

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

By Edward C. Wayne

Nazi Troop Detachments Enter Spain; Hitler Threatens New Sub Warfare; U. S. Invokes Priorities on Aluminum And Tools, as New Defense Measure

EDITOR'S NOTE—When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of the news analyst and not necessarily of this newspaper.

TONE OF WAR: Stepped Upward

Generally speaking, the advent of March saw the war news on fronts stepped upward to new peaks of activity, rumor and expectation of a far more bitter and decisive year than 1940.

There were more than minimal signs that Hitler was preparing to launch vital moves on at least two fronts, with possibility that he might lead a third theater of war to his effort and might include Japan to take over a fourth.

Most war observers returning to this country and able to speak freely expected the invasion attempt to be dated somewhere between March 15 and May 1.

Resumption of test daylight raids over England were viewed as a certain sign that the day was not far distant.

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(Editorial by Women Who Fight)

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Folks You Know..

Mrs. August Vial of Zephyrhills is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Houghsman.

Mr. and Mrs. David Owen of Fort West, Ohio are spending some time at the Jacaranda hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Cornell of Orlando are visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Stewart.

Mrs. J. O. McArthur returned to Tampa Saturday, after visiting Mrs. J. L. Collins and Mrs. Mary McArthur here for several days.

Mrs. J. B. Francis left Friday for Montgomery, Ala. for a two weeks visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Thompson.

The many friends of Mrs. L. P. Childers are pleased that she has been able to return home from a Sebring hospital, where she recently underwent a serious operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin H. Davis of Detroit, Mich. arrived Wednesday for a visit with Mrs. Davis' brother and sister in law, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley N. Reeves.

Miss Virginia Gough of Orlando, spent the week and with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gough.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Armstrong and their daughter, Mrs. Deloy James are spending several days on a pleasant visit to Bradenton Beach.

Mrs. Ed Welch, Mrs. H. W. Hendon, Mrs. J. L. Collins, Mrs. W. T. Adams, and Mrs. Ella Johnson spent Tuesday in Sarasota.

Mrs. W. S. Rawlings has had as her guests, Mrs. G. M. Byrne and daughter, Miss Marie Byrne of Arlington, Va., and Russell Hilary of Washington, D. C. They returned home yesterday.

Mrs. C. E. Croshy of Cocoa was a visitor here this week.

J. D. Moffett of Green Bay, Wis. is spending some time at the Jacaranda hotel.

Edith Arden Revels of Wausau has been the guest this week of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Maddox.

Calvin Hewitt of Orangeburg, S. C., who has been the guest of his sister, Mrs. Anna Lawton and family returned home Tuesday.

Mrs. L. E. Croshy, Mrs. L. Kean, and Mrs. Kate Billman spent last Friday in Tampa on business and pleasure trip.

Miss Francis Cloud and Bob Peacock of Orlando will spend Sunday here with the former's mother, Mrs. Virginia Cloud.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom O'Bryant of Cleveland, Ohio, are the guests for a few days of Mrs. Doris Bradbury and family.

Mrs. M. E. Covington, who underwent an operation in a Tampa hospital on Wednesday, will be brought to her home here next week.

Mrs. C. E. Holland and daughter, Nancy will arrive next Tuesday from Chicago to visit Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Porterfield. They will be joined later by Mr. Holland.

Mr. and Mrs. Omar Woodward and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Spohn of Columbus, Ohio were the guests Sunday and Sunday night of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Shockley.

Miss Mabel Collins left last week for Abilene, Texas, where she went to accompany Mrs. Weathers who is ill, to her home there. Miss Collins plans on visiting relatives in Oklahoma before returning home.

Mickey Ware, six year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl H. Ware, who underwent an appendicitis operation last week at a Sebring hospital, will be brought to his home here Sunday. His many friends are pleased that he is convalescing so rapidly.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Franklin of Ada, Okla., and Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Campbell of Sparta, Ga., who are spending the season in Avon Park, left Friday for a ten day visit in Miami. They plan on returning here for a two weeks continuation of their stay at the Mid-State hotel, before leaving for their homes in Georgia.

The many friends of Mrs. C. R. Ginn Jr., are delighted that she was able to return home Thursday, from a Lakeland hospital, where she recently underwent an operation.

