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ANOTHER LARGE BUSINESS BUILDING TO BE ERECTED HERE IMMEDIATELY

Building permits were issued Monday to C. P. Turner, R. L. Franklin and their associates for the erection of a large warehouse and store room on Butler avenue, just south of the Standard Garage. The building will be 100x175 feet in dimensions, will have a brick front and work of construction will begin just as soon as material can be placed on the ground. It will be pushed to completion as rapidly as possible.

When completed this new building will be utilized as a wholesale and retail house, handling hay, grain, fertilizers, building materials, etc., in large quantities. A sidetrack will be built to the rear entrance, to insure that freight may be unloaded direct from the cars into the warehouse without handling.

The building will be admirably located, both for receiving and distributing freight, and as the men behind the gun have ample capital to purchase all the commodities they will handle in large quanties, it will mean a considerable reduction in the price of those commodities that are now handled in small quantities.

We congratulate Messrs. Turner and Franklin and their associates upon the good judgment they have displayed in selecting Avon Park as a base for their operations. The rapidity and permanence of our growth insures for them a splendid business, which will increase annually as the years roll by.

We also congratulate Avon Park upon securing these men, for every enterprise of this character means attracting more business to our city, as well as added publicity.

HIGHLANDS BASEBALL LEAGUE ORGANIZED

The Highlands Baseball League has been organized and is composed of ball teams from Haines City, Lake Wales, Frostproof and Sebring. A meeting will be held at Frostproof next Wednesday night for the purpose of perfecting the organization, arranging a schedule of games, etc. Avon Park fans are invited to be present at this meeting and become a member of the league.

It has been stated that Knight & Wall, the large hardware dealers of Tampa, will offer a prize of a silver cup to the winning team. Get into the league and win that cup. Avon Park can do it if our baseball players will get after it.

All interested in baseball are requested to meet in the council room next Monday night, April 11, at 7:30 o'clock, for the purpose of forming a baseball team and laying plans for becoming a member of the Highlands League. All members of last year's team and those interested in this great national game are urged to be present.

Send The Pilot to a friend.

TAMPA BOARD OF TRADE RECOMMENDS CONSTRUCTIVE LEGISLATION THIS SESSION

The Tampa Board of Trade, one of the strongest civic bodies in the state, working for the upbuilding of Tampa, Hillsborough county and the entire state, has passed resolutions endorsing certain needed legislation, which in condensed form are as follows:

Reapportioning the representation of the various counties of the state in the house of representatives and senate.

Minor changes and more rigid enforcement of the fish and game laws, including a shorter open season for deer and turkey and the enforcement of the laws against seining and dynamiting fish in the fresh-water lakes and streams of the state.

The appropriation of $1,000,000 for the immediate relief of the common and high schools of the state and the submission of a constitutional amendment to the people of the state providing for the raising of the maximum county school millage from 10 to 15 mills; also the submission of a constitutional amendment to the people, providing for the raising of the maximum special tax school district levy from 5 to 10 mills.

The passage of an act to define, regulate and license real estate brokers and real estate dealers and to provide a penalty for the violation of the law.

Endorsing the budget for the two-year period, April 1, 1921, to April 1, 1923, appropriating $906,160 for the University of Florida, Gainesville; $151,650 for the College of Agriculture, Gainesville; $337,340 for the Agricultural Experiment Station, Gainesville, with sub-station at Lake Alfred; $83,500 to match federal aid for farm and home demonstration work; $1,063,300 for the Florida State College for Women, Tallahassee; $385,700 for the Florida State School for the Deaf and Blind, St. Augustine; $100,000 for the Agricultural and Mechanical College for Negroes, Tallahassee.

A 2-mill levy on all taxable property within the state for the state road fund, to make it possible to meet the federal aid for road building and to extend and connect Florida's permanent road system.

Commission Form Defeated

After having elected a charter board pledged to submit a charter providing for the commission-manager form of government, Winchendon, Mass., the voters of that town Tuesday of last week experienced a change of heart and defeated the commission-manager form by a vote of 178 to 93. It is said that many of the men who had worked for the commission-manager form in the charter board election shifted ground and worked against it in the voting Tuesday.—DeSoto County News.

GOOD ROADS MEETING NEXT TUESDAY NIGHT

There will be a good roads meeting in the Brickell building auditorium Tuesday night, April 11, at 7:30 for the purpose of discussing ways and means of improving the road from the DeSoto county line south. Good speakers will be present and everyone interested in good roads is urged to be present. The Associated Boards of Trade and, the Highlands Good Roads League are busy working on plans to accomplish something in the way of good road building before next season's travel sets in and the people of Avon Park can render valuable assistance in the matter.

Every man and woman in this section of the country should become members of the Highlands Good Roads League. By perfecting a large organization, working tooth and nail with the committee in view, we can get what we need and must have.

Be sure and attend the meeting next Tuesday night.

In the Brickell building auditorium, 7:30 o'clock.

The ladies are urged to be present.

Death of Grace Bryant

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Bryant have the sympathy of the community in the loss of their 7-year-old daughter Grace, who answered the summons of the Angel of Death last week. The remains were interred in Avon Park cemetery Tuesday, March 29, the Rev. W. A. Fischer conducting the funeral services. Little Grace was a faithful member of the Methodist Sunday school, was well liked and will be greatly missed.

The Weather

Following are the temperatures recorded during the month of March by William King, United States weather observer for Avon Park:

Mean maximum	82.22
Mean minimum	61.42
Maximum	89.
Minimum	53.
Rainfall, inches	.22

AVON HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION IS PLACED ON THE MARKET

A new subdivision has been opened and placed on the market, as will be noted in P. M. Stivender's ad on page 2.

Avon Heights Subdivision is located in one of the most desirable sections of our city. It is within one block of the school grounds, one block from asphalt street and only one block from city water, electric light lines and telephone lines.

Streets have been laid out in this new subdivision, shade trees planted along both sides of the main street running through it and everything that can be done at present has been done to make the lots attractive.

The new subdivision is divided into one-acre lots. It is not only located close to the business section, public utilities, schools and churches, but is in a section of the city which has been improving rapidly during the last two years. These lots are ideal homesites. The land is high and dry and fertile and the owner of sufficient size to erect buildings on and have a small grove that will provide plenty of fruit for family use and enough to spare a more than pay taxes, insurance, upkeep, etc.

A very low price has been placed on the lots in Avon Heights Subdivision and but moderate building restrictions are called for in the deeds. It is an opportunity to acquire valuable city property at a low price, and there isn't a shadow of doubt but that the purchasers can easily double or quadruple their money in the next two or three years if they invest now.

It will pay you to let Mr. Stivender show you this desirable subdivision.

New Real Estate Office

Cyril Baldwin has opened a real estate office in the First National Bank building. He has installed new furniture and fixtures and will devote his time to handling high-class real estate, a considerable quantity of which he owns. Watch for his advertisement in next week's issue.

STRAY CATTLE WILL BE IMPOUNDED

The city council met in regular monthly session Monday night, with Councilmen Kellogg, Anderson, Lanier and Harris and Mayor King and Clerk Crews present.

After hearing the reading of the minutes of the last session and adopting same, reports of the various officers and committees were received and accepted.

Several residents were present to protest against the tax assessment against their properties, but it was shown in every instance save one the assessments were on an equal basis with that of other properties in the same neighborhood and the assessments were allowed to stand. The one instance where inequality was discovered was in the case of certain lots owned by A. W. Sargent, which had been assessed as improved property in error, and the assessment was reduced to correspond with other properties in the same block.

H. E. Godwin appeared before the council in behalf of the cattlemen, asking to be relieved from paying the fine of $25 being charged against cattle out of the town, stating that the cattlemen had no cattle on open range at the present time that would come into the city limits. The request was granted and the marshal instructed to enforce the ordinance and impound all cattle found running at large within the city limits.

An electric street lamp was ordered installed on Charles street, which street was also ordered to be clayed. Improvements were also ordered made on the street running from Mr. Donaldson's property to A. W. Sargent's house. This street will be strawed temporarily and clayed when the funds are available. The street ruaning into the negro quarters was also ordered improved so that our merchants could make deliveries into the quarters.

H. E. Coy suggested to the council that options be secured on the property between Lake avenue and Verona avenue, for the purpose of eventually extending the new Main street and park to Verona avenue. While no motion was taken, the council expressed itself in favor of the plan and will no doubt take steps to secure the desired options or condemn the property for street purposes.

Payment of taxes was extended until the first Monday in May, after which the council stood adjourned.

Falsehood and Deception

We are informed that the anti-divisionists as a last resort are resorting to deception and falsehood in an attempt to frustrate county division. Petitions are being circulated requesting the legislature to pass a measure which will divide DeSoto into two counties instead of five. The man circulating these petitions over the east side of the county, we are informed, is stating that the committee has given up hopes of securing five counties and now wants the support of the voters in securing two. If our information is correct, this is a deliberate falsehood and the voters should pay no attention to the man circulating the petitions. The committee will stand pat for five counties and there is a very strong probability of getting what we ask for.

Reduced Tomato Shipments

Movement of the tomato crop from the East Coast of Florida has decreased 1,069 cars March 26, which is 57 per cent of the number shipped during the same period last year, it was learned Friday from the department of agriculture's bureau of markets in Washington. Reduced acreage and serious damage by rain were given as the cause for the decrease.

Royal Arch Masons

Regular convocation of Highlands Chapter No. 42, Royal Arch Masons, next Monday night. Companions, be on hand.

COMMISSIONERS ADOPT RESOLUTION ENDORSING FOUR NEW COUNTIES

The county commissioners at their regular monthly meeting, held in Arcadia last Monday, adopted the following resolutions endorsing the division of DeSoto county, as outlined by the campaign committee last year:

"Whereas, The people of DeSoto county, at both primary and general elections, endorsed by an overwhelming majority the plan of county division promulgated by the county division campaign committee, that issue being practically the only one involved in the election of both our members of the state legislature, and

"Whereas, The county of DeSoto embraces over 3,750 square miles, and owing to this large area and the rapid development and greatly increased population of localities remote from the present county seat, the governmental affairs of this county can no longer be suitably, economically and effectively administered from one place and by one corps of county officers, and

"Whereas, The county of DeSoto is composed of five separate and distinct industrial communities, having little or no common relation or business interests one with the other, and being remote from the present county seat, with practically no road connections in many instances, so that their progress and development is often greatly hampered and the proper administration of government seriously interfered with on account of the inconvenience and expense of long-distance administration, therefore, be it

"Resolved, That the board of county commissioners of DeSoto county hereby calls upon and earnestly requests the legislature of the state of Florida to take such action relative to the division of DeSoto county as will make effective the will of the people of said county as expressed at the polls in the June primary and also at the general election in November. And be it further

"Resolved, That such division of this county will result in the creation of four new counties equal in area, population and taxable resources to that of the average county of this state, and if these people are willing and able to assume the responsibilities of home rule and self-government, should be and none to deny them the right to do so."

The resolution was signed by Commissioners Ira J. Thompson of Fort Ogden, J. J. Owens of Owens, J. L. Townsend of Wauchula and James Carlton of Sebring. The only dissenting voice was that of Commissioner Walter Gardner, although "Busy Bee" Vance, an employe, is said to have vociferously opposed it.

What further proof can the legislature of our county want as to the desirability of dividing this county? The people have asked in unmistakable language for such division. Precedent shows that where county division obtained, both the mother counties and their offsprings profited thereby. The board of county commissioners, elected to administer the affairs of the county, admit that the county is too large and unwieldy to be governed by one set of officials from any one place and pray for relief.

