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Defense Council To Sponsor Speaking

Ed Bently Will Speak In Mall On Bill of Rights

(By J. Paul Garber, Chairman of Division of Information, Education and Morale, Highlands County Defense Council)

December 15th marked the 150th anniversary of the adoption by the States of the first ten amendments to the Federal Constitution, the amendments which constitute the Bill of Rights. Believing that more citizens could take part in this observance in Highlands county on Saturday night, the Defense Council has arranged a program that will be presented in Sebring and Avon Park, at 8 o'clock P. M. Saturday, December 20th.

At the band stand in Avon Park at 8 P. M. Saturday, December 20th Mr. Ed. R. Bentley, attorney, of Lakeland, will give the address. Mr. Bentley is one of the outstanding lawyers of the State and is the Secretary of the Florida State Bar Association, Past-District Governor of Rotary, member of the American Legion and many other civic and state organizations. We are sure that he will have a very stirring message for the citizens of Avon Park on this important occasion. The Avon Park High School Band will parade around the mall from 7:45 to 8 P. M. Mr. Wm. Hauptmann will be master of ceremonies.

It is hoped that a large number of citizens of our community will take part in this celebration.

THE BILL OF RIGHTS

Amendment I—Freedom of religion, speech and press, right of assembly and petition.

Amendment II—Right to bear arms.

Amendment III—Security of the home against the military.

Amendment IV—Security of the home against search and seizure.

Amendment V—Liberty, property and due process of law.

Amendment VI—The rights of accused persons.

Amendment VII—Jury trial in common law suits.

Amendment VIII—Bail and punishment at the judicial discretion.

Amendment IX—Fundamental rights of the individual.

Amendment X—Reserved rights of the states.

The Bill of Rights are today ingrained in our American nature. They are worth defending, preserving, and advancing at every cost and every moment. It is the anniversary of their adoption is therefore an anniversary well worth celebrating. This is a time for the re-echoing of faith, the decline of human liberty, faith in the principles by which we govern and are governed. It is a time, too, for remembering—for remembering that in other parts of the world these privileges and these protections are denied, and for remembering that where they are denied neither human liberty nor human decency and self-respect survive their loss. It is a time finally for pride—in our citizenship in a free nation, conceived in freedom and by freedom's strength brought to the foremost greatness of the earth.

Be sure to attend the ceremonies in Avon Park or Sebring next Saturday night, December 20th, at 8 P. M.

TCT THANKS AVON PARK

The Tin Can Tourists wish to express our appreciation for the reception and articles your paper has given us.

Also wish to thank Mayor M. E. Cordington and Walter S. Betts, president of the Chamber of Commerce, for the courtesies extended to us that made our meeting at Avon Park so pleasant and enjoyable.

So many of our members are occupied this year in the holidays, we did not have the usual crowd, but we have expected that and as long as the present emergency lasts we expect our meetings to be smaller than usual. However we expect to be with you folks again and enjoy your generous hospitality, and again, We Thank You.

Yours Truly,
M. E. Ketchum, Secy;

Avon Park Will Contribute To War Relief Fund

In cooperation with the Red Cross War Relief Fund, in which Highlands county is designated a quota of \$2,000, Mrs. Walter S. Betts, Avon Park Red Cross chairman, announces a concentrated effort to raise the necessary amount. Contributions may be given to Mrs. Betts, or S. F. Longbottom at the Barnett Bank. Containers will be placed at convenient public places throughout the city and will be kept there until the quota is raised. There will be no house to house canvass, and the public is to understand that this has nothing to do with the membership drive. Inasmuch as the President has asked for quotas to be completed as soon as possible, everyone is urged to contribute early, and as generously as possible.

Christmas Operetta At Auditorium Friday Morning

"Christmas Around the World," a spectacular operetta, portrayed by over one hundred children in the fifth and sixth grades. The costume was presented at the high school auditorium Friday morning at 10 o'clock and was witnessed by the entire school, parents and friends.

The operetta featured Christmas customs and festivities in a number of foreign countries, and brought to the stage the manner in which America originally secured many of its songs and Christmas traditions.

Throughout each of the fifteen different scenes, a well rounded cast of gaily costumed children, depicting the dress of the country and the customs of the country, interpreted of "Christmas Around the World."

Soloists were Gloria Garber and Catherine Tibb. Leading parts were taken by Mary Rouse, Virgil Martin, Ted Ward, Thelma Rine, Mary Basmore, Fay Albright, Anthony Simpson, Pat Cron, Jeanette Jones, Wamsley Culpeper, Betty Jo Dickinson, and Louise Shourne.

The grand finale was the American way of celebrating Christmas with our jolly Santa Claus, and our well loved and favorite carols, augmented by our spirit of generous giving at the yuletide season. The entire cast appeared on the stage and sang "Christmas Every-where" to close an enjoyable performance.

The program was given under the direction of Mrs. Frank Morgan, of the music department, and assisted by the young soloists, Mrs. Iva Phillips Miss Elizabeth Green, Mrs. Philip Boardman and Mrs. Chas. Sherman, who were in charge of stage direction, costumes stage properties, and lines.

The annual presentation of decorated baskets formed an impressive part of the morning program, as each grade brought out well-filled, colorfully trimmed baskets to the stage. Distribution of the baskets to needy families was made later in the day.

Honorable mention for the prettiest and the best decorated baskets was given to the first, second, sixth, and a section of the seventh grades. Immediately following the program, school closed for a two weeks holiday to be enjoyed by the children and members of the faculty.

TOY MATINEE SATURDAY MORNING

A Toy Matinee will be held at the Park Theatre Saturday morning at 10 o'clock. The price of admission to each child is a new toy. This matinee is made possible, each year, through the generous cooperation of the management of the theatre, who furnish everything for the program, provide excellent entertainment for all children, and a chance to contribute to a worthy cause at the holiday season.

Dear Santa Claus,
I want to thank you for the things you brought me last Christmas. The rubber doll, the doctor set, the dress. Especially don't forget the people who have no homes and mothers. I live in Avon Park, Fla. The street I live in is State Street. I would like to have a bicycle and a new dress. I know you have more things than you can count. I will not ask for any more.

Your friend,
JOYCE BASEMORE

Christmas Services at Avon Park Churches

UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH CHRISTMAS EVE PROGRAM

The Young People's Pilgrim Fellowship and members of the Sunday School of the Union Congregational Church will present a program, "The Spirit of Christmas," at the church on Wednesday, December 24, at 7:30 P. M. Miss Katherine Cutler, of Ashland, Wisconsin, will direct the program as she has done for the past three years. Those taking part in this special program are:

Sponsors and Advisors: Dr. A. C. Elliott and Supt. J. Paul Garber.

Narrator—Mrs. Lucy (Wolverine) Robinson.

Readers—William Rutherford, William Hood, John P. Garber, Jr., Charles Bennett, Edgar Rutherford, Gloria Tibb.

Music—Mrs. J. P. Garber, Gloria Garber, and Sunday School children.

A silver offering will be taken for the Young People's Pilgrim Fellowship.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday, December 21st
Holy Communion at 8:30 A. M.
Sunday School—9:30 A. M.
Holy Communion and Sermon—11:00 A. M.
Midnight program for Christmas Eve.

Processional Hymn—"O Come All Ye Faithful."
Introit Hymn—"Silent Night, Holy Night."
Kyrrie Eleison—Choir.
Gradual Hymn—"O Little Town of Bethlehem"—Choir.

Laus Tibi.
Hymn—"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear."
Antiphon—"Gesu Bambino."
The Golden Text—"God hath spoken once; twice have I heard this; let power be lent unto God" (Psalms 42:11).

Among the cantatas which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. And God said, let us make man in our image, after our likeness: So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him, male and female created he them. And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good" (Gen. 1:1, 26 to 27, 31 first period).

The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "The Golden Rule": "The Lord said, 'I will be a Father to the fatherless, and a Father to the orphan.'"

Dr. Alfred C. Elliott, Pastor of the Sunday School at 9:45 A. M. Lesson topic—"The Coming of God's Son." We have a class for you. Start Christmas week well by attending Christmas Eve.

Your friend,
BONNIE LINTON

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Your friend,
JOYCE THOMPSON

tending Sunday School.

Christmas worship service at 11 A. M. Order of service. Join us in adoration.

Introit—"How Holy is This Place"—Senior Choir.
Processional—"O Come, all ye Faithful," Hymn, No. 118.
The Call to Worship—Invocation and The Lord's Prayer.

Anthem—"Unto You is Born a Saviour"—Senior Choir.
Presentation of Offering.
Consecration of Offering.
Choral Response—"Hosanna, Thou Our Gifts"—Children's Choir.
Hymn—"Joy to the World," Hymn, No. 112.

Sermon—"The Christmas Message"—Dr. A. C. Elliott.
Hymn—"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"—No. 115.
The Benediction.
Psalms—"The Lord Be With Us"—Senior Choir.
Recessional—"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing." Senior and children's choir.

The Ladies' Aid will meet at the church on Wednesday at 3:30 P. M.

CHURCHES OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST

"In the Universe, Including Man, Evolved by Atomic Force" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon which will be read in Churches of Christ, Scientist, throughout the week on Sunday, December 21.

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JOYCE THOMPSON

The First Baptist Church of Avon Park Presents

THE BARE OF BETHLEHEM
A CHRISTMAS CANTATA by Benard Hamblen for Women's Solo Voices and Chorus

December 21, 1941, 8:00 P. M.
E. L. Roberts—Director
Mrs. J. B. Coen—Accompanist
Prelude—Mrs. J. B. Coen.
Processional—"O Come All Ye Faithful"—Chorus.
Pastorale (instrumental)—Mrs. J. B. Coen.
"Through The Night"—Chorus.
Solo—"And the Angel Said"—Margie Wells.
"Glory to God"—Chorus.
Solo—"Now when Jesus Was Born"—Winifred Demorest.

Solo—"And the Desert Sands"—Chorus.
Solo—"And Lo, The Star"—Margie Wells.
Solo—"O'er Bethlehem City"—Chorus.
Solo—"And They Came in Haste"—Dorothy Jane Walker.
Solo—"O Little Town of Bethlehem"—Mrs. Frank Costine—Soloist, Margie Wells, Willa Pearl McGiboney and Betty Touchton.

Solo—"And Being Warned Of God"—Ruth Fendleton.
"Princes Thine Their Mission Done"—Chorus.
Solo—"Again the Bells Are Ringing"—Chorus.
Recessional—"Joy to the World"—Chorus.

METHODIST CHURCH

Morning Service December 21st
The service will be held in the People's church, directed by Miss Ann Harrell.
Anthem—"Shine, O Wonderful Star"—by the Young People's Church.
Prayer by the Pastor.
"What Can I Give Him"—Edward Vann.
Scripture Lesson.
Offering and Announcements.
Carol—"The First Noel"—by the Young People's Choir.
Christmas Sermon.
Benediction—"Silent Night".

EVENING SERVICE, 7:30 P. M.

Congregation—"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear."
Prayer—Rev. G. S. Roberts.
Christmas Story in Song and Pantomime—Choir.
Manger Scene—"Mary," Mrs. Vivian Crum; "Joseph," Mr. Crum; "Wise Men"—Albert Westover, Sr., W. T. Connel, Reuben Shoberg; "Shepherds"—Albert Westover, Jr., Eugene Fields, Ralph Gerrard; "Angels"—Charlotte Orr and others.

Solo—"Noel," "Angels from the Realm of Glory," "Joy to the World," "Silent Night"—Congregation.
Benediction—Rev. G. S. Roberts.

Dear Santa,
I am ten years old and I want a painting set and a doll. A set of books. And you may bring my baby sister a rattle as this is her first Christmas. I want to thank you for the nice gifts you brought me last year.