Miss Mary Phelps, former Avon Park resident, will be married in Jacksonville on March 15 to John McRae. Mr. McRae is a brother-in-law of Mrs. McRae, the former Miss Sara Lucy Trent.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Smith of Peoria, Ill., were the week and guests of Mrs. Elizabeth Dwing and Mrs. M. S. Swearingen. Miss Florence Overton of Bremen College, Gainesville, Ga., is also their guest.

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Diocesan President Guest of Guild

St. Margaret's Guild met Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock, at the parish house, for a program and luncheon.

Thomas E. Price of Ft. Myers, diocesan president of the Woman's Auxiliary, present as guest speaker.

An open forum, conducted by Mrs. Price brought forth much splendid information on the work of the auxiliary and its program.

Fr. R. L. Brown led the devotion that opened the meeting in the morning, and the Mass followed.

Beta, president, presided at a brief business session. All members were urged to attend the district meeting in Sarasota, March 21.

Those present were Mrs. Walter S. Betts, Mrs. R. I. Brown, Mrs. Demco Mandis, Mrs. Harriet Outley, Mrs. Fred Smith, Mrs. A. S. Swearingen, Mrs. S. Thayer, Mrs. E. G. Todd, Mrs. George Voorhes, Mrs. Sue Gregory, Mrs. F. C. McMahon, Mrs. W. P. Pilcher, Mrs. W. J. Zimmerman, Mrs. E. F. Loomis, Mrs. E. D. Putney, Mrs. Frank Truman, Mrs. E. O. Knight, Miss Olga Knight, Mrs. W. A. Roberts, Mrs. N. J. Shomin, and 10 members of the Sebring auxiliary.

UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
Dr. Alfred E. Smith, Pastor
Sunday school at 9:45 a. m., with classes for all ages and a well-trained teacher for each class.

Topic for adults, "Talk Your Stand With Christ." It takes courage to "stand up for Jesus," but never were courage and fidelity more needed than today.

Christ calls us to stand with Him in the great fight against the forces of evil. Join us today and let us discuss this topic.

Morning worship service at 11:00 o'clock, with sermon by Dr. Elliott. Topic for adults, "Confront the Court." Solo by Miss Olga Metcalfe: "The Church Bells Arose For Jesus, His Offering; 'How Can We Best Honor Him?'"

Prayer, Recessional, Hear Us, "Dear Christian Soldiers," by the Children's Choir. Come and enjoy this inspirational worship.

The Young People's Pilgrimage Fellowship will meet at 8:30 p. m. at the home of Mrs. W. J. Head, Bay Lake, William Head will lead the meeting and Lillian Bennett will introduce the topic: "Guarding the Scriptures for the Truth."

The Ladies Aid will meet on Wednesday at 8:00 p. m. at the home of Mrs. A. C. Ginn. The "Quiet Hour" service will be held on Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.

Forty-five minutes of Christian fellowship and worship, with a brief address by the pastor, during Lent we hope to have many winter visitors join us.

The Children's Choir will meet for rehearsal at the church on Thursday at 3:45 p. m. The Senior church choir will rehearse on Saturday at 7:30 p. m.

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Miss Norfleet Is Hostess to Club

Miss Julia Norfleet was hostess at Lake Byrd Lodge on Tuesday evening to members of the Sans Souci club, at a delightful party.

The rooms accommodated a springtime atmosphere, with bowls of beautifully arranged nasturtiums, petunias, and roses, and the tables were in a similar motif.

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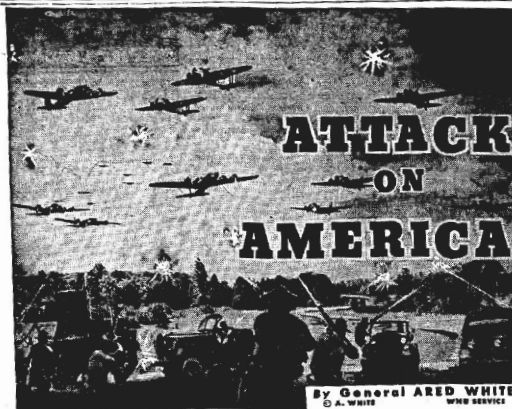
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ATTACK ON AMERICA

By General ARD WHITE
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THE STORY SO FAR: Intelligence Officer Herring located in Mexico City that 20,000 foreign troops from Van Hase were being sent along the Rio Grande watching for the first Van Hase wave. Word had been passed from the border of Mexico and Texas that the invasion was about to begin.

