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CITRUS GROWERS WILL SPLIT A \$30,000 MELON

TAYLOR, HANCOCK, CARLTON, CANFIELD, MARSHALL, ROUSE, PIERCE AND ALBRITTON ARE THE NOMINEES

TAYLOR'S MAJORITY OVER ADAMS THE DAYS SURPRISE

TRAMMELL IS WINNING

Mrs. Scott Runs Marshall Close Race While Carlton Snows Under Henderson

Returns from Hicoria, coming in after noon, show increasing margins for the leaders in the three major races, making Hancock's election absolutely sure, as Zachary will have to poll practically every second choice vote cast by a Cash man to catch up with the present incumbent. The unofficial returns show:

Adams, 8; Taylor, 13; Cash, 5; Hancock, 16; Zachary, 17; Rouse, 13; Rouse, 8; Canfield, 8; Roberts, 13; Marshall, 14; Scott, 7; Carlton, 10; Henderson, 16.

With practically every candidate running true to campaign form and very little resultant do-sipping, Highlands county got away with its first Democratic primary on Tuesday in great shape. The only surprises were in the respective margins that the different candidates drew. Six out of seven of the precincts in the county indicate the following as receiving majorities: Park Trammell for United States; George W. Adams for Railroad Commissioner; R. H. Hancock for Sheriff; D. V. Rouse for County Judge; D. F. Canfield, tax collector; W. A. Marshall, superintendent of public instruction; James Carlton, supervisor of registration. The county commissioner's race in District No. 2, Sebring, was won by G. G. Albritton with J. Lee Johnson a close second. The last precinct, Hicoria, has only 23 votes and can't change the result.

Probably the most exciting of the races were those in the Adams-Hancock, Sheriff, Rev. Mr. Taylor's election over George Adams, while generally conceded, even one week ago, was something of a surprise to even a large number of the county's friends. Of the six precincts held from Wednesday morning, Adams had carried only two, Adams and DeSoto town, by a 65 majority and DeSoto City by seven votes. Taylor carried Sebring, his home precinct, by a 170 majority, while he received majorities of 16, 25 and 51 in Lake Stearns, Venus and Bassenger's respectively. The vote of the six precincts gave Taylor 514 and Adams 380. The majority of the vote for Taylor, presided over the possibility of Adams winning in the remaining precinct of Hicoria, and the fact that this precinct will run Taylor's majority to the 200 mark.

In the sheriff's race, Hancock appears a sure winner as the first-choice balloting with practically no chance of the second-choice vote. His total of 411 is 131 votes more than Zachary, second man, and if he gets a third-choice vote, he will win. Hancock conceded a majority of Cash's second-choice votes to Zachary, but even then the present incumbent's seat seemed safe. Of the three, Cash polled the largest precinct vote, getting 21 first-choice votes in his home town, Avon Park. Hancock was second at the Park, getting 133, while Zachary brought up the rear with 40. At Sebring, which is the home town of both Hancock and Zachary, the former led the field with 201 first-choice votes, while Zachary polled 101. Cash was an indifferent third, with only 26 of the first-choice ballots. Zachary carried a plurality in the other three precincts, Hancock getting one precinct, that of Venus, by three votes.

For superintendent of public instruction, W. A. Marshall, the present incumbent, seemed safe without a very small majority. This majority, it seemed, would not be greater than 60 or less than 20. Mrs. Lulu M. Scott, his opponent, carried four of the six precincts held from, polling up a majority of votes in Sebring, Lake Stearns, Bassenger and Venus. Mrs. Scott's running was somewhat of a surprise to many of the county's supporters, especially in view of the fact that the woman candidate entered the race late in the campaign and had not made much of an aggressive fight. The total vote in the six precincts gave Marshall 492 votes to Mrs. Scott's 441.

In the county judge's race the present incumbent, D. V. Rouse, beat A. E. Lawrence in the six precincts by a total of 526 to 402. Lawrence carried Sebring, Bassenger and Venus, only getting a severe majority in the former and six in the latter. D. F. Canfield, the present tax collector, won in a walk over W. A. Adams, polling up a grand total of 601 in the six precincts to his opponent's 288. James ("Uncle Jimmy") Carlton beat L. J. Henderson, the present supervisor of registration by

Leave St. Petersburg to Spend Summer in Avon Park on Ridge

With former residents abandoning their winter home in St. Petersburg to spend the summer in Avon Park in the heart of Florida's Ridge, a new style in summer resorts is being set. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dilley and two sons returned here Tuesday and have

leased the W. S. Butler residence for the summer months. They will return to the Sunshine City in November.

The Dilleys were former residents of Avon Park and say they find the Ridge summers more comfortable than anywhere else they have been in the state.

	Avon Park	Sebring	DeSoto City	Lake Stearns	Venus	Bassenger	Hicoria	Total
For Senator—								
Albert W. Gilchrist	150	149	87	8	29	—	—	373
Park Trammell	220	156	31	34	29	—	—	470
For Railroad Commissioner—								
H. S. Bowden	100	116	22	20	7	—	—	265
D. S. Campbell	100	116	22	20	7	—	—	265
R. L. Eaton	116	106	13	9	12	—	—	256
For Representative—								
George W. Adams	232	75	38	15	19	—	—	380
Jno. A. Taylor	167	245	25	31	44	52	—	564
For Sheriff—								
R. H. Hancock	221	26	10	3	6	3	—	269
R. H. Hancock	133	201	17	15	33	12	—	411
W. B. Zachary	40	104	36	28	30	42	—	280
For County Judge—								
D. V. Rouse	128	106	20	26	27	—	—	326
D. V. Rouse	263	159	32	20	28	24	—	526
For Tax Collector—								
D. F. Canfield	274	246	42	30	40	20	—	611
W. A. Williams	129	85	22	12	10	31	—	289
For Superintendent of Schools—								
W. A. Marshall	272	122	37	10	14	17	—	492
Mrs. Lulu M. Scott	111	197	28	36	33	41	—	441
For Supervisor of Registration—								
James Carlton	239	242	41	21	30	34	—	607
L. J. Henderson	77	72	18	26	33	5	—	201

the count of 607 to 231, in the six precincts, thereby insuring his election.

In the commissioner's race in District No. 2, the election of Pearce over Perry Etheredge, the present incumbent, Pearce is said to have carried Bassenger solid with 53 votes to his opponent's none, scoring one of the low pollings "whitewashes" in Florida politics. Etheredge carried his home precinct, DeSoto City.

In Avon Park, County Commissioner Wm. King had no opposition, nor did W. A. McAnally at Lake Stearns or W. W. Williams at Venus. One of the weak spots in General Gilchrist's chain developed in this county, a part of the former governor's old home county. Trammell carried the precinct of Hicoria, while DeSoto City's majority for Gilchrist was only six votes. Both Bassenger and Hicoria still to be heard from in this race.

As a result of the accident last week in which two were killed and eight others injured, Sheriff R. E. Yule after the coroner had opened a letter to all road road regulations of the county urging strict enforcement with regard to the use of dimmers.

Avon's Panthers Tie Osceola Cowpunchers From Kissimmee

(By Dooley De)

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Six Games Ahead There are six games ahead of the Panthers, Acting Manager Bill Spear announcing the layout as follows:

Avon Park at Haines City, June 15; Haines City at Avon Park, July 6; Loughman at Avon Park, July 29; Lake Wales at Avon Park, July 13; Avon Park at Wauchula, June 8; Wauchula at Avon Park, June 29.

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ADVENTIST SERVICES FRIDAY

Freuching at the Seventh Day Adventist church, west of the railroad, is scheduled for Friday night at 8 o'clock, the topic being "The Gospel of Physical Health and How to Keep Well." Sabbath school will be held the next morning at 10 o'clock and preaching following. Prayer meetings will be held Sunday night and Wednesday night.

ARCADIA GIRL WEDS OFFICER

Miss Florence Ley, Arcadia newspaper woman, and Lieut. Roy McLamore were married at the bride's home Sunday. Paul Ley, Avon Park, a brother of the bride, motoring there to be present at the ceremony. Accompanying him was Paul Health, lieutenant and Mrs. McLamore left Sunday night for the camp at Anniston, Ala., where the lieutenant is stationed.

MORE ROOM FOR SHU-FIXKY

A sixty by seven foot addition to the frame Capal theater building is being built for the Avon Park Shu-Fixky and F. J. Gray, the proprietor. It is not sure that it will be sufficient room to take care of the rapidly growing business. The present quarters in a seven by twenty foot space are badly cramped.

