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PILOT PREPARES FOR GROWTH BY INSTALLING LINOTYPE MACHINE

Our linotype machine has arrived and been installed and a part of this issue is printed from the slugs cast by this almost human machine. This is the first linotype machine to be installed on the Ridge south of Haines City and is another proof of the growth in business in the town of Avon Park, for there are but few towns of this size anywhere in the state, or in other states, for that matter, where the business justifies the installation of such an expensive piece of labor-saving machinery.

When The Pilot was first launched we had no idea that the business of Avon Park would justify the installation of such a machine for at least two or three years, but our business has increased so ra-

sive machine, preferring to wait until it was in the plant and ready for operation. Neither have we said much about our growth. But just to give you an idea of how well The Pilot has been received, we quote the following figures, which we will back up by affidavit if necessary:

Our first number was printed Nov. 28, 1919.

Started out with 217 subscribers.

Last week's mailing list showed that we had 726 subscribers. Several have been added since.

The growth in our subscription list should be carefully noted by advertisers, for it means much to them.

We have kept a force of three busy on full time and four or five

NOTED SURGEON AND SCIENTIST VISITS US

Avon Park has had the honor of entertaining for a few days a distinguished visitor in Dr. Howard Kelly, the world-famous surgeon of Johns-Hopkins, Baltimore.

Dr. Kelly is making a short tour of Florida and visited Avon Park at the solicitation of his friends, F. L. Middleton and James A. MacElwee, of Washington, D. C., and Dr. Davis, of Baltimore, Md., and to look over his investment with the Florida Citrus Development Co. of Avon Park and Washington.

Dr. Kelly, in addition to his fame as a surgeon, is a scientist of note and most important of all, is one of the leaders in America of the Layman's Bible Study movement, now enlisting the attention of men in all walks of life.

At the Church of the Redeemer on Sunday Dr. Kelly preached morning and evening.

The morning service was a strong plea for the better observance of the Sabbath day. It was inspiring to hear this distinguished man—this magic healer of bodilil ills—bring abundant scripture to the support of his convincing argument for soul healing and better and cleaner living.

In the evening the audience was limited only by the capacity of the auditorium. The address was especially for the young people. The sermon was an eloquent appeal for more and better Bible study.

Holding a box of safety matches in one hand and a match in the other, Dr. Kelly pointed out that the match will not light on stone or wood, but touch the box and it bursts into flame. The match is the human heart and the box the word of God.

Science, fame, wealth, honor, power, may try to kindle the flame of the spirit in the heart, but not until it touches the box—the Word of God—does the flame come which alone advances one in Christian life and performance and lights the way to life everlasting.

The rector of the Church of the Redeemer is to be congratulated in this presenting Dr. Kelly in his pulpit and Avon Park is better for this visit.

The Pilot is reliably informed that Dr. Kelly will spend part of his vacation every year in our city and in behalf of the entire community extends him a most cordial welcome.

Dr. Kelly's sister, Mrs. Esther Bradford, of Philadelphia, was also an Avon Park visitor. Mrs. Bradford is a woman of rare charm and culture and we are more than glad to say that this visit has proven so delightful that she is looking forward to a yearly repetition of the same.

Interesting Stories

Florida newspapers have had in tereasing stories lately of the planting of considerable acreage to new orange groves and this means, of course, that the industry is extending and more people are going into the business of raising citrus fruits. The Avon Park Pilot tells of the progress made by S. Y. Hartt and his son, who are putting in a 200-acre orange grove at Lake Letta. According to The Pilot 148 acres have already been set and nursery stock is being secured for the remainder of the tract. Attractive and comfortable homes have been constructed for the owners of the new grove and they will be right among their trees to watch them as they grow.—Times-Union.

REGISTRATION BOOKS CLOSE MONDAY APRIL 5

Monday, April 5, the registration books close. If you are not registered by that time, you will lose your opportunity to vote in the coming election, unless you go to Anradia and register.

Every voter in Avon Park and the surrounding territory is aware of the fact that the issues at stake this year are the most important that have come up in years.

The question as to whether or not DeSoto county will be divided and the eastern part of the county come into its own will be settled one way or the other the coming election, for the men elected to represent DeSoto county in Tallahassee at the next session of the legislature will be elected on a division or antidivision ticket.

If you have the best interests of our entire people at heart, you will not neglect this opportunity to cast your vote for the candidates for state senator and representative who favor county division.

You cannot cast that vote unless you are registered and have paid your poll taxes for the years 1918 and 1919.

There are only a few more days in which to register.

Don't neglect that important duty—a duty which every voter should perform without urging.

Don't neglect to pay your poll tax if you have not already done so.

Your vote may be the deciding vote. Upon your loyalty may depend the outcome of the issue.

The registration books are now open at the office of George L. Crews. Register before it is too late.

LATH AND SHINGLE MILL FOR AVON PARK

Avon Park is to have a new industry in the shape of a lath and shingle mill, the machinery for which is now on the way. The gentlemen who will establish this new industry are F. Elmore Wray, D. F. Canfield and R. C. Peterson. Mr. Wray will have charge of the manufacturing, while Mr. Canfield and Mr. Peterson will attend to the business end of the proposition.

The machinery, consisting of a lath mill and bolter, binder and trimmer, portable log saw and a nine-horse power engine has been purchased and is enroute and we are informed the new company expects to begin operations about April 15. The machinery for the plant is in units, mounted on skids, and is portable. Instead of bringing the logs to the mill, the mill will be taken to the timber.

In addition to the machinery mentioned, a "hunk 'n tin on four wheels" (Ford truck) has been purchased.

The new company will confine its operations in the beginning to manufacturing lath, their machinery having a maximum capacity of 40,000 lath daily. Later it is expected that the manufacture of shingles and other building material will be added to the output. The company already has an order for 80,000 lath to begin with.

Every new industry of any nature whatsoever starting in Avon Park adds to the growth and prosperity of the city and community and we feel that this latest venture is bound to be a success, our opinion being based upon the mechanical and business ability of the men engaging in it and the demand for the products the new company will manufacture. Our best wishes are extended to the promoters for a full measure of success and a rapid expansion of the business.

CONGRESSMAN HERBERT J. DRANE EXPRESSES A FEW OF HIS VIEWS

Congressman H. J. Drane, who is a candidate for re-election, has been unable to leave Washington to push his campaign in this district, has expressed some of his views as follows:

"At the beginning of a campaign, when public duty may, in large measure, keep me here and away from the district where I seek the suffrage of the people, it occurs to me that I should make some pronouncement of my position upon some of the questions which are in the public mind, as I have neither the right nor the desire to hide my opinions, arrived at after much thought.

"Americanism: A return of the reign of law; a return to sane living and a readjustment of the American life to that standard which will bring back to it the happiness, prosperity and content which was rudely disturbed and destroyed by a war, not of our own making, but which was started by a people 3,000 miles away; a people with whom we had always been at peace, and which came to our war, whether we would or no.

Period of Reconstruction

"The above sentence would briefly express what I have in mind as the guide for my official thought and action for the days which are to follow, and which promise to engross all the best thought, the highest patriotism, the greatest endeavor, of all men who love their country as only patriotic men may love.

"The day of reconstruction is upon us. Reconstruction—That is a word which seems to have a meaning only connected with war, and to those of my fellow citizens who have lived at the close of other wars, it brings memories which are more like horrid dreams. "Reconstruction implies that something has been destroyed; and surely those who think will agree that within the past five years, or since August, 1914, the whole world has been well-nigh destroyed.

"At these years apply to our own people, we first had destroyed our peace of mind; then our peaceful mode of living; then our commerce, both on land and sea; then the precious lives of many of our citizens—men, women and children, who went down to the seas in ships and did their business in great waters."

"Then, for a time, America seemed to hesitate between love and duty. Love of home; love of peace; love of our fellow citizens. Love of liberty throughout the world.

Duty: To our own self respect; to our fathers who made this country the land of the free for those who should follow after we had passed on. Should we, by inaction, pay for 'peace at any price' and see our very national life destroyed, or should we adhere to the teachings and traditions of our fathers, and as they did, go forth to war and send our sons as well?

"Should we show ourselves patriotic American citizens, or should we be a craven race? The decision was a momentous one, but all red-blooded, right thinking Americans knew the decision would be for war. A war of the greatest magnitude; a war which would be prosecuted with every dollar of money, with every ounce of energy, with every man of military age, until the Hun should be swept

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Pressing Club Moved

L. D. Roberts has moved his business into the building formerly occupied by the Woman's Exchange, joining his old location.

COUNTY DIVISIONISTS IN PERFECT HARMONY

The campaign committee on county division met at Moore Haven Wednesday, March 24. A full attendance was on hand. A large amount of business of importance was transacted. Campaign matters, proper financing and other items were handled with business-like dispatch and reports from all parts of the county received.

