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CALL ROAD BOND VOTE AVON PARK SECTION NOV. 19

TO BUILD 18 MILES OF ROADS REACHING ALL GROVES

Acting on a petition from qualified voters in the proposed district, the county commissioners called a bond election for Nov. 19 for $50,000 to build approximately eighteen miles of road in that part of the Avon Park township north of the Wauchula road, Avon Park and Lake Lotela. The election had been called for this month, as previously reported, but as the former petition providing for repayment to property holders who built a road east of Lake Pioneer, which provision attorneys ruled illegal, the new petition was prepared and accepted Monday by the commissioners. There is no change in the road system as mapped out in the previous petition.

Bids for the laying of the rock surface on the west end of the Lake Annie road were ordered advertised, the bids to be received Nov. 6 at the regular meeting of the commissioners. The motion was by L. L. Henderson, seconded by G. G. Albritton. Caloosahatchee marl or other suitable substance was specified. This is the hill section of the road and is approximately four miles long.

To Level Spoil Bank

Carrying the Lake Annie road on through the baygall and to Sick Island, right behind the dredge, the commissioners, on motion of Mr. Henderson and seconded by Mr. Albritton, voted to accept the contract offered by W. G. Smith, subject to approval by the board of bond trustees.

This contract provides for the leveling of the spoil bank, which the dredge has already thrown up and is throwing up now. Mr. Smith, who has done considerable of this kind of work along the canals in Palm Beach county, uses a tractor and is to work nine hours a day with the machine, for $20 per day.

The board also decided that inasmuch as prices had been made excessive for the grading of the Sick Island-Kissimmee river road, to advertise for bids for a drag line outfit to be opened Oct. 22, in case the newest bids for the grading of this work done by contract, to be received Oct. 15, are also too high.

A petition from Glades county, asking that the trunk line north and south run on the east side of the railroad south of Venus was rejected, the commissioners advising Glades county that to do so is not practical.

A check for $72 for convicts was received from DeSoto county.

Bond for Rudolph Ashton as deputy sheriff, signed by Lamont Wolff and S. P. Durrance, was approved. The bond of J. C. Barrow, contractor for the jail, for $10,000, signed by E. W. Harshman, G. V. Hudson, W. L. Crews and A. C. Withers, was approved.

License for insurance companies operating in this county was fixed at $2.50 each for the present year or any fractional part thereof.

The tax roll was accepted upon presentation by the assessor.

A resolution was passed calling on the state road department to look into the question of finishing the stretch of road north of Lake Stearns, and appointing E. J. Etheredge to represent the board before the state road department.

Surety bond was presented by J. W. Farr for his contract to complete the western end of the Lake Annie road grading, and it was accepted.

A petition from E. W. Pooser and others to change route of a road from the northwest corner of section 26, in the Venus section, was rejected.

A road was granted, beginning at the intersection of Verona avenue and Castle street, and follows along the platted road, which meanders the south side of blocks C and D of the Price & Gorham subdivision to the southeast corner of lot 1, block 5, section 27, thence north to the northeast corner of said lot, connecting with the platted road at that point. E. N. Dickinson, E. G. Todd and W. Mitchell were appointed blazers.

Blazers report was accepted on the road previously granted beginning at the northwest quarter of the northeast quarter of 25-36-29. W. L. Gillis, C. F. Pool and H. G. Cassels were the blazers.

WEEKLY FOOD INDEX HIGHER

Bread, Food Index Number, based on the wholesale prices per pound of 31 articles used for food, is $8.32, compared with $8.30 last week and $8.30 for the week ending Sept. 31, 1923. This week's number shows a gain of six-tenths of 1 per cent over last week and of 3.7 per cent over the like week of last year. Of the 82 commodities of all kinds quoted weekly, 13 advanced as compared with last week, 22 declined and 47 remained unchanged.

GIVING AWAY A PINE CABINET GRAFONOLA

Katz Bros.' campaign, announced in last week's Pilot, in which they will give away a cabinet grafonola, will begin Oct. 15, Manager E. C. Dusenbury announces.

The grafonola will be presented the night before Christmas. Everybody is to be given an opportunity to take it home.

TAKES MOTHER'S BODY HOME

R. E. Palmer left Friday morning to accompany the body of Mrs. Anita Palmer, his late mother, to Bowling Green, Ky., for burial. Mr. Palmer is now home again 10 days.

WILL READVERTISE FOR SEPTIC TANKS OCT. 19 FOR PARK

WRAY SUCCEEDS LANDER AS FIRE CHIEF—PLAN TO SELL CERTIFICATES

Bids for up to 200 septic tanks, which will do away with open toilets in Avon Park, were rejected by the council and ordered readvertised upon certain definite specifications following the opening of bids at the monthly meeting. Four different types of tank were proposed by the different bidders and the council decided it couldn't figure which was lowest. The types decided upon were the state health board's type of two sealed compartments with a lattice brick compartment and a type commonly known as the Dickie type. Bids will be opened Oct. 19 and wor kon the installation will be started immediately after the contract is let.

The bids opened at this meeting ranged from $39 on a cash basis up to $65.

Previous to the opening of the bids, Mayor T. J. McGinnis announced the resignation of Joe Lander as fire chief, and asked approval of his suggestion that F. E. Wray be named to succeed him. The council concurred and Mr. Wray has been appointed.

The council also instructed the street committee to have the parkways along Main street and Verona and Lakeview avenues cleaned and weeded and authorized the committee to pay for the work as it was done.

Correspondence with Florida Municipals, Inc., regarding handling of the certificates of indebtedness for paving, which will be done under the recent bond issue, was read and the council will meet later this week with representatives of this concern, their attorney and the city attorney to draft the legal program to insure validation of the certificates and their acceptance by bankers or whoever bids them in.

Certificates are to be issued against abutting property owners along the streets paved for two-thirds of the cost.

The street committee was authorized to have the cement blocks from the park set along the highway as it approaches Lake Tulane, so that persons walking between town and the mill quarters will not have to walk in the street. Plans to use some of them on Butler street, leading to the city's two houses, were also discussed.

RIGDON'S INDICTMENT SURPRISING CLIMAX MOORE HAVEN PROBE

IS NAMED WITH TRIPPE, MILLER, STEVENSON— SAYS NO BASIS

Indictment of Ira Rigdon, prominent Sebring banker, on charges of conspiracy to defraud and embezzlement in connection with the indictment of D. W. Stevenson, W. D. Trippe, Jr., and O. S. Miller, former officers of the two defunct Moore Haven banks, at Moore Haven Saturday, came as a surprising climax to the grand jury investigations of the failure of the banks. Mr. Rigdon, who had been president of the Glades bank, has not been connected with it in more than a year and sold out all interest six months prior to the failure, when he retired from several other banks.

It is understood that the foundation for the indictment is a loan made by Mr. Rigdon as president to Mr. Trippe, then cashier, and Mr. Miller, who was a director. It was testified before the grand jury(if it is stated, that this loan had been repaid at expiration and more than two months before the bank's failure.

Mr. Rigdon states that there is no basis for the charges, declaring emphatically that when he retired the bank's affairs were in first-class condition. He ascribes the linking of himself with the failure as the efforts of a despondent people to grab at everything in sight.

People who know the situation and who know Mr. Rigdon, seem disinclined to place any credence in the charges. One woman in close touch with the affair expressed the opinion that the prosecution needing certain evidence, which it believed Mr. Rigdon could give, secured the indictment in hope that Mr. Rigdon in clearing himself would furnish evidence that could be used in the cases against the bank's officials at the time of the failure.

Mr. Rigdon was allowed to make bond in Sebring.

Mr. Stevenson, who recently moved to Sebring, also made bond as did Mr. Trippe, who is farming in Georgia, and Mr. Miller, a prominent Moore Haven attorney.

WHERE THE STORK STOPS

Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Perry are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby girl, born Tuesday. The little lady weighs 11¾ pounds.

VERONA CIRCLE MEETS

The Verona Circle of the First Baptist church met with Mrs. S. H. Lawhon Tuesday afternoon. An interesting study hour was held. Those present were: Mesdames L. D. Roberts, J. H. McClelland, Otis Whitehurst, Curtis Langford, L. E. Rowland, J. F. Monds, S. H. Lawhon, W. M. Carter, C. F. Baldwin, Lonnie Hunt and Mrs. Dr. Chandler.

Paving Bids Run Far Below City's Estimate on Work

W. P. McDonald Construction were low bidders on the paving of twelve miles of Avon Park streets with the W. P. Kennedy Construction Company a close second, according to tabulations being completed for presentation to the bond trustees tomorrow morning. C. Cash, Avon Park, was low bidder for five miles of cement curb and gutter and Kennedy was low for seven.

With bids for asphalt running as low as 87 cents per square yard, and the highest one an even $1, engineers and bond trustees were treated to an agreeable surprise upon the opening of the bids, in view of recent lettings with asphalt running up to $1.28 per yard.

There is only $6,000 difference between the McDonald and the Kennedy bid on the base, curbs and sewers, and approximately $3,000 of this is visible in the reconstruction of clay or old clay base for laying asphalt on it. The Kennedy bid was double the others, he figuring on complete reconstruction with the engineers contemplating only scarifying and filling in.

The Finley Method Company was really second low man, though bidding on the Finley method type instead of regular asphalt, as called for in specifications.

The Neil Cash bid of 60 cents for curb and gutter was another agreeable surprise. L. S. Lord, Dunedin, was second, along with several others, at 70 cents.

The Kennedy bid runs approximately $75,000 for clay base, asphalt surface and sewers. The McDonald bid runs close to $70,000. These, with the curb and gutter bid of $30,000 by Cash, means that a scant two-thirds of the $180,000 available will be required to pave the streets and it is probable that the council will take steps to order other streets paved under the project, which may raise the project to twenty miles of streets instead of more than twelve.

The Kennedy company laid the present asphalt streets here, eight years ago, and the paving stands today one of the best jobs in the state, not a ripple showing on the heavy-trafficed Main street. The McDonald company laid North Main street when it was opened and paved last fall.

NO DANCE TONIGHT

The dance planned for tonight at Brickell hall has been indefinitely postponed.

ANNOUNCES FALL OPENING

With new fall merchandise arriving daily, Pooser & Son are announcing their fall opening displays in all lines. They are featuring dress goods, shoes, men's furnishings, and have just added a line of men's clothing.

SEPTEMBER NOT AS WET AS OTHER MONTHS—HIGHEST 95

September, usually a rainy month, slacked up a bit to let some of the earlier months sink in and produced only 4.63 inches, according to the report of U. S. Observer William King.

The temperatures continued up—though still far below summer averages in other parts of the country—the maximum running to 95, with a mean for the month of 80. The minimum was 64. The average of the daily maximums was 89 and the average of the daily minimums was 71.

TULANE CIRCLE

The Tulane Circle of the W. M. S. met with Mrs. D. D. Roberts Tuesday afternoon. The usual study course was continued and a helpful afternoon spent. Those present were: Mesdames W. C. Touchton, W. J. Epperson, J. M. Lee, R. C. Epperson, Roy Weeks, George Crews, G. C. Connell, J. D. Cochran, A. D. Roberts, S. S. Saggus, B. F. Martin and Otto Skipper.

BIG ALUMINUM SALE COMING

The event of the season is promised Highlands county housewives Saturday, Oct. 13, by R. F. Sappington, hardware and furniture, who is offering a wonderful assortment of aluminum ware at prices ranging from 1 cent per article to 99 cents. The values range from 10 cents to $2.99. The sale is one-day sale and a cash sale. His big advertisement in this week's Pilot gives the details and illustrates the articles offered.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

The W. M. U. met at the First Baptist church Sept. 25. Mrs. Dave Morgan had charge of the program and Mrs. Otto Skipper read the devotional, after which new officers were elected as follows: Mrs. W. C. Touchton, elected president; Mrs. Otto Skipper, vice-president; Mrs. L. E. Rowland, secretary; Mrs. W. M. Carter, treasurer; Mrs. A. D. Roberts, corresponding secretary.

Several other items of business were taken up.

MUSIC CLUB TO MEET

The music department of the Woman's Club will meet in the school auditorium Friday afternoon, Oct. 12, at 3:30 o'clock. The subject will be "Opera."

The program committee, Mrs. J. L. Cloud and Mrs. J. B. Stringfellow, have arranged the following interesting program:

Var from Il Trovatore (Verdi), Margie Lacey.

Sketch of Carmen, Miss Anderson.

Record, Torreador's Song, from Carmen.

Le Faral te d'Amor (Faust), Mrs. Neal Trent.

Sketch from Rigoletto, Mrs. A. C. McCall.

Record, Quartette from Rigoletto, (Verdi), Caruso, Abbot, Homer and Scotti.

Song, selected, Mrs. Walley.

Record, soprano solo from Rigoletto by the prima donna, Tetrazini.

FIRE DESTROYS SHOE FIXRY, THE CAPITOL THEATER AND STORAGE

TOTAL LOSS $6,500, WITH $300 INSURANCE—WATER SHY MAKES HARD FIGHT

Fire of unknown origin Friday night destroyed the Capitol theater, the Avon Shoe Fixry and the storage house in the rear, entailing a total loss of close to $6,500; distributed among several merchants besides the theater and the shoe fixry owners. The only insurance was $300 on the piano in the theater.

The losses are estimated:

Fred Gray, owner of the buildings and the shoe fixry, approximately $2,000.

Capitol theater, seats, screen and other equipment, approximately $1,-900.

Avon Hardware and Furniture Company, stock stored in warehouse, principally paints, turpentine, wire, etc., approximately $500.

R. C. Epperson, Christmas goods stored in warehouse, approximately $600.

Connel Bros., groceries, etc., stored in warehouse, approximately $500.

Mrs. R. W. Swearingen, orange trees burned, $500.

H. H. Uncapher, fertilizers stored in warehouse, $60.

Expiration the previous Monday of a policy on goods stored in the warehouse left the Avon Hardware and Furniture Company without insurance. H. B. Smith, general manager, stated that they were moving the stuff to the firm's big warehouse and did not renew the insurance. "But for the sudden diversion of our trucks Friday to another job, we would have had everything moved," he said.

The fire began in the rear of the theater, and when first discovered, about 10 o'clock, could have been extinguished with a tub of water. It spread rapidly, though, and the only thing that was saved was the popcorn and peanut roasting machine of the Gaines boys, which they managed to get out of the front of the theater building.

The fire became so hot that two rows of orange trees adjoining the theater were burned down and trees as far as 100 feet away were badly damaged. Only the fact that the roof of the shoe fixry was of tin and the weather very light made it possible to keep the fire from spreading to the First National Bank building.

The volunteer fire department battled until late at night, scores of townspeople lending yeoman service, notable among them being Sheriff "Bob" Hancock, who carried one line of hose so close to the flames that friends had to hold a heavy coat between his face and the fire.

There was practically no water pressure, according to Chief Joe Lander of the fire department, making the fight much harder than it would have been with an adequate supply of water.