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Landslide for Trammell Is the Indication

ALL HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY OFFICERS ARE RE-ELECTED

Congressman Return

INCUMBENTS WIN EXCEPT WHEN KLAN OUSTS VOLUNIA "RING"

Tampa, June 7.—(Special to Pilot) Incomplete returns from the state at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon gave United States Senator Park Trammell 42,571 and Albert W. Gilchrist 15,425, with assurances from all sides that the senator will retain his seat by a landslide.

Circuit Judge Robles is returned in the Hillsborough circuit, beating Judge Patton, about two to one. Various returns at 2 o'clock show: Ten out of 17 precincts, Manatee, 100; Rouse, 175; Railroad commissioner, Bowden, 106; Campbell, 206; Eaton, 216; Tarvin winning for the legislature. Hardie county, complete, indicates Trammell carried the county by a safe majority.

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AVON PARK SUB-EXCHANGE POOL IS 20,000 BOXES SINCE CHRISTMAS

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CLOSING NOW AND BUSY FIGURING UP THE CHECKS

LATE BLOOM FOLLOWS

Both Pools Will Pay Out Within Next Thirty Days and May Total Up to \$10,000

While cutting melons is fashionable, the citrus growers of the Avon Park sub-exchange with cut one of their own—some \$20,000 to \$30,000, now time, suit will be filed to collect, the costs to be borne by the property owner and the total will be levied against the property, which will be sold or not relieved.

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Notice is hereby given that the following described lands, or so much thereof as will be necessary to pay the amount due for State Drainage Taxes hereto, is open to the same, together with out of such sale and advertising, will be sold at public auction on the 1st day of July, 1922, at Columbia, County of Highlands.

DESCRIPTION	Sec.	Twp.	Range	Acres.	OWNER.	Taxes and Costs.
All unsurveyed	2	37	21	629	Unknown	\$49.15
All unsurveyed	3	37	21	619	Unknown	\$2.90
W1/2 of SW1/4 and undivided by in- terest in E1/2 of SW1/4	20	37	21	100	Unknown	\$19.00
All unsurveyed	21	37	21	610	Unknown	\$7.20
All unsurveyed	22	37	21	610	Unknown	\$14.51
All unsurveyed	23	37	21	610	Unknown	\$2.90
All unsurveyed	24	37	21	610	Unknown	\$2.90
NW1/4	31	37	21	160	Hutto & Schenck	\$4.81

June 8-15-22-29

(Signed) H. P. CANFIELD,
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FORTY CENTS FOR HALF A GRAPEFRUIT

[By Arthur Chapman, in New York

Times.] To many individuals the grapefruit has ceased to be a mere grapefruit and has become a symbol. In its yellow roundness it looms as a sign of extravagance. Its skin, when cooled in ice, might well bear the legend: "The food that won't come down."

For it is a fact that, whereas other things on the menu have shown a tendency to drop the grapefruit price remains stationary. Those business geniuses who delight in taking a crack and tracing the fluctuations of food-stuffs, pig iron and railroad stocks and the progress of the well known six industrials, will find little in the grapefruit to enlist their energies.

One can start at the eastern end of such a chart at a point labeled 1914 and draw an almost straight line across to the point at the western end, marked 1922, said line representing the course of grapefruit prices on the average hotel and restaurant menu.

No sailor ever held a ship more firmly in one course, and no plowman of the land ever turned a straighter furrow.

Nor is there any use asking the average hotel or restaurant man the why of this phenomenon. One sees in advance the dawning of the slow, scornful smile. One senses the synchronized split of eyebrow and shoulder, and one hears the crushing words:

"It's the overhead, of course!" Apparently the grapefruit has contracted a fatal case of overhead. The overhead has come out of almost everything else. It is out of the sausages and the wheat cakes and the sliced ham, and it is out of the coffee in some cases—to the detriment of the taste of all those things but nothing apparently can take the overhead out of the grapefruit.

Sometimes the individual in the dining room, who is confronted with everything else. It is out of the grapefruit is inclined to make inquiry concerning the price of such material by the box. If he follows out such an inclination interesting discoveries are his. He will find countless boxes of grapefruit unloaded every morning from the Erie at pier 20—perhaps twenty carloads.

From the ferry adjoining the pier long strings of New Jersey commuters make their way across the waterfront and disappear up Chambers street into the maw of the big city. Such commuters are passing by grapefruit at not more than 17 cents apiece—grapefruit which these same commuters buy for lunch in the hotel uptown at 40 cents per half. Such is one act in the little joke the ultimate consumer is always playing on himself.

Profit of 300 Per Cent. That's About All

The wholesale price of grapefruit, unlike the restaurant price, is inclined to vary with supply and demand. But it is seldom that the boxes of forty-sixes run over \$7. Forty-sixes, it should be explained, are the biggest, choicest grapefruit which run forty-six to a box. Allowing for some waste, owing to spoiled specimens or two in a box, the price per grapefruit at the pier can not run over 17 cents with the price of a box at \$7.

Wholesalers claim their profit on grapefruit does not run over 10 per cent. This puts the burden of the charge up to the final handler of the grapefruit. At 40 cents for half a grapefruit more than 300 per cent profit can be figured.

If one wishes to see the grapefruit in its truly regal surroundings he must go far uptown—far from pier 20. One of the Forty-second street aristocrats of waterdom brings in half a grapefruit, deliberately ordered by a diner whom a charge of 40 cents means nothing.

One looks in vain to see what it is that makes the order so expensive. To be sure, the half of grapefruit rests in a bed of cracked ice, but ice is not so very expensive, even though it is cracked with a jeweled hammer in the well-manicured hand of the seventh assistant chef in a fashionable hotel. Also there is a paper dolly under the dish in which the grapefruit reposes, but since when has the paper dolly market been soaring on the Stock Exchange? To be sure, if one looks closely he will find that the grapefruit spoon is a special make, constructed for the double purpose of separating the interior and exterior of the product of the grapefruit tree and at the same time getting the juice. But spoons are not so difficult to get, especially with the silver market at a point so low that any one in the west who talks about operating a silver mine is immediately ticketed for the insane asylum.

Warm Water in Finger Bowls Helps to Bring Up the Cost

If one inquires still further, in an effort to justify the price he will find that the special finger bowl, which is brought in following the grapefruit course, is filled with warm water. But the expense of warming water is not as it was in record zero days. No one, not even a cafe proprietor eager to justify the menu, can get up and say that the cost of heating a finger bowl of water can be figured on the left-hand side of the decimal point.

Of course, it will be argued that the trappings of the half of grapefruit do not matter. It is the larger surroundings that count as overhead. The new furniture that was put in last fall, the extra heavy carpets that were put in the reception room and ornate holders for cigarette ashes which have been ordered for women patrons, the jazz orchestra, consisting of fifteen pampered artists with unbalanced ideas on the salary question, and other matters, which apparently have nothing to do with grapefruit must all be reckoned into the cost of that order.

Of course, one can't open up a box of grapefruit on pier 20 and proceed to eat there—not even if one brings along his own sugar and his own spoon and finger bowl. Also he may hesitate, especially if he is a bachelor, about ordering a box of forty-six. Forty might spoil while

the consumer was eating the six. Even at that rate, it would be saving money on the grapefruit, perhaps, but trying to turn pier 20 into a lunch room would be to prove an unsuccessful and altogether unsatisfactory matter, so the man who hungers for grapefruit turns his back on 17-cent grapefruit and wanders uptown, where the best products are brought on at 80 cents apiece.

If one is inclined to carry the matter to the 40-cent grapefruit still further let him consider the case of the grower. Florida and California grapefruit are the finest kinds on the New York market. The forty-sixes from these states are the ultimate choice of the one who is looking for the best. But he will find smaller grades of California and Florida fruit selling at prices commensurate with their quality. Also, there is Porto Rico grapefruit, which scales below the California and Florida varieties and which retails for less.

One can imagine the grower of forty-sixes amid his semi-tropical surroundings which suggest only tranquil thoughts invading such a sanctuary, decorated with golden globes of breakfast cheer. Yet one finds a frown stealing over the usually placid brow of the grapefruit grower as he runs his thumb along the wrapper of paper from New York and scans the market quotations.

"Andrew," says the grapefruit grower to his neighbor, "I am afraid that, unless we get more for our product, I will have to let you go to the moon. The whole grapefruit mortgage on this little ranch was over today giving the place a proprietary interest. Unless things change these acres which you don't have tend to go as suddenly and well as the trees into his hands, with all these trees which bear the largest and juiciest grapefruit that ever delighted the palate of man."

What is the reason, oh, my master, that we must sever our relations under such painful conditions? "The reason," retorts the grower in the tearful manner of his kind on the stage, "it is because somewhere, somehow, down the line considering the back-breaking toll I have put in on these same fields, when some non-agriculturalist in New York city hires a jazz orchestra and some French waiters and thereby make 300 per cent profit on grapefruit that have thrown me for a loss!"

