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## DEMOCRACY OF FLORIDA REPUDIATES GOVERNOR CATTS; GREAT LANDSLIDE FOR FLETCHER, DRANE AND HARDEE

lands there is no doubt. Every town along the "Ridge" owes the Isaac Van Horn Company a vote of thanks, and we are taking this opportunity of tendering one for the town of Avon Park.

## HARDEE THANKS THE CITIZENRY

At an early hour Wednesday scattering returns from all over the state indicated that Cary A. Hardee had been nominated for the office of governor in a long-distance telephone message to the Tampa Tribune from his home in Live Oak. Mr. Hardee expressed his thanks as follows:

"From figures which are available from all parts of the state, I feel confident that I have been nominated by a large majority. The returns are very incomplete, but at the same time they are so near alike from all quarters that they indicate the results. While not attempting to estimate the final majority, I feel safe in saying that it will be a comfortable one.

"I desire to thank the citizenry of the great state of Florida for the honor they have conferred upon me. To my friends, who worked so faithfully throughout the campaign, I owe a debt of gratitude that I will never be able to repay. To

## HOTEL AVON ADDS NEW FEATURE OF INTEREST

The management of the Hotel Avon desires to announce a new feature just added in the interests of the townspeople. A special Saturday night supper and Sunday dinner will be served hereafter at very reasonable rates. Attention is also called to the fact that the spacious parlor and veranda of this hotel are at the disposal of those of our townspeople who desire to avail themselves of the opportunity to use them, and that in the evenings dances are held to which they are invited.

The policy of the management to cater largely to our home people, and it is desired that all may feel perfectly at home at the Avon.

## The Election Board

The inspectors and clerk at Tuesday's primary were all new hands at the business with one exception. We want to take this opportunity to compliment them for the efficiency, accuracy and fairness of their work. They handled the job like veterans and in such a manner that there was no possible ground for any charge of unfairness to be made. The board was composed of H. Stoddard, J. B. Bennett and Ellis R. West, inspectors; M. W. Lance, clerk; E. N. Dickinson, sheriff.

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## New Way to Catch Fish

"The Man With the Hoe" hasn't a thing on some of Avon Park's piscatorial artists. During a Pilot representative's peregrination a few days ago attention was attracted by a man's frantic and apparently fantastic efforts to widen or deepen the creek connecting Lakes Alligator and Tulane. Curiosity prompted closer observation, which multiplied the man's seeming madness. A fine string of beautiful trout was the man's reward. After frightening the fish from among the grass and ferns along the bank, the final coup was given with a hoe. Another useful tool for an already useful implement.

## DILLEY-HOOD

The marriage of Miss Lillian Ruth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dilley, to John Henry Hood will be solemnized at the Congregational church next Wednesday afternoon, June 16, at 4 o'clock. The Rev. Benjamin F. Stock will perform the ceremony. Friends are invited.

## ANNOUNCEMENT

We wish to say to Ford owners and those who have automobiles that we are now in position to give you **FIRST-CLASS** auto repair service.

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Avon Park. He was a captain of industry and a confirmed optimist, imparting his enthusiasm to his followers, for he was a leader in all improvements for the good of the town. He operated a sawmill night and day during the rush season, furnishing all the lumber and building many houses by contract, and was a partner in the only general store in Avon Park at that time.

Mr. Burleigh was a successful employer of many men, but was resourceful and could personally attend to every detail of his various branches of business. So busy was Mr. Burleigh that he told the writer he could get but four hours' sleep at night.

During the seven lean years that followed the freeze of 1895 there were but few workmen left in Avon Park, but Mr. Burleigh showed his indomitable pluck by going into the woods and cutting timber, loading it alone on the log wheels, while a young woman drove the mules and hauled the logs to the mill, which supplied the lumber for neighboring towns.

Mr. Burleigh removed his business to Frostproof in 1911. The first passenger train backed down the track in 1912 and Mr. Burleigh stood on the platform waving and cheering.

Mr. Burleigh's ancestors and relatives were of Windham county, Connecticut, and were famous as poets, preachers and orators in the anti-slavery and temperance causes of years ago.

—Contributed.

"I Got Real Mad When I Lost My Setting Hen," Mrs. Hannan. "I went into the hen house one morning and found my favorite setter dead. I got real mad. Went to the store, bought some RAT-SNAP and in a week I got six dead rats. Everybody who raises poultry should keep RAT-SNAP. Three sizes, 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold and guaranteed by F. C. Rae, Avon Park Drug Company, Park Mercantile Company.

See Stivender for real estate.



ON your arrival the thoughtful hostess welcomes you with icy cold, refreshing Ward's Lemon-Crush—compensation drink to Orange-Crush! Cooling as a beverage. The exclusive Ward process combines the delicate acid from Italy's picked lemons with the best sugar and citric acid the naturalness of citrus fruit.

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### COUNTY CANNING CLUB GIRLS TO CAMP AT RED TOP RANCH JUNE 14-18

Miss Connie R. DeVane, county home demonstration agent, will chaperone a county club camp for the club girls of DeSoto county at Red Top Ranch, the country home of Norton T. Smith, beginning June 14 and closing June 18. Thirty-five girls are expected to attend.

There will be many interesting demonstrations given by Miss DeVane and others from the state office at Tallahassee.

The women and girls of Avon Park are cordially invited to visit the camp at any time during the week and those going out doubtless will have a pleasant, interesting time and their visits will help to make the young women and their instructors feel welcome among us.

Miss DeVane is doing a splendid work in DeSoto county and we feel that she should be encouraged in every possible manner. One of the best ways of lending your encouragement to the work is by manifesting an interest and showing your appreciation by visiting the camp.

You'll like Avo-Cola.

Mrs. L. E. Webster spent Saturday afternoon in Wauchula.

William Hazel and father of Dundee spent Monday night in Avon Park.

E. H. Barschel has purchased an acre of land on the Sebring road and, with his aged mother, will move onto it soon.

### NOTICE

Of Intention to Apply for Letters Patent

Notice is hereby given, in conformity with Section 2112 of the Statutes of Florida, that the undersigned, intend to apply to the Governor of the State of Florida, at Tallahassee, Florida, on the 15th day of July, A. D. 1920, or at any time 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.

