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OBITUARY

Mrs. Lucie L. Applebaugh (nee North) was born in Detroit, Mich., April 12, 1844. Was wedded to Mr. Applebaugh Oct. 16, 1916, in Omaha, Neb. They came to Florida in January, 1917, going to Lynn Haven, on St. Andrews Bay, where they resided a year and then moved to Zephyrhills, moving from there to Avon Park with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fox March 11, 1919. May 22, 1919, they moved into the Woman's Exchange building, where Mrs. Applebaugh conducted an art and notion store.

Jan. 19 deceased contracted a severe cold, which developed pneumonia and kept her bedfast until the morning of Jan. 31 at 3:30 o'clock, when she passed into quiet, peaceful sleep and in a world unknown to us rests with her Saviour. The remains were interred in the Avon Park cemetery, funeral services being conducted at the Episcopal church by the Rev. J. Thomas Murrish, assisted at the cemetery by the Rev. W. A. Fischer and the Rev. A. D. Buck, of the Methodist church.

Mrs. Applebaugh is survived by her husband, of this city, one son, William A. Kellogg, of Council Bluffs, Iowa, five grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

—Contributed.

Card of Thanks

I desire to express my heartfelt thanks to all who so kindly tendered their help and sympathy and especially to Mrs. Gray, Mrs. Wray, Mrs. Lewison, Mrs. Swearingen, Mrs. Fox, Mrs. Shepard and Mrs. Houghboom, and may the dear Lord bless you each and all.

C. E. APPLEBAUGH.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

The sheriff has submitted the following report for the month of January to the board of county commissioners:

CRIME	NO.
Aggravated assault	4
Assault and battery	1
Being infected with venereal disease and exposing others to infection	4
Drunkenness	6
Delinquent children	7
Fraudulently obtaining money	1
Grand larceny	1
Insanity	1
Enticing female away for immoral purpose	1
Larceny of shoats	2
Manufacturing intoxicating liquors (Moonshine)	2
Petit larceny	6
Possessing an unlawful quantity of alcoholic beverages, commonly called "Buck"	1
Reckless driving with auto	1
Threatening to kill and injure another	1
Trespass and profanity	1
Transporting intoxicating liquors (Moonshine)	1
Using indecent language	1
Using property of another without consent of owner	1
Total	43
Plead guilty	15
Tried and found guilty	2
Tried and not found not guilty	1
Released by County Judge on account of lack of evidence	1
Released upon payment of costs	1
Delivered to a representative of the Florida State Insane Asylum	1
Awaiting the action of the juvenile court	7
Bound over to County Court	10
Bound over to Circuit Court	5
Total	43
Prisoners in jail during the month	34
Prisoners in jail today	3
Prisoners captured for other counties	3
Prisoners captured for other states—(Georgia)	1
County convicts on county roads today	23
Fines and costs collected during the month of January	\$1,341.99
Fine and costs bonds on hand with good security	\$459.44

A. M. Smith and son Billie, of Arbuckle Lake, were transacting business in Avon Park last Friday.

DADDY'S EVENING FAIRY TALE

By Mary Graham Donner

IS EVERYTHING LOVELY?

"There was once a little boy named Joe," said Daddy, "whose favorite expression was—

"Well, is everything lovely? He used that expression just as some of us will say: 'Hello, and how are you? I'm fine!'"

"Well, one night Joe had gone to bed. He was unlike many other little boys. He was very fond of bed. He loved to sleep. In that way he was like the Dormouse and also like the animals who sleep all winter. Joe said that he owed himself sleep just as we will say we owe the grocer money for the groceries he sent around in the morning."

"I thought you always said," chimed in Nick, "that it wasn't nice to owe anyone anything."

"Ah, yes," said Nancy, "you've told us always not to ever have bills even when we're big, but to pay other people as we would like to be paid ourselves, promptly. Eh, Daddy?"

"Now, children," laughed Daddy, "I was only trying to use a sample of what I meant when I spoke of Joe owing himself sleep."

"They all laughed hard over Daddy's mistake in saying such a thing, and then Daddy went on with the story."

"Most children who are really normal children like to sit up late. Maybe it isn't always good for them, but still if they were too anxious to get to bed they wouldn't be very real."

Nick and Nancy laughed.

"We're real children, then," they said together.

"But Joe was a real child only he was a sleepy head, and he used to be so busy bustling this way and that and always rushing and hurrying when he was up and around, that he really did get awfully tired out."

"As I told you, Joe's favorite expression was—

"Well, is everything lovely? You see, he was naturally good-natured, and only with a few people whom he didn't like at all was he ever cross, and he tried to be nice with them; just as nice as he could be."

"But as I have said, he was naturally good-natured and he used to like to make people feel happy and good-natured, too, so he would say:

"Is everything lovely? and it would make them feel that surely everything was lovely! It made lots of people happy, and everyone loved Joe because he made them feel happy."

"Well, one day the Fairy Queen heard of Joe and of his happy little expression and she went to visit him one night when he was asleep."

"Making up sleep, Joe?" she asked. "Joe looked up at her. 'Oh, hello, your Majesty,' he said. 'How about you? Do you feel well and is everything lovely?'"

"The Fairy Queen burst out laughing. Her laugh was so sweet and so silvery that Joe felt he had been resting for a long, long time. It soothed him and made him feel so much better."

"Such a cheerful person who is always trying to make people feel happy," said the Fairy Queen, "should be rewarded, and so I am going to reward you."

"What are you going to give me?" asked Joe. "You see, as I said, he was quite a real little boy and wanted to know what the present or the reward would be."

"I am not going to tell you now," said the Fairy Queen. "For soon you're to have a birthday. Then you will get your reward."

