

For Sale ^{AT} A Bargain

New Overland Six

This car has just been run six weeks and is as good as new in every particular. **EXTRA LOW, OBLIGING TO HAVING MORE CARS than needed in the "For Hire Service," will sell the above car at a sacrifice.**

R. E. Palmer, Avon Park, Fla.

TALKING ABOUT US

The first issue of The Highlands Pilot, the new newspaper published at Avon Park by George W. Adams, formerly of the Manatee Banner, has reached this office. It is a neat, eight-page, all-home-print newspaper and we predict for it and Brother Adams unlimited success. —Desoto County News.

George Adams has gotten his Avon Park Pilot started and so far it is the good kind of a paper that one would expect from George in a live town like Avon Park now shows herself to be. We don't know how to add anything more to the foregoing except to say: "May all three live long and prosper." —Lakeford Advertiser.

The first number of The Highlands Pilot, Avon Park's new paper published every Friday by that wide awake newspaper man, George Adams, formerly of the Manatee Banner, has been received. We welcome Editor Adams and his Pilot most cordially to our neighborhood and will expect great help along our fighting lines and boosting propositions of this matchless Highlands Ridge. —Sobring White Way.

We are glad to welcome to our exchange table Avon Park's new paper, The Highlands Pilot. We either failed to receive last week's issue or overlooked it, and therefore did not make mention of it. But we are frank to say that The Pilot is a model of the weekly paper, and from appearances at starting bids far to become one among the influential papers in the state. It's editor, George Adams, is a man of experience, and will only give his readers the best kind of a paper, with all the news "new and true, not otherwise." We are glad to welcome this newcomer into the fraternity of Florida weekly journals, which are doing so much to build up this prosperous section. —Folk County Record.

MORE NEWS AND MORE ADVERTISEMENTS THAN ANY FLORIDA PAPER....

The Florida Times-Union printed more news and more advertising in November than printed by any Florida newspaper during any previous month.

The total space devoted to news and advertising amounted to 6,966 columns and included 1,202,628 lines of paid advertising.

The Times-Union prints day after day more news than any other newspaper circulated in this territory.

The best informed citizens of this community read the Florida Times-Union regularly. Although the price of white paper has greatly advanced, the Times-Union's subscription rate is now as it has been for more than a year—\$9.00 per year for the daily and Sunday by mail, \$4.50 for six months.

If we have no agent in your town a good opening awaits you, if you are a hustler.

Send inquiries and subscriptions to the Circulation Manager, the Florida Times-Union, Jacksonville, Fla.—Adv.

About Poultry Feeding

The high prices of grain this past year have caused many poultry people to try different feeds and feeding from what might be called standard feeding.

From reports reaching the Pennsylvania department of agriculture and the observations of the poultry experts in its employ, these experiments in new or abbreviated feeding have mostly been a failure and have resulted in much poultry having made an unprofitable growth and being puny and wasted.

A notable exception is the feeding of boiled oats, which feed, previously used by only a few poultry keepers, has become very popular, particularly among the larger poultry keepers having much feeding to do.

Boiled oats are greedily eaten by chickens of all ages; make a good growing and a good laying feed and in results obtained or obtainable are proving to be the cheapest food that has been available the last six months.

Boiled oats have largely, too, superseded the sprouted oats so much exploited a few years ago, as they are safer, a better and a less fussy feed.

To prepare, soak good, heavy oats 12 hours or more (in hot weather or a warm room a fresh lot should be

soaked daily), dissolve one table-spoonful of salt in each bucket of water used for this; boil two or three hours and so gauge the amount of water used for soaking that at the finish the water is boiled away. Feed warm, but not hot. White Leghorn pullets can have these boiled oats twice daily, say, at 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., and all they will eat up is one. The old hens or heavyweight pullets, one feed a day is enough, and not too much at that, lest they become too fat on this much-liked feed.

Social Cander.

"My husband considered a very long time before he proposed to me. He was very careful."

"Ah, it's always those careful people who get taken in."

No More Rats

or mice after you use RAT-SNAP. It's a sure rodent killer. Try a Pkg. and prove it. Rats killed with RAT-SNAP leave no smell. Cats or dogs won't touch it. Guaranteed.

2c size (1 cake) enough for Pantry, Kitchen or Cellar.
5c size (2 cakes) for Chicken House, coops or small buildings.
10c size (4 cakes) enough for all farm and out-buildings, storage buildings, or factory buildings.

Sold and Guaranteed by F. C. Rae, Avon Park Drug Co., Park Mercantile Co.

The Hotel Avon

Avon Park, Fla.

Modern in Every Respect

STEAM HEATED
ELECTRIC LIGHTED
HOT AND COLD WATER
BATHS
TENNIS COURTS
CROQUET GROUNDS

Overlooking Beautiful Lake Verona

Write for rates and reservations.

Mrs. Sadie B. Farrington
Manager

You will eventually want The Pilot. Why not subscribe now?

JOIN OUR ALUMINUM WARE CLUB

GET A SET OF ALUMINUM Every Housewife

Craves a set of this wonderful, modern ware. Until now the price has been beyond the reach of the average family—but through this club plan every home can be fully equipped with the very best Aluminum Ware, and on such terms that any one can afford it—in fact CANNOT AFFORD TO BE WITHOUT IT.

The Set Consists of

Five-quart Tea Kettle.
Six-quart Preserving Kettle.
Three-quart Sauce Pan, with heavy aluminum cover.
Coffee Percolator.
Set of One, One and a Half and Two-quart Sauce pans.
Three-piece Cutlery Set—Carver, Butcher, Paring Knife.
"Pride of The Kitchen" Outfit.

Guarantee

Every piece of GREAT NORTHERN QUALITY BRAND PURE ALUMINUM is positively guaranteed to wear for twenty years. If any piece does not, the person having purchased same can return it to dealer and exchange it for another piece at our expense.

Great Northern Manufacturing Company, Chicago.

Quality Brand Aluminum Ware.

A Dollar Down Then a Small Payment Each Week.

F. C. RAE

Hardware

Avon Park, - - Florida



Have You Tried The New Barber Shop

Everything to be found in a first-class barber shop.

TWO CHAIRS

Children's Hair Cutting and Ladies' Shampooing Our Specialties.

A. ELLISON & SON
Proprietors.

CITRUS GROWERS Stop! Look! Read!

THE STANDARD GROWERS EXCHANGE

Takes this opportunity of announcing to CITRUS GROWERS its new policy on citrus fruit PACKING.

It has been the general custom in the past for the Packers to insist upon marketing all fruit packed by them, and to refuse to pack fruit unless they were given the marketing.

BUT, NOW, the STANDARD GROWERS EXCHANGE will pack citrus fruits for ANYBODY, no matter WHO MARKETS THE FRUIT.

THE STANDARD GROWERS EXCHANGE'S PACKING HOUSES are fully equipped with the latest, modern machinery, and the fruits handled by expert packers, assuring the BEST PACKING.

WRITE or CALL at the PACKING HOUSES:—

Crescent City, R. C. Middleton, Mgr.

Eustis, T. J. Cochran, Mgr.

Winter Garden, E. O. Roper, Mgr.

Fuller's Crossing, M. J. Main, Mgr.

Orlando, Harold Bourne, Mgr.

Eagle Lake, W. W. Scott, Mgr.

Tampa, L. M. Godwin, Mgr.

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Frostproof, M. E. Stewart, Mgr.

Bowling Green, J. G. Carlton, Mgr.

Arcadia, Jas. H. Jones, Mgr.