Evidence is constantly multiplying that the people of DeSoto county want this brand of county division—not the camouflage advocated by a certain class of politicians, which has only one real object—the defeat of any county division.

The committee on propaganda will handle this situation and see that the people of the county have the truth of the situation properly set before them.

One need not look for any county division from its longtime opponents. Their oft-repeated statements at Tallahassee and at home, that they are really opposed to any county division now or at any future time, still stands.

The people of the county are thoroughly aroused and will not be misled by promises that have not the brand of sincerity or that will not stand up under calm and searching investigation.

The Hon. Frank W. Cooper, in formally accepting the nomination of the committee for the senatorship, subject to the decision of the democratic primaries, made his position very plain. The four new county plan was unequivocally endorsed. Henderson K. Still, in accepting the nomination for representative, subject to the primary election, was equally emphatic in his endorsement.

The harmony that has characterized all the meetings prevailed throughout all the session.

In the evening a most enthusiastic mass meeting was held. Addresses were made by Messrs. Macdonald, Harbin, Cooper, Conway, Stahl, Rock, and others.

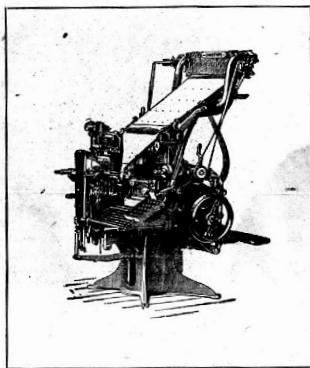
The people of Moore Haven are practically solid for the committee plan of four new counties and are in the fullest working harmony with all the plans.

The next meeting will be at Punta Gorda at the call of the chairman.

MAY ESTABLISH NEW AIR SERVICE HERE

Negotiations are under way whereby Avon Park may become an established station in the proposed new Pittsburgh, Birmingham, Miami line. Lieut. Hal, formerly of the United States Army Aviation service, representing the promoters, spent some days in Avon Park last week, looking into the matter. He took a number of people up for fifteen minute flights and also flew to Moore Haven with Dr. Howard Kelly and sister, Mrs. Bradford. All the flights were highly successful, and Lieut. Hal left, more than pleased with the prospects of Avon Park as the Scenic Highlands station.

The matter is being quietly pushed by several gentlemen interested in Avon Park and we hope in a short time to be able to announce something definite.



pidly that it became an absolute necessity to increase our facilities. The Pilot, however, will meet the requirements of our growing city and whenever new or additional machinery is required, it will be installed, for the men behind The Pilot have unbounded faith in the future of our city and are ready to prove that faith by anticipating the future and being prepared.

This new piece of machinery will enable us to handle more local and general matter than we have been handling, but until we can find an expert operator to manipulate the machine and keep it in running order, we will be content to do the best we can, operating the machine ourselves and with no previous experience.

We haven't made much "noise" about having ordered this expensive piece of machinery.

SUCCESSFUL FISHING TRIP

William L. Smith and Archie McLaughlin returned Thursday night of last week from a successful fishing trip to Arbuckle Lake, to which place they were guided by Cole Godwin. The result of the day's fishing was twenty-five big-mouth bass, averaging about two pounds in weight and three wall-mouth perch. They were caught with rod and reel.

GIVEN "THIRD DEGREE"

At a stated communication of Poincianna lodge No. 227, F. & A. M., held last Friday night, W. O. Spear was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason.

part of the time.

Our job printing department, although handicapped by lack of day current (all our machinery is run by electric motors) has turned out an immense quantity of high-grade commercial printing, much of it being intricate work.

Our advertising pages show for themselves and the best of it is, our merchants tell us they are getting results.

The policy of The Pilot is cooperation. We do not lose interest in our patrons immediately after they have placed their business with us. We endeavor to make their investment (for advertising is purely a dividend-paying investment) a profitable one. This policy will be continued as long as The Pilot is published.

Watch us grow.

Minor Automobile Accidents

Three minor automobile accidents occurred Sunday on the roads leading to Avon Park, most of them caused by careless driving. One occurred on the road to Sebring, when two cars collided, one being ditched; one on the road to Frostproof, when the driver (a lady) became excited and turned her car into another; and one on the road to Wauchula, the driver running into a deep sand ditch. Fortunately no one was injured.

Western Union Official Here

At a late hour we learn that J. J. Maxwell, superintendent of the Western Union Telegraph Company, spent Wednesday in Avon Park. Whether his visit had to do with the establishment of our much-needed down-town office, we have been unable to learn.

To the Owners of Groves in the

Pittsburgh - Florida Fruit Growers Ass'n

Of Avon Park, Fla., and Pittsburgh, Pa.

Those who have had the work of bringing your properties to the present state of perfection it is a great pleasure to know that our efforts have been successful and that your investment has very materially increased in value.

There are no better four-year-old groves in Florida than those of

Section 17

Their healthy condition has permitted them to develop a generous bloom this season, proving the value from a productive standpoint.

Section 16

CLEARING has practically been completed on Section 16, much of the ground plowed and the planting of trees has begun. Your grove will be set this season and our nursery stock is developing very well. A visit to our older development, Section 17, will show what you may expect in a few years.

Company's Plans Successful

The Company's plans of the past have been successful, those of the present meeting our expectations and our future plans are based on the experience we have obtained in our previous work.

Remember

our operations are co-operative and your success is also ours.



The Citrus Groves and By-Products Company

Of Pittsburgh, Pa., and Avon Park, Fla.

The sale of the first unit of one hundred and twenty (120) groves or six hundred (600) acres has been completed and active work has started on the clearing.

The saw mills will be operating promptly and the pine forest covering this wonderful land will be removed, preparing the way to plant groves in the Spring season of 1921.

A unit By-Product factory will be built on the Company's twenty (20) acres near the town, early in 1921. Careful investigation proves the wonderful possibilities for success and profit from the culls and lower grade fruit and this Company with its vast production will be guaranteed an ample supply of fruit.

The entire stock of the Company, (\$350,000.00), has been subscribed by the grove owners in Sections 17, 16, Lakewood-Villa and the parent Company. The Pittsburgh-Florida Fruit Growers Association has made the plan co-operative, allowing the grove owners to participate in the additional profits from the manufacturing of their fruit into the finished By-Products.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Help Avon Park grow.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. R. Tyson Friday, March 19, a son

Eugene Brannon, of Wauchula, was an Avon Park visitor Monday.

R. W. Massie, of Lynchburg Va., registered at the Village Inn the latter part of last week

Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Skipper, Jr., have moved into the Walter Hart cottage on Tulane Lake.

Mrs. L. M. Marsh and daughter spent the latter part of last week visiting relatives in Kissimmee.

Melville Bass made a trip to Winter Haven Monday and brought back a truck load of citrus trees.

Dave Thomas and son, of Kicco, were in Avon Park Saturday trading. They brought in a load of fine cabbage.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Sargeant and Mrs. F. P. Reeves and children motored to Kissimmee Sunday and spent the day with Miss Marion Sargeant.

H. B. Smith is making some improvements on his hotel building. He has added a new kitchen and considerably increased the dining room space.

Mrs. W. A. Roberts spent Sunday at Sebring with her grandmother, Mrs. E. Daniels, who is seriously ill. Mr. Roberts and children motored down after Mrs. Roberts in the afternoon.

Herbert Seaverns in a change of advertisement is calling attention to a large quantity of brick and other material of which there has been a shortage here recently. He has a liberal supply on hand now.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Gribble, of Dallas, Tex., and E. E. Gribble, of Long Beach, Cal., arrived in Avon Park last week to visit their brother, M. H. Gribble. These brothers had not met in a number of years and as their coming was a complete surprise, you may imagine the delight with which their visit was received.

Mrs. D. J. Pearson and family left Monday morning for Tampa, where they will join Mr. Pearson, who has been there for several weeks. They will make that city their future home.

CARD OF THANKS

Avon Park, Fla., Mar. 20, '20.

No master of language is gifted with a sufficient vocabulary to impart to the noble and generous citizens of Avon Park the slightest conception of our profound appreciation and deep sense of gratitude, of which we were the grateful recipients in connection with the recent burning of our home.

The generous Christian spirit as was exemplified by the citizens of Avon Park will ever remain a green spot in the garden of our memory and it will always be a solace for us to remember their magnanimity in providing for us as they did.

Yours gratefully,
W. P. Myers and Family.

"The Rats Around My Place Were Wise," Says John Tuthill.

