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City Affairs

The proposed Tax Payers League or Association, or whatever you may call it—what's in a name anyway—would seem to be a good thing and run on a non-partisan basis. The city council, this or any other council, needs help and advice in many things besides financial and tax problems. The big majority of citizens take no interest—just don't give a damn—and take the "let George do it" attitude until they have a grievance and then they howl to high heaven. But not in the right place. Instead of taking it up with council they start a lot of street talk that is magnified and distorted out of all proportion. And sometimes results in pure political propaganda.

The present council have been a good one—of course they have not pleased everyone—that is impossible. But they have tried to do something for Avon Park. They have not set still and twiddled their thumbs. They may have made some mistakes—that is inevitable. And they have kept operating expenses down and been able to increase the millage rate by something in this day and time.

But any council—or any other governing body—needs the support of the taxpayers. They are the ones who should be interested in the things of those they elected to office. Put them on the back when they deserve it and when they are not on their face when they need it. Tell 'em just what your ideas are. They'll appreciate it.

The Bombing Range

We noticed that Nate Broking in the Highlands County News is objecting to the proposed bombing range and artillery center near the department is expecting to locate here. We can't agree with him. Practically anything that brings good money into the county is a good thing. For the range will bring some. It is understood some 200 men will be stationed in front there and maybe a few more in the rear. It will bring the range and the owners will be reimbursed and we are informed the county will be reimbursed also for the loss of taxes through the removal of this land from the tax rolls. Now we see who it will interfere with either of the flying schools to be established in the county, one at Sebring and the other here.

Broking claims it will kill off tourist travel. We differ. We believe it will prove a tourist attraction as people will be interested in army activities and now especially aviation.

As for the bombs bombing anyone, that is another matter. The bombs to be used will be practice bombs with a very low explosive content. They will be no more dangerous to the vicinity when they fall but no right minded person would take that chance, even if it were the chance to get onto the range.

So, we say if the range is located in Highlands county we will welcome it and give it all the cooperation possible. And we commend the county commissioners for the stand they took in offering their cooperation also.

Defense First Aid Meeting Called

Dr. G. S. McKnight, Avon Park chairman of the home defense first aid unit, announced yesterday that a meeting will be held at the Episcopal Church, Park House at 7 P. M. on Friday, August 8, for the purpose of organizing the Avon Park first aid unit. All who regard the first aid unit as important to take the course and all others interested will be welcome.

Father Dies

Lenwood Bunting of Newport News, Virginia is visiting his brother, John Bunting, Jr. for several weeks. Mr. Bunting was called to Florida upon the death of his father, John Bunting, Sr. Mr. Bunting, Jr. had been a long time resident of Lakeland, but had moved to Palatka, Tenn. about three months ago to take over the management of a hotel there. Besides Lenwood Bunting of Newport News, and John Bunting, Jr. of this city he is survived by a daughter, Madeline. Many friends of this city express their sympathy.

County Aluminum Totalled 1,825 lbs.

Ben Stewart, county defense chairman, said a total of 1,825 pounds of aluminum was gathered together in Highlands county during the recent drive for this metal.

ASSOCIATION OF TAXPAYERS MAY BE FORMED HERE

Meeting Held Thursday Night; Committee Named To Report Back At Another Meeting Next Thursday.

Five men, J. S. Francis, D. F. Canfield, J. E. Bowman, W. S. Betts and Paul Rumsey, were named last night as a committee to formulate by-laws and a code for a proposed Tax Payers Association of the city of Avon Park. They were named by Charlie Lanier, temporary chairman, at a meeting of tax payers held at the customer's room of the Florida Public Service Co. and they will report back at another meeting to be held at 8 o'clock next Thursday night at 8 o'clock.

The meeting last night was called by several influential tax payers and was attended by a number of citizens. It was held in the room of the Florida Public Service Co. and they will report back at another meeting to be held at 8 o'clock next Thursday night at 8 o'clock.

Lanier emphasized the fact that the proposed league was not a non-political and said it had been suggested by several taxpayers and he was sure it was a good thing. He said he was sure it was a good thing. He said he was sure it was a good thing.

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Diamond Ball League Is Being Organized Here

Plans for a local diamond ball league with three and maybe four teams are being discussed by Avon Park softball fans. Teams signed up so far are Hall's Dry Cleaners, Touchdown and the B. and B. Lions Club is thinking of sponsoring a team. This will be decided at their meeting next Monday night. It is also proposed to have an all star team to play teams from other towns and possibly a league composed of Avon Park, Wauchula, Frostproof, Sebring and Lake Wales.

Head Field will be used for the games and the city council has agreed to help in lighting the field. An entry fee of \$10 is proposed to be paid by each team's sponsor. Admission will be 10 cents with children free.

TO REORGANIZE SCHOOLS FOR DEFENCE WORK

To Coordinate Classes At Avon Park and Sebring To Better Aid Defense Industries.

The advisory committee and the instructors in the local defense training school held a meeting last night to discuss the reorganization of the school and decided to make the school a more efficient one. The committee is made up of two members from the city and two from the county.

A representative of the state was present at the meeting and outlined the program as set up by the state and federal agencies in charge of the defense training program.

He said the purpose of classes is to serve the community but primarily to fill in vacancies in the defense training program. He pointed out that in a short time the better trained workers in the defense training program will be drawn into defense industries and this program must turn out mechanics to take their place in the shops as well as to supplement national industry.

Plans for a reorganization of the defense training program in Highlands county are being made by the general advisory committee for Sebring and Avon Park in cooperation with the Highlands County Board of Public Instruction and the State Department of Education.

The first step in reorganization is to set up a general advisory committee for the county to cover the operation of the defense training program on a county basis rather than on the present basis of individual communities.

The committee will be made up of representatives from the county and the city and will be in charge of the defense training program.

The present training program will be reorganized for increased efficiency and additional courses will be added to the program.

The recommendation of the advisory committee to meet the training needs of the county.

Training courses are classified as follows:

1.—Preemployment: the purpose of this type of course is to give training for specific jobs in specific defense industries. Age limits are those set by the industry for which training is given. Other requirements for entry are based on the education, work experience, mental and physical abilities required by the industry. Operating time is 30 hours per week.

2.—Supplementary: the purpose of this type of course is to increase the general skill and efficiency of persons already employed in occupations approved as essential to the national defense. Requirements for entry in this type course are employment in essential occupations and ability to profit by instruction. Operating time is six hours per week minimum.