Cocoa, W. M. Moseley, Mgr.

Miami, Joseph Gentile, Jr., Mgr.

Naranja, E. L. Hutton, Mgr.

Clearwater, T. A. Spivey, Mgr.

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Standard Growers Exchange

General Offices: Orlando, Florida

Flint Lumber Company

Manufacturers and Wholesale
Dealers

Long Leaf Yellow Pine Lumber

MILL AND MAIN OFFICE
AT
AVON PARK, FLORIDA

MUSICAL TREAT GIVEN AT SCHOOL AUDITORIUM LAST FRIDAY NIGHT

The musical entertainment given at the school house last Friday night by Miss Lisabeth Purdom and her pupils was well attended and the audience was fully repaid for attending. The program rendered was a most excellent one, demonstrating the ability of Miss Purdom as an instructor and the aptitude of her pupils, each one taking part being entitled to especial mention.

In printing the program for the occasion we unintentionally omitted the name of Myra Roberts from the last number. It was written in the copy furnished by Miss Purdom and the omission, entirely unintentional, was our fault. The program:

1. Piano Duet....."The Steigh Ride".....Clark
Myrtle Conoley, Lola Skipper
2. Piano Solo....."Song of the Wind".....Bagbee
Dorothy Durrance
3. Piano Solo....."Dance on The Green".....Presser
Lois Hart
4. Reading....."In Grandmother's Day".....Unknown
Elizabeth Clark
5. Piano Solo....."Villagers' Waltz".....Gurlitt
Ivor Farnell
6. Piano Solo....."My First Waltz".....Frederickson
Marjorie Lacey
7. Piano Duet.....Melody.....Presser
Louise Wolff, Miss Purdom
8. Piano Solo....."Sing, Robin, Sing".....Spaulding
Cora Godwin
9. Reading....."Mr. Wiry Legs".....Garabrant
Carolyn Park
10. Piano Solo....."Merry Little Waltz".....Lemaen
Myrtle Hart
11. Piano Duet....."Evening".....Low
Marjorie Lacey, Miss Purdom
12. Piano Solo....."Italian Song".....Tschakowsky
Christine Reeves
13. Violin Solo.....Short Waltz.....Mittell
Roma Roberts
14. Piano Solo.....Gavotte.....White
Lola Skipper
15. Piano Solo....."Idillio".....Lock
Nona May Crews
16. Reading....."Lasea".....Deprez
Miss Dutton
17. Piano Solo....."Caballetta".....Lock
Myra Roberts
18. Piano Solo....."Spring Song".....Mendelssohn
Myrtle Conoley
19. Reading....."Aux Italiens".....Meredith
Miss Beck
20. Piano Duet....."Governor's March".....
Nona May Crews, Myra Roberts

BROWN THE POPULAR COLOR

Warm Tints Used for Gowns, Millinery, Footwear—Brown Faco Powder Paris Vogue.

Whatever has happened to the designers and the manufacturers that they are trying to clothe the world of women in brown? It's all one sees to walk about the streets and look into shop windows. Golden brown duvetyne suits with subtle fur elbow beige gowns, taupe furs, vandyke boots and tobacco gloves, all of which appear to be also made in every tone that one desires, to "match up" a costume. Brown has reappeared after a long absence and it leads with it a new combination. Black and brown have been strangers used together but this season they neighbor with entire felicity. A brown duvetyne or tricotee or jersey may be heavily braided with black braid and edged with monkey fringe. And to turn about, a black satin model may be banded with brown fur in smart effect. Brown is a shade for women with fair skins and fresh color; it is negative tone and needs assistance to make itself felt. Purple, from which brown is made with other tones, is an attractive partner. Old rose, or Venetian red help a brown costume, and, of course, gold and most shades of yellow are its natural associates. The ease with which one may find gloves and boots in many shades of brown is one reason why women welcome this color for out-of-door wear. It is a brown season.

All of the brown furs and the various leathers in brown are in demand as trimmings. When the accessories are not naturally of the desired shade they are dyed, as is the case with some beautiful faxes which have been treated to a brown bath. Brown face powders are much in vogue in Paris, because brown near the complexion makes one look very pale.

WASHING OF DRESS SHIELDS

Directions Accompanying Article Should Be Followed to Get Satisfactory Results.

If one wishes to get the full value from her dress shields she should follow closely the directions for washing which usually accompany each set of shields, writes Charlotte B. Carpenter of the Colorado Agricultural college.

The sheet rubber, the rubberized cloth and the pyroxylin shield should be washed in warm, not hot, water

which contains a few drops of ammonia, one teaspoonful of household ammonia to a quart of water. Use no soap. Dry at natural room temperature. Do no place on radiators or any hot surface. When dry the shields may be pressed with a moderately hot iron.

The habit shields should be soaked in a cold suds made from a mild soap such as Ivory. The naphtha and strong yellow soaps should not be used. Scrub the shields with a stiff brush. Rinse well in cold water. Shape while wet. Dry thoroughly. Do not iron.

NEWEST CORSETS ARE LIGHT

Creations Are Slightly Boned but Shaped to Give Necessary Support to Figure.

The newest corsets remain creations of light-weight fabrics lightly boned, but so shaped as to give needed support to the figure without themselves giving any special evidence of their inclusion as a silhouette influence. The length is still a marked feature, but on account of the scientific placement of the bones and the reduction of such to a minimum, there is not the slightest discomfort in the wearing of the long apron model.

The bust line is a bit higher, at least for those who like the slightly raised line. For slender figures the extension of the material over the waistline is a matter of but two or three inches; and there are models that are hardly more than hip cinchers, so little thought do they take of the upper part of the figure.

Why Mr. Joe Armstrong, Celebrated Dog Trainer, Uses Rat-Snap.

"Noticed rats around my kennels, having hundreds of prize dogs, couldn't take chances. Tried RAT-SNAP; in three weeks every rat disappeared. Noticed that the dogs never went near RAT-SNAP. I tell my friends about RAT-SNAP." Use this sure rodent exterminator, its safe. Comes in cake form. Three sizes, 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold and guaranteed by P. C. Rae, Avon Park Drug Co., Park Mercantile Company.

Our subscription price advances to \$2.00 a year Jan. 1. Get your order for subscription in now.

AVON PARK

Is entering an unprecedented era of growth and development. It is destined to become the most important city of

The Scenic Highlands

the acknowledged citrus belt of Florida. The time to invest is now, in order that your investment may increase in value with the growth of the city. We have some of the finest

Citrus Lands
Timber Lands
Farming Lands
Citrus Groves
and City Properties

to be found in Florida to offer you for quick acceptance. Property values are increasing daily. Get in on the ground floor.

WE DEAL IN DIRT
But never give you a "dirty deal."

R. I. Harris

REAL ESTATE

Avon Park - - - Florida

For Quick Lunch Try Village Inn Lunch

\$5.60 Ticket for
\$5.00

Special Bargains In Avon Park Realty

1-2 City Block of 5 one-acre lots, - \$ 625.00
Beautiful new Bungalow, on paved street, 4,000.00
Six 5-acre villa lots, on lake. Each - 800.00

The above is only a few of the many bargains we are now offering in town property. We have many beautiful and valuable tracts which we would be pleased to show you.

For further particulars, call on or address

P. M. STIVENDER

Room 5, First Nat'l Bank Bldg. Avon Park, Florida

Subscription Price of The Pilot Will be \$2.00 January First.

The Highlands Pilot

GEO. W. ADAMS, Editor

Published every Friday at Avon Park, Fla., by the Avon Park Publishing Company.