"Tried everything to kill them. Mixed poison with meal, meat, cheese, etc. Wouldn't touch it. Tried RAT-SNAP, inside of ten days got rid of all rats." You don't have to mix RAT-SNAP with food. Saves fussing, bother. Break a cake of RAT-SNAP, lay it where rats scamper. You will see no more. Three sizes, 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold and guaranteed by F. C. Rae, Avon Park Drug Co., Park Mercantile Company.

TEACH CRIME IN COLLEGE IN TEXAS

Feminine Fagin Instructed Pretty Girls in "Theory of Shoplifting."

Dallas, Tex.—Miss Verda Flowers is under arrest in this city, charged with shoplifting and with teaching others the art of stealing for a living. According to evidence in the hands of the police, Miss Flowers made a business of locating pretty young girls who were working for small salaries and taking them to lunch. Then she unfolded a plan whereby for a fee of \$25 they would be taught how easy it was to make some real money and wear the finest of clothes at no cost.

Miss Flowers was not arrested for shoplifting, but was caught while "tutoring" one of her students in a department store. Later four other young ladies were caught and \$3,000 worth of flattery was recovered.

The plan of instruction in the school conducted by Miss Flowers included lectures in the "theory of shoplifting."



Taken to a Store and Given Instruction.

This consisted in talks and demonstrations how to "lift" stuff. Later the pupil was taken to a store and given personal instruction by Miss Flowers, who criticized the pupil, giving special attention on how to act when suspected. After the pupil had been pretty well grounded in theory and plain shoplifting, Miss Flowers instructed in "fancy" lifting, that is in the taking of skirts, dresses, waists, jewelry, suits and piece goods. It is estimated her pupils stole more than \$10,000 worth of goods.

BOY BURIED ALIVE 24 HOURS

Boy Rescued by Neighbors After Having Been Entombed Thirty Feet Below Ground.

Barber, Idaho.—To escape with his life after having been buried 30 feet below the surface of the earth for 24 hours was the experience of Paul Bennett, eighteen years old, of Barber, Idaho.

Young Bennett descended into his father's well for the purpose of digging it deeper, but had hardly reached the bottom when the rotten walls collapsed, completely covering him beneath the debris.

The young man's father summoned neighbors who frantically began to remove the tons of earth which buried the youth. It was nearly dawn of the following day, however, before the rescuers succeeded in allowing Bennett to escape from his prison, little the worse for his experience.

Chops 90 Cents and No One to Claim Pig

New York.—Patrolman Joe Johnson propounded a problem for the supreme court when he led an excited and squealing young lady pig into the Greenpoint police station and booked her on a charge of vagrancy.

"No viable means of support and therefore a vagrant," said Johnson, still puffing from a chase of half a mile, during which the prisoner once upset him by running between his legs.

"With pork chops at 90 cents a pound," the desk sergeant expostulated, "why the lady's worth \$35 at least."

"Not alive, she ain't worth it," Joe protested.

"Then kill her," the sergeant suggested.

But she ain't convicted of murder. The policeman tilted his cap and scratched his head.

"All right," he said, "I'll waive the vagrancy charge."

Miss Pig is being held without bail till her owner comes.

Works New One.

Minneapolis, Minn.—A smiling, well-dressed woman sold Mrs. C. A. Stein a "membership in the League of Nations" for \$250. Police are looking for the lady.

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from the earth, if need be, and the world again be made a "fit place to live in."

"Destruction of all we had, or hoped to have, was but a small thing to the destruction which was to follow. When the young manhood of America went forth to war and was destroyed, then, indeed, was the war brought home to us; then, indeed, did we know the price of peace. If we reverse the memory of those who fell, then it is our solemn duty before God and man to so shape our national life for the future, that those who made the sacrifice—those who came home, bearing their shields or lying upon them—should not have made the sacrifice in vain.

"And so, my duty seems to lie in the path which will soonest bring peace, prosperity and happiness to the American soldier and sailor who offered up his life at the battle front, or in camps, or on the sea, or in the air; to place him as nearly as may be, in the same or a better condition than before he was rudely disturbed in his peaceful pursuits. And if so it be he gave his blood, his life, then to so care for him in his affliction, or to extend such tender care to those of his loved ones who survive and mourn as to convince them that the republic is not ungrateful; to convince those who yet abide with us that we admire the valor of our sons; that we are grateful for their patriotic service; that we love those who survive and revere the memory of those who fell.

Bring Home Bodies of Heroes

"If so it be that the mortal remains of the American soldier may rest more peacefully in the sacred soil of his homeland, then it should be the duty of every member of the American congress to labor without ceasing, until the last of America's sons shall sleep in the home of his fathers be that where it may. This is the least a grateful republic can do, and the decision should rest solely with those of his own blood.

"These men had been taught from their childhood to venerate one flag, love one country. Then our solemn duty is to again make this the great country it was before the World War, and to destroy every other flag or emblem which would seek to displace it or to divide the allegiance of the weak and misguided of other lands or our own, who claim sanctuary here, but who seek to displace it or tear it down.

Should Deport Enemies of Country

"Aliens who find themselves unable to accept the laws and institutions of our country, and who revile or despise its constitutional government, should be deported. Deported peaceably, if they will it so, but deported; either deported peaceably, if possible, but by force, if necessary. Those who forcibly resist should be destroyed, should they by overt act or violence threaten our national peace, our national life.

"All great wars, history teaches us, have been followed by periods of unrest, social, financial and industrial. This, in a measure, is a form of hysteria, which time will cure, and which, while it survives, should be treated discreetly, advisedly, by those who may for the time, have the making or administration of the laws. In social life it has, following the World War, taken the form of a wild era of extravagance and waste. This soon ceases, as the hysteria passes, but but happiness nor content can long survive unless it has for its foundation, working in harmony, those two elements equally necessary to civilization and right living—labor and capital.

Capital and Labor

"Organization of both labor and capital are good for society at large, and good for those who toil as well as for those who are changers of money in the market place. Good for the whole people, if no radical element enter and misdirect the power of organization from useful

beneficent ends, for then both become a menace to the whole body of the people. The great body of the people are unorganized; they need no organization, except in time of war, pestilence, famine and insurrection. They have been taught so to trust to the patriotism of their fellow men that they are incapable of organization against him, except under these conditions.

"While I recognize the right of labor to organize, I do not recognize the right of labor to strike when such is detrimental to the public welfare. The laboring man has the same guarantees under our constitution as every other individual, but no class or classes have the right, nor should have the right, to jeopardize the interest of the public. Labor has not the right to tie up all the railroads, shut down the coal mines and thereby cause suffering, famine and even death to the millions of unorganized and innocent men, women and children belonging to the 'public group.' Labor has been misled in this country in many instances, by foreigners, and has been misdirected in many instances by men who are not loyal to this country; and such leaders have caused not only the laboring classes and their families to suffer, but have caused bloodshed, strife and untold trouble amongst the innocent who had no part in the quarrel.

"I have always been fair to labor and will continue to be, but I will not stand by in my representative capacity and see the public suffer on account of the misguidance or unreasonableness of any class or classes, if, by my vote, or other act, I can assist in preventing it.

"One needs look back only a few years, to 1907, and other years, memorable in the financial history of this country, to find that there have been crimes committed against the unorganized public on the part of organized capital, and therefore such observations as I have made as to my views on labor, apply with equal force to organized capital.

"Labor should have a fair return for honest effort; for good service, well rendered and in honest hours. No right thinking man would deny that the laborer is worthy of his hire, no right thinking laboring man would claim more.

"Capital should have a fair return for its investment in honorable and useful enterprise, intelligently and honestly administered. No right thinking man would deny this, and no honest capitalist would claim more. Could this always be true, then there would be no industrial unrest, no strife between employer and employee. It should be our duty to harmonize these differences, so far as possible, between men who would have it otherwise. Should this be impossible, then it would be equally our duty to protect the interests of the great mass of the people, who are not parties to the unjust quarrel, but who in the last analysis, must be the people who pay, and pay, and pay.

"I am one of those who have a lofty opinion of an abiding faith in the patriotism, the spirit of fair play, in the honorable American workingman, the honorable American capitalist. And, in the last analysis, I verily believe there is enough love of fair play in both elements, where they will find a way that every good man shall enjoy the fruits of his own labor and his own investment; and that through harmonious effort between them, America, the most prosperous country on the globe, shall seek and find her greatest, highest destiny.

Ask Your Soldier Boy How "Cooties" Got Such a Hold

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TELEPHONE No. 29

Friday, March 26, 1920

Register.

Mullerries are beginning to ripen.

Avon Park and our subscription list are both growing daily.

We are told that the man who invented the linotype machine went crazy. Well, we're traveling the same route trying to run ours.

Characteristic of the man, Senator Fletcher cast personal interests aside to remain at Washington and attend to his duties there after he had arranged to come home and open his campaign. What a difference there is in men!

