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Round About Avon Park

by W. C. Beckett

Murphy Act and The Schools

The iniquities of the Murphy act become more glaringly apparent every day and are brought right home by the request of County Superintendent F. N. K. Bailey that the county commissioners allocate $12,000 of the race track funds to help the schools run for the full term. If the schools don't get help there will be only seven months term, the colonel said.

The comissioners refused the request and rightly so. If they had complied they would have to raise the millage and to such an extent it would bring on a tax strike. They have been hit by the Murphy act the same as the schools and therefore, just like any business, have cut expenses where possible in order to stay within income.

One commissioner expressed himself this way: "I realize that if the schools are not kept going this board will get the blame and if we comply with the request and the schools are kept on a nine months basis the school board will get the credit and the board of county commissioners will be blamed for the increased tax levy but the schools must be kept up if possible." And chairman N. B. Jackson added: "If the taxpayers want their taxes increased to meet the emergency, let them come before the board and tell us so. Our job is to keep expenses down and the millage as low as possible."

To our way of thinking the schools are a business proposition in many ways and if income is cut expenses must be cut. The schools have become a fetish in the minds of some people and a lot of new fangled unnecessary features added which don't help the majority of students in after life. The fundamentals, the old three R's have been neglected and halfway forgotten.

We mentioned this to Col. Bailey the other day and asked him what good did it do a student to know how many eggs a bug lays. He said the local authorities have nothing to do with the subjects taught, that is up to the state and colleges. Alright then, let them provide the money or cut the coat to fit the cloth. But then, the money they might provide comes from us, the taxpayers, in the beginning and we should have something to say.

We admit the schools of Highlands county rank among the best in the state but if we can't support them we will have to economize. We will have to stop "Keeping up with the Joneses." There must be a stop somewhere to the continually mounting taxes. The commissioners have done all they could but must have the help of the taxpayers and other interested parties.

Another thing, to be remembered is the fact the legislature will be in session next spring, before the schools are out, and no doubt they will overhaul the tax structure to give the schools more money and will take this action before the school close. Col. Bailey strongly hinted that drastic action to help the schools can be expected at the next legislative session.

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The U. S. Marshall

Announcement was made this morning of the appointment of Sheriff Deshong of Hardee county as the new U. S. Marshall for southern Florida. This has been rumored for some time with Senator Claude Pepper given "credit" for engineering the deal. We can't say we can congratulate either Pepper or Deshong and after hearing some of the remarks passed below Pepper would have pleased a lot more people if he had made another choice.

Cone Announces No Increase In State Real Estate Taxes

Tallahassee, July 7, (FNS) — Governor Fred P. Cone announced this week that there would be no increase in the state ad valorem real estate which has been set at three and five-eighths mills, the same as last year.

Florida counties are required to levy this tax for the state in addition to county millages for local operations.

Last year the amount produced by this tax was close to one million dollars.

One mill is for the state school fund, one-half for the State Livestock Sanitary Board, three-eighth mill for the State Prison fund, three-quarters for the free text book fund and one-half mill for the pension fund.

World's Greatest Ivory Market

The world's greatest ivory market is in Antwerp.

GROUND SCHOOL EXPLAINED AT ROTARY MEETING

Registration Office for Free 12 Weeks Course To Be At Barnett Bank

Avon Park Rotarians at their luncheon meeting Wednesday heard some interesting details regarding aviation and particularly the WPA Ground School Course which will be held here for 12 weeks beginning the week after next. The speaker was Lee R. Malmsten, chief ground school instructor, and who is rated as one of the best in the country in this line of work. He will be assisted in the course by Wilbur Sheffield, also present at the meeting, and who will be in charge of registration.

The speaker was introduced by M. V. Pilcher who recently assumed the duties of chairman of the club's program committee.

Mr. Malmsten said the air progress made in Avon Park entitled the city to a ground school which will be conducted for 12 weeks and will be open to all men and women over 16 years of age and who are interested in aviation. Classes will be held at the high school every Tuesday and Friday evening from 8 to 10 and will cover airplanes and engines, navigation and meteorology and aero dynamics. Technical terms will be explained and put into everyday language, understandable to everyone and those showing serious interest will be given special attention and extra work.

It was stressed that the classes will be free of charge and are for the purpose of stimulating interest in aviation and to remove the fear of the unknown by education. Registration will be next week at the Barnett Bank during business hours with classes starting the following week.

Mr. Malmsten opened his talk with a short history of flight which, he said was the first superstition to become a reality. He mentioned the finding of carvings of winged men and horses in Egypt and stated the first serious attempt to fly was made by Leonardi Di Vinci in the 15th century. He mentioned the experiments of the Wright Brothers and said great progress has been made during the past 35 years, continents and oceans now being spanned in a few hours.

He believed 500 miles an hour would be the limit of speed but there is no limit to size and capacity except as to landing facilities. Bigger planes need bigger airports, therefore seaplanes are larger because of better landing facilities. Earlier airports are becoming outmoded and larger and better ones are now needed, he said, hence the help being given communities by the State and Federal governments. There are some runways today over a mile in length and these will be too short in the near future, he predicted as the greater the air speed the greater the landing speed.

C. E. Lanier called attention to the possibility of a WPA project for Donaldson Park and moved that a committee be named to investigate and report. On adoption of the motion, vice and acting president J. P. Garber appointed C. E. Lanier, Earl Hartt and M. V. Pilcher on the committee with authority to name others if necessary.

Visitors at the luncheon were Col. F. N. K. Bailey and Mayor M. F. McGee of Sebring and J. O. Zipperer of Fort Myers.

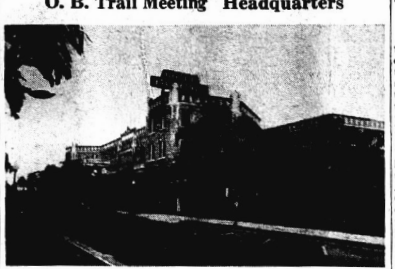
Lake County Sends Ambassador North To New England

Tavares, July 7 (FNS) — The Lake County Chamber of Commerce is sending Karl Lehmann, Florida Ambassador Extraordinary into New England this summer, armed with beautiful colored movie films and speaking ability second to no one.

Lehmann will cover all New England states and while his primary purpose will be to interest those he contacts in Lake County, he really represents the state at large and can be depended upon to do a masterful job not only for his own section but for all Florida.

He will speak and show movies to Kiwanis, Lions, Rotary and other service clubs, and also appear before gatherings at many summer resorts in the White Mountains and Berkshires.

O. B. Trail Meeting Headquarters



Members of the Orange Blossom Trail Association will meet with the Board of Governors and the Road Committee of the Scenic Highlanders next Saturday night at the Jacaranda Hotel in Avon Park.

According to Andy Slaughter, president of the Trail Association the meeting will start off with a combined meeting of the road committee of the Trail Association and the Scenic Highlanders. Both groups have road problems in common that are of mutual interest and plans will be outlined for joint action by both organizations.

Later separate meetings will be held by both groups to discuss various problems affecting each group. Subjects to be taken up by both groups will be that of advertising and publicity, road problems, legislation and other matters.

C. E. Crabtree, manager of the Jacaranda Hotel has invited members of both groups to be his guests that evening and many are expected to remain over Sunday. Mrs. Crabtree will act as hostess and is planning to have a bridge party for the ladies Saturday night.

President Slaughter of the Trail Association is hoping for a big attendance since important matters of policy are to come up. President John Clark of the Scenic Highlanders hopes that all members of the Board of Governors and Committees will be present as a report of progress will be made.

Mr. Clark pointed out that inasmuch as communities along Route No. 8 from Haines City south to Lake Placid are also members of the Orange Blossom Trail Association every effort should be made to have a big attendance and to work out a mutual program of activities.

COUNCIL NAMES PLANNING BOARD

Donates $150 Towards Securing Hospital Branch For Avon Park

Following the suggestion of President Earl Hartt, the city council Wednesday night voted to appoint a planning committee to work with the council in suggesting and obtaining WPA projects for Avon Park. The motion was made by Councilman McGibbony and seconded by Councilman Elwell. President Hartt named the following on the committee: C. E. Lanier, M. V. Pilcher, Walter S. Betts, E. G. Todd, D. G. Perry, J. L. Wells, R. R. Brown, W. M. Beck, J. B. Coen and Cyril Baldwin.

On motion of Councilman Elwell City Attorney T. A. McNicholas was instructed to obtain actual possession, by legal means and court action if necessary, of all houses owned by the city and secured by foreclosure proceedings.

Holland Stebbins, W. P. A. administrator for the county, informed the council that work on the hangar at the municipal airport would be started on Thursday this week. He asked that council purchase 40 pieces of strap iron and 27 bolts to securely anchor the hangar to the foundation in case of high winds. He said this was not included in the specification and council authorized the purchase. They also approved the lifting of a concrete mixer for approximately 20 hours.

Following a talk by M. V. Pilcher, financial chairman of the state hospital committee, council agreed to donate $150 towards the preparation of a prospectus setting forth the advantages of Avon Park and the site offered here. Mr. Pilcher stated $100 would be secured from the county and the prospectus would be a credit to the city and of great advertising value even if the hospital is not secured. Other speakers were W. S. Betts, R. R. Brown, D. G. Perry and W. M. Beck. The grant was made on condition that good title to the site is secured.

Mrs. McClelland Improves

Mrs. J. H. McClelland who was recently operated on at a Sebring hospital was reported at noon today to be progressing as well as could be expected.

Avon Park's Golden Wedding Tourists Arrive In Japan

Rev. and Mrs. Howard Eckel who left here several weeks ago on a Golden wedding trip to the Orient have arrived in Japan and the "Japan Times" published at Tokyo gives a very interesting account of them. Avon Park is mentioned, giving this city further publicity. In a front page feature story the "Japan Times" says:

Yokohama, June 4—Celebrating their golden wedding anniversary with their first trip abroad, the Reverend and Mrs. Howard Eckel of Avon Park, Florida, are arriving here this evening by the N.Y.K. liner Taiyo Maru from San Francisco to spend the summer in Japan. The trip is a golden wedding present from their family.

The Reverend Mr. Eckel, who has consistently refused to take a vacation during nearly a half-century in the ministry, does not intend to break his life-long rule now. He says that during his stay in Japan he will speak, through an interpreter, to Japanese churches in many parts of the country. A full schedule of meetings already has been prepared for him.

The Reverend Mr. Eckel has for years been one of the leaders of the Church of the Nazarene in America. Over the last 30 years he has held important church offices in widely scattered parts of the country. For some time he was superintendent of the California district of the Church of the Nazarene. Later he was chosen superintendent of the Florida district, and concurrently served as pastor of the church at Miami, the largest of that denomination in the southeastern area. Until he departed for Japan early in May, Mr. Eckel was pastor of the church at Avon Park.

While in Japan, the couple will stay with their son and daughter-in-law, the Reverend and Mrs. W. A. Eckel, of 93 Takehaya-cho, Koishikawa, Tokyo, who have been missionaries in Japan for the Church of the Nazarene for nearly 25 years, most of that time in Kyoto and Kobe.

The Eckel family is unique in that all of its members have at some time lived in Japan. Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Eckel of Miami, Florida, a son and daughter-in-law, were for five years residents of Kobe, where Mr. Eckel taught in several universities. They returned to the United States in 1935. Mrs. Stephen Burton of Sparr, Florida, a daughter, was a teacher in Kyoto several years ago. During her stay in Japan she was Miss Florence Eckel. Mrs. R. E. Murphey, another daughter of Miami, Florida spent four months in Kobe in the summer of 1934, visiting her son, Howard Norton, a newspaperman, who for the last year has been a resident of Tokyo.

Other members of the Eckel family who have lived or are now living in Japan are William D. Eckel, formerly a student at Canadian Academy, Kobe, who graduates this year from Pasadena College, California; Azalea Eckel, also a former Canadian Academy student, now attending school in Los Angeles, and Baldwin and Talbot Eckel, twin sons of W. A. Eckel, who are now attending the American School in Tokyo.

Avon Park School Faculty Complete

Completion of the faculty for the Avon Park schools for the coming school term was announced this week by Col. F. N. K. Bailey, superintendent of public instruction. Acting on the recommendation of the local board of trustees the county board named Miss Elizabeth Jinks, an honor graduate of the Florida State College for Women and whose home is in Tallassee, as teacher of mathamatics to take the place of Miss Erass Arrant, resigned. Miss Jeanette Cook, also a graduate of the State College for Women, was appointed to take the place of Miss Sarah Rutledge. Miss Cook will also have charge of the girls' athletics in addition to her other duties.

COMMISSIONERS GET ASSESSMENT ROLL TUESDAY

Assessments For County Show Big Increase Over Last Year's Roll

Highlands county commissioners sitting as the equalization board Tuesday, accepted the assessment roll from Tax Assessor P. G. Gearing and afterwards heard several complaints as to assessments. This was just a portion of the work done at their regular meeting which included adopting a preliminary estimate of income, except for taxes, prepartory to making the 1938 budget, filling the jury box for the county judge's court, hearing a lengthy report from Miss Marian Roe, child welfare supervisor, as to the work said to have been done in this county by her department and allotting $120 per year for her work. The board also voted to contribute $250 from the publicity fund to the Florida National Exhibits and to be used for the Florida exhibit at the New York World's Fair.

Figures from the assessment roll show that the general roll is about $50,000 above the 1937 roll, $36,000 of which is in homesteads. The figures for the roll are as follows:

Real estate (non-exempt)	$1,573,340
Personal property	315,990
Railroad and telegraph	453,000
Homestead exempt real estate	320,880
Total	$2,663,210

The total for last year was $2,615,081.

The intangible tax roll, all of the proceeds of which go to the state, also shows a big increase over 1937. The figures are:

1938	$908,567
1937	583,591
Increase	$325,048

The commissioners will meet again next Tuesday to complete their work as an equalization board and also to adopt the 1938 budget.

It was reported that 75 percent of 1937 taxes have been collected which is slightly under the percentage collected for 1936.

Complaints on assessments heard included those from Harry Mc Corkle, E. J. McPeck and O. P. Allen on groves adjacent to Sebring. They claimed their assessments were not in line with adjacent property and Assessor Gearing said he would review the property and report at the next meeting.