MEETING ISTOKPOGA LAND OWNERS CALLED IN TAMPA ON OCT 15

Benjamin Thompson, secretary of the Istokpoga Land Owners Association, has called a meeting of all members of the association to be held in Tampa on Monday, Oct. 22 p. m. The object of the meeting is to consider plans in connection with the formation of a drainage district to dispose of excess water running into Lake Istokpoga and overflowing its banks upon adjoining lands and upon Indian Prairie.

The drainage district as contemplated includes lands situated within the Everglades drainage district, some of which would be benefited by Indian Prairie canal when constructed. It is proposed to drain Lake Istokpoga into Kissimmee river, and to drain Indian Prairie into Lake Okeechobee by such canals as may be found necessary.

Spokesmen will be present at the meeting to be held in Tampa for the purpose of explaining in detail the plans outlined in connection with the drainage project. The meeting will be held in the city hall.

H. E. Memminger having signified his intention of retiring as president of the association, a new president to succeed him will probably take place at the meeting here.

MISTRIAL IN MOYER CASE—TRY HE AND YORK AGAIN THIS WEEK

After deliberating an hour or so the jury trying D. I. Moyer on a charge of transporting liquor, reported it could not agree Monday and Judge D. V. Rouse declared a mistrial, setting the case for later this week, this and five other cases being set for Friday and Saturday.

The sheriff swore that he saw Moyer and C. F. York take a jug of liquor from a clump of palmettoes, get in a car and drive away. Also that they stopped and took a drink from the jug.

The defense offered no testimony.

Percy Chandler, a negro, also charged with violating the liquor law, had a mistrial. He along with Moyer, C. F. York, Oscar Reed, Alex Floyd and Johnny Cooper, the latter three negroes, will be tried Friday and Saturday.

PACKING HOUSES OPEN

Both the Avon Park Citrus Growers Association and the Roberts and Henderson packing houses opened the past week and are moving early grapefruit.

CONTRACT WITH WATER COMPANY FOR BIG MAINS

TO GET A SECOND-CLASS FIRE RATING AND A LOWER MIN RATE

Contracts with the water company, which calls for the laying of eight-inch mains through the business district and six-inch mains through the residence section, along with new pumping and other equipment, that will raise Avon Park to a second class rating as a fire risk, reducing fire insurance rates 40 per cent, were approved by the city council at its weekly session.

Fifty fire hydrants are to be installed by the city immediately in return for raising the franchise rate for these from $3 to the standard rate of $5.00, the company agrees to reduce the minimum charges for individual light from $2 to $1.50 and the minimum charge for individual water rates from $1.50 to $1.

Under the agreement the company is to do everything necessary to secure a second class rating for the town, including necessary wells, reserve tanks, pumps, and other auxiliary equipment.

It is further provided that all over fifty hydrants will cost only $3 per month and that when a hundred have been installed the rate will be $3 for all, reducing to $2.50 when 150 hydrants are in use and $2 when 200 are in use.

The light and water company has promised to get to work immediately upon the improvements and it is hoped that the inspection by the fire underwriters man for second class rating may be had before the first of the year.

The streets, which are to be paved under the bond issue, will be laid with water mains first.

The city has already ordered a 750-gallon high power automobile fire engine that will cost $12,500, and this is to be delivered about Jan. 1.

Triplett Retires After 42 Years In Journalistic Field

TO MAKE HOME ON PRETTY ESTATE IN OSCEOLA COUNTY

With the retirement of S. J. Triplett from the Pilot, one of the ablest veterans of Florida printers and journalists leaves his chosen field for days of rest. "Trip," as he is known over the state, has carried a union card 43 years and has never missed an assessment nor drawn a days sick or other benefit. He and Mrs. Triplett have retired to their country place at Narcoossee, where he says he is going to live the life of a retired country gentleman. Many who know his active mind and nature say he is just fooling himself and that he'll be back in the game before long.

"Trip," who came to the Pilot about two years ago and who has been associated with the present editor during his regime here, was the man who introduced the resolution before the International Typographical Union in 1887 for the establishment of what is now the finest institution of its kind in the world—the Printers' Home at Colorado Springs.

"Trip" is the dean of Florida printers. He joined the union 20 years before the dispensation was granted, boasting of 43 years continuous membership. He has been connected with newspapers for 42 years in both the editorial and mechanical ends of the game. He was associated in the early "building" of Los Angeles, being at one time in publicity work and community building work.

Before coming to the Park he was with the Miner at Lake Wales, and previous to that was with the News in Okeechobee and the Valley-Gazette in Kissimmee. He has served as president of the Florida State Press Association and has frequently been voted the "handsomest" man in the state.

NEW BLOCK ALMOST READY

The new Verona-First Trust-Durrance block is rapidly nearing completion, the finishing touches on the front for the trust company and the Verona end of the block being put on this week. All the walls are up. The interior of the Durrance end of the block is being rapidly shaped up and this will be occupied by the first.

ARTHUR BRISBANE NOW WRITING FOR THE PILOT

Arthur Brisbane is the most widely read and highest paid newspaper writer in the world. Under the heading "This Week" this paper presents his column in this issue. Read it.

Mr. Brisbane now receives $260,000 a year for his news column. This newspaper is in position to furnish this excellent feature to its readers through its membership in the Publishers Autocaster Service of New York.

EPISCOPAL RESUMES THE NIGHT SERVICES

There will be divine service in the Church of the Redeemer next Sunday morning and evening, and both services will be continued until further notice. Sunday morning the sacrament of the Holy Communion will be administered.

This Week

By Arthur Brisbane

On Plates of Gold.
Why Fighting is Respectable.
93,000 Miles a Second.
Whiskey, Champion Criminal.

One hundred years ago Joseph Smith, prophet, founded the "Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints." He received from Heaven gold plates, mysteriously engraved, and from them, divinely guided, translated the Book of Mormon.

At least, that's his story. His followers say it should not be questioned by Christians that record a similar story from Moses, about the tablets of the law.

Those that wisely respect all religions, denying none, are interested especially in the changes that have come over Mormonism, still full of vitality after 100 years. Joseph Smith made a particular virtue of many wives for one man—so did wise King Solomon, by the way.

Modern Mormonism, rallying under the purple, blue and gold banner, "Cumorah-Ramah," says, "one wife is enough." That does not mean repudiating Joseph Smith. Many good Christians tone down Jonah and the whale, knowing that the earth is round, do not insist that the four angels actually stood at the four corners of the earth. All life is compromise.

The Department of Commerce, bureau of census, calculates the total wealth of the United States as about three hundred billions of dollars, three thousand dollars for every man, woman and child, nearly double the total we had in 1912.

One hundred per cent seems encouraging, and the census bureau figures may be technically accurate, but they don't mean anything.

A lady asks why the Dempsey-Firpo fight is allowed. "Once," says she, "prize fighters had to hide away in barns, like dog fighters. Now they have the police to keep order for them while they knock each other down. How can you explain that?"

Easily. A big prize fight now is worth two million dollars to the promoters. That makes it RESPECTABLE.

The owner of a little gambling house must hide away. The owners of a stock or produce exchange, where they bet millions, is respectable and protected. We have those businesses in this country, but we do show respect for anything above one million.

One single IDEA might be worth three hundred billions—for instance, an idea supplying men with unlimited free power from sun or tides.

There are many ideas worth hundred billions worth of wealth below the earth in mines, oil, gas, coal, and in the earth's thin crop producing carpet of soil.

There are more than three hundred billion dollars' worth of nitrogen in the air above us. This is a rich country, but we need more people, and instead of encouraging them to come in, we foolishly keep them out.

Henry Ford is studying a better kind of boat to carry freight and passengers. If he produces he will add billions to the nation's wealth. The height of mechanical folly is carrying, on pounding rails and wheels, freight that ought to glide, without friction or wear, along thousands of miles of canals and rivers.

To enjoy a good headache, read Sir Ernest Rutherford, great British scientist, on the atom. A thousand atoms in the corner of your eye wouldn't bother you. You wouldn't know they were there.

The atom, a complex unit of pure electricity, of which all substances, elements, wealth, rocks, buildings, money and men are made, is a miniature solar system. It has a central electron which is like the sun.

Around it revolves dozens of smaller electrons like planets. The electrons farthest away from the center, in this miniature solar system, travel slowly in their orbits—only five hundred miles a second. Those nearest the center travel at the inconceivable speed of ninety-three thousand miles a second.

What horrible forces are locked up in those minute particles of matter? In such an "infra-world."

Who knows what may happen, what generations may be born and die in the fraction of a second? Who knows that this milky way cosmos of ours, compared with the atom, is but a big as an atom compared with the earth itself, may not be a mere atom in a bigger cosmos?

The power that holds together the atoms in a glassful of water would, if released, run all the machinery of the United States for an indefinite period. There's another headache in that thought.

A man asleep and drunk complains because thieves took his spectacles, false teeth and money.

That man shouldn't complain of thieves, but of the whiskey which he drank. Whiskey is the champion thief, stealing not only money, but health, reputation, character and finally life.

SHIPPING ORANGES

Rev. J. B. Peden is already shipping oranges from his grove in the flatwoods, southeast of Avon Park. He shipped some late last month and shipped others this week. One box tested at the packing house showed 13 per cent sugar. The law requires only 8 per cent sugar.

B. F. WEST ILL

B. F. West, pioneer resident here, is seriously ill at his home on Verona avenue, and his children have been called to his bedside.

WRIGLEY'S

Take it home to the kids.

Have a packet in your pocket for an ever-ready treat.

After Every Meal

A delicious confection and an aid to the teeth, appetite, digestion.

Sealed in its Purity Package

IT'S ELECTED

DON'T split your ticket when it comes to bread. Cast one straight ballot for our delicious, nutritious loaf. It lives up to its platform promises. It's the one bread that is always uniform in quality and weight.

"VISEL'S MILK BREAD"

At Your Grocers or

SANITARY BAKERY

K. F. VISEL, Proprietor

TRY A WANT AD IN THE HIGHLANDS COUNTY PILOT

CHILDS

Mrs. G. A. DeVane, mother of the big grove's superintendent, and her two small children are visiting him. They live in Lakeland.

The Parker Island children have now missed a month of school because the school bus contractor will not go three miles further and meet them two miles this side of Parker Island. That is all they have to walk under the law. If the school officials wait until the cross highway is hard-surfaced before furnishing transportation the whole term will be lost. No danger of their own children losing any schooling. In fact, one official's six-year-old child has been pushed more than half way through school already.

The writer took a little 25-mile stroll down to Old and New Venus and back the other day. The five-mile turfy, flatwoods stretch between Hicoria, the end of the Scenic Highlands, and Old Venus is fine for walking but very bad for driving. If the Venuses did not have the railroad they would be almost cut off from the county seat during the rainy season. Automobiles are not of much use down there until the long delayed hard road comes. Venus has a magnificent stand of big trees yielding turpentine and lumber. The sawmills have not put much of a dent in the millions of pine trees yet.

Oct. 1 put us in the closed range (theoretically). The wild range cattle still roam the highways, railroad track and the big grove. The big grove has just been forced to put in a new cattle-guard gate. In Representative Taylor's description of the new closed range law no mention was made of penalties. Is it another of those toothless laws like the Republicans' idea of a League of Nations agreement?

20. Pioneer Hardships so far. Ain't it terrible?—H. G. P.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Real estate transfers in Highlands county, filed with the county clerk since last publication, as reported by the Highlands Security Abstract & Title Co., Sebring:

Bertha Y. Farnham et al to B. H. James: Lot 1, block 27, town of Avon Park.

C. W. Rogers to Edith Lengfield Smith: N½ of N½ of SW¼, Sec. 5, Twp. 36, R. 31.

Folsom Parnelle to J. F. Sauer: Middle 50 ft. of lots 1, 2 and 3, block 65, Sebring.

Glen St. Mary Nurseries Co. to Mary P. Pierce: SE¼ of NW¼ and NW¼ of SE¼ and N½ of SW¼, Sec. 34, Twp. 35, R. 28.

A. M. McAuley to Financial Service Corporation: Lots 7 and 8, block 5; lots 1, 2 and 3, block 8; lots 5 and 6, block 9, Lake Stearns.

C. W. Rogers to D. S. Masters: W½ of W½ of E½ of NW¼, Sec. 5, Twp. 38, R. 31.

C. W. Rogers to L. U. Kershner: W½ of E½ of NE¼ of NE¼, Sec. 5, Twp. 38, R. 31.

James Carlton to Charles A. Wells: Part of NW¼ of NW¼, Sec. 3, Twp. 35, R. 29; about five acres.

First Trust & Savings Co. to Verona Investment Co.: Pat lot 20, block 58, Avon Park.

Pittsburgh-Florida Fruit Growers Association to H. C. Heineman: Grove 129, Sec. 9, and Groves 173, 174 and 175, Sec. 16.

Harman Head to Dr. E. P. Solomon: W½ of SE¼ of SE¼ of NE¼, Sec. 9, Twp. 32, R. 28.

Helen A. B. Michener to A. D. Taylor: Lot 1, block 42, Sebring.

A. C. Hesnek et al to Mrs. Hettie S. Bright, Lydia Stauffer and Lucinda Stauffer: Lot 13, block 63, Sebring.

Just Like That

Crabby Diner — "Well, if this is chicken, I'm an old fool."

Sweet Young Waitress — "Quite right, sir. It's chicken."

HELPFUL HINTS
by Aleda

Mrs. Housewife: This newspaper will publish "Helpful Hints" in this form at regular intervals. We suggest you clip this column and paste it in your recipe book.

Blueing Spots—If blueing stains an article when washing, wash the spot in alcohol and it will disappear.

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Silks—Always wash your white silk gloves, stockings, etc., in cold water. Otherwise they will turn yellow.

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Salty Ham—If a salty ham is soaked in milk it will remove a great deal of the salt, as well as improve the flavor.

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Culinary Success — Nearly everyone likes grated cheese on their macaroni. If one is desirous of saving labor, cut the cheese in small pieces and put them through the potato ricer.

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Drying Dainty Materials—Remove dainty lawns, organdies, etc., from the line as soon as dry, as the wind will make them limp.

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Starch Substitute—Borax is a very good substitute for starch. A teaspoonful of borax used to each gallon of water will stiffen curtains sufficiently, yet not have the cloudy appearance given by starch.

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Wall Paper Paste—A good wall paper paste can be made by using rye flour and water. Take some flour and stir in warm water, then boil and cool, stirring constantly. No exact recipe can be given for the quantity of flour to use as different flours vary in different paste-making qualities. A few drops of carbolic acid will help preserve the paste.

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Nickle or silver ornaments may be kept bright by rubbing them with a woolen cloth saturated in spirits of ammonia.

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Damping Clothes—Use water as hot as can be borne on the hands. It will not be necessary to use as much on the clothes.

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Stained Hands—A little kerosene will remove all grease and paint from the hands.

