WHO'S NEWS THIS WEEK

By LEMUEL F. PARTON

NEW YORK.—There is an Anthony Edenish flavor about the way Undersecretary of State Sumner Welles denounces Germany in the absence of Secretary Hull, and there is an Edenish flavor about our Mr. Welles himself. He is tall. He is lean. He has a wee, precise mustache, and why nobody has picked him in a best-dressed poll is a mystery. His long, big nose is perfectly cut, too, and not a hair is out of place in the thinning pompadour that reaches back from a domed forehead.

Our Welles No Flop in Poll of Best Dressers

This is not, however, to hint that the undersecretary is anything less than 100 per cent American. He was born in New York City 46 years or so ago, President Roosevelt's own Groton and Harvard shaped him, and he is at home in four or five clubs that insist on looking up candidates in the Doomsday book of the Revolution of '76. His church, naturally, is the Episcopal church, and his home now is understandably in historic Maryland, where two sons are no doubt also preparing for Groton.

The diplomatic gauntlet that he ran to reach his present post extends back to 1915 and Tokyo. Betimes he has been much in South America. He has been first assistant since 1937 to Secretary Hull.

ONE of Carl Sandburg's songs runs: "I have led a quiet youth, careful of my morals; I shall have an old age full of vice and quarrels." So it goes with Walter Brennan, making a distinguished film career playing likable old reprobates. Hollywood pegs him as the successor to Will Rogers, and four Rogers pictures are being readied for him.

Youth in Peace And Quiet; Now In Rum and Riot

He is a personable young man of 40, but, in "Barbary Coast," "Kentucky," and such earlier films as "Smilin' Guns" and "The Lariat Kid," he came through handsomely as a tough old-timer, and now that's his ticket. He likes it, and, living these roles, becomes a sage, homespun old codger given to offhand, David Harum aphorisms. I have heard of similar occupational trends in Hollywood. He says he is growing old happily.

He first upped himself as an oldster by lying about his age to get in the war. Gassed in France, he lost all his teeth and got a rasp in his voice, which also helped. He raised pineapples in Guatemala, made money, lost it in Los Angeles real estate, and then crashed the films. Born and reared in Swampscott, Mass., he is a master of the quaint western and southwestern idiom.

WHEN this writer was doing a short turn helping build the Panama canal, he fell in with a Jamaica Negro water boy, a sort of Gunga Din of a squad of Panal-swampers, who was worried about the canal being too narrow. In the quaint lingo of the British-taught island Negroes, he used to say:

F. J. Taylor Has Jamaica Boy's Idea of Canal

"Yes bahs, ships grow hugely in coming years and if some is fighting ship it must go swiftly and not fear other passing great ship. Axing parding sir, we Jamaica boys say canal need great enlarging."

Frank J. Taylor, president of the American Merchant marine, returns from the canal to New York with the same idea. He says congress should spend $300,000,000 to widen the canal for both commercial and national defense reasons. Mr. Taylor's career is Brooklyn's favorite "boy who made good" story—from $1 a day to $35,000 a year, which is the possible vulgar epitome of such careers in this day and age.

He was an orphan lad in a Manhattan slum, at work at 12 as an apprentice at Robbins dry dock in the Red Hook section of Brooklyn. He rose in politics, in the state assembly for 12 terms, sheriff, commissioner of records, welfare commissioner and comptroller of New York City.

Retiring from the last office in 1937, he went to Florida, but the steamship owners tracked him down and burdened him with this $35,000 job. He fights government intrusion on private enterprise, but says the shipping interests will co-operate effectively with the United States maritime commission.

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Star Dust

★ *Charlie Is Taken Down*
★ *Politics Promotes Ann*
★ *Orchestra Leaders All*

— By Virginia Vale —

PEOPLE in New York are still talking about Charlie McCarthy's first week there. In fact, a new aristocracy sprung into being; its members were the people who had actually gone to the first broadcast (tickets were scarcer than hen's teeth), and they are still high-hatting their friends who couldn't get in, and running perfectly good luncheons and dinner parties by insisting on telling about how cute Charlie is.

"You simply have to see him to appreciate him," they declare, which is rather hard on the people who have never seen Charlie and probably won't get a chance, as Edgar Bergen is too busy for personal appearances.

Charlie's kidnaping, one evening, by the amusement editor of one of the newspapers, very nearly stirred up a lot of trouble. The famous little man is insured for $2,500. Bergen was so worried that after Charlie's reappearance he took to taking Charlie apart and hiding him in sections.

Ann Sheridan has sort of crept into stardom by the back door, although she deserves the promotion. It's "Naughty but Nice" that stars her, and studio politics are involved. For this is Dick Powell's last for

ANN SHERIDAN

Warner Brothers, and it's an old studio custom to play down the departing star, since advertising him just means that you're promoting property that will soon belong to somebody else.

So the charming and hard-working Ann gets big billing in this one, after five years of doing her best with whatever roles came her way.

Katherine Hepburn is doing very well indeed in her new theatrical venture, "The Philadelphia Story," although it has not, at this writing, been given the acid test of presentation in New York. Apparently Miss Hepburn still cherishes some affection for the screen; she has bought the film rights to the play and will do it herself before the cameras eventually.

Nowadays it seems that everybody who can't get a job feels that the answer to the unemployment problem is becoming an orchestra leader. Prize fighters, millionaires, tap-dancers, movie stars—all are more than willing to step in front of a band and wave a baton. But it's a rare thing for a man who works with his hands to become an orchestra leader—Russ Morgan is about the only exception to the rule.

He's an ex-coal miner, you know. He worked in the Nanticoke Mine, near Scranton, Pa., until the foreman fired him for playing a trombone in his spare time. The foreman happened to be his father.

Today he is one of the top bracket orchestra leaders. Before he was twenty-one he had written arrangements for such famous musical men as John Phillip Sousa and Victor Herbert.

If you're considering writing for radio here's something to remember. Due to the threat of federal censorship, radio stations are leaning over backward in their efforts not to offend. The Federal Communications commission, which is in charge of renewing broadcasting licenses every six months, has hinted they will frown on the following forms of radio fare: fortune telling, astrology or similar sciences, solicitation of funds, except for recognized worthwhile charities, misleading statements, defamatory statements, obscenity, programs of fending religious or racial groups, over-melodramatic children's programs, liquor advertising, too much advertising and too many phonograph records.

ODDS AND ENDS—All the big name bands will be in New York for the World's fair . . . Joan Crawford has picked South America for her impending vacation . . . Bing Crosby brought the law down on a Topeka lawyer recently when arrested for speeding the lawyer alibied, "I was listening to Bing Crosby and forgot to look at my speedometer," and when Bing heard of it he wrote the man a note saying "You've been punished twice; how much do I owe you?"

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IN THE WINK OF AN EYE

The natural or reflex wink of an eye lasts from ⅛ to ¼ of a second, according to measurements taken by eye-movement photography under the supervision of Dr. J. F. Neumueller, Southbridge, Mass. The sly wink lasts from ⅝ to ½ second.

Two-Ton Tony to Tread the Boards

Two-Ton Tony Galento, Orange, N. J., heavyweight contender, recently embarked on a theatrical career. Signing his contract in a New York theater, Tony got right into the spirit of the thing by serenading Linda Yale, a model. The serenade was brought to a close by Mrs. Galento, left, who decided to put a stop to the nonsense.

World Aggressors Headache to Map Makers

With a new Europe, a new Asia and the possibility of a new Africa in the making, map-makers of America as well as the rest of the world are finding it a gigantic task to keep abreast with the constantly changing political frontiers. One man—Adolf Hitler—has caused the cartographers untold headaches. They spend months correcting all their charts, changing names, revising colors and ordering new prints. Then in three or four days the maps are worthless except for reference works. Boundaries have again been changed. Globe maps, pictured at the left, are more difficult to correct than flat maps, and present problems altogether different.

But West Point Was Never Like This

Lawrence Breckedorff, one of 20 West Point cadets who recently spent a week-end as guests of the National Park college at Forest Glen, Md., gets the very best of service from Niki Manos, Jean Fox, Betty Bevan and Hilda Cato, left to right, students at the girls' school. The future generals reported a very entertaining trip.

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

The British government's new gas mask for children under two years of age as it was demonstrated recently in London. The mask has a bellows attached to furnish the baby with air.

'Stork Special' Wins Close Race to Hospital

When Postmaster William M. Jones of Villa Grove, Ill., found roads closed by floods, he appealed to the Chicago & Eastern Illinois railway to "us" his wife expecting the stork momentarily, to Tuscola where the nearest hospital was located. Having no other equipment handy the division superintendent hooked up this caboose, tender and locomotive and rushed the stricken mother to Tuscola. The baby, a boy, arrived two hours later, attended by Dr. R. W Taylor, railway physician. Postmaster Jones waves "all's well and thanks" to Engineer William Mercer who piloted the "stork special."

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LESSON

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Lesson for April 9

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PAUL PREACHES THE RISEN CHRIST

LESSON TEXT—Acts 13:16, 23-31, 38-39; I Corinthians 15:19-22.
GOLDEN TEXT—But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept.—I Corinthians 15:20.

From time immemorial man has stood questioning at the close of life, somehow feeling that (as Tennyson expressed it)

Thou wilt not leave us in the dust;
Thou madest man, he knows not why;
He thinks he was not made to die:
And thou hast made him; thou art just.

But nowhere in nature was there written the assurance that death did not end all. In fact it was not until Christ won His victory over death that there was any real certainty that there was life beyond the grave.

Christianity is the only faith that rests upon the resurrection of its founder. Other religions point with pride to the monuments at the graves of their founders. Christianity alone presents an empty tomb. Since only God can give life and Jesus by His own power raised Himself from the dead, we have the right to the glorious claim that Christianity is the one true faith—a victorious living faith.

Resurrection truth

I. Makes the Preacher Bold (v. 16).

Barnabas and Paul had been set apart by the Holy Spirit and by the Church for missionary work, and on their first journey had reached Antioch in Pisidia. In the synagogue on the Sabbath day they were asked to speak to the people. Paul arose in holy boldness and called upon them to hearken to him. What is the important message which gives this preacher such assurance? The resurrection of Jesus Christ. It is true that the sermon he gives presents much other information as it logically and tactfully leads up to its high point, but that point is the resurrection and the redemption which it assures.

II. Makes the Gospel Clear (vv. 23-31, 38, 39).

Reviewing Israel's history, Paul declares that of the seed of David God had "according to his promise raised unto Israel a Saviour, Jesus," but that they slew Him. Now, if that were the end, we would indeed be "of all men most miserable" (I Cor. 15:19). Our hopes of salvation, with Israel's hopes, were bound up in Christ. But a dead Christ could save no one, not even Himself. We must have a living Christ. Had Paul's message stopped there it would have been a hollow mockery. But wait, what is it we read? "God raised him from the dead" (v. 30). Blessed truth! Glorious foundation for the proclamation of the gospel so aptly epitomized in the words of verses 38 and 39. Now it is clear that we have a victorious, living Saviour and a gospel to preach that is the "power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth" (Rom. 1:16).

III. Makes the Future Certain (I Cor. 15:19-22).

Man comes to the years of maturity and suddenly faces the shocking fact that the life to which he gives so much, for which he labors and sacrifices, is but for a brief span of years, perhaps at the most "three score years and ten, and if by reason of strength they be fourscore years, yet is their strength labor and sorrow" (Ps. 90:10). He sees that friends and loved ones must part at the grave. Is this the end?

The answer to that question comes to us today from the empty tomb in the garden through the words of Paul. Listen to their majesty—rejoice in their beauty and assurance: "But now is Christ risen from the dead." Hallelujah! And that's not all. He has "become the first fruits of them that slept" (v. 20), which means that all those who are asleep in Jesus will be brought forth in due season.

The resurrection of Jesus transformed the grave (as a friend of mine expresses it) from a dark hole in the ground where hope ends, to a highway, going down. It is true, through the valley of the shadow, but lighted by the victory of Jesus over death, and bordered on both sides by Easter lilies. Thus is "brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory"—a victory that makes us "steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord" (I Cor. 15:54, 58). It is Easter. Christ is risen! Let us rejoice!

God's Garden

God Almighty first planted a garden; and indeed it is the purest of human pleasures. It is the greatest refreshment to the spirits of man, without which buildings and palaces are but gross handiworks; and a man shall ever see that, when ages grow to civility and elegancy men come to built stately sooner than to garden finely, as if gardening were the greater perfection. — Francis Bacon.

FARM TOPICS

HATCH EARLY, GET PROMPT PRODUCERS

Pullets Should Come Into Late Summer Yield.

By Dr. W. C. Thompson, Poultry Department, Rutgers University. WNU Service.

Plan spring egg hatches so that there will be pullets starting production for the duration of the late summer and fall months for a more nearly balanced income through the year.

Judging from the experiences of many hundreds of poultrymen during recent years it would seem to be an economical and efficient practice to plan to bring off approximately 25 per cent of the total number of chicks desired during 1939 as early hatched, so that the pullets from those hatches will come into egg yield in late July or during August. Such early-hatched Leghorn pullets would reach first egg about August 1 and continue in satisfactory production until mid-November. If such early-hatched pullets are put under artificial lights in the late fall, a tendency toward partial molt and a somewhat reduced egg yield can probably be avoided.