R. R. Brown, local manager of the Florida Public Service Co. asked for an adjustment on both the real and personal property assessments of his company. He said that taxes had to be paid out of revenue and his company had done nothing regarding an adjustment for several years. He compared the Avon Park plant with other buildings in the city and said the assessment is out of line. The plant at present is now used for emergency and standby purposes, he said. He further stated his company's gross revenue in Highlands county is $77,000, a large portion of which is required for taxes. The plant is assessed at $47,500 and he thought $25,000 would be fair. After deliberation the board cut the assessment to $40,000.

Former Resident Dies

Word was received here this morning of the death on Wednesday at St. Petersburg of Mrs. Dessie Huff, a former resident of this city. Mrs. Huff had a number of friends here, was a member of the Methodist church and was greatly interested in fraternal work, especially in the Eastern Star of which she was a member.

BAILEY PREDICTS 7 MONTH SCHOOL TERM FOR COUNTY

COUNTY LOST HUGE AMOUNT OF BACK TAXES

Murphy Act Has Wrecked County Finances Over State Says Comptroller

Talahassee, July 6 (Special) — The Murphy Act has cost the state of Florida and its 67 counties more than $8,000,000, according to incomplete reports from 56 of the 67 counties filed in the office of State Comptroller J. M. Lee. Tax liens totaling $8,123,720 have netted the state, the counties, the school boards and other taxing units $181,816.

Through the operations of this act Highlands county was deprived of $114,990.23 in regularly assessed taxes, taxes totaling $115,642.86 having been settled for the insignificant sum of $652.63. The regular operations of the county and school board have been curtailed accordingly and the prompt taxpayers have been penalized.

No reports have been compiled for Calhoun, Hernando, Liberty, Dixie, Putnam, St. Johns, Santa Rosa, Taylor and Wakulla, while only very incomplete figures are available from Citrus and Duval counties.

One of the counties showing the greatest loss was Lake, where $594,718 in tax liens netted the taxing units only $2,060. Escambia County netted only $2,006 from tax liens totaling $499,487. In Volusia County, $369,485 netted the taxing units only $2,729. Down in big old Dade, the Murphy Act cost the guys who paid the taxes four-fifths of a million dollars, as $884,736 in tax liens were wiped off the books for $6,652, the difference between the two figures being saddled on the backs of the people who have been paying their taxes all these years.

Nothing netted a full, round goose-egg, the Murphy Act buyers in Monroe County failing to bid as much as a thin dime of the taxes for $186,906 in tax liens. In this county, the buyers bid only the costs.

In some counties, tax-paying groups refused to permit the terrific losses and organized their own groups to bid against the Murphy buyers, Leon proving the most successful by netting more than 50c on the dollar for its tax liens as $9,045 of tax assets brought the county $5,906.

Floyd E. Harnage Joined U.S. Marines

Floyd E. Harnage, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Harnage of this city was among the young men accepted for service in the Marine Corps Tuesday and was transferred to the Marine Barracks at Parris Island, S. C., for training prior to assignment to some service school, ship or marine barracks for duty, announced Captain A. C. Small, District Recruiting Officer at Savannah, Ga.

Young Harnage formerly attended the Avon Park High School, he intends to continue his studies while in the Marines through the medium of the Marine Corps Institute which maintains courses in most of the arts, trades and sciences and is free of all cost to members of the Marine Corps.

Entrance examinations for service in the Marines are now being held at the Marine Corps Recruiting Station, Post Office Building, Savannah, Ga., full information and application blanks will be forwarded upon request.

Florida Medfly Committee Named

Washington, D. C., July 7 — (FNS)—A special committee to survey Florida fruit fly losses will meet at the call of Secretary of Agriculture Wallace, July 9, here.

$10,000 was provided by Congress for the survey which will be made by the following committee: James W. Morton, Athens, Ga.; Arthur Porcher, Cocoa; Dr. J. G. Crump, Winter Haven; Ben H. Thibodeaux, agricultural department economist; Bernard Conner, assistant business manager of the Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine.

Blames Murphy Act For Money Shortage When Asking Help From Race Track Funds Which Is Refused.

Blaming the Murphy act for the shortage of school funds and predicting a seven months term for the next school year, unless help is forthcoming, County Superintendent F. N. K. Bailey asked the county commissioners Tuesday for an appropriation of $12,000 from the race track fund in order to have a full school term. Col. Bailey was backed in his request by T. V. Conway, county school board chairman, who cited figures to show that although tax collections were about the same for 1936-37 and 1937-38, tax redemptions had dropped from $18,226.85 in the 1936-37 period to $3,865.67 for the 1937-38 period and he claimed the Murphy Act as being responsible for this condition. The poll tax payments have also dropped from $4,718.00 to $568.00 for the same periods. Tax collections had only declined $45.00, Mr. Conway said.

Regretfully but unanimously the county commissioners later said they felt they must refuse the request as they are in the same boat due to the Murphy Act and if they did allocate the money from the race track fund they would be forced to raise the millage to such an extent that it might bring on a tax strike. They pointed out they could only levy additional millage for outstanding indebtedness and this had not been incurred as yet but would be if they donated the money as the county finances would be crippled.

In making his request Col Bailey said the schools of Highlands county rank among the five highest rated counties in the state but unless some help is forthcoming the term would have to be cut to seven months. He stated that some counties give all of the race track money to the schools. Revenues are $18,500 below last year and all economies possible had been made, he said. He admitted the county would have to raise the millage and said that while the county could do this the schools could not according to law and had already levied all the millage possible. He said he did not want to see the school system disrupted as it would hurt all the children and would not make the request unless he thought it necessary.

Mr. Conway concurred in all Col. Bailey said and added that the schools ran for the full term last year as a balance was carried over from the previous year. Increased school enrollment called for more funds, he said and added that the Murphy act had hit schools hard as had the elimination of the poll tax. He also mentioned the refunding of district bonds which he said would save the taxpayers $86,000.

Answering a question of Commissioner W. W. Bell, district two, Col. Bailey said the colored schools do not cost the county one cent, the Federal and state governments providing these funds.

Methodist Conf'ence At Lake Byrd Lodge

The Florida Methodist Conference Young People's Organization held a Union Coaching Conference at Lake Byrd Lodge, the weekend of July 2-4. Fourteen of the 30 unions in the state were represented.

The purpose of the retreat was to acquaint newly elected union officers with the organization of the conference work and to make plans for the new year. The program of the conference included group discussion, worship services and recreation.

Leaders for the conference were Miss Margaret Turner, Lakeland, state director of young people's work; Rev. R. Ira Barnett, Lakeland, executive secretary of the board of Christian education; Dan Price, Palatka, president of the young people's organization; Rev. F. L. Martin, Pahokee; Robert Boggs, Orlando; and Lionel Nelson of DeLand.

The annual session of the Florida State Fraternal Congress will be held at the Angebilt Hotel, Orlando, Thursday, July 7, it was announced this week by Herbert R. Beers, president of the State Congress.

Speaking of Sports—

White Hope Era Forecast With Louis Victory

By GEORGE A. BARCLAY

OLD-TIMERS who saw Joe Louis polish off Max Schmeling in two minutes and fifteen seconds in their recent championship fight in New York are predicting that another open season for White Hopes looms ahead—a season reminiscent of the almost forgotten days of a generation ago when Carl Morris, Jim Flynn, Luther McCarthy, Frank Moran and Jess Willard were crowding their way up for a chance at the heavyweight belt which dusky Jack Johnson had won from Jim Jeffries.

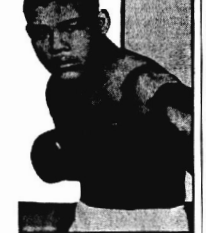
But it's going to take a mighty good man to give Joe any competition, on the basis of his sensational knockout of the crafty Schmeling. From all appearances he is going to be the top-man heavyweight for a number of years to come. There was considerable doubt about that before the fight, particularly in view of his knockout in 1936 by Schmeling and his indifferent showing a while back against the mediocre Tommy Farr.

Joe showed he was a great champion, though, and finally made good the predictions made about his fistic genius two years ago when he was knocking all opposition cold and before he met Schmeling the first time.

Schmeling wasn't in Louis' fight this time. It was a massacre from the start. Louis smothered the puzzled German with fists and had him on the canvas almost as soon as the fight started. He clubbed him down twice more before the fight was stopped. The kidney punch which Max said disabled him and which necessitated his having hospital treatment afterward for a broken vertebra was delivered after Louis had rocked Max with blows to the head.

$200,000 a Minute

Louis had the distinction of being the only champion in history to knock out an opponent before the first round was over. He also set a new world's record for earnings. His share of the gate was $400,000,



JOE LOUIS

making his time worth approximately $200,000 per minute, or $3,225.80 per second.

Promoters will probably look in vain for anyone in the present crop of heavyweights sufficiently handy with his fists to relieve Joe of his crown. **Only three fighters of today would stand an outside chance: Max Baer, who rehabilitated his reputation as a big-time performer when he fought Tommy Farr recently; Tony Galento, who has been called the "human punching bag"; and Gunnar Barlund, the doughty Swede, who stopped Buddy Baer just when that young man seemed headed toward a ring career.**

Max is scheduled to meet Joe in September for a crack at the title. How much of a fight Max would be able to make against the champion is extremely problematical. The Baer who knocked out Schmeling, Carnera and others would make a good showing.

But the Baer who lost to Braddock and Louis wouldn't stand the ghost of a show. Max Baer's chances for future success depend on his physical condition and on his mental state. He can beat fighters he thinks he can beat, if he is in condition. In or out of condition he would be a push-over for Louis unless he conquered the jitters that had him shaking just before his previous fight with Louis.

Night Clubs Out

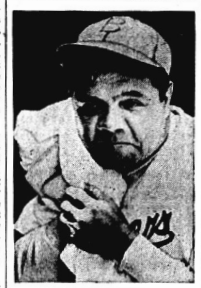
Baer claims he is in condition and that he will train faithfully and this seems to be borne out by the facts. He has cut out the night club stuff since his marriage and the birth of his son. His decisive victory over Tommy Farr of England, more decisive than Louis scored over Farr, indicates he is telling the truth. He is only twenty-nine years old. When he's right he can hit hard enough to knock anybody out.

If Max can't stop Louis and the odds are that he won't, then Galento and Barlund are all that stand in the way. That is, until a modern crop of White Hopes begins to fight its way up for the chance to meet the Brown Bomber.

Babe Manager?

WHEN the canny Larry McPhail, business manager of the Brooklyn Dodgers, signed Babe Ruth as coach recently, he not only added thousands of dollars a year to the pulling power of the Dodgers at the turnstiles, but he aroused one speculation that intrigues sports fans everywhere. **Will the Babe be Brooklyn's next manager?**

From all indications the popularity of Manager Burleigh Grimes is



BABE RUTH

waning rapidly, not only with the fans but with the management. While the announcement of Ruth's appointment as coach broke as sudden news, those on the inside say negotiations have been under way for weeks and that it was Ruth himself who sold the management on the idea of signing him.

There isn't much chance of a switch until the season is over, if it does occur then. The Babe has been away from the game long enough to be just a bit rusty. Moreover, he will have to acquaint himself with the strength and weaknesses of National league teams and players. But by next year, the insiders say, he will be ready.

What kind of a manager would Ruth make? Baseball men are unanimous on the subject of his ability. **They say he has baseball sense—an asset you must be born with. One authority declares there never was an outfielder in the majors who made fewer mistakes than the Babe.** This instinct guides a manager as well as a player in making decisions, the results of which will win or lose ball games.

Fans everywhere have wondered why Ruth hasn't been given a manager's job up to now. Colonel Ruppert, owner of the New York Yankees, gave the Babe serious consideration for the job, but decided otherwise because he believed the home-run king was too happy-go-lucky.

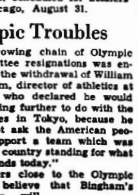
Here and There—

JOE LOUIS is the fifteenth holder of the heavyweight championship under Marquis of Queensberry rules . . . The only other colored fighter to gain the title was Jack Johnson . . . Fred Fulton, who once had designs on the heavyweight championship, is managing a summer resort at Park Rapis, Minn. . . . Umpire Bill Dinneen of the American league staff nominates Ty Cobb and Hal Chase as the greatest players of all time . . . Fred Perry, who set high earnings while an amateur at $20,000 a year, made almost $100,000 his first year as a professional . . . The Baltimore Orioles, who sent 6 foot 5 inch Jim Mellon to the Giants, have signed a pitcher named Jim Higgins, who stands 6 feet 7 inches . . . Duluth, Minn., has offered the Washington Redskins facilities and a $1,500 guarantee to train there for the All-Star game with the College All-Americans, scheduled for Soldiers' field, Chicago, August 31.

Olympic Troubles

THE growing chain of Olympic committee resignations was enlarged by the withdrawal of William J. Bingham, director of athletics at Harvard, who declared he would have nothing further to do with the 1940 games in Tokyo, because he "could not ask the American people to support a team which was going to a country standing for what Japan stands today."

Observers close to the Olympic situation believe that Bingham's resignation will have the effect of increasing the aloofness of American colleges toward the event—an aloofness resulting from the action of the international Olympic committee in changing the dates for various countries so as to make it almost impossible for American undergraduates to participate in the games.



William J. Bingham

Original 1940 Olympic dates were set for August 25 to September 21, permitting the collegiate athletes plenty of time to compete and return to America for their autumn school terms. Then a change requested by Japan, and supported by Italy and Germany was made, moving the dates from September 21 to October 6. The United States and England, protesting vigorously, were overruled.

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Washington Digest

National Topics Interpreted

By WILLIAM BRUCKART

WASHINGTON.—It is entirely possible that many people have failed to piece together several developments of national import lately, and may have missed the significance of an action of congress in its closing days. The two incidents to which I refer are the federal grand jury indictment at South Bend, Ind., of a number of automobile manufacturing executives and the action of congress in adoption of a resolution providing for a broad-gauge inquiry into big business. The two, when pieced together, spell a sensational drive against the "malefactors of great wealth."

