

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Lawton received word early Monday morning of the sudden death of Mrs. Lawton's father, R. T. Bozart, of Arcadia. Mr. and Mrs. Lawton had visited Arcadia Sunday and through Mr. Bozart was somewhat ill, no one thought of his ailment as serious. His death was a grievous one and Mrs. Lawton has the sympathy of her many friends in Sebring at this time. Mr. and Mrs. Lawton and daughter Lillian left immediately upon receiving the word for Arcadia and remained several days.

SPAIN AND FLORIDA

By Moses Folsom

Spain, now reduced to limited power among nations, was at one time the most powerful country on earth. Its greatness began with the reign of Isabella, who financed "Christoforo Columbus" for a trip to the East Indies, during which he was hailed by the discovery of America, an event ranking in importance with the almost contemporaneous one of printing from movable type. Under Charles V, a grandson of these royal friends of Columbus, was the only king of Spain, but ruler of Italy, Germany and the Netherlands in Europe, and held sway over millions of square miles in Asia, in Africa, in the Americas and in the islands of the seven seas. Ships brought spoils and gold from many countries.

Like preceding world powers, Spain, however, could not stand prosperity and now her outside possessions consist of the Canary Islands in the Atlantic and Morocco and Spanish Guinea in Africa, in all a little over 80,000 square miles, and with Morocco in the last few months, she has had an expensive war.

From Spain came Ponce de Leon and other adventurers to the shores of Florida, and for more than two hundred and fifty years the Spanish standard extended in winds from the seas, at St. Augustine, Pensacola, St. Marks and other points. It was a long period of struggle and distress, during which the British flag was here from 1763 to 1783, when Spain had ceded Florida to Great Britain for the Bahama Islands. Spain resumed control about the close of the Revolutionary war, but did not bring peace. American settlers came into Florida from the border states of the new republic. Except in the towns along the coast and the few interior communities the Indians were practical masters of the country, as they had been for centuries, and lived by hunting, fishing and preying upon each other, and upon the increasing number of whites, seeking homes in this goodly land.

Then followed the second war with Great Britain. British agents attempted to tempt the Indians to fight against the Americans. A British fleet entered Pensacola and raised the English colors over the fort. General Andrew Jackson was sent to straighten out affairs, inasmuch as the Spanish authorities made no effort to preserve order and maintain neutrality. Jackson captured Pensacola and then hastened to New Orleans, where he won the most famous victory of the war, two weeks after the treaty of peace had been signed with England. In the meantime, Georgia frontier men joined the Floridians in the east, and General Ferdinand, organized the "Republic of Florida," with General John McIntosh as president, and expeditions were sent to St. Augustine and to the interior to punish the Indians and runaway negroes, who had been raiding the border of Georgia.

The close of war with England did not bring peace along the southern border of the United States. Both President Madison and Monroe had considered the necessity of annexing Florida, and under the latter this was consummated by treaty signed at Washington, Feb. 22, 1819, by which Spain agreed to surrender Florida for \$5,000,000 and the purchase of the Florida claims amounting to about \$500,000, the first of two purchases from Spain, the second being \$20,000,000 for the Philippines. Spain accepted the agreement on Oct. 24, 1820, but the ratification was not completed at Washington until Feb. 22, 1821, and later General Jackson was designated as military governor of East and West Florida, with headquarters at Pensacola.

It was planned to exchange flags on July 4, but the Spaniards had no sentiment for the American natal day and the final act was delayed to July 10 at St. Augustine, and to July 17 at Pensacola. It was 3 o'clock p. m. when the Spanish flag came down and the Stars and Stripes took its place at St. Augustine, on what is now Fort Marion, but originally known as "San Juan de Pinos," afterwards to "San Marco" and following the transfer to its present name in honor of General Francis Marion. The fort is the oldest fortification in the United States and covers four acres. It was begun in 1698 and completed in 1766, the material of the walls being composed of rock from quarries on Anastasia island, with workmen including soldiers, Indians and negroes, who carried their work through many long and weary years. The old fort is now one of the show places of Florida.

The transfer of authority took place at 4 p. m. in the government house at St. Augustine, where the last of the forty-three Spanish governors of Florida, figuratively gave the keys of the city to Adjutant-General Butler. An incident preceding the transfer was the arrival of a journey of seventeen days from Pensacola, having been sent by General Jackson to deliver the papers and records properly belonging to the Americans. These had been packed in eleven large boxes and a vessel was waiting in the harbor to carry them away. After Governor Coppinger, who refused to deliver them, Captain Hanham had the room in the government house forced open and took charge of the documents.

It was 10 o'clock a. m. on July 17, when General Jackson and staff entered Pensacola and met General Calles, the Spanish governor. The two, with the government house to the center of the square, where the flag still carried the colors of Spain. At a signal from General Jackson, the American flag began its ascent and the Spanish flag began to fall. Soldiers of the two countries, squares, Indians and negroes filled the square, streets and windows of neighboring buildings. The Spaniards seemed much depressed, and to avoid any spirit of triumph the Americans refrained from cheering. Preceding the ceremony, General Jackson had trouble with the Spanish authorities over the public documents and at St. Augustine they had to be taken by force. The Indian chiefs were dis-

placed over the change, but the American commander assured them of his friendship. Under the Spanish they had been doing as they pleased. They and their people had learned something of his sternness in campaign against them respecting the surrender. The story of Florida after the American occupancy is recent history and rapidity with which it grew and prospered. It would take many volumes to even review the high tide of the drama enacted in the first years in America settled by white men.

FLORIDA LEGION PLANNING GREAT EXHIBIT TO MEET TO ADVERTISE STATE

"We are willing to do our part. Will you do yours?"

This is the slogan of the American Legion of the department of Florida. State Commander Jerome Wideman of the American Legion of the state of Florida has one of the best advertising schemes that has yet been presented to the state and to give the citizens of all parts of the United States a better idea of what the climate is and what is produced here as compared to other parts of the world.

The American Legion, through its state commander, has completed all details with Palm Beach County Agricultural Agent J. E. Thompson in charge of the proposition and the latter in his hustling manner has taken on the job. He has already made arrangements to present the greatest campaign in the state to have a display at New Orleans next October when the Legion will hold its fourth annual convention in that city.

This convention will bring together the greatest assembly of young men the country has ever witnessed. This year the delegates and visitors who are wanted in this state. At all other conventions, such as Rotarians, Elks, Odd Fellows, Masons, Kiwanis, K. of P. and in fact any of the great organizations, the representatives are older men who have established themselves in some locality. They are not in a receptive mood to change residence and come to some other place. But in the case of the American Legion, which is composed of young men who are in the field for a future home, Florida is in a position to offer them one.

It is for this reason that the Legion, through Mr. Dew, is going about a system of advertising that will bring the delegates and visitors who will be in the Crescent City that this state is the future home for all of them. It is a place where they can start and make a better living for themselves and be more independent than in any other climate.

This state needs young men more than any other and now is the time to get them. When they are thousands who will listen to argument. How to get them into an argument is to get them asking questions why they should come to Florida to live. The Legion is going to show them present arguments that any sane person—and they are all sane who fought for our grand old flag—that the Legion wishes to do is to have the grandest display of what is produced in the state in the way of citrus fruits.

