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Short Outline of the Accomplishments and Work of Sebring's Large Development Co.

The Grove Development Company is a corporation of grove owners anited to develop their groves to the best advantage of all. This company is now caring for almost a thousand acres of groves, more than any other company. J. H. Garst is president of the company and A. F. Young is secretary and treasurer. The general overseer is A. E. Withers, a man who was in Sebring when there was nothing but virgin timber in the whole district and who laid out the roads and fenced the section and managed all the clearing. He saw the first citrus trees planted in Sebring and has worked faithfully for the good of the district and has aided much in its rapid advancement. Mr. Withers is a booster of Sebring, not so much in words as in deeds, and his knowledge of the trees, their situations and soil if the whole Sebring district is unsurpassed. The management of the Grove Development Company is such that it gives the best service to its members. The service costs more than in other cases, but it is like insurance, for it guards against many things that would be destroying summer if were not operating. Besides Mr. Withers, who is tireless in his inspection and overseeing work, Harry B. Smith is employed as horticulturist and tree inspector. Mr. Smith is well trained for his work and brings the best that science can offer to the grove owners. He makes regular and thorough inspection of all trees in care of the company and covers the ground often enough to prevent any disease getting a good start. In addition to these two men, there is a foreman for each hundred acres, and no matter where the work may call others, he stays in his district and is familiar with all details of it and is ready to report any need for special attention. All equipment for cultivation and spraying is owned by the company and is operated for the grove owners at cost. With this system of management, the work cannot fail to be of the best.

An inspection trip was made this week with Mr. Withers to look over a few of the groves in the care of the Grove Development Company. There are trees from less than a year of age to nine-year-olds, the oldest in the district. The Cress grove near Dinner Lake, owned by Frand Cress of East Palestine, O., was one of the first year of Sebring's existence and shows as rapid and pleasing a growth as the town. Mr. Withers has watched it from the first and is proud to show it today. The grove consists of ten acres of grapefruit and is bearing its third large crop. Two years ago, when seven years old, it yielded 2,100 boxes, last year 3,200 boxes, and Mr. Withers estimates that this year's crop will be something over 4,000 boxes. Contrary to the usual custom of the grapefruit trees to bear heavily every other year and rest between, this grove has made a steady growth and more fruit each year. With each year the quality of the fruit has improved and the fruit on the trees now is of medium size and very clean and bright. Scarcely any rust was noticeable and very little scale or scab. The branches weighted heavily with fruit showed the inside of the trees to be in good condition and well cared for. The fruit is still green and except on a close examination would still pass unnoticed. But upon looking in or under the tree a surprising amount of fruit is seen. No one who has not seen the grapefruit on the tree can appreciate the massive clusters that can cling to one small stem. A few of the trees have not much fruit, but on those trees the grapefruit has grown to a very large size. The fruit on this grove is not as mature as many in the neighborhood and will probably not be ready for market until after Christmas. The tree rows have been kept clean as far as the trees shade their roots, but the middles have been allowed to grow in grass and Natal peas, which will soon be plowed under for the winter. This method of cultivation was noted in all of the groves in the care of this company.

The Hanley Grove between Basket and Bonnet lakes was inspected by request. It is two years younger than the Cress grove. Last year it bore a little rough fruit, but this year has a good crop for its age. There are five acres of grapefruit and five of orange. The trees are of good size and wherever a tree was noted that had only a little fruit, that tree showed a greater growth of wood and promises a greater crop for next year. The trees that were well filled with fruit looked slightly smaller than the others. The five acres of grapefruit will yield 500 boxes to a tree, or about 700 boxes in all, according to Mr. Withers' figures. The fruit is all clean and shows the effect of careful spraying. A good stand of beggarweed shows between the tree rows. The orange trees seemed to be in good condition, but the oranges are splitting and falling and it would be difficult to tell what the result will be. This splitting of oranges is being noted all over the citrus section of the state and many reasons are given for it. During the war the fertilizer was, unbalanced, due to a lack of phosphate and the trees have not yet recovered from that. Too much fertilizer has been stated as another cause, but Mr. Withers says they have guarded carefully against ammoniation by fertilizing and cited several cases where the fruit was splitting where no fertilizer had been used. The summer this year has been very dry, and it is to this cause that the present trouble is attributed. The grapefruit is not at all affected in this way. The Hanley grove is uniform and is a very valuable one for its age.

Other groves and conditions were inspected on the trip but these two will typify all. There would be a greater satisfaction among grove owners if they would not expect returns too early from a young grove. The first crops are never a high quality and if the trees are forced too much for fruit they do not gain enough in growth to let them do their best in the later years. They are like children who will learn more in the end if more time and money are spent on their education than if they are expected to do too much in their early days. The confidence should be placed in conscientious caretakers. One instance of orders from an owner causing trouble was particularly noticed. In the summer of 1920 the owner wrote that no more work should be done, but the grove should be let go for the rest of the season. The grove next to it, which was in the same condition then, remained under the eyes of inspector and workmen and one can easily see the very row where the work stopped. That owner saved perhaps a hundred dollars in labor and lost two hundred in the condition of his fruit and the growth of his trees. There is no doubt that a citrus grove means an outlay of money and a long wait for returns, but the returns warrant all when they do come. There is much to be seen and understood before one comes to a realization of the great work that is being done in the Sebring district and the great part of it that is being done by the Grove Development Company.

TELEPHONE COMPANY IS MAKING IMPROVEMENTS

The Mitchell Telephone Company is working with a will to carry out some of the improvements promised by the manager when the announcement was made that it had purchased the Sebring exchange. The cables, which have been placed underground from the telephone office to Pine street, running south, along alley, parallel to and east of Ridgewood drive, from the telephone office west, along Circle alley to intersection of alleys between Center and Commerce street, are 50-pair conductors, lead covered.

Ditches are being dug from Pine street south along Franklin street, to Kenilworth Lodge, from intersection of Circle alley and alley parallel to and south of Commerce street, to Franklin, from Franklin northwest to Odessa street, for a 25-pair conductor cable.

Upon completion of above schedule, which will require about fifteen days, a cable will be installed from Circle alley north and west of Ridgewood drive, to Orange street.

This extension of such a large scale will give Sebring an A-No. 1 telephone system and make possible an increase in the scope of the telephone exchange.

The Mitchell Telephone Company purposes to maintain, operate and improve the telephone service in Sebring in such manner as to afford the best of service and keep the city beautiful. In all places where telephone equipment is installed it will be made as neat and out-of-sight manner as possible.

It will always be the aim of our telephone company to keep Sebring the "City Beautiful."

HAINES CITY SHOULD GET BUSY AT ONCE

While we are doing every thing possible in Sebring to make our station beautiful and useful, we find that the lack of facilities in Haines City makes our visitors suffer a greater hardship than the lack of the same would mean in Sebring. At Haines City every passenger for Sebring must wait and often the wait is one of hours. The trip from Jacksonville to Haines City is a warm and dirty one and there is no public place in Haines City fit for a person to retire to clean himself from the trip. The Atlantic Coast Line toilet is a disgrace to any community and is impossible to any self-respecting person. The little rest room in the park there is attractive, but no toilet facilities are available. Not every one wishes to go to a hotel for the wait in Haines City, nor should this be necessary. A railroad junction, where waits are frequent, should look after this matter and if the railroad company will not do it, some organization must. It is not only a disgrace to Haines City but to the Ridge, which uses this town as a gateway. Cannot something be done and done soon?

Will Install Pipe Organ

The Methodist church is being slightly remodeled to make room for the installation of the new pipe organ. When the church was built an organ was planned for, but the archway that was left for it is not large enough to accommodate the one which was purchased. B. A. Cope has charge of the work under way.

SUCCESSFUL FISHING PARTIES BRING HOME MANY LARGE CATCHES

If all the Sebring fish stories could be related together and sent to fishermen all over the country, Sebring would be crowded without any other advertising means. It would have been hard for the people of Sebring to get all the fish caught by the fishermen last week. One party, consisting of Paul Rippberger, Clifford Eiland, C. Keese and E. L. Greene, went to the Kissimmee river and returned a few hours later with twenty-nine beauties, many very large ones. Istokpoga creek was visited by Tom Dimberline and D. H. Bixler and more than thirty large ones were brought home by them. J. B. Brown, with Mr. Henderson and Adam Brown, also went to Istokpoga creek and brought back just as large and fine a catch. John E. Graham, W. F. Hollenberger and J. B. Gingery spent all of last Saturday at the Kissimmee river and some of the tales they brought back were even bigger than the fish and they were big and plenty enough to prove most anything. Their tackle was broken in pieces by some of the big ones that got away. A. D. Butts and Douglas Estes also went to the Kissimmee river and in two days brought back twenty-seven fish that weighed eighty pounds, a few small ones in the number pulling down the average. If all of our good fishermen had no work to do and could go at any and all times as do the winter visitors, there would soon have to be a law passed to preserve the fish in the surrounding waters. But the men have to stay at home a good part of the week and that gives the fish a fighting chance.

Sebring Tea Room and Gift Shop

On North Ridgewood drive, opposite the new Hainz building, a pretty room has been equipped and especially arranged for the service that will be given there soon as the Sebring Tea Room and Gift Shop. Much of the equipment is already in the building and the rest has been ordered and is expected soon. The opening date will probably be Oct. 1, but a special announcement will be made later. Miss Annie Blackburn will be manager of the tea room and dainty, prompt and efficient service is promised. Light lunches will be served and at times one may get Sandwiches, iced or hot tea, coffee, ice cream and soft drinks. Near the building the Gift Shop will be opened, offering Christmas novelties and souvenirs for tourists and home folk. At no time will this shop be open for Sunday business. Watch for the date of the opening.

Community Church

At the Community church, beside the regular preaching and song service last Sunday, a violin solo was played by Miss Mary Patrick. Miss Patrick comes from El Campo, Tex., where her mother is a teacher of music. Miss Patrick will play again next Sunday at the Community church and will add much to the music, which has always been an attention there.

Community Church

Services at Tuscawilla Park every Sunday at 11 a. m. Sermon by the pastor, the Rev. P. M. Rauchen. Subject for next Sunday's discourse: "The New Life." Special choir service under direction of Mrs. F. C. Wright, assisted by Miss Mary Patrick, violinist and vocal soloist. A cordial invitation extended to every one.

Attractive and Convenient Edifice of the Church of the Brethren

The new building of the Church of the Brethren as it stands now completed is one of the most attractive buildings in Sebring and one of its greatest charms is its artistic simplicity. It is a wooden structure, painted white, with a green composition roof. It stands surrounded by a beautiful lawn on the corner of Pine and Oak streets, with a walk from each street leading to the colonade which forms a most inviting entrance. The front doors open into the main auditorium, which has just been completed. The new pews have been installed and there are seats for 300 people. The aisles will be covered with rubber carpet and the pulpit platform will have an appropriate rug. The light fixtures have been carefully selected for the place and the purpose and harmonize with the other furnishings.

From the main auditorium opens the large Sunday school room, which may be separated from the other room by a heavy cloth drop curtain. This room is divided into two parts by a low partition and by dropping curtains it can be divided into four separate class rooms. The young peoples' room adjoins this and is large and airy. Both of these rooms have blackboards and the equipment for study and the young people have a special plan for furnishing their own room. Together with the auditorium, all of these rooms will comfortably seat 500 people. At the rear of the building is the primary room with its table, chairs, blackboard and all materials for the little people to work with. This room is in the care of Miss Elsie Sanger, who is especially adapted to and prepared for Sunday school kindergarten work. This room is used now by the Ladies' Aid Society, but they will probably finish and furnish the hut that has been used for the men's Bible class and use that for their work and meeting rooms. The men will now have their class in the main auditorium.

The Sunday school room and the primary room each has an outside entrance, thus preventing confusion in the assembling and dismissing of the Sunday school. When the hut, which is a few feet from the main building, is remodeled inside, the outside will also be made more attractive by the addition of windows and trimming. The lot next to the church is owned by the church and whenever it is thought necessary an alcove may be built for the pulpit and a private room for the pastor.

The original Church of the Brethren was an ordinary looking structure, much like the hut in appearance, although larger. This was made larger by the addition of a rear room. The building was on Peninsettia street, near Pine. As the church membership grew it was decided that a larger building was needed. The old building was moved to its present location and the front part, which is now the main auditorium, was built. Many think that such a structure would be patchy and unwieldy. But outside and inside there is a sense of harmony and unity, as if the whole had been originally planned as it now stands. Mr. Leo Elliot of Tampa, who has made the plans for most of the large buildings in Sebring, has designed well and well is his work done. The building committee: A. F. Young, chairman; Elder J. H. Garst, secretary and treasurer; J. F. Sanger and J. B. Gingery.

