton B. Dickey who has leased the property. Mr. and Mrs. Dickey and daughter arrived this week and are busy getting ready for the opening.

Mr. Dickey has been manager of the Middlebury Inn, Middlebury, Vt, one of the famous Treadway Inns, and says that Highland Lakes Hotel will be operated along similar lines, assuring the guests the best of everything in accomodations and food and service.

Members of the staff come from New England and are trained in the Treadway way. Some of them have arrived and others are expected in the immediate future.



WHO'S NEWS THIS WEEK

By LEMUEL F. PARTON

U. S. Scribes Set Pace for British Boys

NEW YORK. — In the pre-war years, about the only sure-enough newspaper man who covered Europe was Henri S. De Blowitz, the Bohemian who became a Frenchman and scooped the world with the full text of the treaty at the conference of Berlin, at the end of the Franco-Prussian war. Although he did this for the London Times, English journalists — distinctly that, rather than newspaper men — seemed to think it wasn't quite cricket and they went on wearing spats, carrying canes, and dodging leg-work. I remember citing to an English friend the De Blowitz book, published posthumously in 1903, in which he told how he got that beat on the treaty—an exciting newspaper yarn if there ever was one.

"Bit of a rotter, don't you think?" said the Englishman.

After the war, the English correspondents started shaking a leg, but, with all this Chauvinism loose in the world, we may boast that it was the American lads who set the pace. One press association and a few of our newspapers sent over to the big war some news beagles who began retrieving stories right under the nose of the morning coat scribes. They've been getting better all the time, and one of the bell-ringers is Frank Smothers of the Chicago Daily News, the tenth correspondent to be bounced out of Italy for faithful reporting in the last year.

Mr. Smothers was a fast-stepping and fast-thinking reporter in Chicago for nine years before he went to the Orient, as correspondent for the Chicago Daily News and the Boston Transcript. He was close in when the Japanese made their first grab for China and pegged home some of the best stories from that beat. In Italy, he made a similar record.

A keen analyst, as well as news-getter, he is one of a number of American foreign correspondents who have told the story of world catastrophe faster and better than any others at any place or time. He grew up in Roseville, Ill., and finished at the University of Wisconsin, after two years at Northwestern. He is 37 years old.

George Rublee Vet of Delicate Negotiations

GEORGE RUBLEE, 70 years old, is beset with a thousand plans for taking care of European political refugees, as he heads the American efforts in this humane undertaking. His fame rests upon his achievements as an international lawyer, of the firm of Covington, Burling & Rublee, of Washington. He was a strong supporter and ally of the late Robert La Follette.

Whenever they have had oil trouble anywhere in the Western hemisphere, they have sent for Mr. Rublee. He has straightened out snarls over oil rights in Colombia, Mexico and other countries. He was a friend and associate of the late Dwight W. Morrow and helped him settle a number of oil and banking arguments in Mexico.

He is a native of Madison, Wis., and an alumnus of the Harvard law school. He began the practice of law at Chicago.

Flunked Artist Evens Things With Boppers

THERE was a news story the other day about a thwarted artist, who came through and had a glorious revenge on his thwarters. The Fine Arts Substitutes association, in behalf of teachers flunked by the New York board of examiners, gives an exhibition by which the public is to judge whether the board bopped them unjustly. Among the exhibitors is Max Weber, distinguished artist, represented in the Metropolitan museum, who was among those flunked by the board. With his picture goes a note to the board in which Mr. Weber tells what he thinks of it and cites his success as "proof of their incompetence."

Mr. Weber, a native of Russia, here at the age of 10, was a modernist, so far out of bounds that the academicians would turn in a riot call whenever anybody mentioned his name. He has been marked up more by the critics probably than any other man in America.

The turn in Mr. Weber's fortunes came in 1925, when a discerning New York Sun critic, among others, piped him up as a thoroughly competent artist. His pictures sell. He has a nice home at Great Neck, Long Island.

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Star Dust

★ *Tells All—In Good Taste*

★ *They Stick to Type*

★ *Ezra—For Example*

—By Virginia Vale—

WHEN a wife tells all—or almost all—it's bound to be interesting. Especially if she is the wife of a famous actor. In "Charles Laughton and I" Mrs. Laughton, well known in her own right as Elsa Lanchester, has written a delightful book which tells a great deal about herself, more about her husband, and quite a bit about other people. And she has done it cleverly and in the best of taste, which is unusual.

Laughton had made a success on the English stage before Hollywood heard of him; in fact, it took an appearance on the stage in New York to make the movie moguls clamor for him. His performance in "The Private Lives of Henry the Eighth," as "Henry," introduced him to the American public, and made Americans exclaim in amazement that at last the English had turned out a good picture.

Many of our American movie actors could take a tip from Laughton. From the first, he refused to be typed. He'd play a pickpocket successfully, and immediately he'd have a lot of offers to play pickpockets. He would refuse them, because he didn't want to be stamped with that one kind of role forever.

We have James Cagney doing the same thing over and over; in "Angels With Dirty Faces" he's a tough guy again. (But then, when he broke away from that characterization, in "Boy Meets Girl," it wasn't such a success, was it?) In "The Great Waltz" we have Luise Rainer (yes, she's an American; just got her citizenship papers, and wrote a "poem" about it—) doing what she did in "The Great Ziegfeld" and "The Big City," crying through smiles, or smiling through tears, whichever way you like to put it. In "The Cowboy and the Lady" we have Gary Cooper playing the stern man of the plains as usual.



Luise Rainer

But let's be patriotic and avoid the suggestion that perhaps these American actors can't do anything else.

Douglas Corrigan threw a bombshell when he came out with the truth about the salary he's really getting for "The Flying Irishman" —just $50,000 less than RKO had said he was being paid. It's going to be embarrassing if other movie folk follow his example.

You might mark down Jane Warren as the latest of the Rudy Vallee discoveries. She's been Jane Warren only since he first heard her sing and she was signed up for the movies; before that she was Earleyne Schools. It looks as if she'd soon be another of the stars who were launched by Vallee.

If the truth about Ezra Stone were generally known, the young folk of this country would probably loathe his name. Mothers would be saying to their sons, "Of course you have time to do it; just look at Ezra Stone!"

Stone, you know, has been for some time one of the stars in "What a Life," one of New York's hit shows, and has been appearing on Kate Smith's radio show as well. He is also being considered for a featured role in Paramount's screen version of "What a Life," which involves making tests and seeing people. Three mornings a week he teaches dramatics at the Academy of Allied Arts. The other day somebody asked him why he didn't take on a milk route to fill up his spare time. Incidentally, Ezra is just 20.

Lanny Ross is another young man who hasn't been afraid of hard work. Lanny—christened Launcelot Patrick Ross—appeared in vaudeville when he was two. He worked his way through Yale, studied law at Columbia, and got into radio by singing with a quartet at NBC. Then he combined the movies with radio, began giving concerts—and now he's putting in his summers on the stage, planning to do straight dramatic roles in New York before long.

ODDS AND ENDS—Al Goodman, conductor of the "Hit Parade," does everything from a fox trot to a fandango while he's conducting ... For years Joel McCrea has wanted to tell Cecil B. DeMille that he used to deliver newspapers at the director's home; he got his chance when he appeared recently on DeMille's radio program—and Cecil B. remembered him ... Don Ameche hasn't had a haircut for ages; he's getting ready to play "D'Artagnan" in the movies ... Frances Langford has sung practically every hit song of recent years on the radio, but when she sings for friends she goes back to "Night and Day" ... When Clark Gable appears on the radio it means a problem for the police force. They rope off the alleys in the rear of the theater to keep the crowds back.

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Identical Twins Feature of St. Louis Banquet



No optical illusion this, but five pairs of identical twins attending a dinner sponsored by an organization of twins in St. Louis, Mo. Regular meetings are sponsored by the St. Louis Pairs, a fraternal organization all members of which must be twins. Left to right are Marcia and Myra Kelly, Opal Jean and Mary Jane Tuttle, Marie and Jeanne Gartner, Annabelle and Isabel Roques, Jane and Jeanne Gagnon. All live in St. Louis. There are several similar organizations throughout the United States with membership limited to twins. The St. Louis club is one of the most widely known.

Mishap Season Gets Early Start



The season for accidents like this is well under way in many cities. Mishaps, frequently amusing to the more fortunate, happen often on icy streets, and they're by no means confined to cities. In New York the worst early fall snowstorm in years brought grief to many a pedestrian, and impeded traffic in the busiest sections. Accidents on slippery streets each year result in an alarming number of deaths, and exact a costly toll in damaged automobiles.

Their Schooling Is Matter for Court



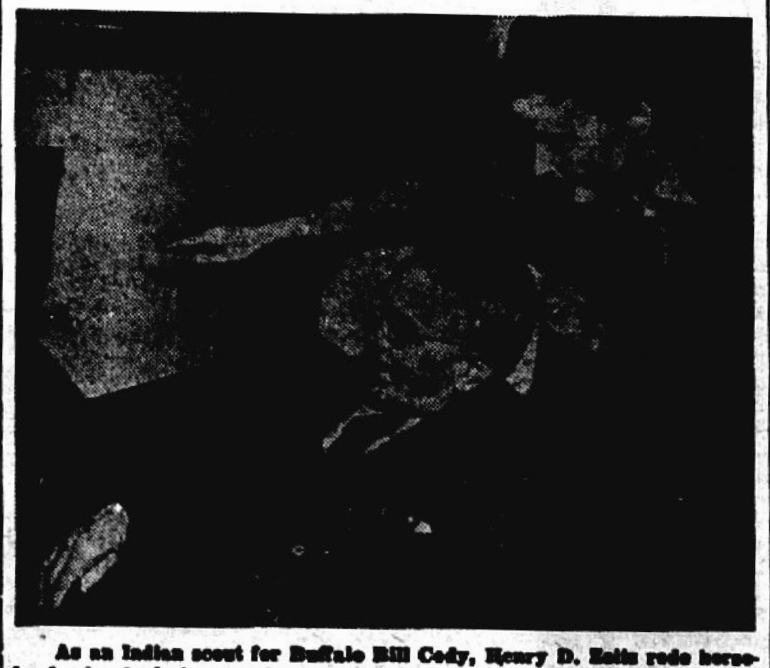
Seeking possession of his four children in order that they might be entered in British schools, Guy Maynard Liddell, head of England's civil intelligence department, has applied for a writ of habeas corpus against his wife, Mrs. Calypso Liddell, mother of the children and from whom he has been separated since 1935. All of the children are honor students in a Miami, Fla., grade school.

4-H CLUB CHAMPS



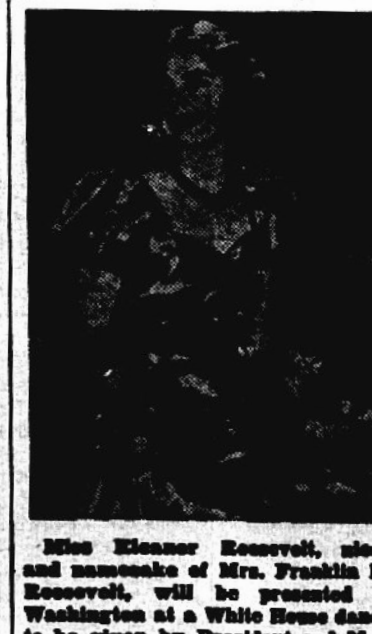
Hal Clark, 17-year-old youth from Clark's Hill, Ind., and his grand champion 4-H pen of sheep. Clark's sheep won honors at the thirty-ninth annual International Live Stock show in Chicago, where proud owners from all over the nation exhibited their animals.

From Stagecoach to Airliner



As an Indian scout for Buffalo Bill Cody, Henry D. Zeitz rode horseback ahead of stagecoaches on the old overland trail. Now, a Denver, Colo., restaurateur, the 72-year-old ex-plainsman does his riding in the modern manner. Flying from Seattle to Denver he made the trip overnight. His first trip, a 450-mile journey from Kansas City to Colorado, took him 3 months and 20 days.

PRESENTATION SET



Miss Eleanor Roosevelt, niece and namesake of Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, will be presented in Washington at a White House dance to be given by President and Mrs. Roosevelt the latter part of December. Her father is Hall Roosevelt of New York city, brother of Mrs. Roosevelt.

Wink of the Hello Girl

At the hint of any delay over the telephone in Sweden the Swedish operator says not "just a minute" but "in the wink of an eye," and the system works as quickly as that.

Improved Uniform International SUNDAY SCHOOL

LESSON

By HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, D. D. Dean of The Moody Bible Institute of Chicago.

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Lesson for December 18

CHRIST'S NEW COMMANDMENT

LESSON TEXT—Matthew 5:43-48; 22:34-40; John 13:34, 35; 15:12-14.

GOLDEN TEXT—A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another.—John 13:34.

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The heart of all moral law is found in the Ten Commandments but the very heart of the commandments is the "new commandment" of Christ, that we love God with our whole being and love our neighbors as ourselves. For if we have that perfect devotion to God we shall keep His commandments (John 15: 9, 10), and shall show our love to our neighbors by positive acts of interest and devotion, as well as by refraining from falsehood, violence and impurity.

The message of our lesson today is one which will strike home to the hearts of honest and earnest men and women. When we stand in the revealing light of God's Holy Word we cry out for forgiveness for the manner in which we have failed truly to represent our Lord in the world, and in prayer for grace to live as we should. Let no unbeliever who reads these words use them as a basis for criticism of his Christian neighbor; but let him consider his own need of the regenerating and enabling grace of God.

Our outline for today we borrow with thanks from Points for Emphasis, by Dr. Hight C. Moore. It so aptly presents the truth that it merits our study.

I. Standard of the New Commandment (Matt. 5:43-48).

"Love your enemies" (v. 44), that is the standard which Christ has established for His followers. While the love one has for the brethren is without doubt a more intimate relationship than the love one may have for an enemy, we must not seek to minimize the real love we should have even for those who curse and revile us. It is to move us so deeply that we not only treat them kindly, but also pray for them. Humanly speaking such a thing is impossible, but in Christ it is not only possible, it has actually been demonstrated in life. It is so easy for Christians to speak with derision that borders on hatred about "the devil's gang," to lose all love for the crowd that hangs around the tavern and the gambling house. Let us hate their sin, but may God help us to show that we really love them.

II. Scope of the New Commandment (Matt. 22:34-40).

It is as high as God, as deep as the lowest sinner, and as wide as the circle of all mankind.

A man must be right with God if he is truly and fully to love his fellow men. To be right with Him does not mean a half-hearted one-day-a-week interest in religious matters, and that only up to the point where they do not interfere with our own interests and desires. To love God means to give Him the devotion of our entire being.

Loving one's neighbors does not just mean the man next door. Even that is none too easy at times; and some of us realize that we have failed even there. But the man in Sweden, China, Germany, anywhere on this earth, is our neighbor and needs our love. There are no "foreigners" in God's thinking about love; no poor or rich, no ignorant, no members of "another social order"—they are all our neighbors.

III. Spirit of the New Commandment (John 13:34, 35).

"As I have loved you"—that is the spirit that is to move us to love our neighbor. God is love, and it was always His will that men should love one another. But the new element in this commandment of Christ is that He, the final and perfect revelation of God's love, had come to give His life in loving service and sacrificial atonement. Paul caught the spirit of this commandment when he said, "The love of Christ constraineth us" (II Cor. 5: 14). There is the real motive, the true spirit of Christian life and service.

IV. Sacrifice in the New Commandment (John 15:12-14).

Love draws no limiting line beyond which it will not go. Love says: "I count not my life dear if in giving it I may bring deliverance to my friends."

Some folk talk piously of their love for God, but are not willing to go even across the street to speak to a soul about Him. If we love Him we would willingly go to the ends of the earth for Him, or contentedly serve Him in what seems to be a forgotten corner. We shall not question His guidance nor blush to own His name, even though the testimony may mean our death. This we shall do for Christ's sake, and for the sake of a suffering humanity.

The writer thinks of John and Betty Stam whom he was privileged to teach in the classrooms of the Moody Bible Institute, and who not long afterward poured out their gallant young lives in martyrdom for Christ in China. "Greater love hath no man than this that a man lay down his life for his friends."

Colorful Tea Towels To Brighten Kitchen



Pattern 1706

Treat your tea towels to this combination of simple embroidery and applique, or embroidery alone! Pattern 1706 contains a transfer pattern of six motifs 6⅞ by 7¼ inches; illustrations of stitches; materials required.

Send 15 cents in coins for this pattern to The Sewing Circle, Needlecraft Dept., 82 Eighth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

Please write your name, address and pattern number plainly.

Uncle Phil Says:



Nature With Wisdom

Never did Nature say one thing and wisdom another.

A bachelor may be merely a man who overvalues his personal liberty.