Mr. Dew is going to ask assistance from the American Fruit Growers, the Citrus Exchange, Chase & Co., and others, to give outright to the Legion for demonstration the purpose of carrying loads of goods or more if possible.

The county agent wants to have 3,000 puds of peaches, 5,000 pounds of peanuts, and with the three or more cars of grapefruit, oranges, etc., to give away in the most convincing way possible to the visitors that Florida is the state to live in. He has reserved space in one of the leading hotels in New Orleans when the convention convenes, where orange and grapefruit juice will be served to those who are thirsty. Peanut parching stands will be leased and located at prominent corners of the city for the distribution of Florida peanuts in specially printed paper bags.

Moving pictures of the entire state will be shown, while plenty of good speakers will be on hand to show you what Florida has.

The cost of this advertising will run between \$12,000 and \$15,000. This sum has been promised among all counties on an equitable basis. All Florida and not just one part will be advertised.

As there are 78 American Legion posts in the state it will mean a very small amount for each locality to raise.

It is also intended to ask all chambers of commerce, Rotarians, Kiwanis or other organizations of business men to help raise this trifling amount in order to put on the greatest advertising game ever started in Florida.

Here are a few of the plans of the Legion.

Assemble a complete exhibit of all agricultural, horticultural, mineral and other natural resources of the state, and prepare these articles for permanent exhibit.

To transport this exhibit to New Orleans and show it in the most prominent place in the city.

To send all kinds of souvenirs from each county in the state and city for free distribution.

To act as a clearing house for all chambers of commerce, county boards and public officials to help who desire to distribute literature and disseminate facts of Florida's needs and opportunities.

To keep a complete register of all persons making inquiries or showing any interest in the state, and supply those names to all organizations who may wish them, without any charge to those bodies.

To keep a sufficient supply of fresh citrus fruits on hand at the place of exhibition all times and to provide young ladies to assist or prepare this fruit for free sampling.

To distribute free, peanuts and pecans in suitable printed bags.

To do any or all things in order that when a person or persons leave for their homes in other parts of the world they will know what Florida has to offer in the way of inducements to come to this state to make their homes.

Plans for Handling Finance

State Commander Wideman will select and ask to serve as an executive

and advisory committee three prominent men, not members of the Legion, from different sections of Florida, to act in addition to the advisory capacity, will select the manager and will receive and distribute funds collected in connection with the exhibit. Should any balance be left in the treasury at the conclusion of the exhibit, it will be returned to the different counties in proportion to their contributions.

It is distinctly understood that the American Legion of Florida is acting only as an agent for putting on what they believe will prove the best means of advertising this state that could be devised. The Legion will not accept one cent for their trouble, donating the services of every one to help make this a big winner.

FLORIDA'S WEALTH AND SOME OF ITS SOURCES

"Has Florida any money?" Strange to the state sometimes ask this question, although not as frequently in the past, when Florida's productive ability was not so large as now or as well known. "Has Florida any money?" Read the answer in the reported movement of fruits and vegetables out of the state since the opening of the present season, beginning in September last month.

Within the period above mentioned 100,000 cars, or more, of Florida grown fruit and vegetables have been shipped out of the state to markets far and wide. It is believed that the shipments of this season will exceed in volume, or quantity, those of any previous season.

Not long ago a prominent fruit and vegetable buyer and shipper stated that the shipments, at the rate of about 400 cars a month, of Florida fruits and vegetables were bringing into the state, on an f. o. b. value, very nearly \$2,000,000 or an average of \$5,000,000 per month, \$200,000 per day, or an average income from this one source alone of around \$5,000 per hour. "Has Florida any money?" There's the answer.

It seems safe to estimate, roughly, that Florida fruits and vegetables grown and marketed this season, now drawing to a close, will bring to the producers, the farmers and truckers, over \$50,000,000. Now, fifty million dollars is a hefty sum of money to hold in the period of six or seven months, even though it goes into a number of pockets or bank accounts. But it is wealth of the state. Then to that amount, add another sum nearly as large, representing the money the citrus fruit growers are receiving for this season's crop.

It is more than likely that when the figures representing the value of the total crop of fruits and vegetables for this season are available they will show a most gratifying aggregate of income. It is nearly earned by most industries, pains-taking lot of men and women who steadily are in the process of drawing questions and answers. They have learned much in the bitter school of experience within the last few years. They have found out that it pays to organize their forces, to employ improved methods of cultivation, to grow crops and vines that are helping themselves to an appreciable degree, getting better and better crops and more and more money to be extended for many necessary things, the cultivation of more land, the building of improved roads, of better school buildings, and so on, not neglecting to improve the home and to add to the conveniences and pleasures by which living is made more satisfying, more nearly what life ought to be.

"Has Florida any money?" Look

If You Grow Good Citrus Let Buyers Know It

AFG

If you grow good citrus you're not only proud of it and want to distinguish it from the mediocre fruit of coarse texture and poor eating quality but you expect to get the premium its quality deserves.

If you grow good citrus let the buyers know it. Stick to first class grading and packing.

Your season's average net returns will prove that good grading and packing pay.

Hold your grading and packing standards so high that the American Fruit Growers Inc. may use its Blue Goose trademark in connection with your own house brand. This will identify your pack to the trade as highest quality.

Dealers have learned by experience that any grower's brand, carrying the Blue Goose seal, can be relied upon for quality.

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around, throughout the state, and read the answer in a thousand signs that indicate the possession of wealth and the disposition to use it in any way, for the advancement of the individual and of the state.—Times-Union.

ENGLISH VISITOR PRAISES FLORIDA

"Florida is a wonderful state, with unexcelled possibilities." These words, used to express his impression of this state, were spoken by Dr. W. L. Lobnitz, controller of horticulture of the ministry of agriculture and fisheries, England, who made a recent visit to the University of Florida while officially visiting this state.

"Fifty years from now your state will be recognizable by reason of the developments headed this way," according to the opinion of the distinguished visitor. He stated further that it is beyond the human imagination to conceive what Florida really will be within a half century.

Dr. Lobnitz came to the United States primarily to represent the British government at a hearing before the department of agriculture in Washington. While here he is making a study of methods of controlling plant diseases and insect pests, especially quarantine methods. He was in Florida for several days, having been advised by Washington speculators to spend as much time here as possible, not only that he might enjoy our unusual climate, but also that he might become acquainted with our quarantine regulations and practices, and to be superior to those of almost any other state.

DAIRY PRICES HOLD UP
Prices of dairy and poultry products suffered the least the rapid deflation of prices of farm products, which began in 1920 and continued through 1921, according to the United States department of agriculture.

R. R. R.
Don't Say Roach Powder DEMAND
Ray's Roach Router
Not Poison
Guaranteed to Rid Your House of Roaches
See Your Grocer or Druggist
25 and 50 Cents a Box
Manufactured by E. D. Ray,
1015 Franklin St., Tampa.

Clearing Sale
MEN'S SHOES WORK CLOTHES UNDERWEAR
And other articles at ridiculously low prices
WE'RE CLOSING OUT OUR STOCK OF MEN'S GOODS
Everything Must Go
The Whitehouse Store
"MILADY'S STORE"

Why Order Furniture

WHEN YOU CAN GET IT RIGHT HERE IN SEBRING
AT PRICES THAT CAN'T BE BEAT
QUALITY FOR QUALITY WE CHALLENGE ANY-
ONE TO BRING FURNITURE INTO SEBRING AND
SELL IT AT A LEGITIMATE PRICE LOWER THAN
OURS.

