

WHO'S NEWS THIS WEEK

By LEMUEL F. PARTON

NEW YORK—Simultaneously, Chancellor Hitler and Mrs. Schiaparelli renounce and extol the fruits of the spirit. Preparation to return to France. Cost Fettes our son, the artist of creation, most distressing to Americans are too much given to money-grubbing to appreciate the beautiful art of couture. "The Paris designer is free," she says, but here in America "in creating a costume you must think about cost." So she's going back to Paris where art is unfettered and nobody worries about money.

Molnau said, to make gains in London, but Lucien Lelong, the new Judge Landis of the French fashion industry, reminds the service of art—not money of course. The latter implication might suggest that Paris as a continuing world style center is somehow geared into Chancellor Hitler's jagged-handed costume, and that, in a rather gauche idea. In Herr Hitler's new order, it's art for art's sake.

Soon after the occupation of Paris, Mrs. Schiaparelli arrived here to begin a national lecture tour. We seemed to be suffering from much misapprehension about France. It was business as usual in Paris, and anyone who fancied that New York might become the world style center had another thought coming. However, she reserved her apostrophe of art against money for the last.

Addressing the Junior League of Los Angeles recently, she said: "All of us in Paris are impressed by the generosity of American men regarding their women. American men have a world-wide reputation for the money they spend on women. I say bravo to you! Go right ahead!"

I had an idea that the French felt that way a few years ago when I was privileged to see the inner workings of Lanvin's establishment in Paris, to talk to the vendors and winches, and witness, once to a Texas oil magnate, when he came in to help his wife choose a gown.

Mrs. Schiaparelli lived five years in New York. Her daughter, Maria, was born in her Ninth street house in Greenwich Village. That was before the days of her fame and opulence, and she thought about money a great deal in those days.

Taking an unheated bath in a plain place, a dingy little tub at a street of Jefferson Market court, she found a \$28 bill on the floor. It was a good omen. Other money came and she returned to a garret in Paris. As she wrote poetry. A sweater design brought her into her career. For one who scorns money she is a materialist and diligent business woman, her huge establishment turning out around 10,000 garments a year at prices up to \$5,000. Of a distinguished Italian family of astronomers and scholars, she has been described by Edna Le Ferre as "a woman nobody can know, absorbed with books on metaphysics, aesthetics and philosophy."

ELMAN B. MYERS, inventor of the new "jet expulsion" motor which is expected vastly to increase the range, speed and fighting of "Genius of Need" war planes. Is a Self-Starter was a New And Finisher. Two burgh, N. Y. boy who just happened to be a self-starter and finisher. Without benefit of any academic seminars, he became a lay radio inventor. This, incidentally, was in the Bronx where there weren't any huyoties, but make it a cellar and the result is the same.

After 22 years he appears with his critically important invention. He got a job with a wireless station in Sacramento, and was soon throwing his voice farther than anybody else in those parts. He later worked with Lee De Forest and by 1925 had brought through a "radio light" radio tube. He started work on his jet expulsion or "rocket" motor four years ago. Engineers say it may increase the speed of fighting planes by 200 miles an hour.

IT WAS not until they began work in strengthening the roots of the Capitol at Washington that most Americans were aware that an architect was regularly attached to a structure of which George Washington first laid the cornerstone in 1793. He is David Lynn of Hyattsville, Md. Lynn is 23 years of service but ample opportunity to learn all the ins and outs of the famous building. He served 10 years as civil engineer and in 1927 became architectural supervisor.

Star Dust

STAGE-SCREEN-RADIO

By VIRGINIA VALE

(Reprinted by Western Newspaper Union)

TUCULEE BAIL cut out the storied wedding cake for her friends and tossed her bouquet to the ladies who attended the reception she and Dean Arnaz gave before departing for Hollywood and more work at the RKO Radio studios. It wasn't exactly a wedding bouquet, since the reception was what might be called delayed.

Their elopement started practically everybody's general opinion had been that their romance was one of those things that are cooked up for the sake of sweet publicity. It's reported that even the studio was surprised. You can see the honeymooning couple in "Too Many Girls."

These publicity stunts—"angel" is the name for them—are the bane of a press agent's life. For example, if a movie star is arriving in New York it's up to her press agent to think up something that will sound reasonable enough to land the story in the front pages of the newspapers. Sometimes the stories are true, of course—but it's usually the synthetic ones that get the most notice. When Linda Darnell arrived in New York recently she got a fine press reception. She announced to reporters that she was allergic to rabbits, cats, tobacco, horses, feathers and baking powder—she sides with her latest picture, "Chad Hanna," so that got the name of the picture into the story too. "Chad Hanna" is a beautiful girl, and maybe she really is allergic to cats, horses, baking powder, etc.

"Andy Hardy" has reached the age where he has a private secretary, in the new Hardy picture, Mickey Rooney graduates from high school and the secretary enters his life. In this picture Kathryn Grayson, a 16-year-old singer, makes her film debut.

James Roosevelt's "Pot o' Gold" finally went before the cameras the other day, after seven delays. First the director, George Marshall, was ill; then, when James Stewart could work, Fannie Goldfarb couldn't. Finally Roosevelt himself was called up by the national defense emergency. Even now, when the picture has finally got under way, Stewart is being retained at another studio, and they have to shoot around him.

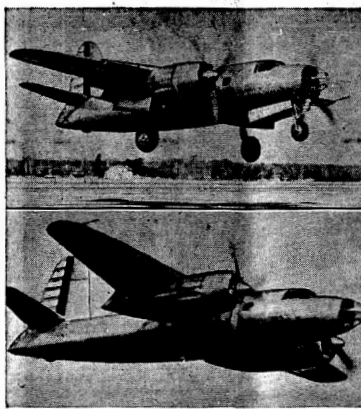
The other day Henry Fonda jumped off a pullman car while riding in pajamas and a dressing gown, and sat down in a mud puddle, during a heavy rain. When he rose he heaved a sigh of relief. A series of seven comedy accidents which he'd suffered for "The Lady Eve" was over, and he was free to go ahead and make love to Barbara Stanwyck according to the script.

Red's stumbled over Miss Stanwyck's legs twice, crashed into walls carrying trays, fallen over a sofa into a plaster of Paris, been drenched by a roast beef gravy and got hot coffee, and pulled some heavy pointers down on himself. All for the sake of amusing us.