These facts should be conclusive proof in the mind of every representative and senator of the present legislature and they should promptly pass a law creating five counties out of DeSoto, as asked for by the people and recommended by the board of county commissioners. They should lose no time in doing this, for the quicker it is done the more time they will have to devote to the many perplexing questions they will be called upon to solve.

We believe we have the most intelligent body of men in the 1921 legislature it has been the state's good fortune to have in many years and we believe these men will see the right and justice of dividing this county and promptly enact a measure which will bring the desired division about.

Since the above was put in type we have received the official minutes of the proceedings, which show that Commissioner Johnson voted "no" against the resolution.

BOARD TRADE COMMITTEES HAVE BEEN APPOINTED

President George F. Kellogg announces the appointment of the following committees of the Avon Park Board of Trade, to serve during the ensuing year:

Civics—William J. Helm, chairman; L. E. Brick, J. V. Chapman, L. H. Park, E. G. Todd.

Agriculture—E. O. Williams, chairman; H. G. Crapo, C. S. Donaldson, S. P. Durrance, H. B. Smith.

Commercial Relations—W. A. Marshall, chairman; A. V. Anderson, E. W. Hartt, H. F. R. Reck, W. H. Woodruff.

Entertainment — D. F. Canfield, chairman; R. C. Petersen, H. M. Wiggins, G. A. Stebbins, E. W. Hartt.

Membership — J. S. Francis, chairman; G. W. Adams, W. H. Prior, E. D. Boston, F. M. Smith.

Legislation — W. M. Reck, chairman; R. I. Harris, William King.

New Enterprises — N. T. Smith, chairman; P. M. Stivender, E. M. Brickell, H. Dilley, J. H. Hood.

Advertising—G. W. Adams, W. A. Marshall, J. S. Francis.

Meeting of American Legion

All members of Highlands Post, American Legion, are requested to meet in the office of Commander M. W. Lance, Thursday night, April 14, for the purpose of taking up a number of important matters, among which are appointing representatives to the annual reunion to be held in Orlando next month and making arrangements for Memorial Day exercises.

There seems to have been a lack of interest in the American Legion among those of this section, who should be highly interested in perfecting and maintaining a strong organization. All members and ex-service men who are not members are commanded to be present at the meeting mentioned above.

M. W. LANCE, Post Commander.

Cooper on Committees

Senator F. M. Cooper has been named chairman of the committee on county organizations and is a member of the game and fisheries committee, drainage committee, pensions committee, public health committee and executive communications committee.

AVON PARK NEEDS RECREATION PARK

A picnic was held at the point, on Lake Lotela, Tuesday afternoon for the purpose of getting the citizens of Avon Park together to discuss among them what an ideal spot lay at our very doors for the establishment of what might be termed in the broad sense of the words, a "community playground."

About 250 of our citizens, including the "kids," were present, all thoroughly enjoying the outing. A few of our male citizens had been out the day previous and erected temporary dressing rooms for those who desired to enjoy a dip in Lake Lotela, and many availed themselves of the opportunity. In addition to bathing and boating, Joe Lander, who had the arrangements in charge, had prepared an aqua, which a number of the bathers, to the amusement of the spectators, attempted to ride with varying success. H. G. Crapo kindly donated the use of his motor boat for this purpose and Joe demonstrated the "machine" for the benefit of the uninitiated. Joe is an expert and showed the spectators how to ride the thing standing on his head. We can now account for the scarcity of hair in one particular spot on his cranium.

At 5:00 a bountiful lunch of hot wienerwurst sandwiches, pickles and pie was served, after which the picnickers dispersed.

Avon Park has many attractions for those who love the natural beauty of the country, but if we would bring people here in any great numbers we must furnish something in the form of amusement besides that with which nature has provided us. The point is an ideal location for laying out an amusement park which will draw people here every winter from all parts of the country.

There is a splendid sandy beach for bathers, a beautiful body of water for those who enjoy boating and other aquatic sports, plenty of fish in the lake to test the skill of the angler; there is ample room on the grounds for a golf course, tennis court, croquet and quoits; a place where those who enjoy trap shooting can do so to their heart's content without danger of injury to property or person and no more suitable spot could be found for miles around for the erection of a club house, where dancing, banquets and other social affairs could be held.

In other words, it is a beautiful spot, conveniently located, for a country club.

We all want to see Avon Park grow. We want to attract a desirable class of winter visitors here. We owe it to ourselves to have some place for entertainment for our homefolk. And now we have the opportunity to secure just what we need in this line. And the cost—well, the benefits we would derive, in health, pleasure, community welfare—would so far overshadow the cost that it is not worth mentioning. By everybody joining in the undertaking we can by next winter have such a splendid park that our city will be filled to overflowing with a desirable class of winter visitors, many of whom will become interested and permanent residents.

Let us get busy immediately and oranize a company to put the project over. Do it now, so that when the board of trade begins its advertising campaign the fact that all sorts of wholesome outdoor and indoor amusement can be found at Avon Park, in addition to the finest climate in the world, beautiful surroundings, pure water, freedom from mosquitoes and other insect pests and all that goes to make living pleasant, will be known.

It will be the best investment we have ever made, from every viewpoint.

SCOTT TELEPHONE LINES HAVE CHANGED HANDS

The Scott telephone lines have been taken over by J. L. Kirk of Live Oak, who was in Avon Park Wednesday making a personal survey of the situation here, with a view to making improvements as rapidly as possible. Mr. Kirk stated to the writer that it was his intention to build up a splendid system, but that naturally it could not all be done immediately. However, he said that the company had recently received a number of new phones and that Avon Park people who had phones ordered would have them installed as rapidly as the linemen could get to them.

Mr. Kirk is experienced in the telephone business and promises to give Avon Park the improvements to which she is entitled just as rapidly as he can get to them.

Send in the News

Don't expect us to publish the local news items you would like to see when you fail to make an effort to acquaint us with facts. It is impossible for us to gather all the news, as much as we would like to do so.

Bring us your job printing.

EXCHANGE SHIPPED 45,000 BOXES

The Exchange packing house will finish this season's business next week. Despite the fact that the grapefruit crop was light this season, the Exchange enjoyed a splendid increase in business, shipping 45,000 boxes of fruit, as against 32,000 boxes last year. The shipments were divided as follows:

Grapefruit	25,000 boxes
Tangerines	2,000 boxes
Early Oranges	13,000 boxes
Valencias	5,000 boxes

This shows a gain of nearly 47 per cent over last year, which clearly indicates that the Exchange is growing in popularity and membership.

Reports from the purchasers of fruit shipped from Avon Park show that it has been handled up wonderfully well, showing very little decay and indicating care in the picking, grading, packing and loading. In fact, in looking over Manager Stodden's reports, we very much doubt that any packing house in the Polk County Exchange can show a better record. Out of the 135 cars shipped complaint was filed in only one instance and that was not of a serious nature.

The quality of fruit this season indicates that more systematic and better spraying is necessary and that more attention should be paid to the working of groves. In view of the fact that such a large acreage of citrus is being planted and coming into bearing every year, quality must receive more consideration than heretofore, if the growers would receive the best prices.

Before the season opened a new addition was built to the Exchange packing house, adding greater facilities for the handling of fruit. New chutes for handling boxes were installed and the old gasoline engine displaced with individual electric motors for the various machines. In consequence the packing house has been operated at a considerable less expense than heretofore and with a greater degree of satisfaction to the management.

The capacity of this packing house is two carloads daily, without working overtime and during the season just closing an average of fourteen men have been employed in the house and ten in the groves.

When asked as to the prospects for the coming season, Manager Stodden stated that the grapefruit crop would be light and the orange crop normal. Grapefruit trees have not bloomed this spring, as they should have bloomed following a light year, which is probably due to the extremely dry weather we have recently experienced, and also the possibility that fertilizers have been running too high in ammonia and not high enough in potash. Some of the best grapefruit, picked late in the season, has shown green color, probably due to too much ammonia.

WESTERN UNION INSTALLS MANAGER

The Western Union Telegraph Company has at last installed a local manager here and just as soon as the wiring can be done will have a downtown office, located in the lobby of the First Trust and Savings Company's banking quarters.

W. B. Long, district manager for the Western Union, with headquarters in Jacksonville, was here Monday checking in the new manager—W. P. Landrum of Otter Creek. Mr. Long could not advise us definitely as to just how long it would take to install the new office, but was of the opinion that it would be done within the next few days.

For some time the Avon Park Board of Trade has had the matter of the installation of a downtown office up with the officials of the company and had referred it to the state railroad commission, with the result that the officials of the Western Union were profuse in promises but slow in action.

Samuel Miller of Washington, D. C., who spent the winter at the Hotel Avon, learned of the activities of the board of trade and volunteered his services in the matter. Mr. Miller is well acquainted with the high officials of the Western Union Telegraph Company in New York and took the matter up with them, pointing out the need of better telegraph service here and calling attention to the increased business, which justified the installation of a downtown office. To Mr. Miller's efforts we are indebted for prompt action, which goes to show what an influence our winter visitors can sometimes bring to bear upon large corporations or public utilities companies in securing justice and service for a city or town.

Mr. and Mrs. Miller spent January and February at the Hotel Avon. They own large interests in the Hillcrest development and are more than pleased with their investment. In fact, they left Avon Park so enthused over the possibilities and the future of the city and surrounding country that they will undoubtedly make this their winter if not permanent home.

WILL MERCHANTS HAVE A HALF HOLIDAY?

We have been asked a number of times recently if the merchants of Avon Park would close their stores Thursday afternoon this summer, thus giving the clerks an opportunity to enjoy a half holiday during the hot summer months. We have interviewed a number of merchants, all of whom expressed themselves as willing and some of them anxious to close Thursday afternoons.

In justice to the clerks, who have long hours and little enough time for their own amusement, this should be done, for it will not work a hardship on the merchants and will give all of us an opportunity to spend at least a half day each week attending a ball game, go fishing or bathing, or indulge in any other form of amusement desired. Thursday afternoon closing from May 1 until Oct. 1 is customary in nearly all the towns and cities in Florida and Avon Park should be just as liberal and progressive as her neighbors.

Another thing: Our stores remain open nights entirely too long. The same amount of business could be transacted if the merchants closed their stores at 7 o'clock every night, with the exception of Saturday nights, and the overworked clerks would have a little more time to devote to their own entertainment. Think it over, Mr. Merchant.

Winter Visitor Weds

In the Cleveland Plain Dealer of March 29 we find an account of the marriage of Miss Helen Coen to Walter J. Bishop, both of Lakewood, a fashionable suburb of Cleveland. Miss Coen will be remembered as having spent a winter here at the Hotel Avon, during which time she made many friends, who will wish her a long and happy wedded life.

Attend the meeting at the school auditorium tonight (Friday).

AVON HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION

This new subdivision is located one block east of the high school grounds. It is within one block of the asphalt pavement on South Verona avenue. Streets have been laid out and improved and shade trees have been set on both sides of Dell street, the principal street running through this splendid residential subdivision.

Electric Lights, Telephone and Water Lines are convenient. The land is high and sightly. It is close to the business center of Avon Park. It is a subdivision that automatically falls heir to all the words "Avon Park" imply and that means a great deal to those who know Avon Park, its wonderful growth and future.

Ten Beautiful One-Acre Lots

Are now on the market and should be sold within the next few days, for they are priced so that your investment will make you money while you sleep. You can have a beautiful home and grove on one of these lots or you can cut them up into smaller lots and treble or quadruple your money in the next two or three years.

Avon Park's growth is a permanent one. Property values have increased wonderfully within the last year. They will continue to increase for the next ten years. Real estate, well located, is the best investment you can possibly make. Avon Heights Subdivision is located in one of the best and most rapidly growing sections of the city.