Out of school youth: the purpose of this program is to offer general and specific mechanical training to out of school youth between the ages of 17 and 24. Entrance requirements: enrollees must be between 17 and 25 years of age, be a citizen of the United States, be a resident of the county, and be able to read and write. Instruction, plus certain other requirements which may be set up locally to help the training program more efficiently meet training needs. Operating time is 30 hours per week.

Factors to be considered by an advisory committee in recommending a training course for operation (Continued on page four)

HOLLAND SAYS NEW TAX LAWS MAKE PROGRESS

Cites Cases Where Great Deal Of Property Is Being Added To Assessments

ORLANDO, July 31 (Special)—The job of revising Florida's tax structure under the new 1941 laws is making rapid progress and Governor Spawford L. Holland told the Jaycees here Monday that with the unprecedented cooperation of taxpayers and taxing officials, the job is being done so well that there is no wonder the millage are coming down.

"The first stage of the job is almost accomplished," he said, "preliminary reports from assessors showing that in four months alone, Dade, the tax roll will pass the half-billion mark—totaling more than the entire assessed valuation of the state of Florida in 1936. Several others will run from \$100,000,000 to \$200,000,000 each. Dade county has already added \$100,000,000 to the tax roll this year than all 67 counties reported last year, a total of \$17,000,000. Several assessors in other counties have reported increases of \$1,000,000 to \$5,000,000 each. Palm Beach county is jumping personally from \$1,000,000 to \$10,000,000. In the case of the famous county newspaper reports quote the assessor as telling a public meeting 'I am going to assess all the county schools and value them at 100 per cent' and the Fort Myers News-Press quotes the assessor: 'The returns being made upon more calls than I ever dreamed were owed; and poultry too.'"

"All the reports are coming from the big counties, either," the governor told his audience. "In Monroe, a new assessor is increasing the value of the county from \$50,000 to \$15,000,000 and personally from \$200,000 to \$8,000,000. Up in Little Gaff, where I spoke to the assessor last night, he reported that the county is increasing the roll from less than a million to more than \$2,000,000. In other counties, school and county officials and county commissioners have reduced their budgets so that millage will fall faster than assessments are rising."

"And this millage question is being handled too—millages are going down rapidly as the assessments rise. Budgets have been sent back increased school budgets in Polk and Escambia counties—reducing the second year of the job being done so well. And if the people, through their budget boards and their appeals, can't insure proper millage, the Superintendent, Col. English told a delegation from Duval County last Saturday that he'd see that the job was finished. The assessor reached him for approval. Jim Lee, the comptroller, citing in the same session the fact that general budgets showing increases would meet the same fate at his hands. We're actually doing \$40,000 of the general fund for \$10,000. The county is doing \$30,000 against \$3,000 last year. Thousands of such injustices are being corrected. One county alone estimates more than 1,500 similar items not to mention four or five thousand similar items which will go up the county roll. 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Miss Eloise Holloway Baby's Birth

Kenneth Amlung's Ninth Birthday

Kenneth Amlung was honored on Tuesday afternoon at a party given by his mother, Mrs. Marjorie Amlung, at her home in the city of Avon Park. The occasion was the celebration of Kenneth's ninth birthday. A lovely arrangement of garden flowers was used in the party room.

The guests enjoyed games during the course of the afternoon, among which was a guessing game, and little Miss Marjorie Amlung received a prize for this. A candy hunt was enjoyed, and little Miss Laella Rice received the prize for finding the most candy.

A lovely birthday cake was out and enjoyed with ice cream late in the afternoon. The cake was in pink with the letters "Happy Birthday" in gold, and candied swans decorated the side. Nine lighted candles burned brightly on the cake before it was served.

Kenneth received many lovely and useful gifts from his friends invited to share the afternoon with him, who were: Carl Crosby, Edna Bass, Clytie Bass, Juanita Rice, L. R. Reynolds, Betty Rice, Royal Lamb, Lucille Rice, Norman Todd, Marjorie Hetherington, Vivian Anderson, Lee Warren, and Samuel Holloway.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Warren of Tampa were visitors Wednesday afternoon and were entertained at home by their small son, Leo, who has been visiting his cousin, Samuel Holloway.

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Franklin McCullough Had Birthday

Franklin McCullough, small son of Mr. and Mrs. Wiley McCullough, was honored on Monday afternoon when his mother entertained honoring his sixth birthday. A white, pink, and green color scheme was attractively used in the party room.

The young folks played games during the afternoon.

A tempting birthday cake with six white glowing candles was out and enjoyed with punch.

Franklin received many lovely gifts from his friends invited to share the afternoon with him. They were: Marjorie Jackson, Selwyn Campbell, Larry Robinson, Franklin Gandy, George Gandy, Jimmie Jackson, Betty Ruth O'Brien, Bobby O'Brien, Gloria Davis, Remy Davis, Carl Delaney, Jack Landrum, Virginia Landrum, Roy Cox, and Mildred Russ. Mrs. Cary Jackson assisted Mrs. McCullough in entertaining the young folks.

Young Folks Enjoyed Picnic

A group of young people of the City of Miami spent an enjoyable afternoon, Monday, at Lake Pioneer, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Evers. A delightful time was spent swimming and boating, and other recreation was enjoyed as well.

Late in the afternoon, a lovely picnic lunch was served to the following: Miss Eloise Dickinson, Miss Cora Peterson, Miss Evelyn Gribble, Miss Mary McCullough, Miss Dorcas Gribble, Miss Irene McCullough, Miss Minnie Lee Lewis, Miss Edith Croft, Miss Ruth Duff, Miss Ruth Landon, Miss Betty Joe Dickinson, Miss Eloise Holloway, Mrs. Mark Gribble, Mrs. W. D. Croft, and Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Evers.

Two Hostesses To Circle Two

Circle Two of the W. M. S. of the First Baptist Church met at the home of Mrs. R. H. Lawton with Mrs. M. M. Foster as co-hostess.

Mrs. R. H. Lawton, chairman, conducted the business session.

The program for the afternoon was on the subject, "Winning Ways to Christ."

Late in the afternoon, refreshments of cake and ice cream were served to Mrs. Ernest Spencer, Mrs. Milford Dille, Mrs. Anna Lawton, and the co-hostess, Mrs. M. M. Foster.