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Jaycees Plan Citrus Education Program

Winter Haven, Dec. 15 (FNS)—An educational program to arouse interest in the citrus industry of the state is the task confronting the Florida State Junior Chamber of Commerce's special citrus committee after a meeting here last week which was attended by six of the seven members of the committee and by citrus leaders from all over the citrus belt.

Merrill Barber of Vero Beach, chairman of the committee, presided. Other members present were Grady Bailey, Winter Haven, Paul Colton, Lakeland, Vance Meares, Clearwater, Dan McCarty, Ft. Pierce and George F. Sharp of Orlando.

John Maxcy, chairman of the Florida Citrus Commission, Harvey Henderson, Winter Haven, new member of the board, L. W. Marvin, advertising manager, and Charles F. Chastain, assistant secretary, attended.

O. R. Hawkins, Lake Alfred, represented the Florida Canners Association; L. H. Kramer of Lake Wales, president, and W. L. Burton, secretray, represented Florida Citrus Growers, Inc.; R. B. Woolfolk, Orlando, represented Growers and Shippers League. State Senator J. J. Parrish of Titusville, represented the upper house of the legislature.

Admitting that there are citrus laws on the state staute books which "need radical changes," Senator Parrish said "I believe the younger element of the Jacees will move a little faster than some groups of oldtimers in trying to put across a worthwhile program, and this marketing agreement seems to be the thing they need to do some real work. There should be brains enough in this state to devise means to bring a corelation between production, outlets and consumption and perhaps the Jaycees have those brains."

Carambola At World's Fair

Among the little known fruits which will be introduced on their trees in Florida's exhibit at the New York World's Fair is the carambola, commercially known as the Chinese star fruit because each cross section looks like a star. The carambola has a sweet-acid taste which is very pleasant in jelly or as a drink flavoring. The juice removes stains from linen and is commonly used for burnishing brass.

New England Glimpses Florida Attractions

Florida Public Service Company Display Advertises the Ridge Section





Word received today at the local offices of the power company indicated that the current Florida Display has been attracting fascinated throngs in Cambridge and Somerville, Massachusetts, during the past week. The display, pictured above, was prepared by the local utility with the splendid assistance of Earl W. Brown, of Florida National Exhibits fame. Featured photo murals include a fascinating study of the Wekiva River taken by O. R. Davis of Orlando. This photograph was first prize winner in the contest sponsored by the company last Spring. Other prize winning pictures included in the display are studies by T. I. Alexander of Haines City and Fred M. Smith of Avon Park. Fresh citrus fruit is shipped weekly by the local company in order that this great Florida industry will be properly represented. The aquarium dramatizes underwater animal and plant life in an eye-appealing fashion. This year's display promises to repeat the phenomenal success of last year's exhibit. Representatives of the New England Gas and Electric Association inform local officials of the Florida Public Service Company that many inquiries about Central Florida are being received and that literature supplied with the display is dwindling rapidly. The scheduling of the exhibit through 10 New England cities, whose aggregate populations exceed half a million, may be seen in the accompanying map. This unique advertising plan, worked out between the two utilities, has received wide endorsement by civic clubs of both sections. National figures in the advertising world have expressed great interest in the promotion. The local superintendent of the power company commented, "Naturally, I'm pleased at the display and at the interest it is arousing. As this region prospers through increased tourist travel, we feel justified in all our efforts. Every new visitor drawn to this section through the Reciprocal Promotion is another step toward bettery times for all of us." The Florida Public Service Company has arranged for the mailing of thousands of post cards advertising Central Florida cities to New Englanders. Through this means hundreds will see views of our beautiful towns. The local utility has left no stone unturned in seeking to increase tourist travel from New England to the Ridge. The Reciprocal Promotion is swinging into its third year even more successfully than in the past.

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Norfolk, Va.—Led by the diesel-electric-powered East Coast Orange Blossom Special, the Seaboard Railway's fleet of crack limiteds to Florida and to the Mid South will considerably cut down past running times, C. E. Bell, passenger traffic manager, announced today. The East Coast "Blossom" will travel from Miami to New York three hours and forty minutes faster than last year and the southern trip it to be made two hours and fifty minutes speedier, he said.

Mr. Bell looks forward to the greatest rail travel year in history to Florida. The Seaboard's progressive tactics in first providing completely air conditioned equipment to the South was climaxed this year by its making transportation history in the introduction of the most powerful diesel electric power in the world from Washington, D. C. to Miami, thus giving the traveler the benefit of smooth, safe and rapid electric power for the first time to the sunshine of the southern beaches and inland resorts.

December 15 will mark the first flight of the Twin Orange Blossom Specials from Pennsylvania Station, New York with limiteds on other lines making connections with these famed trains. The East Coast "Blossom" is an all-Pullman train with tightlock couplers, rubber draft gear and disphragm suspension, making for improved riding qualities and elimination of noise. With buffett club, dining, lounge and section-compartment-drawing-room - bedroom sleeping cars, it is considered the finest-equipped train in the New York to Florida service.

The West Coast Orange Blossom Special is to make the New York to St. Petersburg run one hour and twenty minutes faster and the return trip one hour and ten minutes faster than last year. The Seaboard offers this year new through bedroom sleeping car service on this train between New York and the west coast of Florida on its first trip southbound from New York on December 15. Comfortable de luxe reclining seat coaches, dining room - bedroom sleeping cars will be provided as well as a through sleeping car from Boston to St. Petersburg.

The popular limiteds, the New York to Florida limited, the Southern States Special, Cotton States Special and the Robert E. Lee, the last two running to Atlanta and Birmingham, are to be run on approximately the same schedules as last year, Mr. Bell said. The Mid South resorts of Camden, Southern Pines, and Pinehurst, served by the New York-Florida Limited, Southern States Special and West Coast Orange Blossom (Sea Island, Georgia) are becoming more and more popular with each succeeding year as stopovers on the north or southbound trip. All outdoor sports, combined with an atmosphere of relaxation, make these resorts highlights in the winter scheme of the vacationist and the business man who relishes a few days off for golf from his office.

On October 31, L. R. Powell, Jr., chief executive of the Seaboard Railway, received at Washington the first diesel-electric unit of three locomotives. Starting that day these monster locomotives left the Nation's capital for a month's exhibition tour throughout Seaboard territory which surpassed all expectations. Everywhere the locomotives were acclaimed by vast throngs which marvelled at the size and power of the orange, cream, green and aluminum-colored rail giants which make transportation history this winter by providing the first all-electric service between New York and Florida.

Birthday Ball Headquarters Open

Jacksonville, Dec. 15 (FNS)—State headquarters of the national "Fight Infantile Paralysis Campaign" will be set up in the Barnett National Bank Building here, in charge of William T. Edwards, director of the DuPont Foundation for Crippled Children, it has been announced. Edwards has already received pledges of unqualified cooperation from Governor Cone, Senator Pepper, Senator Andrews and other state leaders. Plans for celebrations of President Roosevelt's birthday throughout Florida will be rushed to completion. Funds from the birthday celebration will be used to aid infantile paralysis victims.

Florida's Landscape Plans Win Praise

The landscaping chart of Florida's exhibit at the New York World's Fair covering nearly 6000 plantings was pronounced the most comprehensive received from any exhibit by Grover Whalen president of the New York World's Fair. Foster Barnes, landscape engineer for Florida National Exhibits, drew up the plans.

State Furnishes 78% School Funds

Tallahassee, Dec. 15—Seventy-eight per cent of last year's expenditures for salaries of Florida teachers and transportation of pupils was provided from state funds, according to a statewide summary of county reports submitted to State Superintendent Colin English.

Teachers in Highlands County received $101,147, of which $80,246 was from the state teachers' salary fund and $20,901 was from local revenue. Highlands County transportation of pupils cost $12,394, of which $3,828 came from state sources and $8,566 from county sources.

Expenditures from state funds are limited to teachers' salaries and transportation of pupils. All other school expenses except the cost of textbooks are provided from county and district revenue. These expenses include all cost of administration, janitors' salaries, maintenance and repair, supplies, insurance, libraries, health service, and debt service.

Salaries paid to Florida teachers during the 1937-38 school year totaled $13,388,404. Seventy-nine per cent was provided from state sources and 21 per cent from local revenue. The cost of transporting pupils to Florida schools was $1,471,973, of which 70 per cent was paid from state funds and 30 per cent from local funds.

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Bigger Fruit Show At Orange Festival

Winter Haven, Dec. 15 (FNS)—More complete representation from the citrus industry will be found at this year's Florida Orange Festival than ever before in the history of the organization, according to statement made this week by General Manager Al Shaffer.

Travelling for the past seven weeks, visiting biggest packers and shippers in the state, Mr. Shaffer states he has been receiving a very favorable reaction and expects to have a 100% citrus display for the first time.

"Citrus Bars" throughout the festival grounds will be under the supervision of Harrison Ambrose, representative of the Florence Citrus Growers Corporation. Generous sized glasses of citrus juices will be available at all times during the Festival period at 5c per glass.

The Floricultural exhibit, housed this year in its own building, is sponsored by Winter Haven and Polk county garden clubs, who will act as hosts to other garden clubs throughout the state.

Shaffer stated the Floricultural exhibit promises to be one of the most unique features to be found at the Orange Festival, January 23 to 28.

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Dr. Townsend Will Visit In Florida

Tampa, Dec. 15 (FNS) — Dr. Francis E. Townsend, founder of the Townsend National Recovery Plan, will be a guest of Burton H. Schoepf, head of the Tamiami Trail Tours, Inc., for a protracted period this winter, it has been announced both by Mr. Schoepf and Dr. Townsend.

No definite date for Dr. Townsend's arrival has been set, but it is highly probable that his headquarters will be established at Lakeland, where Mr. Schoepf has arranged to have a beautifully furnished home placed at his disposal.

The visit was arranged by Mr. Schoepf as a means of permitting Dr. Townsend to confer with many of the business and industrial leaders who winter here, regarding the Townsend Plan, which Mr. Schoepf believes will solve most of our national economic ills.

Mr. Schoepf is already arranging for accommodations for Dr. Townsend at the best Florida hotels, to be used in any trips about the state the doctor feels are needed.

In his acceptance, Dr. Townsend expressed the belief that he will be able to come to Florida some time in February.

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Burton Schoepf to Entertain Dr. Townsend in January



Townsend clubs throughout Florida are making plans for the visit of Dr. Francis E. Townsend, shown right, in late January. The author of the famous recovery plan will be guest of Burton Schoepf, shown left, of Tampa, a Townsendite who will provide he and his party with a furnished home, hotel accommodations and transportation. Mr. Schoepf will assist Dr. Townsend in arranging a series of conferences with national leaders who are in Florida at that time regarding the merits of the recovery plan.

Carelessness Cause Of Many Auto Deaths

Tallahassee, Dec. 15 — "During the first 15 days of this month reports show that 31 people were killed and that more than 300 were injured in over 11,000 accidents. Road conditions due to gas tax diversion are responsible for 9 of these fatalities," says Asher Frank, Executive Secretary of the Florida Safety Council. "Pedestrians who venture out at night without some light clothing contribute very highly to the fatality list. Seven were killed because of this and in most instances the driver of the car was exonerated.

"Blinding lights was the cause of the deaths of 5 negroes in one car which was forced from the highway into the canal near Moore Haven. In Lake County a hit-and-run driver accounted for the death of one. Bicyles and motorcycles running into cars contributed 2 fatalities. A 14 month old baby was killed when her grandfather backed over her. A six year old girl dreamed that she was going to be killed by a truck and was killed in this manner in Miami.

"Running into telephone posts accounted for 2 fatalities.

"Speeding caused 3 deaths.

"Practically every section of Florida had fatal accidents during the month. All types of people were involved including a school teacher, a preacher, a dairy manager who was killed when his car ran into a train; a 17 year youth of Tarpon Springs was instantly killed when the car in which he was riding plunged into a ditch near Tampa.

"What Florida should have is less gas tax diversion and better roads, which should be wider, and a Standard Drivers License Law, and more observance of our traffic laws," Mr. Frank concluded.

Federal Exhibits At DeSoto Exposition

Tampa, Dec. 15 (FNS)—America's new deal government, 25 out of the 34 branches of the judicial and administrative agencies, will elucidate their activities at the Pan-American De Soto Exposition January 31 to Februray 15, with animated displays that will give Floridians and their winter visitors a clear insight into governmental operations, Henry Brooks, War Department engineer and federal architectural coordinator, now in Tampa, has announced here.

It will be the largest Federal exhibition ever prepared by the U. S. Government and will occupy more than 28,000 square feet of floor space in the new American Temple of Progress that has just been completed on the Florida State Fair grounds. Conceived and constructed by America's finest engineers, the various exhibits will portray in detail the New Deal's intricate net work that was designed to combat the depression period with descriptive explanations made so clear that the youngest school student will be able to understand them.

It will not be a hodge podge array of boring statistical displays, Mr. Brooks is pointing out as he arranges the amazing set up for the government, as every departmental exhibit is artistically designed and no beauty has been lost in keeping the educational theme of each paramount.

Contrary to the expectations of the average layman, governmental divisions that apparently deal with prosaic interests will probably prove the most interesting. For instance, the Justice Department will feature models of the great Alcatraz and Lewisburg penitentiaries and portray the varied prison industries with exhibits of articles produced by the incarcerated guests of the government. The Library of Congress exhibit alone will be confined to photographs and perhaps will be of greatest interest to the literati.

Several car loads of the government exhibition supplies have already arrived in Tampa and officials say that the arrangement work will have been completed early in January when Dr. Alexander C. Dye, Federal Commissioner, will arrive here to take personal charge of United States' participation.

Fla. Exhibit In Penn. Station

DeLand, Dec. 15—Dioramas depicting Florida's varied attractions will be shown in the Florida Exhibit at the Pennsylvania Station in Philadelphia this winter, Earl W. Brown, manager of Florida National Exhibits, said today.

"The exhibit is aimed at tourist trade", said Brown, "and will be seen every day by over 30,000 people who pass through the station. It is the only exhibit in this new $60,000,000 railway station and occupies a third of the Main Concourse. It will run from now until April when materials and personnel will go to the New York World's Fair."

The exhibit will give passersby a real glimpse of the tropics. Palms and tropical trees tower to their full height under the high vaulted ceiling. Yuba grass, sea oats, sea plumes, sea fans, Spanish moss, grapefruit and orange clusters form a tropical setting for the Spanish architecture. Citrus fruit has an important display. Exhibits of Florida game fish and birds depict Florida wild life.

"The Spirit of Florida," sculptured by the late George Ganiere, will stand just inside the entrance to welcome visitors to the "Land of Flowers."

Dioramas of all sections of the state will be in the exhibit. Among them are the Bok Tower at Lake Wales with miniature carillon, a replica of the original Singing Tower built by the late Edward Bok of Philadelphia; Daytona Beach, the world's finest beach; Gasparilla Festival, the annual fair at Tampa which will be combined this year with the Pan-American Hernando de Soto Exposition; Wakulla Springs, the beautiful West Florida resort; a tarpon fishing scene and a hunting scene in Florida woods.

The exhibit is being installed by J. E. Wallace of Florida National Exhibits. Information will be handled by Miss Virginia Chowning and Miss Katherine Leary.

Motor Boat Racing At Ft. Myers Jan. 2

Fort Myers, Dec. 15 (Special)—Waters of the famous Thomas A. Edison racing course on the wide Caloosahatchee river will be churned to foam Monday, Jan. 2, by more than 35 fast racing boats during the running of the sixth annual Fort Myers New Years regatta. This event which opens the boat racing season in Florida every year will also be the occasion for dedication of the new $200,000.00 yacht basin built to accomodate the large number of yachts and pleasure crafts using the cross state Caloosahatchee-Okeechobee waterway.

The regatta has been enlarged this year to include the fast 91 class inboard racers which speed from 50 to 60 miles per hour. Seven of these boats have been entered which will be the largest field of 91's ever entered in a single sanctioned race. Because of the smoothness of the Caloosahatchee course, a new world record is expected in this event. The races will also include three heats of sport runabouts which attain speeds up to 40-miles per hour. Boats in these two events have been entered from Tampa, St. Petersburg, Pine Castle, Sarasota and Braden Castle.

World's Fair Booklets Printed

Booklets telling the story of Florida's exhibit at the New York World's Fair in natural colors have been released for distribution, according to Earl W. Brown, manager of Florida National Exhibits in DeLand.

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THE PEACE OF GHENT, 1814, AND TRIUMPH OF AMERICA—This allegorical picture, drawn by William Plauton, engraved by Chataignier and published by F. Price Jr. of Philadelphia, was very popular throughout the United States after the end of the War of 1812. Its design is thus described: "Minerva represents the wisdom of the United States, Mercury her commerce, Hercules her force. Minerva dictates their conditions of peace, which Mercury presents to Brittania, and Hercules forces her to accept them. On the shield of Minerva are the names of those who signed the treaty; on the obelisk, those of the braves. On the other side America passes in triumph through the arch on her way to the Temple of Peace. She is attended by Victory, and followed by a numerous train. Several trophies are seen, and in the background are the ruins of the Capitol."