Profits Are Sure to Come

To purchasers of lots in this new subdivision. No other town in Florida is so thoroughly protected against depreciation in real estate values, which means that the trend of price movement is bound to be upward. In subdividing this ideal property we have established a splendid standard in civic development. This is one of the opportunities of a lifetime to get in on the ground floor while prices are low.

The title to these lots is perfect, therefore the investment is a safe one. Let us go with you personally, show you these lots, explain everything to you thoroughly and give you the benefit of our knowledge of conditions and our advice as to the best buys. Act quickly and remember we are at your service and always ready to match our time and auto against your time if you will but make an inspection of the property.

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Its sister grove, Section Sixteen, is all set and waiting for the spring to put out a healthy growth of branches and leaves.

These two developments, located side by side and within one fence, are acknowledged to be one of the finest groves in the state, the result of proper care and scientific management.

COUNTY DIVISION

But One Course Open—

Discussion of county division warms up as the time for convening of the legislature draws near, and it will be the all-absorbing topic of conversation until the fate of the issue is decided. By a tremendous majority the people of DeSoto county have declared for division, and if this is in truth a government by, of and for the people, there is just one course open to the legislature and that is to divide DeSoto county according to the wishes of the people.—Punta Gorda Herald.

Good for All Concerned—

We do not know of an instance in county division where either "mother" or "son" will say the division was not a good thing for all concerned.—Tampa Tribune.

Trying to Muddy the Waters—

In speaking of the legislative program and county division, J. E. Worthington, publisher of the Lake Wales Highlander and formerly managing editor of the Tampa Times, who is doing publicity work at Tallahassee, says: "Much clamor and some new ones likely to be made. Greatest fight will be from DeSoto, which it is proposed to cut into five. Senator Cooper and Representative Etheredge were elected on this basis and the lines of Highlands, Glades, Charlotte, with Sebring, Moore Haven and Punta Gorda as county seats and two others yet unnamed, with Wauchula and Arcadia as seats were drawn. Arcadia is trying to muddy the waters by trying to have the lines changed, but probably will not succeed. Glades will want a little of Lee county later. Plant county may—or may not—be formed out of Hillsborough."

From the Sebring White Way—

We would like to know where the Florida Grower got the idea that Sebring was to be the county seat of DeSoto county. Who told that one?—Arcadia Enterprise.

A Reasonable Request—

A dispatch from Tallahassee to the Times-Union, dated April 2, says: "Dr. E. J. Etheredge, representative from DeSoto county, is enthusiastic on the subject of county division. He was elected by a large majority on that issue and the lines for the proposed new counties to be created from DeSoto territory were chosen by the people of the districts affected. The plan is to create four new counties, leaving Arcadia as county seat of DeSoto.

"Dr. Etheredge points out that DeSoto is a very large county, quite as large as several groups of five counties that now each have one representative and that, therefore, the request for this division is not unreasonable, when the population and wealth of the territory is taken into consideration.

"The bill for the creation of the four new counties will be introduced early in the session and as soon as presented a large delegation will come here to urge the passage of the bill, bringing with them statistics showing the assessed valuation of property, population of each proposed county, products and shipments in and out.

"The names of the proposed new counties and the proposed county seats will be:

"Highlands county, with Sebring as the temporary county seat.

"Glades county, with Moore Haven as county seat.

"Hardee county, with Wauchula as county seat.

"Charlotte county, with Punta Gorda as county seat."

WHAT TWO SMALL GROVES PRODUCED THIS SEASON

You frequently hear the question asked: "Is growing citrus fruit profitable?" In answer to this question, we want to call attention to this year's crops from two small groves, with the reminder that this was an "off season" for grapefruit. H. G. Crapo's three-acre grove yielded 2,262 packed boxes of grapefruit. Mr. Crapo's trees range from 12 to 18 years in age. This is one of the best small groves in this section, but it clearly indicates what can be done along this line. Herbert Reck's grove, known as the Merwin grove, yielded 739 boxes of grapefruit and a few boxes of oranges. Only about an acre of this grove is in bearing. Taking the extremely low average of $1 a box net on the trees for the fruit, one can readily see that citrus growing is a profitable investment. And $1 a box is an extremely low average, year after year, for grapefruit.

CAPITOL THEATRE

Attractions for the Week, Beginning Monday, April 11

Monday—Nazimovia in "Out of the Fog." This is her greatest picture. Nazimovia needs no introduction in Avon Park. Also the second episode of the world's greatest jungle picture, "The Son of Tarzan." Admission 15 and 35 cents.

Tuesday — "One Hour Before Dawn," featuring H. B. Warner. Also Snub Pollard comedy. Admission 15 and 35 cents.

Wednesday — The picture for this date will be announced at a later date. Watch the screen.

Thursday—"You Never Can Tell," featuring Joseph Daniels. This is a Realart picture and is of the highest class. Also educational comedy, one that will keep a smile on your face until next Thursday. Admission 15 and 35 cents.

Friday—The fifth episode of "The King of the Circus." Also "One Law for All," featuring Hoot Gibson, and International News. Admission 15 and 35 cents.

Saturday — "Fixed by George." Also a two-reel comedy. This is a program that will please all. Admission 15 and 35 cents.

One hundred of the latest pieces of music have been ordered for the new piano and is expected here shortly. Come out and see the best in pictures and hear the best in music.

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For Sale—Fence posts. See John Hood. 17-4t

Cyril Baldwin and family spent Saturday in Arcadia.

Let your money work for you while you sleep. Invest in Avon Heights subdivision.

Remember, when you want engraved cards, invitations, etc., we order for you.

The Tampa Shu Fixry can repair your old shoes to look like new. A. W. Sargent, local agent.

Dink Skipper was among the prominent farmers from the Crewsville section transacting business here Saturday.

For Sale — Household furniture; dining room set and bedroom furniture, at my home just in front of water tank. Inquire Mrs. Swinney.

Mrs. E. A. Pittman, son and daughter have returned to their home in Valdosta, having spent a couple of weeks here with Mrs. Pittman's daughter, Mrs. D. A. Sapp.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Mason departed Wednesday for their home in Ripley, N. Y., after having spent nearly four months verys pleasantly in Avon Park. Mr. Mason says they hope to return early next winter. They will receive the usual hearty welcome from their friends.

Byrum Shockley is authorized to take subscriptions for The Pilot. There are a number of Avon Park residents whose names are not on our subscription list, simply because they have never been asked to subscribe. Every resident of the city and surrounding country should be a subscriber to the home paper. When Mr. Shockley visits you be ready to have your name enrolled on our list.

Joe Brown of Zolfo spent the day in Avon Park Saturday, attending to business matters and greeting friends. Mr. Brown informed us that the Highlands Motor Company was daily expecting to receive a signed contract as an authorized dealer in Ford cars and Fordson tractors and that hereafter Ford cars and Fordson tractors exclusively would be worked on at the garage. "We are especially equipped to overhaul and repair Fords," said Mr. Brown, "and I feel that in justice to Ford owners we should pay exclusive attention to these cars. The large cars require special tools and equipment, such as we do not possess, therefore we cannot do real justice to the owners of these cars."

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GOLF GOSSIP

It's easy enough to see how a man might become enthused over a ball game, get excited over a fishing trip or even derive a little pleasure from pitching quoits, but how in the world a full-grown man could work up any enthusiasm by chasing a little rubber ball around a hundred-acre field was always a mystery to us. Of couse, we'd never tried it, and from all that dope we'd heard about its being a "rich man's game" we never had an idea of giving the "bug" an opportunity to get his bill into us and break it off. But the older we get the more foolish we become, so last Friday, despite our doubts and scoffings, we were persuaded to join a party of so-called golfers and show 'em how easy it was to make the nine holes in less than fifty. We didn't know a brassie from a putter or a niblick and, for that matter, don't yet, but we had 'em—all three of 'em—and five other sticks with little knobs on the end of 'em and no labels or directions attached. After reaching the grounds, the "professionals" kindly ceded to us the first drive. We built up a little mound of dirt, placed the pill on its peak, grabbed a club, "undressed" the ball and with a calculating eye made a vicious swing, harboring a mental reservation that we'd surprise 'em by knocking that ball so far it never would get back. Swish! The brassie, niblic, putter or whatever you might call the devilish contrivance, cut through the air and—missed the ball. Another trial and we hit it on the same place we missed it before. And so it went, all over the course; but before we'd reached the first green we were a "golfer"—the "bug" had captured us and all our energy was devoted to getting that little pill into a little hole several hundred yards away, in a fewer number of strokes than our competitors. We made it in eighty-nine, which we consider pretty good, not knowing a golf course from the mysterious windings of a gopher hole.

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Mark W. Lance and Harry Parker attended a golf tournament at Crooked Lake Friday. Both are now "experts" and can tell you all about it.

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From observations taken last Friday, we are of the opinion a golf couse beats a Webster's Unabridged for increasing one's vocabulary.

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Golf seems to be good for everything that ails you. It will make the fat man lean and the lean man fat. Get the habit.

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The bunch that tore up the Kenilworth golf course last Friday was composed of C. E. Lanier, Dr. W. C. Touchton, T. H. Lander, William L. Griffin and this scribe. Scores, too poor to mention.

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We simply must have a golf course here. It takes up too much valuable time traveling back and forth playing at Sebring.

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Golf will bring 'em to Avon Park. Let's get that course starfed.

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It's just about as easy to hit the ground as it is the ball when you go to make a drive at golf. If you don't believe it, ask "Bill" Griffin.

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Golf, tennis, boating, bathing, fishing, trap-shooting, quoit pitching, dancing, picnics, receptions, etc., all go with a country club. The point on Lake Lotela is an ideal place for such a club. Good, wholesole amusement for our homefolk and winter guests. Let's have it.

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If you're a golfer and want to keep peace in the family, get your wife to try the game once—just once. That'll settle it.

PROPOSED SALE OF SCOTT PHONE COMPANY DISCUSSED

Meetings of the stockholders of the Scott Telephone Company were held here in the offices in the King building Wednesday and yesterday to consider the sale of the telephone company. It is understood that northern interests are considering the purchase of the concern.

Curtis Scott of Richmond, Va., has been in the city this week attending the meetings. It is not known whether any decision has been reached, though it is understood the sentiment of most of the stockholders favors disposing of the company. — DeSoto County News.

The Scott Telephone Company should either sell out or adopt means to improve the service. Here in Avon Park many of our citizens and business men have had orders placed for installing phones for many months, yet they seem to be no nearer getting the phones than when they first placed their orders. Our old switchboard is nearly worn out, making it impossible for the operator to give satisfactory service. Night calls, in many instances are out of the question, for all phones are not connected with the night bell.

The service we are now getting is rotten and it is not the fault of the operator in charge of the Avon Park exchange. The Scott Telephone Company should either remedy these matters or sell to some company that will.

Few Pigeon Pea Seed Left

Quite a number of our readers have availed themselves of the opportunity to secure seed of the improved variety of pigeon peas free at this office. We have a small quantity of the seed left and those who desire same can secure enough for a good start by calling at Room 7, First National Bank building. They are easy to grow, make an attractive tree and will supply you with a large amount of splendid poultry feed.

Conferred E. A. Degree

At a stated communication of Poinciana Lodge No. 227, F. & A. M., held Friday night, the entered apprentice degree was conferred upon William C. Stalls of Lake Stearns and R. F. Urie and Latimer Maxcy of Frostproof. J. S. Francis was admitted to membership in the lodge by affiliation.

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Plowing and preparing the land for the planting of the first unit, Section 31, of this company's holdings has been completed. The tract has been fenced and on a considerable acreage the citrus trees have been set.

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TELEPHONE No. 29

The open season for spring poets is on.

Let's work out a solution of the tin-can problem.

During the summer we should prepare to take care of the winter visitors.