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Carolyn Holland Birthday Party

Miss Carolyn Holland and a group of her friends spent a lovely day Friday, July 18, at Lake Byrd. The occasion was in honor of Miss Holland's birthday.

During the course of the day, the group enjoyed swimming, and a picnic lunch at noon, also.

Those present were: Miss Dana Moe Perry, Miss Dorothy Lawton, Miss Ruth Pendleton and the honoree, Miss Carolyn Holland.

Garden Club To Meet Friday

The Avon Park Garden Club will meet next Friday, August 8, at 9:30 A. M. at the home of Mrs. C. P. Thayer. The program will consist of a plant exchange and members are asked to come prepared for this.

Mrs. R. H. Lawton is visiting friends in Asheville, N. C.

Mrs. M. Brown and daughter, Miss Lillian Kelly were visitors in Miami during the weekend.

Mrs. Hazel Lufky and daughter, Vivian, left Saturday for a visit with friends in Oklahoma.

Mrs. S. J. Pendleton arrived home Monday after a few days visit in Blakey, Georgia.

Mr. and Mrs. Jean Morgan left Thursday for several weeks vacation to points in the north.

Mrs. Harry Turnbull arrived home Tuesday after visiting her mother, of Athens, Ga.

Miss Doris Darling of Wauchula was the guest Sunday of Miss Justina Crosby.

Mrs. Louise Johnson of Lakeland was the weekend guest of Mrs. Margaret Chandler.

Miss Ruby Pate is visiting friends in Washington, D. C. and Virginia.

Miss Charlotte Atkins of Tampa is visiting her father and mother. Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Atkins, for two weeks.

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Mr. and Mrs. Herman Willford and daughter, Miss Nell Willford, arrived Saturday from a few days visit with relatives in Tennessee.

Mrs. Dave Blackwelder and two small children of Frostproof are visiting Mrs. Blackwelder's parents for a week.

James E. Dye, of Lakeland, editor of the Florida Methodist News, was a business visitor here Wednesday.

Friends of W. D. Adams will regret to learn that he underwent an emergency operation Tuesday night in a Sebring hospital.

Mrs. W. J. Pate and Mrs. C. E. Pater and son of Lake Wales were the guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Childers.

Mrs. M. H. Hart was suddenly called to Alma, Nebraska, due to the death of her brother-in-law, Mr. Hart left Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Friedman of Bradenton were the guests for a few days of Mrs. Friedman's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Wolf.

Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Perry and family and Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Estes of Ocala went deep sea fishing Tuesday at Fort Myers.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Steele and two small children have moved to Waverly where Mr. Steele is employed.

Mrs. Doris Williams of St. Petersburg was the house guest over the weekend of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Waters of Bartow spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Walters.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Estes of Ocala are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Perry and family. Mrs. Estes will be remembered as Miss Thelma Perry.

Mrs. Lucille Walker and two small children of Clio, Alabama left for their home last week after spending three weeks with Mr. Walker's father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Smith and family.

Miss Albert Garrett, Miss Freda Garrett, Ray Garrett, and Ralph Garrett left for Gainesville Saturday to visit their sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert C. Garrett, and with Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Shumaker and family.

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Defense Training School Reorganized

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include the following:

"1.—Placement, where can trainees be placed upon completion of the course.

"2.—Instructors: are capable instructors available?

"3.—Operating space: is there sufficient space available for the setting up of machines and other training equipment?

"4.—Equipment: is equipment available for training. If not where and how can it be secured?

"5.—Trainers: Is there an adequate supply of suitably qualified persons who will and can take the course? Can they meet the time requirements of the course?

"It is hoped that these brief statements will aid in bringing about a better understanding of the functioning and purposes of the defense training program. A representative of the State Department of Education will be available Thursday night at the defense Training school for the purpose of answering inquiries regarding the present defense training program as well as questions dealing with its future operation."

Jim Crosby, temporarily in charge of the school in Sebring stated last night for young men in the county and surrounding territory should register now for the new classes that will be set up soon under the above outlined schedule.

Mrs. J. H. Pate, Miss Corinne Pate, Miss Gladys Pate, Mrs. L. P. Childers, and Mrs. A. P. Helms attended the funeral of W. O. Andrews in Frostproof Tuesday.

Mrs. Agnes Henderson left Thursday to spend a week in Miami with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Rogers.

Miss Virginia Crosby of Tampa is spending this week here visiting her aunt, uncle and cousin, Mr. and Mrs. E. Crosby and daughter, Delores.

Mrs. Della Robinson of Miami visited her sister, Mrs. Josephine Croft, and she left Sunday to visit her daughter, Mrs. Gladys Cook of Sanford.

Miss Eloise Dickinson arrived Saturday to spend three weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Dickinson. Miss Dickinson has been attending Trevecca College in Nashville for the past two years.

Mr. I. W. Chandler, Mrs. G. D. Godwin and Mrs. W. R. Carter went to Orlando Friday, where they were the guests of Miss Elizabeth Chandler.

Miss Kathleen Carratt of Cartersville, Georgia, Mrs. Helen Bass of Ocala, and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Cochran of Atlanta, Ga., were guests Saturday and Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Gus H. Carratt and family. Miss Carratt and Mrs. Cochran are the nieces of Mr. Carratt.

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We let the practitioners of the modern fables cheerfully sneer, knowing in due time that it will all make sense. The day invariably comes when we get a new radio tube, a new medicine, clothing of glass, made of milk, cold light, air-conditioned rooms—all the every day products which to grandpa would have been 200,000 miracles.

The only tragedy is that we take so much for granted. We are all quite sure that our grandchildren will see 200,000 more miracles.

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Its negatives are stagnation, tight brakes on initiative, bureaucratic interference, imitation of foreign "isms."

The miracles of America don't come from the marble halls of the District of Columbia. They happen in the brains and spirits of free men working together.

When you hear men say we need more laws, more restrictions, more democracy, you are listening to men who have lost faith in America. They will stop the miracles to come, as their way of thinking would have stopped the 200,000 grandpa never saw.

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INSTALLMENT II

THE STORY SO FAR:

of the sweetheart, Jody Gordon, and her father. After wiping Thorpe out of Texas, Roper conducted a great raid soon thereafter, and Jody, Roper's adopted son, was determined to avenge his death in spite of the opposition of the people.