Our Stock is Up to the Scratch

AND WE EITHER HAVE WHAT YOU WANT OR
WILL GET IT ON SHORT NOTICE

The S. R. Hart Furniture Co.
PHONE 85 ROANOKE BUILDING

Feed the Kiddies Bread and Milk
This Warm Weather
We Make the Bread
The Best in South Florida
The Sebring Bakery

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Ten years ago an Illinois farmer lent a mule to a neighbor farmer and afterwards had to replevin the mule to get it back. The neighbor brought suit, alleging that the wrong mule had been replevined. The case has been in the courts ever since and has cost the principals twenty times the original cost of the mule. It has been tried four times and appealed and is now pending. Meanwhile two judges who have heard the case have died, the plaintiff died a week ago and the mule has been dead for years. But the law and the lawyers are still busy with the case.—Exchange.

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W. F. Ward of Kico was in Sebring Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Manley went to Postoffice Tuesday morning to attend to business.

Henry Kraus, Travis and Bob Parrell spent Tuesday and Wednesday fishing in Lake Sebring.

Mrs. Ira Ripston left Sebring Saturday and spent several days as the guest of Mrs. Arthur Crews in Arcadia.

Harriet and Sarah Cox, guests of Mrs. Frank Manley, are spending a week in Lake Wales with Miss Demeris Anderson.

Mrs. T. V. Conway, Mrs. E. C. Wright and Mrs. P. J. Rippberger called on friends at DeSoto City last Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Bee, Mrs. J. R. Blythe and Mrs. W. L. Woodford drove to Tampa Wednesday and returned Thursday.

Miss Demeris Anderson of Lake Wales arrived in Sebring last Thursday and spent several days as the guest of Mrs. Frank Manley.

Col. F. N. K. Bailey, who has been spending the past two weeks at his home on Lake Josephine, left last week for Greenville, S. C.

Mrs. M. G. Norman and daughter, Harriet Ann, left Sebring Tuesday for Jacksonville. Mr. Norman took them to Haines City in their car.

W. I. Scott went to Tampa Sunday and returned Thursday after conducting there a Masonic school of instruction and dedicating the John Darling lodge.

Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Roy West, Mrs. Henry Stevenson, Mrs. Mae Walden were some of the Avon Park visitors in town Tuesday.

Mrs. Wm. Reek, Mrs. Herbert Reek and Mrs. E. C. Tole of Avon Park greeted many friends here Tuesday when they came to attend the Woman's Club meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Skipper and two children of Bartow spent Sunday in Sebring, visiting Mr. Skipper's sister, Mrs. E. O. Douglas, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. William King and Miss Bertha China of Avon Park were in Sebring Tuesday, the ladies to attend the Woman's Club meeting and Mr. King to attend the golf board meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Sebring, H. O. Jr., and Miss Leila will leave Sunday for the north. They will drive to Jacksonville and ship their car from there to New York, where they will spend part of their vacation.

Wm. J. Amy, Tom Dimberline and Kenneth Johnson left Sebring early Wednesday morning for Tampa, where they attended the last day's work in the Masonic school of instruction at the John Darling lodge.

Mrs. Ellen Weaver of Onelika, Ala., and her two children, James Manley and Allen, arrived in Sebring the first of the week to spend some time here as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Manley. Mrs. Weaver is Mr. Manley's sister.

Rev. C. W. Weigle arrived at his home in Sebring Monday and stayed until Friday, when he and Mrs. Weigle left for Virginia. They were accompanied by Mrs. and Miss Gilliam, who have spent the last three weeks in Sebring as the guests of Mrs. Weigle.

Ed. Cobb, representing the Jauden Engineering Company, spent the last week in Sebring, having the Arrowhead as his headquarters. Mr. Cobb spent most time in Sebring when the first paving was done and his friends made at that time were pleased to see him again.

A fishing party consisting of Messrs. Greene, Rippberger, Degering and Beresford tried their luck at Lake Okechobee last week and brought home quite a number of little ones. They say that it was the worst time of the moon for big ones. Why not consult the almanac before starting?

Allen Altwater and Stanley Capwell returned to Sebring Wednesday noon after a three weeks' vacation. They drove north with Bill Vogelberg in his car and attended the auto races at Indianapolis and report a most exciting and enjoyable trip. The ball team especially enjoyed the Stanley day, but everyone was glad to see the boys.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Brochie of Haines City arrived in Sebring last Saturday and stayed at the Arrowhead for a few days until they put in readiness the "Golden Glow" bungalow on Lakeview drive, where they will live for the next few months. Mr. Brochie is a civil engineer and will have charge of the paving work now going on in Sebring.

Miss Nannie C. McCarty, who spent a few days in Sebring the first of the month, returned Thursday from Eureka, accompanied by her sister and mother, who will make their future home here. They have bought the Markey home on Lakeview drive and as soon as it is furnished will move there. In the meantime the ladies will stop at the Beckley.

Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Cope will drive to Haines City next Wednesday to meet Mr. and Mrs. Darrell May of Pittsburgh, who will spend a week here with them. Mr. and Mrs. May are on their honeymoon and are taking advantage of an offer made by Mrs. Cope when she left Pittsburgh after her marriage to entertain all the boys of her Sunday school class on their honeymoon trip. That the first one, but Mrs. Cope would like to see them all.

John Eiland, until recently the owner of the Eiland Garage, left Sebring Saturday for the East Coast to join in the citrus inspection campaign against citrus canker. Mr. Eiland was one of the citrus inspectors in the Sebring district, but located here in the garage when that force was cut. The recent discovery of the canker again has caused an increase of the inspection force and he was pressed into service. Mrs. Eiland and the children are with her parents at her former home at Dade City.

Miss Janie Stevenson arrived in Sebring Thursday from Tampa, where she is now living, and stayed here until Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Butts are entertaining Mrs. Butts' parents and brother, who drove to Sebring from Georgia to spend some time here with her.

Mrs. Herbert Gearing of Boca Grande and her three children arrived in Sebring last Friday and will remain here for some time, visiting friends and relatives. Mrs. Gearing formerly lived in Sebring and is glad to be here among old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Watson are now occupying Sunset cottage, the McCook bungalow on Lake View drive. Mr. Watson is a salesman for tractors and cars at the Bowden Garage and is one of the several new progressive business men in Sebring. Mr. and Mrs. Watson have been at the Buckeye for the past few weeks, coming from Toronto, Canada, to Sebring.

Many Sebring people were surprised and pleased to greet H. S. Wilder formerly lived in Sebring, being one of the citrus inspectors, leaving that office to enter the service during the war. After some time in the Key West after the war, Mr. Wilder entered the clothing business in Daytona and has been very successful. On this trip to Sebring, he was accompanied by his bride, having been married at her home in Daytona. Mr. Wilder and his wife have been spending an auto honeymoon. Mrs. Wilder is an unusually attractive and charming woman and the friends of Mr. Wilder here were pleased that he gave them the chance to meet her. Mr. Wilder expressed great surprise in the changes in Sebring in the past five years and would have thought the progress was impossible in that length of time.

LEAGUE PROGRAM FOR SUNDAY NIGHT

Following is the Epworth League program for Sunday evening, as announced by the leader, Percy Gearing.