There are millions of acres of land in Florida as fertile as the lands of the far-famed Valley of the Nile.

You can soon get beer with a kick, providing you're sick and the doctor'll give you a prescription that'll stick.

Hoover proved to be a finished diplomat when he refused to let his politics be known until after the election.

Isn't it strange why some men who wouldn't think of stealing from the individual, seem to think Uncle Sam is legitimate prey?

April 11-16 is "Be Kind to Animals" week and we want to rise up on our hind feet and tell our readers that editors are animals.

Times-Union: "Even the finest kind of silk stockings cannot make the ankle curve." But a few little pads, judiciously applied, can.

Why not take steps to raise a fund for the purchase of a reference library for our schools? A well-equipped laboratory is also necessary.

Up in Montana bachelors are taxed $3 a head. With all the handsome, lovable girls we have in Florida., the man who remains a bachelor should be sent to jail.

The Chicago Tribune still continues its unholy warfare on the south in general and Florida in particular. But Chicagoans, who know the Tribune, pay little heed to its mouthings.

Market reports quote flour at $6 to $7 a barrel at the mills. It would be interesting to know who gets the nearly 100 per cent profit made somewheres between the mills and the consumer.

Times-Union: "Floridians' vacation trips will be all the more valuable and enjoyable if they include visits about the state." Particularly so if a trip through the Scenic Highlands is included.

Notwithstanding the alleged wholesale killing of negroes in Jasper county, Georgia, the United States census report shows an increase of 2.5 per cent in the negro population of that state over 1910.

Five-cent bread has returned to New Orleans and the loaves must weigh not less than sixteen ounces. The Times-Union remarks that they still have the 10-cent loaf, which weighs not less than ten ounces.

Tampa Tribune: "There is no medicine in beer, says Dr. Wiley. Well, to tell the truth, we never did take it for medicine." Without its usual kick, we'd like to know what the de'il you do take it for, if not for medicine.

Times-Union: "Before the Florida oranges and grapefruit, not to mention strawberries, have ended their season 'spuds' step into the foreground, or, more correctly, come out of the ground." It's just one durn good thing after another, isn't it?

Times-Union: "Big company being formed in Louisiana to manufacture wine from strawberries. Florida could possibly look into the proposition." But Florida strawberries bring such high prices that "looking into the proposition" is all the growers could possibly afford to do.

Times-Union: "Senator Fletcher, up in Washington, is proceeding with his work just as if there hadn't been a change of administration." And Senator Fletcher's work is of such a constructive nature that it matters not which party is in power. He will wield a powerful influence in Washington under any administration.

Tampa Tribune: "Thousands of acres of Florida's finest lands are being planted every year to citrus fruits. Some day there will be better health over the country through more eating of oranges and grapefruit." And the thousands of acres of those "finest lands" are being planted right here at Avon Park, so we are doing something big in the way of contributing something worth while to the entire country.

A wealthy Oldsmar citizen, accompanied by his wife and mother, while driving from Oldsmar to Tampa a few days ago was crowded off the road by a car occupied by eight negroes, the driver deliberately swinging his car toward the other, forcing it off the road and causing it to overturn in the ditch. Such cases as this justify the use of a "persuader" of the automatic variety. Such an instrument, efficiently used, would teach the road hog, white or black, a wholesome lesson.

One change that should be made in our election laws is that concerning the payment of poll taxes. When the present law was passed it was not anticipated that women would ever have to pay a poll tax. Now that women have the right of suffrage and must pay poll taxes if they would exercise that right, the law should be changed so that "hubby" can pay "wifey's" tax. He has it to do, anyway, and it's all durn nonsense to be compelled to make two separate remittances.

CREATE FOUR NEW COUNTIES OR NONE

At the primaries last June the voters of DeSoto county stated in unmistakable language that they desired the division of this county into five units. They ratified their decision at the election last November by electing as a member of the house of representatives Dr. E. J. Etheridge of Punta Gorda. These men were nominated by a large majority, because they were pledged to support a bill dividing DeSoto county into five units.

County division was the only issue at stake during the campaign and DeSoto's representation in the 1921 legislature was elected, pledged to work for the interests of their constituents; pledged to the creation of four new counties or none.

It was a bitter pill for the anti-divisionists to swallow, but seemingly they took the medicine the people prescribed and while convalescing held a great big love feast at Arcadia, acknowledging their defeat and urging harmony and unceasing labor for the good of all after the new counties were created.

Now comes a man from West Florida, a former member of the legislature, but recently a resident of Arcadia, the hotbed of the anti-divisionists, who would muddy the waters by advocating a north and south division. He doesn't care a damn about the wishes of the people, or the prosperity of this vast territory as a whole, but would cater to the selfish interests of a few men, who oppose the interests of the many.

Will the members of the 1921 legislature disregard the emphatically expressed wishes of a large majority of the voters and taxpayers of this great county or will they be dominated by a few men who consider nothing but their own personal interests?

The prosperity, growth and development of all this vast territory depends upon our securing self-government in the sections outlined for new counties. The people of the affected territory knew this when they by an overwhelming majority selected men to represent them in the legislature, who were irrevocably committed to five-county division. Their colleagues should recognize the voice of the people and give them what they ask.

UNDESIRABLE WINTER VISITORS

We don't like to complain of any of our winter visitors, but we must in all frankness say that Avon Park would be much better off if a certain class of them chose some other place in which to spend their winters. The class we refer to are those who come here to enjoy our unexcelled climate, our surroundings, our pure water and many other attractions and are continually kicking about the small amount of taxes they have to pay, provided they own property, to help maintain a good government. In some instances these visitors own vacant lots that are a disgrace to any community, because of the fact that they allow them to grow up in weeds and become unsightly. They purchased these lots when land was cheap. They have let them lie idle year after year, while our permanent residents have builded and improved, thus enhancing the value of the property belonging to the drones or tightwads. Their unsightly, unkempt properties, grown up to weeds, deteriorate from the value of adjoining properties, which the owners are endeavoring to make attractive and on which they are endeavoring to create real values.

These unreasonable kickers are a detriment to any community. They want to take all and give nothing in return. We would be better off without them and the community that gets them, provided they see fit to dispose of their properties and go elsewhere, has our sympathy.

Those who come here with a spirit of fairness in their hearts, those who want to enjoy the attractions we have to offer and take things as they find them, or, if they have suggestions to make which would benefit the community and make them with a proper spirit, are indeed welcome and will find our people as ready to listen to good advice as they are to give it. But deliver us from the class which comes to criticize, kick about their taxes and accuse the city officials of corruption. If the progress of Avon Park depended upon the class we have in mind, it would remain a backwoods town forever.

GOVERNOR HARDEE'S MESSAGE

Governor Hardee read his first message to the Florida legislature at noon Tuesday. It was just such a message as one might expect from a real statesman—a man who believes in using his executive privileges in a manner that will benefit the masses instead of the classes. The message rings true and shows the calibre of the man. Among Governor Hardee's recommendations were the following:

Creation of a sinking commission for the retirement of outstanding state bonds.

Emergency appropriation for state hospital and reform school.

Creation of a tax commission, looking to the assessment of property on a uniform basis throughout the state.

Abolition of useless commissions and political offices, thereby requiring members of the cabinet to perform duties for which they were chosen.

Conservation of fish and game resources of the state.

Revision of convict labor system and aid for state prison farm at Raiford.

Continuance of 2-mill tax for road purposes and an increase in the tax on gasoline and oils.

Immediate legislative reapportionment, as provided by the constitution.

Passage of a law clarifying riparian rights of the public and riparian owners.

An agricultural experiment station for the Everglades and measures for the general advancement of the reclamation work.

FLORIDA NEEDS FISH HATCHERIES

The Southern Fisheries Association at a recent meeting held in Jacksonville, unanimously endorsed the establishment of fish hatcheries in Florida for the purpose of restocking the waters of the state with various species of fresh and salt-water fish. The fishing industry itself in Florida is an important one, furnishing lucrative employment for a large number of persons and bringing to the state annually immense sums of money. Added to this is the revenue derived from the tourists who flock to this state every year, because of the excellent fishing, both fresh and salt water, to be found here. The establishment of fish hatcheries within the state would perpetuate a lucrative industry, as well as guarantee to the disciples of Isaak Walton a fisherman's paradise forevermore, therefore the legislature now in session should take the necessary steps to provide the state with fish hatcheries.

Readers will please bear in mind that The Pilot is not a scandal monger, but a purveyor of news. If you are looking for sensational news, scandal and the like, subscribe for papers devoted to "news" which should be kept out of clean, legitimate newspapers.

Because an 18-pound salmon was caught in Perdido bay, the Times-Union advises Col. Adrian P. Jordon to look to his laurels. It would take a bigger (we were going to say lie) fish than that a faze Florida's greatest "fishiorian."

The business man who argues that he cannot afford to advertise when business is dull, might as well contend that he should cancel his life insurance policy when his health fails.

A great many towns and cities are investigating the commissioner-manager form of government. Wouldn't it be a good idea for Avon Park to look into the matter?

We may have to fight for county division, but we don't have to fight mosquitoes on these Scenic Highlands.

Merchants should not forget the luxury tax imposed by the government. If they do they are quite likely to get themselves in serious trouble.

Remember, when you want engraved cards, invitations, etc., we order for you.

SCENIC HIGHLANDS PUBLICITY

That Scenic Highlands publicity stunt, if carried through according to the expectations of the new publicity company, should mean intensive development of vast areas before too many years. The plan as advertised, must take months, or even years, in perfecting, but perfected, it should bring hundreds of investors.—Polk County Record.

The Ridge is about to begin realizing on the Coachman tour of that wonderful section of Florida. Co-operation is going to do it, especially by the men and women of the calibre of those who are co-operating.—Times-Union.

The Ridge section of Florida is showing its backbone. Note the strength in the co-operative effort being put forth by its enterprising citizenry.—Times-Union.

The people of the Scenic Highlands, that section between Haines City and Sebring, are all pulling together for the betterment of that community. The towns along the old Charlotte Harbor division are each pulling, in a weak manner, for themselves. It takes no wise man to tell which will win.—Wauchula Advocate.

Transportation has developed many sections, but none so rapidly as the highland lake regions of Polk and DeSoto counties. But a few short years ago the importance of this section was but small; today, with a railroad and good roads running through, the "Ridge" section has come to the point where the first roads are entirely inadequate, and they must be widened and made better and fit for much heavier traffic. No part of Florida suffered more for want of roads. No part of Florida has gained more by having them, and now we look to still more wonderful development in the "Ridge" section just as soon as the proposed improved system of roads gets completed. — Lakeland Advertiser.

School election April 23. That's when the women will assert themselves.

WHY TOBACCO PRODUCTS REMAIN HIGH

Many users of tobacco in one form or another wonder why prices of tobacco products do not decline in keeping with other commodities. There are many reasons, and to make a detailed statement would require too much of our space, but condensed in a nutshell the reasons are:

First—No increases in the retail prices of any tobacco products were made until three years after prices began advancing on other commodities.

Second—Prices of tobacco products have not increased over 87 per cent maximum and on some types of tobacco products not over 13 per cent, as compared with an average of 300 per cent on nearly all other commodities or with increases as high as 588 per cent on leaf tobacco; and that in no case were these advances on tobacco products sufficient to cover the increases in producing costs.

Third—Prices on cigars, cigarettes and tobacco do not decline along with most other products for the same basic reason that they did not increase along with most other products, namely, because the raw material—leaf tobacco—is never suitable and is not available for manufacturing purposes until from one to three years after it passes from the grower's hands; and also, in the case of cigars, because the cigar types of leaf tobacco have not yet declined in price.