By ELMO SCOTT WATSON
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ON CHRISTMAS Eve, 124 years ago, the English-speaking peoples of the world had good reason for singing "peace on earth, good will to men." Over in the ancient city of Ghent in southern Netherlands (now Belgium), eight men representing the United States of America and Great Britain were signing a treaty to end the two-year war which those two nations had been carrying on against each other.

It had been fought on sea and on the soil of the United States and her neighbor, Canada. It was the second war which these two nations had fought but it was destined to be the last. During the next century they kept the peace established between them at Ghent and symbolic of their lasting friendship is the 1,000-mile border line between Canada and the United States along which there is not a single fortification on either side. Not only have the two nations kept the peace with each other for more than 100 years but during that time they have fought side by side as allies in the greatest conflict the world has ever known.

A little over a month ago, they were parties to another treaty. On November 17, in the historic, mirrored East Room of the White



CHRISTOPHER HUGHES JR.

House where the ill-starred Kellogg-Briand anti-war pact was signed, five men—Sir Ronald Lindsay, British ambassador to the United States; Arnold K. Overton, secretary of the British Board of Trade; Cordell Hull, American secretary of state; President Franklin D. Roosevelt and Mackenzie King, prime minister of Canada, signed the trade agreements which link the three English-speaking democracies together as common foes of international trade barriers and align them against the totalitarian policy of "self-sufficiency."

The Treaty of Ghent was the delayed culmination of a chain of events which had started within three months after the war had officially begun. On June 18, 1812, President James Madison signed the bill, passed by congress, declaring war against Great Britain. At that time John Quincy Adams was American minister at the Russian court. When the news reached St. Petersburg, Czar Alexander expressed his regret to Adams that the two countries should be at war and began making efforts to bring about a peace.

He sent instructions to M. Daschkoff, his representative at Washington, to offer to the United States his friendly services in ending the war. President Madison had been eager for a peace if it could be secured on honorable terms. In Russia's offer he saw a way to bring that about. He immediately accepted Daschkoff's offer and appointed Albert Gallatin, secretary of the treasury, and Senator James A. Bayard of Delaware as envoys extraordinary, to act with Adams in negotiating a peace treaty with England at St. Petersburg.

The British government, however, refused to treat for peace under the auspices of Russia but offered to open negotiations in London, or in Gottenburg in Sweden. President Madison immediately accepted this proposal and chose the latter place for the meeting. A short time later the city of Ghent was substituted for Gottenburg.

There the American commissioners assembled in the summer of 1814. They were John Quincy Adams, James A. Bayard, Albert Gallatin, Henry Clay of Kentucky, and Jonathan Russell. The secretary of the American commissioners was Christopher Hughes Jr., then our charge d'affaires at Stockholm.

The British commissioners were Lord Gambier, Henry Goulburn and William Adams. They arrived in Ghent in August and negotiations began immediately. But progress was slow for the British representatives had been instructed to make no concessions to the main demands of the Americans. Instead they were to try to gain as many concessions from them as possible.

This fact, combined with their arrogant attitude, irritated the Americans, who were suspicious of virtually every suggestion offered by the Britishers. Especially was this true of John Quincy Adams, head of the delegation. His irascibility increased as the conference dragged on and on, and only the tact and diplomacy of Albert Gallatin more than once saved the conference from ending with nothing accomplished.

After a deadlock that lasted for several weeks, there came from America the news of the British defeat at Plattsburgh. This strengthened the hands of the American commissioners and, combined with a change in the diplomatic situation in Europe which made it advisable for England to conclude a peace as quickly as possible, finally put an end to the wrangling. An agreement was reached on Christmas Eve and the treaty was signed.

The treaty was immediately taken to London by Mr. Baker, secretary to Lord Gambier and Mr. Carroll, one of the secretaries of the American commissioners. There it was ratified on December 28 by the Prince Regent and then sent to America by the same messengers. They sailed in the British sloop of war, Favorite, on January 2, 1815, and arrived in New York on the evening of February 11.

Christopher Hughes had left Ghent with a copy of the treaty at the same time as the other messengers, and proceeded to Texel and there embarked for America on the schooner Transit. This vessel arrived at Annapolis, Md., two days after the Favorite reached New York but Hughes was in Washington with his copy of the treaty before the ratified copy arrived.



American Medal Commemorating the Treaty of Ghent.

News of the arrival of the Favorite in New York soon spread over the city. The publisher of the Mercantile Advertiser printed "extras"—slips of paper five by six inches in size—which bore these words:

PEACE
New York, Saturday Evening 9 O'Clock, February 11, 1815
The great and joyful news of PEACE between the United States and Great Britain reached this city this evening by the British sloop of war, Favorite, the Hon. J. U. Mowatt, Esq. commander, in forty-two days from Plymouth.
Henry Carroll, Esq., Secretary of the American Legation at Ghent, in the welcome bearer of the treaty, which was signed at Ghent on the 24th. of December by the respective commissioners, and ratified by the British government on the 28th. December. Mr. Baker, late Secretary to the British Legation at Washington, has also arrived in the sloop of war with a copy of the treaty ratified by the British government.

These "extras" were thrown out of the windows of the newspaper office and eagerly caught up by the excited crowds who, in the words of a contemporary, "made the night vocal with huzzas."

There was rejoicing in England, too, and in both countries special medals were struck in commemoration of the great event. The English medal bore on one side the words "Treaty of Peace and Amity Between Great Britain and the United States of America, Signed at Ghent December 24, 1814." Upon the other side was a feminine figure standing upon the segment of a globe, bearing the cornucopia of plenty, and holding in one hand the olive branch of peace. Surrounding this figure were the words appropriate to the Christmas season—"On the Earth Peace, Good-Will to Men."

Second-Hand Toy Business Booms Again

Discarded Playthings Provide Yule Cheer for Unfortunate

Throughout America thousands of public spirited citizens are participating in a toy industry from which they make no money, but will bring them a greater payment in satisfaction on Christmas morning.

That industry is the second-hand toy business, an enterprise that flourishes in towns and cities throughout the country each November and December. In high school manual training rooms, fire stations and service club headquarters, discarded playthings are being repaired and repainted.

In some of these workshops new toys are being fashioned by ingenious amateurs. But in all of them, busy merchants and professional men are devoting their spare time to helping Santa Claus make sure he has gifts for every youngster on Christmas eve.

Dolls Get New Dresses.

Dolls which faced dusty abandonment through their later years are being rejuvenated. Cleaning and new paint have brought back the first flush of youth to their shining cheeks and the early sparkle to their obediently open or closed eyes. New dresses have added much to their attractiveness.

There is new fire in the big glass eyes of many a rocking horse, too, the long legs of whose original owner would now dangle on the floor. With new paint throwing his proud mane into brighter relief, he's as rollicking a steed prancing along the road to romance as ever he was.

The procedure of these community volunteer organizations varies from city to city. In larger towns, policemen and firemen are rejuvenating toys collected by Boy and Girl Scouts. Smaller communities depend on volunteer co-operation. Women make new dresses for dolls and men repair the toys.

Christmas baskets for unfortunates will have many presents other than toys. Each year thousands of communities find means of placing candy, nuts, fruit—and often all the makings for a Christmas dinner—in each basket. Shoes, stockings, mittens and other apparel also finds a ready market.

When Yule Carol Stilled War Guns On Battle Front

NORFOLK, VA.—Rev. J. Sutherland-Watt of Norfolk tells how the strains of "Silent Night, Holy Night," sweeping gently across a battlefield in two languages, quieted guns in front-line trenches of the greatest war on earth for a Christmas celebration.

It was Christmas eve, 1914, between Armentiers and Arras, while Gordon Highlanders huddled in trenches, when somebody remembered the day.

"Jim, let's sing," one said to Private Sutherland-Watt.

Jim pleaded off, but someone else started "Silent Night, Holy Night," and soon Jim and the whole Scot regiment had joined in.

When the last refrain subsided, from the opposite trenches arose other voices—attuned in "Stille Nacht." Then all night long Christmas carols rang from trench to trench in strange tongues while cannon and flares from other sectors lit the sky.

At the customary "zero" hour, the British soldiers saw gray-clad figures making their way out of the opposite trenches. A few shots were fired. Then it was seen that the Germans carried no arms. Scots leaped from their trenches, likewise unarmed, only to be ordered back.

Anti-Communist Flags Replace Beloved Santa In Japan's Christmas

TOKYO.—Santa Claus has been banished from Japan, much to the sorrow of thousands of boys and girls who had come to love the patron saint of Christmas. A home ministry ordinance now forbids the usual festival manner of celebrating. Japan, although not a Christian nation, has been celebrating the day with growing ardor annually, with department stores featuring Santa Clauses similar to the American variety. But now shopkeepers have announced that instead of the usual decorations their establishments will display Japanese, German and Italian flags, representing the three leading anti-communist nations.

Christmas All Year!

CHRISTMAS, FLA.—There's nary a snowflake in this southern community but it's the only town in America that has a "Christmas" atmosphere the year around. Each Yuletide season cards and packages come from all parts of the world to be stamped and mailed again by "Mrs. Santa Claus," otherwise known as Postmistress Juanita S. Tucker. The post office was established June 27, 1892. Offices at Christmas, Ky., and Christmas, Ariz., have been abandoned.

EXPRESSION STUDIES

For Real Christmas Spirit Take Youngsters Shopping



In Santa Claus' court at one of America's big department stores a fast photographer caught these candid shots of youthful shoppers going about their business. They're pictures you might find in any store in the country this time of the year.

Santa Won't Miss 'Farthest North' U. S. Community

PENASSE, MINN. — Youngsters living in this isolated community are quite confident Santa Claus won't pass them by this Christmas. Penasse, you see, is St. Nicholas' first stop in the United States, and the farthest north point in the nation.

The bewhiskered gentleman abandons his reindeer before he reaches Penasse each year, because the deep snow usually hampers even those sturdy steeds. He travels by ski-equipped airplane, flown to the isolated village twice each week from Warroad.

Penasse's only other visitor in the winter is Indiana Pete, a trapper living on a nearby island in the Lake of the Woods. The postmistress is Miss Helen Arnold, twenty-two, who admits business isn't very rushing—even at Christmas time.

Ointment Named in Bible Is Extracted from Shrub Native to United States

America shares with the Holy Land the small plant from which comes the oil that recalls to mind events of 19 centuries ago, when the glories of the first Christmas eve were revealed to shepherds on Bethlehem's hills.

From this plant, which abounds in Minnesota's north woods and other places in the United States, is taken spikenard, highly-perfumed ointment referred to in the King James version of the Bible as used to anoint the feet of Jesus.

So this small, unassuming plant played a small part in events which gave us Christmas, most cheerful holiday of nations.

Northern Outposts Await Planes With Christmas Parcels

EDMONDTON, ALBERTA. — Almost forgotten by millions of Canadian and American Christmas celebrants are residents of far-flung outposts of the Canadian northwest territories. Each year they look forward to a merry Christmas—if the weather is good and parcels arrive by plane in time for the annual celebration.

Christmas express and provisions usually reach Adkavik, 1,400 miles northwest of Edmonton, a few days before Christmas. Another far-away place is Coppermine, 1,100 miles north of Edmonton on Coronation gulf. Pilot Marlowe Kennedy makes the trip to that outpost from Port Radium on Great Bear lake.

But even though Christmas provisions don't come through by airplane, residents of the arctic wastelands are brought to civilization's very door each Yuletide through the magic of radio.

Community Christmas Trees

In many American communities "civic" Christmas trees are erected each December in the main square or street and the town's Yule activities center there. Many communities also string colored lights along the streets during the season to accentuate the holiday spirit. Usually the lighting of the community tree or the special street lights is accompanied by a ceremony inaugurating the Christmas shopping season. Lights are removed immediately after New Year's Day.

Fateful Meeting

By KATHRINE EDELMAN

IN THE graying dusk of a December afternoon the slowly moving figure seemed almost a part of the landscape. Half a dozen cars whizzed by but not one stopped to offer him a lift or ask where he was going. If the Spirit of Christmas, of kindness, was abroad, it was surely passing him up.

Ten minutes more of plodding through the chill, darkening air, and another car came roaring down the road, passing him by as the others had done. The grim lines around his mouth grew deeper, then he heard a loud grinding of brakes.

"Almost passed you up," a gay voice cried.

"Pretty fine of you to stop for an old man." He shuffled into the vacant seat as he spoke.

"Oh, that's nothing," the gay voice was a bit embarrassed. "But I did almost pass you up. With this Christmas business, and the rush and hurry, one could pass up their own mother."

"I like to hear you say that. It's what I've always believed. The fact is, I was making a bit of a test today—had a bet with a friend about it. What's your name?"

"The name is Tod Jenkins. I'm headed for St. Louis—going home to spend Christmas with mother. I graduated in engineering last June."

"An interesting story." Tod turned to look at the old man as he spoke. He almost swung the car off the slab. "Why—why you look years and years younger than I thought!"

A hearty laugh sounded against the sharply rising wind. The man was speaking again. "I'm not so old, Tod," he said slowly; "I'm a long way from the old fellow you were kind enough to pick up. Yesterday we had an argument at the club. I made a bet with a fellow that I wouldn't have to walk an hour before I would find the Spirit of Christmas. It was rather a crazy thing to do, but I happen to be rather an eccentric scientist. My name is Perry Birch."

"Perry Birch!" Tod's eyes widened in astonishment, and his foot went off the accelerator, bringing the car almost to a standstill before he went on. "Why—why," he stammered, "I've been wanting to meet you all my life. I've read everything you've written — studied your methods and work for years. In fact," his voice grew more embarrassed, "I've been hoping that some day I might follow in your footsteps. The biggest wish of my life is to become a scientist like you!"

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Santa Claus of the Air

BOSTON.—New England has an aerial Santa Claus in the person of Capt. William H. Wincapaw, who annually flies from West Quoddy Head to New York city, dropping Christmas packages to isolated lighthouse keepers en route. Wincapaw started the service 10 years ago and is now aided by his son, Bill Jr., who handles "target work" over each lighthouse. The captain dives low over the lonely outpost and yells, "Let 'er go!" and Bill hurls the bundle out the window.

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Watches, Wrist Watches, Diamonds, Jewelry. Lowest prices. Write what you want. 14K $55. 1M $120. 17JK $160. Will send examination. 1234 S. St. Bernard, Phila., Pa.

BABY CHICKS

For Sale—Our Famous U. S. approved, Pullorum Tested New Hampshire Red Baby Chicks every Thursday 10c delivered. Pine Mountain Valley Farms, Hamilton, Ga.

PHOTOGRAPHY

Free album and negative 8ic, 2 enlargement coupons with each roll developed, 8 guaranteed prints 25c. Merrithaw Studios, Dept. "K," General P. O. Box 606, New York.

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ENLARGO, Box 97, Salt Lake, Utah

HOUSEHOLD QUESTIONS

Stored Linoleum.—To prevent linoleum from cracking after it has been rolled and stored away, place it before the fire for a few hours and let it get thoroughly warmed before unrolling it.

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When Washing White Silk.—Add a little milk to the rinsing water. This will help prevent discoloration.

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Seasonings Are Important.—In stew it is best to have a variety of seasonings, with no one too much in evidence. Herbs, parsley, celery, grated carrots and onions can be used alone or in combination.

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Cleaning Cooking Utensils.—Use a solution of washing soda to remove foods that have been burned onto enamel cooking utensils.

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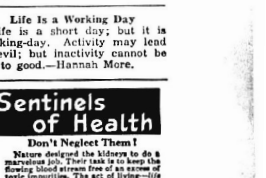
Aging Fireplace.—If you have brick around your fireplace or flagstone hearth try rubbing it with oil applied on a soft cloth. Brick treated in such a manner will have a more seasoned appearance.

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Overcoat for Garden. — Evergreen boughs make an excellent winter protection for gardens. They are light, do not mat and do not weight down plants such as madonna lilies and do not retain too much moisture.

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Cleaning Porcelain Stove.—Always allow a porcelain-topped stove to cool before washing it. If washed while it is warm the porcelain is apt to crack. Use a mild soap, warm water and a soft cloth. With a little rubbing the stove will be easily cleaned.



Life Is a Working Day

Life is a short day; but it is working-day. Activity may lead to evil; but inactivity cannot be led to good.—Hannah More.

Sentinels of Health

Don't Neglect Them!

Nature designed the kidneys to do a marvelous job. Their task is to keep the flowing blood stream free of an excess of toxic impurities. The act of living—life itself—constantly produces waste matter the kidneys must remove from the blood if good health is to endure.

