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MIGHTY MULTITUDE ENJOYED BARBECUE AT FLINT LUMBER CO.

The Fourth of July celebration staged at the Flint Lumber company's mill Monday was a successful affair, several hundred people gathering at the invitation of the Flint Lumber company, the Mutual Crate company, J. E. Glover and the Avon Manufacturing company to enjoy the big barbecue so generously provided by these companies for their employes and invited guests.

Both the ground and upper floors of the big mill were packed with people, the white people being served their barbecue dinner on the upper floor and the colored on the lower.

General Manager L. F. DeBordenave made a neat and appropriate address of welcome, which was responded to by D. F. Canfield, and then dinner was announced. There was barbecued beef and pork, done to a turn; pickles, bread, watermelons and cool drinks in abundance, to which full justice was done by the assembled guests and employes.

After everybody had eaten their fill of the good things so liberally provided the amusement program was pulled off and many a hearty laugh was indulged in over the amusing episodes occurring.

Numerous prizes had been offered by our merchants, showing the spirit of co-operation which exists between them and the officials of the enterprises doing so much toward the advancement and growth of Avon Park.

The program was one of the best ever offered at a Fourth of July celebration in a town the size of Avon Park. Owing to heavy rains, however, it could not be executed in the order as published on the programs distributed, but there were no disappointing features and the big crowd was kept in a hilarious mood from start to finish.

There was not an unpleasant feature during the entire afternoon. Everybody was happy and everybody considerate of his neighbor. There was no boisterous talk, no shoving and crowding and no dissension of any kind. Prize winners accepted their prizes thankfully and the defeated ones their defeat good naturedly.

It was indeed a gala day—one long to be remembered by the employes and those who were fortunate enough to secure invitations. The companies staging the event are to be congratulated upon their thoughtful consideration of their employes' welfare and amusement and also upon the class of employes they have succeeded in gathering about them. When workmen are treated as these companies treat their employes there will be no shortage of labor, no strikes, no unpleasant differences. Men and women will be glad to secure employment with them and glad to remain here after having secured it. These companies work on the principle that "the workman is worthy of his hire," and the result is a good class of workmen who are loyal to their employers' interests.

Monday afternoon's program will be found on another page.

W. S. Godwin Dies

W. S. Godwin, aged 52, who lived in this section nearly fifteen years, died at his home near Bereah Tuesday afternoon of last week from cancer of the neck. Deceased had been afflicted nearly three years. He left a widow and seven children to mourn his loss, besides his brother, George Godwin, of this place.

Volusia Wants to Divide

County division is being agitated in Volusia county. Two or three counties are being talked about and one of the Daytona papers has come out flat footed in favor of division. Some politicians also are said to be back of the movement, and it is possible the next legislature may be asked to divide that county.

TOWN'S APPEARANCE GREATLY ENHANCED CLEAN-UP WEEK

The appearance of the town was greatly enhanced last week, which had been designated by the town council, at the request of the Woman's club, as "Clean-up week."

Most of our people responded to the appeal of the Woman's club and town council and had their tin cans, garbage and other rubbish in receptacles ready for the trucks engaged for Thursday morning to haul it away.

Owing to inability to secure men, the streets were not cleaned, but the council will attend to this just as soon as help can be secured.

A few of our townspeople failed to have their vacant lots cleaned, although they had promised to do so. They were probably prevented from fulfilling their promises on account of the scarcity of labor. Most of them realize the importance of having a clean town, not only from a sanitary standpoint, but on account of the added attractiveness to the town itself.

It is altogether likely these few lots will be cleaned before it becomes necessary for the town council to have the work done and the charges assessed against the property.

HOTEL AVON WILL NOT BE EXEMPT FROM TAXES

In 1918 the town council, with the best of intentions, passed a resolution exempting the Hotel Avon from taxation for a period of five years. The council felt that a first-class hotel was needed here and knew that it had heretofore been conducted at a loss, hence the action in order to induce the hotel company to keep the hotel open the year 'round.

Considerable fault was found with the council for its action, some of our taxpayers going so far as to refuse to pay their taxes while the hotel was exempt.

The present council recently took the matter under advisement and decided that the former action was incompatible with the law, therefore the action was rescinded.

The hotel will pay its taxes from 1918 on and there now remains no excuse for those who have refused to pay their taxes on account of this exemption to longer refuse.

FOURTH OF JULY AT "RED TOP RANCH"

Fourth of July was celebrated at "Red Top Ranch," Lake Isis, Sunday and Monday, L. M. Marsh and family, Beatrice Bass, Charles and G. W. Smith and O. L. Bardell enjoying the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Norton Smith Sunday.

Monday about fifty of our townspeople gathered there, doing full justice to a picnic dinner, a few remaining to supper. The day was spent in bathing, cards, dancing, etc.

"Red Top Ranch" is ideally located and its owners, Mr. and Mrs. Norton Smith, have earned a splendid reputation as entertainers.

F. E. WRAY LOSES COUPLE OF FINGERS

F. Elmore Wray happened to the misfortune of losing the first two fingers of his left hand last Friday at the lath and shingle mill. Mr. Wray was working near the cut-off saw and in some manner his left hand slipped, striking the saw, the first two fingers being severed near the knuckles.

Minor Accident at Crate Mill

Last Friday during the rain storm a portion of the brick flue in course of erection at the crate mill collapsed, some of the brick striking John Williams, a workman employed there, on the head, inflicting injuries requiring the services of a physician.

SIX O'CLOCK DINNER AT RED TOP RANCH

"Red Top Ranch," on Lake Isis, the beautiful country home of Mr. and Mrs. Norton T. Smith, was the scene of a decidedly enjoyable social event Saturday evening when a 6 o'clock dinner was served in honor of Henry Stevenson's birth anniversary.

The fact that the dinner was prepared by Mrs. Smith and served with that open-handed hospitality for which Mr. and Mrs. Smith have made themselves famous renders further comment unnecessary, but we would not do as much justice to the occasion as we did to the dinner were we to pass it by with but the usual announcement.

The affair was a complete surprise to the honoree, who had been inveigled to "Red Top Ranch" upon some small pretext by his "better half." Not until the guests began to arrive did Mr. Stevenson begin to "smell a mouse" and remembered that another fleeting year had passed and that just six years before he had brought his bride to "Lilydale Farm" and permanently identified himself with the interests of Avon Park and this beautiful surrounding country. That the event had been remembered by his friends, and particularly by those from whom he had made his purchase, was so significant of the esteem in which he and Mrs. Stevenson are held, the honoree was for the moment overwhelmed. He soon recovered his equinamity, however, and after all had enjoyed a couple of hours of social conversation on the broad veranda overlooking the placid lake, they repaired to the dining room, where a sumptuous dinner, such as Mrs. Smith has earned an enviable reputation in preparing, awaited them. The table presented such a tempting appearance, with its snow-white linen centerpiece of crepe myrtle, banked in a bower of green, that the delicious viands were all the more enjoyed and full justice done the following menu:

		Mixed Salad	
Stuffed Olives		Fried Chicken	Pickles
Mashed Potatoes		Asparagus Tips and Toast	
		Guava Jelly	
Iced Tea			Cake
Pumpkin Pie	Cafe Noir		Cheese
Grapefruit Juice		Afterdinner Mints	
Cigars		Cigarettes	

It was a menu partaken of with great relish and rendered all the more enjoyable by the flow of conversation and the knowledge that guests at "Red Top Ranch" are at home in every sense of the word. The birthday cake, a masterpiece of the culinary art, prepared by Mrs. L. M. Marsh, was cut by

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COX AND ROOSEVELT ARE THE NOMINEES

Governor James M. Cox of Ohio and Assistant Secretary of the Navy Franklin D. Roosevelt of New York are the men selected at the convention in San Francisco to head the democratic ticket and lead that party to victory next November.