Hymn.

Announcements.

Short talk by the leader:

Talk from 1 John 17:18-21—"The Closing Prayer"—Miss Naomi Warren.

Talk, Matt 28:16-20—"The Great Commission"—Miss Leona White.

Talk, Eph. 6:12—"Difficulties from the Fact of Opposition"—Miss Mary Sanders.

Talk, Romans 15:7—"Difficulties from the Fact of Co-operation"—Jerome McLeod.

Talk, Col. 3:11—"The Solution"—Mrs. B. A. Cope.

Talk—"Fight Is On."

Talk—"Into Every Condition"—C. Cobb.

IDEAL GROCERY GIVES CUSTOMERS A TREAT

For the first three days of this week a continuous tea party was held at the Ideal Grocery; Milton Baker, proprietor, Mrs. L. Hoggie, representing Joseph Tetley & Co., Inc., served delicious tea, hot or cold, but mostly cold as the unusually hot days made great demand for the refreshing drink. Baker said she was disposed of. No charge was made for the service and the pleasant way in which Mrs. Hoggie extended her invitations to drink made every one feel she was a most gracious hostess. At the joint meeting of the Avon Park and Sebring Women's Clubs she served tea before and after the meeting and gained admittance for herself and her article of demonstration. At the Ohio theater Wednesday night she again served the public and when the left Thursday morning she could feel assured that her tea was well advertised, well sampled and well liked.

WAKE STEARNS NEWS

The regular session of the Bible study class was held at the school house Friday night.

The community enjoyed a watermelon cutting at the home of J. W. Williams of this place Saturday night. The watermelons were cut and games were played by both children and grown-ups. The Ever-Ready Sunday school class held their business meeting after most of the crowd had taken their leave. New officers were elected, debts paid, dues collected and \$10 donated to the orphanage.

Sunday school was held Sunday with a good attendance.

Rev. and Mrs. E. H. Crowson returned home Monday from Venus, where Rev. Crowson preached Sunday.

Rev. J. L. Moore returned home Monday from his regular appointment below here.

Albert DeVane returned Monday from a business trip to Lakeland.

George Williams returned Monday from Tampa and brought his Ford back again.

The stewards and trustees of the Methodist church held a business meeting at the home of M. A. Jones Tuesday night.

Francis Irey, Mrs. Driggers' grandson, who has been visiting her for two weeks, returned to his home in Fort Meade Sunday.

Reginald Lipham of Brownsville spent Saturday night and Sunday here with Lewis Williams.

I. P. Austin met the school board in Sebring Monday.

Mrs. G. L. Moore entertained the married ladies at an old-fashioned quilting party at her home Thursday.

MEAT OUTPUT FALLS OFF There were 25,528 fewer meat animals slaughtered in the United States under federal inspection during April this year than last, according to the United States department of agriculture. To this shortage sheep and lambs contributed 201,511, hogs 57,533, cattle 577, and calves 218.

KENILWORTH LODGE

The beauty of Kenilworth Lodge has always been an attraction to Sebring, but the condition of the grounds and the building at the present time surpasses anything it ever has been. The extensive rains during the past month have brought about a wonderful growth in the shrubbery and the excellent care the grass and plants have been given have brought about the results one now sees. The winter tourists do not see the glory of the hibiscus, the profusion of the almander blossoms or the beauty of the oleander. The summer residents of Sebring look upon the Kenilworth grounds as a park and a beautiful kept one it is. The roses have been cut back to preserve their best display for the winter, but in spite of that there are a great number of large and beautiful flowers, one of the most beautiful being a Marechal Niel, blooming for the first time. The palms on the grounds and the driveway have become accustomed to their new soil and are putting on a rapid growth of the best quality. It has been laid from the terrace to the lake and all weeds have been removed from the water, leaving the pool and sand beach to be enjoyed by the bathers.

The golf course, usually neglected in the summer time, has had its share of care. The fairways are as green as any northern course could be and the rains and the frequent mowings have put them in perfect condition. It is conceded by authorities that it takes years of good care to produce a good golf course, but with the aid of a good overseer, the golf enthusiasts who come to Sebring will find a course even surpassing their expectations.

The hotel building itself has been receiving much attention. All screens have been removed and wherever a room showed any evidence of use or misuse, it has been put into perfect condition. The roof has been repaired on the outside, and inside has been re-enforced with much needed braces. The basement of the hotel has been remodeled, making small, single rooms for the help instead of the large dormitories.

A man is kept on the grounds and in the building at all times. The building grounds and golf course are under the management of Sam Degering, who keeps in constant touch with J. E. Conley of New York, president of Kenilworth Company, Inc. Kenilworth Lodge is one of Sebring's greatest assets. Aside from being one of the beauty spots of the town, it attracts here many people who would not be otherwise interested, and when good roads make the hotel accessible to all tourists its possibilities will be realized more than ever.

SEBRING DULL IN SUMMER?

Many of our winter visitors think that Sebring must be dull in the summer-time (when they go away). Could they but see the rush of activities at the present time, they would wonder how we ever had time for them. Street paving going on with the usual confusion caused by the trucks and hauling of materials. New building going up where many have spent happy hours hitting horse-shoes. (Who would have thought J. B. would have done it?) Some good roads being built and as quickly as they appeared. The school yard and station park are being put in perfect condition by the civic department. A most exciting election over and all bets paid. Young folks from college and boarding houses instead of midnight oil. Road around the lake being well worn by autos and rain. Lakes used by bathers day and night. Marshal putting stop-watch on speeders and enforcing parking ordinances. Bull being actually practicing every day and ready to perform on Thursdays. Woman's Club Eastern Star, Miral class and all missionary societies meeting regularly. Parties and trips enough to fill a column the paper each week. Dull? Not for one who keeps up with the times.

MISS INGLE ENTERTAINS

A novel and interesting party was given last Friday evening from 5 to 8 o'clock by Miss Louise Ingle at Brexey Point. After a series of rainy days the young folks here began to enjoy an outdoor picnic again and the special fun for the evening was "croquet." The interest, enthusiasm and skill of the young people made the games most exciting. After that fun was over and it was too dark to play, all were treated to water-melons, particularly sweet and delicious ones, and every one present hoped that croquet parties would become a fad. Among those who were present were: Mary Cornelia and Esther Maude Saunders, Ellen Heacock, Rose Mary Graham, Leila Sebring, Elizabeth Gilliam, Ford Heacock, David Lane, Harris Muff and James Ingle.

Sad Death in Accident

Word was received here by A. L. Young of the death of his brother-in-law, Alexander Smolloy, at Bayonne, N. J., June 6. The young man was a chemist and while working in the laboratory was fatally burned after the explosion of some gasoline. Mr. Smolloy married Miss Pearl Young just a year ago and the young couple have been living in Bayonne since then. Mr. Smolloy spent several winters in Sebring and has many friends who will be grieved to learn of this tragedy.

Eastern Star Meeting

The regular meeting of the Sebring Chapter, O. E. S., was held Thursday evening, June 8. The regular business was attended to and Miss Janie B. Stevenson was initiated into the order. Resolutions of sympathy for Mr. T. Lawton on the death of her father were passed. The altar was impressively draped in memory of the death of Mrs. Maria Lawton, the grand matron of the grand chapter of Florida, who died May 26.