The Brethren are looking forward to a most interesting year's work. They will not have the usual Bible study work, but will have a period of revival meetings. Another thing they are anticipating with great pleasure is a two weeks' visit from Miss Eva Trostle, "the queen behind the throne" at the Bethany Bible school in Chicago. Miss Trostle will give special talks on Bible study and Sunday school work, and especially work with the women and girls.

AVON PARK AND SEBRING RAISE FUNDS TO REPAIR POLK COUNTY ROAD

The stretch of road between Avon Park and Frostproof has been declared by many who have traveled far and near to be the worst in the country and at some times impassable. Polk county has spent much for roads, but was not at all anxious to improve that part which connected it with Highlands county. It is this road that serves as the entrance to Highlands county and over it must pass all automobiles bound for Avon Park, Sebring and the towns farther south. In order to improve the condition of this road and make it possible for business or touring cars to get through to Sebring, the boards of trade in Sebring and in Avon Park, after a thorough consideration of the subject, decided that they would take the only possible course and raise the money by private subscription and hire the road repaired. Much of the work has been done and with the exception of one very bad place near Frostproof, it is in fairly good condition. The following petition was circulated and quite liberally signed, many of the subscribers being those who do not use the road, but realize its importance to Sebring:

"We, the undersigned, knowing the condition of the road from Frostproof to the Highlands county line, and that it is impossible to get the Polk county commissioners to attend to this work, are subscribing the sums opposite our names for the repair of same."

Those subscribing to this worthy fund, who have paid their subscriptions, are: H. O. Sebring, T. V. Conway, J. Lee Johnson, Love & King Garage, Highlands Bank & Trust Company, C. W. Rogers, Sanitary Market, the Bank of Sebring and John E. Graham.

Serenade for Newlyweds

The usual night quietude of Sebring was somewhat disturbed Wednesday night when some of the young folk gathered at the Whitehouse hotel to serenade O. F. Forbes and his bride. Serenade is hardly the right word for the occasion, for in place of sweet voices and musical instruments filling the air with their music, the harsh sounds of tin cans, buckets and hilarious shouts prevailed. Mr. Forbes went to the veranda and was overwhelmed by the crowd there for a few minutes. He made an escape by jumping to the roof of Gaines and of Trade building and thence to the ground. But the crowd was soon after him and overtook him. They brought him back to the Buckeye Confectionery, where he treated the crowd to drinks and smokes to the satisfaction of all. Mr. Forbes is employed at the Sebring Garage and Machine Company and has been there for two years. Mrs. Forbes was Miss Irene Fadden of Lake Hamilton. They were married in Bartow Wednesday by the Baptist minister in the presence of relatives and friends.

Violin Recital

Miss Mary Patrick of El Campo, Tex., will give a violin recital at the Ohio theater next Friday evening, Sept. 30, at 8 o'clock. Miss Patrick is the instructor of public school music in the Sebring school, and is arranging a private class of pupils in violin and voice. She invites all who are interested in music to come to her recital, for which no charge will be made. Mrs. E. C. Wright will accompany Miss Patrick.

Splendid Weather Condition Bringing Tinges of Gold to Cheeks of Our Citrus Fruits

The weather man has been most kind to the groves and the tinge of gold on all the trees shows the fruit rapidly nearing maturity. The grapefruit shows the most color, as most of the oranges in this district are of the late variety. Not much work is being done in the groves, for as long as the weather stays hot not much cultivation is desired. Watch is being kept on the fruit and the quantity and quality throughout the district is considered good.

The Sebring district has only young groves. Each owner is looking for the earliest possible returns on his investment and is eagerly longing for estimates on number of boxes of fruit and prices to be expected. It has often been the case that some one unfamiliar with the general grove conditions would report to an owner that his trees were loaded with fruit, that he would make a great sum of money. Perhaps part of these trees were loaded and if the estimate were made on the basis of all the trees being like those, the large figures would not be misleading. But the average tree must be considered and not only the trees in the best spot in a grove. The casual observer also may not have any idea as to the quality of the fruit. When the fruit passes the inspectors in the packing house, it is carefully judged and sent to the proper place and much of it to the cull box. Young trees have a much greater per cent rejected than older trees. Last year there were many disappointed grove owners; disappointed not so much with the returns from their groves as with the great differences between what was estimated they would have and what they actually did get. Sometimes the caretaker was blamed for the unexpectedly small returns. Sometimes the packing house officials received the blame. But rarely did it rest where it belonged—on the grower that made the big report on what was going to be without knowing the situation on all sides.

Many people are interested in "home" groves, or small groves on lots adjoining their homes. Many of the lots in Sebring were planted with orange trees when they were first laid out and these are now maturing and furnishing their owners with all the fruit they can use. One of the largest home groves in Sebring is that of E. O. Douglas. This grove has about four acres of 8-year-old trees. Most of the trees are grapefruit, but a few are orange, lime, avocado and guava trees offer a good variety for home use. The trees are in fine condition and have an excellent crop of fruit. Many of the limbs of the grapefruit trees are propped to help them bear the ever increasing weight of the maturing fruit. Lime trees that were transplanted there only last year are now bearing a few limes and are blooming for more. Sam Platt cares for this grove and is justly proud of the showing. The lots of Herman Dreste on Ridgewood, near the station, are also in Mr. Platt's care and it is such home groves as Dreste's and Douglas' that will persuade people to buy and build on their lots pay for the upkeep of the home.

The Evis Sebring grove, near Dinner lake, is a very interesting one for such a young grove. Mr. Sebring was unfortunate six years ago in losing his grove on account of the citrus canker infection. After waiting for a number of years, the grove of thirty-five acres was replanted and the trees set were some of the largest of nursery stock. These were planted a year and a half ago and placed under the care of Sam Platt. The growth made by the trees was wonderful and proved the wisdom of buying large nursery stock instead of the smaller trees. Last winter Mr. Sebring budded some of the trees into Temple oranges and became so enthusiastic over this new variety that he has ordered all of his grapefruit trees cut off and the Temple wood budded in. The little grapefruit trees came out so much during the past summer that it seems a pity to

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Hard Surfacers Here

The first contingency of the Finley Method Company of Jacksonville, the firm which has secured the contract for the hard surfacing of Lake Jackson boulevard, has arrived in Sebring and begun its work. As the work progresses the force will be greatly enlarged and the final touches put on rapidly. Lake Jackson boulevard is no longer a dream unless, it is one to come true.

Library Notice

Owing to lack of funds, the library room will not be open to the public any day except Saturday. Books may be borrowed or returned only on Saturday afternoon or night. It is with regret that this announcement is made and it is hoped that money will be available soon for the employing of a librarian to take charge of reading and rest rooms and information bureau.

SIDE LIGHTS ON STEVENSON'S SATURDAY SALE OF ALUMINUMWARE

Nine o'clock snag the bills said. Nine o'clock they kept the ladies read. They were there, many of them, and proved that people know naught of what they say when they insinuate that a woman is never on time. Around the door they were long before 9 o'clock, and at the appointed time the rush was on.

The Sebring Hardware Store was the place and a sale of aluminumware at almost unheard of prices was the cause. It would have delighted the heart of a cartoonist to see the excited crowd push toward the desired articles, for often does he picture such things. Men looking on, laughed in a superior way, suggesting that never would one find their sex in such a clamor. Well did they know that the women were saving money for them or others of their sex. But men have such a superior feeling that they can not realize a women can analyze them and then go deeper into their lives than it realize—that women may know not only what men think, but what they think they think.

But in that store there was no time for analysis of motives or methods. The women, and later a few men, rushed for the most desired articles. One woman secured six teakettles, but not this save her husband money when he wished to furnish some new apartments? Yet he smiled at the hopelessness of woman. The put-in-a-dollar-of-1 cent articles was impenetrable for at least ten minutes. When at last the table was seen, nothing but empty boxes and a few tags remained. Many a bright tan strainer will be seen in place of an old one. Limes will be squeezed on new aluminum squeezers. A new paring knife has cleaned many vegetables since that minute. Measuring spoons will now assure accurate measurements. Many a man's cake will be better for the use of the new measuring cups. His soup will be dipped with a new dipper. His dumplings will be lifted from their broth with a draining ladle and will not be soggy. His coffee will be stirred with a snaker and not with a handful of salt thrown on one spot. His pancakes will be many shapely for the use of the bright new turner, and his wife's disposition will be better for the acquisition of a few great household conveniences.

And all of this for a few cents.

One woman secured a syrup pitcher and another who had come for that very thing, the only one on sale, will always wish she had come earlier. A man was caught taking a teakettle from a secluded corner where a fair lady had stored it while she went for more. But he didn't get away with it. He should get a wife. One woman had her hands and arms full of penny articles and a long-armed woman reached over her for something else. Down went the whole lot and before the original chooser had a chance to recover her equilibrium and her articles, they were quickly nestled into the arms of other fair shoppers. All of this was over in less time than it takes to tell. Was there a success? Yes. Does it pay to advertise?

Ask Mr. Stevenson.

TO LAY MASONIC TEMPLE CORNER STONE THURSDAY

The corner stone of the Masonic Temple, now being built on Lake View drive and Center street, will be laid next Thursday afternoon by the most worshipful grand master, Charles H. Ketchum of Key West.

The most worshipful grand master will open grand lodge at the Ohio theater at 2 o'clock p. m., where the Masons will fall in line and march to the building to be dedicated. The impressive ceremony of laying the corner stone, in charge of Most Worshipful Grand Master Ketchum, will be held at 3 or 3:30 p. m., after which ceremony the building becomes a Masonic Temple.

At the completion of the ceremonies at the temple, autos will be in waiting to convey all Masons, their wives, children, mothers and sweet hearts to Dinner Point, on Lake Jackson, where a picnic supper will be served.

In addition to the Sebring Masons, who are members of Poinciana Lodge No. 227 at Avon Park, there are a large number of Masons in our city and vicinity. All are most cordially invited to attend this ceremony and the picnic supper.

Directors of the temple met in special meeting at the Bank of Sebring Thursday afternoon, where all arrangements were made for the carrying out of the program and the refreshments of those who will be present. The directors are F. A. Sebring, John A. Graham, P. L. Vinson, E. L. Greene, P. J. Rippberger and Harry Sutton and all were present at the meeting except F. A. Sebring and Harry Sutton, who were not in the city.

Many Inventors

The United States patent office is swamped with applications, principally for patents on automobiles and flying machines, in which field American inventors have been especially active since the war. More than 50,000 applications are now awaiting examination.

Well Supplied

No, thank you. We don't need any hot water wells in Wauchula. We have a wife and numerous other friends to keep us in hot water.—Wauchula Advocate.

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If the hot water wells continue to flow, they will be the means of putting the bring into Sebring.

Headline in Tampa Tribune says "Fort Meade to Be Watermelon Center." Fort Meade ought to grow some about watermelon time.

We saw a wildcat cross the road the other side of Mulberry with a quail in his mouth. He should be arrested for hunting out of season.

Some durn idiot will soon be putting green fruit on the market and giving Florida fruit a reputation from which it will take several weeks to recover.

The Polk County Record has made some notable improvements recently. One is the installation of a new press and the other the change from a six to seven-column paper.

We chased a fox a half mile down the asphalt road one night last week before he would leave the right of way. He must have thought he could travel faster than a Ford.

Driving along a country road the other day, we had to stop three times to keep from running over coveys of quail. Wish the law was out, so we didn't have to be so careful.

Some people might be willing to "buy a bale of cotton" to help the cotton farmers out of financial difficulties, but there's durned few who will buy a tick-infested cow, in order to help the cattlemen.

Times-Union: "Sugar was selling at less than 2½ cents a pound in New York the other day." And we presume the difference in that price and 8 cents a pound in Florida can be laid to the high freight rates.

We stopped at the edge of a pond to get some water for our radiator, saw same English sparrows drinking, when suddenly a big green frog grabbed one and swallowed it feathers and all before you could say Jack Robinson.

The advertising faker will soon be abroad in the land with all sorts of worthless schemes to separate the merchant from his money, giving absolutely nothing in return. Watch out for these gentry and give them the cold shoulder—or the boot.

Tampa Tribune: "What's the use of that hot water at Sebring, when you haven't anything else to do with it to make a toddy?" Toddy! Sebring people have long since forgotten there ever was such a thing. There are other uses for hot water, though. Did you ever try using it for the bath?

The Lakeland city commissioners have voted a tax levy of one mill for publicity purposes. That action places Lakeland among the most progressive cities of the south and the approximate sum of $5,000 which the publicity tax will bring in, will prove the most profitable money the taxpayers ever spent.

According to the Polk County Record more fence cutting is going on in that county. And still the cattlemen would have a special session of the legislature called to pass measures which would prohibit the shipment of their beef outside the state. When will some of the cattlemen see the hand-writing on the wall and join the law and order forces?

We drove through Lakeland Friday night of last week about midnight. The streets were dark, all the people in bed and a band of cattle ranging the town, destroying flower beds and shrubs that had taken months of time, labor and expense to grow; tramping up the lawns and fouling the sidewalks. We wonder why so many people are opposed to the open range!