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

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF PARK DEVELOPMENT COMPANY

The name of this Corporation shall be PARK DEVELOPMENT COMPANY. The principal place of business shall be Avon Park, Florida, with branches and offices in such other places in the State of Florida and in 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 conducted by the 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 hold any interest in any water, which is lawful in any real or personal property. To buy, build, maintain, lease, sell, lease or sell electric light plants, ice factories and water works. To buy, own and sell or lease any interest in any personal property, any and all nature. To construct and maintain hand-carried roads. To own, lease, operate, mortgage, lease, sell or convey citrus packing houses and hyacinth plants, buy stock in other corporations.

ARTICLE NO. 3  
The amount of capital stock of this Corporation shall be One Hundred Thousand (\$100,000) Dollars, divided into One Thousand (1,000) shares of a par value of One hundred (\$100) Dollars per share, which shall be payable in lawful money of the United States, and 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 a Board of Directors, consisting of a Vice-President, Secretary and a Treasurer, and at least two (2) other directors, or a majority of the Board of Directors, and a Board of Directors of not less than three (3) nor more than seven (7). 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 elect such other officers 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 is to be held by the stockholders 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 Annual Meeting, are: Otto Agricola, President; R. L. Franklin, Secretary; E. H. Barschel, Treasurer; and J. L. Durrance, Clerk.

ARTICLE NO. 6  
The highest amount of indebtedness or liability to which this Corporation can at any time incur is an amount equal to its capital stock.

ARTICLE NO. 7  
Names, residence and subscription of incorporation.

| Name—Residence                   | Amount of Stock |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|
| R. L. Harris, Avon Park, Fla.    | 25              |
| Otto Agricola, Cedar Rapids, Ia. | 25              |
| R. L. Franklin, Adairville, Ga.  | 25              |
| Charles Maxwell, Adairville, Ga. | 25              |

State of Florida, County of DeSoto.  
Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared Otto Agricola, R. L. Franklin, E. H. Harris and Charles Maxwell, and each acknowledged the foregoing to be genuine signatures 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 6th day of June, A. D. 1920.

Notary Public State of Florida, Large.  
My commission expires October 11, 1923.  
June 11-1923-July 23

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Notice is hereby given that J. B. Williams, personally appeared Otto Agricola, R. L. Franklin, E. H. Harris and Charles Maxwell, and each acknowledged the foregoing to be genuine signatures to the Charter of PARK DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, and each acknowledged before me that he executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained.

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Clerk Circuit Court of DeSoto County, Florida.  
By J. A. Hooty, D. C.

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# The Highlands Pilot

Geo. W. Adams, Editor

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TELEPHONE No. 29

Now for business again.

The primary resulted in a general house cleaning.

Catching fish with a garden hoe is the latest stunt in Avon Park.

The republican convention in Chicago opened harmoniously, but how will it end?

The majority of Manatee county's voters stuck to the old "gentleman's agreement."

Officers who do their duty need not fear removal after Governor Hardee is inaugurated.

Florida is assured of four years of good government, beginning with the inauguration of Cary A. Hardee.

Lumber is said to be going down in price. Possibly some of us may soon be able to purchase a pair of wooden shoes.

We're invited to go up in an airplane tomorrow and if we can get over to Carlstrom field we're going to try it once, anyhow.

Florida's interests have been protected in the re-election of Senator Duncan U. Fletcher and Congressman Herbert J. Drane.

You can't eat, buy, sell, steal, give away, hoard, wear, use, play or gamble with what isn't. Let's produce. — The Florida Grower.

Primary election over and John McWhorter and The Pilot scribe are still alive. Looks like we will have to die of starvation yet, John.

An organized movement among our merchants to bring the country trade to Avon Park would receive the endorsement of every citizen.

We read that "The progeny of a single fly during the summer often amounts to 1,427,624." Goshalmighty! Just suppose it got married.—The Florida Grower.

The first half of the battle for county division has been won. The next battle will be fought in Tallahassee in April, 1921, when four new counties will be created out of old DeSoto.

Good roads between county seats is a pretty good idea. But the good roads should not be confined to connecting county seats alone. Every section of the state needs good roads.

The large majority of DeSoto county's voters declared themselves in favor of county division last Tuesday, but there are at least twice as many now who favor it as before the primary election.

Now let every man in every part of DeSoto county work for the best interests of the county regardless of the outcome of the primary. Let us all turn to and help make five of the most prosperous counties in the state. We can do it.

We believe the primary election of last Tuesday was one of the fairest ever pulled off in DeSoto county. From no precinct has come the cry of "fraud." And we have not even heard of a scrap having taken place. Very, times are changing.

The call for a special election to ratify the last two amendments to Avon Park's charter will be published next week. These two amendments should be ratified, in order that we may avail ourselves of the opportunity to secure money for street improvements without bonding the good old town.

According to figures released from Tallahassee, twenty-five south Florida counties register nearly twice as many automobiles as the remaining twenty-nine counties. The twenty-five counties have 38,427, while the remaining counties have but 19,584. The Tampa Tribune ascribes as a reason for this difference the fact that south Florida has so many more miles of good roads than north and west Florida. This likely has much to do with it, but it is altogether likely that the difference in the prosperity of the various sections also has something to do with the matter.

## DEMOCRACY RESTORED IN FLORIDA

(Tampa Tribune)

Tuesday's election in this state is the most emphatic declaration by the people that no man wearing the collar of any class, clique or faction shall again be trusted with the affairs of the state, that was ever made to a people.

Four years of Cattsism, with its appealing prejudices, its personal aggrandizement and its selfishly hoping to withstand attack by pledging its loyalty to organized labor, has showed Florida what might be, what would be if the people did not wake up and exert themselves.

The defeat of Swearingin, and of every man, almost without exception, down even in the county offices, who is known to be, or suspected to be part of the Catts family, emphasizes the determination to be rid of the whole thing. The press of Florida, led by the Tribune, began months ago to show the people that Catts was no worse in his place than would be Swearingin, or any man who was on the Catts ticket. Swearingin became indignant at the expose, fought the noose that was slowly but surely binding him, head and heel, to his master in a manner that all could see. Other candidates denied with loud accusations, like Peter when he denied his Master, that they "knew not the man, Catts." But the facts were there, the evidence was conclusive, and the people were determined to have nothing to do with him or his. The further fact that he and his had been adopted and approved, nay, had been set forth to be elected at any cost, by the supposed leaders of organized labor in the state, further frightened the people who have grown tired of the suffering that they have undergone through strikes and tieups and walkouts in this city, the state and the nation. They came to know the thing for what it is—factional rule, class domination—and then they arose in their might and their wrath and drove out the whole gang.

