COUNTY AGENTS PLAN BETTER WORK AT THE LAKELAND CONFERENCE

The conference of county and home demonstration agents, in session at Lakeland since Wednesday, adjourned their meeting Thursday afternoon. It is believed plans have been perfected that will result in more and better work in the territory covered by this district. During the session the main topic for consideration by the county agents was work of the citrus industry and truck crops, as the territory falls in he citrus and trucking belt. In addition to this feature of the work, however, attention was given to poultry, live stock and fruits, other than citrus.

One of the delightful features of the conference held here was the joint meeting of the county agents and the home demonstration agents, held at the Elks' hotel, where the home demonstration agents held their conferences. There were a number of topics of common interest and these items were threshed out at the joint meeting and plans made for the enlargement of the activities of both the county agents and the home demonstration agents.

Prof. A. P. Spencer, vice-director of the extension work, was here to direct in the work of the conference and to assist in working out the plans. He had with him a force from the department in Gainesville, and also a number of helpers in the home demonstration work, this part of the work being under direction of Miss S. W. Partridge, state home demonstration agent of Tallahassee.

Among those present, and the counties represented in this territory are as follows:

Polk county, William Gomme; Pasco, Frank Merrin; Osceola, Leo H. Wilson; Marion, K. C. Moore; Manatee, W. R. Briggs; Lee, H. E. Stevens; Hillsborough, R. T. Kelley; Hernando, J. T. Daniel; DeSoto, G. W. Scalley, while the home demonstration agents from these same counties were Miss Loise Godbey, Mrs. Harriet Tichnor, Miss Albina Smith, Miss Margaret Cobb, Miss Lucy Bell Settle, Miss Mary Symonds, Mrs. J. W. Palmer, Mrs. Nettie B. Crabhill.

The instructors left here for Sanford, where for two days they will conduct a conference, composed of the county and home demonstration agents from another district. After two days at Sanford they will proceed to Lake City, and then to De-Funiak Springs.

The home demonstration agents will not hold their meeting at Sanford, covering their work in the meeting at Lakeland, Lake City and De-Funiak Springs. The visitors were greatly pleased with Lakeland and the outcome of their conference was entirely satisfactory.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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

In Re Estate of Mrs. E. A. Seaverns, Deceased.

To all creditors, legatees, distributees and all persons having claims or demands against said estate.

You, and each of you, are hereby notified and required to present any and all claims and demands which you, or any of you, may have against the estate of Mrs. E. A. Seaverns, deceased, late of Highlands County, Florida, to the undersigned administrator of said estate, within two years from the date hereof.

Dated this 5th day of December, A. D. 1922.

HERBERT SEAVERNS,
Administrator.

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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.

D. E. Jacobs, Complainant, vs. Bessie Lee Jacobs, Defendant.

To the Defendant herein, Bessie Lee Jacobs:

It appearing by affidavit of Complainant's solicitors, filed in this cause, that you are a resident of the County of Hillsborough, State of Florida, and that you are concealing yourself so that service of a summons can not be had upon you, and 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 in said cause by Complainant.

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

Given under my hand and seal at Sebring, Florida, this 30th day of December, A. D. 1922.

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

WHITEHURST & WHITEHURST,
Solicitors for Complainant.

J4-11-18-25-F1

LEGAL NOTICE

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

F. M. Starratt, Complainant, vs. Nancy Jane Starratt, Defendant.

To the Defendant Herein, Nancy Jane Starratt: It appearing by affidavit of Complainant's solicitors, filed in this cause, that you are a resident of the County of Pasco, State of Florida, and that you are concealing yourself so that service of a summons can not be had upon you, and 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 in said cause by Complainant.

This is therefore to require you to be and appear to said bill of complaint in the office of the clerk of the above styled Court at Sebring, Florida, on or before the 5th day of February, A. D. 1923, and that in default of such appearance you are notified that the allegations in the said bill of complaint will be taken as confessed by 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 preceeding said appearance day.

Given under my hand and seal at Sebring, Florida, this 30th day of December, A. D. 1922.

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

WHITEHURST & WHITEHURST,
Solicitors for Complainant.

J4-11-18-25-F1

LEGAL NOTICE

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

Gurdon W. Smith, Complaint, vs. Robert Thompson, et al, Defendant.

To the Defendants Herein: Robert Thompson, if living, and if dead to all persons claiming an interest under the said Robert Thompson, deceased, whether as heirs, devisees, grantees or otherwise, and to all persons unknown to Complainant claiming an interest in the following described lands, to-wit: Lot 2, Block 7, Section 15, Township 33 South, Range 28 East.

It appearing by sworn bill and affidavit of Complainant's solicitors, filed in this cause, that they do not know and have been unable to ascertain whether you and each of you are dead or alive, and if alive you are a resident of a state, other than the State of Florida. That your place of residence is unknown to Complainant, that you and each of 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.

This is therefore to require you and each of you to be and appear to said bill of complaint at the office of the Clerk of the above styled Court at Sebring, Florida, on or before the 5th day of March, A. D. 1923, and in default of such appearance you are notified that the allegations in the said bill 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 eight consecutive weeks next preceeding said appearance day.

Given under my hand and seal at Sebring, Florida, this 30th day of December, A. D. 1922.

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

WHITEHURST & WHITEHURST,
Solicitors for Complainant.

J4-11-18-25-F1-8-15-22-M1

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NOTICE OF ELECTION

Whereas, the board of county commissioners of Highlands County, Florida, have found and determined that it was necessary, expedient and to the best interests of said county to issue county bonds of said county in the sum of Six Hundred Thousand ($600,000) Dollars, for the purpose of building and constructing the following hard surface highways, to-wit: Beginning at the Polk county line, near the center of section two, in township thirty-three south, range twenty-eight east, and following the present clay and asphalt road through Avon Park, thence following the road known as Old Sebring-Avon Park road, running on the east side of Lake Letta, through county commissioners' district No. 1, thence over the most practicable route through Sebring, De-Soto City, according to Peacock's survey as to DeSoto City, through Lake Stearns and Lake Annie to Hicoria. The above road to be sixteen feet in width, the base to be eight-inch marl, rolled to six-inch thickness, with a hard surface of tarvia or asphalt treatment; also a road over the most practicable route from Hjcoria to Old Venus, thence to Venus station, thence over the most practicable route to the Glades county line. The above road to be nine feet in width, with an eight-inch marl base, rolled to six-inch thickness, with a hard surface of tarvia or asphalt treatment; also a road from the Hardee county line to Avon Park. The above road to be nine feet wide, with a six-inch marl or stone base, with a surface of tarvia or asphalt treatment; also a road from DeSoto City to Fort Bassenger. The above road to be of a width, to be constructed of materials, to be designated by the board of county commissioners at the time of the letting the contract for the construction of the same; also a road from Sebring to what is known as O'Berry or Crewsville settlement or neighborhood, to the Hardee county line. The above road to be of a width, to be constructed of materials to be designated by the board of county commissioners at the time of the letting of the contract for the construction of the same; also a road from Lake Annie to the Kissimmee river, over the route known as State Road No. 8, said road to be sixteen feet in width, with a base of marl or stone, and to be hard surfaced with tarvia or asphalt treatment.

And, whereas, the board of county commissioners of said Highlands county have by resolution duly passed, found and determined that it was necessary, expedient and to the best interests of said county to issue the bonds of the said county in the said sum of Six Hundred Thousand ($600,000) Dollars, for the purpose of constructing said roads and in and by said resolution provided that there should be alloted to and spent on the roads from the Polk county line to Glades county line, the sum of $425,000 if necessary, and that there be allotted to and spent on the road from the Hardee county line to Avon Park the sum of $10,000, and that there be allotted to and spent on the road from DeSoto City to Fort Bassenger the sum of $50,000, and that there be allotted to and spent on the road from Sebring through the O'Berry and Crewsville settlement to the Hardee county line the sum of $15,000, and that there be allotted to and spent on the road from Lake Annie to the Kissimmee river, over the route known as State Road No. 8 the sum of $100,000.

And, whereas, the said board of county commissioners of Highlands county has found and determined that it will require the issuance and sale of bonds in the sum of $600,000 to construct and build said roads, and that there should be issued twelve hundred bonds of said county, of the denomination of $500 each, drawing interest at six per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, first interest to be due and payable on January 1, 1924. The principal of said bonds to be payable as follows: $5,000 payable January 1, 1924; $5,000 payable January 1, 1925; $5,000 payable January 1, 1926; $5,000 payable January 1, 1927; $5,000 payable January 1, 1928; $5,000 payable January 1, 1929; $5,000 payable January 1, 1930; $5,000 payable January 1, 1931; $5,000 payable January 1, 1932; $5,000 payable January 1, 1933; $25,000 payable January 1, 1934; $25,000 payable January 1, 1935; $25,000 payable January 1, 1936; $25,000 payable January 1, 1937; $25,000 payable January 1, 1938; $25,000 payable January 1, 1939; $25,000 payable January 1, 1940; $25,000 payable January 1, 1941; $25,000 payable January 1, 1942; $25,000 payable January 1, 1943; $25,000 payable January 1, 1944; $25,000 payable January 1, 1945; $25,000 payable January 1, 1946; $25,000 payable January 1, 1947; $25,000 payable January 1, 1948; $25,000 payable January 1, 1949; $25,000 payable January 1, 1950; $25,000 payable January 1, 1951; $50,000 payable January 1, 1952; $50,000 payable January 1, 1953.

And, whereas, the board of county commissioners of Highlands County, Florida, has appointed the 23rd day of January, A. D. 1923, as the day for holding an election, at which the question shall be submitted to the legal voters of Highlands county, whether such bonds shall be issued;

Therefore, it is ordered that an election be held in the various precincts in Highlands County, Florida, on the 23rd day of January, 1923, to determine whether such bonds shall be issued and that such election shall be conducted in the manner and within the time prescribed for general elections, except where otherwise provided by the laws of Florida. The following inspectors, clerks and deputy sheriffs have been duly appointed by the board of county commissioners of Highlands county to hold said election, to-wit: Precinct No. 1, Avon Park, Mrs. Anna T. Reck, J. R. Bennet and F. S. Prior, inspectors, M. W. Lance, clerk, and J. A. Lander, deputy sheriff; Precinct No. 2, Sebring, Florida, J. Ross Blythe, A. Binger and A. Butts as inspectors, Dan Andrews as clerk and R. H. Hancock, sheriff; Precinct No. 3, DeSoto City, Florida, F. L. Webster, J. H. Twitty and J. P. Webster, inspectors, L. T. Farmer, clerk, and W. W. Langford, deputy sheriff; Precinct No. 4, Lake Stearns, Florida, A. Poppell, J. F. Butler and M. A. Jones, inspectors, F. H. Lewis, clerk, and H. W. Townsend, deputy sheriff; Precinct No. 5, Venus, Florida, W. L. Gillis, George Mathis and W. E. Jones, inspectors, Miss Elsie Hendry, clerk, and C. M. Hendry, deputy sheriff; Precinct No. 6, Hicoria, Florida, J. J. Rothgery, J. B. Bunch and C. H. Shackelford, inspectors, and Mrs. Margaret Rothgery, clerk, and Tom Carlton, deputy sheriff; Precinct No. 7, Istokpoga, Willie Williams, Mrs. Sallie Pearce and W. T. Pearce, inspectors, Harle Williams, clerk, and Mose Lanier, deputy sheriff.

WITNESS our hands and the seal of Highlands County, Florida, on this the 6th day of December, A. D. 1922.

WILLIAM KING,
Chairman Board of County Commissioners, Highlands County, Florida.

[SEAL] Attest: C. F. SAUNDERS,
Clerk Highlands County, Florida.

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, HELD AT SEBRING, FLORIDA, ON THE SIXTH DAY OF DECEMBER, A. D. 1922, AND RESOLUTION OF SAID BOARD, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF COUNTY BONDS.

The meeting was duly called to order by the chairman, there being present the chairman, William King, Commissioners Etheredge, McAulay, Williams and Graham. The question of the necessity of the issuance of county bonds of Highlands County for the purpose of constructing hard surfaced highways was brought up for consideration.

The question was duly discussed and considered by the Board and after such discussion it was the unanimous opinion of the members of the Board of said County Commissioners that county bonds of Highlands County should issue in the sum of $600,000 for the purpose of constructing hard surfaced roads in said county. WHEREUPON, Commissioner A. M. McAulay offered the following resolution:

THAT, WHEREAS, conditions in Highlands County require the construction of certain hard surfaced roads and WHEREAS the future development of said county depends upon the construction of said roads, and WHEREAS the Board of County Commissioners of Highlands County, after a careful and thorough investigation of the needs of said county for said roads covering a period of several months, have reached the conclusion that it is necessary, expedient and to the best interest of said county that bonds of Highlands County do issue and be sold in the sum of $600,000 for the purpose of constructing the hard surfaced roads hereinafter specified.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Highlands County, Florida, at a special session of said board held at the Court House in Sebring, Highlands County, Florida, the 6th day of December, A. D. 1922, that it is necessary, expedient and to the best interest of said county that the following hard surfaced roads be built and constructed, to-wit:

Beginning at the Polk County line, near the center of Section 2, in Township 33 South, Range 28 East, and following the present clay and asphalt road through Avon Park, thence following the road known as the Old Sebring-Avon Park road, running on the east side of Lake Letta through County Commissioners' District Number One, thence over the most practical route through Sebring and DeSoto City, according to Peacock's survey as to DeSoto City, through Lake Stearns and Lake Annie to Hicoria.

The above road to be sixteen feet in width with a base or eight-inch marl rolled to six-inch thickness, with a surface of tarvia or asphalt treatment.

Also a road over the most practical route from Hicoria to Old Venus, thence to Venus Station, thence south over most practical route to Glades County line. The above road to be nine feet in width with a base of eight-inch marl, rolled to a six-inch thickness with a hard surface of tarvia or asphalt treatment.

Also a road from Hardee County line to Avon Park. The above road to be nine feet wide with a base of six-inch marl or stone and be treated with tarvia or asphalt treatment.

Also a road from DeSoto City Station to Fort Bassenger. Said last mentioned road to be of a width and constructed of materials to be designated by the Board of County Commissioners at the time of the letting of the contract for the construction thereof.

Also a road from Sebring to what is known as the O'Berry settlement or the Crewsville neighborhood to the Hardee County line. The last mentioned road to be of a width and built of materials to be designated by the Board of County Commissioners at the time of the letting of the contract for the construction thereof.

Also a road from Lake Annie to the Kissimmee river over the route designated as State Road Number Eight. The last mentioned road to be sixteen feet wide with a base of marl or stone, to be hard surfaced with tarvia or asphalt treatment.

BE IT RESOLVED that there be allotted to and spent upon, if necessary, the roads from Polk County line to Glades County line the sum of $425,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that there be allotted to and spent upon the road from the Hardee County line to Avon Park the sum of $10,000.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that there be allotted to and spent upon the road from DeSoto City Station to Fort Bassenger the sum of $50,000.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that there be allotted to and spent upon the road from Sebring through the O'Berry and Crewsville settlement to the Hardee County line the sum of $15,000.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that there be allotted to and spent upon the road from Lake Annie to the Kissimmee river, known as State Road Number Eight, the sum of $100,000.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Highlands County, after the bonds hereinbefore mentioned and hereinafter specified are issued shall by resolution set aside and specify by maturity dates and numbers bonds in the amount of $75,000.00, which bonds shall be a part of the allottment made for the roads from the Polk County line to Glades County line as hereinbefore specified, which bonds shall not be sold except as hereinafter provided.

BUT, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, in the event the full allottment heretofore made is necessary to build and construct said roads in as hereinbefore set forth, then said bonds so set aside shall be sold and the proceeds thereof shall be used for such purpose.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said Board of County Commissioners in open session upon the date aforesaid do find and deem it necessary and expedient and to the best interest of said county that county bonds of Highlands County, Florida, do issue for the sum of $600,000, said bonds to be sold and the proceeds thereof to be used in construction of the hard surfaced roads aforesaid.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said Board of County Commissioners of Highlands County, Florida, do find and determine that said sum of $600,000.00 is necessary and required for the construction of the said roads.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said bonds be numbered from one to 1200 and be for the sum of $500.00 each, drawing interest at six per cent per annum, said interest payable semi-annually on January 1st and July 1st of each year. The first interest payment to be due and payable on January 1st, 1924.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the time when the principal evidenced by each of said bonds shall be payable shall be as follows:

January 1st, 1924	$ 5,000.00
January 1st, 1925	5,000.00
January 1st, 1926	5,000.00
January 1st, 1927	5,000.00
January 1st, 1928	5,000.00
January 1st, 1929	5,000.00
January 1st, 1930	5,000.00
January 1st, 1931	5,000.00
January 1st, 1932	5,000.00
January 1st, 1933	5,000.00
January 1st, 1934	25,000.00
January 1st, 1935	25,000.00
January 1st, 1936	25,000.00
January 1st, 1937	25,000.00
January 1st, 1938	25,000.00
January 1st, 1939	25,000.00
January 1st, 1940	25,000.00
January 1st, 1941	25,000.00
January 1st, 1942	25,000.00
January 1st, 1943	25,000.00
January 1st, 1944	25,000.00
January 1st, 1945	25,000.00
January 1st, 1946	25,000.00
January 1st, 1947	25,000.00
January 1st, 1948	25,000.00
January 1st, 1949	25,000.00
January 1st, 1950	25,000.00
January 1st, 1951	25,000.00
January 1st, 1952	50,000.00
January 1st, 1953	50,000.00

Both principal and interest to be made payable at some Bank or Trust Company, to be designated by the Board of County Commissioners of Highlands County, in New York City or some other financial center.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the roads from the Polk County line to Glades County line shall be constructed and built of like material and the moneys heretofore appropriated and allotted shall be spent upon the entire road equally and equitably so that the entire road can and will be built of the width as hereinbefore specified, the same base and the same hard surface material and to this end said money so alotted for said roads shall be spent, as near as practical, in each County Commissioner's District in proportion to the mileage contained in each of said districts, making due allowance for moneys heretofore spent in constructing or partially constructing said roads, and difference in width of said roads.

After due discussion of said resolution, Commissioner McAulay made a motion that said resolution be adopted, which motion was seconded by Commissioner Jno. E. Graham and the same was put to a vote, Commissioners William King, Jno. E. Graham, Perry Etheredge, A. M. McAulay and W. W. Williams voting yea and in favor of said motion and of adopting said resolution. None voting no.

WHEREUPON the chairman of said board announced that all members of the board had voted in favor of said motion and for the adoption of said resolution.

WHEREUPON the chairman of said board declared said motion carried and said resolution adopted.

WHEREUPON, upon motion duly made, seconded, put to a vote and carried, it was ordered that said resolution be entered at length in the records of the Board of County Commissioners of Highlands County, Florida, and that the same be published in each of the several newspapers published in Highlands County, Florida, at least once in each week for four weeks before the election, at which the question of the issuance of said bonds will be voted upon, is held.

WHEREUPON Commissioner A. M. McAulay offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Highlands County have found and determined that it is necessary, expedient and to the best interest of said county to issue the bonds of said county in the sum of $600,000 for the purpose of constructing the following hard surfaced highways, to-wit:

Beginning at the Polk County line, near the center of Section 2, in Township 33 South, Range 28 East, and following the present clay and asphalt road through Avon Park, thence following the road known as the Old Sebring-Avon Park road, running on the east side of Lake Letta through County Commissioners' District Number One, thence over the most practical route through Sebring and DeSoto City, according to Peacock's survey as to DeSoto City, through Lake Stearns and Lake Annie to Hicoria.

The above road to be sixteen feet in width, with a base of eight-inch marl rolled to six-inch thickness, with a surface of tarvia or asphalt treatment.

Also a road over the most practical route from Hicoria to Old Venus, thence to Venus Station, thence south over most practical route to Glades County line. The above road to be nine feet in width with a base of eight-inch marl, rolled to a six-inch thickness, with a hard surface of tarvia or asphalt treatment.

Also a road from Hardee County line to Avon Park. The above road to be nine feet wide with a base of six-inch marl or stone and be treated with tarvia or asphalt treatment.

Also a road from DeSoto City Station to Fort Bassenger. Said last mentioned road to be of a width and constructed of materials to be designated by the Board of County Commissioners at the time of the letting of the contract for the construction thereof.

Also a road from Sebring to what is known as the O'Berry settlement or the Crewsville neighborhood to the Hardee County line. The last mentioned road to be of a width and built of materials to be designated by the Board of County Commissioners at the time of the letting of the contract for the construction thereof.

Also a road from Lake Annie to the Kissimmee river over the route designated as State Road Number Eight. The last mentioned road to be sixteen feet wide with a base of marl or stone, to be hard surfaced with tarvia or asphalt treatment.

And that there be allotted to and spent on the roads from Polk County line to Glades County line the sum of $425,000, if necessary, and that there be allotted to and spent on the road from Hardee County line to Avon Park the sum of $10,000.00 and that there be allotted to and spent on the road from DeSoto City Station to Fort Bassenger the sum of $50,000.00 and that there be allotted to and spent on the road from Sebring through the O'Berry and Crewsville settlement to the Hardee County line the sum of $15,000.00 and that there be allotted to and spent on the road from Lake Annie to the Kissimmee river the sum of $100,000.00.

AND, WHEREAS, said Board of County Commissioners of Highlands County has found and determined that it will require the issuance and sale of bonds of said county in the sum of $600,000.00 to construct and build said roads and that there be issued 1200 bonds of the denomination of $500.00 each, drawing interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, first interest to be due and payable on January 1st, 1924, and the principal of said bonds to be due and payable as follows:

January 1st, 1924	$ 5,000.00
January 1st, 1925	5,000.00
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January 1st, 1927	5,000.00
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January 1st, 1949	25,000.00
January 1st, 1950	25,000.00
January 1st, 1951	25,000.00
January 1st, 1952	50,000.00
January 1st, 1953	50,000.00

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the 23rd day of January, 1923, be and is hereby appointed by the Board of County Commissioners of Highlands County as the day upon which an election shall be held to determine whether such bonds shall be issued.

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an election be and it is hereby called to be held at the various precincts in Highlands County on the 23rd day of January, A. D. 1923, to determine whether the bonds of Highlands County in the sum of $600,000.00 for the purposes aforesaid shall issue, said election to be open to all legal voters of said County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the ballot for said election shall be prepared in the form and manner and as required by law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said election shall be conducted in the manner and within the time prescribed for general elections except where otherwise provided by the laws of Florida.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mrs. Anna T. Reck, J. R. Bennett and F. S. Prior be appointed as inspectors and M. W. Lance be appointed as clerk to hold the election hereby called for to be held on the 23rd day of January, 1923, at Precinct Number One, Avon Park, Florida, and that J. A. Lander be appointed deputy sheriff to act at said election on said date at Precinct Number One, and that J. Ross Blythe, A. Binger and A. Butts be appointed inspectors and Dan Andrews be appointed as clerk to hold the election to be held on the date aforesaid at Precinct Number Two, at Sebring, Florida, and that R. H. Hancock be appointed sheriff to act at said election on said date at Precinct Number Two and that F. L. Webster, J. H. Twitty and J. P. Webster be appointed inspectors and L. T. Farmer be appointed as clerk to hold the election aforesaid on the date aforesaid at Precinct Number Three at DeSoto City, Florida, and that W. W. Langford be appointed deputy sheriff to act at such election on said date at Precinct Number Three, and that A. Poppell, J. F. Butler and M. A. Jones be appointed inspectors and F. H. Lewis be appointed clerk to hold the election aforesaid on the date aforesaid at Precinct Number Four at Lake Stearns, Florida, and that H. W. Townsend be appointed deputy sheriff to act at said election on said date at Precinct Number Four, and that W. L. Gillis, George Mathis and W. E. Jones be appointed as inspectors and Miss Elsie Hendry be appointed as clerk to hold the election aforesaid on the date aforesaid at Precinct Number Five at Venus, Florida, and that C. M. Hendry be appointed deputy sheriff to act at said election on said date at Precinct Number Five at Venus, Florida, and that J. J. Rothgery, J. B. Bunch and C. H. Shackleford be appointed as inspectors and Mrs. Margaret Rothgery be appointed as clerk to hold the election aforesaid on the date aforesaid at Precinct Number Six at Hicoria, Florida, and that Tom Carlton be appointed deputy sheriff to act at said election on said date at Precinct Number Six and that Willie Williams, Mrs. Sallie Pearce and W. T. Pearce be appointed as inspectors and Harle Williams be appointed as clerk to hold the election aforesaid on the date aforesaid at Precinct Number Seven at Istokpoga, Florida, and that Mose Lander be appointed deputy sheriff to act at said election on said date at Precinct Number Seven, which resolution was duly discussed.

WHEREUPON Commissioner McAulay moved that said resolution be adopted, which motion was duly seconded by Commissioner Perry Etheredge and thereupon the same was put to a vote and the following commissioners voted yea for the adoption of said motion and said resolution: William King, Perry Etheredge, John E. Graham, A. M. McAulay and W. W. Williams; nays—none.

WHEREUPON the chairman of the board announced that a majority of the commissioners had voted for said motion adopting said resolution.

Whereupon the chairman of the board further announced that said motion had been duly carried and that said resolution had been duly adopted.

Upon motion duly made and put to a vote and carried by the unanimous vote of the board it is ordered that a notice calling said election be prepared in the manner and form required by law and published for the time required by law.

WE HEREBY CERTIFY that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution passed by the Board of County Commissioners on the 6th day of December, 1922, which has been entered in the records of said Board of County Commissioners of Highlands County.

WITNESS our hand and the seal of Highlands County on this the 6th day of December, A. D. 1922.

WILLIAM KING,
Chairman Board of County Commissioners, Highlands County, Florida.

[SEAL] Attest: C. F. SAUNDERS,
Clerk Highlands County, Florida.

D21-28-J4-11-18

DR. A. H. [illegible]

Charge of Dr. [illegible] Office

LEGAL NOTICE

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

S. B. Gailey, Complainant, vs. Mary A. Brady, et al, Defendants.

To the Defendants Herein: Emma H. Gardner and husband Frederick Gardner, Mary A. Brady, A. M. McGregor, Edward E. Fay, John N. Fay, Josephine F. Lee and husband Frank H. Lee, Mary A. Piggott and husband James P. Piggott, Anna Wadhams and husband Darwin Wadhams, as heirs at law of Thomas F. Fay, deceased, and Angus M. McDonald as executor of the last will of Abbie R. Dodge, deceased, if living, and if dead to all persons claiming an interest under the said Emma H. Gardner and husband Frederick Gardner, Mary A. Brady, A. M. McGregor, Edward E. Fay, John N. Fay, Josephine F. Lee and husband Frank H. Lee, Mary A. Piggott and husband James P. Piggott, Anna Wadhams and husband Darwin Wadhams, as heirs at law of Thomas F. Fay, deceased, and Angus M. McDonald as executor of the last will of Abbie R. Dodge, deceased, whether as heirs, devisees, grantees or otherwise, and to all persons unknown to Complainant claiming an interest in the following described lands, to-wit: Lots 1 and 2 in Block 8, Section 22, Township 33 South, Range 28 East.

It appearing by sworn bill and affidavit of Complainant's solicitors, filed in this cause, that they do not know and have been unable to ascertain whether you and each of you are dead or alive, and if alive you are a resident of a state other than the State of Florida. That your place of residence is unknown to Complainant, that you and each of 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.

This is therefore to require you and each of you to be and appear to said bill of complaint at the office of the Clerk of the above styled Court at Sebring, Florida, on or before the 5th day of March, A. D. 1923, and in default of such appearance you are notified that the allegations in the said bill 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 eight consecutive weeks next preceeding said appearance day.

Given under my hand and seal at Sebring, Florida, this 30th day of December, A. D. 1922.

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

WHITEHURST & WHITEHURST,
Solicitors for Complainant.

J4-11-18-25-F1-7-14-22-M1

LEGAL NOTICE

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

Norton T. Smith, Complainant, vs. William C. Comstock, et al, Defendants.

To the Defendants Herein: William C. Comstock; Clara D. Farrow and Edward S. Farrow, her husband; James Dickinson and James G. Carter, as receiver of the firm of R. G. Metcalf & Company, if living and if dead to all persons claiming an interest under the said William C. Comstock; Clark D. Farrow and Edward S. Farrow, her husband; James Dickinson and James G. Carter, as receiver of the firm of R. G. Metcalf & Company, deceased, whether as heirs, devisees, grantees or otherwise, and to all persons unknown to Complainant, claiming an interest in the following described lands, to-wit: Lot 3, Block 11, Section 15, and the West half of Lot 1, Block 2, Section 23, all in Township 33 South, Range 28 East.

It appearing by sworn bill and affidavit of Complainant's solicitors, filed in this cause, that they do not know and have been unable to ascertain whether you and each of you are dead or alive and if alive you are a resident of a state other than the State of Florida. That your place of residence is unknown to Complainant, that you and each of 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.

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

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FLORIDA, LAND OF ROMANCE, HAS INTERESTING HISTORY

Almost 138 years ago—on Jan. 20, 1773—while arranging at Paris the preliminaries of the treaty of peace which acknowledged the independence of the United States of America, Great Britain, inspired, no doubt, by one of the German sovereigns, threw a parting rock at the Americans by receeding Florida to Spain.

Romantic and earlier, surpassing and beyond that of any other section of this country, is the history of the Land of Florida. As far back as the second decade of the notable sixteenth century, Juan Ponce de Leon having listened to the magical story of a mythical fountain of youth in this fairyland, in which the reinforced bather would become young and vigorous again—the Fountain of Perpetual Youth—came here to find it!

Therefore, desiring a restoration of youth, he equipped an expedition, sailed westward in quest of the mythical fountain, and on Easter Sunday, 1512 the twentieth year after the discovery of the New World by Columbus, he landed on the coast of Florida, gave it the name it now bears, because of its flowers. This was 95 years before the English planted a colony at Jamestown, Va., and 198 years before the Pilgrims landed at Plymouth, Mass.

Ponce De Leon sailed down the East Coast of Florida, in search of the wonderful fountain, but, not finding it, returned to Spain, no doubt, a very much disappointed man, because of the failure to find that the myth he sought was real, and yet his name and fame are firmly fixed in the early annals of America. Subsequently he sailed again. During this voyage he passed from earth, and his mortal body was laid to rest on the island of Porto Rico. It may be that in another world he found the Fountain of Perpetual Youth.

The wonderful peninsula has since changed owners several times. At first it was the home of the Indian. Here were the happiest of happy hunting grounds. Wild game abounded in the forests, and in the clear water of its thousands of lakes swam millions of fish, and numerous were the birds that lived in this land of forests and lakes. Indeed, there could have been no happier hunting grounds in what is now the United States.

By right of discovery, Florida was held by Spain for about 250 years. St. Augustine, the earliest settlement by white men in the United States, where the first frame house built by Europeans is still standing, and has become a cherished momento of the past, while nearby a magnificent hotel, the Ponce De Leon, perpetuates the name of Florida's discoverer, brings the old and the new close together.

In 1539 the territory was explored by Hernando DeSoto. He landed, among other places ,at Tampa, some time before the discovery of the Mississippi river, and was buried in its waters as it flowed in solemn silence, unvexed by a keel of commerce, to the Gulf of Mexico. In 1665 a body of French Calvanists, who had settled in Florida three years before, were butchered by the Spaniards and driven out, and the Spaniards held undisputed possession until 1763, when the territory was ceded to England in exchange for Cuba, the city of Havana having been captured b ythe English the previous year. In the meantime the colonists of South Carolina and Georgia made an earnest attempt by force of arms to obtain possession of Florida, but failed.

After holding possession of the territory for twenty years, England receeded it to Spain, not because of any love for the Spaniard, but probably because they did not want it to become a part of the United States, which just gained its independence, and preferred to keep the Americans from gaining possession of the province if possible. During England's occupancy of twenty years a prosperous colony was established at Smyrna on the East Coast, under the leadership of William Turnbull, and large quantities of indigo were raised and shipped to Europe.

England made nothing by her recession of Florida to Spain. She also gave up possession of the island of Cuba that her admirals had captured in 1763. When she surrendered Florida there were 25,000 Englishmen living in the territory. Immediately after Spain took possession nearly all of them left and became citizens of Georgia and South Carolina, only a few of them returning to England. They refused to live under the cruel and hated rule of the Spaniard, whose history on this hemisphere consists of a sordid hunt for gold and unmitigated cruelties to the native inhabitants. But after destroying the two growing civilizations of Mexico and Peru, time at last set all things even by forcing Spain out of Cuba and the other West India islands she had so long misruled.

As to the destiny of Florida, it was certain that sooner or later it would be joined onto the United States. Lying south of Georgia and Alabama, the long and comparatively narrow peninsula, stretching for four hundred miles between the Atlantic ocean and the Gulf of Mexico, with a coast line of twelve hundred miles, and by its strategic position with Cuba, commanding even the Carribean Sea, it could not be permitted to remain under foreign control.

It was plainly the decree of manifest destiny that it must become the southernmost state of this Republic—a decree which received its logical fulfillment in the treaty of annexation with Spain in 1818—by virtue of which this fair region—the oldest and the newest portion of the magnificent territorial area of the United States—whose products of its cultivated area yield a larger sum per acre than produced in any other state of the union. Divorced 508 years ago by Ponce De Leon, Florida is just being rediscovered by the enterprising people of this country, and this fact, with its commanding geographical position, makes its future certain. no longer in the same path with the majority of the states, and when the soldiers of the Union came down to the land of the orange trees that yield the fairest of the golden fruit, they gave them a bloody reception at Olustee. After four years of strenuous argument she was persuaded to return to the old ways in which she has ever since been walking contented and prosperous as one of the forty-eight states represented by the Stars and Stripes, which shall remain, we hope, "forever and a day."

Under different flags from that of Spain to that of England, and then back to Spain, and then to the United States, then that of the Confederacy, and back to the Union, covering the most eventful periods of the world, is the record of this noble state. Situated on the great commercial highway between North and South America, Florida's future is secure.

In the exchange of the products of the temperate and tropica zones, Florida will witness a mighty traffic. Herf phosphate mines. unequaled in any other land, her oranges and grapefruit of unsurpassed excellence likened to the fruits of Hesperides garden of the gods, her cities growing with the development of the productive islands of the tropica seas [illegible] of both Americas, their development, located as they are, is certain to be along the highways of wonderful commerce—these are prominent feature of a not far-off future.

It was my good luck to call the roll of the national house of representatives on the readmission of the state of Florida to the Union, in January, 1865. I have lived to see that this southern peninsular state is much more than a land of flowers.—E. W. Barber in Polk County Record.

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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.

WE COURT INVESTIGATION

Scenic Highlands Development Company
Avon Park, Florida

LITTLE WILLIAM CARTER PASSES AWAY AT ROSS

Little William Carter, the bright 16-months'-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Carter, formerly of Dade City, but now residents here, died at Ross, where Mrs. Carter and the children were visiting, Tuesday, from burns received when he pulled a lighted lamp from the table.

The little man was not at first thought seriously burned and the doctor who treated him expected an early recovery, but convulsions developed a day later and the grim reaper claimed him just a few minutes after Mr. Carter arrived.

The remains were brought to Avon Park and laid to rest in the cemetery here, following a short but impressive burial service by Rev. T. O. Baldwin. Mrs. J. V. Chapman, Mrs. J. B. Coen and Mrs. C. D. Nolan sang "Safe in the Arms of Jesus" and "Lead Kindly Light." The grave was covered with floral offerings from the newly made friends of the Carters, who only recently moved here.

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STRIEDER HONORED BY NAME FOR NEW BUILDING

Honoring P. T. Strieder, general manager of the South Florida Fair and Gasparilla Carnival, at Tampa, the new building at the fair grounds, connecting Snow and Brorein halls, has been made Strieder hall by the directors of the fair. With the completion of this connecting structure the South Florida Fair grounds has the longest single building of any fair grounds in the south—more than 1,000 feet in length under one roof. The new building will provide space for at least thirty-two exhibition booths, which are to be arranged in somewhat different style than has been followed heretofore. The booths are to be arranged along each side, and there also is to be a row of booths down the center, the aisles being along the sides of the center row. Directors of the fair have decided that this plan is to be followed in buildings to be erected in the future, and existing structures also may be rearranged in the same manner.

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VOLUME IV. NO. 10 AVON PARK, FLORIDA, THURSDAY, JAN. 25, 1923 $2.00 A YEAR IN ADVANCE

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Avon Park stores stand alone in their field. Prices are reasonable, comparing favorably with prices in Tampa or in the mail order catalogues. In fact any Avon Park merchant will fill your orders from any catalogue you send him.

Quality of merchandise sold by the stores here is unquestioned. The local merchants are located here, will be here tomorrow, and can not afford to mislead. And if a mistake is made they are here and will be here to rectify it.

The range of varieties is something the merchants desire to prove. It is for this reason, more than any other, that they are inviting all the surrounding country to meet them across the counter and see for themselves.

The grocery stores carry as complete lines as is to be found anywhere. They are ready to stock any new products that are worthy of notice and have a record of always having what the customer wants, or getting it quickly.

In the Avon Park apparel establishments there is little to be desired. Standard lines of merchandise are carried and stocks are unusually complete. There are two women's ready-to-wear establishments, one men's ready-to-wear store, an exclusive haberdashery, three stores handling tailor-made men's suits, and three shoe stores. Three stores also carry complete lines of dry goods, silks, hosiery and men's furnishings.

Two big hardware stores offer most everything that is needed for the farm and both carry lines of furniture. One is just opening its furniture department, but the variety assured by two large stores is a wide one, including practically everything for the home and the farm.

Avon Park has the only fruit store in Highlands county and his and other stores always offer a variety of fresh vegetables and fruits that would delight any vegetarian.

The only variety store in Highlands county is also located here and the stock being built up stands out above an interior Florida five-ten-and-twenty-five cent store. The selection carried augurs satisfaction for all who come here.

And while you shop Avon Park garages offer a wonderful opportunity for obtaining real service. If it is repairs, there are expert mechanics, if it is gas and oil, they have it—and there are some tire bargains that are worth considering too.

In restaurants and hotels the community is well served. There is something to appeal to every one and every purse.

A jewelry store carrying the best stock on the Ridge is here and here also will you find for your amusement the best pictures shown in Florida. They come to the local theater right after they appear in Jacksonville and Tampa.

Two well equipped drug stores with soda fountains are available to supply every want, and the banking facilities for people who may live in such communities as do not have banks, are unexcelled with service and safety the watchwords.

Hay, grain and feed and fertilizers are to be had. In fact there is hardly a want that can not be supplied in Avon Park.

It is a shopping center of which the lower half of the Scenic Highlands and adjacent territory can well be proud.

ELITE SHOP CHANGES

Purchase of the Elite Shop from Miss Roberta Bass has been announced by Mrs. Charles D. Sherman and her sister, Miss Eleanor Oliver. This women's emporium, on Lake avenue, is to be operated by the two sisters, who will give it their personal attention. The lines handled are to be extended and they hope to give the women of Highlands county one of the most up-to-date specialty shops and millinery establishments on the Ridge.

Highlands Votes 16 to 1 For $600,000 Road Bonds

AVON PARK QUINT HANDS LAKE WALES A DRUBBING

Lake Wales couldn't stand off the Avon Park attack Friday and the local high school quintet defeated the Polk county aggregation at Lake Wales, 17 to 15. It was a hot game of basket ball with the goal shooting of Ley and Noland as the outstanding features. Perry, for Lake Wales, led the locals a merry chase, but the remainder of the up-Ridge gang couldn't penetrate the Avon Park defense.

Martin and Ginn played the local guard positions and Stansbrough opened at center, being followed by Dilley. Ley got four field goals and Noland three and one foul. Dilley got one field goal.

The boys plan to bring Wauchula here for a game.

The Avon Park High School Athletic Association reorganized Thursday afternoon with C. R. Ginn, president; Fred Ley, vice-president; Milford Dilley, secretary and treasurer, and Forrest Noland was chosen captain of basket ball.

GROWERS ASKEDTO BRING IN EXHIBITS FOR FAIR AT TAMPA

Plans for Highlands county's exhibit at the South Florida Fair at Tampa are being rapidly shaped and with the announcement of those in charge of the exhibit arrangements are nearing the final stage. Arrangements are being made to get the exhibits to Tampa and Norton Smith's office here is the local receiving station. B. L. Laird's office at Sebring is the receiving station at the county seat.