Subscription \$1.50 a Year
After Jan. 1, 1920, \$2.00 a Year
Application pending at Washington, D.C., for entrance to the national newspaper circulation list.

Friday, Dec. 19, 1919

LOOKS LIKE "PROPAGANDA"

Now that Avon Park has a real newspaper it is quite evident that they won't give up the idea of having a county seat to Sebring by any means. The fight is not ours and we do not intend to get hooked on to that end of the county if we can prevent it. — Moore Haven Times.

The above and one or two other similar little flings appearing in the Times might lead one to believe that some sort of propaganda were on foot to create dissension in the ranks of Sebring and Avon Park divisionists. If such is the case, we want to state most emphatically that the scheme will not work. In fighting for county division both Sebring and Avon Park have higher motives than the mere location of a county seat. The interests of the two Sevier Highlands cities are identical. And coupled with those interests are the interests of the entire county. We now have a county seat so difficult of accession from some sections of the county that those having business to transact there must lose several days' time in travel to reach it. That is one of the conditions divisionists want to remedy. There are various other more important reasons, however, why this vast Empire of DeSoto should be divided, which will be discussed later on. At present we merely wish to inform Editor Stevens that there is no fight on foot as to where the county seat shall be located and any attempt to cause Sebring and Avon Park to lock horns over this question will be frustrated.

Wayne Thomas, owner of the the Plant City Courier and who recently retired as publisher of the Pensacola Journal, is to be connected with the Thomas Advertising Service of Jacksonville and Tampa. Mr. Thomas is one of the best known newspaper men in the state, having been president of the Florida Press Association and of the South Florida Press Association. He will assume the duties of field representative of the service with headquarters in Jacksonville, and will cover the entire southeastern territory. While in no way related to the head of the Thomas Advertising Service, they have been for many years close friends.

The majority of the newspapers of the state seem to be of the opinion that Senator Fletcher will continue to be our senior senator after the votes are counted. That's our opinion, too, but you can never tell which way the cat is going to jump. — Punta Gorda Herald.

If the Cat would just jump a little way northwest, landing over the Alabama line, it would please a multitude of his former supporters, whose sympathies would be extended to poor "Ole Alabam."

There are two solutions to the clean-up question: Either teach the cattle that roam our streets to eat the waste paper, tin cans and other trash or get the Woman's Club behind the proposition.

All papers predict that sugar will go to 25 or 30 cents a pound. It will not have far to travel to reach 25 cents, for last week we paid 23 cents a pound for "clarified" sugar.

We've become so accustomed to being gouged that we express no surprise whatever at any price quoted nowadays. And we're not blaming the local merchant, either.

The Sevier Highlands should have the finest exhibit of citrus fruits ever shown at the South Florida Fair in Tampa Feb. 16 to 21.

Four more days in which to do your Christmas shopping.

Royal Tailoring Line

Clothes Called for and Delivered

Roberts Pressing Club

Cleaning and Pressing

French Dry Cleaning a Specialty

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Avon Park, Florida

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Try those Greenfield Chocolates at the Village Inn.

J. M. Monteleone, of Kiceo, was here Wednesday morning.

E. A. James, of Tampa, was one of our business visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Grossenbacher, of Apopka, were visitors to our city Monday.

There are a number of new advertisements this week. You should read them all.

Dr. R. P. Crawford, of Fort Meade, was greeting friends on our streets Monday night.

As this is the last issue before Christmas, we will wish each and every one of you a merry, merry Christmas.

For Sale—Two pair good mules, sound and in good condition; also wagon and work harness—Avon Park Lumber Company.

J. P. Gaines has purchased from L. D. Roberts twenty acres of fine citrus land out on Lake Anoka. He expects to build and set out a grove.

Mr. and Mrs. William Dart, Mr. and Mrs. John T. Lesure and Mrs. Hannah Lesure and Mrs. Norton T. Smith motored to Wauchula yesterday to spend the day shopping.

Messrs. F. P. and J. R. McGinnis and two sisters, the Misses Dolly and Mary, reached here Monday from their home in Terre Haute, Ind., for their regular winter visit.

Charter memberships will still be accepted in the Avon Racquet Club up to tomorrow (Saturday) night for \$3.00 each. After that date the membership fee will be \$5.00. Equipment is furnished members at cost.

T. H. Lander has received a message from his brother Joe, stating that he had once more landed in the United States, this time from Hamburg, Germany. Joe is on the George W. Jones, one of the Standard Oil Company's 10,000-ton oil tankers.

James A. MacElwee, the Sevier Highlands Development Company's manager for Maryland and the District of Columbia, arrived in Avon Park Monday on a brief business visit. Mr. MacElwee is doing a great work in interesting the people of his district in our peerless section, as are all the representatives of our development companies, who have propositions they can honestly recommend.

The Sanitary Market

A GOOD MEAL Depends upon the quality of your

MEAT

We specialize in quality and service. Try us and you will become one of our regular customers.

The Sanitary Market
Raulerson & Green
Avon Park, : : Florida

Virginia Dare wine—all sizes—Phone 19.

Delicious Potter's Chocolates at the Village Inn.

Buy your dates, figs, citron, etc., at James' grocery.

Save 50 cents by subscribing for The Pilot before Jan. 1.

Buy your Christmas candles in boxes at the Village Inn.

Local and personal news will be found on pages 4, 5 and 6.

A. J. Davis, of Okeechobee, was a business visitor here Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Reed, of Fall River, Mass., registered at the Avon Monday.

Lem Sapp, of Alachua, arrived here Friday for a visit with his brother, V. E. Sapp.

Among the prominent Georgians visiting Avon Park Monday was W. J. White, of Thomasville.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skipper and Mrs. Charles Harris motored to Tampa Monday, returning Tuesday.

Lost—Small White Llewellyn setter; female; few black spots on head and shoulders. Finder please return to T. J. McGinnis at the Park Mercantile Company's store.

The Ladies' Aid of the Methodist church will hold a sale of homebaked goods on the porch of Mr. and Mrs. Applebaugh's store Christmas eve, beginning at 3:00 o'clock.

We understand that J. H. Brown has awarded the contract for the erection of his new brick garage and salesroom to L. W. Bostwick, of Wauchula, and that the work will be started at once.

Allen Woodruff, of Green Bay, Wis., arrived here Monday to join his wife, who has been here about three weeks. He will remain about a month. They are the guests of Mr. Woodruff's father, H. E. Woodruff.

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Gaylard mourn with them over the loss of their little 3-year-old son Wayne, who passed away Tuesday, after a lingering illness. The remains were laid to rest in the Avon Park cemetery Wednesday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock.

C. P. Anderson returned from Pittsburg, where he has been for a couple of weeks, the fore part of the week. His train missed connections at Jacksonville and Mrs. Anderson motored to Wauchula to meet him. Mr. Anderson says he struck some cold weather coming through the Carolinas.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Thomas, of New York City, and Messrs. J. N. Poland, G. M. Stengle and T. B. Todd, Jr., of Baltimore, arrived in Avon Park Tuesday to spend a few weeks. They are interested in the Florida Citrus Development Company of Washington and Baltimore, one of the big development projects that will help make Avon Park the most important city of the Sevier Highlands.

Notice

The annual meeting of the Masonic Temple Association will be held in the reading rooms Friday, Jan. 2, 1920, at 4:00 o'clock p. m., to elect a board of governors for the ensuing year and transact any other business that may come before the meeting.

HERBERT SEEVERS, Pres.
Avon Park, Fla., Dec. 15, 1919.