Great Wealth On Grill

The result? Well, let's examine the scheme, the pattern and the prospects.

There was a period in 1936, it will be recalled, when business interests felt that President Roosevelt was preparing to follow a middle-of-the-road policy as far as government relations with business was concerned. During that period, there was a considerable improvement in general business. In that interim of time, as far as any observers could reach a conclusion, the President was relying on advice from many men in whom business had confidence. But there came a sudden end. Out of the clear sky, Mr. Roosevelt proposed reorganization of the Supreme court of the United States and the addition of six justices whom he could appoint at once. Through weeks of battle when it became apparent that one guess was as good as another whether the President would win, business men and women again became afraid. That was when the present depression began. It was also the time when Mr. Roosevelt turned away from his previous close advisers and began listening to the new brain trust which has come to be known as the "board of strategy."

As the depression became sharper and the numbers of unemployed increased with startling rapidity, the board of strategy sought means to offset the condition. The group also had to find a goat—which is always done when plans go awry. There followed then the vicious and intemperate attacks on "big business" by the trust-busting Robert H. Jackson, then favored at the White House as the next Democratic candidate for the New York governorship. Secretary Ickes also let loose his vocabulary and none can deny the interior secretary's capacity for speaking biting words. For weeks and weeks, we were treated to a barrage of words in which "big business" was pictured as the cause of the pale of good citizenry and ought to be destroyed.

The trust-busting drive was not as successful in gaining public acclaim as had been hoped for. The truth is that it failed to stir the country excited at all and the profit to the trust busters did not materialize as had been the case when "Teddy" Roosevelt was swinging a big stick of demagogueery in the same field of political endeavor. Indeed, this drive flopped at the start whereas the drive by the earlier Roosevelt was good politics for several years.

It was here, according to the best information available, that the tactics changed. The change in methods is the real reason for the story. Thus, it can be said that the trust-busting drive is still going on as strong as ever but it is going on in several fields without any apparent connection because the board of strategy has lost none of its determination to convince the nation that it is being ruined by those same malefactors of great wealth toward which Teddy Roosevelt waved his fist and bared his teeth.

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Now, to put the pieces of the picture together. The first section comprises the indictment of the automobile people, Ford, Walter P. Chrysler, Alfred P. Sloan and William Knudsen, among some sixty-odd officials of Ford, Chrysler and General Motors and their agencies affiliated with them in the financing of motor cars bought on the installment plan. They are charged with violation of the antitrust laws, although how anybody can believe that Ford interests ever could or would play ball with the other two, I have been unable to see. Anyway, big news stories were carried by the press services from South Bend, and the department of justice have had much "background" information which officials were delighted to hand to any inquiring reporter. They did this in order to co-operate with the press inasmuch as the story was so sensational and so vast in scope that none of us writers here could possibly be permitted to miss any phase of it.

How the Picture Looks

The other phase of the continuing drive against "big business" takes the form of a great inquiry, thinly disguised as a general study of business practices. It is a somewhat unusual type of investigation and is to be managed in a very unusual manner. The committee that will do the job is made up of three senators and three representatives, and a representative from each of a number of executive departments and commissions. And the important fact in addition is that the $500,000 which the investigation will cost will be expended under the direction of President Roosevelt.

To bring it down to simple terms, when congress adopted the resolution for the inquiry, the board of strategy was able to turn on enough political steam to force adoption of an amendment giving the funds under the direction of the President, rather than under control of congress, as usually is done when congress participates in an investigation. That action means that investigators for the committee will be able to rely upon laws covering inquiries and searches made by the department of justice, the federal trade commission, the securities and exchange commission and the national labor relations board, among others. The combined powers will be all-comprehensive.

To explain further the full meaning of these broad powers, it is necessary to cite constitutional provisions prohibiting illegal search and seizure. The investigators for the committee must be able to dig deep into private records of any bank or corporation or individual if they are to accomplish fully the desire of the board of strategy for complete exposure of all the secrets of business. When they get all of those records, of course they can analyze them and place their own construction on the business practices. That is today, by inference and innuendo, hint or open charge, the investigators can smear anything or anybody—and the newspapers will spread the information. It being an official investigation, it will be followed closely by the press and, as usual, there will be little chance for the individuals to reply. When they are marked to be smeared, they will be smeared, whether justly or unjustly. It is a deplorable thing that our government stoops to that sort of thing but it has done so in a number of instances.

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Now, as to the main objectives. Every indication is that the guiding hands in the projected investigation are determined to destroy two great masses of capital. I mean, they intend to break up the concentration of men and money in two instances. The banking house of J. P. Morgan and company, and the huge industrial setup of the DuPonts are marked. Whether they like it or not, those two groups are to be made the goats of the depression of 1937-38, and those on the inside recognize that it is a fight to the finish. There will be other corporations, other individuals, whose business lives will be laid bare, but the Morgans and the DuPonts are the real targets. The board of strategy believes the Morgan bank and the DuPont interests are chiefly responsible for the refusal of business to yield on many of the crackpot ideas of the professors, and so it is inevitable those two groups will be cast as the villains.

Hit Morgan And DuPont

There arises, next, the question whether such an investigation and such a prosecution as has been started at South Bend will do the country any good. One ought not prejudge. It may be that the motor magnates and their corporations are guilty as pups. It may be that the Morgans and the DuPonts and scores of others among families with great fortunes have set about to wreck the New Deal. But the question in my mind is: why has it not been discovered before? It seems to me that if there was so much corruption, so much improper influence being exercised and such illegal use of moneyed power as is represented by those who were pushing the investigation, it should have been found out—at least suspected—several years ago. Mr. Roosevelt has been in office five years and it appears strange that there was no effort to uncover these demons until the business of the country as a whole lost confidence in the policies of the national administration.

These developments have come along as the depression grew worse. They reach their climax of preparation at a time when another federal agency, the board of governors of the federal reserve system, says that the industrial depression in the United States now is the worst in the world. Neither England nor any other industrial country abroad has experienced a depression that has been as precipitous as the United States is experiencing, the board said in an official statement.

The power is not given to me to determine the numerous and varied facts, but the processes of deduction eliminate many possible causes for our nation's condition—most of them, indeed, excepting governmental meddling and the harassing of business, big and little.

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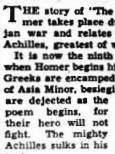
GREAT BOOKS—

Siege of Troy Recounted in Homer's Story

By ELIZABETH C. JAMES

THE story of "The Iliad" by Homer takes place during the Trojan war and relates the wrath of Achilles, greatest of warriors.

It is now the ninth year of siege when Homer begins his epic and the Greeks are encamped on the shores of Asia Minor, besieging Troy. They are dejected as the poem begins, for their hero will not fight. The mighty Achilles sulks in his tent.



Elizabeth James

Agememnon, commander of Greek forces, had demanded a slave girl who had previously been awarded to Achilles as part of the spoils of battle. Thus unjustly treated by his commander, Achilles retired to his tents with his followers and refused to fight.

During the days of this quarrel, conversations among the men relate previous happenings.

Helen, most beautiful woman of history, was wooed by every prince of Greece. To protect the fortunate winner, all these chieftains swore to defend Helen, should the necessity ever arise. She finally chose Menelaus to be her husband. Sometime after this, Paris of Troy, a handsome youth, came to visit at the palace of Menelaus. When he returned, he took Helen back to Troy with him. Thus all Greek chieftains were called upon to fulfill their vows and reclaim Helen.

Pretends to Be Mad.

Ulysses, happily married, did not wish to go on such a quest. He pretended madness, and plowed the fields, sowing salt.

TRADITIONAL POET

The Iliad and the Odyssey were recited or performed every four years at Athens during the classical period. Homer is the traditional poet of these two poems; he has no existence apart from his poetry. The facts of his life are traditional or are surmised from his writings.

As far back as the classical period in Greece, Homer was an ancient poet. The classical Greeks made translations of his work, they wrote lives of Homer, they taught his poems and made analyses of his work. The language which he used in the original poems was ancient to the classical Greeks.

When the boats were ready to sail for Troy, the winds stopped. An oracle explained that a maiden of royal birth must be sacrificed. So, Iphigenia, daughter of Agamemnon, was made a human propitiation to the god of winds.

Nine years of encampment then followed with neither side gaining much advantage. Meanwhile within the walls of Troy, Helen's great beauty had so completely captured the Trojan people that they fought madly to keep her within their city.

Hector Challenges.

Then occurred the incident of the slave girl and Achilles' wrath. Hector, the greatest warrior of Troy came forth and issued a challenge for individual combat. But no one answered. Achilles was the only man to fight this Trojan warrior, and Achilles would not fight. Then Patroclus, dear friend of Achilles, borrowed the armor of Achilles and went forth to uphold the fair name of the Greeks.

From his tents Achilles saw his friend die. With a roar he rushed into the battle, but he had no armor. He would recover Patrochus' body for burial. The sound of his voice was enough; the Trojans were back inside the wall.

Achilles must have new armor. His goddess mother came and offered to have a suit forged in the fires of Vulcan.

Achilles Fights Hector.

Clad in his new armor, Achilles sought Hector for combat. The mighty warriors were evenly matched. Around they circled, each seeking an opening in the other's guard. Time and yet they fought furiously, neither gaining advantage over the other. A goddess favoring Achilles flew down from Olympus and clouded the eyes of Hector, so that Achilles succeeded in smiting him a powerful stroke with his sword. Hector lay in the dust, his plumes and fine clothing despoiled. A wail went up from the tops of the walls of Troy as Achilles fastened thongs in the heels of Hector and tied him to his chariot, then drove madly round the walls of Troy.

Late at night there came a visitor to the tents of Achilles. It was Priam, aged king of Troy and father of Hector. Weeping, he pleaded for the body of his son, he recounted the glory of Hector and with tears of love he proved that Hector was too noble to be forced to wander forever through the shades for lack of proper burial. Achilles heard his prayer with compassion and gave to him the body of his son.

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WHO'S NEWS THIS WEEK

By LEMUEL F. PARTON

NEW YORK. — When Charles Maurras came out of the Sante prison last year, he was met by a committee of distinguished Frenchmen, who nominated him for the Nobel peace prize and said they would make him a member of the Academy. They have just fulfilled the latter promise, and M. Maurras becomes an immortal by a majority of one vote.

Leaves Jail To Get Bid To Academy

He had spent 250 days in jail on a charge of having urged the assassination of 140 members of the chamber of deputies who had voted for sanctions against Italy; also on a charge of inciting the French people to "sharpen up their kitchen knives" for use against certain proscribed politicians.

In the 250 days he had written five books, swelling his vast collection of books on biography, politics, economics, literary criticism, history and what not to probably well over 100. I talked to him once in the Cafe des Lilas, a fragile, deaf, bearded old man with a contentious, blazing mind which makes one think of a sizzling battery running an automobile without any engine.

In 1923, he was in jail for four months in a somewhat anti-climatic adventure for one who was to be garlanded as an immortal. Three members of the chamber of deputies were kidnaped and fed castor oil—Mussolini is said to have got his broad prospectus of Fascism from Maurras—and the bald head of one of them was painted with violet ink and glue.

Showed Duce Technique Of Terror

In 1935, M. Maurras was sentenced to two years in prison, the charge being that he had threatened to kill the minister of the interior. Among the causes of his incarceration in October, 1936, was conspiracy evidence in the assault on Premier Leon Blum, in which he was severely beaten, while attending the funeral of a friend.

His books and virulent editorials against democracy in the Royalist, paper, translated into many languages, are the fount of Fascist doctrine all over the world. His hatred of democracy is savage and vitriolic. He is witty, learned, brilliant and he has the most excoriating and corrosive vocabulary in France.

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A FOOTNOTE to the main text of the world discussion on Japan bombing babies is the interchange between Avery Brundage, chairman of the American Olympic committee, and William J. Bingham (Bill the Plugger), Harvard athletic director. Mr. Brundage says it has nothing to do with sports, and Mr. Bingham says it has—with sportsmanship, at any rate—and he withdraws from the committee and the 1940 games.

Jap Bombs Cause Rift In Olympics

The sports writers are becoming almost metaphysical in weighing and appraising the moral values of the argument. Bill the Plugger says, in effect, that he won't play with baby-killers.

He became Bill the Plugger by losing 19 races at Harvard and winning the twentieth. Thereafter, he was Harvard's crack miler.

He started out plugging at the age of fourteen, leaving school to work in a mill and help support his five younger brothers and sisters. He saved $30, went to Exeter and worked his way through Exeter and Harvard.

He came out of the war a captain with appropriate decorations, did a turn in the banking business in Texas and became Harvard graduate supervisor and track coach in 1931. On the side, he is president of a concern which imports rubber goods.

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Mr. Lambert Keeps Mind On Yachts

IF GERARD B. LAMBERT builds a house, they're likely to find a center-board and a skyg'l yard on it. It's hard to see how he can get his mind off his yachting, but, at any rate, he becomes special adviser to Stuart McDonald, federal housing administrator.

The gargles and shaves of the multitudes built his chemical fortune at St. Louis. He was one of the original backers of Lindbergh and the originators of great advertising slogans.

Author of a spirited "Defense of Babbitts" in the American Mercury, commander of the Eastern Yacht club at Marblehead, Mass., he maintains a valhalla for gallant old yachts.

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Saved by Telephone Wires

When their plane crashed near Durban, South Africa, two Byers hail on telephone wires and escaped death.

A Disciple of Eve

By MARY M. BUDD

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IT WAS Delia Strong's birthday, a fact that her niece Elizabeth always remembered with a note of congratulations, and a suitable gift. That morning the postman had brought her Elizabeth's unfailing reminder. When Delia opened the thick envelope she discovered a crisp ten dollar bill wrapped around the usual birthday card. On the card was scrawled in Elizabeth's delicate script: "This money is for you to spend on a spree in the city. If you do not use it for this purpose you must return it, but don't dare do such a thing."

Delia drew the crackling bill through her fingers, extracting thrills of anticipation from its mere contact. There was no reason why she could not go to the city that day. Her black taffeta would be just the thing to wear. Perhaps after getting her ticket there would be enough left of the $10 to buy an inexpensive new hat.

