

And For Other Things
People call a railway train "she" because it takes a man to run her. Also because she drags the mails. Also because she looks bright in the evening. Also because she runs on some mighty fine curves. Also because sometimes she tackles a switch. Also because she is rarely on time. There are numerous other reasons why they call a train "she," but I don't happen to think of 'em just now. I thank you.—Thorn, in Kissimmee Valley Gazette.

Favorite Indoor Sport
Finding an easy way for Europe to pay \$1,000,000,000 has been a favorite indoor sport on this side of the ocean ever since the armistice. Some of the early players have quit with the realization that there is no easy way to pay \$1,000,000,000. They are behind with interest, let alone trying to pay the principal. Besides foreign countries owe American banks and business men several billion dollars. W. J. Bryan and others propose that we cancel this foreign indebtedness.

FLORIDA BAPTISTS NUMBER 135,454 IN SURVEY JUST MADE

Of the 7,967,561 Baptists in the United States, 135,454 in the state of Florida, according to a survey just completed by Dr. E. J. Aldredge, secretary of the survey, statistics and information of the Baptist Sunday school board. The Aldredge's survey covers the century from 1821 to 1921 and shows that the Baptist gain for the century during that time was 2,967 per cent, whereas the gain in population was only 92 per cent. The Baptist increase in the south for the century was 5,019 per cent.

Florida had not been organized in 1821, so there are no figures for the Baptist work here at that time, but in 1821 the white Baptists of the state reported twenty-nine district associations, 751 churches, 438 Sunday schools, with an enrollment of 35,114; local church property valued at \$291,192; contributions to home missions and benevolences \$214,003, and total contributions for all purposes for the past year \$909,740.

The Baptist work in the state has been greatly strengthened by the advent of the Baptist \$2,000,000 campaign and this state is among the leading ones in the movement of pledges to that movement.

Introducing Mexican Vegetable
The United States department of agriculture is seeking to introduce in Florida a Mexican vegetable known as the chicharone (prominent chicharone). The department at Washington will supply applicants with a booklet showing many ways it can be cooked. It has a delicate flavor and should become a popular addition to the diet of every family.

A Warning
The publishers of the Blue Book are sending out a warning to the public not to pay any money in advance to anyone claiming to represent them. They advise having any person attempting to collect money in advance for advertising, signs, etc., arrested and that they be notified.

GEROW EXPLAINS NEW INCOME TAX STATEMENT

The following statement is issued by T. Gerow, director of Florida's Department of Finance:
"Enactment of new revenue laws has resulted in a considerable number of inquiries regarding various provisions of the new act, and it is noted the changes and when they become effective."

The excess profits tax is repealed as to Jan. 1, 1922. The rates for 1921 are unchanged.

The surtax rates for the calendar year 1921 are unchanged, and range from 1 per cent on the amount of net income between \$2,000 and \$5,000 to 6 1/2 per cent on the amount of net income between \$50,000 and \$100,000.

The exemption allowed for a dependent is increased from \$200 to \$400. Married persons living with husband or wife and heads of families are allowed a personal exemption of \$2,000 instead of \$2,500 unless the net income is in excess of \$5,000, in which case the personal exemption is only \$2,000. The new provision allows a deduction from \$2,000 to \$2,500 of the net income of the taxpayer if he is the head of a family and if he is the sole provider of the family.

Single persons, and married persons not living with a husband or wife are allowed an exemption of \$1,000. Nonresident aliens are allowed a personal exemption of \$1,000. Persons having gross incomes for 1921 of \$5,000 or over are required to make a return of the amount of net income.

A provision is made for the refund of Jan. 1, 1922, of the tax on stockholders of personal service corporations as such. After that date such corporations are to be taxed in the same manner as other corporations.

The income tax on corporations for the calendar year 1922 and thereafter will be no tax where the net income is 10 cents or less. Effective Jan. 1, 1922, the following taxes are also abolished: On musical instruments, sporting goods, chewing gum, portable electric fans, thermos bottles, radios, medicines and numerous articles of apparel.