Winter Haven Chief: "The Sebring White Way and The Highlands Pilot are both expecting a new linotype machine to blow into their office next any day now. (In gratulation folks; they are the boy that can do the work.)"

Our has arrived and was installed Saturday. Now we need a first class man to run it.

The Pensacola News of March 16 published a photographic reproduction of the commission issued by governor Catts to the negro, Robert Randolph Robinson, as assistant probation officer of Duval county. And this man has the gall to ask for the votes of southern men! Ye Gods and little fishes! What nerve!

The Punta Gorda Herald mourns the loss of an "old dilapidated ladder, loaned to a preacher." We certainly have our opinion of a preacher who would borrow a ladder from an editor and not return it, thus depriving him of the only opportunity he has of getting any wheres near the "pearly gates" on high.

Harry Gann, who once had a girl that was Irish, according to his own statement, issued a splendid 20-page St. Patrick's Day edition of the Lake Wales Highlander Wednesday of last week. These Scenic Highlands merchants sure do believe in advertising. As a result they are securing a good patronage and the Ridge is outstripping all other sections of the state in growth and development.

Towles Douglas says that back home (in West Virginia) a party of young fellows went boating down the river, using a small sailing craft. A swarm of mosquitoes came up and cut the sails to pieces. A year later the same young men were down the same river and were visited by the same bunch of mosquitoes. Asked how they knew it was the same mosquitoes they replied that the mosquitoes were all dressed in white canvas overalls with soft rope suspenders. Towles says there can't be any such mosquitoes in Florida.—Punta Gorda Herald.

Sure we are willing to take an oath that we will support the nominees of the party. We have stood by the democratic Jackass for too, these many years and with all his faults we love him still. He has bucked and brayed and brayed and bucked, kicked good and true men into oblivion and pulled such things as sideways into high office and apparently never missed an opportunity of living up to his name and reputation. We have stayed with him in the past and do not think he can do worse in the future. Give us that old oath and we will swallow it lock, stock and barrel.—Wauchula Advocate.

Pay your poll taxes.

Don't fail to register.

Registration books close Monday, April 5.

We are in receipt of No. 1, Vol. 1, Carlstrom Field News, a bright little paper published at Carlstrom Field. It is well edited and filled with newsy items and good editorial, of interest to both officers and privates at the Field. We trust it will receive the support necessary to make it a permanent publication.

THE DUTY OF THE PRESS

Some of our exchanges are complaining because state papers are publishing the political announcement of Senator Fletcher, presumably without charge. Just why they think this is free advertising is not perfectly clear to us. We have made the regular charge for the announcement we are carrying and have an idea the majority of the state papers have done likewise, even though some of them may have forgotten to mark the announcement "advertisement."

We are supporting Senator Fletcher for re-election and will do all in our power to advance his cause. We expect to devote considerable space to his interests, because we feel that it would be a great disaster to the state if he were not re-elected. We feel that it is our duty to our readers and the public at large to support those candidates for high office whom we believe will best represent the state.

The newspapers of the state are to a certain extent responsible to the people for the election or defeat of the men who are to represent them. If the newspapers were to lie down on the job and refuse to take an active part in the politics of the state and nation, publishing nothing for or against men who seek public office, unless they seek for the publicity, the way would be opened for all sorts of political tricksters, schemers, grafters and confidence men to occupy positions of trust and rob the taxpayers right and left. Newspaper publicity will make or break any politician, and in this making and breaking it is the duty of publishers to see that those men whom they make are worthy and well qualified and those who are not worthy and occasionally slip into office are broken so that they will stay broken.

We are going to devote a considerable amount of free space in an endeavor to help re-elect Senator Duncan U. Fletcher and Congressman H. J. Drane and to elect the Hon. Cary A. Hardee as governor of this great state.

These men are worthy and well qualified and should be elected.

DON'T EXPERIMENT

The people of Florida are confronted with a choice between two alternatives—the certainty of a clean, business-like, economical yet progressive administration, under the guiding hand of Cary A. Hardee, and the doubtful experiment of placing a man at the head of their affairs who is of known radical tendencies, and who is so closely allied with the Catts regime that his election may be regarded as a perpetuation of it. This paper views the situation from an absolutely dispassionate and impartial standpoint and can only see two men in the race for governor—Hardee and Swearingin. We would be glad to see either Lincoln Rully or John Watson governor of Florida, but under the circumstances a vote cast for either of them is a vote for Swearingin. The voters had as well accept the situation and if they believe in safe

business methods as applied to their public affairs, in contradistinction with the reckless methods that have depleted the state treasury and doubled state taxes the past four years, they will insure their own interests by casting their vote for Cary A. Hardee.—Lakeland Telegram.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Dave Boney, of Istapoga Lake, was an Avon Park visitor Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Dardy have moved into F. J. Gray's house, recently vacated by the Pearson family.

My, when you skin those Rothchild hats for quality, style and price, you are going some! White Dry Goods Co.

The White Dry Goods Company has added two new show cases to its fixtures, which greatly enhances the opportunity for display.

Mrs. A. Wentworth, of Painfield, N. J., spent several days in Avon Park this week. Mrs. Wentworth says she thinks we have a beautiful little city and that our flowers and shrubbery are the prettiest to be found in Florida. This is her first visit to Avon Park, but she expects to return next winter.

Mrs. Franklin L. Bishop, who has her winter home in Passagrille, accompanied by her friend, Mrs. J. H. Price, of Dawson, Pa., who is spending the winter in St. Petersburg, arrived in Avon Park Wednesday to spend a few days. Mrs. Bishop is a grove owner in Hillcrest and has spent some time with us this winter, making many friends.

Pleasant callers at The Pilot office Wednesday were Mrs. F. A. Ruhl, the sunny-dispositioned editor of the Sebring White Way, and Capt. and Mrs. Pringle, of Sebring. We regret that their visit was so brief, as we had a little "bone to pick" with "Ma." However, it will keep until the next meeting of the South Florida Press Association, for which "Ma" has generously agreed to furnish a chicken pie.

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HERBERT SEAVERN

Avon Park, Fla.

JOHN W. BURTON OF ARCADIA DIES

The Hon. John W. Burton, of Arcadia, died Monday night, March 22, of complications following an attack of the flu. Mr. Burton was one of the county's most prominent lawyers, was county attorney at one time and was prominent socially and financially. As a man, a citizen, a husband and a father he was greatly admired and his passing is the community's loss. Of him it can be truly said, "the world was better for his having lived."

The remains were shipped to Richmond, Va. for interment.

E. N. Dickenson has purchased a Ford truck.

Mrs. E. Hallock and J. P. Christensen, of Wisconsin, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Park, at Twin Oaks, this week. They left for their homes yesterday.

Mrs. William Webb and Miss Helen Silliman, of Washington, D. C., who have spent the last two weeks very pleasantly at the Avon, departed for their homes yesterday morning. They are delighted with Avon Park and the Scenic Highlands. Miss Silliman is a grove owner in the Hillcrest development.

Ray Drummond, of Nebraska, is the guest of his friend, Henry Fox for a few days. This is his first visit to Florida and he says he "has not been here long enough to form a definite opinion as to how he would like our state as a permanent place of residence. His family is spending the winter at Zephyrhills.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

For County Tax Assessor
To the Voters of DeSoto County:
I desire to announce that I am a candidate for the office of Tax Assessor for DeSoto county subject to the Democratic primary in June. Having been reared in this county I am familiar with land and personal property values of the county which, together with my qualifications and experience enables me to assure the people of efficient work. If elected I will try to serve all with equal fidelity and impartiality, assuring each of you that I will do all in my power to merit your support.

Respectfully,
J. H. WHIDDEN.

For Sheriff
To the Voters of DeSoto County:
I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of sheriff for DeSoto county, subject to the Democratic primary of June 8th. If elected I promise my best efforts to the faithful performance of these duties, and I assure you that I will try to serve the whole people to the very best of my ability. Hoping to merit your support, I am,
Very respectfully,
JOE L. HAMPTON.

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

For Sheriff
I hereby announce myself as a candidate for reelection to the office of sheriff for DeSoto County, subject to the primary election to be held June 8th, 1920. I refer you to my record for the last seven years, which will prove to you that I have faithfully and impartially done my duty. If you endorse my administration I will appreciate your vote at the June Primary.
J. L. DRUMMOND.

For County Tax Collector
I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of County Tax Collector, subject to the Democratic primary in June, and feel that I will need no introduction to the voters of the county, as I have been a teacher in the schools here for fifteen years. I would like to see all the voters personally, but that is impossible, and I will appreciate the support of everyone.
CROFT F. HULL.