Your friend,
Kathryn Howell

Dear Santa,
I thank you for the things you brought me last Christmas. I have enjoyed them very much and have had lots of fun with them. And now all I am asking you for this Christmas is a pair of skates and some candies and some fruits which I will be very proud of. But most of all Dear Santa I want you to think of all the other boys and girls. Thank you very much.

A friend,
Betty Lou Burned

Seven Day Week Training Begins For Lodwick Cadets

Cadets at the Air Corps Training Detachment at I.A.M.A. are now on a straight seven day training schedule following the declaration of war with Japan, Germany, and Italy. This is in accordance with the new compulsory regulations, the numbers are not allowed to be included. Included in this class are several student officers assigned from other branches of the service for flight training.

The increased training schedule and the seven day week is due to the great demand for additional pilots and the course here will be cut below the customary ten weeks training.

Avon Park Again Displays "Electric" Christmas Tree

Avon Park's "electric Christmas tree," fashioned of a multitude of colored lights, has been strung up this week around the flag pole on the mall, and tends to furnish a cherry note to the surrounding area. The lights can be seen for several miles around, and each year the Christmas tree in the stores is "pepped up," when the strings of colored lights, and the Christmas tree is turned on to reinforce. The Florida Public Service Company very generously furnishes the lighting effects and the labor for putting them up. This year only the tree was lit up as lights up and down main street were dispensed with. It is through the generous spirit of company officials that Avon Park is allowed to enjoy the colorful effect created by the electric Christmas tree, which is also viewed with admiration by visitors and motorists passing through the city.

Wales-Avon Clubs Have Tournament Thursday Night

The shuffleboard teams of the Winter Guest club played the season's last game of the Wales-Avon Shuffleboard Tournament at Lake Wales Thursday night, with Lake Wales winning 23 of the 30 games.

The opening of the evening was the trouncing administered by Hammond and Hummings by Mrs. Reel and Mrs. Harrison. The ladies effectively demonstrated the truth of the old adage that "the female of the species is more deadly than the male." Hammond had a hard time explaining the defeat. Hummings said he should stick to punch in the future.

The defeat at Lake Wales was accused by the Wileighs who had been extended by the Winter Guest Club delegation by the Lake Wales club.

The opening of the match was preceded by speeches of welcome by representatives of the city of Lake Wales, the chamber of commerce and other civic organizations, and by officers of the Lake Wales club. Major J. W. Zimmerman and Mr. Hummings responded on behalf of the Winter Guest club.

ZIMMERMAN MOVE TO WIN.

Col. and Mrs. J. W. Zimmerman, who have made their home in Avon Park for the past several years, left Tuesday for Winter Haven, where they will remain during the coming year, the Zimmermans have made numbers of friends, who regret their decision to move to another city.

Mr. Zimmerman has been active in the affairs of the Winter Guest club, having more recently served as its president. Mrs. Zimmerman has been an energetic club worker, and has assisted in the Red Cross sewing room, and they both have attended the Episcopal Church.

LUTHE-JOHNSON NUPITALS

A card from Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Johnson, of Fort Worth, Texas, announces their marriage in Oklahoma. Mrs. Johnson was the former Mrs. Hazel Luthy.

Eat More Citrus For Your Health's Sake

SINGLE COPY, FIVE CENTS

Funeral Rites Held Monday For Mrs. Head

Beloved Avon Park Woman Dies In Ohio

Funeral services for Mrs. Oia L. Head, 64, beloved resident of Avon Park for the past twenty years, who passed away Friday night in a hospital at Cambridge, Ohio, from shock sustained from burns received several days previous, were held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Union Congregational Church. Dr. A. C. Elliott, pastor of the church, officiated.

The entire church rail and choir left of the church were banded with beautiful floral arrangements as a silent tribute of love and esteem. Late in the afternoon, Mrs. S. N. Reeves, organist, played the organ prelude, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Paul Garber sang as a vocal solo, "Silent Night."

Interment followed in Bougainville cemetery where the body was laid to rest by the side of her husband, late Col. Chas. R. Head. Active pallbearers were L. D. McGiboney, Fred Smith, M. V. Picher, C. Parker Anderson, Francis Shockey, and E. F. Armstrong. Honorary pallbearers were W. M. Reek, Wm. Hauptman, C. S. Donaldson, and M. E. Covington.

Mrs. Head was born on July 20, 1877 in Cambridge, Ohio, the daughter of G. T. and Mary Long Rhodes. She received her early education in the schools of Cambridge, and attended a business school in Wheeling, Va., and served as secretary of the Blair Trousers company there for several years. She was also secretary-bookkeeper of the Ohio Fuel Gas Co., in Cambridge.

She was married in December, 1904, to Chas. R. Head, who left for the Philippines shortly after their marriage for service in the Spanish-American war. Col. and Mrs. Head came to Florida in 1922, locating first in Winter Haven, and coming to Avon Park the following year, to make their home. Mrs. Head was for many years master for five years. They founded the Avon Insurance Agency here, which she conducted following the death of her husband. Previous to becoming postmaster, Mrs. Head was bookkeeper for the Pittsburgh Florida Corporation, now Avon Florida Corporation, and secretary of the late C. P. Anderson, and bookkeeper at Lake Byrd. She retired from active business interests within the past year.

Mrs. Head was former department president of the auxiliary of United Spanish War Veterans, and was also a member of the Union Congregational church, a member of the auxiliary of Richard P. Holston Post, U. S. W. V., past worthy matron, and a former secretary of Leigh chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, and served the Woman's Club as auditor for a number of years.

Many hearts were saddened as word was received here early Saturday morning of the death of Mrs. Head. Though she had not been in the best of health for the past few years, she appeared to be improving, and had gone several months ago to Cambridge to visit her aged mother, Mrs. Mary E. Savelly, and her two sisters there.

Mrs. Head was a beautiful Christian character and was loved by a wide circle of friends for her friendly disposition, and sincerity. She was a conscientious and energetic worker in organizations of which she was a member, and could always be relied upon to "do her part," even when it meant sacrifice and extra work for her, as connected with her duties. She was counted as a loyal and true friend, and was devoted to her family.

Surviving relatives include her mother, two sons, W. Jack Head of Avon Park and Frostproof, Richard S. Head, Washington, D. C., and two daughters, Mrs. George Dugan, and Mrs. Yvonne A. Marsh, both of Cambridge, Ohio, and four grandchildren.

Friends from all over the county attended the funeral services, and among out of town relatives and friends present were Richard S. Head, Mrs. Dugan and Mrs. Marsh, and Mrs. C. C. Hart and son Claude of Vero Beach, and Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Smith of Ft. Meade.

Planning Helps Late Shoppers Select Presents

Despite incessant reminders to "shop early," last-minute shoppers will crowd the stores the day or two before Christmas in a mad search for gifts.

When there is little time left it is best to sit down and think over the problem before leaving the house. This sounds paradoxical, but far more can be accomplished by spending time planning than by rushing around a store without any idea of what is wanted.

A little ingenuity will disclose countless presents that can be acquired with a minimum of time.

Simple combinations of articles make admirable presents. For example, if the friend is a camera addict, combine several rolls of film, a flood lamp and a few flash bulbs into an attractive package.

It is inadvisable to hastily select monogrammed or inscribed stationery for an inveterate letter-writer. A very welcome present can be made by enclosing a book of postage stamps in an extra-nice box of plain stationery.

There are just two of many combinations which will satisfy the need for last-minute presents. If you are too tired on two busy to employ even this simple device there are still several other practical remedies.

Fill in that subscription blank for your favorite magazine that has been around the house, and wrap a current issue in an attractive carton with a note explaining that there are 12 more to come. Only be careful that the friend does not already subscribe to the magazine. The present will lose a good share of its interest.

Another welcome gift can be requested at the last minute by telephoning the local theater for a few tickets. Then write a little note, preferably in rhyme, and include it with the tickets.

A little ingenuity will disclose countless presents that can be acquired with a minimum of time. By all means don't buy tickets that come in sizes unless you are sure of the size. And don't buy a gift that may have to be exchanged unless the store will exchange the article willingly.

Apple Ornaments



Santa Claus will get a big surprise when he sees this tree being decorated by a young lady from Virginia. The tree is completely decorated with brilliant red, yellow, green and mottled apples, dried apple tinsel and crab apple lights.

Holly Decoration Used In Pagan Celebrations

Holly has become closely associated with Christmas, but why, nobody knows.

Some claim that holly, with its thorns and blood-red berries, symbolizes the crown of thorns worn by the Saviour. Another belief is that the use of holly as Christmas decorations was handed down by the pagans. The Romans dedicated the plant to Saturn to be used at the Saturnalia, his festival, occurring in December. At about the same time the early Christians celebrated the birth of Christ, and to protect themselves from persecution, they decorated their homes with holly.

Holiday Decorations
Christmas decorations are an admirable first aid to the Christmas spirit. They usher the holiday feeling into the home and revive that belief in Santa Claus we all need so much. So hang the house with holly and mistletoe. Hang a bow-tied wreath of holly on the door. Bring out the festive candles, decorate the mantel with spruce, and dangle shiny balls where they will capture the eye. When you've made the house bright and gay you'll be aglow with the true Christmas.

Personal Touch



Instead of sending her presents through the mails, this young lady prefers to deliver them herself. It adds a personal touch that is greatly appreciated by friends on Christmas day.

First Christmas Seals Originated in Denmark To Fight Tuberculosis

That harbinger of the holiday season, the cheerful Christmas Seal, has recently made its appearance as the National Tuberculosis association opened its annual drive for funds to continue work in the prevention and cure of this dread disease.

The idea of the sale of seals to aid the fight against tuberculosis originated in Denmark in 1893. The following year the first seals were sold. The idea gained almost immediate popularity and soon spread to neighboring countries.

Christmas seals appeared in the United States in 1907 when Miss Emily P. Bissell of the Wilmington, Del., Red Cross chapter designed a seal that was sold locally. The campaign was so successful that the next year the National Red Cross adopted the idea and conducted a nationwide campaign. From then until 1919 the Red Cross continued the annual Christmas Seal distribution. In their last year the returns had risen to nearly \$4,000,000.

Beginning with 1920 the National Tuberculosis association began distribution of the seals. The designs of these stamps have been the work of prominent artists who have interpreted the Christmas spirit each in his own way.

In addition to the United States approximately 40 other countries have adopted the Christmas seal for raising anti-tuberculosis funds.

Uncle Sam will soon make profits by selling Christmas presents sent through the mails, but he would much rather deliver them—and he would, if he knew where they were supposed to go.

American people are so rich in such a hurry that they don't even take the pains to see that their gift sent by mail are properly wrapped and addressed. Of course, all are not careless about it, but the postmen do have a hard time during the holidays.

Extra mail clerks receive millions of dollars in wages, and a good share of this extra force is kept busy handling poorly wrapped and improperly addressed packages. Many thousands of Christmas gifts will be sold because they contain no clue concerning their sender or the intended destination. The "undressed" department of the inquiry section of the post office in large cities resembles a warehouse.

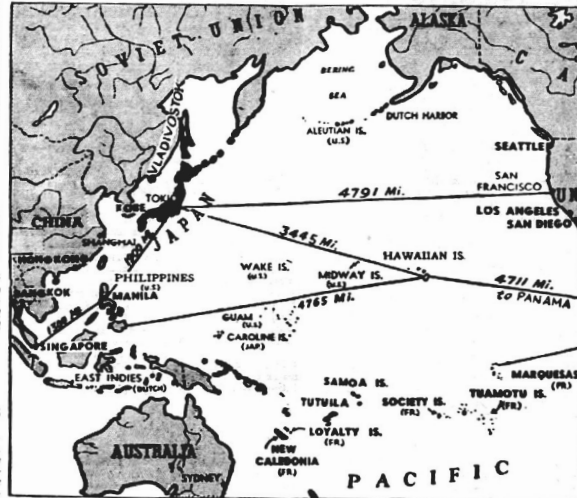
Some gifts cannot be held long, such as alligators from Florida, live chickens, turkeys, or fruits. These are quickly sold and the sale price held in a fund which is ultimately turned into the treasury. When all efforts have been exhausted, the unidentified and unclaimed packages are sold by an auctioneer.