Breads—Gluten or brown bread is a great deal more healthy and has more nourishment than white.

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Rough Hands—If your hands have become rough or chapped try this for a remedy: Three ounces white wine vinegar, three ounces lemon juice and a half pint of white brandy. This used long enough will remedy the trouble.

It Might Be Coming

Suitor (fervently lending up to possible proposal climax) — "Oh, Helen, I have had something hesitating on my lips for some time I——"

Helen—"Yes, I have noticed it—but shave it off, George. It'll never grow."

Invaded Her Home

Mrs. Collins said: "When Bed Bugs invaded my home they seemed to breed so fast that every room was infested. I tried many things but did not get rid of them until I got Royal Guaranteed Bed Bug Liquid. I am so grateful for the splendid results. Get Royal Liquid today. 25c. Sold and guaranteed by

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Customer—"Have you that piece, 'Yes, Ye Have No Bananas'?"
Music Clerk—"No, we have no, 'Yes, We Have No Bananas.'"

Did It Ever Occur to You

that a poorly lighted street is a liability and that a well lighted one is a big asset. A well lighted and ventilated business house is much more attractive than the one which is not so equipped. Just stroll through the town during the evening and see which streets and business houses are the more attractive and popular.

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NSOLIDATED SCHOOLS INTEREST EDUCATORS

On Good Highways

dren's Travel to School Possible

date there have been completed 13 miles of federal aid highways d more than nineteen thousand miles in addition are under construction.

The mileage is of importance to educators, because of the increasing movement of progressive states towards the establishment of consolidated schools in rural district. Such schools gather together half a dozen or more teachers, and bodies of school children, to form a large and well equipped school, taking the place of those which are smaller and less well served.

Consolidated schools must gather up children from their country homes, delivering them to and taking them from school, by road transportation. It has been found that the consolidated school is seldom a success except where good roads serve the communities affected. Where there are good roads everywhere, the school busses run inexpensively and quickly, and provide the children within a radius of ten or even fifteen miles with school facilities equal to that enjoyed by pupils in cities. Where roads are poor, the maximum distance over which a child can come to school is two and a half miles.

The federal program of better roads is meeting with much approval among educators who see in more good roads a better standard of scholarship among the children of rural districts.

HELPFUL HINTS

Squeezing Fruit—If one will warm a lemon before squeezing it, about twice as much juice will be had.

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Flannels—Never rub soap on flannels—it will shrink them. Instead, wash them in a soap jelly, and use even that gently. Do not iron wet—or with a very hot iron.

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Stains on Zinc—Vinegar will remove stains from the zinc tops of kitchen tables.

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Washing Windows—A little starch put in the clear warm water with which you wash windows will make them clearer. When dry, rub and polish with a cloth.

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Nose Bleeds—There are various ways of stopping nose bleeds, but one of the most common and effective is this: Put a roll of paper under the upper lip—between the lip and gum. If this fails apply cold at the back of the neck. A key or cloth wrung out in cold water is good.

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Cut Flowers may be kept a long while if a piece of green camphor is put in the vase of water.

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Hair—If the ends of the hair are clipped with a shears, once every three or four months, it will help the growth of the hair and prevent its splitting.

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Burns (Acid)—An acid burn should be flushed liberally with cold water and then washed with a strong solution of soda.

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Fire—If by chance your clothes have caught fire remember never to run, as that will fan the flames and make them worse. Lie down on the floor and roll up as tightly as possible in a shawl, rug, or any woolen clothing, leaving the head out. If nothing is available lie down on the floor, rolling over slowly and at the same time beating the flames with the hands.

ANNUAL SALE OF FURS

15 per cent Discount

Expertly selected pelts make up supremely beautiful garments. Skilled workmanship expresses itself in carefully matched skins in garments that in every smart new style reflect the handiwork of an artist. This is one of the biggest events of the year—it has entailed months of careful planning and can not fail to provide large profits to any woman who purchases now.

This collection of furs comes from New York's leading furriers and comprises a very carefully selected variety of the latest styles in

COATS—CAPES—STOLES—CHOKERS

The saving is really much greater than 15%, because these furs are priced at much less than they will be later in the season. And you get 15% discount from these low prices.

Sale Begings Saturday, October 6th

LET US DO YOUR *FUR TAILORING*

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THIS IS YOUR CHANCE TO OWN THAT CABINET GRAFONOLA YOU HAVE WANTED SO LONG. IT IS FREE. ASK US HOW

KATZ BROTHERS

EVERYTHING TO WEAR

E. C. DUSENBURY, Manager Avon Park, Fla.

ONLY 3,000 CARLOADS CITRUS FRUIT LEFT IN CALIFORNIA AS THE SEASON OPENS HERE

Good news for Florida's orange growers comes just as the shipping season is about to open, in word from F. L. Skelly, manager of the American Fruit Growers, Inc., Orlando, to the effect that less than three thousand carloads of Valencia oranges remain on hand in California for shipment from there.

In view of the large crop of California Valencias, the supply remaining on hand is materially less than most Florida shippers anticipated would be the case Oct. 1. Evidently California has been hurrying its Valencia shipments forward in an effort to get cleaned up as fast as possible before the movement of Florida fruit began.

Mr. Skelly's statement is based on very recent information from authentic sources in California, and will be regarded by Florida shippers as the very best sort of news.

Mr. Skelly has all along been optimistic regarding the coming season's prospects. He sees no reason now to change his opinion. On the contrary, reports indicate a steady betterment of business conditions over most of the northern consuming territory, the prosperity of which exerts great influence in making a market for Florida's citrus fruits. Mr. Skelly says that prospects for a good season in grapefruit appear to him considerably better than they did even a few weeks ago.

They report an excellent inquiry for both Parson Brown oranges and early grapefruit, and state that a large number of orders have been received and booked for Parson Browns and for early grapefruit at excellent prices, shipments to begin when maturity of the fruit has sufficiently advanced to admit.

Pets Must Exercise

It was on a city side street leading to the four-foot square of green grass, called a park, that an awkward youth carried a bird cage in which sat a contented tom cat.

"What are you doing with that cat in a cage?" asked Nosey.

"Taking the missus' bird out for an airing," was the reply.

"Where's the bird?"

"Inside the cat."

In a short while the youth returned, leading a bulldog.

"Where to now, Simple?" again asked Nosey.

"Taking the missus' cat home."

"Where's the cat?"

"Inside the dog."

CONVENTION SYSTEM ON TRIAL IN NEXT NATIONAL ELECTION

Public Will Watch to See If Presidential Preference as Expressed in 20 State Primaries is Followed

[Written specially for the Pilot by Robert Fuller]

Twenty states will hold preferential primaries in the next national election. For the rest the delegates will be chosen in convention. This will give the public a fair opportunity to learn how far political conventions follow the expressed will of the people.

For years there has been a growing feeling among the people that the voters of America have little or nothing to do with the actual choice of their president.

What ever may be true of this contention will be disclosed definitely when the results of the primaries and of the state conventions are placed in juxtaposition. With twenty states holding primaries and twenty-nine conventions, the story should be told with unerring accuracy.

Illinois has both primary and convention. The district delegates in this state, elected in the primary and the delegates at large in convention.

The states in which preferential thereof are as follows:

primaries are to be held and the dates

California—Tuesday, May 13.
Florida—Tuesday, June 3.
Georgia—Date fixed by state executive committee.
Illinois—Tuesday, April 8.
Indiana—Tuesday, May 6.
Maryland—Monday, May 5.
Massachusetts—Tuesday, April 29.
Michigan—Monday, May 5.
Montana—Tuesday, May 27.
Nebraska—Tuesday, April 15.
New Jersey—Tuesday, April 22.
North Carolina—Saturday, June 7.
North Dakota—Tuesday, March 18.
Ohio—Tuesday, April 29.
Oregon—Friday, May 16.
Pennsylvania—Tuesday, May 20.
South Dakota—Tuesday, March 18.
Vermont—Tuesday, May 20.
West Virginia—Tuesday, May 27.
Wisconsin—Tuesday, April 1.

The opening gun in the presidential contest will be staged in South Dakota, which holds its presidential primary on March 18 next.

In the following states the delegates are elected by state conventions, the dates of which have not yet been fixed:

Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois (delegates-at-large only), Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nevada, New Mexico, New York (delegates-at-large only), North Carolina (delegates-at-large only), Oklahoma, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Wyoming.

The apportionment of delegates to the Democratic national convention will stand as follows:

Alabama, 24; Arizona, 6; Arkansas, 18; California, 26; Colorado, 12; Connecticut, 14; Delaware, 6; Florida, 12; Georgia, 28; Idaho, 8; Illinois, 58; Indiana, 30; Iowa, 26; Kansas, 20; Kentucky, 26; Louisiana, 20; Maine, 12; Maryland, 16; Massachusetts, 36; Michigan, 30; Minnesota, 24; Mississippi, 20; Missouri, 36; Montana, 8; Nebraska, 16; Nevada, 6; New Hampshire, 8; New Jersey, 28; New Mexico, 6; New York, 90; North Carolina, 24; North Dakota, 10; Ohio, 48; Oklahoma, 20; Oregon, 10; Pennsylvania, 76; Rhode Island, 10; South Carolina, 18; Vermont, 8; Virginia, 24; Washington, 14; West Virginia, 16; Wisconsin, 26; Wyoming, 6; Alaska, 6; District of Columbia, 6; Hawaii, 6; Philippines, 6; Porto Rico, 6; Canal Zone, 2. Total, 1,094.

In Arizona, Washington, Arkansas and usually in Louisiana delegates to the Democratic national convention are named by the Democratic state committee.

The state-wide primaries next year will be held as follows:

Alabama—May 13. (No presidential primary.)
California—May 13.
Florida—(Presidential primary optional)—June 3.
Illinois—(District delegates only)—June 8.
Massachusetts—April 29.
Montana—May 27.
Nebraska—April 15.
New Hampshire—March 11.
New Jersey—April 22.
New York—(District delegates only. No presidential primary)—April 1.
North Dakota—March 18.
Ohio—April 29.
Oregon—May 16.
Pennsylvania—May 20.
South Dakota—(Meeting to propose delegates, Dec. 4, 1923)—March 18.
West Virginia—May 27.
Wisconsin—(District delegates are elected by districts)—April 1.

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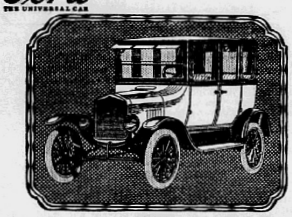

New Sedan

Changes featured in the new Ford Sedan make it a better looking, roomier car.

A higher radiator with a trim apron at its base lends dignity befitting a closed car. The higher hood and enlarged cowl curving gracefully to the dash give a stylish sweep to its body lines, and afford additional leg room for occupants of the front seat.

All body fittings—window regulators, door grips, door lock levers, door lock, dome light—are finished in nickel. The upholstery carries a fine dark line on a soft brown background that does not easily show dust or dirt. Silk window curtains to harmonize for the three rear windows enhance the style of the car and add to the comfort of its passengers. See the new Sedan and other new Ford body styles at our showroom.

These cars may also be purchased on the Ford Weekly Purchase Plan

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Florida Property Is Increaing in Values Every Day

Particularly is this true of property on the Scenic Highlands and in and adjacent to Avon Park. Our city is growing rapidly, new buildings being started nearly every day. Of course this adds to the value of all property, whether in the city or adjacent thereto.

"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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WAITING

Down on the coast of sorrow,
Down midst the sands of despair,
Awaiting another tomorrow,
An' jes' a sitting there;
Watching and waitin' for something
To come an jump in your net,
Jes sittin' there watchin' an waitin',
All you will get is wet.
Hey! feller, get up an' be doin',
Start scratching goin' along.
Whether it's workin' or woolin',
Start it, you can't be wrong.
—By "Mickie."

Just twelve weeks 'til Christmas.

And now we have a kindergarten, too.

Those prices for paving look mighty good.

We are wondering what has become of the sidewalks in the mall.

Seems to us, our council ought to get this white way under way before winter.

With the Tampa election over, mebe we'll get some news from the Tampa papers.

A shovel a day would keep the water away—from the crossing at Main and Lakeview.

We haven't heard any talk about cancelling the order for the fire truck—since Friday night.

Tampa hasn't had a monopoly on hot doings the last few weeks. Our fire was rather warm Friday night.

"Vibrations destroy pain," says a Tribune front page headline. Funny how this Ford propaganda gets "position."

Polk county's velvet roads have graduated from the velvet class. They are now corduroy, especially between here and Frostproof.

Eighty-eight cent's average packing charges for fruit as announced by the Polk county sub-exchange is good news for the growers.

There have been charges that there is "too much engineering" about the county roads. We hope so. Better too much than not enough.

Now if the Coast Line will convert its fenced in park into a tropical garden, it will make things look mighty nice when the visitors get off the train.

A Ridge sub-exchange will be a nice advertisement for the Scenic Highlands, not to mention the benefit to our growers. Better late than never.

"Me unt Gott" Germans needn't worry about the allies refusing to let Wilhelm loose again. They can get Johnny Walton. Oklahoma doesn't want him.

They were saying in Tampa that if Wall was elected, Ed Lambright would be city manager. Which, if true, was at least one good reason for Wall's election.

Now if the council will proceed to follow the laying of adequate water mains with an anti-shingle ordinance it will mean our insurance bill will be cut just in half.

It is quite appropriate that our council contract with the water company for larger water mains—just as Sheriff Hancock is making it hot for the bootleggers.

Realizing that we have to miss a guess once in a while, the election of Wall in Tampa makes us surer than ever that our friend John Martin will be the next governor.

Check up shows 193,000 dead in the Jap earthquake and a geologist says the California coast is moving. The more we read the papers the gladder we are that we live in Florida.

Without any disrespect, it behooves us to remark that the new entrance and brick pillars for the fence around the cemetery make that hallowed spot look like a live town's burial ground.

If our friend Guy Ruhl drives his auto to the Associated Boards meeting at Sebring he'll be ready to agree with us in our comments on Polk county's velvet road south of Frostproof.

Judge Parkhill says the governor had no business taking any stand in the lush fight, and probably would say, if asked, that likewise he hasn't any business trying to get lower gasoline prices. He believes the governor's business is just to be governor.

Versatile Gail Binkley is the Tampa Times' new marine editor. Now we presume Observer Bennett will have to quit talking about Tampa's freedom from hurricanes with a Gail blowing about the waterfront every day.

Now the commissioners are on the right track. If the next set of bids—which will be the third—don't offer reasonable prices for the Kissimmee river road, they plan to rent or buy a drag line and do the work themselves.

This Oklahoma governor ought to remember what happened in Berlin.

Not that we hold any brief for the Ku Klux, but it is a fact that none of them—not even Simmons or Clarke—has been caught telling a half a million free Americans that they can't vote.

The Pilot has received a letter signed "An Interested Taxpayer." Anonymous communications usually find the waste basket pronto, but if the writer of this letter desires to discuss the road situation we will be glad to have him or her call by or write and sign their name.