Seldom has there been such a repudiation of a man and his henchmen in this or any other state as has occurred this week. It is a healthy sign; it means that the people have resumed the reins of government. It means that real democracy again is triumphant.

The doctrine of government of the people, by the people, for the people has been reaffirmed in Florida.

The principle of the open shop has been declared to be the principle that shall govern this state.

The right of a man to work where he pleases, for whom he pleases, and for what wage he pleases, and to cease that work when he pleases, has been announced by this election to be permanent in Florida.

The state will not be troubled again soon by the kind that has been repudiated this week. The lesson is too severe, the drubbing too drastic to be forgotten in a hurry.

The Tribune congratulates the people.

Barnum was right.

It was a glorious victory.

Catts' political funeral was held Tuesday.

Wonder if Van Swearingin will change his name to Swear-again.

Sauls proved himself to be a good sport by sending Dr. Echeverria a message of hearty congratulations.

"It is a fact proven that the smaller the county or the state the more economical and fair its government," says the Tampa Tribune.

A rumor is afloat to the effect that Avon Park merchants will soon begin closing their places at business Thursday afternoon. Better late than never.

How a Noted Vet. Got Rid of Rats—Farmers Heed.

Dr. H. H. Butler says, "I use RAT-SNAP around my hospital every three months, whether I see rats or not. It does the work—RAT-SNAP gets them every time. I recommend it to everybody having rats." Don't wait until there is a brood of rats, act immediately you see the first one. Three sizes, 25, 50c, \$1.00. Sold and guaranteed by C. C. Rae, Avon Park Drug Company, Park Mercantile Company.



## FLORIDA CITRUS EXCHANGE

### Ideals That Became Accomplishments Record of Florida Citrus Exchange

Ten years ago in the formative stage, the Florida Citrus Exchange was but the organized expression of the high ideals of the founders.

Grown strong through success, today the Florida Citrus Exchange is a notable example of ideals that have become accomplishments.

The ideals of the men who conceived and established the Florida Citrus Exchange have placed the citrus industry of Florida upon the sound foundation that assures permanent prosperity.

In work for the benefit of members and for the good of the industry, the Florida Citrus Exchange has to its credit many noteworthy achievements, chief among which may be mentioned:

Adoption of standard grading and packing methods;

Demonstration of the ability of organized growers to profitably market their fruit;

Extension of markets for Florida fruits through increased consumer demand and wider distribution;

Securing for members higher average prices than returned by speculative marketing agencies for fruit of like quality;

Inaugurating and maintaining a system of accounting to growers for

Tested and tried in every conceivable way, the Florida Citrus Exchange has proved that it possesses ability to surmount obstacles, capacity to sustain co-operative effort on practical lines and flexibility to meet changing conditions.

This season the growers who form the Florida Citrus Exchange have marketed twice as many oranges and grapefruit as in any preceding year—representing considerably larger percentage of the total crop than ever before was handled by the organization.

Notwithstanding unfavorable complications as to transportation and other factors affecting the citrus fruit markets, which prevailed throughout the season, the grower members of the Florida Citrus Exchange

the proceeds so as to show them when, where, to whom and for how much their fruit was sold;

Maintaining an efficient claims and traffic department, which has saved to members hundreds of thousands of dollars in rate adjustments and by collection of over charges and damages from carriers;

Combining the purchasing power of members on fertilizers, spray materials and grove supplies, packing house equipment, etc., so as to effect savings equaling the costs of selling fruit co-operatively.

generally secured prices fully in line with market conditions.

The large increase in consumer demand for Florida fruits, especially for grapefruit, which made itself apparent during the winter and spring, showed conclusively the efficiency of the educational work of the co-operating growers of the Florida Citrus Exchange in advertising and demonstrating the food and health values.

The affiliation with the Florida Citrus Exchange of growers who have not heretofore held membership is suggested and urged on the ground that no other marketing agency has shown like accomplishment in the effort to build up the citrus industry of Florida by giving grower owners fair returns on their investments and for their labor.

To obtain the service of the Florida Citrus Exchange during the marketing season, you must join in the summer. For full information as to membership, write the business manager at Tampa, Florida, or call on

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FERTILIZERS

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Avon Park

The year 'round drink—Avon Cola.

If you want to buy a home, see Sivender.

Two splendid attractions at the Magnolia tonight and tomorrow night.

Mark Lance and Henry Farington motored to Arcadia yesterday.

A. W. Sargent motored to Sebring yesterday morning with Charles E. New.

E. N. Dickinson went to Lake Stearns Wednesday and returned with a Ford car.

Miss Mary E. Holmes departed yesterday morning for her home in Yonkers, N. Y., after having spent several pleasant months here. Miss Holmes is one of our winter visitors who has been coming to Avon Park for a number of years and whose annual visits are always appreciated.

Put an injunction on it. Mrs. Borderhouse—Why won't you have some soup Mr. Skinnie? It will not hurt you.

Mr. Skinnie—I'm afraid of it, ma'am. I think it should be restrained!

Very Much Alike. Jilted Suitor (sighing)—Atrahips and courtships are much alike.

His Friend—In what way? Jilted Suitor—Why, just as you get them sailing along smoothly you are dropped without notice.

He'd Paid a Fine. The Orator—What is the price of liberty? I ask you, what is the price of liberty?

The Automobile (in rear of hall)—Five dollars for the first offense, twenty-five dollars for the second offense.

What She Became. Fred—There goes Mrs. Jones. She used to be a decidedly pert girl. Jack—Isn't she still pert?

Fred—No. Marriage seems to have tamed her and now she's an expert.

If you want to buy or sell real estate, see P. M. Stivender

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## LOCAL AND PERSONAL MENTION

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The Rev. W. A. Fischer went to Sanford Tuesday to attend district conference.

If it's plowing, hauling or harrowing, see W. W. Gaylard.