When the kidneys fail to function as Nature intended, there is retention of waste that may cause body-wide distress. One may suffer nagging backache, persistent headache, attacks of dizziness, getting up nights, swelling, puffiness under the eyes—feel tired, nervous, all worn out.

Frequent, scanty or burning passages may be further evidence of kidney or bladder disturbance.

The recognized and proper treatment is a diuretic medicine to help the kidneys get rid of excess poisonous body waste. Use Doan's Pills. They have had more than forty years of public approval. Are endorsed the country over. Insist on Doan's. Sold at all drug stores.

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State Press Comments

SHAKESPEARE SAID IT

In decrying a suggestion that the citrus commission might find it profitable to advertise its product in Florida, the Lakeland Ledger, both Tampa papers and perhaps some others are wrapping themselves in an exceedingly showy mantle of virtue in "including themselves out" of any such proposition. It is their contention that the commission can spend its advertising funds to more advantage elsewhere and that to try to sell the idea that an additional market might be developed in Florida is a racket they want nothing whatsoever to do with.

To quote a little Shakespeare as to 'em, "The lady doth protest too much." There is certainly no occasion for getting up on any such high horse about what has been said and done. It appears that Burton Schoepf, all het up about his five-cent orange juice, went over to Lakeland the other day and told the citrus commission that the response he had received and the results noted led him to believe that the expenditure of advertising funds in promoting the sale of orange juice in Florida would greatly increase the consumption of surplus fruit. That is a tenable position and as Mr. Schoepf is qualified to take it—being a successful business man who knows something of the value of advertising through having done a lot of it to improve his own business—there would seem to be no reason for berating or belittling those who agree with him.

That is what the Tampa papers have been outdoing themselves in doing. With many an admiring word for their own chastity thrown in they have chosen to charge that a move is afoot by "selfish interests" to chisel in on funds of the citrus commission. Possibly designs have been harbored by some who have figured only on what they might get out of it but the case for advertising Florida fruit in Florida papers is good enough to stand on its merits and its presentation to the citrus commission has always been open and above board. It is simply a business proposition, the essence of which is a contention that an ad in Tampa paper will sell as much fruit as a similar ad in Duluth, or any city of comparable size. We have an idea that solicitors for the Tampa Times and Tampa Tribune could put up a pretty good argument on the affirmative of that and do it with no feeling whatever that they were playing the knave.

The citrus commission levies a "deduct" on each box of fruit and the fund thus raised is used to promote consumption by advertising the merits of Florida oranges and grapefruit. For carrying out that purpose the commission engages the counsel and services of an eminent advertising agency. That agency is competent to advise the commission on details and undoubtedly can be counted on to do so without benefit of editorial persuasion either for or against a matter that is strictly up to advertising experts to thresh out.—Ft. Myers News Press.

LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY.
S. J. PENDLETON, Complainant,
vs.
Frank H. Nettleton and Mary T. Nettleton, his wife, Mary P. Satterlee and Samuel K. Satterlee, her husband, Ezra L. Hall and Kate Hall, his wife, William Beckerle and ..... Beckerle, his wife, Joseph H. Schuldice and Anna L. Schuldice, his wife, Frank E. Sperring and Annie L. Sperring, his wife, The Scenic Highlands Development Company, a corporation, Nathan E. Bristol and ..... Bristol, his wife, Nathan F. Bristol and ..... Bristol, his wife, Edmund C. Bristol and ..... Bristol, his wife, Nelle L. Bristol and ..... Bristol, her husband, Clarissa A. Knox and ..... Knox, her husband, et al, Defendants.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF FLORIDA TO:
Frank H. Nettleton and Mary T. Nettleton, his wife, Mary P. Satterlee and Samuel K. Satterlee, her husband, if alive, and if dead, to their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees or grantees; Ezra L. Hall and Kate Hall, his wife, if alive, and if dead, to their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees or grantees; William Beckerle and ..... Beckerle, his wife, if alive, and if dead, to their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees or grantees; Joseph H. Schuldice and Anna L. Schuldice, his wife, if alive, and if dead, to their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees or grantees; Frank E. Sperring and Annie L. Sperring, his wife, if alive, and if dead, to their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees or grantees; The Scenic Highlands Development Company, a Florida corporation, and all unknown persons or parties, natural, corporate or municipal, claiming through, under or from said corporation; Edmund C. Bristol and ..... Bristol, his wife, if alive, and if dead, to their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees or grantees; Nathan F. Bristol and ..... Bristol, his wife, if alive and if dead, to their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees or grantees; Nathan F. Bristol and ..... Bristol, his wife, if alive, and if dead, to their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees or grantees; Nelle L. Bristol and ..... Bristol, her husband, if alive, and if dead, to their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees or grantees; and Clarissa A. Knox and ..... Knox, her husband, if alive, and if dead, to their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees or grantees; and all persons having or claiming any interest in the hereinafter described property:

The East 35 feet of the North 100 feet of Lot 9, and all of the North 100 feet of Lot 10, Block 3, Section 22, Township 33 South, Range 28 East, according to plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 58, Public Records of DeSoto (now Highlands) County, Florida.

together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining.

You, and each of you, are hereby notified that a suit has been brought against you in the Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida, in Chancery, by S. J. Pendleton for the purpose of having the title to the above described tracts or parcels of land owned by him, decreed to be a good and sufficient fee simple title, absolute and forever cleared, quieted and confirmed as against the adverse rights, titles or interests which you, or any of you, have or claim in and to said land, and for the purpose of cancelling the conveyance or other evidences of claim or title thereto which you, or any of you, have, and removing from his title all clouds, doubts and suspicions, pursuant to the provisions of Sections 5010 to 5019, both inclusive, of the Compiled General Laws of Florida, 1927 and Section 4271 (1) Permanent Supplement to Compiled General Laws of Florida, and said suit is now pending in said Court, and you, and each and all of you, and all parties in interest, are hereby required to file with the Clerk of said Court your written appearance (personally or by attorney) in said suit on the first Monday in January, A. D. 1939, being the 2nd day of said month and a Rule Day, and thereafter to file with said Clerk your written defenses, if any, to the bill of complaint in said suit at the time prescribed by law, or decree will be entered against you, and each and all of you, by default.

It is hereby ordered that this notice be published once a week for four consecutive weeks in the Avon Park Times, a newspaper having general circulation in Highlands County, Florida.

Witness my hand and the seal of the said Court at Sebring, Florida this 1st day of December, A. D., 1938.
W. Z. CARSON,
Clerk of said Court.
(SEAL)
By LEONA A. JORDAN,
Deputy Clerk.
MATTIE W. TOMPKINS,
Attorney for Complainant.
Dec. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Laws of 1933
IN THE COURT OF COUNTY JUDGE, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA. IN PROBATE.
Re Estate of
F. P. RICHARDS, Deceased.
TO ALL CREDITORS, LEGATEES, DISTRIBUTEES AND ALL OTHER PERSONS HAVING ANY CLAIM OR DEMAND AGAINST SAID ESTATE:

You, and each of you, are hereby notified, required and directed to present any claim or demand of any nature whatsoever, against the estate of P. F. Richards, deceased, late of Highlands County, Florida, to the Honorable County Judge of Highlands County, Florida, at his Office in the Court House in Sebring, in said County and State, within eight (8) calendar months from the date of the first publication hereof.

You are further notified that such claim or demand must be presented in writing, contain the place of residence and Post Office address of the Claimant and be sworn to by the Claimant, his Agent or Attorney.

Date of first publication December 9, 1938.
ISABELLE W. RICHARDS
As Executrix of said Estate.
Dec. 9, 16, 23, 30.

Notice of Application for Purchase of Tax Sale Certificates including Subsequent Omitted and Levied Taxes and all State Certificates and Taxes unpaid through 1939 on Property Described Below in Accordance with Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 396 of 1937 Laws.

Notice is hereby given that J. S. Francie, Agent, Avon Park, Fla., has applied to this office for purchase of Tax Sale Certificates and Subsequent Omitted and Levied Taxes due on the following described property situated in Highlands County, Florida, to-wit:

Lot 1, Blk. 8, Hatchell's Subdiv., Sec. 26, Twp. 33 South, Range 28 East.
Lot 16, Blk. 4, Hatchell's Subdiv., Sec. 26, Twp. 33 South, Range 28 East.

The sale of the certificates and subsequent omitted and levied taxes on the above described property is to be in accordance with Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 396 of 1937 Laws, and such sale will be held 11 o'clock A.M. at the Court House door on January 4, A.D., 1939.

Witness my official signature and seal this 16th day of December, A. D. 1938.
(SEAL) W. Z. CARSON,
Clerk Circuit Court of Highlands County, Fla.
By: F. E. MACDONALD, D. C.
Dec. 16, 23, 30.

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Notice is hereby given that Henry L. Bowman, Avon Park, Fla., has applied to this office for purchase of Tax Sale Certificates and Subsequent Omitted and Levied Taxes due on the following described property situated in Highlands County, Florida, to-wit:

Lot 13, Blk. 24, Westmont Place, a subdiv. of Lots 1-2-3-4-5, Blk. 24, Avon Park, Sec. 22, Twp. 33 South, Range 28 East.
Lot 14, Blk. 24, Westmont Place, a subdiv. of Lots 1-2-3-4-5, Blk. 24, Avon Park, Sec. 22, Twp. 33 South, Range 28 East.

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Notice is hereby given that Hilda G. Allin, Arcadia, Florida, has applied to this office for purchase of Tax Sale Certificates and Subsequent Omitted and Levied Taxes due on the following described property situated in Highlands County, Florida, to-wit:

Lots 6-7, Blk. 66, Avon Park, Sec. 22, Twp. 33 South, Range 28 East.

The sale of the certificates and subsequent omitted and levied taxes on the above described property is to be in accordance with Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 396 of 1937 Laws, and such sale will be held 11 o'clock A.M. at the Court House door on January 4, A.D., 1939.

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Army Engineer Chief Will Inspect Projects

Jacksonville, Dec. 15 (FNS) — Major Gen. Julian H. Schley, army engineer chief, and Col. L. K. Watkins, state chief engineer, started Friday on a 10 day checkup of all army engineering projects, including the bitterly contested trans-Florida canal project. The officers with their assistants, started up the St. Johns River for their first inspection trip. The tour is being made preliminary to drawing up recommendations for action by the next congress. All federal projects on both coasts will be inspected.

Panama City Man Heads Loan Body

Orlando, Dec. 15 (FNS)—H. L. Suddeth of Panama City was elected president of the Florida Savings Building and Loan League at the close of their annual meeting here.

Other officers elected were J. M. Lipton, Miami, first vice-president, O. P. Swope, Orlando, second vice-president and C. L. Clements, Miami Beach, National Committee.

Just Stuff--
(By W.A.S.)

Avon Park cagers finished their second week of practice today and will continue drilling after the Christmas holidays. Coach Smith reports that the Red Devils have sixteen games scheduled so far with possibilities of more being added as the season gets underway. The first game will be played in Avon Park on January 6 with the Brewster Tigers furnishing the opposition. Both boys and girls will play. The Devilettes have twelve games scheduled so far this season. Miss Cook has been drilling her girls hard this week and is reported as well pleased with the results.

The schedule follows:

Jan. 6—Brewster at Avon Park, boys and girls.
Jan. 11—Lake Wales at Avon Park, "A" and "B" teams, boys.
Jan. 13 — Mulberry at Avon Park, boys and girls.
Jan. 17—Avon Park at Haines City, boys and girls.
Jan. 20—Frostproof at Avon Park, boys and girls.
Jan. 23—Fort Meade at Avon Park, boys and girls.
Jan. 27—Open.
Jan. 30—Avon Park at Sebring, boys and girls.
Feb. 3—Avon Park at Brewster, boys and girls.
Feb. 6—Avon Park at Mulberry, boys and girls.
Feb. 8—Lake Wales at Avon Park, "A" and "B" teams, boys.
Feb. 10—Avon Park at Frostproof, boys and girls.
Feb. 13—Fort Meade at Avon Park, boys and girls.
Feb. 17—Haines City at Avon Park, boys and girls.
Feb. 20—Sebring at Avon Park, boys and girls.
Feb. 23-24—Ridge tournament, Avon Park.
March 3-4 — District tournament, undecided as yet.

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The Jacaranda Drug has a Georgia Peach back of the soda-water fountains to give their "softies" that feminine touch and the smile of true southern hospitality.

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The Junior Class play "Polishing Papa" was a "wow" last night at the high school auditorium. With the combined efforts of Mrs. Freed Peden, Mrs. John Bunting, and the hard working members of the Junior class, this three-act comedy was hailed as one of the best performances ever presented by a class of this school.

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It is said that in Cochin China divorce is simple. Persons wishing to dissolve their union simply call a few witnesses and, in their presence, break a few chop sticks. That ENDS it! . . . In this country all you have to do is break a few bank accounts and that ends you.

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Among the members of the All-Ridge football team, selected at Lake Wales Monday night, were Edgar Bradbury, a senior and Henry Wild, junior. Both these boys played in the line.

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Discarding the saying, "let well enough alone" the Avon Park Red Devils took a licking from the Frostproof Bullpups here Friday night to the tune of 13-0. This was the second game played between these two schools this season; Avon Park winning the first encounter 15-0. "Ted Boozing" Carter was special commentator for the evening, keeping the fans from becoming bored by his frequent commercial interruptions and some of his jokes. Nevertheless our boys played a grand game considering the lengthy schedule they've been through this season.

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A special homecoming dance for college students and others, will be featured at the Blue Anchor Thursday night, December 22. George Toy and his orchestra will furnish the music for the evening. This will be a glorious opportunity for the Alumni and Alumnae to get the latest "dirt" from their dear old alma mater.

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Here's a good one from Ford's Almanac that I though worth passing on:

Oscar Optimist: "Every single thing you give away will come back to you two-fold."

Paul Pessimist: "Guess that's right. Last year I gave away my daughter and a month later she came back with her husband."

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Commenting on the Big Turkey Day celebration to be featured here this coming Saturday, the Tampa Tribune, in their editorial column, suggested the following: "Why not 'toss' some cranberries and mincemeat along with the poultry?" . . . Cute, isn't it. Well, Sir, we have thought of loosing a roasted fowl with all the "carving" tools stuck in its tuck, but we can't trust any of our C. of C. members to do the "tossing."

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The Gulf Gleam says: "If anybody goes to prison, it should be Gracie Allen. It's all her fault. If George smuggled jewelry into this country, it is alleged to be 'as presents for his wife'." . . Maybe George would like 18 years of peace and quiet "away from it all."

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It is reported in The Washington Merry-Go-Round, that when Harry Hopkins was in Hollywood, he called up the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer studio and asked if he could pay a visit. "Hell, no," was the reply, "we wouldn't let Harry Hopkins on the lot." . . . the old meanies, just wait til' they want an "army of unemployed" to appear in one of their pictures . . . And us WPA'ers will build our own studio, if we can project IT. . .

Grandpa's Corner
Rev. F. N. Dexter, D. D.

A being breathing thoughful breath,
A traveller between life and death;
The reason firm, the temperate will,
Endurance, foresight, strength, and skill:
A perfect woman nobly planned,
To warn, to comfort, and command;
And yet a spirit still, and bright
With something of an angel light.

William Wordsworth.

There is a pleasant patience in your face which makes me believe that very young children would take readily to you.

Charles Dickens.

December is CHRISTMAS Month. The advertisers are beginning to remind us of how many days before Christmas, and some of the papers are asking the boys and girls to write a letter telling what they want Santa Claus to bring them. That is fine. But this week, I want to ask the boys and girls to think about what they are going to GIVE, rather than what they are going to get. I want to ask the fathers and mothers the same question. What are you going to do to make a lot of your loved ones happy?

You may be saying as you read this, "If Grandpa Dexter knew how poor we are, and how little money we have, he wouldn't make us sad, by reminding us that we can't afford to give anything this year."

But I'm thinking of giving something that doesn't cost any money, but will make your loved ones feel that even if Christmas does come only once a year, what you give will bring them happiness through the whole year, and it will not be anything you can make, but what YOU are going to BE!

Let me ask Papa, how do you think Mom and the children would like a new Daddy? Well, not a really, truly new one, but the same dear good old one, made all over and changed. A daddy that didn't scold and complain about hard times and the heavy cost of living. A daddy that was at home with the family evenings, and played games with Mom and the kids, who didn't hide behind the paper reading and growling about Hitler! We don't care whether Hitler is decent or not. Maybe he doesn't know about CHRISTMAS! Wouldn't it be fine if Mom would say, "Beginning Christmas, I'm going to try to be that

'Perfect woman, nobly planned,
To warn, to comfort, and command.'

with that 'pleasant patience in your face' that demonstrates that with your husband and children, as well as with strangers, you are really queen of hearts? Just the kind of woman, wife and mother, poets write about, as at the head of the CORNER? Wouldn't that be making Christmas last all the year?