Then, good master, why should we not put a jazz orchestra and some French waiters in our orchard, and thereupon truck up the price of our grapefruit to such dizzy heights as may suit our fancy?"

Practical Idea

"Truly, your imagination is livelier than your good sense," rejoined the producer wearily. "Jazz seems to become mere dissonances when it is removed from Broadway. It is only in the vicinity of Forty-second street that the pocket nerve becomes so numbed that people do not care what they pay out. I fancy one should broach the subject of grapefruit at

yourself and do some lobbying, or whatever it is called, good master? queries the faithful retainer.

"A lobbyist, according to traditions, goes with his pocket stuffed with money," returned the planter, sadly. "How can a producer of anything on the farm stuff his pockets with such bills payable in these days? There is no state element in New York state who are even in sadder case than I, for the city dweller pays a fancy price for the milk and cream which he takes from his dumbwaiter, while the farmer is not making enough to pay for the feed consumed by the cow that gives the milk. Yet that farmer is closer to the market than we, my good Andrew, and people have to use his product, whereas it is not absolutely necessary for them to eat grapefruit."

"What makes such conditions, good master?" persisted Andrews.

"Now you have asked a question which not all the combined professional wisdom at Columbia, New York University and the College of the City of New York can answer."

"Am I mistaken, master, when I say that somewhere I remember having read that such things show the vicariousness of being known as the middleman?"

"No, your memory serves you well enough, Andrew. The middleman has his share in economic discussions which bear on grapefruit and many other food products, but mainly I think the problem is one much concerned with economics as with national folly. If there were not certain foolish things which restrain people from making profits when they know they are being robbed, there might be brighter days for us on the old grapefruit ranch. But as matters stand, what avail all my years of study at the best agricultural colleges in the country? What does it matter that I have learned of the best masters how to spray fruit and just how and why and when trees should be pruned and irrigated and massaged in order that they may yield only the finest and best flavored fruits? And what are the odds, looking to my purchases of fertilizer for my yearling calves, when I consider the back-breaking toll I have put in on these same fields, when some non-agriculturalist in New York city hires a jazz orchestra and some French waiters and thereby make 300 per cent profit on grapefruit that have thrown me for a loss?"

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80 cents apiece at the point of initial shipment, he would be set upon by indignant railroad men and wholesalers and retailers, who would accuse him of bartering a monkey wrench into the economic scheme of things. Probably somebody, more indignant than the rest, would assault him with a pruning hook."

"Then, master," quoth Andrew, brightening, "there is only one thing that I can see for us to do—and thank fortune we can do it."

"What is your plan, good Andrew?" "It is to give away this grapefruit ranch and let someone else grow the perfect forty-sixes at a loss. Let us go to New York and buy a hotel where we can put grapefruit on the menu at 40 cents a half or 80 cents apiece. I have some thousands of dollars bequeathed to me by a wealthy uncle, and I can think of no better use for it all than to advance your interests."

"Andrew, your genius is something overwhelming. Let us go at once! On the way we shall pick up the jazz orchestra, and then we shall be equipped with the chief element of the grapefruit cost." (We have a hotel menu on which grapefruit is listed at 60 cents.—Ed.)

Members of the Vero and Fort Pierce baseball teams will face trial in the county court in June on a charge of playing baseball on Sunday. The arrests were made by the sheriff on order of Governor Hardee.

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NEGROES THINK TWO LIVE CHEAPER'N ONE

**Dan Cupid's Dark Targets Out-
Number the Whites
Two to One**

Are those of the dusky hue favorite marks for the arrows of Dan Cupid? At any rate it seems so if the figures obtained in the county judge's office are any criterion. These figures indicate that of the twenty-seven marriage licenses issued since Jan. 1, eighteen were delivered to parties of ebony distinction, while the remaining nine were for the whites. In other words, the negroes are leading the field, matrimonially speaking, two to one.

Just why more negroes than whites in this county are falling for the old gag that two can live more cheaply than one is more or less a mystery in the minds of many, but an enlightened few ascribe the cause to a lack of education. Others point out what they claim to be an indisputable fact: that the aforementioned gag applies only to the gentlemen and ladies of color. They advance as a reason for the faith that is within them the theory that marriage in African circles changes the status quo of the bride only when she is not a wage earner at the time of assuming the marital vows. In other words if she has not been earning anything previously, in the ante bellum days, so to speak, she must handle the dough and help pay the grocery bills, in addition to furnishing the cooking end of three squares the day for her lesser half. Thus it is that the two, by saving their daily earnings until Saturday night, can by quantity purchase and adhering strictly to a plan of co-operative expenditure cut down more or less on the high cost of living. At least it seems as if they should; because why shouldn't they? What is left can go toward staking the "old man" to his regular Saturday night game of craps, or if he wins, well he may be able to sport a silk shirt and perhaps a wood alcohol jag. If he loses, well, he may not Saturday night, so it is of no great consequence, after all. And as for the storm and strife, well, she'll get her share, win or lose.

Seriously, however, the figures in Highlands county are understood to be generally typical throughout the south and those who are staunch defenders for white supremacy are manifesting considerable uneasiness over the corresponding increase of birth rate among the negroes which is slowly but surely tending to diminish the numerical superiority of the whites over the blacks.

The marriage licenses in Highlands county since January have ranged from four to seven a month. February had the smallest number, with January topping the list.

A further delving into the records brought out the fact that a total of sixty licenses have been issued in Highlands county since its organization; the first being taken out July 13, 1921. The new county's first matrimonial adventures were Henry McCade and Betty Love, both negroes, and recollections of the clerk are to the effect that it was properly a love match. As to whether or not the 13th was too much of a handicap to marital happiness is not known. However, that particular 13th was on Wednesday and not Friday, which may or may not have given the couple good luck.

Highlands' sixty since July of last year as compared to the more populous county of Hillsborough is not such a bad showing after all. The county of which Tampa is the county seat, roughly estimated, a population thirty times as great as that of Highlands. To match this country's record Hillsborough must have had 1,800 marriages within that period of time or a little better than an average of five each day. It is extremely doubtful, judging by the daily statistics in the Tampa papers if this average has been maintained.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Transfers filed for record in Highlands county since last publication, as reported by Highlands Security, Abstract & Title Co., Sebring:

R. B. Pope to E. A. Pooler: 5 1/2 E 20 acres of SE 1/4, Sec. 25, Twp. 33, R. 28.

R. B. Pope to C. F. Poole: N 1/2 of E 30 acres of SE 1/4, Sec. 25, Twp. 33, R. 28.

Sebring Real Estate Co. to Gertrude McCrory and Lois Norris Cope: Part of farms 22 and 23, Basket Lake Groves, Sec. 18.

Sebring Development Co. to Geo. E. Sebring Co.: Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 11 and 16, block B, and lot 9, block D, and lot 8, block E and lot 8, block F, and lot 13, block G, seventh addition to Sebring.

Sebring Real Estate Co. to Geo. E. Sebring, Jr.: Part of lots 23 and 25, Basket Lake Groves subdivision, Sec. 18, Twp. 34, R. 29.

Sebring Real Estate Co. to Corn H. Sebring: Part of farms 22, 23 and 25, Basket Lake Groves, Sec. 18.

John H. Komble to Edwin D. Putney: Right to a foot-path to the south edge of lot 1 and lot 1, in W 1/2 Sec. 19, Twp. 33, R. 28, and right to build boathouse on shore of Lake Brentwood.

Edwin D. Putney to Mary E. Coffin: W 1/2 Sec. 10, Twp. 33, R. 28.

Emil A. Polvin to Geo. Edward Welch and wife: SW 1/4 lot 3, block 3, Sec. 22, Avon Park.

Margaret Groszke to Harry and Laura M. McCorkle: Lot 7, block 104, Sebring.

George N. Fry to City Co. of Oil City, Pa.: Gov. lots 2, 3, 4, 5 and NE 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec. 26, Twp. 33, R. 28.

George N. Fry to City Co. of Oil City, Pa.: Gov. lots 2, 4 and 5 and E 320 feet of Gov. lot 3, Sec. 36, and E 320 feet of NE 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec. 36, Twp. 33, R. 28.

R. A. Hendry to DeSoto Holding Co.: Lots 5 and 7, block 37, Sec. 25, Avon Park.

Geo. S. Carty to L. O. Morde: Lot 11, block 1, Sec. 9, Twp. 33, R. 28.

