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TWO IMPORTANT ORDINANCES PASSED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL

On page 6 of this issue will be found published two important ordinances passed by the town council at its last regular meeting.

These ordinances have to do with the sanitary conditions of the town and the appearance of our parks, streets, avenues and vacant lots. Their strict enforcement is recommended for the future growth of Avon Park depends upon its desirability as a place of residence, and no town harboring unhealthy conditions will appeal to the person seeking a place for a home. Almost in the same measure is the appearance of a town considered, for there are few people who desire to locate where the streets, avenues and vacant lots indicate a slovenly disposition and an indifference on the part of property owners as to the looks of the place.

Ordinance No. 62 deals with the sanitary conditions, specifying by what means human excreta may be disposed of and as to the character of out-door privies which may be maintained. Probably this is the most important ordinance upon our statute books to day, for upon its enforcement depends the health of the entire community. Typhoid fever is the most dread disease every community must combat. It is stated by prominent physicians that typhoid is spread by flies, which carry it from the filthy out-door closets to the house, where food is contaminated and entire families are inoculated with typhoid germs.

Ordinance No. 63 deals with the cleanliness of the town and prohibits the throwing of waste paper, boxes, tin cans or other trash upon any of the streets, avenues or lots of Avon Park. It provides that receptacles must be used in which to deposit such trash mentioned and inflicts a severe penalty upon those convicted of violating its provisions. Flies breed around old piles of tin cans, garbage and trash and menace the health of our citizens—especially little children.

This ordinance further provides for the keeping clean of vacant lots. It the owners of such lots have not pride enough in their possession and sufficient interest in the town to voluntarily do this work, then the city will do the same and collect the costs in the same manner as taxes are collected.

Avon Park has reached the turn in the road. It must go forward or backward and the indications all point to a forward movement. That movement can be accelerated by the co-operation of her property owners. Cleanliness is next to Godliness, it has been said, and this saying not only applies to the person, but to the surroundings as well. There are none so dense that they will not acknowledge the fact that a clean town will attract more favorable attention than a dirty one. It is therefore up to the property owners who desire to see Avon Park grow and become the important city it should be, to come to assist in creating conditions that will appeal to those who are seeking locations in Florida.

It is not the intention of the town council to make laws which will work hardships upon our people, but on the contrary, to pass such ordinances as will benefit the community and aid in the growth of the town, to the financial gain of every property owner and every resident.

We congratulate the members of the council on their foresightedness and trust that every citizen of the

AVON PARK HAS MANY BOOSTERS

In addition to the big development companies and real estate men, through the efforts of whom hundreds of people from all parts of the country are being induced to make investments in and around our rapidly growing little city, Avon Park has many enthusiastic and loyal boosters among her winter and permanent residents who never miss an opportunity to tell strangers of our delightful and healthful climate, our whole-souled people and the wonderful future that is in store for the town and the surrounding country. These people are not boosters because they have property to sell, for most of them have not, but they sing the praises of Avon Park because they know from actual experience whereof they speak.

We wish we knew and had the space to mention each individual through whose efforts strangers have been induced to come and locate or visit here, but as we do not know them all, we will mention but a few this time.

Early this week prominent visitors here who were so favorably impressed with our town and surrounding country that they are considering making an investment here, were Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Bartlett and son, of Stamford, Conn., who are touring the state. These people were induced to come to Avon Park by Charles Madeira, who met them at Palm Beach while on his recent trip to the East Coast. Mr. Bartlett is a member of the firm of the F. A. Bartlett Company, trees specialists, with businesses in Stamford, Conn., Westburg, L. I., and Morristown, N. J. If he decides to make an investment here he will experiment with different varieties of trees he thinks can be successfully grown in this section.

Others of our enthusiastic boosters who have no mercenary object in singing the praises of Avon Park and who have been instrumental in inducing many to come here, are the Rev. A. D. Buck and the Rev. T. B. Thompson. Many who have located and visited here this winter have done so through the efforts of these loyal citizens.

Snow Piled Mountain High
Mrs. Edgar Earl, of Brooklyn, N. Y., arrived in Avon Park Monday night and will be the guest for the next six weeks of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Madeira, at their winter home out on Lake Lotela. Mrs. Earl's husband is a surgeon on an American liner plying between New York and England. Mrs. Earl says that when she left Brooklyn the snow was piled mountain high.

Arcadia Garage Burns
Fire destroyed the Ever Ready garage at Arcadia Sunday morning of last week and damaged the buildings occupied by the E. T. Hardare and L. L. Morgan & Sons' hardware store. Thirteen autos and trucks were burned. The loss is estimated at \$34,000. The fire is supposed to have been of incendiary origin.

Town will comply with the provisions of the ordinance mentioned without being forced to do so by process of law.

Read the ordinances carefully. They will be found on page 6. Watch Avon Park grow.

ANNUAL MEETING OF ASSOCIATED BOARDS OF TRADE AT LAKE WALES

The annual meeting of the Associated Boards of Trade of the Scenic Highlands was held at Lake Wales Tuesday night and was attended from Avon Park by George F. Kellogg (the president), W. M. Reek, Mark Lance and G. W. Adams, the party being driven up in Mr. Lance's car.

While the attendance was not large, it was a good meeting and the fact was clearly brought out that this body of Associated Boards of Trade is accomplishing a great work for the entire Scenic Highlands and that it is recognized as one of the best-organized bodies of men in the state. Railroad service, good roads, all public utilities, publicity and other questions of importance to every town on the "Ridge" are handled intelligently by the various committees appointed, and when once it is determined that an improvement in any public service is needed and really justified, the facts are carefully prepared and the facts placed in an intelligent manner before the proper officials, with the result that in the course of time the demands are recognized and the situation remedied. In fact, so thorough has been the work of this body that, high officials in railroad service, the state railroad commission, state and government officials and other commercial bodies recognize it as the best organized commercial body in the state and when a demand or request is made by it some action is assured.

At Tuesday night's meeting the matter of freight service was taken up and as soon as the data can be prepared and compiled in an intelligent manner, a demand for better service will be made upon the railroad officials, which is pretty sure to afford us relief.

The entire "Ridge" section has suffered great financial loss and inconvenience by the abominable freight service with which our manufacturers, citrus growers and merchants have had to contend and the time has arrived when if we are not given better service every effort and every influence will be brought to bear upon the state railroad commission to compel the railroads to give us the service the business of this section and its growing demands justify.

Avon Park alone is not the only town along this branch of the Atlantic Coast Line to suffer. The same conditions as prevail here are to be found in Sebring, Lake Wales and every other town along the line. Station agents are not given sufficient clerical help, freight is unnecessarily delayed and the service comes as near being no service at all as one could imagine.

The meeting at Lake Wales Tuesday night was the regular annual meeting, at which time officers are elected and the following were chosen as officers for the ensuing year: George F. Kellogg, president; J. W. Sample, first vice-president; H. O. Sebring, second vice-president; W. A. Allen, secretary; J. B. Briggs, treasurer.