Wrong Use
The name Kris Kringle is sometimes erroneously used to designate Santa Claus. Kris Kringle is a corruption of the German Christ-child, the Christ-child.

Mountain Beauty
Christmas in the Swiss mountains is full of scenic enchantment and poetry. Every hamlet and every village is a woodland vision in white, with its fleckles heavily still accentuated by the sapphire blue of the sky.

Tip on Toys
To be in demand, toys should be educational, full of action, or of great value. Most toys used through the ages fall into one of these three categories.

Theater of War Between U. S. and Japan



Here in graphic detail is shown the location of strategic points in the war between Japan and the United States. Distances between important points are also shown. Of particular interest is the Hawaiian Islands, the Japanese base in a bombing raid campaign on the enemy; the Hawaiian Islands where at Pearl Harbor the Japanese opened their war on the United States with a devastating aerial attack; the most vulnerable sector of the continental United States is Japan attack—the Pacific coast area.

How Navies of Warring Nations Compare

	BATTLESHIPS	AIRCRAFT CARRIERS	CRUISERS	DESTROYERS	SUBMARINES
UNITED STATES	17	7	37	170	113
GREAT BRITAIN	16	4	62	278	48
JAPAN	10	0	39	119	66
GERMANY	6	1	14	20	50
ITALY	5	0	20	125	105

This chart shows the naval strength of the Axis and Allied navies. Comparisons are made of ships in service according to latest available figures.

Heads Pacific Fleet As President Asked War Declaration

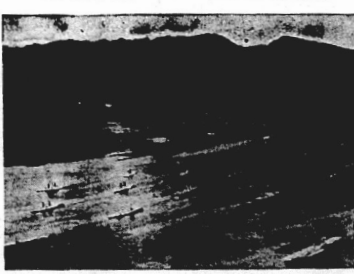


The American fleet in the Pacific under the command of Admiral Frank B. Rowell, 59, who took over command of the Pacific Fleet and also of the entire U. S. fleet last February 1.



President Franklin D. Roosevelt addressing the joint session of Congress, when he asked Congress to declare a state of war against Japan. Congress passed the declaration 23 minutes after F.D.R.'s speech.

U. S. Fleet Off Coast of Hawaii



A splendid view of units of the United States fleet at anchor in Lahaina harbor, Hawaii, near the scene of the improved attack by Japanese bombers at Sunday's dawn.



In bombing raids on Japan, Russia's port of Vladivostok would make an ideal air base for U. S.

NATIONAL AFFAIRS

Reviewed by CARTER FIELD

Interference With Law Of Supply and Demand Results in Headaches ... Reorganization Looks for SPAB ...

(Reel System—WPT Service)

WASHINGTON.—Many theoretical gentlemen, who were confident until just recently, that they knew all the answers, are finding out that when government interferes with the old law of supply and demand the result is headaches.

Never have better illustrations of this been manifest than in the "Big Brother" activities of the government, aimed at protecting the public from the dire consequences which would result from the national defense effort. Price control, for instance, and rationing.

To see the picture more clearly it is necessary to imagine what would happen if the government went ahead full steam with its defense spending and commandeering, but paid no attention to the effects on ordinary non-defense business. It is never so simple as for the government to wait all of something. That would leave a problem. But when there is some left over after the national defense needs have been served—how to divide that leftover?

Even in some cases where the government wants practically all of something, for instance take copper. Copper has been used very liberally in making lipstick containers. After it has been processed for this use it is of little use for anything else. Recovering the copper so as to make it fit for something else is too expensive. Not that the government cares anything about expense, but the process of getting the pure copper out of the alloy used for lipstick containers would require too much labor.

So there is agreement in the government that such copper as already has been worked into this alloy for lipstick containers may be used for that purpose.

Not So Simple

Simple? By no means. The trouble is that the Smith company has enough such metal on hand, already worked, and ready to be fabricated into lipstick containers, to run it until say June 1. Whereas the Jones company, its strongest competitor, has enough to run until February 1. To permit this situation to exist would give the Smith company an unfair advantage over the Jones company.

If this produces a headache with respect to copper, it is a thousand times worse with respect to steel. The government has said flatly that no more copper after January 1 shall be used for non-defense purposes—except such copper as is already made unit for defense use (economically) as described.

But there is no such drastic decision about steel. As a matter of fact there will be some steel left over, despite the pessimistic predictions of many War Dealers, even if defense use of steel exceeds the present most optimistic forecasts—not enough steel to go around, of course, but SOME.

What to do about that SOME! Under the old law of supply and demand, if the government kept its hands off, it would be simple. The price of steel would skyrocket. The buyers willing to pay the highest prices would get it all. Every user of steel who could use substitutes would do it anyhow, to save money for his concern. So the surplus steel (that is, surplus above what defense needs) would go only into uses for which it was very necessary.

But that might result in hardship on the financially less fortunate consumers. The price of steel in civilian goods would be boosted out of all proportion to the real value of steel.

Trouble? You said it.

Reorganization Of 'Super SPAB'?

Don Nelson's SPAB is likely to be revamped in the near future. Just what form the new super-super body is to take no one knows. All that is known for certain is that President Roosevelt is giving all the usual signs which foretell one of his big reorganizations to end all reorganizations.

Nelson is not the technical head of SPAB. That honor goes to Vice President Henry A. Wallace. Nelson is not the man on SPAB who is closest to the President. That distinction belongs to argument belongs to Harry Hopkins.

But since Wallace is the best apparent to the "Chief" and in all probability will be nominated President by the Democrats in 1944 unless F.D.R. wants a fourth term (in which event nothing would help him anyhow) it would seem that Wallace's motive would be to have SPAB, and indirectly everything involved in the administration, reorganized. Failure of Roosevelt in his national defense program would be a black eye for Wallace as well as for Roosevelt. It might affect result in knocking Wallace off the track he is now riding on, which leads straight to the White House.

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Folks You Know . .

Attractive little Miss Nancy Holland and her nurse, Miss Marian Root, arrived Tuesday afternoon from Chicago, Ill., to visit Nancy's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. R. Porterfield, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus E. Holland arrived on Thursday, and will be here for an indefinite stay.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Francis and small daughter, Jane, are leaving tomorrow for Montgomery, Ala., where they will spend Christmas with Mr. Francis' mother, Mrs. J. B. Francis, and Mrs. Francis' parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Noland will spend Christmas in Fort Lauderdale with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Forest Noland.

Captain M. C. Weir and Mrs. Weir, who have been residing in Atlanta, are being transferred back to their former home in Miami, friends here will be interested to learn, Capt. Weir is pilot with the Eastern Air Lines. Mrs. Weir is the former Miss Grace Reddick.

Among the Avon Park boys home from Camp Blanding to spend a pre-Christmas leave with their families are Tillman Crosby, Ralph Rogers, Bill Meriwether, Joe Holzwater, "Doc" Fletcher, Frank Woodard and Clayton Cox.

Mrs. J. H. McClelland received a cablegram on Monday from her son, Harold, who is with the Air Corps at Wheeler Field on the Hawaiian Islands, that he is all right and sent his love and best wishes to all his Florida friends.

John E. Wilkes will arrive home next Tuesday from Gainesville, where he is attending the University of Florida, to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Wilkes.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl H. Ware and family will entertain as their Christmas day guests, Mr. and Mrs. George Truitt and son, George Jr., and Mary and Jim Kirkpatrick, all of Lakeland.

Miss Nellene Cannon, who holds a government position in Washington, D. C., will arrive early in the week to spend Christmas with her family.

T. O. Perry, who is connected with the State Road department, is temporarily located in this area, and he and Mrs. Perry are staying at the home of Dr. and Mrs. J. D. G. Perry.

Herbert Todd, who is attending the University of Cincinnati, will arrive home from Ohio early in the week to spend the holidays here at his home.

Mrs. Mary Surles of Lake Providence, La., will arrive Monday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Reddick, and family.

Mrs. Richard I. Brown is visiting in Tampa this week, the guest of Mrs. W. C. Bryant. Mrs. Brown will return on Saturday.

Staff Sgt. Devon Reddick of Camp Blanding, accompanied by Mrs. Reddick and their son, Dickie, are spending several days here with relatives, while Sgt. Reddick is enjoying a short leave.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Prevatt will spend Christmas in Tavares with Mr. Prevatt's brother, J. R. Prevatt and family.

Miss Elizabeth Green left this morning for Port Orange to spend several days at her home, after which she will go to Washington and Atlanta, Ga. for Christmas and New Year.

Mrs. S. Y. Hart returned home last week end from Miami, where she has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Fred Keune and Mr. Keune since Thanksgiving.

Miss Iva Phillips left Friday afternoon for Orlando, where she will spend Christmas. She will also visit in Milton, and Troy, Ala. during the holidays.

Donald Todd, who is connected with the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock company in Newport News, Va., will arrive home Sunday afternoon to spend the holidays with his family.

Mrs. John B. Samborn and Miss Mary John Watson of Pinehurst, N. C., were the guests of Mrs. Samborn's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Biggie Saturday night.

Mrs. Mary McArthur, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. S. W. Roberts in Pahokee, will arrive today to spend the Christmas holidays with her son, H. G. McArthur.

Mrs. S. N. Reeves will leave Sunday for Vidalia, Ga., where she will spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Bland, and other relatives there.

Walter E. Johnson will arrive early next week from New York City to spend several weeks with his mother, Mrs. Arthur Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. John Mohrstadt of Hatty, Mo., were the guests on Tuesday of their cousin, Mrs. Ida M. Ott.

Mrs. Kathryn Wells will arrive Sunday night from Washington, D. C. to spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Katherine Bristol.

Miss Bobby and Miss Nancy Betts, who are students at Brenau college, Gainesville, Ga., arrived on Thursday for the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter S. Betts at Lake Byrd Lodge.

Among the arrivals today, will be Miss Caroline Wild, of Washington, D. C., who will spend Christmas and New Year's with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Max Wild.

Felton Causey, who is attending the Curtis-Wright Technical Institute in Los Angeles, Cal., will arrive home this week end to spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Adele Causey.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Daly spent the past week end in Jacksonville with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Daly.

Miss Ruth Wild will arrive, via bus, tonight from Tallahassee, where she attended Florida Women's College, and will remain through the holidays at her home here.

Bobby Reese, who is attending Riverside Military Academy at Gainesville, Ga., arrived home Wednesday to spend the holidays at his home.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Martin will arrive next Tuesday from their home in Columbus, Ga. to spend Christmas with Mrs. Martin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Loomis and her sister, Miss Marguerite Loomis.

Dr. S. N. Reeves is leaving this week end for Bowling Green, Ky., to spend Christmas with his mother, Mrs. W. H. Reeves.

Miss Janet Cook left yesterday afternoon for her home in Winter Haven, where she will spend the holidays.

Mrs. Virginia Cloud plans to spend the holidays with her sister, Miss Frances Hargrove in Bartow, and with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Peacock in Orlando.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Stots of Stratford, Canada, are spending the winter at the home of Mrs. Ida M. Ott.

Louie Evers, who is employed at the Charleston Navy Yard, Charleston, S. C., spent Sunday and Monday here with his family.

Miss Jane Hartt, who is a senior at the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill, is arriving home Friday for the holidays.

Miss Mary Pardee, sophomore at Stetson University, arrived Friday afternoon from Deland to spend the holidays at her home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Brown and daughter, Leah Jane are spending the week end with relatives in Orlando.

Miss Millie Pearson left this week end for Bailey, N. C., to spend the Christmas vacation with her family.

Mr. and Mrs. Walton Touchton and Mrs. Ed Touchton arrived Wednesday from Memphis, Tenn., to spend the holidays with Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Touchton.