On and after Jan. 1, 1922, the tax on various kinds of art is reduced from 10 per cent to 5 per cent, the tax on rugs from 5 to 3 per cent, and the tax on carpets, rugs, trunks, valises, purses, fans, etc., from 10 per cent of sales price in excess of specified amounts to 5 per cent of sales price in excess of specified amounts.

The tax on parcel post packages is eliminated, effective Jan. 1, 1922. The new act provides that no taxpayer shall be subjected to unnecessary examinations or investigations, and only one inspection of his books or accounts shall be made for each taxable year unless the taxpayer requests otherwise, or the commissioner notifies the taxpayer in writing that an additional inspection is necessary.

The period for filing returns on the calendar year basis is from Jan. 1 to March 15, 1922. This year, as last, the tax may be paid in full at the time of filing the return or in four equal installments, due on or before March 15, June 15, Sept. 15 and Dec. 15.

Copies of the revenue act may be had by application to this office.

FLORIDIAN COTTON ACREAGE THE SMALLEST IN YEARS
From the Florida office of the United States department of agriculture, bureau of markets and crop estimates, division of agricultural statistics and prices, at Gainesville, we have received the December cotton report from which we make the following extract:

The cotton production for the United States, season of 1921-1922, is estimated at 8,740,000 bales. Last year the production was 15,430,000 bales; two years ago, 11,420,763 bales; three years ago, 12,440,522 bales, and four years ago, 11,802,375 bales.

The Florida crop, on the smallest acreage harvested in years, will be slightly in excess of 15,000 bales, compared with 18,114 last year; 15,922 two years ago, and 29,415 bales in 1918. The yield per acre was 81 pounds of lint.

The acreage of Sea Island cotton in Florida 1921 was larger than for 1920 and the number of bales produced will be larger. The crop is too small for an accurate estimate of production, but indications this season point to a gradual resumption of planting through the old Sea Island territory of the state.

A Righteous "Scrap"
Now the Florida automobile people are proposing another "scrap" that of scrapping the manifestly unfair and out-of-date road maps of the state. It ought to be done, too, and quickly.—Times-Union.

You will find copies of the Messenger for sale at both the Rexall and the Manly & Garrett drug stores.

PRUNING ESSENTIAL IN FRUIT GROWING

In the rush of your packing and shipping season, Mr. Citrus Grower, do not forget that diseases lurk in your groves. The far-sighted grower takes precautions against the diseases which are sure to appear next spring. The best time to do this is during the few weeks when the trees are semi-dormant.

Specialists of the Florida experiment station advise that all dead or diseased wood be pruned from the grove during the next few weeks. Such wood harbors insects and fungus enemies. Scab, melonae and wither-ling find protection in dead tissue. It is imperative that this wood be taken out and destroyed before new growth starts, because otherwise the disease organisms will attack the new growth as soon as it appears. Melonae will start with the new growth and it will be too late then to do any pruning.

Not only the dead wood but any other parts of the tree which show a diseased or unhealthy condition should be eliminated. Do not leave stubs even of living branches. These will die and be a source of contamination.

But the limbs cut close to the branch or body of the tree. The cut surface should not be at right angles but parallel to the axis of the parent branch. This will give a larger wound, but it will heal without a stub. Prune the larger cuts with some moisture-proof covering so that disease cannot enter and to prevent evaporation from the wound during the healing process.

Pruning will go a long way toward preventing the various diseases caused by organisms. The grower may not think that he has time to do the work now, but when the diseases appear it will be too late.

A New "Home Brew"

The yampon or Christmas berry, grows wild and profusely in Florida. Dried leaves of this plant make a drink that is said to be even better than lemon or other tea or coffee. This is known to the Florida Indians centuries ago, but the government has just begun to collect the seeds. Home brewing will become popular in Florida if yampon tea drinking becomes universal. For every six yampon tea stubs even of living branches. These will die and be a source of contamination.