"Cox and Roosevelt" sounds all right. They are both men who have done things—big things. The former has been three times governor of Ohio—an honor enjoyed by only one other Ohioan, Rutherford B. Hayes. He was born on a farm, educated in the public schools, was a printer's "devil," a school teacher, a newspaper reporter, private secretary to a congressman; owner, manager and proprietor of two newspapers, member of congress for three years.

In 1918, when elected governor of Ohio for the third time, he was the only democrat to win in that state.

The legislation for which James M. Cox is best known includes a model workingmen's compensation law and a child labor law which have been extensively copied by other states. Educators of the country say the Ohio school code, enacted under Governor Cox's direction, will live as a monument to his achievements.

Of the nominees the Tampa Times says:

"The democratic convention has done its work well, and its members are now on their homeward way to receive the plaudits of their grateful friends and neighbors. Not only has the convention adopted a position on the league of nations question that will bring together the different-thinking elements of the party, vastly different from the vague and ambiguous pronouncement of the Chicago platform, but it refused to be entangled in the meshes of the prohibition question, and evinced its sympathy and interest in the new women voters in the most practical way by giving them a prominent part in the workings of the convention, which will be extended through

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HIGHLANDS CHAPTER WILL BE INSTALLED

Next Monday afternoon, beginning at 3 o'clock, Highlands chapter, Royal Arch Masons, will be installed with Past Grand Master H. P. Carter as installing officer. All four degrees will be conferred by Halifax chapter (St. Augustine) team, the crack degree team of the state. All Royal Arch Masons should be on hand promptly at 3 o'clock.

FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION AT COUNTY CAPITAL GREAT SUCCESS

Several thousand people attended the big barbecue given by the Commercial club of Arcadia last Saturday and, from reports we have received, it was the most successful affair of the kind ever pulled off in DeSoto county.

Mayor Will Langford, with his usual sang froid, delivered a splendid address of welcome, which was ably responded to by W. M. Reck of this city. The Declaration of Independence was read by Miss Helen Farrington, who was followed by the Hon. C. H. Mitchell in an able address.

An elaborate program was carried out, which included pie, dry-cracker and watermelon-eating contests, climbing the greased pole, a hotly-contested game of baseball between Arcadia and Carlstrom Field, in which the former team was defeated by a score of 18 to 2; bicycle race, fifty-yard dash, 100-yard dash, wheelbarrow race, broad jump and standing broad jump.

After the addresses the hungry crowd was served with the barbecued meats and other good things provided by the hospitable people of Arcadia, ample provision having been made for a crowd of at least 10,000 people.

During the day airplanes from Carlstrom Field hovered over the city, keeping the spectators gasping for breath as the daring aviators did every stunt known to this branch of the service. DeHavilands and Nieuports were the machines employed in these stunts, the latter capturing the banner for being the most daring. Booster literature was distributed from the planes.

The celebration was attended by people from every portion of the county, and it was thoroughly demonstrated that Arcadia is as good a loser as she is an entertainer. The Arcadia correspondent to the Tampa Tribune said: "It was great to be here and see so many people so happy gathered together probably for the last time in the capital of old DeSoto as one big county."

The celebration did more, however, than bring the people from all over the county together

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NEW POSTOFFICE BUILDING TO BE ERECTED HERE IN NEAR FUTURE

PUBLIC WILL BE ADVISED AS TO THE PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS

The planning committee appointed to formulate plans for improving the streets and laying out other improvements to be made as fast as money is available, held a meeting Tuesday night and appointed a subcommittee composed of Harry Dilley, L. A. Wolff, John H. Hood and H. E. Godwin to carefully go over the streets and outline those which should be improved, designating the order in which the improvements should be made. The committee was requested to make what might be termed a preliminary survey of the streets Wednesday and report Thursday afternoon to the full committee, after which the plan as outlined will be submitted to the council and then published, in order that our taxpayers may thoroughly understand just what is to be done along this line if the amendment to the charter is ratified and the money for street improvements made available.

This is as it should be, and The Pilot has felt it was the course that would be pursued. In asking the voters to ratify the amendment to our constitution, in order that necessary street improvements might be made, there was no intention of holding "star chamber" sessions when it came to spending the money. The public is to be taken into full confidence and improvements made that will benefit the town as a whole and not any particular individual. The committee appointed to formulate plans was selected from all portions of the town and it was a wise selection, for it is composed of men who know the town's needs.

At Tuesday night's meeting a committee composed of L. F. DeBordenave and Prof. I. C. M. Elenberger was appointed to consult with men in a position to know regarding the cost of improving our streets. This committee will make its report in ample time, so that all may know approximately how much street improvement can be made.

With such an open and above-board policy there is every reason to believe the voters will almost, if not quite, unanimously vote for the ratification of the amendment. A vote against it is a vote against progress and the welfare of our growing town.

COUNCIL EXTENDS TIME FOR CLOSING TAX BOOKS UNTIL AUGUST MEETING

The town council met in regular session Monday night, with Mayor King, Councilmen Kellogg, Lanier, Anderson and Harris and the town clerk present.

E. N. Dickinson presented his resignation as town marshal, which was accepted. The appointment of a marshal to fill the unexpired term was postponed until next Monday night, when an adjourned meeting will be held for this purpose and to transact other business.

Written reports of the various officers were submitted and accepted.

Following bills were audited by finance committee and warrants ordered drawn to pay same:

Florida Ice and Power company, light and water	$133.33
E. N. Dickinson, marshal's salary	49.00
Otto Skipper, hauling clay	5.00
D. L. Crews, special acts of legislature	1.68

The clerk was instructed to draw warrant in favor of D. F. Canfield to pay sidewalk liens held by Mr. Canfield.

On motion, unanimously carried, it was voted to extend time for closing tax books until regular meeting in August.

Council then adjourned to meet Monday night, July 12.

Simple Requirements

"Why not a woman for president?" queries some one. No reason in the world. All a woman has to do is to get the nomination and the votes, and the job is hers.—Pensacola News.

"Tell your readers Avon Park will have a new postoffice building." That was the message H. G. Reese, postoffice inspector, gave us before leaving town last Wednesday.

Mr. Reese came here to make his annual inspection and to meet with members of the board of trade and E. M. Brickell to discuss plans for a new building. The inspector fully realizes the urgent need of new quarters for the postoffice, which long ago outgrew its present quarters. His meeting with the gentlemen mentioned was fruitful of results, for before a definite proposal could be made to the government the requirements had to be fully understood. Mr. Reese freely gave the required information and now all that remains to be done is to submit a satisfactory proposal, which will be accepted, and then erect the building. This proposal will be submitted at once and within the next two weeks it should be fully decided just what kind of a structure will be built. While we cannot go into details as regards the plans, our readers will be informed at the earliest possible moment regarding them. Suffice it for the present, we are going to get a new postoffice building.

The board of trade and Mr. Brickell are entitled to a hearty vote of thanks for their untiring efforts along this line.

NEXT MEETING OF WOMAN'S CLUB WILL BE HELD JULY 16

At the meeting of the Woman's club Friday afternoon, July 2, all bills incurred during the recent clean-up campaign conducted by the club were allowed. The women of the club wish to thank the merchants for the use of their trucks and the people of Avon Park in general for their hearty co-operation in making the campaign a success.