CHAPTER VIII

Captain Franklin Boll, in command of two outpost companies of the 11th United States Infantry in the vicinity of Laredo, had been along the Rio Grande watching for the first Van Hase wave. Word had been passed from the border of Mexico and Texas that the invasion was about to begin.

Colonel Denn had spent a fateful night, well knowing the light in which he might find his regiment at dawn. His regiment was at peace strength, rifle companies running as low as seventy, total strength 1,132 officers and men. No artillery support had been sent him from Fort San Antonio, his only supporting weapons were the 81-millimeter and small mortars of his weapons companies. His ammunition supply was less than one day of fire.

Such a thing as interdicting suspected points of enemy river crossing was out of the question. He had given Boll, in outpost, eight machine guns and some light mortars.

Lightning flashed in the distance. A shell screamed, came plowing through the night. High explosives crashed in to turn night into day. Fragments found a victim who fell with a bowl of pain. The crew of a machine gun was dropped. Men scattered, lay flat on their faces, helpless against this hurricane of destruction that howled down upon them across the Rio Grande.

All existence was now engulphed by the seething upsur of artillery. Boll saw that the regiment was claiming the fullest force of Van Hase's rage.

Half an hour and Boll's casualties were twenty. Patrols had been sighted, an increasing number of skulls were reported closing in. Boll saw that his position was becoming untenable.

He started his men slowly to the rear, with two regiments covering his withdrawal. The enemy, suspicious of a possible trap in the night, followed cautiously. From this Boll guessed that only the first scattering of the bridgehead troops were in action. But, having guessed that the Americans were without benefit of artillery, the Van Hase officers now would use the main bridge and move across the Rio Grande in force.

Boll had covered less than two hundred yards when a runner arrived from Colonel Denn.

"The colonel says get back as fast as you can!" the messenger panted. "Regiment is pulling out right away for the Nueces."

Half an hour later, Boll pointed into the regimental plain and training officer came hurrying up from a vacant regimental position. "Regiment pulled out twenty minutes ago," March reported to Boll.

"You're to follow at once as rear guard. Trucks are ready behind this hill. Colonel Denn left you some ballistics of extra ammunition, but we ought to get back the Nueces before we fight. Second Division is taking position somewhere back there. Hurry your men along, Captain!"

By jamming his men seventeen to the truck, Boll got his command on wheels. Two trucks went to the wounded, one to his three remaining machine guns. He studied the luminous dial of his watch, as anxious as a soldier on his last march.

A place about overhead, traveling high and fast. Its shrilling motors sent a chill down the captain's spine. "It'll be just too bad for us if we're not at the Nueces by daylight," he muttered to Captain March. "And with light day as it is, I'm afraid we just can't make it!"

Major General Brill, area commander, kept his head through dark hours whose crises might have

Speaking of SPORTS

By ROBERT McSHANE

A MAGAZINE article published after the 1940 world's championship three-cushion billiard tournament labeled Willie Hoppe "the greatest living argument in favor of the pool hall."

That was not an overstatement. No other man has so completely dominated a sport for so long a time as has Hoppe. Few golfers will agree on an all-time standout performer. A half-dozen ring-side veterans will claim the "greatest" tag for an equal number of fighters. Baseball enthusiasts have a hundred heroes. That isn't true of billiards. Billiard greatness and Willie Hoppe are synonymous. They have been so for 50 years.

Willie, 53 years old, has devoted his life to the game. From the time he was seven, he has been playing. He was a prodigy from four to eight years of age. He was a boy wonder at nine, playing exhibition games for his father, Al Taylor. Thirteen years ago he was referred to as "the grand old man of the cue."

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In 1920 he was the greatest player in the world's three-cushion championship by winning 20 straight games, a feat comparable to a Tony Balducci victory over Harry Davis, Champion Joe Louis.