If the Punta Gorda Herald is to be believed, and we never knew the editor of that excellent paper to tell a falsehood, even when our friend Col. A. P. Jordan was at the helm (except when he was talking about fish), DeSoto county is claiming a part of the real estate of that county, on the grounds that it is a "movable asset." Well, dammitall, can't we move buildings, too? Then why not move that court house? And the furniture it contains—well, each new county is entitled to its share.

A traveling man driving along the road on a hot and dusty day stopped and picked a grapefruit to quench his thirst. He was arrested and fined $100 and costs for trespassing. A bunch of cattle broke into the grove and destroyed several hundred dollars worth of fruit and small trees. The owner of the grove was told to construct a stronger fence and to exercise due caution in driving the trespassers out, for if he injured a single head he would be liable for damages. Better to be a bull than a traveling man.

No end of speculation and comment has been caused by the fact that water pumped from the wells of an ice factory at Lake Wales came up in an almost boiling condition, and that in spite of the fact that the wells are being pumped hard, the water maintains a temperature of 114 degrees. Other wells are being sunk, and the town council plans having one drilled as nearly as possible to the public park, where it may be used by everyone. If the water is found to contain valuable minerals, Sebring will become a great health resort.—Tampa Citizen.

BRIGHT OUTLOOK FOR FLORIDA

There was never a time when Florida was as widely and as favorably advertised as now. The employment bureaus of the department of labor have announced more than once practically the absence of unemployment in this state at a time when in the entire country millions are unemployed and men are being sold to the highest bidder in Boston as an object lesson of the suffering that prevails. These reports as well as the statements of the Florida papers are being commented on favorably in all parts of the country. There is no state in the union whose prosperity is being as widely advertised as that of Florida.

Undoubtedly this will have a good effect and it may turn out that there is too much of a good thing. Thousands, yes tens of thousands, of men come to Florida every winter seeking employment and, while the majority of them find it, some do not. The influx into Florida in the winter time of the unemployed as well as of tourists is a normal condition and with all this advertising of prosperity it may become abnormal in proportions. With the prosperous conditions that prevail in this state Florida can absorb a larger number of employment seekers than heretofore, but if the number looking for work is much greater than heretofore it is not improbable during the winter and to a greater extent during the spring, this state will be among those which show a large degree of unemployment, and the fact that this will be due to immigration of the unemployed will not show in the report.

But those who are seeking employment will not be the only ones who will be attracted by the prosperity of the state. Intelligent men will not accept the prosperity of Florida as an isolated fact—as just a happen-so. They will understand that there is a cause for every effect and will realize the fact that prosperity is founded on conditions that make prosperity possible. Capital as well as labor will seek the state that proves its exceptional natural advantages by remaining prosperous through the test that others will it hard times elsewhere. We look for a larger influx of capital into Florida during the next year than has ever been known by any year heretofore.

This state has some of the greatest undeveloped resources of any state in the union, but they are not remaining undeveloped. It is also a state of the greatest development, which is moving forward with constantly accelerated momentum. Florida can well sustain a population of more than ten millions and the census has not yet credited the state with a million.—Florida Times-Union.

THE ONE REMEDY IN HANDS OF STATE

[Lakeland Telegram]

Florida is in the death grip of the railroads. Any disinterested person must agree that it is impossible for industry here to go forward and the state develop and grow as it naturally should and would, so long as rates are kept up to the present standard or anywhere near it. It is also perfectly clear that the remedy will never come from the federal government, which is subservient to the railroads. It must come, if at all, through the action of the state.

There is really no mystery about the modus operandi of relief. It could be brought about by just two things within a single year. Those two things are water conveyance and inland truck conveyance.

So far as the project for water shipment is concerned we have no direct information. Much is being said about it, and although the notion of getting one of the big shipping corporations to take it in hand savors strongly of putting our heads into the lion's mouth, it may operate satisfactorily.

But as to the land carriage scheme, everything recently done has been in the opposite direction. The state authorities have decided that heavy truck loads shall not be hauled over the highways. A high license tax is imposed upon auto carriers. The dearest friend of the railroads could ask no more. To utilize this system of transportation so as to avoid the tax imposed by the railroads, an exactly opposite policy should be pursued. The highways should be improved and strengthened to accommodate the heaviest traffic. Subject only to such regulation as may be needed to protect public safety, all restrictions should be removed from the use of auto trucks either for freight or passengers, and rates should be forced down to a fair profit level.

Business organization should unite in an investigation to ascertain the actual cost per mile of transporting a passenger or a ton of freight by truck, including, of course, the upkeep of the road and this should be made the basis of such charges.

It can be done. It is simply a question of taking hold of the problem in a business way and solving it in the interests of the public, without stopping to consider its effect on the railroads. But if we continue to look for a solution which will save the people without hurting the roads, we shall end by transmitting the whole question to our great grand children.

A man came down the street the other day with a rod and reel in one hand and a 12½-pound bass in the other and never said a word about the largest one getting away. Reckon he wasn't much of a fisherman or else he hadn't been indulging in the sport very long.

A man caught a negro in his chicken coop and shot him. It was justifiable homicide. He found an old sow in the same coop at night eating his chickens. He shot her. Next day he was fined $20 and costs. The law is based on equity and justice!

Lakeland Telegram asks: "What would happen to this county if it elected a president who didn't play golf?" The daily papers would be hard put for news some times.

We'd rather be a pauper in Florida than a millionaire in some of the other states—if we had to live in those states the year 'round.

STRANGE SIGHTS WE SEE

Boys and girls bathing every month in the year—in Lake Jackson, Sebring.

A well from which boiling water flows, situated at an ice plant—in Sebring.

The streets lined with mango trees, loaded with luscious golden fruit—in Sebring.

Here and there avocado trees, with fruit that is a natural salad, ready for the table without any preparation—in Sebring.

A city laid out by expert landscape gardeners, with beautiful homes, fine streets, modern improvements and no ugly spots—in Sebring.

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JONES BROTHERS' DAIRY A GROWING AND PROGRESSIVE INSTITUTION

There have been sceveral efforts in Sebring to provide the people with fresh milk, but for various reasons these efforts have not always been satisfactory and the business was discontinued. It was found impractical to ship the milk to Sebring from Moore Haven in the summer time. But now Jones Brothers are building up a dairy business that promises to take care of the town. Four years ago they bought a cow for their own use and disposed of the surpus milk to friends and neighbors. They had so many calls for milk that they decided last spring to buy another cow. This they did, and soon again the demand was greater than their supply. They continued to look for cows and during the summer increased their number to six. All are a fine grade of cattle and the milk tests very high in butter fat. As the milk is of such good quality, its fame has spread and so many calls for milk have come that there are now twenty names on the waiting list and not a bit of soliciting has been done. Jones Brothers are equal to the occasion, however, and will soon buy more cows and will endeavor to supply all that want milk.

Jones Brothers' barn is about a half mile east of town and it is there that the milking is done. The pasture for the cows is a nearby twenty-acre lot and the cows in it resemble those in the "ad" so often seen of contented cows that produce the best milk. Spencer and Brandon Jones supervise the care and milking of the cows and their careful personal attention is given to all details in making the milk and the service all that it should be. The milk is taken from the milking place to the home of Spencer Jones, where it is bottled and made ready for delivery. In the rear of his home a place has been built and equipped for the washing and sterilizing of bottles and this work is always carefully done, insuring pure milk to all. The quick delivery of fresh milk gives the customers the advantage over a large city, as there is no time lost between the time of milking and the delivery to the consumer. Success is assured from the start for this business, for the demand is always preceding and exceeding the supply.

To many of the Sebring people who look back to its first days without fresh milk, the coming of a sanitary dairy is one of the signs of progress. In those early days many of the pioneers claimed that they preferred water without ice and that canned milk was as good as fresh, but those same people are drinking ice water with relish and welcoming the call of the ice man and also calling for fresh milk and real cream every day. There are several families in Sebring that own a cow and dispose of the little milk each day, but from now on it is to Jones Brothers' Dairy that most people will go for milk and the best wish that can be extended to them is that they can keep the supply equal to the demand, for a large business is then assured them.

Hudson & Cobb Install New Case

A new show case was installed at the Hudson & Cobb Furnishing Store last week. It is one of the latest models made by the National Show Case Company of Columbus, Ga. The capacity of the case is 130 suits, with special hangers for coats and shelves for trousers. It is equipped with all devices for convenience in showing men's suits and protecting them from dust. The case comes in sections and as the business demands, more sections will be added and it is the plan of the owners to buy similar cases for all of their stock. This will add much to their store, which is already one to be admired in the arrangement for displaying and selling goods. The case installed last week was so large that it was impossible to move it through the door and the plate glass front had to be removed to make room for it. It was worth the effort, though, as all will say who examine it.

Moonlight Wiener Roast

The C. Q. Girls and a few of their friends, with Mrs. Nellie Estes as chaperon, had a most delightful time Friday night of last week, when they had a wiener roast on the sand bar at the bridge. The white sand was as bright as day and the fire's cheerful blaze added to the jollity of the occasion. A boat offered some of the amusement and the natural acrobatic tendencies of some of the number kept the rest entertained. The appetities created by the fine breeze off the lake made the wieners and the other refreshments especially appreciated.

1921 Coffee Crop

For the coffee crop in 1921 an estimate total of 11,080,000 sacks will be available for export from Rio de Janeiro and the southern districts of Brazil. Reliable estimates have not yet been made of the probable production and export surplus from other districts, but is in not likely to exceed 750,000 sacks.

"Salt It Down"

THIS IS A GOOD TIME TO PUT AWAY EARNINGS THAT CAN BE SPARED FROM YOUR REGULAR INCOME. MANY A PERSON HAS FOUND TO HIS SORROW, IN THE PAST YEAR, THAT HE FAILED TO "SALT DOWN" SOME OF HIS EARNINGS, WHEN HE SQUANDERED IT INSTEAD. "NEVER TOO LATE TO DO GOOD."

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Card of Thanks

In this time of our greatest sorrow, words fail to express our greatful thanks to all the good people of Sebring for their true sympathy, and especially do we thank those who worked so untiringly in the recovery of the body of our dear baby girl from Lake Jackson. These things will never be forgotten. We cannot express our appreciation, but from the depths of our hearts we thank you all.
MR. AND MRS. G. R. SMITH.

LEGAL NOTICE

To All to Whom It May Concern:

You are hereby notified that the undersigned Master in Chancery heretofore appointed by decree of foreclosure, in that certain cause wherein M. Jessamine Lewis and J. C. Lewis are complainants and Fred Collier and Fannie H. Collier and W. A. Hatchell and Gussie Hatchell are defendants, will, in compliance with said decree offer for sale at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, between the legal hours of sale at the court house door at Sebring, Florida, on the 3rd day of October, A. D. 1921, the following described lands, to-wit:

Farm lot 38, section 28, township 34, range 29 east, Lakeview Park, lying and being in Highlands County, Florida.

You are further notified that the said land will be sold for the purpose of satisfying said decree of foreclosure as aforesaid, which is in the sum of $2,983.50.

Witness my hand on this the 24th day of August, A. D. 1921.
A. E. LAWRENCE,
Special Master.
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LEGAL NOTICE

In the Circuit Court in and for Highlands County, Florida.
S. P. Durrance vs. T. L. O'Steen.

Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of an execution issued out of the above court in that certain cause wherein S. P. Durrance is plaintiff and T. L. O'Steen is defendant, I have levied upon and will offer for sale at public auction during the legal hours of sale, the timber standing on the following described property, to-wit:

W½ of SW¼ and SW¼ of SW¼ of Section 29.
W½ of NE¼ and NW¼ of SW¼ and SE¼ of Section 30.
Lots 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10 of Section 31.
N½ of Section 32.

All of said land being located in Township 33 South, Range 29 East, Highlands County, Florida.

Said sale to be held in front of the court house at Sebring, Florida, on the 3rd day of October, 1921.

Dated this, the 8th day of September, 1921.
W. M. GRIFFIN,
Sheriff.
Sept10-17-24-Oct1

LEGAL NOTICE

In the Circuit Court of the Twelfth Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida. In Chancery.
Peter Moross, Plaintiff, vs. Ethel Moross, Defendant.

To Ethel Moross, residing at Frankfort, in the State of Kentucky.

You are hereby ordered to appear to the Bill of Complaint filed in said cause against you by Peter Moross, at the court house in Sebring, Highlands County, Florida, on or before the 26th day of October, A. D. 1921, else the said bill will be taken as confessed by you.

It is further ordered that a copy of this order be published in the Highlands County Messenger, a weekly newspaper of general circulation, published in Sebring, Highlands County, Florida, once a week for four consecutive weeks.