Late summer or early fall egg prices are usually good, for the supply of fresh eggs at that season is often low. To be able to take advantage of that situation the poultryman would do well to consider starting his chick season early. Another advantage of having 25 per cent of the chicks early-hatched is that it makes possible a more economical and efficient use of incubation and brooder equipment.

Colt Gains Most Weight During the First Year

More than 50 per cent of the total increase in weight from birth to maturity occurs during the first year of a colt's life. Seventy-five per cent of the increase in depth of chest takes place during the same period. This means that adequate feeding is essential if the proper growth of the skeleton is to take place, asserts an authority in the Michigan Farmer.

Colts that are being raised for sale are in greater demand if they are kept in good condition. Liberal feeding of grain and hay will accomplish this. On the other hand colts will develop into good farm work horses if they are fed limited grain rations but are allowed plenty of good hay. This system is economical and produces horses that are sound in their feet and legs. A good grain mixture for the first two years consists of two parts by weight of corn, two parts oats and one part wheat bran. Mixed hays, such as timothy-alfalfa and timothy-clover, are satisfactory. Good pasture helps reduce the amount of grain and hay needed and results in cheaper production. Provide salt as needed and have plenty of fresh water available at all times.

Food and Drink

California orange growers have an easy method of applying fertilizers to their groves, according to the Country Home Magazine. They dump them into the irrigation stream and let the water do the work. Some of them buy their nitrogen fertilizer in the form of compressed ammonia gas, which comes in 150-pound cylinders. The cylinder valves are opened just enough to allow the ammonia to bubble out slowly into the water, which rapidly absorbs it and carries it down the irrigation furrow.

Making Chicks Grow

Growing chickens need some form of vitamin A to make satisfactory growth. Birds allowed to range about the farm during the growing season usually pick up sufficient quantities of green feed, but birds confined should have some feed that is rich in vitamin A. Alfalfa-leaf meal is one of the most economical sources of vitamin A, when all feeds must be purchased, and may serve as the sole source of this vitamin.

In the Feed Lot

Losses caused by internal parasites of sheep can be reduced if the flock is treated before being turned on pasture.

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Ohio experiments show that it is possible to grow more feed nutrients per acre with a "grass" rotation than with a "grain" rotation.

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Colorful reminder of early cattle days, brands still are a symbol of ownership in the West.

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Radios in poultry cars now lull the chickens to sleep, says a Nebraskan in the Wolbach Messenger.

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Battery brooders provide a good means of starting chicks, especially where large numbers of chicks are handled and where several different hatches are made.

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For control of scaly leg mites dip the infected legs in pure kerosene, taking care not to wet the skin or feathers. Crude petroleum is also very effective for this purpose.

Floyd Gibbons'

ADVENTURERS' CLUB

HEADLINES FROM THE LIVES OF PEOPLE LIKE YOURSELF!

"Murder Machine"

HELLO, EVERYBODY:

George H. Dowd of the Bronx, N. Y., sends me a letter that starts out, "This is the first time I have ever tried to put an experience of mine down on paper. Shall I stop?"

Well, the answer to that is: For Pete's sake, no, George. Because George has turned in one hum-dinger of a yarn. It's the story of a barrage of flying steel that was set off, not by powder or any other sort of explosive, but by actual horsepower—28 horses, galloping hell-bent for election, drawing behind them a machine that spued death-dealing projectiles right, left, front and center.

It's the only case I ever heard of where projectiles were thrown by horses. Maybe some of those sword-rattling dictators of Europe will pick up this idea and use horses when their supply of powder runs low. I haven't done any experimenting with this idea, and I don't know how well it would work. But I'll tell you George Dowd's story and you can figure it out for yourself.

It happened along about the middle of July, 1913, on the Idaho Falls Development company dry farm, a few miles northwest of Idaho Falls, Idaho. That farm was a seven-thousand acre wheat ranch. Out in that section they harvest their wheat in July, and George, who was just a young fellow then, had a job working on one of the big combine harvesters, sewing up sacks of grain.

There were three of these harvesters in the field—one drawn by mules, a second drawn by a steam engine or tractor, and the third, on which George was working, drawn by 28 head of horses. Those combine harvesters have a group of cylinders in them, hitched to the wheels and geared up to revolve at great speed when the horses are walking. George was working on a wooden platform on that harvester, directly over those revolving cylinders. But the cylinders weren't revolving at the moment, for the big machine was stopped for some minor repairs. The repair

Piece by piece the platform was being shot away.

man was putting a draper belt into the header, and the driver and the header man got down to help him, leaving George alone on the machine.

Steam Pressure Explodes Safety Valve.

And then the fun started—but it wasn't any fun for George Dowd!

It was the steam tractor hauling one of the other harvesters that started all the trouble. There was too much steam in the boiler and all of a sudden the safety valve popped off with a bang. "And within the same second," says George, "off went the 28 horses with the machine I was on in what you would call a real runaway!"

Well, sir, a 28 horse runaway is something to write home about, but that was only the beginning. The men who were putting in the draper belt were knocked clear of the machine at the first jump the horses made. Then those animals were off down the field at a full gallop with the great unwieldy machine careening along behind them! And as they dashed along, the cylinders of the harvester, which revolved at high speed when the horses were just walking, began revolving at a speed greater than even steel can stand!

The horses hadn't gone a dozen feet when steel cylinders began bursting from centrifugal force and shooting out of the machine in all directions. The first one ripped up through the boards on which George was standing—ripped up with a deafening crack like the report of a cannon and shot past George's nose, straight up in the air. Another one followed—and another. Cylinders, gears and bits of broken metal came flying out of that machine in a veritable barrage.

He Clung to the Harvester's Reeling Platform.

"I was on the U. S. S. Leviathan for 22 months during the war," George says, "and I have heard her guns bark a good many times. And I would say that the reports these gears and hunks of metal made when leaving the machine were about as loud as those made by a six-inch cannon."

And George, standing right in the midst of that hail of flying steel, couldn't do anything about it. He was having all he could do to cling to the swaying, reeling platform of that harvester while the horses galloped along at breakneck speed. Piece by piece and board by board, the fir flooring of the platform was shot away until it was even with the heels of his shoes.

If he'd thought of it, he might have jumped, but for the first few moments he was too bewildered. He could feel the wind of those deadly metal projectiles as they whizzed by him. One of them hit him in the calf of the leg. Others ripped great holes in the canvas awning over his head. "There were pieces of steel weighing three or four pounds shot from that harvester," he says, "that were picked up later more than a mile away."

Help Was Already on the Way.

But meanwhile, help was already on the way. The repair man had a good saddle horse tied nearby and in less than half a minute he was in the saddle, riding hard. The runaways had almost a quarter of a mile head start, but gradually he closed up that distance. The barrage of steel had stopped by then, and George was safe as long as he could cling to his perch on the shattered platform.

He did cling to that platform. He clung to it for a full mile, while the harvester reeled and swayed and threatened to tip over. But at the end of that mile the repairman caught up with the lead horses and brought them to a stop.

George says that harvester was nearly new when it started, but it was a total wreck when it stopped. George, on the other hand, was lucky. His only injury was where that one piece of flying steel had hit his right leg. "And that," he says, "wasn't serious."

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Dutch East Indies' Days About Same Length

The Dutch East Indies stretch a distance equal to that from New York to San Francisco. The population totals 52,000,000.

The island empire is equal in area to all the states east of the Mississippi with the exception of the state of that name, reaching from the northern tip of Maine to the southern tip of Florida, from Lake Michigan to the Gulf of Mexico, including 18 states.

The whole empire lies full in the equatorial sun and reaches from the tip of northwestern Sumatra to the center of New Guinea (Papua). Throughout the islands all days in the year are about the same length, as the islands all lie close to the equator, notes a writer in the Cleveland Plain Dealer.

The Dutch East Indies comprise the larger part of the Malay archipelago and are situated between Australia and southeastern Asia. Their extent may be realized from the fact that the distance from Sabang, north Sumatra, to Merauke, in New Guinea, respectively the western and eastern limits, is 3,000 miles—as wide as the Atlantic from New York to London. They include such groups as the Moluccas, Celebes, Sunda, Timor and Banda islands.

Fourteen distinct kinds of people inhabit these islands, some of them very primitive, others highly civilized

Bruckart's Washington Digest

Find Joker in Department of Agriculture Appropriation Bill

It's the Soon-to-Be-Famous Food Stamps and Here's How Advanced Thinkers Think It Will Work; Billion Dollars Is All They Want.

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WASHINGTON.—It was not so long ago—six or eight years, perhaps—that the annual cost of the department of agriculture to the taxpayers of the country amounted to something like $40,000,000. There was some talk even in those days about the drain upon the federal treasury resulting from department of agriculture operations. The totals were questioned; many persons wondered whether the politicians were justified in voting that much money to the department because there was little to show in the way of results. That is, congressmen could show very little except the packages of seeds sent out to their districts.

It was in those days, however, that the department of agriculture was seeking to operate effectively. Farming was not regarded by the folks who used to run the department as a subject for politics. The departmental officials were going about their business, rendering assistance in the form of advice and promoting better farming—when the farmers asked for it.

I was reminded of those days recently when the house appropriations committee brought out for consideration the appropriations bill for the department of agriculture for the fiscal year that begins next July 1. A Rip Van Winkle who could have slept through the last 10 years would have believed, truly, that he was in another world. The new money bill for the department contains a total of more than $1,000,000,000. The measure, indeed, ranks as the third largest appropriations bill of this year when altogether there is likely to be almost $10,000,000,000 appropriated.

What Is Planned to Do With a Billion Dollars

It is extremely difficult to realize what a billion dollars is. That is, it is difficult for me to understand what it is. I can write the figures glibly enough. But to comprehend that sum of money, or a billion of anything, is something almost outside the pale of human knowledge. Yet that is what the department of agriculture seeks this year, and here is how that money is supposed to be divided:

$429,560,000 for soil conservation payments.

$250,000,000 for parity payments.

$191,000,000 for roadbuilding.

$21,462,000 for soil and moisture conservation and operations.

$24,984,000 for the farm tenancy program.

$7,175,000 for eradicating tuberculosis and Bang's disease.

$6,998,570 for the weather bureau and its services.

$4,978,000 for retiring submarginal lands.

$1,631,000 for soil and moisture investigation.

$1,500,000 for wild life restoration.

$300,000 for co-operative farm forestry.

$250,000 for the water facilities program.

There were some other odds and ends embracing items of 20 or 40 or 90 thousand dollars, amounts so small that men almost smirk because they have forgotten how to speak in such limited numbers.

Then, and here is the joker which is hidden away. I really should not say "hidden" because no reference is made in the agriculture bill language. The joker is that there are almost countless millions of other dollars with which the department can play around, including approximately $100,000,000 of money for use in getting rid of farm surpluses. That is the money from which Secretary Wallace and his advanced thinkers will draw funds for the soon-to-be-famous food stamps.

The country got its belly full of blue eagles before the NRA was plowed under. But the undistinguished, yet befitting, end that came to the NRA blue eagle has not deterred the advanced thinkers from attempting something else that is blue—a blue stamp for relief food. Yes, relief workers will have the same wages as before, but they will receive free blue stamps with which to buy surplus products for foods.

How Wallace's Men Think Blue Food Stamp Will Work

I must write a little bit about that blue food stamp, about how the advanced thinkers think it will work, before I report on the main department of agriculture appropriation bill.

It seems to be Secretary Wallace's idea of a more abundant life to designate certain farm products each week as being "surplus" and to help get them off of the glutted market by making them available for relief workers' kitchens. The first trial of the scheme will be limited to six cities. In those areas, the relief supervisors will be supplied with books of blue stamps. They are rather pretty stamps, too. Each WPA worker will get a book of stamps of a specified value. He can take those stamps to his grocery store and use them just like they were quarters, or half dollars or dollars. The grocerman will take them and he will be paid honest-to-goodness United States money for them. Thus will the surplus stocks of food products be reduced and the remainder will bring better prices. Or so say the advanced thinkers.

When I read the explanation of the program that was sent me by one of Mr. Wallace's publicity staff, the first thing that struck me was the extreme discrimination that will result. It is easy to see. Take any man who is trying to hold down a private job. It may be paying him only $50 a month, or about the same as the relief worker gets. Naturally, he would like to be making more money. Who wouldn't? But he sticks on his job and stays off of relief. Then, when he gets paid he goes to the grocery store to buy some food. He pays cash, and gets his food.

About the same moment a relief worker walks in, orders the same list of groceries, perhaps, and pays for them out of a stamp book. It appears to me that the hard bitten private worker is going to find little solace in remaining on his job. It strikes me he—and millions of others—are going to be resentful of such tactics.

See Possibility of Creating A Lot of Bootleggers

There is another phase of the picture which was mentioned to me by Representative Hope of Kansas, one of the ranking members of the house committee on agriculture. He suggested that the blue stamps are going to create a lot of bootleggers. For example: the relief workers are not permitted to buy liquor with the stamps. They won't be redeemed if they are used to buy anything but food. However, Mr. Hope could see no reason why a relief worker couldn't use the stamps to buy liquor from a liquor store and the liquor store owner might possibly be a crook. It is possible, you know. He might own a food store, too, or he might have an understanding with a food store owner who would take the stamps at a few pennies discount. What is to stop such procedure? It's your guess.