For U. S. Senator
To the Democratic Electors of Florida:
I take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation of the confidence you have heretofore reposed in me, and to announce that at the primary to be held on Tuesday, June 8, next, I will submit to your decision whether it is your wish that I serve the State another term as one of its representatives in the United States Senate. I have in the past labored and will in the future endeavor to give my measure of service. The record of my work is open to all and speaks for itself. An examination of that record will disclose many direct and indirect accomplishments beneficial to Florida and its citizens. If again favored, I will be in a position to accomplish even more than in the past, for length of service in the Senate means increased prestige and opportunity for greater achievement in behalf of the State. During the campaign I expect to meet and discuss with you problems affecting the welfare of the State and Nation. I shall appreciate very much your active support and your vote on June 8. Gratefully and sincerely,
DUNCAN U. FLETCHER.
March 5, 1920.

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Set an Example?

5 per cent Interest Paid on Savings

The First National Bank

P. M. Stivender, real estate.

Mrs. F. P. Reeves spent Monday in Tampa.

H. K. Still, of Zolfo, was here Tuesday greeting friends.

Mark Boen, of Frostproof, was an Avon Park visitor Tuesday.

See a sample of those cement-sand brick at Stivender's office, First National Bank Bld'g.

For Sale—One late model Royal Typewriter in first-class condition. T. B. Thompson.

Miss Stella Mitchell, of Sebring, spent several days here this week, the guest of Mrs. Harry Stodden, out on Deer lake.

We can pull you out of the deep, dark waters of high cost if you will let us. Come in and get our prices before you buy. White Dry Goods Co.

P. M. Stivender, agent for sand-cement brick.

Kyle Williams made a trip to Tampa Monday.

Wanted—House for summer months. Apply at this office.

The man who buys here applies his boot to the profiteer. White Dry Goods Co.

Brooks Bennett, of Sweetwater, was among the out-of-town visitors to the Park Saturday.

Frank Eckelstein and Fred Burton, of Winter Haven, were greeting friends here Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Smith, of Arbuckle Lake, were among our out-of-town shoppers Monday.

The Rev. Thomas McDowell, of Fort Meade, who was a resident of Avon Park a couple of years ago, was greeting old friends here Tuesday.

P. M. Stivender for real estate.

Mrs. L. M. Ryles spent Monday in Tampa.

J. M. McDonough, of Bartow, transacted business here Monday.

Drs. Walkup, of Sebring, are at home from 2:00 to 5:00 p. m. Phone 4.

L. L. Whitehurst, of Jacksonville, was among our Tuesday's business visitors.

Don't worry about high price. We are conservative. White Dry Goods Company.

P. M. Stivender and R. L. Franklin were transacting business in Arcadia Wednesday.

W. R. England spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Tampa, where he was "entertained" by a dentist.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Langford and children and Cole Godwin motored to Fort Meade Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Elliott, accompanied by their friend from St. Petersburg, motored to Sebring Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wilcox, of Alabama, who have been spending several weeks in Orlando, are registered at the Avon this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Hall, of Myakka City, arrived in Avon Park Tuesday and expect to locate here. They are rooming with Mrs. L. E. Webster temporarily.

Mr. and Mrs. M. McCrillis, of Holly, N. Y., and Mr. and Mrs. W. Defendorf and daughter, of Morton, N. Y., who are spending the winter at Tampa and St. Petersburg, were guests this week of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Elliott.

Help Avon Park grow.

C. D. Noland visited Moore Haven Saturday.

R. I. Gordon, of Tampa, was one of our Monday business visitors.

Mrs. T. H. Lander spent a couple of days in Tampa this week.

The Rev. Sam Durrance, of Wauchula, was shaking hands with friends here Monday.

Panama Hats—yes, we have them and the price is right. White Dry Goods Co.

Capt. T. J. Henderson, of Zolfo, was transacting business and greeting friends here Saturday.

Arthur Hinson and Denson Swar went to Tampa Monday, where they took a truck load of furniture.

A. Ellison and little son Byron motored to Winter Haven with Fred Burton Monday, returning Tuesday.

Mrs. N. H. Trent and little daughter went to Lake Wales Tuesday, where they are visiting for a few days.

Mrs. George Cravey, Miss Mary Mage and Guy Kirkay, of Arcadia, were Avon Park visitors Saturday afternoon.

J. B. MacDonald, of Moore Haven, was a business visitor here the latter part of the week, registering at the Village Inn.

Mrs. Charlie Harris was the lucky recipient of the \$2.50 gold piece given away by the White Dry Goods Company Saturday night.

F. E. Sikes, of Palatka, is holding down C. D. Sherman's place at the freight depot while the latter is taking a vacation of about a month.

Lost—Between postoffice and Standard Garage, a gold fountain pen with the name Mary engraved on it. Return to the Standard Garage and receive reward.

Frank Lance, of Hot Springs, N. C., is the guest of his cousin, Mark Lance, out at Lilydale Farm. Mr. Lance spent the winter here about five years ago and is quite well known to our people.

E. M. Brickell has received word that the steel for his new business block, in course of construction, has been shipped. He states that he expects to have the building completed and ready for occupancy by June 1.

Dr. and Mrs. G. C. Kneidler, of Pittsburg, Pa., who own large holdings in the Pittsburg-Florida development on Lake Byrd, arrived in Avon Park Tuesday to spend several days looking over their investment and our wonderful citrus belt.

S. W. Wicks, of Pittsburg, Pa., has returned to Avon Park from a week's visit to the East Coast. Mr. Wicks has spent some time very pleasantly with us and when he returns to the Keystone State will carry home a most favorable impression of our little city, the Scenic Highlands and our people. He has two sons who are grove owners with the Pittsburg-Florida Company.

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Be sure that it is pure and wholesome.

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Reasonable Prices

Tom Caruthers

Next Door to Electrical Shop

Walter House, of Zolfo, was here Saturday on business.

Follow the crowd to the one-price store. White Dry Goods Co.

W. D. Quaintance, of Lake Wales, was transacting business here Tuesday.

Among the Tuesday business visitors in Avon Park was P. M. Sellers, of Fort Meade.

R. B. Crawford and F. D. Bryan, of Fort Meade, were transacting business here Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Boss Roberts, of Zolfo, were among the Avon Park shoppers Tuesday evening.

For Sale—Grant Six touring car; driven 4,000 miles. A bargain. Box 125, Zolfo, Fla. 17-24

Fitz Williams, G. M. Collier and Dunc Swan were over from Crewsville Tuesday hobnobbing with friends.

Orloff Witt, of Bartow, accompanied by his two sisters, of Wauchula, spent Sunday in Avon Park visiting friends.

Shoes, Shoes. If they made them with more quality and style we would have them. White Dry Goods Co.

Mrs. Sadie B. Farrington and Mrs. F. W. Coen delightfully entertained the young folk of the Hotel Avon and a few out-of-town guests with a picnic supper at the beautiful home of E. G. Todd, out on Lake Lotela, Friday evening.

Dancing and games were enjoyed during the evening. Miss Helen Coen entertaining with too dancing, which proved a great treat. The out-of-town guests, in addition to those spending the winter at the Avon, were: Lieut. J. C. Hall, W. R. Edgeman, Capt. A. R. Scheelen and Lieut. F. A. Johnson, of Carlstrom Field; J. R. VanKleeck and Robert Wolff, of Sebring; E. G. Todd, Mark Lance, W. L. McGoodwin, Harvey Wiggins, the Misses Helen and Henrietta Farrington, Winifred Reek, Marion, Helen and Betty Coen, Agnes Smith, Elizabeth Clark, Mrs. Stoddard, Mrs. Sadie B. Farrington and Mrs. F. W. Coen.

NOTICE

To the Stockholders of the Scenic Highlands Hotel Company.

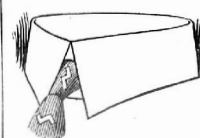
There will be a yearly meeting of the stockholders Saturday evening, March 27, at 7:00 for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year and any other business that may come before it. A full attendance is requested.

A. V. Anderson,
Secretary.

The man who buys here applies his boot to the profiteer. White Dry Goods Co.

Try a little want ad in The Pilot if you would secure quick results.

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IF YOU FOLLOW THE
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THE FASHION IN
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TO-DAY
By Using
STEARNS' PASTE
International exterminator for rats, mice, cockroaches and water bugs. It creates a desire in these pests to run from the building for water and fresh air, dying outside in a few moments. Two sizes, 50c and \$1.50 should be enough to kill from 50 to 500 rats. READY FOR USE ORDER FROM DEALER



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We have adopted a plan of merchandising whereby we can give our customers Valuable Presents without an additional cent added to the price of our Groceries.

It is a plan whereby your groceries will cost you about 8 per cent less than you have been paying, considering the value of the presents we will absolutely

GIVE AWAY

More Than 400 Articles to Select From

Among them are included Silverware, Cut Glass, Electric Irons, Cutlery, Graniteware, Articles of General Household Use, Toilet Articles—but what's the use of trying to mention the articles when we have a catalogue giving an accurate description of each?

