THE purpose of this message is to make you feel that you will be welcome and that your deposits in the First National Bank will be absolutely safe. You are urged, therefore, to make the message of this advertisement a personal one.

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GASOLINE TAX FOR SIX MONTHS WAS $228,856

Ernest Amos, state comptroller, gave out a statement showing the receipts on account of the 1 cent tax on gasoline sold at wholesale, under the provisions of chapter 8411, laws of Florida, 1921, since the enactment of the statute. The gross receipts from this source have been $228,-056.41.

A most gratifying feature in connection with this collection is the fact that every cent received has been paid into the treasury of the state, there being no expense of operation whatever in connection with the collection. The additional work made necessary by the law has been absorbed by the regular force in the comptroller's office, so that the whole amount received has been paid into the treasury.

The first item on the statement shows a collection of $29.94, July 12, 1921, so that the receipts cover a period of but six months. At the present rate the law will yield a revenue of approximately a half million dollars annually.

The statute, under which the collection is made is the gasoline law, the validity of which has been made the subject of attack in the courts, and which is now pending in the supreme court.

The largest single collection under the law, as shown by the statement, was Dec. 24, when one of the companies operating in Florida paid the sum of $24,879.48.

No. 281

Report of the Condition of B. F. WEST BANKING CO.

At Avon Park in the State of Florida, at the Close of Business Dec. 31, 1921

RESOURCES

Loans on real estate	$ 8,759.32
Loans on collateral security other than real estate	3,313.53
All other loans and discounts	25,949.68
Overdrafts	465.23
United States bonds	100.00
State, county and municipal bonds	4,500.00
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	8,619.82
Due from incorporated banks	4,483.79
Claims and other resources	4,768.48
Cash items	375.42
Cash on hand	1,985.78
Total	$ 63,321.05

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in	$ 20,000.00
Individual deposits subject to check	22,937.63
Savings deposits	2,252.82
Time certificates of deposit	7,591.45
Cashier's checks outstanding	1,071.67
Bills payable	6,000.00
All other liabilities	3,467.48
Total	$ 63,321.05

State of Florida, County of Highlands, ss.:

I, M. T. Whidden, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

M. T. WHIDDEN, Cashier.

Correct—Attest:
J. W. WHITE,
G. D. GODWIN,
F. M. WHIDDEN,
Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of January, 1922.

IRENE CHRISTOPHER,
Notary Public.

If your car needs fixing, take it to the Standard Garage. No matter what make, the work will be promptly and satisfactorily done.—Adv.

A. E. LAWRENCE
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
Room No. 5, Highlands Bank and Trust Building, Sebring, Florida

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WATER CARNIVAL AT SOUTH FLORIDA FAIR

Directors of the South Florida Fair Association have authorized General Manager P. T. Strieder to complete arrangements for the annual water carnival given by Rollins College, Winter Park, during the fair in Tampa in February.

The carnival this year will be held Monday, Feb. 6, in the morning before the Gasparilla carnival. The water events will be held on the Hillsborough river, in front of the Tampa Bay hotel grounds between the two bridges. Eleven members of the Southern College teams at Clearwater are expected to participate in the sports, and Rollins is making efforts also to bring down a team of swimmers from Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore.

An exhibition game of field ball by Rollins girls is planned to be held on Plant field during the afternoon following the water carnival. This is the newest sport for college girls, having recently been originated at Columbia University and introduced in the south for the first time by Rollins girls.

Extra copies of The Pilot are 5 cent seach.—Advertisement.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Transfers filed for record with the clerk of the circuit court, as reported by the Highlands Security, Abstract and Title Company since last publication.

First National Bank of Avon Park to the National Company: Lots 2 and 3, block 69, Sec. 22, Avon Park.

A. L. Harrison and wife to N. L. Harris; $300: Lots 3 and 6, block 2, Sec. 26, Avon Park.

William L. Smith and wife to William S. Butler: Lots 2 and 3, block 52, Sec. 22, Twp. 33, R. 28, Avon Park.

First Methodist Protestant Church of Newark to Louis F. Spink; $600: Lot 4, block 4, Sec. 14, Avon Park.

Ellen J. Howard and husband to First Methodist Protestant church; $125: Lot 4, block 4, Sec. 11, Avon Park.

Sebring Development Company to Sylvia and Robert Meyersth $250; Lot 16, block E, seventh addition to Sebring.

Elias E. Waldron to Belle Hendry; $300: 416x416 feet in NE¼ of NE¼ Sec. 25, Twp. 39 S., R. 29.

United States to Charles A. Morrison; patent: Lot 5, Sec. 31, Twp. 36, R. 20; 5 acres.

Alva E. Carrol to A. L. Marchand; $10 and other considerations: Lot 7, block 76, fourth addition to Sebring.

Sebring Real Estate Company to A. L. Marchand; $10 and other considerations: Lot 4, block 96, third addition to Sebring.

Bridges Cattle Company to L. P. Hagan; $1: N½ of NE¼, Sec. 29, Twp. 33, R. 28.

H. E. Coy, plat of lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10, block 5, Sec. 22, Twp. 33, R. 28.

A. Kronmiller and wife to L. A. Wolff; $140: Lots 21, 22, 23 and 24, block A, A. Kronmiller's subdivision, Avon Park.

L. A. Wolff and wife to Paul Heath; $1 and other considerations: Lots 21, 22, 23 and 24, block A, Kronmiller's subdivision, Avon Park.

J. F. Sanger and wife to B. A. Core; $1: Part of lot 22, block 79, Sebring.

Highlands Orange Groves Company to W. H. Clarke; $1 and other considerations: Lots 1 and 4, block D, Sec. 22, Avon Park.

S. F. Tucker to B. H. James; $1: Lot S. sub of lot 12, block 3, Sec. 23, Avon Park.

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DON'T FORGET THE DATE COME!

OPEN-AIR CONCERT AND DELIGHTFUL AFTERMATH

Tuesday night's open-air band concert was enjoyed by a large number of people, many of them from Sebring. The band rendered several selections in a manner that would do credit to a much older musical aggregation and the members proved themselves so proficient that Avon Park has cause to feel proud of the organization.

After the concert an unexpected treat came, when seven talented vocalists gathered on the sidewalk in front of the Avon Park Drug Company's store and rendered a number of vocal selections. The singers were J. V. Chapman, H. M. Wiggins, T. H. Lander, J. D. McEwen, W. N. Griffin, Dan Andrews and J. R. Vanblerck. These gentlemen displayed vocal talent seldom found in communities of this size and their rendition of favorite songs was such as to call for repeated encores. In the near future these talented vocalists, assisted by Gid Jaeger and several others, may stage a minstrel attraction and if they do, we want to assure our readers that it will be an entertainment of unusual merit. We hope they will arrive at a definite decision in the near future and give us the entertainment, for it will be an entertainment of such high character that its repetition will be demanded.

Assessor Cyril Baldwin has been busily engaged this week with the duties that fall heavily on his office at this season of the year.