Delia sang happily as she went about her preparations. She told herself that this birthday promised to be almost as wonderful as her eighteenth birthday. That had been a day of sunshine and zephyr clouds, just as this one was. Dan Moncrief had taken her for a drive to the old mill pond, which lay limpid and darkly cool under the shadow of the interlaced willows. It was there that Dan told her of his love. But duty to her frail and dependent parents had been the sacrifice demanded of her. Dan's business had called him away. Years passed, and eventually he had married someone else.

Now, although she was alone in the old home, and each loved parent was laid away for the long rest, Delia did not feel that fate had been unkind to her. She had tasted once of the essence of life, and the memory of it kept her young, her sympathies warm.

Upon reaching the city Delia became uncomfortably aware that her black taffeta was hopelessly out of date. She shrank back in dismay when she caught a reflection of herself in the mirror-like shop windows. Did she really look like that? The exquisite gowns displayed behind the glittering glass filled her with a desire for possession.

A marcelled, satin-sheathed saleslady glided smilingly toward her. Delia felt her courage ooze and the change from the $10 shrivel in her pocketbook. That saleslady knew exactly how to handle the timid little country woman who "just looking around." She had no intention of losing an hour of her time without recompense. She brought the full battery of her craftsmanship to bear upon Delia's desire.

"There," she finished, as she pressed a smart little hat over Delia's russet hair. "Now, madam, look at yourself." And Delia obeyed with the result that she signed a check which meant the price of her winter coal.

But reaction set in when the day ended and she started for home. What a fool she had been!

"Why," exclaimed a hearty voice beside her, "bless my soul, if it isn't Delia Strong! Delia's hands were grasped warmly and looking up, she saw Dan Moncrief's jovial face; aged, to be sure, but none the less the Dan of her memory.

"This is luck," he continued delightedly. "When my business called me east I was determined to see you again, and was on my way now. Bless my soul if you aren't as young and lovely as you were years ago. I dreaded to find you changed. Come into the restaurant and have some coffee and a powwow. There will be another train in an hour."

During that hour Delia learned many surprising truths. Among them was the fact that Dan had lost his wife the previous year, and that although he had been reasonably happy, Delia was and always would be the real romance of his life. Delia in return made her confidences, and confessed her present dilemma.

"Never mind," comforted Dan. "You won't need coal in Southern California, where I am going to take you. But you will need that nifty outfit. You don't know what it means to me to find you looking so you do, Delia. You have always been the embodiment of my highest ideals. I was afraid you might have grown frumpy and careless of your personal appearance, as so many lonely women do."

Delia, thinking of her unpaid coal bill, gave a perplexed smile.

"Why do you smile?" questioned Dan with interest.

"I was just thinking how complex life is. The shades between right and wrong are so delicate it is often difficult to distinguish them. What I regard as the emergence of my extravagance here seems to be proved no Dan Moncrief in the world for me!"

"Ah, but you see there was Fate in a crafty jungler."

SHORT STORY

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Floyd Gibbons'

ADVENTURERS' CLUB



HEADLINES FROM THE LIVES OF PEOPLE LIKE YOURSELF!

"Too Darned Careful"

By FLOYD GIBBONS
Famous Headline Hunter

HELLO EVERYBODY:

You know, boys and girls, I've seen plenty of adventure yarns of lads who got into trouble from being too reckless, and lots about boys who landed in a tough spot because they were sort of absent-minded and didn't watch their step. But this is the first one I've ever seen where a man got into a jam because he was TOO CAREFUL.

Thomas McDonough of Woodside, N. Y., is today's Distinguished Adventurer, and Tom took such doggone good care of himself one day that he almost got killed.

That day was a cold one—in February, 1932. Tom is a structural steel worker—one of those lads who spends his days walking on narrow iron beams anywhere from ten to fifty stories above the street. On this day he just happened to be working on the Bankers Trust company building on Pine street in downtown Manhattan.

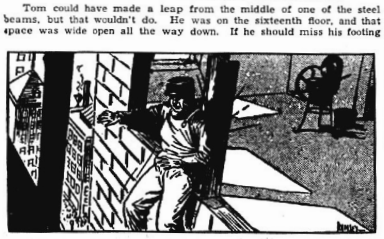
That was a sort of double-barreled job. The original Bankers Trust company building was located at No. 16 Wall street. They were building an annex right in back of it, at No. 9 Pine street. While they were building the new part they were at the same time renovating the old one, and ripping out the back end so that the two buildings could be joined into one.

Wanted to Be Certain of His Leap.

At the stage at which matters stood in February, 1932, there was a space, four or five feet wide, between the two buildings. "And that," says Tom, "is where my adventure started." While Tom was at work, the foreman called to him and told him to tell one of the men he wanted to see him. And Tom went too carefully about the business of getting that bird and sending him to the foreman.

Tom was in the new building and the fellow he was to call was in the old building. He wasn't anywhere in sight, so Tom started out to find him. To get across, he had to jump that four or five feet that still separated the two structures. "I could have crossed that space anywhere along the line without the slightest bit of trouble," Tom says, "but I thought I would be careful."

Tom could have made a leap from the middle of one of the steel beams, but that wouldn't do. He was on the sixteenth floor, and that space was wide open all the way down. If he should miss his footing



Tom Was Dangling in Space.

he'd have a straight fall to the bottom, and Tom wasn't taking any chances. He walked down to the end of the beam where a steel column rose upward toward the next floor. With a grip on that, for the leverage it would afford him, he could be a little bit more certain of his leap.

Tom reached the upright and grabbed it with his left hand to steady himself. He put out his right foot, bent his left leg and jumped. He put plenty of power behind that leap—plenty to carry him to the other side. But somehow he didn't move as far as he thought he would. At the last minute, something caught him and held him back.

Caught by His Overalls Strap.

Snatched back in midair, Tom had a breathless moment in which he was out over the opening, looking straight down into the cellar seventeen stories below. There was a split second when he was falling, but he didn't fall far. Only a couple inches—then he was brought up short.

With his back to the beam, he was dangling in space, and for a minute, he couldn't understand what had happened to him. Then it dawned on him that the strap on his overalls—the one in the back, used for tightening them around the waist—had somehow caught in a bolt in the steel column.

There were several of those bolts in the column. They had been left there in readiness for bolting on the new beams which were to connect the new building with the old. Tom didn't know which one he was caught on, and he couldn't find out. There he was HANGING IN MID AIR held up, he knew not how precariously, by something he could not see and could not reach.

"I couldn't turn around to grab hold of that column," he says, "and at the same time I couldn't reach the building on the other side. It was so near to me that it was heartbreaking. My fingertips would just about touch the column across from me—and that was all. I didn't dare move, because I realized that the strap might be looped over the very end of the bolt where the slightest motion would cause it to slip off. I held my breath."

Counting Seconds Until Death.

There was no one in sight of the spot where Tom was hanging, and there was so much din and clatter that yelling for help wouldn't do any good. On top of that, Tom was afraid to yell. He felt as if drawing in a big lungful of air would set him loose from his fastenings and send him crashing down those 17 stories to the cellar. And then, all of a sudden, Tom heard something that made him turn cold and sent the shivers running up his spine.

It was just a slight ripping sound—but it meant the difference between life and death. The strap that supported him was tearing—ripping away from his overalls, thread by thread!

"I looked down toward the cellar," Tom says, "and all I could see were the jagged edges of old steel that the burners had cut their way through. There wasn't anything I could do except hang there and count the seconds until the strap gave way."

And then, just as Tom was steeling himself for the fall, help hove in sight. It was none other than the man he had been sent to get, coming over from the other building. He saw Tom hanging there, leaped the narrow space, and hauled him back up again. Tom told him the boss wanted to see him, and went back to work, but he didn't feel much like working.

In fact, Tom has worked on several jobs since, and every once in a while he finds himself remembering that experience, and when he does, he begins to get dizzy. "So," says he, "I try not to think about it."

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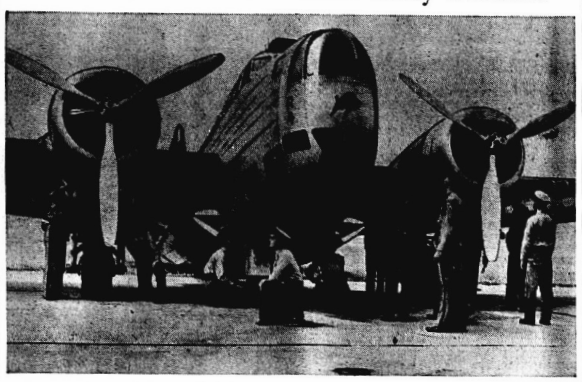
Land of Coffee Plantations

Stretching away from Sao Paulo, Brazil, is a vast tableland containing some 46,000 coffee plantations. Brazil has the incredible number of 3,000,000,000 coffee trees—which is 25 per cent more than in all the other countries combined—and more than half of them are concentrated in the state of Sao Paulo. There are 8,000,000 acres of fertile red soil, and here is produced a large part of the crop that annually averages more than 21,000,000 bags.

World Corn Harvesting

There are six months in the year in which corn is harvested in some part of the world—January, March, April, May, September, and October. New South Wales harvests its corn in January, Argentina in March or April, and South Africa in April or May. Virtually all of the countries of Europe gather this crop in September and October. Most of the corn in the United States is harvested in October. The United States is by far the leading producer of corn

West Pointers Learn About Army Bombers



A group of cadets of the new first class at the United States Military academy inspecting one of the new Douglas bombers at Mitchell field, N. Y., where the class spent a week studying aviation methods as part of their regular summer training.

12-Year-Old Girl Makes Geese Pay

Fay Jacques of Manchester, Maine, though only twelve years old is said to have the largest flock of geese in New England. She started six years ago with a small flock given her by her father, E. C.



Jacques, and now hires a man to help her care for the 500 goslings she raises in a season. Her ambition is to educate herself, then buy a farm and go into business. She expects the money she makes from raising geese to pay the cost.

Princess Beatrix Makes Her Bow



Princess Juliana and her consort, Prince Bernhard, proudly display their infant daughter, Princess Beatrix, who may one day rule the Dutch empire, at a reception at Soestdijk palace in The Hague for aged persons residing in the surrounding district. Many of these had an opportunity to see the little princess.

Jap Commanders in China War



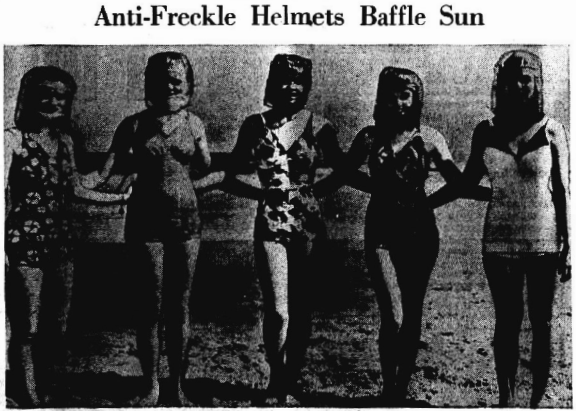
Gen. Hisaichi Terauchi (left, facing camera), commander-in-chief of the Japanese forces in North China and Gen. Shunroku Hata, commander-in-chief of the Japanese forces in central China, are shown at a meeting after the Nipponese had captured Suchow.

BEACH QUEEN



Esther Walker, eighteen-year-old beauty of Oceanside, Calif., won the title of "Miss Queen of the Beaches" at a contest at Oceanside in which more than 100 comely maidens from Southern California participated.

Anti-Freckle Helmets Baffle Sun



Prepared to repel the effects of too much sun are these five mermaids on the beach at Atlantic City, N. J. The oil-skin beach helmets are designed to protect them against freckles. From left to right the girls are: Betty Lewis, Peggy Muirland, Helen Rink, Helen Price and Jean Cowan.

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LESSON

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Lesson for July 10

CALEB: LIFE-TIME DEVOTION

LESSON TEXT—Joshua 14:6-15.
GOLDEN TEXT—Let us go up at once, and possess it; for we are well able to overcome it. Numbers 13:30.
PRIMARY TOPIC—Brave Caleb.
JUNIOR TOPIC—Caleb the Brave.
INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—A Hero's Reward.
YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Courage for Difficult Tasks.

"We need to know more about good men who are occasionally great, and less about great men who are occasionally good," says the Lesson Commentary, in pointing out that Caleb is one of the characters about whom the Bible does not say much, but in every case the word is one revealing high and noble character. Consider such passages as Numbers 13:6, 30; 14:7-9, 24, 30; 26: 65, as well as our lesson for today.

The background for our study of today, and in fact an integral part of the lesson itself, is the story of Caleb's courageous stand with Joshua when the spies returned from their visit to Canaan, which is related in Numbers 13. He was then a comparatively young man, but demonstrated by his every word and deed that he had from his youth learned to know and obey God.

Note first of all Caleb's

I. Perfect Obedience (vv. 6-8).

"I wholly followed the Lord my God." Such a testimony from a man like Caleb is no idle boast, no effort to parade his faith and piety before others. In saying it he was repeating what God and Moses had both said about him. In his heart he knew it to be true.

It is God's will for each of His children that they should come to such a place of simple trust and complete obedience that in every circumstance of life they need know only one thing—God's will, and then in faith to go and do it. It is a life beautiful in its transparent simplicity and powerful in the strength of God Himself.

II. Promised Inheritance (v. 9).

"Surely the land whereon thy feet have trodden shall be thine inheritance." Such was the promise of God through Moses. Forty-five long years had elapsed, but down through this period of wilderness wanderings and the conflict in subduing Canaan the promise had lived in Caleb's heart. He knew it would be fulfilled, and he waited serenely for God's time.

Such also are the promises of God which keep the heart singing in our hours of trial and sorrow, which light up the dark ways, which strengthen the heart of His children. Learn God's promises, cherish them in your heart, expect God to fulfill them.

III. Preserved Strength (vv. 10, 11).

"The Lord hath kept me alive . . . and I am . . . strong." Here was a man kept of God, in full vigor in his eighty-fifth year, "like a rock in a changeful sea, like a snow-capped peak in a change of cloud and storm and sun" (Meyer). No doubt there was what our forefathers liked to call "the longevity of the antediluvians," but even apart from that let us recognize that life and strength come from God, and that those who walk with God in holy living may count on Him for the renewed strength of Psalm 103:5.