Mr. Laird, chairman of the county committee, and Frank Tauchen will have charge of the exhibit the first three days. H. F. R. Beck and T. V. Conway will have charge the next three days and D. F. Canfield, secretary of the committee, will have charge the last three days.

Mr. Laird has issued a final appeal to all producers in the county for exhibits, and those planning to attend the fair and going in cars are being urged to go by their local receiving station before leaving to see if there is anything that is to be carried to Tampa. Most of the exhibits will be sent by truck, but the committee anticipates there will be odds and ends coming up at the last minute with whic hautoists can assist.

All exhibitors in the northern part of the county are urged to get their exhibits to Norton Smith's office on Jan. 31, as exhibits must be placed before Feb. 1.

RECITAL AND CONCERT IS PLANNED FOR NEXT WEEK BY MUSICIANS

What promises to be one of the most entertaining events of the season is the recital and concert to be given next week in Brickell hall by Mrs. Robert I. Guise, Mrs. Roy T. McLamore and Mrs. James B. Waller, a trio of talented entertainers. The date will be either Feb. 1 or 2.

Mrs. Waller is a popular Avon Park matron and the other two members of the trio are her sisters, visiting her.

Mrs. Guise is a graduate of the Perry School of Expression and Southern College and has taken post-graduate work in New York, where she appeared in recitals. A charming personality contributes to her popularity and accentuates her talents.

Mrs. McLamore is a talented pipe-organist and pianist, and in recitals in several cities has exhibited unusual technique and talent.

Mrs. Waller needs no introduction to Avon Park. She is a soloist of exquisite voice. She studied under Greta Challen Berg and is widely known as a church soloist. Wide a wide range, yet sympathetic tone, the effect of her voice is enhanced by an unusually clear diction and interpretative expression.

OTTO REYNOLDS, WELL KNOWN CITIZEN, PASSES ON TO HIS REWARD

Following a lingering illness that has enforced confinement for several months, Otto Reynolds, well known resident, formerly of Adairsville, Ga., died at the Reynolds home Monday and was buried in the local cemetery Tuesday afternoon. Funeral services were held by Rev. T. O. Baldwin at 3:30 o'clock. Floral offerings attested to the esteem in which the deceased was held.

Mr. Reynolds, who has lived here three years, was 45 years old. He is survived by the widow, formerly Alice May Arnold, to whom he was married in December, 1901. Two girls and three sons also survive.

MRS. COLLINS HOSTESS

Mrs. F. C. Collins entertained quietly at dinner Sunday evening Dr. and Mrs. Caswell of St. Petersburg, and their daughter, Mrs. J. B. Stringfellow, whom they are visiting in Avon Park for several weeks.

CANNING FIRM SEEKS TO OPEN FACTORY HERE

ST. LUCIE COMPANY WOULD USE 100,000 BOXES OF FRUIT

Seeking a location in the heart of the Scenic Highlands, the St. Lucie Packing Company, which is canning grapefruit hearts at Stuart, has written the Board of Trade here regarding the possibilities in Avon Park for a central plant into which cull fruit can be fed from a radius of some twenty miles or so. The company plans to duplicate its Stuart plant here, if it comes, and will put out 500 to 1,000 cases of canned fruit per day. They will require 100,000 boxes of fruit per season to keep such a plant in operation.

Meanwhile plans of the Pittsburgh-Florida Fruit Growers Association for a plant here are well under way and this organization will have something definite to announce within the next thirty to sixty days.

Within a radius of twenty miles from Avon Park—the vast majority being within a radius of elevn miles —t (is believed there are available well over 100,000 cases of cull fruit and drops. There are three big packing houses here already, three more contemplated for the coming season and a half dozen other houses at Sebring and Frostproof, from both of which a canning plant here will be able to draw readily.

And the biggest factor is that immediately adjacent to Avon Park—within a radius of five miles, there is the largest acreage of citrus land to be found in a similar area in the state. More than 10,200 acres are planted and the planting of a [illegible] thousand acres more is under way this spring.

The Stuart people write they contemplate a plant that is interchangeable, permitting diversion to canning other products during the summer and early fall, when there are no citrus fruit available.

APPROACHING LANDER-BASS NUPTIALS ANNOUNCED

Announcement of the engagement and approaching marriage of Miss Roberta Bass to Mr. Joseph Allen Lander was an event of the week that held wide interest to hundreds of friends of the young couple, not only here, but in Kissimmee, where the bride-to-be formerly lived, and in Bradentown, the former home of Mr. Lander.

Miss Bass is the daughter of Mrs. Lulu E. Bass and is one of Avon Park's young business women, having owned and operated the Elite Shop until she sold out recently. Mr. Lander is prominent in business circles here, where he has lived for several years. As a radiotrician he is introducing Avon Park to the delights of the concert world, via wireless.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Baldwin and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Maderia left last week for a trip to Sarasota and back via Tampa. They are motoring.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Sherman, Jacksonville, were guests of Mrs. Sherman's sister, Mrs. Mildred Pabor, for several days. The Shermans are motoring about Florida.

Col. and Mrs. M. A. Wilson of Bartow were guests of Mrs. Wilson's sister, Mrs. L. D. Roberts, Sunday.

Mrs. J. B. Stringfellow and sister, Mrs. Rex Robinson of Alachua, and Mrs. B. B. Andrews and Misses Elizabeth and Janie Head were Wauchula visitors Friday.

Mrs. L. D. Roberts, prominent matron of the city, spent several days last week in Plant City visiting relatives.

Mrs. L. E. Bass and daughters Ruth and Roberta were Wauchula visitors Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Love, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Kennedy, all prominent New Yorkers, are guests of Lake Byrd Lodge this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. Rowe and Mrs. Chas. Kerr, all of Youngstown, O., are guests of Lake Byrd Lodge this week.

Mrs. May Roush of Norfolk, Va., is in the city visiting her sister, Mrs. R. Alley.

Mrs. F. P. Reeves left Sunday for Jacksonville, where she will attend a postmasters' convention.

G. L. Bryant and daughter Verrella and Miss Helen Smith motored to Arcadia in Mr. Bryant's new car Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Crews, Lee Crews, Miss Nona Mae Crews and Mrs. Dave Skipper were visiting friends and relatives in Arcadia Sunday.

Mrs. W. L. Smith spent the week-end in the city looking after property.

Avon Park's Artesian Water Supply Is Absolutely Pure

By DR. J. L. CLOUD

Member Avon Park Board of Trade

From the mountain streams of Georgia, filtered through hundreds of miles of coral sands and limestone rocks, Avon Park draws a water supply unequaled in purity or volume within the confines of the peninsula and uncontaminated by the devices of man. The clarity of the city water, its crystal-like appearance even in the lakes where marshes might be expected to discolor, is the marvel of hundreds who come in contact with it yearly. Indicative of the inexhaustibility of the supply are the twenty-nine beautiful lakes in the township, the deepest lakes in Florida and in at least one of which no bottom has been found, though sounded to a depth of practically 200 feet. Probably no other community in the world has so rich a water supply.

Water being a natural essential element of the body and making up 77 per cent of the muscles and ligaments, not to mention 78 per cent of the blood, it is not hard to reason why consideration of the water available is so important an item in the selection of a home—or an investment. Water is one of the greatest disease propogators there is, but in my practice here I have yet to find a case of typhoid traceable to the Avon Park water. And typhoid germs are carried more generally in water than in any other way.

Pure drinking water—and analysis of the local water as announced by chemists employed by the water company, shows it to be 99 per cent pure—is indispensable to good health. And even further it is essential to improving poor health.

In later years clinicians have expressed with favor the importance of hydrotherapy in treating scores of diseases, especially some of the wasting diseases of childhood and infancy. As childhood of today is the manhood and womanhood of tomorrow, it behoves all of us to utilize every means at ur disposal to insure the best early growing conditions and health—contributing to a healthy and strong body, an alert mind and an active interest in all things.

The Avon Park water supply is drawn from a well 1,040 feet deep and brought to the surface with a pump which has a capacity of 800 gallons per minute. The supply has actually been tapped for 50,000 gallons in one hour without any sign of depression in the flow.

Even the longest drouths make little or no impression on our lake levels, any one of which probably would supply the community of 2,500 souls with sufficient water.

Typical of the character of the natural filtering facilities which nature has created for our water system are the white sand beaches that line many of our lakes. These beaches make bathing conditions ideal and with a half dozen lakes right in the town or bordering it unusual facilities for enjoyment are afforded those who linger in the metropolis of the Ridge.

The state geologist has lauded the supply in his official documents and unconsciously passed some of the highest compliments to be imagined. He tells us of the origination in the mountains of Georgia, from the sides of which rippling, glittering creeks wend their way to feed the sunken streams that filter slowly hundreds of miles until they reach the surface again in the depressions of the Scenic Highlands and become the crystal lakes that dot our highlands and hills like gems in the crown of a monarch.

He tells us also such water, so filtered, is essentially and surely pure—and your physician will tell you that we have not over-stressed the importance of pure water in the daily regime of the human.

In addition to my own experience of never encountering a case of typhoid here traceable to the water supply, upon investigation I have not been able to find any other physician who has heard of any case which could be traced to the water.

Pure water is said to be alone the greatest preventative of typhoid, which has failed to make any impression on even the most unsanitary communities in China, reeking as they do with disease and vermin in many instances. But all drinking water in China is boiled, and to this fact scientists ascribe the fact that typhoid is practically unknown in China.

Indeed we feel that Avon Park is fortunate, and those who cast their lot with us here are equally fortunate. It is a situation to be proud of. It is grand to be able to live in a place where sterilizing the drinking water is unnecessary and where there is no danger of contaminating the body with pyogenic germs.

Thus are blessed those who live in Avon Park.

Avon Park Is the Haven of the Motorist and the Tourist

By J. D. McEWEN

Member Avon Park Board of Trade

It is without doubt that I say—after twenty-one years of actual traveling experience, from Maine to Florida and west to the Mississippi—that I have never found a spot on which I would be willing to spend the remainder of my life, until I came to Avon Park.

The soothing atmosphere from an elevation of over two hundred feet, the beautiful lakes within and surrounding the "Queen City of the Scenic Highlands." The miles and miles of well kept citrus groves, the beautiful flowers and picturesque drives, coupled with the brotherly social activities and spirit of co-operation for which our people are so well known, both far and near, are just a few of the many reasons why Avon Park is, has been, and will continue to be "The Haven of the Tourist."

The development of our little city during the year past has been one of almost unbelievable facts, some seven or eight fine brick structures growing up as by magic, affording the finest spaces for stores, banks, garages, cafes, etc. Our city mall, 75 feet in width and reaching from the Coast Line depot, three blocks east (with prospects of reaching two blocks further) will in a very short time be a most attractive spot to the eye of the tourist, who must be considered one of the most essential factors in the building up and support of our beautiful little city. Games of most every kind and description will be placed in and about the mall, as well as rest benches for the convenience and pleasure of our guests.

Another feature, or source of amusement of which we can openly boast, and one which only one town in every thousand in Florida can boast, is our band. This organization is composed of twenty members, all local talent, drilled and kept in first-class condition every moment by a very efficient and paid instructor, and the weekly concerts are highly enjoyed by our winter tourist, as well as our home folks and staunch supporters.

Our industries, comprised of large citrus corporations, packing houses, privately owned groves, cattle raising, planing mills, ice manufacturing plant, garages, grove contractors, etc., afford more than enough positions for our working population, leaving at all times openings for those who wish to work.

In fact, all that goes to make up Avon Park and her surroundings was "cut to fit," and without lost motion, and as I am only allowed a few hundred words in this little "write up," will say that one reason I am here is because I have not lost a thing in the snow, except the time between the day I first saw the light and the day I found Avon Park, in the Scenic Highlands of Florida, the haven of the tourist.

LANDER BUYS LEASE ON HOTEL AVON AND TAKES MANAGEMENT

Puchase of the lease of the Hotel Avon by T. Henry Lander was announced Tuesday by J. D. McEwen, who has managed the big hotel for several years. Mr. Lander also purchased Mr. McEwen's stock in the hotel corporation, which owns the building and grounds.

Mr. Lander, widely known throughout the state, especially in Shrine circles, sold his drug store here several months ago, and in acquiring the management of the hotel announces that every effort will be made to raise the standard of the hotel wherever it may be possible and assures the public that none of the prestige built up by Mr. McEwen will be endangered.

The hotel, the largest year-around, American plan hotel on the Ridge, is situated on the banks of pretty Lake Verona and has about eight acres in grounds, which will be improved.

Mr. McEwen, who has been seeking for several months to transfer his holdings in order to undertake another proposition, states he is not ready to announce his plans for the future, which he hopes may not take him from Avon Park.

WILL LINK UP ALL TOWNS IN THE COUNTY

OVERWHELMING MAJORITY CAST IN AVON PARK

EVERY PRECINCT "YES"

East and West Coasts Joined and Through Traffic Will Come This Way

Voting sixteen to one for a bond issue of $600,000 Tuesday, Highlands county insures the completion of the last major link remaining unfinished in State Road No. 8, the Atlantic and Gulf Scenic Highway linking both coasts of Florida. This highway will shorten the distance between Tampa and the East Coast by at least 100 miles and take the autoist along the Florida skyline. The highway will be ready next winter.

The total vote was 740 to 44, with Lake Stearns leading the way, 38 to 0. Sebring gave 359 to 6, Avon Park 278 to 31, DeSoto City 35 to 2, Bassenger 18 to 2 and Venus 12 to 3. Hicoria returns are not in yet.

Two outlets to the East Coast and three to the West Coast will be linked by the completion of the trunk line through this county with two branches. There will be a route between Avon Park and the East Coast via the north to Lake Okeechobee and another running south of the lake by way of Moore Haven. Running the other direction from Avon Park will be a route via Wauchula and its truck fields to Tampa; another via Fort Meade, which is the shortest route, and a third that runs up the Ridge or Scenic Highlands to Haines City and thence to Tampa.

Ninety miles of road are contemplated under the bond issue, which also includes thirty miles of road of local material that gives an alternative route to Okeechobee City and thence to the East Coast. This latter branches eastward at DeSoto City, twelve miles south of Avon Park.

The highways to be built, the materials and the apportionment of the funds is as follows:

State Road No. 8, from Polk county line to Lake Annie, $350,000; to be six inches of rock, compacted, with a surface of asphalt and slag.

State Road No. 8, from Lake Annie to the Kissimmee river and the Okeechobee county line, $100,000; to be of sufficient rock, laid on 18-inch marl, which the state is already laying on the muck surface, and a top surface of asphalt and slag.

Branch to Glades county, running south from Lake Annie, $75,000; to be of six inches compacted rock with asphalt and slag surface. This road will be nine feet, but it runs through hard ground and will not require shoulders.

Avon Park-Wauchula, a two-mile stretch between the present Highlands asphalt and the Hardee county line, to be 16 feet wide, with sufficient rock on top of present clay road and surface of asphalt and slag, $10,000.

DeSoto City-Bassenger, joining the Okeechobee county road at Bassenger, $50,000; to be of local material.

Sebring to the Hardee county line, via O'Berry, $15,000; to be of local materials.

These roads, aside from linking both coasts, will give hard roads to every community in the county and open up hundreds of acres of land which have been utilized principally for cattle and stock previously.

The present shortest paved route is via New Smyrna, which is more than 100 miles further than the Scenic Highway, while the St. Cloud-Melbourne short cut, which has not yet been finished, is nearly 100 miles further.

Barring a three-mile stretch in State Road No. 8 in Okeechobee county, the completion of the Highlands system and the completion of the St. Lucie county work which is already under way, will give a hard road all the way between the coasts. And by using the Bassenger cutoff a hard road will be available all the way. Meanwhile Okeechobee county has graded this three-mile stretch and it is probable that it may be surfaced by fall.

Bids will be asked as soon as the bonds are sold and the money is in the bank, and the commissioners plan to have the entire system completed by the opening of the next tourist season.

RAINES HAVE PARK HOTEL

The Park hotel, on Main street, has been taken over by Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Raines, who will operate it without the dining room. Mrs. Sellers gave up her lease before Christmas.

Avon Park the Hub of a Fine System of Hard Roads

By CYRIL BALDWIN
Member Avon Park Board of Trade

"Good Roads" is a subject which is practically inexhaustible, and to attempt to do justice to the subject in a short article would be the height of folly. Avon Park, however, is about to benefit so materially from the good roads program outlined that I may be able to convey to the readers of this paper a dim idea of some of the benefits that are bound to accrue.

In the first place Avon Park has suffered more than one can tell by lack of the good roads that are now about to be supplied. Before old DeSoto county was divided and the new county of Highlands created, we were located so far from the county seat that the idea of giving us the roads to which we were entitled was scouted at by the powers that were. The road money was needed, of course, to hard-surface the thoroughfares entering the county capital. Since county division, however, good roads organizations have been perfected in Highlands county, co-operating with similar organizations in adjoining counties, all working to the end that a system of roads might be built that would not only care for the needs of the local or resident property owners, but also supply avenues of travel for those thousands of northerners coming to Florida every year either for pleasure or drawn here by the many opportunities existing to corral the almighty dollar.

In the road building program laid out and soon to be a reality, Avon Park is particularly fortunate, for she will have a hard-surfaced road to the Polk county line on the north, one to the Hardee county line on the west and direct connections with a through road leading from the East to the West Coasts. In addition to this, she will have a hard-surfaced road running from the town limits north of Lake Lotela and around the eastern shore of Lake Letta, connecting a few miles south with the hard-surfaced road to the county capital.

This new road will open up thousands of acres of the finest citrus lands in the state, besides furnishing a scenic highway that will be a source of delight to those who travel it. The real beauty of the country surrounding Avon Park would never become known to the thousands of tourists passing through this section were the magnificent pine woods covering the rolling lands and dotted with sparkling lakes to remain untapped by good highways. More than that, without these highways, which have been provided for, these same pine woods would remain in their primitive state, while now it is an assured fact that they will soon be cleared and planted to citrus groves, while on the shores of the beautiful lakes will be builded many beautiful and commodious homes.

Good roads will bring to Avon Park thousands and thousands of investors and pleasure seekers, who would never have come this way were it not for the county-wide road building program soon to be completed. This program includes a road to the East Coast via Lake Annie, over which visitors to both coasts of Florida will travel, most of them passing through the "Queen City of the Scenic Highlands." In addition, this road will open to cultivation several hundred acres of the richest muck lands in the state, which is now being drained under state supervision and will soon be ready for the husbandman.

It has been but a few years since Avon Park was a bed of sand, through which teams or automobiles could scarcely wallow. Owing to the efforts of D. L. Skipper (now deceased), a former county commissioner, together with several progressive citizens of this section, an asphalt road was built through Avon Park and part way to Sebring. The building of this road awakened the people of Avon Park to the importance of good roads, with the result that several miles of streets were paved with asphalt. But this was not enough and but a short time ago the progressive citizens of this progressive little city voted another bond issue of $60,000 with which to pave other important streets. Owing to technicalities the bonds, which could have been readily sold, could not be marketed until after the coming session of the legislature, which convenes next April, at which time the bonds will be validated and several miles more of velvet streets will be laid within our incorporated limits. Less important streets are connected up with clay roads, which will give us within a few months one of the best paved little cities in the south, with paved roads leading in every direction.

To the man or woman looking for investment in Florida and to those coming here for pleasure, our good roads will appeal, and to those already located here they will mean a source of greatly increased revenue, for all lands will be greatly enhanced in value and a more ready market will be obtained for our surplus.

Mr. Kidder Talks

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HOTEL AVON NOTES

J. G. King and A. P. Hollingsworth, prominent business men of Arcadia, were business visitors of the city Thursday.

W. B. Harris of Griffin, Ga., was a guest of the Avon Friday.

B. N. Jordan and F. M. Catlett of Atlanta, Ga., were business visitors here Friday.

J. G. Carry of Jacksonville was transacting business in the city Friday.

W. D. Quaintance of Lake Wales was greeting friends in Avon Park Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Blackford and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Mabbs, prominent Winter Haven people, were in the city Sunday.

R. M. Skinner and wife of Flemingsbury, Ky., were guests of the Avon a few days this week.

Miss E. D. Quaintance and Miss L. G. Gain of Maysville, Ky., were among the visitors sightseeing in the Ridge metropolis this week.

A NEW ORANGE

A new variety of orange has been discovered at Clermont, Lake county. The fruit is described as deep red in color, with thin skin and peeling easily. The flavor of the fruit is said to be excellent. A specimen was sent to the pomological section of the department of agriculture at Washington, and it was pronounced "a bud variation which promised great possibilities," and the owner was advised to take special care of the tree and make notations on production, cultivation, etc. The fruit ripens in February and March. The tree is 22 years old and produces 12 to 16 boxes annually. Following the advice of government experts the owner, C. E. Baxter, will extensively engage in the propagation of the variety, proposing to bud 20,000 nursery trees from it this season.—Tampa Times.

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81x90 Pequot Sheets	$1.69
72x90 Sheets, with center seam	89c
42x36 Pillow Cases	24c
42x36 Pepperell Pillow Cases	33c
42x36 Pequot Pillow Cases	39c

DOMESTICS

Hill Muslin, 36-inch, heavy weight	19c
Muslin, 36-inch, medium weight	15c
Heavy Weight Yellow Homespun	14c
Medium Weight Yellow Homespun	11c
Lonsdale Cambric	24c
36-inch Percale, good quality Shirting and Fancy patterns	19c
32-inch Good Quality Gingham	19c
Blue Belle Shirting	19c
32-inch Renfrew and Bates Ginghams	25c
Amoskeag Apron Checks	16c
Madras Shirting, attractive patterns, in fast colors	39c

DRAPERIES

A bargain in Curtain Scrim, 36-inch, white and fancies....9c

Marquisettes, Scrims and Nets, in all grades. A big line at at reduction of at least One-Fifth

SILK SPECIALS

Good Grade Canton Crepe; colors, grey, navy and black	$2.48
Taffeta, medium quality	$1.49
Messaline, medium quality, all silk	$1.39

Everything else in our Silk Department at reduced prices

LADIES' COATS, SUITS AND WOOL DRESSES ARE ALL GOING AT A REDUCTION OF ONE-THIRD

SOME NEW SPRING TAFFETA AND OTHER SILK DRESSES WILL BE ON SALE AT A REDUCTION OF AT LEAST ONE-FOURTH

"Jiffion" Bungalow Aprons, "off and on in a jiffy," made of Fancy Percales, in fast colors; new and up-to-date styles, at 95c

VOILE WAISTS

A variety of styles, lace and embroidery trimmed, at 98c

NEW SPRING LINES

of Gossard American Lady Front and Back-Lace Corsets at One-Fifth Off.

A complete line of Comforts, Blankets and Bed Spreads, at a substantial reduction.

SPECIAL

Ladies' Muslin Gowns, exceptional value for.......98c

SPECIAL

Ladies' Plaid Wool Shirts for $3.98

Remember! All Dry Goods and Ready-to-Wear is advancing daily, and lots of the prices quoted here are as cheap or cheaper than new mill prices to us.

TOWEL SPECIALS

19c Bath Towels, bleached, hemmed	14c
35c Bath Towels, size 22x44	24c
50c Heavy Bath Towels, size 24x48	39c
19c Huck Towels, size 16x32	13c

LADIES' HOSIERY

All Silk and Lisle Hosiery, semi-fashioned and full-fashioned; a variety of colors, at a reduction of One-Fifth

Ladies' All-Wool White Middie Blouses....89c

MEN'S WORK CLOTHES

Blue Chambray Shirts	65c and 89c
Highback Heavy Overalls	$1.85
Khaki Pants, light weight	$1.39
Khaki Pants, heavy weight, forest green	$2.15
Pin Check Pants, good grade	$1.39

MEN'S UNDERWEAR

Balbriggan Shirts and Drawers, each	39c
Nainsook Union Suits, $1 quality	79c
Best quality Ribbed Shirts and Drawers, heavy weight, each	65c

MANHATTAN SHIRT SALE

This is the authorized time for the Annual Clearance Sale on the above line and our prices will be exactly the same as those offered by the largest haberdasheries in the country. Buy a season's supply now.

Stetson and Mallory Hats, all styles, at ONE-FIFTH OFF

Young Men's Suits, sizes 32 to 38, priced to $30, for $19.50 These are all wool materials, new styles and a good selection of patterns.

All our Trunks and Bags, made by Rountree of Richmond, manufacturers of quality luggage, at One-Fourth Off

Knit Four-in-Hand Ties, formerly sold for 75c	49c
Men's Dress Shirts, with and without collars	79c

Everything in Our Stock to Be Offered at Reduced Prices. Nothing Charged or Exchanged. Alterations at Cost

Sale
Will Open
Friday
January 26
9 a. m.

KATZ BROS.

Store
Closed All
Day
Thursday
January 25

Woman's Club a Great Factor in Upbuilding of Avon Park

By MRS. H. STEVENSON

In looking over the records of Avon Park's past history and the part women have played in the making of it, one can not but be impressed with the continuous, unselfish public service of the women of our town from the days when it was a tiny village, nestled beside Lake Verona, without even a railroad to connect it with the outside world, down to the present day of paved streets, city water, electric lights and other advantages, not even anticipated in the earlier days.

An enumeration of these services would extend this article far beyond the space allotted to it, so we will mention only one or two instances.

The Civic League was organized in 1912 for the purpose of improving the city. They did some valuable work; one object to which they contributed being the band-stand. The work of the Mothers' Congress is well remembered and the more recent efforts of the Woman's Club, working in co-operation with other agencies in an effort to awaken greater interest in our civic welfare and help to make a reality of the dream we all cherish of Avon Park as a beautiful, clean, prosperous, happy little city, worthy of its place in this most favored spot, where nature has furnished a setting suitable for the queen city of these matchless Scenic Highlands.

Let us now turn from the records of the past to a consideration of our present needs and the methods by which we may contribute our share toward the welfare of our community.

In doing this we should keep in mind the special channels through which women can make their influence felt.

1. Our Homes—A town is largely an aggregation of homes and by the character of its homes is determined in a great measure its desirability as a place of residence. Any home, however humble, can be made attractive by clean surroundings and by the tasteful use of the beautiful plants, vines and shrubs which may be had without any cost save a little loving care. Let us extend our interest beyond our own premises and see that the parkings are planted to trees and flowering shrubs, the streets kept clean and the parks beautified, and let us by all means impress upon our sons and daughters the lessons of civic pride and respect for the rights of others. From its earliest history Avon Park has been noted for hospitality and delightful social life. Let us cherish these traditions and each do their share to cultivate the spirit of neighborliness and good will and strive to make the stranger within our gates forget he ever was a stranger.

2. Our Churches — They would have to close their doors did not the women faithfully and constantly work to keep them open to the sinning, suffering, sad old world.

3. Our Schools — The principal and teachers of our schools are dependent for the success of their work upon the co-operation and sympathy of our mothers and other women. Can we not get better acquainted with each other?

4. Civic Affairs—Under this head we include all measures designed to promote public welfare, such as sanitation, street improvements, public buildings, parks, playgrounds. law enforcement, etc. In all these matters women are vitally concerned, as this is our home and that which promotes the welfare of one is to the advantage of all. There are many phases of "municipal housekeeping" which are just along the line of women's work and it is here they can render most valuable services to the end that the health of the community be safeguarded, the morals of our young people be protected and provision be made for a broader, bigger, better life for each member of our civic household. One of our immediate needs is a community house or social center for the use of the entire town, to serve as a place of rest, amusement and sociability, a house in which we will each have an interest and where all will feel at home.

We are fortunate in having a wide-awake, progressive corps of city officers, who are ready to carry forward any enterprise for the benefit of the town. But they are only a small body and if our town is to keep up with the procession of growing cities in this section we must each put a shoulder to the wheel and push.

As separate indivduals our weight would hardly be felt but by force of united efforts we can reach almost any goal. We have just the organization we ned in our Woman's Club. That it may serve its purpose and be felt as a power for good it is necessary that every woman having an interest in the welfare of the town become a member of the club and devote part of her time and energy to carrying forward the needed work. This is the broadest avenue of service open to the women of Avon Park. Let us get together and work together to the end that we may help make of our town a place of which we can speak with pride, a real up-to-date, progressive little city.

HOTEL AVON

Under New Management

I HAVE PURCHASED THE LEASE OF THE HOTEL AVON FROM J. D. McEWEN AND WILL CONTINUE TO GIVE THE PUBLIC

THE BEST POSSIBLE SERVICE

IT WILL BE AT ALL TIMES UNDER MY PERSONAL SUPERVISION AND SPECIAL EFFORT WILL BE PUT FORTH TO RETAIN ALL THE GOOD POINTS OF THE OLD MANAGEMENT AND ADD NEW CONVENIENCES WHEREVER POSSIBLE. I WILL APPRECIATE YOUR PATRONAGE AND SUPPORT.

T. HENRY LANDER

Opportunities

Orange Grove and Farm

Ninety-acre tract, 45 acres under cultivation with 27 in old bearing orange grove that will produce 6,000 boxes of fruit per year.

This tract is on a hard-surfaced road, 1½ miles from the shipping station.

This is one of the best combination citrus orchards and farms to be found anywhere.

Full equipment, with temporary residences, goes with this tract, at

$28,000
On Terms

Colonization Possibility

Twenty-nine thousand acres of round timber land, that will cut about 2,500 feet of lumber to the acre. Has seven miles of water-frontage.

The land is especially adopted to trucking and for stock raising and has ideal protection.

This proposition is an ideal opportunity for a colonization development and can't be beat.

Persons with proper backing can make a big thing here and if desired you can get

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Cyril Baldwin

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Take Care of Every Demand Promptly

WITH ADDED WAREHOUSE SPACE THAT WILL BE AVAILABLE WITHIN THIRTY DAYS, DOUBLING THE CAPACITY, I WILL BE PARTICULARLY WELL FITTED TO GIVE PROMPT ATTENTION TO ALL ORDERS AND TAKE CARE OF A WIDER TERRITORY THAN EVER BEFORE.

THE AVON PARK TERRITORY (ALL OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, THE EASTERN TOWNSHIPS OF HARDEE AND THE SOUTHEASTERN TOWNSHIPS OF POLK) WILL FIND MY SUPPLY STATION HANDY AT ALL TIMES AND WELL STOCKED.

Spray Accessories

AND A QUOTA OF SERVICE THAT WILL MAKE AN APPEAL TO THE GROVE OWNER WILL AUGMENT THE REGULAR LINE I CARRY AND GIVE THE GROWERS OF THIS SECTION A

Measure of Attention

THEY HAVE NEVER BEEN ABLE TO GET BEFORE IN THE SAME LINE OF ENDEAVOR. PERSONAL ATTENTION WILL BE GIVEN TO THE DEMANDS OF MY CUSTOMERS.

R. W. A. DUNCAN

Frostproof, Florida

HIGHLANDS COUNTY PILOT
and
THE HIGHLANDS PILOT

GILBERT FREEMAN, Editor

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TELEPHONE 20

To insure change of advertisement in current issue copy must be in our hands by 9 o'clock a. m., Wednesday.

HIGHLANDS HAILS PROGRESS

Harnessing up that good old steed progress, Highlands county is preparing for a drive to prosperity and advancement that it has never enjoyed before.

Voting bonds sixteen to one is a much more safe policy than the famous "sixteen to one" equation of Mr. Bryan.

Good roads, the arteries of commerce, bring to a county or community the life-blood that builds staunchly. With a hard-road system linking our communities, and through our heart, the East and West Coasts of Florida, an area of advancement confronts Highlands county that will treble the harvest of the pennies we sow in taxes for the bonds. Within ten years the increased value of our grove properties alone will lift entirely the burden of the bonds. Groves now worth $500 per acre will be worth $3,000. All the taxes we will pay in thirty years on this bond issue will not approximate one-tenth the ten-year increase in property values.

By building good roads we open the flood gates that have stemmed the tourist tide at the Polk county line. We pave a road over which capital can enter to build up about us. We invite the world to join us on the sky-line of the Land of Flowers.

We insure a prosperous future.

We join the East and West Coasts and in the joining we bring the good will of each to our communities.

And in the spending, we must bear in mind, we will spend most of the $600,000 with ourselves. More than half will go to our merchants, our contractors, our professional men, our laboring men and bring another half million dollars from the banks of the north into circulation in our county—and all during the summer months when no other means would lure that much to the southland.

All the county owes its honor to Lake Stearns with not a vote against the movement, while the last few days' work at Sebring, which brought that community under the wire with a fifty-to-one vote for bonds instead of the earlier-feared narrow majority, should make us proud of our county seat. For instead of being downcast over rumors of opposition and dissatisfaction, they rolled up their sleeves, waded into the fight, and fought the good fight. We glory in their spunk.

The Avon Park majority was another surprise. Apparently we haven't got near as many of those folks whom some are pleased to call mossbacks and tax dodgers as many supposed. Only thirty-one votes in this entire precinct against the bonds is a record that was considered beyond all possibilities six months ago. Our people here are awakening to the opportunities confronting us and the campaign of education waged by the more progressive element found fertile soil for germination.

We are pleased that our more conservative citizens have proven themselves open to conviction. And we owe the gallant band who waged the fight our sincere gratitude. They have indelibly listed Avon Park in the ranks of progress.

They have helped enlist the world's greatest agent for prosperity in the cause of Highlands county. Good roads will open a new empire to thousands who never knew what a paradise exists here.

And the dollars we are investing as we pay taxes next year, will pay us greater dividends than any others we will invest though we live long and bask in plenty.

BENSONS BUY TRACT

C. G. Benson, engineer for the state road department, and Berry Benson, located at Avon Park, have picked Highlands county for their permanent home. Their first step is the purchase of an 80-acre tract of citrus land east of the railroad station at DeSoto City. They plan to develop a grove during the coming year.

Fred Peddy of Lakeland was greeting friends in the city Sunday.

FATHER OF W. G. OVERTON DIES AT VIRGINIA HOME

News of the death of the father of W. G. Overton, agent for the Atlantic Land and Improvement Company in South Florida, was received by friends by wire yesterday. Mr. Overton has been at the bedside of his father at Cobham, Va., for several days. Mr. Overton will return here Saturday, according to the wire, with a friend.

C. W. Pabor of Arcadia spent the week-end in Avon Park with his family.

L. L. Bean and family of Fort Meade were looking over the city Sunday.

CLASSIFIED ADS

For Sale—Two-wheel trailer, carry 500 to 80 0pounds; rubber tires, Timken roller bearings; cost $76, price $45; attachment for Ford car. Charles Madeira. J25-1tp

For Sale—Marsh seedless grapefruit, Hart's late oranges or Valencias and tangerines. All on rough lemon guaranteed stock, two-year-old bud. G. H. Spink, Highlands Pressing Club. 1-11-3tc

FOR SALE—Modern home, bungalow style, on Lake avenue; three bedrooms, dining room, living room, kitchen, two big screened porches, and all modern conveniences; garage, lawn, flowers and fruit trees; an ideal home place and at a bargain. G. A. Stebbins, owner.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR LETTERS PATENT

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will on the 1st day of February, A. D. 1923, apply to his Excellency the Honorable Cary A. Hardee, Governor of the State of Florida, for letters patent, incorporating The Avon Park Lumber Company under the following proposed Charter, the original of which is now on file in the office of the Secretary of the State of Florida:

J. L. YONCE (Seal)
H. W. HENDERSON (Seal)
A. E. HOLADAY (Seal)
GERTRUDE HOLADAY (Seal)
DAISY G. YONCE (Seal)

Articles of Incorporation

The undersigned hereby associate themselves together as a corporation under the laws of the State of Florida with and under the following proposed charter:

ARTICLE 1

The name of the corporation shall be The Avon Park Lumber Company, and it shall have its principal office of business in Avon Park, Florida, with branch offices in such other places in the State of Florida as may be hereafter established.

ARTICLE 2

The general nature of the business to be transacted by this corporation shall be to manufacture, buy and sell lumber of all kinds, to acquire, convey, pledge or mortgage real estate and personal property, to make contracts of any and all kinds; to borrow money and pledge the assets of the corporation to secure the payment thereof; and generally to exercise all such powers as may be incident to the purpose of business of the corporation.

To have, exercise and enjoy all the rights, powers and privileges incident to corporations organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE 3

The amount of the capital stock of this corporation shall be $25,000.00, divided into Twenty-five Hundred shares of the par value of $10.00 each, which shall be payable in lawful money of the United States of America, or in property, labor, or service at a fair and just valuation to be fixed by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE 4

The term for which this corporation shall exist shall be perpetual, unless sooner dissolved by law.

ARTICLE 5

The business of the corporation shall be conducted by the Board of Directors, to consist of not less than three nor more than seven of its stockholders, to be elected by the stockholders at their annual meeting to be held on the 5th day of January of each year, or at an adjourned meeting thereof, at the office of the corporation in Avon Park, Florida, and the following officers of the corporation shall immediately be elected thereafter by the Board of Directors. Until those elected at the first annual meeting of the stockholders shall be qualified, the business of the corporation shall be conducted by the following officers:

J. L. Yonce, President.
A. E. Holaday, Secretary and Treasurer.

ARTICLE 6

The highest amount of indebtedness or liabilities to which this corporation shall at any time subject itself, shall not exceed an amount equal to the capital stock thereof.

ARTICLE 7

All stock issued by the corporation shall be transferable, but no such transfer shall be valid until recorded in a book kept for that purpose by the Secretary of the corporation and the surrender of the certificate.

ARTICLE 8

The names and addresses of the incorporators and the number of shares subscribed by each is as follows:

J. L. Yonce, Avon Park, Fla., 400 shares.
H. W. Henderson, Avon Park, Fla., 100 shares.
A. E. Holaday, Avon Park, Fla., 10 shares.
Gertrude Holaday, Avon Park, Fla., 90 shares.
Daisy G. Yonce, Avon Park, Fla., 350 shares.

STATE OF FLORIDA,
COUNTY OF HIGHLANDS.

On this day personally appeared before me, an officer duly authorized to administer oaths and take acknowledgments in such cases, J. L. Yonce, H. W. Henderson, A. E. Holaday and Gertrude Holaday, to me well known to be the persons who subscribed to the foregoing charter and each for himself severally acknowledged that he did so for the purpose therein set forth.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and official seal this 22nd day of January, A. D. 1923.

G. L. CREWS,
(Seal) Notary Public.
My commission expires December 13, 1924.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the stockholders of the Pittsburgh-Florida Fruit Growers Association, a corporation, that a special meeting of said stockholders will be held at the Company's offices in the Town of Avon Park, Florida, on the 24th day of February, 1923, at ten o'clock a. m., for the following purposes:

1st. To increase the authorized capital stock of said corporation from $1,500,000.00 to $2,000,000.00.

2nd. To amend the charter so as to authorize the Company to incur indebtedness up to $1,000,000.00.

3rd. To amend the charter so as to authorize the Directors in their discretion to issue and sell bonds convertible into stock or carrying a stock purchase privilege and such other provisions as the Board of Directors may authorize, and authorizing the sale of such bonds to such persons or corporations as the said Board of Directors shall see fit, and at such price and upon such terms as the Board shall determine without first offering such bonds to the stockholders for purchase, or procuring waivers from the stockholders as a pre-requisite to the sale of such bonds to persons other than stockholders, and to secure payment thereof by mortgage, trust deed or otherwise, on the property, both real and personal, of the Company; and providing an interest and sinking fund for the retirement of said bonds.

4th. Such other and further matters in any way incidental to or connected with the foregoing, as may be brought before said meeting.

Dated this 22nd day of January, 1923, by order of the Board of Directors.

C. P. ANDERSON,
President.

J25-F1-8-15

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ROOMS
WITH RUNNING WATER
Park Hotel
In the Heart of the Business District
Single Rooms, $2.50 a Week
Double Rooms, two beds, at $2 Per Week Each
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FLU VICTIMS NOW ASSURED QUICK RECOVERY

RE-CU-MA, the Wonderful New Discovery Proves to Be the Best Treatment

QUICKLY REBUILDS SYSTEM AFTER FLU

No epidemic in the history of the world has taken such a toll of human life and has left its victims so weak and helpless as has Flu.

Thousands have been unable to regain health and strength after the attack had subsided.

If you have had Flu, do not try to "wear off" the weakness. The cemeteries are filled up with people who tried to do that. You need a powerful tonic. One that will tone up and stimulate the organs of your body, so that Old Mother Nature may begin her rebuilding process.