CHAPTER XVII—Continued
A shiver ran the length of Jody Gordon's body. Casually, as if they were talking about getting breakfast, these quiet-faced men were speaking of a proposed death—the death of a boy who had once been very close to her, and very dear. Suddenly she was able to glimpse the power and the depth of the animosity behind the mission of these men. No effort and no cost would seem to Ben Thorpe too great if in the end Bill Roper was struck out of existence.

"Jim," the younger rider said soberly, "if Roper's got the wild bunch with him—Jim, it's such a fight at once of us have ever gone into yet! When you stop to think that any time—any minute—a bunch of 'em may land in here—"

"Charley's on lookout," Jim Leathers shrugged. "We'll know in plenty time."
A silence fell, a long silence. Heavy upon Jody Gordon was the pain of an open-sore wound. The helpless within close walls. Her voice was low and bitter. "You're set on holding me here."

"No call to put it that way," Jim Leathers said mildly, almost gently. But his eyes denied that gentleness, so that behind him Jody could again the vast animosity built by the Texas Rustlers' War.

"I want a flat answer," Jody said bravely. "Are you going to give me a horse, or not?"

Once more Jim Leathers' canine teeth showed in a grin. "Well, no," he said, "but—"

CHAPTER XVIII

Perhaps Lew Gordon should have known that if Bill Roper learned of Jody's disappearance at all, Roper would come directly to him. And, knowing this, he should have prepared himself. But Lew Gordon had not met Roper face to face in nearly two years; and nothing was farther from his mind than the possibility that Roper would walk in upon him now.

Upon this night Lew Gordon was passing the main street of the little Miles City house; forty-eight hours had passed since his daughter's disappearance and the old gentleman had looked himself into a mirror and repressed fear comparable to that of a trap-baited mountain lion, or a guided bear.

He knew that Jody's disappearance was voluntary, and he knew its purpose. The brief but highly informative note that Jody had left him told him that much. It simply said:

"One of you must be made to see reason. I am going to talk to Billy Roper myself."

What this did not tell him was where Roper was, or how he expected to find him. Impatient of mystery and delay, he could not understand why his daughter should be so coy, why she should be so coy, why she should be so coy.

Lew Gordon sat alone for a little while. For the moment he felt less anger was burned down into a heavy weariness. His mind was full of his daughter, whose persistent picture as a little girl, much more of a child than she actually was any more.

Suddenly it struck him how curious it was that in this bare room in which he sat there was no sign of any kind that Jody had ever been here at all. This was partly because she had never lived here nor even been expected here, but it brought home to him sharply how much of his life had been given to cattle, how little to his daughter. It made him realize how little he knew his daughter, and how little he had ever given of himself.

This was Lew Gordon's state of mind as the door thrust open, letting in a brief flash of wintry wind, and he wheeled in the chair to see the last man on earth he had expected to see.

Bill Roper stood a powdering of dry snow off the roll of his collar, then stood looking at Lew Gordon in a cool hard silence as he pulled off his gloves. Once this man had been almost a son to Lew Gordon—the adopted son, in actuality, of Lew Gordon's dead partner. But a definite enmity now replaced that little while ago had been a friendship as deep and close as the friendship in their early childhood. For the meaning of their association, almost as long as Bill Roper's life, was gone, wiped out about twenty years since the death of Dusty King.

For a moment or two Lew Gordon stared at him in dazed disbelief. Then he whipped to his feet.

"Where's she?" he demanded intensely, furiously. "What have you done with her?"

Bill Roper no longer looked like the younger Dusty King had looked on the trail. His gray eyes looked hard and extremely competent, old

to reconcile her father with Roper. Jody had set out with Shoshone Wiles to find him. They were captured by some of the men here, and Roper, who was Wiles' escaped but held her as a captive. The men decided to hold her as a captive.

"It was your own man talked her into it," Gordon said with menace. "My own man? What man?"

"A little misleader called Shoshone Wiles. Everybody knows he was a scout coyote for you, before Texas ever run you out."

"Nobody run me out of any place," Roper said, but his mind whirled to something else. It was true that he talked to certain men in the town before he had come here. Now suddenly he knew that he had learned what he had come to find out. He buttoned his coat, pulled on his gloves.

Gordon confronted him stubbornly. "I mean you shan't leave here without telling me what you know."

"A glint of hard amusement was plain in Bill Roper's eyes. 'I know what you've told me. But I'll add this onto it. I think you'll soon have back your girl. I'm walking out to see you, Lew, because it's time for me to look into a couple of things. But I'll be seeing you—'

"Thorpe don't get me first," Roper said, but his mind whirled to something else. It was true that he talked to certain men in the town before he had come here. Now suddenly he knew that he had learned what he had come to find out. He buttoned his coat, pulled on his gloves.

"Quite a tidy little nest egg," Roper agreed. "I'd like to have it myself."

A trick of the wind sent a great whirl of papers across the room as he went out.

He had not come here without providing that the horse which waited under his saddle was fresh and good. He struck westward now out of Miles City, under the stars of the night, and he found a broad cross trail of some random band of cattle had tramped the snow under the stars of the night.

"Quite a tidy little nest egg," Roper agreed. "I'd like to have it myself."

A third horse is not much inclined to fly, toward the end of long day's travel; and when Bill Roper's horse snorted and jumped sideways out of its tracks, the old man looked twice, curiously, at the carcass which had spooked his pony. A dead pony on the winter range, wearing a fairly common thing, he was about to ride on, when he noticed something about this particular dead pony that he was sure he had seen before.

After leaving Lew Gordon he had ridden deep into the night. Half an hour would bring him within sight of the Fork Creek rendezvous, and he was eager to push on so that his deduction as to Jody's whereabouts might have a quick answer, one way or the other.

The bright trace of frozen blood that had first caught Roper's eye was the result of two gunshot wounds in neck and quarters.

A dark foreboding possessed Roper as he studied the dead pony. Roper himself was shortcutting through the hills, following no trail. The coincidence that he had stumbled upon the carcass in all those snowy wastes could be accounted for only in one way: both Roper and the pony had followed a line of least resistance through the hills—the line that had the Fork Creek rendezvous at its far end. His discovery told him that there had been talking at Fork Creek within the last forty-eight hours.

He remembered and swung northward, mortally whipping up his weary pony, but approaching the Fork Creek camp roundabout, he had been making hills and through-bushes. As hour passed before he threw down his reins and crept on hands and knees to the crest of a ridge commanding the valley of the Fork.