Witness the Honorable George W Whitehurst, Judge of said Court, and C. F. Saunders, Clerk, and the seal of said court, this 8th day of September, A. D. 1921.
(Seal) C. F. SAUNDERS, Clerk.
A. E. LAWRENCE,
Attorney for Complainant.
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LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Willie Williams of Bassenger was in Sebring Monday.

The Dalgetys spent Sunday on the west side of Lake Jackson.

Extra copies of the Messenger are on sale at the Rexall Store.

Many auto parties enjoyed refreshments at the Palms Tea House last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sumpter Leitner of Arcadia drove to Sebring last Sunday to see friends here.

Mrs. P. L. Vinson returned to Sebring last Saturday night, after a two weeks' visit with relatives in Del Rio, Tenn.

Howard Allsopp of Orlando spent the week-end in Sebring with his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Henry G. Allsopp.

Miss Ruth Ruhl left Sunday morning for LaBelle, where she will be the guest of her sister, Mrs. Barton Hall, until the first of the month.

W. A. Marshall of Avon Park was in Sebring Monday, attending to the approval of his bond as county superintendent of public instruction.

S. P. Durrance of Avon Park, superintendent of the Pittsburgh-Florida Fruit Growers Association, transacted business in Sebring Monday.

Miss Ruth Amy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Amy of the Arrowhead hotel, was given a farewell party at the hotel last Saturday night by a few of her friends.

J. L. Moore, T. U. Jackson and W. Keisling of Lake Stearns have been appointed trustees of road district No. 4 and were in Sebring Monday to have their bonds approved.

Attorney L. Grady Burton of Arcadia was in Sebring Monday and went from here to Moore Haven, where he expects to spend several days on important business.

Miss Charlotte Varena has been suffering from an abcess on her right hand and for part of the time during the last week has been unable to be at her post in the Bank of Sebring.

J. W. Nichols of Arcadia attended to business in Sebring last week. Mr. Nichols represents the Marquis Clothing Store of Arcadia. He is a brother-in-law of Mrs. Tom Lawton of Sebring.

Perry Etheredge, county commissioner from DeSoto City, was on the job Monday, as he usually is when the commissioners meet. But DeSoto City and Sebring are so near each other that Mr. Etheredge seems almost like home folk.

M. G. Norman, the Sebring Atlantic Coast Line agent, went to Jacksonville last week and returned Sunday night, bringing Mrs. Norman and their little daughter with him. Mrs. Norman has been ill for several weeks, but is well on the way to recovery.

Capt. W. W. Williams of Lake Childs was in attendance upon the commissioners meeting held here Monday. Captain Williams has many friends in Sebring who are always glad when the commissioners meet, as he seldom gets here except on such occasions.

The DeSoto City Groves Company has a few ideal groves which it is at liberty to sell. These groves are in fine condition, well located, on high elevation and some have commenced bearing. Prices attractive. See or communicate with us. DeSoto City Groves Company, Sebring, Fla.—Advertisement. 5tf

Miss Ruth Amy left Monday morning for Winter Park, where she will enter her second year in the high school department of Rollins College. Miss Amy spent most of the summer on a motor trip to and from California, but enjoyed the last few weeks at home in Sebring as much as any part of the summer.

William King, chairman of the board of county commissioners, was at his post of duty Monday when the commissioners met. Mr. King is one of the oldest residents of Avon Park and has devoted much of his life to county and public affairs, without the hope of reward. He is always a welcome visitor in Sebring.

Miss Myra E. Burdick of Cleveland arrived in Sebring last week, accompanied by her cousin, Mrs. Josephine Moore and her son Richard of Olean, N. Y. They are occupying the house recently built by Mr. Griffith, at the corner of Commerce and Maple streets. Miss Burdick will open a music studio in her home in the near future.

If untiring effort and habitual courtesy will bring success, we predict that William B. Mitchell, manager of the Mitchell Telephone Company, will bring that corporation to a point of efficiency heretofore unknown in any town the size of Sebring. Mr. Mitchell is well liked by all the people with whom he becomes acquainted and in a very short time he will be acquainted with everyone in the community. Success, William; go to it.

Gus McAuley of Lake Stearns, one of the county commissioners who is always on the job, no matter how bad the roads may be or how pressing is his individual business, was here Monday to attend the meeting of the commissioners. Mr. McAuley is one of the live wires of that thriving and growing community and not only conducts a successful general merchandise business, but is postmaster and agent for the Western Union Telegraph Company and the telephone company. He has some splendid ideas as to how county business should be conducted and is a valuable member of the board.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Mitchell of Arcadia have been visiting for some time at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Cyril Baldwin of Avon Park. Last Monday Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin and their children came to Sebring to visit their sons, Tom and William B. Mitchell, who have become Sebring residents. C. H. Mitchell will be remembered as one of the eloquent speakers at the Fourth of July celebration. Mr. Mitchell has always admired Sebring and with two children located here, one might expect our attractions to be great enough for the parents to also make this their home.

J. Lee Johnson drove to Dade City Sunday, returning the same day.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rogers attended services Sunday morning at the Christian church at Avon Park.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Adams and children, George and Emma, drove to Dade City Friday night, returning to Sebring Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Greene were pleasantly surprised last week by the arrival of Mr. Greene's sister, Mrs. Charles A. Sims of Miami. After spending an enjoyable week Mrs. Sims returned to her home.

The cannon secured from the ordnance department for Sebring is on the way from Key West to Tampa by boat. As soon as it arrives there it will be sent to Sebring. It has not yet been decided where it will be placed.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Hollywood and family have moved from their farm south of Lake Jackson to a home on Center street, just east of the Circle. This move was made so that the children could attend school more regularly.

K. R. Warnock of the Times-Union was in Sebring Monday, looking after subscriptions for that excellent paper. He was offering as a premium a splendid map of Florida, showing all the new counties, as well as a world map.

Beresford & Reese are not complaining of business conditions and anyone who will take the time to notice their volume of trade can readily understand why. They are jolly good fellows and deserve all the success they are achieving.

Mrs. L. M. Newman and little daughter Oliver Catherine returned Friday of last week from Toledo, O., where they had been visiting for the last three months. They enjoyed their visit in Mrs. Newman's old home, but were glad to get back to Sebring.

A telegram from George E. Sebring announces the rapid improvement of Mrs. Sebring and Payne, after their operations at the sanitarium in Deaware, O. They will soon be ready to leave for Florida and are expecting to arrive here about Oct. 1.

W. B. Leatherman, Charles Rogers, Miss Edith Werner and Miss Lillian Beery spent Monday on a trip to Haines City and Bartow. The men had business to attend to and the young ladies accompanied them to see one of the most interesting sections of Florida.

David C. Barrow of Pelham, Ga., has been in Sebring during the last week, arranging for a home for his family for the winter. Mr. Barrow is interested in the DeSoto City Groves Company and will eventually locate there, but for the present wishes to live in Sebring.

S. S. Eatmon of Suwannee county is now assisting F. S. Bee in his grocery store. Mr. Eatmon came to Sebring last fall and worked for the Kenilworth company on its grounds here until the present time. Mr. and Mrs. Eatmon and their four children live in one of the Bee houses beyond the Methodist church.

We received a letter this week from Herman Dreste of Alba, Pa., stating that they would be in Sebring some time in December. This will be pleasing news to their friends, of whom they have many here. Mr. Dreste enclosed a check for a subscription to the Messenger and spoke in highly complimentary tones of its appearance and the news content.

Miss Ann Lillian Bedell of Pittsburgh has been in Sebring for several weeks past as the guest of her cousin, William Werner and his family, and intends to remain in Sebring the rest of the winter. Miss Bedell is an artist and a short story writer and a most interesting young lady. Perhaps she will find in Sebring many things to inspire her artistic senses and much interesting material for her stories.

J. B. Brown and son Adam arrived in Sebring last week, driving from Tennessee, where they had been for several weeks. Mrs. Brown and the other children came several days before by train. All are glad to be at home. The children are in school and Mr. Brown back in the hardware store. Mr. Brown is somewhat reticent about his purposed plans for building on his Circle corner at the present time, but will announce his intentions later.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Hendricks, who left Sebring several weeks ago after looking in vain for a place to locate here, have decided to return to Sebring and stay and will await here the opening they have been looking for. They think that Sebring is the best town of all they have visited, which has been many. Mrs. Hendricks is the daughter of L. H. Price and sister of Mrs. Nellie Estes and for the present Mr. and Mrs. Hendricks are making their home with Mr. Price and Mrs. Estes.

Ira Rigdon, Dr. E. G. Skiff, E. O. Douglass, C. C. Cobb and G. V. Hudson went to Avon Park Monday night to be initiated into the mysteries of the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross and the Knights of Malta. They are warm in their praise of the manner in which the Avon Park team of Knights Templar put on the impressive work and of the way in which the ladies treated them after the ceremony, they having prepared a splendid luncheon of sandwiches and cake of various kinds, ice cream and iced tea.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Rogers returned Monday from a seven weeks' vacation in and around Pittsburgh. They brought with them Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Leatherman, who will spend the winter in Sebring as the guests of Mr. Leatherman's son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Leatherman. They covered the trip of 1,500 miles in just a week and found the roads in better condition than on the trip north. Although they found very warm weather most of the time they were gone, they thoroughly enjoyed the trip, but are glad to be at home in Sebring again. Mr. Rogers will at once resume the taxi business that Mr. Hasty has been caring for during his absence.

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Crackers, all 10c packages, 3 for 20c
Heinz's Vinegar, quart 39c
Pineapple, sliced, No. 2½ can 35c
Army Bacon, 12-lb. tin $2.40
Asparagus Tips 49c
Wesson Oil, pints 33c
Table Salt, 2 boxes for 15c
Toilet Paper, 3 10c rolls 25c
Lux, 2 pkgs for 25c
Household Ammonia 15c
Granulated Tapioca, 2 1-lb. pkgs 25c
Campbell's Pork and Beans, 2 cans 25c
Campbell's Soups, 2 cans 25c
Corn Beef, 1-lb. tins 17c
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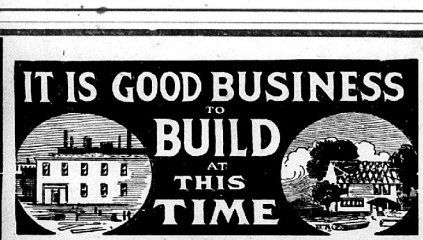

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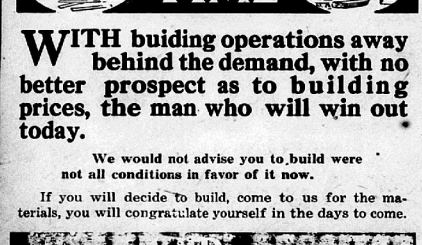

CLOSING EXERCISES OF THE SALVATION ARMY YOUNG PEOPLES' LEAGUE

The Young Peoples' League of the Salvation Army has been active during the summer, but with the opening of school decided to discontinue its weekly meetings. On Tuesday night they held their closing exercises, which were much enjoyed by many friends of the young folk. The following is the program of the evening:

Program
Opening Song—Congregation.
Prayer—Adjutant Stanyon.
Cornet Duet — Masters Butts and Stanyon.
Recitation — "Daisies" — Rachel Blythe.
Song—"We'll Be the Army By and By."
Recitation — "Jim Dog" — Jessie Laird.
Solo—"Molly the Baby"—Marion Stanyon.
Recitation—"St. Cecelia's Choir"—Emma Whitehouse.
Solo—Marion Stanyon.
Recitation—"I Knew a Boy"—Marion Butts.
Solo—"Dare to Be a Daniel"—Robert Butts.
Scripture Reading—Brother Arnold Roberts.
Duet—"When the Gates Swing Out Never More"—Jessie Laird and Marjorie Michener.
Recitation—"What Made a Little Girl Glad"—Eva Butts.
Chorus—"If You Bring the One Next to You."
Recitation — "The Keys" — Ruth Blythe.
Solo—"Ninety and Nine"—Edwin Stanyon.
Recitation—"The Salvation Army"—Marion Stanyon.
Song—"Swinging"—Rachel Blythe, Eva and Marion Butts.
Song—"Whosever Will May Love the Lord."
Cornet Duet—Captain Halliday, Robert Butts.
Reading—Mrs. Stanyon.
National Anthem—Congregation.
Closing Prayer—Mrs. Stanyon.

DR. ETHEREDGE OFFERS HIS SERVICES TO ARCADIA

[DeSoto County News]

Dr. E. J. Etheredge of DeSoto City and Attorney T. B. Conway of Sebring were in Arcadia Wednesday on a short business trip.

Both these gentlemen called at the News office and were very enthusiastic over Arcadia's chances of getting the government vocational school at Dorr Field. Dr. Etheredge, representative for this county and probably the successor of Senator Cooper, stated that he would gladly give his services in an attempt to persuade the government to locate the school here. Mr. Conway also is anxious to see Arcadia get the school. He said he would obtain the endorsement of the Sebring Board of Trade if Arcadia desired it, and added that Arcadia should get busy on the proposition and get the school located here.