New Spring Line

The Robert Pressing Club has just received its new spring line of sample fabrics. This is the finest line ever shown in Highlands county and the general public is invited to call and inspect the samples, whether or not an order is given for a new suit. —Adv.

Automobile owners are assured of satisfactory work at the Standard Garage.—Adv.

606 cures Malarial Fever.—Adv.

CLASSIFIED ADS.

Hereafter we will run no classified or want ads in the local columns of this paper. They will be placed under one heading and our readers will know where to look for classified ads of every description.

FOR SALE

For Sale—Fox typewriter. Apply Ed S. Barnes. 1-13

For Sale—Good work horse; gentle and well broken; good family driving horse. G. L. Bryant, Avon Park. 8-4tp

For Sale—Fresh milch cow with calf by side; also set of hypodermic needles for vaccinating hogs. Phone 383, Avon Park. 7tf

For Sale — Eggs from pure-bred, prize-winning stock; $1.50 per setting of 15 eggs. Brown Leghorns, White Leghorns, Rhode Island Reds, Anconas and Silver-laced Wyandottes. Oswell Cutler, Avon Park. 7tf

For Sale—Oakland Six touring car in good condition; bargain for cash or would trade for good citrus land. S. F. Darrance, Avon Park. 3tf

FOR RENT

Three-room cottage, $12.50 per month. E. D. Putney.

MISCELLANEOUS

Lost—Pair of gold-rimmed spectacles; either on the street or in one of the stores. Finder please notify Mrs. J. B. Rogers.

Seeds—Big new Spring Catalog; a revelation for the beginner and a reference book for the practical trucker. Send name and address today for your copy, which will soon be ready. Gregore Seed Company, Plant City, Fla. 12-2-4t

Rhode Island Reds, Underhill strain, highest American pens at recent Vine and contest. Cockerels, $3 each; pullets, $2 and $3; eggs for hatching, 7c each. Caroline Putney.

Just the bargain you have been looking for. Returns from fruit will pay good interest on property each year. Well located, beautiful town grove and comfortable house, with one acre of citrus trees, 8 to 16 years old; tangerines, oranges, grapefruit, carrying 300 boxes of fruit this year. House newly painted, inside and out; electric lights, bath, hot and cold water; big screened sleeping porch. Property bound to increase in value rapidly. Special price for limited time. Address E. Pilot office.

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There Are No Strings Attached to This Contest

The first person who guesses what we will sell at cost on Saturday, January 14, we will give absolutely free, that article or its cost price applied on any article in the store. To the second person, we will give one-half the cost price of that article or apply it to any article in the store.

Remember Each Purchase Entitles You To a Guess

Contest Closes Friday, Jan. 13

W. R. ENGLAND HARDWARE COMPANY

AVON PARK, FLORIDA

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

A. C. Bauknight spent Sunday in Lakeland.

M. J. Haines of Atlanta, Ga., was registered at the Hotel Avon Friday.

Capt. T. J. Henderson of Zolfo was a visitor in Avon Park Friday of last week.

H. E. Poole and J. O. K. Smith of Orlando were visitors in Avon Park Monday.

J. W. Asterbadt of Key West was registered at the Hotel Avon last Saturday.

The Standard Garage solicits your patronage. Satisfaction guaranteed. —Adv.

C. E. Lanier, J. D. McEwen, T. H. Lander and M. W. Lance spent Sunday afternoon in Sebring.

Visitors from Rochester, N. Y., who spent a few days in Avon Park the latter part of last week, were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Howard and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Howard. They are touring the state and while here were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Coy.

Dan M. Andrews, J. R. Vancleek and Ivey Futch of Sebring spent Sunday afternoon here, guests of friends.

Col. A. E. Lawrence of Sebring spent a short while in Avon Park Sunday. He was en route to Arcadia.

R. W. Dilsbury of Manchester, N. H., paid Avon Park a visit Sunday while he was on his way "seeing Florida."

Tom Mitchell of the Mitchell Electric Company, Sebring, spent Tuesday in Avon Park, doing work in his line.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. White of Hereford, S. D., arrived in Avon Park Thursday of last week to spend a month with Mr. White's mother, Mrs. A. Boroff.

Charles R. Nichols of Newark, O., arrived at his cottage on Lake Isis last Tuesday. He made the trip in his car and was accompanied by Mr. Williams, one of his northern neighbors.

Considerable improvements have been made in the Royal Lunch room, the popularity of that eating house necessitating making more room. They are now prepared to better serve meals and quick lunches.

Rube Day from Fort Meade was in Avon Park Tuesday on business.

H. K. Still of Crewsville was transacting business here last Friday.

Fred Southerland of Wauchula was among the out-of-town business visitors in Avon Park last Friday.

G. W. Adams, accompanied by his cousin, F. H. Adams, made a business trip to Arcadia Friday afternoon of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Adams drove to Lake Wales Sunday. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Adams of Sebring.

J. A. Caldwell and M. W. Lance made a business trip to Orlando the latter part of last week, visiting Lakeland, Plant City and Tarpon on their return.

Miss Vera McGirt returned Sunday to Rollins College, Winter Park, after spending the holiday season here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. McGirtnis.

Cyril Baldwin and little son Paul motored to Arcadia Friday of last week. They were accompanied by Mr. Baldwin's mother, who was returning home from a visit here with her son and his family.

E. J. Hicks and wife of Chicago, who have been driving their Ford since early in November, were in Avon Park today, and were so well pleased with the beauty of the town that they came near changing their plans to go on farther.

W. C. Nanny, who was formerly with the plant board and spent considerable time in Avon Park inspecting the citrus groves in this city and vicinity, but who is now located in Lake Wales and is representing the American Agricultural Chemical Company, spent Monday and Tuesday here transacting business.

Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Williams and grandson returned Friday of last week from an auto trip to New York Richey, where they visited friends. They visited several West Coast cities and towns, carrying with them a camp outfit and enjoyed "the simple life" as well as the beauties of the country through which they passed.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Middleton and daughter, Mrs. Arthur Middleton and son Homer, Attorney S. C. Farlee of Baltimore, Md., and W. A. Armstrong of Aberdeen, Md., made up a party of new arrivals in Avon Park Saturday. The gentlemen of the party, including Mr. Middleton, after making a visit will return to their homes, leaving the ladies to enjoy the sunshine and pleasures in Avon Park.

John E. Brick of Willimantic, Conn., accompanied by his daughter, Mrs. Lois F. Church and her son Firman, arrived in Avon Park last Friday night for the winter. Mrs. Brick has been here several weeks. Mr. Brick noted many improvements that have taken place since leaving here last spring and speaks in highly complimentary terms of the appearance of our new park. He is one of our most enthusiastic winter residents and holds a high place in the esteem of Avon Park people.

H. P. West and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Crampton of Washington, D. C., who were in Avon Park last January, have again come here, and are very comfortably located in the Hall cottage. Mrs. Crampton is a sister of Mr. West. When in Avon Park last year Mr. West became the owner of a beautiful building lot on Lake Lotela and in the near future will erect a commodious home. Mr. West was elated over the marked improvements in and around Avon Park since his trip here last year and expressed himself as being surprised at the vast improvements made during the year.