He moved a half mile closer and reached his watch, his for some time he could make out nothing. Then just as the sun set, three men appeared for a moment, then a moment or two they stood in the snow close together. One went back into the cabin. The two others disappeared for a moment, then they mounted. They separated, and Roper watched them ride in opposite directions, up the nearest of the hills. These passed behind his sight, but in another minute or two their riders were retraced by two other riders.

"Outposts," Roper decided. "Somebody's keeping a hell of a careful watch."

(TO BE CONTINUED)

Don't hold that

by Lynn Chambers

LET'S HAVE AN ICE CREAM SOCIAL!

(See Recipes Below)

ICE CREAM 'N CAKE

Shining in their starched dresses, the girls are ready "to rectify their pieces," the boys, slicked and combed, are watching them shyly, and everyone's waiting for the signal to come. It's an ice cream social, that typically American festival to which the girls are bringing their most delectable cakes and choicest ice cream. There, too, you'll find the made, "made in the shade by the old maid."

There was a time when an ice cream social, though as pleasant an affair as you'd find on the summer calendar, carried with it a great deal of careful preparation. Ice cream had to be kept in heavy containers which in turn were wrapped in blankets, and if the speeches and program lasted too long it was apt to be more melted than when you were finally served. No longer do you have such a risk. The ice cream can be stored in your refrigerator and kept really hard.

Making ice cream with the freezer method is fun, and usually the whole family gets together to do some of the cranking. The freezer has a wooden or metal bucket holding the ice and salt, and a non-rust metal container with a close-fitting cover for holding the mixture to be frozen. The mixture is stirred by a paddle attached to the crank which is operated by hand, and sometimes by a small electric motor.

Use three parts of ice to one part of salt. Turn the crank slowly at first for about five minutes or until the mixture stiffens, then as quickly as possible until it is difficult to turn. This takes about six minutes. Add more ice and salt if necessary. Four salt water, push down ice and salt being careful to get none in the can of ice cream.

Wipe top of can, uncover, take out the paddle and beat the frozen mixture with a wooden spoon. Cover can with wax paper, and pack in sawdust. Let stand several hours to ripen.

If you would be famous for your ice cream and have them spoken of with the social lady, mix them to get the desirable smooth, creamy triumphs. Ice cream free from crystals and splinters will get first prize every time.

"Vanilla Ice Cream"
(Makes 1½ quarts)
1½ cups sweetened condensed milk (15-cc can)
8 cups cream
1 cup cold water
1 tablespoon vanilla

Blend thoroughly the sweetened condensed milk, cold water, cold

LYNN BATH:

Did you know that: Ice cream should stand several hours to blend or ripen the many flavors combined in them? Each flavor will stand out separately if the mixture is not properly ripened.

Texture is affected by the method of freezing. Ice cream will be coarse and rough if frozen too quickly, whereas slower freezing improves texture. Before putting the cream in the freezer it should be properly whipped or it will be icy.

Richer mixtures give smoother textured ice cream. The amount of fat in the cream also affects the texture. Richer ice creams have full bodied flavor.

Ice cream expands! If the ice cream is well made, it expands to at least one-third more than its original size, and that this has an important bearing on flavor. If it runs too rapidly, ice cream is prevented from increasing size.

Flavors should be lightly suggested, not pronounced! Amount and quality of extracts used are very apparent in the finished product.

THIS WEEK'S MENU

Ice Cream Social
"Vanilla and Chocolate Ice Cream"
"Walnut Torte"
Lemonade

"Recipe given."

water and vanilla. Freeze in one quart freezer. Remove dasher. Pack in ice and salt for one hour or more after freezing.

For Banana Ice Cream, use the above recipe, except to substitute 1 teaspoon of lemon extract in place of vanilla. Mash three bananas to a smooth pulp with a silver fork and add to ice cream after removing dasher.

Coffee Ice Cream: Proceed as for Vanilla Ice Cream, using 1 cup of cold black coffee in place of 1 cup of water and 1 teaspoon vanilla in place of 1 tablespoon of vanilla.

Maple Nut Ice Cream: One of the most requested flavors, made just like the vanilla except maple flavoring is substituted for vanilla, and ½ cup of chocolate nuts is added just before the dasher.

If you like chocolate flavoring, here's a recipe I'm sure will please you. Rich and creamy, full of satisfying chocolate flavoring, it's one kind of ice cream of which there can never be too much made.

"Chocolate Ice Cream"
4 eggs separated
¼ cup sugar
1 cup milk
1 teaspoon cornstarch
1 pint cream, whipped
1½ ounces chocolate

Mix cornstarch and sugar. Stir into well beaten yolks. Mix and blend with milk, beat in double boiler, and cook until thick. Add chocolate and cook till blended. Cool, fold in beaten egg whites and whipped cream. Freeze.

Among the pleasant surprises in appearance and in flavor among ice creams is this one called Tutti-Frutti. If you're longing for a change from familiar favorites, this one is a real gem for the romantics, take a scoop of it, pop two raisins in for the eyes, a current for the nose and a cherry for the mouth. It's a simple gesture but one which they'll appreciate for all its worth.

Tutti Frutti Ice Cream
(Serves 6)

½ cup sweetened condensed milk
1 cup water
1½ teaspoons vanilla
1 cup whipping cream
1 cup finely chopped maraschino cherries
½ cup seeded raisins, finely chopped

Mix sweetened condensed milk, water and vanilla. Chill. Whip cream to custard-like consistency. Fold into chilled mixture. Freeze in freezing unit of refrigerator till half frozen. Scrape from tray, beat until smooth but not melted. Add chopped fruit. Replace in freezing unit until frozen.

No social is completely a success without an array of freshly baked, nice smelling cakes and their variety of frosting piled high to tempt. One cake which will really give you a new high in reputation is this Walnut Torte, an old-fashioned favorite with new found fame.

"Walnut Torte"
1 cup sweetbaked crumbs
1 teaspoon baking powder
1 cup sugar
4 eggs separated
½ cup cream, whipped

Crush the sweetbaked crumbs, mix with baking powder and nuts. Beat egg yolks thick and lemon color, beat in sugar, and then gradually the cream nut mixture. Fold in stiffly beaten egg whites. Turn into greased and floured pan and bake in a moderate (375 degrees) oven 15 to 18 minutes. When mixture is light to touch and pulls from sides of pan it's done. Cool thoroughly. Put layers together with whipped cream and garnish with whole walnuts.