RE-CU-MA is such a tonic.

Your appetite will increase—your food will digest properly and will begin to nourish and build up the wasted tissues as nature intended.

RE-CU-MA is nature's tonic.

Made of roots and herbs blended with mineral alteratives, RE-CU-MA will immediately stimulate and strengthen the organs attacked and weakened by Flu and you will notice a great improvement in your condition almost immediately after beginning to take RE-CU-MA.

Take RE-CU-MA today and you will feel better tomorrow.

Price $1.00 and on sale at the Avon Park Drug Company, and at almost all good drug stores.

Competion in Business
IS GOOD FOR THE PUBLIC
Last week we told you there were
Two Drug Stores in Avon Park
If there were but one, there would be little incentive for service. Perhaps it would work out all right, but isn't it better to make sure by keeping competition?
The Prescription
your physician writes belongs to you. Insist on getting it and then have it filled where you please.
PRESCRIPTION WORK BY A REGISTER PHARMACIST
OUR SPECIALTY
We Pay No Commissions to Physicians to Have Their Prescriptions Sent Here
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J. B. STRINGFELLOW, Manager
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Man and
Woman Needs

Every Day Desires Bring
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$5 TO $8 VALUES.
They go at.................$4

Spring Is Arriving and With All Its Freshness and Crisp Dress Goods

IMPORTED PRINTED VOILES
Some wonderfully pretty and attractive Dress Goods, with all the new spring designs and figures. This imported material is guaranteed not to fade. Per yard..........50c

EVER-POPULAR RATINE
Imported and domestic Ratine in all the favored colors for the spring, affording some delightful color effects and a maximum service for hard wear and sports demands. Per yard $1.25 and..........50c

Most of the New Colors Are Sun Proof and Tub Proof

Especially Our New Novelty Plisse Crepes—These afford a wonderful opportunity for milady and her daughter to enjoy all the delights of spring raiment in the gayest and lightest colors without any danger of a spoiled dress after the first wash or even before. These new wonder materials come in the newest checks and other effects. Per yard..........50c

Tire Prices That Tempt

CLOSING OUT MICHELIN CASINGS AND TUBES

1 ONLY,	35x4½	OVER-SIZE CORD	$31.50
3 ONLY,	33x4	REGULAR CORDS	$20.51
3 ONLY,	33x4	FABRICS	18.51
8 ONLY,	33x4	RED TUBES	2.90
1 ONLY,	33x4½	RED TUBE	3.90
1 ONLY,	36x6	RED TUBE	6.90

And this in spite of the fact that tire prices have just advanced
ALUMINUM FOR MILADY—Large Pots and Sauce Pans..........99c

YOU MIGHT TRY THIS ONE, TOO
Gold Seal Congoleum Rugs 9x12 at
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ONE OF THE BIGGEST BARGAINS IN MERCHANDISING

There are still many chilly nights ahead of you and it will pay you well—this year and next—to get one of our COMFORTS, 68x75 inches at $2.62

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EVERYTHING FOR THE FARM OR FOR THE HOME

NOTICE

Tax Assessor's Rounds for 1923

Sebring, Fla., Jan. 1, 1923.

I will be at the different precincts as scheduled below on the dates named to assess taxes for the year 1923. The law provides that each property owner make a tax return to the tax assessor of all their property. It is important that each and every owner of either real or personal property see me or send in their return between now and April 1st:

Venus, Tuesday, Feb. 20.
Hicoria, Wednesday, Feb. 21.
Lake Stearns, Thursday, Feb. 22.
Bassenger, Monday, Feb. 26.
DeSoto City, Wednesday, Feb. 28.
Avon Park, March 1 and 2.
Sebring, March 5, 6 and 7.

CYRIL BALDWIN,
Tax Assessor Highlands County.
J4-A1

NOTICE

To the Property Owners and Taxpayers of Avon Park:

In accordance with the ordinances of the Town of Avon Park notice is hereby given that I will be in the council room on Wednesdays and Saturdays of each week from 9 to 11 a. m. and from 2 to 4 p. m., until March 1, for the purpose of receiving tax returns, and all property owners are urged to call and make returns as required by ordinances, of both real and personal property, and anyone failing to make such returns, lose all right to any hearing or adjustment later.

Respectfully,
MRS. MONA LANGFORD,
Tax Assessor, Town of Avon Park.
1-18-tf

LEGAL NOTICE

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

In Re Estate of R. W. Swearingen, Deceased.

To all Creditors, Legatees, Distributees and All Persons Having Claims or Demands Against Said Estate:

You, and each of you, are hereby notified and required to present any claims and demands which you, or any of you, may have against the estate of R. W. Swearingen, deceased, late of Avon Park, Highlands County, Florida, to the undersigned administratrix of said estate, within two (2) years from date hereof.

Dated 16th day of January, A. D. 1923.

MARY STEEL SWEARINGEN.
J-18-25-F-1-8-15-22-M-1-8

LEGAL NOTICE

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

Gurdon W. Smith, Complaint, vs. Robert Thompson, et al, Defendant.

To the Defendants Herein: Robert Thompson, if living, and if dead to all persons claiming an interest under the said Robert Thompson, deceased, whether as heirs, devisees, grantees or otherwise, and to all persons unknown to Complainant claiming an interest in the following described lands, to-wit: Lot [illegible], Block 7, Section 15, Township 33 South, Range 28 East.

It appearing by sworn bill and affidavit of That your place of residence is unknown to Complainant, that you and each of you are Complainant's solicitors, filed in this cause, that they do not know and have been unable to [illegible] whether you and each of [illegible] dead or alive, and if alive [illegible] of a state other [illegible] 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.

This is therefore to require you and each of you to be and appear to said bill of complaint at the office of the Clerk of the above styled Court at Sebring, Florida, on or before the 5th day of March, A. D. 1923, and in default of such appearance you are notified that the allegations in the said bill 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 eight consecutive weeks next preceeding said appearance day.

Given under my hand and seal at Sebring, Florida, this 30th day of December, A. D. 1922.

(Seal) C. F. SAUNDERS,
Clerk Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida.
WHITEHURST & WHITEHURST,
Solicitors for Complainant.
J4-11-18-25-F1-8-15-22-M1

LEGAL NOTICE

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

S. B. Gailey, Complainant, vs. Mary A. Brady, et al, Defendant.

To the Defendants Herein: Emma H. Gardner and husband Frederick Gardner, Mary A. Brady, A. M. McGregor, Edward R. Fay, John N. Fay, Josephine F. Lee and husband Frank H. Lee, Mary A. Piggott and husband James P. Piggott, Anna Wadhams and husband Darwin Wadhams, as heirs at law of Thomas F. Fay, deceased, and Angus M. McDonald, as executor of the last will of Abbie R. Dodge, deceased, if living, and if dead to all persons claiming an interest under the said Emma H. Gardner and husband Frederick Gardner, Mary A. Brady, A. M. McGregor, Edward R. Fay, John N. Fay, Josephine F. Lee and husband Frank H. Lee, Mary A. Piggott and husband James P. Piggott, Anna Wadhams and husband Darwin Wadhams, as heirs at law of Thomas F. Fay, deceased, and Angus M. McDonald as executor of the last will of Abbie R. Dodge, deceased, whether as heirs, devisees, grantees or otherwise, and to all persons unknown to Complainant claiming an interest in the following described lands, to-wit: Lots 1 and 2 in Block 8, Section 22, Township 33 South, Range 28 East.

It appearing by sworn bill and affidavit of Complainant's solicitors, filed in this cause, that they do not know and have been unable to ascertain whether you and each of you are dead or alive, and if alive you are a resident of a state other than the State of Florida. That your place of residence is unknown to Complainant, that you and each of 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.

This is therefore to require you and each of you to be and appear to said bill of complaint at the office of the Clerk of the above styled Court at Sebring, Florida, on or before the 5th day of March, A. D. 1923, and in default of such appearance you are notified that the allegations in the said bill 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 eight consecutive weeks next preceeding said appearance day.

Given under my hand and seal at Sebring, Florida, this 30th day of December, A. D. 1922.

(Seal) C. F. SAUNDERS,
Clerk Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida.
WHITEHURST & WHITEHURST,
Solicitors for Complainant.
J4-11-18-25-F1-7-14-22-M1

LEGAL NOTICE

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

Norton T. Smith, Complainant, vs. William C. Comstock, et al, Defendants.

To the Defendants Herein: William C. Comstock; Clara D. Farrow and Edward S. Farrow, her husband; James Dickinson and James G. Carter, as receiver of the firm of R. G. Metcalf & Company, if living and if dead to all persons claiming an interest under the said William C. Comstock; Clara D. Farrow and Edward S. Farrow, her husband; James Dickinson and James G. Carter, as receiver of the firm of R. G. Metcalf & Company, deceased, whether as heirs, devisees, grantees or otherwise, and to all persons unknown to Complainant, claiming an interest in the following described lands, to-wit: Lot [illegible], Section 15, and the West half of [illegible] Section 23, all in Township 33 [illegible].

It appearing by sworn bill and affidavit of Complainant's solicitors, filed in this cause, that they do not know and have been unable to ascertain whether you and each of you are dead or alive and if alive you are a resident of a state other than the State of Florida. That your place of residence is unknown to Complainant, that you and each of 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.

This is therefore to require you and each of you to be and appear to said bill of complaint at the office of the Clerk of the above styled Court at Sebring, Florida, on or before the 5th day of March, A. D. 1923, and in default of such appearance you are notified that the allegations in the said bill 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 eight consecutive weeks next preceeding said appearance day.

Given under my hand and seal at Sebring, Florida, this 30th day of December, A. D. 1922.

(Seal) C. F. SAUNDERS,
Clerk Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida.
WHITEHURST & WHITEHURST,
Solicitors for Complainant.
J4-11-18-25-F1-8-15-22-M1

LEGAL NOTICE

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

F. M. Starratt, Complainant, vs. Nancy Jane Starratt, Defendant.

To the Defendant Herein, Nancy Jane Starratt: It appearing by affidavit of Complainant's solicitors, filed in this cause, that you are a resident of the County of Pasco, State of Florida, and that you are concealing yourself so that service of a summons can not be had upon you, and 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 in said cause by Complainant.

This is therefore to require you to be and appear to said bill of complaint in the office of the clerk of the above styled Court at Sebring, Florida, on or before the 5th day of February, A. D. 1923, and that in default of such appearance you are notified that the allegations in the said bill of complaint will be taken as confessed by 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 preceeding said appearance day.

Given under my hand and seal at Sebring, Florida, this 30th day of December, A. D. 1922.

(Seal) C. F. SAUNDERS,
Clerk Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida.
WHITEHURST & WHITEHURST,
Solicitors for Complainant.
J4-11-18-25-F1

LEGAL NOTICE

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

D. E. Jacobs, Complainant, vs. Bessie Lee Jacobs, Defendant.

To the Defendant herein, Bessie Lee Jacobs: It appearing by affidavit of Complainant's solicitors, filed in this cause, that you are a resident of the County of Hillsborough, State of Florida, and that you are concealing yourself so that service of a summons can not be had upon you, and 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 in said cause by Complainant.

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

Given under my hand and seal at Sebring, Florida, this 30th day of December, A. D. 1922.

(Seal) C. F. SAUNDERS,
Clerk Circuit Court, Highlands County, Florida.
WHITEHURST & WHITEHURST,
J4-11-18-25-F1 Solicitors for Complainant.

Politeness is inexpense but its buying power is great.

NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS

Notice is hereby given that the stockholders of the Avon Park Printing Company will hold their annual meeting at the office of the company in Avon Park, Fla., at 4 p. m., Thursday, Feb. 8, as specified in the charter of the said corporation, for the purpose of electing directors and transacting any business that may properly come before said meeting.

GILBERT FREEMAN,
1-18-4t Secretary.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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

In Re Estate of Mrs. E. A. Seaverns, Deceased.

To all creditors, legatees, distributees and all persons having claims or demands against said estate.

You, and each of you, are hereby notified and required to present any and all claims and demands which you, or any of you, may have against the estate of Mrs. E. A. Seaverns, deceased, late of Highlands County, Florida, to the undersigned administrator of said estate, within two years from the date hereof.

Dated this 5th day of December, A. D. 1922.

HERBERT SEAVERNS,
D7-8wks Administrator.

LEGAL NOTICE

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

D. F. Canfield, Complainant, vs. Mary C. Burleigh, et al., Defendants.

To the Defendants herein: Mary C. Burleigh, John C. Burleigh, Frank Cullen, Oliver M. Crosby, William Becherle, Joseph Schuldice, Abbie R. Dodge, Elizabeth B. Wilson, Robert Waters, Florida Development Company, Highlands Orange Grove Company, David S. Porter and Marie Butterfield, if living, and if dead to all persons claiming an interest under the said Mary C. Burleigh, John C. Burleigh, Frank Cullen, Oliver M. Crosby, William Becherle, Joseph Schuldice, Abbie R. Dodge, Elizabeth B. Wilson, Robert Waters, Florida Development Company, Highlands Orange Grove Company, David S. Porter and Marie Butterfield, whether as heirs, devisees, grantees or otherwise, and all persons unknown to Complainant, claiming an interest in the following described lands, to-wit: Lot Twelve (12), Block Seventy-eight (78), Section Twenty-two (22), Township Thirty-three (33) South, Range Twenty-eight (28) East, and Lot Nine (9), Block Forty (40), in Section Twenty-two (22), Township Thirty-three (33) South, Range Twenty-eight (28), East, as shown by the recorded plat of Avon Park, all of said lands being in Highlands County, Florida.

It appearing by sworn bill and affidavit of Complainant, filed in this cause, that he does not know and has been unable to ascertain whether you and each of you are alive or deceased, and if alive you are a resident of a State other than the State of Florida; that your place of residence is unknown to Complainant, that you and each of 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 this cause.

This is, therefore, to require you and each of you to be and appear to said Bill of Complaint at the office of the Clerk of the above styled Court at Sebring, in Highlands County, State of Florida, on or before the 22nd day of March, A. D. 1923, and in default of such appearance, you are notified that the allegations in said bill 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 eight consecutive weeks next preceeding said appearance day.

Given under my hand and seal at Sebring, Florida, this 17th day of January, A. D. 1923.

(Seal) C. F. SAUNDERS,
Clerk Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida.
A. E. LAWRENCE,
Solicitor for Complainant.
J25-F1-8-15-22-M1-8-15-22

Border Poetry

Four and twenty Yankees, feeling mighty dry,
Traveled up to Canada to get a case of rye.
When the rye was opened, the Yanks began to sing
Whoever heard of U. S. A.—"Long Live the King."

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MYRTLE JACK, Assistant, Cashier

Statement of the Condition of
The First National Bank of Avon Park
At he Close of Business January 8, 1923

DIRECTORS
C. A. SKIPPER
C. E. LANIER
WM. KING
C. S. DONALDSON
W. C. THOUCHTON
A. J. WHIDDEN
W. A. MARSHALL

Assets

Loans	This is the amount that we have loaned to our customers and others for the maintenance of their various lines of agriculture and business. The amount also represents the chief earn-asset of the bank.	$451,884.83
Government Bonds	This amount includes Liberty Loan Bonds and other United States Bonds owned by the bank.	19,250.00
Other Bonds and Securities	This amount includes various Bonds, Time Warrants and other Securities owned by the bank.	35,954.08
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	This represents our holdings in the stock of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta. All National Banks are members of the Federal Reserve System and are subject to strict supervision and examination by the United States Government.	3,600.00
Bank Building and Fixtures	This is the amount at which we carry on our books our equity in our two-story building and all of our vaults and other equipment.	27,653.16
Redemption Fund With United States Treasurer	This amount is deposited and maintained with the Treasurer of the United States in connection with the redemption of mutilated currency of this bank.	812.50
Cash on Hand and in Other Banks	This is the amount of money that we have on hand and in other incorporated banks. It includes $20,836.84, which we have on deposit with the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta as reserve.	71,435.35
	TOTAL	$610,589.92

Deposits	OUR GROWTH	Resources
$306,000	1923	$611,000
$227,000	1920	$293,000
$115,000	1918	$174,000

These figures indicate that more and more people are utilizing our superior services and enabling us to perform a greater usefulness in the community and section.

Throughout all the trying times of the past three years no customer of ours has ever been refused a loan to which he was entitled or any other service that a bank can render. Our customers are our references.

Upon this statement we solicit your patronage, at the same time conveying the hope that the year just beginning will bring to you a greater measure of prosperity and to us a greater opportunity for service.

Liabilities

Capital Stock	This is the amount of money that our stockholders have invested in the Bank. Each stockholder, however, is liable for double the par value of his stock.	$100,000.00
Surplus	This is the amount which has been set aside out of the earnings of the Bank from year to year to strengthen the security of the funds of our depositors.	22,000.00
Undivided Profits	This is the amount of profits of the Bank which have not been divided. This amount will be carried forward until the next dividend is declared.	3,429.50
Circulation	This is the amount of outstanding currency issued by the United States Government in the name of this Bank.	16,250.00
Rediscounts and Bills Payable	This item better than any other indicates our ability to serve the banking public, for by reason of our connection with the Federal Reserve Bank and our other correspondent Banks, we are enabled to sell with our endorsement the paper of the Fruit Growers, Merchants, Mills and others who need money to finance their operations. We are proud of the fact that we are helping hundreds of people in carrying on their business operations in and around Avon Park.	160,693.67
Deposits	This is the amount of money left with us by individuals, firms and corporations on our open and savings accounts. Deposits are the lifeblood of Banks. By lending the unused balances of our depositors we are enabled to take care of our operating costs, set aside a surplus, and pay annual dividends to our stockholders. But the public is the chief beneficiary, because in this way we are enabled to assist in the making and marketing of crops, in the conduct of mercantile business and in many worthy enterprises.	308,216.75
	TOTAL	$610,589.92

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

Avon Park in Heart of the Citrus Industry of Florida

By H. F-R. RECK
Member Avon Park Board of Trade

Avon Park is, above all else, a citrus town. From its birth, over thirty years ago, until today, the money crop has been citrus, and while crate mills, the tourists, the farming and trucking operations on either side of the Ridge near town, turpentine and lumber will all continue to swell the income of the community, the mainstay of Avon Park is and always will be its groves.

The development of the citrus industry at Avon Park has been along somewhat different and better lines from those found in the other citrus growing centers, in that when all the available citrus land in what may be properly called "Avon Park territory" is planted, about half the groves will be found to be in "company" ownerships. In 1915 there were, perhaps, 1,500 acres of groves at Avon Park. Today there are well over 10,000 acres. This tremendous increase in acreage has occured largely through the activities of the development companies.

These companies are large, amply capitalized, efficiently and scientifically supervised organizations, which take all the care and responsibility of a grove, from its planting until it has passed through ten years of bearing or even longer, off the hands of the owner. The acreages are owned largely by northern people who have seen the value of a citrus grove as an investment but who do not wish to be bothered with its care. Operating on large acreages the costs of production are kept at a minimum, and with increased production the handling of the fruit can be done in such a way as to show profits not possible to owners of small acreages.

One of these companies has the honor of having under its direction the largest citrus grove in the world under one fence, and also the largest single planting under one direction, a total of 4,500 acres.

The advantage to the community in having an acreage which will amount to about half of its ultimate total of 22,000 acres, always in the best of condition, always having large crops of uniformly superior fruit, is almost self-evident. The desire for producing the most and the best is contagious. The example of the large acreages will make itself felt with the owner of the small groves, and the result will be that inside of five years there will be no place in Florida which will send a higher average of superior quality fruit to market than Avon Park.

The reputation of a brand on the market determines its selling price—all other conditions being normal. A brand that can always be depended upon as denoting superior fruit will bring the grower from 25 cents a box up more than the same grade and size of a brand not so trustworthy. Do you see what this means to the grower of fruit at Avon Park? The spirit of "nothing less than the best," which is even now beginning to spread through the ranks of our growers, will make its mark in the great fruit consuming markets and eventually Avon Park fruit will be at a premium.

The opportunity that this condition, not to be found in any other part of Florida, opens up to the investor, is apparent. Whether, through association with one of the large companies, or as an individual on his own grove, the prospect of owning a grove in a community of uniformly well-cared for groves, the fruit from which will command a premium, is bound to appeal. Grove values will always be higher where such conditions obtain and sales more readily made. Profits will be more certain, steadier and larger, living conditions pleasanter, and the spirit of the community always progressive.

One word to the prospective investor: Avon Park is just at the beginning of a gradual rise in values. There is no evidence of a boom. We hope we will never have a boom. But the values of today will look very small in a few years. The paving of more of the town streets, the building of the county roads, the gradual recognition of quality accorded to Avon Park fruit, all are making their influence felt. Available acreage is fast disappearing from the market. The time to investigate and invest is this year.

The owner, or prospective owner, of grove property at Avon Park has a rosy future in store for him. For the first few years he will have the pleasure of watching his trees develop from leafless sticks into the well-rounded fruit factory of the bearing period. After the first four years of development begins the fruiting period, and year by year the returns grow as the trees increase in size and bearing capacity. It is no long wait to the fulfillment of the vision of days of ease, spent amid the beauties of the semi-tropics, in the most wonderful climate ever given to man to enjoy. Then, with his feet propped on the railing of one of our country clubs, one's only wonder will be "Can this really be true?" and "Why didn't I start sooner?"

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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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LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Fred Peden, popular young man of the city, who has been working at Auburndale for several weeks, has returned to the city.

Mrs. L. H. Park and Carolyn motored from St. Petersburg Saturday, returning Sunday. They were accompanied by Harry Wilkinson.

Mr. and Mrs. John Collier of Zolfo spent Sunday in Avon Park visiting relatives.

Among those attending the basket ball game between Avon Park and Lake Wales were Mrs. S. P. Durrance, Mrs. Phil Lacey(Misses Mamie Durrance, Reba Ginn, Elizabeth Clark and Duncan Palmer and Jack Head.

Capt. James Bayne of Lake Alfred spent a couple of days in the city last week as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Winter.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lewis and family and Mr. and Mrs. Asa Lewis and family were guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. I. Harris Sunday.

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VOTAN COFFEE, pound	43c
TOMATO SOUP, can	12c
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VOLUME IV. NO. 10. AVON PARK, FLORIDA, THURSDAY, JAN. 25, 1923 $2.00 A YEAR IN ADVANCE

Avon Park, Queen of Florida's Beautiful Scenic Highlands

By S. D. LEE

Aside from the material view, which has seen this wonderful Highlands section of Florida, within the past fifteen or twenty years, put upon a substantial foundation as producer in increasing fullness of citrus fruits superior in flavor to any grown elsewhere, it has possessed a subtle charm, penerating and persistent as charm, penetrating and persistent as the great majority of those from far away who have come within its influence, from the day of the first northern invaders in the middle eighties, who wandered over the trackless of its whispering fragrant pines. Wherever they stopped was found soft, wholesole water for the drinking cup and camp kettle, the purest of air, the sweetest sleep, unannoyed by any insect pests, beneath brilliantly star-dotted skies, with energy and interest in life renewed. Even more, they envisioned a future when so favored a section should command the attention of health seekers and of profit takers; acting upon which conviction they bought as each one could, compassioned and ridiculed for the folly by those who had driven cattle across the hills for many a year; and it is a significant fact that while those desultory wanderings covered the Highlands from Lake Moody to Istakpoga, every section made within the townships where Avon Park was subsequently founded or in those adjoining it on the north, east and south, as predominately attractive for soil and for beauty.

That early appraisal has been vindicated in the hearty indorsement given, first by the hundreds who came after the venturesome founders, two or three years later, had marked out a town-site, and by publicity of printing ink made the name and merits of Avon Park known throughout the United States, and even beyond; and, secondly, by the thousands of winter visitors and those who have taken up permanent residence here since its rebirth in the first year of this century. Most new towns and new business ventures of all kinds meet with vicissitudes, and Avon Park was no exception to that rule; but it finally emerged on a broadly laid and strong foundation, and for the past decade has grown uninterruptedly in population, in the size and number and at[illegible] of its buildings, both for business and for [illegible] purposes, in its well paved and lighted streets, its hotel accommodations, its transportation facilities, its stores which carry larger and more varied stocks than can be generally found in other communities of its size; its banking conveniences, its several churches, its splendid public school buildings; while outside of its incorporation, but contributing thereto, is an area of fifty thousand acres suitable for citrus culture, of which about one-fifth is now in bearing groves, while another fifth is planted or is being planted. For the care and marketing of the fruit there are in Avon Park three modernly equipped packing houses, one of them belonging to the Florida Citrus Exchange, and all under managements that have been remarkably successful.

The production of oranges and pometos has passed through all the disheartening and unprofitable phases that the culture of decidious fruits went through in the last century, when every grower had a theory of his own, differing from that of his neighbor, as to planting, cultivation and fertilizing; but now these theories, as in the other case, have settled into a practical system which is producing fine and profitable groves. In the last few years many established groves on these Highlands have changed hands at one thousand dollars, and upwards, an acre, and in most instances the purchasers of these higher class properties have been, not newcomers fascinated by a first view of a grove with all its trees glowing with fruit and fragrant blossom, but men longest in the business of raising citrus fruits and under no illusions as to values and profits when the product is properly handled.

There is in nature nothing more captivating than a citrus grove in its perpetual finery of dark green, and when the branches are starred with myriads of white blossoms flinging a wealth of penetrating perfume on the careless breezes of February and March the resident is appreciative and the stranger entranced. When the night winds carry the sweetness far and the stars above, seen through the clear dustless air, seem nearer than ever before, the young build fairer fairy castles for future homes, while their elders rejoice in having a haven in so favored a land.

As to climate there is no other section, no spot within the territorial limits of the United States, or, for that matter, Continental America, more blessed than these Highlands of Florida, half way down the state and midway between the Atlantic ocean and the Gulf of Mexico, with refreshing breezes ever coming from the one direction or the other, giving favorable all the year temperatures. The daily or monthly averages are almost always misleading, for it is the extremes of heat and cold, the relative humidity, the number of clear, sunshiny or cloudy days that interests the ordinary person. Here the mercury rarely drops to the frost point in the winter, nor to an unpleasant height in summer, for though it occasionally reaches into the nineties, the relative low humidity averaging much less than in the New England and Middle States, with the tempering breezes, there is no discomfort; while the evenings, from an hour before sunset, are deliciously cool. There are no sweltering days nor sleepless nights, and no case of sunstroke in Florida has ever been reported.

All this, up to a few years ago, seemed an idle tale to the thousands who fled from northern snows and boreal winds to find a four or five months playground in this state, but after the first adventures found by experience that it was all true, the influx of northern people to buy, to build and make it their permanent, all-the-year-round residence has progressively increased, and they find here a joy and contentment in life beyond anything dreamed of previously.

DESTROY LETTUCE PLANTS AFFECTED BY BLACK ROT

The destruction of lettuce plants affected with black rot is the method recommended for controlling this destructive disease in the garden and truck fields of this state.

This disease affects lettuce both in the seedbed and in the field. It is first evident from the appearance of small brown or blackish spots on the older leaves, usually near the edges. Under favorable conditions the whole leaf soon becomes black and rots. If a seedling is attacked in this way, it is soon killed; and if this rot begins within a head of lettuce, it will result in total loss.

G. F. Weber, truck pathologist of the Florida experiment station, says that this disease, which has been observed in the main lettuce growing districts of Florida, is caused by a certain kind of bacteria.

It is very essenttial to control the disease in the seedbed. When found in the seedbed, the plants should be destroyed immediately, Dr. Weber warns. In the field the plants should be watched constantly. If a diseased plant is found, it should be removed and destroyed, and the ground where it grew should be soaked with a gallon of formalin solution (1 to 50).

The Stability of Avon Park and Its Numerous Enterprises

By G. W. ADAMS
Member Avon Park Board of Trade

I have been asked to contribute an article on "The Stability of the Business Men of Avon Park," but I think I shall take the liberty of changing the subject to "The Stability of Avon Park." The stability of our business men needs no exploitation, for the very fact that the majority of them have been in business here for years and have prospered with the growth of the town is in itself a sufficient guarantee of their solidity or stability.

Until the last few years the growth of Avon Park has been slow. Men of vision and dreams came here years ago, noted the beauty of the country, the richness of the soil, the purity of the water and the natural advantages to be found on every hand, but that was in days when there was no transportation, no roads, no conveniences of any description. These men exploited the country, attempting to pass it on to actual developers (at a profit), but, as in the history of all pioneer countries, men who were not inured to the hardships of pioneer life came with insufficient capital, worked in a half-hearted way and soon gave up in despair, returning eventually to the civilization they had left. A few, however, remained, and these men builded a town upon a foundation as solid as the Rock of Gibraltar. To their efforts were added those of our native sons and the result is now apparent in a progressive city of nearly 3,000 souls, the stability of which is backed by the industries built up and encouraged by men of such sterling worth as the Laniers, Skippers, Roberts, Andersons, William King and dozens of others I might mention.

The stability of the town—and when we say the town, we mean its business men and its people—is assured by the numerous industries from which large revenues are produced. As this country was at one time a vast forest of long-leaf yellow pine timber, we shall base our start from the various products of the forest. These principal products in the past have been lumber and naval stores and these two industries are still important contributing factors to our stability.

As the trees were turpentined and finally cut into lumber, the citrus industry followed, with the result that there are now in and around Avon Park nearly 11,000 acres of citrus fruits, which furnish employment to a small army of workmen the year 'round and during the picking and packing season, from October until May, an extra large number of workmen, who clip the golden fruit from the trees, transport it to the large packing houses, where it is carefully sized, assorted, washed, polished, wrapped and packed ready for the markets of the north, east and west. To the Andersons, A. V. and C. P., ably assisted by S. P. Durrance, grove superintendent, Avon Park is indebted for the largest citrus grove in the world under one fence, and to C. E. Lanier, C. A. Skipper and W. M. Reck, the developers of Hillcrest, we are indebted for the second largest grove.

With the immense citrus development here came the problem of fruit packages to solve, with the result that two large crate mills were erected, which give employment to several hundred men at least ten months in each year, turning out 2,500,000 orange boxes annually, and disbursing in wages nearly half a million dollars during that period of time. These mills have a supply of timber available to last at least fifteen years and the logs are hauled from the forests over their own railroad of standard guage, by their own locomotives and on their own log cars. This railroad also serves farmers and fruit growers living several miles in the country, by hauling their fruit to Avon Park to be packed and shipped, and at least one large turpentine industry. Eventually we can see no reason why this line of railroad should not be built to Arcadia, thus connecting Avon Park with another rich section of the country.

To add to the stability of the town there are several large turpentine camps, giving employment to hundreds of men the year round, and numerous sawmills supply the lumber for local consumption, as well as no small amount for shipment.

The cattle industry is also of considerable magnitude and when a no-fence law is enacted and our cattle are tick-free the markets of the world will be thrown open to this industry, which will become one of the most important we have.

Recently a company has been organized which is placing 2,000 acres of rich farming and trucking land upon the market at a very low price to encourage actual developers to locate here and engage in truck farming, thus opening up another paying industry, which will add to our stability. The lands of this company are not sold to speculators, but to actual settlers at a price of $30 an acre and on easy terms. They are peculiarly adaptable to truck farming and strawberry growing and the company hopes to have in the course of a few months enough farmers at work on this land to insure shipping truck of all kinds in carload lots.

Another indication of the stability of Avon Park is the fact that a new railroad to connect with the Seaboard Air Line is being built into the town and applications for several industrial sites along its right of way within the incorporate limits have been made.

Avon Park has two strong banks—the First National and the First Trust and Savings Company. The former is capitalized at $100,000 and the latter at $50,000, both having substantial surpluses. There are a number of large corporations here, some of them capitalized at more than a million dollars, and all paying substantial dividends.

Truly, the stability of Avon Park is unquestioned, for it is builded upon a solid foundation and is not like a house builded upon the sands.

RED HILL FARMS

Red Hill Farms is the name of a corporation formed of some of Avon Park's substantial business men, who have as their object the opening of a new line of endeavor in Avon Park and assisting people of moderate means, who desire to own a home in this favored section of Florida, where a substantial reward is paid for honest endeavor.

For the last few years the promotion of the citrus industry in and around Avon Park has overshadowed all other lines and the idea has become prevalent that this is exclusively a citrus section. While it is true that in no other section of Florida can better citrus lands be found than those being developed adjacent to Avon Park, it is also true that in addition to these rich citrus lands we have thousands of acres of land adaptable to general farming, trucking, the growing of small fruits and a combination of all these together.

Two Thousand Acres for Sale on Easy Terms

The Red Hill Farms corporation has purchased two thousand acres of rich land, lying within one and one-half miles of the incorporate limits of Avon Park, which it is selling for a limited time to actual developers for the small sum of $30 an acre, in ten-acre tracts. This land is adaptable to trucking and general farming and a considerable portion of it is also adaptable to citrus. In the tract are to be found a variety of soils. Some is pure muck and particularly valuable as trucking land, some is a rich, yellow sand, upon which citrus trees will thrive, some is a black alluvial soil, adaptable to either the general farm crops grown in South Florida—strawberries, vegetables or anything else that can be grown in this latitude.

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The greater portion of this land is easy to clear. The heavy timber has been cut off and there is no tangled growth of brush or briars to contend with. From $15 to $25 an acre will be all that is required to clear the most of this land and get it ready for crops.

Easy Terms

Land of the same quality in localities where trucking is carried on extensively is being sold in the rough at $100 an acre up. The Red Hill Farms Corporation is offering its lands for a short time only to actual settlers for the small sum of $30 an acre. It is not for sale to speculators at any price. Our only object in naming this low price is to induce actual developers to come here and establish a new industry for this location—that of trucking. To such developers we make terms to suit.

Our Best Recommendation

Our best recommendation is the fact that those who have already purchased farms from us are men who are either natives of Florida or who have been here many years—men who know soil values and their adaptability to the various crops. Another recommendation is the character of the men behind the proposition—the men who form the incorporation. They are all business men of high standing, well known in the town, county and state, and men whose word is as good as a bond.

Will Rapidly Increase in Value

Red Hill Farms land will rapidly increase in value. Its close proximity to the growing and prosperous town of Avon Park, the rapid development of surrounding property, convenience to shipping station, natural drainage, freedom from frost, red clay sub-soil and other favorable conditions insure a rapid rise in price. One of Florida's best known developers recently remarked that it would be but a short time until land anywhere in the Scenic Highlands would bring $5,000 an acre and he event went so far as to predict a price of $10,000 an acre in the course of time. Red Hill Farms land will increase in value as rapidly as any to be found in Florida, for it is land from which the farmer can realize wonderful profits.

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Get In On the Ground Floor

Don't let this opportunity escape you to get in on the ground floor of one of the greatest opportunities ever offered. The price will soon be advanced. Buy now. Erect a dwelling house of some kind, clear a small portion of your land, get busy raising profitable crops and pave the way to a comfortable income with a small outlay of cash and labor.

Roads and Ditches

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The Climate of Avon Park Both Winter and Summer

By S. J. TRIPLETT
Member Avon Park Board of Trade

There is no subject, possibly, of which more has been written than of the "Climate of Florida," and in some cases statements have been made that were totally at variance with the truth. The writer has been fortunate in spending some time, both winter and summer, in different sections of the United States, and believes he is competent to speak advisedly on the subject, and without prejudice.

Nine-tenths of the articles written on Florida climate has had to do with that prevailing during what are known as the winter months, so I will pass over that phase with the simple statement that "the climate of Florida, especially South Central Florida, is incomparable with that of any other section of the globe, as perfection has been reached here as at no other place known to civilized man," and hundreds of thousands of both men and women of the north and west who have visited this section during the winter months, can testify to the truthfulness of this statement.

But it is of the climate here during the summer months I would draw the attention of the millions of people living in less favored sections of the United States and Canada. Those who know Florida only through the study of geography, or a few months stay here during the winter months, are firm in their belief that if the weather is mild and the sun shines brightly during January, February and March, it must of necessity be unbearably hot during June, July and August and it is akin to an impossibility to convince them otherwise. If those people will but take the map of Florida, draw a line down from Jacksonville to Avon Park, note that the Atlantic ocean is sixty miles to the east and the Gulf of Mexico a like distance to the west, and then note that Avon Park stands two hundred feet above sea level and in the midst of a land of beautiful inland lakes and forests of long-leaf pine and oaks of many varieties, they will readily see that this Ridge, known as the "backbone" of Florida, is constantly tempered by the cool breezes from the Atlantic during the day and from the Gulf during the night, to say nothing of the effect the hundreds of lakes have in cooling the heated waves that come from the north as well as from the south during the summer months. Experience has taught me that things are not always what they seem on the surface and that experience is exemplified to a greater degree in judging the Florida climate than in any other one thing that has come under my observation. There was a time when I believed living here during the summertime would be little short of torment, but that was when I was shoveling snow from the front porch away up in the Northland and was ignorant of conditions here; therefore I have nothing but sympathy for those who swelter with the heat throughout the north and west during the summer months, believing they would suffer still more if they came here or remained here during that period of the year.

I speak knowingly and with perfect truth when I say that the summer climate of this section of Florida is preferable to any I have ever experienced and I have spent summers from Maine to California. There is not a night here but what covering is necessary to make sleep comfortable, and there are fewer insects than I have encountered in Canada, New York, Washington or California. And it is not the nights only that the climate surpasses in perfectness that of any other section of this country, for the days are never too hot to work in the sun, and it is always cool and pleasant in the shade, for the constant breeze from ocean or Gulf so tempers the rays of the sun to a delightful degree, and to verify this statement I have only to say that sunstroke of man or beast has never been recorded in Florida, and that fact should convince those of the north and west that life here during the summer is not only endurable, but a blissful, happy and contented dream.

And in the center of this haven of comfort is Avon Park, the Queen of the Scenic Highlands; a city of beautiful homes, surrounded by gardens of flowers that bloom and shed their fragrance every month in the year; a city of three thousand hospitable, happy and contended people who are ever ready to extend the hand of welcome and friendship to any who come either as home-seeker, investor or tourist; a city where every home stands among trees loaded with the golden-hued orange and grapefruit—such fruit as is not produced anywhere else on earth; a city with beautiful parks and recreation grounds, with splendidly paved streets and every modern convenience; a city where the death rate is less than three to the thousand annually, where health is perfect and fevers are unknown; a city where Christianity is the rule, and the school system of the highest order; a city of peace and plenty, of much prosperity and no poverty, of love and not hate.

Such a city is Avon Park—it calls to you to come and share in its comforts, its blessings and its happiness. You will be thrice welcome and will never cease to bless the day that your steps turned toward this land of realized dreams.

A SURVERY OF UNDERGROUND WATER IN FLORIDA PLANNED

A survey of underground water—lakes and streams—in Florida to determine which waters are fit hygenically for drinking purposes and which are dangerous, is being planned by George W. Simmons, Jr., chief sanitary engineer of the state board of health, and Herman Gunter, state geologist, following conferences held in Jacksonville recently, according to reports appearing in the daily papers.

Drainage wells also are to be investigated. In many parts of the state these wells are to be found, most of them, it is said, were bored before the passage of a statute by the legislature of 1913 prohibiting them. As many of these as can be located are to be investigated and designated on a map to be made as a part of the survey.

The operation will give an excellent opportunity for a study of geological formations, and it is believed the United States geological survey will be sufficiently interested to take part in this plan. Letters have been written to that department, as well as the United States public health service, which, it is said, probably will be willing to co-operate. Representatives of both governments have been asked by Mr. Simmons and Mr. Gunter.

For the information of towns and cities all over the state the investigators will determine quality and quantity of water coming from underground sources. This information will be of considerable value to municipalities planning the installation of water works and those arranging for extensions.

Many springs in Florida, it is believed, are supplied underground water, some of which probably is polluted with water from drainage wells. These may be found in almost every section of the state. So-called "sinks" abound in Florida. These are caused by the washing out of a limstone strata and in a number of instances the ground has given way under weight. On one occasion a railroad train dropped down in a sink hole in Alachua county and on another occasion a large area of ground on a public road gave way under the weight of a horse and carriage.

Some of the largest of these sinks are to be found in Alachua county. One of these is known as the "Devil's Mill Hopper," a huge hole with almost perpendicular banks, located several miles from Gainesville. Near Gainesville, also is what is known as Payne's Prairie. This entire lowland was once a great lake of considerable depth. Several years ago the water seeped through into some underground passage entirely draining the lake. Payne's Prarie is partially filled with water at all times of the year and in the rainy season becomes quite deep.