Grandpa wonders how Daddy and Mom would feel right off after Christmas if all you boys and girls in the house began to be always loving, quiet, peaceful, orderly and obedient. Wouldn't it be great if all of you could learn to

Play without scrapping,
Share without growling,
Mind without delaying,
Be good without somebody's being sick?

I think I've got to stop now, or the Editor won't put it all in. I guess I can write you all a good as what I've already said, he will feel it's enough for one Christmas.

Church Notes

UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
Dr. Alfred C. Elliott, Pastor

Dec. 18— Sunday School, in charge of Superintendent J. P. Garber, at 9:45 a.m. with classes to suit all ages. Women's classes taught by Rev. Mabel Dexter, Miss Alice Davidson and Miss Mabel Lee. Men's class taught by the pastor. Sunday will be observed as Loyalty Sunday. Morning worship at 11:00 with sermon by Dr. Elliott, subject: "The Money Test." All members and friends are expected to be present and show their loyalty to Union Congregational Church by placing their pledges for the 1939 Church Budget in the Joash Treasure Chest. Solo: "Thou Man of God" by Mrs. T. J. Ward. Special evening service at 7:30 when the Young People's Pilgrim Fellowship will present the Christmas play: "A Modern Scrooge." This play has been written and will be directed by Miss Katherine Cutler. A silver collection will be taken at this service. Christmas carols will be sung by the choir under the direction of Mr. W. H. Yates.

The "Covenant Circle" Woman's Missionary Society will meet on Wednesday at 3:30 p. m. at the home of Mrs. M. T. Merwin. Miss Mabel Lee will have charge of the devotions. Mrs. W. H. Yates will present a book review of the last half of "The Life of Dr. Wilfred Greenfell" and Mrs. E. Armstrong will give a reading.

The "Quiet Hour" service will be held on Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. Dr. Elliott will give a brief address, old gospel hymns will be sung, and a season of spiritual inspiration and Christian fellowship offered to all who attend.

The Sunday School Christmas Exercises will be held on Christmas Eve, Saturday, December 24, at 7:30 P. M. Christmas carols will be sung and recitations given by the children. Santa Claus is expected to pay his annual visit and present gifts and candy. Winter visitors and the public generally are cordially invited to attend all these services.

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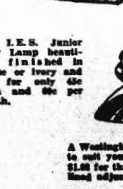
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Mrs. McKnight Club Hostess Tuesday

Mrs. George Scott McKnight was hostess to her contract bridge club, at her home on Tuesday afternoon. The party rooms were effectively decorated with bowls and vases of garden flowers placed at vantage points.

High score prize was awarded to Mrs. W. H. Kempton, and guest high score prize was presented to Mrs. Georgia Voorhees.

A delicious salad course and tea were served to club members and additional guests present who were: Mrs. W. H. Kempton, Mrs. H. E. Godwin, Mrs. Olive Anderson, Mrs. S. Y. Hartt, Mrs. J. B. Hart, Mrs. Alexander Gilmour, Mrs. C. H. Pardee, Mrs. S. C. Pardee, Mrs. Ida Brick, Mrs. Marjorie Church, Mrs. W. H. Yates and Mrs. Georgia Voorhees.

Carter—Chandler Wedding Saturday

Miss Virginia Chandler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Chandler, and William R. Carter, son of Mrs. Irene B. Carter of Bartow were married at the home of the bride's parents Saturday afternoon at 5 o'clock. The Rev. W. Ted Jones, pastor of the Presbyterian church of Bartow, officiated in the presence of relatives and friends.

Many graduated areca palms arranged with a tall basket of white narcissus and two candleabra flanked the sides of the improvised altar and added much to the very impressive ceremony.

Mrs. J. B. Coen, Jr., played the nupital music. J. Everett Allen, Lakeland, brother-in-law of the groom, sang two selections, "Because" and "Constancy."

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a white lace gown, fashioned over white satin. Her finger tip veil of illusion fell from a coronet of net and seed pearls and she carried a colonial bouquet of carnations and bride's roses.

A reception followed the ceremony. The lovely four tiered wedding cake decorated with a little minature bride and groom, was placed in the center of the lace covered table cover, flanked on either side by two white tapers in crystal holders. Delicious ice cream, molded in the shape of tiny doves, cake and coffee were served to the guests. Those assisting Mrs. Chandler in serving were, Mrs. J. B. Hart, Mrs. T. A. McNicholas, Mrs. Devon Reddick, Miss Elizabeth Chandler, and Miss Hope Chandler of Tampa.

During the reception, Mr. and Mrs. Carter left for a wedding trip to Miami, the bride traveling in a gray suit with blue accessories.

Out of town guests attending the wedding were Mrs. Irene B. Carter, of Bartow, Dr. and Mrs. H. V. Weems of Sebring, Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Chandler and Miss Hope Chandler of Tampa, Miss Eunice Allen, of Marianna, J. Everett Allen of Lakeland and Phil Rosenberg of Orlando.

Col. and Mrs. R. P. Davidson and Miss Alice Davidson arrived Saturday from Wisconsin and are occupying their home, "Hollyhurst," for the Christmas holidays.

Miss Iva Phillips will leave Friday for Andalusia, Ala., to spend the Christmas holidays with her brother J. I. Phillips.

Miss Smith Hostess To San Souci Club

Colorful and attractive in each detail was the lovely dessert bridge given Tuesday evening by Miss Betty Ellen Smith, at the Jacaranda Hotel, when she entertained members of the Sans Souci bridge club. In keeping with the Christmas holiday motif, a color note of red, blue and silver was appropriately portrayed in the decorations, bridge appointments and refreshment course.

The Palm Room, where the four tables were arranged and which is ideally adapted for entertaining, was decorated with vases of poinsettias, holly and a beautiful lighted Christmas tree. An attractive arrangement of poinsettias, flanked on either side by tall red tapers, on the mantel strikingly portrayed the holiday motif.

A tempting dessert course consisting of mint parfait, and coffee were served, guests finding their places by dainty little iced cookies in the shape of name tags decorated with holly in icing and bearing their name in silver. Favors of small candle holders, made of gum drops and life savers with a tiny lighted red candle in the center, was at each guest's place. The centerpiece for the table was a lovely blue and silver Christmas tree, flanked on either side by four blue and silver pine cone trees with tall red lighted candles.

High score prize, an attractive novelty Mexican pottery ash tray, was presented to Mrs. Raymond Dilley and second high, a Mexican pottery wall pinque, was awarded to Miss Iva Phillips.

Those enjoying this delightful affair with Miss Smith were: Miss Millie Pearson, Miss Sarah Browning, Miss Mary Key, Miss Alma Harrell, Miss Hettie Handertmark, Miss Janet Cook, Miss Elizabeth Jinks, Miss Helen Pittman, Miss Iva Phillips, Miss Elizabeth Green, Mrs. Charles Sherman, Mrs. Raymond Dilley, Miss Mildred Myers, Mrs. C. R. Ginn and Mrs. Ray Brown of New York.

Happy Party At Lakeview Apts.

The occupants of the Lakeview apartments and additional guests had a weiner roast and Christmas party combined Monday evening. The crowd exchanged Christmas gifts under the beautifully decorated tree, after which games and contests were enjoyed in the apartment house.

Those present at this delightful affair were Mr. and Mrs. John Bunting, Mr. and Mrs. Gordy Weir, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Epps, and small daughter Beverly, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Jolly and daughter Barbara, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Williams, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Gerrard, Miss Elizabeth Green, Miss Iva Phillips, Miss Betty Ellen Smith, Miss Edna Andrews of Lake Placid, Colquitt Pardee, Frank Williams, Bill Upchurch, Lusby Rawlins, G. D. Godwin, George Gerrard, Sr., and George Gerrard, Jr.

Mesdames Wells and Kinsey Co-hostesses

Mrs. Ray Wells and Mrs. A. O. Kinsey were co-hostesses Monday evening at the home of the former, when they entertained the Deacons of the First Baptist Church and their wives, at a delicious turkey dinner, the occasion being the birthday anniversaries of Mr. Kinsey and Mr. Wells.

The home was attractively decorated with bowls and vases of poinsettias and a beautiful lighted Christmas tree.

During the evening games and contests were enjoyed after which Christmas gifts were exchanged.

Those attending this delightful affair were: Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Dalton, and son Jackie, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Collins, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Noland, Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Godwin, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Dean, Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Kinsey and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wells.

Girl Scouts Enjoy Picnic Saturday

Members of the Girl Scouts enjoyed a field trip and picnic lunch Saturday at Highlands Hammock. Those present were: Betty Lynn Helms, Hilda Clark, Winnifred Hood, Winnifred Archer, Martha McNicholas, Martha McCord, Jerry Connell, Madge Pilcher and Margaret Harper.

Mrs. Chester Yates, Mrs. T. J. McGinnis and Mrs. Gene Williams chaperoned the party.

Miss Janet Dade, Charles Choffee and Donald Stansfield of Daytona Beach spent Sunday in Avon Park, the guests of Miss Louise Grice.

Mrs. Yates Honoree At Class Party

Members of the 6th grade entertained at a Christmas party Wednesday evening at the home of Betty Lynn Helms, honoring their teacher, Mrs. Chester Yates. The home was decorated in the Christmas holiday motif.

During the evening many games and contests were enjoyed and members of the class presented the honoree with many lovely gifts.

Delicious refreshments of sandwiches and hot chocolate were served to those present who were: Geraldine Witt, Virginia Spencer, Janet Barker, Hilda Clark, Pauline Thomas, Betty Lynn Helms, Winifred Archer, Lillian White, Juanita Sauls, Retha Mixon, Mary Elizabeth Hall, Imogene Mingledorff, Edward Sturdevant, James Perdue, Howell Barnard, Harold Porter, Sammy Longbottom, Arthur Gregory, Tony Macafee, Henry Kipp, Bill Hood, Willard Johnson, Howard Bowman, David Lanier, Howard Todd and Chester Yates, a guest.

Those assisting in entertaining were Miss Ruth Fields and Miss Melba Douglass.

Mrs. Costine Hostess To Circle Two

Circle Two of the First Baptist Church met at the home of Mrs. Frank Costine Monday afternoon. Mrs. Paul McFarland, chairman, presided over the business session and Mrs. J. L. Collins led the devotional. Mrs. W. C. Touchton gave the first lesson in the book, "Up from Zero" by Mrs. Anna Pruett, a Mission book on China. The meeting closed with prayer led by Mrs. David Stuckey.

Delicious refreshments of date and nut rolls topped with whipped cream and coffee were served by the hostess to those present who were: Mrs. Lena Clements, Mrs. Ed. Gough, Mrs. Bob Adams, Mrs. Paul McFarland, Mrs. Milford Dilley, Mrs. W. C. Touchton, Mrs. E. C. Wever, Mrs. J. L. Collins, Mrs. W. W. Renniger, Mrs. David Stuckey, Mrs. S. J. Pendleton, Mrs. Dewey Bowman, Mrs. J. E. Crosby, Mrs. Anna Lawhon, Mrs. Fred Touchton, and Mrs. J. B. Coen, Jr.

Two Hostesses To Philathea Class

Mrs. Durrah Martin and Miss Eva Canup were co-hostesses on Tuesday evening at the Florida Public Service Co.'s customers room, when they entertained members of the Philathea class of the First Baptist church. The room was colorfully decorated in the holiday motif.

A beautiful devotional service, led by Mrs. W. W. McFarland, was held and Mrs. R. H. Lawhon, class president, presided over the short business session.

After several games, contest and exchanging of Christmas gifts, delicious refreshments of candle stick salad and punch were served to those present who were: Mrs. Harry Walker, Mrs. J. S. Blackburn, Mrs. Guerant, Mrs. W. W. McFarland, Mrs. C. Belin, Mrs. Dewey Bowman, Mrs. Mark Smith, Mrs. David Stuckey, Mrs. J. E. Crosby, Mrs. R. P. Sandidge, Mrs. J. P. Dalton, Mrs. Mable Brown, Mrs. Bob Adams, Mrs. R. H. Lawhon, Mrs. Ed. Gough, Mrs. L. D. McGibboney, Mrs. Ross Bigbie, Mrs. Ray Wells, Mrs. Frank Costine, Mrs. J. B. Coen, Jr., Mrs. Lena Clements, Mrs. E. C. Wever, Mrs. S. F. Longbottom and Mrs. W. W. Shepherd a guest.

Mrs. Shockley Club Hostess Monday

Mrs. Francis Shockley delightfully entertained members of her bridge club Monday evening at the home of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. A. H. Able. The party rooms were attractively decorated with lovely bouquets of cut flowers.

Following four interesting progressions of bridge, scores were totaled and prizes awarded to Miss Hazel Cameron, holder of high score for the evening, and Dr. A. H. Able holder of second high score, Mrs. Richie Green, who received the floating prize, was awarded a lovely tea towel.

The refreshment course consisted of delicious chicken salad, potato chips, olives, buttered pecans and coffee.

Those enjoying the evening were: Mrs. Richie Green, Mrs. R. X. Droit, Mrs. Tom Jones of Sebring, Mrs. Bill Sachsenmaier, Mrs. Edgar Koch, Miss Hazel Cameron, Dr. A. H. Able and Francis Shockley.

Mrs. Ray Brown and small daughter Susan Jane of New York and Mrs. T. S. Moody of Augusta, Ga. arrived Sunday to spend the Christmas holidays with their father, W. P. Myers and sister, Miss Mildred Myers.

Paul Garber returned Tuesday after having spent several days in Jacksonville transacting business.

Mrs. Lena Blumenthal arrived last week from Cleveland, O. and will spend the winter at her home here.

Dr.-Mrs. Perry Hosts To Club

Dr. and Mrs. D. G. Perry entertained members of their bridge club at their home, on Wednesday evening. The lovely decorations and all bridge appointments were in the Christmas holiday motif.

Following several enjoyable progressions of bridge, scores were totaled and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lanier received high score prize, a lovely fostoria bowl and Mr. and Mrs. T. A. McNicholas were given an attractive relish dish.

The dainty refreshments consisted of pie-a-la-mode and coffee.

Guests enjoying the evening were Mr. and Mrs. T. A. McNicholas, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lanier, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Porterfield, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Dilley, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hartt, Mrs. C. E. Crabtree, Mrs. Parke Anderson and the hosts, Dr. and Mrs. D. G. Perry.

Mrs. Bishop Hostess To Circle One

Circle One of the First Baptist missionary society met at the home of Mrs. J. A. Bishop Monday afternoon. Chairman Mrs. R. H. Lawhon presided over the business meeting and Mrs. J. P. Dalton taught the lesson from the study book, "Up from Zero." The meeting closed with prayer led by Mrs. Otto Skipper.

Delicious refreshments of cookies and fruit punch were served to the following members present: Mrs. S. F. Longbottom, Mrs. R. H. Lawhon, Mrs. C. Belin, Mrs. Otto Skipper, Mrs. Fred Wetherbee, Mrs. M. M. Foster, Mrs. B. F. Martin, Mrs. J. P. Dalton, Mrs. Jesse Rowland, Mrs. J. D. Sherman, Mrs. W. W. McFarland and Mrs. J. A. Bishop.

Those from Avon Park attending the benefit bridge party in Sebring Tuesday evening, given by the Catholic church, were Mr. and Mrs. Richie Green, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Ware, Mrs. Carl Jolly, Mrs. Dick Brown, of Orlando, Mrs. Francis Shockley and Mrs. R. X. Droit.

Births—

Mr. and Mrs. Joel D. White of Andrew, S. C., announce the arrival of a baby girl, Laura Ruth White, on November 24, 1938. The young lady weighed eight pounds at birth. Mr. White is a former resident of Avon Park and his many friends will be interested in the announcement of the new arrival.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Lane announce the arrival of a 8¾ pound boy, December 16, 1938. Both mother and son are doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Geiger are the proud parents of a ten and a quarter pound baby girl. The little lady made her arrival December 15, 1938.

Mr. and Mrs. Murry Wilson are announcing the arrival of a baby daughter, weighing seven and half pounds, who arrived Tuesday evening at the Touchton hospital.

S. V. Hunnings, A. R. Hales, Parke Anderson, J. M. McCord, Alexander Gilmour, B. F. Wilson, W. W. Sherertz and Bill Sachsenmaier were in Lakeland Monday to attend the citrus meeting.