Mr. Roberts was in town Tuesday transacting business.

[illegible] was transacting business in Wauchula Tuesday.

W. A. Lanier of Crewsville spent the latter part of the week here with his son, C. E. Lanier.

Mrs. Lander entertained the Bridge Club Wednesday afternoon in her usual charming manner.

[illegible] Camden, wife and baby and F. M. Whidden spent Monday evening and night at Sebring.

The Rev. Sam Dargance of Wauchula was transacting business and greeting friends here Tuesday.

[illegible] of Grimsby, Ont., is here to spend a couple of weeks renewing old scenes and renewing acquaintances.

[illegible] Walker of Bartow, manager of the Polk County Citrus Sch. Exchange, was transacting business here Tuesday.

Mrs. R. C. Epperson and children have returned from Williston, where they had been attending several days with friends and relatives.

A number of Avon Park young folks attended the dinner and dance at Sebring Wednesday night of last week at the opening of Kenilworth Lodge.

[illegible] of Sebring, but who has some very handsome investments in Avon Park, was up Tuesday attending the stockholders' meeting of the First National Bank.

[illegible] of Winter Haven spent a short while in Avon Park Sunday. Mr. Butler is a representative of the Glen St. Mary Nurseries and has a large circle of friends in this section.

Mrs. J. D. Sherman and son of Castile, N. Y., arrived in Avon Park Tuesday to spend some time visiting their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Sherman.

Hardwicke motored to Lake Wales Sunday, taking Irvin, Mary and Wilma Adams of this place and George and Emma Adams of Sebring with him. The children enjoyed the outing very much.

[illegible] Sebring folks consisting of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Pickard, Prof. and Mrs. E. M. Young and Calvin Hill, were in Avon Park Tuesday and were delighted with their visit.

Monday morning we received a pleasant call from N. L. Harrison of Blowing Rock, N. C. Mr. Harrison, with his wife and three children, accompanied by Don Hartley, Carnie Critcher and Jarvis Green, have been spending about three weeks here camping and expect to remain a couple of more months. This is their first visit to Florida and they are all much impressed with Avon Park and the surrounding country.

New Church Organized

The Trinity Lutheran church organization was perfected in Avon Park last week with a membership of twenty. The Rev. J. L. Yonce of Cameron, S. C., for four years pastor of the Lutheran church in that city, but who came to Avon Park about the holidays to make this his permanent home, is pastor. The church organization has secured the unfinished church building near the mill, which it will complete and in which services will be held every Sunday evening and every other Sunday morning. A Sunday school will be organized next Sunday. The Rev. Yonce will also have charge of the pastorate at DeSoto City. He extends a hearty invitation to all to worship with them.

Church of Christ

A. G. Freed of Henderson, Tenn., is expected in Avon Park within a few days to remain a month in this vicinity, conducting a series of gospel meetings. Mr. Freed is president of the Freed-Hardman Bible school in Henderson and is one of the best informed men on Bible topics in the entire country. He will conduct a series of gospel meetings here, beginning the fourth Lord's Day in this month and continuing for some time. The general public is invited to these meetings, further announcement of which will be given next week.

Episcopal Church

Sunday, Jan. 15, Bishop Cameron Mann, D.D., will make his annual visitation to the Church of the Redeemer of this city. He will be present at both morning and night services and will preach at both services. In the morning the sacrament of the holy communion will be administered. Everybody is cordially invited to worship with us and meet the bishop.

J. Thos. Murvish, S.T.D., Rector.

S. P. Roberts of Zolfo was among [illegible] will convene the business visitors in Avon Park [illegible] the Congregational church Tuesday. Sunday morning.

Charter No. 10826 Reserve District No. 6

Report of Condition of the

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF AVON PARK

At Avon Park, in State of Florida, at the Close of Business on Dec. 31, 1921

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts, including rediscounts		$469,087.78
Total loans		469,087.78
Notes and bills rediscounted with Federal Reserve Bank (other than bank acceptances sold)	$12,500.00	
Notes and bills rediscounted other than with Federal Reserve Bank (other than bank acceptances sold, but including rediscounts with War Finance Corporation)	$ 25,215.21	161,001.50
Overdrafts, unsecured		642.84
U. S. Government securities owned:		
Deposited to secure circulation (U. S. bonds par value)		16,250.00
All other United States Government securities		170.00
Total		$ 16,420.00
Other bonds, stocks, securities, etc.:		25,450.00
Banking House, furniture and fixtures		5,250.16
Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank		14,155.48
Cash in vault and amount due from national banks		21,750.51
Amount due from State banks, bankers, and trust companies in the United States (other than included in Items 8, 9, or 10)		53,051.36
Exchanges for clearing house		177.66
Total of Items 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13	$ 58,071.82	
Checks on banks located outside of city or town of reporting bank and other cash items		535.46
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer		12.50
Total		$ 416,615.31

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in		$ 50,000.00
Surplus fund		5,000.00
Undivided profits	$ 6,058.92	
Less current expenses, interest, and taxes paid	12,285.54	1,773.38
Circulating notes outstanding		10,000.00
Certified checks outstanding		1,000.00
Cashier's checks on own bank outstanding		1,076.16
Total of items 21, 22, 23, and 24)	10,323.55	
Demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve (deposits payable within 30 days)		196,000.00
Individual deposits subject to check		196,000.00
Certificates of deposits due in less than 30 days (other than for money borrowed)		1,000.00
Total of demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve, Items 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, and 35	$ 196,000.00	
Time deposits subject to Reserve (payable after 30 days or more notice, and postal savings)		100,000.00
Certificates of deposit (other than for money borrowed)		1,000.00
Other time deposits		1,581.83
Total of time deposits subject to Reserve, Items 32, 33, 34, and 35	$ 99,761.78	
Bills payable, other than with Federal Reserve Bank (including all obligations representing money borrowed other than rediscounts)		30,000.00
Total		$ 416,615.31

State of Florida, County of Highlands, ss:

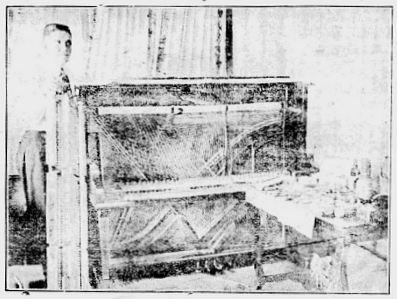
I, J. A. Chapman, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. A. CHAPMAN, Cashier.

Correct—Attest:
C. E. LANIER,
C. A. SKIPPER,
WILLIAM KING,
Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of January, 1922.

(Seal) JENNIE WAYCHOFF, Notary Public.



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Factory Expert Piano Tuner

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Board of Trade, Avon Park, Florida

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Dairy Association Meeting

The Florida Dairy Association will hold its next meeting in Tampa Feb. 7 and 8, in connection with the South Florida Fair, which will be held Feb. 2-11, and the officers are working to secure a large exhibit of dairy cattle at the fair, so that dairymen, who attend the meeting can have an opportunity to compare the conformation of the various types.