WANTED--A NEW FALL SUIT

OWN A HOME

Hon. H. H. Wells of Chipley, in a recent address said: "There is no such thing as a home in the highest sense unless you own it.

"There must be an incentive to plant trees, to beautify the grounds, to preserve and improve. It elevates a man to own a home. It gives him a certain independence, a force of character that is obtained in no other way. A man without a home is a passenger in this life. The prosperity and glory of Florida depend on the number of our people who own their homes. Around the fireside cluster the private and public virtues of our race. Raise your sons to be independent through labor—to pursue some business for themselves and upon their own account, to act upon their own responsibility and take the consequences like men. Teach them to be good, true, tender, loving and affectionate husbands and fathers—winners of love and builders of homes, and they will know that where industry creates and justice protects, prosperity will dwell."

No need to argue about this; it is absolutely true. We invite you to inspect any home and witness what the owning of the building has led to in the appearance of the grounds round about it.

JEWISH CONTROL ONLY A BUGBEAR

Every now and then some panic-stricken person shrieks to high heaven that the Jews are rapidly getting control of the United States.

When Henry Ford opened his attack on the Jews every wiseacre whose province is to settle the affairs of nations on the street corner, said that settled Henry. If he ever had political ambitions he might as well abandon them.

Then came the cry of the Ku Klux Klan—a large, influential and secret organization was needed to keep the Jews in check.

An examination of the facts, however, show the absurdity of all this ringing of the alarm. Of more than fifteen and a half million Jews in the world only 3,602,150 live in the United States. Of these, 1,643,012, representing 29 per cent of the total population, live in the city of New York. Brooklyn has 604,380. The strongest percentage, 38 per cent of the residents, is shown in the Bronx, where 278,169 Jews live and have their being.

The majority of the Jews in America are quartered in the large cities, including Chicago, Philadelphia, Boston, Cleveland, St. Louis, Pittsburgh and, let us not forget, Detroit.

More than 67 per cent of the world's Jews live in Europe, according to the year book for 1922-23, compiled by Harry Schneiderman. Poland contains 3,500,000, Russia, 3,113,066, the British Empire, 795,466, Germany has 615,000, Hungary 438,000, France and its possessions 411,500, the Irish Free State 5,161, the rest being found in Czecho-Slovakia and Austria.

It is interesting to note that in Palestine there are only 83,794 Jews, so that so far as America is concerned, New York may truly be said to be the new Jerusalem.

An Educator at Home

Smithson—"The universal language now spoken in twenty-three different tongues, has been accepted and has registered its astonishing growth since April 7, 1917—or thereabouts. It is known as "hopping anguish," "leaping disaster," "spotted carnage," "freckled ivory," or "rolling bankruptcy." It comes in sets, and if presented jointly to utter strangers, will have them so well acquainted in fifteen minutes they will be fighting like old friends. It——"

Mrs. S.—"Man, what are you talking about?"

Smithson—"I'm talking about the great American game, 'craps,' that wharf ping-pong which started in Alabam', and has now spread to all parts of the world."

Long-Winded

Lecturer—"Allow me, before closing to repeat the words of the immortal Webster."

Husband (to wife) — "Come on, Marie, let's go. He's going to start in on the dictionary."

Breaking It Gently

Daughter—"May I go to a wedding, father?"

Father—"Well, alright—but must you go?"

Daughter—"I suppose so. I'm the bride."

THE NEWSPAPER ADVERTISING "WELL"

It's an old saying that "We never miss the water till the well runs dry." It was particularly applicable in New York in the past week. During that time, owing to a strike by pressmen, no daily newspapers of consequence were published in that city of nearly six million inhabitants and with hundreds of thousands of visitors, many of the latter there to buy goods and commodities, stocks and bonds, and what not. Of course, the permanent residents are buyers every week-day, and they buy most when there is most advertising in their daily papers. Buying diminished to an enormous, not to say distressing, extent, when the newspapers, carrying advertisements, failed to appear.

Not infrequently there are those who are heard to say: "Oh, advertising does not pay." Admitting that such are few, comparatively, and that they are not among the successful merchants and others who do find very great need and much of profit in advertising, there is conclusive evidence of the fallacy of the assertion quoted. Advertising is a necessity; it does pay. While the New York pressmen's strike was on, newspaper advertising facilities were rendered unavailable, that is, the very best of those facilities, those provided by and through the daily newspaper. What was the result? Business was crippled, was almost at a standstill in some instances, in others harmed imperceptibly. The advertising "well" had run dry.

In an Associated Press dispatch from New York, published last Saturday, this was said:

"Continued lack of advertising space in New York's strike-hampered newspapers will be reflected in all branches of finance, commerce and industry, in the opinion of business executives who have observed the effect of the walkout. In competent financial quarters today, the fear was expressed that unemployment might result from longer crippling of the daily liaison between the merchant and the buyer. Department store heads, even those catering to permanent customers, said the inability to promote trade through the newspaper columns were providing a serious handicap at the opening of the fall season. And Wall street, always dubious as to the real value of the small amount of space it uses in the dailies, was convinced its clients had learned to depend on newspaper advertising for their information on financial offerings. Several big offerings of bonds which were to be put out this week were postponed because of lack of advertising space. Stores depending on special sales were more seriously affected. Nearly all the leading department stores began printing circulars for distribution among persons entering their establishments and for their mailing lists. Their executives, however, found the handbills lacked anything like the pulling power of space in the newspapers."

Following what is quoted above, were interviews with leading merchants and with financiers, all of whom told of the business destroyed by reason of the suspension of newspaper publication, of the newspaper advertising "well" having "gone dry," through ill-advised action of employes acting without consideration or thought for the general welfare.

The forced suspension of newspaper publication accomplished one result that ought to be, and likely will be beneficial, and that is the furnishing of indisputable evidence that newspapers are highly essential to business prosperity, that the advertising facilities they provide are of inestimable value to all those who aspire to do business with the very great buying public. And no less valuable are the advertising pages of newspapers to the larger buying public—over one hundred millions in this country alone.—Times-Union.

If the Germans want to restore monarchy, and want the real article, let them import Johnny Walton of Oklahoma.

Polk county is talking about $5,000,000 for roads, of which $3,000,000 is for new roads and $2,000,000 for widening nine-foot roads. If she doesn't hurry up she's have to use the whole five million for new roads.

The Sanford Herald is "still waiting for Governor Hardee to lower the price of gas." And they'll still be waiting unless we put a man in the governor's chair who is willing to rise out of it once in a while and exercise himself.

STEP ON THE INFORMATION GAS

To provide a better understanding of the economic factor underlying motor transportation in every part of the world, the first International Motor Transport Congress ever held in the United States will be convened in May, 1924, in the city of Detroit. The congress will be under the auspices of the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce. Delegates will attend from all quarters of the civilized globe. The conference is to last four days.

The automotive industry is of first economic importance in this country, whatever it may be abroad, and it will be well for those who have their millions invested in it to have brought home to them the fact that the great American market for the automobile is the American small town and the American farm.

The teeming millions in the great cities might lead the unthinking to imagine that all the motor cars in the world are bought by the rich city folk, but actually the city consumption is small as compared with that of the country. More nearly 70 than 50 per cent of all of the cars manufactured in this country, we are told, are bought in towns up to 5,000 population. The sooner the manufacturers have this fact driven home to them the sooner will they see the necessity of giving greater aid to the small town local dealers, many of whom do such yeoman work in the stimulation and creating of a market for the manufacturers they represent. Some manufacturers with forward vision fully appreciate what the local dealer is doing, but others fail to sense his importance and do not appreciate his effort.

Great as is the absorption of motor cars in the country, it would be even greater if the average local dealer could afford to cover his potential market more intensively. What he needs is backing to the limit, and no more constructive work can be done at the coming conference than the work of bringing before the industry the actual truth regarding the cultivation of the small town motor market, the backbone of American consumption, of everything that is worthwhile.

OKLAHOMA'S LITTLE KAISER

The action of Governor Walton of Oklahoma in putting a military censor into the editorial rooms of the Tulsa Tribune is a final brazen assault on liberty of the press that should arouse every newspaper publisher from coast to coast to action to the end that we may bring quickly to a close the growing grip of officials over public expression. The insidious inroads made in different states, all with the same end in view, getting a grip on the throat of the publisher, have grown so bold that the newspaper profession must sit up and take notice if it is to preserve itself. In some quarters the assault is carefully camouflaged under the cloak of reform, but it is none the less dangerous.

The Tulsa Tribune, leading newspaper of the state, saw fit to criticize the conduct of the Oklahoma governor. The recital of the governor's activities was published in a series of articles entitled "The Story of Walton." Quite apart from the merits or demerits of the governor's attitude on public matters the right of the newspaper to take a position on the operations of the chief executive remains unquestionable. If in "The Story of Walton" there were published anything untruthful, anything libelous the publisher stood responsible under the law. Seemingly, however, the governor, dressed in his little brief authority, was not satisfied with the protection afforded him by the courts. He must take the law into his own hands and recreate it to suit his particular desires, and the local Ku Klux situation afforded what he regarded as a plausible excuse. Putting Tulsa county under martial law Governor Walton placed a military censor in the newspaper office to suppress from publication anything which in the judgment of the official footman might incite to riot. Obviously any published fact which tended to expose the spirit of dictatorship on the part of the governor "might" incite to riot, so that "The Story of Walton" necessarily fell under the official frown. Here is censorship gone mad.

If Waltonism is allowed to stand then Oklahoma is about ready for another Boston Tea Party. When the governor of a state can take a strangle-hold on the throat of the press, when the newspaper can be Prussianized and crushed under the heel of a kaiser the constitution under which we have lived and under which this great nation has developed might as well be torn into scraps of paper and a new system of government set up.

The plain fact is the whole system of censorship is dangerous to liberty and diametrically opposed to the American form of government. It combines the very three elements of rule the fathers so sedulously sought to segregate—the legislative, the judicial and the executive. It undermines the moral fibre of our legislators, providing for them a vehicle of excuse for failure to stand up and be counted on public issues. Also let it not be forgotten it becomes a burden on the already overloaded taxpayer which he can ill afford to bear. Governor Walton shows to what extent under its rule it is possible to crush human liberty.

Walton symbolizes the public mentor in action. Posing as the champion of the people's rights he strips them of their most valued possession, the freedom of expression, and places them in shackles. Men like Walton, in our judgment, should be kicked out of office and the newspapers should see that it is done.

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We have the Raisins in packages and in bulk

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$1,000 A MINUTE LOSS!!

FIRE!!

Our community has just witnessed a heavy loss through fire—this contributes to the alarming figures stated above. This national tax of $1,000 a minute totals $500,000,000.

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Think! There is need for the best of protection against this destructive element. We offer you at small cost a policy insuring loss against fire, tornado, cyclone and flood. Phone us at once—tomorrow may be too late.

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If it is house furnishings, we guarantee careful handling and no breakage.
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In the World of Women

"TRUE BLUE GIRLS" PICNIC AT LAKE ISIS

Mrs. J. L. Wells chaperoned her Sunday school class, the "True Blue Girls," on a picnic Tuesday afternoon. The party motored to Lake Isis and selected an ideal spot. There they indulged in games and had a "splash me" party, after which a delicious picnic lunch was spread and enjoyed to the utmost.

Those participating in this delightful outing were: Misses Mattie May Hart, Gertrude Harris, Dixie Martin, Flora Wilcox, Ethel Gunter, Elizabeth Chambers, Ebra Adams, Thelma Cochran, Ruth Padgett, Katie Bond, Myrtle Hart and Claudia Crews.

FIDILAS ELECTS OFFICERS

The Fidilas class of the Baptist Sunday school met last Friday evening at the home of Miss Annie Ginn. It was a business meeting and the following officers were elected: Miss Nona Mae Crews, president; Miss Alene Marsh, first vice-president; Lutrelle Martin, second vice-president; Mrs. J. P. Brooks, third vice-president; Miss Alta Rhea Able, secretary; Miss Annie Ginn, treasurer; Miss Rebah Ginn, reporter; Mrs. R. C. Epperson, teacher. Other members present besides the newly elected officers were: Misses Beesley Palmer, Ellie Harris, Thelma Wolfolk, Maude McGinnis and Mrs. Horace Garner.

MISS OTTIE V. EBY WEDS FLORIDA MAN

"Miss Ottie V. Eby, 250 Frederick street, and Frank P. Burch, Avon Park, Fla., were married this morning at 6 o'clock in Trinity Reformed church. The Rev. Dr. M. J. Roth, pastor of the bride, performed the ceremony which was witnessed only by Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Carbaugh and daughters, Misses Elizabeth and Ottie, with whom the bride resided.

The bride conducted a millinery store in Hanover for the past 17 years, having learned that trade in the shop of Mrs. O. M. Copenhaver. She turned over her business several months ago to Misses Eyster and Bader, who are now proprietors of the store on Frederick street. Mr. Burch is secretary of the chamber of commerce in Highlands county. He was formerly of Westville, N. Y., and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Burch, Buffalo, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Burch left at 8 o'clock on a motor trip of about a month, which will end in Avon Park, Fla., where they will reside. The trip will be through the Pocono and Catskill mountains of New York, to Canada and back to Buffalo, N. Y., along the lake region to Detroit, Mich., through Chicago, where they will visit relatives, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Alabama, Georgia and Florida. They expect to be at home in Avon Park by Oct. 15.

The above item is of much interest to friends here of Mr. Burch, who is secretary of the local board of trade, also secretary of the Highlands County Chamber of Commerce and is well and favorably known. Mrs. Burch visited friends here in the spring and will be a welcome addition to Avon Park.

SHOWER HONORING MISS CHINN

Mrs. W. H. Woodruff and Mrs. Demos Mandis were joint hostesses at a lovely miscellaneous shower given at the pretty Woodruff bungalow on Church street, Friday afternoon, honoring Miss Bertha Chinn, who is a bride-elect of the month.

A large white wedding bell, decorated with flowers, hung on the porch at the entrance, and inside the home was a veritable rose bower, quantities of pink roses and pink vine being used to carry out the color scheme of pink and white.

Mrs. John Hood greeted the guests at the door and invited them in, where refreshing raspberry punch was dispensed from a large cut glass bowl. When all of the guests had arrived and were seated, T. H. Lander came in with his cornet and as he played Lohengrin's wedding march, little Miss Ella Maude Lander, dressed as a bride, in white robe with flowing train, and Master Billie Lanier, as groom in full dress suit, entered. The little bride carried a beautiful shower bouquet of roses, which she presented to Miss Chinn, who upon examining it found the shower part of the bouquet to be gifts for her. The other gifts were brought in on a large tray and as Miss Chinn opened them she found many nice linens, pieces of silver and quantities of other beautiful gifts.

The hostesses were assisted in looking after the pleasure of their guests and in serving by Mrs. Norton Smith, Mrs. Lula Blanks, Mrs. John Hood and Mrs. Ada Canfield.