Fourth—A good part of the purchase price of every package of cigarettes, tobacco and cigars is the internal revenue tax—imposed by the war revenue law which is still in force; that the taxes on cigars, plus the duties on imported cigars, run from about half a cent to over 9 cents on each cigar; that the taxes on cigarettes amount to 3 cents on each package of 10, and 6 cents on each package of 20, while the tax on tobacco is 1⅛ cents on each one-ounce, or 2¼ cents on each two-ounce package.

If reports in the Times-Union are to be believed, all the thieves in that city are not outside the police department.

THE BUYER'S BEST FRIEND

The best friend of the careful buyer is the advertisement.

It is the arrow that points the way to better buying.

It is a foregone conclusion that when a merchant goes to the expense of advertising certain goods, those goods are well worth the price and will stand up under the most rigid inspection. If it were otherwise the merchant would hardly be calling attention to them. He would simply resort to the shady trick of "working them off" on some unsuspecting dupe.

Very few buyers have the time to look before making their purchases. Life is too short for that.

They must have the goods, and without unnecessary loss of time in making their selections, and it is but natural that they should turn to the advertising pages of the Palm Beach Daily News for such advance information as may be obtained before starting out on their quest.

Thus it is that the merchant who advertises, and keeps his best offerings in the public eye, has the advantage of the man who never advertises, and draws business to his store which otherwise might drift into other places.

It is good for the merchant and it is good for the buyer, for it enables the merchant to dispose of his goods at a reasonable profit, and it enables the buyer to make the purchase he desires to the best advantage without loss of time.

Advertising has been reduced to a science, and those who benefit from it are not found only in the camp of the advertiser. The buyer shares equally in the benefits through the saving of time and the securing of the articles he desires at the minimum price.—Palm Beach News.

Just remember, anything that is good for the town is good for you.

The most common expression one hears from visitors to the Scenic Highlands is: "I never saw such wonderful development, such progress, such harmonious co-operation, such a wonderful country in my life."

LET "GEORGE DO IT" DO WHAT?

Write your fire insurance. I represent several good companies and will appreciate your patronage.

I also write automobile insurance, which protects your car in case of theft and also in case of accidents while traveling. No one can afford to own a car without some protection. See me for rates.

G. L. CREWS, Agent.

Efficiency, properly applied, is a wonderful business help, but the manner in which it is applied by Uncle Sam has proven mighty expensive to the taxpayers.

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NAILS

Government experiments have proved that Cement-Coated Nails will hold 50 per cent more weight than the average wire nails. That is why the government used

CEMENT-COATED NAILS

in the erection of all its buildings at the various cantonments. And that is also the reason they have been so hard to get.

There are 102 8-penny common nails in a pound of the ordinary nails, against 154 of the cemented-coated of the same size. A third more nails, of greater strength, at a very little more cost. The common nails retail at 7c a pound, against 8c for the cemented-coated. By the keg we sell the cemented-coated at 7c a pound and the common wire nails at 6½c.

SEE THE SAVING

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Chance of a Lifetime

Here is the best opportunity ever presented to secure a splendid young orange grove at a reasonable price.

A TEN-ACRE ORANGE GROVE

Located within the city limits of Avon Park. The trees are five years old, have had best of care and attention and according to estimates of experts will yield

1,200 BOXES OF FRUIT THIS COMING SEASON

Owner will sacrifice for quick sale

Don't miss this opportunity, but write for particulars.

Address X, Care of Pilot

Avon Park, Fla.

A Word to Young Men

We wish every young man in Avon Park and DeSoto county could start a bank account with us. It would not mean much to us, but it would mean lots to them. What a recommendation it would be for our town, could we say to the world that every young man carried a bank account!

Young men, come in and let us talk this over with you.

First Trust & Savings Co.

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Summer Time is Here

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D. G. Skipper made a business trip to Arcadia Monday.

When you want to buy or sell real estate see Stivender.

A lot in the new subdivision will bring you a handsome profit.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Francis spent the week-end in Moore Haven.

D. L. Hall and son Sebert of Zolfo were Avon Park visitors Tuesday.

Keep Cool—Wiggins, west of Lake Tulane, will save you money on ice boxes.

Col. D. V. Rouse spent the week-end with his wife and mother in Dover.

See Stivender if you have anything in real estate to sell or are in the market.

D. A. Sapp is temporarily engaged assisting Agent A. E. Conoley at the freight office.

Ed Ley was here from Arcadia Monday and Tuesday looking after his grove interests.

William M. Griffin, Harry Parker and Mark W. Lance spent Sunday afternoon in Sebring.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Lander, Mrs. Church and J. E. Brick spent Sunday afternoon at Sebring.

Hatching eggs from winning Rhode Island Reds at Vineland contest, 15 for $1. E. D. Putney.

Col. A. E. Lawrence and C. A. Lewis of Sebring were in Avon Park a short while Monday afternoon.

Howard Katz of Kissimmee spent Saturday and Saturday night in Avon Park, returning Sunday.

H. Y. Thompson and family have moved into the W. E. Nance cottage on South Verona avenue.

C. N. Ott is placing an addition and making other improvements to his residence on Highland avenue.

B. W. and F. H. Field, prominent business men of Sebring, spent a portion of Wednesday forenoon in Avon Park.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Nelson spent Sunday afternoon in Sebring and fell in love with the beauties of our neighboring city.

Noticed Dune Swan on our streets Saturday. Dune is always a welcome visitor in Avon Park, where he has many friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Perry have the sympathy of the community over the death of their infant child, which occurred last Monday.

Don't throw away your old shoes. Have them resoled and heeled by Tampa Shu Fixry. A. W. Sargent, local agent.

Remember the meeting at the school auditorium tonight (Friday) for the purpose of selecting nominees for the school board.

J. P. Gaines of Adairsville, Ga., arrived in Avon Park Monday night to spend a few days looking after business matters.

John and Latimer Maxcy of Frostproof were here Tuesday superintending picking of the fruit from their fifteen-acre grove.

Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Feagin of Okeechobee City arrived in Avon Park Monday for a few days' visit with Mrs. Feagin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Wolff.

L. A. Wolff made a business trip to Arcadia Monday. He was accompanied by a Mr. LaFlam and Mrs. West, who were united in marriage at the county seat.

W. E. Nance and family departed Tuesday for their home in Mayfield, Ky., after having spent a pleasant winter here, located in their cottage on South Verona avenue.

A party of Avon Park citizens visiting Carlstrom Field last Friday was composed of Mr. and Mrs. William Dart, Mr. and Mrs. George Spring, Mrs. J. P. Canfield and Miss Viola Eisler.

The Rev. W. A. Fischer attended a district Christian educational movement meeting at Orlando Tuesday. The object of the meeting was to lay plans for raising a large fund to endow Southern Methodist colleges.

For Sale—10 chickens, about 20 baby chicks, 4 days old; also 7 young pigs, 4 months old; 1 Hoosier kitchen cabinet, 1 chiffonier, 1 bed complete, 1 dandy 6-burner wood stove. Will sell all or separate; leaving town for the summer. Sell reasonable. Paul O. Miller, Avon Park, Fla. 1tp

E. N. Dickinson is erecting a comfortable cottage on the south shore of Lake Anoka, where he will move his family when the cottage is ready for occupancy. Mr. Dickinson recently purchased an acre lot overlooking Lake Anoka and expects to plant same to nursery stock in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Francis, who have been spending the winter here with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Francis, left Friday of last week for a month's visit to the East Coast. They will spend most of the time at Palm Beach and Miami and when they tire of the attractions of those popular resorts will return to Avon Park.

Last week in mentioning the party given in honor of H. E. Woodruff's birthday anniversary, we unintentionally omitted to state that it was also a reception tendered by Mrs. Allan Woodruff of Green Bay, Wis., who with her husband has been spending several very pleasant months at Uncle 'Gen's home. Mr. and Mrs. Woodruff will soon be returning to their northern home and will be missed by their many friends here.

Mrs. D. G. Skipper gave a party Tuesday night of last week in honor of Fred M. Peddy and Lee Crews on the eve of their departure for Atlanta, where they will shape their future careers by taking a course in pharmacy. About fifty guests were present and the evening was pleasantly spent in playing various games. Refreshments of sandwiches, cakes, etc., were served. The party was held on the broad verandah of Red Top Ranch, Norton T. Smith's country home on Lake Isis.

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House to Rent—C. W. Burke, Main street, east.

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Let Stivender show you the new subdivision.

A. D. Roberts made a business trip to Arcadia Saturday.

Dr. W. C. Touchton made a business trip to Tampa yesterday.

William Dart spent the fore part of the week on Arbuckle lake.

Mrs. J. R. Ganey of Frostproof spent Friday in Avon Park.

Claud and Willie Bryan of Wauchula spent Monday in Avon Park.

J. W. Dodd of Frostproof was transacting business here Tuesday.

Arthur Cornett of O'Brien has been spending a few days here prospecting.

Keep Cool—Wiggings, west of Lake Tulane, will save you money on ice boxes.

M. W. Lance and William M. Griffin made a business trip to Sebring Monday.

Extra copies of The Pilot are on sale at the Avon Park Drug Company's store.

Get in on the ground floor. Buy a lot in Avon Heights subdivision while they are cheap.

C. P. Turner returned Saturday from a two-weeks' business trip to North Georgia.

L. Grady Burton, prominent attorney of Wauchula, was transacting business here Tuesday.

D. R. Stevenson and Fred C. Walter of Sebring spent Friday evening here attending Masonic lodge.

Lee Crews left Sunday morning for Atlanta, where he will enter the Southern College of Pharmacy.

Mrs. Nellie G. Fox returned to Mount Dora Tuesday, after spending a couple of weeks in Avon Park.

The Rev. Warren of Fort Meade spent Monday in Avon Park. Mr. Warren has property interests south of town.

P. M. Stivender would like to talk with you about that proposed real estate deal.

Fifteen hatching eggs for $1.50; from pure-bred Brown Leghorns, White Leghorns and Silver Laced Wyandottes. R. Cutler. 18tf

The Misses Eva and Hattie Campbell, Ethel Sawyer and Nora Metcalf and Mrs. Bowman of Tampa spent the week-end in Avon Park, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Skipper.

Mr. and Mrs. George F. Spring departed today for their home in Morton, N. Y., after having spent a delightful winter and spring at the home of Mrs. D. P. Canfield. Mr. and Mrs. Spring have a host of friends in Avon Park who will regret their departure, but will look forward with pleasure to their return next winter.

Married in British Honduras

G. L. Bryant has received notice of the marriage of his son, C. O. Bryant, to a Miss Nellie Schofield, daughter of wealthy English parents. The marriage took place Wednesday of last week in Corozal, British Honduras, and the newlyweds are now en route to Avon Park, where they will make their future home.

Perfumed Grapefruit

"Perfumed grapefruit" is the latest wrinkle in citrus culture perhaps, and while it may not become a general plan to raise this variety for the big market, Lue Gim Gong, who has one of the show places of the state near DeLand, has produced a grapefruit that exudes a delicate and delightful odor when opened, differing from that of the ordinary fruit. No one has been noted as objecting to the very agreeable odor of the regular grapefruit, and probably no one will, but the novelty that has been propagated by Lue Gim Gong, the originator of the famous oranges by that name, will probably interest some. It is said that one well known horticulturist has a large tree full of the perfumed grapefruit from which he has sent a number to friends for their enjoyment.—Lakeland Advertiser.

AN IMPORTANT FACTOR IN MOST COMMUNITIES

Recent years have been filled with puzzling problems for the weekly newspaper. War brought heavy burdens, puzzling situations that tested generalship and purse. Cost of production mounted to new high levels. In many places where the weekly had been able to live with a measure of comfort, even some of profit, conditions were so changed the vital problem was that of existence. Some taxes had a mortality rate among the weeklies that was depressing.