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Danger in Weakening "Do you think it is unlucky to postpone a wedding?" "Not if you keep on doing it!"

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Women criminals are more dangerous than men, "said. That's when they dress to kill."

One Qualification Rufus—I wish I could be a great doctor. I'd like to be a bone specialist. "Gee—You've got a good head for it."

Proof Sufficient "You seem very quiet tonight, Roland," said the pretty girl. "Are you sure you're not just a little bit nervous?" "No, I'm not," Roland exclaimed. "Good heavens, Roland, when we were saying goodbye at the gate last night you dug bit a piece out of my leg, and I didn't even notice it till I got home!"

Test of Civilization The true test of civilization is not the census, nor the size of the cities, nor the crops, but in the kind of men the country turns out.—Emerson.

ASK ME ANOTHER?

A General Quiz 1. How many years is a child? 2. Why do some Orientals remove their spectacles when talking with another person? 3. What peninsula comprises Spain and Portugal? 4. Which is the highest waterfall in the world? 5. John Brown, the abolitionist, of Harper's Ferry, West Virginia, was the father of how many children?

The Answers 1. One thousand years. 2. The Orientals do this as a mark of respect. 3. Iberian. 4. Angel falls in Venezuela is the world's loftiest cataract. It is about 3,000 feet high, or 26 times as high as Niagara falls. 5. Twenty-two, two of whom were killed in the raid upon the armory and arsenal at Harper's Ferry, October 16, 1859.

MOORHEAD CHASED BY MOROLINE

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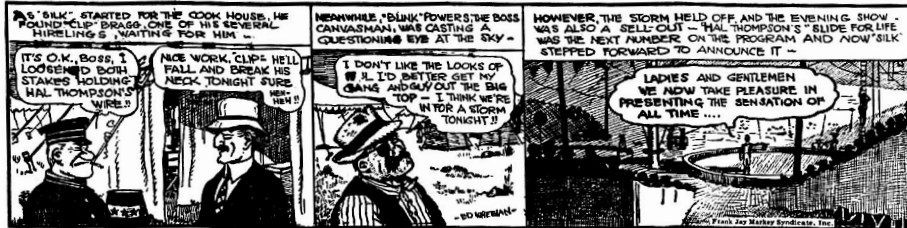


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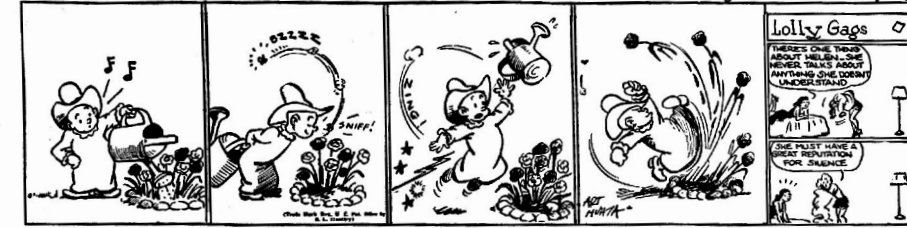
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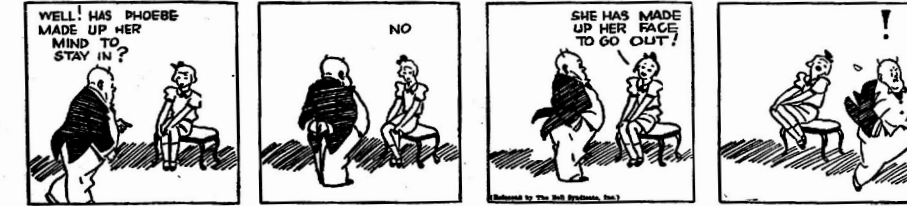
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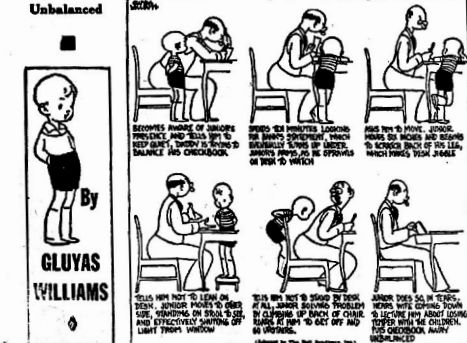


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There's No Doubt but McTavish Asked for It

Sharp received a letter from his friend McTavish which bore no stamp, and he had to pay the postage. The letter concluded: "You will be delighted to hear I am enjoying the best of health, old chap—Yours, McTavish."

Sharp pondered over this for a time, then he secured a large stone, wrapped it, addressed it and sent it express collect to his friend McTavish. Attached to it was a note, which read as follows: "Dear McTavish: "This great weight rolled off my mind when I received the good news of your state of health. "Yours sincerely, "Sharp."

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The world is more charitable in money than in kind words.—Diane.

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My Three Friends
Three men are my friends: He who loves me, he who is my enemy, and he who is indifferent to me. He who loves me teaches me the tenderness, he who hates me teaches me caution, and he who is indifferent to me teaches me self-reliance.—Anon.

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Unique Michigan Machine Tool Works Operated by Deaf Mutes

ROYAL OAK, Mich.—Along a back street in the Detroit suburb is perhaps the most unusual industry—if not the only one of its kind—in the state. It is a machine shop operated entirely by deaf mutes.

The shop is housed in an abandoned livery, but in spite of its unpretentious surroundings, the Oakland Machine Works is a monumental piece of evidence that deaf mutes, if given a chance, can be as useful as anyone else.

At present the payroll is \$200 a week. Sixteen men are employed. Each week the Oakland Machine Works turns out about 30 per cent of the water pump pulleys used on Ford automobiles, some 5,000 pulleys a day.

Behind the idea of a machine shop for deaf mutes was L. H. Kuehn, a stocky man of 43, himself a deaf mute. Kuehn had been working for the Ford Motor Company as a tool and die expert for 12 years when the U. S. decided to apply his knowledge

helping others in the same predicament as himself.

Henry Ford heard about Kuehn's interesting project and helped it along by offering to buy all the Ford water pump pulleys the tiny shop could turn out.