The club requests that all members be in attendance at the next meeting, which will be held July 16, and will be the last meeting until after the vacation period. This meeting will be an important one, as plans will then be formulated for work to be carried on by the members during the vacation. Please make it a point to attend.

September 17 is the date of the first meeting of the club after the vacation.

MRS. E. W. HARTT,
Secretary.

PUBLIC DEBT BY BILLION DECREASES

The public debt decreased by more than a billion dollars during the fiscal year of 1919 just ended, and by more than two billion dollars since last August 31, when the war debt was at its peak, according to the quarterly debt statement issued by the treasury department.

On June 30 the public debt was $24,299,321,467.07, a drop of $1,185,184,692.98 from the June 30, 1919, total of $25,484,506,160.05, and a decline of $2,205,380,180.94 from the peak figure of $26,596,701,648.01 on August 31. The decrease for the period from May 31 to June 30 was $675,641,559.72.

Collision of Autos

Sunday afternoon the Oakland car driven by Herman Skipper collided with a Ford driven by a negro, while making the turn at the bank corner. No one was injured and no material damage done to either car. The negro was on the wrong side of the street and Mr. Skipper was unable to stop in time to avoid the collision. This is a dangerous corner and automobile drivers cannot be too careful in making the turn there.

Now or Never

Real estate was never quite so active in Florida as it is this summer. Investors are beginning to realize that it is now or never at low prices as the demand is increasing constantly.—Times-Union.

Greatest Retailer's Price Reduction Sale Ever Held in Avon Park

In order to make room for new goods we are offering price concessions on Shoes, Silks, Men's Palm Beach Suits, Ladies' and Gent's Rain Coats, Voiles, Georgette Waists, Ribbons, Camesoles and other articles of wearing apparel that will save our customers many dollars. You are invited to inspect the valuable articles offered.

SALE STARTS SATURDAY, JULY 10, AND CONTINUES UNTIL ALL ADVERTISED GOODS ARE SOLD

Shoes for Men, Women, Children

About fifteen dozen pairs of the famous Craddock-Terry Shoes, bought when the market was much lower than at the present time. They are here in blacks, whites and tans, and in Work Shoes for Men and Boys. We are offering these Shoes while they last at 20 per cent off from the old prices, which means a

Reduction of 35 to 40 Per Cent

from present prices. Get your pick early, for at these prices they will not last long. It is an opportunity to save on your footwear that will not occur again soon.

Silks Priced at $2.50 Per Yard

Our $3.00 and $3.25 line of Georgettes and Crepe de Chines, solid colors, during this price-concession sale at, per yard, $2.50.

Georgette Waists at $6 to $9.50

We still have a few Georgette Waists left that were originally priced at $7.50 to $12.00, which we will offer during this price-concession sale at $6.00 to $9.50.

Ribbon Cut 5 Cents Per Yard

On all Ribbons priced 25 cents a yard or upward we will give a reduction during this sale of 5 cents a yard.

Camesoles 20 Per Cent Reduction

About two dozen Ladies' Camesoles during this price-concession sale at 20 per cent reduction.

Men's Palm Beach Suits at $15

We have a few Palm Beach Suits left, the regular $19.00 and $20.00 values, which we will offer while they last for $15.00.
Compare this price with the bargains offered in other cities and you will find we are saving you money.

Fancy Voiles at Reduced Prices

Several desirable patterns in Fancy Voiles at a price that will astonish you. Ask the price.

McClellan Tree Army Saddles, $25

We have just received a shipment of McClellan Tree Army Saddles, which retail regularly at $40. During this price-concession sale we will sell them at $25.

Army Saddle Blankets at $2.50

Only a few of them, but while they last they will go at $2.50.

Enameled Ware at Big Savings

Here is one of the biggest savings ever offered in Enameled Ware. All staple items and guaranteed first quality, which we will offer while they last at these astonishingly low prices:

Neco Boy Greystone Assortment

10-quart Water Pails, regular price 85c, special at
4-quart Teakettles, regular price $1.25, special at
8¾-inch Chambers, regular price 65c, special at
13-inch Wash Bowls, regular price 55c, special at
4-quart Convex Kettles, regular price 85c, special at
4-quart Preserving Kettles, regular price 60c, special at
2-quart Covered Buckets, regular price 55c, special at
10-quart Rinsing Pans, regular price 85c, special at
4-quart Milk Pans, regular price 55c, special at
6-quart Milk Pans, regular price 60c, special at
4-quart Pudding Pans, regular price 55c, special at
6-quart Pudding Pans, regular price 65c, special at
4-quart Convex Covered Sauce Pans, regular price 85c, special at
1½-quart Coffee Pots, regular price 75c, special at
1½-quart Teapots, regular price 75c, special at
3-quart Lipped Sauce Pans, regular price 55c, special at

SPECIAL 49c EACH

There Has Been No Reduction in the wholesale market. On the contrary, prices in almost every line are advancing. This is a price-concession by the retailer in order to make room for a large stock of new goods now on the way. It is a money-saving opportunity and wise buyers should avail themselves of the unprecedented price-making

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL MENTION

Call for Avo-Cola.

John Skipper of Crewsville was a Friday visitor here.

Dr. Skiff of Sebring was a pleasant visitor in Avon Park Friday afternoon.

S. B. Gailey was down from Lake Wales Saturday attending to business matters.

For Rent — Furnished room for male adult. Masonic Temple. 31tfc

Wanted—To buy second-hand stoves and furniture. W. T. Andrews, dealer in hardware, Avon Park.

Bascom Hollingsworth returned Monday afternoon from Jacksonville, driving a truck through.

For Sale—1916 Ford touring car, in good condition. For particulars address postoffice box 203, Avon Park. 33tf

Miss Anna Mae Sikes returned Saturday to her home in Punta Gorda, after a pleasant visit of a week here with friends.

The Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Fischer returned Thursday of last week from Georgia, where Mrs. Fischer had been spending several weeks with relatives.

There will be a lecture on "Swat the Fly" at the Baptist church this (Friday) evening at 8 o'clock. The lecture will be illustrated with stereopticon views. All are cordially invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis West, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hougaboom, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Gribble and Mrs. Lonnie Hunt spent the Fourth at Hollyhurst, guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Starkey. A picnic dinner under the palms and pines was one of the enjoyable features of the day.

J. M. Simmons, A. C. Bauknight, Bascom Hollingsworth and Lonnie Skipper and the Misses Bertha and Ella Cameron, Loca and Florence Hart and Myrtle Jack spent Monday evening in Sebring, enjoying a swim in Lake Jackson and a picnic spread on its shores.

Real estate—that's all. P. M. Stivender.

Miss Helen Smith is assisting in the postoffice afternoons.

Col. D. V. Rouse and Mark Lance were transacting business in Bartow Tuesday.

For Sale—Avacado seedlings ready for transplanting. Mrs. H. Stevenson. 31-34p

R. L. Franklin returned to Avon Park Thursday of last week to look after property interests here.

There are some especially attractive bargains offered in this week's Pilot. Read the Park Mercantile company's ad.

Among those from Avon Park who attended the barbecue at Arcadia Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Roberts and children.

W. F. Hodgkins, who had been spending several days here with Mrs. Hodgkins, returned to his home in Dundee Tuesday morning.