An incidental, but extremely important, lesson, we should learn is that God has no age deadline. The church has frequently sinned against Him and against His faithful servants by "shelving them" for younger men, when they would have brought blessing to themselves and to the church by encouraging and using them. The writer of these lines is a young man, but he would speak here a word of loving admonition regarding his honored brethren who have gone on before to bear the brunt of the battle.

IV. Powerful Assurance (vv. 12-15).

"If . . . the Lord will be with me, then I shall be able." Caleb asked for no easy task. He was ready to go up against the giants of Hebron. Read Deuteronomy 3:11, and you will find that there were men in those days who needed thirteen-foot beds. But Caleb was not afraid. He counted not on his own strength, but on the power of God. It is significant that while the other sections of Canaan were only partially conquered Caleb brought his formidable adversaries entirely under control, so that "the land had rest from war" (v. 15).

The spiritual application to our day is evident and appropriate. There are giants in the land in this year of our Lord 1938. Corruption—social and political—raises its brazen head. Drunkenness and vice leer at us with the impudent suggestion that we cannot control them. There are giants "within us—greed, selfishness, love of ease, lust, passion, cruelty" (Blaikie). Are we to do nothing about them? If we are to meet them in the strength of the flesh we might almost as well do nothing. But in the power of God, we are like Caleb—able. In His name we may take up a slogan of today, "Let's do something about it!" and really do it, for His glory.

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State Press Comments

MENACES IN WAGE-HOUR LAW

Dale Miller, writing in the Texas Weekly, says that the so-called wages and hours bill, passed in the closing hours of the last session of the Seventy-Fifth Congress, "is probably the most iniquitous measure enacted during our generation." Mr. Miller declares that "it is unconstitutional in theory and will prove uneconomic in practice and unjust in application. It is a long stride toward collectivistic control of the economic pursuits of the people, and virtually consigns to death the remaining vestiges of the rights of the States. It is wholly political in character and demonstrates the extremes to which political expediency can subvert political principles. It is one of the most devastating examples of legislation ever directed against the South, and its 'compromises' are spurious and imaginary."

Admitting that it is difficult to justify such a harsh indictment, Mr. Miller, continuing and "without gloves" handles the act as parading behind the mask of humanitarianism. "It is piously praised by 'liberals' as a great social achievement in its protection of down-trodden labor from the ruthless exploitation of employers." But it is predicted that labor will suffer quite as much through this futile and costly effort to enslave free economic forces by imperious political fiat. Every intelligent person in the United States knows that the wage-hour Act is strictly, only and entirely "political." The humanitarian idea is used exclusively as propaganda. There is nothing in the new law that will immediately or in time contribute to the betterment of conditions of the working people.

Mr. Miller, showing some of the inaccuracies and inconsistent features of the law, and indicating that although it is perhaps generally believed that the maximum "legal" rate of payment is set up as to be started at 25 cents per hour, increasing to reach 40 cents in seven years, the facts are that the grand lord of labor and employment in the United States, to be appointed by the President, can have the 40 cents an hour applied immediately. It also is found that the "administrator, lord of labor" can have changed the hour of work, as he pleases.

The "child labor" feature, forbidding or rigidly regulating work by young persons of 18 years or less, undertakes control by Congress of American youth, although this has been repeatly denied by the Supreme Court as unconstitutional; and an amendment featured, from Russian sources, to regulate restrict or prohibit labor by such "children," has been refused by thirty-six states and is being hawked over the country in the fourteenth year after its launching by Congress.

Mr. Miller says that perhaps the most curious feature of this long controversy over the so-called wages and hours bill is the delusion complacently held by Southern Congressmen and most of their constituents that they won their fight with the North for regional wage differentials and that the South's nebulous industrial development has been stoutly protected. "The original House bill included no provisions for wage differentials . . . The compromise bill provides that an industry committee and the administrator shall consider 'competitive conditions as affected by transportation, living and production cost' in determining minimum wage standards. But the law is nevertheless perfectly clear in its provision that 'no classification shall be made, and no minimum wage rate shall be fixed, solely on a regional basis.'"

As effects of the law, Mr. Miller suggests that it will lead to a subtle erection of trade barriers between the States in contravention of the Constitution and to smuggling of contraband goods across State lines. It will produce a migration of labor from the impoverished South to the politically favored but over-crowded North, thus aggravating the problems of both. It will have a devastating effect on foreign trade if imports entering interstate commerce are ultimately brought within the bill's provisions. It will widen the gap between the rewards for labor on the farm and in the factory and pull further apart the agrarian and industrial poles of the economic axis. It will create one of the most gargantuan of Federal bureaus, requiring a huge personnel to administer, its extensive ramifications and an omniscience surpassing human sagacity to determine equitably the proper standards in all interstate industries and the manifold classifications within them.—Jacksonville Times Union.

AN OCEAN OF RELIEF MONEY

When one considers the billions that have been appropriated and handed to the politicians to spend "for relief," it brings forcibly to mind that the opportunity for using this huge volume of money, taken from the people generally in taxes and otherwise, politically, is amazing. Not that it would be fair to think of every person taking money from the politicians for "relief work or just plain relief payments," as being thereby bound to vote for the politician who is supposed to represent him in Washington. There are, of course, many who do not consider that a Government job is held only by party loyalty. But millions do. Many have been actually told just that; and many felt the implication.

"The main point is that the system gives to the politicians fortunate enough to control it, a richer, grander opportunity than ever politicians had before," suggests the Charleston Post. "What use they are making or will make of it is currently a matter for argument between friends and foes, but even the warmest friends and supporters of the Administration and of the public relief idea will not deny that the opportunity is there."

Frank R. Kent, putting the matter in figures and terms of potential voters gives us something to think about regarding the size of the relief population. According to Mr. Kent this coming Autumn will find four million farmers eligible for benefit checks, 3,000,000 families on WPA, 3,000,000 getting local relief benefits, 2,000,000 getting old-age pensions "and several millions more on Federal jobs of some kind," being paid well for whatever they are supposed to be doing.

The Post says that even if leaving out the millions indicated in the last group, as being rather indefinite, although well understood as "on the payroll," there would be a count of about 12,000,000 beneficiary units, which ought to have a minimum potential strength of 24,000,000 votes. "And that is a great many votes in anybody's country."

"In this connection, the details of Federal relief, the kind that is given the men who direct it, the methods of distribution, are all of minor importance," the Post suggests, "because the opportunity to use the treasury funds to influence the election results will continue to exist while relief is administered out of the Federal treasury on a large scale."

It is very well said that it will not matter how high-minded officials may be, the knowledge that they can use the relief funds to help themselves in politics will always create the suspicion that they will do so. It is too bad, but this is one of the vicious features of the Federal relief idea, which no amount of supposed improvement in unemployment or business conditions is valuable enough to offset. Only Federal Government withdrawal from relief distribution can settle this problem. The States could well manage relief—even with Federal help—and there would need to be no politics in it; or suspicion of what the politicians were doing—Jacksonville Times Union.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY
By RUSSELL KAY

One nice thing about being invited to a Florida Citrus banquet is that it provides an opportunity for a fellow to catch up on his consumption of Hawaiian pineapple and California canned fruits, but then I suppose serving "citrus fruit" to citrus growers would be somethin' like carryin' coals to Newcastle or makin' a shoemaker wear shoes.

Anyhow, I enjoyed a delightful evening last week as a guest of the Florida Citrus Commission at a dinner held in Lake Wales to give growers, shippers and newspaper men an opportunity to join in a round table discussion of "The things that were done and should not have been done and the things undone that should have been done and where do we go from here?"

Just how much good was accomplished is more or less problematical, but nevertheless it gave a lot of folks an opportunity to exhale their ideas, some of which were potently pregnant.

For a bunch of guys so fluent at discussin' citrus problems on the street corner, silence and absence of suggestions at the banquet was downright amazin' The chairman had to darn near get down on his knees and pray to entice anyone to say a word, in spite of the fact that there were four representatives and one state senator in the crowd, but when they finally did get goin' it turned out to be quite a party.

The general impression prevailing seemed to be that next season Florida is gonna have enough grapefruit to fill the Grand Canyon with the bulk of this fruit all cluttered up inside with a mess of seeds while the trade favors seedless varieties. Some folks felt an effort should be made to influence the public away from the infertile fruit and glorify those with seeds. Maybe advertisin' our "SEEDY" fruit is all right but it leaves a lot of leeway for misunderstandin' on the consumer's part.

Another question that arose was whether or not Florida fruit should be sold by the dozen or by the pound and it was pointed out that Florida fruit carries more weight than that of competitive sections, but if you ask me we better get busy and sell it by the carload if we want to keep a jump ahead of the well known wolf. I used to sell mine by the yard: $3 for the front yard and $1.25 for the back yard.

Somebody thought that if we'd quit quarrelin' devils get caught up with their tattooin' we could advertise our fruit as "Russets" and develop an exclusive market. Charley Korlyb, Chain Store Association secretary, advocated the name "Sun Tanned Fruit" and the idea isn't as screwey as it sounds. (The deep-throated growl of opposition you hear comes from insecticide manufacturers).

Trying' to be helpful, one guy called attention to the fact that in spite of the ceaseless efforts of the W. C. T. U. and the Anti-Saloon League, a whole hell of a lot of whisky is bein' consumed in this country every day, and if we could educate those who imbibe to follow each swig with a glass of grapefruit juice for a "chaser" it might solve our problem. The gentleman is inexperienced or he would have known that few folks would risk spoiling a good drink by puttin' the fire out with chemicals, although it is rumored that some "sissies" resort to water. However, the idea might work if you substitute the word "gin" for "whisky" and change "chaser" to "mixer". Gin and grapefruit juice is quite tolerable when properly blended.

George Burr, editor of the Winter Haven Herald, came out of his coma at the word "Whisky" and advanced one of the most intelligent suggestions of the evening. He thought it might be a good idea if we could impregnate each grapefruit with a jigger of Scotch. To improve on the suggestion I would recommend a slug of rye, then we could advertise most of our early fruit as "Whisky Sours."

But kiddin' aside, the present citrus problem is the grower's "morning after" and it is a headache and hangover that we can't laugh off. Our only answer is sincere and intelligent cooperation of all interests, to the end that the good of all will be served. A billion dollars advertising campaign won't help a group who won't try to help themselves, and cutting each others' throats, throwing monkey wrenches and gypping the public may be a delightful sport but it's damned poor business, only some folks have to live a long time before they find it out.

When we substitute brains, honesty, energy and confidence in the place of selfishness, greed, suspicion and sharp practice, we'll find black ink replacing red ink on our balance sheets.

EYE OPENERS—by Bob Crosby



Cork is an accumulation of dead cells on the tree bark. Spain and Portugal are the main sources of good cork. The trees are first stripped at 20 years of age, but produce no really good cork until they are about 40 years old. The word "cork" originated because so large a quantity is used for corks or stoppers on jugs and bottles.

Mary Joe Gill, 12-year-old Hollywood, California, girl, astounds cooking experts when she appears before large groups of women and easily cooks perfect cakes. She uses one of the new automatic oven heat controlled gas ranges.

Church Notes

UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
Dr. Alfred C. Elliott, Pastor

Sunday, July 10—Sunday school with classes to suit all ages, at 9:45 a. m. in charge of Superintendent P. P. Garber. Every child has a right to a religious education. Parents who desire their children to receive such education are invited to send or bring them to Sunday School where they are instructed in those great religious truths made known in the Holy Scriptures. Morning worship at 11:00 with sermon by Dr. Elliott, subject, "The Harvest of Light." The Young People's Pilgrim Fellowship Hour at 6:45 p. m. Julian C. Halsema will lead the meeting and Jean Correll will introduce the topic, "Righteousness in Our Nation." Young people of high school age are invited to join this group for Christian fellowship and discussion. The pastor and members of this church invite all who have no church home to come and find here cordial fellowship, reverent worship, and spiritual inspiration. "Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord our Maker."

METHODIST CHURCH
C. R. Mingledorff, Pastor

9:45 a. m. Church School. Every class with a capable teacher.

11:00 a. m. Morning Worship: Sermon subject, "Being Recognized by the People of the Town."

7:00 p. m. Senior and Junior divisions of the Young Peoples group, forging ahead, slowly but surely.

8:00 p. m. Evening Worship; Subject, "Courage."

8:00 p. m. Wednesday. Midweek Prayer Service.

7:30 p. m. Thursday. Intermediate Division Young Peoples Group.

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TAX-GRAM
by C. V. Kennedy, Executive Secretary
FLORIDA TAX REVISION LEAGUE

Jacksonville, Fla., July 7—C. P. Weidling of Fort Lauderdale was re-elected President of the Florida Tax Revision League at its Annual Meeting here Saturday.

Horace C. Avery, Jacksonville, was re-elected Treasurer, and E. H. Ramsey, Jacksonville, was re-elected Executive-Secretary. All other officers and directors were re-elected.

Following the meeting Mr. Weidling said: "The League will continue efforts for a constitutional amendment abolishing the ad valorem method of taxing property and the enactment of its general laws levying a tax on property on the basis of a definite percentage of its gross rent or rental value, or other use value, to replace the present ad valorem taxes.

"The system of taxation we propose", said Mr. Weidling, "will not only result in more equitable distribution of the property tax burden but will practically eliminate tax delinquency, tax adjustment, tax favoritism, and tax dodging—all of which will promote greater activity in building, reforestation, and other development of property.

Mr. Weidling said further: "The progress of the work of the League for the past year is most encouraging. We have enlisted the cooperation and support of many state and local organizations interested in taxation and many new individuals in all walks of life. The people generally are coming to realize that the only purpose of the Tax Revision League is to modernize our tax structure to more fairly and equitably distribute the tax burden and, thereby, promote sound development — in other words, build Florida.