B. H. James, Grocer

KILLS RATS

and mice—that's RAT-SNAP, the old reliable rodent destroyer. Comes in cakes—no mixing with other food. Your money back if it fails.

See size (1 cake) enough for Pantry, Kitchen or Cellar.

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See size (5 cakes) enough for all farm and out-buildings, storage buildings, or factory buildings.

Sold and Guaranteed by F. C. Inc., Avon Park Drug Co., Park Mercantile Co.

The Old Year Is On The Wane

And the Beginning of a New One is Only 12 Days Distant

What the new year will bring to you --prosperity or adversity--depends largely upon yourself. We want to help make it a prosperous year for you and would suggest that you help yourself by

Starting a Savings Account

and adding a little thereto regularly each week. You will be surprised at the rapidity with which your savings will accumulate, with

5 per cent Interest

added. Your savings grow while you are asleep and when Christmas time comes next year you will have no occasion to say: "Well, next Christmas we hope to be better off." How many times have you made that identical remark? Be forehanded; forestall hard times and invite prosperity by putting away a little each week. Teach your children to do likewise. Don't wait for the new year, but

Do It Now!

First Trust & Savings Company

S. P. DURRANCE
President

C. H. MOFFETT
Cashier

Avon Park, Florida

RATS DIE

so do mice, once they eat RATS-NAP. And they have no odor behind. Don't take our word for it—try a package. Cats and dogs will love it. It has passed up all food to eat RATS-NAP. Three sizes.
 The size (1) cake enough for Pantry, Kitchen or Cellar.
 The size (2) cake for Chicken House, coops, or small buildings.
 The size (3) cake enough for all farm and stock buildings, storage buildings, or factory buildings.
 Sold and Guaranteed by P. C. Rao, Avon Park Drug Co., Park Mercantile Co.

Building Material

BRICK

Common, Face and Fire Brick

CEMENT

Rock and Hydrated Lime

PLASTER

Galvanized Iron, Corrugated Roofing

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We carry the largest stock of

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E. O. Painter Co's reliable and high grade Fertilizers for all crops

SEND FOR PRICE LIST

Poultry Supplies

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Come To

G. M. YOUNG

Boilermaker and Blacksmith and D. F. Canfield's Standard Garage

For

Guaranteed Service.

Repair anything from a broken heart to a locomotive.

AVON PARK, FLORIDA

Groceries,

Feedstuffs

Fruits and Vegetables in Season

General Merchandise

We will make it an object to share your patronage with us. If we can't please you, you can't be pleased.

Union Mercantile Company

W. H. CLARKE, Manager
 Avon Park, Fla.

TWO-ACRE LOTS
 overlooking Lakes Byrd and Brentwood.
 Superior Citrus land.

15 ACRES
 with 5-room house and 125 bearing citrus trees, \$5,000.00.

25 ACRES
 Garden land, between Lakes Brentwood and Damon, south side of Damon; free from frost.

E. D. PUTNEY, Avon Park, Fla.

By Hap-Hazard

By CECILLE LANGDON

The well-dressed, smiling-faced young man, Alvin, sat in the back of the Ford, looking out at the world. He seemed to diffuse sunshine in every direction. To the most unobservant of mortals Alvin Hittor would have suggested a being in love with the world and everybody in it. It was three months since he had been in the quaint little village. A traveling salesman, about a year previously he had made Ferndell his headquarters for the district and for a week had roomed and boarded with a Mrs. Alvin Warner, who had three little children and with whom there lived a young girl just budding into perfect womanhood—Myra Worth. Twice since then Alvin had visited Ferndell. The last time he had left deeply in love with Myra, and she knew it, and with a determination to place himself in a position where he felt sure of an income sufficient to support a wife.

And now he had returned, successful and happy. He sang and whistled as he made his way in the direction of the humble little home that had been a lodger in view for so many weeks. Then as he reached the rustic gate a chill permeated his veins.

"Vacant!" he breathed with a quick tremor in his voice. "What does it mean?" and after trying for a door and peering in at the window Alvin crossed the yard to that of the next neighbor. The woman there nodded to him in a friendly way, evidently remembering him.

"The Warners—Miss Worth?" spoke Alvin in an anxious tone.

"Mrs. Warner died two months ago and the young lady moved away. Poor dear thing! She saw no hope of getting a living here, with the three little tots on her hands."

"But—you don't know where they have gone?" interrogated Alvin.

"I don't sir, but the man who runs the garage here can tell you. It seems that Miss Worth, looking for a door to her dear thing, saw no hope of getting a living here, with the three little tots on her hands."

"They—she left no word?" pressed Alvin.

"No, sir, but I guess she would have wished to have seen you, in her deep trouble. I only think that because from what I saw when you used to come here, it seemed to brighten her up a great deal. She is a good girl, sir. An orphan, and no relation to Mrs. Warner; that lady took her in and they became like sisters born. She stayed two weeks after Mrs. Warner died. It appears that on her death Mrs. Warner told her that she had a sister, a teacher in a school at Cincinnati, who would surely provide for the children if appealed to. Miss Worth wrote to the school, but she got a letter back telling how Hilda Warner had married a rich gentleman named Despres two years before, but where they lived was not known."

Alvin went at once to the town garage and its proprietor told him of the station where Miss Worth was working for him.

"There's a little house there," he explained to Alvin, "and what Miss Worth does is to supply passing automobiles with gas, oil and air. I saw her last week and she and the little ones are getting along nicely. A fine young lady, that! She seems to think it her duty care for the children after the kindness of their mother, and is happy to have found a position where she can keep them with her."

It was late in the afternoon of the next day that Alvin left a train some forty miles from Ferndell and started down the broad highway on a three-mile tramp for the station to which the garage man had directed him. Many automobiles dashed by him, and Alvin had covered about half the distance in view when he discerned a dark object lying at the side of the road. It proved to be a fur collar, accidentally fallen from some speeding car, he decided. He examined it closely. A little pocket on the inside of the collar held a card that read: "Mrs. Hilda Despres, Arlington, Ohio."

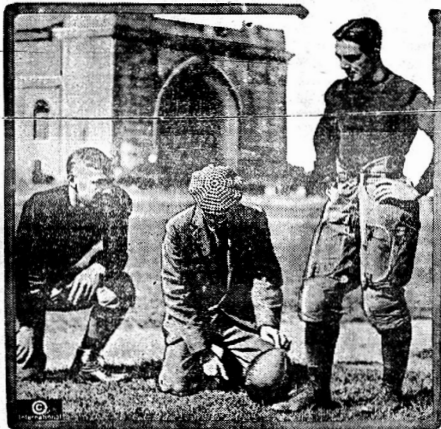
"Way, this is a queer coincidence," he soliloquized. "Hilda is the name of Mrs. Warner's sister, and Despres that of the man she married. Perhaps they will miss the wrap and come back this way to look for it," and starting on again Alvin carried the collar conspicuously on one arm.

He proved to be a cogent reasoner, for shortly thereafter a machine facing him halted, its driver stopped out, explained that the collar belonged to his wife in the rear seat of the auto, and Alvin carried it to her.

Myra Worth's eyes bore a glad, welcoming light as the Despres automobile drove up to the little station with Alvin a passenger. Mrs. Despres insisted on being taken to her sister's children at once after Alvin's story. She had never been able to locate her sister, and now with wealth at her command she promised to tenderly care for the little waifs.

Another story, that of love and devotion, Alvin Hittor told to Myra Worth that evening. And the noble girl who had been willing to sacrifice herself to care for the little waifs of her benefactress, blushing and happy, bled with joy the prospect of a home with the man she loved.