All the water which pours into underground passages from lakes, streams and drainage wells is not contaminated, but some of it is and the question of what waters are fit for human consumption is one of considerable importance to Florida. For this reason, Mr. Simmons said, it had been deemed advisable to investigate all underground water in the state and for this purpose the survey has been planned.

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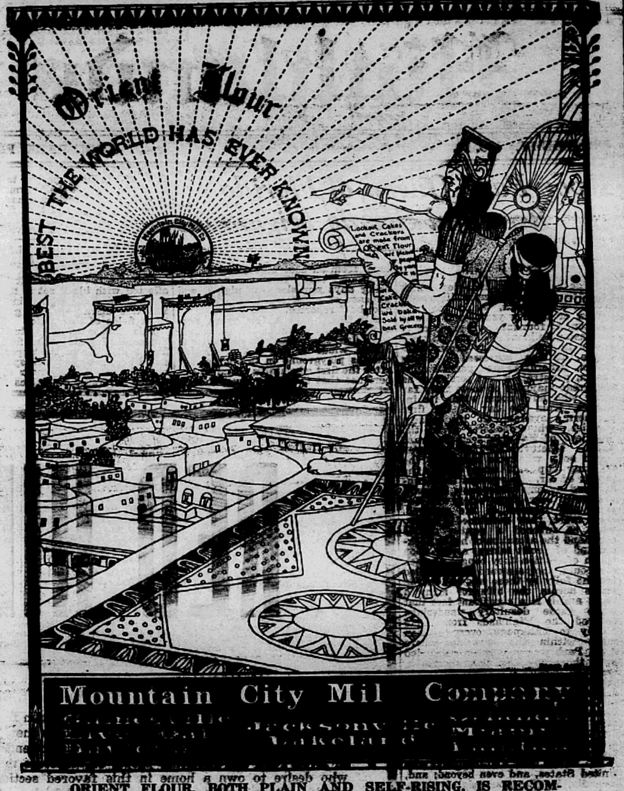
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Ample Recreation Grounds Are a Big Asset to Any Town

By NORTON T. SMITH
Member Avon Park Board of Trade

Some one once said, "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy." This is still true of both Jacks and Jills, both big and little.

Recreation is as necessary for the proper development of the human as bread, and those who have lost their capacity for play and the ability to enjoy it are so near dead that they should complete the necessary arrangements with the undertaker and make it unanimous. They are of no further use to themselves or to the community.

This subject naturally groups itself under two heads: Recreation for our youth and for the grownups, and owing to the fact that in the past we have been so busy with our own affairs and the business of making money and building a town that we have not been able to give proper consideration to the ethical questions involved, this must of necessity be more of a peep into the future than a recitation of things accomplished.

But with the splendid enthusiasm manifested in the Board of Trade and Woman's Club and the hearty cooperation shown by the town council and board of education we can feel assured that these things will come as rapidly as we are willing to pay for them.

The first consideration of any community should be the welfare of its youth. To the little tots play is the first step in their education. By it their bodies can be moulded toward perfection, habits that are necessary for clean living, made natural actions and their inquiring minds introduced into the world of make believe, so as to develop their latent possibilities and natural inclinations.

This means playgrounds and instructors; grounds fitted with modern appliances and teachers who have a love and understanding of child nature.

Our ample school grounds furnish the natural location—let's do the rest.

Then comes the kids that are not quite men and women, but almost think they are.

In these days a boy or girl that is allowed to grow up without the benefit and pleasure and the splendid education that is given by the Boy Scouts and Camp Fire Girls movement is being deprived of something that they have a right to demand.

By them they [illegible] a natural outlet for their [illegible] energy and acquire a training that will make them better men and women. The Board of Trade has fostered this movement in the past, why not carry it to a successful conclusion.

Avon Park, with its crate mills and groves, require the services of a large number of young men during [illegible] opportunity for recreation and social diversion [illegible] of a wholesome nature, they will create their own. At one time steps were taken to organize a Y. M. C. A., build a hut, and give our boys some of the advantages at least that the young men of the cities enjoy.

But owing to the opposition of one of our ministers at that time, who could see nothing Christian or humanizing in the movement, it was allowed to drop. We think that our ministers of today are broader and bigger men and that they would give this matter the support that it must have from them to succeed.

We would commend this to their attention.

Dancing, under proper conditions, is a splendid adjunct to any community life and should be encouraged. Under instruction it develops grace, poise and self confidence. This naturally brings up the question of a community house, for it is within the wholesome community life that these things can be brought about.

The Woman's Club is giving its strong support, for the creation of a center for community life. No one can doubt the result.

All red-blooded Americans enjoy baseball. Last year we had some good ball, especially in the latter part of the season, when we got down to a clean amateur, all Avon Park team.

For the coming season we have hopes of an association of the business men to finance and direct the club, a leased diamond, improved and enclosed, so that the gate receipts will support the game.

All it needs is a little leadership. Who will furnish it?

The Avon Golf and Country Club was organized as a chartered body about two years ago, and is composed of the substantial men of the community.

They own in fee simple a splendid tract of land, about sixty acres, on the west shore of Lake Lotela, just out of the corporation limits, on which they have laid out a standard nine-hole course, which is nearly complete.

A range for trap shooting has been installed, which furnishes sport for our hunters during the closed season.

The plans of the club include, beside the customary club house, equipment for canoeing, yachting, tennis, roque, quoits and all forms of outdoor sports.

Owing to the general financial situation, the progress of this work has been retarded, but plans are being discussed for a reorganization that will permit the work to be rapidly pushed to completion.

When a Board of Trade invites the tourist and winter visitor to become the guests of the town, it incurs a responsibility of providing them with [illegible] of recreation during their idle hours.

Our Board of Trade fully realize this and is meeting the need as rapidly as possible.

There is but little doubt that the plans of our late Mayor R. W. Swearingen pavilion in the mall will be carried out.

Not only because they are right and suitable, but also as a memorial to his love for Avon Park and his active devotion to its best interest.

All these things are very desirable, but the best form of recreation possible is that which nature has provided in such lavish abundance for those who are permitted to live in this section. Suppose you try this: Take your auto and fill it with visitors or people that have no car, and drive them slowly along our roads and lanes. Call their attention to the color of the ripening fruit among the mass of green, to the mirror-like lakes, fringed with stately pines and the picturesque oak with its long gray whiskers, the cathedral-like solitude of the hammock and bays, and the gorgeous smear of color in the western sky at sunset. You have seen these things so many times that your mind has become blunted to their beauty, but if you will try once again, looking at them with the eye of the stranger for the first time, you will realize what a rare heritage is yours.

Or take your rod or gun and wander afoot through the primal forest. Your path, like that of a bride, is strewn with flowers, your lungs filled with the ocean-washed balsam-tinctured air that blows from ocean to gulf. If you find the haunt of the quail, or are able to lure the gamey bass from his home in lake or stream, so much the better, but if not you have had a wonderful experience, that has prolonged your life and improved your disposition.

Then if you are one of the elect that can call Avon Park your home, you can lift up your voice and truthfully say:

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By W. R. ENGLAND
Member Avon Park Board of Trade

No matter what a person's occupation may be, he has a hobby, and we all like some kind of outdoor sport. Some like golf, others tennis or baseball, but the sport that is enjoyed by the large majority of either sex is the one that takes them back to nature. There are no outdoor games that get back to nature like the sports of fishing and hunting, which were used by mankind in the early days, as a necessity for keeping body and soul together, but which we now class as a sport and recreation.

The region in and about Avon Park is so situated that it is the center for hunters and fishermen and the climate is such that one can enjoy the sport without the drawbacks that have to be encountered in less favored localities. The fishing season is open the year round and the hunting season from Dec. 20 to Feb. 15.

Not only on account of the climate is this beautiful town a center for fishermen and hunters, but because it is a prosperous and up-to-date place, where the sportsmen can equip himself with his "tools of trade" as well as get a supply of provisions and accommodations when not in the field. These things, however, would be of little attraction if the game was not within reach, but I can assure you that any one of our numerous lakes abounds with fish, trout, bass, cats, perch, etc., and our woodland and prairies are well stocked with game, both large and small.

One can find good fishing right within the town limits, as there are several lakes within the corporate lines that are well stocked with fish, or one can go out from the town a short distance and find plenty of sport along this line, as a lake can be found within walking distance, no matter what direction one goes.

Some people like to get off by themselves, and be alone while enjoying the sport, while others like to be in a crowd, but it matters not which you prefer, the sport is here and plenty of it.

When it comes to hunting, this section is unequalled because the game is not only plentiful, but the lay of the country is such that it can be hunted to advantage. Our mild winters and pleasant summers make it an ideal hunting place for all kinds of game. There has never been known a case of heat prostration among man or beast in the state of Florida, although a good many people who do not know, think Florida is hot in the summer. Because of this fact, there is no curtailment of game during the breeding season, as some who do not know, think it is, for on account of the numerous fresh water lakes and plenty of green vegetation the year round, the wild animals have a better chance than in any other locality.

Small game, such as quail, doves, rabbits, etc., are found in large quantities right within the township, and are hunted during the open season by parties, individually or in groups of from two to five. Within an hour's ride one can get to where turkeys and deer range, and where ducks are very numerous during the winter season.

As a rule, the larger game is hunted by parties made up from two to five or more persons, and when they go off on a camp for several days they can expect good sport.

The camping in this section has many advantages over camping in other localities, because one can be practically assured of good weather and can always find a good camping place along the shore of one of the numerous lakes where the ground is dry and where one can find plenty of good drinking water. Such places as these are attractive not only to the hunter or fisherman, but also have a natural attraction to the wild animal life, and therefore one is almost assured of good sport.

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Avon Park the Home of Two of Florida's Largest Crate Mills

By J. A. CALDWELL
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Some idea of what the crate industry means to Avon Park can be gleaned from a recollection of figures—dull as figures may sometimes be. The investment, the income, the payroll, the other local expenditures and other items are figures that are never uninteresting to the community they help build.

With 400 families sustained by the crate mill payrolls here one gets the idea that Avon Park is a manufacturing center after all.

The payroll at these crate mills reaches close to a half million dollars per year and with production increasing and a year-around run almost certain the goal of 3,500,000 boxes isn't far off and with it an annual business of three-quarters of a million dollars.

There are few if any industries in the state more essential to our welfare than the crate industry, and one naturally presumes that growers, shippers and the general public cooperate freely because of their corelation.

Rising labor costs have with the approaching timber shortage made the struggle of the manufacturer himself principally an effort to exist—two or three years during the war being the only exceptions. But even between 1917 and 1920 the prosperity enjoyed by the manufacturers of crates did not reach the extent popularly supposed.

The stability of the crate industry contributes to the stability of the community. The crate mill is not like the traveling sawmill, which can pick up and move overnight. The crate mill is anchored by thousands of dollars of capital invested in preliminary and auxiliary adjuncts to the mill itself.

Before a crate factory of any size can be established a large outlay of money is necessary for timber, to which railroads must be built. Locomotives must be bought, logging cars secured and mules, harness and other equipment laid down with, or before, the crate mill machinery. A very ordinary crate factory must have an investment of a half million dollars to do business.

Such enterprises can not but make for stability for any community about which they center. Two crate companies at Avon Park and prospects of another to be added within the next twenty-four months make secure the foundation upon which the city is building.

Reforestration of our adjacent timberland probably will make the local industry perpetual.

The crate industry right now is going through its period of depression. High prices obtained for boxes during the war attracted new capital and inexperienced operators to the industry and many factories sprang up at locations ill-suited and with facilities below the necessary standard. They brought a production scale beyond the needs of normal times and when the decline came it was not gradual, but sudden, ranging from 60 to 80 per cent from the peak.

Those of us long in the business did not expect war prices to prevail because of labor and raw material becoming more plentiful at somewhat lower levels—but it was a task to tax even the most experienced of us to get the house in order.

Very few people fully realize what it means to take a tree from the pine forests to a finished product in a packing house—a gift package so to speak.

In addition it is the crate maker who carries the burden of a crop failure. Boxes must be made up before the season opens and especially in vegetable packages is the hazard a big one. The grower buys when he needs the boxes and if the crop fails he doesn't need them—leaving the manufacturer to carry the load.

In recent years attempts to provide substitute packages have failed. The wood container seems destined to remain the most popular as long as the supply lasts.

And herein lies a great need—reforestration.

With our rapidly increasing grove acreage and more and more coming into bearing every year, it will not be many years before it will require 300,000,000 feet of timber annually to carry the fruit and vegetables from Florida to the north.

Recogition of such facts makes realization of the need for reforestration inevitable. Consideration of this problem can not be put off—it is a vital emergency right now.

With reforestration the lands we are cutting over now can be ready to produce a full crop by the time we finish the present cutting. Thirty years will produce pines of ample size and there is very close to a thirty-year supply of pine timber in the state today.

That means the emergency is here now—but also that if met properly we have ample time for safety's sake.

Some neople spend a lot of time in explaining things they know nothing about.

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Land Values: As They Were, Are Now and Soon Will Be

By MARK W. LANCE
Member Avon Park Board of Trade

"Value." Now just what in your mind constitutes value?

Noah Webster says that "value" is "worth, market value, fair value," and using that as our definition, let us bear in mind when we refer to the "value" of any piece of property that we are speaking of its real market price, or a price that will give both the buyer and the seller a "fair value."

Before going into the discussion of the value of lands in this particular community, let us spend a few minutes in looking into the past and noting the development of this section of Florida, to discern the basis on which values are built and being maintained, taking the "Scenic Highlands of South Florida," that backbone of the peninsula extending from Haines City on the north to Lake Childs on the south, as unit, for it is indeed a unit, having within its length and breadth the finest soil, climate and conditions for growing citrus fruits, that can be found on the North American continent.

When the Atlantic Coast Line railroad extended its line of steel from Haines City, on the main line, south through the pine-clad slopes of the many hills of the "Ridge," around the edges of hundreds of sparkling fresh water lakes, teeming with fish and with scenic beauties which equal the far-famed lakes of Switzerland, this was a veritable wilderness. All this was in the years of 1911 and 1912, only about twelve years ago, at which time these very acres which you now find covered with well cared for orange and grapefruit trees, were being sold at from $10 to $25 per acre, while today there is scarcely a single acre of land within reach of the railroad service, classed as citrus fruit soil that can be bought for less than $150 per acre.

The foundation upon which a locality, a state, or a nation is built lies in the value of its land. This value may be based upon the productivity of the soil, the mineral or oil deposits that lie beneath the surface, its scenic beauty upon which the "tourist crop" is feasted, or it may be valuable because of its established position as a trade center. This latter reason is the measure which gives us the value of city property. On one of these the life of every community must rely for its growth and prosperity.

Here in Avon Park, the "Queen City of the Scenic Highlands," we are so forunate as to have two sources from which to draw our growth. One being the productivity of the soil of these rolling hills, underlaid with a moisture holding, growth producing yellow clay, which has been proven to be the finest of citrus fruit soils, and from the fruits derived from the ten thousand acres of groves now under cultivation in this district, each year increasing revenues will flow into the coffers of the grove owners. [illegible] each side of this Ridge we have thousands of acres of excellent farming and trucking land, which is just being developed, capable of making this a large produce shipping center within a very short time. As an example let me cite the Palmetto Creek Farm of [illegible] acres, which recently sold at around $300 per acre. This farm is only three miles from the city of Avon Park. From it vegetables can be marketed each month of the year.

The beauty of this township, with its many hills and lakes, upon which the sun shines with friendliness, and the breezes blow with comfort, makes this a much to be desired place to live. From this desire comes the value of our city and our lake shore lands as places on which to build the homes for those who have visited this community, felt its touch of health and contentment and establish here their homes. Our growth has not been of the mushroom type, but has been gradual, healthy and normal, on which fair values have been maintained and where you will find them today.

Let us go back into past history and look into the county records, where we find one of the finest pieces of citrus land in his Highlands region sold in the year 1883, forty years ago, for twenty-five cents an acre. This same parcel of land was sold in 1903 for one dollar an acre; in 1915 was purchased for $50 an acre, while the last transfer was made in 1920 at a price of $100 per acre. This illustrates the way that land values have increased since the discovery of this country in the early "eighties."

With the coming of the railroad it was not necessary for foreign capital from the north to come in and see what a future this wonderful section of the state held for the investor, for many of the choice tracts of "high pine land" were purchased by men of vision who lived to the westward of this country, in the older towns of Arcadia, Wauchula, Fort Meade and Bartow. These men bought up large tracts and you can scarcely find record of a transaction for the purchase of any parcel, particularly the choice portions, that at one time did not pass through their hands. These [illegible] financiers had much to do toward the development of this wonderful section of Florida.

Elsewhere you will read the history of the founding of the town of Avon Park, its growth, commercial relations, religious and educational advancement and civic pride, so let us now consider some concrete examples of the increase of land values. In [illegible] a man from the middle west visited Avon Park and found its climate so mild, and the community so much to his liking that he invested in several small tracts of land and [illegible] on which he built a house which has been his permanent home for the past five years. Just last week he sold one of the tracts of land, which he bought when he first came here for $25 per acre, to a newcomer who wishes to establish a home here and plant a grove. This purchaser looked over several parcels of land before buying, but liking this better than any other tract, bought it for $200 per acre. Quite an increase, is it not?

One of our large development companies began in 1916 the clearing and planting of a solid section of land, 640 acres, which land we will say cost $50 per acre. As the planting was being made, these lands were sold in five acre tracts, with contract to deliver bearing groves at the end of six years, and many purchasers received their deeds in 1922. The average price per acre received by this company for the delivered bearing grove being about $1,000. Making this section worth today, on this basis, $640,000. Surely such figures will turn the most skeptical person into an optimist.

We could enumerate many cases of advance of prices in lands but all of them would not show any more clearly than these two tracts I have mentioned above, the way that properties have increased in value in and around Avon Park in the past few years. The rise in values of land has just begun in this locality, as many of the improvements made in the city and being made in the county, have just begun to have their effect upon the value of the lands in Highlands county. The coming year will see a marked increase in both the prices of unimproved land and fruit groves, for when Avon Park is given an outlet to the north and to the East Coast, by the completion of the splendid system of highways now being formulated, there will be one hundred persons passing through this section and wanting lands and home sites where there are only ten today. This is the day of action. If you want to share in the profits that are to be made in the "Increase of Land Values in Avon Park," come in, investigate the facts carefully, buy land, and be a citizen with us.

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What Avon Park Needs Most To Make It Into a Great City

By F. P. BURCH
Member Avon Park Board of Trade

During the great war, the King of England sat under a [illegible] canopy, surrounded by [illegible], watching a parade of the [illegible] guards. All was gold and tinsel, the buildings were streaming with banners, and the marching troops tramped over garlands of flowers thrown by a cheering multitude. The air was filled with enthusiastic cries and a fervor of hysterical emotion ran through the people. A courtier turned to the king, and asked, "What is wanting here, your majesty?" And the king answered, "Permanency."

What Avon Park needs is permanency. Built along safe and constructive lines, there has never been an attempt to capitalize temporary projects. Every move for the community has been made with a view toward the building of a permanent and solid city. Fly-by-night propositions have passed on to other towns, for there was no welcome for them in Avon Park.

First of all, in our diagnosis of our needs and wants, let us consider location. Location is the thing that enters into every plan of development and every financial and industrial movement. On the main line of the Atlantic Coast Line south from Jacksonville to the rich drained lands of the Everglades and eventually to Miami and the East Coast, with the Seaboard Air Line, now building from Tampa and the Gulf, we have transportation location.

The beautiful paved Dixie Highway, through the central part of the state, passes in and out our gates. The rolling hills of the Scenic Highlands, with their myriads of sparkling lakes, lie all around us. We have the location to attract.

Given location, development comes next. The citrus industry is too well known to speak of here. Suffice it that the largest development company of the state is quartered here, and that many other great citrus companies as well as individual growers are planting and developing thousands of acres of grove land each year. Citrus as an industry is well developed.

The country east and west of Avon Park consists of rich muck land, black farm and trucking land, fruit and grape land, and sections of grazing land. Farming and trucking is not developed, yet the opportunity is great and markets easy. Instead of these rich lands standing idle, unimproved and unused, their acres should smile with the waving of corn, celery, cabbage, tomatoes, egg plant, and all the other vegetables so easily grown in this land of multiplied crops. And yet we must consider that Highlands county is a new county and that this section of the state is also new to the world, as the land it is. To develop this farm and truck industry the co-operative canning factory idea is splendid. Avon Park needs such an industry. [illegible] partly ripe [illegible] vegetable can be grown in this district, canned in Avon Park, and shipped to other parts of the state and country.

Canning equipment is not expensive and the cost of operation is not great. It is not necessary to employ more than one or two high priced persons, and other labor would be cheap. The product purchased from the grower, after the factory had supplied the seeds and grain, would put new money into the pockets of the farmer and develop the land now unused.

And again, millions of dollars of products go to waste in Florida each year. Oranges, grapefruit, beans, cabbage and other fruits and vegetables are allowed to ripen and rot when they could be preserved. They ripen too quickly to ship, some are culls and cannot be shipped, and very often the markets are not right for shipping. The opportunity for a canning and preserving factory in Avon Park is great, not only from a standpoint of investment, but as a medium of development.

Avon Park needs the work and the money of real estate developers. There is, perhaps, no town in the state of Florida, where opportunity is so great in this line, as it is in Avon Park. Around us are dozens of wonderful lakes, with beaches of clean white sand. But these lakes are not protected, they are not developed. they are not planned, or parked, or restricted. The man who comes to Florida seeking a location for a winter home and a playground, does not want to build or invest in property, no matter how beautiful that particular property may be, unless it is protected and has certain restrictions. We need real estate capitalists to buy and develop and restrict the property we have for them. The individual investor will find a veritable fairyland when improvement comes or as he will invest and improve. There are locations now obtainable really wonderful, and the prices are moderate. Sometimes I think that if higher prices were charged and advertised a greater demand would result.

There is great opportunity and need for builders and contractors. Right now there is a shortage of dwelling houses. And in connection with building Avon Park needs a Building Loan Association. There are a great many citizens who are anxious to build but whose hands are tied because of finances. There are opportunities for financial investors. Money can be placed safely at good interest, with no risk to the investor.

We need a complete lumber and mill business, and a supply yard to handle a full line of building material. The near future will see a great deal of new building operations.

Among the greater needs, industrially, of our city, is the need of a steam laundry. At present motor trucks collect and carry our linen miles away to other cities. There is no laundry in [illegible] yet there is pr[illegible] ing the [illegible] lishes t[illegible] for all the surrounding [illegible] districts would be served [illegible].

We need a cold storage plant and a machine shop. We have a [illegible] store that is very good, but this should be enlarged and expanded into a [illegible] and ten-cent store. Such a store, modern and up-to-date, would fill a long felt want and would stimulate business in other stores.

Commercialized amusement is industry. We need development of our lakes and canoeing and boating concessions. This is a real need, for it is almost criminal to permit our lakes, with their wonderful power to attract, to be wasted as amusement and recreation localities. Sailing, motorboating; and I would like to see motorboat racing on the larger lakes, for the drawing power of racing is too valuable an asset to ignore.

A pavilion built on the shore of our central lake, with cafe and equipped with tables and seats in the open air, would be an excellent investment and an attracting industry.

A theater, with stage for drama and vadueville, as well as movies, is another amusement industry needed. What field for dividend paying investment lie undeveloped within our gates!

And now let me add that the most important industry for Avon Park, the one most needed, the one that will bring all other industries to us, and that will tell the world what we want and need—is advertising. Advertising has never been the business of Avon Park to any great extent, but consistent, persistent and rightly placed advertising will give us the people who will create the business we will have to secure and to induce these to invest, to create industry, to become [illegible] in Avon Park, we must have [illegible] and [illegible] making them at home with us, by giving them pleasant recreation and pastime and so much enjoyment a part of their stay with us, that their visit will be prolonged until they are actually a part of our permanent population. Permanency! To induce visitors to become permanent citizens, as so many visitors in other cities have become permanent citizens, we must have a place for them to play and to meet and gossip, and to exercise. We must remember that winter time is play time for the northern visitor, who has capital and means, and who will help us correct our need—if we make him know us, and like us, and become one of us. After all, isn't the one big thing Avon Park needs, just—PERMANENCY?

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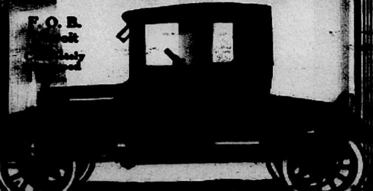

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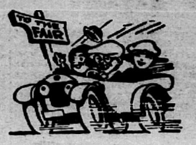

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Feb. 4—SUNDAY, on which day the grounds will be closed.

Feb. 5—GASPARILLA DAY. The Krewe will land and revive the old custom of parading through the city with magnificent floats. The Rotary press breakfast will be an event of 8 o'clock at the Tampa Bay.

Feb. 6—GOVERNOR'S and FARMERS' DAY—The governor, with his entire staff will participate in the program and he will make an address. Gasparilla's forces will crown their new rulers.

Feb. 7—CALIFORNIA DAY. A trainload of California visitors will arrive and be given an insight into Florida's great possibilities.

Feb. 8—SHRINERS' DAY. The day of days for Florida Masonry. The Shrine fresh meat parade will be a feature.

Feb. 9—TAMPA DAY. The town will close up and all Tampa will join the guests of the city in making merry.

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NEW CANNING FACTORY READY FOR THE 1923 CITRUS CROP

WILL HANDLE ALL THE FRUIT OFFERED FROM AVON PARK VICINITY

PITTSBURGH - FLORIDA TO ERECT A $60,000 PLANT

HOPE TO HAVE PINEAPPLES TOO

American Can Company Will Put In Equipment—Refrigeration Also

Establishment of a canning plant with a capacity of handling 50,000 cases of grapefruit next season and with plans for additional units each succeeding year to take care of the increase in supply of fruit is assured, according to the announcement of A. V. Anderson, secretary-treasurer of the Pittsburgh-Florida Fruit Growers Association, which he states will put in the plant during the summer. The plant will not only handle fruit from the groves of its associates, but will go into the market for all fruit available in the Avon Park district. "We have arranged with a New York jobber to handle our brand, and have assurances from him that he can place every case we can possibly produce," said Mr. Anderson, who stated that arrangements for erection of the plant here are going forward now with the American Can Company, which developed the system which has permitted the Porto Rican canners to gain such a foothold in the canned grapefruit field.

The factory, to be complete in every detail, will be erected adjoining the present packing house of the Pittsburgh-Florida Association and conveyor belts will operate between the packing house and the canning plant, moving the cull fruit direct without extra handling. All fruit offered by local or nearby growers will be accepted on the platform, and Mr. Anderson states that the market prices will be paid to all comers. "The more fruit we can get, the better for our operations, and as rapidly as the Highlands county groves come into heavier bearing, insuring more fruit, the plant will be enlarged."

Plans to handle pineapples during the summer months are also being made an auxiliary to the principal work of the plant and if growers in this section—which has long been known as high-grade pineapple country—will produce enough fruit the plant will be converted into a pineapple cannery during a long enough period to care for all fruit that is offered.

To insure year-around operation, or approximately that, a new style refrigeration plant is also to be installed that will permit the storage of fruit to carry it over from the rush winter months to the summer months when there is no production of fruit.

This will give the local plant a decided advantage over other canneries in the state and provide the local growers with much better facilities.

This organization controls 4,500 acres of fruit for from ten to fifteen years from the present date, insuring a uniformly increasing supply of fruit and making it worth while for jobbing connections to spend their energy and devote their time to building up the brand that will be produced here. The Pittsburgh-Florida people plan to co-operate in building this brand and once it is established as a superior product it will be maintained and the growers reap the benefits in higher prices and an insurance of a market.

That the plant, which will represent an outlay of $60,000 or more the first season, will eventually become a tremendous factor in the building up of Avon Park is easily seen when the extent of its opportunity is realized.

Within a radius of twenty miles, from which the plant can draw fruit economically, fruit groves produce close to 2,000,000 boxes of fruit this year, with a steadily increasing output. Of this the plant can depend on a gross of close to 5 per cent.

Within a radius of six miles there are close to 15,000 acres of grove already planted that will within ten years be producing 6,000,000 boxes of fruit which will furnish the canning factory with enough fruit for a half million cases per year from one township. That means a plant ten times as big as the initial unit and steady year-around employment for close to 1,000 workers, not to mention a good market at a good price for fruit that is practically a waste now.

The new plant will be on both the Seaboard Air Line's new railroad and the present Atlantic Coast Line main line to Moore Haven. This affords the best of railroad facilities and with the Seaboard's new line in and operating within the next 90 days Avon Park and its cannery will be in a favored position along the Ridge.

Bonds Ordered But Selection of Trustees Put Off Future Date

Authorizing the issuance of the $600,00 in bonds for road purposes, following the canvassing of the returns of the election, occupied the county commissioners Monday at a special meeting and they passed over until next week, upon motion by Commissioner Williams, seconded by Commissioner Waters, the suggestion that bond trustees be named.

Canvassing the vote took little or no time and the official figures were the same as carried in last week's Pilot—Sebring, 359 to 6; Avon Park, 278 to 31; DeSoto City, 35 to 2; Lake Stearns, 38 to 0; Venus, 12 to 3, and Bassenger 18 to 2. The Hicoria vote, which was 10 to 0, was not canvassed as the returns were not proper.

The commissioners ordered the bonds to be issued, instructed attorneys to move to secure validation before the circuit court immediately and authorized the chairman and clerk to have the bonds printed and to sign them.

When the question of trustees came up Commissioner W. W. Williams moved that any action be postponed until the regular meeting to give the commissioners an opportunity to see what can be done towards having this service performed without cost, as is done in other countie sand to give the commissioners a chance to discuss the matter with their people. Commissioner H. L. Waters seconded the motion and the matter goes over until Feb. 5.

Recent Investors See Great Promise in the Possibilities Here

A number who are interested in Lake Glenada, Avon Park's new thousand-acre development, accompanied the Hillcrest Washington party south last week.

George Lachsenmaier, a large manufacturer of electrical supplies in Philadelphia, on his initial trip, is convinced that this is the real home of the orange and grapefruit and consequently he land of promise for the investor. Mr. Lachsenmaier's large holdings in Lake Glenada show his faith in the future of this region and insure him as a regular visitor hereafter.

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Callender of Wilkinsburg, Pa., also interested in Lake Glenada, are making their second visit to Avon Park. For 35 years Mr. Callender has had charge of the Y. M. C. A. interests of the Pennsylvania railroad system, in and around Pittsburgh. Mr. and Mrs. Callender are making their home with Mrs. Philip Leigh while here and expect to remain a month or more.

PROMINENT NEW YORKERS ADDED TO PITTSBURGH-FLORIDA ASS'N. BOARD

Addition of two prominent New York financiers and new grove owners, to the board of directors of the Pittsburgh-Florida Fruit Growers Association, was announced following the directors' meeting here—the new factors in this enterprise, which is planting 4,500 acres of citrus fruit groves on a semi-co-operative plan—being E. L. Love of Clark, Williams & Co., and S. M. Allen of Goodwin, Allen & Co. Both firms and both the two new directors are prominent in financial circles in New York.

These two newcomers to Avon Park have made several visits here and gone thoroughly into every phase of the citrus industry in Florida and particularly its possibilities in the heart of the Scenic Highlands. "We are much impressed with this organization's plan," said Mr. Allen. It is so unique and so safe that these financiers were delighted with the corporation. Their connection with this Avon Park enterprise will mean the interesting of scores of their friends in this section besides adding weight to the already well-balanced organization.

Mr. Love, who left yesterday with Mrs. Love, for a short tour of the state, en route north, was especially delighted with the natural advantages. He contrasted the natural drainage and the natural irrigation possibilities with the shortcomings of other sections where the farmer is either burdened with drainage taxes or irrigation expenses. He likes the type of people here more and more. He says he finds them more progressive and active. They seem always up and doing. "And especially does the integrity and ability of the Pittsburgh-Florida directors impress me. I think I am in mighty good company.

PARTY FROM WASHINGTON IS HIGHLY PLEASED

HILLCREST GROVE FOLKS FIND RIDGE A MARVEL IN POSSIBILITIES

Delighted with Florida in general and this immediate section in particular, a party of a dozen visitors has been enjoying Avon Park and the Hillcrest development here for a week. They arrived from Washington, accompanied by James A. McElwee, sales manager for the Scenic Highlands Development Company, which is "manufacturing" 3,000 acres of groves on a semi-co-operative plan here. For some of them it was their first visit to Florida and the idea of hills was something that most of these latter could not comprehend fully after a geographical education that neglected to mention there was any high ground in the state.

Those in the party were Mrs. Lida Oldfield, Joseph Collins, Mrs. H. W. Topham, Dr. and Mrs. O. B. Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. E. Emmert, Miss R. K. Bryan and Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Miller. All are from Washington except the Callendars, from Pittsburgh, and Mr. Sachsenmaier, from Philadelphia.

Dr. and Mrs. Hunter, who left yesterday for other parts after looking over their grove property and purchasing a homesite overlooking Lakes Damon and Pythias, were more than enthusiastic at the Florida offered along the Ridge. They admitted that it was almost unbelievable. Dr. Hunter is a prominent specialist and dean of the medical department of George Washington University.

The party, "personally conducted," as the tourist people put it, by that genial friend, Mr. McElwee, came in a private Pullman as far as Haines City, where they were met by autos and brought down the Scenic Highlands trail—that wonder drive with its hills and vales, that gives first visitors a new and different idea of Florida, each slope and turn a revelation of groves, lakes, flowers and beautiful developments maturing in the making.

This is the first visit for several and after a number of days of sightseeing around Avon Park and vicinity, their verdict is the universal one, "The half had not been told."

All regret that their plans give them so short a time here and look forward to longer stays next winter in this Florida country, that in so short a time has won them with the magic spell of climate and semi-tropical beauty.

SCHOOL CHILDREN SHOW CONSIDERABLE TALENT IN ART EXHIBIT FOR PRIZES

Art work exhibited in the Capitol theater's prize contest showed some exceptional talent among the Avon Park young people and the examination of the work submitted elicited considerable praise.

The first grade prize was won by Marcia Weisheyer, the third grade prize by Thomas Baldwin, and the fifth grade prize by Selina Landres.

HANCOCK CATCHES TWO WOMEN AT A SKIN GAME

When Sheriff R. H. Hancock gathered in a skin game at Sebring Sunday morning he found that in addition to the usual quota of males of the species, black, there were two of the females, also black. There were eleven in the party, including two women, whom he says were about as active and vociferous in their appeals to the fates as the men were. Those jugged, most of whom have furnished cash bonds, are: Willie Tyler, R. Nightengale, Henrietta Turner, Lawrence Johnson, Allen Sanks, A. M. Robertson, Louis Turner, Walter Borad, Levy Canty, David King and a woman whose name was not secured.

NEW SAWMILL IS A NEW INDUSTRY FOR DE SOTO CITY

A new sawmill is being put in at DeSoto City and will cut on a tract of timber that is expected to last five years or longer, according to Tom Lawton, who has the lease and is putting in the mill.

The new industry will bring eight or ten workers into the community.

MISS MARTIN WINNER

Miss Lutrelle Martin, popular Avon Park high school girl, won the popularity contest at the Florida Pharmacy and the canary that was offered. Her friends cast 14,194 votes for her during the last three weeks of January, and the songster that Johnny Stringfellow offered the winner has found a loving mistress after a spirted contest between friends of a half dozen young women.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Regular Lord's Day worship will be held in the Brickell auditorium Sunday at 7:30 p. m. The subject will be, "Paradise Lost." Special music. You are cordially invited. J. L. Yonce, pastor.

BOARD OF TRADE SEEKS $7,500 FOR YEAR'S WORK

COMMITTEE PLANS DRIVE THAT IT IS HOPED WILL ENLIST EVERY CITIZEN OF AVON PARK IN THE MOVEMENT

With $7,500 as the goal for the publicity fund for the coming year, the Board of Trade is already beginning its drive for funds to place the Metropolis of the Ridge in the front ranks among Florida cities. The finance committee is working on an assessment basis and is planning to ask every resident of Avon Park to contribute something per month to the work of making a bigger and better Avon Park.

The plan worked out contemplates the elimination of any chance at placing a hardship on any firm or individual. All business houses doing business in Avon Park, non-resident property holders and investors, wholesalers deriving support from Avon Park, are to be solicited. All industries, business establishments, and finally the individuals of the community are to be asked to assist. There is to be no pressure. The committee of finance—consisting of bankers, business men, laboring men and professional men—is maping out a program and will appeal to each for what it believes a fair apportionment. The offering of more or less, or the exact sum suggested, is optional with the citizen. The plan is similar to that used successfully in Bartow, Miami, St. Petersburg and other cities to bring the entire community into closer touch and co-operation with the Board of Trade work.

The board plans this year to go after new industries and civic improvements, the program outlined including: To building up the city as a trade center of this section; to advertise Avon Park and its wonderful possibilities, its natural facilities, and its wonderful back country; to encourage visitors to the city, welcome them and induce them to become permanent residents; to protect home industry, to promote the development of the county and to build a greater Avon Park upon a firm foundation.

Less than 25 per cent of the board's income will go for overhead expenses, according to the present plan, leaving a working fund for the directors to utilize.

An honor roll is planned and a list of all donors and contributors will be posted conspicuously.

HIGHLANDS COUNTY GETS $280,000 IN BUDGET OF THE STATE ROADS FOR 1923

Placing $280,000 for Highlands county in the state road department's 1923 budget, just announced from Tallahassee, means that a total of more than $1,000,000 will be spent in this county for roads during this year. The budget isn't itemized, but it is believed that the item includes the Kissimmee river bridge and reaffirmation of the contract to build the Lake Stearns road between townships 35 and 36. This latter, however, will have to be done by the road department as they can not legally spend it as previously planned.

Chairman William King, of the county commissioners, returned home before the budget had been completed and he has received no advices as to just what the $280,000 includes.

CIRCUIT COURT TO CONVENE FEB. 5, WITH TWO MURDER CASES DOCKETED

Circuit court for Highlands county will open in Sebring Monday, Feb. 5, with validation of the recently voted bond issue expected to come before it as the principal issue on the civil docket and two murder cases slated as the principal items on the criminal docket.

Lily Singleton, negress, of Sebring, charged with murdering Isaac James in the quarters there, faces trial for the murder, and Sol James, charged with murdering his wife, Bessie James, near Sebring, will also go on trial for the alleged crime.

Judge G. W. Whitehurst will preside, and there are a number of minor cases due to come up that will keep the court busy probably two weeks.

DICKIE COMMENDS THE AVON ORANGE "STUNT"

Complimenting Secretary F. P. Buch of the Board of Trade on the distribution of Avon Park oranges among tourists at Tampa hotels Sunday a week ago, L. P. Dickie, secretary of the Tampa Board of Trade, writes "I am sure that the expense of passing around the oranges will prove a low-priced and high-class piece of advertising."

"It is the most unique idea," he added in complimenting Mr. Burch on originating it.

The thirty-five cases of oranges were distributed through the hotels at breakfast Sunday morning, and with each orange went a card "with the compliments of Avon Park," and an auto log between St. Petersburg, Tampa and Avon Park on the reverse

HEARING ON FREE RANGE

The county commissioners, at the request of J. A. Taylor, have set Feb. 6, at 3 p. m., to hear the parties interested concerning the proposed lines of a "no fence' 'area in Highlands county, intended to take the citrus development along the Ridge out of the public range. This hearing is for the purpose of formulating special legislation to be offered at the next session of the general assembly of Florida.

T. E. L. CLASS MEETING

The T. E. L. class of the Baptist church met with Mrs. T. O. Baldwin Thursday evening. Mrs. L. E. Hagood, president, conducted the business meeting of the class. The following members and visitors were present: Mesdames G. L. Crews, J. V. Chapman, J. B. Coen, Sr., J. B. Coen, Jr., B. Y. Clark, D. R. Gaines, Jim Gaines, Henry Lewis, G. J. Mascott, Otto Reynolds, L. D. Roberts, O. G. Whitehurst, N. G. Langford, C. D. Noland, Cyril Baldwin, T. O. Baldwin, S. H. Lawhon and Misses Nona Mae Crews, Jenkins, Dorothy Baldwin. Refreshments consisting of hot chocolate and cake were served by Mrs. T. O. Baldwin, assisted by Mrs. Cyril Baldwin.