The whole thing strikes me as being so silly as to defy one's powers of imagination. It is dealt with here at such length only because I regard it as typical of a great many things that are going on within the department of agriculture for which more than $1,000,000,000 is soon to be appropriated for a year's operations. The blue stamp scheme is destined to fail, even as the plowing under of crops and the slaughtering of 6,000,000 pigs was doomed a-borning and as the limitation of crop production was certain to flare back on those who were sucked into the maelstrom of pit wit plans.

Now, lest I be misunderstood, let me restate with emphasis that there is good work that the department can do, and has been doing. Road building appropriations, for instance. Where would this country be had there been no attempt to build usable roads? Who can say that eradication of tuberculosis and Bang's disease among live stock is not a valuable aid to farmers?

Learn Beautiful Phrases But at Rather High Cost

I am not prepared to say that the wild life restoration program is wholly bad. It seems probable that the country ought to rebuild the wild life stocks that have been wantonly destroyed in the days when people would go out and shoot ducks or deer or what have you without thought of the morrow. It is a program for which considerable justification can be advanced.

But it is to be noted that most of these items are small. Neither the department of agriculture administration nor the members of the house and the senate have seen fit to do more than maintain them. I have seen the inmates of the capitol squirm and fuss and scowl about some of them, while swallowing the items reaching into hundreds of millions with the greatest of glee.

As I said, it was not so long ago that department of agriculture appropriations were regarded as huge if they totalled 40 millions. As far as I can see, agriculture is no better off today than it was in those years. Of course, a very great number of farmers have learned that the beautiful phrases like "the more abundant life" and such, are meaningless. But I venture the assertion that education has been rather expensive.

From all of these things it is surely made to appear that there are some large Ethiopian gentlemen in the wood pile. When the politicians and the advanced thinkers joined hands to manage agriculture, just then federal expenses for the department of agriculture began zooming upward.

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Suits of Glamorous Wools Are Top Fashion for Spring

By CHERIE NICHOLAS

AN UP-TO-DATE wardrobe without a chic new suit? It just isn't being done nowadays. All fashiondom has gone wildly, deliriously suit-mad this spring—which is your cue as to "what to wear" at this immediate moment.

The fact that fashion is in a mood to suit you as you have never been suited before should count a lot in your planning this spring. The thing that plays big in the glorification of the new suits is the superbly colorful and intriguingly textured wool fabrics that challenge designers to turn out a pageantry of suits that in the matter of variety and chic and charm outrivals all previous showings so far as we of the present generation are concerned.

The new tweeds are captivating, especially the soft coarse meshy kind that are so eminently patrician in their now-so-stylish neutral oatmeal tones, and in the smart honey-beige or in subtle grays that so appeal to discriminating taste. Some of these natural toned tweeds are flecked with multi-color which makes them even more alluring. It's a stroke of genius to buy a new threesome ensemble which includes a skirt, jacket and long topcoat for this many-piece interchangeable combination, together with a collection of blouses, measures up to clothes requirements for almost any daytime event. Then, too, later on the coat can be worn as a wrap over dainty summer frocks.

We are illustrating just such a threesome (see the figure seated). This outfit is beautifully tailored of an imported tweed in soft heather mixture. It has a straight skirt and unusual shoulder detail. The shoulders and lapels of the topcoat duplicate those of the suit. The suit jacket is a one button type. The sailor hat is in a deep purple veiled to bespeak the femininity of the present mode.

As to the new plaids, stripes and checks they play havoc with any tradition that a suit or coat is supposed to be modest and conservative.

Suits of checked, striped or plaid woolens have revolutionized the mode in that they are a far departure from the classic navy or black monotones of yore. The fact that the plaid skirts are pleated also gives them the spring "look." See the nifty plaid suit to the right in the illustration. It typifies the new trend perfectly. It is of imported tweed in soft yellow with crossbar of brown (smart color combination this season). The pleated skirt stamps this suit with unmistakable chic. The pleats are stitched down around the hips for smooth slenderizing line. The single-breasted jacket observes every rule of the game in matter of swank detail. Brown suede sports hat with a wide scoop brim and brown alligator bag bespeak utmost chic.

As to the fetching little dressmaker jacket suit it is with us in such numbers it would take an alert mind to keep tally of the number that pass a given moment at a given point, for the jacket suit is omnipresent in the style parade. The new jacket twosomes play up color combinations in amazing variations. Black wool crepe for the skirt topped with jacket in pale yellow with black piping describes the goodlooking model centered in the group. New details are the softly rolled collar, high pockets and outside tucks around the waist. A wide brimmed Breton sailor with a quill across the crown is jaunty and very flattering to the wearer.

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Of Silk Shirting

It's your play! And why not play in a sports dress of purple silk shirting striped in white, with self-color simulated reptile belt, as here pictured? Speaking of silk for sports frocks, here's another suggestion. If you select a dress of dull-surfaced nubby silk noil, in the new olive green and off-white color, you will be all set. Complement this with a separate lumber jacket top.

Navy Vogue Steps To Fashion Front

Contrasting the flamboyant plaids and stripes and gay prints now so much in vogue is the navy vogue which has stepped to the front. Suits with cunningly devised jackets, dresses with accompanying boleros and coats galore are neatly tailored of navy wools. The accessories may be either very colorful or follow the trend that calls for lingerie touches in immaculate white.

Veils and Veiling Are Omnipresent

Veils and veiling are that omnipresent in the millinery mode the eyes have to sigh through yards and yards of veiling to discover the hat itself. To radiate the spirit of spring try tying a bright green veil over your new black or navy straw. Green veils are the "last word in chic."

It's the proper thing to match the color of your veil to your gloves and other accessories. You will like the new hats made all of veiling. They are appealingly feminine and in their exquisite colorings they tune to spring most charmingly. The all-veiling hat (most often a little sailor) is made of twisted strands of the veiling or layer upon layer. To add allure there are long streamer ends of the veiling to tie and twirl with provocative grace.

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Of 7,250 pedestrians killed during 1937 in traffic accidents that occurred in cities, says the National Safety council, in its 1938 edition of "Accident Facts," 85 per cent were struck while crossing the road.

About 2,900 persons were injured fatally while crossing a street somewhere BETWEEN intersections. Approximately 3,260 met their death at intersections. Either they were crossing the intersection with the traffic signal, against the signal, diagonally, or were crossing an intersection at which there was no traffic signal. Deadly and tragic work at the crossroads!

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Misplaced Pride

To be proud of learning is the greatest ignorance.—Jeremy Taylor.

How Women in Their 40's Can Attract Men

Here's good advice for a woman during her change (usually from 38 to 52), who fears she'll lose her appeal to men, who's worried about hot flashes, loss of pep, dizzy spells, upset nerves, extra nervousness.

Get more fresh air, 8 hrs. sleep and if you need a good general system tonic take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, made especially for women. It helps Nature build up physical resistance, thus helps give more vivacity to enjoy life and assist calming jittery nerves and distress of this functional period change of life. WELL WORTH TRYING!

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THE HULL TREATIES EXPOSED

Like a lightning stroke the automatic abrogation of the Hull trade treaty with Czechoslovakia rent the whole fabric of the administration's "reciprocal" trade pacts.

It exposed overnight the frightful breaches they have made in our home production and how these agreements have been the prime causes of retarding our industrial recovery.

Frances R. Masterson, president of the National Association of Shoe Wholesalers and president of the Boston Hood and Shoe Company, forecast an instant INCREASE OF 6 TO 13 PER CENT in shoe production in Massachusetts alone as a result of the shutting off of the importation, at a ruinous low-tariff rate, of Czech-made shoes.

"Tariff duties are now a third higher than were those under the reciprocal trade agreement with the Czech government.

That means WORK for our people.

Massachusetts shoe production now, says Mr. Masterson, should increase from FOUR TO TEN MILLION PAIRS annually.

Here is concrete evidence—and no mooncake theories—of just what the Hull free-trade policies are doing to the working people and factories.

Further supreme confirmation of the disastrous effect of the "reciprocal" trade treaty with Czechoslovakia is found in the extraordinary prophecy made by Representative Edith N. Rogers in an interview in the Hearst papers some time ago when she said:

"To allow Czechoslovakia to flood our markets with her goods will mean that the New England shoe industries will close their doors. They can't compete with labor in virtual serfdom."

What is true of shoes is true of many other home products that have come from the bareful and UNCONSTITUTIONAL Hull "reciprocal trade" treaties.

The same labor in America pays FIVE DOLLARS a day; but, like thousands of shoe workers in New England, they HAVEN'T BEEN WORKING.

Last year we imported under the Hull treaty with Belgium $3,000,000 worth of rugs.

That means that many American rug workers are out of work.

The inundation of Japanese cotton floor covering has practically wiped out our cotton rug industry.

Since the ruinous Hull treaties went into effect in 1934 our favorable trade balance has shrunk SIXTY-EIGHT PER CENT!

This is directly due to the fact that the free trade, or, rather, NO TRADE, policies of Secretary Hull have lowered customs rates a full 50 per cent on about 150 items and on 258 additional items less than 50 per cent.

In back of each "item" stand MILLIONS OF AMERICAN WORKERS DEMANDING WORK.

It is small wonder we have not normal good times when we are EXPORTING OUR CAPITAL TO BUY FOREIGN GOODS.

We cannot compete with the pauper wage-levels of Europe and Asia.

Apply the long-tried protective tariff system that built up this country again and our factories will once more operate for the purpose for which they exist—THE EMPLOYMENT OF AMERICANS AT WAGE-LEVELS THAT ARE THE HIGHEST IN THE WORLD.

The sudden stoppage of the Czechoslovakia shoe inundation of our markets and the new life that is felt in New England shoe factories should bring Congress to its senses.

It should immediately withdraw the tariff-making and INDUSTRY-BREAKING power which it put into the hands of Secretary Hull and put the country back on the Hawley-Smoot tariff law of 1930, which is STILL THE LAW OF THE LAND.—**ATLANTA GEORGIAN.**

NOT MAYO'S FAULT

(Ft. Myers News-Press)

In pouncing on Agriculture Commissioner Nathan Mayo for failure to make the 32-cent grapefruit law effective, the citrus industry leaves another public official ruefully holding the bag for its delinquencies.

Invoking the price-fixing law was not Mr. Mayo's idea. The citrus industry dug it up and got Governor Cone to proclaim a "state of emergency" under which it could be put into effect. Thus put on the spot Commissioner Mayo reluctantly agreed to try enforcement of a law which provided virtually no effective penalty for violation. Like many other he had small hope of success but he let himself be persuaded "to try anything once."

That Mr. Mayo's department did its best, everybody agrees. The citrus commission acknowledges that in making its complaint of failure. But when he had put "enforcement" into the fullest possible effect and had obtained court decisions holding the law good and his acts valid, he still couldn't get growers 32 cents for their grapefruit. There were so many perfectly legal devices for evading the law that practically anybody who wanted to was able to buy grapefruit for less than 32 cents a box.

The most notable exception was some elements in the canning industry. Almost immediately all plants closed. A few soon found ways to beat the devil around the bush but most of them have remained closed. Many packing plants, the Lee County company among them, adhered strictly to the spirit as well as the letter of the law. Many others, however, continued to operate full blast and the fruit with which they have been flooding the market has not netted growers anything like 32 cents. This was done by employing various dodges, all within the law, which left agricultural department inspectors powerless to intervene.

In the face of all that the citrus commission now asks Mr. Mayo to show 100 per cent results or cease all attempts at enforcement. By 100 per cent results they mean getting the growers 32 cents for their grapefruit. As that obviously can't be done under the price fixing law, the citrus commission in effect asks Mr. Mayo to give it up as a bad job.

He will no doubt be glad to do so but the commission wants to take the onus by confessing "inability to achieve 100 per cent enforcement." This, Mr. Mayo may amiably consent to do as a convenient way out of a bad spot. But it won't be true. He really has enforced the law 100 per cent. The trouble is that 100 per cent enforcement of the price-fixing law can't give the grower 32 cents. The citrus industry knew that before it got Mr. Mayo into it. The best that could be said for the effort was that it was worth trying as encouragement to growers to stick out for 32 cents. Now that it has failed it is the industry, and not the state department of agriculture, that should confess inability to provide 100 per cent cooperation in a policy for its own benefit.

CANAL FIGURES

Some of the most damaging testimony yet to come to light against the proposed $197,000,000 Florida sea level canal was uttered by John A. O'Rourke, representing the Miami Chamber of Commerce, before the House Rivers and Harbors Committee. Mr. O'Rourke gives the people of Florida something to think about when, accepting the canal backers' contention that traffic through the ditch would number 43,333 ships annually, he points out that this figure would mean 119 ships every four hours. Ships would have to pass every 16 minutes through railroad and highway bridges, requiring them to keep open 19 hours and 44 minutes out of the 24.