Body Vallee has emerged as a single three-man act with a wireless program over the NBC red network. Not only does he sing and lead the orchestra, but he also does a lot of verbal sparring with John Barrymore, who is now a permanent feature of the program. We don't know whether Barrymore has been coaching Vallee, but Body's histrionic abilities certainly have improved. It takes plenty of ability to stand to Barrymore, but Vallee seems to have more than held his own.

ODDS AND ENDS—The nation's handsome ice man is working at a ship's office in Panama. New York Times, along with Literary Digest, Fred McMurtry, Bob Preston and Lynne Overman. Ted has won this title in a national contest, and a role in a picture was part of his victory. Leslie Howard has written friends that he's in England to say—maybe for the duration of the war, but long enough so that he can't accept commitments here. —Teen-Beck. Clara has been writing about Barrymore, John's daughter—so she and he will be working at the same studio.

Our Newest Bomber in Flight



The newest and best of the U. S. medium bombers is B-26, shown here taking off (above), and in the air (below), during a test flight at Baltimore, Md. Product of the Glenn L. Martin factory at Baltimore, this high performance dealer of destruction will soon be rolling off the production lines at mass production rate.

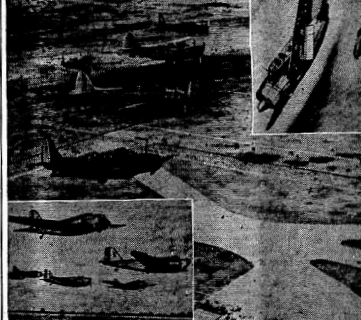
President Awards Collier Aviation Trophy



President Roosevelt awarded the Collier trophy, principal aviation award of the year, to 15 representatives of commercial airlines for the safety record achieved last year. Three physicians were also honored for developing an eyeglass mask. They are L. B. standing (front), Dr. W. Boothby and Dr. W. Lovelace II, of the Mayo Foundation, and Capt. H. Armstrong of the army medical corps, Wright field, Dayton, Ohio.

Pre-views

'The Olympics of Aviation'



Dive bombers will demonstrate their prowess at the annual All-American Air Maneuvers—the Olympics of Aviation—in Miami, Fla., January 18 to 22. One of these "glitzy" bombers is pictured, upper right. Crack dive bombers are shown above flying over the Miami airport. Low-flying army air corps planes appear in the bottom panel as they soared low in last year's exhibition.

Celebrate 'Old Christmas'



The young boy above Santa is January 5, the day when the people in his village of Badalona, N. C., celebrate Old Christmas on the day before Epiphany. Santa Claus is shown making a delayed visit to one of the homes while "local talent" provides music for the dancing which always accompanies the celebration.

Power for Defense



John C. Garand, inventor of the army's famed semi-automatic Garand rifle, is shown at work in his model shop at the Springfield, Mass., armory, where his grand gun is in mass production to arm our defense forces.

Sees Fascism's End



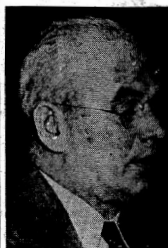
Count Carlo Sforza, former Italian premier, who is credited with the statement that the Italian people are disenchanted with Fascism. He is now an exile in the U. S.

Will Defend Title



The world three-cushion billiards tournament will be held in Chicago on January 22. At this tournament Willie Hoppe of New York (shown above) greatest billiard champion of all time, will defend his title.

Leads C.I.O.



Philip Murray, new C.I.O. president, will preside at so important board meeting Jan. 8. It is believed this meeting will open a campaign of organization in all industries.

Peptic Ulcer Benefited by Calm Outlook

By DR. JAMES W. BARTON

FOR many years it was believed that ulcer of the stomach (gastric) and ulcer of the duodenum (duodenal) were due to infected teeth and tonsils. Most physicians still believe that infection is a big factor in causing stomach and intestinal (peptic ulcer) in that infection affects the lining wall and it loses its power of warding off the ulcer.

However, it is becoming more and more apparent that the personality of the individual and his physique or build are more important factors in causing peptic ulcers. Thus, as mentioned before, there is the answer of the surgeon to the patient's question: "Now you have operated, I'll have no more trouble with stomach ulcer, will you?"

The surgeon's reply was: "You will not likely have any more trouble with that ulcer, but you will continue to grow more and more ulcers if you do not learn to keep calm."

Food Habits Should Be Studied. As many physicians and surgeons have been stating that infection and other conditions are mostly responsible for peptic ulcers, Dr. E. J. Callahan and Dr. W. Ingham, Saratoga Springs, N. Y., in American Journal of Digestive Diseases, state: "Despite the criticism against the nervous and emotional cause of peptic ulcer, it is yet the most constant factor in causing the condition. The food habits of a patient with ulcer must be carefully studied, as a well arranged, nonirritating, low residue diet (not much roughage or cellulose as found in bulky foods such as apples) is the foundation on which treatment is built."

To help their patients to understand the cause of peptic ulcer these physicians show an equal sided triangle, one side representing the ulcer, one side representing the patient can't correct, one side showing nervousness, illness in the family, financial or other worries as a cause, and third side showing rough or unwholesome foods as another ulcer cause.

The thought then is that if peptic ulcer is present or there is a tendency to ulcer, treatment means the order of any infection present, acquiring calmness of spirit and the eating of nonirritating foods.

Extract of Ovary In Widening Role

A GLAND extract that is coming more and more into everyday use is extract of the ovaries. It has been a real blessing to women approaching, at, and following the menopause. It "steadies" or quiets the nerves so that many patients are spared the necessity of mental treatment in an institution, relieves shock, and lessens the number and severity of hot flashes or flushes.

Dr. I. H. Bladwell, Boston, reports excellent results in the treatment of 80 cases of dry catarrh with the very disagreeable odor, by use of a spray of ovary extract (estrin) into the nose. The dry crusts causing the odor disappeared in all 80 cases where onset of catarrh occurred after age of 20, and in 84 per cent of the 30 cases which occurred before the age of 20.

For Catarrh Deafness. Excellent results have also been obtained in chronic external deafness by use of ovary extract, also used in the form of a spray into the nose. "Because of the wide variety of its effects on the body, it seems possible that estrin, properly used, may be of value in combating disease and disorders which have been heretofore obscure. The action of estrin is more far-reaching than insulin and more powerful than adrenalin."