SOUTH FLORIDA FAIR AND GASPARILLA CARNIVAL OPENS ITS GATES TODAY

Everything is in readiness for the great South Florida Fair and Gasparilla Carnival, which opens Feb. 1 and continues through Feb. 10. All of the new buildings and improvements are completed—the aggregate cost of new construction, etc., since the last fair being in excess of $75,000—and a small army of workmen is engaged in cleaning up and beautifying the grounds and entrances. Work of installing the multitudinous exhibits already has started, and by the opening date the biggest midwinter exposition in the south will be complete in every detail.

Eight special days have been designated for the fair, starting with Military day, Feb. 1, the opening day of the exposition, when the 116th battalion of field artillery, Florida National Guard, with other military organizations of South Florida, will present the biggest military demonstration ever witnessed in Florida in peace times, and including a sham battle in which artillery, infantry, signal corps, aircraft and other branches of the military arm will participate. Gasparilla day, Governor's day, Shrine day, Florida day, Children's day, and other special days are to be observed during the fair.

At least thirty counties of Florida are to be represented by big exhibits at the fair, in addition to almost innumerable community and individual exhibits. The live stock show is expected this year to be the best and biggest ever seen in Florida, and other exhibits will not be far behind. More than $15,000 in premiums, besides scores of cups and specials of various kinds, are offered for competition.

Special rates on railroads entering Tampa have been arranged for and great throngs of Florida folk, besides thousands of tourists from other parts of the country, are expected to flock to Tampa to take in the greatest midwinter exposition of the south. Hotels already have booked many reservations, but all of the leading hotels, as well as rooming and boarding houses, wish it understood that they will be able to take care of large numbers of persons in addition to those already here or who have engaged accommodations.

SEND PRESTON TO THE BEDSIDE OF DYING WIFE

Mrs. Frank Preston, wife of the convicted slayer of Frank Costine, died at her father's home in Fort Meade Friday and in order that the husband might be with her at the end, Sheriff Bob Hancock sent him to Fort Meade in charge of a deputy.

When the wire came that there was no hope, the sheriff told Preston, who is awaiting an appeal to the supreme court, to get ready. There are no county funds for such emergencies, so the sheriff hired a special deputy himself and furnished the transportation in order that the last minutes of the wife's life might be brightened by the presence of her husband. Costine was killed in an altercation near Avon Park.

BASS' BUSINESS MEN'S LUNCH STILL STICKS AT 35 CENTS

There is no truth in the rumor that the price for Bass' business men's lunch has risen above 35 cents, the typographical error in last week's Pilot notwithstanding.

There's no use trying to explain how Old Man Pica got mixed up and made it read "50 cents" in the cafe ad. In the way that type has, it happened.

But the 35-cent proposition stands indefinitely, says Mr. Bass.

AVON PARK TO GO TO TAMPA'S FAIR EN MASSE

MOTORCADE PLANNED TO LEAVE HERE 6 A. M. WEDNESDAY

The motorcade of Avon Park will form about the mall and on Lake avenue. It will leave promptly at 6 o'clock Wednesday morning, so as to reach Tampa about 10 o'clock.

Avon Park is going to have a day at the Tampa fair. The folks here are just going to take one, and have picked out Wednesday, Feb. 7. The Board of Trade is behind the movement for everybody in Avon Park to wait until Wednesday to go to the fair and then all go together. Cars are bein glined up for the motorcade, banners will tell the world that Avon Park is en route, and the individual members of the party will be properly ribboned.

Avon Park's band, known throughout the state as the best small town band in Florida, will lead the way and there will be plenty of music. Folks are taking hold of the plan with enthusiasm, realizing the publicity value of the stunt as well as the possibilities for having a good time all together.

The 7th is California and tourist day at the fair, officially on the fair program, and the Avon Park plan is merely to fall in line and follow, not to interfere with any other plans.

Mark Lance is chairman of the committee on arrangements and serving with him are Carlos Skipper, Herbert Reck, Norton Smith and Gilbert Freeman.

Many of the Avon Park folks are planning to stay over Thursday at the fair, while others will return home Wednesday evening. The bandsmen are to wear white trousers, white shoes, white hats and white shirts. The Board of Trade is asking the Avon Parkers to wear white trousers and dark coats. The board is appealing to every citizen to join in this motorcade, for only by an en masse showing can Avon Park get the favorable publicity from the stunt.

Upon reaching the fair grounds the Avon Park party will disperse officially to individually see the fair.

TO ORGANIZE A MUSIC DEPARTMENT OF AVON PARK WOMAN'S CLUB

Friday afternoon's meeting of the Avon Park Woman's Club was very well attended, and in addition to being a very interesting regular monthly program meeting, proved to be an epoch marking affair in the history of the club, organization of a music department being decided on.

After the usual opening exercises there was a roll call, responded to by each member, announcing the number of new members she had secured since the last semi-monthly meeting. Ten new names were presented.

Realizing that Avon Park has some very fine musical talent, some latent, some being cultivated, some growing rusty from lack of time or opportunity to exercise it, for some time a music department in connection with the club has been under consideration. The executive board at its last meeting decided that the time was now ripe for the organization of such a department, so Mrs. Williams, the president, called on Miss Furlow Anderson, instructor of music in the schools, to tell of her experience with such organizations and the benefits resulting from them.

Miss Anderson gave a very interesting and instructive talk, following which a motion was made and carried that those interested in organizing a music department remain after the meeting and present their names to Miss Anderson.

Miss Anderson had charge of the entertainment feature of the afternoon. In the interesting program she presented plenty of proof was offered that there is the nucleus of a fine musical association for each number was given with credit to the performer, the enthusiastic applause showing the appreciation of the audience. The program follows:

Solo — "Chopin Polonaise" — Miss Myrtle Conoley.

Vocal Solo—(a) "Thank God for a Garden," (b) "Until"—Mrs. DeForrest Canfield.

Musical Reading—"Four and Twenty Skippers"—Mrs. Mummau.

Solo — (a) "Musings of a Crow," (b) "Do You Believe in Dreams"—Mrs. Wallin.

Reading — (a) "From the Confessional," (b) "Castles by the Sea"—Miss Sadie Myers.

Vocal Solo—(a) "His Lullaby," (b) "I Love You Truly"—Mrs. Herbert F-R. Reck.

POPCORN SALE FOR THE CHARITY FUND OF CITY

To provide funds for the operation of the charities of Avon Park the women behind this movement will put on buttered popcorn sales each Tuesday night. The popcorn will be sold by girls and young women.

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That is, in brief, what O. F. Burger, plant pathologist of the Florida experiment station, has to say about how to control these very important diseases of citrus fruit.

Winter is the dormant season, or the most nearly dormant season, in the citrus grove, and those months are the time when pruning should be done. Pruning in spring after the sap has started rising to the limbs and leaves—after young growth has started—should never be practiced, advices this disease specialist.

After this first measure has been taken, put away the pruning knives and saws and wait for the time when the second measure is in order. This measure is spraying with 3-3-50 Bordeaux mixture which has been mixed with an equal amount of a spraying oil. This spraying should be done ten to twenty days after the blossoms drop, no sooner, no later. And one application is sufficient, unless there is a very heavy bloom in June. In this case, spray then ten to twenty days after the blossoms drop. That would mean that under no circumstances are more than two spraying applications necessary in a year's time. And spraying for melanose should never be done when the trees are dormant, or in winter.

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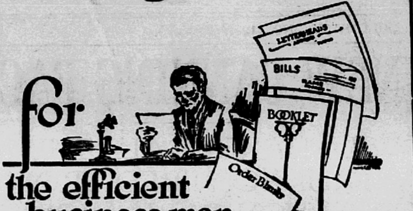

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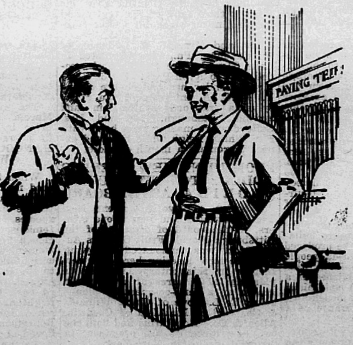

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The Demosthean Literary Society held its meeting Friday. There was a short business meeting, at which the president gave an interesting talk concerning the importance of the next meeting, when the officers for the second semester will be elected. Forrest White was appointed critic. The next hour was pleasantly spent listening to a delightful program given by Group A.

Jokes

Mrs. Lander—"Roma, what is a synonym?"

Roma—"Why a synonym is a word you use when you can't spell the other.

Professor—"Now tell me, Fred, what were the thoughts that passed through Sir Isaac Newton's mind when the apple fell on his head?"

Fred—"I guess he felt awfully glad it wasn't a brick."

Senior Notes

Howdy, Folks. We, the seniors, are back on the job and prospering and hope you are the same. Professor Ellenberger, evidently suffering under a hallucination last week, sought in nearly all the class rooms for Ora Hargraves, and finally found her in his class room waiting patiently for him to hear her science.

Milford Dilley has joined our happy gang. We will soon have to have a room to ourselves.

We can't even speak a word, write a note or make a noise this month. Can't you hear the flutter of our wings?

Listen to the knowledge of the mighty seniors. Professor to Bertha Cameron: "How do you read .024?" Bertha, "$.24, huh."

The seniors are counting big on the elaborate banquet the juniors are contemplating giving us.

Junior Notes

Alas, those New Year resolutions—so readily made but soon forgotten. We have come to the conclusion that the teachers made some that they are not forgetting. For we are destined to become angels on earth.

We extend the hand of welcome to Willis Thompson, a new pupil this year.

We are having proportion in geometry. Mr. Mummau says it is easy, but we can't agree, somehow.

We wish that it were time for the seniors to graduate so the subject of banquet would be erased from their minds.

Miss Myrtle Conoley is now acting as junior reporter instead of Mamie Barnett.

Sophomore Notes

Back to the old school house after two weeks' vacation. Everyone says that they had a nice time, but were ready to return to school.

Ruth Hall left us during the vacation and joined her folks in Tampa. Says she is getting along nicely but wishes she was back in Avon Park.

Hurrah for the modern history class; everybody was exempted.

The high school Christmas tree was enjoyed by all. Mrs. Jenks, Mrs. Lander, Professor Ellenberger and Mr. Mummau were the lucky ones in receiving presents.

Freshman Notes

Everyone is working much harder than before vacation and even Latin is improving.

LeRoy Barnhill and Mark Wallin have stopped school. We miss them both very much.

George Oliver was late Monday morning, but he had his hair curled very nicely when he did appear on the scene.

We are record-breakers. Not a girl was late nor tardy all last month. Let's keep it up, girls.

Heard about the freshie class room: George N.—"How long can a person live without brains?" Bill—"I don't know; how old are you?"

Mrs. Lander—"If you girls don't be quiet I'm going to move you all over the room in different parts.

Mrs. Jenks—"Why do you keep talking from morning till night?" Elizabeth—"It's the only time I have. I sleep from night till morning."

Dixie Martin is our new freshman reporter.

It Happened Like This

Two thrifty Scotchmen attended an Irish Freestate meeting. At the conclusion the chairman announced:

"All doors and windows have been locked and no one will be permitted to leave until they have contributed to the cause."

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Astrology

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To insure change of advertisement in current issue copy must be in our hands by 9 o'clock a. m., Wednesday.

BIBLE THOUGHT —FOR TODAY—

Bible Thoughts memorized, will prove a priceless heritage in after years.

JESUS' INSTRUCTIONS—Provide neither gold, nor silver, nor brass in your purse; nor scrip for your journey, neither two coats, neither shoes, nor yet staves; for the workman is worthy of his meat.—Matthew 10:9-10.

NOTHING BUT ROADS

Highlands county has voted bonds for $600,000 worth of roads.

Highlands county didn't have any idea of buying anything but roads when she voted those bonds by one of the biggest majorities ever polled in behalf of progress.

With those bonds voted it behooves us all to recall pledges of commissioners and good roads advocates all —that the bond money would purchase the utmost value in good roads, and in good roads only. There was no quibbling, no reservation—ROADS was the issue, and it was roads we voted for.

There have been intimations that efforts would be made to have certain parties named as bond trustees with fees to be paid from the bond funds. Such a proceedure would mean taking from $12,000 to $18,000 from the pockets of the people—from the roads themselves—to line the purses of not more than three men or women.

We know the county commissioners too well, we believe, to think they would consider this action very long. But we know, also that as public servants they want the public to speak occasionally. We know what the public is going to say on this question—and it is going to say it in no uncertain terms.

ROADS, and nothing but roads.

There was some kick before the election even at engineering fees of large proportion, and the fact that the state was to furnish engineering was one of the major factors in preventing opposition on this point. If there is objection to paying engineer fees from road funds, when engineering fees are so essentially necessary to the construction of roads, we respectfully suggest that the commissioners consider what a howl will be raised if any attempt is fostered to pa ytrustee fees from bond funds, when trustee fees are so unnecessary, useless and utterly needless.

We do not know of a county in Florida that is paying its bond trustees for their alleged services. A bond trustee has no labor and very little worry. He is responsible for the safety of the money. But no bank in the world charges people for assuming this responsibility. Banks solicit the funds of people, communities and governments and is anxious to assume the responsibility for guaranteeing the safety of funds. They advertise safety and service.

Our Highlands county banks are amply capable of taking over this responsibility. Our bankers are amply capable of serving as trustees. And they won't require compensation.

Tampa bankers are acting without compensation as trustees for the $3,000,000 bond issue of Hillsborough county. Orange county bankers are likewise acting without compensation as trustees of the $2,500,000 bond issue of that county. The same is true in Polk county, in Duval county, and in Dade county. It was in Dade county that an attempt was made to appoint trustees with pay and created such a public outcry that the commissioners receded from their position just a few weeks ago and named bankers to serve without compensation. And the banks there are paying interest on weekly balances—actually paying the county for the pleasure of serving as trustees.

Highlands county needs every foot of good roads that can be built from this bond issue, and that is why we voted $600,000 instead of $525,000. And we don't want any high-priced services nor newfangled works.

Give us roads—and if the money lasts, more roads.

GOOD PUBLICITY STUNT

Every once in a while some community moves; wades right into the limelight; does something novel. And it is the novel idea that promotes big publicity.

Avon Park, thanks to our Board of Trade secretary, is just now basking in the limelight of a novel advertising stunt that is reaching far and wide in its effect.

Distribution of 35 cases of Avon Park oranges with the green leaves still clinging to the stems, turned the attention of several hundred tourists in Tampa hotels directly to the metropolis of the Ridge. Spreading of the word brought editorial comment from the Tampa Tribune, with a news "box" display as a feature on another page of the big Sunday issue with its 33,000 circulation.

The comment on the stunt is spreading far and wide. It was a distinctly Avon Park stunt. It was something new—and it had another effect, for it gave some real Florida fruit to some of our visitors, who probably were getting tired of eating the culls that are usually to be found at the Tampa fruit stands. The comparison is going to react very favorably in Avon Park's direction. Good fruit, making a good impression, will leave a lingering memory in the minds of many of those who enjoyed those luscious specimens.

Fortune smiles on us in this success of our Board of Trade and the board and Secretary Burch deserve our appreciation,

THAT GASOLINE TAX

Suggestions for a two-cent tax on gasoline are raising some comment throughout the state, and while there have been several unusually vociferous voices raised in protest we have yet to hear a dozen automobilists howling at any length. Most of us are willing to pay as we ride. We used to pay that way when we rode the trolleys.

A gasoline tax is especially equitable in Florida where the greatest users of the roads—the trucks and the tourists—can in no other way contribute a just share to the expense of building and upkeep. And we are not speaking of the regular winter residents who own their own homes here, when we talk of tourists. We refer to the casual visitor, always welcome at our gates, who merely tours the state a few weeks each winter.

The real automobile tourist can not be reached by a land tax because he doesn't own any land here (And mind you, if we raise all the taxes for roads by land taxes, these tourists won't buy any land because the tax is too high.) He can not be reached by a tax on automobile licenses, because he buys his license in his home state.

He is generally willing to pay for what he gets. Nine times out of ten, he is liberal. He will welcome an opportunity to pay a just proportion of the cost of the roads he enjoys. A gasoline tax reaches this user of the roads—and a two-cent a gallon tax is not excessive. It would not average more than twelve cents per hundred miles. It would equal about $2.50 for a ten-day tour of Florida. Imagine a party of five kicking on fifty cents each for a delightful ten-day tour over such gas tax. From an economical standpoint—one stretch of ten miles of rotten road would cost them more than that.

And now the truck. The truck that does the most damage to Florida roads is usually operated by parties who have most of their funds tied up in nothing but those trucks. We are speaking of those competitors of the railroads now, who pay no taxes in proportion to the benefits received, and who give no unusual service service in proportion to the tax-exemption received. It costs just as much to ride from Tampa to Orlando by bus as by train. The train wears out the railroad company's rails and pays high taxes; the bus wears out the people's roads, and pays lowest taxes.

One huge bus does more damage to the Polk county roads on one trip through that county than it pays for its annual automobile license.

A gasoline tax is the only way to reach those users of our roads. And a two-cent levy on each gallon of gas consumed is not excessive. It is very moderate, too moderate, for such excessive users of the roads should pay proportionately.

Now back to you and me. Back to the ordinary every day automobilist. Taxing gasoline consumed is the only equitable way to tax the automobilist. The lighter car does less damage to the roads, uses less gasoline and its owner pays less tax, than the owner of the heavier car. The license tax for the pleasure automobile should be reduced to the minimum and the two-cent gas tax used instead. No one of us is a deadbeat. We don't want to dodge our legitimate share of the cost of our pleasures. We own as much real estate as some of those who don't own automobiles and we are willing to pay real estate taxes for road building because it increases the value of our real estate. But we don't want to pay only in proportion to wealth or amount of real estate owned. We want an equalization between our two funds—our pleasure fund and our business fund.

Taxes on our real estate are paying for approximately fifty million dollars worth of our good roads, built through bond issues and local levies, all supported by real estate taxes.

Is it unfair to let taves for the use of the roads pay for two million dollars worth of roads a year. That gasoline tax will not amount to more than 20 per cent of the other moneys —real estate taxes—paid for good roads this year, next year or the next.

Four dollars from real estate taxes and one from automobile taxes isn't an excessive burden on the autoist, that we can figure out.

No one can-figure it out that way either—if they figure instead of jumping at conclusions.

Now as to the cost. The fellow who rides 10,000 miles per year in his flivver, and there are mighty few of us who do that, will pay only $6 more for that gasoline per year than he is paying now. That's figuring high—the real increased cost will be lower. He will get more mileage from his gas than he ever got before and get more pleasure.

A two-cent gasoline tax is equitable, fair and reasonable.

It is a needed reform in our system of financing roads.

MRS. FRANCIS ENTERTAINS

Mrs. J. S. Francis was hostess at her home Wednesday afternoon to the Five Hundred Club, at which four tables were arranged for playing. The following guests enjoyed the afternoon: Mesdames J. S. Johnson, mother of Mrs. Francis, who is here from Birmingham, Ala., visiting her daughter; H. A. Winter, J. E. Brick, J. D. Raab, H. Timm, N. T. Smith, J. B. Rogers, W. A. Marshall, J. A. Caldwell, E. C. Skipper, S. Y. Hartt, E. Hartt and Miss Ruth Bass.

Delicious refreshments of Charlotte russe, strawberries, cake and punch were served.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this means of expressing our most sincere appreciation to the people of Avon Park for the kindness and sympathy shown us during the sickness and death of our husband and father, J. O. Reynolds. Especially do we wish to thank for their kindness, gentleness and patience and comforting words, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Mascott, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Smith, Rev. T. O. Baldwin, P. M. Stivender and Mr. Cooley. May God bless them one and all.

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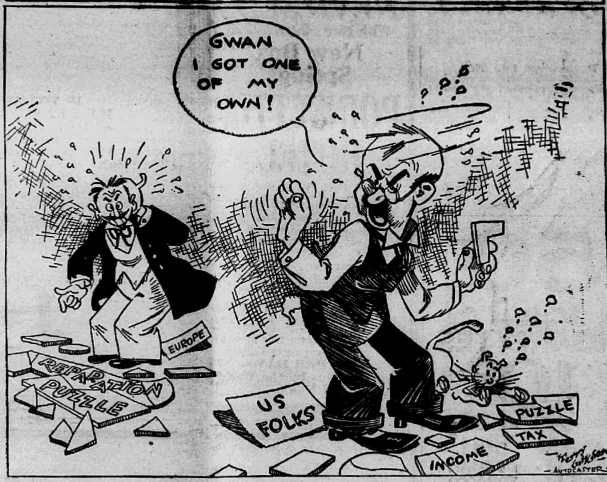

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Perry Etheredge, formerly county commissioner, is putting out 35 acres in grove, while F. S. Graham, Souderton, Pa., has bought a home-site and five acres, which he will plant. S. J. Cox, Camilla, Ga., is planting 20 acres. J. J. Smith of Big Springs, Tex., has just bought Mrs. Laura Austin's nine and one-half acres of grove and ten acres, adjoining which he will plant.

E. M. Payne, a winter resident from Pelham, Ga., is planting 15 acres and John Webster is to have a 10-acre grove. Another ten-acre grove being put out is for Etheredge Brothers, Columbia, S. C.

John McElvey of Pelham, has also got a 20-acre grove under way, while Judge Twitty, living here now, has got 10 acres coming for himself and 20 for his father, W. C. Twitty, also of Pelham.

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TACKY PARTY JOLLY EVENT OF WEEK FOR YOUNGER SET

One of the season's jolliest events was enjoyed Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis English, when a happy crowd of young people gathered for an occasion of mirth and fun—only. It was a tacky party and the "tacks" had one grand evening of it.

Lining up the crowd for judgment was an event to be remembered and it was only after much debating that the judges picked the prize "tacks" from a collection of wierd and fantastic present day belles and beaux. Miss Ellie Harris carried off the first prize with a collection of apparel that was a real "sight." She wore a short waisted dress of the forgotten days, cut o ntight lines with a large black bow tied in the back. A small black hat ornamented with flowers and ribbons added a finishing touch that excelled. She displayed unusual liberality with her prize and offered everyone a "rosebud."

"Clap in and clap out," "Going to Jerusalem," and "Winkum," were the vehicles for a pleasant evening of pastime and after the games delicious refreshments of chicken pillau, salad, pickles and coffee were served.

The list of "tacks" included Misses Beasley Palmer, Ellie Harris, Lutrelle Martin, Eugenia Roberts, Alice Dutton, Bee Bass, Mesdames H. C. Garner, Gilbert Freeman and Charles Harris and H. C. Garner, C. P. Anderson, Jr., M. A. Bass, Curtis Lawhorn, Cecil Hurst, Jack Dowling and L. N. Smith.

QUARTERLY BRIDGE A DELIGHTFUL OCCASION

The quarterly Bridge Club meeting, which is given by the two members of the club, which make the lowest score during the period, was given at the home of Mrs. Herbert Reck, who entertained with Mrs. C. E. Skipper Monday evening. The consolation prizes for the evening, a rolling pin and hammer, were awarded to T. H. Lander and Mrs. McKee Elwell.

Delicious hot coffee, cakes and sandwiches were served by the hostesses.

The following guests enjoyed the evening: Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lanier, Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Trent, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Todd, Mr. and Mrs. McKee Elwell, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Lander, Mrs. Susie Stubbs, Miss Myrtle Jack, Herbert Reck and C. E. Skipper.

HOTEL AVON NOTES

Joining the winter colony at the Avon, J. P. Shea and Mrs. Shea and two children, accompanied by Mrs. P. C. Beattie and Mrs. F. K. Maloney, are being welcomed by their Rochester friends who preceded them to the Land of Flowers. They plan to spend the winter here.

Scores of friends are welcoming Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Miller back to the Avon for their third season in the capital of the Ridge country. These popular winter visitors from Washington have a lovely grove property in the Hillcrest development and will be here six weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Callendar have joined the Pittsburgh Colony here for the remainder of the winter. These are among the popular members of the Hillcrest colony at the Avon, where they are located indefinitely. They are enthusiastic Avon Park boosters and are glad to get back with their scores of local friends for a visit.

W. G. Overton is piloting R. D. Cronley, Wilmington, N. C., about this section for a few days. Mr. Cronley, a prominent member of the Atlantic Coast Line official family, accompanied Mr. Overton home from the north and is already an Avon Park enthusiast. He will be here a week or ten days.

Joseph Collins, Washingtonian, who is about saturated enough with the Avon Park atmosphere to pass up the capital for the glories of the Ridge, is being welcomed by his scores of friends among the Hillcrest and local colonies. He is at the Avon and will be there for six weeks.

J. A. Stewart, president of the Ludden & Bates Piano Company, Atlanta, and A. C. Gourlie, Florida representative, Tampa, were among the business visitors here Monday.

J. D. McEwen, who recently sold the Hotel Avon lease to Henry Lander, is spending a week in Jacksonville, combining business with pleasure.

Among the visitors here over the week-end was Dr. I. W. Chandler, prominent physician of Kelborn, Fla. The doctor is contemplating locating on the Ridge and spent two days looking over the Avon Park section. He will visit a brother in Tampa before returning to his home.

Isaac Bowen of Jacksonville is in the city this week transacting business.

W. G. Overton, prominent business man of the city, who was called home several weeks ago by the sickness and death of his father, returned Sunday and is at the Avon again.

W. J. Belin, who is connected with the McArtan Turpentine Company here, is in Jacksonville on business this week.

U. L. Throm of Philadelphia, Pa., Mrs. A. Z. Throm of Buffalo, N. Y., and Mrs. C. Stubalfauth, also of Buffalo, composed a sight-seeing party in the Metropolis of the Ridge the first of the week.

R. I. Barnett, prominent Orlando business man, was visiting in the city Saturday.

Howard and Edgar Katz spent several days this week and last in the city, looking after business interests here.

Mrs. Lillian Deyoree of Kissimmee is helping in Katz Bros.' store here during the sale. She is at the Avon.

Three Real Artists Give Concert Here This Evening 8.30

MRS. R. T. McLAMORE

MRS. J. B. WALLER

MRS. ROBERT GUISE

Tonight's concert at the Brickell hall will bring before the Avon Park people three of the most accomplished artists that have offered in concert in the Florida field. The concert will be at 8:30 o'clock, and the fact that one of the artists, Mrs. Waller, is an Avon Park woman, is expected to lend a local appeal that will contribute much to the success of the affair.

Mrs. Guise and Mrs. McLamore, who wil lassist Mrs. Waller at the piano and with readings, are her sisters, and are accomplished entertainers.

JOINT BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Smith were again the gracious host and hostess to a number of their friends at their beautiful country home on Lake Isis Sunday. The event was the celebration of Mrs. Smith's and William Dart's birthday anniversaries, which they have celebrated together for many years. The following guests enjoyed the delicious dinner and supper and the hospitality of the Smiths that has made "Red Top" one of the most delightful pleasure places of the city. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. William Dart, Mr. and Mrs. R. Bennett of Raquette Lake N. Y., Miss Mamie Rouse of Utica, N. Y., Miss Lydia Evans of Big Moose, N. Y., Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Marsh, Mrs. Ada J. Canfield, Miss Myrtle Jack and Captain Rae.

B. Y. P. U. PILLAU ENJOYED

A delightful evening by the lakeside presiding over a chicken pillau, was one of the week's most pleasant events. It was the B. Y. P. U. outing Friday night. Close to fifty of the younger set, chaperoned by Rev. and Mrs. T. O. Baldwin and Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Chapman, enjoyed this delightful event on Lake Lotela. Games preceded the eats and wound up a truly wonderful "evening of it." Of course, there was nothing to eat but chicken pillau, bread and pickles—and more pillau, more bread and more pickles.

AID AND GUILD

Mrs. S. Y. Hartt was the hostess at the joint meeting of the Aid and Guild Wednesday afternoon. The chief business of the meeting was the arrangement of the annual New England supper, to be given Feb. 22. A large crowd attended the meeting and a pleasant afternoon was enjoyed by all.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

W. B. Talley of Winchester, Tenn., was viisting in the city Tuesday.

C. M. Hunt, nursery inspector of this district, was a business visitor of the city Monday.

E. L. Starkey, prominent young man of Arcadia, spent Sunday in the city visiting relatives.

A. Ellison, who is at the present located in Clearwater, spent the week-end in the city with his family.

A. C. Bauknight, L. N. Smith and W. Davis composed a hunting party over the week-end. They returned with 47 birds.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Love, who have been guests of Lake Byrd Lodge for the past week, left for their home in New York City Tuesday.

D. C. Barrow of Pelham, Ga., was greeting friends in the city Monday.

Mrs. J. V. Chapman was called to Wauchula Monday by her father's illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Allie, who came here several months ago from Valparaiso, Ind., left for Tampa Saturday, where they will make their future home.

Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Kerr, Youngstown, O., are among the welcome visitors here from the Buckeye state. They are at the Lake Byrd Lodge for a month.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rowe, who have been at the lodge for several weeks, have gone to St. Petersburg and other resorts for a short visit around, after which they will return to Avon Park to complete the winter.

Miss Mamie Rause, from Mohawk, N. Y., has joined the Empire State colony at the Poinsettia and will spend several weeks in Avon Park. She is receiving a royal welcome from friends who proceeded her south.

Eugene Woodruff si showing the Avon Park district to C. A. Straubel of Green Bay, Wis., who accompanied by his daughter, Miss Minnie Straubel, and his father, H. A. Straubel, is spending a week here prior to visiting other sections of the Scenic Highlands. Mr. Straubel contemplates an investment in this section and is already well pleased with the Ridge at this point.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Marsh of Upton, Mass., spent a few days in the city this week, looking over the Ridge. They were accompanied by Mrs. Emma S. Gunn of Uxbridge, Mass.

Among the prominent visitors of the week here are Mr. and Mrs. R. Bennett, who came from Racquette Lake, N. Y., for an indefinite stay in the Scenic Highlands. They are at the Poinsettia.

Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Caswell, parents of Mrs. John B. Stringfellow, and Mr. and Mrs. Rex Robinson, daughter and son-in-law, have returned to their home in Alachua after a delightful visit of several weeks here with Dr. and Mrs. Stringfellow.

Among the welcome arrivals of the week are Mr. and Mrs. Joe Harris, prominent Chicagoans, and cousins of R. I. Harris, well known local developer. The Windy City Harrises will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. I. Harris here for several weeks.

Friends here are welcoming Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Mason, returning to their charming winter home on Lake avenue. These winter residents come from Ripley, N. Y., and are a little late this season, having toured the West Coast before coming to their home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Dennis, prominent New Yorkers, interested in the Pittsburgh - Florida Association, are among the visitors at Lake Byrd Lodge this week. Mr. Dennis is a prominent electrical supplies manufacturer and is very well pleased with what he sees of Avon Park.

Miss Ottie V. Ebi, from Hanover, Pa., is among the Keystone visitors in Avon Park spending the winter in Avon Park. She is a close friend of Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Yonce and is located at the Penn-Carol. Miss Ebi will be here until March, enjoying the delights of a winter on the Florida skyline.

C. W. Neubauer, from Rochester, is amon gthe Empire State visitors located here for the season. Mr. Neubauer is with O. L. Bardill and though this is his first season, he is already ready to anchor with the regulars. Plans for another winter here are already in the making and he is enthusiastic regarding the prospects.

J. P. Davis, who has a fine firove south of town on the Sebring road, is among the week's arrivals at the Poinsettia, and is being shown around by T. J. McGinnis, an old friend of early days in Georgia. Mr. Davis is from Taylorsville. He will be jointed next week by his partner, J. I. Harris and a friend, J. M. Dorsey, and the three will spend a week here vacationing and fishing.

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PROGRAM
Capitol Theatre
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Saturday, Feb. 3

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With Shirley Mason

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MONDAY and THURSDAY
"Over the Hills"

There is no need for us to tell you of the great merit of this wonderful production—its fame is known the world over. There are scenes that will make you roll in your seat with laughter, there are scenes that will show you hate to the utmost, and then all this will fade away and you will see sorrow such as has never before been pictured on the silver screen. The length of this picture is three hours. We will start the picture promptly at 4 o'clock and will run continuously until 12. We have booked with this picture a special comedy, one that is guaranteed by the exchange and the management personally guarantees to each and every patron that you will enjoy this show more than you have ever enjoyed a picture before. For the quality of the picture see Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Smith. Admission 25c and 50c.

TUESDAY
Kamakas Hawaiians
FAMOUS THE WORLD OVER

This is a large company of Hawaiians who have been playing on the Keith Circuit for the past three years. Many Avon Park people have heard them and these will do the advertising for us. The management believes that you will be more than pleased to know that you can see at this theatre the same high-class pictures and vaudeville as are shown in the largest theaters of the world.

THURSDAY

The same as Monday. If you fail to see the picture Monday, then do not fail to see it Thursday.

FRIDAY
"Wild Sumac"
With an All-Star Cast

This is said to be one of the best program pictures ever released through Paramount.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Real estate transfers in Highlands County since last publication, as reported by the Highlands Security, Abstract & Title Co.:

J. L. Johns to United States of America: Lot 2, Sec. 27, Twp. 36 S., R. 29 E.

The Sebring Development Co., to Lynne and Rosa Hobart: Lot 11, block 58.

Wilbur A. Carlton to W. B. Mitchell: Undivided one-half interest in lots 1 and 4, block 6, Sec. 13, Twp. 33, R. 28.

W. B. Mitchell to Wilbur A. Carlton: One-half interest in lots 2 and 3, block 7, Sec. 13, Twp. 33, R. 28.

W. M. Whidden to L. A. Wolff: Lots 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 14, 15, 18 and 19, Skipper Bros. & Lanier subdivision of E@ of NE¼ and Gov. lot 1, Sec. 36, Twp. 33 S., R. 28 E.

F. A. Sebring to Morgan M. Williams: Lots 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22, block 73 and lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, in block 78; lots 5, 6, 7, 8, in block 82, eighth addition.

L. A. Wolff to Universal Car Co.: Lots 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 18, 19 and 20, Skipper Bros. & Lanier subdivision of E@ of NE¼ and Gov. lot 1, Sec. 36, Twp. 33 S., R. 28 E.

Sebring Real Estate Co. to Sam William Kimberline: Lot 11, block 35, second addition.

George O. Tompkins to B. B. Anderson: Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, block 23, Sec. 22, Twp. 33 S., R. 28 E., Avon Park.

Jacob Gestichr to Laura M. McCorkle: Farm 62, Sec. 23, Twp. 34 S., R. 29 E., Lakeview Park.

Eliza M. Lawton to Ira Rigdon: W½ farm 61, Sec. 23, Twp. 34 S., R. 29 E.

Eliza M. Lawton to P. L. Vinson: E½ farm 61, Sec. 23, Twp. 34 S., R. 29 E.

The Lake Jackson Home & Grove Co. to W. M. Carpenter: Lots 23, 24 and 25, block 4; lot 11, block H, Lake Shore Park.

W. M. Pickard to Eliza Jane Aylesworth: NE¼ of SW¼ of SE¼, Sec. 4, Twp. 35 S., R. 29 E.

R. Warren Kingsley to H. E. Masters: Lot 4, block 12, Sec. 13, Twp. 33 S., R. 28 E.

H. E. Masters to Thomas B. Todd, Jr.: Lot 4, block 12, Sec. 13, Twp. 33 S., R. 28 E.

W. S. Butler to Lonnie C. Hunt: Lots 6 and [illegible], block 9, Sec. 22, Twp. 33, R. 28, Avon Park.

Josie Mitchel to J. J. Peter: Undivided one-half interest in S½ of SW¼, Sec. 33, Twp. 33 S., R. 29 E.; 80 acres more or less.

M. T. Johnson to T. R. Johnson: Lot 4, block 1, Canter's subdivision of SE¼ of NW¼ of Sec. 26, Twp. 33 S., R. 28 E., and NW¼, SE¼ Gov. lot 5, Sec. 27, Twp. 33 S., R. 28 E.

Sebring Real Estate Co., to Sebring Light & Water Co.: Lot 10, block 31, original town of Sebring.

Universal Car Co. to S. L. Griffin: Lots 2, 3, 4, 13, 14, 15 and 20 of Skipper Bros. & Lanier subdivision of E½ of NE¼ and Gov. lot 1, Sec. 36, T. 33 S., R. 28 E.

Universal Car Co. to J. H. Brown: Lots 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 18 and 19, Skipper Bros. & Lanier subdivision of E½ of NE¼ and Gov. lot 1, Sec. 36, Twp. 33 S., R. 28 E.

Chas. L. Gaines to W. J. Kelly: Undivided one-half interest in all of fractional NE¼ of Sec. 18, Twp. 37 S., R. 30 E.

Consolidated Land Co., to Chas. L. Gaines: All of fractional NE¼ of Sec. 18, Twp. 37 S., R. 30.

M. M. Williams to L. E. Burdick: Lots 18, 19 and 20, block 73, Sebring.

M. N. Williams to A. T. Van Winkle: Lot [illegible], block 73, eighth addition, Sebring.

Mrs. Janie Howard to J. C. Barrow: Lot 9, block 59, Twp. 34 S., R. 29 E., Sebring.

H. L. Jones to W. H. McLeod: Lots 15 and 16, block 61, Sebring.

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NOTICE

Tax Assessor's Rounds for 1923

Sebring, Fla., Jan. 1, 1923.

I will be at the different precincts as scheduled below on the dates named to assess taxes for the year 1923. The law provides that each property owner make a tax return to the tax assessor of all their property. It is important that each and every owner of either real or personal property see me or send in their return between now and April 1st:

Venus, Tuesday, Feb. 20.
Hicoria, Wednesday, Feb. 21.
Lake Stearns, Thursday, Feb. 22.
Bassenger, Monday, Feb. 26.
DeSoto City, Wednesday, Feb. 28.
Avon Park, March 1 and 2.
Sebring, March 5, 6 and 7.

CYRIL BALDWIN,
Tax Assessor Highlands County.
J4-A1

NOTICE

To the Property Owners and Taxpayers of Avon Park:

In accordance with the ordinances of the Town of Avon Park notice is hereby given that I will be in the council room on Wednesdays and Saturdays of each week from 9 to 11 a. m. and from 2 to 4 p. m., until March 1, for the purpose of receiving tax returns, and all property owners are urged to call and make returns as required by ordinances, of both real and personal property, and anyone failing to make such returns, lose all right to any hearing or adjustment later.

Respectfully,
MRS. MONA LANGFORD,
Tax Assessor, Town of Avon Park.
1-18-tf

LEGAL NOTICE

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

In Re Estate of R. W. Swearingen, Deceased.

To all Creditors, Legatees, Distributees and All Persons Having Claims or Demands Against Said Estate:

You, and each of you, are hereby notified and required to present any claims and demands which you, or any of you, may have against the estate of R. W. Swearingen, deceased, late of Avon Park, Highlands County, Florida, to the undersigned administratrix of said estate, within two (2) years from date hereof.

Dated 16th day of January, A. D. 1923.

MARY STEEL SWEARINGEN.
J-18-25-F-1-8-15-22-M-1-8

LEGAL NOTICE

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

F. M. Starratt, Complainant, vs. Nancy Jane Starratt, Defendant.

To the Defendant Herein, Nancy Jane Starratt: It appearing by affidavit of Complainant's solicitors, filed in this cause, that you are a resident of the County of Pasco, State of Florida, an[illegible]t you are concealing yourself so that se[illegible] of a summons can not be had upon you, and 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 in said cause by Complainant.

This is therefore to require you to be and appear to said bill of complaint in the office of the clerk of the above styled Court at Sebring, Florida, on or before the 5th day of February, A. D. 1923, and that in default of such appearance you are notified that the allegations in the said bill of complaint will be taken as confessed by 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 preceeding said appearance day.

Given under my hand and seal at Sebring, Florida, this 30th day of December, A. D. 1922.
(Seal) C. F. SAUNDERS,
Clerk Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida.
WHITEHURST & WHITEHURST,
Solicitors for Complainant.
J4-11-18-25-F1

LEGAL NOTICE

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

Gurdon W. Smith, Complaint, vs. Robert Thompson, et al, Defendant.

To the Defendants Herein: Robert Thompson, if living, and if dead to all persons claiming an interest under the said Robert Thompson, deceased, whether as heirs, devisees, grantees or otherwise, and to all persons unknown to Complainant claiming an interest in the following described lands, to-wit: Lot 2, Block 7, Section 15, Township 33 South, Range 28 East.