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and learn our plan of distribution.

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Avon Park, Fla.

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We are often asked, "Will a five-acre grove assure me a living?" It will, and ten acres a much better one. But to get this income year after year with regularity, you must deal with men who are citrus fruit men—who know the game from every angle, and the selling part as well. That is HILLCREST organization for you. Your living is assured.

YOU CASH THE ANNUAL CHECK—THAT'S ALL

THE SCENIC HIGHLANDS DEVELOPMENT COMPANY

Avon Park, Florida.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL MENTION

Join the Board of Trade

See Stivender for real estate.

George Gibbons, of Waverly, was transacting business here Friday.

G. W. North, of Sebring, was a business visitor in Avon Park Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. L. Crews motored to Sebring Sunday afternoon.

John Whidden and DeWitt Green motored to Sebring Sunday afternoon.

The stork stopped at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lightsey at Baruch last week.

C. P. Anderson left Monday morning for Pittsburgh, where he will remain a couple of weeks.

George Whitehouse, of Sebring, attended a marshmallow roast given by the High School girls and boys Friday night.

Fred Smith and family and brother spent Saturday evening and Sunday down in the lower Kissimmee Valley looking over his property there.

Harry Stodden, Ned Hill and father, J. Hill, and Emory Gray spent Sunday on Istapoga Lake, where Mr. Hill and Mr. Gray both have homesteads.

The Rev. and Mrs. T. B. Thompson and Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Durrance spent Sunday in Eagle Lake, where the former conducted services. The Rev. Garvan Curd filled his place here in the morning and the Rev. Denson Swar in the evening.

J. M. Frank, who has been enjoying the winter here at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Klase, out on Lake Thompson, departed the latter part of last week for his home in Washington, D. C. Mr. Frank purchased property while here and will return next winter with his son. He made many friends while here, who will be glad to know that he is to be one of our regular winter visitors.

Luke Rielly Says, "The Rat Died Before Reaching the River"

"Since moving near the river two years ago, we've always used RAT-SNAP. Watched a vicious water rat, nibbling at RAT-SNAP outside the house. About fifteen minutes later he darted off for the water, to cool his burning stomach, but he died before reaching it." Three sizes, 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold and guaranteed by F. C. Roe, Avon Park Drug Co., Park Mer cantile Co.

Don't fail to register.

See Stivender for brick.

Cecil Durrance, of Wauchula, was transacting business here Tuesday.

J. E. Deen, of Winter Haven, was registered at the Village Inn last week.

Fred Burton, of Winter Haven, was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Ellison Monday.

Drs. M. B. and J. L. Walkup, Osteopaths at Sebring, do not expect to go north until about June 1.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Parker, Thelma Clark and Beatrice Bass motored to Sebring Sunday afternoon.

W. R. Whidden and family, who have been holding a five-weeks' meeting at Fort Pierce, returned home Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Simmons, of Alabama, but more recently of Tampa, arrived in Avon Park Tuesday for an indefinite stay.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Thomas, of Fort Kissimmee, were here Tuesday, bringing their little granddaughter for medical attention.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Green, who are spending the winter in Avon Park, left Tuesday morning on a sightseeing trip to Tampa and St. Petersburg.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Armstrong entertained H. E. Woodruff and daughter-in-law, Mrs. Nellie Woodruff, and little son, at a six o'clock dinner Tuesday evening.

Prof. I. C. M. Ellenberger, J. P. Green and H. C. Lewis landed a 10-pound bass with rod and reel at Lake Lotela Saturday. These gentlemen are enthusiastic disciples of Isak Walton and when they cannot lure the game fish to strike there is no use for others to try.

G. L. Tyler, of Butte, Mont., who has been visiting his mother, Mrs. Tyler Spink, for a few days, went to Tampa Tuesday to join his family, who are there for the winter. Mr. Tyler is one of the young pioneers of Avon Park and expressed the opinion that this place would soon be the most important city in this section of the state. He would like to shape his business affairs in Montana so that he might again become a resident of our progressive little city. We trust he will soon be able to do so, as he will make a valuable addition to our community.



Other People's Money.
"I knew that man when he didn't have a dollar he could call his own."
"Yes. He has gotten more nerve about calling things his own than he used to have."

His Rival.
Friend—You have been engaged for the last two years, and can't well afford to marry. Why don't you do it?
Mr. Klessem (glumly): I am waiting for her pet dog to die.



SHE WAS TROUBLED.
Mrs. A.—Are you troubled much in your neighborhood with borrowing.
Mrs. T.—Yes, a good deal. My neighbors never seem to have a thing I want.

Robust.
Cupid is a healthy pet.
As rugged as an old.
He wears no clothes whatever. Yet
He never catches cold.

Far From Divine.
Cholly—Understand your sister plays the piano divinely.
Freddie—Well, not if you can judge by de language de neighbors use when she plays.

A Profitable Benefit.
First Actor—How did your benefit come out, old man?
Second Actor—First rate. After I'd paid the expenses I found I was three laurel wreaths to the good.

Light on a Dark Subject.
Counsel—It was pitch dark, you admit.
Then how could you see the prisoner, I would like to know?
Witness—Oh, very easily. Don't you observe that he is lantern-jawed.

Record Was Known.
"I have something I want to say to you alone."
"How can you say it to me alone when you've said it to every girl you know already?"

A Guess.
School Teacher—Tommy, what is it, feminine corresponding to the masculine "starg"?

The Englishman—The sun never sets on British territory.

The American—No; but the Goddess of Columbia did it twice, though.

Had No Voice.
First Vocal Teacher—Are you cultivating Miss Grotz's voice?
Second Vocal Teacher—No; her imagination.

Simple Tastes.
"Do you care for pastels, Mrs. Cawber?"

"I can't say that I do. The children like to go to one of them French pastry shops and buy dabs of this and that, but old-fashioned cookies and apple fritters are good enough for me."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

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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.

Mr. R. C. King Tells a Wonderful Story About Rats. Read it.

"For months my place was alive with rats. Losing chickens, eggs, feed. Friend told me to try RAT-SNAP. I did. Somewhat disappointed at first not seeing many dead rats, but in a few days didn't see a live one. What were not killed are not around my place. RAT-SNAP sure does the trick." Three sizes, 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold and guaranteed by F. C. Roe, Avon Park Drug Co., Park Mercantile Company.

HORSE HAD A TEMPERAMENT

At Least Animal Seemed to Prove That It Had the Ability to Think for Itself.

Prima donnas and high-strung artists are temperamental, but it is not often that such a trait is found in a horse, as was the case in an incident which occurred on one of the uptown streets the other afternoon, says the New York Times. The horse was attached to a delivery wagon. Mr. Horse evidently thought that he had done enough work for the day, so without further ceremony he lay down across the tracks of one of the trolley lines. A crowd soon collected, followed by the usual excitement with a storming motorman and a call for the police. A woman who said that she knew something about horses, said the animal was overcome by hard work, and she gave instructions to the driver as to what he should do. After a few minutes had passed a veterinary stepped out of the crowd and took a look at the horse. The veterinary turned to the cop and the others and said: "There is nothing the matter with this horse. He is tired and he just made up his mind to take a rest. You know when a horse gets tired, he is not particular as to where he stretches his bones. My word for it, he will be all right in a few minutes and be on his way."

The woman did not agree with him and insisted that something be done to alleviate the animal's suffering. She and the veterinary got into a heated argument, when the horse without further ado decided that the street was not the best place in the world to stretch his bones on, so he got up on all fours and shook himself. The driver hitched him to the wagon, and Mr. Horse started off on his labors as if nothing had happened. One man in the crowd said that he'd be damned if he ever knew until then that a horse could think.

ENTERTAINERS IN HARD LUCK

But to Put It Mildly, They Were Unfortunate in the Selection of "Enlivening" Song.

While writing a book at Northampton, Mass., and a neighbor of Professor Whitney, Raphael Pumpelly tells in his reminiscences, Miss Alice Whitney told him the following at once humorous and pathetic story: "They had as guests staying with them a missionary and his wife from the south seas. The woman was tall and of stern aspect; the man, her second husband, was a small and timid creature. One evening, in an attempt to make a little liveliness into the solemnity, Mrs. Whitney asked her sons, just home from college, and her daughter to sing some college songs, so gathering around the piano, with their backs to the audience, the young people began 'The King of the Cannibal Islands.' As the song progressed, the missionary lady grew more and more erect and severe, and when it came to the sewing up of road missionary she rose in anger, and with her black silk skirts rustling she walked solemnly out of the room, followed tightly by her shrinking little husband. "Then Mrs. Whitney burst out with: 'Oh, children, children, what have you done? Her first husband was eaten by cannibals!'"