Just how estrin acts on the nose is not at present known. If, then, extract of ovary has shown itself to give great relief from symptoms at menopause in the treatment of that distressing ailment—the dry form of catarrh, and also in catarrh deafness, do not hesitate to use it in any form prescribed by your physician for other obscure or persistent disturbances of your body.

QUESTION BOX

Q.—What is the best method for removing superfluous hair? A.—Best method known at present for removing superfluous hair is by electrolysis. And this means of hair removal is absolutely safe. By the method each hair root is individually killed. Your own physician can refer you to an electrolysis operator. The electrolysis operator can apply to the physiotherapy department of your nearest hospital.

FIRST-AID TO THE AILING HOUSE

By ROGER E. WHITMAN

(By Roger E. Whitman—WNU Service.)

Preserving Paintbrushes. QUESTION: What steps should be taken to preserve and keep in good condition paintbrushes, after they have been used? How is it possible to get out the color from a brush before starting to use it in a different color? Or should the brushes be kept separately for each color?

Answer: When a job is finished, clean the brush by wiping the excess paint off on the side of the can, rinse thoroughly in turpentine, and then in three changes of benzine or clear gasoline, being extremely careful of fire when doing so. Follow by washing out and hanging out to dry. If a brush has been thoroughly cleaned, it can be used for another color, although be on the safe side it is better to have a brush for each color. Never dip the brush in cleaning brushes, never dip the brush in cleaning paint that will get under the ferrule.

Stained Driveway.

Question: I would like some information on how to clean our concrete driveway. There are rust stains, automobile oil and grease stains. I'll have no more trouble with stomach ulcer, will you?

Answer: For rust removal, dissolve one part sodium citrate in five parts of water and add six parts of commercial glycerine. Mix a portion of this with enough powdered whiting or chalk to form a paste, and rub it on the stain. When dry, replace with fresh paste, or moisten with the remaining liquid, rub so clearly that paint will get under the ferrule.

Question: Evidently the wire on the porch screens had not been treated. While framework is black from stains. I am advised to go over the wire cloth with two parts of spar varnish, one of linseed oil and Clean the work with ammonia and water. Paint with aluminum paint, then with black paint. Would this be your method? Must the ammonia and water be rinsed off?

Answer: Before varnishing the wire, clean it with turpentine. Clean the work with ammonia and water. Paint with aluminum paint, then with black paint. Would this be your method? Must the ammonia and water be rinsed off?

Roof Tar on a Coat.

Question: How do you remove roof tar from a woolen coat? Answer: Cover the tar with grease or butter and allow to remain there until the tar is softened. Scrape off as much of the tar as possible, using a dull-edged knife. Repeat this until the tar has been removed from the fabric. The rest of the stain is then removed with carbon tetrachloride, or other spot-removing liquid of turpentine. Spread the fabric over a shallow pan and pour the cleaning liquid over and over the stain until it disappears. When the liquid becomes discolored, throw it away, using more of the same. Be very careful not to stain the fabric. It is always safer to have the job done by a professional cleaner.

Soot in Chimney.

Question: I have a sloped roof and find it difficult to clean out my chimney. Is there any chemical on the market which I can use to burn out the soot from the chimney? Answer: Soot removal compounds can be purchased at plumbers' shops or heating supply houses. However, for best results the chimney should be cleaned by hand. In cleaning out a chimney, there is the risk of sloping, it is best to build a platform. One end of the platform is made without legs or supports, which rests on the roof; the other end is made with legs of the proper length, and is placed against the chimney. This arrangement will give you good footing.

Summer Water Heating.

Question: There is a water heating unit built into my oil-fired furnace boiler that operates automatically during the summer. The water level in the boiler is at two-thirds full. Is it practical to lower the water level in the boiler during the summer, so as not to heat the large amount of water in the boiler during the summer and effect some economy in fuel consumption? Answer: For efficient year-around operation the water level gauge in your boiler should not be more, or less, than half-full.

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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS By Edward C. Wayne

Halifax Named British Envoy to U. S.
As Eden Gets Foreign Minister Post;
U. S. Defense Set-Up Revised in Effort
To Speed Up Industrial Production

(EDITOR'S NOTE: When headlines are expressed in these columns, they are those of the news analyst and not necessarily of the newspaper.)

Halifax, named as British ambassador to the United States, is a man of whom the British public has heard much. He is a man of high caliber, and his appointment as ambassador to the United States is a great honor. He is a man of high caliber, and his appointment as ambassador to the United States is a great honor. He is a man of high caliber, and his appointment as ambassador to the United States is a great honor.

SOMEWHERE IN ENGLAND—A "Pioneer" squad is shown marching to work after a night raid on a Midlands town. The duty of these men is to clear up the debris and make the roads passable. They also demolish parts of buildings left standing by the bombs but which might constitute a hazard. Often they work right through the rain and white bombs drop.

BOSS:
Becomes Servant

Selection of Viscount Halifax as British ambassador to the United States was a case of the boss becoming the servant and vice versa. For Anthony Eden was named as most likely candidate for succession to Halifax's post as foreign secretary.

Halifax left the cabinet, the last of the Chamberlain appointment crew, a man for whose scalp the British anti-Chamberlainian had howled for months without success.

Washington conceded the great ability of the new ambassador, and predicted success for him here, while he recalled his appointment tactics before Munich.

It was announced that Britain might add the post of minister to its staff in Washington. Both ambassador and minister had been the custom in Britain. Paris office, which Halifax had only an ambassador.

Just what Eden has been up to in Egypt and the near East has never been made clear, but it must have been successful, for he is now in London. He is now in London. He is now in London.

SECOND: In the Ring Italy was not, perhaps, knocked out of the war by England-Greece, but her seconds, at any rate, jumped into the ring. Presence of large numbers of German troops was confirmed in many quarters.

Purpose of these was a bit dubious, but consensus was that some would be used in actual fighting in the Battle of Greece and others in Africa, and that others would be employed to bolster home morale. Germany, in admitting official aid to Italy, let it be known that Axis partners must stand together, and that in sending aid to it Duce's towering armies Germany was but repaying aid sent to her by Italy in the form of "hundreds of pilots and planes for cross-Channel bombing."

It was too early for the general effect of these reinforcements to be noted in the war reports. But the mechanized forces, backed by naval guns from the Mediterranean and by naval and army planes from overhead, pushed on rapidly into Libya.