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HOW TIME IS MADE UP

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territory under his charge. At the end of each month each field agent tabulates the crop information received from his reports, averages and summarizes the data, and reports the result to the department of agriculture at Washington. Local resources in every township or other small civil unit in every county in the United States report direct to the department every month crop conditions under their observation. Each county also, is represented by a county treasurer who reports his personal observations, the reports of neighbors and others, and information received by interviews and over the telephone. The monthly reports cover acreage, conditions, yields, total production, etc., on farms, progress of farm work, wages, profits or loss, etc., of farm labor, fertilizer, and seeds. These reports are made for about 100,000 farms in the United States. The reports are made for about 100,000 farms in the United States. The reports are made for about 100,000 farms in the United States.

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. Josephine Harmon will spend the winter in St. Petersburg. Harry, Henry and Eugene Brandon of Aradale were in Sebring for a short time Tuesday. H. E. Clawson has quit waiting to and from his place of business. He is now driving a Ford. The annual meeting of the Sebring Community church will be in Sebring for the day. Sunday school and church service combined at 10 a. m. Allen Abner entertained some of his friends Tuesday night at his home on Lakeview drive. He has rented his home and this was a farewell party. W. M. Vossler of the Community church, has returned from a trip to the United States. He was in the United States for several months and has returned with a large amount of money. He was in the United States for several months and has returned with a large amount of money. He was in the United States for several months and has returned with a large amount of money.

ANIMAL, PLANT AND LIFE TO BE EXHIBITED AT FAIR

A new feature for a Florida fair will be the exhibit of animals and fish life in the natural aquarium building now being prepared on the grounds of the South Florida Fair here. Practically every class of birds, animals, reptiles and fish native to Florida will be exhibited. The fair is now being prepared on the grounds of the South Florida Fair here. Practically every class of birds, animals, reptiles and fish native to Florida will be exhibited. The fair is now being prepared on the grounds of the South Florida Fair here. Practically every class of birds, animals, reptiles and fish native to Florida will be exhibited.

Each specimen will be placed in a

setting in a case imitating of its natural habitat as human ingenuity can attain. It is a matter of interest to the slightly less than 200 million people of the United States. Florida has more than half the total species. Bull Weevil Costs Huge Sum. The cotton boll weevil now practically covers the entire cotton growing area of the United States. It has been moving from the Rio Grande for thirty years, at an average rate of sixty miles a year, until it is now in Virginia. The federal government has spent \$1,000,000 in the last year to fight the weevil and the various states have spent \$1,000,000 in the last year to fight the weevil and the various states have spent \$1,000,000 in the last year to fight the weevil.

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CLASSIFIED ADS
For Rent - Six-room furnished bungalow, on Center avenue, near Circle. Apply or write I. Dottery. - Advertisement.
For Sale - Chiffonier and writing desk. Phone 40, Sebring. 201f
For Sale or Trade - Thirty acres combination truck and citrus land in the great Vanuola trucking section; 200 acres cleared and fenced; 200 bearing orange and grapefruit trees; will sell extra for good property in Sebring. For further information see A. B. Allen & Co., at store, Sebring, Fla.
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Florida Ships Most Cars

The American car movement of to date for the season ending Nov. 20, 1921, was over 18,000 cars, Florida, with a nearly steady volume of around 1,000 cars yearly, is the largest shipping section. In 1921, shipments from the East Coast of Florida were reduced as a result of damage by rains and flooding, but the West Coast and other sections of the state shipped heavily. The result was a total for the state of 2,000 cars more than in the preceding year. The active market season extended through six months, February and July, which enabled a gradual distribution of the crop.

Our Good Reserve

In contrast to the worthless paper money on the other side of the ocean, the Federal reserve notes current in the United States are backed by a gold reserve of 100,000 per cent or more than 100 cents on the dollar. Practically, the reserve behind the reserve notes of some banks are barely the 40 per cent gold required by law, while in the other cases the reserve is perhaps as much as \$1.50 behind each dollar.

"Suck up or other," said Uncle Eben, "do you dat ain't never learned to do no regular work hisself alius manages to get filled up wif de no, but dat he would make a good boss, Washington Star.