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Mrs. Chas. Catlin of Maplewood, N. J., will arrive Tuesday to spend the winter with Mrs. Arthur Johnson, at her home on Tulane Circle.

Miss Mildred Barnard and brother, Harry Barnard have gone to Collins, Ga., to spend the holidays with relatives there.

G. S. Golding of Lakeland will spend Christmas with his daughter, Mrs. R. J. Wood and family.

Miss Dot Hughes, senior at F. S. C. W. Tallahassee, has arrived to spend the holidays at her home.

Miss Julia Norflett is spending the holidays at her home in Bradenton.

Miss Alma Harrell will leave next Sunday for Quitman, Ga., to spend the holidays at her home.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Notice is hereby given that Lucy Dusham, holder of Tax Certificate No. 124-012, issued on 4th day of September, A. D. 1941, has filed same in my office and has made application for a tax deed to be issued thereon. Said certificate embraces the following described property in the County of Highlands, State of Florida: Lots 7 & 8, Block 117, Lakewood. The assessment of the said property under the said certificate issued was \$9.00. Unpaid said certificate shall be returned to the State of Florida, unless same be paid to the holder thereof by the 1st day of January, 1942. Dated this 18th day of December, 1941.

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Clubs and Parties . . .

By HETTIE H. HETHERINGTON — Phone 54

Wava Godwin and Edwin R. Howard Are Married in Ceremony on Monday Afternoon

Miss Wava Ina-Von Godwin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George D. Godwin, and Edwin Roger Howard of Winston-Salem, N. C., were married on Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents, west Bell street. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. T. O. Baldwin, pastor of the First Baptist Church at Vero Beach, and formerly the bride's pastor, before a group of relatives and close friends. The simple ring service was used.

A program of nuptial music was given preceding the ceremony by Mrs. J. B. Coen Jr., pianist, and Mrs. T. J. Ward, vocalist. Mrs. Coen's numbers included "First Movement of Beethoven's Sonata," "Opus 27, No. 2," "Spring Song" (Schubert); and "To A Wild Rose" (McDowell). Mrs. Ward sang "Because" (Guy D'Hardelot) and "All For You" (Bertrand-Rouss). An improvised altar was arranged before the double window in the living room, where an establishment of footstool form was intermingled with giant white chrysanthemums and white gladioli. Tall white tapers, burning in branched candelabra on either side, cast a soft illumination over the white blossoms glistening among the greenery.

BRIDES' GOWN

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was lovely in her wedding gown of white brocade satin, with fitted bodice and wide full skirt. Her finger tip veil of illusion was caught to the hair by a cluster of orange blossoms, and she carried a shower bouquet of white carnations and tube roses. Her only ornament was a strand of pearls, the gift of the groom.

Mrs. Godwin Sheffield of Jacksonville, who attended her sister on a mission of honor, wore an attractive afternoon gown of autumn gold taffeta, with wide midriff and sweetheart neckline, the voluminous skirt falling in soft folds. Her flowers were a round bouquet of chrysanthemums, in bronze tints.

Mrs. Godwin, the bride's mother, wore a powder blue crepe, and a shoulder corsage of talisman roses.

HAVE RECEPTION

Immediately following the ceremony, members of the wedding party and guests were entertained at a reception. The reception room was aglow with candlelight emanating from white tapers in golden holders, burning on one end

Sibyl Bigbie Is Married to Corp. J. B. Samborn

Mr. and Mrs. Harris C. Bigbie announce the marriage of their daughter, Frances Sibyl to Corp. John B. Samborn of Larchmont, N. Y. The wedding took place on November 9 at Sumter, N. C.

Mrs. Samborn is a graduate of Avon Park high school, and for the past two years, has been connected with the Western Union. She is at present private operator at the Carolina hotel in Pinehurst, N. C.

BRIDE'S TABLE

A white and green motif prevailed in the dining room, where the bride's table was overlaid with a white linen embroidered cloth, with crystal and silver appointments. A crystal bowl, in the center, was filled with white carnations and gladioli, flanked on either side by white tapers burning in triple branched candleholders, and encircled with scatter arrangements of small white blossoms.

The inter-locking heart wedding cake, at one end of the table, was decorated in handmade rose design, and embossed with initials, W. G. E. R. H. A bouquet of white chrysanthemums and white candles were arranged on the buffet. Mrs. C. R. Barnett greeted the guests in the dining room, and Mrs. L. D. C. and Miss Willa McGiboney and Mrs. W. R. Carter assisted in serving.

After spending some time with their guests, the couple left during the late afternoon for a wedding trip to Cuba. The bride is traveling in a powder blue crepe costume suit, with matching accessories. Her flowers were a corsage of carnations, and the tube roses lifted from the bridal bouquet.

Mrs. Howard received her early education in the Avon Park high school, and is a graduate of Florida State College for Women at Tallahassee. For the past several years she has been employed as secretary to the publisher of the Winston-Salem Journal and Sentinel in Winston-Salem, N. C.

Mr. Howard attended Wake Forest college in Wake Forest, N. C. and is at present connected with the Piedmont Leaf Tobacco company of Winston-Salem, where the couple will make their home.

They will return to Avon Park early next week to spend Christmas with the bride's parents, before continuing on to Winston-Salem.

Bells of Christmas Ringing'

Delicious refreshments of sandwiches, brownies and hot chocolate were served to those present who were Jeanine Crews, Lillie Mae Collins, Anne Pabst, Daisy Ivel Mann, Mary Loy Hansen, and Barbara and Margaret Lawhorn.

Miss Sarah Browning has gone to Palatka and Columbia, Ga., for her holiday vacation.

Christmas Program At Methodist Hut

Members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the First Methodist Church were entertained at a lovely Christmas party and program at the Hut on Tuesday afternoon, and at this time presented gifts for the mission box.

A large bouquet of white chrysanthemums in a tall vase decorated the president's table, while about the room, were arrangements of Christmas berries intermingled with greenery. Miniature silver bells and red tapers in single holders accented the yuletide motif, and strands of Christmas garlands were used to add an additional note of color.

On the gift table, bowl of white narcissus and red roses was placed, against a background of Christmas greens and red yuletide symbols, flanked by statily palms. The attractively packaged gifts, brought for the mission box, were delivered for Christmas, were heaped above the center arrangement.

With Mrs. R. A. Gerrard, chairman a delightful program was given, opening with the singing of Christmas carols. Mrs. G. R. Hall was piano accompanist for the numbers.

Mrs. Harold Worden gave a splendid reading, "What Did I Get For Christmas." Catherine Jeit, young granddaughter of Rev. and Mrs. G. S. Roberts, in a clear voice sang "Away in a Manger" and "O Come All Ye Faithful," followed by a reading "Little Willie's Prayer" given in Latin.

Jane Maxwell, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Maxwell, sang sweetly "Come Hither Ye Children" and "Hosannah," to close the afternoon's program.

Mrs. T. H. Maxwell, president of the organization, presided at a short business meeting, when, annual reports, given by Mrs. T. H. Hughes, corresponding secretary, indicated a fine spirit of cooperation, resulting in a good showing for the year from all departments. All financial obligations have been met, with a neat balance, according to the report of Mrs. C. H. Pardee, treasurer. The enrollment of members for the year was most gratifying, and three study books have been completed, along with the furtherance of the work in each department, which has functioned in a cooperative manner.

Those present included Mrs. J. T. Lamb, Mrs. Harry Jackson, Mrs. M. Wilson, Mrs. Estelle Sommerman, Mrs. Joe. Nicholson, Mrs. T. P. Turner, Mrs. R. F. Wilson, Mrs. G. R. Hall, Mrs. L. M. Orr, Mrs. G. S. Roberts, Mrs. W. S. Rawlings, Mrs. Orville Wyckoff, Miss Farlow Anderson, Mrs. I. L. Hall, Mrs. T. H. Hughes, Mrs. A. C. Gerrard, Mrs. Martin, Mrs. R. A. Gerrard, Mrs. T. H. Maxwell, Mrs. A. McKee Ewell, Mrs. Harold Worden, Mrs. Arthur Johnson, Mrs. C. H. Harris, Mrs. Chas. F. Collins, Mrs. M. W. Davis, Mrs. J. A. Taylor, Mrs. J. D. Raab, Mrs. Floyd Houghaboom, Mrs. A. C. Westler, Mrs. Etta Keeler, Mrs. J. O. Bridger, and Mrs. W. N. Van Patten.

Dinner Party At Reeves Home

The members of the Tuesday bridge club enjoyed a delightful dinner party on Tuesday evening at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Stanley N. Reeves. The beautiful centerpiece for the dining table, was an arrangement of colorful holiday fruits, and nuts. Autumn flowers were blended into attractive bouquets and used to advantage throughout the home.

When scores were totaled, following the progression of bridge high score individual prizes were awarded Mrs. C. Parke Anderson and Dr. D. G. Perry. The prizes were each useful articles, and were presented in Christmas wrappings. A feature of the evening, was an exchange of humorous gifts from a gayly lighted and decorated tree. "Santa Walter Betts" did the honors in distributing the packages.

Those present included Mr. and Mrs. C. Parke Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. J. Paul Garber, Mr. and Mrs. Walter S. Betts, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Keller and Dr. and Mrs. D. G. Perry.

Hugh Taylor And Waymah Worcester Married Friday

Harold Taylor, cadet manager at the Lockheed Aviation Military Academy, and Miss Waymah Worcester of Tampa were married Friday evening by County Judge T. A. McNicholas at his home. Mrs. Taylor has returned to Tampa temporarily, where she is employed at Woolworth's Store.

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OR LINES

Serious Food Shortage in France

Search for Substitutes Is Urged; Lack of Edible And Other Oils.

VIENNA, FRANCE.—The search for substitutes continues to develop in France on account of the dearth of standard commodities. While legitimate in some cases, the search for people who plead for more reflection.

"It is all very well," they urge, "to grind a miscellaneous assortment of husks and call the result coffee. But surely it is going too far to propose building a plant for the process. The war must end some day and coffee will return. What will you do with your plant then?"

It may happen also that the discovery of a substitute brings to alleviation but merely causes scarcity of the raw materials entering into the composition of that substitute. The stock reply to such arguments is to recall that it was during the Napoleonic wars that beet sugar was devised to replace cane sugar and that now beet sugar holds the field.

Weak Points Appear.

It is predictable but it brings the report that immediately after the armistice there was much talk of sugar from daffodils and chocolate from beechnuts and that nothing has come of it.

The weak point about some proposed substitutes is inconsistency on the part of those who propose them. Thus, one man wants to heat homes by burning waste-paper substitutes water for two days and then dried out. He forgets that there is a law whereby all waste-paper must be salvaged so that it may be used for making new pulp.

Then there is the question of oil, both edible and lubricating. Farmers are urged to sow colza and rapeseed, while the production of olive and walnut oil is encouraged. All these sources of supply have been more or less neglected ever since the development of the peanut oil industry in the French African colonies. In some of them the peanut is the staple crop and the main

source of wealth. The dearth of oil is due solely to difficulties of importation.

But the greatest progress—and probably the most lasting—has been made in the realm of plastics, in which pre-war France had been greatly outdistanced by the United States and Germany. The latest product is known as "rhodoid." Its composition is not revealed but it is to be used for making fountain pens, bicycle handlebars, automobile windshields and cinema film, among other things.

It was announced that the government is experimenting with substitutes for tobacco. Private citizens have forestalled it. Ever since the cigarette ration was brought down to four a day men have been trying the leaves of various trees, including eucalyptus, corn silk and several medicinal herbs. The field is unlimited.

Most activity on the part of the "economic police" is forestalled in an official announcement regarding the shipping of "family packages" of foodstuffs. The "economic police" consists of agents of the ministry of supplies, who may enter all eating houses and investigate every shipment of goods. Then the minister, without any other process of law, may order the closing of any restaurant or the confiscation of any shipment.