He Said 'No'

WASHINGTON.—You may have heard about the "Alabama plan" of the Triple A which some have said is an attempt of reversing the policy of paying farmers for "not doing" and rewarding them for "doing."

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Washington Digest
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Patterns
SEWING CIRCLE

Lighter and pleasanter than you've had a dozen such aprons. Choose cheery percale prints, gay gingham checks, or colorful polka dot calico, and trim the edges with tie-rac braid. It's so easy—you can finish it in a few hours.

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MISS EVELYN CLEMENTS
Society Editor

Baptist "Watch Party" Tuesday

Dr. Wade Smith presented an interesting talk on "Letters" Tuesday evening at the First Baptist Church where about two hundred members and friends of the church were gathered to greet the New Year. This was the first Watch Night Service ever presented by the church and it was very enthusiastically received. Dr. Wade's inspiring talk centered around the thought that we are "human letters," and he carried the comparison into many interesting channels.

The assembly was requested to adjourn to the basement where games, contests, and refreshments were enjoyed. Delicious pumpkin pie, mince cheese sandwiches, coffee and fruit juices were served by the ladies of the church.

The group then reassembled in the auditorium where a fine program was presented by the young people of the church.

Rev. Jack Dalton spoke briefly and dismissed the congregation with prayer as the New Year arrived.

The program for this unusual evening was under the direction of W. W. McFarland and Rev. Jack Dalton.

Circle Two With Mrs. McFarland

Mrs. W. W. McFarland, president of the W. W. of the First Baptist Church, entertained the members of Circle Two of that group at her home on Monday afternoon.

Mrs. R. H. Lawton, circle chairman, was in charge of the short business session and Mrs. C. W. Pabst talked the lesson from the "New Year and Why."

Mrs. McFarland served tempting Christmas cookies and coffee to the following: Mrs. E. C. Weaver, Mrs. Anna Lawton, Mrs. M. M. Foster, Mrs. Paul A. McFarland, Mrs. R. H. Lawton, and Mrs. C. W. Pabst.

Mrs. Sarah Browning arrived Wednesday after spending the holidays with friends and relatives in Columbus, Ga., and Gainesville, Fla.

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Pletcher - Roberson Wedding Saturday

Miss Reba Roberson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Roberson of this city, and David Pletcher, son of Mr. and Mrs. I. R. Pletcher of Sebring, were quietly married Saturday afternoon December 28, at three p. m. at the home of the groom's parents in Sebring.

The double ring ceremony was performed by the father of the groom, Rev. I. R. Pletcher, in a setting of gladioli, fern and palms.

The bride wore a gown of beige with black accessories and corsage of sweetheart roses.

The couple were attended by Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Butler of Sebring.

Those present at the ceremony were: Mr. and Mrs. George Roberson, and Mrs. I. R. Pletcher.

Immediately following the ceremony, the couple left for a wedding trip to Miami. They will reside in Sebring upon their return.

Ezell - Rutledge Wedding

Friends of Miss Sara Rutledge who formerly taught in the local high school will be interested in the following clipping from the Orlando Sentinel's column of Deland personal.

"Of interest in Deland was the marriage Friday night of Miss Sara Rutledge of Ft. Myers, formerly of Lake Helen, to Carroll Ezell of Deland. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride's parents with the Rev. Mr. Evans, Ft. Myers Baptist pastor, officiating.

Mrs. Ezell is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Rutledge of Ft. Myers, formerly of Lake Helen. She is a graduate of Florida State College for Women and now is in the Ft. Myers Junior High School.

Mr. Ezell is the son of Dr. and Mrs. B. F. Ezell of Deland. He was graduated from Stetson University, and now teaches music in the Ft. Myers Junior High School. Only close relatives attended the ceremony. The couple will continue living in Ft. Myers."

Mrs. Longbottom Circle Hostess

Circle One of the W. W. S. of the First Baptist Church met Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. S. F. Longbottom. The meeting was opened by the chairman, Mrs. Fred T. Longbottom, with prayer.

Mrs. J. P. Dalton reviewed the third chapter of the "New Year and Why." A short business meeting was held after which Mrs. Otto Skipper dismissed the class with prayer.

Delicious refreshments of egg salad and pimiento cheese sandwiches, potato chips, popovers, jellies, and punch were served to the following members: Mrs. Fred T. Longbottom, Mrs. J. E. Crosby, Mrs. B. F. Martin, Mrs. J. P. Dalton, Mrs. Otto Skipper, and the hostess, Mrs. S. F. Longbottom.

Mrs. Ray Wells Is Circle Hostess

Mrs. Ray Wells was hostess on Monday afternoon at her home to the members of Circle Three of the W. W. S. of the First Baptist Church.

Mrs. J. L. Collins, circle chairman, presided during the business session and Mrs. David Stuckey led the devotion. Mrs. H. H. Shepherd taught the third chapter of the study course book, "The New Year and Why."

Mrs. Wells served delicious fruit cake topped with whipped cream, and coffee to the following: Mrs. J. L. Collins, Mrs. J. D. Sherman, Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Mark Smith, David Stuckey.

L. C. Davis will leave Sunday for Deland where he will resume his studies at Stetson University after spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Davis.

Mrs. Voorhees Is New Year Hostess

Mrs. George Voorhees was charming hostess on Wednesday evening to a number of guests who were invited to help "start the New Year right."

The party rooms were gaily decorated following the holiday theme.

The guests were invited to call from five 'til seven and delicious refreshments were served to about thirty-five Mrs. Voorhees friends who called.

Guest Club Watch Party

About seventy-five members and friends of the Winter Guest Club met at the Club House Tuesday evening to "watch the old year out and the new one in."

Cards and other games were enjoyed during the evening. Early on the program for the evening, the group sang a collection of old fashioned songs, accompanied by Mrs. H. V. Hunnings at the piano.

In the evening, delicious popcorn balls, oranges, and tangeries were served to the guests by Mrs. A. W. Forbes.

Walker - Kelly Wedding

Miss Laverne Kelly, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Kelly of this city, and Albert Walker of Haines City were quietly married Tuesday evening, December 24, at the home of the bride's parents.

Rev. Joe Cook Van Dyke, pastor of the Church of Christ's city, performed the ceremony in the presence of immediate relatives and close friends of the couple.