A resolution was adopted placing a fine of \$5.00 upon every Board of Trade affiliated with the Associated Board, for non-representation at the regular meetings, which occur quarterly. It is to be hoped that no fines will have to be imposed, as representation from every town along the "Ridge" is very much desired. There are some weighty problems to be solved in the near future and the co-ordination of all our forces will be necessary.

COST OF WILD MEAT SOARS TO HIGH MARK

One of the most expensive articles of diet served on the tables of the people of DeSoto county this past year was turkey, venison, quail, squirrel, doves, etc. There were hunting licenses paid for this season to the amount of \$918. Add to this gasoline, dogs, guns, traps, shells, and other things that the sportsman must have had to go hunting, and the aggregate cost of hunting this season will go to \$29,400 at a conservative estimate. Granting that one and one-half tons of game was killed, this would make the cost of wild game \$1 per pound. There was really nowhere near this amount of game bagged, however; probably nearer one-half ton, which would make the game cost \$3 per pound. Talk of living like kings! A king could hardly ask more expensive luxuries. The man who pays this price for his wild meat, plus his enjoyment, would make a howl at \$1 per pound over the counter.—DeSoto County News.

SCHOOLS WILL OPEN MONDAY MORNING

Mayor William King announces that the schools, which have been closed for the last two weeks on account of a mild epidemic of flu, will open Monday morning. Avon Park has been fortunate in that no very serious cases of flu were developed here, and while there were a number of mild cases, its spread was prevented by the prompt action of the mayor, who upon the advice of Dr. W. C. Touchton, caused the schools, churches and all places of amusement to be closed and prohibited the gathering of crowds as a matter of precaution.

BOARD OF TRADE SMOKER POSTPONED

The monthly smoker of the Avon Park Board of Trade, set for last Wednesday night, had to be postponed until some future date, for reasons with which we are all conversant. It will probably be held some night next week, when a large crowd is expected to attend. The date will be announced by dodgers, if the smoker is to be held before another issue of The Pilot comes out, and in this paper, if after next Friday. Watch for the date and shape your plans so you can attend.

Celebrated Birthday

Tuesday a birthday anniversary surprise was perpetrated on Norton Smith, a number of Mr. and Mrs. Smith's friends gathering at their home in honor of the event. A chicken dinner was served and the lovely birthday cake was made by Miss Ethel Marsh. Those privileged to enjoy the occasion, in addition to Mr. and Mrs. Smith, were Mrs. L. M. Marsh and daughter Ethel, Mr. and Mrs. H. Stevenson, Mark Lance, W. L. MacGoodwin, Elton Nichols and Charlie Smith. When it comes to the question of age, Norton is as reticent as a "bachelor girl," therefore we will leave it to his friends to guess how many summers and winters have passed over his fair head.

Henry Stevenson is having his oranges picked this week. He has the finest crop we have seen anywhere, every tree hanging just as full as the branches will hold of clean fruit as was ever marketed from any part of Florida.

FREIGHT SERVICE ON HAINES CITY BRANCH BECOMING INTOLERABLE

THE LIBERTY BELLES NEXT MONDAY NIGHT

The Liberty Belles will be at the High School Auditorium next Monday night. Even the name has a pleasing sound and the three charming young ladies who will entertain those attending this number of the Lyceum Course are said to be even more pleasing than the name.

Of course, you are going if such a thing is possible. You are probably just as anxious as the entertainment committee of the Board of Trade to have an even better Lyceum Course next winter than we had this season. We take it for granted that in addition to gratifying your own desire for a certain amount of high-class amusement, you are anxious that our little city should gain the reputation of being second to none in furnishing attractions for our winter visitors and home folk. You know all the money received from this season's course, after paying for the attractions we have had from out of town, goes toward next season's course. Let us have as good a course as any town in Florida.

Monday night's entertainment promises to be one of the best of its kind ever given here. The state press speaks highly of these three talented young ladies, who present a program into which is woven a charming epic in song and story, pulsating with patriotism. It is a program not only entertaining, but purposeful. The warmth of home fires will be depicted in song, as will the irresistible urge of the battle hymns of yesterday and today, the simple tunes of mother love, home and fireside—all blended into a program of lights and shadows that will enthuse, lift up and inspire.

The Liberty Belles are composed of three charming young ladies, whose accomplishments have been lauded in hundreds of commendatory items in the metropolitan and country press. Each member has individual ability in vocal and instrumental music, and as a trio the combination is unique, refreshing and delightful.

Greet them at the High School Auditorium next Monday night, Feb. 23.

Issued Handsome Brochure

This week we have completed a handsome eight-page brochure for the Highlands Realty Service and P. M. Stivender, two of our live real estate dealers, who will send them out to prospective purchasers of land or town property around and in Avon Park. The brochures are printed on heavy enameled book paper and the subject matter deals with the state of Florida and the Scenic Highlands in general and Avon Park in particular. We deem the article, which was written by W. L. MacGoodwin, of sufficient interest to reproduce in The Pilot, and the propaganda these real estate men are sending out will be found on page 8.

Returned From Massachusetts

H. G. Crapo returned Wednesday night from Taunton, Mass., where he was called on a business mission two weeks ago. On his return trip he stopped in Washington, where he had a pleasant visit with Mr. Middleton and Mr. MacElwee. He is glad to get back to Avon Park, after spending two weeks in the land of ice and snow.

Avon Park and every town on the Haines City branch of the Atlantic Coast Line railroad is suffering from the most abominable freight service ever tolerated by the people of any section of the country. So rotten has this service become that our manufacturers, merchants, citrus growers and farmers would almost welcome the return of pioneer days, when the only means of transportation was by ox team or pack train.

In fact, the freight service we are now receiving comes so near being no service at all that the words "complete paralysis" more adequately describe it than any other words to be found in the dictionary. It is a condition that not only speaks volumes in condemnation of those responsible, but suggests incompetency, indifference or gross negligence.

For days at a time we receive no freight, yet bills of lading show that same was accepted for shipments at points like Tampa and Jacksonville, where the freight is either held or moved to some obscure sidetrack, to be picked up by a train crew and moved when the said crew gets good and ready.

And it seems to make no difference to these lords of transportation what class of freight is delayed. Perishables, groceries, provisions, feedstuffs, fertilizers, building material, machinery—all look alike to them. Only last week a car containing consignments of groceries and provisions for our local merchants was carried by to Sebring and at this writing (Thursday morning) some of the consignments have not yet been returned! In that car were consignments of sugar and Avon Park suffering from a sugar famine!

George F. Kellogg informed us Wednesday that a carload of fertilizer shipped to him from Jacksonville seven days ago had not yet been received and another gentleman, who desired his name withheld for the present, informed us yesterday morning that he was still looking for a large shipment of fertilizer billed from Tampa on the 12th instant. Another instance of the promptness and dispatch with which freight is being handled by the Atlantic Coast Line is a shipment consigned from Tampa to the Avon Park Drug Company more than two weeks ago and which has not yet been received. A one-legged man could have packed it over on his back in less time.