Arabian Nights.
The Arabian tales, like the romances of chivalry, convey us into the fairy realm, but the human personages which they introduce are very dissimilar.

These tales had their birth after the Arabs, yielding the empire of the sword to the Tartars, the Turks, and the Persians, had devoted themselves to commerce, literature, and the arts. We recognize in them the style of a mercantile people, as we do that of a warlike nation in the romances of chivalry. Riches and artificial luxuries displace the plain with the splendid gifts of the fairies. The heroes unceasingly traverse distant realms, and the interests of merchandise excite their active curiosity, as much as the love of renown awakened the spirit of the ancient knights.—Anonymous

Colors That Harmonize.
"You've got a blue dress on and a brown hair ribbon," remarked one girl to another as they were riding on a street car in the eastern district, says the Children's Museum News (Brooklyn). "You should not wear so many colors in your clothes."

"It's all right to wear different colors if they harmonize," said the "rejoinder." "What do you know about harmonizing?" continued the critic. "Well, I've just come from the Children's museum," answered the defendant, "where I saw the birds and they aren't all the same color."

Confucius on Women.
Said Confucius: "Of all people, girls and servants are the most difficult to behave to. If you are familiar with them they lose their humility. If you maintain reserve toward them, they are discontented." Chinese servants must have greatly improved since the Confucian period; at least modern times cannot parallel their excellence. As to Chinese girls, it is not safe to commit oneself concerning the girls of any nation, but they look discreet and slim and fair as flowers under their fringes of black hair, and gay as flowers, too, in their little pink and blue and violet coats buttoned straight up to their chins.—The New Republic.

Church Notices

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

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

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

(The Church of the Redeemer)
Rev. J. Thomas Murrah, D.D., LL.D., Rector.

Services every Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m. Sunday-School at 10 o'clock a. m.
Sabbath school at 10 a. m.
A cordial welcome is extended to all to attend these services.

FIRST BAPTIST

J. A. Davis, Pastor

Services first and third Sundays, 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.
Prayer service every Wednesday 7:30 p. m.

Sunday school 10:00 a. m.

Business conference Wednesday evening before first Sunday.

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

J. H. McCellan, Sunday school superintendent.

Church Officers—W. O. Skipper and J. H. McCellan, deacons; L. D. Roberts, clerk; W. O. Skipper, treasurer; J. V. Chapman, choir director.

"Come then with us and we will do these good."

All most cordially invited.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. W. A. Fischer, Pastor

Preaching every 1st, 2nd and 4th Sunday.

Sunday school every Sunday, 9:15 a. m.

Morning sermon 11 o'clock.

Evening services 7:30 o'clock.

Choir practice Thursday 7:15 p. m.

All are invited to attend these services.

Stewards—B. H. Starkey, C. H. Harris, C. E. Lanier.

Secretary and Treasurer—R. C. Peterson.

THE CHURCH OF CHRIST

T. B. Thompson, Minister

Lord's Day Bible Study, 10 a. m.

Morning sermon 11 a. m.

Evening sermon 6:30 p. m.

Thursday Bible study 6:30 p. m.

Sunday School 9:30 p. m.

Prayer service every Wednesday 7:30 p. m.

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LEGAL NOTICES

In the DeSoto County Circuit Court
Twelfth Judicial Circuit of Florida.
In Chancery.

Mrs. Alice K. Prior, by her husband, F. S. Prior, Plaintiff, vs. James G. Carter, as Receiver of the firm of H. G. Metcalf and Company, Defendant.

To the Defendants herein Named, Whose Residences are Unknown:

You are hereby ordered to appear to the Bill of Complaint filed in said cause against you by Mrs. Alice K. Prior, at the Court House in Avon Park, DeSoto County, Florida, on or before April 15th, 1920, else the said bill will be taken as confessed by you.

It is further ordered that a copy of this order be published one week for twelve consecutive weeks in The Highlands Pilot, a newspaper of general circulation published in Avon Park, DeSoto County, Florida.

Witness the Hon. George W. Whitehurst, Judge of said Court, and A. L. Durrance, Clerk, and the seal of said Court, this 24th day of March, 1920.

(Seal) By I. M. BARNETT, D.C., LEITNER & LEITNER, Solicitors for Complainant.

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EULOGIZES FLORIDA

With blizzards sweeping in the north and west week after week; with snow piled so high that all traffic has been seriously restricted; with many people suffering because of inadequate transportation for coal and foodstuffs and from the biting, blasting, death-dealing winds which have carried sufficing to so many, the marvelous climatic advantages of Florida and of many other portions of the south stand out in mixed contrast. While the north has been wrapped in snow and ice bound, and while the blizzards have swept over the land as never before, Florida has been blessed beyond the power of words to describe.

Through all the biting, blasting blizzards, which have brought misery and loss running into hundreds of millions, in the aggregate, to the north and west, Florida has been able to give a new demonstration of its unequalled advantages.

It is well, therefore, while the blizzards rage and the snow still lingers and the ice still covers the ground in the north and west that this tremendous asset which Florida has in its climatic advantages shall be made as widely known as possible. When once the country has fully realized Florida's wealth of climate and its other wonderful resources, the time will come when, as one New Yorker who has been living in the state for three years lately said: "The only difficulty with Florida is that there is only one of it, and in the future years it will be so overcrowded that there will be no room enough for the people who will want to flock here."

Too Much.
De Sapp—Do you think that Miss Clever was having fun with me?
De Sott—Well, old chap, give me the details.
De Sapp—You see, I had my bull terrier with me. And I said to her, "That dog knows as much as I do." And she said, "Don't you think \$450 was too much to pay for him?"

Between Actors.
First Actor—I had a quarrel with the manager this morning and threatened to leave the company.
Second Actor—Wasn't there any one to take your part?

First Actor—Yes, my understudy. That is why I didn't leave.

She'd Be Ill.
"What is the meaning of the verb 'to purchase'?"
"Don't know, m'am."
"Well, now, if your papa gave your mamma \$50 to buy a new hat and dress what would she do?"
"Send me after the doctor, m'am."

Great Idea.
Ernest—I've got a splendid system for preventing these numerous fatal accidents caused by deer hunters shooting each other.
Edith—What is it?
Ernest—Let only one man hunt at a time.

Pure Fiction Monthly.
"I see Fiction Monthly, the traveling salesman, has written a novel."
"I didn't know he had imagination enough for that!"
"Tut-tut. He's been making expense accounts for 15 years."

TESSA MODISTE

By NELL ADAIR.

(Copyright, 1920, Western Newspaper Union)

She moved into the little brown house by the mill, with only an old woman for company. She was a girl—little creature, with brown questioning eyes, and a tan-shimmer cap pulled over her ravishing dark locks. She was unusually short skirts of woaden stuff and a Norfolk jacket of many pockets, and tramped through the woods, whistling blithely when no one was near. She was at once the small town's enigma and annoyance. Annoying in that she kept resolutely to herself, refusing in no way the natural curiosity, and an enigma, in that she constantly furnished surprises.

Old Doctor Worthington had finished town, being called one night to attend the sick child of Italians in the town, and of finding the strange girl there relieving their distresses. Once the doctor's son, returning from the city, brought information that he had seen this same quiet brown-eyed girl in beautiful evening apparel, seated in a box at the theater.

Cartersville disapproved of inconsistencies; it disapproved of mystery, so the inmate of the brown house was left to herself. Helen-Marie, an accepted town authority on social matters, shrugged disdainful shoulders. Later, when she met the girl, her winsome face glowed as they walked at Jack Hamilton's side, Helen-Marie unreasonably resented her presence.

"Why did she come here?" she asked herself.

She questioned Jack contemptuously, concerning his new acquaintance. Jack, who had been Helen-Marie's dominated property, flushed angrily as he murmured his reply. He had come upon the girl on the long drive one day, it had been raining hard and he had offered to drive her home. The woman who lived with her was some sort of a relative, he explained. She called the girl "Tessa." Jack could tell no more.

Helen-Marie's resentment deepened as days passed and she found Jack enjoying more and more the strange girl's companionship. Sometimes she saw them seated on the cross bench on the bridge, smiling into each other's eyes; sometimes the two came swinging down the road from a long country walk. Helen-Marie hovered to Jack coldly. It was not his desertion alone which galled, but the humiliation of his preference for this girl! This unknown humble girl! Was Helen-Marie not the town's idol, their social leader, exhibited musician and authority on fashion? Was it not Jack Hamilton's aristocratic mother who had planned and encouraged their friendship? Who but Helen-Marie might be worthy of her son with his assumed future?