Mr. O'Rourke merely quotes these figures to show that the canal backers will say anything to carry their point, with little regard for truth. His opinion is that 75 per cent of the expected traffic would NOT use the canal. Mr. O'Rourke is traffic manager of the Port of Miami and his testimony comes from one who knows shipping.

We regard the whole canal scheme as absolutely nothing but a project being fostered by certain self-seeking engineering and dredging companies who want the federal government to spend 197 million dollars to pay them to dig a useless, and perhaps devastating ditch through the Ocala limestone. —Haines City Herald.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

By RUSSELL KAY

While it wasn't my privilege to personally hear Governor Fred deliver his message to the 1939 Legislature, I have gone over an advance copy carefully and find it contains plenty of good sound horse sense and while it may not appeal to certain selfish groups and interests, it certainly "rings the bell" as far as the average citizen and taxpayer is concerned.

Fred has consistently pointed out that "we don't need no more taxes" and that same theme runs through his message. What the Governor means is, we don't need any new sources of revenue. All we need to do is COLLECT the various forms of taxes already provided for and we'll have more money than we know what to do with.

Appealing for continued economy in the operation of all departments, the Governor points out, as he has many times before, that "The taxes we will collect now as they stand will pay operating expenses of this state, provided no additional expenses are added."

And, concurring, Comptroller Lee contends "If we paid our taxes, the state would have so much money we wouldn't know what to do with it and tax levies would go down so fast we wouldn't know what happened."

Selfish interests have done everything in their power to create the impression that the state's financial condition is hopeless and NEW forms of revenue are imperative—preferably a SALES or TRANSACTION tax. But in advocating such a tax they would eliminate ad valorem taxes.

Florida has encouraged rather than penalized the TAX-DODGER to the end that the honest citizen and taxpayer has assumed the role of a sucker and a sap, and the state has lost millions in revenue that it should have received.

Rather than frantically seeking new sources of revenue, the Legislature can do the state and the people a real service by simply providing for fair and uniform assessment of values, full and firm collection of taxes, and efficient expenditure of revenues.

Highlights of the Governor's message include an appeal for a flat rate of $5 for all pleasure car license tags; adequate money for schools, with funds made available from a dependable source; an adequate General Revenue Fund appropriation to care for all constitutional departments of our government; the establishment of some commission or authority to collect all past due taxes; additional money from race tracks, including what is known as the odd-cents break to go in the General Revenue Fund; revision of license laws so that lines of business not now taxes will be required to pay their full share; revision and strengthening of the intangible tax law; amending the state primary laws for the better enforcement of honest elections; additional money for old age pensions, for the blind and for dependent children; reasonable increase in salaries of all elective officers; and a number of other suggestions that are more or less general in nature.

The keynote, however, is continued economy and no additional taxes, points which will meet with general approval of all who have no special axe to grind, or who desire to shift the tax burden.

Probably before this column gets into print, press dispatches will advise that our schools will not close for lack of funds but will enjoy the full nine months term, thanks to the collection of the balance due from the DuPont estate.

All indications are that the Legislature is one of the best ever assembled with able, sincere men. Their problem is difficult and they will be subject to plenty of pressure, but they are going at their task in a businesslike manner, with full realization of their responsibility and they will not be stampeded but will give thoughful and intelligent consideration to our major problems with the view of the state's welfare as a whole, constantly in view.

Clean Up These Menaces To Health

Spurred on by the knowledge of four definite and two suspected cases of typhoid fever in the negro quarters, city officials, headed by Mayor M. E. Covington and with the active cooperation of County Sanitarian G. A. Warren, are waging a strenuous campaign to eliminate the old open back type of privies and install the new sanitary pit privies by the WPA.

Warrants for property owners and tenants have been sworn out by the sanitarian and batches of the defendants have been up before the mayor every day this week, beginning Wednesday. The charges read that the defendants "did keep, maintain, have, allow or permit on certain premises leased, owned or occupied by him, an outside closet or privy which does not comply with the rules and regulations of the Florida State Board of Health and contrary to city ordinance."

The majority of the defendants were either found or pleaded guilty but sentences were suspended for a week providing they made immediate provision for installing the sanitary privies. The property owner or tenant is required to pay for the material, amounting to about $16.00 and WPA forces provide the labor for making and installing. The mayor collected over $50.00 from several to apply on the privies and others promised immediate compliance.

Sanitarian Warren met with council Monday night, asking their cooperation and a committee was named to investigate and act. Warren stated the typhoid germs have come from surface contamination of wells by the privies and also from flies getting to the drinking water left in buckets. He feared an epidemic unless stringent steps are taken to stop the menace.

On Wednesday morning Mayor Covington and Warren made a tour of the quarters accompanied by a Times reporter and cameraman. The above pictures show some of the worst menaces to the city's health and the top one shows the mayor placing a condemned sign on it. Others were also condemned and either destroyed or ordered to be torn down.

During a conversation Warren stated he had received complaints on the taste of the city water. This is due he said to a low water table on account of the recent dry weather and the water coming from a greater depth than formerly and hitting sulphur pockets not ordinarily reached. The water is perfectly pure in the city mains, he said, but is subject to this sulphur taste which is not injurious at all.

Mayor M. E. Covington says that if you have any Easter lillies that you will contribute for the altar of the Church of the Redeemer next Sunday (Easter Day), please phone Fr. R. I. Brown or himself.

STIMULATE THE APPETITE

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Fish and Game Club Meeting Postponed

Due to confliction in dates and another organization wishing to use the building, the meeting of the Avon Park Fish and Game Club scheduled for last Wednesday evening at the American Legion home, has been postponed until next Wednesday when supper will be served at 7 o'clock.

Taxpayers' Last Chance!

UNDER MURPHY LAW!

In order for all property owners to have an equal opportunity to advertise their property during the last thirty days rush, the office of the Clerk of Circuit Court is going to strictly comply with Section Four of House Bill No. 396, known as the Murphy Law, which reads as follows:

Section 4. Clerk of Circuit Court to whom such application is made is hereby *authorized to require* of such applicant *a deposit of sufficient amount to cover all advertising and other costs* incident to making of such sale, which deposit shall be credited upon bid made by such applicant.

We urgently request all applicants to provide complete list and legal description of property to be advertised.

Due to the unusual rush, applications will be listed in the order they are received and worked up and advertised in the same manner.

May 10 is the last day on which applications for benefits under the Murphy Law, can be accepted by this office.

Cordially yours,
W. Z. CARSON,
Clerk Circuit Court.

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The BARNETT BANK of Avon Park

From Report to Comptroller at the Close of Business March 29, 1939.

RESOURCES

CASH and Due from Banks	$156,808.03	
U. S. Securities	142,616.88	
Listed, Municipal & Other Bonds & Securities	114,253.75	
Accrued Interest	2,139.83	$ 415,818.49
Loans and Discounts		124,066.48
Overdrafts		43.10
Furniture & Fixtures		7,000.00
Other Resources		245.37
		$ 547,173.44

LIABILITIES

Capital	$ 50,000.00	
Surplus and Undivided Profits	41,456.90	$ 91,456.90
Reserves		6,031.74
Bills Payable		NONE
Other Liavilities		72.02
DEPOSITS		449,612.78
		$ 547,173.44

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SOCIAL and Personal News

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Mrs. Spencer Pickett Shower Honoree

Mrs. R. Elder was hostess Tuesday evening at her home when she entertained in honor of Mrs. Spencer Pickett at a shower. The party rooms were decorated with beautiful bouquets of lace flowers and petunias. A pink and white color motif was in evidence and during the evening many interesting games and contests were played. The honoree received many lovely gifts from her friends.

Delicious refreshments of punch and cookies were served to those invited to this lovely affair who were: Mrs. J. B. Gaster, Jr., Mrs. J. B. Gaster, Sr., Miss Louise Gaster, Mrs. H. C. Rutledge, Mrs. Charles Lewiston, Mrs. Bob Palmer, Mrs. Harriet Smith, Miss Emeria Sadler, Mrs. Helen Mann, Mrs. J. S. Pickett, Mrs. Charley Foster, and Mrs. Glenn Leverett of Sebring, Mrs. Bertha Hansen of Wauchula, Mrs. Lawton Dyer, Mrs. Ernest Elder, Mrs. Alton Elder, Mrs. Ellis Elder, Mrs. Jessie Edwards, Mrs. P. L. Gordon, Mrs. George Haynie, Mrs. Howard Wray, Mrs. William Reck, Mrs. Renfro, Mrs. Grady Fowler, Mrs. Whidden, Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Curley Renfro, Mrs. Albert Moore, Mrs. J. E. Elder, Mrs. Milburn Hart, Mrs. Grady Tomilin, Mrs. Woodrow Tomilin, Miss Mary Phelps, Mrs. J. C. Still, Mrs. Horce Basemore, Mrs. Frank Wolf, Mrs. Rose Abramson, Miss Velma Bost and others.

St. Margaret's Guild Met Wednesday

Members of the St. Margaret's Guild met Wednesday afternoon at the Parish house for their regular meeting. New officers, who were installed at the morning services at the church house, had charge of the meeting and the new president, Mrs. S. S. Thayer, presided.

Mrs. Thayer was elected as the delegate to attend the Woman's Auxiliary in Sanford, April 25th, with Mrs. Domeo Mandia as the alternate.

It was announced at the meeting that a childrens Easter party will be held Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Fred Smith, also, the annual breakfast will be held after the 8 o'clock service Easter morning. About 20 members were present at the meeting.

Delightful Party At Wells' Home

Enjoyable in every detail was the lovely bridge party given Tuesday evening by Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Wells, when they entertained members of their bridge club and additional guests. Many lovely bouquets of red radiance roses formed the attractive decorations in the party room. The prevailing motif was in keeping with the approach of Easter and was cleverly reflected in the bridge appointments. During the games, bon-bon dishes of Cashew nuts and Easter candies were placed on the tables for the further enjoyment of the guests.

High score club prize, a lovely vase, was presented to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Dilley; second high, a box of stationary, was given Mr. and Mrs. Charles Moffett; high score guest prize, a double deck of cards, was won by Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Carter and the floating prize a wall plaque, was given to Mr. and Mrs. Lester Armstrong. The prizes were attractively wrapped and tied in the Easter colors. Between progressions punch was served from the beautiful punch bowl which centered the lace covered dining table.

Mrs. Raymond Dilley, who celebrated her birthday anniversary near this date, was presented a white leather purse and a lovely corsage of rose buds from club members.

The tempting refreshment course consisting of pecan pie-a-la-mode and coffee were served after the games.

The guests who shared this delightful affair with the hosts, Mr. and Mrs. Wells, were: Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Booth Kirkwood, Mr. and Mrs. Irvin H. Ford, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Moffett, Mr. and Mrs. John Hood, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Dilley, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Milford Dilley.

Jacaranda Visitor Birthday Honoree

The garden of the Jacaranda hotel provided an unusually delightful setting for the enjoyable surprise party given last Saturday evening by Mrs. George W. Quinn, of Toronto, Canada, when she entertained in honor of her husband, in celebration of his birthday anniversary.

A delicious buffet supper was served midst the many beautiful blossoms which lent a natural floral decoration. As its centerpiece the table was centered with a beautiful birthday cake decorated with strawberries and the required number of candles.

Much to the enjoyment of the guests and honoree, Quinn gifts were presented to him in a wheel barrow.

Guests invited to attend this delightful party with the hostess and honor guest, Mr. and Mrs. Quinn, were: Mr. and Mrs. George Trautman, Miss Peggy Trautman, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shaughnessey, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Burns, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mulligan, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Crabtree, A. Lehman, J. Applegath, Mayo Smith, and John Berly.

Baptist W. M. U. Meeting Monday

The W. M. U. of the First Baptist church met Monday afternoon at the church house and the meeting opened with the song, "I Love To Tell the Story." Mrs. D. S. Stuckey read the 23rd Psalm.

During the business meeting Frank Costine resigned as councelor for the R. A. boys and Floyd Patterson was elected as the new counselor with Paul McFarland as co-counselor. The meeting closed with prayer by Mrs. Stuckey.

Those present were: Mrs. Otto Skipper, Mrs. D. S. Stuckey, Mrs. J. B. Coen, Sr., Mrs. S. F. Longbottom, Mrs. Paul McFarland, Mrs. J. D. Sherman, Miss Ethel Pascall, Mrs. B. F. Martin, Mrs. E. C. Wever, Mrs. R. H. Lawhon, Mrs. Fred Wetherbee, Mrs. Mark Smith, Mrs. J. E. Crosby, Mrs. Jess Bennett, Mrs. J. P. Dalton, Mrs. Dollie Skipper, Mrs. C. Belin, and Mrs. L. D. McGiboney.

Mrs. Tom Jones Club Hostess

Mrs. Tom Jones very graciously entertained members of her bridge club Monday evening at the home of Mrs. T. A. Jones in Sebring. The spacious living room, where the two tables were aranged, was attractively decorated.

High score prize was won by Mrs. Lucille Koch and second high was given to Mrs. Z. Seron. After the games "Bingo" was played and Mrs. Richey Green was the lucky winner.

Delicious refreshments of potato salad, weiners, hot rolls and coffee were served.