L. O. Morde to DeSoto Holding Co.:

Lot 11, block 1, Sec. 9, Twp. 33, R. 28.
M. T. Whidden to Irene Christopher: Lot 5, subdivision lot 1, block J, Price & Gorman's subdivision.
M. T. Whidden to Irene Christopher: N 1/4 NW 1/4 NW 1/4 Sec. 26, Twp. 33, R. 27; also lot 2, block 1, Sec. 26, Twp. 33, R. 28.
Irene Christopher to Lillie H. Whidden: Lot 8, block 1, Sec. 26, Twp. 33, R. 28; also N 1/4 NW 1/4 NW 1/4 Sec. 28, Twp. 33, R. 27.

W. M. Pickard to G. A. True: E 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec. 2, Twp. 35, R. 23.
Mary F. Field to Harry H. Sutton: N 25 feet lot 9, block 48, Sebring.

Harry H. Sutton to E. W. Field and Mary E. Field: N 25 feet lot 3, block 48, Sebring.

Sebring Development Co. to Sebring Builders Supply Co.: Lots 7 and 8, block 45, Sebring.

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J. F. Sanger to Robert H. Stanton: Lot 14, block 73, Sebring.

Sebring Development Co. to J. O. Yonce: Lot 1, block 75, Sebring.

L. P. Austin to W. G. McClelland: Part NE 1/4 NW 1/4 Sec. 36, Twp. 33, R. 29.

Marjorie Ashley to Ora Ashlet: Part lots 22 and 23, block 72, Sebring.

Sebring Development Co. to J. F. Spooner: Lots 15 and 16, block 74, Sebring.

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Herbert S. Dalton to Edward E. Thompson: Lot 3, block 7, Sec. 14, Avon Park.

Articles of Incorporation of Highlands Development Co., capital \$50,000, incorporators—D. M. Andrews, Henry Foto, Sarah Withers and A. C. Withers. To do a general real estate and development business.

Mrs. Joseph Hughes to Sebring Real Estate Co.: Farm 23, Sec. 16, Twp. 34, R. 29.

Jesse Gearing to Sebring Real Estate Co.: Farm 1, Sec. 7, Twp. 34, R. 29.

William Evans et al to Christina and Jones Johnson: Part lot 2, block 38, Sebring.

Joseph Hughes to Sebring Real Estate Co.: Farm 22, Twp. 36, R. 25 E.

J. W. Ingle to P. S. Miller: Farm 140, Sec. 17, Twp. 34, R. 29.

Dan M. Andrews et al to Highlands Development Co.: E 1/2 NW 1/4, Sec. 19, Twp. 34, R. 29.

Special master to Jesse Gearing: N 1/2 farm 1, Sec. 7, Twp. 34, R. 29.

A. B. McLean to C. Markley: 26 acres in Sec. 2, Twp. 34, R. 28.

Sebring Real Estate Co. to W. Z. Dalgey: Lot 18, block 63, Sebring.

B. E. Warren et al to Lawrence H. Brown: Tract No. 20, Sec. 2, Twp. 34, R. 28.

John E. Whidden to Carrie McGiboney: Lot 2, block 21, Sec. 22, Twp. 33, R. 28, Avon Park.

Levi Bennyhoff to O. E. Wolf and W. C. Touchette: Lot 8, block 2, Sec. 23, Avon Park.

A Florida chapter of Alpha Zeta, honorary agricultural fraternity, has been instituted at the state university at Gainesville; the institution last week having been marked by the initiation of thirty-five members, representing the faculty, alumni and students.

The United States bureau of markets has opened an office at Ocala in the quarters of the Chamber of Commerce and placed Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Park of Washington, D. C. in charge to advise melon growers as to market conditions during the melon shipping season.

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TELEPHONE 29

The issue of this advertisement in current
form copy must be in our hands by 9
o'clock a. m. (Wednesday).

Apparently it never rains but it
pours.

The only safe grade crossing hasn't
been found yet.

It looks like McCarver is trying to
encumber the nation.

Lake Alfred is having a paint-out
week. How about Avon Park?

With the June bride waiting, Jug
Plav is pushing the June bloom.

With our phone wires in deep
water, we are assured of no more air.

Honest now, the country doesn't
seem to be headed to the how-woos
does it?

Politics makes strange bedfellows,
but they're all common ground under
the primrose.

Ice cream parlors here open 8 to
10 a. m. and 3 to 5 p. m. Sundays.
Come over, Tampa.

Let's forget, the state road de-
partment helps those who help them-
selves. That, it promises to.

The Polk County Women's Clubs
are putting their summer camp for
girls on the Ridge at Avon Park.

If Ireland keeps on being saved,
wonder how historians will pick the
Emerald Isle's George Washington.

They say Max Ober tried to get
an American belle before he left. May-
Granda Rockefeller stopped that one
too.

If Charlie Parkhill will just stay
quiet a little while now, we can rest
a day or two from the political
jabber.

If he would make his name ap-
propos, Gunn of Levy county should
start the second "no" before the first
one ends.

The Irish have but little on us.
We sign a political truce every two
years while they seem to have a new
one most every day.

When you point a gun at gasoline
there's liable to be an explosion. When
it's a hair trigger gun, there is. Ask
Florida, she knows.

The more we think of good roads,
the more we wish some fairy would
give the state road department a mil-
lion or so, so they could reach us.

A bootlegger's testimony has been
rejected again. All the gang testi-
fied Sheriff Bob Hancock was right.
Then Bob was acquitted Tuesday.

Will Spencer had a couple of years
to close up West Tampa. He says it
won't take him long to do up
Tampa. Two weeks is all he's taking.

If some of those Floridians who
hunt the North Carolina mountains
would summer with us down here,
they'd save railroad fare next year,
too.

The fabled swatter of flies who
killed twenty at a time, is a thing of
modern rival who catches three bass
with one cast of his fly in a Ridge
lake.

The Tampa Tribune wants Presi-
dent Harding to solve the rolling pin
from the women and use it on con-
gress. Why not let the women use
it themselves?

The Red Cross has asked for a half
million for Louisiana flood sufferers.
Who has been here for a rent from
Armenia, etc., we'd probably be
reaching for a half a billion.

Major Charles A. Browne, road en-
gineer for Orange county and former
state engineer, says he to 40 per cent
of the cost of roads is for labor. That
means having our roads and most of
the money, too.

An undertaker's ambulance was
sandwiched in between two dancing
advertisements in the Tampa Tribune
last Sunday. Must have been made
up before Sheriff Spencer gave his
week of grace.

We can't see what chance a bath-
tub has in a St. Petersburg office
building with Pass-a-Grille only a
brief spin away. But Sheriff Spencer
plans to move from Hillsborough to
Pinellas county.

Blame the woman again. Yes,
Miss Mayes, at Pensacola, put
Charlie Parkhill into the 1924 cam-
paign and messed up any plans any
one might have had for a rest from
politics for a week or so at any rate.

Orlando and Plant City are in a
row over "most paved streets." If
they'll just come to the Ridge and
see what Haines City, Winter
Haven, Lake Wales, Avon Park and
Sebring have done for a rest from
they'll shut up and saw wood.

It behooves all who would quaff
at the oasis to drink early or die dry
up. As soon as congress gets rid of
the tariff and starts hunting money
for a solder bonus and begins tinkering
with the tax exemption on munici-
pal and county bonds, the county
bonds will not bring quite the 100
to 110 they are bringing now.

Hog raisers are learning that it
takes brains to get money for hogs,
and the cattlemen have already learned
that it takes something besides a
ticky cow to pry dollars out of the
stock buyers. Hog raisers and cat-
tlemen growers are all realizing that
man has got to do a little to help
Mother Nature. Hog raisers if they
are to get "blooded" stock prices.

WE ARE GLAD TO BE WITH YOU

We can not wonder that Highlands
and the Highlands Pilot are an
enthusiast already. Surely if others
are attracted here likewise are simi-
lar of it. It is a fact that we must
live in the scenic Highlands future
for all who come.

We are glad of the welcome that
greets us for it tempers the un-
pleasant and regret that accom-
panied our journey here. It is a fact
that the road works of friends
are quick, and we will see the
future with more confidence.

We think we have found in High-
lands county a city, and in its po-
sibilities, and sure of its future. We
hope our judgment will ever be no
more than what we decided to do
you in this heartland of the Ridge.

We plan to stay here but to strive to
face real life in building any issue that
may arise and to apply our share of
common sense to the search for a so-
lution rather than false judgment or
artificiality or dishonesty. All that
we may hope may be selfish or may
be selfless.

All Highlands county will be our
own. It is a fact that we are all
citizens of the same land of words.
It should be all the leader of facts
and not of words. But truth is
we have no purpose but duty, no mas-
ter but sincerity and all the world as
it is. We are all citizens of the same
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WE MUST HAVE THE RAILROAD

Sometimes when big things seem
nearest, they are lost.