TEACHING MIDDIES FINE POINTS OF GAME



Coach Dobbie is shown in the photograph instructing two of his football warriors in the how, why and when of a place kick.

LAMINATED WOOD IS SUPERIOR FOR BATS

Forest Service Is Making Most Interesting Experiments.

Not Certain, However, That Clubs Will Satisfy Critical Demands of Professional Players—Some Broken in Trials.

The present-day penchant of manufacturers and others for substitutes threatens even those trusted baseball bats to which every big league hitter looks to perpetuate his fame. The forest products laboratory of the forest service, United States department of agriculture, has recently been manufacturing experimentally a number of laminated wood articles with the idea of utilizing small lumber stocks. Baseball bats are among the articles which have been experimented on. In practically every instance the products made from this material have given as good service as those made in the regular way. Whether they would satisfy the critical demands of professionals who inspect their white ash clubs with zealous care, is a matter as yet undetermined. The fact remains, however, that the initial success in the experiments cited seem to indicate that there is a large field heretofore undeveloped in which laminated wood can be used successfully. Attention is called to the fact that, while some of the bats have broken under severe usage, the breaks were not in the glued joints, indicating that the artificial joining has been accomplished in an entirely satisfactory manner.

Shoe lasts were also made of laminated wood and after undergoing the severest usage in various factories are still serviceable. Hat blocks of a similarly built-up material were tried out thoroughly and proved very satisfactory. Recently constructed specimens of wagon bolsters which were made up with laminations carefully joined just before gluing and standing weather tests well. A wagon company is giving these articles a trial.

GIBSON MAY PILOT PIRATES

Rumor Afloat in Pittsburgh That Veteran Backstop May Succeed Manager Hugo Bezdek.

There is afloat in Pittsburgh a report that George Gibson, the veteran catcher, will succeed Hugo Bezdek as manager of the Pirates before the opening of the 1920 season. Bezdek, according to report, will devote his time next year to coaching athletic



George Gibson.

teams at Penn State. Gibson, who piloted the Toronto team of the international league this year, made an excellent showing, finishing in second place.

PLAY CAUSED ARGUMENT

A play that caused some argument came up in the recent Yankees-Browns series. Tobin rolled a grounder to Pipp, who tagged the runner, but the ball bounced out of his hand. Mogridge caught the ball before it touched the ground and Miller Huggins argued the out therefore should be allowed. Umpire Evans ruled Pipp had not held the ball on Tobin and that the runner was safe. Certainly, what else?

COACH OF HARVARD'S 1919 ELEVEN PUSHES HIS STARS



Coach Fisher of the Harvard 1919 football team has worked his men hard and splendid achievements are expected before the season closes.

ROOKIE WAS PEANUT VENDOR

First Baseman Grimm, Formerly With Little Rock, Has Had Rapid Rise in Baseball.

Charlie Grimm, who has been purchased by the Pirates from the Little Rock club of the Southern association, has had a rapid rise in baseball. Three years ago he was a peanut and soda vendor in the Cardinals' park and played semi-pro ball when the Cards were away from home. Last year he applied to Jack Hendricks, then manager of the Cardinals, and played semi-pro ball when the Cards were away from home. Last year he applied to Jack Hendricks, then manager of the Cardinals, and played semi-pro ball when the Cards were away from home. Last year he applied to Jack Hendricks, then manager of the Cardinals, and played semi-pro ball when the Cards were away from home.

Grimm played a fine brand of ball in the Southern association this year and the Pirates ought to believe he will show to better advantage at the initial sack than George Whitted.

DATE FOR BIG SOCCER GAME

Interleague Match Between Scotland and England to Be Played at Glasgow on March 20.

At a recent meeting of the football league management committee having charge of soccer football in Great Britain, it was recommended to play the interleague soccer match between Scotland and England at Glasgow on March 20, 1920.

Notice

The annual meeting of the Masonic Temple Association will be held in the reading rooms Friday, Jan. 2, 1920, at 4:00 o'clock p. m., to elect a board of governors for the ensuing year and transact any other business that may come before the meeting.

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CARE OF CLOTHES'

Government Home Economics Specialists Give Advice.

Summer Garments Should Be Carefully Packed and Record Made for Ready Reference.

The gorgias, palm beach suits, the straw hats and the low shoes have now disappeared from the day-to-day wardrobe. The wise housewife does not let them stay in the overcrowded closet to take up valuable space and brush against the velvets, serges and broadcloths. Neither does she lay them away in any condition they happen to be in after their last appearance. Instead, she puts them away carefully cleaned and treated so the least change possible will come to them, keeping record of what supplies there are and where she puts them in order that she may find them when the occasion arises by simply looking at her desk records. If packed in boxes, a label on each box telling the contents makes the finding of each article an easy matter. Her outline of treatment would be very nearly like the following, according to home economics specialists in the United States department of agriculture:

Washable White Clothing—Washed carefully, no starch added, blued more than usual to avoid a yellow appearance when spring unpacking comes. Hung in a closet reserved for this particular use or folded so that the creases will correspond as far as possible with the folds into which the garment falls in use and laid in a trunk or box.

Washable Colored Clothes—Washed, unstarched, turned wrong side out and hung in the closet or packed away as were the white garments.

Palm Beach Suits—Cleaned and put in separate box, carefully folded.

Hats—How to treat the summer hat depends much upon the material. If of straw, brushing off all dust and packing in a hat box is good treatment. The georgette and lace hats, if soiled, should be dry cleaned and allowed to air thoroughly before wrapping in tissue paper and storing away in a hat box. Avoid weight which will crush the trimmings.

Shoes—The pumps and oxfords should be cleaned and put away with shoe trees in each one.

Inventory should be simple, of course, but definite, giving a list and storage place of the clothes for each member of the family. This will prove of definite service when next spring's clothing budget requires thought and time.

CHIC BLUE TINSELTON SUIT



The flare peplum on this blue tinsel-toned suit is edged with a wide band of epaulet. The high collar is of the same fur. It is an extremely smart suit for the young school girl.

American Models First.

One of the interesting points of a style show recently conducted by a New York house was that the American designed creations in women's garments were the first to sell when it came time to dispose of the display models. The concern had a few garments left over and with two exceptions, they are designs that were made in Paris by the best-known dressmakers. This is regarded as an encouraging sign of the progress made by the American designer, who usually has to take second place to the foreign artists.

Satin Goes With Gabardine.

Satin is smart in combination with gabardine, usually of a like shade rather than a contrasting color, though tones of beige and tan with black satin are rather chic.

PETS BELOVED BY SAINTS

Dr. Douglas Hyde, in Series of Lectures, Deals Interestingly With Medieval Irish Lore.

Dr. Douglas Hyde recently delivered a series of lectures—the Margaret Stokes lectures—in the Alexandra college, Dublin, dealing with medieval Irish lore. He told anecdotes about the Irish saints and their love of birds and beasts. He traced the love of animals by people in different periods and in different countries. Even the Irish pagans had their pet animals, says Our Dumb Animals.

He took the three Irish saints, St. Patrick, St. Brigid and St. Columcille, and spoke of their affection for their pet animals. St. Patrick's kindness to the fawn was well authenticated, and the fawn returned the love to his master.

St. Brigid had her pet dog, a most faithful animal. She also loved birds, and the birds, especially domestic fowls, loved her in a remarkable manner.