A delicious ice course, consisting of raspberry sherbet and pink and white cake was served late in the afternoon.

The guest list included: Mesdames Chesley Skipper, Carlos Skipper, C. E. Lanier, N. T. Smith, Chas. Shepherd, Henry Lander, Earl Hartt, Joe Lander, Taylor, Putney, W. A. Marshall, J. D. Raab, H. A. Winter, John Hood, Chas. Moffott, C. S. Donaldson, L. M. Marsh, Bell, D. B. Farnell, E. P. Loomis, Fred Smith, Harry Dilley, W. C. England, Lou Spink, Lula Blanks, Armstrong, A. W. Sargent, McKee Elwell, Mrs. Geo. Smith, W. C. Touchton, H. F-R. Reck, E. G. Todd, H. E. Goodwin, Mary Steele Swearingen, Ada Canfield, D. F. Canfield, Ethel Jenks, J. T. Murrish, J. B. Rogers, Cyril Baldwin, Chas. Sherman, James Laxton, Harry Stoddon, Misses Elizabeth Ewing, Myrtle Jack, Mabel Russell, Ruth Bass, Sadie and Mildred Myers.

GUILD WITH MRS. KING

The Guild of the Episcopal church met at the home of Mrs. William King Wednesday afternoon. After the business was disposed of, a social hour was spent and light refreshments served. Those present were: Mesdames J. T. Murrish, Norton Smith, Ada J. Canfield, D. B. Farnell, Demos Mandis, Ethel Jenks, Lula Blanks, Harry Dilley, John Hood, W. R. England, Albert Ellison, Miss Bertha Chinn and Mrs. King.

MRS. MUMMAU HONOREE

The pupils of the eighth grade gave their teacher, Mrs. H. J. Mummau, a miscellaneous shower in their school room at the noon hour Wednesday. The honoree was the recepient of many pretty and useful small gifts, all of which will be highly prized.

MR. AND MRS. BOYER ENTERTAIN FRIENDS

Mr. and Mrs. William Heim and family, mother and father Masters, and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Masters were pleasantly entertained at the comfortable home of Mr. and Mrs. James Boyer, "Three Oaks," on the north shore of Lake Pioneer. All report a delightfully quiet Sunday time.

LADIES' AID MEETS

The Ladies' Aid of the Congregational church met at the home of Mrs. Chas. Shepherd on Wednesday afternoon of last week. A pleasant social hour was spent and plans were completed for the church supper, which was held Thursday evening and which was a success.

The hostess, assisted by Mrs. N. T. Smith and Mrs. Lula Blanks, served fruit salad, sandwiches, raspberry sherbet and cake, which was very refreshing and enjoyed by all.

KING-WEST NUPTIALS

Dobil King of Tampa and Miss Mattie West, Sebring, were quietly married late last week by Mrs. Thelda Sutton of the county judge's office.

FRIENDS HELP CANFIELDS CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY

Monday evening about thirty friends went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Canfield, taking Mrs. Canfield by surprise and bringing all the fixings for a delicious picnic supper with them. Some one had put a bug in Mr. Canfield's ear before hand so that they would be at home. The occasion was the tenth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Canfield.

The party repaired to the lumber shack and spread the supper, which was a feast fit for a king. After the remains of the eats had been cleared away, old-fashioned dancing and games were indulged in and a jolly informal evening spent. Music for the dancing was furnished by the "Ellison Jazz Orchestra."

Mr. and Mrs. Canfield were the recipients of several nice gifts as well as one or two sells.

Those celebrating the occasion and wishing the Canfields many more years of wedded bliss were: Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stodden, Mr. Stodden, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Masters, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Sheperd and family, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Ellison and son, Mr. and Mrs. Norton Smith, Mrs. D. B. Farnell, Ivor Farnell, Mrs. J. T. Murrish, Mrs. Ethel Jenks, Mrs. Lula Blanks, Mrs. Ada J. Canfield and Miss Myrtle Jack.

NICHOLS-CHINN NUPTIALS

An event of much interest was the wedding of Miss Bertha Chinn and Charles K. Nichols, which took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William King Thursday morning at 10:30 o'clock. Rev. Benjamin Stock performed the ceremony with only the immediate family and very close friends present, after which light refreshments were served. The young couple then left for a motor trip to points of interest in the state.

Miss Chinn is the niece of Mr. and Mrs. William King, and is a young woman of sweet and charming personality.

Mr. Nichols is a prominent fruit grower, and is leader of the local band.

The young couple have the best wishes of their many friends for a happy and prosperous married life.

Mr. and Mrs. Nichols will be back in time for the band concert next Tuesday night and will start housekeeping immediately at their home on Lake Damon.

MRS. ROGERS ENTERTAINS THE FIVE HUNDRED CLUB

Mrs. J. B. Rogers was a charming hostess Tuesday afternoon when she entertained the Five Hundred Club. Three tables were arranged in the living room for the players. Beautiful roses, arranged with fern in vases, made the room more attractive and gave sweet fragrance to the atmosphere.

The games were delightfully interesting and a pleasant afternoon was spent. Late in the afternoon the hostess served a delicious salad course, consisting of chicken salad, hot rolls, ice tea and coffee.

Those enjoying Mrs. Rogers gracious hospitality were: Mesdames W. A. Marshall, Norton Smith, A. H. Able, H. A. Winter, Fred Smith, J. A. Lander, Demos Mandis, W. R. England, Chas. Sheperd, Earl Hartt, A. V. Anderson and Miss Ruth Bass. Mrs. Ethel Jenks was a tea guest.

STATE MISSION WEEK

State mission week of prayer will be observed by the W. M. S. of the Baptist church, Oct. 7 to 12 inclusive, and the following program has been arranged: Sunday at 11 o'clock, sermon on "State Missions and the $75,000,000 Campaign." Tuesday afternoon at 3:30, interesting program conducted by Mrs. S. S. Saggus on "State Missions, W. M. S. and Christian Education." Wednesday at 7:30, J. V. Chapman will have charge and discuss "State Missions."

Everybody will be welcome at all meetings.

All Parts Guaranteed

Motorist—"When I bought my car you agreed to supply broken parts for ninety days."

Dealer — "Sure. What do you want?"

Motorist—"One right hand shoulder blade, a left ear and five front teeth."

A Bedding Backer

Interested Friend—"Is your wife a good cook?"

Proud Husband — "Is she?—say—I'll bet my week's salary that she is the best little can opener in the U. S. A."

Literal Lester

Freddie—"Mother, you and dad have seasoned children, haven't you?"

Mother—"Gracious, I don't know. Why seasoned?"

Freddie—"Well, dad said us kids are full of pep and ginger."

Educated

Rastus—"Mose, do you want to buy that mathematical canine o' mine?"

Moses—"Huh. Looks like an old crippled houn' dawg to me."

Rastus—"Yest so, Mose, jest so—he puts down three and carries one."

Witnesses Wanted

Crank—"Officer, I want that man arrested. He just gave me a nasty look."

Officer—"You've got the nasty look, all right—but if I arrest him—you'll have to prove to the judge that he gave it to you."

School Days Again

Teacher — "Give correction and cause in the following sentence: 'The horse and the cow is in the field.'"

Tommy—"It should be, 'The cow and the horse is in the field,' because ladies should always be mentioned first."

Oh, That Kind

Mrs. Woman—"I understand from Mrs. Talky that her son is an artist and works for a big city publication."

Mrs. Woman's Friend—"Yes. He is making a house-to-house canvass for them."

A Wasted Rap

Judge—"What is your name?"

Prisoner (turning to his lawyer): "Great Heavens, what chance have I got before an ignorant man like that. He don't read the newspapers.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Krause were visitors to Punta Gorda Sunday.

W. H. Hilton and son Bill motored to Tampa and spent the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. R. I. Harris were business visitors here Monday from Punta Gorda.

Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Touchton and children were visitors to Dade City last Sunday.

George Crews spent Tuesday at Lake Stearns, going there to attend to business.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Sparks spent the week-end at their country home in Cleveland.

William King spent Monday in Sebring attending the meeting of county commissioners.

Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Canfield and Mrs. Ada J. Canfield spent the week-end in Punta Gorda.

Joe Lander spent Saturday and Sunday of last week in Jacksonville, transacting business.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Hinton and family and Miss Lorene Byrant spent last week-end in Tampa.

George Flint of Philadelphia, prominent lumberman, is spending a while in the Ridge metropolis.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Ginn and little Edith Ginn motored to Lake Wales Monday and spent the day.

Mrs. Lula Bass and Miss Ruth Bass spent the week-end in Kissimmee, visiting relatives and friends.

W. D. Tripp, who spent several days here this week, left Wednesday for his home in Taylorsville, Ga.

Mrs. George Goethe of Sebring was the guest of Mrs. C. R. Ginn at her cosy home on Lake Tulane last Friday.

Mrs. T. H. Lander went to Orlando Monday to visit friends for several days. She will return home Thursday.

Park Anderson returned last Thursday from a month's vacation, spent visiting friends and relatives in Pittsburgh, Pa.

George H. Gibbons, prominent marserryman and grove owner of Waverly, Fla., spent Tuesday night and Wednesday morning here ,transacting business.

Miss Beatrice Bass, Miss Ellie Harris and Miss Annie Ginn motored to Sebring Sunday afternoon and had dinner there.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Jackson and small children and Miss Thelma Wolfolk are moving this week to Dean's turpentine still.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Fairbanks have returned to Avon Park for the winter, after having spent the summer in Fitchburg, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Jarrette have returned from a pleasant two weeks' vacation spent at Jefferson, Ga., Mr. Jarrette's old home.

Miss Nordica Langdon, Miss Alene Marsh, Freed Peden and Milford Diller motored to Sebring Sunday afternoon and had dinner there.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Delk of Eagle Lake spent Sunday afternoon here with relatives. Mrs. Delk was formerly Miss Elizabeth Andrews.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Moffett and two attractive children motored to Tampa Tuesday and spent the day, combining business and pleasure.

Miss Bertha Cameron and Miss Ora Hargraves, who are attending business college in Lakeland, spent the week-end here with their parents.

Joe Stapleton, who was employed at the Highlands barber shop while R. C. Jarrette was on his vacation, has returned to his home in Sebring.

Miss Myrtle Jack has returned from a most enjoyable vacation, spent in Georgia, where she visited friends. She was away three weeks.

Mrs. Lucy Crumley, Mrs. B. H. James, Miss Ruby Crumley and Miss Beatrice Bass spent Thursday and Friday in Tampa, shopping and pleasure seeking.

Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Langford and little daughter Zelda and Henry Roberts motored to Crewsville Sunday and spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Collier.

Mrs. S. P. Durrance, Miss Mamye Lee Durrance, Fred and Rodney Durrance and Mrs. Phil Lacey formed a jolly party, motoring to Tampa the last of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hall and daughter, Miss Ruth Hall, have returned to Avon Park for the winter, after having spent a delightful summer at Pike, N. H.

W. Findlay Hunter of Atlanta is spending several days in the Ridge metropolis. Mr. Hunter is an expert accountant and he spent a week or more here early in the summer.

W. A. Roberts and young daughter Dorothy motored to Tampa last Sunday to consult a specialist about Dorothy's eyes and to see Miss Myra Roberts, who is attending business college there.

C. P. Anderson has returned from a combined business and pleasure trip to Washington, Atlantic City and Pittsburgh. Mrs. Anderson accompanied him but remained in Pittsburgh to visit relatives several weeks longer.

Fred Smith, D. F. Canfield, Mr. Johnson of Jacksonville and J. B. King of Los Angeles, Cal., motored to Punta Gorda Sunday to try their luck with the finy tribe, which proved to be good luck, as they made several nice catches.

Rev. and Mrs. T. O. Baldwin and small son James, R. C. Epperson and Mrs. D. R. Gaines motored to Knights Station Tuesday to attend the South Florida Association of the Baptist church. They returned home late Wednesday evening.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Treadway burned at Tavares last week while they were visiting relatives at Winter Haven. Mrs. Treadway is a sister of Mrs. Herbert Reck and Mrs. Reck and small son are spending a few days this week in Winter Haven with her sister.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. English and little daughter Miriam returned home Friday, after having spent a delightful week with friends on the West Coast. At Largo they visited Mr. and Mrs. Walter Newburn, who were former residents of Avon Park. They also visited in St. Petersburg and Clearwater.

Curtis Lawhon returned home this week after having been away about four months. The most of the time was spent in Leesport, Pa., from which place he later went to Canada. Fred Crews, who accompanied him on the trip, beat him back a week, and has accepted a position at Stebbins' grocery store.

THANKS FIREMEN

I wish to thank the men of the volunteer fire department and the many friends who assisted them in fighting the fire which destroyed my place Friday night. The fire fighters deserve the heartiest thanks of the people of Avon Park for preventing what might well have become a conflagration.

I am making plans to reopen my shoe fixry and will announce its location through the papers as soon as I am ready to resume operations again.

FRED J. GRAY.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our sincere thanks to all who were so kind in our recent bereavement and whose thoughtfulness lightened the burdens of hearts.

MR. AND MRS. R. E. PALMER AND FAMILY.

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Jewelry is Everlasting

[JUST 12 WEEKS 'TIL CHRISTMAS]

Buy that present now.
Pay a little down.
Then pay the rest week by week from your odd dimes.

YOU WILL NEVER MISS THE CHANGE

By the day before Christmas it will be paid for and you can have the joy of giving something worth while.

Our selection of acceptable gifts is growing as Christmas time approaches.

There are watches for all the family, charms, rings, pins, brooches, fountain pens; gold and silver pencils, household ornaments, necklaces, pearls, lockets, cameos, and we will soon have the most complete line of Ivory Dresser Sets on the Ridge.

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THE PRIDE OF EVERY WOMAN

SNOW WHITE KITCHEN CABINET

Every convenience, every step saver and every kitchen comfort known to kitchen cabinet construction is embodied in the lovely snow white Kitchen Cabinets we are able to offer to Highlands county women at

$45.00

ON EASY TERMS

The table top is genuine porcelain. Patent flour bin makes filling easy and sifts as you take it out. There are utensil racks handily arranged in the commodious lower cupboard, while in the top are the dish shelf and also the cabinet for foods with a special rack for spices, with glass jars for foods and spices. The drawers are well arranged and a metal-lined break and cake box in the lower drawer makes these secure against vermin.

Avon Hardware and Furniture Co.

AVON PARK, FLORIDA

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed bids will be received by the Board of County Commissioners of Highlands County, Florida, at Sebring, until 9 a. m., on the 22nd day of October, 1923, for the rental or purchase of one drag line machine siutable for grading on the Lake Annie-Kissimmee river road between Sick Island and the Kissimmee river.