Club members present were Mrs. R. X. Droit, Mrs. Francis Shockley, Mrs. Bill Sachsenmaier, Mrs. Lucille Koch, Miss Hazel Cameron, Miss Gwendolyn Wever, Mrs. Z. Seron, Mrs. Richey Green and the hostess Mrs. Jones.

At the refreshment hour Mrs. T. A. Jones and Mrs. Emily Fries joined the players.

Peggy Trautman Dance Honoree

A most delightful dinner party and dance was given Thursday evening last week at the Jacaranda hotel by Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Crabtree, the affair being given in honor of Miss Peggy Trautman of Columbus, Ohio, who with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Trautman, are guests at the hotel.

The Palm Room, where dancing was enjoyed, was beautifully decorated with red roses.

Those invited to attend this lovely affair with the honoree, Miss Trautman, and hosts Mr. and Mrs. Crabtree were: Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Quinn, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shaughnessey, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Trautman, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Burns, Miss Mary Miller, Mayo Smith, John Berly and A. Lehman.

Mr.-Mrs. Warner Dinner Hosts

Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Warner were charming hosts last Saturday evening at their home when they entertained at dinner. Attractively arranged spring flowers placed at vantage points decorated the home. The beautiful appointed dinner was served at eight o'clock and at each guest's place, was a lovely corsage of gardenias for the ladies and the men received a gardenia for their lapels.

Those enjoying the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Warner were: Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Holland of Chicago and Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Porterfield.

B. P. W. Club Held Meeting Monday

The regular meeting of the B. P. W. C. was held Monday evening at the City Hall club room. Routine business was discussed with president Miss Mattie Tompkins presiding. Reports from all the committees were made.

Those present were: Miss Margaretha Vogt, Mrs. C. R. Ginn, Mrs. Ruth Clowe, Miss Rose Abramson, Miss Sarah Browning, Miss Millie Pearson, Miss Mattie Tompkins and Mrs. Freed Peden.

Go To Tallahassee On Hospital Business

S. J. Pendleton, C. E. Lanier, R. R. Brown and Walter S. Betts left this morning for Tallahassee on business connected with securing the proposed branch of the state hospital for Avon Park. They expect to remain at the capitol until Wednesday.

Joe E. Brown and Ace Cast Coming In New Laugh Hit

"Flirting With Fate," new Joe E. Brown starring picture, opens a two day engagement at the Park theatre Tuesday and Wednesday, April 11 and 12.

Joe E. Brown, veteran stage and screen comedian, plays the role of manager and star attraction of a vaudeville troupe touring South America. With him in the big cast is Leo Carrillo, the best-loved bad man of the screen in a characterization which offers him every opportunity for a display of the talents which have made him one of the top-ranking character players in Hollywood.

Beverly Roberts has the feminine lead opposite Brown, while Wynne Gibson is given another important featured role. Steffi Duna, who won fame through the short subject, "La Cucaracha," dances in the picture. Others in the cast include Charles Judels, Stanley Fields, Leonid Kinsky and Irene Franklin.

Frank McDonald, for seventeen years an actor, writer and director on Broadway and for the past three years a motion picture director, handled the megaphone. David L. Loew produced.

"Flirting with Fate" is a story of the hilarious adventures which befall Brown and his troupe when they find themselves stranded in the capital of a South American country. Brown, believing his insurance will save the troupe, attempts to end it all. Unsuccessful he learns, just as he is about to be executed, that his troupe can have a year's tour of the biggest South American circuit. His efforts to escape death are both more lively and diverting than his attempts to bid the world good-by.

PERSONALS

J. T. Willeford of Orlando spent the week end in Avon Park.

Colquitt Pardee is spending several days visiting in Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Foster are spending several days visiting in Miami.

James Bailey, Cyril Baldwin and Raleigh Foster were in Bartow Sunday.

Miss Mattie Tompkins spent Wednesday afternoon in Lakeland on business.

Claude Wells of Jacksonville was visiting his brother J. L. Wells and family Sunday.

Mrs. L. D. McGiboney and Miss Willa Pearl McGiboney were in Lakeland Thursday.

Mrs. Elizabeth McGinnis and A. F. Shaffer were in Lakeland Wednesday afternoon.

John Vilkiatis, student at the University of Florida spent the week end at his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Archer and children spent the week end at Crescent City visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Cloud of Lake Wales were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. K. McClain.

Mr. and Mrs. Briscoe Willis and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Dilley spent the week end in Orlando.

Mr. and Mrs. John Puckett of Louisville, Ky., spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Camp.

Miss Carmen Booth, student at Southern College, is spending the holidays at her home in Avon Park.

Mrs. Ola Head, Mrs. Ida Butler and Mrs. Jack Head and daughter Yvonne spent Monday in Lakeland.

J. E. Griffin of Lake Wales spent the week end in Avon Park visiting Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Smith.

Bob Schwind of Mt. Plymouth spent the week end in Avon Park the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Smith.

Mrs. O'Cona Sheffield of Jacksonville is spending the Easter holidays with her parents, Mr. and G. D. Godwin.

Mrs. Ben Stewart, teacher at Crescent City, arrived Tuesday and will spend the Easter holidays at her home here.

Mrs. J. E. Griffin of Tampa is spending the week here the guest of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Smith.

Dr. and Mrs. Hay Wright returned to their home in Dekalb, Ill., after having spent the winter months at the Jacaranda hotel.

Mrs. Ruth Tull and children, R. H. and Ruth of Bartow spent the week end here the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wilt and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Brickell of Massellion, Ohio, arrived Tuesday in Avon Park and will spend several days on business and pleasure.

Mr. and Mrs. George Trautman and Miss Peggy Trautman of Columbus, Ohio are spending several weeks at the Jacaranda hotel.

Mrs. J. S. Blackburn and son, Cline, Mrs. J. E. Crosby and daughter Delores and Mrs. Leroy Campbell spent last Saturday in Lakeland.

Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Mack returned to their home in Philadelphia Tuesday after having spent several months at their home at Highlands Lakes.

Miss Helen Tuten, Mrs. Delores Piety and Mrs. Flo Bledso of Terre Haute, Ind. spent the week end in Miami. Mrs. Flo Bledso and Mrs. Delores Piety returned to their home Monday.

Bill Stowe of Tampa was a business visitor here Wednesday.

Harold McClelland, student at the University of Tampa, is expected home Sunday and will spend the day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McClelland.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Noland and son Bill of St. Petersburg are spending several days here the guests of Mr. Noland's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Noland.

Mr. and Mrs. John S. McDonald of Cumberland, Md. are expected to arrive this week to spend some time in Avon Park. Mrs. McDonald is a niece of Mrs. Ola Head.

Among those chaperoning the band to West Palm Beach last week end were: Mrs. W. C. Touchton, Mrs. J. L. Wells, Mrs. Demos Mandis, Mrs. Walter Martin and Mrs. J. M. McCord.

Mrs. E. H. Ware spent the week end in Orlando the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Voss. Mr. Ware and two children, Mickey and Jimmie motored to Orlando Saturday, and Sunday continued on to Ocala where they attended a family reunion.

Mrs. P. L. Gordon, Mrs. George Haynie and Mrs. Tennie Haynie spent Wednesday afternoon in Lakeland. They were accompanied home by Miss Faye Gordon and Miss Mary Lydia Stebbins who will spend the Easter holidays at their homes here.

C. E. Holland who has been spending several weeks in Avon Park with his wife and attractive daughter Miss Pat Holland and the house guests of Mrs. Holland's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Porterfield, returned to his home in Chicago Tuesday.

PUBLIC Park Notes

By C. S. DONALDSON
Young People and Flowers

If anyone doubts the efficacy of training and helpful words from teachers and parents the practical results may be cited of recent efforts in Avon Park to get the boys to discontinue maltreating the plant life in the park. A few months ago Park Commissioner Francis had 'a conference with Superintendent of Schools Reeves about the matter. Dr. Reeves then one morning gave a twenty minute talk to the schools, telling the children that their characters were at stake, and that the parks not only belonged to them as much as to anyone, but that in a few years they would have to take the responsibility for their maintenance. Since then the boys have apparently not molested the plant life of the parks. Truly as the poet Pope expressed it:

'Tis education firms the common mind;
Just as the twig is bent the tree's inclined.

True, some park benches continue to be broken during the small hours of the night. This may be ascribed to the effect of strong drink on some young men who are beyond the influence of schools.

I have always felt that at least the elements of botany should be taught in high school, for a basic knowledge of plant life ought to be an integral part of everyone's mentality, as we are wholly dependent on the vegetable kingdom for sustenance. High school students usually evince much interest in this subject, absorbing some of it effectively in studying the broad topic of biology, as I discovered when taking a class of Avon Park girls and boys on a field lecture course through Highlands Hammock. However, most of such botanical instruction should be in the school room, as squirrels and rabbits tend to divert the attention of the boys.

In my boyhood among Pennsylvania hills gathering wild flowers and learning what they were, interested not only the girls but also the boys fully asmuch as marbles and ball playing. This does not seem to be true in Florida. I wonder if some school teacher would not find it helpful and interesting, without adding to the official curriculum, to ask her or his students to bring one flower each morning and get a two-minute description of it for the class. A flower a day would not disturb other class work, but rather add zest and spice to it.

"There are no wild flowers in Florida," is sometimes heard from out-state visitors, and yet the word Florida was given to it by Ponce de Leon as meaning Flowery Easter, the discovery having been made at this time of the year, and signifying the Land of Flowers, which the Spanish conquistadores evidently found in super abundance. Yes, they are here, even in this rather dry period, for those who wish to find them.

During January and February that early Snowball the Black Haw (Viburnum Obovatum) whitened the landscape, with Yellow Jasmine (Gelsemium Sempervirens) enlivening the thickets. Following quickly came the Swamp Azalea (Azalea Serrulata) and the Chokeberry (Aronia Arbutifelia). Then there were Blue Lupines (Lupinus Diffusus) by countless millions on the uplands. For weeks now the dainty Pipeworts, sometimes called Hatpins, have been dotting the landscape around Avon Park. The white-headed Hatpin (Eriecaulen Compressum) has been fringing lake edges Lake Iris, for example —while another one twice as tall (the Syngenanthus Flavidulus) grows in the pinelands. The largest Pipewort (Eriocaulen Decanhulare) will come shortly.

Around Lake Viola have been thousands of that pretty yellow Bladderwort (Utricularia Cornuta) waiting for admiration. Now most species of the Bladderwort grow up through the water, but this one on the moist shores refuses to make a bladder and is hood shape.

Blooming generally in moist lands are also countless Fetterbushes (Pieris Nitida) of the Heath family and therefore cousins of the Huckleberry which is also in flower. Did you know that Florida has ever forty species of the Huckleberry?

Along the Peace River valley one may see the large flowered Dogwood (Cornus Florida) in bloom from February, and around Avon Park in low lands a smaller Dogwood (Cornus Stricta) with clusters of many small white flowers.

Superabundant on our uplands for weeks have been a Pawpaw or Dog Banana (Asimina Angustifolia) in snowy bloom rivalling the large Dogwood, and in many thickets the fiery red Cherokee or Coral Bean (Erythrina Herbacea) some of which are in Park 15.

These notes give a mere hint of the beauteous wild flora of this part of the Peninsula, which is awaiting those seeking more real pleasure and happiness in life. Especially will our boys and girls enrich their lives with a knowledge and love of plant life, so easily within their grasp.

Those wanting to go plant exploring over the wide reaches of our Peninsula will find rich treasures everywhere. Mrs. Mary Francis Baker, of Winter Park, Florida's greatest botanist, although knowing all the plants, continues to make long tours visiting them. A letter from her just received in Avon Park, reads in part as follows:

"It was delightful in North western Florida; the yellow azalea was in its glory, the pink Azalea canescens was still in flower, and so were the abundant dogwoods, the red horsechestnut, the white fringe tree, and a bewildering assortment of hawthorns that were very charming, as were the large viburnums (snowballs.)

"I was also up that way in February, during the cold wave, to see what was going on botanically at that season, and was astonished at the number of plants in bloom as early as that. Crookes was golden with flowers; Cliftonia was beginning to bloom. With ice in the roadside ditches many flowers were blossoming. At the Florida Caverns State Park north of Marianna, the warm air coming from the caves was like clouds of steam in the frosty morning, and on the limestone ledges the false rue anemone, bloodroot, and cotumbine were in bloom, and high on the ledges Atamasco lillies were blossoming.

"On this last trip I saw something I had not thought of seeing in Florida, although I knew it grew in the state, and that was the mountain laurel, Kalmia latifolia, in bloom. We saw it not long before reaching De Funiak Spring. At that point we returned south and returned along the coastal highway."

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THE LIFE OF THE PARTY

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CHAPTER X—Continued

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"I didn't really hurt her very much," continued Miss Hosanna.

Hale took a few more turns around the room.