Another condition we again desire to call attention to is the lack of service at our freight depot. Agent Conoley, with one assistant, is compelled to do the work of several men and the public must suffer accordingly. The business of this station has increased to such an extent as to warrant the employment of an operator, an additional clerk and a porter or warehouseman.

Officials of the Coast Line, or members of the state railroad commission, when may we expect these intolerable conditions to be remedied?

New Cashier

Harvey Wiggins, of Birtow, has accepted the position of cashier for the First Trust and Savings Company. Mr. Wiggins is experienced in the banking business, having been with the First National Bank of Punta Gorda for a couple of years. He is a brother-in-law of C. A. Skipper and comes here well recommended.

The Pittsburgh-Florida Fruit Growers Association

Of Avon Park and Pittsburgh

Has 800 acres planted to citrus fruit in Section 17 and Lakewood Villa. Section 16 is now being cleared and placed in readiness for planting.

The home-site grounds around Byrd Lake are being improved and tropical trees, plants, shrubs, etc., have been planted and are taking on a healthy growth.

Those having holdings in these developments are advised to

WATCH THE HIGHLANDS PILOT

from week to week for detailed information concerning progress of development and information of value and interest.

Every Phase of the Citrus Industry

has been carefully considered by the men in charge of the big development projects of Avon Park. Overproduction and waste have been guarded against by the organization of the

Citrus Groves and By-Products Company

which will erect a large plant on the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad, just north of Avon Park and east of Section 16, convenient to the immense groves which have been and are now being planted.

The By-Products of Citrus Fruits

are almost unlimited and such as have already been placed on the market have been so favorably received by the public that manufacturers have been unable to supply the demand. The

Citrus Groves and By-Products Company

of Avon Park will have the largest manufacturing plant of its kind in the state, if not in the world, and when in full operation all waste will be eliminated and overproduction unknown.

Watch This Paper

for information concerning the progress of the

Citrus Groves and By-Products Company

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

DeWitt Green visited friends in Nichols Sunday.

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

Steve Roberts, of Zolfo, was one of our Saturday visitors.

Joe Lander went to Savannah, Ga., Saturday on a business mission.

William Dart and George Ginter motored to Sebring Sunday afternoon.

Ellis West went to Arcadia Monday, where he is serving on the jury this week.

Mrs. Utica Dungenberger, of Toledo, O., left Monday morning for Tampa to attend the fair.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Whidden and Mrs. Hazell motored to Wauchula Sunday afternoon.

P. M. Stivender sold three acres of land north of Walter Hart's place, to R. L. Franklin last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Marsh are the proud parents of a baby boy, born last Saturday—St. Valentine's day.

James Boyer left Monday morning for Tampa to attend the South Florida Fair and Gasparilla Carnival.

Mrs. A. P. Warner, of Beloit, Wis., was the guest last week of Mrs. H. P. Davidson at Hollyhurst, out on Lake Lotela.

Mrs. William Dart, Mrs. Henry Timm, Mr. and Mrs. John T. Leasure and Mrs. Rose Pilbeam enjoyed an auto ride to Fort Meade last Friday.

W. O. Spear, who is now dispensing cold drinks, pills and smiles at the Sebring Pharmacy, Sebring, was greeting friends here Sunday.

B. A. Horton has sold his house and lot on Central avenue to Dr. Diamonds, of Dickson, Tenn. Dr. Diamonds' son-in-law will occupy the house after March 1.

T. D. Curd, of Morganfield, Ky., arrived in Avon Park Saturday to spend the remainder of the winter. While here he will be the guest of the Rev. and Mrs. T. B. Thompson.

Dr. Jesse W. Brooks, of Chicago, and mother, Mrs. Louise Brooks-Smith, of Orlando, spent a few days last week with Mrs. H. P. Davidson and daughter, at their beautiful home, Hollyhurst.

The Park Mercantile Company is advertising spring lines that will interest the ladies of Avon Park and vicinity. This store is advertising consistently every week and it will pay you to read the ads. See page 5.

Henry, the 13 months old baby of Mrs. Joe Thomas, died last Friday morning at 7:00 o'clock, the remains being laid to rest in Avon Park cemetery Friday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock. The sympathy of the community is extended to Mrs. Thomas.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bumgardner, of Joliet, Ill., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Ott and Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Jorndt Thursday and Friday of last week. Mr. Bumgardner is a prominent dairyman of Joliet, having a herd of about 150 milch cows, which are milked with electric milking machines.

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.

TWO BROTHERS ARRESTED FOR BURGLARY

Henry Windham and brother were arrested Monday evening by City Marshal Gillett at their home in the southwest part of town on a charge of burglary and taken to Arcadia and lodged in jail. The two brothers were living together and a search of the house disclosed about three hundred dollars worth of merchandise, most of which is believed to have been stolen from Saxon & Company of Gardner, and the Avon Park Mercantile Co., at Avon Park.

These men have been living in Wauchula about eight months, having come here from Alabama. They worked at the mill and owned a Ford truck, and it is alleged that they used the truck to visit nearby towns at night for the purpose of theft.—Wauchula Advocate.

Laws Must be Enforced

Let reverence for the laws be breathed by every American mother to the lisping babe that prattles on her lap; let it be taught in schools, in seminaries and in colleges; let it be written in primers, spelling books and almanacs; let it be preached from the pulpit, proclaimed in legislative halls and enforced in courts of justice. And in short, let it become the political religion of the nation; and let the old and the young, the rich and the poor, the grave and the gay of all sexes and tongues and colors and conditions sacrifice unceasingly upon its altars.—Abraham Lincoln.

Sunday-School Convention

Gainesville, through her leading Sunday-school workers, backed by her big-hearted citizens, extends an invitation to every Sunday-school worker in Florida to attend the 1920 state Sunday-school convention to be held in that city March 24, 25 and 26. In accepting this invitation, the central committee of the Florida Sunday-school Association expressed itself as assured that this would be the best attended convention in the history of the association.

Grove Sales

The Highlands Realty Service this week made quite an important real estate deal, selling to E. F. Volke, of Indiana, twenty acres of young grove and three acres of bearing grove, the latter fronting on Lake Lotela. Before the deeds were made out Mr. Volke decided that he only wanted ten acres of the young grove, whereupon Messrs. Lance & MacGoodwin got busy and immediately sold the other ten acres to E. J. Todd, of Baltimore.

T. B. King Arrested

T. B. King was arrested Wednesday night by Deputy Sheriff Milton M. Dishong on the alleged charge of carrying concealed weapons. It is said that he had two guns on his person and three more in his car, which was parked diagonally across the street. He gave bond for his appearance in court to answer to the charge.—DeSoto County News.

Coffee Grounds as Tonic for Plants

Plants sometimes turn brown and lose their vitality in the winter. This may be overcome by putting coffee grounds from time to time into the flower pot, allowing a little of the liquid to moisten the soil. Plants should not be watered oftener than twice or three times a week. Neither should they be allowed to stand in a draft.