Let Prior do your house painting or interior finishing. Work and prices both right. 28tf

Mrs. J. C. Faircloth departed Monday morning for Swainsboro, Ga., where she will visit relatives for some time.

Mrs. L. M. Barton, who had been spending several weeks in Avon Park, departed Wednesday for her home in Buffalo, N. Y.

W. M. Reek returned Sunday from a trip to Manatee county, covering several days, where he was working in the interests of county division.

A. V. Anderson departed Saturday afternoon for New York city, where he was called on important business. He will be absent several days.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hall and daughter departed Wednesday for Brooklyn, N. Y., where they will remain about four months and then return to Avon Park.

Mrs. David Laycock (nee Ruth Hendricks) of Orlando arrived in Avon Park Monday night to spend a few days with her uncles, Harry and Gene Woodruff.

Miss Mamie Lee Durrance left for Tifton, Ga., Saturday, where she will visit her aunt and be near her mother, who is in a hospital in Atlanta. Her sister and brother are in Tifton.

Mr. and Mrs. George L. Crews, son Lee and daughter Nona May, accompanied by Paula Altman, motored to Plant City Sunday to visit Mrs. Crews' sister. The young ladies remained there several days.

Invigorating and refreshing—Avo-Cola.

"Life of Our Savior" at the Magnolia tonight.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Miller spent Tuesday in Lake Wales.

Deputy Sheriff A. D. Roberts made an official trip to Arcadia Sunday.

Henry Smith of Wauchula was here Tuesday doing a little electioneering.

P. M. Stivender spent a couple of days in Tampa this week transacting business.

F. M. Whidden and son Marion and Fred Crews spent yesterday in Arcadia.

Deputy Sheriff and Mrs. J. E. Albright of Moore Haven were Avon Park visitors Wednesday.

Stephen and Clinton Skipper were in town Tuesday helping the rest of us "save the country."

The members of the 1920 graduating class have received their class rings, of which they feel justly proud.

Mrs. W. C. Brookins left Tuesday for Zephyrhills to attend to the moving of her household goods to Avon Park.

Dr. W. C. Touchton and Guy McGiboney went to Tampa Monday afternoon, taking the latter's brother, Love McGiboney, to a hospital in that city to undergo an operation for appendicitis.

D. F. Canfield, Herbert Seaverns, A. E. West, Harry Stodden and Ben Hinkley made an auto trip to Englewood, over in Manatee county, last Saturday, returning Sunday. Mr. Seaverns has property at Englewood, which is located on Lemon bay, he had not seen for some time, and the trip was made more in the nature of an inspection trip than otherwise. The party did no fishing, but brought back a liberal supply of clams, for which that bay is noted.

List your property with Stivender.

They're all beginning to talk about Avo-Cola.

Howard Haie of Haines City spent Saturday here.

Mrs. Phil Lacy spent several days in Tampa this week.

Steve Roberts of Zolfo transacted business here yesterday.

Edward Ley of Arcadia was transacting business here Monday.

J. O. Densford of Fort Meade was here yesterday transacting business.

S. B. Gailey was here from Lake Wales yesterday transacting business.

Pete Ruhl of the Sebring White Way made us a short call Wednesday morning.

For Sale—Three hundred pounds velvet beans. E. H. Woodruff, Badger Hill.

J. S. Francis of Wauchula has purchased the Coca-Cola bottling works from M. D. Holt.

O. R. Perry and A. W. Allen of Lake Wales were among the Tuesday visitors in Avon Park.

Tomorrow (Saturday) night at the Magnolia theater, Harold Lockwood in "The Man of Honor."

H. C. Elks, who is employed at the Hagan still, left for Palatka Monday, where he will spend several days.

William and Charlie Smith of Arbuckle Lake were in Avon Park Monday morning trading with our merchants.

Mrs. Hattie Harris and children of Carlsbad, N. M., are spending a short time with T. J. McGinnis and family.

Get W. H. Prior to paint that old car of yours. He will give you the best job at the lowest price. 28-tf

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Lee of Bartow were here Friday afternoon attending the funeral of the latter's brother, Jesse Harris.

W. M. Reek spent the fore part of the week in Wauchula and Arcadia on business of the county division campaign committee.

Tonight at the Magnolia theater—"Life of Our Savior: From the Manger to the Cross of Resurrection." A picture every one should see.

Mrs. Gustav Sasche and children left here Tuesday of last week for Westboro, Wis., where they will join the husband and father, who left here a couple of weeks ago.

The Hotel Avon desires as its guests every Wednesday and Saturday evening all the young people of Avon Park. Dancing from 8 to 11 o'clock. The Avon aims to be "the hotel with the personal touch." Accept the invitation and enjoy yourself.

Mrs. W. M. Reek and daughter Winifred left Tuesday morning for an extended visit to their old home in Rock Island, Ill. En route they will visit relatives in Maryland, Pennsylvania and Chicago. They are traveling as far as Baltimore by auto with George Sebring and son Payne and Miss Ethel Graham of Sebring.

Mr. and Mrs. John Blanton of Vero, near Fort Pierce, arrived in Avon Park Wednesday to spend the summer months. They are temporarily located at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George D. Godwin. Mr. Blanton was here several months ago, when he purchased some lots in the southwestern part of town and upon which he expects to build this summer. Mr. and Mrs. Blanton will spend their summers here in order to keep away from the insects and their winters on the east coast, where they have a citrus grove and farm.

Servant Girl Wouldn't Go in Cellar, Fearing Rats

Mrs. Pepper, Plainfield, N. J., says: "Rats were so bad in our cellar the servant girl wouldn't go there. Bought some RAT-SNAP and it cleaned all the rats out." RAT-SNAP destroys rats and mice. Absolutely prevents odors. Comes in cake form, no mixing. Cats or dogs won't touch it. Three sizes, 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold and guaranteed by F. C. Rae, Avon Park Drug Company, Park Mercantile Company.

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"The Man of Honor" at the Magnolia tomorrow night.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skipper spent Wednesday in Tampa.

Judge R. E. Brown of Arcadia spent Tuesday forenoon in Avon Park.

C. A. Smith of Wauchula was shaking hands with friends here Monday.

Attorney D. V. Rouse transacted legal business at Arcadia Monday.