"I am going to tell the Fairy of Birthday Secrets about it and she will tell it to your mother. But I thought I would give you a little hint. I must be off now. Good-by, Joe, and may everything, all your life, always be lovely!" She laughed again and was off.

"And when Joe's birthday came there was a little printing press and a tiny typewriter and some paper and different sized letters."

"My reward," said Joe happily, "and when I'm big I'm going where there are real presses and where they make big newspapers," he said.

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The small daughter of the house was busily setting the table for expected company when her mother called to her:

"Put down three forks at each place, dear."

Having made some observations on her own account when the expected guests had dined with her mother before, she inquired thoughtfully:

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL

John Lake last week purchased a Ford from R. E. Palmer.

Guess Altman, of Sebring, was an Avon Park visitor Saturday.

George Rosin, of Wauchula, was a business visitor here last Friday.

Mrs. Dave Thomas, of Orange Hammock, was here Saturday shopping.

H. F. Hunter, who has been here for several weeks, went to Mulberry Tuesday.

L. O. Fagan and Peter Raulerson, of Okeechobee, were Avon Park visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Thomas, of Fort Bassenger, were here last week attending revival meetings.

J. W. Nixon and Anson Longstreet left Tuesday for Lakeland and Tampa to remain a few days.

Hugh Gordon, O. R. Perry and J. A. Caldwell, of Lake Wales, transacted business here last Friday.

The Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Fischer have moved into the cottage formerly occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Lamont Wolff.

Lamont Wolff has purchased the pretty little cottage west of the railroad from G. M. Brown and is now occupying same.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Smith, Victor Smith and Melville Bass drove to Orange Hammock on the Kissimmee river, Sunday.

Homer Maddux held the lucky number that secured the diamond ring given away by the Gerrard Players Saturday night.

R. I. Harris returned Monday from Fort Meade, where he spent the week-end, Mrs. Harris remaining there for a longer visit.

John Noland, who has been in Avon Park for several weeks, went to Adairsville, Ga., last week, returning Monday with his son, August Noland.

Mrs. John Graves and Mrs. J. P. Gaines, of Adairsville, Ga., arrived in Avon Park Monday for an indefinite stay. Mr. Gaines is driving through in his car.

Wilbur Hazellief and sister, Mrs. G. L. Campbell, of Bassenger, were here last week attending the revival meeting. While here they were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Whidden, out on Lake Lota.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Madeira, accompanied by Mrs. E. Lyons and daughter Grace, left Tuesday morning for the East Coast, where they will visit various places as far south as Miami. They will return via Daytona and Orlando.

Joe Lander motored to Maitland Monday, bringing back with him his mother, Mrs. D. L. Lander, Mrs. Jennie Allen, of Chattanooga, Tenn., and little Ella Mande Lander, who has been visiting her grandmother for the last two weeks.

Wood Wanted

We want to contract with some reliable person to furnish wood for the Florida Ice and Power Company's plant at Avon Park; some one who can keep us supplied at all times. For particulars see T. W. LAWTON, Local Manager, 714 Avon Park, Fla.

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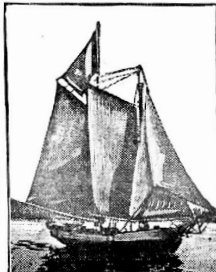
When the average man comes home from work
At the end of an average day,
He's worked along in the average style,
According to average pay,
He walks along at an average pace
Till he strikes an average car
That takes him along with an average crowd
And gives him an average jar.
He enters in by the average gate
And opens the average door,
He finds an average number of kids
Sprayed out on an average floor,
And when he turns to his average wife,
Who once was an average girl,
He's better by far than the average man
If he captures an average kid.
—Cartoons Magazine.

VESSEL HAS LONG LIFE

Schooner Polly, Built at Amesbury, Mass., in 1805, Still Is in Active Service.

In 1805 the Polly first sailed the ocean blue, and she is still doing it. Her birthplace was Amesbury, Mass., and since the first moment she took the water she has been working as a coastwise freighter.

Several years ago, when the Polly began to grow famous for her long, active life, the newspapers—as so often happen—hunted for possible scandals in her youth that they might feature in their pages. They came out with the story that in the war of 1812 she was a privateer. But this was



The Venerable Polly.

promptly and indignantly denied by her friends. So the newspapers gave up and the Polly has gone on her peaceful, respectable way.

The schooner has a capacity for only forty-five tons of freight; yet in her day she has carried enough lumber, bricks and lime to build a large city of wooden houses. Think of the long line of captains who have sailed the Polly and the crews that have manned her through more than a hundred years. What human interest stories she could tell if she could only speak. —Popular Science Monthly.

Spanish Railroads.

W. B. Trites, the novelist, is living in Malaga in a villa on a hilltop overlooking the Mediterranean. In a letter to his New York publisher he wrote:

"Andalusia is divine, but the railroads are the limit. In buying a ticket for Malaga to Torre del Mar I said to the railroad man the other day:

"How is this? You charge me 80 cents to Torre del Mar, and in the four-hour stage I can make the trip for forty-five."

"Ah, but, you see, senior," said the railroad man, "on our line you obtain a ride of four hours, whereas in the four-hour stage it is only a ride of 90 minutes. You see, senior, looked at in that way, ours is the better bargain, is it not?"

Hidden Treasures.

The various "hiding holes" to which valuables were transferred from the British museum, during the war, are disclosed in the report of that institution for 1918. Objects in the departments of antiquities, including the Frieze of the Parthenon, the best of the Greek vases and bronzes, the chief Assyrian bas-reliefs, the Rosetta stone, and the finest objects of mediaeval art, together with practically the whole collection of coins and medals, were transferred to a station on the newly completed Pontal Tube railway, some 50 feet below the surface of Holborn. Fifteen vaults of treasures were transferred to the National Library of Wales at Aberystwyth.

A Conservative.