SURPRISE PARTY FOR

MISS ESPAGE ROGERS

The young people who attended the lawn party given by Miss Espage Rogers Friday night discovered that her birthday was on Saturday and that she was celebrating the occasion by her party, but had not informed them. To show her that they appreciated her hospitality and wished to remember her birthday, they planned a surprise picnic near the bridge for Saturday evening. When Espage was taken for a ride, she found her young friends assembled and with them a goodly supply of picnic goodies, such as sandwiches, deviled eggs, pickles, cream and cake. They repeated their good time of Friday night and felt that this birthday should be doubly remembered.

AIRPLANE VISITS SEBRING

Last Saturday afternoon a plane from Arcadia, in charge of officers from Carlstrom Field, landed on the golf course, the men coming to find W. F. Johnson, road master of this division of the A. C. L. In their search for an aviator who was lost in the Everglades they needed the use of a motor car on the A. C. L. and the section men would not give the necessary permission. As telephone communication was unsatisfactory the men flew over and in a few moments started back with their mission accomplished. Carlstrom Field is to close soon and we shall miss the visits of the aviators.

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THE VALUE OF A COUNTY FEDERATION

[Paper written by Mrs. E. M. Galloway, vice-president of the Florida State Federation of Women's Clubs, and read before the joint meeting of the Sebring and Highlands County clubs at Sebring last Tuesday.]

A county federation is an asset to any county—could it be more? You will find where a county federation has existed for a year or more, it is not only a credit to the county but a credit to the state and nation.

It is not our intention to infer that counties without a federation are unprogressive, but we are sure that you will agree that women, perhaps more than men, have at heart that which affects the child and home, and it is through these county federations that women can materially help to bring about better conditions in the communities in which they live.

There may be before me those who doubt the truth of the statement, so let us for a little while study together county federation; what is a county federation? It is an organization of women, chosen from many organizations, from the various towns and communities of the county.

As women's clubs, civic, philanthropic and cultural clubs, business and professional clubs, leagues of women, W. C. T. U., U. S. C. D. A. I. R., home demonstration clubs, canning clubs, in fact any organization that co-operates for the good of the county.

But, we might ask here, is it not better that the individual clubs and organizations should do their own work? The answer is simple enough. We all know that in numbers there is strength. Sixteen small bodies organized into one large body, aggregating from 100 to 2,500 women, can do more than 25 or 100 women in one organization.

As an example, suppose here in this county you had a committee of public health nurses, county demonstration agent, a probation officer. A committee from all these organizations would go before the county commissioners or county school board, which ever might be the proper authority to grant money, to ask for an appropriation to finance the best project you would be refused, but, if your county federation representing 500 instead of 25 women, appeared before them, because of your strength in numbers as well as desire, your request would be granted. If you met with refusal the first time, you would undoubtedly meet with better fate the second time. If you were intervening there would be so many women talking, thinking and pressing the subject that the board would be glad to pass favorably on the subject.

Or again, suppose there was a sentiment for beautifying your main county highway. Instead of one club along that highway, if you had a county federation, the cost of the highway would be secured the correct right of way, easement, etc., your county federation could ask the county commissioners for this help.

There might be a need for domestic science in one of your high schools. Again your county federation could be of great service. Representatives could go before the county school board and investigate prospects, funds, etc. If the school was lacking the county federation might finance this end, through one big effort, by giving a picnic, a spring festival or some such money-making scheme. The value of a county federation is evident.

Remembering our own lack of knowledge as to what the several county federations were doing, recently we sent out the following questionnaire to ten of the older county federations and nine replies were promptly received.

What has your county federation done for your county?

What does county federation mean in a general way? Repose?

Has it made for better co-operation and loyalty? How?

Other clubs and federated ones can belong to county federations; clubs that are not eligible to state federations. Has not any such in your federation?

Are you federated with the state federation?

Mention a few definite things your county federation has done for your county?

The replies to these questions were interesting and enthusiastic, and if you will follow me for a little while we will try to pass on some of the enthusiasm.

The Manatee-Sarasota federation meets twice each year, and Mrs. W. E. Mann, the president here, Palmetto, says the reports from individual clubs at these meetings, brings an interchange of thought and ideas, and the combined efforts bring better results for the county. Only a few weeks can go by in this federation, but the state officers and chairmen can come to them, thus being brought in closer touch with the state work. It is their aim to co-operate with the state federation as much as possible.

This study federation is very proud of the health work they have put over. They sponsored a special bill which was passed at the last legislature, whereby the county commissioners are authorized to levy one-half mill tax to provide a public health nurse. The public health committee is busy along this protection line. Prizes were given at the county fair for the best constructed bird house to boys in the sixth and seventh grades, thus educating the boys to love and protect the birds. The civic committee has placed road signs and planning a county-wide tree and lawn planting.

Polk county federation is one and a half years old. The president, Mrs. Jack Pryor of Haines City, writes the federation has been a great stimulus to the small clubs. There are 27 clubs and over 900 women.

Mrs. Pryor says county federation unifies the women of the county, so that they work together more efficiently in matters pertaining to county progress and social betterment. Polk

county federation has accomplished two definite things. Established a scholarship at the county Verde school to be enjoyed by a home demonstration girl in high school. When the second good thing is the continuance of the work of the county federation. It is a credit to county commissioners.

This federation has been given 10 acres of land, which has been donated to several cities, for a county park, and the county commissioners, through the efforts of the federation president and members, gave \$150 to assist in erecting a camp on same.

Orange county federation has not been inactive a year, but has had two meetings full of enthusiasm and interest. Had the privilege of having Mrs. Winter, the general federation president, speak to them in March. This federation plans to support highway beautification, child welfare and home demonstration work.

The president, Mrs. A. B. Whitman of Orlando, feels the personal contact with other women learning the aims and community interests and their relation to the whole is the broadest of all.

Each club gets from finding that it is not the center of everything that a county federation has to offer. It is a number of the organizations, it is perhaps the biggest cause for having a county federation.

The clubs in the Volusia county federation feel that federation is the strongest asset of the county. Stanley of Daytona, who is the president. The greatest work they have accomplished is the co-operation of the county. They are to have a secretary financial by the county.

Pinellas county federation, Mrs. Stanley of Daytona, who is the president, says the fourth splendid meeting proves that co-operation is the greatest word in the English language.

Pinellas county, known to most of us as Pinellas, is one of the oldest and largest county federations. Dr. Grace Whitman of Oran, who is the president, says: "County federation has cemented the county spirit, made the women know each other, the men do not feel themselves or the county." The county federation is the most powerful organization in the county, because of its large membership from all parts of the county.

It takes definite action on all public questions, getting the candidates to give up the general questions, in writing and holding a referendum to it. They stand for the best citizenry in the county, regardless of sex.

Representatives of Pinellas county federation are called upon for opinions by the county board, the county, such as school board, county commissioners and dare always welcome at the meetings where they are in pursuit of their ends. Compulsory education, when not at all popular, was one of their first aims, secured it through legislative action and enforced it. Child welfare was next taken up and secured a public health nurse, which the county commissioners still support. Education and child welfare are the two greatest objectives. County federation work, county relief agent work, named and promoted all the following work of the school and pre-school age—children, whose parents were unable to pay for same. Promotes all things cultural, working for music and art in all schools and community movement for a parent of real Florida life and history; belongs to the general federation and works in close accord with state federation.