After the ceremony the couple left for Haines City where they will make their home.

Mrs. Kelly was a student at the local high school and her many friends here are extending the couple their best wishes.

Lt. Joe Stephens was greeting friends here New Year's Day.

Miss Jane Clements was the guest of friends in Tampa Tuesday evening.

Mrs. A. H. Able was confined to her bed several days this week with influenza.

Mrs. Rose Abramson spent New Year's Eve in Tampa and Bradenton with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. John Henry Smith of Tampa are spending a few days at their home on Lake Viola.

Miss Eva Phillips arrived Wednesday evening after a delightful vacation with friends in Orlando.

Miss Elizabeth Green returned Wednesday after spending the holidays with relatives in Port Orange.

D. C. Barrow of DeSoto City was transacting business in Avon Park Thursday.

Maj. Edward Kennan of Frostproof was in Avon Park on business Tuesday evening.

O. A. Karrasch and C. F. Strop of St. Joseph, Mo., are spending a few days at the Jacaranda Hotel.

Miss Julia Norfleet returned Wednesday after spending the holidays with her parents in Bradenton.

Mrs. W. E. Shiverston of Atlanta is the guest of Mrs. George Voorhees for a few weeks.

Mrs. Cora Klesse of Lake Wales was the house guest of her sister, Mrs. L. P. Childress New Year's Day.

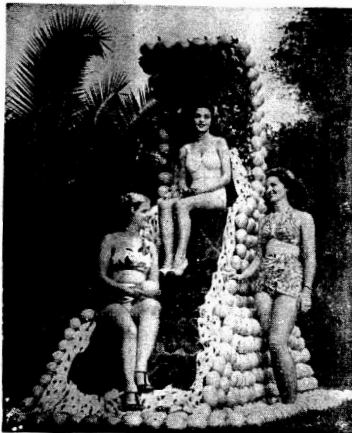
Miss Janet Cook returned here Wednesday after a vacation with relatives in Anniston, Ala., and Winter Haven, Fla.

Miss Blanche McCord is leaving Sunday for Deland where she will resume her studies at Stetson University.

Miss Millie Pearson arrived here Wednesday evening after a delightful vacation with relatives in Bailey, N. C.

Charles Moffett, who has been the holiday guest of his mother, Mrs. Charles Moffett, will leave Sunday for Gainesville where he is a student at the University of Florida.

Mrs. Agnes Cox, Miss Jennie Grubbs, and Mrs. Charles Clements motored to Wauchula Monday evening for the installation services for Wauchula O. E. S.



Miss Sally Parshall of Orlando, "Miss Florida Citrus" is shown here on her throw in a picture taken at Cypress Gardens as part of the publicity for the 1941 "Jayco Florida Citrus Drive." Miss Parshall's attendants are, left, Miss Jessie Blough of Latrobe, Pa., and right, Miss Kathleen Turner of Winter Haven. This picture is being used by newspapers and radio-gravure sections all over the nation.

Lushy Rawlings and Cecil Clements left Tuesday morning for Columbus, Ga., where Mr. Rawlings will continue his journey to Auburn, Ala., where he will continue his studies at Alabama Polytechnic Institute.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Gilmore had as their New Year's dinner guests Mayor and Mrs. M. E. Covington.

Miss Dorothy McNeel was a guest last weekend at the Sigma Phi Epsilon house party held in Ft. Pierce.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Stewart have moved to their new home which they recently purchased on Pleasant St.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Franklin of Jacksonville, Ga., arrived Wednesday for their annual winter visit to Avon Park.

Sanford Hart will leave this weekend for Jacksonville where he will continue his work at Boies Military Academy.

Mrs. Katherine Dickinson of Dayton, Ohio, who is a regular winter visitor at the Jacaranda Hotel, arrived Wednesday.

Miss Julia Norfleet, Miss Janet Cook and Miss Sarah Browning are now residing at the Lake Villa Apartments on Pine St.

Fred L. Touchton, Jr., who is employed in Bradenton, spent last weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Touchton.

Mrs. E. G. Todd and sons, Donald, Herbert, Howard and Norman spent Monday in Tampa and St. Petersburg visiting relatives.

Neal Trent, Jr., of Jacksonville, has been the guest of friends here several days this week. He is a former resident of Avon Park.

Miss Genevieve McClelland left Saturday for her home in Ocala, after spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. J. H. McClelland.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Aldrich of St. Joseph, Mo., arrived this week for a visit in Park, Fla., stopping at the Jacaranda Hotel.

Herbert Todd left this morning for Cincinnati, Ohio, where he will continue his studies in Chemical Engineering at the University of Cincinnati.

J. L. Green returned to Deland, where he is a student at Stetson University, last weekend after spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Pendleton.

Miss Jane Hart is planning to leave this weekend for Chapel Hill, N. C., where she will resume her studies at the University of North Carolina. She has been the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hart, during the holidays.

Miss Frances Brown will leave this week for Bristol, Va., where she is studying at Virginia Intermont College. She has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Armstrong during the holidays.

Friends of Mrs. Dorothy Chapin, who was a former resident of Avon Park, will be interested to learn that she and Mr. Chapin have moved from Niagara Falls, N. Y., to Lakeland, where Mr. Chapin is connected with the air school.

Miss Barbara Betts, Miss Nancy Betts, and Miss Mary Jane Sundstrom, who have been the holiday guests of the Misses Betts parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter S. Betts, will return Sunday to Gainesville, where they will continue their work at Brenau College.

Gov-Elect Holland Works Full Time On Inaugural Address

Bartow, January 2 (FNS)—Governor-elect Spessard Holland, who for the past month has been besieged by thousands of job hunters, well wishers and others, declined to make further appointments and is devoting his full time to the preparation of his inaugural address.

He stated, however, that he would attend the Orange Bowl game in Miami and participate in the celebration in Bartow on Monday, Jan. 6, taking a special train from there to Tallahassee.

In Tallahassee a committee is arranging for a gigantic inaugural parade and celebration. Many counties have entered floats and numerous bands will participate as well as military units. The ceremony is scheduled to begin at 11 A. M. and the oath of office will be administered at noon.

One of the largest crowds ever to attend an inaugural is expected. Hotels all report reservations for every available room, while the Chamber of Commerce is making an effort to secure rooms in private homes for additional hundreds.