"In his palmy days the stage robber was a picturesque individual."
"Yes, and not grasping in his methods, either."
—RAT.

"Unlike the modern profiteer, he merely took what the passengers happened to have at the time. He didn't take an option on what they expected to earn for the next five years."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

A Frank Discussion.

"Mr. Gracolin, would you consider me an eligible son-in-law?"

"Dr. Dubson, have you ever done anything that would justify me in considering you an eligible son-in-law?"

"Well, if you eliminate the time I've put in playing pinocle with you, I can't truthfully say I have."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

Restriction.

"Don't eat too much sugar," said the doctor.
"Tongue behindhand," replied the patient. "The grocer said that several hours ago."

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TELEPHONE No. 29

Friday, Feb. 6, 1920

The Weather

Following are the average temperatures, together with the amount of rainfall during the past month.

Mean maximum	74.25
Minimum	53.13
Maximum	83
Minimum	33
Rainfall, inches	1.73

WILLIAM KING, Observer.

Ma Ruhl, can't ye find time to change the date in your excellent paper to 1920?

There are some big things in store for Avon Park that we will tell you about in the near future.

This is the time of year when we would like to introduce some of our California friends to a real orange or grapefruit.

Old Man Pleurisy has kept us off the job several days since last week's issue, which accounts for the shortcomings of this issue.

The Sebring White Way says, "See Sebring before settling." But please don't wait until you see Sebring before settling with us.

Florida grapefruit is being used in Chicago to combat the flu. That's good for Florida, good for the patient and good medicine to take.

Go where you will and you will find a few roughnecks who can not attend a show or revival meeting without doing something to annoy others.

It has been ruled that foreign vessels entering a United States port need not seal their liquor. We'd advise placing a strong guard over them, however.

The government will permit the sale of whiskey when prescribed by a physician. To be used in cases of sickness. Now look for an epidemic to break out in all parts of the country.

In Miami two boys recently received long term sentences for chicken stealing. An example should be made of the thieves who are stealing them here, if they are apprehended.

The killing of three fence cutters and arrest of a fourth in Polk county should prove a wholesome warning to the criminals of De Soto county who have been up to the same game.

Every day the electric light service gets worse and worse in Avon Park. Unless it is to be remedied soon, the Board of Trade committee on transportation, electric lights and telephones should get busy and urge the formation of a

company to furnish light and power here. We are assured by capitalists that it would be an easy matter to organize such a company now.

And wouldn't most of those northerners like to have been in Florida during the last week?

Glad the Tampa Tribune secured more paper, before John McWhorter was crowded entirely out.

At the primaries next June a vote for Cary A. Hardee for governor means a vote for a business administration.

Okeechobee is complaining of its electric light service. Wonder if it's any worse than we have to contend with here?

Speaking of politics reminds us that the Avon Park Pilot chronicles the arrival in that town of another cabbage head weighing 14 pounds and measuring 21 by 30 inches across.—Tampa Tribune.

Twenty-four hour electric service or a new plant will be the slogan in Avon Park within a very short time if we are not assured of such service from the Florida Ice and Power Company, and that service to be installed soon.

Almost we are tempted to quit the newspaper business and start a bank. According to the Okeechobee News the Bank of Okeechobee has declared a dividend of 80 per cent. The net earnings were 97 per cent, but 17 per cent was placed in the surplus fund.

A community that cannot, or does not, support a newspaper, cannot hope to attract the attention of people seeking new homes or new lares to establish a business. The town newspaper is representative of its community, and should judge the town by that newspaper. Dead people don't advertise.—Pensacola Journal.

Adams, of the Avon Park Pilot, doesn't care if Hully can speak ten languages and V. Cicero Swearingen has been "studying nothing but politics for ten years." He has found out that while Hully was studying those dead languages and Van was studying politics, Cary Hardee has been studying the needs of Florida and sound modern business qualifications.—Tampa Tribune.

An Appropriate Name.
Farmer Korvasek—Want, it's too bad you received the notice of my little darter's birth too late to put it in the paper. Sorry, kin yer think of a good name for her?

Editor of the Blightown Bug—Sure; call her Ad. delayed.

Mean Thing.
Leading Lady—That fat comedian is just too impudent.

Understudy—What's he been up to now?

Leading Lady—As he sang "Let Us Clank Again Our Sparkling Glasses" he looked strangely at my diamonds.

Don't Believe This.
"Do you believe everything he says?"

"I used to, until he tried to tell me the other day that you couldn't lose any more money playing dollar-hunt poker than you could playing 10-cent limit."

WONDERLAND of PAPUA



Mountain Children in Raincoats of Leaves.

BEFORE daylight on the morning of September 6, 1918, there was in unusual amount of bustle and stir in the little town of Aubiere, a suburb of Clermont-Ferrand, the capital of the department of Puy-de-Dôme. In one of the most historic regions of France—the ancient province of Auvergne, says the Christian Science Monitor? What was the occasion which produced all this early morning excitement? Surely no call to battle or no signal to go over the top, because the actual horrors of the world war never extended into this sleepy corner of south-central France; and the American regiment quartered hereabouts was merely passing through the last stages of its preliminary training prior to its triumphant moment of action upon the heights of the Meuse, which occurred during the last days of the war.

It was the one hundred and sixth anniversary of the birth of the great Lafayette, and the regimental band of Col. Arthur S. Caudle's Third Hundred and Third heavy field artillery regiment had been invited to share with a few American army officers the honor of representing the American expeditionary forces—yes, the United States of America—at the birthplace and the early home of the great hero who aided so much in the work of winning its independence as a nation. The last bandman had returned from the early breakfast served in the village square of Aubiere, and with his instrument had joined the crowd already climbing like the huge army motor trucks drawn up before the band's billet.