It appearing by sworn bill and affidavit of That your place of residence is unknown to Complainant, that you and each of you are Complainant's solicitors, filed in this cause, that they do not know and have been unable to ascertain whether you and each of you are dead or alive, and if alive you are a resident of a state, other than the State of Florida, 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.

This is therefore to require you and each of you to be and appear to said bill of complaint at the office of the Clerk of the above styled Court at Sebring, Florida, on or before the 5th day of March, A. D. 1923, and in default of such appearance you are notified that the allegations in the said bill 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 eight consecutive weeks next preceeding said appearance day.

Given under my hand and seal at Sebring, Florida, this 30th day of December, A. D. 1922.
Seal) C. F. SAUNDERS,
Clerk Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida.
WHITEHURST & WHITEHURST,
Solicitors for Complainant.
J4-11-18-25-F1-8-15-22-M1

LEGAL NOTICE

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

S. B. Galley, Complainant, vs. Mary A. Brady, et al, Defendant.

To the Defendants Herein: Emma H. Gardner and husband Frederick Gardner, Mary A. Brady, A. M. McGregor, Edward R. Fay, John N. Fay, Josephine F. Lee and husband Frank H. Lee, Mary A. Piggott and husband James P. Piggott, Anna Wadhams and husband Darwin Wadhams, as heirs at law of Thomas F. Fay, deceased, and Angus M. McDonald, as executor of the last will of Abbie R. Dodge, deceased, if living, and if dead to all persons claiming an interest under the said Emma H. Gardner and husband Frederick Gardner, Mary A. Brady, A. M. McGregor, Edward R. Fay, John N. Fay, Josephine F. Lee and husband Frank H. Lee, Mary A. Piggott and husband James P. Piggott, Anna Wadhams and husband Darwin Wadhams, as heirs at law of Thomas F. Fay, deceased, and Angus M. McDonald as executor of the last will of Abbie R. Dodge, deceased, whether as heirs, devisees, grantees or otherwise, and to all persons unknown to Complainant claiming an interest in the following described lands, to-wit: Lots 1 and 2 in Block 8, Section 22, Township 33 South, Range 28 East.

It appearing by sworn bill and affidavit of Complainant's solicitors, filed in this cause, that they do not know and have been unable to ascertain whether you and each of you are dead or alive, and if alive you are a resident of a state other than the State of Florida. That your place of residence is unknown to Complainant, that you and each of 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.

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

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Given under my hand and seal at Sebring, Florida, this 30th day of December, A. D. 1922.
(Seal) C. F. SAUNDERS,
Clerk Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida.
WHITEHURST & WHITEHURST.
Solicitors for Complainant.
J4-11-18-25-F1-7-14-22-M1

LEGAL NOTICE

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

Norton T. Smith, Complainant, vs. William C. Comstock, et al, Defendants.

To the Defendants Herein: William C. Comstock; Clara D. Farrow and Edward S. Farrow, her husband; James Dickinson and James G. Carter, as receiver of the firm of R. G. Metcalf & Company, if living and if dead to all persons claiming an interest under the said William C. Comstock; Clark D. Farrow and Edward S. Farrow, her husband; James Dickinson and James G. Carter, as receiver of the firm of R. G. Metcalf & Company, deceased, whether as heirs, devisees, grantees or otherwise, and to all persons unknown to Complainant, claiming an interest in the following described lands, to-wit: Lot 8, Block 11, Section 15, and the West half of Lot 1, Block 2, Section 23, all in Township 33 South, Range 28 East.

It appearing by sworn bill and affidavit of Complainant's solicitors, filed in this cause, that they do not know and have been unable to ascertain whether you and each of you are dead or alive and if alive you are a resident of a state other than the State of Florida. That your place of residence is unknown to Complainant, that you and each of 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.

This is therefore to require you and each of you to be and appear to said bill of complaint at the office of the Clerk of the above styled Court at Sebring, Florida, on or before the 5th day of March, A. D. 1923, and in default of such appearance you are notified that the allegations in the said bill 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 eight consecutive weeks next preceeding said appearance day.

Given under my hand and seal at Sebring, Florida, this 30th day of December, A. D. 1922.
(Seal) C. F. SAUNDERS,
Clerk Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida.
WHITEHURST & WHITEHURST,
Solicitors for Complainant.
J4-11-18-25-F1-8-15-22-M1

NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS

Notice is hereby given that the stockholders of the Avon Park Printing Company will hold their annual meeting at the office of the company in Avon Park, Fla., at 4 p. m., Thursday, Feb. 8, as specified in the charter of the said corporation, for the purpose of electing directors and transacting any business that may properly come before said meeting.

GILBERT FREEMAN,
Secretary.
1-18-4t

LEGAL NOTICE

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

D. E. Jacobs, Complainant, vs. Bessie Lee Jacobs, Defendant.

To the Defendant herein, Bessie Lee Jacobs: It appearing by affidavit of Complainant's solicitors, filed in this cause, that you are a resident of the County of Hillsborough, State of Florida, and that you are concealing yourself so that service of a summons can not be had upon you, and 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 in said cause by Complainant.

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

Given under my hand and seal at Sebring, Florida, this 30th day of December, A. D. 1922.
(Seal) C. F. SAUNDERS,
Clerk Circuit Court, Highlands County, Florida.
WHITEHURST & WHITEHURST,
J4-11-19-25-F1 Solicitors for Complainant.

LEGAL NOTICE

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

D. F. Canfield, Complainant, vs. Mary C. Burleigh, et al., Defendants.

To the Defendants herein: Mary C. Burleigh, John C. Burleigh, Frank Cullen, Oliver M. Crosby, William Becherle, Joseph Schuldice, Abbie R. Dodge, Elizabeth B. Wilson, Robert Waters, Florida Development Company, Highlands Orange Grove Company, David S. Porter and Marie Butterfield, if living, and if dead to all persons claiming an interest under the said Mary C. Burleigh, John C. Burleigh, Frank Cullen, Oliver M. Crosby, William Becherle, Joseph Schuldice, Abbie R. Dodge, Elizabeth B. Wilson, Robert Waters, Florida Development Company, Highlands Orange Grove Company, David S. Porter and Marie Butterfield, whether as heirs, devisees, grantees or otherwise, and all persons unknown to Complainant, claiming an interest in the following described lands, to-wit: Lot Twelve (12), Block Seventy-eight (78), Section Twenty-two (22), Township Thirty-three (33) South, Range Twenty-eight (28) East, and Lot Nine (9), Block Forty (40), in Section Twenty-two (22), Township Thirty-three (33) South, Range Twenty-eight (28), East, as shown by the recorded plat of Avon Park, all of said lands being in Highlands County, Florida.

It appearing by sworn bill and affidavit of Complainant, filed in this cause, that he does not know and has been unable to ascertain whether you and each of you are alive or deceased, and if alive you are a resident of a State other than the State of Florida: that your place of residence is unknown to Complainant, that you and each of 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 this cause.

This is, therefore, to require you and each of you to be and appear to said Bill of Complaint at the office of the Clerk of the above styled Court at Sebring, in Highlands County, State of Florida, on or before the 22nd day of March, A. D. 1923, and in default of such appearance, you are notified that the allegations in said bill 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 eight consecutive weeks next preceeding said appearance day.

Given under my hand and seal at Sebring, Florida, this 17th day of January, A. D. 1923.
(Seal) C. F. SAUNDERS,
Clerk Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida.
A. E. LAWRENCE,
Solicitor for Complainant.
J25-F1-8-15-22-M1-8-15-22

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AN ARMY OF OFFICEHOLDERS

The Miami Herald has an editorial that startles us, says the Gainesville Sun. We knew that we had a horde of officeholders. We knew that we had a good many more people "sucking at the public tit" than we used to have, but we did not realize the full truth.

The Herald says:

"A rather startling statement was made in congress the other day and seemed to have been proven, too, that fifteen million people in this country, in one way or another, receive support from the public treasury.

"That means that one person in seven of the entire population receives his support from city, county, state or federal payrolls and in pensions and other gratuities.

"It is estimated that there are thirty million of actual producers in the United States. If these figures are correct, then every two producers must support one person who is directly or indirectly connected with the public payroll.

"Which means that we are being ridden to death by the officeholders and pensioners we have created by our too liberal laws and our penchant for over-much government.

"In 1906 Senator Foraker deplored, in the senate, that in the ten years previous to that date the number of marshals, deputy marshals and sleuts provided by the federal government had grown from 167 in 1896 to 3,000 in 1906. It is said that there are now 42,000 of these marshals and special agents, all actively engaged in enforcing regulations upon the people.

"During the course of the debate in the senate the other day, one senator declared that the cost within the past five years of unnecessary commissions and regulatory concerns, commissions to control and regulate railroads, to regulate butcher shops and slaughter houses, to regulate the production of fuel and its sale, to regulate the practice of medicine, to supervise the birth of babies and the burial of the dead, 'everything which the heart can desire or fancy conceive, from the setting of a hen to the running of a railroad,' had advanced from $232,000,000 in 1916 to $1,115,000,000 in 1922.

"In other words, the yearly cost of our government, with all its commissions, departments and bureaus, is every year more than the whole cost of the government from the time George Washington was inaugurated president down to the civil war.

"And the expenses are continually growing, both in federal and state governments. The proportion of officeholders and their dependents to the active workers of the country is constantly growing greater.

"There will be a breaking point, sometime, unless the people realize the trend of affairs and apply the remedy of economy in public administration."

JOHN BROWN—THIEF, ASSASSIN, INCENDIARY —HANGED AS A FELON

In the Saturday Sermonette by Richard Lloyd Jones there appeared linked together in a single sentence the names of Washington, Patrick Henry, John Brown and Abraham Lincoln, as examples of great and good men who were considered "kickers" in their day, but who were in fact public benefactors.

Washington, the Father of his Country, venerated above all men, will live in song and story as long as the Republic shall last.

Patrick Henry, the orator of the revolution, whose "Liberty or Death" speech has taken its place beside the great oratorical efforts of all time.

Lincoln, the great civil war president, respected in the south as well as in the north. His untimely death was a great blow to the south. Had he lived a few years longer the south would have been saved the horror of reconstruction, because his kind and magnanimous attitude to the fallen foe would not have permitted the atrocities inflicted upon him vanquished adversaries.

John Brown, the greatest scoundrel in American history. In Kansas he was a thief, because he stole other persons' property; and an assassin, because he called men to their doors and shot them down in the presence of their wives and children. In Virginia he was an incendiary, who armed negroes with pikes and incited them to murder white men and white women and white children; and he provided negroes with lighted torches and incited them to burn white men and the latter's wives and children while asleep in their homes.

Because he was a murderer and an outlaw, John Brown was fairly tried in open court, convicted on conclusive evidence, and hanged as a felon.

To link the name of John Brown with the names of Washington, Henry and Lincoln, is a sin and a shame. To hold him up as an example of what a great and good man should be, is to belie history.—Pensacola News.

Right With Him

Old Timer—"Why, doggoneit, my grandfather could remember when this country hereabouts was all unsettled."

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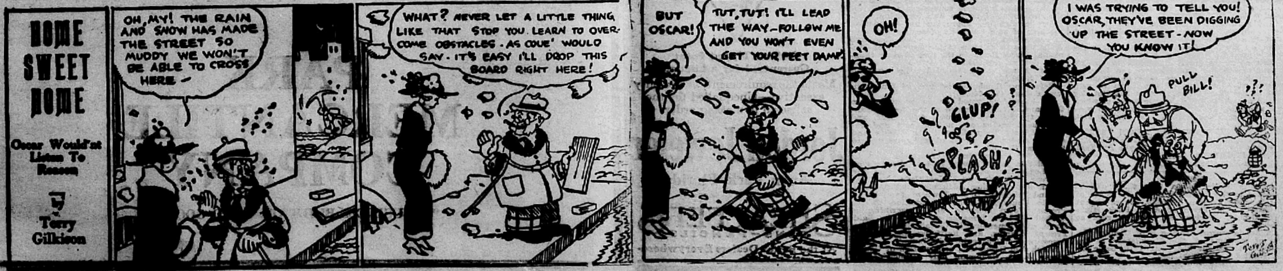
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BUT OSCAR!
TUT, TUT! I'LL LEAD THE WAY—FOLLOW ME AND YOU WON'T EVEN GET YOUR FEET DAMP!
OH!
GLUP!
SPLASH!
I WAS TRYING TO TELL YOU! OSCAR, THEY'VE BEEN DIGGING UP THE STREET—NOW YOU KNOW IT!
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Terry Gilk

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT IN MEMORY OF ROBERT W. SWEARINGEN

Whereas, the Creator of the Universe and all things therein contained, has in His infinite wisdom seen fit to remove from our midst by death our esteemed and efficient president and coworker, Robert W. Swearingen, and

Whereas, we, the officers and directors of the Red Hill Farms Company, feel that in the death of our worthy president we have suffered an irreparable loss; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that in special meeting assembled we express our profound sorrow and regret and tender to the widow [illegible] Robert W. Swearingen our heartfelt sympathy in this, the hour of her bereavement; Be it further

Resolved, that we cause these expressions of sorrow and sympathy to be spread upon the minutes of the Red Hill Farms Company and to be published in the Highlands County Pilot and a copy to be sent to Mrs. Robert W. Swearingen. (Signed)

RED HILL FARMS COMPANY.

By G. W. Adams, vice-president; Norton T. Smith, secretary-treasurer; J. H. Hood, director; T. H. Lander, director.

Dated at Avon Park, Florida, this 20th day of January, A. D. 1923.

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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that there will be presented to the Legislature of the State of Florida in the session of 1923, for enactment on behalf of the Town of Avon Park, Highlands County, Florida, an Act reading as follows:

An Act to Legalize, Ratify, Confirm and Validate the Acts and Proceedings of the Town of Avon Park, Highlands County, Florida, and Its Town Council, Officers and Agents, Relating to the Issuance of

Municipal Street Bonds in the sum of sixty thousand dollars ($60,000.00).

Park Bonds in the sum of five thousand dollars ($5,000.00).

Refunding Bonds in the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000.00).

All in accordance with Ordinance No. 74, adopted by the Town Council on the 8th day of March, A. D. 1922, and the Acts and Ordinances passed in pursuance thereof.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida.

Section 1. That all acts and proceedings of the Town of Avon Park, Highlands County, Florida, and its Town Council, officers and agents relating to the issuance of

Municipal Street Bonds in the sum of sixty thousand dollars ($60,000.00) for the the purpose of opening, widening, grading, paving and hard-surfacing streets of said town.

Park Bonds in the sum of five thousand dollars ($5,000.00), for the purpose of purchasing lands therefor, and establishing parks and properly lighting the same, and for the upkeep and improvements on said parks.

Refunding Bonds in the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000.00) for the purpose of paying off certain indebtedness now existing in said Town, provided for in the Ordinance duly passed on the 8th day of October, 1922, and subsequent Ordinances and Resolutions relating to the issuance of said bonds, and levying an assessment of a tax sufficient to provide for a sinking fund and interest thereon, and all acts and proceedings done and to be done in connection therewith, and otherwise relating thereto, be and the same are hereby declared to b legally sufficient, and are hereby in all respects approved, legalized, ratified, confirmed and validated. Notwithstanding any want of statutory power or authority and any defect, irregularity and omission in such acts and proceedings; and the said bonds issued and to be issued are hereby declared to be a lien upon all of the property in the said Town of Avon Park; and if the amount of said bonds respectively be not paid as and when the same mature, with interest thereon, the said purchasers thereof may enforce and collect the same as provided by law.

And all taxable property in the said Town of Avon Park shall be liable to an annual tax for the payment of the interest and principal of said Bonds remaining outstanding and unpaid; and the Town Council shall each year levy and collect all such tax upon all the taxable property of said Town, that said be sufficient to pay the interest and principal of said bonds as and when the same respectively become due and payable.

Section 2. The provisions of this Act shall be construed to be remedial and curative of any defect or want of statutory power or authority in any act or proceedings heretofore done or to be done by the said Town of Avon Park, or its Town Council, officers or agents in relation to said bonds, each and every

Municipal Street Bonds in the sum of sixty thousand dollars ($60,000.00).

Park Bonds in the sum of five thousand dollars ($5,000.00).

Refunding Bonds in the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000.00).

And assessment proceedings, and the same are hereby in all respects approved, legalized, ratified, confirmed and validated.

Section 3. This Act shall take effect immediately upon its becoming a law.

This notice is given pursuant to the requirements of the Constitution and Laws of the State of Florida, as well as resolution adopted at a meeting of the Town Council, held in the council chamber on the 31st day of January, A. D. 1923, by the terms of which said resolution the officers of said Town were directed to give this notice. This January 31st, A. D. 1923.

TOWN OF AVON PARK.
By M. C. WHITEHURST,
Mayor Pro Tem.
Attest:
G. L. CREWS, Clerk.
F1-8-15-22-M1-8-15-22-29

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that there will be presented to the Legislature of the State of Florida in the Session of 1923, for enactment on behalf of the Town of Avon Park, Highlands County, Florida, an Act to read as follows:

An Act to amend Section 8 of Chapter No. 7131 of the Acts of the Legislature of the State of Florida for the year 1915, being an Act entitled

"An Act Granting Additional Rights, Powers and Privileges to the Town of Avon Park, DeSoto County, Florida, in Addition to Its Present Town Charter, and Prescribing a Method for the Issuance of Bonds in Said Town, and Amending in Certain Respects Its Present Charter, and Ratifying the Present Assessment of Taxes in said Town."

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Sec. 8. Whenever it shall be deemed advisable to issue bonds for any of the following purposes:

For raising money for the construction, maintenance or equipment of waterworks; for the purpose of constructing, operating, extending and maintaining a sewerage system, or otherwise promoting the health of the municipality; for the purpose of opening, widening, grading, and paving streets or sidewalks of the town, or for the purpose of opening, purchasing, constructing or maintaining public parks and promenades; for the purpose of erecting school houses, and maintaining a system of public education in the town, or for the purpose of erecting, maintaining or equipping a public library; for the purpose of establishing a fire department for the said town; for the purpose of building or purchasing an electric or other illuminating plant for the use of the town; for the purpose of erecting, equipping or maintaining a public hospital or any other charitable institution; for for the purpose of refunding the indebtedness of said town, or for any one or more of the said purposes.

The Mayor and Town Council are hereby authorized to issue bonds of the town, under seal of the municipality, to an amount not to exceed twenty per cent (20%) of the total assessed valuation of said town to be determined by the assessment next preceding the time at which the issue of said bonds is authorized, which said bonds, when issued, shall be signed by the Mayor and countersigned by the President of the Town Council, and attested by the Town Clerk, with interest coupons accompanying same, which shall be signed in like manner, provided, however, that before said bonds shall be issued, their issuance shall be approved by an affirmative vote of a majority of the electors of the town voting at an election duly called for the purpose by the Town Council, which election shall be regulated in all respects by an ordinance of the town. Such election shall be advertised for not less than four weeks prior to the date upon which it shall be held, in a newspaper published in the Town of Avon Park, and in case no newspaper is published in the Town of Avon Park, by posting same in five (5) public places in said town for a period of not less than four (4) weeks, the contents of said notice to be determined upon by the Town Council, and at said election only qualified electors of the Town of Avon Park shall be allowed to vote, without regard as to ownership of real estate.

Sec. 2. This Act shall take effect immediately upon its becoming a law.

This notice is given pursuant to the requirements of the Constitution and Laws of the State of Florida, as well as Resolution adopted at a meeting of the Town Council held in the council chamber on the 31st day of January, A. D. 1923, by the terms of which said resolution the officers of said town were directed to give this notice. This January 31st, A. D. 1923.

TOWN OF AVON PARK.
By M. C. WHITEHURST,
Mayor Pro Tem.
Attest:
G. L. CREWS, Clerk.
F-1-8-15-22-M-1-8-15-22-29

LEGAL NOTICE

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

The Town of Avon Park, Florida, a Municipal Corporation, vs. W. M. Diamond, E. W. Daniel and A. Ellison.

To All Whom It May Concern:

To the Defendant herein, E. W. Daniel: It appearing from the petition filed herein that you are a resident of a state other than the State of Florida and that your place of residence is Dickson, Tennessee, and relief being sought against you in this cause.

You are, therefore, commanded to be and appear before the Circuit Court for the Twelfth Judicial Circuit of Florida, in and for Highlands County, at the office of the Clerk of said Court on the 24th day of February, A. D. 1923, to show what right, title and interest you have in and to the following described property:

The North Five Feet of Lot Thirteen (13) in Block Fifty-six (56) in Section Twenty-two (22), Township Thirty-three (33) South, Range Twenty-eight (28) East.

And to show cause why the aforesaid property should not be taken for the purpose set forth in the petition filed herein.

Given under my hand and seal this 30th day of January, A. D. 1923.

(Seal) C. F. SAUNDERS,
Clerk of Circuit Court, Twelfth Circuit of Florida.
OTIS WHITEHURST,
Attorney for Petitioner.
F1-8-15-22

LEGAL NOTICE

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

W. O. McGeer and E. A. McGeer, Complainants, vs. Charles H. Wingerford and C. H. Hungerford, Defendants.

To the Defendants herein: Charles H. Wingerford and C. H. Hungerford, if living and if deceased to all persons claiming an interest under them, whether as heirs, devisees, grantees or otherwise, and all persons unknown to Complainants claiming an interest in the following described lands, to-wit: The North half (N½) of Lot One (1), in Block (15), in Section Fifteen (15), in Township Thirty-three (33), Range Twenty-eight (28) East, according to the Town Plat of the Town of Avon Park, all of said lands being situated in Highlands County, Florida.

It appearing by a sworn bill and affidavit o fone of the Complainants, filed in this cause, that he does not know and has been unable to ascertain whether you and each of you are alive or deceased and if alive you are a resident other than the State of Florida; that the place of residence of C. H. Hungerford, if alive is at No. 612 Traction Building, Cincinnati, Ohio; that the place of residence of Charles H. Wingerford and all unknown Defendants is unknown to Complainant, that you and each of you are over the age of twenty-one years and that there is no person in the State of Florida service of subpoena upon whom would bind you or either of you and relief being sought against you and each of you in this cause, this is therefore to require you and each of you to be and appear to said bill of complaint at the office of the Clerk of the above styled Court at Sebring, in Highlands County, State of Florida, on or before the 30th day of March, A. D. 1923, and in default of such appearance, you are hereby notified that the allegationsc in said bill 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 eight consecutive weeks next preceding said appearance day.

Given under my hand and seal at Sebring, Florida, this 31st day of January, A. D. 1923.

C. F. SAUNDERS,
Clerk of Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida.
A. E. LAWRENCE,
Solicitor for Complainants.
F-1-8-15-22-M-1-8-15-22-29

NOTICE

Transcript of meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Avon Park, Highlands County, Florida, held in the council room on the 31st day of January, A. D. 1923, at 4 o'clock p. m.

The President called the meeting to order. Upon roll call it was determined that the following Councilmen were present: A. E. Connoley, J. V. Chapman and C. H. Moffett.

Whereupon Council J. V. Chapman introduced the following Resolution:

"Resolved that the Mayor and Clerk of said Town be and they are hereby authorized and directed to give such notice as is required by law of the intention of the council, through its proper officers, to apply to the Legislature of the State of Florida convening in 1923, for the enactment of certain Acts legalizing, ratifying, confirming, approving and validating the acts of said town, its officers and agents, in connection with those heretofore done and to be done in relation to the issuance of Municipal Street Bonds in the sum of sixty thousand dollars ($60,000.00).

Park Bonds in the sum of five thousand dollars ($5,000.00).

Refunding Bonds in the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000.00).

As heretofore voted on in pursuance to Ordinance No. 74, adopted by the Town Council on the 8th day of March, A. D. 1922, and subsequent ordinances, notices, acts and doings of said Town Council, its officers and agents, under, by virtue of and pursuant to the terms thereof.

Also for the enactment of certain Acts to amend Sec. 8 of Chapter 7131 of the Acts of the Legislature of the State of Florida for the year 1915, being an Act entitled:

"An Act Granting Additional Rights, Powers and Privileges to the Town of Avon Park, DeSoto County, Florida, in Addition to Its Present Town Charter, and Prescribing a Method for the Issuance of Bonds in Said Town, and Amending in Certain Respects Its Present Charter, and Ratifying the Present Assessment of Taxes in Said Town."

Which said Resolution, upon motion of Councilman J. V. Chapman, duly seconded, was unanimously adopted, all present voting therefor. F1-8-15-22-M-1

SHERIFF'S SALE NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of an execution issued out of and under the seal of the Circuit Court fo rthe Twelfth Judicial Circuit of Florida, in and for Highlands County, in that certain cause therein pending, wherein W. W. Whitehurst was Plaintiff and D. G. Skipper, H. B. Smith and L. H. Park were Defendants, I have levied upon all the right, title and interest of the said L. H. Park in and to the following described property: Lot 16 in Block 58, Section 22, Township 33, Range 28, and I will offer the same for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash at the west door of the Court House in Sebring, Florida, on the 5th day of March, A. D. 1923.

R. H. HANCOCK,
Sheriff of Highlands County, Florida.
F1-8-15-22-M-1

LEGAL NOTICE

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

William King, Complainant, vs. William H. Thatcher et al, Defendants.

To the Defendants herein: William H. Thatcher, Ida S. Thatcher, C. S. Thatcher, Roselba P. Thatcher, But D. Isenhour, Atha Isenhour, Charles H. Isenhour, Mable A. Isenhour, Louis P. Newman, Susie M. Newman, Brommie Copeland, R. Dugal Hall, trustee, Charles A. Brown, Abbie R. Dodge, Helene Kobold, Cora Gertrude Allen, if living and if dead, all parties claiming an interest under the said William H. Thatcher, Ida S. Thatcher, C. S. Thatcher, Rosealba P. Thatcher, Burt D. Isenhour, Atha Isenhour, Charles H. Isenhour, Mable A. Isenhour, Louis P. Newman, Susie M. Newman, Brommie Copeland, R. Dugal Hall, trustee, Charles A. Brown, Abbie R. Dodge, Helene Kobold, Cora Gertrude Allen, deceased, whether as heirs, devisees, grantees or otherwise, in and to the following described property, situate and being in the County of Highlands and the State of Florida, to-wit: Lots 1 and 4 in Block 54, Lots 5 and 7, 10 and 11 in Block 68, Lots 19 and 22 in Block 69 in Section 23, and the West one-half of Lot 14 in Block 4, Section 25, of Township 33 South, Range 28 East.

It appearing by sworn bill and affidavit of Complaint's solicitors, filed in this cause, that they do not know and have been unable to ascertain whether you and each of 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 to Complainant, that you and each of 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 in this cause by the Complainant.

This is, therefore, to require you and each of you to be and appear to said Bill of Complain at the office of the Clerk of the above styled Court at Sebring, Florida, on or before the 2nd day of April, A. D. 1923, and in default of such appearance you are notified that the allegations in the said bill 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 eight consecutive weeks next preceeding the said appearance day.

Given under my hand and seal at Sebring, Florida, this 30th day of January, A. D. 1923.

(Seal) C. F. SAUNDERS,
Clerk Circuit Court, Highlands County, Florida.
WHITEHURST & WHITEHURST,
Solicitors for Complainant.
F1-8-15-22-M-1-8-15-22-29

NOTICE OF MASTER'S SALE

Notice is hereby given that under and pursuant to a final decree heretofore entered on the Chancery side of the Circuit Court for Twelfth Judicial Circuit of the State of Florida, for Highlands County, wherein A. D. Roberts was Complainant and Gussie Hatchell and W. A. Hatchell were Defendants, I will offer for sale, at the west door of the Court House for Highlands County, at Sebring, Florida, between the legal hours for sale, on the 5th day of March, A. D. 1923, the following described property, to-wit: Lots 3, 8 and 9 of the West Side Beach Subdivision of all of Lots 10 and 15 and all east of the railroad right-of-way in Lot 11, Block 3, of Section 26, Township 33 South, Range 28 East.

Said sale being for the purpose of satisfying said final decree and costs.

A. E. LAWRENCE,
Special Master.
F-1-8-15-22-M-1

LEGAL NOTICE

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

George W. Crowell, Complainant, vs. Clara D. Farrow, et al, Defendants.

To the Defendants herein: Clara D. Farrow, joined by her husband, Edward S. Farrow; F. W. Hopkins and wife, Feraby C. Hopkins; Florida Development Company, a corporation, and Paul G. Crippen, if living and if dead, their heirs, devisees, grantees or other claimants under the said Clara D. Farrow, F. W. Hopkins and wife Feraby C. Hopkins and Florida Development Company, a corporation, in and to the following described property, situate in the County of Highlands and the State of Florida, to-wit: Lots 1 and 2 in Block 11, Section 15, Township 33 South, Range 28 East. And to all persons unknown to Complainant claiming an interest in the said lands.

It appearing by sworn bill and affidavit of Complainant's solicitors, filed in this cause, that they do not know and have been unable to ascertain whether you or either of you are dead or alive. That if alive you are a resident of a state other than the State of Florida; that your place of residence is to Complainant unknown; that you and each of 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 this cause by the Complainant.

This is, therefore, to require you and each of you to be and appear to said bill of Complaint at the office of the Clerk of the above styled Court at Sebring, Florida, on or before the 2nd day of April, A. D. 1923, and in default of such appearance you are notified that the allegations in the said Bill of Complaint 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 eight consecutive weeks next preceeding the said appearance day.

Given under my hand and seal this the 30th day of January, A. D. 1923.

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the stockholders of the Pittsburgh-Florida Fruit Growers Association, a corporation, that a special meeting of said stockholders will be held at the Company's offices in the Town of Avon Park, Florida, on the 24th day of February, 1923, at ten o'clock a. m., for the following purposes:

1st. To increase the authorized capital stock of said corporation from $1,500,000.00 to $2,000,000.00.

2nd. To amend the charter so as to authorize the Company to incur indebtedness up to $1,000,000.00.

3rd. To amend the charter so as to authorize the Directors in their discretion to issue and sell bonds convertible into stock or carrying a stock purchase privilege and such other provisions as the Board of Directors may authorize, and authorizing the sale of such bonds to such persons or corporations as the said Board of Directors shall see fit, and at such price and upon such terms as the Board shall determine without first offering such bonds to the stockholders for purchase, or procuring waivers from the stockholders as a pre-requisite to the sale of such bonds to persons other than stockholders, and to secure payment thereof by mortgage, trust deed or otherwise, on the property, both real and personal, of the Company; and providing an interest and sinking fund for the retirement of said bonds.

4th. Such other and further matters in any way incidental to or connected with the foregoing, as may be brought before said meeting.

Dated this 22nd day of January, 1923, by order of the Board of Directors.

C. P. ANDERSON,
President.
J25-F1-8-15

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VOLUME IV. NO. 12. AVON PARK, FLORIDA, THURSDAY, FEB. 8, ~~1922~~ 1923 $2.00 A YEAR IN ADVANCE

Allotment of $280,000 to Highlands For the Frostproof-Avon Park Road; Stearns-Josephine Will Get $90,000

STATE ASKING BIDS FOR A HIGH-GRADE ROAD SOUTH OF THE CREEK

Double Original Offer to County

Green Says Highway Will Be Rushed Soon as Rights of Way Are Secured

One of the first items under the state road department's new $4,000,000 budget for the 1923 program will be the Lake Stearns-Josephine creek road in Highlands county and to follow immediately as soon as the right-of-way can be cleared up will be the Avon Park-Frostproof link of the same highway—State Road No. 8—linking the East and West Coasts. These two projects, according to E. P. Green, member, in a letter to the Highlands County Pilot, are to be rushed—bids being asked now on the Lake Stearns-Josephine creek project, which is to be built fully up to state road department specifications instead of under a contract let by the county for a cheaper type of construction. This means, according to Mr. Green, that the state will spend around $90,000 on this project instead of $45,000 as agreed last spring. Bids will be opened Feb. 14 on this project—nearly six miles.

The $280,000 project credited to Highlands county in the road department's budget program as published last week, according to Mr. Green, is the Avon Park-Frostproof road. This road, originally expected to cost around $150,000 when authorized at a recent meeting when Senator Etheredge and Edwin Spencer, representing the Polk county commissioners, secured the department's agreement to build it from Polk's auto funds and pay for it in two installments, will be built the full 16 feet wide, according to Mr. Green. It had been figured by local [illegible] asphalt surface would suffice until such a time as it might be widened, but the department has decided to put the other $130,000 into the project and complete it "right" while at it.

$1,000,000 for Roads

These two projects with the $600,000 voted two weeks ago by Highlands county and the $65,000 to be spent by Avon Park this summer mean nearly $1,000,000 worth of new highways to be built in this section this summer.

This means that all but three or four miles in Okeechobee county will be completed to link the East and West Coasts before the next tourist season. St. Lucie county is going right ahead with its work now and the Highlands work finishes the Atlantic-Gulf Scenic Highway except a short stretch in Okeechobee. By using the DeSoto City-Bassenger route and the new Okeechobee road to Bassenger there will be a hard-surfaced route all the way, though the DeSoto City-Bassenger road is to be of local material.

Mr. Green's letter stated that he understands plans are about completed for the Avon Park-Frostproof link and that as soon as right-of-way matters are cleared away the job will be advertised. The state engineer has already been given instructions to advertise for bids so there will be no delay.

Engineer C. G. Benson, who has been doing the engineering on the Avon Park-Frostproof link, states that all the engineering work is completed and he has moved his forces to the location of State Road No. 8, between Avon Park and Sebring, over which route the county will build its road this summer. He states that nothing remains to be done north of the park except secure right-of-way. With these in hand, the state engineer can advertise for bids for the work, and the contract can be let at the April meeting.

SEEKING BARBER FOLLOWING HIS DISAPPEARANCE AND LOSS TOOLS, SAXAPHONE, CLARINET

Sheriff Bob Hancock is seeking Ed Nelson, formerly a barber at the Highlands Barber Shop, who disappeared Sunday about the same time barber tools of Ira Thomlinson were slipped out of the shop along with a clarinet valued at $150 belonging to Mark Lance and a saxaphone valued at $125 belonging to Norton Smith.

The missing articles total about $500 in value.

Nelson told friends he was going to Bartow Sunday to play in the band and he left here early Sunday morning. He has not returned. The loss of the tools was discovered Sunday morning when Mr. Thomlinson visited the shop to shave himself.

METHODIST PRIMARY TEACHERS TO GIVE A SILVER TEA FEB. 21

The teachers in the primary department of the Methodist Sunday school will entertain with a silver tea Feb. 21, at the [illegible] hotel. The public is most cordially invited.

M'GINNIS CHOSEN MAYOR OF AVON PARK BY COUNCIL

TO CONTRIBUTE $50.00 PER MONTH TO THE BAND

T. J. McGinnis, for nine years a citizen of Avon Park, has been elected its mayor by the council, succeeding the late Robert W. Swearingen, who died after only one month of his term had been served. The council acted following presentation of a petition signed by more than 200 names.

Mr. McGinnis takes office immediately and plans to take an active part in making the present administration one of the most active and progressive ones Avon Park has had. Mr. McGinnis is one of the best known merchandise men in the state and is widely interested in Avon Park.

The council also voted to donate $50 per month towards the maintenance of the Avon Park Band, which has the reputation of being one of the finest bands in the state, which it lived up to in Tampa Wednesday when hundreds of favorable comments were heard on all sides during the concert it gave in the court house square.

Bids for erection of a jail are to be secured, and H. B. Smith was appointed a committee of one to secure the bids and report with recommendations to the council. A concrete or brick building is planned.

Petitions for street lights on Canfield street between Verona and Fairfield avenues and on Winthrop street between Lake and Verona avenues, were referred to the lighting committee with power to act.

The street committee was authorized to make a survey of the streets and to expend any moneys deemed necessary to put in good repair any streets that need attention.

HERRING GETS $6,500 DAMAGES FOR LOSS OF HAND AT CRATE MILL

Damages in the sum of $6,500 were awarded Herring, Avon Park, for the loss of a hand while at work at the Avon Manufacturing Company's crate mill in August, 1920. The case was tried through yesterday in circuit court at Sebring, taking up all of the day. The suit was defended by attorneys for the insurance company, who represented the crate manufacturer.

Herring's hand was caught when he tried to brush or push sawdust from around a veneer saw, according to testimony.

Indictments were returned against Sol James, charged with the murder of Bessie James, and Lillie Singleton, charged with the murder of Ike James, all of Sebring, and Ed Nelson, late of Avon Park, charged with grand larceny in the theft of musical instruments and barber tools. The Singleton case was postponed for the term.

Guy Andrews was appointed master in the W. A. Drawdy-W. F. Whidden case; E. D. Treadwell, Arcadia, as master in the Landeck Lumber Company-M. A. Millar case, and John Bell, Tampa, in the Bank of Commerce-E. J. Etheredge suit.

Criminal actions against Bascomb Hollingsworth, charged with a second violation of the liquor laws, and Wallace Kemp, a similiar case, were continued for the term. Absent witnesses also compelled continuance of civil cases: J. L. Trotter vs. Wesley Yonce, $1,000 damages; Highlands county vs. Redlands Groves Company, condemnation of land; C. S. Donaldson vs. W. A. Hatchell.

Attorney's fees were set at 5 per cent by the jury in the suit of the Highlands Bank & Trust Co. vs. S. P. Durrance and A. V. Anderson, the principals agreeing on the judgment otherwise, on a note for $3,000.

With the exhaustion of the regular venire by the selection of the grand jury, a special venire was called. It included Henry Halliday, Paul Lane, B. A. Cope, Percy Gearing, J. S. Pickett, Perry Etheredge, Fred Yeager, P. G. Carovasios, F. M. Young and J. A. Farmer.

PLANS LOCAL "NO-FENCE LAW" FOR THIS COUNTY

Representative John S. Taylor announces that he will present to the legislature a bill defining the Ridge section of Highlands county as no-fence area and unless the people get together before hand to have the line laid out in the bill, will leave the designation of the exact lines to the voters following the passage of the bill, if it is passed.

A great many of the legislators were elected on a state-wide no-fence platform and if this law is passed, there will be no need for a local law for the Ridge section. Mr. Taylor was elected on a "local no-fence platform. There were not enough present Tuesday to hold the meeting the county commissioners called to discuss this question.

Pilot Designated by County Board to Print the 1923 Unpaid Tax List

Selection of the Highlands County Pilot as the paper in which the county tax sale is to be printed was made at this week's meeting of the county commissioners.

This act will increase the sphere of the Avon Park paper and increase its value to the regular advertisers and the people of the county.

Before receiving this recognition at the hands of the commissioners the Pilot has endeavored to prove the most valuable medium for the people of Highlands county. It has printed first all the principal news of official and unofficial doings; it has fought for needed items and stood pat in opposition to actions detrimental to the good of the communities that compose the county.

Its efforts will be directed along these lines throughout the future, with even added vigor.

TO PLANT TWO MILES OF SCENIC HIGHWAY IN OAKS AND BIGNONIA

ENTRANCE TO AVON PARK FROM NORTH TO BE A ROAD OF BEAUTY

There is going to be at [illegible] miles of scenic [illegible] the Scenic Highlands. The Pittsburgh-Florida Association announces that the highway through their groves north of Avon Park is to be lined with Australian or silver oaks and the brilliant-hued bignonia. The oaks are to be planted every thirty feet along the way on both sides of the highway and the grove fences are to be covered over with the orange and green of the bignonia.

The highway is to be fifty feet wide, with the sixteen-foot asphalt pavement in the center.

The association has let the contract to David Farnell, local construction man, for one of the most beautiful entrances to be found in Florida. Plans were drawn by William Heim. It will be placed at the north entrance to the properties. It is to be of a Spanish type in design and the floral effects planned will enhance the beauty of the spot.

The association also announces the completion of the cement tennis court on the Lake Byrd Lodge grounds. The court is regulation in size and a high fence surrounds it to take care of the wild drives of the expert and the inexpert at the game. It was built by Mr. Farnell too.

The court is on the hillside rising from Lake Byrd south of the Lodge.

R. E. Palmer and family spent the week-end in Tampa visiting friends and taking in the fair.

BOND TRUSTEES ARE TO SERVE WITHOUT PAY

NEW ROADS GRANTED AND THE INSPECTOR REPORTS 15,000 CATTLE DIPPED

Highlands county's bond trustees will serve without compensation, thus saving the county from $18,000 up. Incidentally this $18,000 saved will build almost two miles of road. The county commissioners named E. O. Douglas, C. E. Lanier and Ira Rigdon to serve without compensation, rejecting a motion by L. C. Pearce, seconded by G. G. Albritton, specifying compensation.