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THE TRUTH ABOUT THE SCENIC HIGHLANDS IS GOOD ENOUGH

[The Florida Bull]

All that the people of the Scenic Highlands of Florida need to do, is to tell the truth.

Anything more is detrimental and is just as fatal to confidence when a person lands on the ground as it is to the confidence of a woman who catches her husband kissing another woman.

Florida cannot be considered as a whole—it must be considered by sections—depending entirely on the climate desired—social surroundings—educational and religious advantages and business opportunities sought.

It's up to each section of Florida to bring to public attention in an honorable and straightforward way its particular and individual attractions and no section which does this need fear permanent competition from any section that fails to do so, or seeks recognition on extravagant statements.

All people do not desire the same conditions, either for living or business, any more than all the men in the world want the same woman, that is the reason why this is such a wonderful country of diversified pursuits and resources.

This little sheet is dedicated to the truth as we see it covering the Scenic Highlands of Florida from Haines City to Lake Childs and the country from Haines City to Polk City and Bade City, with Haines City as the hub or pivot, because of its railroad and commercial advantages, as well as its natural strategical position as the foundation upon which to build a great city. From time to time we shall take up in detail the claims of each particular section for preference and try to give a review that will be satisfying to any reader when they come down and make a personal inspection of this section of Florida.

At this time we simply desire to make a few statements to correct certain erroneous impressions in regard to this particular locality.

It is a country of beautiful rolling hills, ranging in altitude from 100 to 325 feet above sea level and containing at almost every point majestic lakes of clear crystal waters and in most cases their shores skirted with beaches of as clear, clean, white sand as is found at the seashore.

In winter there are days, possibly ten through an entire winter when a fire would feel comfortable and possibly three months when a little fire in the mornings and evenings would be necessary. Strawberries for Christmas; roses in January; beautiful clear days with almost perpetual sunshine, with the thermometer at noonday more often a little above 70 degrees than under, pictures a truthful picture of a winter in the Scenic Highlands of Florida as to temperature.

Many people prefer the summer time—personally I do. That may be a surprise to hear a New Englander say that, but I don't want it for an unchanged diet, any more than I want apple pie all the time and it is not a summer resort—by that I mean I would not advise anyone to come here for a few weeks summer vacation, in preference to the White Mountains of New England; the Adirondacks of New York or Colorado Springs and other Rocky Mountain resorts, but for a twelve months' climate it cannot be surpassed in the world as I see it.

To live here and go away for a summer vacation for a change, exactly as you do in the north to escape the heat of the city, to my notion is most ideal. But the general impression of this hill section of South Florida in the summer is wrong—in a number of years I have never seen the thermometer as high as I have seen it on the piazza of my summer home in the hills of New Hampshire and any Northerner who dislikes the cold of the north will find no fault with the year' round climate here.

Hot—of course it gets hots—but not so people topple over with sunstroke—not particular days as hot as in the north, for we get the constant breezes from the Gulf or Atlantic—but it is continuous summer from March to December sometimes and some people get tired of the continuous heat—the heat of individual days is never so excessive as in the big cities. Most people who come here to live become fascinated with the twelve months climate and stay.

This thing we call civilization does nothing but complicate life and mess things all up—the primitive man—the simple child of nature who got his dinner with a club and chased around in nothing but a bear skin—was your truly happy man.—Times-Union.

No. 23

Report of the Condition of THE FIRST TRUST & SAVINGS COMPANY

At Avon Park, in the State of Florida, at the Close of Business Dec. 31, 1922

RESOURCES

Loan on real estate	$ 33,210.00
Loans on collateral security other than real estate	25,718.34
All other loans and discounts	119,861.55
Overdrafts	755.15
United States bonds	50.00
State, county and municipal bonds	500.00
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	2,962.37
Other real estate	2,000.00
Due from incorporated banks	20,401.44
Cash items	340.45
Cash on hand	1,755.46
Revenue stamps	150.00
Insurance	2,000.00
Total	$209,704.76

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in	$ 50,000.00
Surplus fund	2,500.00
Undivided profits (less expenses and taxes paid)	2,605.45
Individual deposits subject to check	76,127.38
Saving deposits	8,053.36
Time certificates of deposit	12,749.35
Cashier's checks outstanding	2,669.22
Bills payable	30,000.00
War Finance Corporation	25,000.00
Total	$209,704.76

State of Florida, County of Highlands, ss.:

I, H. M. Wiggins, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

H. M. WIGGINS, Cashier.

Correct—Attest:
C. E. LANIER,
R. I. HARRIS,
A. V. ANDERSON,
Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of January, 1922.

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"Economy, the poor man's mint."

"I knew once a very covetous, sordid fellow, who used to say: 'Take care of the pence; for the pounds will take care of themselves.'"

"A man may, if he knows not how to save as he gets, keep his nose to the grindstone."

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MONSTER NAVEL ORANGES SHIPPED TO THE PRESIDENT

Richard H. Simonds, editor of the Manufacturers' Record of Baltimore, recently sent to President Harding a box of the finest navel oranges that ever left the state—none of the fruit weighing less than one pound. These were forwarded from Daytona, where the northern editor is spending the winter, and were accompanied by an explanatory letter in which it was stated, tensely but emphatically, that Florida could, if put to the test, produce sufficient in many lines to feed the entire United States.

"Florida is even now, though but in its infancy of development, shipping annually more than 50,000 carloads of foodstuffs to the north and west," said Mr. Edmonds. "In addition to the 12,000,000 or more boxes of citrus fruits shipped annually from this state, Florida annually ships thousands of carloads of early potatoes, cabbage, celery, lettuce, tomatoes, strawberries and other winter grown foodstuffs, in this way contributing immensely to the food supply of millions of people in the north and west."

After a recital of the great possibilities here, Mr. Edmonds says:

"It may not be amiss to say that available reclamation land in the south, if drained and put under cultivation, could easily be made to produce from $5,000,000,000 to $5,000,000,000 annually of foodstuffs—live stock included."

In concluding the message to the president he says: "I hope the flavor of the oranges will remind you of the charms and the glories of the climate of this state and cause you, when burdened with the mighty responsibilities which rest upon you, to seek again in this heaven-favored land rest and invigoration and new strength for the larger duties of the future."—Kissimmee Valley Gazette.

Will Drill for Oil

A group of Miami business men has formed a company called the Miami Petroleum Company for the purpose of drilling for oil in that vicinity. A geologist has reported favorably on the prospects for oil there, believing that part of Florida is of the same geological formation as the oil fields at Tampico. Rigging for drilling has been ordered.

Meeting Associated Boards of Trade

There will be a regular meeting of the board of governors of the Associated Boards of Trade of the Scenic Highlands at Haines City Tuesday, Jan. 17, at noon. As this is the first meeting of the new year, every board of trade on the Scenic Highlands holding membership in the Associated Boards of Trade should send a full representation.

Rub-My-Tism, a pain killer.—Adv.