As the first rays of the dawn appeared, and the procession of Aubiere's peasants commenced from the crooked alleysways of the town to the surrounding fields and vineyards, the trucks moved out of the village and over the hill toward Clermont.

After the brief ride through the thoroughfares of the city of Clermont-Ferrand, which was just awakening to the day's activities, the bandmen arrived at the commodious railway station where specially reserved cars on the morning train south awaited them.

After the sun was up the train ambled out of Clermont and was soon making its way leisurely through the colorful Auvergne country.

The Setting Supreme.

The day proved to be perfect, warm, and clear; the views from the car windows were entrancing, and the "magnificent" leading the gates at each crossing waved their greetings to the groups of young Yankee soldiers which filled the windows of each compartment in the train. The landscape was dotted here and there with the picturesque red-roofed villages, from the center of which rose the gray stone church towers; the countryside seemed to be an immense vineyard filled with endless acres of grapevines; and the mountain peaks, now extinct volcanoes, stood out in bold relief against the clear blue sky like sentinels. Occasionally an old castle ruin frowned upon the travelers from some overhanging cliff or neighboring hillside.

After a ride of three hours, the train passed into the department of Haute Loire and made a short stop at Brionde, where many gayly-dressed country folk with their lunch baskets boarded the cars. A few moments later, the train reached the little village of Paulhaguet, where the order sounded to detain. After much hurying and scurrying about at the little way-station, many vehicles of every sort and description were pressed into service for the transportation of the men to their destination. Some rode in autos, some in carriages, and a bass tuba player with his immense instrument was obliged to ride on the front seat of an automobile coupe, by the side of the driver. The horse was not foot-footed; and the tuba player reached the Chateau de Lafayette nearly as long later than the other bandmen, who had watched the great bell of his brass horn dazzling in the sun's rays, slowly making its way up the mountain road several miles below.

Fine Ride to Old Castle.

And what a ride it was! what sun-drenched avenues and glorious country, picturesque, marvellous! It seemed difficult to believe that a land of such overwhelming beauty in summer could

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL MENTION

See L. A. Wolff and he will show you how money grows.

J. M. Stripling, of Sebring, was an Avon Park visitor Saturday.

Steve Roberts, of Zolfo, was one of our business visitors last Friday.

A. M. McAuley has received his new Ford, which has been ordered since May.

The Rev. Sam Durrance was here Monday, on his way out to spray his grove.

W. O. Skipper has purchased the Oakland Six advertised in The Pilot by R. E. Palmer.

New England dinner at the Congregational church parlors Thursday, Feb. 12, beginning at 12:30 p.m.

Miss Amanda Landis, who is visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. W. King, went to Lakeland Monday to visit friends for a few days.

Messrs. VanKleeck, Yager, Andrews, Ivy and Spear and the Misses VanKleeck and Rice, of Sebring, attended the dance at the Avon last Friday night.

Tuesday the Rev. J. A. Davis left with his brother, J. S. Davis, for Lakeland and other points they will visit before his brother leaves for his Kentucky home.

Dad Pryde returned Friday of last week from Bussenger, where he has been engaged in hauling fruit to the Exchange in Sebring for the last three weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Norton Smith, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Marsh, Gordon Smith, Charlie Smith, Elton Nicholson, Beatrice Bass, Ethel Marsh, Mark Lance and W. L. MacGoodwin enjoyed the day last Sunday at Red Top, on Lake Isis.

Will Yates, of Graves county, Kentucky, is in the Park for a short vacation and will build a winter home here. Mr. Yates is an old friend of the Rev. T. B. Thompson, both having lived in the same place in Kentucky, and may become one of our permanent residents.

William Hauptmann spent Sunday with his family at Zolfo. Mrs. Hauptmann and son Oliver bringing him back Sunday evening in their car. On their return trip their car was run into by a Sebring car, breaking the left front wheel and necessitating their remaining in Avon Park until the damage could be repaired Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Moffett departed Tuesday morning for Bloomington, Neb., where they will again make their home. These good people made many friends during their short residence in Avon Park, who were loath to see them leave, but business matters came up requiring Mr. Moffett's time at Bloomington, making it necessary for him to take this step. We hope they will again return to Avon Park, which more than likely they will do, when they come to think of the severe winters they will have to endure in their west home.

Your syrup labels printed just right at this office.

See L. A. Wolff and he will show you how money grows.

H. E. Poole, of Orlando, registered at the Avon Monday.

Fred Carlisle, of Marianna, was a guest at the Avon Tuesday.

H. E. English, of Lakeland, was a business visitor here Monday.

A. M. Godwin, of Sebring, was an Avon Park visitor Saturday evening.

W. R. Collins, of Fort Meade, has purchased the City Market of J. B. Williams.

J. H. White and son, of Orlando, were guests of J. N. Howard and family several days this week.

A. J. Whidden and John Lesure motored to Zolfo Tuesday, bringing back a Ford roadster for Mr. Whidden.

Miss Ella Cameron, who has been spending some time with relatives in Newberry, returned to her home here Sunday.

E. T. Rous, of Plant City, one of the best known manufacturers in South Florida, was transacting business here Tuesday.

Horace Hudson and James T. Chiles, who are doing feature work for the Tampa Tribune, were pleasant callers at this office yesterday morning.

J. P. Davis returned from the West Coast Wednesday, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Harris, of Rockmart, Ga., who will visit relatives here.

Mrs. W. C. Touchton and little son returned from Fairburn, Ga., Friday, where they were called several weeks ago on account of the death of Mrs. Touchton's father.

The Ladies Aid of the Congregational church and the Episcopal Guild will serve a New England dinner at the Congregational church parlors Thursday, Feb. 12, beginning 12:30 p.m. All cordially invited.

Capt. Myron Burns, of Manchester, N. Y., who has been in France for the last seventeen months, and is still in the service of Uncle Sam, is the guest of his friend, Ezra Smith. Capt. Burns was wounded in France and comes here to recuperate.