Kyle Williams and mother and Melville Bass drove to Tampa yesterday.

Mrs. J. R. Denton went to Tampa Wednesday to undergo an operation.

Mrs. Charlie Gunter went to Tampa Wednesday to spend a few days with relatives.

William Smith and daughter and Mrs. J. H. Armstrong spent Wednesday in Fort Meade.

George Bloom has sold his acre of land and little house on the Wauchula road to Mrs. S. D. Davis.

Mrs. Leonora Edwards, who has been in Arcadia for some time, is here visiting her father, Charlie Edwards.

B. Vance, auditor for the board of county commissioners, was transacting business here yesterday morning.

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

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Hagan and Karen left Tuesday for a few days' visit with relatives in Sanford and Daytona Beach.

Mrs. L. E. Bass, daughter Roberta and son Melville and Mrs. L. E. Webster motored to Fort Meade yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. Max Wild departed for New York state Wednesday, where she will spend a couple of months with friends and relatives.

Mrs. W. R. Minor and two children of Bowling Green are guests this week of Mrs. Minor's father, B. F. West, and brother, Ellis West.

William G. Overton of LaBelle was here for a short time the fore part of the week greeting friends, of whom he has many in Avon Park.

C. R. Ginn has moved into the house known as the Fagan property and Mrs. Fannie Reeves is moving into her little bungalow, just vacated by Mr. Ginn.

The business meeting of the Methodist Ladies' Aid will be held Wednesday afternoon, June 16, at 3 o'clock in the skating rink. All members are urged to be present.

A linen shower was given at the home of Miss Sadie Myers for Miss Lillian Dilley yesterday afternoon, particulars of which were received too late for this week's publication.

The Rev. Ed C. Barnes, the new pastor of the Baptist church of this city, arrived last and will conduct services Sunday morning and evening. Services will be held every Sunday thereafter.

O. R. Bardill of Beckley, W. Va., who has been sojourning at Red Top Ranch for some time, has purchased through Norton T. Smith a tract of land on Lake Nemo. He expects to immediately begin building and will occupy C. R. Nickels' house until his residence is completed.

The Rev. and Mrs. A. D. Buck left Tuesday for their annual summer tour through the north, where they will hold evangelistic meetings. They will stop a few days at Cincinnati, then go to Indianapolis, Ind., and from there to Wellington, N. Y. Their intention is to return to Avon Park in September.

Mrs. F. P. Reeves informs us that the postmasters' convention recently held at DeLand was largely attended and that the guests were royally entertained. They visited Stetson university, Spring Garden ranch and DeLeon springs, at the latter place enjoying a picnic lunch and a dip in the springs. Officers were elected for the ensuing year and Mrs. Reeves was elected as one of the executive committee. The next annual convention will be held in Palatka.

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Until this is done the ships we have should not be sold to face conditions which, prior to the war, resulted in the decline of our merchant marine to insignificance.

This Committee calls attention to these facts because a right solution of our shipping problem is vital to the future prosperity of shipbuilding, but equally vital to the safety and prosperity of the nation.

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### AVON PARK'S PIONEER DAYS

By SAMUEL D. LEE

(Continued from last week)

S. A. Hessler, jeweler, of Newark, N. J., with the faith which many possess, sent \$50 for two lots in Avon Park. When he and Mrs. Hessler, with their two children, subsequently arrived, he found the lots, near Tulane, were not suitable for a business location, and Mr. Crosby readily exchanged them for the lot on the corner in front of the Union church, where Mr. Hessler built, in 1892, and where he has ever since cleaned and repaired the watches of our citizens, carried a small stock of jewelry and where Mrs. Hessler also has kept millinery and sundries required by the ladies.

Fred S. Pryor and Mrs. Pryor arrived from England late in the summer of 1892, and in September had cleared, fenced and planted the acre lot which they bought on Lake View avenue just south of the store which was being built by George Wray. The next year Mr. Pryor built the house in which they have since had their home. Mr. Pryor was a journeyman carpenter in England and has worked at that trade from the time of his arrival.

Mrs. William E. Pabor and her son, Charles W. Pabor, have been residents of this township since the 15th day of November, 1892, they having arrived from Denver on that day. Mrs. Pabor, with her young daughter Panay, accompanied her husband on his first trip here, Thanksgiving week, 1890, when he was looking for a location for a colony. Mr. Pabor then visited California, but finally deciding upon Florida, he returned to Avon Park July 12, 1892, and bought a tract of land in sections 3 and 4, bordering on Trout lake, which he

renamed Pabor and called the place Pabor Lake Colony. His sons, William and Edgar, came with him, and Mrs. Pabor and Charles arrived five months later. All the men went to work clearing and building, Charles being a carpenter, and since the downfall of the colony has followed that trade, and as a contractor erected various structures in the Park. He married Jessie, daughter of Dorr D. Kinney, who has also been a continuous resident of Avon Park since October 5, 1890.

As a lad of sound body and strong heart, Henry D. Meyers left his native Germany as a sailor to see what was upon and beyond the seven seas, and he profited far more than most sailors by inquiring and investigating in all the countries he visited, remembering well all that he learned. After a few years he quit the sea, locating in Colorado for fifteen years, when he heard of the genial climate of Florida and the attractions of Avon Park. He arrived here in 1892 and has been a resident since, with two intervals of a few months each, in one of which, in 1897, he, with several other men, was allured to Jamaica by speeches which the then governor general of that island made in the chief cities of Florida, and on the other revisited Colorado. In 1898 he bought the tract on Duck lake, where he has since lived and has his grove.

Fred Uhle has lived in Avon Park since September, 1893. From Germany the young immigrant made his way to Dakota, where he worked several years. In 1893 he went to Chicago, where he saw about everything worth seeing at the World's fair, the Florida building and the Avon Park exhibits among others. Mr. Crosby's voice was persuasive and the map of the township attractive; whereupon the young German put down a part of his savings and secured five acres southeast of Lotela, which he improved and has since sold. He has owned and improved other properties, including the place he sold to L. E. Hall five years ago, and the tract where he now lives, on the stream that runs from Leila into Lotela.