ASSESSOR'S ROUNDS

I will be at the places below on the dates named to assess taxes for the year 1922. The law provides that each property owner make a return of all their property together with the value. It is very important that each and every owner of either real or personal property see me or send in their return between now and April 1.

Venus, Tuesday, Jan. 24.
Hicoria, Wednesday, Jan. 25.
Lake Stearns, Thursday, Jan. 26.
Bassenger, Tuesday, Jan. 31.
DeSoto City, Thursday, Feb. 2.
Avon Park, Feb. 7 and 8.
Sebring, Feb. 9, 10 and 11.

CYRIL BALDWIN,
Tax Assessor, Highlands County.
Jan13-20-27Feb3-10

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Gainesville, Fla., Dec. 31, 1921.

Notice is hereby given that William W. Sherertz, of Avon Park, Fla., who, on November 23, 1916, made Homestead Entry No. 015040, for E½ of NE¼ and E½ of SE¼, Section 28, Township 33 South, Range 29 East, 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 Sebring, Fla., on the 11th day of February, 1922.

Claimant names as witnesses:

D. K. Waldron of Avon Park, Fla.
John W. Foley of Avon Park, Fla.
Bert H. Starkey of Avon Park, Fla.
Elmer M. Blum of Avon Park, Fla.

ROBT. W. DAVIS,
Jan6-13-20-27Feb3 Register.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR LEAVE TO SELL MINOR'S LAND

In Court of County Judge, State of Florida, Highlands County.

In re estate of Joe West, Horace West, Henry West, Eunice West, Mattie West, Bessie West, Claudie West, Minors.

Notice is hereby given to all whom it may concern, that T. C. West, as guardian of above named minors, will, on the 30th day of January, A. D. 1922, apply to the Honorable D. V. Rouse, County Judge in and for said county, at his office in Sebring, in said county, at 10 o'clock a. m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, for authority to sell, at public sale, the following described real estate, in said county, to-wit: Northwest quarter of southeast quarter Section 18, Township 18 south, Range 21 East.

Which application will be based upon the petition for sale now on file in said court.

Dated December 16, A. D. 1921.

T. C. WEST,
Dec30-Jan7-14-21-28 Guardian.

LEGAL NOTICE

In the Justice Court in and for District No. 1, Highlands County, Florida.
C. S. English vs. Bob Hood.

Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of an execution issued out of the above court, in that certain cause wherein C. S. English is plaintiff and Bob Hood is defendant, I have levied upon and will offer for sale at public auction during the legal hours of sale, one sewing machine. Said sale to be held in front of the First National Bank building, Avon Park, Florida, on the 16th day of January, A. D. 1922.

L. M. MARSH,
Constable District No. 1, Highlands County, Florida.
Dec24-31-Jan7-14

INTERESTING COLLECTION OF SKINS AT EAST FORT MYERS

R. W. Williams, the hauling contractor and fur dealer, recently had a most interesting collection of skins at his place at East Fort Myers. One thousand two hundred and fifty-five kins were in this collection and were from the traps of a hundred trappers. The season's catches usually amount to from forty to fifty thousand skins, coming to Fort Myers from the surrounding country. In the lot just shipped by Mr. Williams were 1,100 coon skins, 40 otter, 50 opossum, 10 civet cats, 15 wildcats and 10 skunk.

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"HILLCREST"

is close to the city limits of Avon Park. Its groves are increasing in value every day. The trees are growing nicely and show a healthy appearance, making an investment with the Scenic Highlands Development Company an attractive one. In fact, one has but to see the young groves, note the painstaking care being given the trees, consider the location and then ascertain what grove properties are selling for all around us, to become convinced that "HILLCREST" is a gilt-edge proposition.

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One lot of Ladies Boots, values to $9, pair $4.98	Good quality Blue Chambray Shirts, to close at 69c	$2 value Silk Hose, to go for 98c
One lot of odd size Shoes, to close out at, pair 98c	Men's Wool Shirts, values to $5, to close at $2.98	$2.50 to $3.50 Silk Hose, to go for $1.89
$3 and $4 Misses' Shoes, to close at ..... $1.48 up	Heavy Ribbed Underwear for men, per garment 63c	Men's Lisle Sox 19c
Boy Scout Shoes, sizes 21½ to 5 only, pair $1.39	All Dress Shirts to close at less than half price	Men's 50c Lisle Sox to go for 39c
$2.50 Bed Room Slippers, all colors, to close at, pair $1.55	Ladies' Heavy Ribbed Vests and Pants, to close at 79c	Men's Silk Sox, $1.25 to $2 values, to go for 89c
36-in. Sea Island, yard 10c	50c Ladies' Vests at 39c	All Men's, Ladies' and Children's Sweaters in all wool to go at almost your own price
Soft Finished Bleached Muslin, yard wide, per yard 15½c	One lot Feather Pillows, worth $5, to go for $2.19	Etchison's Hats, for men, $5 to $6.50 values to go for $3.98
35c Bath Towels 19c	Ladies Long Coats, values to $29.50, to close at $14.98	One lot good Felt Hats, worth $4, to go for $2.89
50c Bath Towels 39c	Misses' and Children's Coats at one-half price	L. & P. Coats Spool Cotton to go for, per spool 5c
$5 and $6 Blankets $3.98	Beautiful line of New Woolens and Crepe de Chines at greatly reduced prices. See these!	One lot Boys' Blouses to go for 48c
$3.50 to $4 Blankets $2.78	Ladies' Silk Hose, $1.50 value for 79c	Ladies' "Poly Prim" House Aprons to go for 89c
One lot specially priced blankets to go at $3.48		All Ladies Silk and Gingham Dresses at one-half price
		Men's Heavy Indigo Blue Overalls to go for 98c

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9:00 A. M.

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VOLUME III. NO. 9 AVON PARK, FLORIDA, FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 1922 $2.00 A YEAR IN ADVANCE

WHY NOT RESTORE PINEAPPLE GROWING AS AN INDUSTRY IN AVON PARK?

Recently E. W. Hartt brought to this office a pineapple weighing 5½ pounds, grown upon the S. Y. Hartt & Son farm on Lake Letta. It was a smooth cayenne and as fine a specimen of this delicious fruit as we have seen in many years. Messrs. Hartt & Son have a piney containing about 15 acres set in March, 1920. For some time they have been supplying the local market with pines, receiving from the store chants 12½ cents a pound for the fruit, the merchants in turn retailing to the consumer at 15 cents a pound. There are several other small pineries in and around Avon Park and as the pineapple industry, which at one time was a most thriving one in this state, has rapidly declined, we wondered why it would not be a good plan to again revive the industry in Avon Park, planting a sufficient acreage to permit of shipping in carload lots.

The pineapple industry is threatened with extinction in Florida. Most of the fields on the East Coast have been abandoned, due to the depletion of soil humus and fertility through constant cultivation and exposure to the tropical sun, the growing prevalence of wilt due to attacks of nematodes and failure to use healthy, vigorous slips in new plantings.