"There are no jokers in our tax revision program", said Mr. Weidling. "The best proof of this is the fact that we propose that it be submitted to a referendum vote of the people. If we were seeking tax laws for the selfish benefit of some group or clique, we would not suggest a referendum vote, instead we would try to slip a bill through the Legislature quietly in the closing days when neither the Legislators nor the public would have time to discover the jokers."

State Cannot Enter Private Lands To Fight Forest Fires

State Forester Harry Lee Baker said today he had replied to complaints to the Florida Forest and Park Service of forest fires burning unchecked in various parts of the state, stating that his department has no authority and no legal right to go onto private land that is not under state fire protection to put out fires.

He made specific reference to the complaints of motorists that they had seen recently several fires burning in the woods on the highway between Daytona Beach and Jacksonville and he pointed out that between those cities the highway crosses only one fire control area of relatively small size. The rest of the forest land on both sides of the highway, he says, is at the mercy of landowners and the public.

Considerable educational work has been done and is bearing fruit in a more cooperative spirit among railroad crews, highway workers, landowners, hunters and cattlemen the state forester said, but, fire protection can be given by the department only when the owner of the land signs an agreement and contributes to the cost.

In the fire control areas that have been fully protected under cooperative control and shared cost, Baker said, the losses by fire have been reduced to 1 per cent, and even when new land but recently taken into fire control is included the total losses were but 2.17 per cent in 1937. The progress made in protecting forests is illustrated by the reduction in losses from 10 per cent average in 1929 on fire control areas, and a much heavier loss in unprotected forests.

Baker said the department uses 26 tractors in plowing fire breaks at a cost of $2.50 a running mile or two cents an acre for blocking 160 acre units as contrasted with a cost of around 15 cents an acre for raking and light burning.

LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY.
HERMAN MOORE, Complainant
vs.
MOLLIE MOORE, Defendant.
ORDER OF PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF FLORIDA TO MOLLIE MOORE, Defendant:

WHEREAS, it appears by sworn Bill of Complaint filed in the above entitled cause that the Defendant, Mollie Moore is a resident of the State of Georgia residing in the City of Ashburn, Georgia, a more particular address being unknown;

AND WHEREAS it appears that the Defendant is over the age of twenty one years, that there is no person in the State of Florida service of a subpoena upon whom would bind her, the Defendant, Mollie Moore;

NOW THEREFORE it is ordered that you, Mollie Moore, be and appear before the Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida, on the first day of August, 1938, the same being a Sale Day in said month, at the Court House in said County, to answer a Bill of Complaint filed against you by Herman Moore, in said Court, seeking a divorce a vinculo matrimonii against you the said Defendant, and upon failure to appear as ordered the said Bill of Complaint will be taken as confessed against you.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this notice be published in The Avon Park TIMES, a newspaper published in Highlands County, Florida, being a newspaper of general circulation in said County and State, once a week for four consecutive weeks (4 publications).

Witness my hand and seal of the said Court at Sebring, Florida this 30th day of June, A. D. 1938.

W. E. CARSON, Clerk of Circuit Court.
By LEONA A. JORDAN, Deputy
S. Colquitt Parker, Atty.
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July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29.

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SOCIAL and Personal News

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Miss Bennett Birthday Honoree

Miss Lillian Bennett was guest of honor at a surprise birthday party given at her home on Thursday evening.

Games and contests were enjoyed throughout the evening. At a late hour the honor guest was presented with many lovely gifts. Delicious refreshments were served to the following: Misses June Gough, Miss Ruth Wild, Miss Helen Merritt of Jakin, Ga., Miss Claire Vanderwende, Miss Juanita Crosby, Miss Mary Pardee, Miss Doris Reddick, Henry Wild, Odell Skipper, James Cooper, Jimmy Helm, Clyde Jarrett, Tillman Crosby, Herman Bowman, Paul Rounds Charles Bennett, Miss Pattie Rounds and the honoree, Miss Lillian Bennett.

Miss Hartt Hostess At Weekend Party

Miss Jane Hartt was hostess to a number of her friends at a house party over the weekend at her home on Lake Lotela Road.

After a picnic on the lake, the guests played ping pong.

Those present at this delightful affair were Miss Dorothy McNicholas, Miss Dorothy Hughes, Miss Jane Clements, Miss Mary Lydia Stebbins, Miss Elizabeth Hetherington, Miss Faye Gordon, Miss Mary McCarthy, Miss Barbara Betts and the hostess, Miss Hartt.

Methodist M. S. Hear Missionary

Miss Laura Mitchell, missionary to China who is spending a short visit here, was guest speaker at the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church on Tuesday afternoon.

Many maps, pictures and curios pertaining to the Chinese and their many customs were shown and explained.

About ten members were present.

Miss Lockett, Bride Elect, Shower Honoree Thursday

Miss Audrey Lockett whose marriage to Jefferson Turner will take place at the Baptist Church on July 19, was guest of honor at a lovely shower given by Mrs. Milfred Dilley and Mrs. Ray Wells, at the Jacaranda Hotel on Thursday afternoon.

The party rooms were tastifully decorated with pink roses and other pink flowers which blended with the pink and green color scheme.

Games and contests were played and receipes and advice to the bride was given to Miss Lockett. Miss Betty Moffett entertained with a tap dance.

Delicious refreshments of congealed salad and ritz crackers were later served to the following guests: Mrs. S. S. Thayer, Mrs. G. P. Thayer, Mrs. B. M. Davis, Mrs. John Hood, Mrs. R. L. Adams, Mrs. J. R. Bennett, Mrs. Martin Huebner, Mrs. David Stuckey, Mrs. Fred Touchton, Mrs. W. W. McFarland, Mrs. C. L. Hood, Mrs. J. B. Coen, Jr., Mrs. Fred Smith, Miss Gail Coen, Mrs. Floyd Johnson, Mrs. Theodore Weisheyer, Miss Dorothy Weisheyer, Mrs. Anna Roberts, Mrs. Ivor Farnell, of Lake Wales, Mrs. B. F. Martin, Mrs. Thelma Dilley, Mrs. M. M. Foster, Mrs. Mildred Head, Mrs. Mel Bass, Mrs. Carrie McGiboney, Mrs. Otto Skipper, Mrs. Thelma Willis, Mrs. Lola Ford, Mrs. C. H. Shepherd, Mrs. W. C. Touchton, Mrs. W. M. Hetherington, Mrs. D. G. Perry, Mrs. Charles Moffett, Ms. Harry Dilley, Mrs. Pearl Spink, Mrs. Kitty Lou Reddick, Mrs. Earl Ware, Mrs. Ernest Spencer, Mrs. Louise McVicker, Mrs. C. A. Clark, Mrs. Lawlor Wells, Mrs. J. P. Dalton, Mrs. J. P. Garber, Mrs. J. B. Coen, Sr., Mrs. Frank Costine, and Mrs. D. Lockett. Miss Betty Moffett, Miss Margaret Dilley and Miss Winifred Hood assisted in serving the guests.

Methodist Young People's Picnic

Members of the Intermediate Department of Young People of the Methodist Church held a picnic at Lake Byrd on Thursday afternoon.

Games and swimming were enjoyed throughout the afternoon. After a delicious picnic supper, the entire group visited at the Methodist Intermediate Camp that is being held this week at Lake Byrd Lodge.

Those present were Miss Nellene Cannon, Miss Ima Jean Mingledroff, Miss Frances Porter, Miss Charlotte Orr, Jean Cannon, Ralph Gerrard, Harry Elwell, Mrs. A. C. Wester, Mrs. L. M. Orr and Mrs. C. R. Mingledorff.

Betty Touchton Party Hostess

Miss Betty Touchton entertained a group of friends at a slumber party at her home on Saturday evening.

Following a delicious picnic supper the guests attended the theatre.

Those present at this delightful affair were: Miss Gloria Hughes, Miss Martha McNicholas, Miss Marjorie Wells, Miss Mary Clements, Miss Willa Pearl McGiboney, Miss Josephine Reck, Miss Peggy Mandis, Miss Helen Merritt of Jakin, Ga. and the hostess, Miss Betty Touchton.

Mrs. Nora Rice and Miss Lila Martin spent the weekend in Daytona Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Atkins and daughter, Charlotte and Mrs. Marris Bussell of Mobile, Ala. spent the weekend in Tampa visiting Mr. and Mrs. Carl Mygrant.

Tampa Visitor Is Shower Honoree

Mrs. B. T. Cox entertained last week at a shower for her daughter, Mrs. E. C. Carver of Tampa, who has been visiting at her home for the past ten days. Mrs. W. A. Luthye was co-hostess with Mrs. Cox and the party was held at the home of Mrs. Luthye.

Lovely bouquets of roses and hydrangias were placed at vantage points in the party rooms.

Guests were entertained with a story at first, then an intelligence contest which was won by Mrs. R. A. Gerrard. She was presented with a tray of water glasses. In the guessing contest Mrs. Anna Wolf won the first prize which was an ice box corsage of white roses.

After the games, Mrs. Carver was presented with a shower of pretty and dainty gifts. Following the opening of the presents, delicious refreshments of delight sandwiches, cookies and iced tea were served to those present.

Mrs. Luthye, Mrs. Howard Johnson, Miss Vivian Luthye assisted Mrs. Cox at the party.

Those invited to participate in this delightful affair were: Mesdames Ray Rutherford, Wm. Hauptmann, David Stuckey, A. R. Clark, W. D. Cameron, Mary Marsh, G. C. Daly, Theima Willis, J. P. Garber, A. C. Elliott, C. A. Clark, A. C. Wester, Blanche Williams, Floyd Johnson, Pat Pollock, Ida Collins, Claire Mann, G. H. Welch, Blanche Barnes, J. L. Delegal, Maime Lister, A. McKee Elwell, S. C. Pardee, Demos Mandis, Daisey Ten Eyck, C. H. Pardee, Bob Palmer, Eunice Orr, Hettie Hetherington, Roy Folkner, Thelma Dilley, Anna Wolf, Ben Hagen, Lucille Camper, W. C. Touchton, Harry Dilley, J. L. Collins, S. J. Pendleton, Harvey Harden, J. H. McClelland, Wm. Reck, S. V. Hunnings, J. L. Wells, Clark Head, A. Gilmour, G. A. Stebbins, W. C. Beckett, Wm. Helm, L. E. Bass, Fred Smith, C. O. Bryant, M. Wray, R. Reddick, A. F. Helms, J. R. Bennett, D. H. Farnell, Ola L. Head, C. P. Thayer, Rev. May Jamerson, Miss Doris Williams, Miss Jennie Gribble and Mrs. A. J. Williams.

Ruth Pendleton Party Hostess

Miss Ruth Pendleton entertained a number of her friends on Tuesday evening with a slumber party at her home on Verona Avenue.

In the early evening, swimming at Lake Lotella was enjoyed and after a refreshing swim a weiner roast was enjoyed. Various games were also played throughout the evening.

Those present at this lovely affair were Eloise Thomas, Dorothy and Mae Francis Welch, Garland Turnbull, Dorothy Lawhon, Patti Rounds, Lillian Bennett, Dorothy Jane Hansen, Helen Merritt of Jakin, Ga. and the hostess, Ruth Pendleton.

Mrs. Ware Hostess To Bridge Club

Mrs. Earl Ware was hostess to the Wednesday Bridge Club at her home this week. Lovely bouquets of roses were used to decorate the party rooms.

Bridge was enjoyed throughout the afternoon with Mrs. Jimmie Allen winner of high score for guests and Mrs. P. Rumpas winner of high score for members.

Delicious refreshments were served to the following who were present: Mrs. P. Rumpas, Mrs. Earl Hartt, Mrs. S. Thayer, Mrs. E. P. Loomis, Mrs. Jimmie Allen, Mrs. C. E. Crabtree, Mrs. Mildred Head and the hostess Mrs. Ware.



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Lovely Sue Hyers poses among the fragrant white Butterfly Lilies now coming into full bloom at the Tropical Cypress Gardens. This is the most beautiful of all the Ginger Lily Family imported in recent years from the South Sea Islands.

Reynolds—Bennett Wedding

Interesting to the young people of Avon Park is the marriage of Miss Ruby Bennett to Johnnie O. Reynolds, both of this city. They were married in Arcadia on June 26 by the Rev. C. B. Price of the First Baptist Church. Their only attendents were Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Bost.

Miss Bennett is the attractive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Bennett and was a member of the graduating class of '38.

Johnnie O. Reynolds is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Williams. He is a member of the National Guard and is employed by the Lake Byrd Citrus Packing Corp. The young couple will make their home in Avon Park for the present.

Bost—Brooker Wedding

Of interest to their many friends was the marriage of Miss Josephine Brooker, and Charles Bost on June 26 at Arcadia. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. C. B. Price of the First Baptist Church. Their attendants were Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie O. Reynolds.

Mrs. Bost, an attractive brunette was a popular member of this years graduating class. Mr. Bost is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Bost of this city.

The young couple will reside in Avon Park for the present.

Rogers—Carn Wedding

Announcements are being received this week of the marriage of Miss Faye Elizabeth Carn to Bernard Murrell Rogers of Winter Haven, on Wednesday the 29th of June at Winter Haven.

Mrs. Rogers is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Belton Carn of this city and received her schooling here. For the past year she has been residing with an aunt in Winter Haven. The young couple have the well wishes of their many friends in Avon Park.

Pickett—Elder Wedding

Coming as a complete surprise to their many friends was the announcement of the marriage of Spencer Pickett of Sebring to Miss Grace Elder of Avon Park on June 26.

The young couple was married in Wauchula at the Methodist Parsonage by the Rev. A. Hughes Cole of that city.

They plan to make their home in Sebring, residing on Osceola Ave.

Auction Club Met At Tourist Club

Members of the Auction Club held a covered dish luncheon at the Tourist Club on Thursday noon.

After the luncheon bridge was enjoyed. Those present for this lovely affair were: Mr. and Mrs. S. Y. Hartt, Mr. and Mrs. W. Hauptmann, Dr. G. S. McKnight, Miss Margery McKnight, Mrs. C. A. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Norton Smith, Mrs. Georgia Voorhees, Mrs. L. E. Bass, Mrs. Ola Head, Mrs. Olive Anderson and Mrs. S. V. Hunnings.