It would be a calamity if Highlands
county should lose its opportunity
to secure the new railroad. We must
not lose it.

That we not lose it, we must get
it. It is a fact that we are all
citizens of the same land of words.
It should be all the leader of facts
and not of words. But truth is
we have no purpose but duty, no mas-
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LADY LAWMAKERS

[Dallas News]

Miss Robertson is right. Women
do make the best mothers. And she
might have gone to an even greater
extremity in saying that men make
the best fathers. Also she is prob-
ably correct in saying that women
are unlikely ever to accomplish great
things in congress, and that it is
unlikely if many will be sent there.
Women haven't the essential back-
ground of genuine statesmanship, and
generations of equal rights women
will be required to endue women with
that background. It has been demon-
strated that almost invariably women
vote as their men folk do. This is be-
cause they realize that their sources
of information and their political ap-
titudes are not equal to those of their
husbands or brothers. It is very true
that men are not particularly luminous
in statesmanship. Some of them are
not so well informed on any subject
requiring mental application as their
neighbor women are. Nevertheless,
they are more likely to be sincere and
straight in their dealing with men leg-
islators. Some things might be grow-
ing worse, but upon the whole, and
on the average, vertically and basic-
ally, masculine legislation have done a
good part by the state and the na-
tion. The ladies are fine, and we love
them. But we would rather not vote
for them to serve us as law-
makers. They are too good for the na-
tion. Their loyalty, their sincer-
ity, only doubt their ability to
bring about the extreme and tertiary
consequences of legislative proposals
and strike a fair average.

NO DANGER NOW

Jack Dempsey, champion pugilist of
the world, went to Europe to fight
the great Georges Carpentier. After
modern travel had to offer

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Capt. W. W. Williams of Venus was a business visitor in Avon Park Monday.

H. I. Masters, who has been ill, is up and about the streets again, greeting friends.

C. P. Anderson of the Pittsburgh-Florida Fruit Growers Association was in Tampa Friday on business.

Anna Lewis of Fort Meade, who owns a nice young son, was a business visitor in Avon Park Monday.

J. H. Brown of Zolfo, principal owner of the Highlands Motor Company, was transacting business here Monday.

Mrs. E. C. Dusenbury has gone to Kissimmee where she is spending the week with her mother, Mrs. J. Z. Roberson.

S. E. Roberts and Capt. T. J. Henderson, Zolfo capitalists, were among the welcome visitors in Avon Park Monday on business.

Horace Garner, who has been here several weeks, was accompanied to Arcadia, accompanied by his father, who motored here to meet him.

Among the week-end visitors were Mr. and Mrs. A. McKee Elwell, who motored to Lakeland for a visit with friends in the Polk county metropolis.

Mrs. J. F. Bond, accompanied by Miss Georgia Lee Bond and Prescott Brooks, motored to Bartow Sunday to spend the week-end with friends.

H. C. Crapo and sister, Mrs. R. C. Moore, left Wednesday for Taunton, Mass., where they will spend the summer. These popular Avon Park folks will return in September.

Dr. E. J. Etheredge and L. T. Farmer, DeSoto City, were among the welcome sojourners in the Highlands county metropolis Tuesday. They hustled home thought for election.

Dr. and Mrs. C. F. Touchton, prominent Pasco county folks, were among the guests here with Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Touchton. The latter's brother is a druggist in the Pasco county seat.

Mrs. L. H. Altman, accompanied by her daughters, Miss Paula and Mrs. Raymond McClelland of Greenville, S. C., spent Saturday and Sunday here, visiting Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Crews.

A. V. Anderson of the Pittsburgh-Florida Fruit Growers Association spent Monday in Tampa on business. Glenn Spink went to St. Petersburg Sunday and returned Tuesday, bringing his mother back with him.

T. H. Lander, Charles Nichols and Joe Lander left Saturday for Jacksonville to join the Morocco Temple Shrine band for the trip to Los Angeles, where the annual convention of the Shriners will be held this year.

Mrs. D. T. Locke, who has been visiting at Cocoa, where Mr. Lockett is superintendent of the groves in interests of the Durand Grove Company, has returned here. She is impressed by the progress the East Coast section is making.

Howard Katz, senior member of the Katz Brothers department store here, was in town from Kissimmee Saturday. Mr. Katz is enthused over the outlook for the Ridee. While here he was the guest of Manager E. C. Dusenbury, head of the local store.

CAPITOL THEATRE

Program for the Week, Beginning Monday, June 12

Monday and Tuesday—"Nomads of the North" from the novel by James Oliver Curwood. In the manager's opinion this picture is one of the greatest ever produced. Starting at the early date of 1876, this is one of the most enterprising as well as the greatest educational productions ever made.

The scenic grandeur of Glacier National Park and its great climatic and inspiring moments of Custer's Last Stand. Also a two-reel comedy, "His Jumping Day." Admission 10 and 25 cents.

Wednesday—"Through a Glass Window" with May McAvoy. This is one of the best little program pictures Miss McAvoy has ever produced. It is the sort that makes you glad you came and is of the kind that will send you away feeling glad you are living in the present days of fun and good times. Admission 10 and 25 cents.

Thursday—"Turn to the Right." Metro special and one of the better productions. It is the first of our special big pictures for the Tuesday half-holidays. Admission 10 and 25 cents.

Friday—"Sunshine Harbor," a little feature in five parts. Also the next chapter of "Hurricane Hutch." Admission 10 and 25 cents.

Saturday—"The Night Horseman" featuring Tom Mix. This is absolutely a guaranteed attraction. Also an Educational comedy, "The Stork's Mistake." Admission 10 and 25 cents.

SIN OF SLANDER

If we are to accept the clandestine whisperings, so insistent now that no one can ignore them, there is an epidemic of slanderous gossiping raging locally. Other communities, according to the public press, are suffering the ill effects of this blight. We recall many years ago a similar condition in a South Florida city, where we were the ring, which suggests that such periods of clattering tongues comes in cycles. The editor of this paper believes now, as he believed then, that the scandal monger and character assassin is infinitely more contemptible than his or her subject. So we feel it not amiss to produce an expression we made then, as applicable to a present condition here:

Quida, in one of her clever novels, declares that more lives have been saddened and more reputations blighted by "they say" than can be charged to the murderer. It is deplorable, but true, that there are in every community persons whose duty, in restless convolutions, reflect and magnify the faults of others. They draw conclusions from their own whimsical thoughts and acts, and hide their own shortcomings behind the monstrous characters they paint of their fellow men.

In every community is to be found

this coterie of character assassins. They draw no distinctions. Every one who is worth discussing at all is placed upon the operating table of opinion and X-rayed by exploiting conjectures. They say "permeates the widest range of conjectures, which are by the time the train is ready to pull out Thursday, it is confidently expected close to eighty persons will comprise the party. The California growers are going to great pains to provide entertainment and an opportunity for the Florida to study conditions.

Among those listed to make the trip are: E. A. Wright, Mrs. E. A. Wright, W. B. Gray, Mrs. W. B. Gray, S. H. Moore, Geo. R. McKean, Mrs. Geo. R. McKean, Miss Marie McKean, Mrs. L. E. Ray, Mrs. I. W. Phillips, Mrs. A. Strathman, J. B. Frierson, Miss Alma Hart, Con O. Lee, W. J. Robertson, all of Tampa; William Detweiler, Bowling Green; G. E. Hudson, G. R. Williams, H. J. Bell, F. J. Sain and family, J. Rowe, Winter Haven; H. V. Lightsey, Bartow; W. W. Scott, Eagle Lake; C. W. Barnes, W. H. Haven; A. E. Barnes, Lacerna Park; J. S. Norton, Lakeland; J. T. Watkins, Orlando; D. S. Bourland and daughter, Fort Myers; S. H. Hart, New Smyrna; O. A. Hatcher, Deland; R. H. Boyd, Deland; L. A. Hakes, Winter Park; C. M. Campbell, Winter Park; Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Plano, Kissimmee; Henry P. Woodson, Clearwater; Mrs. Laura A. Allen, Deland; J. C. Wimple, Kissimmee; Mrs. Emma J. Denny, Jacksonville; J. D. Smith, Marianna; Mrs. Dixon, Mrs. Sella Clanton, H. N. Bagley, Mrs. M. A. Reed, Tampa; Mrs. Hill, going to Colorado Springs; Miss Allen, Orlando, going to Denver.

"Would you, that spangle of existence, about the secret—quick about it, friend!"

A fair perhaps divides the false and true; And up what, prithee, does life depend?"

Without exception, the scandal monger and character assassin has more than one skeleton in his or her own closet. They are the bogymen of others to drown the clatter of their own. —Palatka News.