The White Dry Goods company is offering special inducements this week to attract trade to its store and to Avon Park. Read the ad.

Mr. and Mrs. John Howard and children of Bowling Green spent Saturday and Sunday with the family of Mr. Howard's sister, Mrs. J. H. Raines.

C. N. Ott, while driving his car on Lakeview avenue last Friday evening, collided with Glen Spink's new Ford, tearing off a front wheel and rear fender.

The Misses Kitty and Eunice Minor of Bowling Green spent several days here last week, guests of their grandfather, B. F. West. They returned home Sunday.

Mrs. C. A. Clark and two daughters, Thelma and Josephine, Miss Beatrice Bass and Floyd Johnson attended the Fourth of July celebration in Arcadia Saturday.

See Stivender if in the market for real estate.

W. A. Roberts and family were guests of G. M. Collier at Crewsville Sunday.

W. H. Ellis of Woodrow, this state, spent several days here with his sons this week.

Albert White, who had been spending a week here, returned Tuesday to his home in Sanford.

Mose Thomas of Kicco was among the out-of-town business visitors in Avon Park Saturday.

Miss Eugenia Weaver of Nashville, Tenn., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Lockett for the summer.

C. L. Morrison of Tallahassee and Ed Lassiter of Lake Wales were business visitors in Avon Park Saturday.

C. E. Lanier and C. A. Skipper, accompanied by their families, attended the barbecue in Arcadia Saturday.

H. Morris went to Tampa Tuesday for the purpose of purchasing supplies for a vulcanizing shop he intends opening here.

W. O. Skipper, W. A. Roberts and Prof. I. C. M. Ellenberger attended the meeting of the county board of education in Arcadia Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Caruthers returned last Friday from near Mulberry, where they were called early in the week by the death of Mr. Caruthers' father.

The Baptist Missionary society of the Baptist church has changed its meeting day from Thursday to Tuesday. The meeting last Tuesday was held in the Baptist church.

Mrs. H. C. Ridings departed Tuesday for Nashville, Tenn., where she was summoned by a telegram announcing the serious illness of her sister. She expects to be away about a month.

A party composed of W. M. Reck, E. G. Todd, J. R. Van-Kleek, the Misses Helen and Henrietta Farrington and Annie Mae Sikes spent Saturday in Arcadia, motoring from there to Punta Gorda.

PUTS POPULATION CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES AT 105,000,000

The population of continental United States is estimated at 105,000,000 by J. A. Hill, chief statistician of the census bureau. His calculations are based on the combined populations of 1,406 cities and towns for which statistics have been announced.

The increase over 1910 is placed at about 13,000,000, showing the growth of the country has not kept pace with previous decade. Almost complete cessation of immigration during the war is the chief reason assigned for the falling off in growth. Others suggested were the two influenza epidemics, return of aliens to their native lands and deaths of soldiers abroad and at home during the war.

The aggregate population of the cities and towns on which the estimate was made is 41,029,354. This is an average gain of 26 per cent, compared with 35 per cent in the previous decade.

Where the Child Learns

There is no place on earth so desirable for the training of children as on a well-kept, well-ordered farm. There the children learn to know about vegetable life, bees, birds and domestic animals; they learn lessons of industry and economy that are essential in the economic life of a great nation; they develop muscular power that will serve them well in any business or calling into which they may in the future choose to enter.

Consult Stivender if you want to buy or sell real estate.

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LIFE OF THE COUNTRY NEWSPAPER MAN

"We've thought it over a good bit, and we've about come to the conclusion that there's no profession on earth in which the worker gets less appreciation and more knocks and abuse than in the newspaper game," says an exchange. "And we have also reached the conclusion that the reason all newspaper editors go to heaven when they die is, they go so much to the other place while they're on earth.

"No matter how nobly the editor boosts for the development of his town and community, no matter how loyally he may support a friend in politics or extol the virtues of a citizen of the town, no matter how loudly he sings the praises of the town belle about to be wed or how gently he lays a wreath of pretty words on a grave of a departed citizen, he seldom hears those magic words, 'Thank you.' And few times in life does he catch a whisper of that cheering sentiment, 'Well done.'

"But let him make a slip in his paper—let him say Bill Jones did something he didn't do or Mrs. Brown said something she didn't say, and everybody in town takes a whack at him. This is true in the world, and being a part of the world this place is no exception. But with all the knocks, with all the lack of thanks and little cheering words that could be said but are left forgotten, the editor drives right on boosting, and he always will. He was born to help the other fellow and, like the birds, learned early in life that if no one else feeds him, heaven may. And maybe that's why the Lord keeps so many editors on earth—to keep the balance of the world from souring or turning stale."

STUDYING HISTORY

(By Moses Folsom)

Do you know that the United States bureau of education, Washington, D. C., has established a home education reading course in American history?

That those who read history find it a most interesting form of literature—standard histories of leaders, epochs and movements, of which mere outlines are found in the condensed school histories?

That the story of the United States is not one of dynasties, courts and scandals, but of the people, their lives, their industries, their aspirations and the democratic institutions through which they have sought to attain these aspirations, and every line of the story throbs with present interest and future meaning? Beginning with scattered settlements in a wild country practically 300 years ago and less, it has grown, through colonial and national life, until it has become the greatest, the wealthiest, most powerful, most prosperous, most tolerant, most self-controlled and self-restrained, the most cosmopolitan and the most firmly united nation the world has ever known, composed of the best fed, best clothed, best housed, best educated, best amused people under the sun.

That the first white settlement in what is now the United States began in Florida, at St. Augustine, over 400 years ago?

That for the first 300 years the growth of the country was slow, but within the last 100 years American growth has been remarkable?

That Florida has many million acres of land awaiting intelligent development?

That Florida has practically twelve months of growing weather in each year?

That bills for heavy clothing and fuel are smaller in Florida than in any other state?

That Florida has more rainfall over its entire area than any other state, and more fresh water in rivers and lakes?

That water is necessary to plant growth, and Florida gets it naturally from the clouds, and the lakes and the rivers supply plenty of it for artificial irrigation?

That Florida has more seacoast than any other state?

That Florida's ports are free from snow and ice in the winter time?

That Florida is nearest to the Panama canal and the Pacific, and to the West Indies and South America?

That Florida ports are destined in time to become important?

That Florida should bend every effort to get a full share in the export and import trade of the world is a self-evident fact?

That to know the development of the United States, and of Florida, as the chief front yard state, is a patriotic duty? Only thus can one love America with "love far brought from out the storied past," "used within the present," and "transfused through future time by the power of thought." Only out of the history of the past can come an understanding of the principles by which people must be guided if they are to work wisely for the future.

That Pythogoras, 500 years before Christ, said: "Learning consists of things we memorize and are told by persons or books; knowledge consists of things we know, not the things we assume or believe; wisdom is the distilled essence of what we have gained from experience; it is that wisdom which helps one to work, to love and to make life more worth living for all we meet?"

That man, turn as he may in any direction, will find life in everything and everywhere—life like his own to be sustained. He finds that the life of the tiny plant, the tree, the insect, the animal and the human being living on the same elements, each beginning, ending and supplementing the other on the ladder of life. The wonders of the field and forest, when once seen, reveal to the sordid being a realm of interest and beauty, life becomes real and earnest and instead the shirker learns to say, with Henry Van Dyke:

Let me but do my work, from day to day.
In field or forest, at the desk or loom,
In roaring market place or tranquil room,
Let me but find it in my heart to say,
When vagrant wishes beckon me astray:
"This is my work, my blessing, not my doom!
Of all who live, I am the one by whom
My work can best be done in the right way!"
Then shall I find it not too great or small
To suit my fancy or to prove my powers;
Then shall I cheerfully greet my laboring hours,
And cheerful turn when the long shadows fall
At eventide, and play and love and rest,
Because I know for me my work is best."