The Hollands were notified by Governor and Mrs. C. C. Mannion would be vacated Jan. 3.

Governor-elect and Mrs. Holland will take their three children, now in school at Bartow, Mary Groover, 16, Billie Ben 12 and Ivanhoe, 9, to Tallahassee. Another son, Lindsey, 19, a sophomore at Emory University, will attend the inauguration.

Keenan Says Tin Cans Are Good Fertilizer

Frostproof, January 2 (FNS)—While the average flower lover and amateur gardener might never think of old tin cans, worn out dry cell batteries and broken china plates as good fertilizer material, Major Edward T. Keenan, well known soil chemist of Frostproof, advocates their use as a means of providing flower beds with such important foot elements as boron, found in pulverized china, iron found in old cans, manganese and zinc provided from old dry cell batteries.

According to Keenan, if flower lovers would bury these in the soil before planting, it would do much to improve the soil condition and help plants withstand low temperatures.

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The Carol in the Valley

By ARTHUR STRINGER

Carol Coburn, Alaska bride, is returning north to teach in Indian school.

Aboard ship, she is escorted by Eddie (the Red) Krizan, an agitator. She is rescued by a young engineer.

CHAPTER III

I couldn't pass on documents which I didn't possess on Sidney Lander. And I couldn't get my response to my repeated letters to the high-and-mighty Record Office officials at Juneau. I had to wait as women so often have to do in this world.

Summer, up here in the shadow of the pole, seemed a very funny season. I'd been twice to Anchorage, to explore the wooden-fronted shops and buy things to cover my nakedness and bring home in an armful of month-old magazines. And through it all, as the voice over our tiny radio announced, "Time marches on."

For the sun was swinging lower and lower and the birds were turning and the wild fowl were south. The frozen were fed on the hillsides and I once more faced the familiar old task of stoking the stove with spruce logs. There was a sheeting of ice on the trail pools in the morning and we breakfasted by lamplight. Doctor Rudbeck brought Katie O'Connell seven wild ducks which he'd shot on the lake, explaining that he'd been in the woods for the staff, and the spoolbill for the principal. With the coming of the first untimely snow, in fact, I'd taken to whiptail riding breeches and invested in a pair of pants, high boots made of leather, with generous enough foot room to allow for at least two pairs of woolen socks. Katie, when she saw me thus attired, proclaimed that I must have looked like an old-timer. Then she went over her combination rifle and shotgun, which she called a "game-getter," and asked if I'd swing in with her on a moose hunt across the lake.

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"So I saved," was the unbridled response. "But in the old days, as I was strid, we could riden our own camp. But now it's your Uncle Sam who runs it and runs us same as he runs the Injuns. He makes a lot o' fool minit' work, slaps closed season on beaver, and gits a game warden after us if we about a lady-carbon 'e keep belated out together. He tells us to settle down and grow tumors. But once we clear an acre or two he claims we ain't provin' her up right and puts her back in the public domain."

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THE STORY SO FAR

She is disappointed that he is Sidney Lander and is expected to learn his name. He is working for the Trumbull office which is contesting her father's claim. He is attracted to Trumbull's daughter.

INSTALLMENT III

rection of Alaska. And next spring they're countin' on plantin' an army o' pie-caters on the valley tundra and watchin' 'em git rich growin' spinach for themselves."

He shifted his cut and brushed aside the milted hand with a shrug. Katie was smothering for silence. This ain't no place for college kids," he doggedly pursued.

"I got one o' them know-all engineers over t' my shack right now. He kin talk big about gology and machine-minin', but he could no more take a lumber bar in the hills and wash out a poke o' dust than I could spit one o' them airplanes that's stumped our good ol' brand o' bucky-dogs off the trails of Alaska."

Katie, very plainly, could stand for no more.

"That's all very interesting," she bellowed. "But were here to find out if you kin keep your shirt on. And in our search I'd rather like to know it."

"It's over your head," Katie's voice brought a keener look of animosity from the bewhiskered old face.

"I was seemin' to t'at, lady, if you'd only keep your shirt on." And still again he spat with deliberation. "I'd taken to whiptail riding breeches and invested in a pair of pants, high boots made of leather, with generous enough foot room to allow for at least two pairs of woolen socks. Katie, when she saw me thus attired, proclaimed that I must have looked like an old-timer. Then she went over her combination rifle and shotgun, which she called a "game-getter," and asked if I'd swing in with her on a moose hunt across the lake."

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"He died there," I said, with reviving quietness in my tone.

"And died fightin' for his rights," tried to push through t' the Record Office to get his patent from him canceled on him. But he was back in something too big for him. Seems like you got t'at."

"That's all very interesting," she bellowed. "But were here to find out if you kin keep your shirt on. And in our search I'd rather like to know it."

"It's over your head," Katie's voice brought a keener look of animosity from the bewhiskered old face.

"I was seemin' to t'at, lady, if you'd only keep your shirt on." And still again he spat with deliberation. "I'd taken to whiptail riding breeches and invested in a pair of pants, high boots made of leather, with generous enough foot room to allow for at least two pairs of woolen socks. Katie, when she saw me thus attired, proclaimed that I must have looked like an old-timer. Then she went over her combination rifle and shotgun, which she called a "game-getter," and asked if I'd swing in with her on a moose hunt across the lake."

But instead of a moose hunt we went on a baby hunt. For Katie had been told that the vanished paper, "Word came that the rednecked Oedipus had been found abandoned in a poplar grove east of Wasilla. Doctor Rudbeck, who brought the news to Toklatna, said there was a possible trail through the hills and he led me and me to motor over to Matanuska Valley and bring the outcast back.

Katie, who would have started out for Timbuctoo at a word from that doctor of hers, last no time. It wasn't an entirely good-looking creature, for it took place in the school's old wood-lotting truck.

By noon the next day we were through to the Matanuska River, where we were told to push on eastward along the valley toward what was called the Butte. High up the hills, as we went, I could see mountain sheep, looking like little clouds anchored in the sky.

Then Katie scolded aloud. For at a turn in the road we came face to face with a beautiful, well-fed creature with a bolted hunting knife and a six-gun swinging at his hip, to say nothing of a long-barreled rifle in the crook of his arm. He looked for some reason like a picture out of the past. The light in his natural eye was dead, as if he had been as he studied us and then inspected our mud-covered truck.