MOISTURE CAPACITY OF SOIL IS INCREASED BY ORGANIC MATTER

In addition to adding plant food to the soil and improving its texture, organic matter, supplied by green manure crops, stable manure, or in any other form, adds greatly to the moisture holding capacity. It has been shown, says the United States department of agriculture, that while heavy soils hold only 20 to 25 pounds of water and 100 pounds of clay 50 pounds, the same weight of humus or decaying organic matter will hold 190 pounds.

Clay soil containing organic matter is more friable than similar soil without organic matter. When the organic matter is entirely removed the soil remains compact during freezing and thawing. When the organic matter is present, the soil crumbles after freezing, just as the original soil.

Not only do the higher plants grow better in a soil rich in organic matter, but the activities of the soil bacteria are largely dependent on the supply of decaying vegetable matter. These bacteria need food and air. Their food is the decaying vegetable matter, which they break down and make available to the higher plants. Most beneficial bacteria use air, and this they find more abundantly in a soil supplied with organic matter than in stiff clays. In sandy soils there is air enough, but the addition of humus helps hold moisture and so benefits the bacteria as well as the higher plants.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Real estate transfers filed for record in Highlands county since last publication, as reported by Highlands Security, Abstract & Title Co., Sebring.

Fannie B. Vail and husband to Gustav Hoffman: 875 feet lot 2, block 91, Sebring.

State of Florida to Helen Howard: All Sec. 18, Twp. 33, R. 31.

R. I. Harris to Mrs. Hattie L. Turner and Mrs. J. W. Püllen: Lot 3, Denton & Harrison subdivision.

Elands Garage to Basil Bowden and Bryant-Howden: Bill of sale of Elands Garage, Sebring.

Sebring Development Co. to Chas. Besford: Lot 5, block 32, Sebring.

D. E. Gorman et al. to A. M. Maltchett: Lot 9, block D, Sec. 27, Piche & Gorman's subdivision.

Charles L. P. to Charles to H. E. Coy: Lots 18 and 19, block 35, Sec. 22, Avon Park.

Pittsburgh-Florida Fruit Growers Association to Edward H. and Ida M. Talbot: 1/2 acre, R. 1, Twp. 33, R. 25.

Sebring Development Co. to Sarah J. Bonch: Lots 8 and 9, Sec. 19, R. 1, Twp. 33, R. 25.

Subdivision of 1/2 acre, Sec. 32, Twp. 34, R. 25.

THANKS OLD CUSTOMERS. I wish to announce that I have sold my interest in the Cash and Carry Grocery to my former partner, James M. Linder, who will operate the store in the future.

I thank all my friends for their patronage and to express their continued loyalty to the Cash and Carry store, though I have left it.

—Adv. ELLIS R. WEST.

Subscribe for the Pilot.

FOUR SCORE MAY MAKE FLORIDA CITRUS PARTY TRIP TO PACIFIC COAST

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CLASSIFIED ADS

ST. PETE BUILDS

"May building hits \$377,350," remarks the St. Petersburg Times. "May's record brings the total for the year, to date, to \$1,611,880. This is a very fine record, and shows that the Sunshine City is going right ahead growing and preparing to entertain more people every season. The participants in May included many new homes, some business houses, stores and apartments."

Taken Up—One hog, black male, bob tail, mark crop and under square of right ear; smooth crop left. Owner can be paid by damages and cost of advertising and feed bill. E. A. Smith. 29-1tp

For Sale—A barn oil stove, with oven; one 50-lb. capacity refrigerator; also electric iron; all in good condition and at a bargain if sold at once. See G. L. Crews for particulars. 6-9-1tp

For Sale—One 10-key National cash register, in perfect condition; good as new; price will surprise you. Highlands Barber Shop, Avon Park. 6-1-1tp

For Sale—Eggs from pure-bred prize-winning stock; \$150 per setting of 15 eggs. Brown Leghorns, White Leghorns, Rhode Island Reds, Anconas and Silver-laced Wyandottes. Roswell Cutler, Avon Park. 7tp

For Sale—Two lots, each 120x270 feet, located in Avon Heights; lots 9 and 10. See C. W. Smith at Smith-McGinnis Hardware Store, from 1 to 9 p. m. 6-1-1tp

For Sale—Complete outfit for keeping of bees; 5 empty hive bodies, supers, foundations, hive bottoms, smoker, hive veil, etc. Will give a bargain to party taking the whole outfit. Sanitary Bakery, Avon Park, Fla. 6-1-2tp

Attention, Photograph Owners—If you appreciate good music, why not take better care of your records? Preserve them and improve the tone by using a "Hand-made Phonograph." Made better and cost less. Satisfaction or money refunded. Send 25 cents. Martins Aye-Won Service, 116 Harney Station, Omaha, Neb. (Agents and dealers write to 6-1-1tp)

For Rent—A furnished room with twin beds; nicely heated. Inquire of James M. Luxton at West & Luxton's Cash Grocery. 6-1-1tp

Wanted—Copies of the Pilot of March 24 to complete our files. If

For Sale—2½ horse-power Evrard out-board boat motor; practically new. Avon Park Drug Co. 24-1tp

Wanted—To rent a good piano for the summer; no children. See P. C. Murphy, Mervin Place. 23tp

For Sale—Eleven Rhode Island Red hens and rooster; also nine Silver-laced Wyandotte hens and rooster; all young fowls, from prize-winning stock; \$2 each. Roswell Cutler, 7tp

SHIPS 5,843 CANS VEGETABLES. The Manatee River Journal says that the shipping season for produce has been remarkable for this county. The tomato season has closed and now other things are receiving attention. Among the astonishing details of the movement of fruit and vegetables is the statement that 5,843 cartons have been sent out from Manatee county since the shipping season began Sept. 23 last. The tomatoes had a total of 1,163 cars, and telling of the grapefruit and oranges from the Manatee river section it is shown that something moved every day. Some celery is still to be sent out and some fine citrus fruit is being shipped. The Bradenton newspaper adds that during the many of the busy growers will be putting out seed beds for the fall crop. These are busy days in Florida, and everybody appears to be working.

NEW VAULT FOR BANK — "Contract has been recently awarded by the Bank of Plant City for an additional vault and safety deposit boxes, which are to be installed during the next few weeks," says the Plant City Courier. The purchase and installation of this equipment, it is said, will cost about \$10,000, but the bank proposes to provide the most modern service for patrons and to that end has secured the most modern vault. This suggests that the bank is being appreciated by people of that thriving city and vicinity. The new equipment will add to the convenience of patrons and insure safety for all kinds of valuables.

PUSHING BANK BUILDING Contractor Wm. J. Heim Avon Park, who is building the Florida County Bank of Wauchula, is pushing work and will have the structure completed by Aug. 15.

NOTICE Stockholders of the Pittsburgh-Florida Fruit Growers Association are hereby notified that the said corporation will hold its annual meeting at the offices of said corporation in Avon Park, Florida, on the 20th day of June, 1922.

Dated this 20th day of May, 1922. A. V. ANDERSON, Secretary.

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CONTROL METHODS SUGGESTED FOR CHEESE OR HAM SKIPPERS

Because of damage by insects chiefly the ham skipper, about \$1,000,000 worth of meat is annually condemned by federal inspectors. Much greater damage in proportion is done by skippers, which are the larvae of the skipper fly, in small abattoirs and on farms where sanitary precautions are not generally so thorough as in the large meat packing establishments.

This loss, according to the bureau of entomology of the United States department of agriculture, must largely be controlled by preventive measures. The larvae hibernate in cold temperatures and take a high temperature to kill them. Natural insect enemies, which are useful in the control of some harmful insects, are of little or no use in controlling the ham skipper because most of those which attack the skipper are pests in themselves.

Fine wire screens, having at least thirty meshes to the inch, should be used where cured meats are stored. Rooms infested with skippers can be fumigated with hydrocyanic acid gas according to directions furnished by the United States department of agriculture. Rooms in which cured meats are hung should have cement floors and light-colored walls, other floors, painted or whitewashed, so that hiding places for the skippers will be eliminated.

The entire life cycle of the skipper is completed in twelve days during warm summer weather, so that two generations a month may be expected. In one ham kept under observation there was a total recorded production of 52,627 skippers during a period of eighteen months, a loss in the weight of the ham of six pounds four ounces, largely due to the feeding of the skipper.

EFFORTS MADE TO INTRODUCE WILT-RESISTANT TOMATOES

Most of the work with wilt-resistant tomatoes in the south, where Fusarium wilt is prevalent, has been successful, and further effort is being made by the United States department of agriculture working in co-operation with state agricultural colleges through county agents to improve the varieties of tomatoes grown and introduce the wiltless varieties into new communities.