Sheriff's Report

The sheriff has submitted his monthly report to the board of county commissioners, showing the activities of his force during the month of June, as follows:

Violating liquor laws	12
Petit larceny	8
Aggravated assault	4
Drunkenness	3
Assault and battery	2
Gambling	2
Breaking and entering	2
Vagrancy	2
Wife desertion	2
Violating labor contract	2
Trespassing	2
Insanity	2
Removing mortgaged property	1
Delinquent child	1
Concealed weapon	1
Larceny of automobile	1
Non-support of children	2
Recklessly driving auto	1
Carrying rifle without permit	1
Total	50
Plead guilty	19
Tried and found guilty	6
Bound over to circuit court	5
Gave bond	15
Awaiting trial in jail	5
Total	50

Cash fines and costs collected during June, $1,117.18.
Fines and costs bonds on hand, $665 45.
Prisoners in jail during June, 41.
Prisoners on roads today, 14.
Prisoners in jail today, 12.

J. L. DISHONG,
Sheriff of DeSoto County, Florida.

Money in "Cukes"

Three hills of cucumbers earned $30 for Henry Hendrickson of Little River this last winter, and one-quarter-acre field of cucumbers earned well over $2,000 for A. B. Jones, another Little River farmer.—Apalachicola Times.

You Guard Against Burglars, But What About Rats?

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NOTICE OF MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS OF THE SCENIC HIGHLANDS HOTEL COMPANY

Public notice is hereby given that a special meeting of the stockholders of the Scenic Highlands Hotel Company, a Florida corporation, will be held at the office of said company at Avon Park, Florida, on the 9th day of August, A. D. 1920, at 4 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of considering and voting upon the proposed increase in the capital stock of said company from twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000) to seventy-five thousand dollars ($75,000), and for transaction of such other business as may come before such meeting.

Dated at the office of said company, Avon Park, Florida, this 2nd day of July, A. D. 1920.

A. V. ANDERSON,
Secretary.

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NOTICE OF MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS OF THE CORPORATE SECURITIES COMPANY

Public notice is hereby given that a special meeting of the stockholders of The Corporate Securities Company, a Florida corporation, will be held at the office of said company, at Avon Park, Florida, on the 9th day of August, A. D. 1920, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of considering and voting upon the proposed increase in the capital stock of said company from Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars to Five Hundred Thousand Dollars, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before such meeting.

Dated at the office of said company, Avon Park, Fla., this 2nd day of July, A. D. 1920.

C. E. LANIER, Secretary.

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DON'T PUT IT OFF

Putting off until tomorrow what should have been done today has been the cause of many misfortunes. Few people realize how quickly the present fades into the past, nor with what amazing swiftness the future is upon us. Think of these things and then you may realize the folly of putting things off.

If you have not started a bank account, do it now; don't put it off. Carrying a bank account is one of the big things in life. It gives you a feeling of security and leads the way to unthought-of things.

Open an account with us today.

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Bryan succeeded in getting a rousing ovation at the convention, but nothing else.

We've often wondered what becomes of the "evidence" secured when bootleggers and moonshiners are arrested.

It has been suggested the next meeting of the State Press association be held at Bimini. Not much farther away and not nearly so dry as Pensacola.

Most of our people got together to celebrate the glorious Fourth; now let's get together on all questions affecting the future welfare of the town.

Something for advertisers to consider: The Highlands Pilot has a larger paid circulation than any paper on the "Ridge," from Haines City to Moore Haven, inclusive.

Times-Union says: "Have to get some summer weather, even in Florida, you know." Most of us wouldn't mind if it were not for that "less than one-half of one per cent" clause.

We see motor cars classed as non-essentials, but we'd like to know how much business would be transacted in this day and age with old Dobbin hitched to our delivery trucks, jitney busses, etc.

"If they can have wine for christening the ships, why not for the christening party for Johnnie or Susie?" asks the Times-Union. Johnnie or Susie would probably object to the bottle being broken over their bows.

The Lakeland Advertiser is taking Editor L. W. Bloom of the Lakeland Star and a candidate for the state senate in the last primary, to task for not including in his expense account more than 275 inches of advertising carried in his own paper. But probably Bloom didn't consider that advertising worth anything. If such is the case, Bloom exercised better judgment than we thought he possessed.

Possibly county division might raise taxes a fraction, but if you don't believe the roads need better and closer supervision, ride over the graded road between Wauchula and Avon Park.—Wauchula Advocate.

We're glad you already have your eye on that excuse for a road, George, but as far as county division raising taxes, there's absolutely nothing to it. Fact of the matter is, enough money will come to the new counties from their percentage of county officers' fees to materially reduce taxation.

COX AND ROOSEVELT ARE THE NOMINEES

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the campaign. There are twenty millions of these new women voters who will cast their first ballots for president next November, and it is fair to presume they will not forget the consideration they have received from the democratic leaders from President Wilson down.

"But the convention capped the climax in its nominations. Cox has been a three-time winner in contests in his home state, which is one of the pivotal states of the Union. He will run strong in New York, where he will be strengthened by the prestige of Franklin D. Roosevelt, a lifelong and consistent democrat, now holding an important office in the Wilson administration. He will run equally strong in all the manufacturing and laboring east. There will be no defection in the south, which is normally democratic. California and the apple and fruit growers of the northwest may be confidently expected to swing into line.

"All things considered, we can see nothing but victory ahead for the democratic ticket."

They'll Need It

"Immigrants are arriving from South America in large numbers, most of them bearing cash and letters of credit valued at thousands of dollars," says an exchange.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Real estate—that's all. P. M. Stivender.

Dr. D. D. Crews spent Tuesday in Orlando.

For Sale—Pair of mules and wagon. Apply at this office.

Albert Bloom of Okeechobee was a Monday visitor in Avon Park.

Mrs. W. H. Prior and children are spending the week in Okeechobee.

H. C. Dunn of Orlando was a business visitor in our city Wednesday.

If you haven't read the White Dry Goods company's ad, you should do so.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hollingsworth of Fort Meade visited our little city Monday.

A. V. Anderson was transacting business in Tampa a couple of days this week.

L. O. Mordt and John Treadwell of Arcadia spent Saturday morning in Avon Park.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Preston and Miss Mosel of Bartow were Saturday visitors here.

Mrs. A. M. McAuley of Lake Stearns spent a couple of days here this week with friends.

Elizabeth Andrews, Joy Parks and 'Gene Brannen attended the barbecue in Arcadia Saturday.

J. A. Caldwell and O. R. Perry were down from Lake Wales Tuesday on a business mission.

The Philathea class of the Baptist church met Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. C. D. Noland.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Skipper of Zolfo spent Tuesday in Avon Park, shopping and greeting friends.

P. Huie, one of Haines City's prominent residents, was transacting business here Monday morning.

Eula Peden, Florence Hart and Florence Raines attended the ball game in Sebring Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Lucy Masters and two sons spent Saturday and Sunday in Okeechobee visiting Mrs. Barney Bloom.

B. W. Williams of Mary Bell Landing, Istapoga lake, was transacting business here Wednesday morning.

Buford and P. J. Gumm of Winter Haven and Miss Martha Leasure of New York city were dinner guests at the Avon Sunday.