Some were unable to survive, there were numerous consolidations, but the large number survived. They are veterans of a campaign that tested them to the quick.

No other publication comes so close to the daily life of the people as the weeklies. It knows public sentiment at the grass roots, as Colonel Roosevelt expressed it. No other publication is read more carefully than the weeklies, for each member of the family becomes familiar with all it contains. It writes the history of the community, stands for the best and fights the rest. It is a big factor in most communities. It is quick to give help when help is needed. It has helped with every forward step and valuable improvement in the community. It has made many communities what they are. Sometimes the owner of the paper shares in the prosperity of his community. There are many such communities.

There are others, where the weekly newspaper owner contributes much, a life of right effort and unselfish service for the public good, and wins, not fame, not fortune, only the riches of friendship. But that means happiness and happiness in the midst of friends, in the estimation of men, is above mere wealth. It is one of the beautiful things in life that is above the dollar sign, that cannot be bought. —Ohio State Journal.

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HOME TALENT PLAY DRAWS LARGE CROWD

"The Elopement of Helen," staged at the Capitol theatre Thursday night of last week, under the direction of G. J. Mascott, drew a large audience. The play was exceptionally good, each member of the cast reflecting credit upon himself or herself and the director. The cast was as follows:

Mrs. Richard Ford.....Vera McGinnis
Dorothy March.....Ellie Harris
June Haverhill.....Beatrice Bass
Richard Ford.....Fred E Peden
Max TenEyck.....C. R. Ginn
Bob Sheppard.....Leon Starkey
Rev. John Hume.....Lee Crews

Music was furnished by Miss Lisabeth Purdom, Miss Mamie Lee Durrance, Mrs. E. G. Todd and William H. Prior. This was one of the delightful features of the evening's entertainment and was highly appreciated by the audience.

The proceeds amounted to more than a hundred dollars, which were turned over to the senior class to be used for the benefit of the school.

Mr. Mascott informs us that he will shortly produce a four-act western drama or a black-face minstrel play for the benefit of the Avon Park boosters, and he hopes that everyone asked to take part will do so cheerfully, thus helping place Avon Park on the map in large letters.

Florida Crops

Florida crops are in much better condition than they were a year ago, according to reports sent out by the department of agriculture, Washington, D. C., under date of March 31. Citrus fruits show from 7 to 8 per cent improvement, tomatoes 40 per cent, white potatoes 20 per cent, spring pasture 5 per cent and spring plowing and planting 4 to 3 per cent, respectively. Other garden crops show from 8 to 21 per cent better condition than in 1920.

Phone Us the News

We would like to publish all the local news of Avon Park. Help us get out a good newsy paper by phoning any local items you may happen to know. We will appreciate it and so will those whom the items concern.

Supper Well Attended

The supper given Thursday night of last week by the ladies of the Episcopal Guild was well attended and the ladies took $35. It's unnecessary to state that everybody got their money's worth, besides having a splendid social time.

LEGAL NOTICE

In the DeSoto County Circuit Court, Twelfth Judicial Circuit of Florida. In Chancery.
Harriet P. Smith vs. Thomas W. Blasdale, et al., Defendants.
Bill to Remove Cloud

To the defendant, The Florida Development Company, a Florida corporation.

This is to notify you that a suit has been filed against you in this court by the said complainant, for the purpose of the removal of a cloud from title to Lots 7, 8, 9, 10, 12 and 13 of Block 47, and Lots 6, 7 and 8 of Block 48, in Section 22, Township 33 South of Range 28 East, Avon Park, DeSoto County, Florida, and the Sheriff of DeSoto County has made his return that there is no officer or agent of said The Florida Development Company within the State of Florida, known upon whom service could be made, and this is, therefore, to notify you, the said The Florida Development Company, to appear at the clerk's office at the City of Arcadia on Monday, the 2nd day of May, 1921, to defend the said action pending in said court, or else the said bill will be taken as confessed.

Done and ordered at chambers in the City of Arcadia, DeSoto County, Florida, on this, the 18th day of March, 1921.

GEO. W. WHITEHURST, Judge of Said Court.

A true copy.
Attest:
(Seal) A. L. DURRANCE,
Clerk Circuit Court, DeSoto County, Florida.
Mar25-Apr22-L-L

LEGAL NOTICE

In the Circuit Court of the Twelfth Judicial Circuit of the State of Florida, in and for DeSoto County.
Mary B. Bridges vs. Marshall F. Bridges.
Bill for Divorce

To the defendant, Marshall F. Bridges:

You will take notice that a bill of complaint has been filed against you in the above entitled cause, by the complainant, styled as above.

This is, therefore, to command you to be and appear at the clerk's office at the court house at Arcadia, DeSoto County, Florida, on Monday, the 2nd day of May, 1921, and in default of such appearance on your part, a decree pro confesso will be entered against you and said cause be proceeded with ex parte.

It is further ordered that a copy of this notice be published for four consecutive weeks in The Highlands Pilot, a newspaper published at Avon Park, Florida.

Witness, the Honorable George W. Whitehurst, Judge of said court, as also A. L. Durrance, clerk of said court and seal of said court, at Arcadia, Florida, on this the 29th day of March, 1921.

(Seal) A. L. DURRANCE,
Clerk of Circuit Court.
A true copy.
Attest: A. L. DURRANCE,
Clerk of Circuit Court.
By L. M. BENNETT, D. C.
April-29-T-T

LEGAL NOTICE

In the DeSoto County Circuit Court, Twelfth Judicial Circuit of Florida. In Chancery.
Harriet P. Smith, Complainant, vs. Thomas W. Blasdale, et al., Defendants.

To the defendants, Thomas W. Blasdale, William Beckerle, Frank E. Sperring, J. H. Schuldice, Thomas F. Fay, Josephine Fay, Anna Fay, Edward Fay, John Fay, Albert B. Wilbur, Ira E. Wilbur, Margaret P. Husted and Alfred B. Huested, James R. Huested and Jessie R. Huested, W. C. Marcelius and Minnie Dunham, whose places of residence are unknown:

You are hereby ordered to appear to the bill of complaint filed in said cause against you by Harriet P. Smith, at the court house in Arcadia, DeSoto County, Florida, on or before May 23, 1921, else the said bill will be taken as confessed by you.

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

Witness the Honorable George W. Whitehurst, Judge of said court, and A. L. Durrance, clerk, and the seal of said court, this 25th day of March, 1921.

(Seal) A. L. DURRANCE, Clerk.
LEITNER & LEITNER, Solicitors for Complainant.
By L. M. BENNETT, D. C.
A true copy.
Attest:
(Seal) A. L. DURRANCE, Clerk.
By L. M. BENNETT, D. C.
Mar25-May20-L-L

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that on the 22nd day of August, A. D. 1921, after six months publication of the notice, I, the undersigned, administrator of the estate of Robert W. Rowell, will present my final report to the Hon. J. Irvin Walden, county judge of DeSoto County, Florida, for his approval and final discharge as such administrator.

J. P. WENTWORTH, Administrator.
First publication Feb. 18, 1921.
Last publication Aug. 19, 1921.

LEGAL NOTICE

In the Circuit Court, Twelfth Judicial Circuit of Florida, in and for DeSoto County.
R. Warren Kingsley, Complainant, vs. The Disston Land Company, et al., Defendants.
Bill to Quiet Title

To the Defendants herein, Orlando E. Bennett, Samuel F. Cline, The Columbia Avenue Savings Fund, Safe Deposit, Title & Trust Company of Philadelphia, William R. Dolittle and Justin M. Barlingame.

It appearing by affidavit of complainant's solicitor filed in the above entitled cause that you and each of you are residents of a state other than the State of Florida, that your place of residence and postoffice address is unknown to the complainant, and relief having been prayed for against you by a bill filed in said cause:

This is, therefore, to require you and each of you to be and appear to the bill of complaint in the above entitled cause, at the office of the clerk of the above styled court, at Arcadia, Florida, on or before Monday, the 6th day of June, A. D. 1921, in default whereof said bill will be taken as confessed by you and each of you.

It is further ordered that this order of publication be published in The Highlands Pilot, a newspaper published in the County of DeSoto, of general circulation, for a period of eight consecutive weeks preceding said 6th day of June, A. D. 1921.

Done and ordered at Arcadia, Florida, this 31st day of March, A. D. 1921.

(Seal) A. L. DURRANCE,
Clerk Circuit Court of DeSoto County, Florida.
Apr1-May27-www

LEGAL NOTICE

In the DeSoto County Circuit Court, Twelfth Judicial Circuit of Florida. In Chancery.
C. L. Fairbanks vs. Aaron Bassett, et al.

It is hereby ordered that all parties claiming an interest in and to Lots 7, 8, 9 and 10 of Block 32, in Section 22, Township 33 South of Range 28 East, in Avon Park, DeSoto County, Florida, under the defendants in said cause, to-wit: Aaron Bassett and John K. Rader, as heirs, administrators, executors, devisees, grantees or otherwise under the said defendants or either of them or otherwise, claiming any interest in and to the said land or any part thereof, be and they are hereby required to appear to the bill of complaint in said cause at the clerk's office in the court house in the City of Arcadia, DeSoto County, Florida, on Monday, the 6th day of June, 1921, else the said bill of complaint herein will be taken as confessed by them.

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

Witness the Honorable A. L. Durrance, clerk of said court, and the Honorable George W. Whitehurst, judge, and the seal of said court, this 9th day of February, 1921.

(Seal) A. L. DURRANCE, Clerk.
By L. M. BENNETT, D. C.
D. V. ROUSE,
LEITNER & LEITNER,
Solicitors for Complainant.

A true copy.
Attest: A. L. DURRANCE, Clerk.
By L. M. BENNETT, D. C.
Feb18-May13-L-L

LEGAL NOTICE

In the DeSoto County Circuit Court, Twelfth Judicial Circuit of Florida. In Chancery.
Harriet P. Smith, Complainant, vs. Thomas W. Blasdale, et al., Defendants.

It is hereby ordered that all parties claiming an interest in and to Lots 7, 8, 9, 10, 12 and 13, of Block 47, and Lots 6, 7 and 8 of Block 48, in Section 22, Township 33 South of Range 28 East, Avon Park, DeSoto County, Florida, under the defendants in said cause, to-wit: Thomas W. Blasdale, William Beckerle, Frank E. Sperring, J. H. Schuldice, Thomas F. Fay, Josephine Fay, Anna Fay, Edward Fay, John Fay, Albert B. Wilbur, Ira E. Wilbur, Margaret P. Husted and Alfred B. Huested, James R. Husted and Jessie R. Husted, W. C. Marcelius and Minnie Dunham as heirs, administrators, executors, devisees, grantees or otherwise under the said defendants or either of them or otherwise claiming any interest in and to the said land or any part thereof, be and they are hereby required to appear to the bill of complaint in said cause, at the clerk's office in the court house, in the City of Arcadia, DeSoto County, Florida, on Monday, the 4th day of July, 1921, else the said bill of complaint herein will be taken as confessed by them.

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

Witness the Honorable A. L. Durrance, clerk of said court, and the Honorable George W. Whitehurst, judge, and the seal of said court, this 18th day of March, 1921.

(Seal) A. L. DURRANCE, Clerk.
LEITNER & LEITNER,
Solicitors for Complainant.
By L. M. BENNETT, D. C.
A true copy.
Attest: A. L. DURRANCE, Clerk.
(Seal)
By L. M. BENNETT, D. C.
Mar 25-June17-L-L

SHERIFF'S SALE NOTICE

In the DeSoto County Circuit Court, Twelfth Judicial Circuit of Florida.
Armour Fertilizer Works vs. John Poucher, et al.