R. W. Whidden, accompanied by the Rev. I. H. Marks, motored to Arcadia Monday, where the latter took the train for his home in Fort Myers. The Rev. Marks has been holding a three-weeks' revival meeting here in the tent, corner Main and Butler streets.

Mr. and Mrs. William Dart, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Fairbanks, Mr. and Mrs. John T. Lesure and Mrs. Annie Lesure motored to Arcadia Tuesday, where they visited Carlstrom Field and other places of interest, the trip being made in celebration of Mrs. Fairbanks' 81st birthday anniversary.

For Sale—A good spring wagon; apply at this office.

B. H. Hagan transacted business in Arcadia Tuesday.

J. V. Chapman has purchased a brand-new Ford runabout.

G. C. Cameron, of Tampa, transacted business here Tuesday.

Remember the date of the next smoker—Wednesday, Feb. 18.

W. H. Giles, of Bartow, was transacting business here Tuesday.

E. J. Hancock, of Tampa, was one of our business visitors Tuesday.

Wanted—At this office, a few copies of last week's Pilot. Five cents each.

Tax Assessor Henry Murphy, of Zolfo, was a business visitor here Wednesday.

Miss Abbie Conner left yesterday morning for her home in Palmetto, where she will spend several days.

David P. Moore, a member of the party from Washington arriving in Avon Park Saturday, departed for his home Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Paddy and E. Youmans, of Adrian, Ga., relatives of Mrs. T. H. Lander, spent several days here last week as guests.

Mrs. E. C. Mohrstadt, aunt of Mrs. C. N. Old, left yesterday morning for Jacksonville, where she will join her husband and visit the East Coast for a short time.

The Ford Sales Company will give a demonstration of Fordson tractors as soon as some implements can be received. Watch for their announcement of this demonstration and don't miss it.

Frank B. Shaffer, of Pittsburgh, arrived in Avon Park Monday night to spend the remainder of the winter and inspect his grove property, purchased through the Pittsburgh Florida Development Company. Mr. Shaffer has been in poor health for some time and a sojourn in this healthful section will undoubtedly prove beneficial to him.

R. I. Harris has sold his pretty bungalow on Central avenue to A. Z. Hughes, of Tennessee, who will take possession in a few days. We do not know whether Mr. Hughes will engage in business here or simply make this his winter home, but we join with the rest of our Avon Park citizens in extending a cordial welcome to our city. Mr. and Mrs. Harris will make their home at the Avon for the present.

Dr. J. G. Holt, of Dixie, Ga., spent Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning here with his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Holt. Dr. Holt has many friends here who would be glad to have him make this his home again. At present he is principal of the Dixie schools, but may return here next summer. Alton Holt returned home with him for treatment and will resume his business course as soon as he is physically able.

Announcement

We expect a splendid assortment of Spring Hats and will have a Spring Opening at my home as soon as they arrive. Watch for the opening date.

Mrs. Gribble.

Mr. J. A. White Says: "If You Have An Automobile, Keep Rat-Snap."

"If I had known about RAT-SNAP last winter, would have saved \$120. My car was in the garage for a few weeks during bad weather; when I went to take it out, found that rats had eaten great holes in two new tires. Got them later with RAT-SNAP." Three sizes, 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold and guaranteed by F. C. Rae, Avon Park Drug Co., Park Mercantile Company.

W. H. Dixon spent Sunday in Haines City.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Horace Hill Monday.

Lon Raulerson motored to Sebring Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Sherman motored to Orlando Saturday, returning Sunday.

Wanted—To rent a sewing machine. Address Box 214 or apply at the Village Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Smith and Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Sargent spent Tuesday in Wauchula.

R. L. Franklin has purchased from Asa Lewis, of Fort Meade, a fifteen-acre grove east of Avon Park. He has also purchased from Messrs. Skipper & Lanier the small grove south of the Sanitary Market.

Mr. and Mrs. James Kreighbaum and little son left Tuesday for the East Coast, where they will visit all places of interest before returning to their home in Huntington, Ind., about March 1. Mr. Kreighbaum is a son-in-law of the Rev. A. D. Buck, at whose home they have been spending several weeks. He says the happiest nine weeks of his life has been spent in Avon Park.

What Mrs. Brenninger, of New York, Says About Rat Poison.

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Even sudden wealth would be of no lasting benefit to you unless you knew how to handle it.

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"In addition to the above Senator Fletcher has been most active in obtaining appropriations for public buildings, fish cultural stations, hydroplane and aviation stations, appropriations for eradicating citrus canker, federal aid for good roads and establishing the ship building industry in Florida and developing the use of our ports.

"Every interest of the state and the people have been served and cared for by him.

"As a member of the committee on military affairs, Senator Fletcher took an active part in framing legislation providing for our stupendous military operations which brought brought the world war to a sudden end; and for his untiring efforts, and the efforts of his colleagues, we should all feel deeply grateful.

"Regarding the splitting up of Florida troops, I quote from statement of the Secretary of War:

"The Florida National Guard regiments were not kept intact because in the entire country there were more organizations at minimum strength than could be used in the number of divisions to be organized. Consequently, in every state units were combined and in a great many instances units from two or more states were combined.

"The 31st Division consisted of Georgia, Alabama and Florida National Guards troops and even then many drafted men had to be sent to fill in.

"The 1st Florida Infantry was split up and assigned to several units of the 31st Division.

"The 2nd Florida Infantry went into the 124th Infantry, 31st Division intact.

"Field Hospital Company No. 1, Florida National Guard, went into the 106th Sanitary Train, 31st Division intact.

"Due to the late arrival in France of the 31st Division at the time of the heaviest fighting, the entire Division was at once broken up and used as replacements in numerous divisions. This explains why no Florida unit, large enough for a reception, returned as a unit."