Lieutenant Schleen, Miss Julia Lee Livingston and Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Byrd of Arcadia spent Monday evening at the Avon.

Leona Edwards returned Monday from Okeechobee, where she had been spending a couple of weeks with her cousin, Esther Bloom.

L. H. Treadwell, Mrs. F. S. Stonebreaker, Miss Winnie Holtzendolph and George Stonebreaker of Arcadia were week-end guests at the Avon.

Some of the most interesting reading appearing in this paper in some time will be found on page 2. We refer to the Park Mercantile company's ad.

Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Childers of Bartow spent several hours in Avon Park Wednesday. Mrs. Childers will be remembered as Miss Hazel Finney, who taught school here two years ago.

T. H. Lander returned Tuesday night from Portland, Ore., where he attended the ceremonial of the Shriners. "Doc" says he had a splendid time, even though he was in dry territory, and gained nine pounds while away.

Mrs. Beulah Marsh and daughter Martha have returned from Winter Haven, where Miss Martha had been attending Rollins college, and are again at their home on Lake Brentwood. Miss Nina, the older daughter, is spending the summer in Virginia.

W. Z. Dalgety of Sebring was a business visitor here yesterday, making this office a pleasant call. Mr. Dalgety is agent for those handsome and efficient Oldsmobile autos and trucks which he is advertising in The Pilot. It will pay you, if you are contemplating purchasing a car or truck, to call on Mr. Dalgety.

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Mr. and Mrs. S. Y. Hartt and daughter Louise returned from Tampa Thursday of last week, bringing a new five-passenger Oldsmobile.

W. A. Roberts and Albert Raulerson returned Thursday of last week from a business trip to Tampa, St. Petersburg and Clearwater.

Mrs. G. L. Crews and daughter Nona Mae, Oraff Bowen, Thelma Irwin and Albert Raulerson attended the barbecue in Arcadia Saturday.

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL

B. H. Hagan spent Sunday in Arcadia.

Curtis Langford spent several days in Tampa this week.

Stivender has some attractive real estate bargains to offer.

J. McDonough of Bartow was a Monday visitor in Avon Park.

For Sale—One good mule, wagon and harness. Apply J. W. Foley.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Parnell of Crewsville were in Avon Park Saturday.

Ed Whidden went to Pierce Tuesday, where he will remain several days.

George Gibbons of Waverly was here Tuesday looking after business interests.

Mark Lance returned Saturday from the west coast, where he had been spending several days.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Robbins and baby or Arcadia were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. William L. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Johnson of Arcadia were guests Sunday and Monday of Mr. and Mrs. William L. Smith of the Park hotel.

Mrs. Paul Smith and little daughter Marjorie were guests for a few days of Mr. and Mrs. William L. Smith.

C. T. Kinard of the Simmons barber shop spent a couple of days in Crescent City this week, going after his Ford.

J. B. Peden and family were among the Avon Park people attending the get-together barbecue at Arcadia last Saturday.

Glen Spink and Clare Mann returned Friday afternoon from Jacksonville, where the former purchased a Ford touring car.

P. M. Stivender spent Friday and Saturday in Tampa. Sunday morning he went to Daytona, returning to Avon Park Tuesday.

F. M. Hough, one of the prominent farmers from the Crewsville section, was here last Friday with a truckload of farm produce.

Judge George W. Whitehurst, L. J. Robbins, J. H. Treadwell and L. O. Mortz, prominent Arcadians, were Avon Park visitors Saturday.

Mona and Leonard Hawley, who had been spending several months here with their grandfather, J. Bruyiere, departed for their home in Missouri Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hartt and Mr. and Mrs. S. Y. Hartt spent Sunday at Crescent Beach, Crooked lake, motoring to Iron Mountain in the afternoon.

A car driven by Curtis Langford and one driven by a negro collided on the Sebring road near Elmer Bloom's place the latter part of last week, the latter's car being somewhat damaged.

Rev. and Mrs. T. B. Thompson motored to Bartow Saturday, where they went to meet and bring back Mamie Lee Durrance, who had been spending four weeks in Georgia visiting relatives.

Dr. R. S. Bradley of Adairsville, Ga., arrived in Avon Park Thursday of last week, this being his second visit to our little city within the last few months. He purchased grove property on his first visit and was so impressed with the outlook that this time he made another investment, purchasing from the Avon Homes company the Village Inn property. Dr. and Mrs. Bradley will spend their winters here in the future, if they do not make this their permanent home. Dr. Bradley is a prominent physician in his home town. His purchase of the Village Inn will in no wise affect the present management, as Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Smith will continue to cater to the public in the same efficient manner as heretofore.

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. 7tf

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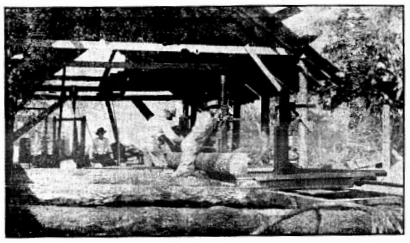

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AVON PARK'S PIONEER DAYS

By SAMUEL D. LEE

(Continued from last week)

John J. Glor, a builder, came in 1893, bought at the corner of Pleasant street and Butler avenue, where he began a home, a square building with a mansard roof, he having a wife and two children. Before the house was finished Mrs. Glor went off with a man whom she thought she liked better, taking the children. Mr. Glor inclosed the upper part of the structure with canvas and left the Park. This was in 1895. Five years later W. S. Butler of Chicago and Mrs. Butler, after visiting other parts of Florida, took a look at Avon Park. Canvassing their experiences during the following summer, they concluded that for them, at least, the advantages of Avon Park were superior to those of any other place, and in 1901 they returned and, upon looking around for a home, decided upon the Glor property. The owner was, after much trouble, located, and he came here not only to make the transfer, but remained to complete and enlarge the house. The new owner evinced his confidence in the future of the Park, reinforced by the new-life currents started by Dayton McCartney of Rochester, N. Y., who had bought the hotel and was remodeling it at considerable expense by purchasing various other properties, including half dozen dilapidated dwellings, which he proceeded to put in thorough repair. His optimism was not misplaced, for these cottages have been rented every season to winter visitors, and often engaged a year in advance. After the freeze of February, 1895, and the downfall of the development company, 200 or more improved properties in this township were abandoned by owners, the majority of whom have never been back. Many of the houses, especially away from the center of town, were burned, and all of them fell swiftly into disrepair, with the fences down and citrus trees dying and the sidewalks had rotted, so that by 1900 the settlement made a sorry appearance, with very little hope for its future. Therefore, the purchases made by Dr. McCartney and Mr. Butler and the thorough manner in which they improved their properties, involving liberal expenditures of money, were a godsend to the town and an enjoyable sight for those who have stuck by their homes through six years of hardships.

A young, well-set-up man by the name of Alfred L. Bennett came here in 1890 with a few hundred dollars in his pocket, and for the next seven years he was an extremely energetic resident, always ready to buy—at a bargain—or sell—at a profit. He began by purchasing all the west side of Lake Pioneer, and owned at one time or another a score of tracts, improved and unimproved, including the house built and grove put out by William Norton of Olean, N. Y., which he sold to Dr. Muirhead of Minnesota and which was bought from the latter by the Shauls in 1913. Bennett also had an extensive livery in a barn he built on the Midway, carried passengers and freight to and from the railroad. In 1898, when the Park was at lowest ebb, he moved to Arcadia and entered Steward's store as bookkeeper, where he still is, but never still, with a proprietary interest and deservedly prosperous.