AUTOMOBILE OWNERS
WARED OF DANGER
FROM EXHAUST GASES

Investigations made by the United States government show that gases dangerous to life are frequently present in the exhaust gases from automobiles. These gases are often present in sufficient quantities to produce disagreeable symptoms, or even cause death. The effect of these gases is produced very quickly, usually before the victim realizes the danger.

It is suggested, therefore, by the state board of health that the following precautions outlined by the surgeon general of the United States public health service be observed at all times with care:

1. Always open the garage door before starting the engine.
2. Do not allow the engine to run for any length of time in a closed garage.
3. Do not work near the exhaust of a running automobile engine.
4. Special precautions as to ventilation are necessary when in garages.
5. When the exhaust is used for heating a closed car, the system must be free from leaks and the car must be free from exhaust gases from automobiles and gasoline engines should be removed to fresh air and artificial respiration performed until a physician arrives.

Farmers Owe The Banks
The banks of the United States had outstanding approximately \$3,982,500,000 personal and collateral loans to farmers, according to a statement by the United States department of agriculture. These figures are in the nature of estimates arrived at on the basis of reports from 12,400 banks out of a total of 20,175 banks in the United States. The personal and collateral loans to farmers comprised 13.25 per cent of the farm mortgage loans, 127 per cent of the total loans and discounts of all the banks reported by the comptroller.

362 Days of Sunshine
Miss Elizabeth Williams arrived in Melbourne from Ohio the evening of Nov. 20, 1920, and beginning Dec. 1 she kept an account of the days on which the sun shone until Dec. 1 of this year. During this period covering 362 days, there were only three days that did not put in an appearance, even for a short time. These days were Feb. 23, 24 and 25. Truly Florida is the sunshine state. —Melbourne Times.

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When the South Florida Fair throws open its gates Feb. 2 for nine days of showing the wonders of Florida products those who at last will find two things that it has become the greatest fair Florida ever had, and that it is not seasonal but statewide.

Likewise they will find that the fair not only is a complete state fair, but international in its aspect, as evidenced by a great exhibit from Canada portraying the resources of the Dominion, and a display of Mexico's resources topped only by two other showings made by that country at former fairs in the United States—the San Francisco World's Fair and the San Francisco International Exposition.

Twenty-seven counties and one community in another county have contracted for exhibition space in the product buildings. This, twenty-eight counties, or more than 70 per cent of all the counties in the state, will show here as units. This is by far the largest percentage of the whole state that has ever exhibited at a Florida fair. Indeed, it would be hard to find a state fair in any commonwealth in the union with so large a percentage of the entire state represented in county exhibits. Practically every county that showed at the fair here last February has contracted for larger space. The demand for exhibit space has caused the necessity for three new buildings, with a total new floor space of 75,000 square feet that is 11,000 square feet of exhibit space in excess of that at the fair of last season.

This extra exhibit space does not include the virtual doubling of the pens and sheds for livestock and extra space to house the largest poultry show ever seen in Florida. Several state organizations of poultry breeders have made plans for their annual showing, and the associations will hold their annual meetings here while the fair is in progress. These include the American Barred Plymouth Rock Club's annual state meet, the showing of silver-laced Wyandotte annual state meet and show, single comb brown Leghorn annual state meet and show, and the white Leghorn annual state meet and show.

The Florida Dairy Association also will hold a meeting here, together with creamery and ice cream producers of the state. The amusement side will embrace horse racing, auto polo, during airplane acts, and other free acts, and the usual big shows on the Pike. Annual features of the fair period, which will be part of the entertainment for all, are:

The annual landing and invasion of the city by Ye Mystic Krewe of Gasparilla.

The parade of Ye Mystic Krewe, Shriners' Day, with annual parade of the Shriners.

BRYAN DECLARES INTENTION OF GROWING UP WITH STATE
Just as William Jennings Bryan became Nebraska's most outstanding figure, may he be expected to become one of Florida's statewarts for by his own declaration of purpose at the Jacksonville real estate board luncheon in his honor, he declared his intention of "growing up with the state."