All the five resistant varieties, Marvel, Norton, Columbia, Arlington and Nordek, sent to boys' and girls' club members, have been grown successfully in many localities where regular commercial varieties failed because of wilt. Although these varieties are not immune, they possess enough resistance to insure a good crop if other conditions are favorable. A few reports of failure have been received, but the real cause in all such cases investigated was root-knot, bacterial wilt, or blight. It therefore seems wise to urge the general introduction of these and other wilt-resistant varieties wherever Fusarium wilt is prevalent, says the department.

From the three years' work already accomplished it seems that these varieties will have to be tested repeatedly to determine which is best adapted to the local needs and conditions of any community; but this is true of varieties of any crop, it is pointed out. In some gardens the resistant tomatoes were free from blossom-end rot and in no case reported did they suffer more from this disease than the varieties formerly grown.

LEATHER BECOMES STRONGER WITH INCREASE IN HUMIDITY

The strength and elasticity of leather are greater when the air is moist than when it is dry, and for this reason, says the bureau of chemistry of the United States department of agriculture, it is important in making comparative tests of leather to be sure that all pieces

tested are under the same humidity conditions. A good piece of leather tested in a dry atmosphere might appear to be weaker than a much poorer piece tested when the air was moist.

Tests made of more than five hundred pieces taken from the most uniform part of the hide, alternate strips being subjected to dry air and damp air at a temperature of 70 degrees, showed that an increase from 35 per cent relative humidity to 55 per cent increased the strength of the leather 13 per cent and the stretch 16 per cent. When the humidity was raised from 35 per cent to 75 per cent the average increase in strength was 42 per cent and in stretch 53 per cent.

It is apparent that control of the humidity in a room where leather is tested is necessary if the results are worth anything. The bureau of chemistry has devised such a room in which the amount of moisture in the air may be kept uniform and at any percentage of saturation continuously. It is the only testing room in the world where the conditions are controlled so well.

SULPHUR DUSTED ON CLOTHING PREVENTS CHIGGER ATTACKS

Rare days in June and July and August—tempt nature lovers into woods and fields and by the sides of babbling brooks. Frequently they return to undergo several days of acute torment due to attacks of chiggers, the tiny mites whose larvae attach themselves to the skin in any exposed

parts. The bureau of entomology of the United States department of agriculture has made a careful study of the habits of chiggers and methods of control and suggests two ways of reducing the discomfort caused by chiggers.

The first step is to clothe the feet and ankles properly when doing into the woods where chiggers are likely to occur, by wearing heavy high-topped boots instead of low shoes, thick stockings or even spiral puttees. The second method is to apply repellents either directly on the skin or on the clothing. The repellents are best started out for a "hike" or a picnic. Flowers of sulphur is ordinarily used for this purpose. A hot bath with a thick lather of soap taken immediately after returning from an outing often kills chigger larvae on the body.

Fallatives such as sulphur ointment, alcohol, ammonia, cooking soda, dilute solution of iodine, or camphor are of use chiefly because of their acrid or mite-killing action, or because of their antiseptic quality, or for both reasons.

TRIP TO ENGLAND AWAITS BOY LIVE STOCK JUDGES

The Maryland team of agricultural club boys who, in competition with similar teams from other states, won the grand prize a trip to Europe in the live stock judging contest at the Southeastern Fair held at Atlanta, Ga., last October, will sail from New York for England June 14 on the Carmania, arriving in Liverpool about June 22.

The team, which is composed of Walter Rice, 17, of Spilma, Joseph Glacken, 15, of Rising Sun, and George Worriell, 16, of North East, was trained by W. C. Snarr of the co-operative extension service of the United States department of agriculture and the University of Maryland. All the competitors in the contest were required to judge three rings of dairy cattle, two of beef cattle, two of sheep, and four of swine.

The trip will be accompanied on the European trip by C. A. Cobb, editor of the Southern Ruralist and superintendent of the fair's contest, and by representatives of the co-operative extension service. After the famous eighty-first annual exhibition of the Royal Agricultural Society of England at Cambridge during the first week of July, the party will visit some of the fam-

ous herds of live stock in England and Scotland from which many noted animals in this country have come, returning on the Samaria, arriving in New York about July 27.

NEW DEVICE TESTS POWER OF SOIL TO SUPPORT ROAD

An instrument for testing soils on which roads are to be built has been devised by the bureau of public roads of the United States department of agriculture. It consists of a metal disk resting on the soil and supporting a cylinder into which shot can be poured. The apparatus is held in position vertically by means of a tripod, at the top of which is mounted a small dial that tells to one-tenth of an inch how far the disk sinks into the soil as shot is poured into the cylinder. By means of the instrument it is possible to get information as to how the soil will act in wet weather.

The kind of soil beneath a road surface has a great deal to do with how it will stand up under motor traffic, and engineers look upon this as an important consideration in determining the kind of road to be built. This is confirmed by a number of instances where two sections of the same road have been built in exactly the same manner and subjected to the same traffic but on different types of soil. One section has lasted well while the other has broken up in a manner that can only be explained by a lack of supporting power of the soil beneath the road.

The bureau has for some time been investigating this question along various lines both in the field and in the laboratory, studying the characteristics of different soils and experimenting with means to keep down the moisture content of the soil and thus increase its bearing power. The latest development has been the new device.

STEEL WORKING HOURS

For the sake of American industry, it is hoped that something will come of the effort to abolish the twelve-hour working day in the steel industry. The evil complained of is one of long standing, assailed by many reformers and particularly criticized by the Interchurch Movement. To all criticisms heretofore the steel executives have answered that the long working day was unavoidable in many departments of their industry, and that the workmen preferred it. They seem willing now to reconsider the matter, agreeing to have the whole subject investigated scientifically by a committee of steel men.

The arguments for such long hours have never been entirely convincing to outsiders. Other industries have not found a twelve-hour day necessary. The eight-hour day is now accepted as normal almost everywhere else. The men may "prefer" the twelve-hour day to a shorter day with shorter pay, but it is inconceivable that any class of workmen would prefer a long day to a short one on general principles, or that they could not do more per hour if they worked fewer hours a day. Eventually, no doubt, the continuous operation of plants for twenty-four hours a day will change from two shifts to three.—Pensacola News.

GETS 11 TONS HONEY

The Fort Myers News a few days ago had a very interesting story about the activities of C. C. Cook, a well-known bee-keeper who is said to own twenty apiaries in Lee county, in the vicinity of Hall City and LaBelle. It is stated that during the last three weeks Mr. Cook has obtained and sold 22,000 pounds of honey. His hives average about 105 pounds each during a year and this is regarded as the record as the average is given as fifty pounds when the whole country is taken into account. The fact that some flowers are always in bloom in the hands of Mr. Cook gives some reason for advocating the extension of the honey business.

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NEW SMYRNA GROWERS HAD EXCELLENT SEASON

Closing the most successful season since it was organized, the annual meeting of the Smyrna and Hawks mark citrus growers association was held with a good attendance of the stockholders present.

Reports show that practically 50,000 boxes of citrus fruit were handled during the season just closed, which several thousand boxes more than any one previous season. The season as a whole was more satisfactory than any previous season.

Manager W. A. Robinson is planning repairs, changes and improvements during the summer months which will increase the capacity of the house, and the association will be received to take care of at least 100,000 boxes during the coming season. Indications are that at least a half more fruit will be handled this coming season, its already a large number of requests have been made to have fruit packed here from growers who are not members of the local association, but who want to have their fruit handled through the Florida Citrus Exchange.

All the officers of the association were re-elected, with the exception of vice-president, G. W. Brown, who was succeeded by the late John T. Hammond, and George L. Fullerton being chosen as a director in place of Mr. Hammond. The officers of the association are as follows: President, H. G. Putnam; Vice-president, G. W. Brown; Secretary-manager, W. A. Robinson; Treasurer, state bank of New Smyrna; Trustees, G. W. Brown, H. G. Putnam, George L. Fullerton, directors, W. C. Barnhardt, J. J. Craighead, G. L. Fullerton, H. G. Putnam, G. W. Brown, E. W. Hatch, C. Burson. New Smyrna News.

HOW DANISH CO-OPERATORS TIE TOGETHER BY CONTRACT

How to keep the farmer a co-operator is a vital question with all co-operative marketing organizations. Recently often is the compelling force which makes a co-operator out of a person but it will not always permanently keep him in, says E. B. Heaton, director of dairy marketing for the American Farm Bureau Federation.

It is interesting to know how farmers in other countries deal with this problem. Denmark has long been quoted as a nation of farmer co-operators. It is primarily a dairy country. What do the co-operative dairy men do?