Under and by virtue of a writ of execution issued out of and under the seal of the Circuit Court for DeSoto County, Florida, directed to me, the undersigned sheriff of DeSoto County, Florida, commanding me to make certain moneys out of the goods, lands, chattels and tenements belonging to the defendant, John Poucher, I have levied upon the following land, situate, lying and being in the County of DeSoto and State of Florida, and more fully described as follows, to-wit:

The northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 3, Township 34 South and Range 25 East, less a strip of land 692½ feet wide off of the east side of said forty.

And I will offer the same for sale at public outcry in front of the west door of the court house in the City of Arcadia, DeSoto County, Florida, on Monday, the 2nd day of May, A. D. 1921, between the legal hours for sale; said sale to be made to the highest bidder for cash and the proceeds used to satisfy said execution under which this levy is made.

Purchaser to pay for deed.

J. L. HAMPTON,
Sheriff, DeSoto County, Florida.
LEITNER & LEITNER,
Apr1-29 Attorneys for Plaintiff.

STATEMENT OF THE OWNERSHIP, MANAGEMENT, CIRCULATION, ETC., REQUIRED BY THE ACT OF CONGRESS OF AUGUST 24, 1912, OF THE HIGHLANDS PILOT, published weekly at Avon Park, DeSoto County Florida, for April, 1921.

State of Florida, County of DeSoto, ss.

Before me, a notary public in and for the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared G. W. Adams, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says he is the Manager of The Highlands Pilot, and that the following is, to the best of his knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership, management, etc., of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the Act of Postal Laws and Regulations, printed on the reverse of this form, to-wit:

That the name and address of the publisher is the Avon Park Printing Company, Avon Park, Florida.

That the editor, managing editor and business manager is G. W. Adams, Avon Park, Florida.

That the owners are G. W. Adams, E. O. Adams, F. C. Rea, T. B. Lander, H. G. Cope, E. O. Williams, W. M. Rock, M. T. Merwin, S. Y. Hartt & Son, A. V. Adamson, R. J. Harris, C. P. Anderson, William King, A. C. West, H. E. Coy, Skipper Bros. & Lanier, George F. Kellogg, S. F. Durrance, D. P. Canfield, Avon Park, Florida; P. Briggs, Mrs. Cooksey, George Topham, Mrs. P. Foss, Washington, D. C.; Franklin & Maxwell, Adairsville, Georgia.

That the officers of the corporation are: George F. Kellogg, president; E. O. Williams, vice-president; G. W. Adams, secretary and treasurer; George F. Kellogg, E. O. Williams, G. W. Adams, W. M. Rock and A. V. Anderson, directors.

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By G. W. Adams, Manager.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of April, A. D. 1921.

E. NELSON, Notary Public.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR LETTERS PATENT

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will apply to the Governor of the State of Florida, at Tallahassee, on the 28th day of April, A. D. 1921, for Letters Patent, incorporating BRENTWOOD VILLAS, under the following proposed charter, the original of which is now on file at the office of the Secretary of State of the State of Florida.

Witness our names this the 23rd day of March, 1921.

J. S. BUCHANAN,
NORTON T. SMITH,
T. H. LANDER,
J. A. LANDER.

Proposed Charter of Brentwood Villas

The undersigned incorporators hereby associate themselves together for the purpose of becoming incorporated and forming a corporation under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Florida, with and under the following proposed charter.

1.

The name of the corporation shall be BRENTWOOD VILLAS, and its principal place of business shall be in the town of Avon Park, DeSoto County, Florida, but it may establish offices and agencies at other places within the State of Florida or elsewhere.

2.

The general nature of the business to be transacted shall be to deal in, buy and sell lands, houses, tenements, bonds, notes, mortgages and all kinds of property, real, personal, and mixed and to buy, sell and grow nursery stock of all kinds and descriptions, and to act as agent, broker or commission merchant in any of the above property, to loan and borrow money, giving and taking security, either personal or property therefor, to own, build, lease, rent, sell and convey houses of every kind and nature for the unpaid balance, and to have, hold, acquire and enjoy all other property, powers and things as shall be incident, necessary or expedient for conducting the said businesses, and generally to be vested with, and have powers granted or which hereafter may be granted, to corporations for profit under the laws of the State of Florida.

3.

The amount of capital stock of the said Corporation shall be Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000.00), to be divided into five hundred shares (500) of the par value of One Hundred Dollars ($100.00) each, all of which shall be paid in cash, or its equivalent.

4.

The term for which said corporation shall exist shall be ninety-nine (99) years.

5.

The business of said corporation shall be conducted by the following officers:

President, Vice-President and Secretary and Treasurer, and Board of three Directors and such other officers and employes as the corporation may authorize. The Board of Directors may appoint subordinate officers and employes, with such powers, duties and terms of office as they may prescribe, or as may be provided by the by-laws, not inconsistent with the statutes.

6.

The Directors shall be elected by the stockholders at each annual meeting. All other officers and employes shall be elected annually by the Board of Directors. The annual meeting of the stockholders shall be held on the second Tuesday of January of each year.

7.

Until the officers elected at the first annual meeting of the stockholders shall be qualified, the business of the said corporation shall be conducted by the following named officers:

J. S. Buchanan, President.
Norton T. Smith, Vice-President.
T. H. Lander, Secretary and Treasurer.

The Directors, J. S. Buchanan, Norton T. Smith and T. H. Lander.

8.

The highest amount of indebtedness or other liability to which the said corporation shall at any time subject itself shall be Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars ($250,000.00).

9.

The names and residences of the subscribers, and the amount of capital stock subscribed by each, are as follows:

J. S. Buchanan, Avon Park, Fla., fifty shares.
Norton T. Smith, Avon Park, Fla., seventy shares.
T. H. Lander, Avon Park, Fla., forty shares.
J. A. Lander, Avon Park, Fla., forty shares.

STATE OF FLORIDA,
COUNTY OF DE SOTO.

Before me, the undersigned Notary Public in and for the State of Florida, personally appeared J. S. Buchanan, Norton T. Smith, T. H. Lander and J. A. Lander, all to me well known and known to be the individuals described in and who executed the foregoing proposed charter of Brentwood Villas, and each being duly sworn, severally acknowledged that they executed the same for the uses and purposes therein mentioned.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Notarial seal this 23rd day of March, A. D. 1921.

(Seal) JENNIE WAYCHOFF,
Notary Public, State of Florida.
My commission expires April 12, 1924.
Mar25-Apr22

LEGAL NOTICE

In the DeSoto County Circuit Court, Twelfth Judicial Circuit of Florida.
In Chancery.
C. L. Fairbanks vs. Aaron Bassett, et al.
To the Defendants Aaron Bassett and John K. Rader, whose places of residence are unknown:

You are hereby ordered to appear to the bill of complaint filed in said cause against you by C. L. Fairbanks, at the Court House in Arcadia, DeSoto County, Florida, on or before April 18, 1921, else the said bill will be taken as confessed by you.

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

Witness the Hon. George W. Whitehurst, Judge of said court, and A. L. Durrance, Clerk, and the seal of said court, this 9th day of February, 1921.

[Seal] A. L. DURRANCE, Clerk.
By L. M. BENNETT, D. C.
D. V. ROUSE,
LEITNER & LEITNER,
Solicitors for Complainant.

A true copy.
Attest: A. L. DURRANCE, Clerk.
By L. M. BENNETT, D. C.
feb18-apr15

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR LETTERS PATENT

State of Florida,
County of DeSoto.

Notice is hereby given in conformity with Section 2649, Revised Statutes of Florida, that we, the undersigned, intend to apply to the Governor of the State of Florida, at Tallahassee, Florida, on the 18th day of April, A. D. 1921, or as soon thereafter as we can be heard, for letters patent to be issued to Tulane Supply Company, of which Corporation the following shall be the Articles of Incorporation.

N. H. TRENT (Seal)
E. A. DE LANEY (Seal)
R. C. PETERSEN (Seal)
ELLIS WEST (Seal)

Articles of Incorporation

ARTICLE I.

The name of this Corporation shall be Tulane Supply Company. The principal place of business shall be Avon Park, DeSoto County, Florida, with branch offices in such other places as may be deemed necessary by the Board of Directors of the Corporation.

ARTICLE II.

The business or businesses to be transacted by this Corporation shall be as follows:

To engage in a general mercantile business; to deal in any and all kinds of hardware, furniture, household goods, building material and supplies of all kinds, and all kinds of farm and grove implements. To carry on a general grocery business; to deal in, buy, own and improve real estate, and take and give mortgages on same, wherever located or situated. To handle any and all kinds of personal property of any nature, and to carry on the said business or businesses, either at retail or wholesale.

ARTICLE III.

The amount of capital stock of this Corporation shall be ten thousand dollars, divided into four hundred shares at the par value of twenty-five dollars per share, which shall be payable in lawful money of the United States of America, or in services, or property, at a fair and just value to be fixed by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IV.

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

ARTICLE V.

The business of this Corporation is to be conducted by the following officers: A President, a Vice-President and a Secretary and Treasurer combined, and a Board of Directors of not less than three nor more than five. The officers will hold office for the term of one year, and thereafter until the officers elected shall qualify. The first annual election to be held by the stockholders shall be on the third Tuesday in January, A. D. 1922, and on the same date thereafter in each subsequent year. The persons who are to conduct the business of this Corporation as its temporary officers are: N. H. Trent, President; E. A. DeLaney, Vice-President; R. C. Petersen, Secretary-Treasurer; R. C. Petersen, N. H. Trent, E. A. DeLaney and Ellis West, Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VI.

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

ARTICLE VII.

Name, residence, subscription of incorporators:

N. H. Trent, Avon Park, Fla., 60 shares.
R. C. Petersen, Avon Park, Fla., 60 shares.
E. A. DeLaney, Avon Park, Fla., 60 shares.
Ellis West, Avon Park, Fla., 60 shares.

State of Florida,
County of DeSoto.

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared Ellis West, N. H. Trent, R. C. Petersen, E. A. DeLaney, and each acknowledged the foregoing to be his genuine signature to the purposed charter of the Tulane Supply Company, and each acknowledged before me that he executed the foregoing indorsement for the uses and purposes therein expressed. Witness my hand and official seal this 10th day of March, A. D. 1921.

D. V. ROUSE,
(Seal) Notary Public.
Notary Public, State of Florida at Large.
My commission expires Oct. 11, 1923.
Mar18-25-Apr1-8-15

LEGAL NOTICE

In the Circuit Court, Twelfth Judicial Circuit of Florida, in and for DeSoto County.
R. Warren Kingsley, Complainant, vs. The Diston Land Company, et al., Defendants.
Bill to Quiet Title.
To the Defendants herein, The Diston Land Company and United Land Company, domestic corporations.

It being made to appear to the judge of the above styled court that each of the above named corporations exist under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Florida, and are domestic corporations, and relief being sought against the said corporations in the above styled cause, service of process not being able to be had on either of said corporations owing to the failure of each of them to elect officers or appoint agents, or to have within the State of Florida an officer or agent upon whom process can be served; and such cause being made to appear upon the writs issued herein, said writ being for the purpose of quieting complainant's title to certain lands and to set aside the claims of the above named corporations:

This is, therefore, to require you, the said The Diston Land Company and United Land Company, and each of you, to appear in said cause on or before the rule day in May, the 2nd day of said month, A. D. 1921, in default whereof said bill will be taken as confessed by you and each of you.

It is further ordered that this order be published for four consecutive weeks in The Highlands Pilot, a newspaper of general circulation, published in DeSoto County.

Done and ordered at Arcadia, Florida, this 31st day of March, A. D. 1921.