"I am in Florida to stay. I am here to interest myself in everything that is for the good of the state, to raise my voice when it can be raised to a good purpose and to take my place with those who are working and battling for a better state," Mr. Bryan said. "While I have recently come to Florida as a permanent resident, transferring my citizenship here, I have been a Floridian at heart for ten years, for during this time I have not lived in Nebraska, my only home of anything like a permanent nature being at Miami. But I am now in Florida as a Florida citizen—and I expect at least fifteen active years ahead for me." —Fort Pierce News-Tribune.

Why There Are So Many Renters
The United States census bureau reports that in October, 1921, there were upward of 12,000,000 families in this country living in rented houses, that number being about one-half of all the families residing in the United States. In comment, a critical writer says that a factor contributing to the unprecedented shortage of the various classes of family living quarters available for rent may be attributed largely to the enormous investments in automobiles, their original cost and maintenance. The wave of extravagance now prevailing and the disregard for becoming the owner of a home will ultimately pass, the sooner the better, and the community will be benefited by a change from the citizens driving a passenger automobile for pleasure to the dignified, permanent, contented home owner. The moving picture shows also are drawing heavily upon the family savings fund, with a tendency to exclude the householder of their ability to purchase a house and lot for the family.

Birds Destroy Insects
There are many species of birds, such as the meadow larks, the killdeer, plover, quail, flicker, ground sparrow and others, that spend most or all of their time on or near the ground. There they seek the insects or weed seeds to be found in such location. Many kinds of insects drop from the trees and winter on the ground. If birds abound the insects are destroyed by the birds, otherwise the pests increase unmolested and do great damage.

The Deadly Gun Again
Mary Alice Williams, the 11-year-old daughter of a farmer living near Tampa, attempted to remove a loaded shotgun from a bed. It exploded and vertically blew her head into shreds. Why do parents keep loaded weapons in their homes? Accidents resulting in death or serious injury are of frequent occurrence in cases of this kind.

The Road Hog
The chauffeur doesn't own the car, but he thinks he owns the road. —Times-Union.

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Christmas

Of all the holidays of the year, Christmas is the best. It is a day of good cheer that touches the hearts of all, from the little tot hanging up the stocking on up to Grandpa and Grandma.

It is due to the Christ spirit of "Peace on earth, good will to men," the unselfish desire to make others happy that on this one day at least there is a tug at the heart-strings of all humanity, from the humblest to the highest. It is in this spirit of peace and good will that this bank wishes one and all a Merry, Merry Christmas.

The Bank of Sebring

The man who would not be satisfied with the weather we are having this winter, so far as temperature are concerned, is not a desirable citizen. Just rain enough, just cold enough, just warm enough, and certainly bright enough. There has been much more rain at Hazy Slough and the upper valley to keep the water rather too high for the anglers. They are not scolding the local fine catches. R. J. Brewster and his mechanic visited Palmdale, Va., last night yesterday. They came over from Bradenton stopping on the way at Arcadia. From the latter place the trip was made in thirty-five minutes. Santa Claus is called for our place Dec. 25, this being the day upon which Christmas occurs this year. A Catholic school, which by the way, is the last one in the county outside of the town of Old Havana, is having a very warm welcome. Mrs. Seifried has her young ones and Mr. Boyd late from Sebring was some seasonal music appropriate to the season.

Mr. Caldwell returned Sunday from Jacksonville. He was accompanied by his wife. Mrs. Caldwell has spent much time here for several years, but until last Sunday Mrs. Caldwell had never before the beauties of Palmdale surroundings. She was both surprised and delighted. We are very glad, indeed, to have her with us. The Glades County Board of Trade will meet at Palmdale Saturday, Jan. 1. These meetings are very interesting and profitable and are becoming more and more so. We will welcome all who may come and extend a general invitation to all within reach.