The name of George Spike-man comes to mind in this connection, as he was a partner of Uhle in a grove on the Sebring road and in partnership they bought a tract on the north side of Lake Pythias, where Spike-man went to live. He fenced a part of the place, whereby he got into trouble with Polk county cattlemen. In the fall of 1908 Mr. Uhle, not being able to hear anything from his partner, went up there only to find the shack deserted. A few articles of clothing had been washed and were still hanging on the line; a fine had been started and there was food in cooking utensils on the stove, but no trace whatever of the man, nor has anything been heard of him since, although his former partner has little doubt as to what happened to him.

In 1884 Richard Bennett and Mrs. Bennett of Newark, N. J., came to Florida and settled near the St. Johns river about thirty miles south of Jacksonville. After struggling there for six years with an orange grove they journeyed to Tampa, where they spent two years, and another two years at St. Petersburg and Winter Haven, finally coming to Avon Park in 1894, where their first purchase was near Byrd lake. As there was trouble about the title, the company gave in exchange ten acres in section 14, where Mr. Bennett set to work and cleared two acres, which he fenced with pickets split by his own hands. It was farther from town than they liked and he then bought the tract and built a home where Mrs. Bennett and her daughter still live, on Verona avenue, a quarter south of the hotel. Mr. Bennett died in 1902.

Some of the Early Sojourners  
Among those who came to Avon Park in its earlier days, were charmed with the country, its sunshine, its quietness; who bought, cleared and built homes with the thought of locating permanently, but who, after a little, for one reason or another, sold and moved away, were, besides Henry B. Todd and Cyrus W. Perkins, heretofore mentioned, the following:

Rev. Henry Hayler of New Jersey bought forty acres on the northeast of Lake Verona in June, 1888. He built a one-room house, partly over the water, and in that and with a tent in the rear for sleeping quarters, he and Mrs. Hayler lived several winters. This is the place afterward owned by Harry Leigh, who moved the house back from the water and built a second room, calling it "Old Connecticut," from his native state. He sold to Colonel Carmody in 1912 and it is now owned by Oscar Wolff. Mr. Hayler sold tracts to Deyo, Dickson, Stewart and others. After selling his first home he built another small one on a ten-acre tract he still held, and after occupying it one or two winters, in 1908-9, he returned to Jersey, where he has since resided. He sold to M. T. Merwin about eight years ago, and the place now is

owned and occupied by W. D. Holt.

(To Be Continued)

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TREASURER

#### MORTUARY RECORD

Jesse Y. Harris

Jesse Y. Harris, aged 45, died in Carlsbad, N. M., Sunday, May 30. The remains were brought here for interment, arriving Friday, June 4. Funeral services were conducted by the Rev. A. D. Buck and were attended by a large number of friends and relatives. Interment was made in Avon Park cemetery.

Deceased was born in Bartow county, Georgia, and in 1900 was married to Miss Hattie Lee. They moved to Polk county, this state, in 1904, remaining there until three years ago, when Mr. Harris disposed of his place and moved to Avon Park. In the spring of 1918 he went to New Mexico, believing a change of climate might prove beneficial to his health. Relief was obtained, which proved but temporary, and on May 24 his brothers, R. I. and C. H., received a telegram stating that he was in a critical condition. They immediately left for his bedside, arriving in Carlsbad the Friday before his death.

Deceased leaves a sorrowing wife and five children, to whom the sympathy of the community is extended.

J. S. Simmons

J. S. Simmons, aged 69, died at Wauchula Monday from cancer of the stomach. Funeral services were held at New Hope church Tuesday, the Rev. S. F. Durrance officiating, and interment was made in New Hope cemetery.

Deceased had been a highly-respected resident of Wauchula

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for fourteen years. Besides the widow, five children, three sons and two daughters, survive him—D. W. Simmons, Arcadia; J. S. Jr., Wauchula; J. M. Simmons, this city; Mrs. L. M. Bryant, New Hope, and Mrs. J. B. Brannon, Chattanooga, Tenn.

#### Florida Newspapers

The editor of the Clearwater Sun says that he has traveled far and wide during eighteen years of newspaper work. He has never been in a section of the United States where the newspapers realized their responsibilities to the communities they serve as they do here in Florida.

Alive, boosting, and always on the lookout for something that will help their city and the "home folk"—appears to be the motto nailed over the door of every editorial sanctum in the state.—Ocala Banner.

Wanted the London Cut.

"But, my dear boy, why do you go to this hoistily cheap tailor?" "One of my cleaveh ideas, old chap. My former tuffish made my clothes fit so uncommonly well that I couldn't look English to save me soul."

"How We Cleared Our Summer Home of Rats," by Mrs. Perry. "When we opened our seaside home last May it was alive with rats. They'd gnawed all the upholstery. We cleaned them out in a week with RAT-SNAP. I prefer this rat killer because it comes in cake form, no mixing. Saves dirty hands and plates." Three sizes, 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold and guaranteed by F. C. Rae, Avon Park Drug Company, Park Mercantile Company.

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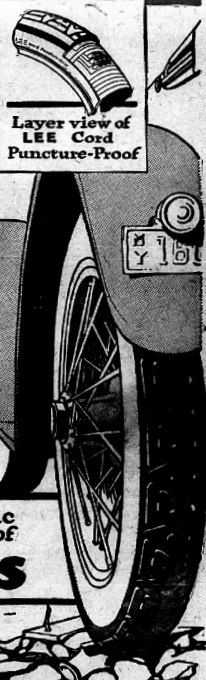
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## TANT MASS MEETING TO BE D IN RINK NEXT MONDAY NIGHT

People of Avon Park are requested to attend a meeting to be held next night at the skating rink. The meeting will discuss some of the most important issues facing us to-day.

matter of improving the will come up for discussion. It will be brought to the attention of every owner and taxpayer. Another column will be the mayor's proclamation, a special election to be held on the 27th for the purpose of either for or against the ratification of the two last amendments to the town charter.

Monday night's meeting is of vital importance to all, and no man who has his interests at heart should be absent.

If the amendments to be given to the town council are of the nature of borrowing money for street improvements, it will be ratified by all of the people of the town.

It provides a way for these badly-needed improvements without the town and in a manner which will not place a heavy burden upon the shoulders of the taxpayers.

The man who at least meet with the board of trade. Women and citizens to discuss the pro and con is possible.