"Them contraptions be mortally announced," weren't built for North Country mushin, no more'n women were."

Katie, after agreeing with him, made an effort to explain our mission there. The rugged and defiant old figure assumed that we had come with a barrage of tobacco-jug shrapnel.

"Injuns like that ought 'e be shot. And in the good old days," he said as he slapped his six-gun, "I'd done it on sight." He spat again. "That's what's the matter with this whole go-darned country. She's gone soft on us. And 'stead o' spoon feedin' them copper-bellied reds she-dogs she should be puttin' a bounty on their scalps." And still again he spat. "That's the spite I see in this territory. Too much government. I've trapped her and prospected her from Kewaskid down to Wrangell. And in the delivery of it."

"We're from the Toklatna Mission," interrupted Katie, "on an emergency case."

"So I saved," was the unbridled response. "But in the old days, as I was strid, we could riden our own camp. But now it's your Uncle Sam who runs it and runs us same as he runs the Injuns. He makes a lot o' fool minit' work, slaps closed season on beaver, and gits a game warden after us if we about a lady-carbon 'e keep belated out together. He tells us to settle down and grow tumors. But once we clear an acre or two he claims we ain't provin' her up right and puts her back in the public domain."

The old-timer, when he spat again, was able to convert the movement into a sweeping gesture of repudiation.

"And right now a 'belvin' lot o' politicians is set on turnin' this valley into a truck garden for a bunch o' broken-down convalescent soldiers. They've got their survey men over there, markin' out road lines and drivin' stakes. They called you Carol 'em 'cause they want the way for the resur-

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NEWS AND VIEWS ON ECONOMIC PROBLEMS

It is obvious that the purpose of British strategy now is to eliminate Italy as a major belligerent in the war. That thought unquestionably underlay the recent British naval invasion of the Adriatic Sea—a body of water which, on the basis of fighting ships and manpower, Italy should be able to control with ease. England is rapidly liquidating Italian military influence in Africa.

There seems to be little doubt that Mussolini is on the down grade and that the magnificent Fascist empire he envisioned has small chance of being realized. If Duce has but two alternatives, both of them unpleasant from his point of view—he must either surrender to England, or ask that Hitler save him. The first alternative is extremely unlikely—Germany could not permit it without risking a tremendous loss of prestige. The second alternative means German domination of Italy. The Italian people, going by the judgment of the best observers, will not like that, but there will be little they can do about it. Unconfirmed reports say that Ciano agreed already in Rome, and it is known that the German air force is conveying troops to Albania. It looks as if from now on Mussolini will be only Hitler's stooge.

If England does succeed in eliminating or greatly reducing Italian military and naval power, it will be a major victory. At the same time, it will bring with it increased danger of a German attempt at invading England. The British blockade is extremely effective, and the part of Europe the Fuhrer controls is running short of essential supplies. So, when Churchill said the other day in Commons that he expected an all-out German attack within two months, he was not talking through his hat. It is the logical move for Hitler to make. And the fact that the German air force has substantially reduced the intensity of its raids over Britain also leads to the belief that Germany is preparing for a decisive blow against England.

England is superbly prepared to resist invasion, even though she is as yet inadequately prepared to carry the war to Germany on the Continent. Expert opinion generally holds that Hitler's great opportunity was directly after the evacuation of Dunkirk—that England could not have successfully resisted a determined invasion then. At the present time, they think, Britain has all she needs to keep an aggressor from her shores.

Washington is more encouraged concerning British chances of eventually winning the war. Our future policy will probably be to give England almost anything she wants. There is little doubt that the loans preventing loans to England will be repaid when her cash runs out.

The suggestion, recently made by a British cabinet member, that the U. S. turn over to England, German and Italian ships which are tied up in our harbors, has caused a good deal of excitement in Berlin. Nazi officials say that that would be an act of war, and would be regarded as such. So far, our government has made no official comment on the proposal.

England's greatest danger now is destruction of her merchant shipping. The British Isles are consumers. Without ocean transport, they could sustain themselves for only a limited period of time. The German submarines and surface raiders attack has been dangerously effective. It is likely that England will soon tell us that she needs neighbors even more than she needs planes and guns and other implements of war.

The production indexes continue to rise. Despite that, the feeling grows that the defense program is moving too slowly. The appointment of Mr. Knudsen as head of the defense committee should help to speed matters. But he has not been given sweeping powers. Official Washington is extremely confused, and is not getting results.

Public lethargy is a factor here. The almost unanimous public opinion that built our army in record time in 1917 does not exist today.

Students of the situation say that we are depending too great an extent on England, figuring that she will win this war and keep us secure. No great action can safely depend on the fighting power of another nation. In the long run it can depend only on itself, as is demonstrated in Italy today. This country, they argue, can escape war and possible defeat only if it builds its military and naval defense to the point where no country will dare to attack it.

Women's activities in the President's Birthday Celebration in Florida will be under the direction of Mrs. Louise McGregor of Deland. It was announced this week by C. B. Treadway, state chairman. Mrs. McGregor will also attend the first Home Party at the White House on January 4 at the invitation of Mrs. Roosevelt.

Explorer Tackles Last Frontier



TO WRITE a convincing adventure story, an author must seek and live adventures. So says Stewart Edward White, explorer, big game hunter and novelist, whose tales of Africa, Alaska and our own West have made him one of the best known writers of his time.

Now White reports a new adventure beyond the frontiers of life itself. In "The Unconquered Universe," just published, he relates a series of forty conversations which

he believes he had with his wife, Betty, six months after her death in April, 1933. Sharing the factual character of his adventure stories, "The Unconquered Universe" is offered as a first-hand account of an authentic experience in new and startling concepts of time, space and motion.

Mrs. White, who accompanied her husband on more than one of his African exploring trips, is shown above with White and a native bearer, just after White's ride had stopped a charging lion.

Lake Wales Cannery Is Economic Factor In Ridge Section

Lake Wales—The ridge country's strongest economic factor, the recently enlarged and expanded plant of Florida Canners Cooperative, is now running close to capacity with prospects for a banner season, according to Harold N. Norman, president of the organization.

With the largest payroll in history, the plant is already proving of great benefit to the merchants and property owners of this city. Norman has been informed. With 12 members, all of them packing and shipping groups, moving in fruit from their respective areas, the plant has been assured of a sufficient stock of raw material to keep its facilities and its increased force of workers busy until well along in the new year, officials have said.