It is a source of much gratification to the business men here to learn that their neighbors are so anxious to assist them in advancing the advantages of locating the proposed vocational school in Arcadia.

Dr. Etheredge has long since had a host of friends here who admire and respect him. They believed in his sincerity and therefore they appreciate his interest. Both Dr. Etheredge and Attorney Conway were very kind to urge the business men of this city to permit them to help them work for their own interest. Their interest in having the proposed government vocational school located here should inspire the business men of Arcadia to push the movement for all it is worth.

Planting Trees

"Growing and Planting Hardwood Seedlings on the Farm," is the title of Farmers' Bulletin No. 1123, issued free by the United States department of agriculture, Washington, D. C. It discusses what trees to grow; planting two or more kinds of trees together, location of the plantation or windbreak; establishment and care of the plantation; sources of planting stock; seed collection, extraction and storage; growing the seedlings; and sources of information and advice for the planter. Considerable tabular data are included as to the choice of trees for various purposes, diameter and height, growth of hardwood forest trees, sources of planting stock, time of seed ripening, methods of storing tree seed and the amount of seed to sow.

INTERESTING SERVICE BY THE EPWORTH LEAGUE

One of the most interesting, instructive and inspiring meetings in the history of the Epworth League was conducted last Sunday evening in the Methodist church auditorium. The Epworth League always has an interesting program and usually a good crowd, but Sunday was a little extraordinary, as three Epworthians had just returned from the institute at St. Augustine, with interesting news for their comrades and friends. Miss Ruth Taylor of our third department was in charge of the meeting and very beautifully conducted the devotional exercises, after which C. C. Cobb spoke briefly concerning the program arrangements and with an appropriate story introduced Miss Anna Bogle, one of the delegates and first speaker of the evening. Taking up the proceedings from the arrival of the delegates, she gave an explicit synopsis of the meeting, including registration, election of officers, a model devotional meeting, mission study and a visit to old Fort Marion, concluding with a trip to the beach, a picnic supper and an inspiring address by Mrs. Mabel Quam Stevens.

The proceedings of the second day were taken up by P. G. Gearing and given with such force and liberty of speech as to make impressions which will remain for days to come. The morning watch hour on top of the old fort was given special stress, as this was indeed impressive, being observed at sunrise. The Bible study hour, round-table discussions and Junior League work was also mentioned as interesting and helpful. He also gave an interesting account of the boat ride, banquet and farewell address by Mrs. Mabel Quam Stevens, laying special stress on her subject, "The Possibilities of a Child in This Life and How to Attain Them."

Miss Ellen Heacock then sang a solo, after which C. C. Cobb gave a short talk concerning the various leagues represented at the institute and complimented the home chapter on its splendid work in the past, but appealed for concerted action and cooperation in every department to make the league in reality the largest and best organization in Sebring.

A duet was then rendered by Miss Ruth Taylor and Miss Beery, after which the Rev. Dr. Merrill gave the announcement, together with his words of gratitude and appreciation for the splendid work of the various branches of the church during his absence. The meeting was conducted by the league benediction.

Young people of Sebring, we invite you to join us in our preparation for service for Christ on tomorrow.

A LEAGUER.

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[Wauchula Advocate]

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When you can see a good movie picture for a nickel.

When railroad fares are 2 cents a mile.

When railroad rates are reduced practically 100 per cent.

When a dentist will pull a tooth for 50 cents.

When bread sells for 5 cents a loaf.

When coal is $3.50 a ton.

When you can get shaved for a dime.

When gasoline sells for 10 cents a gallon.

When banks loan money freely at regular prices.

When all these things come to pass we would undoubtedly be able to offer our products at pre-war prices.

We are still some way off now.

Imports of Teas

In 1918 there were 50,000 tons of teas imported from Japan to America, whereas the amount exported in 1919 decreased to 30,000 tons and in 1920 to 23,000 tons. This decrease is attributed to the fact that low price Indian and Java teas have taken the place of Japanese tea on the market in America, and in addition there has been some difficulty in the disposal of old stocks. It is considered likely that the 1921 exports may decrease further by 30 or 40 per cent, unless recourse is had to the drastic measure of either destroying or returning to Japan old stocks still in existence.

BETTER LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE SERVICE

Last week there was published in the Messenger two letters stating the poor condition of telephone service between Sebring and Tampa and the promise by the president and general manager of the Peninsular Telephone Company to improve that service. Often it would take all day to get the roundabout connection with Tampa and then the connection was so poor that no satisfaction was obtained from the call and telegrams had to be sent to assure an understanding of the business. This condition has been improving a little and Wednesday a connection with Tampa was made in six minutes, record time for Sebring. It is to be hoped that this will continue, but the only way it can be done is to give Avon Park and Sebring a trunk line. Sebring may seem in the backwoods to some Tampa people who have never been here, but Sebring people are pushers. They used to drive to Avon Park to send telegrams and ride on freight trains and—but those days are past. They know what real service is, they demand it, and they get it. The local telephone service is good and appreciated. But there will be no let-up on the demand for better long distance telephone service until it is first class.

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HAPPENINGS OF A WEEK TOLD IN A FEW WORDS

Beets, carrots, rutabagas, celery and beans at Bee's Grocery today.—Advertisement.

Everett S. Rice of the firm of Yeager-Rice Company was out of town several days this week on business.

C. F. Saunders, county clerk, went to Moore Haven Sunday to assist in the circuit court being held by Judge Whitehurst.

Moyer's Cafe seems to be doing a thriving business every day of the week and every week in the month. What is the secret? Service.

Bee makes a special price on all kinds of milk by the case. Bess Milk, $6.25 the case.—Advertisement.

Did you ever see D. I. Moyer or W. B. Muff when they didn't have a smile on their faces? They are two of the jolliest men in Sebring.

Have you ever thought of a party in a kitchen? Then attend the one at the Library Tuesday evening under the auspices of the Woman's Club.—Advertisement.

H. B. Martling of the Florida Office Supply Company, Tampa, was in our city last week looking after the interests of his many customers and spending a few days with E. S. Rice.

Fine, large bananas—best on the market—10 cents a pound at Bee's Grocery.—Advertisement.

Tuesday at sunrise J. Lee Johnson, J. E. Parker, T. V. Conway and M. Baker went to Lake Istokpoga for a day's fishing. Their luck was not as good as most of the other parties, but they brought home a dozen fine ones.

A card was received from H. O. Sebring, Jr., who was on a boat trip from Norfolk, Va., to Cleveland, O., saying that he would arrive in Cleveland about the 20th and would go from there to Gainesville to enter the university.

A. P. Butts, manager of the Baker-Fisher Grocery, informs us that he is expecting a large shipment of fine groceries from New York within a few days, when he will have something of interest to say to the people as to quality, variety and prices.

Anything that anyone has in the line of fresh groceries can be found at F. S. Bee's.—Advertisement.

Miss Jessie Thrift, who was engaged to teach the fourth grade in the Sebring school, has been ill with diphtheria, but has fully recovered and writes that as soon as the doctor lifts the quarantine she will immediately leave her home in Alabama for Sebring.

We have four three-room suites in a brand new building, everything up-to-date, all modern improvements; Murphy-in-a-Door beds; completely furnished. Just one block east from the Circle. Nothing better to be had in the city. For prices see F. S. Bee. —Advertisement.

The firm of Zachary & Gossett is enjoying its full share of the business of Sebring and is well deserving of it, for this firm believes that a satisfied customer is the best advertisement it can have. With the coming of our winter residents and visitors the patronage will increase materially.

Mrs. Hobart, second grade teacher, arrived in Sebring at midnight Thursday, Sept. 8, and took up her duties here Friday morning, Sept. 9.

The Literary Society of the Sebring school held its first meeting yesterday afternoon and the main purpose of the meeting was to elect staff officers for the school paper, "The Orange Peel," the first number of which was published last year. Names of the officers selected will be published next week.

W. C. Peacock, civil engineer, has rented an office in the Hainz building and will immediately begin work here. Mr. and Mrs. Peacock and daughter are at present living in the Magnolia apartments. Mrs. Peacock is a most interesting French woman and has traveled much. The little girl of 8 years speaks both French and Spanish and is delighted with her work in the Sebring school.

Instruction in piano work by Miss Lillian Beery. Studio at home of C. W. Rogers, Pine and Oak streets. Phone 74.—Advertisement.

On the first of October the Peoples Ice and Manufacturing Company will change its system of delivery so that all householders will be served during the forenoons. This change will be made to better accommodate the patrons of the ice company and any complaints as to delivery service should be lodged directly with the company, who will give the same personal attention, as that company aims to give satisfactory service.

Those new buildings under the supervision of Ed. Hainz are rapidly nearing completion. These buildings will add materially to the beauty of the street, as well as furnish better accommodations for the growing business of our city. If all towns were improving as rapidly as Sebring, hard times would be unknown and the secret of this growth is that the people of Sebring have confidence in one another and the business outlook for the near future.

Bee will have a nice selection of California apples and Bartlett pears today.—Advertisement.

Charles Gaines of Jacksonville, vice-president of the Consolidated Land Company was a guest at the Arrowhead the first of the week, while looking over the interests of his company at Lake Childs. Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Ward and Mrs. Dunney of Kicco met Mr. Gaines and these people with O. K. Cole of Sebring (at present) and John Jones, Jr., of Lake Childs and Mr. DeVane of Lake Stearns all made a trip to Lake Childs Tuesday. Wednesday the Kicco people returned to their homes and Mr. Gaines went to Lake Wales to attend to business there. It was through Mr. Gaines and Mr. Ward that the delicious mutton and kid were furnished for the Sebring Fourth of July celebration and they have many friends in Sebring who are always glad to see them.

We print calling cards.—Advertisement.

Ira Rigdon was called to Jacksonville Tuesday afternoon on business of importance. He returned Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bishop of Lake Wales stopped in Sebring a while last Wednesday on their way to Moore Haven.

Come to the Kitchen Party at the Library Tuesday evening, Sept. 27, at 8 o'clock, and see how to make kitchen work easy.—Advertisement.

Did you see any of those big avocadoes J. H. Lopp had this week? They were certainly the finest ever and well worth the price. J. H. always has a good line of the very best in everything.

Will Amy and Posl brothers made a trip to Okeechobee Wednesday and brought back a few fine fish. Amy usually exceeds the luck limit with his fish, but this trip was not up to his usual standard.

Mrs. J. H. Boyd and daughter Cora arrived in Sebring Tuesday night from Pittsburgh. Mrs. Boyd and Cora stayed at the Roanoke as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Conway for a few days before moving into their home on Pine street.

W. Z. Dalgety attended a conclave of Holyrood Commandery, Knights Templar, at Avon Park Monday night. Mr. Dalgety is a charter member of that commandery of Knights Templar, which is growing rapidly and is drawing some splendid timber from Sebring into its fold. There is no other one thing that will bring Avon Park and Sebring together in more harmonious relationship than such fraternal orders, of which the Knights Templar is the leading order in the world.

STORY HOUR AND BIRTHDAY PARTY COMBINED

The little ones who do not attend school gathered at the Library Wednesday morning to hear Mrs. Tom Mitchell tell stories. She told them "Grandfather Pig's Spectacles," "Billy Boy and His Friends" and "Mabel's Birthday Party." They enjoyed these stories and several games. All were then much pleased and excited upon the appearance of a real birthday cake and ice cream and were glad to join in the celebration of the 5th birthday of Charles Christy Ripperger, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Ripperger. Charles was as much surprised as any of them and was too excited to realize that he was the host of the occasion.

The regular story hour for the older children will be held Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock at Tuscawilla Park.

CITRUS CROP SHOWS A SLIGHT INCREASE

Production of citrus fruits in Florida this season will exceed last year's crop by approximately 400,000 boxes, according to an estimate of the federal bureau of crop estimates in its report on agricultural conditions in the state during the month of August. Last year's commercial crop was 13,230,000 boxes in round numbers, the bureau declares, and it estimates the current crop at 13,600,000 boxes. A heavier prospective yield of grapefruit is largely responsible for the increase. The tangerine crop is short, as compared with last year, and production of limes will be lower than usual.

The condition of the crop over the citrus belt on Sept. 1 was highest in the West Coast, "decidedly spotted through the central highland section, and rather pessimistic in South Florida, especially on the lower East Coast," the report declared. The condition of oranges on Sept. 1 was 85 per cent of normal as against 86 per cent on Aug. 1 and the crop was estimated at 8,200,000 as against 8,100,000 boxes last season. Grapefruit was 85 per cent of normal Sept. 1, as compared with 86 per cent Aug. 1 and the crop was placed at 5,400,000 boxes as against 5,100,000 boxes a year ago. The condition of limes was 81 per cent Sept. 1, as against 83 per cent Aug. 1 and production was estimated at 49 per cent of last season. The tangerine crop was placed at 90 per cent of that of last year.