Nevertheless, it is conceded that in France individual inconveniences must give way to the common good.



WHAT WAS FARMER BROWN'S BOY DOING?

FARMER BROWN'S boy trudged along toward the Green Forest and he whistled as he tramped. That whistle was good to hear. Tommy Tit the Chickadee thought so, and he stopped hunting grubs and eggs and insects in the Old Orchard long enough to listen. Chatterer the Red Squirrel thought so, and he stopped his mad scamper along the old stone wall that he might hear better. Tommy Tit the Chickadee thought so, and he seemed to delight in thinking just the opposite to what other people think. Besides, he had fully made up his mind that Farmer Brown's boy had been making traps, and now he was sure of it, for under one arm he was carrying some boards and in the other hand was a hammer.

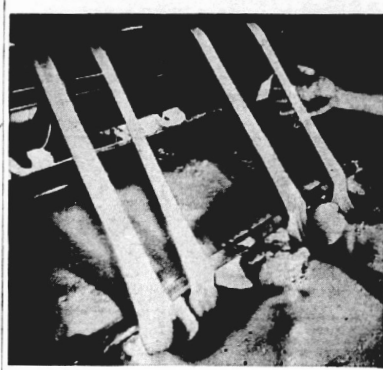
So Sammy followed Farmer Brown's boy and screamed at the top of his lungs.

But Farmer Brown's boy took no notice of him. He went whistling on until he reached the Green Forest. Where the Lone Little Path goes down the hill he stopped beside a big chestnut tree. He put down the things that he was carrying. Then he dashed some nails from a pocket, and picking up a board, he nailed it to the big chestnut tree as high up as he could reach. When he had driven the last nail he backed off and looked at the board.

"I guess that will do the business," said he, and picking up the other boards he started on down the Lone Little Path toward the Green Meadows, once more whistling.

Sammy Jay stopped to look at the board nailed to the big chestnut tree. He cocked his head to one side and then to the other side, and tried to look very wise, but he wasn't wise at all. If that was a trap it was the queerest looking trap that ever he had seen. All he could make of it was just a board with a lot of queer black marks on it. It

Can You Guess What This Is?



Can you guess what is being spun through the spinning box in the above photo? Wrong again—it's milk. This is a photograph of an actual operation in making fiber out of milk. Skim milk is used as the first step in the process. Heated and treated with acids this skim milk is separated into curds and whey. The curds are washed and dried into a fibrous substance called dried casein. After the casein is ground and treated it is ready for the fiber factory. Here it goes through a "spinning" containing holes, through which viscous casein is forced under pressure giving the above picture and subsequent fiber suitable for blending with other fibers used in the textile industry.

Family Ties of These

Twins Are Numbered
KANSAS CITY, KAN.—It's easy for Mrs. M. Emerson Patton to remember her brother and sister. The brother, Franklin C. Britter, lives at 1788 Hill avenue, Los Angeles; the sister, Mrs. J. M. Clark, 1788 Cambridge street, Baltimore.

Their phone numbers? Why, 1788, of course.

French Spies Germans

What Red Tape Really Is
LONDON.—French civil servants are competing with one another to "misdirect orders, muddle commands, and lose instructions," a newspaper in German-occupied Paris complained in an article quoted by the British Broadcasting corporation.

The newspaper described the methods as a "new kind of sabotage" and said they were being employed by all civil servants, "high and low alike."

"The chaos which results is caused by the fact that these people (civil servants) are Marxists, De Gaulleists, democrats or Christians influenced by Jews—or all these things at once," the newspaper said.

The British Broadcasting corporation did not name the newspaper.

What to Do

BY PHYLLIS BELMONT

Not one of them knew what to think. First one, to the big hickory tree over by the Smiling Pool. From there he went straight over to the dear Old Birder Patch and nailed one of an old fence post. Then, still whistling as if he were very happy, he started for home.

Now, no sooner was he out of sight than all the little people hurried to see what he had been doing. Happy Jack the Gray Squirrel, Chatterer the Red Squirrel, Bobby Coon, Uncle Billy Possum and Jump-o-the-Hare gathered in front of the big chestnut tree in the Green Forest and stared at the board on the board with the queer black marks. Over at the Smiling Pool Billy Mink, Jerry Muskrat, and Little Joe Gopher started and stared at the board on the big hickory tree. Peter Rabbit, Little Mrs. Peter, and Jimmy Shunk, who happened along, stared and stared at the board on the old fence post. No one of them knew what to think. Finally they gave it up and went about their business. Only Sammy Jay hung around, and so it happens that he was the only one who saw a hunter with a terrible gun come down the Lone Little Path and stop in front of the big chestnut tree. He snatched a board, then muttering angrily he turned and left the Green Forest. This is what he had read on that board:

NOTICE
All hunting and trapping on this property is forbidden.
FARMER BROWN.

Farmer Brown's boy had been proving himself the best friend the little people of the Green Forest, the Smiling Pool, and the Green Meadows had ever had. He was a fair one to more machines or spare parts which have passed the efficiency tests required by the government before any motor or vehicle

ever prove a satisfactory substitute for gasoline. For utility vehicles and stationary motors, however, a new adapted type motor with its own wood, coal or peat gas-generators appears to have a bright future.

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(Associated Newspapers—WNU Service)

SPEAKING OF SPORTS

By ROBERT McSHANE
Editorial by Walter White (Continued)

LOU BOURDREAU, 24-year-old shortstop who will manage the Cleveland Indians next season, has taken over a job which requires all the courage and resiliency of his youth.

The Indians aren't a great baseball team—Bourdreau admits that. In speaking of his new job, Lou said: "I realize I am young, and that it will be a heavy job, but I feel I can do it with the co-operation of the players and the fans. I feel we'll make our place in the first division. We don't have a great ball club, but we do have a great ball team."

Bourdreau didn't lead with his chin. There's more than one reason why he shouldn't. To begin with, the Indians aren't exactly famous for their ability to come through in the pinch. In fact, they have been termed as a good team on paper because they fold so easily. The Tribe blew its big chance in 1939 and may not come as close again.

The possible—even probable—absence of Pitcher Bob Feller isn't enhanced the Indians' chances. The army is looking upon Bob with a fond eye. It seems that he is scheduled to get a second lieutenant's rating in the air corps.

Lou takes over the job vacated by the promotion of Roger Peckinpaugh, who, when only 23 years old, managed the New York Yankees the last two weeks of the 1914 season. Peckinpaugh, who managed the Indians in 1941, has been elevated to the top front office desk as vice president. His tenure of office wasn't marked by phenomenal success.

Before Peckinpaugh there was Oscar Vitt. His two-year reign ended in free fall when Oscar made his way out of the big leagues. His departure didn't seem to cause him any great amount of heartbreak. The Indians and Vitt just didn't see eye-to-eye.

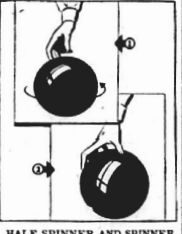
Bourdreau's professional baseball career spans only three full seasons, with a little more than two in the big league. Chosen the most promising player in the 1938 season by the Cleveland chapter of the Baseball Writers' association, Lou joined the Indians in the 1939 season and has starred ever since.

Veteran baseball players sing Lou's praises. Lefty O'Doul, manager of the San Francisco Giants, and Tony Lauerer, one-time Yankee star and former Cub pitcher, give him their most pious blessings.

Bowling—The Right Way

By LOWELL JACKSON

(This is one of a series of lessons in bowling by Lowell Jackson, one of the best bowlers in the world. He has won eight titles in the 1930s and has a 15-year league average of 210.)



HALF SPINNER AND SPINNER.
The half spinner is delivered with your thumb pointing directly at the headpin. When releasing the bowling ball, twist your finger and wrist from right to left—the same counter clockwise motion used in the rolling hook.

The difference in the two deliveries is that in the half spinner, the thumb points at the headpin; while in the rolling hook, the open part of the "V" formed by your thumb and index finger points at the pins. The half spinner will roll on one-third of the surface of the ball.

Place the half spinner on a spot from seven to eight boards from the right hand gutter and direct the ball straight at the No. 3 pin. Shortly before reaching the pins, it will hook into the 1-3 pocket. The half spinner is a very desirable type of ball to use when moving from one alley to another.

The spinner is delivered with your hand in back of the ball, with a twist from the finger and wrist as the ball is released. The delivery calls for a trifle more speed than the rolling hook or half-spinner. Expert bowlers use the spinner on alleys that are "running" or slow.

SPORTS SHORTS

A total of 1,811,388 persons saw Western conference teams play 40 football games this year.

Paul Lillis, captain of this year's Notre Dame football team, has enlisted in the army air corps.

Lee MacPhail, 28-year-old son of Larry MacPhail of the Brooklyn Dodgers, has been appointed business manager of the Toronto baseball club of the International league.

Charlie Grimm calls Joe Gordon second baseman he has ever seen.

THINGS for YOU TO MAKE



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A CALICO cat performs above calico corners for a gay tea towel motif. It's really not a very strenuous week he puts in—sleeping behind a flower pot, watching the fish bowl, drinking milk, etc.—but your kitchen will welcome the decorations he gives to tea towels.

The 7 tea towel designs and the matching panholder are on transfer 23776, 13

Jones Found It Difficult Matter to Change His Diet

Going to a new restaurant for lunch, Jones ordered brown bread. The waitress brought him white. Jones, bringing a reserved frown, said nothing. The second floor he ordered brown and again got white. This went on for a week.

He decided that the only way to get what he wanted was to order the opposite. So he started the new week by adding to his luncheon order:

"And bring me some white bread."

"But," exclaimed the girl, "aren't you the gentleman who always has brown?"

Stop worrying about what to send that man you know in the service. He's answered that Christmas gift problem for you in any number of surveys made in camp and on shipboard. It's cigarettes and smoking tobacco first. The favorite cigarette in Camel. The big favorite among smoking tobacco is Prince Albert, the National Joy Smoke, according to actual sales records from service stores in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard. Local dealers are featuring Camels in your choice of two gaily wrapped tins—a 100 pack tin and a 50 pack tin—both of which are in pound glass humidor of Prince Albert as ideal Christmas gifts for the men in the service—Adv.

People's Will

Nothing can ruin our country if the people themselves will undertake its safety—and nothing can save it if they leave that safety in any hands other than their own. Daniel Webster.



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Minute Make-Ups

By Gabrielle



Has your face the twice-clean look? Dip generously into your jar of cold cream, put it over your face, then pat it in. Remove with tissues, taking off every bit of dust, grime and cream. Then spread on a second layer to be sure that there's not even a shadow left to dull your face. Then, tissues again.

Your face will be radiantly soft and smooth—twice clean! (Lester Syndicate—WNU Service)

First Tanks.
The first tanks used in battle was on September 15, 1916, at the battle of Thiepval, in France, when 49 of them were suddenly introduced into the battle line by the British.

After German Raid on Moscow



This soundphoto of a block of apartment houses in Moscow tells its own story. One wall was sheared completely away after the explosion of a German aerial bomb during a raid on the capital.

EXHIBIT SHOWS HOW CARS CAN BE RUN WITH WOOD GAS

VIENNA.—Center of interest to tens of thousands of visitors to the Vienna trade fair this fall was a wood chopper, which within the next few months may be a common sight in many parts of Europe.

The wood chopper, one of several types exhibited at the fair, is the chief part of the equipment of gas-wood filling stations for trucks and tractors now being constructed along many of the highways.

With the assistance and under the supervision of the German government, 700 such stations have been established and plans approved for 1,500 others.

Under ideal conditions this wood chopper hacks almost 300 cubic feet of wood an hour into small chunks and blocks which wood-gas generators require as fuel.