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SYNOPSIS

Young Rex Hale calls on Casper Kneeland, friend of his father, in New York, and finds him proudly successful but strangely preoccupied. He tells Hale of his wife's death while insane, invites him for the summer to Halcyon Camp, his home on Long Island, and promises him he will be "useful" as his secretary there. Hale is joined at lunch by Fred Ainsworth, an unpopular college mate, also at Halcyon, who leaves him with a feeling of unpleasant mystery. He is met at the train by Mrs. Wilbur Nash, whom he questions about the menage, and experiences a distasteful invitation. The premonition is barely eased by the comfortable hospitality of Rosanna, Kneeland's elderly sister, and her friend, Ruth Forbes, middle-aged sophisticate. In his room Hale finds a soiled paper, printed, "This place dangerus." Hale meets the rest of the strange group—Mr. Craig, psychiatrist friend of Bert Kneeland, nervous young son of Casper, and beautiful but moody Joan Kneeland, niece of the house. Ainsworth drops in at his room, questions him about his reactions, and tells him of Bert's hopeless love for his heiress cousin, and that Mrs. Forbes is down and out. The whole group seem to get on each other's nerves. Later, Hale sees Rosanna furtively meeting a shabby man in the woods. The maid tells of the recent poisoning of a cat and dog. Mrs. Nash suggests that Ainsworth has some hold on them. Returning from a swim, Hale finds in his room a clever sketch of a skull and cross bones. Kneeland arrives for the weekend, also curious about Hale's reactions and asks him to be his substitute host, a "life of the party," at Craig's nightly visits and endless talks of cadavers, parts of which he preserves in his locked laboratory, taken care of only by himself, and Hale advises the boy to discourage the visits. He finds another sketch of a cobra coiled to strike, with the caption, "Why wate for this?"

CHAPTER IV—Continued
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The next fortnight was spent by Mr. Kneeland's new employee in an occupation one of our distinguished Presidents has described as "watchful waiting." He mingled. He cultivated every member of the group, even Ainsworth. He was reasonably successful in concealing his growing dislike of that young man, though he frequently intercepted and returned Ainsworth's barbed darts at his employer. He also interrupted without hesitation, and side-tracked, many of Craig's lurid medical yarns. He went on numerous motorboat excursions with Bert and was pained to find the youth increasingly nervous and fidgety.

Hale took frequent walks in the woods and along the shore with Joan or Mrs. Spencer Forbes. Miss Hosanna explained that she herself had all the exercise she wanted, around the house. She had one, but she was up early and late. She was constantly busy. Hale picked up her balls of silk or wool in her rest periods. He played frequent games of desperation or backgammon with her. He listened respectfully to her dietetic theories and her reiterated statements that all the dishes he liked best were "poison." He became increasingly popular with Joe, Banks, and Rose, and won Jane's heart by friendly attention to Daisy. He successfully concealed his interest in the fact that the animal, so robust when she arrived, was now in a low state of health. She moped and objected to petting. He had two more long talks with Casper Kneeland. Once Kneeland again referred to his wife's tragic death. "She had puerperal insanity," he explained. "She tried to give me another son, and it finished her. I haven't spoken of it since, not even to Bert. Can't bear to talk about it."

Hale took care of all letters to Casper Kneeland which came to Halcyon Camp. He wrote a number of letters of his own. Two of these were addressed to distinguished psychiatrists he knew, one of them in Chicago and the other—to whom he had once been of some service—in Paris. Unostentatiously and with considerable ingenuity he secured the fingerprints of most members of the household. These prints, when developed, might lead to the discovery of the mysterious artist at Halcyon Camp, and the writer of the anonymous letters.

His collection of letters and sketches had grown. There was a sketch of a grave and a tombstone with his name on the latter. There were dancing skeletons labeled in the same way. They reminded him rather uncannily of his dream, after the first office interview with Casper Kneeland. There was a large sketch of a skull. It was treated with a phosphorescent preparation and grinned at him brilliantly from the foot of his bed one night, after the lights were off. There were more misspelled notes, urgently repeating the advice of the original note that he leave Halcyon Camp. On one occasion there was a frog in his bed. Later a colony of ants were sheltered there. Several nights after this half a dozen wasps were let loose in his room. Twice his room was upset—his bed dismantled, the furniture overturned, a whirlwind of newspapers and torn scraps tossed about. Once Rose discovered this and cleaned it up. Hale made no explanation, and the maid's manner was distant for several days. The other time he found the litter first and cleared it away himself. Why should someone be so anxious to get rid of him? He didn't tell anyone about the petty persecutions, but he was increasingly irritated by them.

Meanwhile, he chafed mentally under his apparent lack of the "progress" Kneeland wordlessly demanded. He held himself in with a tight rein. "I've got to learn all I can learn about the characters and interests of these people," he reminded himself. "I'll turn them inside out before I get through with them. But not yet."

The objects of his special study were the two younger Kneelands. He was increasingly disturbed about them both. Bert was riding for a nerve crash. He was increasingly moody and erratic.

But it was Joan who was Hale's greatest interest. He walked, swam, talked with her daily. He danced with her at night. They discussed countless subjects with apparent intimacy. Yet he never felt that he really knew her. If she had been the victim of a desperately unhappy love affair, she might have looked and acted as she often did—like a detached being, wandering in space. At such times it was impossible to interest or amuse her. At others she was animated, almost gay. There were hours, even days, when she was as natural with him as she was with Bert. There were other hours when she teased him unmercifully. She professed herself



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one of his countless victims, and assured him that his indifference was blasting her life.

"What's really the matter with Joan Kneeland?" he once asked Craig, when he could endure the problem no longer.

The psychiatrist looked at him in surprise.

"Nerves," he said coldly. "Half our young girls are like that nowadays. Too many bad habits."

"She hasn't any bad habits," Hale insisted, "except perhaps that she smokes too much."

"Far too much," the doctor agreed. His thin lips smiled unpleasantly. "Her love affair with Bert isn't helping any," he ended.

"What the devil do you mean by that?"

"Just what I say. Though perhaps I should have said his love affair with her. He's crazy about her and she knows it. She knows he is suffering. 'Pity is akin to love.' Perhaps, after all, nature is trying to push her into marrying him."

"Damn you," Hale said under his breath. It was the first time he had lost his temper with any of them. He walked away, fuming under the memory of Craig's lifted eyebrows and ironic smile.

One Monday morning—the third after Hale's arrival at the Camp—Casper Kneeland came down to his eight o'clock breakfast. He found his new employee already at the table, consuming eggs and bacon. Hale was dressed in his new gray business suit. There was an air of alertness and energy about him which Kneeland privately felt was oppressive when exhibited before nine o'clock in the morning. He greeted Hale with a nod and ambled over toward the hot dishes on the sideboard.

"Good morning, sir," the secretary said cheerfully. "I thought if you didn't mind I'd drive into town with you."

"Eh? What's the idea of that?"

Kneeland interrupted his inspection of the breakfast dishes to turn and stare at his godson. Realizing that his attitude was not hospitable he added gloomily, "It will be hot in New York."

"It will," Hale agreed. "But when there's work to be done I like to get started."

"Uh huh."

Kneeland filled his plate. He was always at his worst before breakfast, and he hated cheerfulness and conversation in others till he had drunk his coffee. He was also experiencing some dark doubts as to the wisdom of his arrangement with young Hale. He had started something. He rather wished he hadn't. The whole thing might be nothing but a mare's nest. He had given it entirely too much importance in their talk. He returned with his plate, meditating on the best way to let down the exuberant youngster at the other end of the table. Before undertaking this he swallowed a cup of coffee. He felt better. Simultaneously Joan entered the room. Both men were startled by her pallor and the dark circles under her eyes, but she seemed in good spirits. She smiled and nodded, and Hale hurried to the sideboard to serve her. He always moved with surprising lightness and agility for so large a young man.

"A little of everything!" he asked as he raised dish covers.

"Heavens, no." Joan shuddered. "You ought to know by this time that I'm never interested in breakfast. Only a slice of hot toast and a glass of orange juice, please. And yes, Rose, I'll have some coffee. Thanks."

Hale brought her the toast and orange juice and returned to his own breakfast, feeling soft-pedaled.

He was impressionable. It had not taken him long to discover that the life of the house-party would not be required to function at breakfast. Nevertheless, it was a time when he always felt at his best. He ate eggs and kidneys and bacon and three hot muffins and waited for someone else to speak. No one did. Rose refilled the coffee cups as seriously as if performing a religious rite. Uncle Cass stoked solemnly and grew more reconciled to life. At last Joan spoke.

"We have now reached the point where it is safe to smile across the table at Uncle," she told Hale. "Not hands across the table, you knowmerely smiles. Don't speak yet. You have committed several times since you came to us the faux pas of wishing Uncle 'good morning.'"

"I have." Hale sighed.

"And a frost hung over the table and icicles hung from Uncle's eyebrows, while the hot food congealed on the sideboard. I know," Joan said sympathetically. "I saw it all every time you did it. I used to do it every morning when I first came to live with Uncle. I was young and heedless then. At last I learned that if I neither breathed nor spoke till he had eaten his breakfast, all would be well. He's quite human, from half past eight on."

Rex looked at his watch.

"It's only eight twenty now," he said under his breath. "I've already told him I thought I'd drive to New York with him! You see, Joan, our uncle has given me one of these government emergency jobs, to keep me busy during the summer. I myself must find the work for my little hands to do. Today I'm going to trace down a rumor that some North River coal-heaver is fastening a shirt to his trousers with one of our Uncle's patented safety catches. That's a direct violation of the code. If I catch him at it there will be something doing in the industrial world."

"If there is, it will be the first time this summer," Kneeland groaned. But he swallowed his third cup of coffee with resignation and winked at Joan.

"You think pretty well of himself, this lad," he told her. "Did you hear him calling you Joan? And before he had been in the house three weeks!"

"Did I do that?" Rex looked surprised and then thoughtful. "I suppose it was because I always think of her that way. Where do you want me to stop, Uncle Cass, the days I'm in town?"

"I suppose you might as well come to the house," Kneeland said resignedly. "I'm in it nights from Mondays to Fridays. I have a darky there to keep the place in order and get my breakfasts."

"He may keep you there, too, if you never speak before nine," Joan contributed.

"And if he occasionally stops speaking after nine," Kneeland muttered. "Your luncheons and dinners you can take wherever you like, Rex, as I do."

"I wonder if I like the name of Rex," Joan mused aloud.

"Of course you do. It's a beautiful name. You'll find that it comes very trippingly from the tongue."

"Isn't it rather pretentious? I thought only young men in books had it."

"There are a few poor devils in real life who struggle along under it, too," Rex confessed with sudden gloom.

"If you're going to New York with me, young man," Kneeland broke in, "you will be at the front door in five minutes."

"And in five pieces in ten minutes, I know. Will you excuse me, Joan? I'll break a lance for you during the combat of the day. Or perhaps it will be only the springs of Uncle's car. I think I'll drive."

He raced upstairs for his hat, raced down again, flung himself into the roadster Joe had left at the front door, and seized the wheel. Kneeland lumbered after him, and Joan stared after them both. What incalculable vitality that young man had! It was impossible to think of him as ill or suffering; and yet he had been both, and that very recently. She herself felt like a rag. She decided to go back to her room and rest a bit before the bathing hour. The bathing hour seemed to take a lot out of her. She went upstairs with dragging steps.

In the speeding roadster the two men were silent. Kneeland was observing Hale's driving and deciding that it was all right. The younger man's thoughts were on the girl he had just left. She had looked really ill this morning. Her beauty was dimmed by her pallor, but the pathos of it made her more appealing to him. Her eyes looked as if she had not slept. Which, of all the strains in that sinister camp, was the strain that was consuming her?

These somber thoughts continued to occupy his mind until they arrived in New York.

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Device Sounds Alarm to Warn Family Before Fire in House Gains Headway

Within a few seconds after fire breaks out in your home the household can be warned by a bowling alarm which is simply screwed into a light socket, says Popular Mechanics. This detector utters an unmistakable shriek if the temperature in the room rises at a sustained rate of 15 or 20 degrees per minute. This "rate-of-rise" thermostat will catch the fire before it has reached dangerous proportions, yet will not cause false alarms from ordinary changes in room temperature due to weather or winter heating of the building.

Plugged into a ceiling socket in basement, attic or closet—danger spots for fires in the home—it will detect any sudden surge of heat almost instantly. The rate-of-rise feature is operated by a small air-expansion chamber with an extremely sensitive diaphragm which bellows out when the temperature rises in the air chamber and closes an electrical contact. There is an additional thermostat which, in the event a smoldering, slow fire has not actuated the alarm, will sound the bowler when the room temperature reaches 150 degrees.

The signal operates on alternating current and uses about eight watts. A tiny neon lamp consuming fourtenths watt shows that the current is on. The detector readjusts itself after the fire is extinguished and need not be replaced. Extension bowlers and detectors can be connected for remote alarms.

First U. S.-China Trade

Immediately after the Revolution, in the year 1784, the famous Robert Morris and others fitted out the Empress of China to trade with China. The cargo consisted chiefly of ginseng, and teas and other goods were brought back. When the American ship reached China the Chinese were told they were from America, and after some difficulty the Chinese finally understood the story and how they differed from the English that they knew of. "The New People" the Chinese called the Americans. The profits of the venture amounted to some $30,000, about one-quarter of the investment.

WHAT to EAT and WHY

C. Houston Goudiss Counsels Wise Eating During the Holiday Season

By C. HOUSTON GOUDISS

THE advent of the holiday season marks the beginning of one of the most difficult periods of the entire year for the homemaker.

To begin with, she is busied with the hundred and one details of Christmas shopping, the planning of holiday entertainments . . . and the preparation of extra food for parties. Secondly, the health and comfort of every member of the family depend to a considerable degree upon how they eat and what foods she serves during the weeks between now and January first.

Guard Against Lowered Resistance

Unfortunately, statistics show that the common cold and other similar ailments greatly increase in number directly after the first of the year. That is also the period when we find more people suffering from fatigue than at any other season. Both conditions are frequently traceable to faulty habits of eating and faulty hygiene during the holiday season.



The person who is forewarned is usually forearmed. Therefore, every homemaker who has the interests of her family at heart should plan, now, to arrange activities so that strain and fatigue will be reduced to a minimum. And more specifically, she should see to it that she formulates a sound eating program. Far too many people, at this season of the year, suffer the ill effects of lowered resistance brought about by unwise eating and by overeating.

Overeating of a poorly chosen diet is inadvisable at any time because it tends to overburden the digestive system. But it is particularly undesirable during the winter season when almost everyone tends to stay too long indoors, frequently in overheated rooms, and to take too little outdoor exercise.

Regularity in eating a carefully balanced diet, containing sufficient bulky foods to help promote regular health habits, is of the utmost importance if resistance is to be maintained at a high peak during the holiday season.

Keeping Body Machinery Efficient

One should always remember that the body is a machine working as regularly and as accurately as a clock. Any good mechanic knows that a fine mechanism requires the same type of care day in and day out. Homemakers, too, should remember that the body does not function differently just because we celebrate a holiday with age-old customs. Thus, to keep every member of the family well and rested, try not to allow the holiday celebrations to upset the ordinary routine of your household.

Late breakfasts, heavy dinners, and suppers taken at odd hours do not constitute the best possible menu-planning. The unfortunate **over-emphasis on rich foods on special occasions may easily result in digestive disturbance, unless great care is taken to avoid dietetic indiscretions, and to maintain always the ideal of a balanced ration.**

Child's Diet Especially Important

During the dark days of December, the children's diet requires extra thought and care. Too close confinement indoors and the lack of sunshine may easily have an adverse effect upon the temper and vitality of young children. Then, too, the excitement of anticipating Christmas is bound to add to their general fatigue.

Children seldom complain of fatigue, which makes it all the more necessary for mothers to be on guard against, or to look for, the first intimation that it may exist. **A child who is tired is very apt to be irritable. More than likely his appetite will be poor, and when he does eat, he may not be able to care properly for the food he takes.** You may find, if you allow him to become overtired or feed him unaccustomed foods, that it will be a struggle to get him to bed, and even then he may not sleep soundly. And it is generally recognized that disturbed sleep, plus unwise eating, may have most unfortunate consequences.

The Ideal Holiday Diet

Holiday or no holiday, both children and adults should have at least two fruits daily, one of which should be a citrus fruit or tomatoes, to help provide adequate vitamin C; there should be two vegetables besides potatoes, one of which should be of the green, leafy variety; an egg daily, or at least three or four weekly; a quart of milk for every child, and a pint for each adult.

If your meals are built on this foundation, there will be less room for the rich heavy foods which should only be taken in moderation, and after you have helped to satisfy the appetite with the protective foods. By making a point of eating generously of fruits and vegetables, and by including a crisp raw salad in the daily diet, you will be much more apt to consume sufficient bulk or cellulose to help maintain regular health habits.

Christmas Confections

We can scarcely speak of the holiday diet, particularly where children are concerned, without saying a word about Christmas confections and other goodies. These are a part of the holiday tradition, and no homemaker would wish to deprive her family of such pleasures, but it does devolve upon her to simplify the other meals in the day so that her children do not suffer when they eat a large holiday dinner.