The bureau of plant industry at Washington, D. C., recommends as a method of restoring abandoned fields the allowing of natal grass to grow for two years or longer. Natal grass starves out the nematodes, as it is practically immune from their attacks, and it also adds the necessary humus to the soil.

Avon Park has no depleted soil to build up and the amount of natal grass that has been growing here for a number of years would insure the plants against attacks from nematodes for a number of years to come. We have soil that is adapted to the culture of pineapples, as is amply demonstrated by the piney at Hartt & Son's farm and the smaller pineries of others. Large quantities of this delicious fruit are imported annually from the West Indies (including Porto Rico) and the Hawaiian Islands furnish us with a still greater supply of the canned article. For a number of years the price has been so high that people with ordinary incomes could not afford to utilize the fruit.

The pineapple is a native of South America and is so easily injured by cold that its cultivation in the United States is restricted to the regions of South Florida. Our climatic conditions are such as we believe would justify us in reviving the industry and if it can be successfully carried on here we believe it would add a source of revenue that would mount into large figures. When the industry was at its zenith it was almost entirely confined to the East Coast, extending from the vicinity of Fort Pierce southward to Miami. In spite of occasional setbacks from freezes and other causes the industry grew and prospered and by 1910 there were more than 5,000 acres of pineapples in that section. For many miles along the Indian river the pineapple fields extended in an almost unbroken expanse and the annual crop exceeded 1,000,000 crates. About that time serious shortages began to occur and by 1917 many of the fields had been permanently abandoned. In 1920 there were only a few hundred acres of bearing pineapples in the state.

Pineapples require open and thoroughly drained soil. Careful consideration should be given the question of local air drainage. The maintenance of a sufficient supply of humus is essential in pineapple growing, as in the culture of other fruits. High pine land, such as we have in abundance around Avon Park, is considered by the department of agriculture as being well adapted to pineapple growing, as is also the ordinary "hickory scrub" land.

The Spanish (Red Spanish) variety has been by far the most widely cultivated in Florida, fully 90 per cent of the plantings when the industry was at its height, being of this variety. The Smooth Cayenne is also successfully grown, the fruit being larger than the Red Spanish and having a higher dessert quality, but being more tender is more easily injured by cold. The Cayenne is the principal variety planted in Hawaii. The Abachi (Abakka) pine has been grown to a limited extent here and while the fruit is of large size and excellent quality, it is so tender that it must be very carefully handled in harvesting and shipping.

The subject is so broad that we have not the space to give it a full discussion in any one issue, but we believe that if a number of our growers would get together and form a pineapple growers association, each member planting a limited area, but with a total acreage large enough to insure shipping in carload lots, the industry could be profitably revived here and in case the industry did not prove as successful as anticipated no one would suffer a serious loss.

It is well worth careful consideration and we would like to have those interested to write us on the matter and arrange for a meeting at some future date. If such a meeting can be arranged we will gladly compile statistics to be presented.

PROMINENT EASTERN CAPITALISTS HERE ON IMPORTANT BUSINESS DEAL

Thursday of last week a party of prominent people arriving in Avon Park and registering at the Hotel Avon was composed of George Flint of Philadelphia, his daughter and son-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. S. W. Collins, of Riverton, N. J., and Harry Foster of Philadelphia. Mr. Flint and Mr. Foster were here on business of importance and Dr. and Mrs. Collins to enjoy our salubrious climate and the beauties of the surrounding country. Mr. Foster departed for his home Saturday and Mr. Flint left Tuesday for Jacksonville, where he transacted business a couple of days before returning home. Dr. and Mrs. Collins will remain here another week, much to the delight of the guests at the Avon, for Mrs. Collins has been giving them some rare vocal music since coming here. She has a rich contralto voice and such beautiful singing as she has rendered at the Avon is seldom heard anywhere.

Messrs. Flint and Foster have had much to do with the growth and prosperity of Avon Park, for through the efforts of Messrs. C. E. Lanier and C. A. Skipper they have invested large sums here in enterprises that have furnished employment to a large number of people and have been the means of attracting a number of permanent residents to our city. Both these gentlemen are capitalists of large means and rare business acumen and their investments in Avon Park speak well of the city and its surroundings, for men of their business ability do not make investments where they cannot see opportunity for substantial returns.

In conversation with Mr. Flint Tuesday morning he stated to us that times in the north were gradually coming back to normal. Some lines of business, he said, are showing considerable more activity than during some time past and he cited as one instance the resuming of operations by a large hosiery plant, which is now running full time and with a full force of workmen. Other industrial plants, he said, were gradually increasing their output and some that had reduced their forces to as low as 20 per cent of normal, were now operating up to 65 per cent of capacity. He spoke rather optimistically of the future, but stated that the return to normalcy was bound to be gradual—that we could not expect to return to pre-war times in a day, after there had been such an extravagant waste of money secured through war-time prices.

Mr. Flint feels that Avon Park is bound to grow and prosper and is in hearty accord with all movements that make for the continued prosperity and growth of the city and the development of the surrounding country.

MORE NAMES SUGGESTED FOR THE NEW PARK

Last week, too late for publication, we received a letter from Byrum Shockley, suggesting names for the new park as follows: "Veroline (a combination of Verona and Tulane), Nova (Avon spelled backward), Avonia, Avonian, Metropolitan (if name suggesting city or center is wanted), Bermuda (if that type of grass is used), Magnolia (if any are featured in it and I can think of no other subject more appropriate to occupy at least a part of the park), Camallel (will in years to come be a good index of the time this park was created), Boyd (see note)." In his note Mr. Shockley says: "Mr. Boyd has for thirty years (more or less) repaired our roads and mended our shoes, swept our churches and carried our dead; has ministered to our sick when we were joy riding; has said our prayers when we were too faithless to say them ourselves; has kept hopeful and plodded on when we belittled everything in sight and cursed the day we hit this sand."

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At the request of members of the Woman's Club, we make the statement that the Christmas baskets furnished to needy families were not paid for out of the general funds of the club, but from a fund raised by the members of the relief committee.

DEMOCRATIC MASS MEETING

There will be a mass meeting of the democratic voters of Highlands county in the court room at Sebring, Tuesday, Feb. 14, 1922, at 1 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of perfecting a county organization. It is urgently requested that each district in the county have a liberal representation at this meeting, at which time committeemen from each district will be selected.

MASS MEETING MONDAY NIGHT TO DISCUSS THE COUNTY SEAT ELECTION

A mass meeting of the citizens of Avon Park and of the voters of this commissioner's district is called for Monday night, Jan. 23, to discuss the question of a special election to determine the location of the permanent county seat. The board of trade of Sebring held a meeting last Tuesday night and at that meeting decided to call a mass meeting of the voters of the county, to be held in Sebring Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 24, at 2 o'clock. A delegation from Avon Park and as many voters as can go should attend this general meeting and the men who are to speak for Avon Park should be instructed as to the desires of the majority of our people.

It is essential that a large attendance be present at the Bickell auditorium Monday night at 7:30 sharp to discuss this question, in order that our views may be intelligently presented at the general mass meeting.