"President Wilson was, and is, commander in chief of our military and naval forces. He called to his assistance the best trained military minds in the world. It would have been poor policy, under the circumstances, to have permitted senators and congressmen to dictate when and where this man, or that company or organization, should serve, or serve at all. Confusion would have been at its height had not experienced minds in military affairs planned what was best in order to bring about the early successful conclusion of the war. I do not believe any fairminded man should hold any congressman or senator responsible for the acts of military officials who had to contend with military problems.

"Governor Catts was exceedingly boastful of carrying out all of the promises he made when he was a candidate for the high position which he now fills, but he did not mention the fact that he promised a reduction of state taxes, whereas taxes have increased from six to twelve mills during his administration. Neither did he boast of having used his office to reward political friends by appointing them to offices from which he had illegally removed those elected by the people, only to have his acts disapproved by the senate at a cost, to date, of nearly twenty thousand dollars to the taxpayers.

"The people of Florida have generally held that when they elect a man governor they expect him to attend to the duties of that office and not be chasing around at their expense hunting for another office before his term expires.

"The record of Senator Fletcher is one of which every citizen of Florida should feel exceedingly proud. There is no reason why he should be displaced. Every friend of the state should rally to his

support, in order that he may be returned by an overwhelming majority. Just let me inquire. Do you believe, under the circumstances, that the state and nation would be benefited by a change? Do you believe a man inexperienced in business and legislative matters could serve as well? If some one should succeed him it would require years — if at all — to gain the prominence and influence that Senator Fletcher has attained, and in the meantime our state would be seriously handicapped, for any new senator from Florida—even under a Democratic administration—would be given unimportant committee assignments and would not be able to exert much influence in shaping legislation or obtaining appropriations that would benefit our state.

LAKE LOTELA COLONY GIVES BIG DINNER

Saturday afternoon friends and neighbors of H. G. Crapo and Mrs. I. C. Moore gathered at the pretty Crapo home on Lake Lotela and enjoyed a pleasant social afternoon. It was a neighborhood affair for those residing on Lake Lotela, each family attending bringing a well-filled basket for the delicious dinner served at 5:30 o'clock. The dinner consisted of grapefruit with sugar, potato salad with lettuce, baked beans, pimentes, cheese sandwiches, olives, meat sandwiches, kumquat preserves, pickles, cheese, pumpkin and lemon pie and lemonade, after which ice cream, doughnuts, cake and coffee were served. S. F. Moore baked the cake and made the coffee, proving himself to be an adept baker and coffee maker. Those fortunate enough to enjoy the feast and social afternoon were: Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Baldwin, Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Williams and little grandson, Mrs. H. P. Davidson and daughter, Miss Alice Davidson, Mrs. L. E. Bass and daughters Ruth and Roberta, Mrs. E. S. Lyons and daughter Grace, Mrs. J. H. Randall, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hall and little daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Madeira, H. G. Crapo and sister, Mrs. J. C. Moore, and nephew, S. E. Moore.

These Saturday afternoon gatherings and dinners will be permanent affairs during the remainder of the winter, the Lotela colony gathering at the home of some one of its members once each week for a social hour or two and a community dinner.

REVIVAL MEETINGS AT BAPTIST CHURCH

The first Sunday in March a series of revival meetings will begin at the Baptist church. The pastor will be ably assisted by the Rev. Lewis Entzinger, pastor of the First Baptist church, of Lakeland. J. V. Chapman will lead in the song service. We urge everyone who can possibly do so to attend. The Rev. Entzinger is a brother of W. D. Entzinger, who assisted in a revival meeting here about a year ago and is one of Florida's strong preachers.

Will Craig and family, T. B. Jones and family, Mrs. Nannie Gordon and Mrs. Rev. Cashdollar motored over from Winter Haven to visit Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Ott, who have known Mrs. Gordon and Mrs. Cashdollar for a number of years.

The Rev. T. B. Thompson and father returned from Plant City Thursday night of last week. The Rev. Thompson had been holding a ten day meeting there.

When Your Farm Stock is Sick, Look For Rats.

Disease among farm animals don't just happen. Rats are carriers of dangerous plagues—hog cholera, foot and mouth disease and that most terrible of all scourges—Bubonic plague. Farmers should throw around premises Rat-Snap. It's sure and safe. Three sizes, 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold and guaranteed by F. C. Rae, Avon Park Drug Co., Park Mercantile Co.

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:

Venus	Feb. 9
Palm Dale	Feb. 10
Moore Haven	Feb. 11
LaBelle	Feb. 12
Bermont, 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
Nocatee	March 13
Wauchula	March 17, 18, 19, 20
Aradida	March 24 to April 1

H. G. MURPHY,
Tax Assessor.

Church Notices

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. Benj. Stock, 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 every Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m. Sunday School at 10 o'clock a. m.
Sabbath school at 10 a. m.
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 10:00 a. m.

Business conference Wednesday evening before first Sunday.
Ladies' Missionary Society Thursday afternoon before second and fourth Sundays, in church at 8:30 p. m. Mrs. L. D. Roberts, president.

J. H. McClellan, Sunday school superintendent.
Church Officers—W. O. Skipper and J. H. McClellan, 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 1st, 2nd and 4th Sunday.

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

Stewards—B. H. Starkey, C. H. Harris, C. E. Lanier.
Secretary and Treasurer—R. C. Petersen.

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.

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HELPFUL SUGGESTIONS ON WISE SPENDING TO THOSE WOMEN ANXIOUS TO ECONOMIZE



When Selecting a Wash Water Buy One Which Will Launder Well.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

In a recent issue of the *Home Economics* magazine, a woman was interviewed who was troubled with quantities of fairly good-looking but rather cheap, expensive-looking and the other was plainly made, trimmed only by the beautiful of the collar and cuffs. Unable to decide between them she bought them both, and was taught a lesson worth any woman's time to learn.