Similarly, she should make it her responsibility to either prepare the special Christmas treats from ingredients which she knows to be pure and wholesome, or to purchase them from a reliable source. If these goodies are then given to children at the end of a well-balanced meal, and not indiscriminately between meals, there should not be the upset digestions that make Christmas a bugbear to some mothers instead of the joyous occasion it should be.

By following out these suggestions, you can help your family to enjoy the holidays without regret. You will feel fit and your good health will be the basis of good cheer.

Questions Answered

Mrs. S. M. B.—Your letter was the first of a large number I received on the subject and I am therefore answering you, though my reply is also directed to all the others who have inquired concerning a recent announcement that cereals might be harmful to the teeth.

I have seen reports on this subject by two investigators and I know that other investigators are now endeavoring to check their work. As soon as there is further progress to report, I shall be glad to comment.

In the meantime, I would not hesitate to follow the advice of leading nutritionists and give your children cereals, at least half of which may well be served in the whole grain form.

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Undie Set and Day Dress



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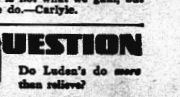
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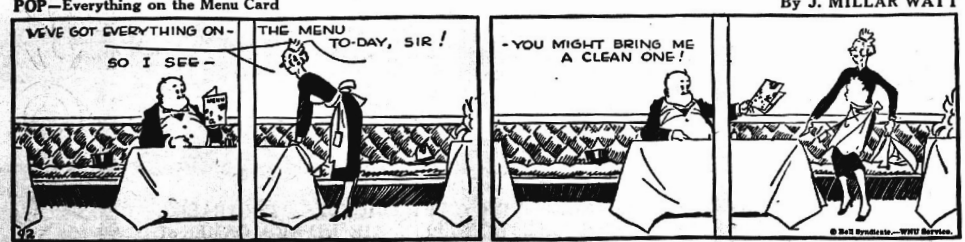
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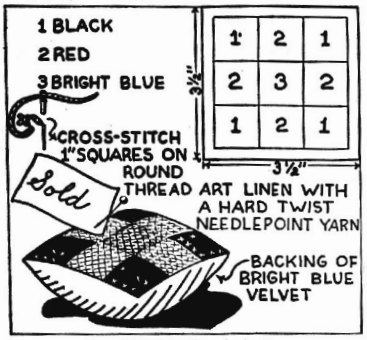
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COME AND BRUSH By GLUYAS WILLIAMS



HOW TO SEW

by Ruth Wyeth Spears



Cross-stitch pincushion a best seller.

THE Town Improvement association was giving a sale to raise funds in a village where we were visiting. Our hostess had been to the sale early in the day and triumphantly displayed tiny cross-stitched pincushions purchased for Christmas gifts. They were so colorful and quaint that we went in search of some. We found them, but on every one was pinned a ticket "SOLD"! The lady had scored a hit who made those little three-inch pincushions as her contribution to the fancywork booth. They were kept for display even after they were sold.

The top of the cushion should be made on tapestry canvas or round thread art linen so that the threads may be counted easily in making the cross-stitches. This foundation material should be marked off in 1-inch squares as shown in the diagram at the upper right. The numbers indicate the color used for cross-stitching each square. The velvet used for backing adds the richness that all small gifts should have. Sawdust or hair from an old mattress are most satisfactory for stuffing.

If you would like to make some of these cushions for gifts or for your next bazaar, clip these directions and keep them as they are not in either of the books offered below.

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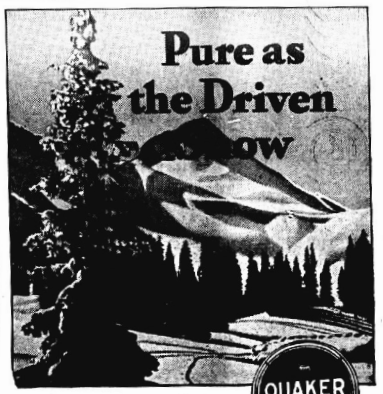
Given Time, the Lad Could Locate Her

The butcher boy was on his way to deliver an order when he was accosted by a lady who apparently was seeking someone in the neighborhood.

"Young man, can you please tell me which one of these houses Mrs. Smith lives in?" asked the stranger.

"Mrs. Smith?" said the youth, in reply, "let me see now. 'Tain't pork chops, lean—for that's No. 3, over there, and it ain't two pounds of round steak and juicy—that's No. 142 round the corner. Hmm! Oh! it must be rib roast and tender, with a piece of suet, and hard to collect. Yep, that's Smith's. No. 9, right over there, ma'am."

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PERSONALS

Gordy Weir spent last Saturday in Tampa.

Phil Abrams of Miami is spending several days in Avon Park.

Roy L. White of Winter Haven spent Wednesday in Avon Park.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Crabtree spent the day in Orlando Monday.

B. G. Duncan of Orlando was a business visitor in Avon Park Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richie Green spent the week end in Tampa the guests of friends.

C. R. Shaffer of Lakeland was a business visitor in Avon Park Wednesday.

Stanley Royce spent the week end in Tampa the guest of friends and relatives.

Mrs. G. S. McKnight and Mrs. Stella Frey were in Lakeland for the day Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Porterfield spent the past week end in Miami the guests of friends.

Mrs. L. D. Roberts, and Mrs. Mae Purvis were business visitors in Lakeland Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul McFarland and small son spent Tuesday in Ft. Lauderdale, on business.

Mrs. W. A. Overpeck left Monday for her home in Orlando to spend the Christmas holiday's.

Mrs. James Griffin of Pittsburg, Pa. arrived Friday to spend the winter months in Avon Park.

Miss Dorothy DeShong is spending the week end in Bartow the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Crum.

Miss Viola Davis of Lakeland spent the week end in Avon Park the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Gordy Weir.

Dupont Smith spent the week end in Brewster, the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Smith.

Mrs. D. G. Perry spent Monday and Tuesday in Tampa, the guest of her sister, Mrs. "Chick" Beaver.

Parke Anderson, Tom Brown and Bill Owens of Frostproof were transacting business in Orlando Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Willis of Bradenton were the week end visitors of the latters sister, Mrs. L. M. Marsh.

Walter Betts, E. G. Todd, Earl Hartt and C. H. Walker attended a citrus meeting in Lakeland, Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs. Milford Dilley, Mrs. David Lockett, Mrs. Harry Dilley and Mrs. John Hood were in Lakeland Tuesday of this week.

Mrs. S. S. Thayer, Mrs. Stanley Reeves, Mrs. Paul Garber and Mrs. Parke Anderson spent the day in Tampa Tuesday.

"Chun" Boxall, Albert Martin, J. W. Tuten and Jack Delaney attended the "Air-show" in Lake Wales Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sachsenmaier, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Jones of Sebring and Miss Gwendolyn Wever spent Tuesday in Tampa.

Mrs. Lena Clements and daughters Evelyn, Jane, Mary and son John, and Miss Marjorie Wells spent Saturday in Lakeland.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hagan and Sonny Hagan spent Sunday in Orlando, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Specer Braddock and family.

Mrs. Dick Brown and daughter Beverly of Orlando is spending several days with her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Ware and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cardwell of Sarasota spent Sunday in Avon Park, the guests of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Matt Pilcher and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Roblis of Rochester, N. Y. have returned to Avon Park for the winter and are occupying the Masters home, Holly Shores, on Lake Lotela.

Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Elliott of Elmhurst, Ill. arrived Friday to spend the winter months in Avon Park. Mr. and Mrs. Elliott will occupy the Mrs. Mae Waldren home on Bell Street.

87 Florida Papers Carry Citrus Adv.

Lakeland, Dec. 15 (Special)— Eighty-seven Florida newspapers in citrus and tourist areas are carrying advertisements of the Florida citrus commission, in its campaign to promote the sale of gift boxes by express. The advertisements started last week and will continue until the middle of March.

Full advantage will be taken of the possibility to have Florida citrus shipped to northern relatives and friends by winter visitors as Christmas gifts. Display material and other retail aids also are being distributed by the commission. Newspapers and magazines have been asked to assist in the campaign by means of editorial comment. Already a number of editorials have appeared.

"There is an exceptionally fine field for development in these express shipments," according to L. W. Marvin, advertising manager of the commission. "Newspaper and other periodicals already have given the campaign considerable publicity and our own advertising will appear regularly until the middle of March. We hope that other organizations which are anxious to assist the citrus industry will lend their aid on this campaign, in building up the sale of Florida oranges, grapefruit and tangerines as gifts to be shipped up north.

"Such a gift serves us in two ways. It helps to dispose of our tremendous crop and also is an advertising medium for our fruit when it gets up north."

The Times is one of the newspapers carrying this special gift fruit advertising in the commission's campaign.

PRESENT TREND IN EDUCATION CRITICISED

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able rates with a rigorous training schedule in what the students are most fitted for.

Tampa University has not a single unemployed graduate, he said. It does not use the elective system and there are on file many offers of jobs for its graduates. Quit kidding the students, Dr. Sherman said as there is still plenty of opportunity for those who are carefully prepared. It is not the size of the parents' pocketbook that should count but the quality of the child's brain, he said in closing with a plea to give children a chance.

After the regular meeting many Rotarians adjourned to the school lunch room and were hosts to some 60 underprivileged children and helped serve them with ice cream and cake. Santa Claus also visited the lower grades and distributed candy to the kiddies.

Visitors at the luncheon were: Phil Abrams of Miami, Guy Maxcy and J. T. Williams of Sebring, Charles Shepherd of Avon Park and E. F. Armstrong of Hicksville, O.

Wage Hour Law Hits Telephone Workers

Ocala, Dec. 15 (FNS)— Many of the small town telephone exchanges will have to be closed, and residents of the areas deprived of vital phone service if provisions of the wage hour act are enforced against them, Howard P. McFarlane, attorney for the Peninsular Telephone Co. told delegates to the annual meeting of the Florida Telephone Assn. here. He maintained that the small exchanges should be exempt from the wage hour provisions, because the law would increase costs $569 more than total revenue of the exchanges to meet the operators salaries alone. Carl Brorein, Tampa, was named president of the association for the coming year.

The State Road Department has assumed control of the Apalachicola river bridge between Blountstown and Bristol on highway 19 and will operate it without tolls.

Farmer's Markets Receive Publicity

Jacksonville, Dec. 15 (FNS) — William L. Wilson, director of State Farmer's Market, states that since the visit of agricultural commissioners who toured the state last month following their annual convention in Miami, he has received numerous inquiries concerning the operation of such markets in Florida.

During their stay in Florida, these commissioners from other states were given an opportunity to visit several markets while guests of Commissioner Nathan Mayo and they were keenly interested in the results achieved.

In a statement to the press following his return to South Carolina, Commissioner J. Roy Jones said: "90 percent of our meeting was devoted to the matter of state-owned farm markets and the commissioners of the states, which do not have those markets, determined to recommend that they be established. South Carolina is one of the states that does not have them and I will recommend that we provide some of these markets in strategetic points in our state."

So successful has been the operaton of Florda's state owned farm markets that other states turn to Florida as a model in adopting plans for the establishment of similar farm markets in their states.

Cigar Factory To Open Nursery

Jacksonville, Dec. 15 (FNS) — One of the first "industrial nurseries" to be opened in connection with any American factory will be dedicated at a cigar factory here some time during June, 1939, the Chamber of Commerce has announced, asserting that Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt will be asked to aid in the formal opening of the nursery. Many married women, some with small children, are employed at the plant, and the nursery is being establishel to permit these women to work with the assurance their youngsters are being well cared for. Nurses and physicians will supervise the youngsters during working hours.

Pine Crest Lakes Christmas Dinner

A. R. Ball, manager of Pine Crest Lakes Club, announced this week this resort will open on December 20 and a number of reservations are already booked, Christmas dinner will be served on Christmas Day and those wishing to reserve tables are asked to do so as early as possible.

Use Times Want Ads

Advertise Florida West Coast Section

Tampa, Dec. 15 (FNS)— The delightful charms and advantages of Florida's west coast will be brought to the attention of millions throughout the nation during the next few weeks through the cooperative effort of the Florida West Coast Association which next week begins an extensive advertising campaign featuring attractive forty line advertisements in the nation's leading metropolitan dailies.

The advertising copy prepared and placed by the Griffith Advertising Agency, of St. Petersburg, appeals especially to tourists and winter visitors and tells of the points of interest and other attractions to be found in the west coast area of the state.

Follow ups in the form of beautiful illustrated folders and booklets will be mailed those who write the Florida West Coast Association, or any of the communities cooperating.

While this advertising and publicity program is designed to promote the west coast, it naturally helps the state as a whole and the association is doing a splendid job in drawing together the various communities and attractions of this area for a united, constructive advertising program at the beginning of the tourist season.

During the same period the Pan American Hernando De Soto Exposition to be staged in Tampa, Jan. 31 to Feb. 18 will conduct an intensive advertising and publicity campaign that will cover the entire southeast with colorful billboards, newspaper advertising and placards, featuring not only the Exposition and Tampa, but the entire west coast as well, further supplementing the effective program mapped out by the West Coast Association for publicizing this section during the winter months.

Florida Exhibit at Bowling Green Kentucky

Florida will have an exhibit at Bowling Green, Kentucky, sponsored by the Bowling Green Business University. The exhibit will open December 9. States from all sections of the country will be represented. Foster Barnes, Florida National Exhibits landscape architect said today that a variety of the Florida tropical plants and shrubs, wax fruit and statues would make up the Florida exhibit. Material sent to Bowling Green will remain as a donation of Florida National Exhibits.

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Bingo ..... 10, 25 & 98c
Table Tennis 25, 49 & 98c
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Spinner ..... 10 & 25c
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Snow White .... 25 & 49c
Rubber & Colored 25c
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MCNICHOLAS IS SPEAKER BEFORE AVON ROTARY

Received many Compliments On Christmas Message Given to Local Club

Judge T. A. McNicholas gave a Christmas message to Avon Park Rotarians at their luncheon Wednesday at the Jacaranda Hotel. It was a similar talk to the one the judge gave Friday night at the Orange Blossom Association Brotherhood meeting at Wauchula and he received many compliments on both occasions.

The birthday of C. H. Walker was noted with appropriate greetings and his biography was given by Francis Shockley.

Parke Anderson, program chairman for the past three months introduced McNicholas and also mentioned some of the trials and tribulations of the program committee.

Visitors were: Major Ed Keenan and Tom Brown of Frostproof, Alexander Blair of Lake Placid and Westfield, N. J., Mayor M. F. McGee and Louise Greenblott of Sebring and W. F. Ward of Brooksville.

McNicholas' Message

Judge McNicholas said in his talk:

Of all the chronicled events in the history of mankind the most stupendulous, far-reaching and decisive occured in the little town of Bethlehem, in Judea, nearly two thousand years go. Cesar Augustus, Imperator of Rome, decreed that all the people of the world should be taxed. Such a decree was not at all unusual, but on the contrary the then prevailing method of tax collection. This decree required that all people report at their home town for this purpose.

There was a lowly carpenter, Joseph by name, who was then engaged in his trade in Nazareth accordingly, and in obedience to the decree of his Emperor, he went with Mary, his wife, to Bethelehem, that he may pay his tax. And so it was, while he was there, the days were accomplished when Mary, being great with child, should be delivered.

Now, be it remembered, that when Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost. Then Joseph, being a just man, and not willing to make her a public example, was minded to put her away privily. But while he thought on these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying:

"Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife; for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost. And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name Jesus, for he shall save his people from their sins." And when Joseph was risen from his sleep he did as the angel had bidden him, and took unto him Mary his wife; and he knew her not until she had brought forth her first born son, and he called his name, Jesus.

Now when Joseph had journeyed to Bethlehem with Mary he applied at the public inn for accommodations that Mary may rest in ease; but these were denied him. Perhaps from some small molicule of pity the inn-keeper did offer him a place in the stables; and there occurred this momentuous event, The Birth of Jesus Christ. And Mary wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger.

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, an angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone roand about them, and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them:

"Fear not; for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the City of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger."

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying:

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

Thus I have given you as it is recorded in Holy Writ the story of that momentous event when the Savior of mankind assumed the image and role of man to redeem a lost world. Prophecy had foretold his birth and even the place thereof. Kings trembled upon their thrones from the knowledge of this and they sought to destroy the babe that they may perpetuate their rule on earth. But Kings and prophets and all misinterpreted the prophecy—the meaning of His coming. He came not, as they thought, to establish temporal power of earth and set up a physical Kingdom; he came not even to teach the old Mosaic law, of an

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COMMISSIONERS MANDAMUSED IN JUSTICE FIGHT

Action Brought To Force Board To Approve Bond Of W. C. Beckett

The Board of County Commissioners was served with an alternative writ of mandamus Tuesday requiring to either approve the bond of W. C. Beckett, Avon Park publisher, who was elected justice of the peace in the general election or show cause why they will not approve the bond.