GEO. W. WHITEHURST,
Judge Twelfth Judicial Circuit of DeSoto County, Florida.
Apr1-29-www

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT
State of Florida, Office of Comptroller, Tallahassee

Whereas, by satisfactory evidence presented to the undersigned it has been made to appear that a banking association, under the name of B. F. West Banking Company, located at Avon Park, Florida, and organized under the laws of Florida has complied with all the provisions required to be complied with by the banking laws of the State of Florida before an association shall be authorized to commence the business of banking.

Now, therefore, I, Ernest Amos, comptroller of the State of Florida, by virtue of authority vested in me by Section Eight of Chapter 6426 of the Laws of the State of Florida, certify that the B. F. West Banking Company, of Avon Park, in the County of DeSoto and the State of Florida, is authorized to commence the business of banking under the name above given with a capital stock of Twenty Thousand Dollars.

Given under my hand and seal of office this first day of February, A. D. One Thousand Nine Hundred and Twentytwo.

[Seal] ERNEST AMOS,
Comptroller State of Florida.
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NOTICE OF SCHOOL ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held on Saturday, April 23, 1921, in the Special Tax School Districts mentioned below for the purpose of electing three trustees and voting the number of mills to be levied and collected annually for the ensuing two years. The following persons have been appointed inspectors and clerks for holding said elections:

Avon Park School District No. 3
R. W. Swearingen, Oscar Skipper, S. P. Durrance, inspectors and J. H. Mummau, clerk.

Prospect School District No. 30
T. L. Drawdy, Dave Skipper, M. M. Drawdy, inspectors and Stephen Skipper, clerk.

By order of the Board of Public Instruction, DeSoto County, Florida, this the 7th day of March, 1921.

P. G. SHAVER,
Secretary and County Superintendent.
H. A. WARE,
Mar18-25-apr1-8-15 Chairman.

LEGAL NOTICE

Department of the Interior
U. S. Land Office at Gainesville, Fla., March 26, 1921.

Notice is hereby given that Frederick E. H. Barschel of Avon Park, Fla., who, on Jan. 15, 1916, made Homestead Entry No. 014316, for E½ of SW¼ and W½ of SE¼, Section 9, Township 33 S., Range 29 E., Tallahassee Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three-year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Clerk Circuit Court, at Arcadia, Florida, on the 6th day of May, 1921.

Claimant names as witnesses:
John H. Hood of Avon Park, Fla.
John W. Foley of Avon Park, Fla.
L. W. Taylor of Avon Park, Fla.
Joseph Vilkaitis of Avon Park, Fla.
Apr1-29 ROB'T. W. DAVIS, Register.

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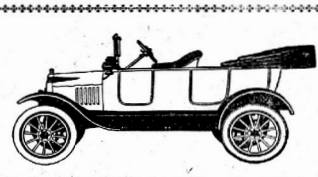

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THE METHODIST CHURCH OF AVON PARK WILL BEGIN MONDAY, APRIL 11, A SERIES OF EVANGELISTIC SERVICES.

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SURVEY OF NATIONAL CONDITIONS INDICATES ENCOURAGING OUTLOOK

The second national survey of conditions has just been completed by the Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland and briefly analyzed indicates that the business world is still feeling its way, but with increasing confidence and with the conviction that the worst has passed. While the foreign situation has not shown the expected improvement, the survey points to certain favorable domestic conditions.

Raw materials are plentiful and physical transportation conditions are good. There have been no business failures of moment, the crop outlook is satisfactory and the banking situation is improved. Building operations in a number of districts are increasing and greater productivity of labor per man is reported from all districts.

The attitude of the public has prevented retailers from stocking up for spring business; but as retailers more generally reduce their prices, consumers will come more heavily into the market, larger orders will result and manufacturers can plan production schedules with reasonable assurance that prices will not fall lower.

An appreciable reduction in wages is noted in every section and in virtually every kind of industry. The fact that savings accounts have increased in the industrial sections, however, would seem to indicate that in such districts wage and salary reductions in the prices of commodities, and that, therefore, fortunately, the decrease in wages has not necessitated a lowering of the standard of living.

The big national question, according to the survey, is taxation, with peace settlement and international trade conditions next. Taxation is uppermost in the minds of the average man. The country is opposed to the present tax system, and is becoming increasingly impatient for change.

More than one thousand representatives of the Fidelity and Deposit Company gathered the information contained in the survey. They obtained from bankers, manufacturers, business men and others, answers to a questionnaire covering economic, agricultural, industrial and general conditions. The replies were telegraphed to Baltimore where they were analyzed and tabulated.

What the survey discloses should be an encouragement to us all to go forward with confidence, though not with recklessness.

ATTRACTIONS OF FLORIDA ARE MANY AND VARIED

The Florida development board says that "See Florida First" is a good slogan for those who contemplate a vacation trip this summer. The suggestion is valuable. How many Florida people really know their own state? And where could they go to find a greater variety of interesting things? Every section, almost every county, is different. Where could you find two places with more diverse scenery than Monroe county and, say, Hamilton or Columbia? Where can you find a more romantic region than the Everglades with its tragic association with the pathetic remnant of a once great race of native Americans? Where can you find such a picturesque representation of Mediterranean life as among the sponge fishers of Tarpon Springs? Where can you get a better conception of the antiquity of Florida than at the quaint city of St. Augustine? Where can you see its up-to-the-minute progress more vividly than among the citrus groves of the Ridge?

Tourists come from long distances to see Florida. It is not alone to enjoy its sunshine that they journey hither, but because they find unending interest in its marvelous variety of scenic attractions. Why not look around and see those things ourselves?—Lakeland Telegram.

New Building Is Completed

"New postoffice for Avon Park is now assured," declares the Highlands Pilot. "In the course of a few months we will have postoffice quarters that will be a credit to the city and a convenience to citizens." The Pilot tells of the plans of E. M. Brickell, who is expecting to erect a business block with quarters especially designed for the use of a postoffice. Mr. Brickell is already at work in Avon Park now having a fine brick block in process of construction. The second building will be started as soon as the first one is completed.—Times-Union.

FLORIDA'S CLIMATE ONLY VARIETY NOT GENERALLY LIED ABOUT, SAYS AUTHOR

"Florida affords the only climate in the world that has not been lied about, according to Albert Payson Terhune, noted author, who spent last night at the Hotel Windsor en route west after a two-months' visit in Miami," says the Jacksonville Times-Union. "Mr. Terhune while in Miami spent much time watching the filming of one of his stories, "The Lotus Eater," on which production is now being completed by Marshal Neilan.

Not "Trick Weather"

"'The first few days we were at Miami I remarked to Mrs. Terhune that it was "trick" weather,' Mr. Terhune said last night. 'However, when the glorious days stretched into glorious weeks I became convinced that what I had been forced to believe climate lies circulated in resort cities was truth. Florida's climate is really marvelous and I have become a confirmed Florida enthusiast.

"'California has wonderful climate, at times,' he continued. 'In San Francisco the air carries a kick that resembles somewhat the effect of a couple of highballs properly placed, and in Los Angeles there is beautiful weather at times. However, it is not consistent climate, and Florida's climate, I have found, is consistent.'

Sought and Found Color

"Mr. Terhune came to Florida in search of color for his future writings. 'I have found it, plentiful, unusual and entirely satisfying, and I am going back soon to my place in Jersey to utilize some of the material I have secured. I count my trip to Florida as entirely profitable and thoroughly enjoyable.'

"Mr. and Mrs. Terhune leave this morning for New Orleans and later will go to San Antonio for a short time. Later they will return to New York and their residence on the Jersey side, where Mr. Terhune expects to spend several months turning out copy.

Marvels at Florida

"Mr. Terhune last night spoke with an enthusiasm for Florida that would have done credit to the wildest wildcat real estate speculator. The difference was that he was speaking his mind, he declared, 'without hope of gain or promise of reward.'

"'Florida impresses me as a state of the most marvelous opportunity,' he said. 'As an instance, this afternoon Mrs. Terhune and I visited St. Augustine and Anastasia Beach. There is a marvelous beach, needing only proper accommodations and reasonable advertising to become a resort of immense popularity. It appears that someone has been sleeping and allowing opportunities of this kind to lie fallow. Sooner or later, it seems certain, someone will realize and grasp these marvelous opportunities and will reap the natural and justifiable reward.'"

ORANGE GROWING IN CHINA

Citrus fruits are produced in many parts of China. In fact, some of the varieties now grown in South Florida originated in China. The following consular report from Foochow, sent by the department of state at Washington to C. S. Donaldson of this city, will interest our readers:

[Note—$100 local currency equal to $75 United States currency.]

"The orange production in the Foochow district of China during 1920 was less than in the previous year. The total yield was estimated at 67,000 piculs (8,660,900 pounds). Exportation during 1920 amounted to about 85,500 piculs (1,130,000 pounds.) Although the exportation during 1920 was more than the amount produced, most of the shipments were of the 1919 crop. The prices were good because of the short crop. Most of the fruit exported from Foochow finds its way to North China ports. The prices ranged from $3.80 to $4 Mexican (United States $2.89 to $3.04) per picul of 133 1-3 pounds. Oranges are packed in tubs containing 186 pounds when shipped to North China ports and in tubs of 40 pounds when shipped to South China ports.

"G. C. HANSON,
American Consul."

Just Plain Truth

Last week's Avon Park Pilot had some pretty plain talk about business men sending out of town for their printing, and we agree with every word the Pilot says. We do not mean to throw any bouquets at the Advocate, but facts are facts, and it is a fact that the newspapers of Florida have done more to build up the state than any other one industry in the state. Exclusive job printers, either in or out of the state, are doing nothing to add to the value of your property or business. No, we are not begging you for your printing. If you don't like the cut of the jib of the Advocate editor and don't want him to do your work, send it to the Zolfo Truth—it is helping to build up this part of DeSoto county.—Wauchula Advocate.

A Wonderful State

Isn't Florida the most amazing state in the union? She is continually unfolding new charms to the investor. First it was her climate. Then it was her fruit. Now it is her truck, her fishing, her phosphate, her cane, rice, roads, building, industry. Her climate brings the tourists and the silk worms; and more, the crops. Her soil produces usable vegetation from sawgrass to timber. Her surrounding waters induce aquatic sport for the rich man, edible fish for the poor man, industrial fish for the inventor. Air, land and water—all commercially valuable, all producing, upbuilding, progressing.—Polk County Record.

Much Traveled

A group of tourists were looking over the inferno of Vesuvius in full eruption.

"Ain't this just like hell?" ejaculated a Yank.

"Ah, zese Americana," exclaimed a Frenchman, "where have zey not have been?"—American Legion Weekly.

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T. H. LANDER, W. M.
J. J. JAMOUR, Secretary.

LEGAL NOTICE

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

Jesse Gearing, Complainant, vs. G. Nassauer & Company, Ltd., a Corporation, and the Sebring Builders Supply Company, Defendants.

Notice of Master's Sale

Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of a final decree of foreclosure made and entered by the Judge of the Twelfth Judicial Circuit in and for DeSoto County, Florida, in Chancery sitting, on the 7th day of March, A. D. 1921, in a certain cause pending in said Court, wherein Jesse Gearing was complainant and G. Nassauer & Company, Ltd., a corporation, and the Sebring Builders Supply Company were defendants, that I, the undersigned, as Special Master in Chancery, duly appointed in said cause by the said Court to carry into execution the said decree, will offer for sale and will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in front of the west door of the Court House in the City of Arcadia, DeSoto County, Florida, on Monday, the 2nd day of May, A. D. 1921, during the legal hours of sale, the following described land, situate, lying and being in the County of DeSoto and State of Florida, and more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

North Half of Farm one (1), in Section 7, in Lakeview Park in Township 34 South, Range 29 East.

J. A. TIMBERLAKE,
Special Master in Chancery.
Mar 25-apr22-AEL

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