Mrs. Annie E. Rae and her son, Alfred E. Rae, of Circleville, Ohio, came to Avon Park in December, 1891, and were so favorably impressed that Mrs. Rae bought a lot north of Tulane, upon which she built a house, where they had their home for about four years. The young man married one of the girls that Landlord McCrary, who managed the hotel in 1893, brought from Ashtabula. Mrs. Rae finally decided to return to Ohio and sold the property to L. A. Tyler, who occupied it until he and Mrs. Tyler went to Tennessee to live. The house is still standing, but vacant.

(To Be Continued)

LITTLE CHILD MEETS WITH FATAL ACCIDENT

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Parnell have the sympathy of the community over the loss of their little 3-year-old son, who died Friday, the result of an accident happening Wednesday of last week. The unfortunate little fellow was playing under the barn, where a chain and heavy plow were suspended from a nail. He was swinging the chain when the nail bent, allowing the plow to fall, striking him across the abdomen, death resulting Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Parnell are well known throughout this section of the county, being prominent farmers near Crewsville.

WORLD'S DEBT NOW IS $265,000,000,000

Statistics prepared by O. P. Austin, the National City bank's statistician, New York, and just announced, show the debts of the world now aggregate $265,000,000,000, compared with $44,000,000,000 at the beginning of the world war.

Interest charges amount to $9,000,000,000 a year, compared with $1,750,000,000 in the pre-war year, and the per capita debt for the aggregate debt in all countries where the figures are available is equal to about $150 per person, as compared with $27 per capita in 1913.

Annual interest charges when worked down to the individual would be about $6, as against $1 in the year before the war began.

What the Voters Want

The voters of the southern portion of this state are figuring in no careless manner regarding the action which may be taken in the next legislature looking toward reapportionment. It has been declared in no light terms, and asserted by men of all classes and followings, that there must and shall be either fair and just representation from every section of Florida—or there will be created a South Florida which, because of its vast assets, will flourish as a green bay tree. Stick a spike there.—Thorn in Palm Beach Post.

Orange groves, truck lands, turpentine lands, timber lands, improved and unimproved properties. P. M. Stivender.

FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION AT ARCADIA IS GREAT SUCCESS

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er to have a big time. It proved conclusively that, while old DeSoto is to be cut into five counties, the people of each county will stand together as a unit in building up five of the best counties in the state and that, while opinions differed as to whether or not this should be done, no sore spots exist over the result of the primary and that there are no factions in the old county.

It was a splendid get-together meeting and the people of Arcadia are to be congratulated upon the unselfish spirit they have shown and the disposition they have exhibited to accept the will of the majority, bury the hatchet and work in harmony for the benefit of all.

A Timely Suggestion

The Pilot of last week recommended the publication of assessed valuations. This would certainly make interesting reading for the taxpayers. Many of them are non-residents and would like to read reports from every meeting of the town council. "Let the public know the truth," says The Pilot. Why keep the taxpayers guessing as to the condition of the town financially? Just now, when they are asked to vote to borrow $30,000 more, would be a good time to make a clear statement of receipts and liabilities, printed in The Pilot for everybody to read. Publicity promotes confidence and tax collections. "Show Me" is the best tax collector. TAXPAYER.

For the Profiteer

Los Angeles Times says: "It is quite impossible to tell what the war made the world safe for." Seems to us it made it reasonably safe for the profiteer.

"It Looked Like a Battlefield in Europe," Said Mr. C. Dunster

"Was staying at a hotel in a small Pennsylvania town. Early one morning I went to the stable to hire a rig and was shown a pile of dead rats killed with RAT-SNAP the night before. Looked like a battlefield in Europe." Three sizes, 25c, 50c, $1.00. Sold and guaranteed by F. C. Rae, Avon Park Drug Company, Park Mercantile Company.

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Speculative marketing agencies do little or nothing to educate the buying public as to the value of Florida fruits. Therefore, they can appeal to the trade only on a price basis. The competition of every car of fruit they sell reduces the prices received by all the growers of the state.

Growers who would like to sell their fruit for what it is worth should apply for membership in the Florida Citrus Exchange. Write the business manager at Tampa, or call on

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DEMOCRACY WILL TRIUMPH

(Tampa Tribune)

The forces of democracy meeting in San Francisco formulated a platform and will name the standard bearers for what is destined to be one of the most momentous national campaigns in the history of the republic, and which ticket will unquestionably meet with the nation's approval on November 2.

Standing unequivocally for true Americanism, whose principal tenet now, as always, is a progressiveness directly the opposite of the standpatism and reaction of the platform to which the republican nominees are pledged, the democratic party and its candidates will enter the campaign with odds the republican party cannot overcome.

The democratic party has interpreted the spirit of the times and embraced it in a party platform which it has placed before the people. It is a platform of affirmation, as opposed to the republican platform of negation; a platform of ideals and aims and hopes truly interpreting the ideals, aims and hopes of the American people.

Pervading it is a spirit of optimism that this nation can stand the test to which the big problems of reconstruction are subjecting it and emerge greater than ever. Nowhere in its lines can be found a fear that reaction will triumph, that progress will be halted or that this country will fail to maintain its position at the head of the free nations of the earth.

Such optimism, such ideals, such Americanism, are both reassuring and encouraging after the Chicago spectacle of petty fault finding, political muckraking and condemnation of everything the nation and its glorious youth set out to accomplish—and did accomplish, partly, on the blood-soaked fields of France—in the war.

The republican party has committed itself in platform and candidate to a campaign of trench holding and evasiveness. Having said nothing in its platform, it has ruled that its candidate, also, shall say nothing. Born of a blind belief that it can win with any old platform and any old candidate, it has settled down to let the votes come in. It will dodge a battle, content to hold its reactionary Bourbon entrenchments, and will restrict itself to sniping and ambuscade, discharging its poisoned darts of venom and hatred at the American president from every conceivable smoke-screened point of vantage.

Old Guard cynicism and selfishness are dying hard. It has won its victory in "selling the honor of America for the privilege of nominating a reactionary for president." It has been a Pyrrhic victory and has cost the standpatters the adherence of all that forward-looking progressiveism that is the life blood of enduring institutions. There is to be a new deal in American politics and the men who will direct the great forces that control our life will be men who are not afraid of an idea—and not afraid to fight for it.

This is the hour of opportunity for democracy in America. It is an hour of opportunity for service to the nation. The minds of the men are awake. Their hearts are beating with hope for the new era. The convention at San Francisco mobilized the eager crusaders for victory.

SIX O'CLOCK DINNER AT "RED TOP RANCH"

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the honoree. After an appropriate story by the host of his first meeting with Mr. Stevenson and the sale of "Lilydale Farm," now one of the show places of this section, and a toast responded to by the latter and others, all again repaired to the veranda to witness a glorious sunset and enjoy their cigars and after-dinner mints, after which they returned to their homes, wishing Mr. Stevenson many happy returns of the day and thanking the host and hostess for one of the most enjoyable informal affairs they had ever experienced.

The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stevenson, Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Brickell, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Marsh and Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Adams.

OLDEST INDIAN IS STILL ACTIVE

Cherokee Bill, veteran of the plains and soldier in the war of 1812, has just celebrated his one hundred and twenty-third birth anniversary at the county home in Grand Junction, Colo.