The crane was St. Columcille's pet, although his love for dumb animals is supposed that of the other saints. It was recorded in the life of the saint that dumb animals, too, were in love with him, especially birds, and that some of the latter followed him from Ireland to the island of Iona. There was, in proof of the love of animals for the saint, the story of how the horse wept on the bosom of the saint the night before he died.

Dr. Hyde mentioned a large number of other saints, Irish and Latin, about whom he told stories, showing their love for animals, making special reference to St. Kevin, St. Connall, St. Molin, St. Moling, who had made friends of wolves, foxes, partridges and herons.

FELL TO ROOSEVELT'S SPEAR

Big Devilfish a Victim of the Colonel's Love of Sport, Either on Sea or Land.

The fame of the late Col. Theodore Roosevelt as a big-game hunter is well known, but he was equally as adept at killing big fish of the sea, according to Russell J. Coles, noted big-fish killer. Attracted by one of Coles' articles about killing the devilfish, the colonel appealed to him for instruction in the art. After taking several land lessons, using a spear with which he saw an African kill a lion, he finally became expert, and Mr. Coles formed a party to hunt the devilfish off the coast of Florida, in Punta Gorda, March 23, 1917. There the colonel killed his first devilfish, hitting the huge creature, which weighed many tons, just two inches from the spot indicated on a drawing by Coles, and driving the spear two feet four inches through the heaviest and boniest structure of the fish. The colonel was standing on the cab of a small boat traveling nine miles an hour, and the fish was coming toward the boat at the rate of 15 or 18 miles an hour, swimming about four or six feet under water. Had the colonel missed his aim the fish would have been able to escape one of its side fins, to upset the boat and drown the fishermen. An hour after his first catch the colonel killed a second devilfish, which was the second largest devilfish ever killed. Mr. Coles is a scientist who has hunted devilfish for more than 20 years.

Auberge du Pigeon.

Strasbourg, French once more, is unfolding, like a rose to the sun. The old life has begun again, as it was lived before the interruption in 1871. Houses are throwing open their shutters and hanging up once familiar signs. One of them, the Pigeon Inn, one of the oldest of Strasbourg with its painted wood carvings, its old windows and curious ship decorations, has reopened its doors. It was built in 1331 and began its career under the sign of "Au Pigeon." Then later the sign changed to "Au Pigeon Blanc" and for two centuries the inn was the rendezvous of the university students. After 1870 the sign was taken down, the Pigeon Blanc's hospitality ceased and the house became the headquarters of a Roman Catholic society. The days of its ecclesiastical importance are happily over. The inn becomes the "Pigeon Blanc" once more, opening a new chapter of its long history under true Alsatian management—Christian Science Monitor.

Rather Warm in the Deepest Well. The deepest well in the world is six and one-half miles southeast of Palmont, W. Va., drilled by the Hope Natural Gas company of Pittsburgh. It is 7,570 feet deep. The well had to be abandoned because the drilling tools stuck in the drill hole, the cable parted and left the tools and 4,000 feet of cable in the hole.

C. E. Van Orstrand of the United States geological survey, informs the Scientific American that the temperature at 7,000 feet was 172 degrees F., and the rate of increase was one degree in 31 feet. At this rate the boiling point would be reached at about 10,000 feet below the surface.

The Skeleton at the Feast.

My brother's wedding took place at his bride's home, which was next door to us. A telegram came to our house and the delivery boy was told my brother was next door. And arriving when we were at the dinner table, my brother, thinking it was words of congratulation, opened it and gave it to the best man to read. He stood up and read aloud: "Send money you owe me, need it at once." Loud laughter was heard from the guests.—Exchange.

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL MENTION

Pure lard at James' Grocery.

Buy your Christmas rugs at the
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citron, etc.—James' Grocery.S. E. Roberts, of Zolfo, was trans-
acting business here Monday.B. W. Fields, of Sebring, was a
business visitor here Monday.See those handsome Christmas
Rugs at the Woman's Exchange.Barrel Williams purchased a
Saxon car from J. P. Weaver last
week.Clifford Thomas came home from
Lakeland, where has been work-
ing, Monday night.George Holtzinger, of Tampa,
was a business visitor to our city
Monday, calling on Mark Lance.Miss Jennie Waychoff last week
purchased the little red bungalow
on LeGrande street from H. E. Coy.G. F. Parker, a prominent con-
tractor, of Tampa, was transacting
business here Monday and Tues-
day.Miss Rose Hardin, of Punta
Gorda, arrived here Saturday night
to act in the capacity of nurse for
Cole Godwin, who is seriously ill.Alton Holt, who has been attend-
ing school in Savannah, is home
for the holidays. Alton says it
seems good to be in Avon Park
again.Mrs. Philip Leigh was entertain-
ed Sunday by Mrs. L. M. Marsh,
the occasion being Mrs. Leigh's
birthday anniversary. They en-
joyed a splendid quail dinner.
Mr. Marsh having been out the
day before, bagging seventeen.**Light and Heavy
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lage Inn.A phone was installed in this of-
fice Monday.Prince Albert in glass humidors
at James' Grocery.Fancy Christmas candies in boxes
at the Village Inn.The ingredients for your fruit
cake can be found at James'.Dave Thomas, of Kieco, was a
business visitor here Tuesday.Those hand painted sofa cushions
at the Woman's Exchange would
make handsome Christmas gifts.Uncle Dave Skipper, from the
flatwoods, transacted business here
Tuesday.E. E. Skipper and Mr. Dunbar,
of Sebring, were business visitors
here Friday.Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lanier motor-
ed to Punta Gorda Sunday, return-
ing Wednesday.Mr. Carpenter, who was injured
last week by falling from his
wagon, is much improved.Mr. and Mrs. Lewis C. Jorndt, of
Dexter, Mo., father and mother of
Mrs. Charles N. Ott, are here for
the winter.Among those registered at the
Avon Tuesday were J. E. Hardy,
Jr., of Louisville, Ky., and J. N.
Hickman, of Birmingham, Ala.The Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Fischer
left yesterday for a visit with re-
latives in Dawson, Ga. The Rev.
A. D. Buck will fill the Methodist
pulpit on the fourth Sunday.S. D. Lee and sister, Miss Amelia
Lee, arrived Monday from Roches-
ter, N. Y., and are located for the
winter in their little cottage near
T. H. Lander's, on Lake Verona.D. L. Skipper, Jr., last week
purchased two lots opposite A. E.
E. Conoley's property and will
probably build thereon before the
winter is over—if he can get the
material and workmen.Mr. and Mrs. Roy Naylor and
Mrs. Fannie P. Reeves motored to
Lakeland Tuesday of last week
with Mr. Hancock, of the Woodall
Lumber Company. Mrs. Reeves
took the train there for Kissimmee
and Mr. and Mrs. Naylor for Tampa.Mr. and Mrs. Fillmore Austin,
of Allegan, Mich., A. E. Austin, of
Grand Junction, Mich., and the
Rev. George Coplin and R. G.
Walker, of Fort Meade, were here
sight-seeing Monday. Mr. Walker
has a twenty-acre grove out on
Byrd lake.Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Pickrel and
son Walford and Jacob S. Leather-
man, of Bristol, Ind., who have
been here a couple of weeks, locat-
ed out on Deer lake, left Wednes-
day for Manatee, where they will
spend the remainder of the winter.
We had hoped these people were
looking for an investment and
might be induced to locate here, as
they are the class of citizens de-
sired by any community. We
commend them to the hospitality
of the good citizens of Manatee.The Rev. I. B. Bradley, of Dixon,
Tenn., is visiting the Rev. T. B.
Thompson, of this city. He is so
well pleased with Avon Park that
he will probably purchase property
here.D. C. Hodges, of Meriden, Kan.,
and J. W. Frey, of Topeka, Kan.,
registered at the Village Inn Mon-
day. They say Florida weather is
quite an agreeable change from 18
below zero.Mrs. Elizabeth Waldron, from
Johnson City, Tenn., arrived here
Monday afternoon and is stopping
with F. E. Wray and family. Mrs.
Waldron owns property here and
expects to remain during the win-
ter.Miss Mary Holmes, of New York
City, who has spent a number of
her winters here during the last
thirty years, has returned for an-
other season of our delightful cli-
mate and other attractions. Miss
Holmes was with the first party
that registered at the old Verona
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ever since, missing but few win-
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Army Officer Describes Animals, Birds, Reptiles of Panama Canal Jungle.