The public health committee in the Escambia county federation has been active in interest in several communities in child welfare work. The finance committee of the federation is helping the Pensacola club buy their club house, which will be used by the women of the county.

D. A. H. of Cottonwood Hill is president. Her federation is young and will have more to report another time.

Mrs. Thomas W. McCluer, president of the St. Lucie county federation, writes of the value of a county federation receives from state federation, the spirit of the county federation, connecting link between county and state. She says while few club women can get to state meetings, they can go to the county meetings, just as few state officers and chairmen can go to individual clubs, they can go to county federations. St. Lucie county has worked for better county officers, law enforcement, and working for a public health nurse. The towns have awakened to the need for more inspection. West Palm Beach has appointed such an inspector.

Alachua county federation is about two months old and began functioning by asking the candidates for office to state their platforms and opinions on certain subjects.

Seminole county organized the end of May and will have charge of the Near-East drive for old clothes and other commodities, as their first work. Mrs. L. M. Johnson, president of the Lake county federation, who is also vice-president of section seven, has written for us a very complete, helpful and interesting article of county federation organization; an article which would be of great assistance to any county desiring to organize a county federation.

Mrs. Johnson writes that in organizing the Lake county federation, by writing Mrs. Johnson, or the vice-president of the county federation could be passed on. Lake county was organized with four clubs—the first of which were eight, and they now have 15 and before the end of the second year they will have installed into the men's organizations as well, the worth of such a motto: "Lake county stands out, perhaps, as the one county that lives their motto."

Mrs. Johnson says that perhaps the greatest good accomplished through this particular federation is her own education. She knew but little of four or five towns, she learned to know, be interested in, and love many women. If this is true Mrs. Johnson, is it not true of most of us? Lake county federation has a county park, the first county park in the

state, and works along all the lines of the state federation.

If the names of the presidents of the other county federations had been known, the questionnaire would have gone to each county organization; just last week we learned of two or three that we did not know existed.

But two county federations are federated with the state, Manatee and St. Lucie. According to the by-laws of the state federation, all clubs in a county federation must be directed federated with the state federation, before a county federation can federate. Personally, while we would welcome all county federations to the state federation if they could comply with the by-laws, we believe a county federation better serve the county unfederated, than to be federated with the state.

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move over the pasture several times during the year to keep weeds from seeding and bushes from growing up. Every other year plow or disc thoroughly, and then pasture the land. Break up the sod-bound condition which comes about with grasses of this kind. The rainy season is generally the best time for this.

Where lespedeza is found growing in a pasture, encourage its growth as it adds much to the enrichment of the soil and to the value of the pasture produced. Discing or plowing the Bermuda pastures under these conditions would be done, usually in November in order to let the lespedeza recover itself.

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**TEAM SHOWS A GREAT
IMPROVEMENT IN FORM**

In Wobbly Defensive System

That the kindness of local ball players is exceeded only by their extreme good looks was clearly demonstrated at Wauchula yesterday afternoon when they allowed the Groves of that place to walk off on the long end of an 8 to 4 score. True, the locals were outlasted, outfielded and completely outdone in everything except error making, but the fact was clearly evident to everyone that the Wauchula boys wanted the Sabrinians to take the game and they wouldn't have it.

The locals got away to a nice start retiring the Vauchulans scoreless in the first inning—something that they have done to an opposing team only one additional time this season. That they did so, however, was due to the fact that Big Tom Dimberline was on the job and struck out a couple of men in succession with runners on second and third as a result of a single and a couple of errors. Of course, it was

shouldn't lose this blood in the first round. It was not until the second round that the Sebring hopeful really got into action. After Big Guns Vann and Dimberline had gone back to the bench on a whiff-out, an infield put-out respectively, Whitehouse singled and the youthful Beget got to first on an error, occasions by a juggling act upon the part of Pitcher Gillette, who seemed determined to do as many butter-finger stunts with the ball as possible before finally hanging on. Varena the

drove a beautiful single to right which scored George and put Bee on the keystone cushion. He was left stranded when Cracker North grounded to third.

Wauchula, not to be outdone, came back in its half of the third and tied the score as a result of hits by Ra-

The Growers were not to be satisfied very long, however, with the on all status of things. In the fifth Hopkins on the tail-end of the battin

order led off with a single. An infield error advanced him and gave Sutherland a chance. An infield error scored Hopkins. Ratliffe again precipitated trouble by singling sharply to left field. A wild throw in result-

After the first tally, Sebring rode along until the sixth before showing any great interest in again ac-

ing. In this frame, however, things looked "mighty like a rose" when Count Capwell led off with a scoring double to right center. Gearhart got a life when the first baseman (the don't-want-it act on a roller. A error upon the part of the same Sabers benefactor nut Jaeger on

paths, when Count scored. Vann then hit a Texas leaguer to right, scoring "Pee Gee." With none down and two runs already across, Dimmerline came to bat and had a chance to win the own game. He fanned. Whitehead did the ditto on Tom's act. The fans looked longingly to Pee for the big

Neither side scored further until the eighth. That frame was a good deal on the order of the stuff that nightmares—not dreams—are made of. An outfield ruff, a double,

Sebring made a lame effort in the ninth to come back, but the effort was very, very weak. Chambliss and Colett, the Wauchula catcher and pitcher, swapped places to encourage

locals to do their blameworthy. Dimbleby, the first man up, was allowed a life when Chambliss used his fingers on a roller. Whitehouse was ed, while Jaeger, running for the stole third. A double steal was pulled with the team only five behind and Gid scored while G

was sent to the bench. Coach Perkins tried pinch-hitting for Bee but pulled a Home-run Casey by whiff. Varena thought it good baseball model after his superior and did likewise, ending the game.

To be sure there were bright spots in the season. Their

and errors were just one more than of the number in the game of week before. Dimberline pitched excellent ball for the greater part the game, and had he had the support that he needed the score would have been different. His fast ones y

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Entered as second-class matter August 6, 1911, at the postoffice at Sebring, Fla., under the act of March 3, 1879.

To insure change of advertisement in current issue copy must be in our hands by noon Wednesday.

What Sebring needs is less gossip and more boosting.

Some towns would be sadly depopulated if the food killer were to pay them an unannounced visit.

If we are to take Major Cocke's word for it, divine aid is not the only kind dependent upon self-assistance.

In reading over one of our exchanges, we note that the change of style in midday's footwear is causing a certain flapper a little considerable uneasiness.

Co-operation is the one thing that is never over-done in any community. Here in Sebring, it seems to be somewhat of a negative quantity.

For utter disregard of conventions, an exchange cites the example of a certain gentleman walking perspicaciously down Broadway with his straw lid in one hand and a toupee in the other.

Phil Armstrong of the Florida Times-Union remarks that a man may be pressed for time but a girl is pressed for other reasons. Phil is a member of the press association, and of course ought to know.

One fatal characteristic of the average public meeting held in Sebring is too much talk and too little action. Talk-fests have never been known to accomplish very much of anything. Action is what we want gentlemen, ACTION!

Some people and some so-called institutions are an out-of-place in a progressive and up-to-date community as a first-series phord in a metropolitan pacific garage. Now listen at some smart alex come back us with the counter-assertion that they get there just the same.