J. T. Williford, Claud Daly, Woodson Sadler and Harrison James of Pompano spent the Fourth at Bradenton Beach and Tampa.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Harris and son of Tampa spent the weekend at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Harris, Sr. Fred Montsdeoca, Jr. returned with them to Tampa for a short visit.

Mrs. Covington Guild Hostess

The St. Margaret's Guild of the Episcopal Church held their regular covered dish luncheon at the home of Mrs. M. E. Covington on Wednesday noon.

Following the delicious luncheon a business meeting was held, Miss Laura Mitchell gave a very interesting talk on the life of the Chinese and of her work as a missionary in China.

About sixteen were present.

Pilgrim Fellowship Enjoys Picnic

Members of the Pilgrim Fellowship of the Congregational church held their monthly social Wednesday evening in the form of a picnic on the shore of Lake Angelo.

Various games and contests were played, after which a weiner roast was held.

Those present to enjoy this picnic were Miss Lillian Bennett, Miss Dorothy Weisheyer, Miss Mildred Wray, Miss Rebecca Holton, Miss Leola Holton, Miss Virginia Parchall, Miss Margery McKnight, J. C. Halsema, Johnnie Lamb, Harmon Atkins and Dr. A. C. Elliott.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wells and son spent the weekend in Clearwater and Lakeland.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Garner of Sarasota spent the weekend here visiting relatives.

Mrs. Ivor Farnell of Lake Wales spent the afternoon in Avon Park Thursday visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Wolf and Miss Rose Abramson spent the weekend at Daytona Beach.

Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Touchton and daughter Betty spent the week end in St. Augustine and Daytona Beach.

Miss Mildred Lofton of Lake Placid is spending several days in Avon Park visiting Miss Gloria Hughs.

Miss Virginia Baldwin of Jacksonville spent the week end visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Baldwin.

Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Pickett and Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Gaster, Jr. spent the weekend of the Fourth at Bradenton Beach.

Mrs. Myrl Still and daughter, Clara Jo left Wednesday for a visit with friends and relatives in Jacksonville and Tifton, Ga.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Smith of Everglades City are spending the week with Mrs. Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Atkins.

Mrs. R. L. Lawhon and children left Wednesday for Winter Park where they will be the guest of Mrs. Loys Frink for a few days.

Miss Dorothy Hughes and Miss Elizabeth Hetherington are spending the week in Lake Placid the guests of Miss Christine Lofton.

Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Littleton of Puryear, Tenn. and daughter, Mrs. M. Lyon and son of Memphis, Tenn. spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Allison and Mrs. Nellie Reynolds.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Elmore Wray and daughter, Mildred, spent the weekend in Leesburg visiting Mrs. Wray's uncle, Frank R. Gray, who was celebrating his 82nd birthday. They then motored to Brooksville and spent the Fourth with former Avon Park friends. Mrs. Ben Hinkley returned with them to spend the week.

Many Inquiries For "Orange Box" Boat Plans Are Received

Jacksonville, July 7. (FNS) — Walter F. Coachman, Jr., president of the Florida Waterways Congress, stated this week that inquiries for information concerning "Orange Box" regattas was coming in from all sections of the state and that many boys and girls have procured plans and blueprints for building official sailboats which they plan to enter in local and sectional regattas with the hope of qualifying for the state event to be held at Mount Dora next February.

The sailboat approved by the Congress can easily be constructed and all necessary material can be purchased for a total cost of not exceeding $27.00, Mr. Coachman said.

A number of service clubs in the state are planning to sponsor contestants who will sail boats in the name of their club or town furnishing material for construction of the boats to boys unable to finance it themselves but who wish to participate.

Plans, blueprints for building the boat, with names of firms prepared to furnish materials and a set of contest rules, can be secured from Franklin M. Sawyer, chairman of the Florida Waterways Congress Recreation Committee, Cocoa, Florida, at the nominal cost of 25c to cover postage and mailing.

Boats built this summer can be sailed as pleasure craft and entered in regattas next fall or winter.

County Agents Met To Discuss County Exhibits At Fair

Tampa, July 7 (FNS)— President Carl Brorein of the Florida State Fair, has called a meeting of all county agents exhibiting at the Florida Fair for an all day round table discussion of plans for the coming Pan American Hernando DeSoto Exposition.

General Manager P. T. Strieder, who for some time has been in Birmingham, Alabama, arranging details in connection with the Alabama State Fair, also under his management, returned to Tampa this week for the conference which is scheduled for all day Thursday, July 7, at the offices of the Fair Association.

"Country exhibits are recognized by officers and directors of the Fair as the backbone of our Exposition and in recognition of the splendid cooperation we have always received from the various counties, through commissioners, agents and home demonstration workers, we have invited the country agents to be our guests and lend their assistance in working out plans and details for next year's big show," Brorein said.

The question of premiums will be discussed, also judging and all matters pertaining to country exhibits, agricultural exhibits, livestock, poultry and the like.

Running an additional week and attracting many additional thousands, participating counties in next year's show will be afforded a wonderful opportunity to advertise the advantages they offer the homeseekers and investor.

President Carl Brorein, Executive Secretary Albert Thornton, secretary Russell Kay, General Manager Strieder, as well as several Board members will sit in on the conference.

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THE RIVER of SKULLS

—by George Marsh—

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CHAPTER VII—Continued

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"You're hungry?" Heather asked.

The older of the two men nodded. "Enh-enh, yes! We'ee ees man!"

"Three men," she quickly replied. "They come back tonight!"

"Ah-hah!" the Indians exchanged significant glances. Men did not travel at night in the "bush," or on swift rivers.

"You trade at Fort George?" she asked the older man who had done all the talking.

"Enh-enh, at Fo' Geor'. W'ere you cum?"

"From Rupert House—Nichicun."

Again the Indians squinted doubtfully into each other's dark faces.

"Come inside and I'll give you some supper." The men were hungry.

"Dat dog!" said the older Montagnais. "I see heem on Fo' Geor'."

"No," replied Heather, starting to make tea and placing some cold caribou and bannock on the table, "he belongs to me."

While the Indians ate ravenously Heather boldly met their furtive glances from where she sat on the bunk beside the fretting husky.

When the Montagnais had emptied the tea kettle and cleared the table of food set before them, sucking his lips with a grunt of satisfaction, the older man turned to the girl watching him from the bunk.

"Put de husky out. We sleep here!" he brazenly ordered.

The fighting blood of her soldier father boiled in the girl's veins at the insolence as she rose to her feet.

"You sleep at your camp!" Her heart pounded in her throat, her eyes went black with anger, as the grimacing younger man leered into her tense face.

"Our blankeet ees wet. We sleep here!" insisted the other with a scowl. "Put husky out! He ees cross!"

Then moving nearer to the girl, whose right hand stole to her hip pocket, the younger of the Indians reached, to touch her hair, as he said: "Eet ees lak' de sun."

But as she drew back from the hand approaching her head there was a snarl from the bunk across the room and, launched by his iron-muscled legs, Rough's one hundred and forty pounds of bone and sinew catapulted into his collar, snapping the rawhide leash like paper. Again the dog leaped, carrying the young Indian screaming to the floor as the older man disappeared through the door. Again and again the infuriated husky struck with his great tusks at the defending arms of the panic-stricken Indian. Then Heather threw herself upon the dog and with a desperate wrench on his collar fell with him sidewise to the floor. Momentarily freed from the dog, with a leap the Indian shot through the half open door, pulling it shut behind him.

Alan and McCord arrived with Noel and the two canoes and Heather told them of the Montagnais and their rout by the infuriated Rough. The indignant men stared at each other in disgust.

"And to think," groaned McCord, "we staked that pair to grub when we met them on the river. I want to see them show up here again."

That night, while Heather listened, the three men went into their plans for the winter. There was, indeed, much work to be done if Alan and Noel were to find a water trail to the Koksoak in the spring.

"When are you leaving for the Sinking Lakes?" asked Heather of Alan who sat at the table poring over the much-handled sketch map of Aleck Drummond and comparing it with McCord's government map of Labrador.

"Tomorrow," he answered, without lifting his eyes from the maps to the wistful-eyed girl who watched him. "We've got no time to lose. If Noel and I strike the last of the migration, we've got to cache all the meat we can get, then, later, build a cache on these Koksoak headwaters we're going to find and leave a supply of food. This will be our emergency cache, when we come up the river over the ice in the fall, with all that gold."

"You seem pretty sure of finding the Koksoak headwaters and the gold," she replied, doubtfully.

"Of course. We've got to be, Heather! Or—we'd never dare to make the try!"

The girl gave a little shiver as her brows contracted in a frown.

"Somehow I've got the feeling that we're never coming back—that we're going to starve or drown in the rapids, or the Naskapi will get us."

"Here! here. what's all this talk?" John turned from the fireplace where he had been shaping birch axhelves with a draw-knife. "Is this my big girl who sent the Indians about their business? Of course we're coming back! We're going to meet that deer migration and come up the Koksoak, next fall, with so much gold dust and meat on the sled that—"

"Suppose de spirit scare away de deer from Riviere ov Skull," interrupted Noel, who was plaiting dog harness, his dark face full of foreboding. "Wat we do den?"

Alan looked up from his maps to grin at John. "Why then we'd have to eat the spirits in the Moaning Gorge, Noel."

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CHAPTER VIII

One morning, ten days after the boys had left for the Sinking Lakes, Heather, who had been hard at work gathering a supply of berries for the winter, took her pack bag, in which she carried them, and her rifle and started for the barren above the valley. It was a keen day in late September. The floor of the forest was yellow with the leaves of birch and aspen.

Leaving the valley, for an hour she walked across the treeless tundra, gray with caribou moss, like velvet to the feet, and splashed with patches of low growing blueberries, bake-apple, moss and cranberries. But she did not stop until she came to a fold in the barren, a little valley or swale where, shielded from the wind, dwarf spruce, juniper and deer bush gallantly battled for existence. Here the berries grew in profusion and of a somewhat larger size than out on the open tundra.

Heather had almost filled her bag and was seated, eating her lunch of



Again and again the infuriated husky struck with his great tusks.

bannock sandwiches, when her eyes caught something black moving in the low scrub a hundred yards away.

"It must be—it must be a bear!" she exclaimed, reaching for her gun. Her heart pounded with excitement. She had seen bears before but never had she shot one. And here was the chance to add much-needed meat and grease to their store of winter provisions.

On hands and knees she started to crawl toward the bear feeding on berries a short rifle-shot away. She did not dare risk a shot until she had a better view of him, so worked her way cautiously through thick growths of Labrador tea, laurel and spagnum moss. At last, she lay where she had a clear view of the feeding animal. Sprawled in a clump of blueberries, with both paws he drew the low bushes greedily to his mouth, stripping them of fruit.

With her heart beating in her throat Heather attempted to draw a bead on the black shoulder of the beast hardly fifty yards away. But her sights dare not miss

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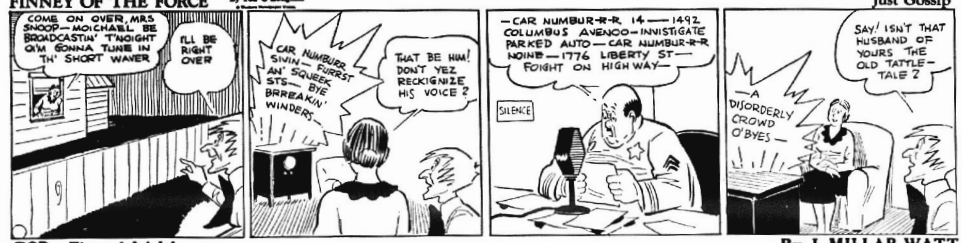
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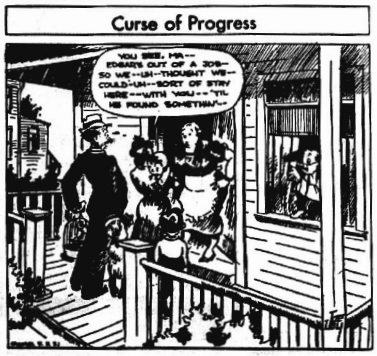
"Oh, yes! Good morning, good morning, good morning."—Boy's Life.

Somebody

Newly-Arrived Convict—Listen, chum, can't I open this cell window?

Guard—Naw. That's barred.

Curse of Progress



Men of the Mounted

by Captain G. Elliott - Nightingale
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HOW TO WRECK A VILLAGE

PIE-A-POT and Long Lodge, Cree chieftains, audacious warriors and veterans of many a scrap with other tribes, ruled their villages with an iron hand. They were happy, prosperous and had very little trouble. Shortly after the coming of the red coated pony soldiers of the Great White Mother," the Pie-a-Pot and Long Lodge tribes of Crees had been given a splendid reservation with timber and game and fish in abundance. There they had settled down peacefully.

And then one day, to the astonishment of all concerned, Pie-a-Pot and Long Lodge ordered their tribesmen to pull stakes, for the two tribes were going for a ramble across the country without having any particular destination in view. The handful of white settlers became a bit alarmed, but their alarm subsided when they observed the Pie-a-Pots and Long Lodges were orderly.

In time the Pie-a-Pots and Long Lodges came across a large party of white men digging up the ground and also laying thin strips of iron or steel across the flat prairie. "What is all this?" inquired the majestic Pie-a-Pot. "Oh . . . Just building a railroad," replied one of the workmen. The Crees moved on into the west and when they were about a mile or so past the end of steel the two chiefs ordered the tribes to pitch camp.

Slowly but surely the end of steel crept closer and closer toward the Cree encampment and it was later discovered that the camp was situated on the right of way of the railroad. As the end of steel moved closer and closer, engineers and foremen parleyed with Pie-a-Pot and Long Lodge entreating them to move either to the right of left, off the right of way, so that the work could go on without unnecessary delays. The chiefs stood firm, and in time refused to parley further with the engineers in charge.