For pleasure cars it is not likely that either wood or coal gas will

ever prove a satisfactory substitute for gasoline. For utility vehicles and stationary motors, however, a new adapted type motor with its own wood, coal or peat gas-generators appears to have a bright future.

To this potential market nearly 40 German firms exhibited at the Vienna fair one or more machines or spare parts which have passed the efficiency tests required by the government before any motor or vehicle

can be offered to the public.

In Greater Germany and those parts of Europe now occupied by the German army, according to an official announcement, approximately 150,000 generator-gas trucks are in service. Through their use Germany saves each month more than 11,000,000 gallons of gasoline for military purposes. In some of these trucks coal or peat is the generator's fuel, in others it is wood.

DEEP WATER ISLAND

by ALAN LEMAY

INSTALLMENT ELEVEN
THE STORY SO FAR: Karen Wayne, continued by her lawyer, John Cole, that she has a claim to the island estate of her grandfather, Garrett Watson, comes with Cole to Honolulu and meets Tunga Dick or Richard Wayne, a member of the Wayne family which has been in control of the property since her grandfather's disappearance. Dick's uncle, James Wayne, manager of the island, Alaska, dies from overwork and Dick attempts to work out a compromise settlement of Karen's claim. This is refused. Meanwhile Karen has learned that both Cole and Dick are in love with her. On the island, one day, Dick reveals that Karen is not heiress at all, but that Garrett Watson was alive and is on his way to Alaska. He and Karen discuss what attitude she must take toward her claim to the island.

Now continue with the story.

"I've been perfectly sincere. Dick, you just have to believe that!"

"I do. But Garrett Watson may very possibly believe, by this time, that the Wayne took unfair advantage of him when they bought Alaska."

Karen seemed strangely shaken. "Then nothing is settled at all, is it?"

"Nothing. They key has passed into other hands—that's all."

"And this fight has to go on, and on..."

"Are you tired of this fight, Karen?"

"Something's changed it for me. I don't know what it is. At first it seemed such a glorious adventure; it promised to open up a whole new world. But that's all gone. I don't know what's the matter. Somehow I'm not sure, any more, that I want Alaska."

"Neither," said Dick Wayne, "do I. You know that."

She turned a little to look at him; and the young stars made her face, as pale oval, mysterious and lovely, but her expression he could not see.

"You don't want your island?" she asked quietly.

He took her hands, and made her lean toward him. "You know what I want. You've known it all the time."

"But—the island—your brother..."

"Haven't you?" he asked.

"There isn't—there isn't any way..."

"Haven't you?" Dick insisted.

The resistance seemed to go out of her; she swayed forward, and pressed her cheek against his chest.

"Yes," she admitted. "I know."

"There isn't any time to lose," Dick said. "I've had a radio from Watson. He'll drop anchor in less than two hours. By that time it will be too late."

"What are we going to do?"

"We're going to run out on this one. We'll be married in five minutes. We'll be married in five minutes. I don't care what happens after that. They can go on with this internal squabble until they eat each other's last shirt."

"It's impossible! I can't!"

"Why? If you're still going to let John Cole..."

"Don't you see what position I'm put in? Do you think I've so little pride that I'd try to sell your island, and fail, and then edge in by marrying the very man I tried to bankrupt?"

"I don't believe you care any more about the island than I do."

"You don't now. But some day you'll remember, and perhaps begin to doubt; and nothing could ever be..."

"But you don't know that you've lost the island. Nobody will know until Garrett Watson shows his hand."

"Dick—if my grandfather takes the island, I'll marry you then, if you want me to."

"Oh," he said. He released his hold, and she moved a few inches away from him. "No," he repeated. "I'm not going to marry an island either, Karen."

"Then you see—it's hopeless, Dick."

"In another hour or so it will be completely. This is the last time we'll ever have any choice. Because now we don't know. Right now one of us is as good as broke—but we don't know which. Perhaps neither one of us will ever have anything in the world again."

"Maybe," Karen said, "that would be best of all. Only—we can't make that choice either. Dick. Neither one of us has any choice whatever. In anything, it seems."

Dick said gravely, "The choice is yours, Karen; and you have to make it now, tonight—before I leave this boat."

"What is it you want me to do?"

"I want you to come with me, now, on the Holokai. I'll show the Holokai over the bar, and run to sea."

"If only," Karen said, "I had a little time..."

"That's all."

"Even a few hours..."

He saw that she was frightened; and he was pleased because it told him that she wanted to come with him.

"You have a few hours," he said. "You have days, if you want. I'll stay at sea as long as you want me to. Or, when we've talked it over, I'll not back. Or I'll take you any place you want to go. But now we've got to get out of here—quickly—if they're ever going to be any hope at all."

She turned away from him and he heard, groped in the radio room, that his crew were on the Holokai, a



"But you don't know that you're lost the island."

dark tall shape, with her trucks showing against the stars. The moments ticked by, and the outrigger glided past twice, standing on and off, and it seemed to Dick that she was never going to speak.

Dick picked Karen up lightly and lowered her over the rail into the moving outrigger; then himself vaulted the rail in time to light upon the canoe's stern as it swept past.

The little craft veiled, and the canoe's whole outrigger lifted out of the water; then she landed, and her sail flapped lazily as she came about and pointed for the Holokai.

Karen stood beside Dick Wayne as he piloted the Holokai to sea. He was handling the wheel himself, as he always did in these reefs; but even while he was nervously back-sighting his markers, the sense of her presence there had hold of every part of him, changing the meaning of the vessel, and the harbor, and the night. The salt spray that he loved had never, in all his life, been so welcome in the air he breathed.

The Chinese mess boy poked him into the wheelhouse and plucked at Dick's sleeve. He was in a white mess jacket, this time.

"Captain Tonga, something is wrong, I think. Somebody is in your cabin, I think. You send somebody in cabin."

"Well, who is it?"

"Captain Tonga, the door is fastened."

"Oh, bunk! What's the matter with you. Seeing ghosts?"

"No, Captain. Somebody is—"

"Go tell the cook to make dinner for two—and make it good. Get out of here and do as I tell you."

The big combers that lashed over the sea-lashed coral were close on the Holokai now, but Dick seemed sure of his way. He fired the Holokai at the channel like a shot; the big Diesel had small range of speed, so that under power the Holokai would fall out or not at all. He spoke from the side of his mouth to the Japanese who served as first officer, boun, and cipher-smith.

"Inyashi, get the night glasses out."

"Yes, Captain."

"We'll very likely sight the Sarah coming in five minutes, your grandfather's other ship," Dick said to Karen, raising his voice over the roar of the shafts. "She's a good little vessel, but much slower than this. She must have started north no more than twelve hours after the Holokai, and you see how late she is. Did you know that 'Sarah' was your grandmother's name?"

The Japanese quartermaster was back, bursting into the wheelhouse in the quick nervous way that marked everything he did. "Captain Dick, I cannot get the night glasses—you have left your cabin locked."

"'Locked?' You're crazy—the door's stuck, that's all. Give it a boost."

Inyashi showed extreme embarrassment. "Captain Dick, I did. The panel split. I think it was poor wood, but I can fix it. It is locked—it is locked, I know."

"Let it go. I'll send up the glasses. Get a Kanaka boy for the wheel—let me be in clear water in a minute. Set a course for Kala; watch for a ship—any ship—and report all vessels to me."

"Yes, Captain!"

"That last is for you," Dick told Karen. The wheel was kicking crazy, but he let go with one hand, and pulled her close against him. "I thought you might want to see the ship that's bringing him in, out of the south."

"Out of the south," Karen repeated. "Out of the sea, out of the past itself."

"You'll like him, Karen; I promise you that."

"You and I have so much to talk about," Karen said. "I'm terribly eager that you should know my grandfather. I want to know where he's been, and what he does, and how he lives, and want to know what he's really like, and if you think he'll approve of me."

"And," Dick said, "why he disappeared, and did his name?"

"Did he run from something, Dick?" from his own pride. I understand it. I understand it well.



But it's a little hard to explain to quiet people, leading quiet lives. "Hard to explain?" she repeated. "No, not to me. Even from what little I know of him, I do understand. As if it had been myself!"

He marveled a little at that. This utterly feminine girl, with her finely chiseled face and gentle smile, could show flashes of something strangely reminiscent of Garrett Watson; as if the mountainous and crazy fires of the old adventurer had perpetuated themselves in a thread of fine steel.

"I can tell you most of the rest," he said. "I—"

Dick suddenly spun the wheel hard over, and the Holokai veered at the reef-rollers struck her in the bottle-neck of the entrance; then she steered upon the easy swell of the open sea.

Inyashi stepped forward, and Dick turned over the wheel. "We can go below now, Karen. I don't think a shanty would do us any harm. Do you? I have some of the same Scotch the British embassies use. And something to eat."

Below, he moved briskly about the cabin, switching on more lights. "That door back here the stern is to my own cabin—pretty small, but the only one there is. It's yours while you want it. I can sleep on the floor, I think. But—"

It suddenly occurred to him that this was the first moment in which he had been alone since he had persuaded her to leave the sea. He turned and faced her. His eyes glared. A hundred voyages among the islands of little known seas had brought him less adventure than he believed belonged to him tonight.

For a moment she met his eyes and her smile was shy, misty; he had never seen her in this mood before, with her defenses lowered and the keen brilliance of her glance shadowed and softened. "But—bunk!" He forgot what he had meant to say.

"But what?" she mocked him. "If you mean to suggest—"

She stopped. Abruptly the smile left her face, and the softness, to be replaced by astonishment.

After his first spasm of surprise he saw that she was looking past him, and he whirled.

The door of the inner cabin had opened, and Lilia was standing there—Lilia, with half-clad body and blazing eyes.

She stood, very straight, swaying with effortless balance to the lift and tilt of the sea as only the Polynesians can. She was wearing a clinging but a wrapped skirt of tapa cloth—not even a lei, or a blossom in her hair to adorn for the stir of ginger flowers that came subtly into the cabin from the doorway where she stood.

She spoke straight to Karen; it was as if she could not see Dick at all.

"That are you doing here?"

There was appalling silence, filled with the rush of the sea along the ports. "Lilia," this is ridiculous—it's fantastic!"

"You stay out of this, Dick! It isn't your fault—it's this woman. You can't understand her because you're a man, but I understand her. What she can't stand she'll destroy. She'll eat the soul out of your body. Dick—and then go back to John Cole!"

"Be still!" Dick roared.

"I'll not be still. Send her back to her own man. She has no right here. This is not her place."

Lilia was speaking to Karen, ignoring him again. Her voice was quiet, in comparison to his; yet somehow it cut his down, so that he stopped.

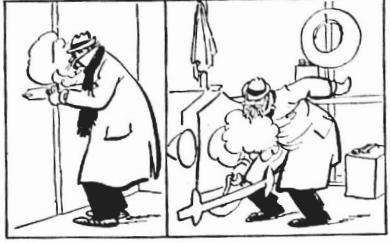
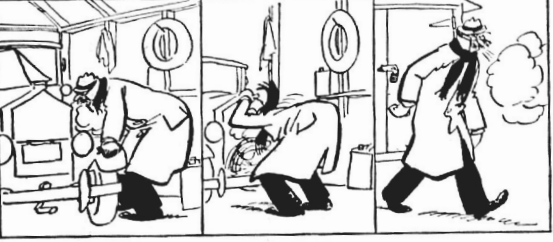
"This is my man. You know that. Why don't you go back to your own? Do you have to have everything—the land, and the sea, and the fish, and all the men in the world?"

For a moment a terrible exasperation half blinded Dick Wayne. Something that was worth more to him than the breath in his teeth had been altogether his, until Lilia appeared. She had come abruptly out of no place, unannounced in her physical presence, but even more uncomfortable as a factor in his life. Search his memory as he might, he could not recall ever having summoned her—not by so much as the trailing of his eyes.