Our present county commissioners together with the commissioners elect are the people's best security against the unwise expenditure of funds should county-wide bonds be voted. Either man for man or as a body, they will compare more than favorably with any board in the state.

If there is only one city and no more in the state that needs an ordinance prohibiting jay walking, Orlando is that city. Traffic in the City Beautiful is greatly impeded by pedestrians who pop unexpectedly from behind almost countless cars parked along the somewhat narrow business thoroughfare.

The road between Orlando and Winter Park, when fully completed, will be one of the finest in the south. And road construction is only one of many things in which the progressive citizens of Orange county are showing enterprise. Hillsborough's bold issue is certainly timely if it promises to maintain its leadership in South Florida.

The Tampa Times philosopher utters a good motto in the following: "Let us become fatter for the next way we keep our lawns, shrubs and trees. Too many towns noted already for the way they trim tourists." But isn't it a fact that if a town is really desirous of trimming the tourist that it must first establish a reputation for trimming the lawns "nevertheless"?

Someone has asked us as to whether or not Old Solomon, had he been obliged to select one from the present flapper generation, would have insisted upon the full six hundred. We'll say he would be barring an exhaustion of the supply, not to mention his own age and financial limitations, we'll bet if the old boy could have his way he would go on choosing them forever.

Why, oh why, does the average small town resent the home paper's depiction of conditions that are not exactly as they should be? The influence of the large paper is based not only upon its boosting for all worthwhile enterprise, but by its invariable expose of things that are against the "public weal." No town will ever be properly served until it can boast of a big-town paper adapted to local conditions, of course.

The state road department has given us assurance through Major Cocke that state road No. 8 will NOT be constructed through Highlands county in the very near future. That is, not with state funds. It is simply up to the people of Highlands county as to whether or not they consider the road of sufficient importance to get busy and build it by bonding. Now, will we get busy?

Of course it is simply "gorgeous" to have all our side streets "nevertheless" saved right off the reel, but it is just a bit embarrassing to greet the newcomer and to welcome him to our city after his profanity provokes travel over that infamous stretch between the railroad and the city limits. And the only suggestion of a detour to be found is a sandy stretch that is at best a times even worse. How about, gentlemen?

"Tapping the Thought Tank," by W. L. Thordyke in the Kissimmee Valley Gazette, is undoubtedly the most scintillant column carried in any of the state's weeklies. In addition to "Tapping the Thought Tank," "Thorn" writes the editorials, the news and all the society "gush" for the Valley-Gazette. His claim to writing more news weekly than any editor in the state is not overdrawn, and with all the quantity the paper maintains an almost incomparable quality. The Valley-Gazette owners certainly hit upon a good thing when they employed "Old Man Thorn."

WHY A STRADDLER?

Gilbert Leach, of the Leesburg Commercial, devotes considerable space to the attempting labeling of our Dr. Eberhard as a "straddler" relative to the proposed publicity bills sponsored by the State Press Association. Such a classification is rather absurd in view of the fact that the doctor was not interviewed regarding his stand on the proposed bill until the time had already expired when an opposing candidate could be brought out against him. Editor Leach's statement, that Dr. Eberhard's opposition to the bill at the last session of the legislature was summed up in an amendment making it inoperative in towns having a population of less than 3,000 is probably correct insofar as it goes. But it is a fact that the doctor later was willing to offer the amendment only in behalf of the towns having no newspaper. That is still his ground for opposing the publicity bills unamended.

It is possible that Editor Leach, in common with some others, gained the impression that Dr. Eberhard is "straddling" through conflicting statements attributed to him by this county's legislative candidates in the recent campaign. But his stand, explained to us weeks ago, is the same now as it was then, and identical with the one taken at the meeting of the South Florida Press Association in Lakeland, if a report from a gentleman present is to be given credence.

For the life of us, we cannot see where he is straddling, and if he should be, he could have no reason in the world for so doing.

That "Wauchula outfit certainly landed our ball team a severe trouncing, much more so than the circumstances warranted. On several occasions a hard-boiled Hardean was seen to knock a ball straight at one of our fielders, and hitting it with such force that the poor fellow scarcely had time to dodge. Furthermore, if our boys wouldn't give 'em a base, they would take it. By heck, they'd stand it; just like that. As game-winning ball players, they'll do, but they certainly need to brush up a bit on morals and manners.

Gilbert Freeman, editor of the Highlands County Pilot, remarks that the path to hell is a one-way street. His stand may be well-taken. We'll admit that driving over Avon Park's horrible example of a o. w. s. is hardly conducive to lofty ideas.

"The building boom grows stronger each week," declares the West Palm Beach Post. "Building permits for the week ending Saturday, June 3, showed a total of \$99,325." The largest single permit granted was for the construction of a tile and concrete mercantile building, which will cost \$30,000.

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MRS. P. J. RIPPBERGER,
Editor
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Miss Lora Treadway of DeSoto City spent Monday in Sebring.

Dan Hazen spent a week in Tampa on business returning to Sebring this week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Spooner went to Inverness Sunday and returned Thursday.

Mrs. S. R. Hart spent the past week in Tampa, returning to Sebring Thursday.

Miss Minnie Bess Saunders is now in Kentucky after a very pleasant visit in Rookwood, Va.

J. L. Ivey of Lake Stearns and Sebring left last week to spend the summer in New York.

Mrs. J. M. Gearhart and daughter Annie of Palmdale spent the first part of the week in Sebring.

E. L. Green spent two days in Tampa on business last week, leaving Mrs. Green in charge of the store here.

Bill Griffin greeted his many friends here Wednesday when he returned from a week's visit to St. Petersburg.

J. B. Gingers and Gene Young left Sebring Thursday by auto for Toledo, O., to be gone for the rest of the summer.

Mrs. John Bishop of Bartow spent the first part of the week in Sebring visiting her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Butts.

Chris Markley of Rookwood, Va., is spending a few days in Sebring, visiting over his many interests here and visiting with his friends.

Motivists in Sebring now must "walk a chalk line" for on each street is a plain reminder of where to park. The line is straight and clear.

Mrs. Tom Dinaboe and sister, Miss Gladys Shipp, will leave Sebring next Tuesday for Canada, where they will spend the next two months.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Newman and daughter have moved to the Withers Hotel, which they will manage during the absence of Mr. Gingers this summer.

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Sebring, H. O. Sebring, Jr., and Miss Leila Sebring left last Sunday evening for the north to spend the rest of the summer.

Mrs. Dan Stevenson is expecting her sister, Miss Mildred Mason of Quintana, Miss. to arrive in Sebring soon to spend the rest of the summer with her.

T. C. Hancock drove to Gardner Sunday to visit his parents and to bring back with him Mrs. Hancock and little daughter, who have been spending a week there.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. K. Reck and children of Andover came to Sebring to see the ball game Thursday afternoon, afterwards calling on Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Haskins.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Deering, Mrs. Mary Woltz, Mrs. R. C. Wright, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Rippberger and children drove to Lake Leota Sunday afternoon, eating supper in the beautiful natural park there.

Word from Cleveland says that Capt. E. C. Fringle has bought a new freight boat and it is now under command of Capt. Henry Himes of Sebring, who has sailed the Great Lakes for many seasons.