Coarse and Cheap.

She wore the lace-trimmed one to a picnic one day and had the complacent feeling which comes to a woman when she is wearing clothes which she thinks are becoming. She was aware that it was conspicuous, but she was sure that all the women were envious of her appearance. However, when it was washed the first time the lace wore in several places and it took half of a valuable hour to repair it. The material had lost its new stiffness and appeared rather coarse and cheap. When she wore it the next time she was not happy over its effect, for it looked cheap and in poor taste, even to her.

FOODS BEST ADAPTED TO FIRELESS COOKER

Intelligence Necessary to Obtain Best Results.

Pies Cannot Be Baked Successfully in Ordinary Device—Cereals, Soups, Meats, Steamed Breads and Puddings Favored.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Obviously the fireless cooker must be used with intelligence to obtain the best results. It is best suited to those foods which require cooking, steaming or long, slow cooking in a moist heat. Foods cannot be fried in it, pies cannot be baked successfully in the ordinary fireless cooker, nor can any cooking be done which requires a high dry heat for browning. Meats, however, may be partially roasted in the oven and finished in the cooker, or may be begun in the cooker and finished in the oven with much the same results as if they were roasted in the oven entirely. The classes of food best adapted to the cooker are cereals, soups, meats, vegetables, dried fruits, steamed breads and puddings.

When different foods are cooked together in the fireless cooker they must be such as require the same amount of cooking, since the cooker cannot be opened to take out food without allowing the escape of a large amount of heat and making it necessary to re-heat the contents. It would not do to put foods which need only one and one-half hours to cook into the cooker with a piece of meat which would stay several hours.

The size of the container used in cooking with the fireless cooker should be governed according to the amount of food to be cooked. Small quantities of food cannot be cooked satisfactorily in a large kettle in the fireless cooker. If a large kettle must be used, better results will be obtained if some other material which holds heat fairly well is used to fill up the empty space. This may be accomplished in several ways. One is to put the small quantity of food to be cooked into a smaller, tightly closed kettle, fill the large kettle with boiling water and put the small kettle inside it, standing it on an inverted bowl or some other suitable support. This boiling water will take up and hold the heat better than would. Several smaller dishes (if tightly covered) may be placed in the kettle surrounded by boiling water. Baking powder or other fine often are found useful for this purpose. Another way is to place one food in a basin which just fits into the top of a large kettle and to let some other material, some vegetable perhaps, cook in the water in the bottom of the kettle. Two or

more flat, shallow kettles placed one on top of the other so as to fill the cooker enable one to cook small amounts of different foods successfully. Such kettles, made especially for use in fireless cookers, may be purchased.

MAKE MONDAY MEAN MUTTON

Use of Sheep Meat One Day a Week Should Appeal Especially to Small Families.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

The average housewife would be surprised to learn that in a year she buys for every person in the household only about five pounds of mutton or lamb, as compared with about 71 pounds of pork and 67 pounds of beef. If all American families used sheep meat one day a week in the average daily amount of other meats, that would mean more than 20 pounds of mutton and lamb annually per capita, or four times its present consumption.

More than that, the head of the family, who pays the bills, would no doubt encourage purchasing mutton and lamb in larger cuts, instead of merely a few chops at a time, if he were made to realize the greater economy and the greater encouragement to production. In that connection a shank of mutton or a leg of lamb, being smaller than the average beef joint, should appeal especially to small families.

PRACTICING THRIFT IN FOOD

Plan to Satisfy Appetite of Every Member of Family With No Table or Plate Waste.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Try to make the dishes served of such size that there will be enough to satisfy the appetite of the family and no unnecessary table or plate waste. Don't be ashamed to plan closely. Thrift in food means providing enough food, neither too little nor too much.

OF INTEREST TO THE HOUSEWIFE

A few bread crumbs added to scrambled eggs improve them.

Add a pinch of salt to eggs when whipping. It will hasten the process.

After cleaning the brass bed thoroughly go over it with a soft cloth slightly moistened with sweet oil.

If the dishes are very greasy add a few drops of ammonia to the wash water. This will be found more satisfactory than soda or soap powder.

To Heat House to 75 Deg. Instead of 70 Deg. Means 17 Per Cent Fuel Increase

"Every possible measure should be taken to save all the coal that is possible throughout the winter—and every winter, as far as that goes," says Prof. A. C. Willard of the department of heating and ventilation of the University of Illinois. "It is never too late to save coal and every use of this fuel should observe the following suggestions which are given as a result of long investigations conducted at the university on how to get the most heat from the least amount of coal:

"Heating surfaces should be kept clean and free from soot and ash accumulations and the entire ash pit should be cleaned daily.

"Grates should be true and not warped, should move easily and should have no broken pieces for coal to drop through. Unburned or partly burned coal should not appear in the ashes at any time.

"The fuel pot should be kept full, with a free surface at the level of fire door; let ashes accumulate on (not under) the grates in mild weather; grates should not be shaken too long nor violently, and clinkers should be removed with as little disturbance of the fire as possible. Do not shake or disturb a very low fire until you have added and ignited a little fresh fuel.

"Anticipate the heating demand by firing promptly when the outside temperature begins to drop, or the wind increases. Do not allow a fire to burn too thin nor to develop holes in the fire bed.

"If the heater is small for its work, do not use coal containing a large amount of ash.

"The house should be kept at a uniform temperature and should not be allowed to cool down more than 10 degrees at night.

"The temperature of all rooms should be as low as is consistent with comfort. To heat a house to 75 degrees F. instead of 70 degrees F. with an average outside temperature of 40 degrees F. for the entire heating season means a 17 per cent increase in fuel consumption."