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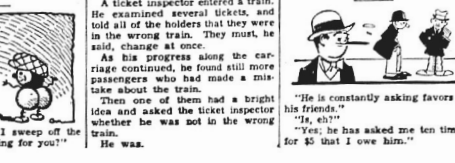
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Backed by Pride. Too rigid scruples are created pride.—Goethe.

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Christmas Supper Party Tuesday

Mrs. Phillip Boardman and Mrs. Ben T. Stewart were hostesses on Tuesday evening at a cheerful Christmas supper party, with members of the Santa Social club as their guests. The affair was held at the home of Mrs. Stewart, north

Lake avenue. The centerpiece for the dining table was a round arrangement of Christmas greens interspersed with sprays of Brazilian pepper and silver pine cones, from which a tall red candle, tied with a red ribbon, radiated a mellow glow. Antique prisms, with crystal drops, held red candles burning at either end of the table.

Silvered red boots, as favors, held tiny cups of tomato juice cocktail, served as the first course of the tempting spaghetti supper, and places were marked with a gift for each guest.

Following the supper, the evening was devoted to several progressions of bridge. A small white and blue Christmas tree in the living room lent a cherry atmosphere, and autumn flowers were placed at vantage points. The mantel presented a beautiful scene with a Madonna in the center holding silver and blue ornaments, flanked by two silver reindeer and angels, overcast with gleaming snowflakes to give the effect of a soft mist.

High score prize, a fitted travel case, was presented to Mrs. Virginia Cloud, and second high, a picture, was won by Miss Iva Phillips. The packages were attractive in their colorful Christmas wrappings.

Those enjoying the supper and bridge were Miss Iva Phillips, Mrs. John Bunting, Miss Evelyn Clements, Miss Janet Cook, Miss Julia Norfleet, Mrs. Fred Peden, Miss Mildred Myers, Miss Millie Pearson, Mrs. Chas Sherman, Miss Elizabeth Green, Miss Sarah Browning, Mrs. Virginia Cloud, Miss Alma Harrell, Mrs. Raymond Dilley, Mrs. Clio Metcalfe, Miss Hettie Hundermark, and Mrs. Stewart and Mrs. Boardman.

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Covenant Circle Met At Hauptmann Home

The "Covenant Circle" of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Union Congregational Church met at the home of Mrs. W. Hauptmann, Lake Avenue, on Wednesday. At the business meeting, Mrs. E. L. Thomason, chairman of the nominating committee presented the following names for officers for 1942: Mrs. A. C. Elliott, president; Mrs. W. Hauptmann, vice-president; Mrs. Max Wild, treasurer; Mrs. E. L. Park, secretary. These ladies were duly elected.

It was voted to present a gift to the Woman's Club Fund. The Woman's Gift will be presented and dedicated at the next meeting of the General Council of National Fellowship of Congregational Women, to be held at Hanover, New Hampshire, in June, 1942. The chairman of the Program Committee, Miss Katherine Culler, gave a synopsis of the "Covenant Circle" programs to be presented during the coming year.

At the devotional period Christmas carols were sung. Mrs. Elliott conducted the devotional period and gave a talk on "The Advent Season and How to Use It." This period was closed by singing "Savior of the World," Miss Daisy Smith singing very sweetly as a solo part; two verses of the song to the tune of "Londonerry Air," while the group joined in on the other verses. Mrs. R. Mayack brought "The Message of Christmas," telling the story of Christmas in many lands. Mrs. W. Hauptmann, hostess, presided at the piano and served refreshments at the close of the meeting, being assisted by Miss Daisy Smith. The January meeting is to be a "Guest Meeting" at the home of Mrs. R. Mayack, Lake Avenue.

NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME LAW

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, pursuant to the provisions of the Statute, Chapter 1115, Chapter No. 2964, Laws of Florida, 1941, will register with the Clerk of the Circuit Court, in and for the County of Highlands, upon receipt of proof of publication of this notice, the fictitious name, said firm, fictitious address, under which I am engaged in business in the City of Avon Park, Florida.

Dated at Avon Park, Highlands County, Florida, November 18, 1941. Dec. 6, 12, 20, 27, Jan. 3, 10.

Nancy Betts

Christmas Party At Bristol Home

The annual Christmas party of the B. P. W. club was unusually delightful this year, being held at the home of Mrs. Katherine Bristol, with Mrs. C. A. Clark, as co-hostess. Christmas cactus, chrysanthemums, and gerberas formed the colorful decorations in the party rooms.

Scores for the bridge games, enjoyed during the evening, were kept on clever tally sheets. A holiday design, high award, a bottle of fragrant perfume, was presented to Miss Homolise Bryant; second high, a hanging flower pot, filled with a cactus plant, was won by Miss Clio Metcalfe. Favors for each guest was a miniature stocking filled with pop corn and candies. A feature of the evening's pleasure was an exchange of gifts from a gaily lighted and decorated tree, the "secret sister" plan, observed by the club members, forming a basis for the gift distribution. Tempting refreshments of gingerbread with whipped cream, salted nuts, and coffee, were served.

Those attending the party were Mrs. H. C. Biggie, Mrs. Phillip Boardman, Miss Sarah Browning, Mrs. Virginia Cloud, Miss Verna Heim, Mrs. Mary Holcomb, Mrs. Frances Lurvey, Miss Clio Metcalfe, Mrs. Fred Peden, Mrs. Ben T. Stewart, Mrs. Daisy Ten Eyck, Miss Kate Tompkins, Miss Mattie Tompkins, Miss Margaret Vogt, Miss Millie Pearson, Miss Homolise Bryant, and Miss Almetta Schell.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR THE STATE OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF HIGHLANDS, IN THE MATTER OF FIRST MORTGAGE AND GUARANTY COMPANY, A CORPORATION.

Notice is hereby given that the stockholders of the First Mortgage and Guaranty Company, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Florida, and having its principal office in the County of Highlands, Florida, on the 22nd day of December, 1941, for all stockholders of said corporation, are hereby notified to be present at said time, if they have to the entry of an order of said Court, by order of said Court, dated this 18th day of December, 1941.

JOHN H. HODD, Executive Vice President of First Mortgage and Guaranty Company
CANFIELD, Secretary of First Mortgage and Guaranty Company
DEC. 6, 12, 20.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Genale B. 193
Notice is hereby given that Will, homestead, 1000 E. 1st St., Tampa, Fla., holder of Tax Certificate, Tampa No. 193-1932, issued the 4th day of May, 1941, and August 10, 1942-29, respectively, has filed same in my office and has made application for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

Said certificate embraces the County of Highlands, state of Florida, to-wit: Cert. No. 193 for 1942 covers 3/4 of NW 1/4 of SW 1/4, Sec. 21-23-29 of NW 1/4 of SW 1/4, Sec. 21-23-29. The assessment of the said property under the said certificate issued was in the name of Unknown. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described therein will be sold to the highest bidder at the court house door at 11:00 A. M. on the first Monday in the month of January, 1943, which is the 4th day of January, 1943, at this 1st day of December, 1941.

(SEAL) Clerk of Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida
By D. J. YOUNG, Deputy Clerk
DEC. 6, 12, 20, 27.

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Mary Pardee

Joyce Landress And Ed Clark Are Married Wednesday

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Landress of Lake Wales announce the marriage of their daughter, Joyce to Edward J. Clark, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Clark of Avon Park, on Wednesday evening, Dec. 17. The ceremony was performed by Judge Clyde Madox at his home in Wauchula.

Mr. Clark attended school in Avon Park, and recently moved with her family to Lake Wales. Mr. Clark was educated in the schools of Avon Park, and is connected with Lawton Dyer, painter. The couple are making their home in Stewart's apartment, and are receiving the congratulations of their many friends.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR THE STATE OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF HIGHLANDS, IN CHANCERY, IN RE PETITION FOR ADOPTION OF LARRY ANN JOHNSON, BY CHARLES R. GINN AND HELEN AMES GINN, HIS WIFE.

NOTICE TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Notice is hereby given of the intention of Charles R. Ginn and Helen Ames Ginn, his wife, of Avon Park, Highlands County, State of Florida, to file a petition with the Honorable

Judge of the Tenth Judicial Circuit of the State of Florida, in and for Highlands County, on the 28th day of December, A. D. 1941, to cause said Court to grant and confirm the adoption of Larry Ann Johnson, as of December 2, 1941, two years and one month.

Dated at Avon Park, Florida, this 20th day of December, A. D. 1941.
CHARLES R. GINN
HELEN AMES GINN
Attorneys for Petitioners
Dec. 20, 27, Jan. 3, 10, 17

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—AND—
"The Dance of the Weed"



WOMAN'S WAY

Washing dishes, at best, is an unattractive occupation. The endless scouring and scrubbing, once the common lot of woman, has been made less arduous, however, through the general use of electric household appliances. . . . Native skill and inventive genius have provided the American woman with a freedom and leisure that make her the envy of less fortunate women the world over. . . . Thus private business and individual enterprise have planted on these shores a blessed economy, called "The American Way of Life." As the chief beneficiary of

this superior system, the American woman is keenly interested in its preservation. . . . Through garden clubs and countless other group activities she already makes communities more inviting and livable, and in the new emergency we count on her active influence. . . . Prepared, and in complete co-operation with our customers, the employees of this company can also be depended upon to do their patriotic duty, as modern electric services give you the time to help keep democracy at work.

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County Meets Food Quotas For War Needs

Highlands to Furnish Double Amount Beef Asked

C. Parke Anderson was again elected chairman for the third consecutive year at the annual meeting of the Highlands County Agricultural Conservation Association last Friday night.

James A. Vaughn and Miss Edna Pearce were re-elected as members of the committee. Mr. Vaughn who was elected as vice chairman has served on the county committee since the work was started nearly six years ago. Miss Edna Pearce has served during the past five years.

T. Jesse Durrance was again re-elected as first alternate member, and C. L. Reynolds of Lorida was elected as second alternate member.

County Agent Louis H. Almsayer was elected as secretary and Miss Edith Murphy was re-elected as treasurer.

In discussing the program, Chairman Anderson stated that the majority of the growers had signed up in the Food for Freedom Program before noon December 6. The majority of these reports submitted by individual growers indicate that goals in the Food for Freedom program in Highlands County for 1945 as suggested by the State Committee and then approved by the Highlands County Agricultural Defense Board, had more than been met in every case except in poultry.

Because of high feed prices and shortage of hay there will be a decrease in eggs produced and poultry marketed in Highlands county this year. An increase of 250 acres in vegetables was requested. Growers signed up agreeing to plant 700 more acres than we have ever had before in the county. Where an increase of 10% in the number of family cows was requested, an increase of over 14% was secured and each person owning a family cow agreed to see that that cow was properly supplied with minerals.

Because of the increase in permanent pastures planted on range land in the county the State Committee had asked for 500,000 pounds more beef for supply to the markets from Highlands county. The County Defense Board felt that the increase should be at least 550,000 pounds more beef marketed. Naturally, they were all highly pleased when they found that not only that high figure was reached, but that cattlemen agreed to market over 935,000 pounds more beef in 1945, than in 1944, more than double the quota.

A 15% increase in hogs marketed was requested, and the hog raisers reported an increase of 24% over their 1944 production figures.

Todd Is Elected Head Agricultural Planning Council

E. G. Todd of Avon Park was elected chairman, and F. C. Payne vice chairman of the Highlands County Agricultural Planning Council at the meeting last Friday night. County Agent Louis H. Almsayer was elected as secretary. The possibility of securing a County Home Demonstration Agent for this county will be discussed at the annual meeting of the organization in January.

County Agent Almsayer reported that the recent election held for the purpose of determining the growers' wishes regarding the formation of a Soil Conservation District embracing all of the southeastern part of Highlands County was favorable to the creation of the district, but that the exact results of the ballot would have to be announced by the State Soil Conservation Board.

BEING IN BUCK

J. C. Rapadole and Howard Johnson were exhibiting an eight-point buck deer last Friday night, which they bagged east of town. Alderman Williams accompanied them on the hunt. The buck weighed 155 pounds.