Furs from Canada

The number of pelts of fur-bearing animals taken in Canada in the season of 1919-20 was 3,600,004, with a total value of $21,387,005. According to total value muskrat takes first place with $6,030,303; beaver second with $5,336,607; marten third with $1,867,967; mink fourth with $1,792,232, and silver fox fifth with $967,972. For average value silver fox takes first place with $240; black fox with $155; fisher third with $84; blue fox fourth with $69, and patch fox fifth with $63. Foxes can be raised in captivity and it might be worth considering in Florida.

Two Big Fig Trees

There are two big fig trees growing on the banks of the San Antonio river, near Coachelle, Cal., which are thought to have been planted by the Franciscan fathers 300 years ago. One tree bears an abundant crop of fruit each year. Besides these there are many others along the river whose age dates back a century or more. In India there are century-old fig trees. There should be more fig trees in Florida. The fig is more generally spoken of in the Bible than any other fruit.

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Autos On the Bahamas

The nearest foreign possession to Florida are the Bahamas, off the coast from Miami. There are 491 motor vehicles in the Bahama Islands, of which 135 are automobile, forty-nine are trucks, and seven are motorcycles, all of American manufacture. Automobiles are not stocked in Nassau, but ordered direct from the American manufacturer by the buyer or purchased in New York or in Miami. Of the total population of 56,000—Nassau—with a population of 15,000. Nassau was famous during the civil war as a rendezvous for blockade runners, and now it is said that efforts are made from the same place to run booze into Florida.

Poultry Advice

Dr. N. W. Sanborn is the poultry specialist of the state experiment station at Gainesville. Floridians who may have trouble with poultry should write to Dr. Sanborn. He says Florida is naturally suited for poultry raising. Of course, there are soils too low or too wet, but such areas are inconsequental compared with the vast areas that are high and dry. He can show owners how to increase profits, and help beginners with facts that will save them money, worry and perhaps failure. The whole state is his field.

Help the Southeast

A bill before congress provides a large appropriation to irrigate dry land in the west, to build large reservoirs to hold water, with ditches to carry the water to the land. Why should this be done when farmers are losing money right in the rain belt where there is good land ready for the plow? In the southeast will be found vast tracts of land as rich as cream, where drainage is necessary. Why not make available sums of money to allow the southeast to drain its lands right when the people are living, and nearby cities asking for farm products?

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SPLENDID WEATHER CONDITIONS BRINGING TINGES OF GOLD TO OUR CITRUS FRUIT

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cut them back, but the result may warrant it.

On the DeSoto City road south of Sebring, on the hill overlooking the Kenilworth golf course, is an attractive 5½-year-old grove, also in the care of Mr. Platt. This grove belongs to David Barrow & Pelham Co. When Mr. Barrow bought this grove two years ago, there were two rows lacking in the five acres. He asked Mr. Platt to do his best to get trees in there that would meet the growth of the other trees and make a uniform grove. Mr. Platt bought the largest nursery stock he could get, paying $3 for each tree. The trees are now 18 months old and look like many 3 and 4-year-old trees, and it is claimed that in five years they will equal the other trees. This is another argument for the setting of large nursery stock. Mr. Platt thoroughly understands the care of young trees and insists that their fertilizing and cultivation should be as regular and as careful as the food and care of a young child. Too much commercial fertilizer will ammoniate and stunt a young tree as seriously as too much food and irregular hours will injure a child.

Dr. J. M. Anderson six years ago planted a 20-acre grove about three miles out from Sebring on the DeSoto City road. Last winter when Dr. Anderson saw it he was much discouraged, for instead of seeing a grove nearly in fruit, he saw a mess of trees, many nearly dead with dieback and other preventable diseases. He then put the grove into Sam Platt's hands and told him to do what he could. Many of the trees were cut far back and all were given a thorough pruning. They had all had more food than they could digest and were dying from over-eating and not enough working. Not an ounce of fertilizer had been given them since and all have been carefully cultivated. The result shows many trees greatly improved and all on the way to recovery.

Near the Anderson grove is a piece of woods fenced in and all through it are narrow strips of plowed pieces, and if one looks carefully in these there can be seen little sticks with a few leaves showing they are citrus trees. These were planted eighteen months ago and the result there will show what the lack of care will produce. This effort at a grove does not belong to Sebring people and is really a disgrace to a progressive community. The most noticeable features of this special trip with Sam Platt was the advisability of planting large nursery stock and gaining a year or more in the production of fruit; the necessity of the proper care for young trees, and the realization on the part of the caretaker of the time and the proper time amount of fertilizer necessary for the development of the trees.

WINTER VISITOR FROM INDIANA WRITES AN APPRECIATED LETTER

A letter from Mrs. A. T. Van Winkle of Logansport, Ind., was received last week and we publish part of it here, thinking it might interest others. Mr. and Mrs. Van Winkle were in the jolly colony of people in the community houses last winter and made many friends here.

"We thank you heartily for sending us two copies of the Highlands County Messenger. We are enjoying them immensely. The local items have been of interest to me, because I can keep in touch and better remember those whom we met last winter. I find I know a good many folk in Sebring and I shall be anxious to know what they are all doing every week, so I am enclosing my subscription to your good paper. It is especially clean and a wide-awake newspaper. Sebring may well be proud of its possession. We are glad to read about the hot water wells. We heard of that new item of interest about a week ago, through either a local or an Indianapolis paper. We are glad to note the improvements we are reading about.

"I would surely have enjoyed meeting with the Woman's Organization meeting of the Community church last Wednesday, but of course it was impossible.

"Thanking you for the papers and enclosing subscription for the same, I am, Sincerely,

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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the following changes in the town assessment roll for the year 1921 have been made by the assessment committee in and for the Town of Sebring, Florida, and that the Town Council will meet on the evening of September 26, 1921, at City Hall, Sebring, Florida, at 8 o'clock p. m., to hear any and all complaints on said assessment.