New roads in the Hicoria and Fort Bassenger sections were granted, Caloosahatchee marl was recommended to the state road department, work was ordered stopped on the county contract on the Lake Annie-Josephine creek road north of Lake Stearns, from which point the state will take up the work; the Highlands County Pilot was designated to print the delinquent tax list and adjournment taken until Feb. 14, after several routine matters were disposed of.

The bond trustees was the first question brought up and Mr. Pearce moved the appointment of C. E. Lanier, A. V. Anderson and Ira Rigdon be named with compensation. It was suggested that the compensation be the same as that received by the commissioners, and G. G. Albritton seconded the amendment and it carried with Chairman King, joining Commissioners Williams and Waters, voting aye. Commissioners Pearce and Albritton refused to vote. The amended motion was then voted over in the same way.

Mr. Garst stated he was unable to serve and the commissioners elected Ira Rigdon to serve in his stead.

The report of Tax Collector D. F. Canfield, showing total collections of $1,605.76 for January, including $159 licenses and $43 pol ltaxes, was received and filed.

The Pilot was unanimously designated as official paper to publish the tax list for 1923.

A letter was ordered written to the state road department stating that the commissioners gladly recommend [illegible] rock for the base course for the state's [illegible] Lake Annie-Josephine creek road.

The commissioners ordered Farr and DeVane to quit work on this road as soo nas they reach the Craven survey, north of the railroad. The state is to take up the job here.

The road, granted in the Hicoria section, begins one-half mile south of the township line on the section line between sections 3 and 4, township 39-30 and runs north to the corner of section 21, township 38-30, thence west to the Hicoria station. F. C. Payne, J. T. Bowers and T. P. Trammell were appointed blazers.

15,550 Cattle Dipped

A. F. Hull, county agent in charge of cattle tick eradication, reported to the commissioners that 15,550 cattle were dipped during January.

Taxes of J. H. Wilson, Sebring, were reduced $40 upon showing that unimproved property had been assessed as improved property.

The road granted in the Fort Bassenger section begins at the south end of the midsection line of section 33, township 35, range 31 and runs north to the present used grade, thence on this grade across the slough and thence by the most direct practicable route to the new Bassenger road. Ander Boney, C. L. Cowart and Lewis Taylor were named blazers.

The grand jury report was received and the commissioners adjourned until Wednesday.

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Nine beauties in one afternoon at one spot, and three another afternoon at another spot—one of the trio being a 12-pounder or better. The bouncer weighed 11 pounds after reaching town several hours later.

The big boy was gathered by J. C. Turner, who with C. P. Turner, Bob Harris and Percy Loomis, spent Friday afternoon at a select spot in the Kissimmee river east of Avon Park. He was fishing with a light steel rod.

The collection of nine were trophies of an afternoon's sport almost inside the city. H. C. Lewis, L. Z. Kirkpatrick, W. N. Allison and W. A. Wickliffe, tourist here from Greenville and Hazel, Ky., got the collection in Lake Lotela.

Mr. Turner and Mr. Loomis are from Tillico, Tenn., and were guests of C. P. Turner and family. They have gone on to the West Coast seeking some salt water sport.

Mr. Lewis is a regular winter visitor here and has a grove property in this section. Mr. Kirkpatrick and Mr. Wickliffe, also from Greenville, Ky., are friends who are looking over this section with him for several weeks.

Mr. Allison is from Hazel and will be here several weeks.

NEW JAIL DEMANDED BY GRAND JURY—SHERIFF AND OTHERS PRAISED

Scoring the jail facilities and calling on the commissioners to remedy them at once and take steps to build a new jail, the grand jury made its return to Judge G. W. Whitehurst in circuit court. Judge Whitehurst took the occasion to call attention to the fact that officials responsible for lack of the jail were guilty of violation of the law which requires that black and white and male and female prisoners be kept apart. He stated that he had advised the commissioners of another county that such a violation of the law could not be overlooked very long.

The grand jury said in regard to the jail that it was "very poor and thoroughly inadequate for proper and safekeeping of prisoners. * * * and impossible to keep in sanitary condition. * * * we are convinced that the building of a new jail would be a profitable and economic investment * * * and respectfully ask the board of county commissioners to take proper steps immediately for the building of a jail."

Immediate repairs were also urged, pending the outcome of plans for a new jail. A guard for the jail was also recommended.

The report found "the county in splendid condition as far as violation of the criminal laws is concerned," and was loud in praise of Sheriff R. H. Hancock for his part in keeping down crime, and the sheriff and his secretary, Mrs. Thelda Sutton, for their assistance in the work of the grand jury.

The "business-like efficiency" of the various county officials was commended.

Prohibition of the use of the roads by vehicles that damage them was urged on the county commission, which was also asked to take steps to take care of poor and destitute families.

The commission was also asked to have obstacles removed from the highways, especially a big tree in the Sebring-DeSoto City road.

The members of the grand jury were: J. S. Francis, Bernard Butts, Will Babcock, H. B. Graybill, H. G. Eastwood, Jim Milton, O. E. Wolff, J. M. Barrow, C. A. Wells, Ed L. Hainz, John Carter, J. W. Ingle, W. A. Roberts, B. F. Martin, Lyle Williams, W. H. McDuffie and W. J. Amy.

PARK SENDS "FRESH MEAT" TO FEED SHRINE CAMELS AT THE TAMPA CEREMONIAL TONIGHT

Plenty of fresh meat for the Shine disturbance at Tampa today, when Egypt Temple feeds the camels, has been rounded up here. Five husky bits of hot sand food are in line and carefully guarded for the big feast tonight.

Harry A. Winter, John H. Hood, John D. McEwen, John V. Chapman and Fred M. Smith made up the party. To attend to their safe arrival a delegation of local nobles, close to a hundred strong, accompanied them in the Avon Park motorcade to Tampa Wednesday.

They are among the finest specimens that have ever been fed the camels and will prove to all Shrinedoom that the Ridge and Avon Park can produce some classy stuff besides citrus fruit.

JANUARY A GOOD MONTH FOR CITRUS PRODUCERS

An ideal January from a citrus standpoint is indicated in the weather report issued by Observer William King of the weather bureau. Less than an inch of rain fell during the month when—because of the possibilities of later cold no new growth is desired—little rain is wanted on the groves. The .92 of an inch was enough to keep the dust laid, which is rain enough for January in the groves.

Several cold snaps helped color the fruit, which has been a bit late in coloring this season, but the lowest reached by the mercury was 42. The highest was 83. The mean for the

ASK LEGISLATURE TO VALIDATE THE CITY BOND ISSUE

ALSO ASK AMENDMENT TO CHARTER PERMITTING 20 PER CENT BONDS

Validation of the city's $75,000 paving and park bond issue is to be asked of the legislature by the city council, which is publishing a resolution of intention to place the matter before the assembly. Notice is likewise given that the legislature will be asked to amend the Avon Park charter so that it may bond at any time for any of the usual public improvements to an amount not to exceed 20 per cent of the assessed valuation.

The old Avon Park charter limited the bonding capacity of the community to $50,000 and it is this old-time limitation which was uncovered by the bond buyers' attorney that interfered with the sale of the bond issue and has held up street and park improvements for six months.

The act, submitted to the legislature under the council's resolution, will be entitled "An act to legalize, ratify, confirm and validate the acts and proceedings of the Avon Park council regarding the issuance of bonds," etc.

It provides that "all acts * * * relative to the issuance of bonds * * * to be declared legally sufficient, and and are hereby in all respects approved, legalized, ratified, confirmed and validated, notwithstanding any want of statutory power or authority, and any defect, irregularity and omission; * * * and the said bonds are hereby declared to be a lien upon all the property in the town of Avon Park * * * as provided by law."

The proposed amendment to the charter authorizes the town to bond for 20 per cent of its assessed valuation when bonds are voted by a majority of the electors for the purpose of paving streets, extending or constructing a sewerage system, construction, maintenance or equipment of waterworks, purchasing parks or additions to parks, erecting school houses, public library or hospital; for establishing a fire department, purchasing or building power plant or for refunding indebtedness of the town.

Under this amendment and the present assessed valuation the bonding limit of the city will be about $260,000.

ANOTHER 100 ACRES IS BEING SET TO GROVE IN AVON PARK SECTION

Another 100 acres of grove is being set out this spring—H. A. Winter, J. D. Raab, John S. Taylor and Norton T. Smith announcing new plantings.

The first three named have a seventy-acre tract on the new Sebring road just south of town, which is being planted to oranges now.

Norton Smith is planting ten acres on the Frostproof road at the corner of the Red Top and Pittsburgh-Florida packing house road.

He has another twenty on Lake Isis which is being cleared for planting later this season.

It is believed that this spring's citrus plantings in or adjoining the Avon Park township will reach close to 5,000 acres.

AVON PARK TAKES TAMPA FOR A DAY—73 CARS IN MOTORCADE TO THE FAIR

All Avon Park was attending the fair at Tampa Wednesday. Seventy-three cars comprised the motorcade which began leaving about 6 o'clock in the morning, with fifty in the first section. All the stores were closed, and merchant, clerk, professional man, along with the wives, sweethearts and the kiddies moved on to enjoy "Avon Park Day" at the fair.

The cars carried banners and all the folks were wearing Avon Park ribbons.

The affair was arranged by the Board of Trade and for the score or more who plan to stay over Thursday hotel reservations were secured through the Tampa Board of Trade.

THE HEFFNER-VINSON STOCK COMPANY COMING

As announced in their advertisement appearing elsewhere in this issue of the Pilot, the Heffner-Vinson Stock Company will pitch its tent on the Smith property on Main street and will give Avon Park a good entertainment each night next week.

The company comes to Avon Park well recommended and is endorsed by the press of various states, as also by many prominent people elsewhere. The management of the show states that in many instances the company has received the endorsement of the clergy, colleges, schools and men in prominent positions.

In regard to this company the Madison Enterprise-Reporter of Dec. 15 says: "The Heffner-Vinson company is one of the cleanest and best dramatic shows on the road ,as judged from the reports of them, and the people of this section are promised some rare entertainment for the entire week. The performances will include drama, comedy and vaudeville under a large waterproof tent, and will be free from all objectionable features."

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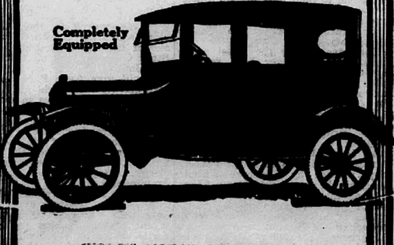

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MOHAMMEDAN RELIGION AND ITS HEAD

The term "Mohammedan," like the term "Christian," was a nickname. Both appellations were given with contemptuous intent by enemies of the two religions. The term "Christian" was quickly adopted by the followers of the Nazarene. The term "Mohammedan" never has been adopted by the followers of the prophet Mohammed. He tried to avoid the employment of his own name by applying one—the name of "Islam"—by which he hoped the religion would be known. He further sought to make this word, meaning "resignation," imply the five cardinal points of the Mohammedan faith. The first of these points was the brief creed, "There is no God but Allah, and Mohammed is his prophet." The other four enjoined prayer, giving of alms, the fast of Ramodan and pilgrimage to Mecca.

Another significant parallel between Christianity and Mohammedanism, according to the National Geographic Society, is that both are the religions of millions of people of races alien to that of the founders. Christ was a Jew; Mohammed was an Arab. Most misleading of all the illusions about Mohammedanism is the tacit assumption that the Mohammedan world is a religious unit. In reality there are two branches of Mohammedanism—the Sunnites and the Shittes. Recent caliphs, who have also been sultans of Turkey, have claimed spiritual supremacy over the Mohammedan world of some 300,000,000 souls. But in actual fact the sultan of Turkey had little more spiritual ascendency over the Mohammedans outside of Turkey than the king of England over the Episcopalians in the United States. In fact, there would have been no Near East problem had his leadership been recognized on the other side of the Bosporus in Asia Minor.

The Mohammedan has no priests. Islam is the most pragmatic of all religions. Heretofore if a caliph did not rule he wasn't a caliph. A spiritual ruler up to now has been incomprehensible to the Moslem mind. In the past he caliphs have sought to rule by the sword. Mohammed was a law-giver, not only in the Mosaic but also in the Justinian sense. There are as many codes of law among Mohammedans as there are sects; and as many kinds of lawyers as there are codes. Among the Sunnites—the Orthodox major division of Islam—there are four schools of law. A Hanafite would as soon engage a Malakite lawyer as a Presbyterian would be likely to employ a Unitarian preacher.

When Mohammed died his counselor, Abu Bekr, the companion of his flight, became caliph. The word "caliph" literally means "successor." "Abu Bekr" means "father of the virgin." He was Mohammed's father-in-law. The second caliph, or successor, was Omar, another father-in-law of the prophet, who started organizing armies and began spreading Islam over the map in a very literal sense. Omar was the first to bear the title "Emir al Moumenin" (Prince of the Faithful). From the first, Ali, husband of Mohammed's daughter, Fatima, considered himself the logical successor to the caliphate. Not until Abu Bekr and Omar had ruled, and another caliph, Othman, had been murdered, as was Omar before him, did Ali become caliph. It was Othman, by the way, who gave the name of "Ottoman" to the Turkish empire.

Two women were the moving spirits in splitting Mohammedanism into two divisions. Ayesha, favorite wife of the prophet, was jealous of his daughter, Fatima, and directed all her efforts on an anti-Ali party. Meantime the group which all along had regarded Ali as the legitimate successor, gained strength during his rule but were kept busy fighting to check the sway the rival party had established. When Ali's son and successor, Hassan, was murdered (probably by the hand of his wife, at the behest of Moawiyah) Moawiyah assumed the calipate, removed its seat to Damascus and started the rule known as "Ommiades." The Shiites accordingly were alienated from the Sunnites or Orthodox Mohammedans because of their reverence for Ali and Hassan, and their belief that the first of the Ommiades and his successors were usurpers and pretenders. Arabian and Persian Mohammedans inclined toward the Shiite faction.

Back in the days of the successor to Moawiyah the inhabitants of Irak rebelled—the same Irak which not long ago launched out again on its national course after electing Emir Feisal as king. Feisal is the third son of the grand sheriff of Mecca. It was during another series of caliphates, that of the Abbasid monachs, that the noted Harun-al-Rashid ruled. It was after his reign that the division of the caliphate among his three sons made the thing into a sort of commission form of government. One son was to rule Arabia and Syria; another Persia and Turkestan, and a third Asia Minor and the Black Sea region. But there was a dispute. Each caliph declared the other a heretic and held himself the lone head of all Islam. How Abul Abbas, first of the Abbasid monarches, had every living male of the Ommiades massacred and then gave a banquet on a great cloth thrown over their bones is but one example of the fantastic cruelty of the centuries-long struggle to be caliph.

As a result of the recent flight of their sultan, the Turks appointed a new caliph, but have not yet decided on a state head. This is the first time in history that the church head has not also been ruler of the empire. —The Pathfinder.

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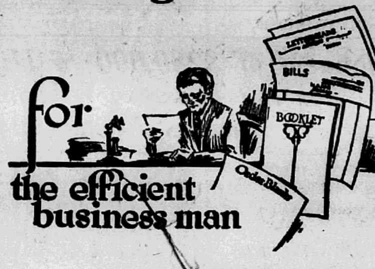

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One egg for every two days in the poorest egg-laying month of the year is the record for each of 25 hens belonging to Lewis Hall of Palm Beach county.

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In her report for November, 1922, which has just been announced, Miss Minnie M. Floyd, poultry specialist conducting the contest, says that Lewis Hall collected 334 eggs the first month, or an average of 13.3 for his 25 hens. His birds are Barred Plymouth Rocks.

Miss Floyd voices the opinion that the contest will be a great success and says that its value will be beyond estimate.

More than a hundred contestants were mentioned in the report for November, which month is said to be about the "deadest" of the year for egg production.

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BIBLE THOUGHT —FOR TODAY—

Bible Thoughts memorized, will prove a priceless heritage in after years.

THE TEMPLE OF GOD—Ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.—2 Corinthians 6:16.

Fair days, these.

Spray to get the white fly.

Half the citrus crop is moved.

Spend a summer this winter in Florida.

Cold wave sweeps eastward—but Avon Park is south.

Now let's start the Highlands exhibit for the 1924 fair.

Some getters—"Uncle Billy" King and this boy Green over at Bradentown.

It was Avon Park day all right. And a gay day, too, for all the gang yesterday.

Bob Hancock believes in justice all right, but we are glad to see that he's got a heart, too.

What we can't see is why Mr. Coue came over here with such a fertile field for "growing better" in Europe.

If all the folks had worked as hard as B. L. Laird and D. F. Canfield we'd had one of the prize exhibits at the fair.

A representative merchant from Madison county wants to levy a state luxury tax and do away with a state tax on real estate. Next?

Canning plant at Eagle Lake had to import 140 workers from the Georgia peach canneries. And the product is just whetting folks' appetites.

Now the express company is asking for higher rates. Look's like they'd get rich enough some time to quit their riotous chase for more money.

McWhorter says he wants to tax the women's hats if they manage to dodge the poll tax. We'd rather not, Mac. You forget who pays the bill, anyway.

We once thought it would be nice to run a job shop in Germany, but then we remembered that the blame marks probably wouldn't meet the payroll after we printed them.

Everybody that sees the Highlands county celery at the Tampa fair immediately forgets Sanford and Manatee, and wonder how we do it. And lots of them will come over to see, too.

California is going to see how we do things in Florida. We'll show them the county that plants more citrus fruit in a year in one county than all California planted in the state.

They say Lenine's pay is only $12 a week now. Some of these folks who think bolshevism and socialism the road to wealth should compare Lenine's promises with what he has reaped.

Gilbert Leach ascribes the flourishing tendencies of the bootlegger in Florida to the fact that we have so few cellars in the state. And lots of the customers left their cellars back home filled with potatoes.

If the guys who started the prediction several weeks ago that the girls would wear their hair longer, had included the men who are rapidly becoming bald, they would have been just about as near right as they are now.

"The Southern Pine Association is the latest to open a publicity bureau with the expectation of securing free advertising," says the Wauchula Advocate. Let 'em come on, George. Their line of dope makes good paper wrappers.

The city council is going to make sure of the bond proposition. If legislative validation, asked by resolution, doesn't do the trick, they'll have a charter amendment anyway that will permit us to do the thing right immediately.

Ambassador Harvey didn't dare do any talking at his banquets at "home," which probably accounts for his gaining seven pounds. If he'd do more eating and less talking abroad he'd gain more in the estimation of folks back home, too.

A Tampa women's wear merchant says he's through with experimenting in trying to sell long skirts. It's about time that mere man learned the American woman isn't going to go crazy over something just because a Frenchman wags his little finger—or a dozen of them for that matter.

St. Petersburg, Tampa, Orlando and Miami are the only towns enjoying a "normal" tourist season this year, so those who know are saying. St. Petersburg, Tampa, Orlando and Miami were about the only towns that did any real advertising last fall, if we remember correctly.

NO TIME TO DELAY

Legtimate haste is the goal in Highlands county's road program right now. There is not a moment to be lost in selling those bonds and asking the bids on the system of road that means so much to the county.

To get the greatest value, the contract for these roads must be let before construction opens in the north and east. Better prices obtain in dull times—and road building is no exception to this rule. Winter days are dull times in national road work. For roads can not be built in the north when snow, slush and sleet must be contended with.

Already there are indications of what is to be expected when construction does open in the north. The Tampa Gas Company has just let the contract for several miles of cast iron pipe. They paid $57 per ton for the same pipe they could have bought two months ago for $39 per ton.

If we linger too long we will be paying ten or fifteen cents a yard more for our asphalt penetration paving.

But, perhaps, the biggest item is the economic value of every month we can have those roads. It is going to take five months or longer to build that road system after the contract is let. With the absolute necessity of having these roads ready for the next fruit season, which means October completion, the contract must be let in April if we are not to risk being delayed in the enjoyment of these roads. That means no time must be lost anywhere along the line for bonds must be validated, advertised, sold and then construction advertised and contracts let.

March 15 would be ideal if it is humanly possible to open bids on road construction that early. That seems hardly possible—so April 1 seems to be the best opportunity within bounds of possibility. Certainly an opening of bids later than the first week in April runs up into risking higher prices and danger of delaying completion too long.

Let us hope the commissioners and their attorneys will be able to make haste at least that rapidly.

COMMISSIONER GREEN IS "ON THE JOB"

"The state road department at its first regular meeting of the new year adopted a budget program prorating expenditure of the money to be spent during the year in the four congressional divisions of the state. A plan of road building, which will make for completion of main highways in the first instance, has been adopted.

"Folks in this section who have followed the news stories from Tallahassee telling about the work of the department in this meeting must have noticed that Hon. E. P. Green of Bradentown, member of the board from the first congressional district, was very much 'on the job.' Unobtrusively, of course, for he is a modest man and avoids the limelight. But Mr. Green was the first of the members of the road department to get the needs of his district recognized and arranged for.

"'Pat' Green is dependable," says the Bradentown Herald and we thoroughly agree with them. "This district made a ten-strike when it secured his services as a member of the state road department. In fact, his presence on that body has been a stabilizer for the department, and his usefulness is by no means confined to the district which he is from, for Mr. Green has a larger vision and it embraces the good of all Florida."

PROOF OF FLORIDA PROSPERITY

The report of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, giving the condition of business and figures for the sixth federal reserve district, which includes Florida, shows this state to be amply fortified to maintain its hitherto widespread boasts that it is prosperous and progressive, says the Tampa Tribune.

The report of the Federal Reserve Bank for the year 1922 shows that Florida's savings bank deposits increased during the year 21.7 per cent; that Florida crops increased in value $15,000,000.

A substantial reduction in the number of business failures is noted; and a steady increase in building permits is shown. Employment shows steady improvement over the whole state; naval stores prices have materially advanced and the industry is in good healthy condition, and "a general tone of optimism rules throughout Florida and business generally anticipates a prosperous season and a prosperous year."

Why shouldn't business anticipate a prosperous year, when the banks have money to lend and are lending it; when the people have a fifth more in savings accounts for development and travel than they had; when the citrus industry is increasing by the million boxes every season; when more money is being invested in lands rural and urban than ever before; when the staple crops of the farms will surpass in value the $60,650,000 worth grown on Florida farms last year; when the manufacturing industries of the state are supplying more goods to a more urgent demand than ever before; when there is no disease or danger facing the people to distract their attention from work and play; when the birth rate far exceeds the death rate, and the immigration to this state from other states exceeds that to most any other section of the country. In short, why shouldn't business in Florida anticipate a prosperous year when the demand for Florida's output in every line so far exceeds the supply that steady and most productive effort will be needed to keep up with the game?

With ten million dollars of road work to be completed; with 130 miles of new railroad across the southern end of the peninsula to be built, and with something near twenty-five million dollars in building of hotels, club houses, apartment houses and homes already announced, it would be surprising indeed, if Florida does not prove to be the most industrially comfortable state in the Union in which to live in 1923.

What Think You?

Lending money to Europe is like making a loan to a man whose check has just come back marked, "N.S.F."

Gone but Not Forgotten

OH, MOM, LOOK AT THE PRETTY VALENTINE SOMEBODY LEFT FOR ME!
ALRIGHT GENEVIEVE, COME IN AN' SHUT TH' DOOR!
Publishers Autocaster Service

"—THE FIRST VALENTINE YOU GAVE A GU-URL!"

THEY LOVE TO BE TRIMMED

Business men of the Halifax country just love to be trimmed by the advertourist. They will bite at any old scheme and hand out their cold cash to every faker that comes along, crowding one another for the privilege of being first to get rid of their coin.

A couple of weeks ago a fine looking young man came to town, invested 50 cents in a loose-leaf album, bought 15 cents worth of old postcards, pasted one on each page and then sold business men the privilege of pasting one of their letter heads under the postcard for $10. With an investment of less than a dollar he quickly accumulated about $300 from business men and then departed for pastures new.

This young man asked the chamber of commerce to approve his scheme. It was so palpably a fake that he was turned down flatly.

But he was not in the least discouraged.

He went right out and gathered in the cash anyway, more than a score of business men of the Halifax country paying him $10 for the privilege of announcing to any who might see his book that they were suckers. Of course very few will ever see the book, so they will get very little advertisement of the fact that they bit.

This is only one of half a dozen schemes that have been worked here this winter already. The total amount of cash paid out to these schemes will probably run into thousands before the winter is over.

The chamber of commerce is unable to stop this fleecing of business men when the business men will not demand the approval of that body before paying out their cash.—Daytona Journal.

WHY THE DYER BILL DIED

Need for an anti-lynch law, such as Representative Dyer proposed in congress, is one of the relics of the dark ages. Mr. Dyer and his fanatical supporters know so little of the existing situation that their ignorance of facts is astounding.

Public opinion has already done more completely the task sought than Mr. Dyer and his laws could have done in forty generations.

In thirty years public opinion has forced the level down 80 per cent. There were 255 lynchings in 1892, distributed through thirty-three states. In 1922 there were only 57 lynchings and only ten states were contributors.

Legal punishment of the mob is not feasible. Even enlightened Illinois has been unable to bring to justice those who murdered in cold blood at Herrin. Public opinion is far more effective and will continue so.

Judge Lynch is under ban, even in the states that have been the most regular in his court and concerted effort is proving effective wherever the fight is taken up.

The figures for certain states where special efforts have been made to curb lynching are cited as particularly encouraging in their assurance that the habit can be overcome when public sentiment and law unite against it. For example, Alabama, with a yearly average of eight lynchings for the forty years, has cut the number to two. Tennessee, with an average of six, had but two last year, and a total of only five in the last four years. Oklahoma and South Carolina, each with an average of four, had but one each in 1922. Louisiana, with an average of nine, has cut the record to three. North Carolina, Virginia, Missouri and Kentucky, each averaging from two to five victims per year for forty years past, had not a single one in 1922.

It has been pointed out that in several states special legislation has been enacted and found very helpful in curbing lynching, among the most effective measures being a state constabulary under the control of the governor, as in Alabama and Tenessee, and provision for the removal of officers who surrender prisoners to mobs, as in Alabama, Florida, Kentucky and South Carolina. These two measures consistently applied, says the commission, will make it possible for any state to reduce lynching to the vanishing point. Only such legislation is feasible. Mr. Dyer's plan was pure bunk.

A "LIVING ROOM"

The state university has been likened to a house consisting of bedroom and a dining room, but without a living room, according to a statement just issued by Dr. James M. Farr of the University of Florida.

"Any survey of the physical equipment of the University of Florida," says Dr. Farr, "would reveal the fact that, for all phases of campus life, except one, somewhat adequate provision has been, or soon will be made. That one lacking phase is, however, of vital importance to the development of the student. While there is provision for the work of the institution in class-rooms, libraries, laboratories and shops; while there are gymnasiums and athletic fields, there is absolutely no place on the campus where students may spend their moments of relaxation or congregate for social, extra-curriculum, or religious activities.

"You would bitterly condemn the judgment of a parent who built a home in which to rear a large family of children if he provided a bedroom and dining room, but omitted in the house any place where the family could congregate. If the children grew up spending their time of leisure on the street corners and in poolrooms or worse places, you would feel that the father was to blame. An almost analogous condition prevails at the university."

Dr. Farr believes that a building devoted to these needs would be an investment on the part of the good people of the state that would repay them a thousand fold, as he says: "There are now 1,252 students, and in the course of a few years there will be over 2,000 of the ablest young men of Florida on the campus. They will be the leaders in every line of activity in the state, their views and their ideals will be the moulding force that will determine the conduct of the coming generation. For their sake and for the sake of society, these young men should get the best in social and spiritual training along with their mental and bodily development. This can not be done unless a suitable place is provided on the campus. The need is extreme and all right thinking and forward looking citizens of the state will support a movement looking to the erection of this building for which the faculty and students of the university are praying."

PLAN TO FENCE CEMETERY—SEAVERNS HEADS ASSOCIATION

The annual meeting of the Avon Park Cemetery Association was held in the reading rooms on Saturday evening at 7:30 o'clock, for the business of electing officers for the ensuing year. The reports of the secretary and treasurer were read and approved.

Discussion of matters relative to the cemetery and the new fence and gateway were discussed and the executive committee was authorized to get prices on same. The matter of a new sexton was also discussed. The following officers were elected: Herbert Seaverns, president; S. F. Tucker, secretary; H. Woodruff, treasurer.

The executive committee was as follows: Mrs. J. S. Rogers, Mrs. J. P. Canfield and Mrs. J. Lewiston and the officers.

PIONEER SETTLER HERE DIES AT HOME AFTER A LONG AND USEFUL LIFE

S. A. Hessler, one of the earliest pioneers in the Avon Park section, died late Wednesday at his home here and was laid to rest in the cemetery here yesterday morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Hessler, who was 62 years old, was a native of New Jersey, but came here twenty-nine years ago and has had a long and useful carreer in the community.

He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. J. W. Tuten, Avon Park, and another daughter, Mrs. Emma Carlson, Newark, N. J.

Free Fish Fry
PUNTA GORDA
Thursday February 15

Everybody who likes fish is invited to come and spend the day with us. There will be an abundance of fried fish with "trimmin's" to suit. Hop in the Lizzie and come on. The roads may not be like velvet all the way—but you'll be glad you came. Remember the date—Thursday, February 15th.

TOURISTS HAVE A SPECIAL INVITATION

Punta Gorda Commercial Club

2X5
$12.00

S. R. HART FURNITURE CO. SEBRING FLORIDA

FEBRUARY SALE
Unusual Bargains

SALE CLOSES FEBRUARY 15

DRESSERS
Golden Oak Dressers, made to stand the strain of years of usage. Perfect joints, good sound wood (where it doesn't show) but where it counts most. This furniture is not bought for sales, but is high-grade regular stock. We stand back of it. They are sold regularly from $25 up, and worth every cent of it. But at this sale they are..........$18.50 Up

STEEL ARMY COTS
A large shipment of steel Army Cots must be closed out. These represent an opportunity that may never come again. The most comfortable cot to be had and the most easily kept clean. No place for vermin to hide. First come, first served, at..........$1.98

20 Per Cent Off On All Furniture

4X6
$5.00

In the World of Women

MR. AND MRS. JOE LANDER RETURN FROM HONEYMOON

Mr. and Mrs. Joe A. Lander, who were married at Kissimmee late last week, have returned home here after a honeymoon spent at the watering resorts along the West Coast. The newlyweds will make their home with the bride's mother, Mrs. L. E. Bass, at their lovely home on Lake Lotela. The welcoming party was taken unawares by the return of the couple a day ahead of time, but probably will get busy on the business of a welcome before the present week ends .

The Kissimmee Valley Gazette says of the wedding:

"Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock Miss Roberta Bass was married to Joseph A. Lander, at the residence of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Lander, at 316 Church street. Mr. Lander officiated at the wedding.

"The home was very prettily and tastily decorated with potted plants, bignonia and other floral decorations from the rosery of Miss Jean Caldwell, whose artistic talent made the scene a most beautiful one. Mrs. King, a guest at the Lander home, assisted in the decorations.

"Mrs. J. E. West rendered Mendelssohn's wedding march. Mr. Lander, taking his place as clergyman, was followed by Mrs. Lulu Bass and Mrs. Lander, mothers of the bride and groom, as matrons of honor, and little Walter Nelson, flower boy. The ceremony was an impressive one, being one which Mr. Lander has used for a number of years and took place in the presence of B. C. Miller and family, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Porter, Mrs. S. Vernon Porter and the parents of the bride and groom.

"The bride is the daughter of the first sheriff of Osceola county, and has a large number of friends in Kissimmee, where she lived before her residence in Avon Park. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. David Lander.

"After the ceremony refreshments were served, and Mr. and Mrs. Lander left by automobile for Bradentown. They are spending today in Tampa, and will be at home tomorrow at Avon Park."

FIVE NEW FORDS SOLD

Five new flivvers are noticeable about town this week, the Wolff Motor Company having placed them during the past few days and sale of a tractor to Willie Williams, Fort Bassenger is also announced. Mr. Williams will use the tractor on his big farm and grove. The new owners are: Charles H. Moffett and the McArtan Turpentine Company of Avon Park; L. F. Moore, Frostproof, and John C. Taylor, a winter visitor from Kentucky.

LUNCHEON FOR ENTERTAINERS

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Caldwell entertained the artists after the recital Thursday evening with a lunch served at the Florida Pharmacy.

The following guests enjoyed the delicious lunch and the hospitality of the host and hostess: Mesdames J. B. Waller, Robert Guise, R. T. McLamore, the honorees, and Mrs. J. Mickler, Mr. and Mrs. I. C. M. Ellenberger, J. B. Waller, Eldred Starkey, Fred Ley and Misses Sadie and Mildred Myers and Alice Dutton.

BAPTIST W. M. S. MEETS

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Baptist church met in the church parlor Tuesday afternoon. Forty-six members were present, including the Verona Circle and Circle A. After the usual business meeting a very interesting program was offered by Circle A.

Delicious refreshments of salad, coffee and cakes were served by the Verona Circle.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

There will be divine service in the Church of the Redeemer next Sunday, Feb. 11, as usual. In the morning the subject of the sermon will be, "What Is Man?" The sacrament of the Holy Communicion will be administered, after the morning sermon. Services at night as usual. Are are cordially invited to worship with us.

J. Thomas Murrish, D.D.,Ph.D., rector.

MOTOR TRUCK ORGANIZER HERE

W. F. Willithorne, representative of the Motor Truck Association, spent several days in the city the last of the week with W. E. Rutherford, local representative. The association, which was formed last April in Orland, has met with much success, according to Mr. Willithorne. The purpose of the organization is "constructive legislation."

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SLUMBER PARTY ENJOYED

Miss Bertha Cameron was hostess to a number of friends at a slumber party Friday night. A delicious midnight lunch was served, after which the party took a trip to the Land of Nod. Those present were Misses Nona Crews, Juanita Adams, Ora Hargraves, Elizabeth Clark and Lois Wood.

VISITING LAND OF MANATEE

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Raab and Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Winter are spending this week-end in the Land of Manatee. They motored to Bradentown after visiting the fair at Tampa and are also visiting Oneco, Sarasota and other points of interest, planning to return to Avon Park Monday.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

H. L. Girtman of Philadelphia was transacting business in the city Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Johnson were at the Poinsettia Tuesday from Fort Pierce.

Rev. Elmer Albritton, who is now in Lake Wales, was greeting friends in the city Friday.

Regular services will be held in the Brickell auditorium Sunday at 7:30 p. m. The subject of the sermon will be, "Paradise Regained." You are cordially invited to worship with us.

J. L. Yonce, pastor.

B. Hollinsworth of Fort Lauderdale was a business visitor in the city the first of the week.

Miss Myrtle Jack spent Friday and Saturday in Sebring as relief help at the First National Bank.

Mrs. Mable Sachs of Columbus, O., is spending the winter here with her niece, Miss Maxine Hilton.

Wm. Hilton, who is attending the Tampa Business College, spent the week-end in the city with relatives.

F. S. Jordon and family, who have been in Jacksonville for several days visiting relatives, returned home Monday.

Chas. N. Ott, prominent merchant, left Sunday for St. Louis on a buying expedition. He will be gone ten days.

J. F. Fender of Eustis, Fla., arrived in the city Monday. Mr. Fender is to operate a turpentine still near here.

Mr. and Mrs. William Dart, Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Bennett of Sunset Camp, Racquette Lake, N. Y., Miss Rause of Mohawk, N. Y., and Miss Evans of Darts, N. Y., spent Monday and Tuesday at Punta Gorda sightseeing.

J. P. Davis, prominent business man of Taylorsville, Ga., was in the city the first of the week, looking over his holdings here.

Olin Clark, popular young man attending Rollins College, is spending the first of the week in the city visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Skipper and Miss Myrtle Jack were Tampa visitors over the week-end. Miss Vida Skipper joined them at Lakeland.

Ohio contributed Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Bates, well known Dayton folks, to the colony of winter visitors at the Penn-Carol hotel during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tyler Merwin entertained Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Bennett of Racquette Lake, N. Y., and Miss Tause of Mahawk, N. Y., last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Capron, prominent Kansas City, Mo., people are visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Marshall for the remainder of the winter at their lovely home on Lake Lotela.

Rev. and Mrs. Bruce of Pasadena, Cal., called on Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dart Wednesday afternoon. They were old friends and were en route to Miami where they expect to spend a short time.

Among the week's visitors were Mr. and Mrs. I. P. Arnick, well known Philadelphians, who made the Poinsettia their headquarters while they mingled business with pleasure in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Wilson, prominent people of Fort Meade, spent Sunday in the city as guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Roberts. They were accompanied by Mrs. George Adkins of Birmingham, Ala.

From Adairsville, Ga., Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Graves are among the latest arrivals in the Metropolis of the Ridge. Mr. and Mrs. Graves are guests of the C. P. Turners, Mr. Turner being Mrs. Graves' brother. They will be here until April.

Interesting visitors yesterday included Mrs. G. R. Meredith, Valrico, and Mrs. J. R. Manning, Cedar Rapids, Ia., who motored here from Valrico. They are touring the Ridge section and are particularly impressed with the Avon Park district. They were at the Poinsettia.

W. R. Keene, New York, is among the winter visitors in the heart of the Ridge. Mr. Keene, a prominent tool manufacturer, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Williams here. He and Mr. Williams are interested jointly in an orange grove, and the visitor is more than pleased with the development here. It has been three years since Mr. Keene was here before and he hardly knew what to think when he saw the changes wrought along Main street in that time.

LOOK!----COMING

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Dramas—Vaudeville—Comedy Under Big Tent at Avon Park, All One Week, Beginning

Monday, February 12th

Opening Play

"Home and Honor"

JIMMIE HEFFNER
That Funny Comedian

4 Acts and Vaudeville

Entire Change Each Night

LADIES FREE the first night when accompanied by adult with one paid ticket.

A Beautiful Diamond Ring given FREE to the most popular lady attending our show.

Popular Prices

Adults 31c, tax 4c, 35c
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BEATRICE LEROY
The Popular Leading Lady

Doors Open at 7:15

Show Starts at 8 o'Clock

150 LAUGHS IN 150 MINUTES

SPECIAL SEATS FOR COLORED PEOPLE

Come Monday Night and You'll Come Every Night

3X15
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in Avon Park is paying particular attention to the needs of the community in the drug line—is devoting the major portion of its attention to the legitimate prescription and drug business.

Our friends apparently appreciate this specialty work—this devotion to their needs when in bad health.

At least one drug store is likewise paying no commission on prescription business.

THE PRESCRIPTION IS YOURS

and most of you are discovering the desirability of bringing your prescription to the store that is specializing in prescription work and soliciting it on a service basis.

A registered pharmacist in charge of our prescription counter at all times means exactness in the all important question of medicine.

This service costs no more.

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IN THE
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J. B. STRINGFELLOW, Manager

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2X7½
$3.00

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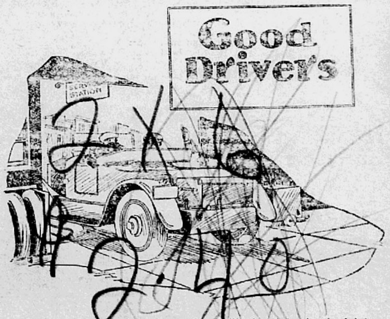

Drivers of automobiles know the thrill of satisfaction in driving a smooth purring engine. But some drivers never learn the importance of a regular over-hauling to keep engines in first-class condition.

Good drivers know. That is the reason they are "good drivers." When a knock in mechanism develops they drive at once to a first-class garage. It is a precaution which keeps their car on the roads long after the thoughtless owner's car is in the scrap heap.