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

"Tried preparations that kill rats, but RAT-SNAP is the only one that prevents disagreeable odors after killing. Also like RAT-SNAP because it comes in handy cakes, no mixing with other food. You don't have to dirty your hands, it's the best for household use." Try RAT-SNAP. Three sizes, 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold and guaranteed by F. C. Rae, Avon Park Drug Co., Park Mercantile Co.

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LEGAL HOLIDAYS IN FLORIDA IN 1920

January 1, New Year's Day.
January 19, anniversary of the birthday of Robert E. Lee.
February 22, anniversary of the birthday of George Washington.
April 2, Good Friday.
April 26, Confederate Memorial Day.
June 3, anniversary of the birthday of Thomas Jefferson.
June 8, primary election for United States senator, congressmen and various state and county officers.
July 4, one hundred and forty-fifth anniversary of Independence Day.
September 6, Labor Day.
October 8, Farmers Day; to be observed by appropriate exercises in the public schools.
November 2, general election day for presidential electors, members of congress, governor and various state and county officers.
November 5, Mothers' Day; to be observed by appropriate exercises in the public schools.
November 11, Liberty Day; to commemorate the signing of the

armistice with Germany.
November 25, Thanksgiving.
December 25, Christmas.
Sunday is a legal holiday. Bank papers due on holidays are payable on the Monday following. Washington's birthday and the Fourth of July this year occur on Sunday. Banks and public offices close on legal holidays. In Florida cities where there are carnival or Mardi Gras associations, Shrove Tuesday, which this year comes on March 30, is a bank holiday.
Election days, national and state, are legal dates. American holidays, and usually municipal elections in the principal cities, are locally observed as legal holidays.

"I Let My Best Customers Through Rats," Writes J. Adams.
"Used to have the busiest restaurant in town until news spread that the kitchen was infested with rats; lost a lot of my best customers until I tried RAT-SNAP. Haven't a pest in the place now. Restaurants should use RAT-SNAP." Three sizes. 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold and guaranteed by F. C. Kac, Avon Park Drug Co., Park Mercantile Co.

Send The Pilot to a friend.

WINTER in SWITZERLAND

St. Moritz in Winter.

NOW that peace has come, Switzerland is busily preparing to assume her old place as the favorite playground of the old world. The little Helvetic republic of proverbial beauty, and far more beautiful still in the eyes of many—for as an angel of mercy has she shown her real worth in the world's tragedy—is fairly brimming over with attractions sought by lovers of the medieval and quaint and curious, and will now more than ever become a haven of blissful rest and healthful enjoyment, writes Marie Widmer in the New York Herald.

During the last five winters, in spite of the war, the numerous winter resorts tucked away in all those lovely spots over 3,000 feet above sea level, managed to have a "season" on a limited scale, and now that conditions are once more becoming normal it is expected that the winter 1919-1920 will see a great many visitors flock to that snow-capped Alpine land, which, although in the midst of that fierce turmoil, has remained intact.

Switzerland in her winter garb! To the newcomer it means a vision of paradise—to the habitué a coming home to a beloved haunt. Once a master study in artistic color combinations, the country appears now as a glorious symphony in white. Jack Frost has imparted a shimmering kiss upon the babbling lips of every brook and mountain stream and glistening sheets of ice cover also the limpid blue eyes of ponds and Alpine lakes. Ice and snow everywhere and above a glorious expanse of deep blue sky. The air itself seems to have gained some new miraculous qualities and faces which yesterday looked weary and tired have a cheerful and energetic expression today.

Land of Winter Sports.

For the natives the time of pleasant sociability has now come. Visits between friends and relatives are frequently interchanged—by sleigh in the case of the older set, and by ski in the case of the younger generation. Even some of the passes are quite animated, as winter is the time of the great transport of merchandise over mountains, such as the Veltliner wines in the case of the Grisons. From the high lying pastures they slide down to the valley the hay which had been stored in the picturesque huts, and the woodcutters, in their turn, are busy in the high forest. The pond tree-trunks fall cracking before the axe and hatchet, and the logs dart like arrows down snow-drifts to the traffic-beaten roads below.

Nowhere on earth have the possibilities of winter sport been more keenly realized than in Switzerland, and that is why we find in this small land such a great choice of resorts which possess scientifically laid out toboggan and bobsleigh runs, ice rinks, thrilling ski-jump, etc.

Very soon we find everybody interested and engaged in some form of winter sport. There is skating, of course, but many games compete now with this oldest of sports on the ice, which has, however, been developed into an art which charms the onlooker by the gracefulness of its movements. Now automobiles by the cool dashing of its swift rushes.

As in summer over the lawn, so flies the figure-hall over the ice, the gliding of hockey. Curriers are frantically sweeping their "stanes" toward the coveted goal, and the unlimited diversity of gymnastic stunts offers constant amusement for the players as well as for the onlookers.

The improved appliances for sport requirements have hourly ousted the old-fashioned herdsmen's sleds, which are now only occasionally used by timid beginners. The up-to-date vehicles in the so-called skeleton, a low, yard-long toboggan, on which the rider lies flat, steering the craft with hands and feet.

Like an arrow it darts up to the iced walls of the curves, and as the bewildered spectator fearfully anticipates an accident, the toboggan shoots down into the furrows and around a beautifully shaped curve.

One of the most attractive, and certainly a very social sport, is bobsledding. Long, low padded toboggans, seating as many as six persons are used, and under this heavy burden the bobsleigh shoots down its course with amazing speed. As the leader swings, almost automatically the closer he crowded team dead themselves, thus guiding the sleigh to the right or left; they apply a brake by letting themselves drop on the snow or drive to greater swiftness by bending forward like jockeys. Strong iron spikes, which are driven by a lever into the ice, enable the leader to stop the vehicle almost instantly, but a sudden application of these brakes whirls up the ice and snow in clouds, shaking and jolting the riders.

Sledding has taken root to an extraordinary extent in Switzerland. Even the poorest youth does not want to do without skis, though they might only consist of a couple of crudely adjusted barrel staves. Thanks to the ski the boys and girls living on remotely situated farms are now able to attend school every day; their parents are no longer isolated for the best part of the long winter months, and thanks also to these "wooden wings" the mail and newspapers can be delivered regularly.

Sport is furthermore made easier by the different mountain railways, which in winter run toboggan trains. Thus one can travel a couple of stations upward, and arrive at the starting point of a mountain road without exertion and waste of time. Then one can descend to the valley on toboggan, ski or skates, or, vice-versa, go down first and return by train to winter quarters.

Races, competitions, sleigh drives, ice carnivals, ski excursions and an equal variety of fascinating indoor entertainments transplant the happy winter visitor into a totally different world where sorrow and care seem to be banished and where every human being seems to realize that the best life after all is found right next to Nature's heart.

Had Long Experience.