In the organization of Danish co-operative dairies, Rule 10 of the by-laws, says: "Any person who is a member at the beginning of a period or becomes a member during a period is bound to remain a member until the expiration of a period, and shall serve his duties as such during the whole period, but can withdraw after the expiration of a period, if he has given notice to that effect one year ahead. If such notice has not been given the person concerned remains a member for the next period, and so on." The above is significant when you consider that the usual period for which a dairy is organized is ten years. Exceptions are provided for in case of sale or death. In regard to members failing to patronize the co-operative dairy another portion of Rule 10 says: "If any member apart from the case mentioned (death or sale provision) in this paragraph fails to perform his duty of delivery he can be forced to do so at the courts of law by the ordinary legal means, and being furthermore obliged to make good in full any losses which may have been sustained by the dairy in consequence of his failure. For this purpose these losses are considered to be at least 10 cents (about 10 1/2 cents present exchange rate) a day for each cow belonging to the ordinary stock of the member in question to be paid as long as the failure continues."

TWO RIDGE CORPORATIONS GRANTED STATE CHARTERS

Two new corporations have been authorized to do business on the Ridge—the Sebring Lake Groves Company, Sebring, and the Childers Brothers Chemical Company, Lake Wales. The summaries of the charters follow: Sebring Lake Groves Company: Principal place of business, Sebring. Capital stock, \$10,000; highest amount of indebtedness, \$10,000. General nature of business: To buy, sell, mortgage, lease, assign or in any manner to deal generally in and with both

real and personal property; to purchase, own, lease, clear, plant, cultivate, develop, improve, grow, sell and convey farms or citrus groves anywhere deemed advisable by the corporation, etc. Perpetual corporate existence. Officers, John E. Graham, president, Ed. Johnson, vice-president; A. C. Hancock, secretary and treasurer; and these together with George E. Sebring, Jr. and Norman W. Blood constitute the board. Childers Brothers Chemical Company: Principal place of business, Lake Wales. Capital stock, \$10,000; highest amount of indebtedness, \$10,000. General nature of business: To manufacture, sell, use, and apply all kinds of insecticides, chemicals, narcotics, drugs, medicines, tobacco and all the products thereof, goods, wares and merchandise, of all kinds and descriptions; to buy, sell, lease and mortgage real estate of all kinds, etc. Officers and directors: Keuben H. Childers, president and general manager; George E. Childers, vice-president; P. M. Childers, secretary-treasurer.

LAMMING-OFF SO PROFITABLE FARMERS WILL TRY IT AGAIN

A lambing-off demonstration in La Puente, Cal., has been so successful that plans have been made for a similar one this year, says a report received by the United States department of agriculture. Last year a 20-acre field was planted to corn and its San soy beans. The bean seed for all but six acres was inoculated. The means were planted with a soy bean attachment on the corn planter at the rate of six pounds apart. George E. Childers, vice-president; P. M. Childers, secretary-treasurer.

When the corn and beans matured, 300 lambs, purchased for 66.65 a hundred, were turned in to have them. The lambs were sold for \$10.25 a hundred pounds, with a total profit of \$800. After the lambs were removed from the field about thirty bushels of corn were picked up and some hogs and other live stock turned in to clean up the remainder.

The growth of beans on the six acres planted with uninoculated seed was decidedly inferior to the remainder. The report says: "The demonstration this year will be the third one of this kind on the one farm. The first year only 50 lambs were fed on the demonstration plot, but a profit satisfactory to the owner was made on them."

DEATH FROM SNAKE BITES RARE IN U. S. FIGURES SHOW

Although the average mortality from American venomous snakes is little more than 10 per cent of the persons bitten, death from snake bites is quite rare, according to the biological survey of the United States department of agriculture, because relatively few persons encounter or are bitten by the dangerous species.

The most venomous of our native snakes live in lonely, little settled districts, often on stony or swampy land that can not be cultivated. Usually they disappear at the approach of man, and while they may strike if provoked, the popular belief in respect to the distance they can strike is erroneous. Three-fourths of their own length is about the greatest distance possible. If the legs are well protected when one is going into deep woods or places known to be infested by rattlers or other poisonous snakes, there is slight chance of being bitten.

As the food of snakes consists of living prey, they can not be killed by poisoned baits. The only method so far devised to kill them seems to be clubbing or shooting. This is best done in early spring, when they are still sluggish after the winter hibernation. Although hogs have run or infected land may reduce the number of snakes. However, the popular idea that hogs are immune to snake bite is probably based on the impregnability by the venomous fangs of their thick skin and fat layer rather than on actual immunity of these animals. The varieties most commonly found in this country are the Rattlesnake, or Crotalidae, and the Copperheads, which include rattlesnakes, cottonmouth water moccasins, and copperheads.

LAKE WALES MAN WEDS

O. G. Tillman, Lake Wales, and Miss Myrtle Fuller, Wake Forest, N. C., were married at Jacksonville, Fla., where both are preparing for the missionary fields at the Baptist institution there.

WAUCHULA'S FOUR AND A HALF MILES NEW STREETS WILL COST CITY \$128,492

Four and a half miles of asphalt concrete paving probably will be laid at once for Wauchula, Stidham and Hughes, home contractors, bidding \$26,000 lower than any other firm on the job on this material. Brick, asphalt blocks and cement ran much higher, though the Stidham and Hughes bids were lowest in each of these materials.

With the decision of the bond trustees to give the city a new road, the contract will be let and work will be rushed to give the Hardee county seat its new highways before winter.

Good roads men in the county are talking of a county bond issue to be voted in conjunction with similar action by DeSoto and Highlands counties to link up main highways in this section.

WIDE DISCRETION URGED IN REGULATING ROAD TRAFFIC

Regulation of the character and weight of highway traffic to prevent undue injury to the highway is an administrative matter and can not be properly taken care of by detailed and arbitrary legislation. This is the conclusion of the bureau of public roads of the United States department of agriculture, based on experiments to determine the effect of all kinds of traffic on road surfaces and observations on conditions throughout the United States.

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The seasonal variation alone in the carrying capacity of the roadbeds, due to moisture conditions, is one of the most serious of all the causes of road damage. Highway authorities therefore must be given wide discretion in traffic regulation. The bureau urges that as a solution of the problem the state highway officials of each state be given broad powers, so that traffic can be regulated to suit conditions as they exist at any particular time.

FIRST BARGE LOAD OF HOGS

"The first barge load of hogs to be sold to the Southeastern Packing Company, whose plant at Colohatchie is under construction, was delivered Wednesday," remarks the Fort Lauderdale Herald. "There were twenty-two hogs in the load and the average weight was about two hundred pounds. The Herald adds that the hogs brought 8 cents a pound, delivered, and that Captain Wertz, who delivered the hogs to the packing company says: "This load is the forerunner of a large number of hogs that will be brought from the Lake Okechobee section to the market here."

The Lake Wales baseball diamond is being re-played, the Board of Trade standing the bill to insure a good "lot" for the summer's sport.

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SAMSON TRUCKS IN 1/2 AND 1 1/2-TON CAPACITIES ARE NEW, DIFFERENT AND OUTSTANDING. THEY ARE BUILT TO SERVE AND FILL THE LONG-DELT NEED OF THOROUGHLY DEPENDABLE TRUCKS AT RIGHT PRICES FOR HAULING AND DELIVERING EVERY KIND OF COMMODITY IN CITY, TOWN OR COUNTRY

Extension Bases - Demountable Cleat Bands - A Wonderful Invention

SOME OF THE GREATEST INVENTIONS OF MODERN TIMES ARE THE SIMPLEST. EVERYONE WHO SEES THE NEW EXTENSION BASES FOR FRONT OR REAR WHEELS OF THE SAMSON TRUCK INVARIABLY SAYS: "WHY DIDN'T SOME ONE THINK OF THAT BEFORE?" THIS NEW DEVICE PUTS THE SAMSON TRUCK ABSOLUTELY IN A CLASS BY THEMSELVES, BECAUSE THEY ENABLE THE OWNER TO DRIVE WHERE IT WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE TO GO WITH ANY OTHER TRUCK—THROUGH MUD, DEEP SAND, FLOWED GROUND OR CULTIVATED FIELDS.

Everyone who drives a truck or automobile knows what it means to go down to grade in mud, sand or snow and have to be pulled out by a team or another automobile, costing valuable time and money—making the truck a dead investment many months in the year.

This new invention makes the Samson a continuous day-in-and-day-out truck. With these new extension bases, rear wheels carrying demountable cleat bands (equipped with grousers) sure traction is provided for every difficult road and field job.

IF YOU CONTEMPLATE PURCHASING A TRUCK SEE THE SAMSON ON DISPLAY AT THE

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