The blank spaces on the world's map have been dwindling so rapidly that it is a bit surprising to read of a great wilderness—unnapped, uninhabited and practically unknown—alongside one of the great American thoroughfares. In his account in National History, Lieut. Col. Townsend Whelen states that a passage cut from the Panama canal some five miles through a tangled second growth of small trees and other vegetation leads to a gigantic wall of verdure, and this is the beginning of the primeval jungle comprising most of the eastern portion of the Republic of Panama, and extending about 300 miles in length by 50 to 100 miles in width. In this strange new world one can

wander unimpeded by thorns and creepers, in a climate oddly cool and balmy. The vegetation is most impressive, even terrifying—giant moras, borigen, cavanillesia, ceibas, rubber and fig rising limbless 100 to 200 feet, with tops spreading to shut out the sky, and a lower growth of many kinds of slender tree ferns and palms, developed in semi-darkness, that shorten one's view without hindering progress. Hardly anywhere can one see more than 50 yards. The jungle is alive with a wonderful bird life, which is distributed in zones of altitude on the mountain slopes and locally from the ground to the tree tops—quail, tinamon and pheasants being common near the earth's surface; wrens, humming birds, thrushes and other species, in the low-bush level; doves, guans, owls and trogons, half way up; and parrots, parakeets, macaws, toucans and cotingas, under the leafy roof. Tapir, deer, peccaries and

other mammals, are abundant, though shy. The many serpents do little harm, the chief dangers being malaria, getting lost and falling branches and fruits.

Difference Between Dawn and Twilight; Ending and Beginning of Phenomenon

Twilight is the diffused illumination of the sky which immediately precedes sunrise and follows sunset. When the sun sets below our horizon, we are not at once plunged into the darkness of night. There is an intermediate period of partial and slowly increasing darkness which we call twilight. It is caused by the reflection of the sunlight by dust and particles of water vapor in the upper atmosphere. The same phenomenon occurs just before sunrise and, to distinguish it from the evening twilight, is called dawn. Dawn begins

and twilight ends when the sun is about 18 degrees below the horizon, and consequently their duration varies with the latitude and with the season of the year. The higher the latitude the smaller the angle at which the sun's path meets the horizon, and hence the longer it takes the sun to sink to a distance of 18 degrees below the horizon. In the tropics twilight rarely lasts longer than 30 minutes, while in the latitude of north Scotland it lasts so long that about midsummer there are several nights on which it fills the entire interval between sunset and sunrise.

SHE HAS NO OCCUPATION

(Elsie Duncan Tells in Woman's Home Companion.)
She rises up at break of day,
And through her tasks she races;
She cooks the meal as best she may,
And scrubs the children's faces.
While schoolbooks, lunches, ribbons, too,
All need considerable mending,
And yet the census man insists
She has "no occupation."

When breakfast dishes all are done,
She takes a pudding, and a loaf,
She cleans the rooms up one by one,
With one eye toward the clock.
The mending pile she then attacks,
By way of variation,
And yet the census man insists
She has "no occupation."

She irons for a little while,
Then greases pants for daddy;
She welcomes with a cheery smile
Returning lass and ladle.
A hearty dinner next she cooks
(No time for relaxation),
And yet the census man insists
She has "no occupation."

For lessons that the children learn
The evening scarce is ample,
To "mother dear" they always turn
For help with each example.
In grammar and geography
She finds her relaxation,
And yet the census man insists
She has "no occupation."

Paints Retard Fire, but Give Little Protection

From tests made at the bureau of standards it appears that while practically all paint coatings have some fire-retarding action, none of those so far tested affords great protection. All the samples in question were materially damaged by application of flame for a few seconds. Both sodium silicate and whitewash rank comparatively high. These have the advantage of cheapness and can both be used on the same surface. However, according to a recent bulletin of the bureau, no treatment of steel after erection can be expected to serve as an effective fire protection, and the use of such materials should not be made an excuse for omitting any of the usual precautions against fire.

Yea, Verily.

If we could really see ourselves as others see us we would save money at the photographer's. What most of us would like, however, is that others should see us as we see ourselves.

ASSESSOR'S 1920 DATES TO TAKE TAX RETURNS

H. G. Murphy, Tax Assessor, Announces Places and Dates for the Convenience of Taxpayers

I will be at the following places on dates given to take tax returns for the year 1920:

Limestone	Jan. 15
Lily	Jan. 16
Omaha	Jan. 17
Port Green, until noon	Jan. 19
Port Green Springs in p. m.	Jan. 19
Bowling Green	Jan. 21
Sweetwater	Jan. 22
Crowsville	Jan. 23
Avon Park	Jan. 26-27
Sebring	Jan. 28
Venus	Feb. 9
Palm Dale	Feb. 10
Moore Haven	Feb. 11
LaBelle	Feb. 12
Hermont, until noon	Feb. 13
Owens	Feb. 23
Pine Level	Feb. 24
Oak Hill	Feb. 25
Brownville	Feb. 26
Gardner	Feb. 27
Zolfo	Feb. 28
Charlotte Harbor	March 8
Punta Gorda	March 9-10
Cleveland	March 11
Fort Ogden	March 12
Noocate	March 13
Wauchula	March 17, 18, 19, 20
Arcadia	March 24 to April 1

H. G. MURPHY,
Tax Assessor.

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CANADIAN IS LARGE WINNER

Owner Ross of Montreal Bids Fair to Head List of Winning Owners on American Turf.

J. E. T. Ross of Montreal bids fair to head the list of winning owners on the American turf again this year. Sir Barton, Ogdell and other horses in his stable having earned more than \$120,000 since the opening of the season.

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H. E. COY

Avon Park,

Florida

There Are But Four More Purchasing Days Before Christmas

And many have not yet decided on what to buy for mother, father, sister, brother, sweetheart or friend. Our stock was bought with the idea of helping you solve the problem of creating the greatest degree of Yuletide happiness with the least expenditure of money.

Toys	Toilet Goods	Dry Goods	Shoes	Hardware
Every child's delight can be satisfied at a nominal cost from our selection of Toys for Boys and Girls. A more complete stock was never shown in Avon Park.	Perfumes, soaps, powder and other toilet requisites can be found here most economically priced. Our selections are most comprehensive and you'll find much for suitable gifts.	This department is devoted to all that's good in Dry Goods and in it, you will find many useful presents with which to please the feminine fancy. Gifts from this department are always appropriate.	The smartest models and most dependable leathers are to be found in our line of the celebrated Star Brand Shoes. Any member of the family would appreciate a gift of this kind.	Enamelware, crockery, aluminum-ware, pocket knives, scissors, carving sets. A department we have always been known to save you money on. Many suitable Xmas presents are to be found in this department.

Here the Christmas Spirit

Fills the heart with delightful expression in gifts that are representative of your individuality and in our display you are sure to find just what is wanted.