Romance is very powerful, but some things much more common are more so. Take for instance hunger. The other day a young bride and bridegroom came from a little country town to Indianapolis to buy furniture for their new home. About 11:30 the bridegroom departed on an errand and told his wife that he would meet her at 12:30 at a certain restaurant. He was detained until almost one o'clock. Then he rushed into the restaurant and found his new bride very faintly eating the lunch she had ordered. Amazed, he rushed to her table. "Oh, I was so worried over being late," he began. "I was so afraid you couldn't eat without me." The bride looked up from her soup. "Why, I did it for 23 years," she remarked, and turned to her roast pork and apple sauce.—Indianapolis News.

America's First Newspaper.

The first real newspaper, continuously printed, in America was the Boston News Letter, of which the initial number was published 215 years ago. A single number of a journal called Public Occurrences, Foreign and Domestic, had been printed a little more than thirteen years before; but, like many of its successors, its first number met also its last. John Campbell was the entire staff of the News Letter, from managing editor to printer's devil. The publication lasted 72 years and its circulation remained steady at about 300 copies weekly.

Too Bad.

He was young and handsome. She was younger and beautiful. She seemed to hang over every word he spoke. Suddenly his handsome face darkened with repugnance. "It's too bad!" he exclaimed. "The beautiful girl I loved is gone. Nevertheless, her sensitive nostrils quivered. She knew he was right. So she took the egg away and thrust it into his mouth. And she didn't charge it on the check!

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Avon Park, Florida

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The Highlands Pilot

GEO. W. ADAMS, Editor

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TELEPHONE No. 29

Friday, Feb. 20, 1920

Join the Board of Trade

And watch Avon Park grow.

Fighting is bad business—especially when indulged in by members of the fair sex.

Geel! If Bryan's picture in Monday's Tampa Times hadn't been labeled, we'd have thought it was the pope.

We have heard it said that our fresh-water lakes were "no good to fish in." We can't believe that, for only a few days ago we saw a gentleman with a string of nine fine bass he had caught in Lake Lotela in just a short time, using live bait.

Our first political announcement has been received from Joe L. Hampton, of Ona, who is a candidate for sheriff. We are not personally acquainted with Mr. Hampton, but here is what the Waucho la Advocate has to say of him: "Mr. Hampton is one of the best known citizens in the county and has all the qualifications to make a clean-cut sheriff and is assured of a good support throughout the county."

Do you know, most any good name can be run in the ground, Highland for instance. There's The Highlands Pilot, Avon Park, Highland News, Frostproof, and Highlander, at Lake Wales. Kinder confusing sometimes. — Sebring White Way.

Oh, we don't know, Ma. It's hard to "run a good name in the ground" if those adopting it live up to the standard of the name. The Pilot and Highlander, at least, do not discredit the name of this wonderful Highland Ridge.

The Tampa Daily Times celebrated its 29th birthday anniversary Thursday of last week and in a column article recounted some of the ups and downs of the game in Tampa since the launching of that now important paper. The article recalls incidents long ago forgotten by many of the older newspaper men of the state and is well worth reading. We congratulate the Times on the progress it has made in those twenty-eight years, in which it has grown from an inconsequential newspaper to the leading afternoon daily of Florida, if not the entire south.

The Central Florida News and Haines City Herald, published at Haines City, have consolidated and but one paper will hereafter be published in that growing city—the Haines City Herald. Editor Schimpf has severed his connection with the paper and will in September begin the publication of a monthly magazine to be known as the "Zephyr," in the interests of the entire lake region circuit section. The Zephyr will be edited from Crooked Lake as the most central point on the "Ridge." Success to both Editor Lee, of the Herald, and Editor Schimpf, of the Zephyr.

Premier Salad Dressing

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T. J. McGINNIS, Mgr.
AVON PARK, - FLORIDA

Make up your mind to lay aside personal preference and prejudice and vote for the best man in the coming primaries.

"Bathing suits to be down next season," says a trade journal. And that statement may cause such as George Adams, Herb Felkel and Goode Gentry to hie them often to a beach.—Tampa Tribune.

The Winter Haven Chief is enjoying a splendid and well-deserved advertising patronage. And Winter Haven is growing by leaps and bounds. Most people seeking locations prefer a town in which there are live merchants. Dead ones don't advertise.

Senator Fletcher has offered an amendment to the rivers and harbors bill that would increase the dimensions of the channel from Punta Gorda to the Gulf. The amendment also provides for improvements in the Apalachicola river and bay and the St. Petersburg harbor. Depend upon Senator Fletcher to work for the best interests of Florida every time.

The columns of The Pilot are open to candidates for making their announcements—at the rate adopted by the DeSoto County and South Florida Press Associations. If you don't see the announcement in these columns of men said to be seeking office, you may know that they are not candidates or that they do not want the votes from this section of the county.

DeSoto county is likely to be carved to the heart in this county division fight that confronts it, says the Tampa Tribune. "Well, there can be some mighty fine counties made out of it." Five of them, John; and every one of them will become so prosperous that a certain little bunch of politicians in Arcadia will never cease kicking themselves for their opposition to the present plans for division.

The Sebring White Way says that people never would settle in Avon Park if they saw Sebring first. Sebring, we'll admit, is one of the most delightful little places in this section of Florida, yet we presume there are a great many people who would prefer our little city to yours. At any rate, we do not envy our neighbor all the new residents she can secure. We are so busy taking care of those who are purchasing property and building homes here, that we have no time to entertain jealous thoughts of our neighbors.

Every man, woman or child outside the boundaries of the state of Florida who received a copy of the Mid-Winter edition of The Florida Grower, published last week, will remain dissatisfied until they have seen the land so splendidly pictured and described in that great publication. Eighty-two pages and cover, with many photographic reproductions of Florida scenes and descriptive matter that will tend to create a longing in the hearts of the readers to view the originals—it cannot help but do our state a great amount of good. We congratulate the Grower on its accomplishment and the wonderful work it is doing for Florida.

In this issue appears the announcement of C. A. Crews as a candidate for tax assessor. Mr. Crews is from Zolfo and is one of the clearest, most competent young men we know in the county. He has had three years' experience with the present tax assessor, H. G. Murphy, and in the tax collector's office, is familiar with the work and all parts of the county and is possessed of a principle that will guarantee the conscientious and honest discharge of his duties, if elected. While we do not pledge ourselves this early in the campaign to support any certain candidate, we look with favor upon the candidacy of Mr. Crews, whom we have known for a number of years. It is stated that Mr. Murphy will not be a candidate for reelection.

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T. J. McGINNIS, Manager
Avon Park, - Florida

FISHERMEN FOR HARDEE

The Florida Fishermen's Association convened in Cedar Keys recently and adopted the following resolutions, supporting the Hon. Cary A. Hardee for Governor:

"Considering the importance of the proper selection of competent men to fill the state and county offices, more especially those of governor and members of the legislature, and deeming it expedient insofar as it effects the interests of those engaged in the fishing industry in this state to endorse safe and conservative candidates for these offices, who we will labor for the advancement and protection of this vast industry as well as to protect those engaged in it along the coast of Florida.