A but little civic pride. The amendments to be given to the town council are of the nature of borrowing money for street improvements, it will be ratified by all of the people of the town.

Plans are being laid where this can be accomplished without the expenditure of any money. It will only require a little individual effort, a little civic pride and a little co-operation.

## FATAL ACCIDENT TUESDAY AFTERNOON

A fatal accident occurred at the corner of Main and Butler streets Tuesday evening between 6 and 7 o'clock. R. B. Rast of Cameron, S. C., was riding on a truck just purchased by C. W. Ward from E. N. Dickinson and as the driver attempted to make the turn from Butler street into Main Mr. Rast lost his balance and pitched head foremost to the street, his head striking the curb.

Dr. Touchton was absent from town, having taken a patient to the hospital in Tampa that afternoon, and a physician was summoned from Frostproof. Everything possible was done for the unfortunate man while awaiting the arrival of the physician, but it was apparent the injury was serious and but little could be done.

An examination by the physician upon his arrival disclosed the fact that the unfortunate man's skull had been fractured and the brain was severely injured. He was removed to a hospital, but before they could be completed he expired.

Mr. Rast came to Avon Park on the Tuesday afternoon train with the Rev. J. L. Yonce to make a short visit with the latter's brother, Wesley Yonce.

The remains were sent home Wednesday in charge of Rev. Yonce.

Deceased leaves a wife and four children to mourn his loss.

## FLORIDA IN SPLENDID FINANCIAL CONDITION

(Times-Union)

Florida is in a better financial condition than any other state in the union, according to W. D. Manley of Atlanta, president of the Bankers' Financing company of Jacksonville, in a speech Tuesday before bankers from all over Florida who are associated with the institution.

Florida banks on the whole are now in position to convert a larger portion of their assets into cash, and if called upon to meet the demands of their depositors, more freely than are banks in any other states. Depositors are greater in proportion to the capital in this state than they are in most other states.

The bankers, representing fifty-five institutions in the state, forty-five of which were represented at the meeting in Jacksonville, went on record as favoring elimination of non-essential credits and credit for luxuries and of cutting down on such items as automobiles.

The following resolution offered by H. L. Donald, Live Oak, was adopted, setting forth the ideas of the bankers in this direction:

1. To eliminate non-essentials, both as to loans and production.
2. To advocate "Back to the Farm" and the production of more food crops.
3. To preach economy. Economy in expenditures, economy in labor and economy in the consumption of essentials.
4. To encourage production of all essentials.
5. To discourage idleness and unrest.
6. To encourage and aid the industrial development of our communities.
7. To keep Florida's money working for Florida's needs.

With the Majority

Apalachicola Times: The editor of this newspaper stands today where he has always stood—for clean government and for clean men in politics.

are quite likely to become among the foremost in an endeavor to remove the obstacle. Conditions have been mentioned as an obstacle to progress. They must be removed if we would get anywhere, and Avon Park is bound on a journey that will end at a most prosperous port if the obstacles are removed.

## PRaises FLORIDA'S WINTER CLIMATE

A letter received by E. M. Brickell from Ralph P. Stoddard contains the following paragraph:

"We returned from our western trip Sunday and had a wonderful experience. While I like southern California very much, I still can say sincerely that I have never found a place on the map that was any more agreeable than southern Florida. As a winter climate I believe that you have by far the best of it, and we plan to go to Florida every winter, as we have in the past."

It will be remembered Mr. and Mrs. Stoddard spent several weeks here at the Avon last winter, during which time they made many friends.

Mr. Stoddard's eulogy of our Florida climate is but a repetition of the story nearly every man who has visited both states during the winter has to tell. It is no intended as a knock against California, but more as a boost for Florida. Coming from a man who has traveled as extensively as has Mr. Stoddard and who is so prominently identified with big business, it is a boost that will carry no little weight and will undoubtedly result in the coming to Florida for the winters of many of our friends and business associates.

What we need more than praise for our winter climate, however, is the dissemination of truth concerning our summer and year-round climate. By far too many people are imbued with the idea that Florida's summer climate is hardly endurable, when in fact the facts were known, it is by far cooler here during the heated summer months than in many of the northern states.

We have spent a number of summers in Florida without suffering to any extent from excessive hot weather; have made visits to the north in midsummer when the thermometer was ranging around the hundred mark and have always been glad to get back where 90 degrees is unusual and where there is never a night when one cannot sleep comfortably with a light covering over him.

Poor Florida!

The Bank of Hastings paid out \$30,000 last Saturday in pay rolls for the workers in the Hastings potato fields. This is another commentary upon the "worthless pine barrens" of Florida.—Miami Metropolis.

## CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH SCENE PRETTY WEDDING CELEBRATION

One of the prettiest and most interesting spring weddings occurred when Miss Lillian Dilley, the charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dilley, was united in marriage to John H. Hood Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Congregational church in the presence of a large assemblage of friends, the Rev. Benjamin F. Stock performing the wedding ceremony.

The church was handsomely decorated with palms, ferns and pink and white cut flowers, the color scheme being white, pink and green, so harmoniously blended as to produce a lovely and artistic effect. The ceremony was performed under a beautiful arch decorated with native moss, asparagus ferns and fern leaves, snow-white calla lilies and beautiful pink flowers.

Just before the entrance of the bride party Miss Henrietta Farrington sang "I Love You Truly," after which to the strains of the bridal chorus from Mendelssohn entered Miss Nell and, sister of the groom, and Miss Sadie Myers as bridesmaids. Next, preceding the bride, came little Misses Otha West and Ella Maud Lander, dressed in lovely white, and a host of white organza, with sashes of pink maline, carrying baskets of

## GIVE US DAY CURRENT SIX HALF DAYS WEEKLY

We are informed that the Florida Ice and Power company has a large force of men clearing the right of way between Avon Park and Frostproof preparatory to setting poles, and that the work has been completed to within a couple of miles of this place.

This is indeed good news; but, even so, it will be some weeks before the poles can be set, the wires strung and the necessary sub-station be built, ready to turn on the day current for us.

Avon Park must have twenty-four-hour electric service. Lack of such service is handicapping the growth of the town, as well as inconveniencing the people, in some instances causing heavy financial loss.