The expanded plant was formally opened to operations recently when L. G. Foster, president of the Columbia Bank for Cooperatives, Columbia, S. C., stressed the importance of agricultural progress to the problem of making the cooperative for their forefront in planning for increased production.

Florida's canned citrus fruits will enjoy a big demand this season, Norman believes, pointing to the reported high quality of the large grapefruit and orange crop. Juice and sections of both oranges and grapefruit are currently in "fair demand," it is said.

All Florida fruit processors must work towards the building of new markets and increased consumption to take up the slack caused by the loss of European export outlets, it has been said. However, this is apparently little or no drawback to production of canned products, Norman added.

World's Fair Show To Be At State Fair

Tampa, Jan. 2 (FNS)—Chrysler Corporation's New York World's Fair show, "The Plymouth Motor Fair," will be brought to the Florida State Fair in Tampa, Feb. 4 to 15, General Manager P. T. Strieder has just announced.

Contracts for the great motor exposition have just been closed here with Tampa dealers sponsoring the event. So great is the motor show that building facilities are inadequate to house it, making it necessary to erect two mammoth tents in the northeast section of the grounds near the Cass Street bridge.

Millions viewed the Chrysler show in New York during the two years of the Fair where it was considered one of the outstanding educational displays in the commercial exhibitions. Although now being modernized, streamlined and renovated, the show will be much the same here as it was at Flushing.

Arcadia Rodeo Sets Dates For Jan. 23-25

Arcadia, Jan. 2 (FNS)—Arcadia will stage her annual Rodeo and Roping contest on Jan. 23, 24 and 25. It was announced here this week by manager Bill Welles, in charge of the event. Elaborate plans are being made for the show which features the widest kind of riding, roping and bull-dogging. Local cowboys compete with those of other sections in the keenest kind of competition. The events are fast moving and thrilling and each year attract larger crowds.

The Tampa University has increased its student enrollment from 82 in 1931 to more than 500 today, a growth of nearly 1,000 percent in nine years.

Migratory Workers Are Flooding Into Eve:glades Areas

Pahokee, Jan. 2 (FNS)—Despite the fact that the Federal government and plantation operators have provided increased housing facilities in the "glades area for migratory workers, the influx this season has been larger than usual and many are found today camped in "make" fashion in homes made of scrap metal and packing boxes.

Heavy rains the past week flooded truck fields and cut off work for thousands who have been fortunate enough to find employment. While the rains will cause no serious damage to the crops of celery, beans, lettuce, tomatoes and cabbage, it prevents work in the fields and leaves thousands of workers in their shacks and mourning their loss of employment.

General reports of Florida's prosperity and the construction of huge army camps in the state have caused migratory workers to flock here in unprecedented numbers from all over the south. Roads have been choked with them for weeks in the neighborhood of camp Blanding where the problem has become acute. Many finding no work there have journeyed on south seeking employment in the agricultural area, but here too there is little chance of their securing it as all jobs have been taken for weeks.

The Federal housing project for migratory workers, while offering clean, comfortable accommodations is able to take care of only a small percentage of the workers who flock here each season.

The envy of all are the employees of the United States Sugar Corporation, thousands of whom are housed in clean, comfortable homes in neat attractive communities where good schools are provided and recreational facilities are available as other advantages. Following a recent survey, the Department of Labor termed workers on the plantations of the Sugar Corporation as "preferred" with more advantages and better working conditions than enjoyed by any other class of agricultural employees.

Were it not for the acreage restrictions and quota requirements of the Federal government, which limits sugar production to less than the amount actually required by the State of Florida, the Sugar Corporation could give employment to thousands of additional workers and materially relieve the unemployment problem that now exists.

Midget Clown Buys Home In Tampa

Tampa, January 2 (FNS)—Paul Horro, better known to thousands of children throughout the country as Pinocchio, midget clown of Ringling Brothers circus, purchased a home in Tampa last week. Paul is 45 years old, weighs 87 pounds and is a naturalized American citizen.

Paradoxical is the fact that not far from Paul lives Mrs. Ruth Pinto, 157-pound fat lady of the Royal American Show, who also has chosen Tampa as her residence. Ruth will display her charms and Paul his comical antics at the coming Florida Fair in Tampa, Feb. 4-15.

With the formal dedication of Fort Clinch State Park at Fernandina last month, Florida's State Park system has opened four of its 10 projected parks to the public. Plans call for the opening of the Myakka River State Park between Sarasota and Arcadia, and Florida Caverns near Marianna, next year.

Equator Not So Hot
A meteorologist says there are many areas near the equator where the thermometer is never known to rise to 100.

KEYNOTE FOR 1941 DEFENSE and New Homes

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT Said on Dec. 29, 1940

"We Have No Excuse for Defeatism"

"After the present needs of our defense are past, a proper handling of the Country's peace-time needs will require all the new productive capacity - if not more."

MR. ROGER W. BABSON Said on Dec. 30, 1940

"Home Building Will Continue"

"There is nothing to interfere with Home building, I therefore forecast that residence construction in 1941 will show an increase of nearly 20% over 1940."

MR. JESSE JONES Said on Dec. 28, 1940

"Business moves into 1941 operating at record levels. It can look back on the year just past as one of vigorous expansion with the best results in a decade. It can look forward to 1941 as a year that will bring further progress and advance of our per capita output and a new record."

FLORIDA'S POPULATION GAIN OF 28.6%

the greatest gain of any State in the Union is attracting the business and investment eyes of the Nation.

FLORIDA'S BUILDING PERMITS

for Home building in 1940 have set a new Record, and there is every indication that building permits for 1941 will far exceed 1940.

OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS AT YOUR DOOR

In view of the above statements and facts won't you invite us in through your door and let us explain how easy it is to finance the cost of building a NEW HOME on small monthly payments like rent. Or show you how you can REMODEL your present Home into a real modern Home on a small monthly payment basis.

A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU

Another year has woven its pattern into the tapestry of time, and it is fitting that we should express our grateful appreciation for your friendship and the business that you have extended to us for more than 23 years. We have tried to repay with a quality of courtesy and service that has made our relationship a pleasant one. May you enter the new year facing the Sun, may the New Year usher in a cycle of greater promise and may all your days be filled with good things.

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