Flying Automobiles

A story comes from Paris to the effect that a flying automobile is the latest development in the French auto world. A successful demonstration of the ordinary automobile with flying wings, one of the latest developments for land going and the other for air travel, is said to have been made. The machine performed the usual feats of the airplane and the automobile.

The supply of wool of Australian and South African origin for the current season will be more than 2,000,000 pounds in the grease, a quantity nearly sufficient to supply the entire average present consumption of Western Continental Europe and United Kingdom and one-fourth larger than the average present use of these countries.

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POPULAR WEEKLY DANCE AT WESKAWILLA PARK

Another dance was held at Weskawilla Park last Friday night with more than 500 attending. Several young men of the town are arranged to give dances which are open to the public and all Sebring folk interested are invited to attend. There are many residents and visitors who enjoy this wholesome form of recreation and amusement and the casino at the park offers an ideal place. The dances are well managed and enjoyed and any one caring to attend will be welcomed by those planning this amusement. Every Friday night unless otherwise announced.

USED AIRPLANE TO TRANSPORT WITNESS

DeSoto county, as far as this section of the state is concerned, has introduced an innovation in bringing witnesses to court. Friday morning, Dec. 23, Sheriff W. M. Griffin was notified as a witness in a case in which a witness was sent to court to take the stand. He received a letter from the court stating that he was to appear at a distance of thirty miles "as the crow flies," was made in twenty minutes, which Sheriff Griffin says is "good news." When asked if he expected any peculiar sensations while flying, he said "No, it's just as sitting still and letting the earth glide beneath you, except that you strike air as you peck it; then the air drops suddenly and one experiences a peculiar sensation in the region of the feet of the person." He has been on the job in the evening.

SPLENDID GRAPE FOR CRISTALLINE PEEL OF FLORIDA GRAPEFRUIT

Palmdale grapefruit peel by crystallizing. One pound of cooked fruit, one pound of sugar, ten pounds of hot water. Select bright colored fruit, free from blemish and with heavy rind. Wash and grate peel, being sure that all color has been taken and any seeds removed. Boil in water for 10 minutes. Quarter peels, drying to the best of the fruit and remove the seeds. Boil in water for 10 minutes. To remove the bitter flavor, dissolve five or six ounces of sugar in water. Each time put the peel in cold water and bring slowly to boiling point and boil ten minutes. Taste peel after each boiling to ascertain amount of sugar and continue until changes of water until desired taste is obtained.

Put sugar and water in sauce pan and bring to boil. Add six drops of vegetable coloring matter at this point if desired product is desired. Add the peel and cook slowly until all sugar is absorbed. Remove from flame, strain on plate and put in sun to dry. Peel may be dipped in granulated sugar. If a flavoring is desired, add one tablespoon of lemon or lime juice, one tablespoon of cocoa and one-half teaspoon of vanilla, or one teaspoon of any flavor desired two minutes before product is taken from the flame.

C. S. SHIPS IN FOREIGN TRADE OVER TEN TIMES GREATER THAN IN 1911

The tonnage of American vessels registered in foreign trade at the end of the last fiscal year was almost eleven times greater than in 1911, according to the annual report of the commissioner of navigation, which showed a total of 29,012 vessels of all kinds totaling 18,282,136 gross tons under American registry on June 23, last. This was an increase of 129,841 gross tons, or 12 per cent over the preceding fiscal year.

Of this total, 29,012 vessels of 18,282,136 gross tons were in the foreign trade, 21,478 vessels of 753,136 tons in the coasting trade, and 584 vessels of 41,600 tons in the fisheries.

Vessels built during the fiscal year numbered 1,361, of 2,245,115 gross tons. American built during the year numbered 1,361 of 2,245,115 gross tons sold to foreign flags 10,112 to 10,112. The report showed that 15.3 per cent of the American officers below the grade of master shipped and re-shipped on American vessels by shipping commissioners were American citizens.

American vessels equipped with radio at the end of the year totaled 2,978, compared with 555 in 1914, while the total number of radio stations of all kinds, excluding amateur stations, had increased from 10,355 in 1920 to 12,258.

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