Kuehn has accomplished in eight years should be an inspiration to anyone. He started in the depths of the depression with little capital, only three helpers, 200 square feet of space in a stable, and a few machines. The factory now has 4,000 square feet of floor space and 100 machines that Kuehn himself either built or reconstructed.

"If big industries offered other deaf mutes the same help Henry Ford gave me, similar shops could be started all over the country," Kuehn observed.

"Now that the defense program needs manpower and production from small machine shops, it seems to me that deaf mutes can be very useful in filling the gaps."

HOLLAND SAYS NEW TAX LAWS MAKE PROGRESS

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reports are coming in from all over the state and I am here to tell you that these loyal public servants are going ahead and doing the job some folks said couldn't be done. No wonder the millages are coming down.

Palm Beach county's school board advises the school millage will drop from 20 mills to 15 at most possibly as low as 4—and in this in spite of increasing enrollment.

School Superintendent English reports school boards from all parts of the state are reporting reduced millages in line with the spirit and the letter of the law.

The governor traced the history of the new laws—pointing out they came as a mandate from the people. "I advocated this type of tax revision, leading to tax justice from every platform during the gubernatorial campaign," he said, "and a courageous legislature listened to the plea of our taxpayers for relief from the system under which thousands paid double to make up for \$100,000,000 cancelled from the books in adjustments and compromises over a decade."

He pointed to stringent provisions that will bring surer collection of taxes after they are levied—provision for going after titles and publication of names of those who become delinquent.

He reiterated that those who have been paying their fair share of the tax load have nothing to fear. "The only way to reduce the tax burden for those who loyally pay every year is to bring the tax roll properties that have been escaping and that's all these new laws do—plus making collections easier and thus stopping the practice of forgetting millions in delinquent taxes and pyramiding the loss next year against those who have already paid."

Discussing the legislature's courage, the Governor pointed out that the 1941 legislature had not veered towards the easy thing to do nor dodged the job. "They not only tackled such problems as the gas tax allocation, property tax revision salary paying menace, long considered impossible," he said, "but they solved these problems and then went on to put the state fiscally on an even keel by using the Murphy Act receipts—the force of powerful pressure groups—to pay the state's bills."

STATE GETS BIG ESTATE TAXES AFTER CHASE

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for the daughter in December, 1927. This was one of those irrevocable trusts, which are supposed to pass title and eliminate the property covered from estate taxes. But investigators discovered a power of attorney which the daughter gave her father practically turning the trust back to him.

In addition there were recorded court orders in the Monaco court covering his operations and domicile, and, of course, there was the problem of locating the treasure which was in all stock, bonds and cash deposited in banks stretching from London to Monaco to Montreal to Miami.

But the job was done and it was all carefully itemized and with the help of some life-long friends of the deceased, none like Henry W. Marsh or Lake Wales and the late W. W. Mittag of Miami, the authorities were able to convince the executor and the heir that in view of the fact that they had secured court orders questioning the mental capacity of Mr. Dickerson in his late years, it might be advisable to forget the Monaco citizenship papers, which probably were obtained during a period of mental incapacity and came along and pay the tax.

Scientists at Marine Station, Marineland, Florida, have discovered the house builder of the ocean floor. A quarter pound sand fish will pile up particles of shell against a rock and use it for his home. If torn down by other fish, he will immediately rebuild.

AVON-SEBRING MAKES IT THREE STRAIGHT GAMES

Take Doubleheader From Fort Meade Last Night; Won Last Sunday

Max Long and Ken Willis each pitched four-hit ball here last night as the Avon-Sebring Twin Citizens copped both ends of their Orange Belt League doubleheader, with the Fort Meade Red Steers. The scores were 4-0 and 3-2, and followed Sunday's 3-1 defeat of the Steers at Fort Meade when Lou was on the mound.

Curiously enough, the Steers gathered their hits in the first three innings of each game.

Willis honored in the opener by left Lou's cause, and in the night cap, Long reciprocated with a triple that scored two runs to tie the count in the second stanza. An error in the fifth put the '7Cs ahead by a run and that margin was increased in the next inning when Myers tripled with two aboard.

Nick Carter's slapping double in the second game drove in the Steers' only tallies. He and Bill Finney led Fort Meade's batting attack with hits in the first two. Rowe paced the Twin Citizens with three for four in the opener and Max Long was the next lining up as the Avon-Sebring pitcher.

Willis fanned 10 Steers in the nightcap to lead the hurlers. The Avon-Sebring mounders were the Durance brother, Rodney and Wilbur. Sweet fielding was turned in by Paul Seab, Fred Meade and Billy Freeland, of Avon-Sebring, opposing shortstops.

Score by innings: Fort Meade 000 000 0-0 4-2 1-0. Avon-Sebring 001 012 3-4 12-1.

R. Durance and Whidden; M. Long and Belflower.

Second game: Fort Meade 020 000 0-2 4-2 1-0. Avon-Sebring 020 000 0-2 1-0 1-0.

W. Durance and Whidden; Willis and Belflower.

Sunday the Twin Citizens will go to Prospect to meet the Packers. Next Wednesday night they will be back at Fireman's Field again to take on the league leaders, the Pawnee Indians. The latter will meet Plant City, of the West Coast league, in an exhibition game in the afternoon, probably at Barrow.

South Africa Still Exports Citrus In Spite Of The War

LAKELAND, July 31 (Special)—In spite of the heavy risk in shipping, brought on by the European war, exports of citrus fruits from South Africa for the season just closed were the third heaviest on record, it was reported by the Florida citrus commission today. Total exports of oranges amounted to 4,337,000 boxes, or 80 per cent of the exportable crop. Grapefruit exports attained the figure of 414,000 boxes or 64 per cent of the exportable crop.

"The returns on exports in 1940, despite heavier shipping, insurance, and other charges, were among the best prices received by our producers for many years," Chairman Archibald Cramer, of the South African Citrus Exporters, revealed in his annual report. The average f. o. b. price realized on oranges was \$2.21. The entire export crop was shipped out of the Union of South Africa since the invasion of the continent came just after the beginning of the movement of South African citrus in volume.

By arrangement with the British ministry of shipping, sufficient ship space was allocated to move the fruit. The individual boat lines serving in the South African trade before the war were replaced by the newly organized merchant trading service, which is under the control of the ministry of shipping.

In South Africa, the citrus board introduced for the first time a flat pool method of compensating growers, the computation of returns to growers being made without regard to variety, grade, or size of fruit sold by the growers.