"Therefore, Be it resolved by the Florida Fishermen's Association that we heartily endorse the candidacy of Cary A. Hardee for governor and pledge him our hearty support. We recognize in him a man of ability and integrity and bespeak for him the united vote of thousands of fishermen in the state.

"Be it further resolved, By the association that it is vitally important that we advocate the candidacy for the legislature of suitable men, who will represent our interests honestly, aptly and fearlessly before that body and who will cooperate with the governor in all matters that are calculated to be beneficial to our industry, as well as other matters of state and county."

A CATTS SIDE SHOW

John W. Watson, of Miami, has come out as a candidate for governor. Mr. Watson knows as well as anyone, that to run two democratic candidates against Catts' man, Swearingin, will in all probability elect the latter, and he also knows that Mr. Hardee is, and has been, the accepted democratic candidate of the party in Florida for many months.

Why, then, this attempt on the part of Mr. Watson to aid Catts? Why should any democrat who has the good of the state at heart, want to do so? No democrat, wishing to see the state redeemed from its present unenviable position among the states of the Union, should be misled by this action of Mr. Watson. There is nothing to it but a Catts side show.—Panama City Pilot.

Data Show Production of Mexican Beans and Cotton

Statistics have just been given out covering the production of Mexican beans and cotton. According to the data at hand the states producing the former in greatest quantity were Jalisco and Sonora, with 37,500,000 and 18,975,775 kilos respectively, the total production of Mexico, according to official figures, being 101,979,319 kilos.

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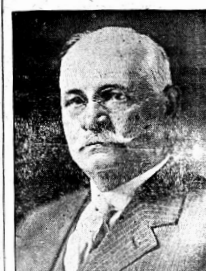
Guaranteed Service.

Repair anything from a broken heart to a locomotive.

AVON PARK, FLORIDA

BIOGRAPHICAL

Senator Duncan U. Fletcher, born in Sumter County, Georgia, January 6, 1859. Educated in country schools and Gordon Institute; graduated from Vanderbilt University, June 1880. Began practice of law in Jacksonville, Florida, July 1881. Admitted to practice in all State and Federal courts including the U. S. Supreme Court. Member Legislature of Florida, 1883. Mayor of Jacksonville 1893-1895 and 1901-1903. Chairman of Board of Public Instruction of Duval county 1900-1906. Chairman state Democratic Executive Committee 1904-1907. Nominated U. S. Senator in Primary Election June, 1908, and unan-



imously elected by Legislature. Renominated in Primary Election June 1914, and re-elected November, 1914, by popular vote. Member Democratic Steering Committee of Senate; Chairman Committee on Transportation Routes to Seaboard; Ranking Democratic Member Committee on Commerce, of which he was Chairman prior to Republican majority, March 1919; also member of Senate committee on banking and currency, military affairs, fisheries, Philippines, Printing, Public Health and National Quarantine. Only seven among the Democrats in the Senate are his seniors in service. Member United States Section of the International High Commission. Was for number of years President Southern Commercial Congress, now Honorary President. President Florida Society of Washington, and to succeed himself we do not think he has an equal in Florida.

Britain's Prime Minister Is Nominated by Sovereign and Organizes Government

The premier, or prime minister of Great Britain, is nominated by the reigning sovereign. The king sends in the name of the leader of the party just successful at the polls and to that extent the appointment is dictated by the vote of the people. The sovereign appoints the prime minister to form a cabinet and organize the government. The appointment of premier does not have to be confirmed by parliament, but no prime minister could carry on the government of the country for any length of time who did not possess the confidence of the house of commons. He selects his colleagues or other members of the cabinet, and his resignation dissolves the ministry.

Japan Has Taken Steps to Encourage Sheep Raising.

Japan was verging on a wool famine during the recent war, and as a result of this condition the country has taken steps to encourage sheep raising. The government of Chosen recently incorporated the sum of \$50,000 in the budget for the fiscal year 1919 to be used in encouraging this industry.

Heavy Task.

Earrings made of heavy metal, to be worn with negligee attire, have been invented by a Philadelphia woman for drawing the lobes of the ear into more perfect shape.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

For Sheriff

To the Voters: I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Sheriff by a Florida county, to be held in the Democratic Primary of June the 8th. I am confident that I will try to serve the faithful performance of these duties, and I assure you that I will try to serve the whole people to the very best of my ability. Hoping to merit your support, I am, Very respectfully,
JOSE L. HAMPTON.

For Tax Assessor

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Tax Assessor of DeSoto county, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary June 8, 1920. The vote and influence of every voter is respectfully solicited.
C. A. CREWS.

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C. E. LANIER,

SECRETARY
TREASURER

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to such privies as are nuisances as will render them sanitary and any cost of such work shall be charged against the person creating or maintaining the same.

ARTICLE IV

Section 1. "Human Excreta"—That the term human excreta as used in this ordinance shall be construed to mean the bowel and kidney discharges of human beings.

Sec. 2. "Septic Tank"—That the term septic tank as used in this ordinance shall be construed to mean an underground cavity with water-tight walls into which flows the effluent of sanitary water closets and from which the effluent does not come to the surface of the ground.

Sec. 3. "Sanitary Water Closet"—That the term sanitary water closet as used in this ordinance shall be construed to mean any flush toilet which is properly connected with the said town sewer or septic tank of approved construction.

Sec. 4. "Sanitary Privy"—That the term sanitary privy as used in this ordinance shall be construed to mean any privy which is so built, rebuilt or constructed as to conform with plans and specifications promulgated and recommended for the town of Avon Park by the State Board of Health and which plans and specifications are adopted by resolution of the town council of the town of Avon Park on the 9th day of February, A. D. 1920.

ARTICLE V

Section 1. That any person, persons, firm or corporation who neglects, fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and when convicted shall be fined in a sum of not less than \$5.00 or more than \$50.00 and each time that such person, persons, firm or corporation neglects, fails or refuses to comply with any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed a separate offense and punished as herein provided.

Sec. 2. This ordinance shall be published for one publication in The Highlands Pilot, a newspaper of general circulation published in Avon Park, Florida.

Sec. 3. This ordinance shall go into effect promptly upon its passage and approval of the mayor.

Sec. 4. That no septic tank other than those approved by the State Board of Health shall be constructed within the corporate limits of Avon Park.

Sec. 5. It shall be unlawful for any person, persons, firm or corporation owning or leasing any premises in the town of Avon Park to permit the disposal of any human excreta on any property, leased or rented by any such person, persons, firm or corporation or the agent of any such, except in a sanitary water closet or a sanitary privy, and it shall be unlawful to permit the disposal of any material in a sanitary privy, other than human excreta and paper.

Sec. 6. That no septic tank other than those approved by the State Board of Health shall be constructed within the corporate limits of Avon Park.