MOTHERS' COOK BOOK

Laugh at all things.
Great or small things;
Sick or well, at sea or shore;
While we're quaffing,
Let's have laughing.
Who the devil cares for more?
—Lord Byron.

Seasonable Good Things.

From this collection should be found a few which will be welcome on the winter table.

Steamed Suet Pudding.

Chop one-half cupful of suet fine, cut one-fourth cupful of raisins, add one-fourth cupful of currants and sprinkle the suet and fruit with flour. Mix thoroughly half a cupful of molasses and one-half cupful of sour milk, then add the fruit and suet. Stir one cupful of flour with half a teaspoonful of cinnamon, one-fourth teaspoonful of cloves, three-fourths teaspoonful of soda, beat all together until well mixed and steam in buttered molds three hours. Serve hot with a hard sauce.

Escalloped Corn.

Take one cup of corn, add a beaten egg and half a cupful of milk, one tablespoonful of butter, one-fourth cupful of brown cream, half cupful of milk, a dash of salt and one-fourth of a chopped pepper. Cover with buttered crumbs and bake in a moderate oven.

Pear Salad.

Drain and chill canned pears. Place a half of a pear on a lettuce leaf; in the cavity where the core was removed place a small ball of highly seasoned cream cheese. Serve with whipped cream dressing, a bit of lemon juice, a dash of salt and cayenne and a teaspoonful of boiled dressing added to whipped cream.

Red Apple Salad.

Wash, core and pare uniform apples. Make a syrup of two cupfuls of sugar, a half cupful of water and a few cinnamon candies to color the juice. When the syrup boils add apples and cook until tender but unbroken. Remove the apples and chill. Place each on lettuce and fill the apples with finely minced celery. Serve with whipped cream and garnish with nuts.

Cherry Sponge.

Soften a tablespoonful of gelatine in four tablespoonfuls of water, then dissolve in a cupful of boiling water. Add one-fourth cupful of lemon and orange juice, one-half cupful of sugar and one-half cupful of cherry juice. Stir and mix well, and when cool beat well and add the stiffly beaten whites of three eggs. Place in wettable and serve unadorned, garnished with cherries and whipped cream.

Cheery hearts stuffed with well seasoned cream cheese and strangled on a pretty dish, makes a most appetizing dish for a relish.

Nellie Maxwell

Making Dry Barrels Water-Tight

The usual method of swelling leaking casks by pouring water into them and renewing as fast as it runs out, until the leaks close, is tedious and slow. Stuff the cask with straw and place a large stone on the top. Saturate with water and the straw will retain enough moisture to swell the wood after the water has escaped.

BOYS' YEARS OF SILENCE ENDED

Youths Rescued From Mountain Hut in Washington Had Never Spoken.

MARVEL AT CITY LIFE

Brothers, Who Lived With Deaf Mute Sister and Who Communicated in Sign Language, Learning to Talk.

Seattle.—Ernest and Herbert Koss, ten and twelve years old, respectively, rescued from the cabin they built in the Green river wilderness in Washington by their nineteen-year-old deaf mute sister, are in a children's hospital at Seattle, learning the wonders of writing and speech. While the lads are able to build a house, keep a fire, plant and till crops and shoot squirrels out of tree tops, when juvenile court officers found them they had never played nor spoken a word.

The boys had grown up together, communicating by the sign language taught them by their silent sister. Their father thought they, too, were mutes. Loved by nature, healthy, strong, passionately fond of each other's company, clever at shooting and fishing on the 50-acre homestead taken up by their father, William Koss, in the Cascade mountains, Ernest and Herbert have seen for the first time an automobile, a street car and a movie-picture show. Nurses in the hospital are confident that the boys will learn to talk.

Father's Strange Story.

Born in the province of Westphalia, Germany, William Koss, the father, said he had spent three years in the army. The major of his battalion was killed, and he, too, was killed. William, the day following his marriage he sailed for the United States and, in 1888, settled on the eastern shore of Green river. Eleven children were born.

Koss said the mother was ill, nervous and irritable during the last eight or nine years of her life. This caused him to nurse the two small boys on to the care of the others very often. Each member of the family, he said, apparently preferred his or her own solitude, and the two boys, Herbert and Ernest, were left to the care of their deaf mute sister.

Tried to Help Boys.

"And that's how they never learned to talk," said the father earnestly.



She Made Signs to Them and They Returned These Signs.

"They lived almost wholly with Clara, and she made signs to them and they returned these signs. It wasn't until the last several years that I came to see that they were not deaf and dumb like Clara. Then I tried to do what I could for them."

The aged father purchased a phonograph. The boys learned, he declared, to sing "My Old Kentucky Home," a story of a Chinese "washee-washee" man and a German song. These three things they reproduced with accurate melodic effect, according to the father, although he admitted that they did not know the meaning of the words they repeated. Later on they made their own phonograph and installed it in the little house they built in imitation of their older brothers, an instrument, however, as dumb as themselves.

"I could not send them to school," Koss declared. "I knew that the other children would laugh at them because they could not talk and that the teacher would lose patience with them." He would not permit them to "cross the river," which means to civilization.

Jealous Girl Shot Fellow Student.

Columbus.—Buckeye Davis, a nineteen, an Ohio Wesleyan freshman, as confessed, according to the authorities that she shot Gladys Roney, another student, on November 14. Both Miss Roney and Miss Davidson said to have found favor in the eyes of a male student, and the shooting, given as the cause of Miss Davidson's act.



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William Dart, Ezra Smith and L. M. Marsh left Wednesday to spend several days hunting near Moore Haven.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lanier, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. DeBordenave and A. V. Anderson spent Saturday of last week in Bartow.

Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Brown, of Punta Gorda, visited their daughter, Mrs. C. E. Lanier, last week, returning home Monday.

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