Then, one fine morning Pie-a-Pot and Long Lodge were visited by two red-coated horsemen, a sergeant and constable of the Northwest Mounted Police. The argument was soon going again, and matters reached such a stage that the sergeant informed them that they had better move or he would do the moving for them. Pie-a-Pot let out a ninety horse-power howl, and soon the sergeant and constable were surrounded by hundreds of howling, painted Crees out for blood and scalps and the complete destruction of the white invaders. During a lull in the melee, the sergeant took out his watch and told Pie-a-Pot that he would give him exactly 15 minutes to move off that railroad right-of-way. Instantly there was another demonstration of anger and truculence, and the two Men of the Mounted sat their saddles as best they could in the milling mob. As the last tick of the fifteenth minute passed into eternity, the sergeant of the Northwest Mounted Police dismounted right into the midst of that bloodthirsty mob. He forced his way through it and walked right over to Pie-a-Pot's teepee and kicked the keypole down. While squaws and children howled and screamed under the collapsed tepee, the sergeant walked to the next tepee and kicked the keypole of that one down. From one to the other that lone sergeant strode, kicking keypoles down until every tepee was flat. Young bucks and so-called "braves" followed close on his heels, pushing against him, making faces at him, cursing him, and doing all they could to annoy or frighten him, but the sergeant just kept right on going until all tepees were flat, and in spite of their proximity, not one Cree had dared to strike a blow at the courageous sergeant. With everything flattened, the sergeant mounted his horse and gave his last order.

"Orlright . . . bustle abaht a bit . . . On the move . . . shove orf abaht your blurry business, wotever it is," all of which was his cockney way of saying "Git goin'." Meanwhile, Pie-a-Pot and Long Lodge were so angry they were stumped for words. Never had they seen such audacity. One lone man, wearing a red coat, had literally wrecked their village. It is highly probable, moreover, that Pie-a-Pot and Long Lodge realized that if the other men of the Mounted were anything like this sergeant, perhaps the Pie-a-Pots and Long Lodges had better not get into any more arguments with them. These red coats were bad medicine. At any rate, as the chieftains saw the hopelessness of further resistance, they muttered a few words to nearby tribesmen, and within two hours the Pie-a-Pots and Long Lodges were heading for their reservation. En route Pie-a-Pot chanced to remember that if he didn't behave himself the Great White Mother would stop sending supplies of food and flour and clothing and that little bit of treaty money now and then. "Oh well, what a day it's been, anyway," he might have said, as he arrived at the reservation

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FROM CONGRESSMAN
J. HARDIN PETERSON

SWAMPED—We have been literally swamped with mail since opening our Florida office a week or so ago, and I want to ask those folks who have written me and have not received a reply to be just a little patient. When we come to Florida from Washington, it means we must stop answering mail for a day or two prior to leaving, in order to pack, and for a day or two after we get here, to unpack. Add to this the two or three days of mail which also comes in while we are traveling; and you can understand just what we are usually up against when we first get to Florida. I have enjoyed a few visits around the district already, meeting a good many of my friends that I hadn't had an opportunity to see for some time. I was one of the speakers at a barbecue at Fort Meade on July 4, and also spoke at Wauchula on Tuesday. Tonight I am fortunate in being on the program of the Propeller Club in Tampa. I plan to visit every part of the district this summer while in Florida, although my work as a member of the special phosphate investigating committee will take me out of the state for a while, as I must be in Idaho on July 20 to continue hearings.

PROJECTS— Several projects are on the verge of final action by the comptroller general in Washington, after having been approved by the WPA. Once the comptroller countersigns them, they are eligible for actual operation. These include a project to retrace old, worn or mutilated real property maps prepared prior to Jan. 1, 1936, sponsored by the Hillsborough county commission, $1,661 in federal funds; removal of water hyacinths and other weeds on Lake Parker, in Lakeland, $5,124; continuation of public health nursing project; improve Tampa Trailer Camp in Tampa, sponsored by the city, $7,995; improve Crystal Park in Lake Wales, sponsored by city, $4,513; improvements to Lithia Springs road, sponsored by Hillsborough county, $2,872. Quite a number of projects of various kinds are awaiting action by the WPA, having been slowed up a little by the July 4th double-holiday.

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NEW LAWS—Persons desiring copies of any new laws passed by the recent congress can get them through our office. We do not have a complete set of all laws, but do have some of the more important measures and will be glad to furnish them on request. Any we don't happen to have in the office we can get from Washington, and will be glad to furnish them to anyone interested.

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CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS—Examinations now pending include the following: assistant gardener (greenhouse) $1,260 a year; public health nurse, $2,000; graduate nurse (general staff duty) $1,800; nurse technician (bacteriology and roentgenology combined) $1,800; junior aquatic biologist, in several optional branches, $2,000; chemical engineer (explosives manufacture and plant mgr'ment) $3,800; specialist, associate and assistant specialist in cotton classing, $3,800 to $2,600; assistant home economist, $2,600; junior home economist, $2,000, in several optional subjects; under instrument maker, $1,260; photo-engraver, $1.44 and hour, 40-hour week; operating engineer (marine diesel) $2,600; medical officer and associate medical officer, $3,800 and $3,200, respectively; regional director, social security board, $6,500; marine engineer, associate and assistant safety instructor, (petroleum), $1,800 and $1,620; junior script engraver, $11.52 per diem, $2.16 per hour overtime ($3,000 per annum); assistant messenger, $1,080; holder-on, $4.70 to $5.66 per day, Charleston Navy yard; shipfitter, $6.91 to $7.87 per day, Charleston Navy Yard; loftsman, $7.39 to $8.35 per day, Charleston Navy Yard; helper boilermaker, $3.93 to $4.89 per day, Charleston Navy Yard; machinist, $6.91 to $7.87 per day, Charleston Navy Yard; riveter, $6.72 to $7.68 per day, Charleston Navy Yard; helper, electrician, $3.93 to $4.89 per day, Charleston Navy Yard; anglesmith, other fires, $6.62 to $7.58 per day, Charleston Navy Yard.

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SEABOARD AIR LINE RAILWAY

Chain Stores Make Early Tax Payment

Jacksonville, July 7, (FNS) — In an effort to assist the state in meeting its obligations to the school system, advance payment of $112,800 was announced here by executive heads of two leading food chain companies, the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company and the Winn-Lovett Grocery Co.

The amount represented the tax which would become due for the two concerns of July 1, on the basis of $400 per year per store.

R. M. Smith, vice president of the A & P, in sending a check for $88,800 to state comptroller Lee, wrote: "We are sending you this check in advance of the due date in view of the fact that we understand there is a temporary deficit in the school fund which we trust this will assist you in meeting."

The check represented payment for 222 stores.

W. R. Lovett, president of Winn-Lovett Grocery Company, sent a check for $24,000 on the 60 stores in their chain.

Mrs. Beaulah Hooks Hannah of Lakeland, vice-chairman of the State Democratic Executive Committee, automatically becomes presiding officer until a successor is chosen for the late chairman J. B. Hodges who died in Lake City Sunday.

Arcadia will stage its annual Rodeo and Horse Races July 3-4. A new feature that promises much entertainment is a wild cow milking contest.

COURT RULINGS ON COAST LINE TAXATION SUIT

Appeal to Supreme Court on Points Affecting Most Florida Counties

Tallahassee, July 6 (FNS)—The Supreme Court will be asked by both counties and the railroads to pass on Circuit Judge E. C. Love's rulings in the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad tax injunction suits against the Comptroller, wherein the court has told public officials and taxpayers alike what they can do about levying ad valorem taxes. The court's rulings are on only a part of a series of injunction applications affecting the collection of more than $3,500,000 in taxes levied in more than fifty counties.

On one point, the court told the county commissioners in very plain language that they must anticipate the collection of 95% of the taxes levied in fixing their budgets and any levies of millage in excess of those on such a basis are illegal and void, thus settling a point long in controversary among taxing authorities.

The court also ruled that there is a "ceiling" to prevent bond levies from going so high on railroad property in any one year that they become a burden on interstate commerce and that levies passing this "ceiling" are illegal, at least as far as railroad carriers are concerned. Judge Love held "that the allegations of the railroad make out a prima facie case that taxes imposed under the circumstances set forth do impose an undue burden upon interstate commerce and testimony must be presented before the court can determine when these taxes do become excessive."

In instances protesting alleged excessive levies, the court ruled against the railroad and held that the proper time for initiating such objections is to protest at the budget hearings which the law requires to be held for that purpose and after failing to make the proper protest at the times set forth in the statutes the taxpayers have no further day in court or recourse to the courts.

On questions of alleged illegal bond and time warrant issues, the court sustained the counties' contentions that the proper times and places to raise such objections are before the issuing authority when bond issues are under consideration and before the court considering validation proceedings. He held validation is final on all points considered by such court. He did rule that notice of validations must be full and ample and the heading of the notice must be in such form as to put taxpayers on notice as to the proceedings contemplated.

In other words, generally speaking, the court ruled that where the statutes give a taxpayer his day in court and he does not avail himself of the opportunity to object to any bond issue or tax levy, he waives permanently his right to object to the tax that may be levied.

The court held that the question of benefits received from any bond issue must be raised by the taxpayer before the issuance of the bonds and that such issues cannot be raised in the courts after such bonds reach the hands of innocent parties.

One important point won by the counties comes with the court's ruling that the benefits received by a railroad taxpayer from the improvements in the special taxing district are not confined to the property located in such districts but insure and extend to all of its property in Florida and, therefore, the statute (Section 966, C.G.L.) authorizing the taxes imposed by special taxing districts to be collected out of any property of the railroad taxpayer located in Florida is valid and does not violate any provision of the state or federal constitutions.

The court held that time warrants and bonds issued by school boards for the purpose of making up a deficiency in current operating expenses of the schools such as teachers salaries, supplies and transportation were valid and tax levies made to pay these general school bonds are valid and must be paid by the taxpayer.

Immense Number of Fertilizer Brands

Tallahassee, July 7 (FNS) — Among the things you never knew 'till now, unless you happen to be one of Nathan Mayo's inspectors, is that there are 8,454 different brands of fertilizer being offered the farmers and growers of this state.

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Three recipients of honorary degrees of Doctor of Law conferred at the University of Notre Dame's ninety-fourth annual commencement. Left to right: Mr. John Louis Heineman, Connersville, Ind., Rt. Rev. Joseph M. Corrigan, Rector of Catholic University, Washington, D. C., and Mr. Terence B. Cosgrove, Los Angeles attorney.

HIGHLANDS CO. CITRUS GROWERS ARE ORGANISED

Form Educational Ass'n For Mutual Benefit Of Grower Members

Completion of an organization to be known as the Highlands County Citrus Growers, Inc., is being made this week, with meetings held in the citrus centers of the county. This will make the 6th county organization in the state, those already organized being, Orange, Lake, Polk, Osceola and Brevard. Three others are in the process of completing their organizations this week, Indian River, Manatee and Pinellas. A non-profit sharing association, the different organizations have been formed strictly for educational purposes, the plan being an exchange of helpful ideas, and an organized attempt to solve some of the problems of the citrus growers of the state.

Tuesday night a meeting was held at Avon Park, with R. Holt Howard of the University of Florida as the principal speaker. After explaining the purpose of the organization, he urged that more attention be given to irrigation, stating that this was as important to the successful growing of citrus as fertilization, or other work done for the purpose of furthering the crops. He claimed that the irrigation system would pa. for itself in five years at the most.

Charles W. Walker of the Avon-Florida Citrus Corp. was also a speaker. He spoke of the value of such an organization, and urged that every citrus grower in the county join and cooperate fully with the other members.

It was decided that the Avon Park organization delay its election of officers until the next meeting, and a temporary committee to draw up tentative plans for the corporation was appointed, consisting of Earl Hartt, C. Parke Anderson and E. C. Todd.

Meetings were held Wednesday in Lake Placid and DeSoto City for the same purpose. Both meetings were addressed by R. Holt Howard. Officers elected in Lake Placid were: Charles Crawford, president; Albert DeVane, vice-president; C. H. Shackleford of Hicoria, secretary-treasurer.

DeSoto City elected the following roster of officers: A. K. Hallett, president; Philip Correll, vice-president; Charles F. Rust, secretary-treasurer.

Sebring citrus growers met Wednesday night at the court house and organized a branch for this section of the county. Officers elected were, Guy Maxcy, president; V. G. Watters, vice-president; A. M. Wolfe, secretary-treasurer. A committee on constitution and by-laws was appointed consisting of H. Rohde and E. H. Peck; the membership committee chosen will be Jesse Vaughn, J. W. Ingle, A. L. Butler and Joe Stiles.

This completes the organization of Highlands county, the 7th in the state, bringing 70 percent of the citrus producing area of the state into this association. County Agent Louis Alsmeyer, through whose efforts the growers of the county were organized, is ex-officio member of the board of governors which is made up of the officers of the various units.

There will be a mass meeting of all the newly organized units of the state Friday night at Orlando, when Dr. Meel of Washington, D. C. who has been in charge of the citrus work under the AAA, will speak to the growers. He was secured for this meeting through the efforts of the Orange county association.

It is expected that two carloads will go from Avon Park, one from Sebring, two from Lake Placid and one from DeSoto City to attend this important meeting.

Walton Touchton who is attending summer session at the University of Florida at Gainesville, spent the weekend in Avon Park.

Central Florida
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See the Photographic Contest



The photographs entered in the Florida Public Service Company contest will be exhibited at the company office next week.

They were submitted in response to an appeal to all citizens to cooperate in the company's promotion of Central Florida in New England next fall and winter.

Attractions of outstanding interest in this area are represented in the exhibit. A tour of the photographs is a tour of the best that Central Florida has to offer, in the opinion of competent judges who selected them. Citizens will find it helpful to be familiar with these attractions.

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CASH and Due from Banks	$117,716.10	
U. S. Securities	150,151.26	
Listed, Municipal & Other Bonds & Securities	129,821.39	
Accrued Interest	2,731.93	$ 400,420.68
Loans and Discounts		50,790.86
Overdrafts		None
Furniture and Fixtures		7,233.41
Other Resources		336.65
		$ 458,781.60

LIABILITIES

Capital	$ 50,000.00	
Surplus and Undivided Profits	36,777.23	$ 86,777.23
Reserves		4,865.47
Reserve for Dividend Payable July 1, 1938		1,500.00
Bills Payable		NONE
Other Liabilities		45.11
DEPOSITS		365,593.79
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