It is the opinion of many of our citizens that the election should not be held until every voter in the county has been given an opportunity to register and qualify and as the law does not permit of opening the registration books for special elections, many of our voters, in fact, fully 10 per cent of them, would have no voice in locating the permanent county seat.

Everybody attend the meeting and express your views.

Remember the date, Monday, Jan. 23, Bickell auditorium, 7:30 p. m. Be on hand early.

ADDITIONAL STREET IMPROVEMENTS REALLY NEEDED IN OUR GROWING CITY

One of the best and most constructive pieces of work the town of Avon Park has ever done was the building of our clay streets. The immediate result of this work was that adjoining property increased in value far more than the cost of the work, consequently property owners were reimbursed as soon as the money was spent. But the most far-reaching benefit is the ease and convenience with which one may travel in the various sections of the city.

There are more streets which need hard surfacing and other sections of the city which will develop if street improvements are made. Residents of these sections are entitled to good streets in front of their homes and property. If the street improvements in Avon Park were paid for by the owners of abutting property, as is the case in many cities, the injustice of the local situation would not be so great, for every property owner would have paid for his own street improvement. But when the money for street improvements is taken from the general fund of the city or raised by a bond issue or general taxation, then all should be treated alike.

There is a demand for more street improvement and the Board of Trade will recognize that demand by appointing a committee of substantial business men to carefully consider the situation and make definite recommendations to the town council, for the purpose of the Board of Trade to give all the citizens of Avon Park a careful hearing and the best interests of the town demand that all take an active part in planning and suggesting needed improvements and ways and means of bringing them about.

WOMAN'S CLUB WILL ENTERTAIN SEBRING CLUB

The Woman's Club of Avon Park will entertain the Woman's Club of Sebring at the school auditorium Friday, five minutes of 3 o'clock. Col. A. E. Lawrence will deliver an address on "Woman in Politics" and a splendid musical program will be given. The general public is invited.

ASSOCIATED BOARDS OF TRADE HELD MEETING AT HAINES CITY TUESDAY

The Associated Boards of Trade of the 5 joint Highlands held its regular quarterly meeting at Haines City Tuesday with the membership represented as follows:

Haines City—J. R. Yale, M. J. Lee, R. O. Philpot, Isaac Van Horn, Dundee—A. N. Pettit.

Lake Hamilton—C. B. Anderson, T. W. Powers, Guy Davis.

Frostproof—John Maxey, F. E. Ohlinger.

Avon Park—George F. Kellogg, Ezra Smith, M. T. Merwin.

DeSoto City—C. F. Saunders.

After the reading of the minutes of the meeting held in Sebring were read and approved, the president stated that M. W. Lance, secretary, was unable to be present, as he was attending a meeting of the state highway commission at Tallahassee because of the fact that Dr. E. J. Etheridge, president of the Gulf-to-Lake Scenic Highlands Good Roads League, who was delegated to attend the meeting, was ill and could not be present. A. N. Pettit was appointed secretary pro tem.

A communication was received from the Marion County Board of Trade, asking that the body indorse Judge Phillips as chairman of the state highway commission. A motion prevailed to write Marion county our representatives, suggesting that they exercise their own judgment in the matter.

It was moved by Isaac Van Horn that the Associated Boards of Trade go on record as favoring the extension of state road No. 8 from Lake Annie south to Palmdale to connect at Moore Haven with the Fort Myers, Moore Haven and Palmdale road as soon as it is practicable. Said motion carried.

Under the head of new business Isaac Van Horn spoke of the organization of the Florida Traffic Equalization League and it was moved by Mr. Van Horn and carried by unanimous vote that the Associated Boards of Trade go on record as in favor of the principles of the long and short haul and endorse the action of the Florida Traffic Equalization League in the matter of the adoption of the principles of the long and short haul as contained in what is known as the fourth clause, without prejudice to rates.

C. C. Dyer was instructed to communicate with the Farmers National Congress and ascertain what action is necessary in order to entertain them at their meeting next December and report to this board.

A motion by Ezra Smith prevailed, extending a vote of thanks to the Haines City Board of Trade for the excellent dinner served and the entertainment provided.

No further special business appearing, the meeting stood adjourned.

Started Bank Accounts

The first prizes offered by the B. F. West Banking Company to the school children of Avon Park were won by Francis Crews, Christine Reeves, Robert Sapp and Cameron Epperson, they being the first to turn in correctly the "trip" published in the Pilot. These young folks have started to save and by the time they become young men and women I wonder if they will have a substantial checking account. The quotations published last week have not as yet been correctly handed in.

A special convocation of Highlands Chapter No. 27, Royal Arch Masons, was held Thursday night of last week, at which time the following were received and acknowledged most excellent masters and were duly exalted to the sublime degree of Royal Arch Masons: J. D. McEwen, Carlos E. Skipper and John W. Lester of Avon Park; A. W. Barton of Sebring. After the ceremonies refreshments of sandwiches, cakes, coffee, candy and bananas were served.

OLD-TIME DANCE AT RED TOP RANCH WEDNESDAY NIGHT OF LAST WEEK

Wednesday night of last week Mr. and Mrs. Norton T. Smith, who assisted by Mr. and Mrs. John W. T. Leaure, entertained a large number of their Avon Park friends and winter visitors at Red Top Ranch, Lake Isis, with an old-fashioned dance, given for the young married people of this place. There were about seventy-five guests present, among those from out of town being: Mrs. H. Timm, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Robertson, Chicago; W. A. Armstrong, Aberdeen, Md.; S. Colquitt Pardee, Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. Arthur Middleton, New York City; Mrs. C. H. Moffit, Omaha, Neb.; Mr. and Mrs. John D. Raab, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Miss Grace Hearst, Freeport, Kan.

The guests were in costume, some of which were unique and striking. Mrs. Henry Timm represented a newsgirl, her skirt being made from copies of the Highlands County Pilot, with trimmings of the headlines and a sash, one end of which represented the Pilot and the other Red Top Ranch. Another striking costume was that of Mrs. Fred M. Smith, who represented a demure old lady of sixty years ago. She carried out her part so faithfully that it was some time before the guests could realize that it was not one of those dear old ladies of Dickens' day.

Mrs. C. H. Shepherd represented an old-time school girl; Prof. H. B. Parker was made up as Mozart; Mrs. Parker was a school girl and Mr. and Mrs. John D. Raab also represented a school boy and girl; T. H. Lander was a cowboy from the "wild and woolly west," while Mrs. Lander did credit to that colonial dame, Martha Washington; Mrs. C. E. Lanier took the part of a little girl, who was probably much frightened by the blood-thirsty Indian, while S. Colquitt Pardee, made up as a pirate; Mr. Armstrong displayed his tastes for rural pastimes, representing a farmer; Mrs. Middleton did credit to the boarding school girl and Mr. and Mrs. McDonald represented Baxter Brown and Mary Janey. Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Skipper and Miss Hearst were little boys and girls and Mrs. Leaure was made up as Janice Meredith.