Each bid must be accompanied with a certified check made payable to the chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, in an amount equal to three (3) per cent of the amount of the bid; a bidder's bond with be accepted in lieu of a certified check, which shall be considered as a guarantee of good faith on the part of the bidder, and shall be forfeited in case of failure to enter into contract upon notification of award of contract.

Specifications with bidder's blanks will be furnished bidders upon application to the engineers' office at Sebring, Florida.

The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids, and to award the contract in such a manner as they consider best for the interest of Highlands County.

By order of the Board of County Commissioners. WM. KING, Chairman.

PEACOCK & HOOD ENGINEERING Co., County Engineers.

O4-11-18

LEGAL NOTICE

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

J. Ed Haslerson vs. Lula M. Childers, et al.

To the Defendant, E. F. Childers:

You will take notice that a bill of complaint has been exhibited against you in this Court, entitled as above.

This is, therefore, to command you to be and appear at the Clerk's office at the Court House in Sebring, in the said County and State, on the first Monday in November, 1923, to answer the bill of complaint against you in said cause; otherwise the same will be taken against you as confessed and proceeded with ex parte.

It is further ordered that a certified copy of this notice be published in the Highlands County Pilot, a weekly newspaper published at Avon Park, in said County, and of general circulation for four full weeks previous to the first Monday in November, 1923.

Witness the Honorable George W. Whitehurst, Judge of said Court, as also C. F. Saunders, Clerk thereof, and the seal of said Court, at Sebring, County and State aforesaid, on this, the 27th day of September, 1923.

C. F. SAUNDERS,
Clerk of the Circuit Court.

I hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true copy of the original as appears on file in my office.

Witness my hand and official seal at Sebring, Highlands County, Florida, on this, the 27th day of September, A. D. 1923.

C. F. SAUNDERS,
Clerk of the Circuit Court.

TREADWELL & TREADWELL,
Solicitors for Complainant.

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LEGAL NOTICE

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

Effie Smith, Complainant, vs. Frank Smith, Defendant.

To the Defendant herein: It appearing by affidavit of Complainant's Solicitors filed in this cause that you are a resident of a State other than the State of Florida, that your place of residence is unknown, that you are over the age of twenty-one years and that there is no person in the State of Florida service of a subpoena upon whom would bind you and relief being sought against you,

It is therefore ordered that you be and appear in said cause at the office of the Clerk of the above styled Court at Sebring, Florida, on the 3rd day of December, A. D. 1923, and in default of such appearance you are notified that the Bill of Complainant in said cause will be taken as confessed by you.

It is further ordered that this notice be published in the Highlands County Pilot, a newspaper of general circulation, published in Highlands County, Florida, for a period of eight consecutive weeks next preceding the said appearance day.

Given under my hand and seal this 3rd day of October, A. D. 1923.

C. F. SAUNDERS,
Clerk, Highlands County, Florida.

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed bids will be received by the Board of County Commissioners of Highlands County, Florida, at Sebring, until 2 p. m. on the 15th day of October, 1923, for furnishing all labor and equipment and completing a graded roadway from Sick Island east seven miles to the Kissimmee river.

Approximately 75,000 cu. yds. excavation.
Approximately 36 acres clearing and grubbing.

This work must be completed on or before February 1, 1924.

Each bid must be accompanied with a certified check made payable to the chairman of the Board of County Commissioners in an amount equal to three (3) per cent of the amount of the bid; a bidder's bond will be accepted in lieu of a certified check, which shall be considered as a guarantee of good faith on the part of the bidder, and shall be forfeited in case of failure to enter into contract upon notification of award of contract.

Specifications with bidder's blanks will be furnished to bidders upon application to the engineer's office at Sebring, Florida.

The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids, and to award the contract in such a manner as they consider best for the interest of Highlands County.

By order of the Board of County Commissioners. WM. KING, Chairman.
PEACOCK & HOOD ENGINEERING CO.,
S27-O4-11 County Engineers.

REQUEST FOR BIDS FOR SEPTIC TANKS

Notice is hereby given that the Town Council of the Town of Avon Park, Florida, will receive sealed bids on the 19th day of October, 1923, until 8 p. m., for the construction of 25, 50, 75, 100 and up to 200 septic tanks for residential purposes, the same to be built of brick with tops of reinforced concrete construction, and of three compartments as per plans and specifications prepared by the State Board of Health of Florida, two of the compartments to be sealed and watertight and the third to be of loose brick or lattice brick construction, and all complete with pipes at inlet and outlet and subject to approval of the state sanitary engineer. Alternate proposals will be received on what is commonly known as the Dickie type of septic tank.

The work is to be paid for in certificates of indebtedness against the property on which the work is done, said certificates to be a first lien and to run one, two and three years and to draw interest at 6 per cent from date, said certificates to be an obligation of the Town of Avon Park. Plans and specifications will be furnished upon application to the Town Clerk.

The successful bidder will be required to deposit immediately upon award of contract, a certified check for $1,000, payable to the Town of Avon Park or an acceptable contractor's bond in an acceptable surety company in equal amount, to guarantee faithful performance of the contract.

The right to reject any or all bids and to award the contract in such a manner as they consider best for the interests of the town is hereby reserved.

By order of the Town Council in regular session, this the first day of October, A. D. 1923. GEORGE L. CREWS,
O4-11-18 Town Clerk.

LEGAL NOTICE

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

Henry Ranzler, Complainant, vs. Robert Engersoll et al, Defendants.

To the Defendant Jacob, Robert Engersoll, if living, and if dead to all persons claiming an interest under the said Robert Engersoll, if any be living, and if any be dead to their heirs, in and to the South half of Lot 5 in Block 29, Section 32, Township 32 South, Range 29 East.

It appearing by sworn Bill and affidavit of Complainant's Solicitors filed in this cause that you do not know and have been unable to ascertain whether you are dead or alive and that if alive, you are a resident of a State other than the State of Florida, that your place of residence is unknown, that you are over the age of 21 years and that there is no person in the State of Florida service of a subpoena upon whom would bind you and relief being sought against you in this cause.

This is, therefore, to require you and each of you to be and appear to the said Bill of Complainant at the office of the Clerk of the above styled Court on or before the 5th day of November, A. D. 1923, and in default of such appearance you are notified that the allegations in the said Bill of Complainant will be taken as confessed by you and each of you.

It is further ordered that this order be published in the Highlands County Pilot, a newspaper of general circulation published in Highlands County, Florida, for a period of four consecutive weeks next preceding the said appearance day.

Given under my hand and seal at Sebring, Florida, this 3rd day of October, A. D. 1923.

(Seal) C. F. SAUNDERS,
Clerk Circuit Court, Highlands County, Florida.

WHITEHURST & WHITEHURST,
O4-4t Solicitors for Complainant.

LEGAL NOTICE

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

H. E. Seitz, Complainant, vs. Lucien D. Holtelaw, et al, Defendants.

To the Defendants herein: William Beckerle and Anna T. Schulder.

It appearing by affidavit of Complainant's Solicitors filed in this cause, that you and each of you are residents of a State other than the State of Florida, that your place of residence is in the City of Danbury and State of Connecticut, a more particular address being unknown, that you are over the age of twenty-one years and that there is no person in the State of Florida service of a subpoena upon whom would bind you or either of you and relief being sought against you and each of you in said cause by the Complainant.

This is, therefore, to require you and each of you to be and appear to the said Bill of Complainant at the office of the Clerk of the above styled Court on or before the 5th day of November, A. D. 1923, and in default of such appearance you are notified that the allegations in the said Bill of Complainant will be taken as confessed by you and each of you.

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WHITEHURST & WHITEHURST,
O1-4t Solicitors for Complainant.

HIGHLANDS COUNTY'S 1924 OCCUPATIONAL LICENSE TAXES ARE DUE OCTOBER 1

Notice is hereby given that occupational license taxes for the year 1924 for the State of Florida and County of Highlands are due and payable at my office in the court house in Sebring, October 1, 1923, for the coming year, and must be paid during the month.

Be prompt in paying this and save additional costs and penalties that may be incurred by delay. D. F. CANFIELD,
9-27-2t Tax Collector.

CITY OF AVON PARK OCCUPATIONAL LICENSE TAXES ARE DUE OCTOBER 1

Notice is hereby given that all city licenses and occupational taxes for the year 1924 are due and payable at my office in the First National Bank building, Avon Park, on October 1, 1923.

Be prompt in paying this and save additional costs and penalties that may be incurred by delay. GEORGE L. CREWS,
9-27-2t Tax Collector.

LEGAL NOTICE

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

J. Ed Haslerson vs. Lula M. Childers et al.

To the Defendants herein, Merrick B. Cornellas and George Wylie Shaw:

You and each of you will take notice that a Bill of Complaint has been exhibited against you in this Court, entitled as above.

This is, therefore, to command you to be and appear at the Clerk's office at the Court House in Sebring, in said County and State, on the 16th day of December, 1923, to answer the Bill of Complainant against you in said cause; otherwise the same will be taken against you as confessed and proceeded with ex parte.

It is further ordered that a certified copy of this notice be published in the Highlands County Pilot, a weekly newspaper published at Avon Park, in said County, and of general circulation, for eight full weeks previous to the 15th day of December, 1923.

Witness the Honorable George W. Whitehurst, Judge of said Court, as also C. F. Saunders, Clerk thereof, and the seal of said Court, at Sebring, County and State aforesaid, on this the 27th day of September, 1923.

C. F. SAUNDERS,
Clerk of the Circuit Court.
TREADWELL & TREADWELL,
Solicitors for Complainants.

I certify that the above and foregoing is a true copy of the original as appears on file in my office.

Witness my hand and official seal at Sebring, Highlands County, Florida, on this the 27th day of September, A. D. 1923.

C. F. SAUNDERS,
O4-8t Clerk of the Circuit Court.

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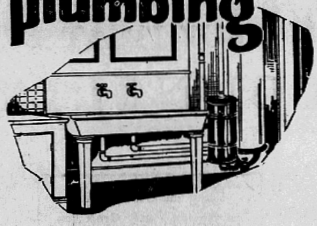

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Etiquette

What & When to do it

By A. Leda

Any questions on etiquette will be gladly answered in this column if addressed to A. Leda, care of this newspaper.

Dear Aleda: A friend and I had an argument as to the correct way to butter bread. Will you kindly tell us which is the correct way? (2) Also, are muffins and toast done the same way? (3) And is it poor table manners to eat corn on the cob? Thank you.

Two Friends.

Bread should be broken into a small piece and held at the edge of the butter plate. Then, taking the butter-knife, put on the butter. It is very poor form to hold the bread in the air while buttering it as we see so many people do. Always touch it to the butter plate. (2) Yes. (3) No. There i sno reason why corn should not be eaten on the cob. Personally I think a olt of the real flavor of the corn is lost by cutting it off. A graceful way, therefore, to eat it, is to break the ear in half before commencing to eat.

Dear Aleda: A girl friend of mine is to be married shortly, and I would like to give her a shower. Will you please tell me how to word the invitations? (3) Also, should it be given in the afternoon or evening? With many thanks.

Margaret V. Penn.

If your shower is to be small and informal, the invitations may be merely verbal. If, however, it is to be a larger affair, send cards by post, worded something like this: "Miss Marion Stewart will have a shower at her home for Miss Chandler, on Wednesday, August 10th, at four o'clock. (2) A shower is usually an informal affair, making the afternoon preferable, but if you wish to include men, the evening is the most popular time.

Jones—"What is your highest ambition?"

Bones—"To be as good as the man my wife says she could have married if she hadn't married me."

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REMEMBER THE DATE, SAT. OCT. 13

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Tampa's Bayshore "String of Pearls" has made that city famous among well lighted cities, while the downtown white way system has contributed as much towards making Tampa the shopping center as anything else.

OPPORTUNITY IS HERE

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RAPE IS A GOOD WINTER CROP; SAVES PLANT FOOD AND IS GOOD FOR GRAZING

Rape will furnish excellent grazing for hogs from December until April, if planted at the proper time and given sufficient chance. It is one of the best known grazing crops for hogs, and fills an important place among swine crops in Florida, as well as other states.

For the best results the seed should be sown about the last week in September in that part of the state north of Gainesville. Farther south the middle of October is about the best time to plant it.

Best results with rape have been obtained by planting in rows two or three feet apart—wide enough for cultivation. If the seed are broadcasted, cultivation by harrow is the recommended method, and it should be frequent and shallow.

The Dwarf Essex variety is especially recommended, as it grows readily and stands grazing well. If planted late in September on a well-prepared seedbed, top dressed with a high-grade vegetable fertilizer that is mixed well into the soil before planting, it will give excellent results.

Stock should not be turned on rape before it gets a good start. Do not pasture it too closely. It is well to fence the field into a number of sections and pasture them alternately, thus enabling each to recuperate after close grazing.

Specialists of the Florida College of Agriculture are of the opinion that rape does not receive the attention it deserves from the farmers of the state. Besides providing green grazing for stock in winter, when such grazing is often scarce—it utilizes plant food that becomes available during the winter, thus keeping it from washing or leaching away and saving it for future crops.

STRONG HEALTHY PLANTS BEST PROTECTION AGAINST STRAWBERRY LEAF-SPOT

The strawberry's most common disease is leaf-spot and the best means of controlling it is to set only strong, healthy plants on well-drained land, taking care to remove all diseased leaves at the time of setting. The disease is dependent upon moisture for spreading and may severely infest a plant bed during the wet season in Florida, according to disease specialists of the Florida experiment station.

At first the disease appears as small, dark specks or spots on the upper surface of the leaves. These spots rapidly increase in size, and at the same time the color of the central portion changes from purple to a reddish brown. In the later stages the leaves become grayish or whitish in the center. The border remains purplish, shading off into a reddish brown coloration toward the healthy tissue. Severely affected leaves turn brown, this discoloration beginning at their tips and causing them to finally shrivel and die.

Experts and experienced growers emphasize the setting of only strong, healthy plants on well drained soil, being careful to remove all diseased leaves when the plants are set. Where the plants show leaf-spot in the plant bed, it can be controlled by spraying with bordeaux mixture, 4-4-50 formula, at once. Delay means less effective control.

"SWAT SIGNS" NEW SLOGAN

Karl Lehmann of Orlando, chairman of the Florida Development Board's highway beautification committee, suggests the slogan, "Swat the Signs and Save the Scenery."

A state-wide highway beautification meeting will be held in Orange and Lake counties the latter part of October, under the auspices of the committee, to discuss various phases of beautifying our highways, and to see what has been accomplished in the two counties.

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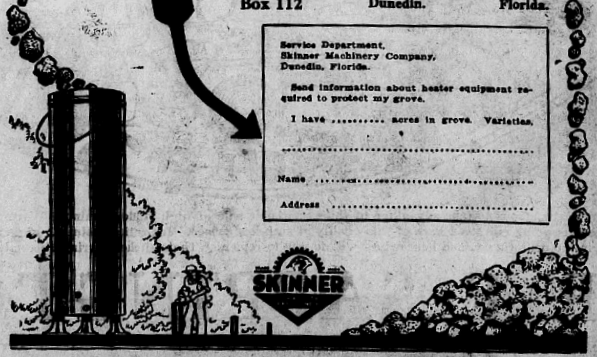

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PLANT A HOME GARDEN: CHEAP LIFE INS!