"SERVICE THAT SATISFIES"

Standard Garage

2X6
$2.40

LEGAL NOTICE

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

D. F. Canfield, Complainant, vs. Mary C. Burleigh, et al., Defendants.

To the Defendants herein: Mary C. Burleigh, John C. Burleigh, Frank Cullen, Oliver M. Crosby, William Becherle, Joseph Schuldice, Abbie R. Dodge, Elizabeth B. Wilson, Robert Waters, Florida Development Company, Highlands Orange Grove Company, David S. Porter and Marie Butterfield, if living, and if dead to all persons claiming an interest under the said Mary C. Burleigh, John C. Burleigh, Frank Cullen, Oliver M. Crosby, William Becherle, Joseph Schuldice, Abbie R. Dodge, Elizabeth B. Wilson, Robert Waters, Florida Development Company, Highlands Orange Grove Company, David S. Porter and Marie Butterfield, whether as heirs, devisees, grantees or otherwise, and all persons unknown to Complainant, claiming an interest in the following described lands, to-wit: Lot Twelve (12), Block Seventy-eight (78), Section Twenty-two (22), Township Thirty-three (33) South, Range Twenty-eight (28) East, and Lot Nine (9), Block Forty (40), in Section Twenty-two (22), Township Thirty-three (33) South, Range Twenty-eight (28), East, as shown by the recorded plat of Avon Park, all of said lands being in Highlands County, Florida.

It appearing by sworn bill and affidavit of Complainant, filed in this cause, that he does not know and has been unable to ascertain whether you and each of you are alive or deceased, and if alive you are a resident of a State other than the State of Florida; that your place of residence is unknown to Complainant, that you and each of 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 this cause.

This is, therefore, to require you and each of you to be and appear to said Bill of Complaint at the office of the Clerk of the above styled Court at Sebring, in Highlands County, State of Florida, on or before the 22nd day of March, A. D. 1923, and in default of such appearance, you are notified that the allegations in said bill 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 eight consecutive weeks next preceeding said appearance day.

Given under my hand and seal at Sebring, Florida, this 17th day of January, A. D. 1923.

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

A. E. LAWRENCE,
Solicitor for Complainant.

J25-F1-8-15-22-M1-8-15-22

LEGAL NOTICE

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

Gurdon W. Smith, Complaint, vs. Robert Thompson, et al, Defendant.

To the Defendants Herein: Robert Thompson, if living, and if dead to all persons claiming an interest under the said Robert Thompson, deceased, whether as heirs, devisees, grantees or otherwise, and to all persons unknown to Complainant claiming an interest in the following described lands, to-wit: Lot 2, Block 7, Section 15, Township 33 South, Range 28 East.

It appearing by sworn bill and affidavit of That your place of residence is unknown to Complainant, that you and each of you are Complainant's solicitors, filed in this cause, that they do not know and have been unable to ascertain whether you and each of you are dead or alive, and if alive you are a resident of a state, other than the State of Florida, 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.

This is therefore to require you and each of you to be and appear to said bill of complaint at the office of the Clerk of the above styled Court at Sebring, Florida, on or before the 5th day of March, A. D. 1923, and in default of such appearance you are notified that the allegations in the said bill 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 eight consecutive weeks next preceeding said appearance day.

Given under my hand and seal at Sebring, Florida, this 30th day of December, A. D. 1922.

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

WHITEHURST & WHITEHURST,
Solicitors for Complainant.

J4-11-18-25-F1-8-15-22-M1

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that there will be presented to the Legislature of the State of Florida in the session of 1923, for enactment on behalf of the Town of Avon Park, Highlands County, Florida, an Act reading as follows:

An Act to Legalize, Ratify, Confirm and Validate the Acts and Proceedings of the Town of Avon Park, Highlands County, Florida, and Its Town Council, Officers and Agents, Relating to the Issuance of

Municipal Street Bonds in the sum of sixty thousand dollars ($60,000.00).

Park Bonds in the sum of five thousand dollars ($5,000.00).

Refunding Bonds in the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000.00).

All in accordance with Ordinance No. 74, adopted by the Town Council on the 8th day of March, A. D. 1922, and the Acts and Ordinances passed in pursuance thereof.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida.

Section 1. That all acts and proceedings of the Town of Avon Park, Highlands County, Florida, and its Town Council, officers and agents relating to the issuance of

Municipal Street Bonds in the sum of sixty thousand dollars ($60,000.00) for the the purpose of opening, widening, grading, paving and hard-surfacing streets of said town.

Park Bonds in the sum of five thousand dollars ($5,000.00), for the purpose of purchasing lands therefor, and establishing parks and properly lighting the same, and for the upkeep and improvements on said parks.

Refunding Bonds in the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000.00) for the purpose of paying off certain indebtedness now existing in said Town, provided for in the Ordinance duly passed on the 8th day of October, 1922, and subsequent Ordinances and Resolutions relating to the issuance of said bonds, and levying an assessment of a tax sufficient to provide for a sinking fund and interest thereon, and all acts and proceedings done and to be done in connection therewith, and otherwise relating thereto, be and the same are hereby declared to b legally sufficient, and are hereby in all respects approved, legalized, ratified, confirmed and validated. Notwithstanding any want of statutory power or authority and any defect, irregularity and omission in such acts and proceedings; and the said bonds issued and to be issued are hereby declared to be a lien upon all of the property in the said Town of Avon Park; and if the amount of said bonds respectively be not paid as and when the same mature, with interest thereon, the said purchasers thereof may enforce and collect the same as provided by law.

And all taxable property in the said Town of Avon Park shall be liable to an annual tax for the payment of the interest and principal of said Bonds remaining outstanding and unpaid; and the Town Council shall each year levy and collect all such tax upon all the taxable property of said Town, that said be sufficient to pay the interest and principal of said bonds as and when the same respectively become due and payable.

Section 2. The provisions of this Act shall be construed to be remedial and curative of any defect or want of statutory power or authority in any act or proceedings heretofore done or to be done by the said Town of Avon Park, or its Town Council, officers or agents in relation to said bonds, each and every

Municipal Street Bonds in the sum of sixty thousand dollars ($60,000.00).

Park Bonds in the sum of five thousand dollars ($5,000.00).

Refunding Bonds in the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000.00).

And assessment proceedings, and the same are hereby in all respects approved, legalized, ratified, confirmed and validated.

Section 3. This Act shall take effect immediately upon its becoming a law.

This notice is given pursuant to the requirements of the Constitution and Laws of the State of Florida, as well as resolution adopted at a meeting of the Town Council, held in the council chamber on the 31st day of January, A. D. 1923, by the terms of which said resolution the officers of said Town were directed to give this notice. This January 31st, A. D. 1923.

TOWN OF AVON PARK.
By M. C. WHITEHURST,
Mayor Pro Tem.

Attest:
G. L. CREWS, Clerk.

F1-8-15-22-M1-8-15-22-29

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that there will be presented to the Legislature of the State of Florida in the Session of 1923, for enactment on behalf of the Town of Avon Park, Highlands County, Florida, an Act to read as follows:

An Act to amend Section 8 of Chapter No. 7131 of the Acts of the Legislature of the State of Florida for the year 1915, being an Act entitled

"An Act Granting Additional Rights, Powers and Privileges to the Town of Avon Park, DeSoto County, Florida, in Addition to Its Present Town Charter, and Prescribing a Method for the Issuance of Bonds in Said Town, and Amending in Certain Respects Its Present Charter, and Ratifying the Present Assessment of Taxes in said Town."

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Sec. 8. Whenever it shall be deemed advisable to issue bonds for any of the following purposes:

For raising money for the construction, maintenance or equipment of waterworks; for the purpose of constructing, operating, extending and maintaining a sewerage system, or otherwise promoting the health of the municipality; for the purpose of opening, widening, grading, and paving streets or sidewalks of the town, or for the purpose of opening, purchasing, constructing or maintaining public parks and promenades; for the purpose of erecting school houses, and maintaining a system of public education in the town, or for the purpose of erecting, maintaining or equipping a public library; for the purpose of establishing a fire department for the said town; for the purpose of building or purchasing an electric or other illuminating plant for the use of the town; for the purpose of erecting, equipping or maintaining a public hospital or any other charitable institution; for the purpose of refunding the indebtedness of said town, or for any one or more of the said purposes.

The Mayor and Town Council are hereby authorized to issue bonds of the town, under seal of the municipality, to an amount not to exceed twenty per cent (20%) of the total assessed valuation of said town to be determined by the assessment next preceding the time at which the issue of said bonds is authorized, which said bonds, when issued, shall be signed by the Mayor and countersigned by the President of the Town Council, and attested by the Town Clerk, with interest coupons accompanying same, which shall be signed in like manner, provided, however, that before said bonds shall be issued, their issuance shall be approved by an affirmative vote of a majority of the electors of the town voting at an election duly called for the purpose by the Town Council, which election shall be regulated in all respects by an ordinance of the town. Such election shall be advertised for not less than four weeks prior to the date upon which it shall be held, in a newspaper published in the Town of Avon Park, and in case no newspaper is published in the Town of Avon Park, by posting same in five (5) public places in said town for a period of not less than four (4) weeks, the contents of said notice to be determined upon by the Town Council, and at said election only qualified electors of the Town of Avon Park shall be allowed to vote, without regard as to ownership of real estate.

Sec. 2. This Act shall take effect immediately upon its becoming a law.

This notice is given pursuant to the requirements of the Constitution and Laws of the State of Florida, as well as Resolution adopted at a meeting of the Town Council held in the council chamber on the 31st day of January, A. D. 1923, by the terms of which said resolution the officers of said town were directed to give this notice. This January 31st, A. D. 1923.

TOWN OF AVON PARK.
By M. C. WHITEHURST,
Mayor Pro Tem.

Attest:
G. L. CREWS, Clerk.

F-1-8-15-22-M-1-8-15-22-29

LEGAL NOTICE

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

W. O. McGeer and E. A. McGeer, Complainants, vs. Charles H. Wingerford and C. H. Hungerford, Defendants.

To the Defendants herein: Charles H. Wingerford and C. H. Hungerford, if living and if deceased to all persons claiming an interest under them, whether as heirs, devisees, grantees or otherwise, and all persons unknown to Complainants claiming an interest in the following described lands, to-wit: The North half (N½) of Lot One (1), in Block (15), in Section Fifteen (15), in Township Thirty-three (33), Range Twenty-eight (28) East, according to the Town Plat of the Town of Avon Park, all of said lands being situated in Highlands County, Florida.

It appearing by a sworn bill and affidavit o fone of the Complainants, filed in this cause, that he does not know and has been unable to ascertain whether you and each of you are alive or deceased and if alive you are a resident other than the State of Florida; that the place of residence of C. H. Hungerford, if alive is at No. 612 Traction Building, Cincinnati, Ohio; that the place of residence of Charles H. Wingerford and all unknown Defendants is unknown to Complainant, that you and each of you are over the age of twenty-one years and that there is no person in the State of Florida service of subpoena upon whom would bind you or either of you and relief being sought against you and each of you in this cause, this is therefore to require you and each of you to be and appear to said bill of complaint at the office of the Clerk of the above styled Court at Sebring, in Highlands County, State of Florida, on or before the 30th day of March, A. D. 1923, and in default of such appearance, you are hereby notified that the allegationse in said bill 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 eight consecutive weeks next preceding said appearance day.

Given under my hand and seal at Sebring, Florida, this 31st day of January, A. D. 1923.

C. F. SAUNDERS,
Clerk of Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida.

A. E. LAWRENCE,
Solicitor for Complainants.

F-1-8-15-22-M-1-8-15-22-29

LEGAL NOTICE

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

William King, Complainant, vs. William H. Thatcher et al, Defendants.

To the Defendants herein: William H. Thatcher, Ida S. Thatcher, C. S. Thatcher, Roselba P. Thatcher, But D. Isenhour, Atha Isenhour, Charles H. Isenhour, Mable A. Isenhour, Louis P. Newman, Susie M. Newman, Brommie Copeland, R. Dugal Hall, trustee, Charles A. Brown, Abbie R. Dodge, Helene Kobold, Cora Gertrude Allen, if living and if dead, all parties claiming an interest under the said William H. Thatcher, Ida S. Thatcher, C. S. Thatcher, Roscalba P. Thatcher, Burt D. Isenhour, Atha Isenhour, Charles H. Isenhour, Mable A. Isenhour, Louis P. Newman, Susie M. Newman, Brommie Copeland, R. Dugal Hall, trustee, Charles A. Brown, Abbie R. Dodge, Helene Kobold, Cora Gertrude Allen, deceased, whether as heirs, devisees, grantees or otherwise, in and to the following described property, situate and being in the County of Highlands and the State of Florida, to-wit: Lots 1 and 4 in Block 54, Lots 5 and 7, 10 and 11 in Block 68, Lots 19 and 22 in Block 69 in Section 22, and the West one-half of Lot 14 in Block 4, Section 23, of Township 33 South, Range 28 East.

It appearing by sworn bill and affidavit of Complaint's solicitors, filed in this cause, that they do not know and have been unable to ascertain whether you and each of 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 to Complainant, that you and each of 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 in this cause by the Complainant.

This is, therefore, to require you and each of you to be and appear to said Bill of Complain at the office of the Clerk of the above styled Court at Sebring, Florida, on or before the 2nd day of April, A. D. 1923, and in default of such appearance you are notified that the allegations in the said bill 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 eight consecutive weeks next preceeding the said appearance day.

Given under my hand and seal at Sebring, Florida, this 30th day of January, A. D. 1923.

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

WHITEHURST & WHITEHURST,
Solicitors for Complainant.

F1-8-15-22-M-1-8-15-22-29

NOTICE

Transcript of meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Avon Park, Highlands County, Florida, held in the council room on the 31st day of January, A. D. 1923, at 4 o'clock p. m.

The President called the meeting to order. Upon roll call it was determined that the following Councilmen were present: A. E. Connoley, J. V. Chapman and C. H. Moffett.

Whereupon Council J. V. Chapman introduced the following Resolution:

"Resolved that the Mayor and Clerk of said Town be and they are hereby authorised and directed to give such notice as is required by law of the intention of the council, through its proper officers, to apply to the Legislature of the State of Florida convening in 1923, for the enactment of certain Acts legalising, ratifying, confirming, approving and validating the acts of said town, its officers and agents, in connection with those heretofore done and to be done in relation to the issuance of Municipal Street Bonds in the sum of sixty thousand dollars ($60,000.00).

Park Bonds in the sum of five thousand dollars ($5,000.00).

Refunding Bonds in the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000.00).

As heretofore voted on in pursuance to Ordinance No. 74, adopted by the Town Council on the 8th day of March, A. D. 1922, and subsequent ordinances, notices, acts and doings of said Town Council, its officers and agents, under, by virtue of and pursuant to the terms thereof.

Also for the enactment of certain Acts to amend Sec. 8 of Chapter 7131 of the Acts of the Legislature of the State of Florida for the year 1915, being an Act entitled:

"An Act Granting Additional Rights, Powers and Privileges to the Town of Avon Park, DeSoto County, Florida, in Addition to Its Present Town Charter, and Prescribing a Method for the Issuance of Bonds in Said Town, and Amending in Certain Respects Its Present Charter, and Ratifying the Present Assessment of Taxes in Said Town."

Which said Resolution, upon motion of Councilman J. V. Chapman, duly seconded, was unanimously adopted, all present voting therefor.

F1-8-15-22-M-1

LEGAL NOTICE

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

The Town of Avon Park, Florida, a Municipal Corporation, vs. W. M. Diamond, E. W. Daniel and A. Ellison.

To All Whom It May Concern:

To the Defendant herein, E. W. Daniel: It appearing from the petition filed herein that you are a resident of a state other than the State of Florida and that your place of residence is Dickson, Tennessee, and relief being sought against you in this cause.

You are, therefore, commanded to be and appear before the Circuit Court for the Twelfth Judicial Circuit of Florida, in and for Highlands County, at the office of the Clerk of said Court on the 24th day of February, A. D. 1923, to show what right, title and interest you have in and to the following described property:

The North Five Feet of Lot Thirteen (13) in Block Fifty-six (56) in Section Twenty-two (22), Township Thirty-three (33) South, Range Twenty-eight (28) East.

And to show cause why the aforesaid property should not be taken for the purpose set forth in the petition filed herein.

Given under my hand and seal this 30th day of January, A. D. 1923.

(Seal) C. F. SAUNDERS,
Clerk of Circuit Court, Twelfth Circuit of Florida.

OTIS WHITEHURST,
Attorney for Petitioner.

F1-8-15-22

LEGAL NOTICE

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

George W. Crowell, Complainant, vs. Clara D. Farrow, et al, Defendants.

To the Defendants herein: Clara D. Farrow, joined by her husband, Edward S. Farrow; F. W. Hopkins and wife, Feraby C. Hopkins; Florida Development Company, a corporation, and Paul G. Crippen, if living and if dead, their heirs, devisees, grantees or other claimants under the said Clara D. Farrow, F. W. Hopkins and wife Feraby C. Hopkins and Florida Development Company, a corporation, in and to the following described property, situate in the County of Highlands and the State of Florida, to-wit: Lots 1 and 2 in Block 11, Section 15, Township 33 South, Range 28 East. And to all persons unknown to Complainant claiming an interest in the said lands.

It appearing by sworn bill and affidavit of Complainant's solicitors, filed in this cause, that they do not know and have been unable to ascertain whether you or either of you are dead or alive. That if alive you are a resident of a state other than the State of Florida; that your place of residence is to Complainant unknown; that you and each of 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 this cause by the Complainant.

This is, therefore, to require you and each of you to be and appear to said bill of Complaint at the office of the Clerk of the above styled Court at Sebring, Florida, on or before the 2nd day of April, A. D. 1923, and in default of such appearance you are notified that the allegations in the said Bill of Complaint 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 eight consecutive weeks next preceeding the said appearance day.

Given under my hand and seal this the 30th day of January, A. D. 1923.

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

WHITEHURST & WHITEHURST,
Solicitors for Complainant.

F-1-8-15-22-M-1-8-15-22-29

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the stockholders of the Pittsburgh-Florida Fruit Growers Association, a corporation, that a special meeting of said stockholders will be held at the Company's offices in the Town of Avon Park, Florida, on the 24th day of February, 1923, at ten o'clock a. m., for the following purposes:

1st. To increase the authorized capital stock of said corporation from $1,500,000.00 to $2,000,000.00.

2nd. To amend the charter so as to authorize the Company to incur indebtedness up to $1,000,000.00.

3rd. To amend the charter so as to authorize the Directors in their discretion to issue and sell bonds convertible into stock or carrying a stock purchase privilege and such other provisions as the Board of Directors may authorize, and authorizing the sale of such bonds to such persons or corporations as the said Board of Directors shall see fit, and at such price and upon such terms as the Board shall determine without first offering such bonds to the stockholders for purchase, or procuring waivers from the stockholders as a pre-requisite to the sale of such bonds to persons other than stockholders, and to secure payment thereof by mortgage, trust deed or otherwise, on the property, both real and personal, of the Company; and providing an interest and sinking fund for the retirement of said bonds.

4th. Such other and further matters in any way incidental to or connected with the foregoing, as may be brought before said meeting.

Dated this 22nd day of January, 1923, by order of the Board of Directors.

C. P. ANDERSON,
President.

J25-F1-8-15

NOTICE OF MASTER'S SALE

Notice is hereby given that under and pursuant to a final decree heretofore entered on the Chancery side of the Circuit Court for Twelfth Judicial Circuit of the State of Florida, for Highlands County, wherein A. D. Roberts was Complainant and Gussie Hatchell and W. A. Hatchell were Defendants, I will offer for sale, at the west door of the Court House for Highlands County, at Sebring, Florida, between the legal hours for sale, on the 5th day of March, A. D. 1923, the following described property, to-wit: Lots 3, 8 and 9 of the West Side Beach Subdivision of all of Lots 10 and 15 and all east of the railroad right-of-way in Lot 11, Block 3, of Section 26, Township 33 South, Range 28 East.

Said sale being for the purpose of satisfying said final decree and costs.

A. E. LAWRENCE,
Special Master.

F-1-8-15-22-M-1

LEGAL NOTICE

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

S. B. Galley, Complainant, vs. Mary A. Brady, et al, Defendant.

To the Defendants Herein: Emma H. Gardner and husband Frederick Gardner, Mary A. Brady, A. M. McGregor, Edward R. Fay, John N. Fay, Josephine F. Lee and husband Frank H. Lee, Mary A. Piggott and husband James P. Piggott, Anna Wadhams and husband Darwin Wadhams, as heirs at law of Thomas F. Fay, deceased, and Angus M. McDonald, as executor of the last will of Abbie R. Dodge, deceased, if living, and if dead to all persons claiming an interest under the said Emma H. Gardner and husband Frederick Gardner, Mary A. Brady, A. M. McGregor, Edward R. Fay, John N. Fay, Josephine F. Lee and husband Frank H. Lee, Mary A. Piggott and husband James P. Piggott, Anna Wadhams and husband Darwin Wadhams, as heirs at law of Thomas F. Fay, deceased, and Angus M. McDonald as executor of the last will of Abbie R. Dodge, deceased, whether as heirs, devisees, grantees or otherwise, and to all persons unknown to Complainant claiming an interest in the following described lands, to-wit: Lots 1 and 2 in Block 8, Section 23, Township 33 South, Range 28 East.

It appearing by sworn bill and affidavit of Complainant's solicitors, filed in this cause, that they do not know and have been unable to ascertain whether you and each of you are dead or alive, and if alive you are a resident of a state other than the State of Florida. That your place of residence is unknown to Complainant, that you and each of 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.

This is therefore to require you and each of you to be and appear to said bill of complaint at the office of the Clerk of the above styled Court at Sebring, Florida, on or before the 5th day of March, A. D. 1923, and in default of such appearance you are notified that the allegations in the said bill 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 eight consecutive weeks next preceeding said appearance day.

Given under my hand and seal at Sebring, Florida, this 30th day of December, A. D. 1922.

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

WHITEHURST & WHITEHURST,
Solicitors for Complainant.

J4-11-18-25-F1-7-14-22-M1

LEGAL NOTICE

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

Norton T. Smith, Complainant, vs. William C. Comstock, et al, Defendants.

To the Defendants Herein: William C. Comstock; Clara D. Farrow and Edward S. Farrow, her husband; James Dickinson and James G. Carter, as receiver of the firm of R. G. Metcalf & Company, if living and if dead to all persons claiming an interest under the said William C. Comstock; Clark D. Farrow and Edward S. Farrow, her husband; James Dickinson and James G. Carter, as receiver of the firm of R. G. Metcalf & Company, deceased, whether as heirs, devisees, grantees or otherwise, and to all persons unknown to Complainant, claiming an interest in the following described lands, to-wit: Lot 3, Block 11, Section 15, and the West half of Lot 1, Block 2, Section 23, all in Township 33 South, Range 28 East.

It appearing by sworn bill and affidavit of Complainant's solicitors, filed in this cause, that they do not know and have been unable to ascertain whether you and each of you are dead or alive and if alive you are a resident of a state other than the State of Florida. That your place of residence is unknown to Complainant, that you and each of 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.

This is therefore to require you and each of you to be and appear to said bill of complaint at the office of the Clerk of the above styled Court at Sebring, Florida, on or before the 5th day of March, A. D. 1923, and in default of such appearance you are notified that the allegations in the said bill 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 eight consecutive weeks next preceeding said appearance day.

Given under my hand and seal at Sebring, Florida, this 30th day of December, A. D. 1922.

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

WHITEHURST & WHITEHURST,
Solicitors for Complainant.

J4-11-18-25-F1-8-15-22-M1

SHERIFF'S SALE NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of an execution issued out of and under the seal of the Circuit Codrt fo rthe Twelfth Judicial Circuit of Florida, in and for Highlands County, in that certain cause therein pending, wherein W. W. Whitehurst was Plaintiff and D. G. Skipper, H. B. Smith and L. H. Park were Defendants, I have levied upon all the right, title and interest of the said L. H. Park in and to the following described property: Lot 16 in Block 58, Section 22, Township 33, Range 28, and I will offer the same for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash at the west door of the Court House in Sebring, Florida, on the 5th day of March, A. D. 1923.

R. H. HANCOCK,
Sheriff of Highlands County, Florida.

F1-8-15-22-M-1

NOTICE

Tax Assessor's Rounds for 1923
Sebring, Fla., Jan. 1, 1923.

I will be at the different precincts as scheduled below on the dates named to assess taxes for the year 1923. The law provides that each property owner make a tax return to the tax assessor of all their property. It is important that each and every owner of either real or personal property see me or send in their return between now and April 1st:

Venus, Tuesday, Feb. 20.
Hicoria, Wednesday, Feb. 21.
Lake Stearns, Thursday, Feb. 22.
Bassenger, Monday, Feb. 26.
DeSoto City, Wednesday, Feb. 28.
Avon Park, March 1 and 2.
Sebring, March 5, 6 and 7.

CYRIL BALDWIN,
Tax Assessor Highlands County.

J4-A1

NOTICE

To the Property Owners and Taxpayers of Avon Park:

In accordance with the ordinances of the Town of Avon Park notice is hereby given that I will be in the council room on Wednesdays and Saturdays of each week from 9 to 11 a. m. and from 2 to 4 p. m., until March 1, for the purpose of receiving tax returns, and all property owners are urged to call and make returns as required by ordinances, of both real and personal property, and anyone failing to make such returns, lose all right to any hearing or adjustment later.

Respectfully,
MRS. MONA LANGFORD,
Tax Assessor, Town of Avon Park.

1-18-tf

LEGAL NOTICE

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

In Re Estate of R. W. Swearingen, Deceased.

To all Creditors, Legatees, Distributees and All Persons Having Claims or Demands Against Said Estate:

You, and each of you, are hereby notified and required to present any claims and demands which you, or any of you, may have against the estate of R. W. Swearingen, deceased, late of Avon Park, Highlands County, Florida, to the undersigned administratrix of said estate, within two (2) years from date hereof.

Dated 16th day of January, A. D. 1923.

MARY STEEL SWEARINGEN.

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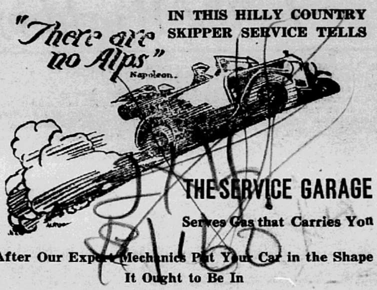

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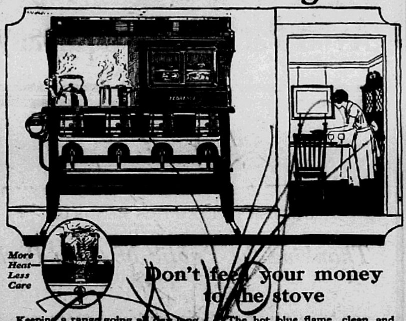

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Her head lies lightly on your shoulder. You are heart to heart. Look deep into her half closer orbs. Gently, but firmly, press her to your vest. Stand firm, be brave but do not be in a hurry! Her lips are almost open. Lean slightly with your head, take careful aim—the lips meet, the eyes close, the heart opens, the soul rides through tempests, but do not be in a hurry! Heaven opens before you, the earth flies from under you like a blazing rocket across the even sky. Don't be afraid. No fuss, no noise, no fluttering, no squirming. You are twanging the golden chords of ecstasy.

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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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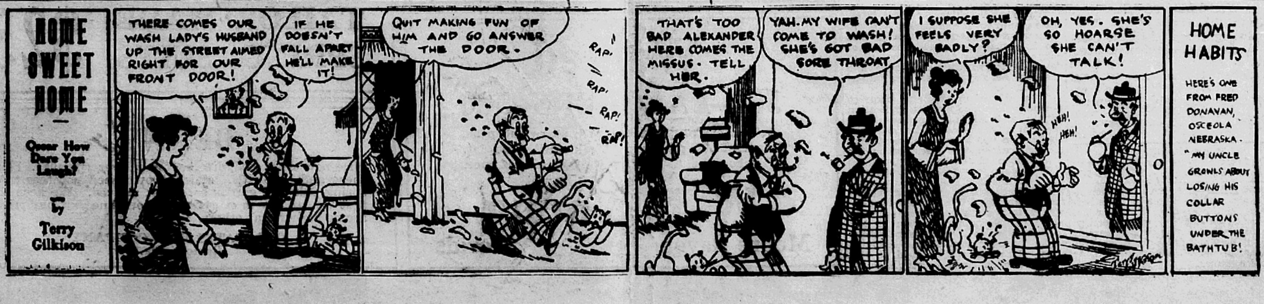
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Oscar How Dare You Laugh!
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IF HE DOESN'T FALL APART HE'LL MAKE IT!
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THAT'S TOO BAD ALEXANDER HERE COMES THE MISSUS. TELL HER.
YAH. MY WIFE CAN'T COME TO WASH! SHE'S GOT BAD SORE THROAT
I SUPPOSE SHE FEELS VERY BADLY?
OH, YES. SHE'S SO HOARSE SHE CAN'T TALK!
HEH! HEH!
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HERE'S ONE FROM FRED DONAVAN, OSCEOLA NEBRASKA. "MY UNCLE GROWLS ABOUT LOSING HIS COLLAR BUTTONS UNDER THE BATHTUB!

PITTSBURGH-FLORIDA PACKING CENTRALIZED NORTH OF THE TOWN

A FERTILIZER WAREHOUSE TO BE BUILT AND HOMES FOR EMPLOYES

Erection of a fertilizer warehouse has been decided upon and plans for a new fruit packing house that will extend from the present Atlantic Coast Line tracks to the new Seaboard tracks are being considered by the directors of the Pittsburgh-Florida Fruit Growers Association, who announced last week that a canning factory will be in operation in Avon Park this fall. Should a new packing house be decided upon, it is probable that the building housing the present packing plant will be used to house the canning factory.

Centralization of all its packing activities—cannery, packing house, etc.—on the tract about the present packing house is another decision and modern houses will be erected on the property for the supervisory employes of the corporation. These houses will be attractive homes with modern contiveness of that section of the town. tivenes sof that section of the town.

The present packing house is being taxed by this season's crop of the association's groves and with hundreds of additional acres coming into bearing next season, it is believed that a larger plant will be essential.

If it is it will have loading platforms on both the principal Florida trunk lines and the increased capacity for handling will be more than met by the increased loading facilities of two platforms on different roads.

The warehouse for fertilizers, spraying materials and implements will cost approximately $10,000 and if the new packing house is built it will represent another $75,000 investment.

A system of conveyor belts will link the packing house and the canning plant, so as to move the low grade fruit from the packing house without additional handling.

5,000 POUNDS FISH FOR PUNTA GORDA'S VISITORS

Everybody in Florida is invited to be the guest of Punta Gorda Thursday, Feb. 15, and a special invitation is extended to the tourists. The occasion is a community fish fry picnic, and preparations are being made to provide an abundance of good food for at least 10,000. The main item on the menu will be fish, the best obtainable, cooked as only the fish cooks of Punta Gorda can cook them—5,000 pounds of them. To make sure that everyone gets enough, dinner will be served from 11 a. m. until everyone gets enough. It has been found on former occasions that most people develop enormous appetites at such affairs, and no limit is placed upon the number of "helpings" allowed. In addition to fish there will be bread (white and corn), pickles, coffee and other "trimmings."

WEBB—GAMBLE NUPTIALS

Sydney Webb and Miss Josie Gamble, popular young people of Avon Park, were quietly married last week at Sebring by Mrs. Thelda Sutton, secretary to Judge D. V. Rouse. Only a couple of friends of the young people witnessed the ceremony.

MIAMI HERALD FOR EAST COAST

If you desire to know who's who and what's what on the lower East Coast of Florida you should subscribe to the Daily and Sunday Miami Herald, 85c per month. Mail your order today. 2-1-10tp

CLASSIFIED ADS

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY

Millwork corporation, recently organized in fastest growing section of Florida—the heart of the Scenic Highlands—has opening for office manager conversant with millwork business, and with $3,000 to $5,000 to invest. No competition within ten miles and raw material right at hand. Box 48, Avon Park, Fla. 2-1-2tc

For Sale—300 down and $30 monthly, buys a five-room bungalow overlooking Lake Tulane. Twenty fruit trees. Address E. D. Putney, owner, Avon Park. 2-8-4tc

Found—Pocketbook, several weeks ago. Call Mrs. I. Bennett and describe property and pay for this ad. *pd

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY

Wanted—Two men to join our party of fourteen trustees with $3,500 to invest with services, in one of the best paying, fastest growing businesses on the market, with an unlimited future affords a good salary immediately and a good income on your investment. Guaranteed safe in every respect. To investigate, address C. H. Smith, 110 Plant Ave., Tampa, Fla. A wonderful opportunity for the right parties. Extending our business in all parts of the Latin countries. 2-1-pd

WANTED TO BUY

Producing grove of ten to twenty acres with more good citrus land adjacent or near by to be developed from time to time. Want a bargain but don't expect anybody to give me a place.

Address A. L. O., care Pilot. 2-1-2tp

$1,000 TO LOAN

On first mortgage security. Address B. H., care Pilot. 2-1-*p

FOR SALE—Modern home, bungalow style, on Lake avenue; three bedrooms, dining room, living room, kitchen, two big screened porches, and all modern conveniences; garage, lawn, flowers and fruit trees; an ideal home place and a bargain. G. A. Stebbins, owner.

HOTEL AVON NOTES

Among the welcome arrivals of the week are Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gero, Cleveland, O., and Winter Park, Fla., and Mrs. C. W. Johnson, Cleveland. The Geros are interested in the Hillcrest groves and other Avon Park property and spend a part of each winter in the Ridge metropolis. They are finding many friends of former seasons here again and are enjoying the hospitality of the Avon family.

Another party of regulars who spent a few days at the Avon the past week included Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Dub, Buffalo, N. Y., and Daytona. They spend a part of each winter here, generally motoring from Daytona.

Kentuckians here are welcoming Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Wickliffe and Mr. and Mrs. L. Z. Kirkpatrick, who are welcome additions to the winter colony here.

M. E. Covington, well known property owner here, has arrived from Valdosta, Ga., and is greeting friends in the winter and resident colonies here.

Other visitors of the week included H. D. Everett and W. T. Ledbetter of Cloudland, Ga., who are associated with R. I. Harris and others in the development of the Charlotte Harbor Club at Punta Gorda for Ridge sportsmen. They are motoring.

Pittsburghers here are glad to welcome Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Slocum to the contingent from the Keystone state. They left Tuesday after a short visit.

From Winter Haven, motor visitors to the Ridge metropolis yesterday included Mr. and Mrs. T. E. James, Mrs. J. P. Clark and Mrs. W. A. Stanley.

CANNING FACTORY EMPLOYES HOUSED IN A CITY OF TENTS

The Eagle Lake grapefruit canning factory at Eagle Lake, owned and operated by the citrus exchanges of Bartow, Winter Haven, Eagle Lake, Florence Villa, Lucerne Park and Auburndale is running to full capacity, turning out 7,000 cans each working day. It is hoped that by the end of the week day and night shifts will be at work, as the demand for the product of the plant is beyond the ability of the present force to supply.

At present 140 men and women are employed in the various processes necessary before the finished product is ready for shipment. To house the employes who were brought from the peach canning districts of Georgia, a well set-up and well-cared for tent city has been built ,in a beautiful grove just across the street from the factory.

The tents are walled and floored and heated and as they are under the supervision of a Y. W. C. A. worker, with much experience gained during and since the world war, they are clean and comfortable. A mess hall and kitchen and bath houses for men and women are adjuncts of the camp.

The social side of life is looked after by the matron and every care is taken to the end that the occupants of the camp are entertained when not at work. Music is provided through the establishment of phonographs in the big tents which serve as living rooms and mess halls and the records represent the best that could be found.

For the present the bulk of the shipments made are to the Pacific coast, though inquiries, coming from all sections of the country, indicate that the trade in the product of the cannery will be general. Two grades of canned grapefruit are now being turned out, one sweetened with sugar and the other without the addition of anything to the heart of the grapefruit. Only perfectly sound fruit is being used, for the most part the large fruit and other off sizes which do not sell readily in the natural state.

SECURE $10,000 TO REPAIR THE DIXIE HIGHWAY

Wm. Cliett, county commissioner of the Bowling Green district, and Miles Warren returned Saturday night from Tallahassee, where they had been to attend a meeting of the state road department and asking for aid in repairing the Dixie Highway between Wauchula and Bowling Green, which sustained heavy damage during the excessive rains last fall, and succeeded in securing an appropriation of $10,000. They also asked for one hundred carloads of rock, freight prepaid, but could not get the members of the road board to see it that way.

Just how soon the money will be available is a question, but Chairman Beeson and Commissioner Cliett are urging the board to commence the work at once.

Nearly a million and a half dollars were secured at the meeting in Tallahassee for roads in this congressional district. Highlands county is to get $280,000, Manatee $100,000, Charlotte and DeSoto counties $30,000 and Sarasota county $75,000. The latter is to be used to connect Sarasota and Charlotte county's roads.

EXPRESS COMPANY TO ASK FOR INCREASE IN RATES

Of particular interest to shippers here will be the following announcement issued from the office of the Florida railroad commission at Tallahassee, under date of Jan. 24:

"To Florida shippers: The interstate commerce commission has entered upon a general investigation into the interstate rates and charges of express carriers for the purpose of determining whether such rates and charges, or any of them, are unreasonable.

"The American Railway Express Company has also filed its application with the interstate commerce commission to increase its rates, and such application has been consolidated with the general express investigation for the purpose of hearing.

"This case has been listed under I. C. C. docket No. 13930, and the matter has been set down for hearing before Examiners Barclay and Mullen, of the interstate commerce commission, and Examiner Harrian of the California railroad commission, sitting as the representative of state commissions. Hearing will be held at the United States court rooms, Atlanta, Ga., beginning at 10 o'clock a. m., Feb. 19, 1923.

"This commission requested that one of the hearings in this case be held at Jacksonville, so that Florida shippers could present their testimony at a minimum of expense, but the interstate commerce commission, having set down hearing at ten different points in the United States, found that only one hearing could be held in the southeast, and held that Atlanta was most centrally located with reference to that territory.

"This hearing in Atlanta will be the only opportunity offered to Florida shippers to present their testimony to the interstate commerce commission, and shippers who are of the opinion that present express rates are too high should avail themselves of it.

"The American Railway Express Company is going to try and convince the interstate commerce commission that the present express rates are too low and that they should be increased.

"It is important that express shippers throughout the southeast, and particularly in Florida, should not lose this opportunity to present their views.

"Counsel for the Florida railroad commission will be present in Atlanta Feb. 19 for the purpose of assisting Florida shippers in the presentation of their testimony.

"Florida Railroad Commission.
"R. Hudson Burr, chairman."

FLORIDA BANK RESOURCES SHOW A HUGE INCREASE

Resources of state banks and trust companies in Florida were $127,381,563.65 Dec. 31, an increase of more than $15,000,000 as compared with those of June 30, according to a statement of their condition made public recently by the state comptroller. Resources on June 30 totalled $111,894,180.83. Resources on Dec. 31, 1921, were $105,775,781.05.

Deposits, both individual and savings, also showed substantial increases over the six and twelve month periods. Individual deposits Dec. 31 aggregated $62,311,083.42, as compared with $52,450,094.69 June 30, and $48,336,152.95 Dec. 31, 1921. Savings deposits at the close of 1922 were $30,870,002.80, as compared with $29,185,038.96 on June 30 and $26,189,442.30 Dec. 31, 1921.

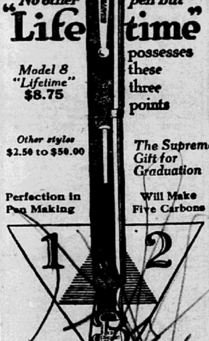
CALIFORNIA CROP ESTIMATES

California citrus authorities state that re-estimate has been made, as to Jan. 1, indicating that they will ship during the entire season of 1922-23 approximately 57,919 carloads of oranges, lemons and grapefruit. This shows an increase of 3,233 cars over the November estimate, which is attributed to the growth of fruit on the trees, caused by ideal growing weather. Indications are that the navel crop will run extremely heavy to 126's and larger. Not since 1918 have such large sized oranges been shipped from California. Low temperatures reported from California have resulted in no damage to date.

Fur coats for women are higher in price this year. They are three crying spells more expensive than last year.

CANNED GRAPEFRUIT

The canning of grapefruit promises to become a new industry for the state of Florida. Co-operative canneries have been established and the product has met with ready sale. Its acceptance by the trade is comparable to the acceptance of the Hawaiian canned pineapple, and a brilliant future is undoubtedly possible for a high-class product. The fruit used in canning is the off grade, off sizes and mis-shapen stock that does not meet ready sale when packed and shipped to the markets.



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500--LABORERS--500

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