Governor Urges Florida Youth To Join Aviation

Tallahassee, Dec. 24, Governor Holland has proclaimed Florida Aviation Cadet Week, Jan. 5 to 12, during which he urged young Floridians to give serious consideration to flying careers as a means of wartime service and peacetime opportunity.

The governor pledged his fullest cooperation to Col. Oscar Foley, army recruiting officer for a career, in observance of the week and named committees in each congressional district to help promote enlistments.

"Florida feels very close to the air corps," the governor said, "because of the establishment of a number of air bases in this state, and because one of Florida's native sons, Capt. Colin P. Kelly, Jr., of Madison, a member of the air corps, went to his death as the No. 3 hero of the war."

"In addition to being a war service, air corps training offers security in aviation as a career. I urge the youth of Florida to give the air corps serious consideration in planning their future, both in war and peacetime."

Aviation cadet boards at seven Florida fields have been authorized to accept enlistments on which deferred enlistments can be obtained at any army recruiting office.

The boards are at the Air Corps Morrison field, West Palm Beach; MacDill field, Tampa; Orlando Air Base, Orlando; Dale Mabry field, Tallahassee; Elgin field, Valparaiso; and the Municipal Airport, Jacksonville.

Aviation cadets receive \$75 a month plus an allowance of \$1 a day for subsistence during training, and after graduation their pay as second lieutenants, air corps reserve, ranges from \$205 to \$245 a month.

Applicants must be between the ages of 20 and 26, inclusive, single with no dependents. They must have credit for two years of college or its equivalent as determined by a written examination in English grammar and composition, arithmetic, algebra, plane geometry and trigonometry, with any two of the following optional subjects: United States history, general history, elementary physics, inorganic chemistry and modern language except English. All applicants must pass a physical examination.

For those who do not meet the requirements for an Aviation Cadet, enlistments in other branches of the service are open to all male citizens of the United States, between the ages of 18 and 35, inclusive.

Governor Holland appointed J. A. Waterson of Tampa as general chairman of Florida Aviation Cadet Week, and the following committee chairman in congressional districts:

First: M. M. Frost and Carlton C. Cone, Tampa. Second: Maj. Raymond W. Cushman and W. Harold Daquid, Jacksonville. Third: Lars Sanchez and Harry Blanchard, Pensacola. Fourth: J. E. Yonge, Miami, and H. Collins, Miami Beach. Fifth: Ed Sims, Daytona Beach, and J. Ray Glover, Orlando.

President Sends Greetings to Scouts

In his annual Christmas message to the Boy Scouts of America, which President Roosevelt sent on December 17, President Roosevelt paid himself was active more than high tribute to the Boy Scouts of America, expressing the appreciation of the nation for the contribution which Scouts and Scouting make to our national strength and morale by helping to keep alive the many virtues of truthfulness, loyalty, courage and helpfulness.

THE WHITE HOUSE

Washington
To the Boy Scouts of America: One again I send my warm Christmas greetings to the Boy Scouts of America; bespeaking also the appreciation of the Nation for the contribution which Scouts and Scouting make to our national strength and morale by helping to keep alive the many virtues of truthfulness, loyalty, courage and helpfulness. Now, as always, the Nation needs citizens who are pledged to keep themselves physically fit, mentally alert and morally straight.

(Signed)
FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT



And lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary, his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, frankincense and myrrh.

The Gospel according to St. Matthew



A Christmas Suggestion

(By RUSSELL KAY)

There is a very human story told by Robert Collier in his splendid book "The Gift Within You" that seems to me particularly appropriate this Christmas.

He tells of an aging mother who, once well-to-do, through misfortune became destitute and faced the first Christmas in her life when she was unable to make gifts to those she loved.

Kindly and unselfish, her only grief came from her inability to do those things she had always done for others. "Fearfully," she expressed her pent up feelings to a friend, "if I just had a little of the NEW," she sobbed.

"Money is not what you need," her friend said. "Can money buy those precious and lasting gifts we write, but our own heart thrilled at the beauty of words that came to her and she was lifted up by their power and simplicity."

"Don't ever say you have nothing to give," friends told her lovingly. "I never received so much blessing in all my life," and one Christmas she wrote to her mother, "This mother gave out from an inspired heart continued to bear fruit."

on the messages that are in your heart bearing witness of Me. As you write, give from your heart the treasures that are stored there in My name. I will fulfill every blessing according to your word."

Awaking with the dream vividly on her mind, she went to her desk and began to write. From her inspired pen flowed messages of life and hopefulness, encouragement and cheer. To an aunt, long suffering with rheumatism, she wrote words of peace and comfort. To an uncle having a difficult time with his farm, she wrote words of strong courage. For a cousin who had seemed to lose her way a bit, she wrote words of guidance.

Look about you and "adopt a mother" this Christmas. You'll know a joy in giving of yourself to one in need—not money gifts, but those that come from the heart. As Alma Allen says, "We can all be spendthrifts in kindness and love."

A word of cheer, a bit of attention, a gift or thoughtful action bestowed on one of these heart weary souls, may change a drab life into a happy one and as you give so you will receive. To find that your own cup runneth over.

And may God bless and keep you strong now and always, is my wish for you this Yuletide.

who still eagerly seek an opportunity to serve.

Some years ago Mrs. Alma Allen of Madison, Wisconsin, was searching for just such mothers. As she found them she "adopted" them and has devoted her life to bringing hope and cheer into their weary hearts.

These mothers, most of whom do not know they have been "adopted," suddenly find a cheerful letter in their mail box, an unexpected birthday card, an invitation to go for a drive, an interested visitor who when they can open their hearts.

The "Adopt a Mother" plan, as suggested by Mrs. Allen, today is bringing the thrill of happiness to hundreds of men and women who at her suggestion have turned to this unselfish interest.

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Davidsons Mark 50th Anniversary In Announcement

Avon Park friends of Col. and Mrs. R. P. Davidson are in receipt of an elaborately prepared scroll, being the announcement of the wedding anniversary of their wedding the 50th anniversary of their association with the Northwestern Military and Naval Academy, at Madison, Wisconsin. The announcement, carrying with it the season's greetings, is a replica of proclamations of about the 16th century style, with hand lettered Old English, in a variety of bright colors, surmounted with the Davidson crest and sealed with the gold seal of Northwestern. Hand-made parchment, a very unusual paper, is used. The effect is unique, and lends proper dignity to the important occasion of the announcement.

The Greeting

"This being the 50th year of the marriage of Col. Royal and Clara Davidson and furthermore the 50th year of their life with the Northwestern Military and Naval Academy, it seems fitting for them to observe this Christmas and New Year season with a special Golden Anniversary proclamation. To the past and present cadets, faculty and officers closely associated with them in the Academy life and also to their many other friends a sincere greeting for a Christmas season with happiness and a New Year that will bring good hopes, contentment and the joy that comes with service. May the year 1946 bring peace to all mankind."

Col. and Mrs. Davidson are enjoying the holidays at their home in Hollywood, with Col. Davidson's sister, Miss Alice Davidson. This season marks the 40th at Avon Park. Next Christmas, 1947, will be another half-century mark, and will make another 50th anniversary.

Draft Boards Directed to Drop 4-A Classification

Local boards throughout Florida have been directed to discontinue the Class IV-A classification of registrants predicated on previous military training and to reclassify men already placed in that category to determine their availability for additional service in the armed forces.

The action was necessitated by the entry of the United States into war against the Axis power and the resultant cancellation of provisions of the Selective Training and Service Act of 1940 which granted deferment to certain ex-servicemen in time of peace, the Director said.

Registrants in the following men have been placed in Class IV-A: "Any person who satisfactorily served as an officer, or enlisted man for at least three months in the Regular Army, Navy, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard; or any enlisted man who was honorably discharged from the Regular Army or the Coast Guard for the convenience of the Government within six months prior to the completion of his regular three-year period of enlistment."

"Any person who as a member of the National Guard or National Reserve served as an officer or enlisted man for at least one year in active federal service in the Army or the United States Coast Guard, or subsequent thereto for at least two years in the Regular Army or in the active National Guard."

"Any person who was an officer or enlisted man in the active National Guard at the time fixed for registration, and who satisfactorily served therein for at least six consecutive years."

"Any person who was an officer in the Officers' Reserve Corps or the eligible list at the time fixed for registration, and who satisfactorily served therein on the eligible list for at least six consecutive years."

"Any person who as a member of the Naval Reserve or the Marine Corps Reserve satisfactorily served therein for at least one year in active duty and for at least two consecutive years in the Regular Army or Marine Corps or with an organization of the Naval Reserve or the Marine Corps Reserve."

"Any person who was an officer or enlisted man in the organization of the National Reserve or the Marine Corps Reserve."

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Funeral Service Friday For A. J. May

Death Brings Active Career To Close Tuesday

Funeral services for Alexander James May, 85, retired timber dealer, and a resident of Avon Park for the past twelve years, who passed away Tuesday night at 147 Forrest avenue, will be held Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from Stephenson Funeral chapel, Rev. A. C. Elliott, pastor of the Union Congregational church, will officiate. The body will lie in state all Christmas day, and Friday, until time of the services.

Active pallbearers will be Ernest Wilkerson, C. E. Crabtree, S. S. Thayer, H. G. McArthur, Lester Armstrong, and S. F. Longbottom.

Honorary pallbearers will be Mayor M. E. Covington, C. P. E. H. T. Seagraves, E. A. McNicholas, W. M. Reck, Fred Phelps, E. A. Eaton, L. R. Nichols, C. E. Wright of St. Joseph, Mo., James H. O'Reilly of Jacksonville, Rufus Chappell of Richmond, Ga.

Mr. May was a native of Scotland, where he was born in Campbeltown, July 7, 1860. He came to this country when a lad, and became a United States citizen on March 30, 1895. He was actively engaged in the timber business, and was in the Klondike during the gold rush. He had enjoyed many trips abroad, and mingled with royalty there, as well as being a close friend to prominent personalities throughout the United States.

Mr. May wrote many splendid articles, some of them for publication. Readers of this paper will remember that he was privileged to read an article on Peace, in which he foretold the world strife of today.

He loved a good story and a long talk with a friend. A touch of humor often crept into a conversation with this beloved personality, and this trait, blended with a genial and unselfish disposition, created for him, a wide circle of friends, who mourn his passing.

When Mr. May first came to Avon Park from Laurel, Miss., he usually spent most of his summers away, sometimes going abroad, or into Canada to visit relatives. For the past several years, his health began failing, and he remained here, in the Park, being privileged to see his relatives for over a year.

Surviving relatives include one brother, Malcolm May of Ontario; two sisters, Mrs. Barbara Kerr of Ontario, Mrs. Catherine Leithridge of Fingee, Ontario, and a niece, Mrs. Arthur Pfaff of Detroit, Michigan. Mr. May's only relative here to attend the funeral (on account of the advanced ages of his sisters and brother, they were unable to make the long trip.

Avon Park Must Contribute To War Relief Fund

Avon Park must contribute its share to the \$2000 quota for Highlands county, to be raised for the Red Cross War Relief Fund, Mrs. Walter B. Betts, chairman of this city, said today. There will be no house-to-house canvass, but contributors have been placed in all public places for contributions, of which they are to be handed to Mrs. Betts or S. F. Longbottom at the bank.

Avon Park To Have Black Out Soon

Mayor M. E. Covington stated today that Avon Park will have a black-out in the near future, and asked all citizens to cooperate, in fact, he said it was imperative that it be done.

Each city council, in regular meeting next week, will pass an ordinance to that effect. The fire siren will give the warning signal, he said.

Friends of Mrs. Pearl Dean Holland of Bartow will regret to learn that she is expected to leave for the hospital, Mrs. Holland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Dean, formerly resided in Avon Park.

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