"Try to understand," she continued steadily. She was quite herself again—cool, composed, patient with him. "I was fighting for the little I had in life, for the little I had ever had, for the little I wanted. I can't live on without Ruth. Life would be too hideously lonely. When you came and began to interfere I got desperate. When you put Joan in the doctor's hands and stopped the milk I got reckless. I thought, though I'm not sure of it, that Jane was getting a little suspicious about the milk. I had her leave it in the butler's pantry, but before Rose took it up I slipped in from the dining-room and added the mercury. Once Jane came in from the kitchen just after I had put the bottle back in my pocket. I picked up a glass, as if that was what I was after, and went out of the pantry. Several times, when the doses were due, the milk went up to Joan's room before I had a chance to prepare it. The first time that happened I used my master-key and went into Joan's room during the night. She woke. I was going to say I had come to close the windows because I was afraid of a storm. But I was startled and I got out. I didn't dare to risk going again till tonight. Then I had to add the mercury to the water bottle, since you had stopped the milk. I thought Jane had acted rather queer, when Rose said no more milk must be sent up. It was odd, too, that she and Rose kept so quiet about Daisy's death. I began to suspect that they were watching me, but I don't think they really were."

She stopped a moment, as if turning this over in her mind. "Then—well, you had stopped the heroin and Ruth said she was through with it," she continued. "She told me she had about decided to go to Mrs. Stuyvesant this fall. I thought I'd go crazy when she said that."

"I see."

Hale had stopped before her again and was staring down at her.

"I don't think I did Joan much harm," she ventured. "She's been improving so fast these last weeks. She couldn't have been much—" she sought for the word, "undermined," she brought out.

"That's why you made tonight's visit—to hurry the finish, Miss Hosanna."

"Yes. I had to do what I could quickly."

"To do what you could. Miss Hosanna!"

He threw up his hands with a gesture of desperation. There was another silence. Then Hale said abruptly, "I'm going to marry Joan, Miss Hosanna. I'm going to marry her right off. I think she needs me."

Miss Hosanna nodded.

"I thought you would marry her," she said dully. She added, "That's one reason why I felt hurried and reckless. You see, everything was pushing me at once."

"Yes, I see, all right. Now, listen to me. Looking at you, Miss Hosanna," Hale went on, "and listening to you sitting there and talking as if you were at an afternoon tea, I could strangle you. My fingers are itching to do it. But my brain tells me you are not wholly responsible. You've been badly treated. You have brooded over your wrongs till you have become obsessed by them. Perhaps many women would be, who had gone through your experience. I don't know. I'm not judging you. But I don't want you around my wife."

Miss Hosanna's gray head, with its incongruous covering of sleeping net and pins, rose higher.

"I expect to go away, of course," she retorted. "I will go away at once—within a day or two."

"Yes," Rex agreed dully, "that will be necessary. Where will you go?"

"How can I tell?" Her head drooped and she stared down at the floor. "You aren't giving me much time to make plans. If I had the money I would go to California." Suddenly her features twisted. "I'm tired," she muttered. "I want to rest somewhere. Then I'll look for a position."

Hale, who had been standing before the window, looking unseeingly at the water, turned and came back to her.

"I will persuade your brother to allow you a living income," he said in a level voice, "and to give you money now to get to California. I think that will be the best place. It's a long distance away. Away from everything."

She sighed.

"You shouldn't be so cruel. You have your life before you, and you will get everything you want. But you're young. You can't understand. You ought to understand one thing, though," she hurried on. "My brother will not give me one penny. He'll never forgive me, either. He's really devoted to Joan."

"He won't know he has anything to forgive."

Hale spoke in a low voice. As she started and stared at him incredulously, he went on. "We will keep this matter between you and me, Miss Hosanna. I can't see that anything would be gained by telling your family about it. They would never get over it. It would affect them in lots of ways. It might make them morbid and suspicious of everyone. It might change their whole

Joan nodded, flushed.

outlook on life." He ended firmly, "They must never know."

"But — how — can — we — manage?" the words were so low he hardly heard them.

"You'll say you've had a breakdown, and that you need rest and change. I'll see that Kneeland makes you a decent allowance. Trust me for that."

"You won't even tell Joan?"

"Joan least of all. No one will ever know, Miss Hosanna. You may count on that."

He turned his eyes away from her brightening face.

"I suppose I have no moral sense," he muttered. "I've never believed in the eye for an eye business—especially in cases where no eye has been lost. If you had killed Joan I could have watched you go to the electric chair, all right. As it is, well—that's something different. I let Craig off because we didn't want family skeletons rattling in the closets. In his way he was as bad as you. I feel about you as I did about him. At times, as I listened to you tonight, I was almost sorry for you. Then I'd realize again what's so damned hard to take in. This isn't a nightmare, but an actual fact . . . It's happening . . . Oh, well—"

He made a gesture of futility and went on in a different tone.

"I'll talk to your brother tomorrow and I'll arrange the income matter satisfactorily. You may depend on it."

Her momentary look of relief was gone. She sat twisting her hands, her eyes on the floor.

Hale did not look at her. He could not endure another flash of relief against that ghastly background.

"Later, after a year or two," he told her, "you can write your brother that you intend to live in California indefinitely. I am quite certain he will have no objections to such a plan."

"Thank you. I think you mean to be merciful."

She got up and came toward him with outstretched, shaking hands, but he quickly stepped back out of her reach.

"Please don't touch me," he said. "I couldn't stand that. You can count on me to put everything through, though. I suppose I can count on you to—to—"

"To be different hereafter?" she asked under her breath. "Yes, you can."

He interrupted her. "Does Mrs. Spencer Forbes realize what's been going on?"

"Ruth! Good God, no. She must never know."

Notwithstanding his first recoil she caught his arm and clung to him.

"She has been watching you," he pointed out.

"She has been worried about me. She has seen that something was wrong. She was watching Bert, too. She was suspicious about Bert—because she knew he'd get Joan's money. She warned me about him. She thought—Rex, you will never let her know, will you?"

He released his arm and moved away from her.

"I won't let her know," he said dully. He was recalling Mrs. Spencer Forbes' words. She had been on the wrong track but she had tried to warn him, notwithstanding her theories. He was grateful to Mrs. Spencer Forbes for that.

"Go to bed now and get some sleep," he said to Miss Hosanna. "You're going to have a busy week."

As he spoke he crossed the room, unlocked the door and threw it open. She walked past him in silence, but her step was as quick and her head and shoulders as erect as ever. Just so, he reflected as he watched her, would Hosanna Kneeland have walked to the electric chair, if she had been forced to make that dark journey.

"It isn't every young man that can walk into a house, be the life of a house-party, and disrupt an entire family circle and its guests, all within two months," Hale boasted to his bride a fortnight later. They were on an ocean liner bound for France and a month's honeymoon.

"It was a pretty thorough job, darling," Joan agreed. "You ousted Doctor Craig and Mr. Ainsworth. You married me. You got Uncle Cass and Bert nicely settled in a cool New York penthouse, with Jane and Banks to look after them. You even hustled poor old Aunt Hosanna off to California for a long rest-cure. You certainly have been a busy boy. I suppose you're really what's called a 'god in the machine.' Just how does it feel to play with other peoples' lives like that?"

"I'm glad the game is over," Rex admitted soberly.

Joan looked at him in surprise. It wasn't like him to be serious.

"Didn't it strike you that Aunt Hosanna was strangely calm for a nervous wreck?" she asked after a moment's silence. "That reflection occurred to me a few times."

Rex nodded.

"I suppose she was relieved to have her responsibilities off her shoulders," he suggested. "Your Aunt Hosanna, my love, has had a pretty raw deal all her life."

Joan nodded and flushed.

"It's one of the things I shall always be ashamed of," she admitted. "I can't understand yet why we were so blind and selfish. That's why I added two thousand a year to the paltry fifteen hundred Uncle Cass settled on her. You must teach me to think more of others, darling."

"We'll both try to do a bit of that," Rex said, "as a thank-offering for being so happy in a pretty grim old world. But just for the present, Heart of my Heart," he added cheerfully, "you may concentrate on thinking of me!"

(THE END)

Good Cricket Balls May Last for 1,000 Runs in Perfect Condition

Every time you play with a cricket ball you are handling an article of romance and ancient, almost unchanged, industry. The birthplaces of approximately 250,000 cricket balls manufactured annually in this country, says London Tit-Bits magazine, are still mainly devoid of much machinery, yet their construction requires some of the world's most skilled craftsmanship.

Often it is handed down for generations, and at Teston, near Maidstone, famous hamlet of cricket ball manufacture, workers now frequently occupy the places of their fathers and grandfathers in the factory.

Cork from the Spanish and Portuguese forests, worsted spun in the Midlands and north, specially selected and prepared milk-white English hides, gold so valuable that the sweepings of the room in which it is used are sifted for its dust, and great ton-weight pressing machines for the balls, are some of the necessities. The manufacture is a long and intricate process, beginning with the secret dyeing of the hides, occupying a fortnight. Each strip is cut into quarters, divided into two, which are joined with invisible stitches. Attached tightly together the two cup-like covers are blocked on a gunmetal mold, and the case reinforced with small pieces of leather.

Cricket balls' centers are molded with one inch-wide piece of cork, bound with worsted, to which, when ball-shaped, are added more alternate cork and worsted binding until it is a rounded ball of the required weight. It is then hammered in a recessed mold.

With a powerful vice exerting the pressure of tons, the two edges of the little ball are brought to meet, and the expert worker joins them in usually three rows of minute and intricate stitches. As many as 95 stitches are often required.

Clamp molds then deal with the ball until it is perfectly shaped, only needing to be inspected once again, stamped with the real gold, and sold.

Lives of first-grade cricket balls are long. In first-class cricket a new ball may be called for when 200 runs have been scored, but they often stand 1,000 runs in perfect condition. It depends on the way you use them, and the wickets on which they are played.

Britain's Great Seal Recounts Many Years of Most Interesting History

In the reading room of the New York Bar association at 42 West Forty-fourth street, is a heavily ergbroidered satchel inscribed with the Lion and Unicorn and Queen Victoria's monogram, "V. R.," with the date 1897, the year of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. Within the satchel used to be carried the Great Seal of England, states a writer in the New York Times.

The Keeper of the Great Seal is the Lord High Chancellor. On all ceremonial occasions this historic symbol of sovereignty must accompany the Lord Chancellor, and it was for the Earl of Halsbury, holding this office, that the satchel in New York was made. It was purchased from the second Earl by a New York attorney, Barnett L. Hollander, whose practice is in London.

The Great Seal itself, once enclosed within the satchel, sums up a thousand years of history. It consists of two metal soup-plates set with their rims in contact. The insides of these plates are molds, and when wax is poured between them the result is a seal embossed like a coin on both sides. Each sovereign has his own seal—so did the Parliament of the Puritans after the execution of King Charles I, and Oliver Cromwell as Lord Protector. The earliest of the Great Seals was made for Edward the Confessor, who reigned from 1042 to 1066—the year of the Battle of Hastings. The latest of the Great Seals represents the majesty of the recent King Edward VIII.

It is the custom to attach the Great Seal to treaties, proclamations, appointments, and the safety of the Great Seal is thus a matter of no little anxiety. Twice in English history—and in both instances at critical moments—it disappeared.

First, there is the chill December day in 1688 when, amid rain and wind, King James II walked for the last time from the steps of Whitehall into the royal barge and was rowed down the Thames on his way to exile in France. He is said to have carried the Great Seal with him and to have dropped it into the river.

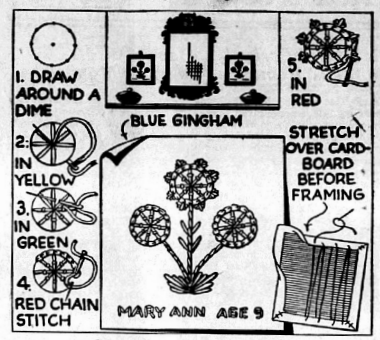
Secondly, there is the scene of political excitement in 1784. The younger Pitt was in office but not in power. The Whigs, led by Fox, were furious. Pitt decided, therefore, to advise a dissolution of Parliament and a general election.

Pitt, as Prime Minister, was convinced that the burglary was "a curious manoeuvre" by his political opponents, and he immediately summoned the Privy Council to meet at St. James' Palace. An order was issued for the making of a new Great Seal—the workmen labored all night—and the seal was completed at noontime of the next day.

With a Great Seal made at the beginning of each reign, the Great Seal of the previous reign becomes obsolete. It is retained as a keepsake by the Lord Chancellor for the time being.

HOW TO SEW

by Ruth Wyeth Spears



Embroidery by Mary Ann, age nine.

MARY ANN was named for her grandmother, who at the age of nine, made an elaborate sampler of embroidery stitches. Everyone thought it would be nice if the modern Mary Ann could also do a bit of hand work to be framed and kept. We here report, thanks to a series of rainy afternoons, this was actually accomplished.

Mary Ann's mother started the project with a rather large piece of blue gingham; a pair of embroidery hoops and some odds and ends of bright six strand mercerized embroidery thread. Outlines for flower designs were made by drawing around coins and the flowers were embroidered as shown here. Stems were done in outline stitch and leaves in groups of straight stitches.

From the many attempts on that piece of gingham, two flower groups had almost as much life and charm as the modern Mary Ann, age nine. These were neatly framed and lend a gay note at each side of an old mirror.