Mrs. E. L. Hains writes to friends here that she is having a most wonderful time in Rookwood and did not know that there was such genuine hospitality as has been shown them by their friends and acquaintances there.

Mrs. Thekla Sutton has resumed her former position in the office of the county judge and sheriff. Mrs. W. P. Babcock is assisting in the county clerk's office until the return of Miss Saunders, who is away on a vacation.

F. T. Haskins, Dan Andrews and J. Lee Johnson drove to Arcadia Sunday, going in Dan's Buick, which they left there to receive a dressing up and returned in the Haskins car, which had already received its dressing up and looks as good as new.

Mary Cornelia and Esther Maude Saunders entertained a party of young folks at their home last Monday evening. Games and music occupied most of the time. Those attending were Annie Laurie Etheredge, Gerald Bee, John Warren, Floy Schaeffer and Ford Hancock.

George Whitehurst, Jr., son of Judge Whitehurst of Arcadia, was badly injured last week when he was run over by an automobile driven by an aviation officer at Arcadia.

One of the little boys' ideas were broken and one arm. He is in the hospital there and is doing as well as could be expected. Mr. Whitehurst is a sister of Mrs. R. H. Hancock of Sebring and Mrs. Hancock visited the child after he was released.

Miss Agnes and Miss Mary Fitch of Lake City came to Sebring last week on their return from Lake Stearns, where they have been the guests of their uncle, J. L. Ivey. Mr. Ivey and the girls, who returned at lunch by Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Haskins and then the afternoon passed delightfully in driving and swimming and meeting the many young people of Sebring. The young ladies were pleasantly surprised by the social atmosphere of the town and hope to visit Sebring again.

P. L. Vinson made a business trip to Avon Park Friday and took with him Mrs. Vinson, Mrs. Cora Lane and Miss Lela Stevenson, who spent the afternoon calling on friends there.

Cherokee Lodge, on the north end of Lake Jackson, was open a while Sunday when the A. G. Smith family and guests of Wanchula came over for the day. Dr. and Mrs. Taylor of Tampa, son-in-law and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Smith and their children were with them on this trip, and they left the children with Mrs. Smith and started on a trip to Cuba.

Jean and Gladys McIlvain of Waukegan were Sunday visitors in Sebring.

Mrs. D. F. Rananah and her daughter Kathryn left Sebring Wednesday evening for Chicago, their former home. They will join Mr. Rananah who has been there for several weeks and will spend the summer at Chicago and other lake cities.

Master Charles Bereford is now installed in his new home on the Circle, much to the delight of his new foster parents. This two-month-old little red-headed boy has brought much joy to his home and the little one and the newly made parents have the congratulations and best wishes of all.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Babcock and Billy Babcock drove to Frostproof Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Garrett of Sparta, Ga., who have been visiting at their daughter's home here, left Wednesday morning for their home, taking with them the daughter and little son, Mrs. Bernard Butts and Bernard, Jr.

Miss Ava Leatherman, who has been spending the past two weeks in Sebring, left Tuesday morning for her home at Chosen on the south shore of Lake Okechobee. She was accompanied by C. W. Rogers, who will look after business interests there, and a number of her girl friends, Mary Cornelia and Esther Maude Saunders and Janie Cobbs. Mr. Rogers and the girls are expected to return to Sebring Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. V. Hudson returned to Sebring Sunday evening after a ten-day honeymoon trip on the East Coast. Mrs. C. W. Rogers entertained them at supper and many of their friends greeted them there, although they were "officially" greeted Monday night. Mr. and Mrs. Hudson are living in the Boyd bungalow on Pine street, but preparations are being made for the building of a new home on Lake View drive, near the Sanger home.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Real estate transfers in Highlands county since last publication, as reported by Highlands Security, Abstract & Title Co., Sebring:

Lake Groves Co. to A. M. Robinson: Lots 82 and 100, Lake Groves subdivision.

S. Rutledge to C. O. Bailey: SE 1/4 of NW 1/4, except 1 acre, Sec. 14, Twp. 39, R. 29.

Pittsburgh Florida Fruit Growers Association to L. Van Leer Brown: Grove 28, Sec. 17, Twp. 33, R. 28.

L. E. Wolf to L. A. Wolf: Lots 2, 3 and 6, block 83, Sec. 22, Avon Park. Homer C. Hinton to L. E. Wolf: Lots 10 and 11, block B, subdivision of block 16, Sec. 15, Avon Park.

F. L. Middleton to Skipper Bros. & Lumber: Lot 19, block 4, Sec. 11, Avon Park.

Highlands Orange Groves Co. to Norton T. Smith: Lot 4, block 3, Sec. 15, and NE 1/4 government lot 3, Sec. 17, Twp. 39, R. 28.

W. C. McClelland to Frank A. Nelson: Part of NE 1/4 of NE 1/4 Sec. 36, Twp. 39, R. 28.

John P. Eiland et al. to W. A. Young: Block 63, Sebring.

"SHIVAREE" FOR NEWLYWEDS

Everyone gathered that Mr. and Mrs. G. V. Hudson made a very clever get-away after their marriage on June 7, when they left Sebring without the knowledge of anyone who might be particularly interested in giving them a reason. Over an extremely rough road they went a round-about way to Avon Park and far beyond congratulating themselves that they had escaped detection. But they had to come back and just as G. V. Hudson sought to "put one over" on the people here, so his friends and acquaintances here sought to make up for the delayed reception. This came on Monday night, the day after the return of the young couple and while they were prepared to receive and treat some of their friends, they by no means expected the crowd that assembled to partake of the treat provided and to see and make the fun.

The ride in a silver from here to Frostproof was joy compared to the ride their friends (?) gave them Monday night. First a truck driven by a speedy driver, accompanied by those who especially wanted to see the fun, attached to this a richly laden wagon, on this an orange crate, and on this crate were seated Mr. and Mrs. Hudson. Through all the streets of Sebring they went again and again with the accompaniment of horns, tin cans, sheet metal and all such articles that could be pressed into use. Upon the turning of all curves (and there are many in Sebring) it was necessary for the couple to cling to each other on the box. Finally the truck stopped to replace some of its nose matters and the bride and groom slipped from the wagon into a friendly car, and were off before anyone realized what had happened. They returned to their home and treated all of the Sebring committee in a royal style and proved themselves game to the end.

LAKE WALES MAN IS KILLED UNDER TRUCK

George Crain, a prominent contractor of Lake Wales, died Friday night in Sebring. His head was crushed under the steering wheel of a truck which he was driving from Lake Wales to Sebring.

He was immediately carried to the hospital, but his injuries were such that no attempt was made to operate and he died shortly before midnight. The body was carried to his home and interment was made Sunday afternoon.

WOMAN DIES AFTER EATING TOADSTOOLS

Supposing toadstools to be mushrooms, Mrs. Marie Dery, aged 60, of Brownsville, ate them and soon afterwards became violently ill and died Monday.

The deceased came to Florida from East Pittsburgh, Pa., about three weeks ago. At the time of her death she resided with her son, who recently purchased the Altman place, near Brownsville.

AUTO RUNS DOWN BOY

The young son of George Whitehurst of Arcadia was run over by an automobile driven by a Cadstrom Field officer, resulting in the breaking of both legs and one arm. The boy was playing in the streets and no blame is attached to the officer. He is settling along nicely now and will be all right soon.

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