Lot and Block.	Property Owner. Lot and Building.	Increase on
N½ Lot 2, Block 25	Fred C. Walters	$ 1,000.00
Lots 1 to 15 inclusive, Block 27	Sebring Dev. Co., each lot	450.00
Lot B, Block 28	Sebring Real Estate Co.	650.00
Lot 1, Block 28	Sebring Light & Water Co.	300.00
Lot 2, Block 28	Sebring Light & Water Co.	300.00
Lot 3, Block 28	Sebring Light & Water Co.	30,000.00
Lot 4, Block 28	Sebring Light & Water Co.	300.00
Lot 5, Block 28	Sebring Light & Water Co.	300.00
Lot 6, Block 28	Sebring Builders Supply Co.	300.00
Lot 7, Block 28	E. W. Harshman	300.00
Lots 8 and 9, Block 28	Sebring Bu. Su. Co., each lot	300.00
Lot 10, Block 28	E. W. Harshman	300.00
Lot 11, Block 28	A. C. Heacock	300.00
Lot 12, Block 28	Oceola Fertilizer Co.	300.00
Lots 13 and 14, Block 28	Wilson-Toomer Fer. Co.	1,800.00
Lots 15 to 22 inclusive, Block 28	Sebring Dev. Co., each lot	300.00
Lot B, Block 28	E. E. Skipper Estate	300.00
Lot 24, Block 28	E. E. Skipper Estate	25.00
Lots 1 to 8 inclusive, Block 31	Sebring Dev. Co., each lot	350.00
Lot 9, Block 31	Sebring Dev. Co.	200.00
Lot 10, Block 31	Sebring Light & Water Co.	150.00
Lots 11 to 14, Block 31	Sebring Dev. Co., each lot	200.00
Lot 15, Block 31	Sebring Dev. Co.	250.00
Lot 16 Block 31	Sebring Dev. Co.	350.00
Lots 17 to 21 inclusive, Block 31	Sebring Dev. Co., each lot	350.00
Lot 22, Block 31	Sebring Dev. Co.	150.00
Lots 1 to 12 inclusive, Block 32	Sebring Dev. Co., each lot	350.00
N½ of W½ & W 1-3 of E½, Block 34	J. G. Rench	22.00
S½ of W½ Lot 3, Block 34	G. S. Dew	219.00
E 2-3 of E½ Lot 3, Block 34	E. P. Mitchner Estate	500.00
Lot 11, Block 35	Sam Demberline	300.00
Lots 12 to 14, Block 35	Geo. E. Sebring Co., each lot	150.00
S½ of E½ Lot 3, Block 43	Geo. Buhl	1,500.00
Lots 1 and 2, Block 44	W. C. Posl, each lot	350.00
Lots 3 and 4, Block 44	Sebring Dev. Co., each lot	350.00
E½ Lot 5, Block 44	Geo. Buhl	175.00
W½ Lot 5, Block 44	Geo. N. Capwell	175.00
Lots 8 to 12 inclusive, Block 44	Sebring Dev. Co., each lot	350.00
Lots 1 to 8 inclusive, Block 45	Sebring Dev. Co., each lot	350.00
Lot 9, Block 45	Harshman & Withers	250.00
Lot 10, Block 45	Sebring Real Estate Co.	250.00
Lot 4, Block 46	Sebring Dev. Co.	300.00
Lot 5, Block 46	Sebring Dev. Co.	200.00
Lot 9, Block 46	D. D. Lusk	500.00
Lot 8, Block 47	A. J. Pancoast	1,350.00
Lot 3, Block 48	Highlands Bank & Trust Co.	14,950.00
Lot 3, Block 48	Sebring Real Estate	8,000.00
N 30 ft. Lot 4, Block 48	Fred Yeager	500.00
S 30 ft. Lot 4, Block 48	Wm. Evans	900.00
S½ Lot 9, Block 48	Fields & Young	500.00
Lot 10, Block 48	James Johnston	400.00
Lot 3, Block 49	Sebring Dev. Co.	150.00
Lot 4, Block 49	Sebring Dev. Co.	50.00
Lot 5, Block 49	Sebring Dev. Co.	50.00
Lot 2, Block 50	Sebring Dev. Co.	200.00
Lot 3, Block 50	Sebring Dev. Co.	200.00
Lots 4 and 5, Block 50	Sebring Dev. Co., each lot	50.00
Lot 11, Block 50	Henry W. Smith	2,350.00
Lot 14, Block 51	Henry Selzner	2,350.00
Lot 9, Block 56	Themda Sutton	1,850.00
Lot 1, Block 57	Harry Sutton	2,850.00
Lot 2, Block 57	E. P. Mitchner Estate	1,600.00
N 2-3 Lot 7, Block 57	C. C. Posey	140.00
S 1-3 Lot 7, Block 57	A. E. Lawrence	70.00
N 2-3 Lot 8, Block 57	C. C. Posey	140.00
S 1-3 Lot 8, Block 57	A. E. Lawrence	70.00
Lots 9 to 11 inclusive, Block 57	Sebring Dev. Co., each lot	200.00
Lot 12, Block 57	John Cannon Estate	200.00
Lot 13, Block 57	G. H. Austin	1,250.00
Lot 5, Block 58	Mrs. W. G. Cason	350.00
Lot 6, Block 58	Mrs. W. G. Cason	350.00
Lot 7, Block 58	Mary E. Newman	600.00
Lot 8, Block 58	Jessie Gearing	850.00
Lot 9, Block 58	Jessie Gearing	3,200.00
Lot 10, Block 58	Mrs. Geo. Eater	350.00
Lot 11, Block 58	L. L. Hobert	250.00
Lot 12, Block 58	J. T. Sprake	200.00
Lot 13, Block 58	Sebring Dev. Co.	200.00
Lot 14, Block 58	Sebring Dev. Co.	200.00
Lot 15, Block 58	H. E. Walkey	150.00
Lot 16, Block 58	Ida M. Barrett	150.00
Lot 17, Block 58	Mrs. A. T. Vail	150.00
Lot 18, Block 58	Thos. Whitehouse	150.00
Lot 19, Block 58	Thos. Whitehouse	850.00
Lot 20, Block 58	Sebring Pub. Co.	300.00
Lot 4, Block 59	Mrs. Mary Krider	150.00
Lot 5, Block 59	W. P. Crumpacker	150.00
Lot 6, Block 59	Fred P. Vannoy	150.00
Lot 7, Block 59	Claude Price	2,000.00
Lot 8, Block 59	Ike Dottery	2,000.00
Lot 9, Block 59	Orrin Howard	150.00
Lot 1, Block 60	John Hodge	150.00
Lot 2, Block 60	D. S. Masters	150.00
Lot 3, Block 60	D. S. Masters	150.00
Lot 4, Block 60	Fred Yeager	150.00
Lot 5, Block 60	Mrs. H. F. Loomis	150.00
Lot 6, Block 60	James Koleen	150.00
Lot 7, Block 60	A. D. Coats	150.00
Lot 8, Block 60	Herman Drestie	150.00
Lot 9, Block 60	Herman Drestie	100.00
Lot 9, Block 60	Wm. Pickard	50.00
Lot 10, Block 60	Wm. Pickard	150.00
Lot 11, Block 60	Mrs. L. Schnider	850.00
Lot 16, Block 60	Willis Kugler	500.00
Lot 5, Block 61	J. H. Lupp	150.00
Lot 6, Block 61	Lindsley & Whitney	150.00
Lot 7, Block 61	Chas. Leopold	150.00
Lot 8, Block 61	Chas. Leopold	150.00
Lot 19, Block 61	E. W. Harshman	500.00
Lot 6, Block 63	Willis Kugler	500.00
Lot 8, Block 62	Lewis Catogni	3,400.00
N 30 ft. Lot 9, Block 62	A. M. Stout	100.00
Lot 10, Block 62	A. M. Stout	500.00
Lot 18, Block 62	Orrin Howard	450.00
Lot 22, Block 62	Ed Hainz	4,167.00
Lot 24, Block 62	Polo Couch	2,000.00
Lot 25, Block 62	M. W. Baker	800.00
Lots 11 and 12, Block 63	T. D. Kinzie, each lot	150.00
Lot 13, Block 63	Mrs. Wm. Riland	2,200.00
Lot 14, Block 63	L. Prescott	350.00
Lots 15 and 16, Block 63	Herman Drestie, each lot	350.00
Lot 17, Block 63	J. F. Riland	350.00
Lot 18, Block 63	Dalgety & Smith	350.00
Lots 1 to 3 inclusive, Block 64	J. B. Kendell, each lot	350.00
Lot 4, Block 64	P. G. Caravasis	350.00
Lots 5 and 6, Block 64	J. H. Garst, each lot	350.00
Lot 24, Block 65	Hudson & Cobb	1,250.00
Lot 2, Block 65	Hobson Parnell	1,550.00
Lot 3, Block 65	J. H. Swank	1,550.00
Lots 4 to 7 inclusive, Block 65	Sebring Dev. Co., each lot	200.00
Lot 8, Block 65	W. G. Schock	350.00
Lot 9, Block 65	Henry Krause	350.00
Lot 10, Block 65	G. H. Waters	500.00
Lot 11, Block 65	Sebring Dev. Co.	350.00
Lot 12, Block 65	D. D. Mahan	350.00
Lot 13, Block 65	Sebring Real Estate Co.	350.00
Lot 14, Block 65	Geo. Cushion	1,250.00
Lot 11, Block 66	Levi Futerbaugh	2,350.00
Lot 10, Block 78	J. B. Kindell	1,350.00
Lot 12, Block 78	O. Hanson	550.00
Lot 13, Block 78	Florey	350.00
Lot 8, Block 79	Stutsman Apartment	1,350.00
Lot 10, Block 79	M. W. Baker	3,000.00
Lot 16, Block 79	Sebring Dev. Co.	4,000.00
Lot 17, Block 79	Sebring Dev. Co.	200.00
Lot 12, Block 80	R. D. McLain	150.00
Lot 13, Block 80	F. L. Moore	2,550.00
S½ Lot 2, Block 92	Henry Alsopp	6,000.00
Lot 3, Block 92	H. O. Sebring	10,000.00
N½ Lot 4, Block 92	F. H. Cooper, Jr.	13,000.00
S½ Lot 4, Block 92	Martha Outlaw	500.00
Lot 2, Block 93	Charles Wigle	5,350.00
Lot 1A, Block 94	Sebring Real Estate Co.	4,800.00
N½ Lot 2, Block 94	Burket	4,000.00
Lot 3, Block 94	O. D. Garrott	500.00
S 125 ft. Lot 3, Block 95	Wm. Evans	1,000.00
S½ Lot 5, Block 95	Thomas Peart	400.00
Lot 10, Block 95	L. D. Park	2,500.00
Lot 12, Block 95	Wm. Poal	2,700.00
Lot 2, Block 96	E. G. Skiff	3,500.00
Lot 6, Block 98	Mrs. Mary E. Newman	2,500.00
N½ Lot 5, Block 99	Wm. Evans	3,125.00
Lot 12, Block 103	W. W. Merrell	200.00
Lot 1, Block 104	C. G. Warrener	3,000.00
Lot 6, Block 104	J. F. Sanger	4,000.00
	Lot and Block	
N½ Lot 10, Block 104	Henry Floto	3,500.00
S½ Lot 10, Block 104	D. H. Baxter	3,500.00
	Western Union Tel. Co.	122.00
	I. G. Collier, each lot	150.00
	D D Lusk	150.00
	Lewis D. Rich	150.00
	L. L. Shoemaker	150.00
	Sebring Real Estate Co.	150.00
	C. D. Griffis	150.00
	Mrs. J. Harman	150.00
	A. J. Pancost	150.00
	M. D. Fuller	150.00
	R. G. Stokes	150.00
	Sebring Development Co.	150.00
	Mark Newman	150.00
	J. M. Stoughton	150.00
	Dr. W. P. Boner	150.00
	Dr. W. P. Boner	150.00
	John Newcom	150.00
	W. Z. Dalgety	150.00
	J. H. Bogle	150.00
	Grove Dev. Co., each lot	100.00
	Sebring Dev. Co., each lot	100.00
	Sebring Dev. Co., (acreage) Each lot value	400.00
	Sebring Dev. Co. (acreage) Value	100.00
	Sebring Dev. Co. (acreage) Value	150.00
	Sebring Dev. Co. (acreage) Value	200.00
	Sebring Dev. Co. (acreage) Each lot value	300.00
	Sebring Dev. Co., each lot	100.00
	Forest Crews	1,050.00
	Sebring Dev. Co., each lot	100.00
	G. A. True	1,050.00
	Sebring Dev. Co., each lot	250.00
	Tom Demberline	250.00
	Sebring Dev. Co., each lot	50.00
	Sebring Dev. Co.	100.00
	Sebring Dev. Co.	150.00
	Sebring Dev. Co.	1,300.00
	Sebring Dev. Co.	1,050.00
	Sebring Dev. Co.	1,050.00
	Sebring Dev. Co.	1,050.00
	Sebring Dev. Co.	1,050.00
	Sebring Dev. Co.	1,050.00
	Sebring Dev. Co.	100.00
	A. Varena (acreage); each lot value	650.00
	Sebring Dev. Co. (acreage) Each lot value	600.00
Lots 1 to 8 inclusive, Block 74	Sebring Dev. Co. (acreage) Each lot value	600.00
Lots 9 to 16 inclusive, Block 74	Sebring Dev. Co. (acreage) Each lot value	650.00
Lot 1, Block 76	Sebring Dev. Co.	1,000.00
Lot 2, Block 76	W. A. Taylor	1,000.00
Lot 3, Block 76	C. W. Rogers	1,000.00
Lot 4, Block 76	Geo. North	1,000.00
Lot 5, Block 76	C. B. Eiland	1,000.00
Lot 6, Block 76	Sebring Dev. Co.	1,000.00
Lot 7, Block 76	Alva Carroll	1,000.00
Lots 1 to 5, Block 77	A. C. Heacock (acreage) Each lot value	650.00
Lot 6, Block 77	A. C. Heacock (acreage) Each lot value	900.00
Lot 7, Block 77	A. C. Heacock (acreage) Value	650.00
Lot 8, Block 77	A. C. Heacock (acreage) Value	900.00
Lots 9 to 16 inclusive, Block 77	A. C. Heacock (acreage) Each lot value	600.00
Lots 1 and 2, Block 78	Sebring Dev. Co. (acreage) Each lot value	600.00
Lots 3 to 8 inclusive, Block 78	Sebring Dev. Co. (acreage) Each lot value	650.00
Lot 15, Block 78	Sebring Dev. Co. (acreage) Each lot value	900.00
Lot 16, Block 78	Sebring Dev. Co. (acreage) Each lot value	600.00
Lot 17, Block 78	Sebring Dev. Co. (acreage) Each lot value	900.00
Lots 18 to 22, Block 78	Sebring Dev. Co. (acreage) Each lot value	600.00
Lots 1 to 3, Block 81	Sebring Dev. Co. (acreage) Each lot value	600.00
Lot 4, Block 81	Sebring Dev. Co. (acreage) Value	700.00
Lots 5 to 8 inclusive, Block 81	Sebring Dev. Co. (acreage) Each lot value	600.00
Lot 17, Block 81	Sebring Dev. Co.	100.00
Lots 18 and 19, Block 81	L. C. Webb, each lot	100.00
Lot 20, Block 81	R. R. Sharpy	100.00
Lot 21, Block 81	J. B. McCorkell	100.00
Lots 22 to 24 inclusive, Block 81	Lake View Dev. Co. each lot	100.00
Lots 1 to 16, Block 82	Sebring Dev. Co. (acreage) Each lot value	600.00
Lot 1, Block 83	W. W. Merrell	1,000.00
Lot 2, Block 83	J. O. Yance	1,000.00
Lot 3, Block 83	J. O. Yance	1,000.00
Lot 4, Block 83	James Carlton	1,000.00
Lot 5, Block 83	B. M. Waldron	1,000.00
Lots 6 to 9, Block 83	Sebring Dev. Co. (acreage) Each lot value	650.00
Lots 37 to 40, Block 83	Sebring Dev. Co. (acreage) Each lot value	600.00
Lot 1, Block 84	E. L. Hainz	1,000.00
Lot 2, Block 84	F. S. Bee	1,000.00
Lot 3, Block 84	N. C. Cash	1,300.00
Lot 4, Block 84	Fred Yeager	1,000.00
Lots 5 to 7, Block 84	Sebring Dev. Co. (acreage) Each lot value	1,500.00
Lots 1 to 8, Block 85	Sebring Dev. Co. (acreage) Each lot value	600.00
Lot 9, Block 85	Mrs. I. Barnes	100.00
Lot 10, Block 85	Ida Lewis	100.00
Lot 11, Block 85	J. H. Shafer	100.00
Lot 12, Block 85	A. C. Heacock	100.00
Lot 13, Block 85	T. V. Conway	100.00
Lot 14, Block 85	E. S. Rice	100.00
Lot 15, Block 85	Ward Lamkin	100.00
Lot 16, Block 85	A. R. Comstock	100.00
Lot 2, Block 86	Lake View Imp. Co.	200.00
Lot 3, Block 86	G. E. Smith	500.00
Lot 4, Block 86	G. R. Smith	100.00
Lots 5 and 6, Block 86	Elizabeth Nichols, each lot	100.00
Lot 7, Block 86	Bayard Taylor	500.00
Lots 8 and 9, Block 86	A. F. Norris, each lot	100.00
Lot 10, Block 86	J. M. Stoughton	100.00
Lots 11 and 12, Block 86	J. B. McCorkel, each lot	100.00
Lot 13, Block 86	J. F. Moore	100.00
Lot 14, Block 86	Brock & Marlin	100.00
Lots 1 to 12 inclusive, Block 88	Sebring Dev. Co. (acreage) Each lot value	300.00
Lots 1 to 7, inclusive, Block 88C	Kenilworth Lodge Co. (acreage) All lots value	1,200.00
Lots 1 to 24 inclusive, Block 88A	Sebring Dev. Co. (acreage) Each lot Value	300.00
Lots 1 to 24 inclusive, Block 88B	Kenilworth Lodge Co. (acreage) Each lot value	300.00
Lot 10, Block 89	Gaspt-Withers, each lot	100.00
Lots 1 to 8 inclusive, Block 89A	A. G. Smith (acreage). Each lot value	300.00
Lots 9 to 12 inclusive, Block 89A	C. E. Kinzie (acreage). Each lot value	300.00
Lots 13 to 24 inclusive, Block 89A	A. G. Smith (acreage). Each lot value	300.00
Lots 1 to 24 inclusive, Block 89B	Kenilworth Lodge (acreage). Each lot value	300.00
Lots 1 to 12, inclusive, Block 89C	Kenilworth Lodge Co. (acreage). Each lot value	300.00
Lots 13 to 16 inclusive, Block 89C	Kenilworth Lodge Co. (acreage). Each lot value	100.00
Lots 17 to 21 inclusive, Block 89C	Kenilworth Lodge Co. (acreage). Each lot value	200.00
Lot 1, Block A	Tandy Bronough	1,600.00
Lot 2, Block A	Tandy Bronough	800.00
Lot 3, Block A	Hart Pryor	250.00
Lot 4, Block A	C. Debro	250.00
W½ Lot 5, Block A	C. Debro	50.00
E½ Lot 5, Block A	Hart Pryor	50.00
Lot 6, Block A	Sebring Dev. Co.	600.00
Lot 7, Block A	Sebring Builders Supply Co.	450.00
Lot 8, Block A	Dan Jones	700.00
Lot 9, Block A	Sebring Development Co.	250.00
Lot 10, Block A	Dave Watson	250.00
Lot 12, Block A	Sebring Dev. Co.	400.00
Lot 17, Block A	Sebring Dev. Co.	900.00
Lot 20, Block A	Sebring Dev. Co.	900.00
Lot 21, Block A	Sebring Dev. Co.	700.00
Lot 2, Block B	Sebring Dev. Co.	400.00
Lot 3, Block B	Sebring Dev. Co.	400.00
Lot 4, Block B	Sebring Dev. Co.	400.00
Lot 5 Block B	Sebring Dev. Co.	400.00
Lot 6, Block B	Sebring Dev. Co.	400.00
Lot 7, Block B	Sebring Dev. Co.	400.00
Lot 1, Block C	Sebring Dev. Co.	600.00
Lots 7 to 9, Block C	Sebring Dev. Co., each lot	100.00
Lot 11, Block C	Sebring Dev. Co.	100.00
Lots 12 and 13, Block C	Sam Chestnut, each lot	100.00
Lot 14, Block C	Dave Watson	100.00
Lot 9, Block D	Sebring Dev. Co.	400.00
Lot 11, Block D	Sebring Dev. Co.	900.00
Lot 1, Block F	Steve Mason	1,100.00
Lot 2, Block F	Sebring Dev. Co.	100.00
Lot 3, Block F	Sebring Dev. Co.	250.00
Lots 5 and 6, Block F	Sebring Dev. Co., each lot	100.00
Lot 7, Block F	Sebring Dev. Co.	900.00
Lot 8, Block F	Sebring Dev. Co.	900.00
Lot 9, Block F	Sebring Dev. Co.	100.00
Lot 10, Block F	Sebring Dev. Co.	1,300.00
Lot 11, Block F	Sebring Dev. Co.	100.00
Lot 1, Block G	A. C. Heacock	500.00
Lot 2, Block G	Bill Marshal	1,500.00
Lot 3, Block G	Oscar Rose	150.00
Lot 4, Block G	Sebring Builders Supply Co.	150.00
Lot 5, Block G	Hattie Cooper	150.00
Lot 6, Block G	Wallace Bailey	100.00
Lot 7, Block G	Will Russell	150.00
Lot 8, Block G	Dan Jones	700.00
Lot 9, Block G	Rasley Dew Co.	150.00
Lot 10, Block G	Sam White	150.00
Lot 12, Block G	Sebring Dev. Co.	1,000.00