It Wouldn't Be Christmas

If you didn't have plenty of nuts, apples, raisins, etc., and the pies and cakes to be made from the eggs, dates, citron and evaporated fruits, we have laid in so abundantly for this Merry Yuletide

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Avon Park,

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Church Notices

UNION EVANGELICAL CHURCH
Rev. Benjamin Stout, Pastor
Sunday school 9:30 a. m.
Morning service 10:45 a. m.
Evening service 7:30 p. m.
Prayer meeting Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.
You are welcome to all the services.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH
(The Church of the Redeemer)
Rev. J. Thomas Murrish, D.D., L.L.D.,
Rector.
Services on Sabbath at 11 a. m. and
7:30 p. m.
Sabbath school at 10 a. m.
Sermon by Dr. Murrish every first,
third and fourth Sunday.
A cordial welcome is extended to
all to attend these services.

FIRST BAPTIST
J. A. Davis, Pastor
Services first and third Sundays, 11:00
a. m. and 7:30 p. m.
Prayer service every Wednesday 7:30
p. m.
Sunday school 10:30 a. m.
Business conference Wednesday evening
before first Sunday.
Ladies' Missionary Society Thursday
afternoon before second and fourth Sun-
days, in church at 3:30 p. m. Mrs. L. D.
Roberts, president.

J. H. McChellan, Sunday school super-
intendent.
Church Officers—W. O. Skipper and J.
H. McChellan, deacons; L. D. Roberts,
clerk; W. O. Skipper, treasurer; J. V.
Chapman, choir director.

"Come thou with us and we will do thee
good."
All most cordially invited.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. W. A. Fletcher, Pastor
Preaching every second and fourth
Sunday.

Sunday school every Sunday, 9:45 a. m.
Morning sermon 11 o'clock.
Evening service 7:30 o'clock.
Choir practice Thursday 7:15 p. m.
All are invited to attend these services.

THE CHURCH OF CHRIST
T. B. Thompson, Minister
Lord's Day Bible Study, 10 a. m.
Morning sermon 11 a. m.
Evening sermon 6:30 p. m.
Thursday Bible study 6:30 p. m.

D. V. Rouse

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AVON PARK, : : FLORIDA

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

A. P. Godwin, of Fort Meade,
visited his brother here Friday.

Born—Thursday, Dec. 11, to Mr.
and Mrs. Walter Parnell, a daugh-
ter.

Kerrell Thomas, from the Lower
Kissimmee Valley, was in town Sat-
urday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Smith spent
Monday afternoon in Arcadia
transacting business.

Mrs. Myrtle Cope, who is teach-
ing the Fort Kissimmee school, was
a shopper in town Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Moffett went
to Tampa Saturday and returned
Sunday with a new Buick roadster.

Miss Sadie Myers, who is teach-
ing school at Sebring, came home
Friday to spend the week-end with
her parents.

Fred Laswell, who recently
moved from here to Tampa, was in
town Saturday transacting busi-
ness and greeting friends.

Engene Yarbrough had Joe Wil-
son left for their home in King-
ston, Ga., Monday morning, after
having spent a couple of weeks
here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Howard, of
Rogersville, Ala., arrived in Avon
Park a few days ago. They have
purchased the Dr. Mitchell place,
better known as the Burleigh
place, a couple of miles out of town
and will make this their future
home. Our people extend the hand
of fellowship and bid them wel-
come.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Heyworth
and children and Mrs. Pearly Hey-
worth, Ben Johnson and Miss Joy
Park, of Middletown, Ind., arrived
here Friday night to spend the
winter with Mr. and Mrs. J. O.
Parks. This is their third winter
here and they are well known to
our people, who welcome their re-
turn. Miss Joy was one of our

High School girls and very popu-
lar with the younger set.

For Sale—Good draft horse. In-
quire at this office.

A. D. Roberts was called to Fort
Meade Saturday by the serious ill-
ness of his father.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Hunt, of
Farmersburg, Ind., relatives of
Mrs. Ellis West, are here for the
winter.

Miss Roberta Bass, who is teach-
ing school at Lake Stearns, spent
the week-end with her mother,
Mrs. L. E. Bass.

Dr. W. C. Touchton went to
Sebring Friday night, bringing
Cole Godwin here, where he could
give him medical attention.

Wanted—To buy good milch
cow; one with young calf preferred.
J. N. HOWARD,
Avon Park, Fla.

Mrs. Lizzie Harris, mother of
Mrs. B. H. Starkey, arrived here
Friday of last week from Prairie
Creek, Ind., to spend the winter.

Fox Devenau, of Homeland,
passed through here Saturday on
his way home, after having spent
several days in the lower Kissim-
mee Valley section hunting.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Spangler, of
Pittsburg, and their cousin, Miss
Lizzie Williams, are located at the
Englewood and will enjoy the
many attractions we have to offer
this winter.

Mr. Fred Wh to Says, "Don't Idle
Because You Only See One Rat."

"I did, pretty soon I found my
cellar full. They ate my potatoes.
After trying RAT-SNAP I got 5
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To the Members of the Baptist
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Dear Brothers, Sisters and Friends:

Let me acknowledge in this pub-
lic way, through the columns of
our town paper, a present of a
handsome suit of clothes, and yet
language is inadequate to express
my sincere thanks for this concrete
expression of your thoughtfulness
and generosity, your confidence and
affections. Such kindly remem-
brances and such quiet expression
of continued cooperation and fel-
lowship has a very humbling effect
upon the recipient and makes him
cry out more earnestly and often
to God to make me more and more
worthy such confidence, and pray
God to prevent by his kindly provi-
dence the coming of that time, or
occasion, when by word or act
or deed I should ever cause
any one of you to feel that your
confidence had been misplaced.
Many things are in my heart to
say, but I forbear. With all my
heart I thank you.

Your pastor,
J. A. DAVIS.

TEACH. R'S EXAMINATION

A teacher's examination will be
held at Bradentown, Fla., Thurs-
day, Jan. 1, 1920. The text books
used will be the same as those ac-
cepted recently except civil gov-
ernment. James & Sanford Civil
Government will be used; also La-
rue's Science and Art of Teaching.

There will also be an examina-
tion held in Arcadia July 13. Any-
one desiring to teach in the public
schools next fall should make prepa-
ration to take the examination at
that time.

As there is a great shortage of
teachers, it is hoped that a large
number of applicants will prepare
for work in the schools next year.
Any additional information will
be gladly furnished.

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1st week.....1c 2nd week.....2c 3rd week.....3c 4th week.....4c and so on for fifty weeks, at the end of which time we will mail you check for	1st week.....50c 2nd week.....49c 3rd week.....48c 4th week.....47c and so on for fifty weeks, at the end of which time we will mail you check for	1st week.....2c 2nd week.....4c 3rd week.....6c 4th week.....8c and so on for fifty weeks, at the end of which time we will mail you check for	1st week.....\$1.00 2nd week.....98c 3rd week.....96c 4th week.....94c and so on for fifty weeks, at the end of which time we will mail you check for	1st week.....5c 2nd week.....10c 3rd week.....15c 4th week.....20c and so on for fifty weeks, at the end of which time we will mail you check for	1st week.....\$2.50 2nd week.....2.45 3rd week.....2.40 4th week.....2.35 and so on for fifty weeks, at the end of which time we will mail you check for	50c and get check for..... 25.00 \$1.00 and get check for..... 50.00 \$2.00 and get check for..... 100.00 Plus Interest WE PAY 5 PER CENT INTEREST
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