The strange girl sat on the brown house veranda, when Helen-Marie passed, and then passed thoughtfully. The girl was sewing upon some lovely flimsy stuff. As Helen still hesitated, the girl held the material up with a smile.

"Pretty," she asked.
"Very," Helen-Marie replied.
"You make your own clothes?"
Tessa asked her brown eyes.
"I make—other people's," she answered slowly. "I am Tessa, modiste."
So that was it. Helen-Marie went briskly up the walk. When dressmaker came to town, with herself rested always the decision of their capabilities. If, as usually happened, an anxious seamstress failed to find favor in her eyes, the seamstress might well prepare to seek other fields.

"I should like you to make a frock for me," said Helen.
Tessa considered, then she laughed softly.
"They tell me," she replied, "that Miss Helen-Marie Terry has always her own way. Therefore, I may as well agree."

Helen-Marie went on to see Jack's mother.
"Your son's new friend, the dressmaker, is sewing for me," she said.
When the white frock was finished, Helen-Marie regarded her own mirrored figure in reluctant admiration.
"It is not," she said at last sharply, "at all as I should have wished. I am afraid that I will not be able to recommend you to my friends. However, —my bill!"

"There is no bill," little Tessa answered quietly, "when a garment fails to give satisfaction."

Helen-Marie placed a bill upon the table. It was a small recompense indeed. "That will be least pay for your time," she said and departed.

Jack's mother, descending from her automobile, met Helen-Marie at the brown house door.
"I must warn you," Helen instantly advised, "that the girl's work is impossible."

"I am coming," Mrs. Hamilton said slowly, "to make a friendly call at my son's request. He is going to marry—"

"My dear! Can you conceive that this young creature is 'Theresa' of New York and London? You know of course, the significance of a 'Theresa' label. The girl does her own designing, and she came to this quiet place for a rest."

"Mrs. Hamilton looked back over her shoulder.
"I am glad, Helen-Marie," she said, "that you never really cared."

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REGULAR MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S CLUB

The meeting of the Woman's Club last Friday was well attended and was one of interest and inspiration to the members and visitors present.

The names of Mrs. R. I. Harris and Mrs. D. B. Farnell were added to the membership roll.

Mrs. E. O. Williams, chairman of committee working for the DeSoto County Health and Welfare League, reported that she had by her own efforts Friday morning secured \$96.50 for that cause. This was a fine showing for one morning's work and reveals the generous spirit of the people of Avon Park and their readiness to contribute to the support of any worthwhile work when properly presented to them. Only a few of our people were seen by Mrs. Williams and there is no doubt but

that through efforts of other members of the club Avon Park will contribute her full quota to this work as usual.

Owing to the illness of her husband, Mrs. L. H. Adams, the county nurse, was unable to deliver the talk on trachoma and typhoid, as promised, but she hoped to address the club at a later meeting, which will be announced.

Mrs. E. O. Williams read a well-prepared and instructive paper on "Forming Health Habits of The Child," which filled the gap left in the program by the absence of Mrs. Adams, and made those present feel that their afternoon had been profitably spent.

Since the date of the next regular meeting falls on Good Friday, it was decided to postpone that meeting to Monday, April 5.

Follow the crowd to the one-price store.
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Mr. and Mrs. James Spear, of Washington, D. C., left for home Friday morning of last week, after a delightful visit in Avon Park. While here they stopped at the Avon.

Mr. Spear is the first Washington man to become interested in Avon Park property. He came here in February, 1918, as the guest of the Scenic Highlands Development Company, and purchased two beautiful Hillcrest groves. In fact, Mr. and Mrs. Spear have the honor of being the first purchasers at Hillcrest. Since then Mr. Spear has further shown his vesting in and becoming a director of the Florida Citrus Development Company, developing a large tract near Trout Lake. He is also a stockholder in the Corporate Securities Company and the Highlands Pilot.

Mr. Spear is a prominent patent attorney of Washington and he and Mrs. Spear are charming people, to whom Avon Park extends the warmest welcome and the hope that they may soon become permanent residents.

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TEACHERS ENTERTAIN

Enjoyable Evening Spent at Home of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Sherman

Last Friday a most enjoyable evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Sherman, the faculty celebrating the March birthdays of three of their number entertaining the trustees and their wives. After several unique guessing contests, where the winners received dainty prizes, Prof. Ellenberger obligingly opened a can of raspberry jam—he is an expert—ask him.

Refreshments consisted of sandwiches, olives, pickles, coffee, ambrosia and oh! the birthday cakes with their three candles!

It certainly was an enjoyable evening. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Conoley, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Skipper, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. I. C. M. Ellenberger, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Sherman, Mr. and Mrs. William Mitchell, Mrs. Ethel Jenks, Mrs. H. J. Mummau and the Misses Dutton, Conner, Gault, Purdom, Oliver and Farrington.

How Mean of Her.

Mr. Shallowpate—Which do you think counts for most in life—money or brains?

Miss Caustique—I see so many people getting along with so little of either that it's hard to say.

Poor Company.

Joan—You shouldn't judge that man by the company that he keeps.
Hoax—Why?

Joan—He's the warden of the penitentiary.



FACT OF WIVES.

Mrs. W.—A tactful wife keeps many little household secrets from her husband.
Mrs. H.—Yes, even the fact that she has all the brains.

Epitaph.

Here lies a miser
Who would not repent;
He died lamenting
His breath must be spent.

Very Likely.

Jinks—The paper states that Bilson died from a complication of diseases.
Blinks—That's wrong. He died from a complication of doctors. He had six.

Holiday Variety.

First Writer—How do you like this tobacco?
Second Writer—Awful. Smells like you're smoking transfers.

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FLORIDA FARM LAND VALUES ARE TOO LOW

Florida farm land values are too low in comparison with United States values. Comparison of farm land values, which are made on March 1 of each year by the United States bureau of estimates, indicate that the boom in farm land values, which has been taking place over a large part of the United States, has not affected values materially over the greater part of Florida's farming area.

The average acre of plow land in Florida has always been lower than the average acre for the United States and under normal conditions there has been a gradual increase in these values with a tendency for Florida values to gain more or less regularly on those of the United States.

Since 1919 however, and especially for the present year, this condition has been reversed and Florida's average acre of plow land is proportionately lower than it should be.

As Florida values show, generally, a normal, healthy increase when compared with past years, the changed relations to United States values is evidently due to an unusual increase in these values over

parts of the United States.

The value of the average acre of plow land in Florida varies greatly in the different sections of the state and is dependent in a measure on the rapidity with which the different sections are being settled up as well as on the comparative productive capacity of the land. Northwest Florida reports an average value of \$26; north central Florida \$24; south central Florida \$22; and south Florida \$23.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Gainesville, Fla., March 26, 1920.
Notice is hereby given that Bert H. Starkey, of Avon Park, Florida, who, on October 20, 1916, made homestead entry No. 61496, for Southwest 1/4 of Section 18, Township 28 South, Range 29 East, Tallahassee Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three-acre tract, to establish claim to the land above described, before Clerk Circuit Court, at Avon Park, Florida, on the 26th day of April, 1920.
Claimant names as witnesses:
M. C. Foley, of Avon Park, Florida.
J. W. Foley, of Avon Park, Florida.
H. E. Harshbarger, of Avon Park, Florida.
J. E. Grammer, of Avon Park, Florida.
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1. Chorus:
 - a. Johnny's In Town
 - b. Siren Song
 - c. Wait Till The Cows Come Home
 - d. Waiting For To-morrow to Come
 - e. Tulip Time

Josephine Clark
Ethyl Marsh
Annie Skipper
Winifred Reck

Thelma Clark
Beatrice Bass
May Glover
Henrietta Farrington

2. Vocal Solo: Miss Lisabeth Purdom
 - a. From The Land of The Sky Blue Water
Pose—Katharine James
 - b. Prince Charming
Pose—Vera McGinnis
Elizabeth Andrews
 - c. Bubbles
Pose—Annie Skipper

3. Reading—The Quaker

Elizabeth Andrews
Pose—Harry Wilkerson
Carolyn Park

4. Chorus: "Everybody Calls Me Honey"

5. Reading—The Cornstalk Fiddle

6. Song:
 - a. "Sometime"
Henrietta Farrington and chorus.
 - b. "For Love"
Henrietta Farrington
Winifred Reck

7. SNOW-DROP
CAST OF CHARACTERS

- The Wicked Queen: Vera McGinnis
Gretchen: May Glover
Captain Hans: Henrietta Farrington
Snow Drop: Elizabeth Andrews

The Seven Dwarfs:

Jack Skipper
Dwight Cooper
Rodney Durrance
Lamont Roberts
Cleo James
Clifton McClelland
David Lander

Prince Roland—Henrietta Farrington

8. Interpretative Dance: Miss Helen Coen
9. Chorus—Florida

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