The garden is good li[fe] ance, but the policy has to be [kept] and the premiums paid, [sometimes] requires much, if any [money]. Vegetables and fruits [are] ter tonics than those the pa[tent] medicine man sells and they cost [much] less. And winter vegetables a[re] out as necessary as summer v[egeta]bles.

Thus is the importa[nce] of the fall and winter vegetable garden pointed out by specialists of the Florida College of Agriculture. September is a mighty important month for the home that would have such a garden, for then is an excellent time to get the land ready and plant the seed.

Blood red beets and cowhorn and purple top white globe turnips should be planted immediately. Cabbage and collard plants should not be delayed long in being set out. Shortborn carrots and blackeye and conch peas should also be planted at once. An early planting of gherkin cucumbers will insure having sour pickles to eat within a few weeks. Early Long Island eggplant and Gradus English peas are both splendid fall vegetables and should not be overlooked.

A liberal planting each of early curly kale and ostrich plume mustard should be provided for every kitchen garden. White pearl onion sets and spinach and salsify should be given their rows. Early pattypan squash and chives—just a few hills of each—should have their places, the latter being very desirable for soups and gravies. A small patch of parsley for garnishing purposes will be found useful; it also gives a splendid flavor to soups and meats.

Fast-growing vegetables are more succulent and tender than those that grow slowly. To produce rapid growth use a good commercial fertilizer liberally. Also cultivate frequently and shallowly. If the plants lag, top dress with a quickly available fertilizer and work in with a rake.

CUT COVER CROP NOW; PRECAUTION AGAINST PUMPKIN BUG DAMAGE

"You may pay the price with decayed citrus fruit, if you do not take the necessary precautions to prevent the ravages of the pumpkin bug," is the warning to citrus growers of J. R. Watson, entomologist of the Florida experiment station.

"To prevent the presence of these bugs, it is advisable to cut the cover crops in or near the grove," Professor Watson goes on to say. "And the crops should be cut by the middle of September. If they have not been cut, or have not been cut closely, the bugs may succeed in getting a foothold in the trees.

"The bugs injure the fruit by puncturing the rind and sucking the juice. The fruit is utterly ruined for shipping purposes, as decay invariably sets in at the puncture and the fruit soon drops from the trees.

"The southern green stink bug or the pumpkin bug, is the principal insect that does damage of this nature. It breeds on legumes, particularly cowpeas and beggarweed. Cutting such crops by the middle of September, before the last brood has developed wings, means that the young will perish before they can reach other feeding grounds, grounds which [are] the fruit on the trees.

[In] cutting the cover crops it is best to cut around the trees first, leaving the middles to be cut later. (Let the man with the scythe precede the mower). This tends to drive the bugs away from the trees, giving them farther to travel to get to the trees.

"Later in the year—say, late in October—any bugs that are found on the trees can be shaken off, caught in a canvas spread beneath, and poured into a kerosene and water mixture."

Burglar (to lawyer who has just succeeded in having him acquitted)—"Thanks, sir, I'll drop in and see you some time."

Lawyer—"Why—er—yes. But make it in the day time."

At Dumb Dan's House

Son (sticking head through door)—"Hey, Pop, the garbage man is here."

Father (still shaving)—"Tell him we don't want any today."

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Fading Blonde (panting)—"Yes—I have lost my husband."

Clerk—"Mourning department third aisle to the left."

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FALL OPENING

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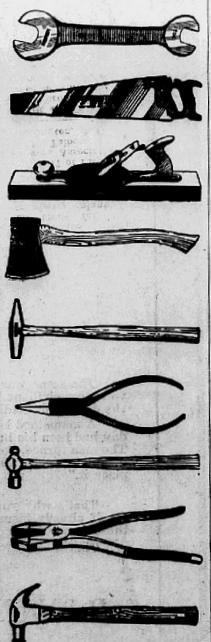

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"Everybody in New York state knows, or knows of William J. Conners of Buffalo. He has been a picturesque figure in our state politics for years, a prominent business man and a successful financier. Then, too, he has a knack of saying things in a witty and forceful way. He proved this in a hundred fights in this state. When he was chairman of the Democratic state committee he many times unhorsed an opponent by some clever quib or verbal twist. And what he often did in New York, he is now doing in Florida, where he spends much of his time.

"Mr. Conners is building a wide, rock-ribbed, asphalt surfaced road 75 miles long, through 12,000 acres which he recently purchased in the interior of Florida. It is a tremendous undertaking—the biggest probably of its kind ever undertaken by an individual in this country. Just why Mr. Conners is willing to spend a million dollars to build this road is the biggest subject of debate and conversation in Florida today. As a subject of discussion it has politics, horse-racing, pugilism and international affairs backed off the boards.

"The other day a New York newspaper correspondent plucked up courage enough to ask Mr. Conners why he was building the much discussed road, and Mr. Conners replied: 'I made most of my money doing damn fool things.' Now we know nothing about this Florida road, its reasons or its prospects; but knowing, as we do, the business ability of Mr. Conners and his shrewdness to see dollars in a venture where other people can not see cents, as his career has frequently proved; why, we are ready to bet a handful of gold against a red herring that this road of Mr. Conners' is not a damned fool thing and that he will make a barrel of money out of it before he gets through. Our advice to Florida people is, 'Keep your eye on that road and you'll soon see dollars growing along its sides as plentiful as Everglades and palms.' Lots of men can make two blades of grass grow where only one grew before—only a few can make two dollars sprout where none sprouted before, and William J. Conners is one of that rare, very rare few."

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Ah-h-! That's It

Dorothy—"Oh, mother, the new family next door have got two little girls and a baby boy what was born in a Ford."

Mother—"Dorothy, what are you talking about. A baby born in a Ford! How do you know?"

Dorothy—"One of the little girls said they had a bouncing baby brother, too."

The One That Got Away

Tessie—"Cheer up, don't be sad because she turned you down. There's other fish in the ocean."

Chestnut Charley—"Yes; but they are not all goldfish."

Another Viewpoint

A vacationist in Arkansas was attracted to a native who kept driving a lank, lean pig up one lane and down another. Unable to control his curiosity longer, he walked to the fence. "Say, neighbor, I know it is none of my business, but why are you driving that pig up and down these lanes—it seems such a waste of time?"

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AVON PARK GIRL FLEES INTO OPEN ESCAPING 'QUAKE

SARAH ANDREWS WRITES OF TERRORS OF JAP DISASTER

Escaping the fate that met hundreds by running from her home into the open where she looked on horror-struck while the earth bent in waves about her, Miss Sarah Andrews, Church of Christ missionary and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Andrews, of this place, writes interestingly of the great Japanese disaster. Her letter, dated from her station at Shizuokaken, Okitsu, Sept. 10, arrived only a few days ago, follows:

"By God's mercy and grace I am thankful to write you that I am living. Of course you have read in the papers before this reaches you of the great earthquake and fires and tidal waves in Japan. I mailed you a long letter from the Hot Springs the day before it happened, to go on the boat that was to leave Yokohama at noon on Sept. 1, but don't know whether the boat sailed or not. The railroad line between us and Tokyo is broken, so they don't know when it can be fixed and whole towns are in ruins. This letter, I suppose, will take the boat at Koke, about 200 miles south of us.

"The morning of Sept. 1 was so perfectly quiet and I was feeling real well, so thought I would do some writing, and had put on a bite of dinner to cook and had sat down at the typewriter when the quake came. O Iki San was writing, too, and we jumped up and out of the house and there in an open space clung to each other through the first one and I looked down and could see the ground move in waves. I surely thought the end had come. The house did not fall, neither did the one here at Okitsu, but both were damaged somewhat. That one more than this, for the quake was stronger there than here. That being a hot spring the water came bubbling out in places almost boiling hot and the sulphur fumes and taste was more pronounced than before. We stayed out most all the rest of the day and night, running in and out for things between quakes. We slept on the ground, or rather I did, most all night. I think O Iki San sat in the chair that we took out where a crowd of other people were on the tennis court across the road. The quakes kept coming at irregular intervals for several days, in fact, we are still having slight tremors occasionally. Yokohama was almost completely wiped out, as was also the business part of Tokyo. Thousands of people were killed, both Japanese and foreigners, and more perhaps were made homeless. Words can not describe the awful things that did happen. Thousands of people are coming daily by boat to the port above us, and we went up there yesterday afternoon to lend aid if possible, since I heard that a crowd of foreigners were coming, but the boat had not come. I see a big boat in the harbor this morning, so perhaps that is it. I don't have any money to give, but will be glad to divide my clothes and towels and anything else I have. I might have had some money to help some, but just the day before the earthquake I mailed my bank book and American checks and an order for them to send me yen 150 to the bank in Tokyo, but I have not heard a word from it yet. I had saved between four and five hundred dollars, but don't know whether I will realize anything from it at all. But the promise is sure and steadfast that he that seeketh first the kingdom of God and His righteousness all these things shall be added, so resting on the promises of God I can only lift my heart in thanksgiving that our lives were spared. I feel keenly my unworthiness and know that it is nothing within me or that I have done that my life was spared when thousands have died, but with God's grace and help I pray that I may serve and serve and serve.

"I will tell you just a few of the things we have heard from Yokohama and Tokyo. As soon as the houses began to collapse five broke out and the quake caused the water supply to be cut off, even wells failing to give water, so there was nothing to do but for the people to run for their lives. If you knew the crowded conditions in Tokyo as I do, you would wonder where they ran and how as many escaped as did. Bridges dropped into rivers, carrying hundreds and perhaps thousands down. A little boy here was in Tokyo and he swam one of the largest rivers to Tokyo and said as he swam he struck thirty or more bodies and it is said the rivers send up a most dreadful odor. One of the Christians from the church here was in Tokyo at work and came home last night and said the streets in Yokohama were so foul that it was dreadful. The Yokohama bank was said to be fire and earthquake proof, so they closed the doors and windows and all the bankers stayed inside, but the buildings all burned around it. The other day they broke the bars and went in and found about four hundred people in there dead. I had my savings in the branch bank in Tokyo of the Specie. I heard it was not burned, but if the main bank is scooped out, as I heard, and since I haven't my passbook, I don't know what to expect. If the August check from Brother Bradley was not burned in the office at Yokohama it will come later and I can meet the expenses for this month, but otherwise I will borrow until I can get a duplicate or until one does come. I am not going to worry at all.

"It would be cruel to pine away over money lost when the sadness and misery is so broadcast over this land. Though I am living on borrowed money now, my credit is good here, and I am thankful to have a home and food and so many other blessings. People ran out of their homes just as they were and many of them have nothing but what is on their backs, and that in some cases is very little, and leave the devastated districts with their dead loved ones lying in the streets and under buildings. When they had to run from the fire some said they heard the cries of their loved ones under the houses, but there was nothing they could do but die if they stayed to help. Trains were dumped and many lives were lost that way. The tidal waves along the coast where the center of the quake is supposed to be, took—I don't know how many towns. I heard a man who was on a train that was carried away by a tidal wave, telling his experiences the other day. He was caught between two rocks when the train was submerged. The embassy in Toyko and the consulate in Yokohama were both burned and Mr. Jenks, who was so kind to help me get my passport when I went to America, was killed, besides hundreds of others in Yokohama. I haven't heard whether any were killed in Tokyo, but most likely were, because the foreign settlement was wiped out.

"Miss Miller was saved, I heard, and most of the other foreigners I knew were still in Karuizawa. Babies are dying on their mother's backs for lack of food. Oh, I could go on and on telling you about it all, but as soon as the mails get kind of straightened out I will send you some pictures from the papers. These are certainly perilous times here. Food prices and everything will of course advance at an alarming rate. I suspect it will be cheaper to order the lumber for our house from America. I hope you have not been too anxious about my welfare. Fearing you would be uneasy I asked the Lord to comfort you until you heard."

All Highlands County To Gather At Sebring Tuesday to Hear Fair, Roads and State Politics

HIGHLANDS COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HOSTS TO BROREIN, STRIEDER, GREEN, CLEMENTS, MARTIN, JENNINGS AND PARKHILL—AVON PARK AND SEBRING BANDS TO GIVE CONCERTS

Plans for the biggest rally day in Highlands county's history for Tuesday, Oct. 16, have been completed by committees of the Highlands County Chamber of Commerce, with addresses by President W. G. Brorein, of the South Florida Fair Association; E .P. Green, member of the state road department; George H. Clements, prominent publicity expert, former newspaper man and now secretary of the Bartow Chamber of Commerce, and three gubernatorial candidates—John H. Martin, Jacksonville; Frank Jennings, Jacksonville, and C. B. Parkhill, Tampa. Two bands will keep the music flowing regularly, and Tuscawilla Park, at Sebring, is the chosen rendezvous.

The business session of the Chamber of Commerce will be held at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon, with Mr. Brorein, General Manager P. T. Streider of the fair, and Mr. Green meeting with the board. Plans for Highland county's representation at the fair in Tampa and the big Florida exposition at Madison Square Garden in New York will be laid and the road program will be threshed out.

Immediately after supper, beginning about 7 o'clock, the addresses will begin, with both the Sebring and the Avon Park bands offering a concert prelude and music between the speeches.

Both Mr. Jennings and Mr. Martin have accepted and Mr. Parkhill wrote he would come if possible, and the shifting of the speeches to the evening undoubtedly will permit the Tampa-Pensacola candidate to make the trip, as he can leave after court recesses in the afternoon and arrive in time for speaking.

All of Highlands county is expected to attend the gathering and Tuscawilla Park will be thrown open to the guests of the county chamber on that day. Avon Park is planning to go down en masse after supper for the big speaking, while reports from the south end of the county indicate that even the poor roads will not keep many folks from being on hand.

The county chamber is appealing to every citizen to attend, and President E. J. Etheredge as well as Governors Tom Crews, F. M. Johns, C. H. Shackleford, J. W. Townsend, L. L. Henderson, T. U. Jackson, L. T. Farmer, Ed Hainz, B. L. Laird, Norton Smith, J. V. Chapman and others are promising the Highlands county folks a program worth the effort.

Whidden to Build a $25,000 Garage On West Main St. Site

That there will be no slack in building operations here seems assured with the announcement that A. J. Whidden has let the contract to Harry Dilley for a 100x100-foot one-story garage with a semi-suspension type roof and sufficient foundation and walls to allow additional stories as they may be needed. The new structure, which will cost close to $25,000, will be erected on the Whidden lot, opposite the depot. The lot is on Main street and the building will be the first brick business structure to go up west of the railroad tracks.

Plans for the structure call for a modern building in every respect and every convenience known in garage construction. There will be only two rows of iron supports and a neat, well ventilated and comfortable rest room for women is one of the modern touches contemplated.