Dr. T. H. Lander led the grand march and Mrs. J. S. Francis gracefully presided over the punch bowl. An appropriate luncheon was served and the guests departed, feeling that for a genuine good time there is no better places to go than to Red Top Ranch and that the host and hostess, with their able assistants, were adepts in the art of entertaining.

The invitations, printed on the Pilot office, caused no little comment and many of them were preserved as souvenirs or sent to friends at a distance. They were printed on wrapping paper in "Ye Olden Tyme" manner and were especially appropriate for the occasion.

COUNTY SEAT ELECTION SHOULD NOT BE HELD UNTIL ALL VOTERS QUALIFY

The question of having an election called immediately for the selection of a location for the permanent county seat of Highlands county is being advocated by the citizens of our neighboring town of Sebring.

We do not believe this question should be brought up at the present time.

In the first place, we believe that when the location of the permanent county seat is decided, it should be by a fair election, in which every voter in the county is given an opportunity to express his or her preference.

Inasmuch as the registration books of Highlands county have as yet not been opened and will not be open in the various precincts of the county until March, such opportunity would not be given all the voters if the election were to be held any time before March.

It is true that voters can qualify by appearing before the tax collector in person and paying their poll taxes and making affidavit that they are qualified voters.

But is it fair to compel voters in the extreme north of the county to make a special trip to the county seat in order that they may be qualified to vote in the county seat election?

We do not think so.

Neither do we believe any man who wants to be fair thinks so.

Another objection we have to offer is the fact that to have a short time there will be a primary election to nominate officers to fill the various county offices.

It will not be many weeks before committeemen from the various voting precincts will get together to perfect their organizations.

Then will come the announcements of candidates for office.

The county commissioners' next regular meeting occurs on the second Monday in February.

If it were decided at that meeting to call a special election for the purpose of selecting a permanent location for the county seat, the election notice would have to be published thirty days—five publications—before the election could be held.

That would bring the election after March 17.

By that time it is altogether likely that the candidates for public office will have made their announcements.

It would afford an opportunity for trading and other political juggling.

What is a condition which should be avoided if harmony is to prevail in the county and the will of the people govern.

The location of a permanent county seat is not a question to be decided by a few men who would personally profit thereby.

Neither is it a question to be decided by committees of a few men, representing different factions.

It is a question to be decided by all the voters.

If the election is called for any date before the primary election is held the will of the voters is likely to be defeated.

Not only in the selection of a location for the county seat, but in the selection of county officers.

The fact that one particular locality shows more voting strength at one time than another should have no weight in calling an election.

We do not believe in calling an election when the greater part of the voters who spend their summers elsewhere are away, but in giving all a fair chance.

The fact that some men may desire public office badly enough to trade their influence in county seat location, under that they may be elected, should be taken into consideration.

Opportunity which permits of such trading should be avoided.

It will not be avoided if the election is called now.

We say so, even though we expect to serve as public officials and then take to the matter of the county seat.

If any locality is then defeated and defeated honestly, by the ballots of the majority of the voters, accept the decision and work together in harmony to make a greater Highlands county.

We have an opportunity before us to make this the greatest county in the state, but it cannot be done by intrigue or political machinery.

We are in favor of leaving the county seat where it now is for another year.

By that time financial conditions will have probably changed and a better idea of the future can be gained.

We believe that a year from now a much more accurate expression of the desires of the people as a whole can be obtained.

Wherever the county seat is located, let it be done fairly and squarely and let it be the will of the whole people—not by a few.

Think is over and we believe you will agree with us.

Order Eastern Star

Leigh Chapter No. 87, Order of Eastern Star, held its regular meeting last Friday evening at which time several petitions for membership were received. After the business of the chapter had been concluded a fine luncheon was served.

CHARITY SHOULD BE EQUALLY DISTRIBUTED THROUGH ORGANIZATION

There is probably not a more charitably inclined people to be found anywhere in Florida than right here in Avon Park. Each citizen responds to all appeals as liberally as his or her circumstances will permit, no matter for what purpose the appeal may be made.

In every community there are those who will impose upon charity if they are divided into two classes—one class accepting it as long as it will be given and the other accepting it under pressing circumstances, but with humiliation. The latter class possesses an independence of spirit which inspires them to every effort to become self-sustaining and does not long remain on the charity list. The former will accept as long as you will give and will impose upon them because you have not done more.

But whether or not a destitute family is worthy, our responsibility is the same. Humanity as an civilized people cannot allow the hungry to go unfed, the naked unclothed or the sick without medical attention.

We come, however, to temper our charitable actions that we will not long be imposed upon by the shiftless and consequently unworthy.

To avoid such imposition, charity should be distributed through an organization composed of those who have the time to investigate individual cases, supply the urgent needs and if possible place the family or person so assisted in a way to become self-supporting.

Without organized work we are prone to give too much in one instance and too little in another.

We have in mind two examples: Only a few days ago members of the relief committee of the Woman's Club visited a family living near town, supplying them with a basket of provisions. They found the woman of the house sick, the man in charge and the children half naked. There was practically no food in the house and cleanliness seemed to be foreign to the occupants. The head of the family and a 14-year-old boy were able to work, but there was no one to leave in charge of the smaller children. In a case of this kind, arrangements should be made for the care of the mother and children, in order that the male members of the family might get out and earn a living for the wife and children.

The second instance we have in mind is a widow with six children. A committee of charitably inclined ladies had been active in soliciting assistance and a large sum of money was raised, which will be disbursed weekly. There was enough money contributed in this instance to keep an ordinary family several months, if the money were judiciously expended.

Inasmuch as an extra effort was put forth for the benefit of this particular family, it will be difficult to follow up with additional solicitation and secure large contributions. For that reason the relief committee of the Woman's Club, which is endeavoring to assist a number of families, from similar organized charity, should not duplicate the charitable work, dividing the funds so that all may receive the necessary assistance.

We are not condemning the efforts of the ladies in the particular case mentioned, but we believe that in such cases they should work with an organized body, thus securing a more equal distribution and relieving more destitute people.

Polk County Deputy Sheriff Killed

Deputy Sheriff O. T. Smith of Polk county was shot and instantly killed by a negro, said to have been Cogbold, about 11:30 o'clock Sunday night, while endeavoring to place the negro under arrest for having earlier in the night shot at E. Hartog, saw mill foreman at camp No. 4, near Sumica, twenty miles east of Lake Wales. Several men who accompanied Smith on his errand to arrest the negro, witnessed the shooting and fired at the negro, but he succeeded in escaping in the darkness. Sheriff John Logan, accompanied by a hastily summoned posse, left Bartow for the scene of the shooting, and passes requested at the mill searched for the negro.

They Love Their Teacher

Monday morning when Miss Sadie Myers, teacher of the fourth grade in the Avon Park school, stepped into her room she was startled to see her room beautifully decorated with roses and other catchy articles, and when the children apprised her of the fact that they had been prompted to give her a surprise party because they loved her, she was filled with joy. The children gave her a shower of fruits and candies. Arithmetic hour that morning was taken up working out the problems of affection and association.