Cherokee Bill is the only name he knows. In the early days of the country he fought with bow and arrow with the aborigines and even used that primitive weapon, he says, when he fought the British in 1812, enlisting in the army when he was 15 years old. He was born June 6, 1797, and was twice listed in the United States census as the oldest native of America.

The aged Indian recently made a cap for himself out of the down of cattails and wears this proudly when he hobbles along the streets occasionally with the aid of a cane he has owned since the civil war. He is getting feeble, though he still has a good appetite.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Notice is hereby given that J. W. Roan, purchaser of Tax Certificates No. 61, dated September 5, 1910; No. 5, dated August 7, 1901; No. 80, dated September 7, 1908, and No. 686, dated September 4, 1916, has filed said certificates in my office, and has made application for tax deed to issue in accordance with law. Said certificates embrace the following described property, situated in DeSoto County, Florida, to-wit:

Certificate No. 61 embraces SW¼ of NE¼ Sec. 17, Tp. 40, R. 23.

Certificate No. 5 embraces lots 3 and 4, or SW¼ Sec. 21, Tp. 40, R. 23.

Certificate No. 80 embraces W½ of W½ of NE¼, less 5 acres in NW. corner, Sec. 30, Tp. 40, R. 23.

Certificate No. 686 embraces SE¼ of NE¼ Sec. 29, Tp. 38, R. 26, the said land being assessed at the date of the issuance of such certificate in the name of Unknown, Est. C. F. Todd, Annie and Fanny Harding and C. C. Morgan. Unless said certificates shall be redeemed according to law, tax deed will issue thereon on the 14th day of July, A. D. 1920.

Witness my official signature and seal this the 7th day of June, A. D. 1922.

A. L. DURRANCE,
Clerk Circuit Court of DeSoto County, Florida.
By J. A. HENDRY, D. C.
June 11-18-25-July 2-9

SPECIAL ELECTION

I, William King, Mayor of the Town of Avon Park, in my official capacity do hereby issue my proclamation declaring a special election for the Town of Avon Park to be held on Tuesday, the 27th day of July, A. D. 1920, for the purpose of adopting or rejecting Chapter 7960 and Chapter 7961 of the Special Laws of the State of Florida, as enacted by the Legislature of Florida at its regular session held in 1919. Said special election to be held in conformity with the laws governing elections for the Town of Avon Park, County of DeSoto, State of Florida.

Given under my hand and seal this 14th day of June, A. D. 1920.

(Seal) WILLIAM KING,
Mayor.

NOTICE
Of Intention to Apply for Letters Patent

State of Florida, County of DeSoto.

Notice is hereby given, in conformity with Section 2619, Revised Statutes of Florida, that we, the undersigned, intend to apply to the Governor of the State of Florida, at Tallahassee, Florida, on the 12th day of July, A. D. 1920, or as soon thereafter as we can be heard, for letters patent to be issued to the PARK DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, of which Corporation the following shall be the Articles of Incorporation.

H. L. HARRIS (Seal)
OTTO AGRICOLA (Seal)
R. L. FRANKLIN (Seal)

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF PARK DEVELOPMENT COMPANY

ARTICLE NO. 1

The name of this Corporation shall be PARK DEVELOPMENT COMPANY. The principal place of business shall be Avon Park, DeSoto County, Florida, with branch offices in such other places in the State of Florida and the several states of the United States and foreign countries as may hereafter be established by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE NO. 2

The general nature of the business or business to be transacted by this Corporation shall be as follows:

To engage in a general real estate business. To buy, develop and sell real estate wherever located. To develop and sell citrus groves of all kinds. To acquire and sell, lease or pledge any interest of any nature, which is lawful, in any real or personal property. To buy, build, maintain, mortgage, lease, own and sell electric light plants, ice factories and water works. To buy, build, mortgage, lease or sell houses. To buy, own and sell or convey any interest in any personal property of any and all nature. To construct and maintain hard-surface roads. To own and operate, mortgage, lease, sell or convey citrus packing houses and by-product plants. To buy stock in other corporations.

ARTICLE NO. 3

The amount of capital stock of this Corporation shall be One Hundred Thousand ($100,000.00) Dollars, divided into One Thousand (1,000) shares, at a par value of One Hundred ($100.00) Dollars per share, which shall be payable in lawful money of the United States of America, or in services or property, at a fair and just valuation, to be fixed by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE NO. 4

The term for which this Corporation is to exist is perpetual.

ARTICLE NO. 5

The business of this Corporation is to be conducted by the following officers: A President, a Vice-President, Secretary and a Treasurer, the latter two to be combined at the option of the Board of Directors, and a Board of Directors of not less than three nor more than seven. The Directors are to be elected by the stockholders and the Directors in turn are to elect the officers of the Corporation. The Board of Directors shall create such other offices, and elect such other officers, as they may deem necessary, and in the case of a vacancy in any office the Directors are to fill such vacancy.

The officers elected shall hold office for the term of one year and thereafter until the officers elected shall qualify. The first annual election to be held by the stockholders shall be on the first Tuesday after the fifteenth of January, A. D. 1921, and on the same date in each subsequent year thereafter.

The persons who are to conduct the business of this Corporation as its temporary officers, until the officers are elected at the first regular election and qualified: Otto Agricola, President; H. L. Franklin, Vice-President; R. L. Harris, Secretary and Treasurer; Otto Agricola, H. L. Franklin and R. L. Harris, Directors.

ARTICLE NO. 6

The highest amount of indebtedness or liability to which this Corporation can at any time subject itself is an amount equal to its capital stock.

ARTICLE NO. 7

Names, residence and subscription of incorporators:

Names—Residence.	Amount of Stock.
R. L. Harris, Avon Park, Fla.	35
Otto Agricola, Goddards, Ala.	190
R. L. Franklin, Adairsville, Ga.	35
Chas. Maxwell, Adairsville, Ga.	35

State of Florida, County of DeSoto.

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared Otto Agricola, R. L. Franklin, R. L. Harris and Charles Maxwell, and each acknowledged the foregoing to be his genuine signature to the Charter of PARK DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, and each acknowledged before me that he executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained.

Witness my hand and official seal at Avon Park, said County and State, this the 8th day of June, A. D. 1920.

(Seal) D. V. ROUSE,
Notary Public State of Florida at Large.
My commission expires October 11, 1923.
June 11-18-25-July 2-9

BILL TO QUIET TITLE

In the Circuit Court, Twelfth Judicial Circuit of Florida, in and for DeSoto County.

Peace River Investment Company, Inc., vs. J. D. Coblentz, et al.

To the Defendants Herein, J. D. Coblentz, F. A. Hennessy, J. A. Mitchell, J. O. Mullins, Maud McClenithan and J. J. Jamerson:

It being made to appear by Affidavit of Complainant's Solicitor filed in this cause that you and each of you are non-residents of the State of Florida, that you and each of you are over the age of twenty-one years, and that service of process cannot be had upon you, and relief having been prayed for in the Bill of Complaint filed in this cause.

This is, therefore, to require you and each of you to appear to the said Bill of Complaint at the office of the Clerk of the above styled Court, at Arcadia, Florida, on or before Monday, the 6th day of September, A. D. 1920.

It is further ordered that this Order of Publication be published for a period of eight (8) consecutive weeks next preceding the said 6th day of September, in The Highlands Pilot, a weekly newspaper of general circulation.

Done and ordered at Arcadia, Florida, this 24th day of June, A. D. 1920.

(Seal) A. L. DURRANCE,
Clerk of the Circuit Court of DeSoto County, Florida.
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