There will be a cement floor throughout and the overhead work will be of steel, making the building as near fire-proof as possible. The walls will be of brick.

An attractive front will contribute to the appearance of the westward movement along Main street.

Work will begin as soon as materials can be put on the ground, and will be well under way by Nov. 1, according to Mr. Dilley.

Mr. Whidden states that the general floor plan and interior arrangements can not be announced until a tenant is secured and his wishes consulted.

MAKING DOUGHNUTS

Doughnuts will be among the made in Avon Park delicacies from now on. The Sanitary Bakery has installed equipment for "doing them up brown" and Proprietor K. F. Visel announces the first production Monday. Since Mr. Visel bought the local bakery he has expanded considerably, baking all sorts of cakes, pies and other pastry for the local trade. Prior to his coming here, the bakery confined itself to production of bread, except upon special order.

DOUBLE CAPACITY LOCAL TELEPHONE EXCHANGE IN YEAR

NEW SWITCHBOARD READY AND TO ADD COPPER LINE TO 'CHULA

Doubling the capacity of the local exchange, a new 200-subscriber Kellogg switchboard has just been installed by the Scott Telephone Company and is three-quarters filled already with another twenty new phones to be installed as rapidly as the line crew can get around to it.

The Avon Park exchange has doubled its lists within the past year, indicating to some extent the rapid growth of the community.

Simultaneously with the announcement of the installation of the new board, comes word that a new copper line between the Park and Wauchula is to be added before the winter season gets under way good. This will give a direct copper connection with Bartow and Tampa and points north, also a copper connection with Arcadia. There are two iron lines at present between here and Wauchula and one iron line between here and Frostproof.

The copper lines are much more satisfactory for heavy long distance traffic and Manager J. L. Kirk states that the new copper line is merely another step in the company's policy of better service for better cities.

The new switchboard is the most modern pattern automatic board. Instead of the ring going straight through when a party rings back after talking as it did on the old board, the connection is automatically broken and the ring back comes to the boards and doesn't go through to disturb the previous party.

More prompt service is also possible through automatic devices that improve the board, especially for night service.

A special long distance auxiliary board is to be installed this fall too, and an extra operator provided for this service during the peak load and if necessary for the entire day, according to Bert Starkey, who is local superintendent of the exchange. The call frame has been completely rewired and connected with new cables that were laid to permit the removing of telephone poles from the mall and business section.

D'VANE SHOWS STEARNS TO 500 AND TELLS OF PLANS FOR 10,000 IN 33

Five hundred persons from all parts of South Florida joined with the Lake Stearns populace Wednesday in an observance of the forty-fifth birthday anniversary of Hon. A. H. DeVane, Lakeland banker and South Florida developer, at Stearns.

The Stearns people, under the direction of G. A. DeVane, Jr., brother of the host and manager of the Consolidated Land Company's large citrus holdings at Lake Childs, had made all the necessary arrangements for the handling of the large crowds, and as a result, each one of the party had all he could eat, and as some expressed it—"and then some."

Mr. DeVane's purpose in staging the celebration here was to show the people of this section what he declared to be the prettiest spot in the world.

Lake Stearns, situated on a beautiful high eminence, overlooking several lakes, could hardly be termed less, according to the impression made on those who viewed it for the first time Wednesday. Lake Stearns, the largest of the lakes, is a body of the clearest water imaginable, while the smaller bodies of "crystalline waters," as one man expressed it, "resemble jewels in a beautiful coronet."

While Mr. DeVane enthusiastically declares, and according to those who are conversant with the local situation, with good reason, that the population of Lake Stearns will be 10,000 by 1933, at the smallness of its present populace and the primitiveness

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Moyer and York are Convicted---Witness Charged a Perjurer

Huge inroads on the alleged bootleg ring were made this week by the county court—five convictions being registered, and Sheriff Bob Hancock announcing an open war with the arrest of L. P. Budreaux on a charge of perjury, growing out of his testimony for the defense in the case against D. I. Moyer, prominent Sebring citizen and former restaurant man. Budreaux testified that he saw the sheriff and his deputy in Sebring between 5 and 6 o'clock, at which time both the sheriff and his deputy swore they were in the woods trailing Moyer and C. F. York, who pleaded guilty following the conviction of Moyer.

Moyer drew a fine of $500 and costs and thirty days, but the jail term was suspended because of the serious illness of his wife. If he does not pay the fine he must, however, serve six months.

York drew sixty days in jail, a five hundred dollar fine and costs, with the alternative of an additional six months in jail if he fails to pay up.

The sheriff and his deputy testified that they saw Moyer and York get a jug from a clump of palmettos and proceed to town, drinking as they rode. York is said to have boasted loudly and widely about Sebring that "no country sheriff could get him."

The other three convictions were negroes—Oscar Reed, Percy Chandler and Johnny Cooper. The first two drew $50 and costs or six months and the last one $25 and costs or six months, the latter having pleaded guilty.

Sheriff Hancock, in denying allegations that he didn't give Budreaux an opportunity to make bond before sending him to jail, points to the fact that twenty-four hours have passed and he still hasn't made bond. He also states that attorneys for Budreaux knew Monday that the warrant was to be sworn out. He is being held under $2,500 bond.

FIX CLAY BETWEEN DEADMAN'S CORNER AND TANK AND KEEP CREWS WORKING IN SOUTH END

For the benefit of the growers at Sebring who will have to ship their fruit to Avon Park for packing, following the burning of the exchange house there, the county commissioners have ordered sufficient work done to make the former road passable between the asphalt at Deadman's corner, south of Avon Park, and the tank corner where it joins the new highway which has been rocked from that corner into Sebring. The Bryson Paving Company was instructed to drag the top layer of sand away and fill the biggest holes, after a thorough discussion of the situation at Tuesday's special meeting of the commissioners.

Sebring growers petitioned for the removal of all the paving crews south of Sebring to the work north of the tank corner, so as to complete the new road into Avon Park at once. Chairman King opposed this action, saying that the work in the south end of the county should not be stopped, and was seconded in this by protests.

When it became evident that it would not be fair to the south end of the county to accede to the Sebring growers' request, the suggestion was made that the asphalt road be linked up with the present clay by making the sand-clay stretch from the tank corner to Deadman's crossing passable and it was adopted. Work has already begun.

Engineers reported that grading crews are working towards Old Venus and that this work will be pushed through to the Glades county line immediately.

Meanwhile the work on the road between Sebring and the Park is almost to the halfway mark and the contractor will move his base of operations to Avon Park within the next ten days and work south.

Lack of cars is slowing down the work on the state road north from Avon Park to Frostproof, rock coming only at the rate of seven and eight cars per day.

Bids are being advertised for this week on the rock surfacing of the western four miles of the Lake Annie link of State Road No. 8. They are to be opened Nov. 6.

SEBRING PACKING HOUSE IS BURNED; PACK FRUIT HERE

LOSS IS $60,000, FULLY INSURED; PITT.-FLA. OFFER THEIR FACILITIES

Acceptance of the Pittsburgh-Florida Fruit Growers Association's offer of the use of their huge new packing house insures prompt handling of the citrus crop south of Avon Park following the burning of the one packing house at Sebring early Sunday morning. But for the fact that the Pittsburgh-Florida Association has just completed a house that was built in anticipation of needs of years to come, the Sebring and south Highlands growers would have been seriously handicapped as both the other local packing houses are only large enough to handle their own normal crops and will be hard pressed this season. The decision of the Pittsburgh-Florida folks last spring, however, to build a house that would not require enlarging for several years, and to install machinery enough to take care of at least a couple of years ahead, is expected to prove the salvation of the growers in this crisis.

The decision of the county commissioners to fix up the old route from the tank to the present asphalt road to help the Sebring people in this emergency so as to get a through road in time to facilitate the hauling of the huge crop to the local house and Manager W. Lee Crows' statement that the fire was started in two different parts of the Sebring packing house at or about the same time, indicating incendiarism, were the principal developments of Tuesday.

The big house, and it was a hollow tile affair, was caving in by the time the fire department arrived, despite the fact that the night watchman gave the alarm soon after discovering the second blaze, which was only a few seconds after noting the first flames beneath the coloring room.

The new Pittsburgh-Florida house—also associated with the Florida Citrus Exchange—is 190 feet by 150 feet and is large enough to take care of twenty cars of fruit per day. Machinery for a six-car-per-day capacity is installed, and operating already, the house having just been completed.

As the Sebring house and equipment was fully insured, the only loss the growers will sustain will be the cost of the extra haul, probably 10 cents per box, and as Mr. Crews states the new house will be rushed so as to be ready when the post-holiday movement begins, this total cost will not reach $10,000, as it seems certain that less than half the crop will be moved before the holidays.

Completed Insurance Monday

Manager Lee Crews completed practically 100 per cent insurance Monday preceding the fire, when he placed $14,000 insurance on the season's stock of wraps, labels, field boxes and other new stock. He carried $55,000 insurance on the packing house, equipment and stock and estimates the loss at $60,000.

It has been his habit every year to renew promptly every fire insurance policy, and to have a Sebring agency check invoices for new stock and place full coverage. To this habit the Sebring growers owe their present excellent financial condition.

Just two weeks before the fire he ordered a $5,000 policy on the field equipment renewed.

The loss is distributed in estimates as follows: Building, $25,000; machinery, $19,000; miscellaneous equipment, $5,000, and stock of wrappers, labels, etc., $14,000.

Plans for replacing the structure with a larger and more commodious establishment are being rushed already. Tentative plans contemplate a house 190 by 80 feet, capable of handling eight cars a day. The house that was destroyed was a six-car house. The material to be used will depend upon what can be secured the quickest, according to Mr. Crews, following a meeting of the directors of the association. They expect to have the house completed in 90 days and ready to open when the post-holiday season begins, about the middle of January.

Meanwhile plans for moving the crop are going ahead. There is not much early fruit, but what is ready will be trucked to the Park and sent out through the Pittsburgh-Florida house. It is confidently expected that the hard road will be completed before the bulk of the fruit begins to move about Nov. 10, which will facilitate matters a great deal. The Floridainty label will be used until lithographers can turn out the new wraps and labels for the Sebring association, after which they will be used as usual. The picking crews will be starting out the first of the week.

FINISHING FIRST FIVE OF NEW HOMES FOR EMPLOYES

The first five houses of the dozen bungalows the Avon Canning Company is building for employes of the canning factory, are nearing completion and C. P. Anderson announces that as soon as these are completed the other seven will be started and rushed through to completion.

The canning factory probably will begin operations sometime the coming month, possibly early in November, by which time grapefruit will be rolling in force. The houses are not to be compared with the usual "employe shack," but are neat bungalow cottages with all conveniences, lights, plumbing, etc.

This Week

By Arthur Brisbane

Five Years and Changes.
Power at the Mine.
Thanks to Mr. Eastman.
Bad Advertising.

Five years ago this month more than 400,000 United States soldiers began the drive on the Argonne. Seventeen thousand were killed, many wounded, in the fighting that stretched along a forty-mile front.

Soon after that the war was over.

Five years ago, and the soldiers, to whom excited and frightened big pocketbooks promised the moon and stars, have not yet received a penny of the pitifully small bonus that represents the dwindling down of all the gratitude.

There's a plan to simplify the coal problem. Railroads won't like it—no more coal to carry. Middlemen will destest it.

The idea is to change the coal into electric current at the mine.

Electricity carries itself over the wires with no bumping of freight cars, no flat wheels, no loading and unloading. Instead of buying coal, changing it into power and heat five hundred or a thousand miles from the mine, skilled labor at the mines would change coal into electricity to be used for heat, light, power, wherever wanted. That will come in time.

It ought to come now.

Thanks to Mr. Eastman of Rochester, and the wide-wide world, this country sees efficient and thorough development of musical talent.

To help a nation in music is to help it intellectually. Music and intellect are sisters. Music arouses the brain, refreshes and stimulates it, as nothing else can do. Music is the only stimulant that has no "next day" of let down and reaction.

Mr. Eastman's school of music in the University of Rochester brings to the city and to the students of music the best musicians of the world, and provides musical genius with a magnificent setting in a beautiful opera house, given to the city by Mr. Eastman and paying financial profit to no one.

Young people from all over the United States win scholarships that give them free teaching and $1,000 a year for living expenses.

Thus, one man's success finds expression in a way that benefits an entire nation.

The government has sold the heart of Muscle Shoals plant to a corporation, and that ends Henry Ford's attempt to get the great water power. It ends also the possibility of his carrying out the promise to give the farmers cheap fertilizer and it gives Ford and the farmers permanent possession of a very good complaint—if they ever want to use it in politics.

The Rev. Arthur Wilde, Swedenborgian, says the Garden of Eden was a state of mind. So is everything else, including happiness and misery. Epictetus, deformed, and a slave, was happy, Croesus, rolling in gold, miserable, worried. Nothing is real. All wealth, gold, diamonds, the sun and stars, our own bodies, represent nothing more solid than electrons and orotons, made of negative and positive electricity, locked up in atoms that vary in construction, according to the element composed.

The elements are interchangeable. Matter has no existence, mind and its states are the only real things, the real universe. There is no big, no little, no beginning, no end. In fact, it's all quite confusing.

Mussolini decides to sell advertising space on postage stamps.

It will not be good publicity. Advertising on street car transfers, tried, is found not worth while. Advertising on postage stamps will be worth even less.

The person putting on the stamp won't look at, much less read, the advertising.

Advertising is valuable only when put where people want to see it, when they have leisure to read it. The best advertising is in newspapers. Repetition is reputation.

Carnavon's brother is dead, more food for superstition. The other Carnarvon, who dug into the tomb of Tutankhamen, died naturally. Some insect bite produced blood poisoning.

The Carnarvon brother said, when his brother opened the tomb, "Something dreadful will surely happen to our family." He died naturally, like his brother, from complications following an operation. Still, the superstituious will believe that a Pharoah, turned to dust, reaches out with his curse through thirty-five hundred years.

In the Philippines, General Wood is using the army to fight locusts that eat the crops. That's the kind of war that armies SHOULD make, and the only kind that they will make, when the earth becomes civilized.

Government flying machines now are spraying forests to protect trees from pests. In France, flying machines replant denuded mountains. That work will go on when war, as a killing trade, will have been long forgotten.

MEET TO ORGANIZE ALUMNI

All graduates of the Avon Park high school are requested to meet at the home of Prof. I. C. M. Ellenberger on Tulane Circle, Thursd- Oct. 18, at 8 p. m., for the purpose of organizing an alumni association.

B. Y. P. U. SOCIAL

The Junior B. Y. P. U. will hold a social Friday evening in the basement of the church. Light refreshments will be served and all are looking forward to a pleasant evening.

1c—39c—99c ALUMINUM WARE SALE BEGINS NEXT SATURDAY MORNING AT 9 A. M. SHARP. BE THERE. IT LASTS ONLY ONE DAY. VALUES UP TO $4.50. 1c—49c—99c