Chairman Cramer estimates that about 50 per cent of the exportable orange crop will be shipped to Great Britain in the form of fresh fruit during the 1941 season. The remainder, he said, may be disposed of in the form of shipments of fresh fruit to North Africa and the Middle East.

The South African citrus crop figures approximately five and one-half million boxes and seven hundred thousand boxes of grapefruit.

New Amphibian Tanks Ordered

DUNEDIN, July 31 (FNS)—The Food Machinery Company announced last week that it had received additional orders for amphibian tanks and that construction will be started at their new Lakeland plant as soon as it is completed.

Tanks are now being manufactured at the Dunedin plant.

Welfare Program Will Be Enlarged

JACKSONVILLE, July 31 (Special)—Immediate enlargement of the state welfare program will include the opening of applications for old-age assistance made in September, October, November and December of last year, and an increase of 50 percent of families receiving aid to dependent children benefits. It was announced here today by State Welfare Commissioner C. C. Coddington.

The commissioner authorized the announcement after polling members of the State Welfare Board by wire.

He also announced that the State Board had sanctioned resumption of re-certification for WPA, to begin on August 4 on a state-wide basis. Stepping up of public assistance benefits, Coddington said, was made possible by the budgeting of the annual appropriation of \$3,400,000 for old-age assistance and aid to the blind on a 10-month basis, as suggested by Governor Holland, and figuring on using enough of the horse race track revenue to pay operating costs the last two months of the fiscal year.

Additional aid to dependent children funds, he said, would come from a tax on wine, the heavy truck maintenance tax and a grant election tax and would be available in the necessary amount as rapidly as names were added to the rolls.

Costs of WPA re-certifications will be paid from a \$500 appropriation, to extend over a year, authorized by the 1941 legislature.

Sugar Corp. Plans New Employee Homes

CLEWISTON, July 31 (FNS)—Announcement is made by J. W. Brown, general manager of the United States Sugar Corporation, that plans are being formulated for the construction of additional homes for company employees in the area north of the Sugar House and adjacent to the new clubhouse and recreation center.

These homes are to be in a wide variety of sizes, designs and types, with ample grounds surrounding each home to permit beautification and allow space for home gardens and poultry yard.

When completed, these homes will be available for purchase by employees of the Corporation on a low easy payment plan. The area to be completed will include streets, lights, water and sewage, and will be landscaped and beautified.

Florida Grapefruit Is Boosted In "Nine Day Reducing Diet"

LAKELAND, July 31 (Special)—Grapefruit, produced in Florida to the extent of 25 million boxes a year, receives a vigorous boost this month on a nationwide scale. In a nine-day reducing diet, published in the August issue of "Good Housekeeping" magazine, grapefruit is recommended in 18 of the 27 meals and is the only vitamin-rich food prescribed for breakfast during the entire period.

Rated as an excellent source of vitamins C and G, and a fair source of B-1, by the standards of the council on foods, American Medical Association, grapefruit is featured in the 100- calorie list of foods in the diet. Although one-half grapefruit is stated in the charts, some fruit is equally acceptable, with the suggestion that smaller amounts be used because of the vitamin.

With the tremendous swing to vitamin-rich foods, further activated by the recent national nutrition conference for defense, called by the president, such spotlighting of grapefruit, pointing to it as not only a fruit, abundant with vitamins, but giving it much more honor in a slimming diet, can only be of great benefit toward further consumption of Florida citrus fruits.

Florida Highways Commercialized

ST. PETERSBURG, July 31 (FNS)—Terminating Florida highways "the most commercialized roads in the country," The National Road calls attention to a recent article entitled "A Motorist's View of U. S. 1 from Maine to Florida," which declares that from Jacksonville to Miami has more signs, more billboards, and more commercial enterprises of all sorts than on an equal mileage of U. S. 1 in any other state.

Florida's new billboard law should bring about a vast improvement in the appearance of her highways, but the state still has much to do before she can overcome the stigma which now rests on her from the standpoint of road decoration.

Scientists at Marine Station, Marineland, are studying the habits of male sea horses carrying their developing young in a pouch similar to a kangaroo, instead of the female of the species having this usual chore.

Strict Enforcement Of All Traffic Laws

Highways Guarded—"Strict enforcement, with every possible possible extension, will begin Sept. 1," announces J. J. Gilliam, Director of Florida's Highway Patrol.

Ninety new patrolmen will be added to the force Sept. 1, who are now in training for their new duties at Lakeland, bringing the full force of patrolmen up to 150. One of every patrolman will be assigned to each county, but will be shifted as traffic conditions change.

Examination of new applicants for driver's licenses begins after August 15. Holders of 1941 driver's licenses may renew them before Oct. 1 without examination, except where the department finds an examination necessary. Patrolmen are required to co-operate with the public wherever and whenever possible, but strict enforcement of traffic violations is the new order," declares Gilliam.

"The new Patrol is specifically charged with cutting down wrecks and accidents on the highways. Records of arrests and convictions of all drivers in municipal, county and state courts are being compiled in Tallahassee. It is not the purpose of the Patrol to punish, but to co-operate and seek co-operation in cutting down accidents and deaths on Florida's highways. Unnecessary reckless and drunken will be cut to a minimum as fast as the new Patrol can begin operations," Director Gilliam stated.

Bartow Woman Laveas Odd Will

BARTOW, July 31 (FNS)—Odd items disposed of in a will filed for probate here last week were a 1928 Chevrolet and four head of livestock. Having no relatives, the woman bequeathed \$100 and her automobile to a friend, and "all my chickens and any livestock I own" to another couple.

The livestock inventoried at one chicken, two cats and one mongrel dog. The balance of the estate, consisting of about \$5,000 in cash and a citrus grove, was left to the Florida Methodist Orphanage at Benoni Springs, according to the Polk County Democrat.

State Game Department officials point out that all fishermen are now required to have a license even for fishing in their own county and caution sportsmen and others to secure them at once from their local county judge.

Navy New Training British Fliers

JACKSONVILLE, July 31 (FNS)—The Navy joined the Army last week in training aerial fighters in Florida for Britain's RAF, according to more than 700 the number of British cadets now receiving such training in the state.

150 British airmen, reported to naval training stations here and at Pensacola, last week will receive instruction from American naval aviation instructors.

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