NOTE: Book 1, SEWING, for the Home Decorator, contains 48 complete lessons for making slipcovers, draperies, bedspreads and many other things for the house. Books are 25 cents each. If you order both books, crazypatch leaflet, reviving interest in this old-time hand craft, is included FREE. Address, Mrs. Spears, 210 S. Desplaines St., Chicago, Ill.

Patterns

SEWING CIRCLE

THE full-sleeved, high-waisted dress (1721) is a perfectly charming fashion for afternoon parties, club meetings and luncheons. It does nice things to your figure, because the bodice is gathered into just enough fullness, and the high waistline makes you look slimmer around the middle and over the diaphragm. Make it of silk crepe, georgette, prints or chiffon.

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The Patterns.

No. 1721 is designed for sizes 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44 and 46. Size 36 takes 4½ yards of 39 inch material. One yard edging for neckline.

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Keeping at It

Perpetual pushing and assurance, and a difficulty out of countenance, and make a seeming impossibility give way.—Jeremy Collier.

HOUSEHOLD QUESTIONS

Paper Paddings.—Carefully arranged newspapers make good paddings under fiber rugs and mattings, because the dirt which sifts through may be easily removed with the newspapers.

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Varnish the Soles.—Paint the soles of boots and shoes with any quick-drying varnish. School boots will not need to go so often to the repairer's after this treatment.

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A Spotless Tub.—Baths can be made spotlessly clean if rubbed with a cloth dipped in paraffin before washing them in the usual way, while lemon juice and salt will take off "drip marks."

Chill Candles. — Thoroughly chilled in the refrigerator, wax candles will burn slower and last longer.

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Cleaning the Range.—Coarse sandpaper will remove any roughness from the neglected gas range.

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Cutting Cooking Time. — The cooking time of hominy grits, whole-grain cereals or rice can be shortened by soaking over night in water to cover.

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WHAT DID SHE MEAN

"Say, Ma, can't you tell fairy tales?" asked Bobby, just turned nine.

"No, son," his mamma grimly said, "they're more in papa's line."

Careless

"Is he a reckless driver?"

"Say, when the road turns the same way he does it's a coincidence."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

It Happens Too Often

Diner—Waiter, there's a button in my soup.

Waiter (ex-printer)—Typographical error, sir; it should be mutton.

Family Model

"I'm a self-made man."

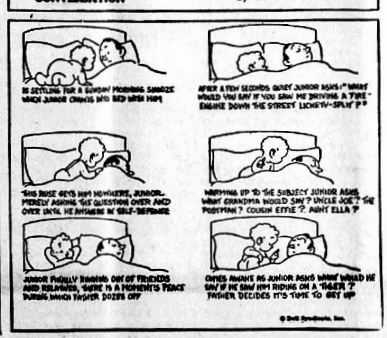
"You are lucky. I am the revised work of a wife and three daughters."

Self-Confidence

Teacher—If you added 20 and 20, what would you get?

Oliver—The wrong answer every time.

CONVERSATION By GLUYAS WILLIAMS



What to Eat and Why

C. Houston Goudiss Offers Practical Help in Planning Meals That Avoid Hidden Hunger; Illustrates Right and Wrong Methods of Menu Building

By C. HOUSTON GOUDISS

A GENERATION ago, homemakers approached the problem of feeding their families with but two objectives: to put weight on their children and to send adults away from the table with their appetites appeased. If the child failed to gain satisfactorily, or if his teeth were crowded and subject to decay, he was said to "take after his Uncle Abner" or perhaps to have inherited the poor teeth of his maternal grandmother. And if adults were chronically tired or suffered from "nerves," that, too, was blamed on circumstances that had nothing to do with the diet.

No one had ever heard of hidden hunger! For nutritionists had not yet startled the world by demonstrating that food may satisfy the appetite and yet fail to feed . . . that the absence of minute amounts of minerals and vitamins may be responsible for a long train of deficiency diseases which cause untold misery and are responsible for mental and physical inefficiency.

Planning Meals Scientifically

Today we know that a definite relationship exists between food consumption and bodily activity, and that normal individuals can usually control body weight by regulating the amount of fuel foods in the diet. We know that minerals and vitamins play a powerful part in building and maintaining sound teeth as well as healthy nerves; and that we can build resistance to disease, defer old age, and even lengthen the span of life by choosing our food, not merely for its appetite appeal, but for the qualities that contribute toward what nutritionists term a balanced diet.

The Balanced Diet

Every modern homemaker therefore owes it to her family not to plan meals at random, but to take into consideration the seven factors that science has determined to be essential for top health. These include: **protein** for building and repairing body tissue; **carbohydrates** to produce quick heat and energy; **fats**, a more compact form of fuel; **minerals**, which serve both as builders, and as regulators of body processes; **vitamins** A, B, C, D, E and G, which act as regulators, and help to prevent the various deficiency diseases; **water**, which serves as a vehicle by which food is carried to the tissues, and **cellulose** or bulk, required for the normal functioning of the intestinal tract.

A Day's Food Plan

The various food essentials will be supplied if the three daily meals include a quart of milk for every child, a pint for each adult, which may be served as a beverage, with cereals, in soups, sauces or made into desserts; an egg daily, or at least three or four weekly; one serving of meat, fish or chicken, usually at the main meal of the day; a second protein food, such as cheese, baked beans or nuts, usually served at lunch or supper; two vegetables besides potatoes, one of which should be of the raw, leafy variety; two servings of fruit, and at least one serving of a whole grain cereal.

By adhering to this plan, you will help to supply your family with the necessary proteins, minerals, vitamins and cellulose. Fuel foods may be added by way of breadstuffs, macaroni, rice and other cereals; butter or margarine and the fats used in cooking.

Common Errors in Menu Planning

Common mistakes in menu planning are a concentration of too many proteins or carbohydrates in one meal; the failure to include adequate bulk by way of fruits, vegetables and whole grain cereals; and the choosing in one meal of too many foods that are high in fat.

The following menu, for example, contains more protein than necessary, and too little bulk, yet it is typical of the dinners served in many homes: Hamburger Steak, Baked Beans, Potatoes, Stewed Corn, Custard Pie.

Since both meat and baked beans are rich in protein, they may well be served at separate meals, as indicated by either of the following combinations: Hamburger Steak, Creamed Potatoes, String Beans, Lettuce Salad, Fresh or Cooked Fruit. Or, Baked Beans, Stewed Tomatoes, Cabbage Salad, Custard Pie.

In the first menu, the beans, potatoes, corn and pastry are all high carbohydrate foods. To provide additional bulk, as well as to reduce the amount of carbohydrate, it would be advisable to serve a green vegetable such as string beans, and choose fruit instead of pie for dessert. It is assumed, of course, that eggs would be given in some other form during the day.

Since baked beans contain both protein and carbohydrate, we omit potatoes in the third menu, and serve a food rich in vitamin C—the tomatoes, and add a bulky raw vegetable by way of the salad.

It's Balance That Counts

It requires no more time or effort to prepare nutritionally correct meals than those which lack balance, nor is it more expensive. For elaborate meals can lack balance, if they are deficient in minerals, vitamins and bulk, while those composed of such simple foods as bread and milk, and stewed fruits may provide an abundance of the protective substances which satisfy the hidden hunger of the body.

My plea to homemakers is to give less thought to the preparation of elaborate recipes, and more thought to supplying the food values that will create abundant health and vitality. In that way, I believe we shall take a real step forward in human progress.

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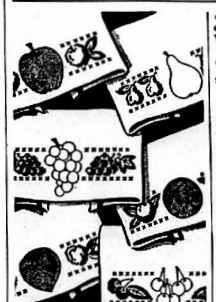
Gay Fruit Motif for Towels



Pattern 6037

Here's your chance to add color to the kitchen in the simplest of stitchery. Do the large fruit in applique or outline stitch and let the cross-stitch (4 and 8-to-the-inch) give the finishing touch. Make them for the bride-to-be but here's fair warning, you'll want to keep them yourself! In pattern 6037 you will find a transfer pattern of six motifs averaging 4 by 10 inches and the applique pattern pieces; color suggestions; material requirements; illustrations of stitches used.

To obtain this pattern, send 15 cents in coins to The Sewing Circle, Household Arts Dept., 259 West 14th St., New York, N. Y.

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LEGAL NOTICES

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

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

SW¼ of NE¼, Sec. 1, Twp. 37 South, Range 28 East—40 acres.

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

Witness my official signature and seal this 24th day of March, A. D., 1939.

(SEAL) W. Z. CARSON,
Clerk Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida.
By: F. E. MACDONALD, D. C.

March 24, 31, April 7

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Laws of 1933
IN THE COURT OF COUNTY JUDGE, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA. IN PROBATE.

Re Estate of:
HELEN B. MILLER, Deceased
TO ALL CREDITORS, LEGATEES, DISTRIBUTEES AND ALL OTHER PERSONS HAVING ANY CLAIM OR DEMAND AGAINST SAID ESTATE.

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

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

Date of first publication March 17, 1939.

BERTHA IRONS,
Executrix of said Estate.

March 17, 24, 31, April 7

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

Lots 1, 2, 7, 9, 10, 14, 16, 17, 19, 26, 29, 34, Blk. 6, Hatchell's S/D, Sec. 26, Twp. 33 South, Range 28 East.

Lots 2 & 22, Blk. 6, Hatchell's S/D, Sec. 26, Twp. 33 South, Range 28 East.

Lots 12 & 13, Blk. 6, Hatchell's S/D, Sec. 26, Twp. 33 South, Range 28 East.

Lots 25 & 26, Blk. 6, Hatchell's S/D, Sec. 26, Twp. 33 South, Range 28 East.

The sale of the certificates and subsequent omitted and levied taxes on the above described property is to be in accordance with Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 396 of 1937 Laws, and such sale will be held 11 o'clock A. M. at the Court House door on April 18, A. D., 1939.

Witness my official signature and seal this 21st day of March, A. D., 1939.

(SEAL) W. Z. CARSON,
By: F. E. MACDONALD, D. C.
Clerk Circuit Court of Highlands County, Fla.

March 31, April 7, 14.

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

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

NW¼ of Lot No. 8, Avon Park, Sec. 22, Twp. 33 South, Range 28 East.

Lot 1 & X½ of Lot 5, Blk. 16, Avon Park, Sec. 22, Twp. 33 South, Range 28 East.

Lots 9, 10, 11, 12, Blk. 8, Hatchell's S/D, Sec. 26, Twp. 33 South, Range 28 East.

Lots 9 to 14 inc., Blk. A, Shadowlawn S/D, Sec. 27, Twp. 33 South, Range 28 East.

Lots 1 & 2, Blk. 1, Resub. of part of Denton & Harris S/D, Sec. 25, Twp. 34 South, Range 28 East.

Lots 1 to 8 inc., Blk. 2, a resub. of part of Denton & Harris S/D & part of E½ of NW¼ & part of NW¼ of NE¼, Sec. 2, Twp. 34 South, Range 28 East.

The sale of the certificates and subsequent omitted and levied taxes on the above described property is to be in accordance with Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 396 of 1937 Laws and such sale will be held 11 o'clock A. M. at the Court House door on April 18, A. D. 1939.

Witness my official signature and seal this 21st day of March, A. D., 1939.

(SEAL) W. Z. CARSON,
Clerk Circuit Court of Highlands County, Fla.
By: F. E. MACDONALD, D. C.

March 31, April 7, 14.

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

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

Tracts 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, & Tract 85 less 2 1/3 Ac. per plat thereof in Sec. 1, Twp. 33 South, Range 28 East —315 acres.

Lot 1, Blk. 19, Town of Paber Lake, Sec. 4, Twp. 33 South, Range 28 East.

Lot 17, Blk. 75, Lake Lillian

Lot 16, Blk. 75, Lake Lillian

Lots 13, 15th. 75, Lake Lillian

Lots 20, 22, 33, 34, 36, 37 & 38, Blk. 75, Lake Lillian.

Lot 12 Blk. 75, Lake Lillian

Lots 5, 6, 8 & 19, Blk. 76, Lake Lillian

Lot 9, Blk. 98, Lake Lillian

Lo. 14, Blk. 80, Lake Lillian

Lot 18, Blk. 80, Lake Lillian

Lot 1, Blk. 80, Lake Lillian

W½ of NE¼ of NE¼ & SW¼ of NW¼ of NE¼, Sec. 33 South, Range 29 East—30 acres

S½ of SE¼ of NE¼, Sec. 6, Twp. 33 South, Range 29 East—20 acres.

The sale of the certificates and subsequent omitted and levied taxes on the above described property is to be in accordance with Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 396 of 1937 Laws, and such sale will be held 11 o'clock A.M. at Court House door on April 18, A. D., 1939.

Witness my official signature and seal this 31st day of March, A. D., 1939.

(SEAL) W. Z. CARSON,
Clerk Circuit Court of Highlands County, Fla.
By: F. E. MACDONALD, D. C.

March 31, April 7, 14.

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

Notice is hereby given that First Federal Savings & Loan Association, Lake Wales, Florida has applied to this office for purchase of Tax Sale Certificates and Subsequent Omitted and Levied Taxes due on the following described property situated in Highlands County, Florida, to-wit:

Lot 15, Blk. A, Palmeo Heights, Sec. 26, Twp. 33 South, Range 28 East.