Sec. 7. The town of Avon Park shall provide suitable plans and specifications for every privy to be installed, and such other information that may be necessary to construct a sanitary privy.

Sec. 8. The cost of installing a sanitary privy for the disposal of human excreta shall be borne by the owner of the property upon which the sanitary privy is to be located.

Sec. 9. Declaring all open privies to be a nuisance and providing for the abatement of all such nuisances.

Section 1. That all privies within the corporate limits of Avon Park, not constructed or maintained in conformity with plans on file with the town clerk of Avon Park, shall be and they are declared a nuisance, dangerous to the public health of the inhabitants of said town, and shall be condemned and forthwith abated in accordance with the law or ordinance of said town.

Sec. 2. The town shall have the further right to cause to be made such alterations and constructions

to such privies as are nuisances as will render them sanitary and any cost of such work shall be charged against the person creating or maintaining the same.

Sec. 3. No person shall throw or cause to be thrown any trash, paper, tin cans or any rubbish of any nature within the limits of any of the parks within the town of Avon Park.

Sec. 4. It is provided, however, that such trash or rubbish above or hereinafter mentioned may be thrown in any receptacle in any place placed for the purpose of receiving such trash or rubbish.

Sec. 5. It is further provided, that this Ordinance shall be published in one publication, of The Highlands Pilot, a newspaper published in Avon Park, Florida.

Sec. 6. Any person or persons violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be subject to arrest therefor and upon conviction thereof be punished by a fine of not more than twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars, or by imprisonment at hard labor for not more than ten (10) days.

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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 Murphree, D.D., LL.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 3:30 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.

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Rev. W. A. Fischer, 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.

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Seretary 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.

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:

Owens	Feb. 23
Pine Level	Feb. 24
Oak Hill	Feb. 25
Brownville	Feb. 26
Gardner	Feb. 27
Zella	Feb. 28
Charlotte Harbor	March 1
Punta Gorda	March 9-10
Cleveland	March 11
Fort Ogden	March 12
Noxetee	March 13
Wausatcha	March 17, 18, 19, 20
Arcadia	March 24 to April 1

H. G. MURPHY,
Tax Assessor.

D. V. Rouse

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AVON PARK, - - FLORIDA

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such vacant lots. And it's further provided, that if the owners of any vacant lots within the limits of Avon Park fails to clean and keep clean such vacant lots then the town officials of Avon Park shall have such and all vacant lots cleaned of all trash, weeds and brush, and the expense of such cleaning by the town shall be charged to the respective owners of the respective vacant lots.

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Geo. F. Kellogg,
President Town Council.

Attest: G. L. Crews, Town Clerk.

I hereby certify that the foregoing ordinance has been duly enacted by the town council of the Town of Avon Park, Florida, and her by present the same to the mayor of said town, as provided by Section Nine (9), Chapter 6662, Laws of Florida, approved May 23rd, 1913.

Witness my hand and official seal at Avon Park, Florida, this the 12th day of February, A. D. 1920.

G. L. CREWS,
Town Clerk.

(SEAL)
The foregoing Ordinance received by me this 12th day of February, A. D. 1920, and approved by me on said date.

WILLIAM KING,
Mayor, Town of Avon Park, Florida.

MOONSHINER ARRESTED

Joe Harris was arrested near Avon Park Saturday night by Deputies E. A. Garner and T. S. Carlton while operating a 20-gallon still. He had the usual trough and pipe. The still was making moonshine when discovered and a half-gallon had already been made. Forty gallons of buck were poured out. Harris was brought to town and taken before Judge Walden Monday. He was sentenced, but his sentence was suspended on good grounds.—DeSoto County News.

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, Avon Park, Fla.

ORDINANCE NO. 63

An Ordinance Entitled "An Ordinance Providing for the Cleaning and Upkeep of Vacant Lots in the Town of Avon Park and to Provide for the Upkeep and Cleaning of the Parks, Sidewalks and Streets in Said Town, and to Provide for the Penalty of the Violation of This Ordinance."

Be it ordained by the mayor and town council of the Town of Avon Park, DeSoto County, Florida:

Section 1. No person shall throw or cause to be thrown any trash, paper, boxes, pieces of wood, tin cans or any other refuse or trash upon any of the streets or avenues or sidewalks of the Town of Avon Park.

Sec. 2. All owners of vacant lots in the limits of the Town of Avon Park are required to keep such lots clean and free from all trash, weeds, brush, rubbish or refuse of any nature. And all such owners of such vacant lots are hereby required to clean up

FLORIDA

In General

When someone mentions Florida, what visions does it call to your mind? In the case of nine out of ten non-residents, it is safe to say that a mental picture of orange and grapefruit groves, of sea beaches where bathers enjoy the salt baths in mid-winter while living at palatial hotels, and of the dark and dismal Everglades grows before their eyes and these are all their picture holds.

Does Florida not bring thoughts of tremendous stock farms where as fine cattle as can be found are raised, of the largest phosphate mines in the United States, of large fields of hay, corn, oats, peas, potatoes, lettuce, cabbages, tomatoes, eggplant, sugar cane, peanuts, cotton, tobacco, celery, strawberries, cucumbers, of peach orchards, poultry farms, of bee culture, of pecan groves and last, but not least, of them all, tremendous citrus groves, their which, artificial cultivation provides no finer sight? And do you recall a ridge of high, rolling pine land in the very heart of Florida, forming its "backbone" and known as the Scenic Highlands. Interspersed with hummocks of crystal clear, sandy bottom, spring-fed fresh-water lakes with splendid highways of brick and asphalt winding in and out among them and through valleys and hills making it a scenic paradise for the motor tourists, who in increasing numbers are flocking to this region?

If the magic word FLORIDA does not bring before your eyes all these things, and if you do not think of her as the Land of Opportunity, Health, Wealth and Happiness, then you do not know our State of which we are so justly proud.

Let me insert a paragraph whose figures were taken from a pamphlet issued by the United States Railroad Administration for the benefit of those "from Missouri," to whom figures represent incontrovertible facts.

The following were the yields in the various major crops of Florida in 1918:

Rice (Upland).....	29,000 bushels
Sugar Cane (Syrup)....	123,225 barrels
Oats	1,080,000 bushels
Corn	15,000,000 bushels
Peanuts	5,202,000 bushels
Cotton (Sea Island)....	29,275 bales
Cotton (Short Staple)...	39,311 bales
Tobacco	3,575,000 pounds
CITRUS FRUITS.....	8,000,000 boxes
Value—\$21,200,000.	

Celery	1,051,000 crates
Lettuce	1,115,000 crates
Cucumbers	353,450 crates
Cabbage	492,273 crates
Snap Beans.....	602,000 crates
Irish Potatoes.....	3,500,000 bushels
Value—\$7,000,000.	
Watermelons	6,100 carloads
Cantaloupes	21,500 crates
Sweet Potatoes.....	3,960,000 bushels
Pecans	11,372,150 pounds
Eggs	16,500,000 dozen
Phosphate	2,504,734 tons

IN YOUR OWN STATE DO YOU RAISE AS LARGE A VARIETY?