The board instructed their attorney to defend the case on the grounds that the board does not believe that Beckett was legally elected and if they approved the bond it might cause the county unnecessary expense in fees to unauthorized persons.

G. A. Kelsey appeared before the board in regard to the right-of-way for federal route 19 which has been surveyed through his property near Lake Placid. Mr. Kelsey stated that he was willing to deed the necessary land to the state for road purposes but he would like assurance, that his adjoining property would not be damaged through carelessness while the road was under construction. The board assured him every precaution would be taken.

Chairman Jackson stated that most of the land needed for the road has already been deeded to the state but there are several small parcels that must be obtained by condemnation proceedings. The board instructed Attorney MvDonald to proceed with condemnation on all the land needed that can not be obtained otherwise.—Highlands County News.

Atherline Matchett Charged with Arson

Atherline Matchett was arrested early Tuesday and later released under a $1,000 bond. He was charged with arson in connection with a fire at his home on the south side Monday night, nobody being home at the time. The house is owned by T. J. Anderson of Pierce.

The fire was discovered about 8:30 p. m. by Wiley Sauls and others who planned to visit Matchett. As they approached the house they noticed the fire under the house and burning upward. They entered the house and found a mattress also on fire in another room. They threw that out and called the fire department. Little damage was done to house.

Mrs. Hetherington's Brother Passed Away

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hetherington and family were in Dade City Wednesday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Hetherington's brother, Simeon Franklin Huckabay, who passed away Monday night following a short illness.

He was 34 years of age and is survived by his widow, Mrs. Irene Huckabay; his mother, Mrs. Annie E. Huckabay; a brother, W. W. Huckabay, all of Dade City; three sisters, Mrs. Catherine McIntosh of Dade City, Mrs. Hetherington of this city and Mrs. W. O. Gentry of Fernandina.

To Enforce Curfew Law In New Year

At the request of M. V. Pilcher, scout master, Mayor M. E. Covington and the city council decided at their meeting Monday night to enforce the old Curfew ordinance beginning January 1. The fire whistle will be sounded every evening at 9:30 and this will be the signal for all children up to 16 years of age to be home and off the streets.

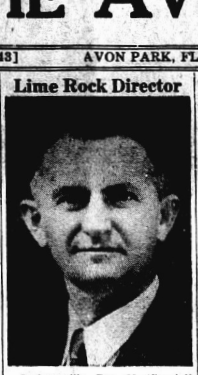
The mayor also called attention to the ordinance forbidding fireworks on the streets and said prosecution will follow for any violators.

Carols In Mall Saturday Night

Carols will be sung in the Mall at the band stand on Saturday night from 7 to 7:30 by the High School Glee Club, Director E. L. Roberts announced this week.

Fr. R. I. Brown, rector of the Episcopal church, will make a short talk during the same half hour.

Lime Rock Director



Jacksonville, Dec. 22 (Special) —Leon B. Thrasher, of Lake City, division engineer of the State Road Department, will become engineer-director of the Florida Limerock Association on January 1, 1939, George G. Ware, Leesburg, president of the Association, announced today.

Mr. Thrasher who is just completing 20 years in the service of the State Road Department, was chosen for the important post of engineer-director of the Limerock as Florida's best natural road material base and because of his enviable reputation in professional engineering circles, Mr. Ware said. He will have headquarters in the Yoakum Building, Ocala.

Under Mr. Thrasher's direction, the Florida Limerock Association will renew its educational program, dormant for several years, to acquaint Floridians with the superior virtues of Florida limerock as a road base material.

Mr. Thrasher is a native of Micanopy. He attended public schools in Alachua County and was graduated with a bachelor's degree from the Engineering College of the University of Florida in 1913. He returned to the University to receive his master's degree in civil engineering in 1922. A registered professional engineer since 1920, he is a director and a fellow of the Florida Engineering Society.

First entering highway and street engineering work in Polk County and Lakeland in 1916, Mr. Thrasher was commissioned a lieutenant in the Engineering Crops of the United States Army in 1918. He resigned from the service after the Armistice.

Mr. Thrasher began his career with the State Road Department in 1919. In 1922 he became a division engineer with headquarters in Ocala. Last year his division office was moved to Lake City.

During his service with the State Road Department, Mr. Thrasher has supervised the construction of more than 1,000 miles of state highways costing approximately $25,000,000. In most of this construction limerock was used as the base material for the highways.

Mr. Thrasher is an enthusiast for limerock as a highway base.

"There is no other natural base material in Florida that can compare with limerock," says Mr. Thrasher. "Its economy is matchless because limerock base roads can be repaired, reconditioned and modernized at low cost and without having to replace the material already in the road base.

"The cushiony resilience of limerock makes for easy riding and the traction-textured surface is anti-skid to the extent that these roads are the world's safest highways.

"In my years of experience as a state road department engineer I have seen very few miles of limerock road that have failed when constructed under standard specifications. And in those rare cases, the failure could not be attributed to the limerock itself."

Mr. Thrasher will move his family from Lake City to Ocala when he takes active charge of the Florida Limerock Association's Ocala office January 1.

E. L. Roberts Named On Band Committee

E. L. Roberts, director of the Avon Park school band, was appointed to the committee on associate organizations of the Florida Bandmasters Association. Mr. Roberts is recognized by his associates in the association as one of the most progressive young leaders in the state.

His appointment on the committee was announced Saturday from the office of John J. Heney, director of the Stetson University band and the DeLand high school band. Other members of the committee are J. P. Koscielny of Tallahassee, chairman and Ed Chenette of Haines City.

UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS CHORAL AND ORGAN SERVICE BY THE CHOIR OF UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

DIRECTED BY MR. W. H. YATES.

Sunday, December 25th, at 11:00 A. M.

ORGANIST—MR. ED. STERLING, TAMPA.
SOLOIST—MRS. JANE BUTTERFIELD, TAMPA.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Organ Prelude ..... Mr. Sterling
Organ Solo, "Hallelujah Chorus" (The Messiah) Handel, Mr. Sterling
Chorus, "We Three Kings", "Star of Wonder" ..... Choir
Invocation and The Lord's Prayer.
Hymn, No. 118, "O, Come, All Ye Faithful" ..... Congregation
Scripture Lesson ..... Luke 2. 1-19
Infant Baptism.
Chorus, "And the Glory" (The Messiah) Handel ..... Choir
The Pastoral Prayer.
Solo, "O Thou That Tellest" (The Messiah) Handel, Mrs. Butterfield.
Offering—Consecration of offering and choral response.
Lullaby, "Low In A Manger" ..... Choir
Christmas Message ..... Dr. Alfred C. Elliott.
Hymn, No. 112, "Joy To The World" ..... Congregation
The Benediction.
Dismissal, "Saviour, Again To Thy Dear Name" ..... Choir
Organ Postlude ..... Mr. Sterling

Mr. Sterling is the well known Tampa organist who delighted his audience with a very fine organ recital in the Union Church last February.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

The First Baptist Church will observe its annual White Christmas with a Christmas Pageant Sunday evening, December 25, at 7:30. Each person attending will bring a gift wrapped in white as their Love offering. These gifts will be distributed among the poor of the city.

PROGRAM

Hymn, "O Come All Ye Faithful" ..... Congregation
Prayer ..... Rev. J. P. Dalton
Solo, "The Birthday of a King" ..... Mr. E. L. Roberts

SCENE I

SHEPHERD SCENE.
Shepherds: Francis Skipper, Edward Sherman, Felton Causey, and Odell Skipper.
Angels: Betty Touchton, Eloise Thomas, Martha McNicholas, Mary Clements, Marjorie Wells, Martha McCord, Miriam English.

SCENE II

MANGER SCENE.
Mary, ... Miss Mary E. Coen.
Joseph, ... Mr. J. L. Greene
Shepherds.

SCENE III

JOSEPH'S PRAYER.
Mary and Joseph.
Solo, "The New Born King" ..... Mr. Harold McClelland.

SCENE IV

VISIT OF THE WISE MEN.
Mary.
Joseph.
Wise Men: Mr. Harold McClelland, Mr. Charles Sherman, Jr., Mr. E. L. Roberts.

Hymn, "Joy To The World" ..... Congregation
Benediction.

Mrs. Ella Hargraves Attends Funeral Of Step Son Today

Mrs. Ella Hargraves was in Tampa today to attend the funeral of her stepson, Carl Hargraves, 45, who died in the hospital at Oteen, N. C. Tuesday morning. He had been a patient there for the past two years.

He is survived by the widow, Mrs. Ethel Hargraves, two children, June and Jack, all of Tampa; a brother, Lloyd, formerly of Avon Park; and four sisters, Mrs. J. C. Nash of Savannah, Ga., Mrs. LaRue Moody of Indian Rocks, Mrs. E. S. Lane of St. Petersburg and Mrs. Bill Sapp of Ft. Myers.

The funeral is in charge of the American Legion.

Post Office Closes

The post office will remain open Saturday until 6 p. m. and will be closed all day Sunday and Monday, opening for business again on Tuesday morning. Only the most important mail will be worked Sunday in order to give the clerks all the time possible with their families on Christmas day. The post office will also be closed all day, January 2.

Wants Chimes Record

The Episcopal church wishes to borrow chimes records for their midnight services at Christmas. Anyone having such records they would loan are asked to communicate with Mayor M. E. Covington or Fr. R. I. Brown at phone No. 135.

Judge McNicholas Speaker At O. B. Association B'Hood

Judge T. A. McNicholas, of this city, was the guest speaker at a meeting of the Orange Blossom Association of Brotherhood held in Wauchula last Friday night. Emphasizing the Christmas season, Judge McNicholas chose as his subject, "Birth of Christ." This eloquent address was well received by one of the largest delegations ever to assemble for this Baptist organization.

The orchestra of the Avon Park First Baptist Church, directed by Mrs. E. C. Wever, furnished the music for the evening. Dr. Fred Touchton, newly elected president, was introduced by C. D. Noland, retiring president of the organization, and Rev. J. P. Dalton presented Dr. Touchton with the gavel.

The next meeting will be held in Sebring.

Fruit From Hammock Sent To President

Enrollees at the Sebring Civilian Conservation Corps camp this week sent President Franklin D. Roosevelt a Christmas gift. It was a box of mixed citrus from the nearly 50-year-old grove in Highlands Hammock State Park.

P. O. Receipts Up

Postmaster D. G. Perry reports that the total receipts for the Avon Park postoffice for this month are 15 percent above the same period last year.

Has Birthday



The following biography of C. H. Walker was given at the Rotary Club luncheon Wednesday noon by Francis Shockley.

"Charles H. Walker was born December 24th, 1871, at Haddock Station, near Macon, Georgia. It is said a severe storm, which occured the night he was born, blew the chimney from the house, an event which Charlie claims to remember with great vividness.

He came to Florida with his parents about 1883, the family settling near Trilby. Two years later they moved south to Bartow, which is still Mr. Walker's official residence.

As a young man, he worked for the Southern Express Company, first as messenger, and then as express agent at Bartow. While employed as express messenger, he ran for a long time between Washington, D. C. and Jacksonville, and was said to be the youngest messenger in the employ of the Company.

After returning to Bartow as agent for the Express Company, he soon became interested in citrus, and that has been his chief interest since that time.

In 1908 he went with a group of leading citrus growers to California for the purpose of studying operations of the California Fruit Growers Exchange, and as a result of that trip and the information obtained, the Florida Citrus Exchange was incorporated. Mr. Walker became not only a member of the Exchange, but was placed upon the Board of Directors, a position which he has occupied for over twenty-nine years, during which period he has missed only five meetings of the Board of Directors.

For a number of years he was manager of the Polk County Citrus Sub-Exchange, resigning in 1923 for the purpose of organizing the affairs of the Exchange Supply Company, an affiliate of the Florida Citrus Exchange. As a result of his sound business judgment and executive ability, the company was enabled to completely liquidate a large bond issue, that in 1923, appeared doubtful of repayment. The Exchange Supply Co. now enjoys an enviable position among the cooperatives and other business institutions of the State of Florida.

In 1927, he become identified with the citrus industry of Avon Park, taking over the management of the groves formerly owned and operated by the Pittsburgh-Florida Fruit Growers Corporation and its affiliated companies.

Of additional interest is the following interview published in the Miami Herald on Sunday, December 11.

As I interview Florida's worthwhile men, I not infrequently ask myself, "What could the state of Georgia have been if so many of her outstanding sons had chosen to remain there instead of becoming Floridians?"

When I talk to this and that one, and when I am about ready to ask, "Where were you born?" I am tempted to change my question to "What part of Georgia did you come from?" Whatever may be the answer, Florida owes a lot to Georgia for the men who have become outstanding Floridians.

Today we present to our readers C. H. Walker of Bartow, Polk county, Manatee county; Avon Park, Highlands county; Tampa,—in fact, an All-Florida citizen who came from middle Georgia back in 1885.

Walker is an official in so many citrus organizations that I am quite correct when I say he is one of the most widely known and most influential citizens engaged in this great industry. "Charlie" Walker is a modest man who com-

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AVON PARK WON SHUFFLEBOARD TOURNAMENT

Swamp Sebring Opponents; Supper and Card Games Enjoyed Later in Eve.

With over 250 present to witness the tournament here Saturday afternoon, the Avon Park shuffleboarders swamped their Sebring opponents and took every game played except one. The Sebring Shuffleboard Club sent over eight men to represent them and they were opposed by the best players of the Avon Park Winter Guest Club. Following the club contest the Avon Park winners played for the championship and A. F. Shafer and A. C. Faulkner came out on top.

In the tournament C. M. Reynolds and William Renninger, Avon Park, beat W. Amett and J. S. Hershberger, Sebring, two games. George Lebo and J. C. Starrett, Avon Park, beat H. Swank and N. A. Neiswerner, Sebring two games. William Langenbahn and F. J. Grant, Avon Park, won two games from William Porter and J. M. Scott, Sebring. A. F. Shafer and A. C. Faulkner, Avon Park, beat A. J. Capwell and A. T Vail, Sebring, two out of three games.

Due to the lack of time the finals were played Monday when Reynolds and Renninger beat Lebo and Starrett two out of three. Shafer and Faulkner won two out of three from Langenbahn and Grant and then the same two won two out of three from Reynolds and Renninger.

The two champions were each given a box of fruit to be shipped north. One box was donated by the American Fruit Growers, Inc., and the other by the Lake Byrd Citrus Packing Co.

Horseshoes and croquet were also enjoyed Saturday afternoon and a covered dish supper was served in the club house with Mesdames Underhill, Hammond and Hunnings in charge and assisted by other members of the club. Over 100 enjoyed the supper, including a large number of the Sebring delegation.

In the evening 12 tables of bridge and pinochle were in play in the club house and everyone enjoyed themselves to the utmost.

Among the diversions was a walk put on by W. Renninger and Miss M. Vogt. The men voted on the number of steps taken by the ladies and the fair sex voted on the men. Dr. A. Steiner, Avon Park, and Mrs. Noble of Sebring were the winners. They each received a box of oranges donated by the Lake Byrd Citrus Packing Co.

Orange juice was served during the afternoon and evening and was donated by the chamber of commerce.

A new Year's eve party will be held at the club house with a large crowd expected.

The election of officers of the Winter Guest Club will be held on Monday and the following have been nominated:

President, L. Rodman Nichols, Wickford, R. I.; 1st Vice President, H. N. Montague, Ovid, Mich.; 2nd Vice President, S. V. Hunnings, Avon Park, Fla.; Financial Sec., Ed. Hammond, Washington, D. C.; Recording Sec., S. V. Hunnings, Avon Park, Fla.; Treasurer, W. A. Luthye, Avon Park, Fla.

Executive Committee: Dr. A. Steiner, Cleveland, Ohio; E. E. Murray, Washington, D. C.; Wm. Reniger, Avon Park, Fla.; A. H. Bovard, Tarantum, Penna.; J. H. Hood, Avon Park, Fla.

Reception Committee: Dr. A. Steiner, Cleveland, Ohio; Mrs. James Davies, Schenectady, N. Y.; Mrs. Lena Underhill, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Mrs. Maybelle Johnson, Rochester, N. Y.; Mrs. R. M. Thurston, Cleveland, Ohio; Mrs. J. H. Garnett, Stratford, Ont.; Mrs. J. L. Becker, Rock Point, M. D.; Mrs. Olive Anderson, Avon Park, Fla.; Mr. E. P. Grant, Chicago, Ill.; Mr. J. Spencer, Stratford, Ont.

Congregational Sunday School Christmas Program

A Christmas Program will be presented Saturday night at 7:30 by members of the Sunday school of the Congregational church. The program will consist of recitations, song, stereopticon slides of "The Other Wise Man," presentation of perfect attendance awards, Santa Claus and distribution of gifts to children. The public is cordially invited to attend this Christmas eve service.