Lot 16, Blk. A, Palmeo Heights, Sec. 26, Twp. 33 South, Range 28 East.

The sale of the certificates and subsequent omitted and levied taxes on the above described property is to be in accordance with Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 396 of 1937 Laws, and such sale will be held 11 o'clock A. M. at the Court House door on April 25, A. D., 1939.

Witness my official signature and seal this 7th day of April, A. D., 1939.

(SEAL) W. Z. CARSON,
Clerk Circuit Court of Highlands County, Fla.
By: F. E. MACDONALD, D. C.

April 7, 14, 21.

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

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

Lot 6, Blk. 36, Sebring.

The sale of the certificates and subsequent omitted and levied taxes on the above described property is to be in accordance with Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 396 of 1937 Laws, and such sale will be held 11 o'clock A. M. at the Court House door on April 25, A. D., 1939.

Witness my official signature and seal this 7th day of April, A. D., 1939.

(SEAL) W. Z. CARSON,
Clerk Circuit Court of Highlands County, Fla.
By: F. E. MACDONALD, D. C.

April 7, 14, 21.

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Notice is hereby given that Blanche A. Maynard, St. Petersburg, Fla., has applied to this office for purchase of Tax Sale Certificates and Subsequent Omitted and Levied Taxes due on the following described property situated in Highlands County, Florida, to-wit:

Lot 3 & Gov. Lot 4, Sec. 14, Twp. 35 South, Range 30 East—73.65 acres.

W½ of SE¼ & SE¼ of NE¼, Sec. 15, Twp. 35 South, Range 30 East—120 acres.

The sale of the certificates and subsequent omitted and levied taxes on the above described property is to be in accordance with Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 396 of 1937 Laws, and such sale will be held 11 o'clock A. M. at the Court House door on April 25, A. D., 1939.

Witness my official signature and seal this 7th day of April, A. D., 1939.

(SEAL) W. Z. CARSON,
Clerk Circuit Court of Highlands County, Fla.
By: F. E. MACDONALD, D. C.

April 7, 14, 21.

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

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

ASA LEWIS SUBDIV., Sec. 26, Twp. 33 South, Range 28 East

Lot 7, Blk. A
Lot 9, Blk. B
Lot 8, Blk. E
Lot 6, Blk. H

HATCHELL'S SUBDIV., Sec. 26, Twp. 33 South, Range 28 East

Lots 3 & 4, Blk. 5
Lots 14-16-17, Blk. 7
Lot 19, Blk. 8

The sale of the certificates and subsequent omitted and levied taxes on the above described property is to be in accordance with Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 396 of 1937 Laws, and such sale will be held 11 o'clock A. M. at the Court House door on April 25, A. D., 1939.

Witness my official signature and seal this 7th day of April, A. D., 1939.

(SEAL) W. Z. CARSON,
Clerk Circuit Court of Highlands County, Fla.
By: F. E. MACDONALD, D. C.

April 7, 14, 21.

The Periscope

(Continued From Page One)

of the loan shark tiger, the "business" will be ended for all time in Florida.

Organized labor is here in force and the main issue is the wage-hour question, plus legislation that would give a carpenter the right to collect his bill. The state federation, under the leadership of President Charles Shiva, has worked out a comprehensive program and indications point to enactment of most of the federation's measures.

Thanks to Burton H. Schoepf's brand new bus transportation system, expected to begin operations shortly, it will be easy to get anywhere in town in a hurry. The bus drivers, it is reported, have been given a special course of instruction in how to guide the nocturnal wanderer's footsteps in the proper paths. All Tallahassee needs now is an up-to-date escort service.

As reported in this column recently, the House is taking all the early play away from the Senate because Speaker Wood's pre-session committees have gathered all sorts of data pertaining to nearly everything except how to cure weekend halitosis. Consequently, you may find the session settling down to the House passing the bills and the Senate amending 'em —and many a bill will wind up in conference.

As these lines are written, the attache situation remains a moot question. There was a trend toward economy at the outset. But we've never been so many good-looking widows out of work! So it is our guess that the legislature's payroll will be about the same as two years ago. However, the percentage of stenographers able to take dictation faster than four words a minute may be considerably higher. Efficiency marches on!

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Quinn who have been spending the past two months at the Jacaranda hotel returned to their home in Toronto, Canada Tuesday of this week.

Waiting For The Train To Journey To West Palm Beach.

Here are members of the Avon Park school band, their parents, admirers and friends as they waited at the Seaboard Air Line station Thursday last week waiting for the train to transport the band to West Palm Beach to participate in the contest sponsored by the Florida Band Masters Association. The band and the chaperones traveled in a special car and returned to Avon Park Saturday noon. The soloists made the trip to the east coast city on Wednesday as they were heard Thursday.

The Avon Park band was placed in the third division for their playing ability and in the second division for drilling. They led the street parade Friday noon and took part in the massed band concert that night in which 1,639 musicians all played at one time. This concert was led by the judges of the contest, each of the judges conducting one piece.

The soloists and their division placing follows: First division; Herbert Todd, cornet; Nancy Betts, alto saxophone and Betty Touchton, alto clarinet; Second division; Walter Mandis, snare drum and Charles Shepherd, flute; Third division; Marion Foster, cornet and Solomon Abrams, baritone; Fourth division; Felton Causey, cornet.

The judges were: K. L. King of Ft. Dodge, Ia., past president of the National Band Masters Association, Clate Chennette of Ames, Ia., Glenn Cliffe Bainum, director of Northwestern University Band, Evanston, Ill., Henry Filmore of the Filmore Music Publishing Co. of Cincinnati, O. Major Ed Chennette led the massed bands in the Star Spangled Banner.

Council Defers Action On Quo Warranto Suit

The city council postponed taking action Monday night on a proposed settlement of the quo warranto suit against the city that has been in the courts for the past nine years. The suit was brought by a number of property owners in the "outside" territory, seeking to be relieved of paying taxes they believed illegal and unjust.

City Attorney T. A. McNicholas stated that after considerable negotiation he had effected a settlement with the Avon Florida Citrus Corp. one of the principal plaintiffs, whereby they would settle all the back taxes for $8,500 and the suit would be withdrawn from the courts. Other litigants who did not participate in a settlement under the same terms would be left out in the cold, McNicholas stated.

On motion by Councilman A. McKee Elwell, council deferred taking action on this proposed settlement.

Use Times Want Ads

Just Stuff--

(By W.A.S.)

The "cream of the crop" from Prof. Yates' 11th grade English class.

LOST ONE

As a little boy at the close of a
heated day longs for cooling
streams,
So long I in my lonely dreams for
your refreshing face.
—Doris Reddick.

BEFORE THE SUN ROSE

Fear vanishes,
Shadows slink away,
The skies are changing color
As night turns into day.

The silver lining of a cloud
Has turned to gold and then
Slender fingers of beautiful colors
Herald the sun's coming again.
—Tilman Crosby.

INSPIRATION

I jun' can't get hit!
No matter where I go I
Find that hit's been there
Just ahead of me.

But now I think I'm
Gonna fool hit.
Instead of goin' to the
Next place I'm goin' way ahead.

I was settin' there
When hit come. Boy!
Was I glad. I jus' wrote
An' wrote an' wrote. Now
I wish hit'ed never come.
—Herbert Todd.

Deep Stuff: We've heard so much lately about rain and "rain-making" from our neighboring towns that we just had to tell of our latest "wetting." It all came about last Sunday afternnon when we were treated to twenty minutes of frosted precipitation (hail) that threaten to break our windows and windshields. In fact this phenomenon lasted so long that one outstanding gentleman of the Liars Club said, quote, "I had to bring my chickens into the house and thaw 'em out," unquote. . . Now, had the gentleman reported his chickens KO'd by hailstones, I might have believed him. . .

—oOo—

Rep. Pat Cannon, of Miami, weighs 305 pounds. . . He's practically a "cannonball." . . Oh, hum.

—oOo—

Last week we mentioned the fact that a Harvard student swallowed 24 goldfish. Now a U. of Chicago student, it is reported, eats phonograph records. . . I'll bet he gets a "Sweet Little Headache" when he starts chewing on the "Rock of Ages."

—oOo—

'Tis said that attractive widows are plentiful in Tallahassee this session. . . And of course they must be brunettes. . .

—oOo—

Bad Stuff!

Some folks say the "jook joints" will get jerked this session. They tell me that you will get jerked out of joint if you jook at these joints, so jerk 'em, I say, if for no other reason than to save the joints. . .

—oOo—

Too bad the Legislature couldn't have convened last Saturday. . . Then taxpayers could have understood why certain bills were introduced.

—oOo—

"Buck Benny Rides Again," but he's traveling $10,000 light.

—oOo—

Are you invited to an Easter egg hunt this weekend?

—oOo—

Hot on the heels of the Miami-Jacksonville controversy concerning the proposed naval airbase, comes the report that Tampa has recently decided to provide a site for the new army airbase, for which Arcadia has been actively campaigning for the past four years, and with the mind that Tampa had pledged herself in favor of the Arcadia "Big Prairie" site. . .Of course it's none of our business, but it seems as though Tampa would stick by her word. Then again maybe it was a "Munich" agreement. . .

—oOo—

Ferdinand would gladly have traded places with Barbara Eaton and Frances Brown, when they had their picture taken amid the gardenias at Cypress Gardens last Wednesday. . . But he never learned to pose. . .

—oOo—

We hear a lot about the "stop Hitler" movement in Europe. They had better start a "stop Mussolini" movement.

—oOo—

DuPont's tax was a life saver for Florida schools.

—oOo—

We just couldn't resist this bit of anti-Nazi propaganda from Mr. Winchell's column in Friday's T. Times:

A motorist was stopped by a traffic cop in Berlin, who barked: "Where are your headlights?" "Don't you see," said the driver, "instead of headlights I have a Nazi Party collection box on my radiator? When people see that —they run like hell!"

—oOo—

It takes 1500 nuts to hold an automobile together, but one nut can scatter it all over the landscape.—Exchange.

—oOo—

Hear ye! Ye "shin-diggers." As there will be lots of shuffling at the B. Anchor this coming Wednesday evening. Post-Easter wearing apparel will be in evidence, and the management will not be in any way responsible for white shoes—Easter ones no exception. . .

Grandpa's Corner

Rev. F. N. Dexter, D. D.

'Tis the human touch in this world that counts,
The touch of your hand and mine,
Which means far more to the fainting heart
Than shelter and bread and wine;
For shelter is gone when the night is o'er,
And bread lasts only a day;
But the touch of the hand and the sound of the voice
Sing on in the soul always!
—Spencer Michael Free.

It may make a difference to all eternity whether we do right or wrong today.
—James Freeman Clarke.

More About Birds.

Men who have carefully studied the economic value of birds—ornithologists and entomologists—have repeatedly warned us of the danger of a greatly diminished bird population. Without the great help of our bird allies, insects would so increase that human existence would be seriously endangered. Indeed the most ominous dangers that beset us will increasingly come from insects, microbes, and other tiny enemies.

Birds have many enemies always keeping down their numbers. Some of them are natural, like age, sickness, storms, cold and heat. Then there are always many that are killed and eaten by other wild animals, predacious birds and by accidents. The natural increase will take care of these losses. Man has always been one of the deadliest enemies. While men and boys do not do now as they did when grandpa was a boy, destroy every nest they could find, even when there were young in them; still, in many sections even songbirds are shot, trapped and killed for human food, and especially where meat is scarce and hard to get. While he was yet very young, grandpa was taught that it was very wicked to "rob" birds' nests. His parents, teachers and church leaders took a positive stand against the destruction of the birds, and in the better communities and among the better people bird life is valued and spared.

Among the backward residents of the land, all hawks and owls are considered undesirables. The occasional barnyard-fowl loss, blind many people to the vast amount of good they do destroying rodents and other pests, which have led some regions to pay bounties for the destruction of crows, hawks and owls. Agricutural leaders and schools consider this a mistake. Protect our friends, and do not begrudge them an occasional meal for the good they do.

Many birds are killed by flying into objects by night. Wires, steeples and lighthouses take their heavy toll during migration period nights. But in villages, cities and on farms, the most mischief is done by cats. They kill birds by hundreds. Mr. E. H. Forbush, State Ornithologist of Massachusetts, makes the charge that, "The average number of birds killed per cat population is about fifty." What do bird lovers suggest can be done to lessen the slaughter of our bird friends; Grandpa has been in the habit of scolding cats stalking birds, and scaring them off the place, in one way and another. No, he doesn't own a cat, and has not for years. He loves and values birds too much to shelter their worst enemies.

Highlands County Citrus Growers Elect New Officers

Guy Maxcy, Sebring, was elected president of the Highlands County Citrus Growers, Inc. at the annual meeting held Friday at the court house in Sebring. C. H. Shackelford, Hicoria, was named first vice president and W. Masters, DeSoto City, second vice president. A. M. Wolfe, Sebring, was elected secretary and treasurer.

E. G. Todd, Avon Park, was elected senior director and Guy Maxcy was elected junior director. Phillip Correll, DeSoto City, was named alternate director.

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