The Scenic Highlands

In central Florida, beginning at Haines City and extending Southeast for seventy-five miles, is a ridge of land varying in elevation from 150 to 300 feet and in width from three to eight miles. It is dotted with many

hundreds of clear, fresh water, spring-fed lakes, and its miniature hills and valleys together with these beautiful lakes make it a land of enchantment and beauty. Its stately pine forests fill the air with their verdant fragrance.

Some years ago it was found that the soil of these Highlands was the very best in the world for the culture of citrus fruits and now it is rapidly being developed into groves and soon uncultivated, reasonably priced lands will be only a memory in this section.

Nor is this strange, for an orange grove in full bearing, having had proper care, will yield from \$500 to more than \$1,000 an acre, not for one but every year. Wild land is priced in the neighborhood of \$100 per acre and it takes but five years after setting out your trees before they come into bearing. Bearing groves cost from \$750 to \$1,500 an acre. Are your investments paying you such returns?

Avon Park

Midway between Haines City on the North and the Southern limits of the Scenic Highlands lies a small city—Avon Park. With every convenience, electric lights, ice plant, waterworks (and you can find no purer water) splendid school, churches and other advantages too numerous to mention, business houses of solid standing and credit, two banks, a soil that makes the citrus tree grow and bear as in few other localities and a climate noted for its evenness the year round, all make Avon Park as healthy a community as you can find.

This town has entirely outgrown the best efforts of our builders to house the people who, in greater numbers each succeeding year, flock here to enjoy all its advantages. This statement is also true of almost every city and town in Florida.

North of us, where the developments are older, property has almost reached the high water mark in value and the figures set are rapidly creeping our way, in fact values here are rising every year, and it is, in my belief, only a question of a short time before the \$4,000 an acre grove will be an established fact. Many groves in the Highlands have been sold for more than \$3,000 an acre, and in view of these facts, an investment in land in this section could hardly fail to yield handsome returns.

The foundations having already been laid, it does not take a very large vision to grasp what the future holds in store for this section, and for this reason it is bound to interest the man of large or small means who has the habit of seizing opportunity and the ability to work and make his money work for him.

If you are interested, write us. If you want further specific information, we are only too glad to furnish it and will thank you for your interest, for it is a pleasure to tell others of that, that we find good. We have properties listed to meet almost every deviation of desires, and if you will but state your needs, we can direct you to their fulfillment.

Inserted are a few of our listings. Prices are not given, as on account of the movement of large crops of fruit they vary from day to day, but will be quoted on request, together with all details. This is only a partial list and if you do not find it contains what you desire, tell us what you want and we will send you descriptions of suitable properties.

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Board of Trade

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. L. M. Riley and daughter and little son went to Tampa yesterday morning to attend the fair.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stevenson and son, Mark Lance, motored to Tampa yesterday to attend the fair.

R. U. Rich, of Akron, O., representing the Ford Sales Company, of Loughman, was a business visitor here yesterday.

Mrs. Franklin L. Bishop, of Cleveland, O., who is spending the winter in Passa Grille, accompanied by a Mrs. Moulton and daughter, spent Wednesday in Avon Park.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Warner, of Beloit, Wis., who have been pleasant visitors at Hollyhurst, departed Monday for Miami, where they will probably remain the balance of the winter.

Anson Longstreet, of Lansing, Mich., who has been here for the last three or four weeks and has made considerable investment here, was called home to attend to business matters, leaving yesterday.

Mrs. D. T. Lockett and little daughter came up from Moore Haven yesterday morning to join the husband and father here. They have sold their place in Moore Haven and are seeking another location.

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Phelps, who are spending a couple of months touring the state, spent Wednesday night in Avon Park, leaving for Jacksonville yesterday. Mr. Phelps was here some time ago and purchased property in Hillcrest and on this trip brought Mrs. Phelps, in order that she might see their property, as well as some of the magnificent groves in this section.

Dave Skipper, Sr., and son Otto drove to Tampa Wednesday.

A. V. Anderson went to Tampa yesterday morning to spend several days.

V. W. Bradley and E. B. Maguin, of Philadelphia, arrived in Avon Park yesterday to look over our famous citrus region.

F. Elmer Wray, Frank Welch and Claude and Clair Mann traveled the elements Wednesday and went to Tampa to see the fair.

Mrs. J. O. Park is in receipt of a letter from Mrs. H. C. Jewell stating that she arrived safely at her home in Fairbanks, Ind., Sunday morning at 2:30 o'clock and that the funeral of her husband was held Monday.

Green Collier, one of DeSoto county's old and respected citizens, died at his home four miles from Crewsville, Monday. The remains were interred in the Crewsville cemetery. Deceased was a brother of John Collier, of Zolfo.

F. L. Middleton, one of Washington's prominent citizens, was in Haines City last Tuesday. Mr. Middleton is one of the best known realty men of the eastern coast, and has a sterling reputation for honesty and straightforward dealings. He is interesting capital on the Ridge and is doing much for the upbuilding of Florida.—Haines City Herald.

Mrs. Ida M. Williams, sister of Mrs. A. V. Anderson, left yesterday morning for Pittsburg, where she will visit another sister and then return to her home in Salt Lake City, Utah. Mrs. Williams has spent about five months very pleasantly here, during which time she has become very fond of Avon Park and has made many friends who will extend a hearty welcome the next time she makes the Park a visit.

LITTLE HENRY THOMAS

Friday morning Feb. 13, the precious little spirit of the 13-month-old baby boy of Mrs. Joe Thomas went back to the God who gave it. A precious life, radiant while it lasted with sunshine and joy, has been brought to a close. Every death has in it some peculiar element of sorrow. This was the idol of a fond mother's heart and the joy of the home. We do not understand the providences of God and therefore cannot explain them. Suffice it to say, Jesus said "what I do thou knowest not now, but thou shalt know hereafter." So death always comes veiled in mystery and draped in sorrow. While we cannot call it back, we can go where he is. Its precious remains were tenderly laid under the sand in the town cemetery, beside those of its father, who preceded it something like a year ago. The funeral service was conducted by the writer. We turn away from its little grave comforted by the remembrance that our Lord has said "for of such is the kingdom of Heaven."

J. A. DAVIS.

ENTERTAINED AT BRIDGE AND FIVE HUNDRED

Mrs. Sadie B. Farrington entertained her guests at the hotel Monday night at bridge and five hundred. There were several tables of each and a most enjoyable evening was spent. Mrs. G. M. Stengel was awarded the ladies' prize and E. G. Todd the gentlemen's prize for the highest score at five hundred and at bridge Miss Winifred Rock and W. L. MacGoodwin were the successful contestants. Delightful refreshments were served by the hostess in her usual charming manner.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ackley and Miss Mary Ackley, of Vineland, N. J., and F. W. Silbey, of New York City, registered at the Avon Wednesday.

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