It has been suggested that we start a movement to impress upon the minds of the officials of the Florida Ice and Power company the importance of giving us day current at once.

While with the equipment in our local plant it would probably be impossible to give us continuous service, the thought was that perhaps the company could be persuaded to give us three full days each week or six half days. Such an arrangement would in a measure furnish relief and would be the means of bringing a large amount of electrical appliances into household and business use that are not now used to any great extent, simply because the people cannot use them when the electricity is not available. If the Florida Ice and Power company will give us three full days or six half days each week, we will take pleasure in co-operating in an effort to secure the installation of additional electrical appliances.

Some of our people would like to install washing machines, irons, toasters, fans, etc., while there are business men here who would like to give us three full days each week or six half days each week.

If those who will use extra electrical equipment in case we are assured of three days a week at present and permanent day current when the line from Frostproof can be completed, will advise us as to what they will use, we will gladly make a report of the same in an effort to convince the company of the advisability of giving us at least one-half the service to which we are entitled.

Get busy and let's see what we can do.

## MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES WILL BRING MANY PEOPLE TO AVON PARK

For several weeks we have been hearing of the activities of the Flint Lumber company, the Avon Manufacturing company and the Mutual Crate company, but have been unable to spare the time to visit the scene of these activities until Tuesday, when L. F. DeBordenave placed himself and car at our disposal, drove us out to the grounds and patiently explained the details of the work these companies are carrying on and the plans they have in mind for building one of the most attractive mill towns and the most modern mills to be found anywhere in the south. To say that we were astonished at the magnitude of the proposition expressed mildly, it is so far ahead of anything we had imagined that it is hard to draw comparisons.

In connection with the erection of the new mills, the first thing to impress itself upon our mind was the permanency of the structures these companies are erecting. The concrete foundations, the heavy timbers, the scrupulous care being taken by the workmen in the placing of every part of the structures, all go to show that preparations are being made for years to come. In the planning of these buildings even the minutest detail has not been overlooked and for execution the plans none but the most skilled mechanics have been employed. Everything is being built and placed with the idea that when the machinery is installed, steam raised in the big boilers, the whistles blown and throttles opened, there will be no hitches, and that the various machines will work with precision and accuracy.

## Modern Townsite

In connection with these big mills the parent and subsidiary companies, each of the latter standing upon its own bottom, have laid out a modern townsite, where the health, comfort and convenience of the employees have been given the most careful consideration. The management has planned with the idea that a satisfied employee is a valuable asset and that he is entitled to living conditions that tend to bring satisfaction. In this connection Mr. DeBordenave says: "Our employees do not work for us—they work with us." It is this spirit of co-operation that benefits employer and employee alike and insures the maximum of production with the minimum of friction.

The townsite of each company is beautifully laid out, that of the Avon Manufacturing company overlooking Lake Lotela and the Flint Lumber company overlooking Alligator lake, both beautiful bodies of water. At the former townsite twenty-five modern five room bungalows are in course of construction, some of them nearly finished. Ten of these bungalows face the hard road to Sebring and ten of them a new street running north and south through the townsite. Five will be placed elsewhere, convenient to sewer and water. These bungalows will be well finished inside for use by the millers, equipped with running water, electric lights and all modern conveniences. A sewer system will be established that will insure sanitary conditions and the drinking water will come from deep wells. It will be passed upon by the state board of health and the wells will be driven deep enough to secure an adequate supply of absolutely pure water. Two 10,000-gallon tanks will be erected—one to supply the drinking water and the other for fire protection. A modern hotel is being erected for the convenience of employees without families. In the plans the spiritual as well as the physical welfare of the employees has been considered and churches will be erected for both white and colored and a school house for the latter.

Our High school will care for the white children.

An interest will be created in

the matter of beautifying the grounds by offering prizes for those who have the best-kept and most beautiful grounds. A space of ground has been devoted to the propagation of cuttings and plants and the residents will be furnished free of charge such of these as they desire to plant and care for. It is the company's idea to secure a community of home-loving citizens, surrounded by environment that will be pleasing and uplifting.

On this townsite the office of the general manager of the Avon Manufacturing company, J. A. Caldwell, will be located, the foundation having already been laid. The office building will be commodious and convenient and in charge of Mr. Caldwell, with A. W. Allen as accountant. Both Mr. Caldwell and Mr. Allen will be valuable acquisitions to our town.

The townsite of the Flint Lumber company faces Alligator lake, another of our beautiful bodies of water, for which this section is famous. Building operations have been in operation there for some time and a number of additional houses will be built along the shores of the lake.

Modern houses have been provided for the negro employees and more than a hundred have already been built. We know of no place where the welfare of the negro workman has been more conscientiously looked after than here.

In connection with this new townsite there is a valuable consideration which should not be overlooked. The company will operate no commissary or store, but will pay its employees in cash, thus giving them the privilege of patronizing whom they please. This policy will be carried out as long as the merchants of Avon Park give the mill hands a square deal. It means much to the business of Avon Park, for when all the mills are in operation there will be a population of fully 1,000 people located there, the trading center for whom will be Avon Park.

## The New Crate Mill

The main structure of the new crate mill will be 80x200 feet and is rapidly nearing completion. Modern dry kilns for both veneer and lumber are in course of construction and an independent sawmill will be operated in connection with the mill for the manufacture of lumber to be used in this plant.

The machinery for this mill will begin to arrive within the next few days. It is the most complete modern dry kiln, much of it eliminating hand labor. Conveyors will carry the lumber to the various machines, take care of the waste, which will be chopped up in a large "hog" and automatically carried to the battery of several pressure boilers. The engine to be installed will be of capacity to drive all the machinery and supplying the water system.

Their own railroad will bring the logs to the mill and place the cars where they can be conveniently loaded with the finished lumber.

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## MERCHANTS NOW OBSERVING HALF-HOLIDAY

The merchants and business men of Avon Park are now observing the Thursday afternoon holiday so universally observed throughout the state. For some time a number of our merchants and clerks have been working to get all the business men to close on Thursday afternoon, but it was only the latter part of last week that this could be brought about.

Hereafter every place of business in Avon Park will close promptly at noon Thursdays, therefore the purchasing public is notified to make provisions accordingly. The Thursday half-day will be effective through the summer months only.