The following properties have been decreased in value:

Lot and Block	Property Owner. Lot and Buildings.	Decrease in
Lots 8, 9, 10, 11, Block 90	Kenilworth Lodge Co.	$ 1,250.00
Lot 4, Block 16	A. G. Ry Co.	350.00
Lot 4, Block 17	A. G. L. Ry Co.	350.00
Lot 9, Block 36	C. H. Jones	75.00
Lots 1 to 22, Block 72	City Park (acreage)	No tax
Lot 1, Block 86	Lake View Imp. Co.	100.00
Lot 13, Block 89	Garst-Withers, etc.	300.00
Lots 14 to 16 inclusive, Block 89	A. G. Smith, each lot	300.00
Lots 17 to 18, Block 89	D. Knickerbocker, each lot	200.00
Lots 19 and 20, Block 89	James Johnson, each lot	200.00
Lots 21 and 22, Block 89	K. Webb, each lot	200.00
Lots 23 and 24, Block 89	Wm. Trembath, each lot	200.00

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Highlands County Tax Levy Will Be Sixty-nine Mills; the Budget

The board of county commissioners of Highlands county met in called session at Sebring Monday, Sept. 19, with all members present except Perry Etheredge from district No. 3.

The annual budget of expenses having been prepared, published and considered as required by law and duly adopted by the board of commissioners and made a matter of record, the following resolution was offered and adopted:

"Whereas, Pursuant to law, the board of commissioners of Highlands county, Florida, have made, have caused to be legally published and have adopted a budget of expense for the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1922, and

"Whereas, It is necessary that a levy be made to meet the expenses proposed in said budget, be it

"Resolved, By the board of county commissioners of Highlands county, Florida, in open session, at which a quorum of said board is present and voting, and the same is hereby resolved:

"Section 1. That the following tax levy for the year 1921 be and the same is hereby made against all of the taxable property within the county of Highlands, for the purposes herein designated, to-wit:

General fund	5 mills
Fine and forfeiture fund	2 mills
Widow's pension fund	¼ mill
General road fund	8 mills
General school fund	10 mills

"Section 2. That the following tax levy for the year 1921 be and the same is hereby made against all the taxable property within the several special tax districts hereinafter named, and within the several bond districts hereinafter named, the amount and purpose of each tax levy being set out in the same paragraph and following the name of the districts to which the same is to apply, to-wit:

"Special tax school districts Nos. 1, 3, 12, 13, 15, 27, 28, 29, 35, 27 and 39, to supplement the general school 3 mills on the dollar.

"Special tax school districts Nos. 1, 3 and 37, to pay interest on bonds and to create a sinking fund for the retirement of bonds, 8 mills.

"Special road and bridge district No. 4, for bonds and interest, 12 mills and for maintenance 5 mills.

"Special road and bridge district No. 5, for bonds and interest, 20 mills and for maintenance 5 mills.

"Special road and bridge district No. 6, 25 mills.

"The county license is hereby levied and designated to be one-half the amount so taxed by the state for each and every business or occupation.

"Attest: C. F. Saunders, Clerk."

The above resolutions were unanimously passed by the vote of Commissioners McAuley, Graham and Williams, Commissioner Etheredge being absent.

Following is the budget as adopted at a former meeting in accordance with law:

General revenue	$20,000
Clerk and auditor	$ 1,500
County commissioners	1,500
Sheriff for attendance upon commissioners	100
Attorney for county commissioners	300
Supervisor of registration	200
Paupers	200
Insanity inquiries	100
Coroner's inquests	100
Tax collector	2,500
Tax assessor	2,500
Janitor	150
Rents, lights and water	1,400
Stationery and record books	2,000
Contingencies	2,450
Office furniture and supplies	2,000
Transcribing records and books	3,000
Fines and forfeitures	$ 8,000
Sheriff and deputies	$ 4,000
Game warden	1,000
Feeding prisoners	1,000
Contingencies	2,000
Road fund	$19,000
Road overseers and common labor	$ 5,000
Material	1,000
Tools	2,000
Care of Convicts	1,000
Incorporated cities	1,000
Contingencies	9,000

The commissioners also ordered that in all matters involving the expenditure of moneys the aye and nay vote shall be entered of record.

Bonds of William A. Marshall as county superintendent of public instruction, in the sum of $1,000, with the Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland as surety, were presented, approved and accepted.

William T. Taylor was appointed night watchman at the jail at $2.50 a night.

O. K. Cole, representing the New Jersey-Florida Land Company, addressed the board in regard to improvement of the road from Lake Annie to Sebring.

The board then adjourned until 1:30 p. m.

The board met at 1:30 p. m., with a full board present.

The following resolution passed by the Highlands Good Roads League, and which they requested C. L. Gaines to present to the board, was read by Mr. Gaines:

"At a meeting of the special committee of the Highlands Good Roads League, held at the court house at Sebring Sept. 19, it was moved by Dr. E. J. Etheredge that the county commissioners be requested to memorialize the state road department to spend the remaining funds it has in hand belonging to road designated, embraced in district No. 4, in old DeSoto county, to best advantage to those living along the road from Lake Annie north and now known as state road No. 8. Seconded by C. L. Gaines and carried.

"Moved by E. J. Etheredge that this meeting request the board of county commissioners of Highlands county to arrange for the attendance of the chairman of the board at the meeting of the state road commissioners in October. Carried.

"Moved by H. Jones that the expense of the chairman of the board in attending said meeting be paid by the Highlands Good Roads League. Carried.

"Moved, seconded and carried that whereas the state highway department has not designated just when state highway No. 8, through Highlands county, will be built, and

"Whereas, the county commissioners cannot act intelligently in the matter until the state highway department gives some assurance as to when it will commence said highway, that the commissioners be requested to take no further action in the matter of constructing lateral roads in Highlands county.

"SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

"George F. Kellogg, President."

Bids having been advertised for on jail cells for this day and one bid having been received from the Menly Jail Works and information received from Commissioners King, Graham and Williams regarding cells for sale at Orlando, it was moved and carried that Commissioner Graham be instructed to go to Orlando to make further investigation regarding the cells at that place and report back to this board at its next regular meeting.

The following resolution was received from the DeSoto county board of commissioners:

"Whereas, the sinking fund balance in special road and bridge district No. 4 is insufficient to meet the interest requirements at the next interest period, viz.: Nov. 15 next, and

"Whereas, there is no accumulation of funds that have been received as interest on the deposits of said district, said fund amounting to $3,180.14, and

"Whereas, by placing this accumulated interest in the sinking fund of said district all parts of said district would benefit equally, be it

"Resolved, that the said accumulation of interest be and the same is hereby appropriated to the sinking fund for the payment of interest on the bonds of said special road and bridge district No. 4 and the clerk of this board is hereby instructed to credit all further interest receipts to the sinking fund.

"The foregoing resolution was offered and its adoption moved by Thompson, which motion was seconded by Johnson and upon vote was adopted by the board:

"State of Florida, County of DeSoto, ss:

"I, A. L. Durrance, clerk of the circuit court and for the board of county commissioners of the county and state aforesaid, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by said board at a regular meeting held on Sept. 5, 1921, at which a quorum of said board was present and voting.

"Witness my hand and the seal of the said county this 6th day of September, A. D. 1921.

"A. L. DURRANCE, Clerk.
"By B. VANCE, D. C."

Whereupon, the following resolution was offered and its adoption was moved, which motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and upon a vote it was adopted and it was moved by Commissioner Graham and seconded by Commissioner McAuley that it be forwarded to the DeSoto county board. Motion carried. Voting aye: Graham, Etheredge, McAuley and Williams.

"Whereas, a resolution was duly passed by the board of county commissioners of DeSoto county, Florida, on Sept. 6, 1921, appropriating the sum of $3,180.14 to the payment of the interest upon the bonds heretofore issued by DeSoto county in special road and bridge district No. 4, and

"Whereas, the said sum of $3,180.14 is the accumulated interest on the sum of $33,517.70 found to be due and credited to that portion of special road and bridge district No. 4, now located in the county of Highlands, by an audit of the accounts of former DeSoto county, and which audit was accepted and approved by the board of commissioners of DeSoto county, and

"Whereas, the said sum of $3,180.14 belongs exclusively to the said county of Highlands;

"Now, therefore be it resolved by the board of county commissioners of Highlands county that said board of commissioners hereby refuse to agree to and acquiesce in the said action of the board of commissioners of DeSoto county, and hereby demand of the said board of commissioners of DeSoto county that the said sum of $3,180.14 be credited to that portion of special road and bridge district No. 4, lying and being in Highlands county and known and designated as Lake Annie north, by reason of the fact that the appropriation of said funds by said board of commissioners of DeSoto county, as designated in their resolution, is inequitable and illegal.

"The foregoing resolution was offered and its adoption moved by McAuley, which motion was seconded by Williams, and upon vote same was adopted by the board."

"State of Florida, County of Highlands.

"I, C. F. Saunders, clerk of the circuit court and of the board of county commissioners of the county and state aforesaid, do hereby certify that the forgoing resolution was unanimously adopted by said board at a meeting held on Sept. 19, 1921.

"Witness my hand and the seal of the said county this 19th day of September, A. D. 1921.

"C. F. SAUNDERS, Clerk.
"By Minnie Bess Saunders, D. C."

It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that M. A. Jones be instructed to go to Arcadia to check up the accounts of special road and bridge district No. 4, known as Lake Annie north.

It was moved by Commissioner Graham that the game warden be given all the fines secured by him for a period of three months, in addition to his regular salary. Same was seconded by Commissioner Williams. Those voting aye: Graham, Etheredge, McAuley and Williams. Motion carried.

The board then adjourned until its next regular meeting, on the second Monday in October.

Entertains With Birthday Party

Miss Frema Wells entertained about thirty people at her home four miles out from Sebring, on the DeSoto City road, Friday afternoon of last week. The young folk enjoyed the trip out there very much and had more fun while there, playing, singing, riding horseback and riding in the wheelbarrow. Delicious cakes and ice cream were served at the close of the party, which was given especially to celebrate Frema's birthday.

Thanks for Services

The ladies of the Woman's Organization of the Community church wish to thank the men who helped them make their sewing meetings the success they were. Jones Brothers willingly hauled all the sewing machines from the homes to the park and returned them, making possible the work of the large number of ladies together. Tom Mitchell of the Mitchell Electric Company gave the use of electric sewing machines and added to the comfort of the ladies by bringing electric fans. D. H. Sixler helped in the hauling of machines and securing other things for the use of the ladies. Co-operation of this kind helps much and encourages all to do more for public needs.

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