In 1941 the New Yorker won his second consecutive three-cushion title, the third during his career. He lost only one game in the 17-game tournament.

Hoppe's competitive career really started when he was 15. His father arranged a match for him with Al Taylor, 30 years old and one of the best ball-players in the country.

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"Yes, I got it for a ridiculous figure."
"Oh, I see that!"

Grounds for Supper
"I've searched high and low for the furniture cream recipe your mother gave me."
"Here I got it for a ridiculous figure."
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Whisking Violet
The teacher was explaining the difference between the stately rose and the modest violet.
"You see, children," she said, "a beautiful, well-dressed woman walks along the street, but she is proud and does not greet anybody—that is the rose. But behind her comes a modest creature with bowed head."

"Yes, I know," Tommy interrupted; "that's her husband."

The high-cut skirt is very undesirable to the legs and waist. The

Ask Me Another
A General Quiz

The Questions

1. What is the only state in the Union which is bounded by one state alone?
2. Which of the following is a natural magnet—Capetown, thunder or lodestone?
3. What are known as cardinal winds?
4. When was the boundary between the United States and Canada finally determined?
5. What are the colors of the principal gases that are used in war?

The Answers

1. Maine.
2. Lodestone.
3. Winds blowing from due north, east, south or west.
4. The boundary between the United States and Canada was not completely determined until 1925, or 147 years after our country signed the treaty with England.

5. As nearly as can be described, mustard gas smells like garlic; lewisite like geraniums; phosgene like rusty hay; and tear gas like apple blossoms.

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INDIGESTION

Stomach and Gravity

"Twas the saying of an ancient sage that humor was the only test of gravity, and gravity of humor. For a subject which would not bear gravity was suspicious; and a jest which would not bear a serious examination was certainly false wit.—Shakespeare.

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Shrubby should be pruned in the late winter rather than the spring. Old stems should be pruned out as near the bottom as possible rather than new shoots snipped off.

Justifiable Humiliation

An elderly couple was charged with creating a breach of the peace in their country house.

"How did you come to cause this disturbance at your own residence?" asked the magistrate.

"Well, it was like this," replied the old woman. "John and I were sitting at the fire. John was reading his newspaper and I was knitting. Then I turned to him and said, 'John, sheep are very stupid, aren't they?'"

"And John said, 'Yes, my lamb!'"

SMOOTH FLOOR

Two trucks met on a country road just wide enough for one.

"Driver No. 1, is your car a man," leaped out of his cab.

"Turn out, you," he shouted.

"No, driver, I'll do as you wish, but to the last guy who's crawling out for me."

Two hundred - pound drivers, who had been in trouble, pulled out. But as truck rumbled by, he yelled:

"That'd be to that truck."

"That's for him," he yelled.

Tip—Come on, Min, here's the best damn beer I've ever seen.

A sunset scene in "good ducking" country. The hunters

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An elderly man with creases in his forehead asked the woman, "How disturbed are you?" "Well, the old man is sitting in his chair, and he's

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**Gas Tax Money
Should Be Used to
Build New Roads**

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**Eat More Citrus
For Your
Health's Sake**

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Toronto Looks To A's For Strength

**Club Has Refusal of
Connie Mack's
Youngsters**

Don't be surprised if Connie Mack gives his old lieutenant, Mgr. Lena Cincuburn of the Leafs, his choice of any or all of half a dozen ball players between now and the opening day of the baseball season. Because the A's are training a large squad out at Anaheim, California, and they will soon have to pare-it down to figures approximating the league limit of 25 players.

It is possible that Mack will sell outright some of his players who do not fit into his present plans. But the Toronto Club has first refusal of any youngsters he decides to send out on option.

The A's will have to carry more than eleven pitchers, which means they will have to dispose of a couple of the young hurlers now on the roster. Reports from the A's California camp indicate the club's starting pitchers are likely to be John Bahls, Red Row, Chubby Dean, Nelson Potter, Jack Knott and Bill Beckman. They are also likely to retain young Porter V. Light, Carl Miles and Herman Reese. This leaves Phil Marchiondo, Les McCrabb, Rankin Johnson, Jr., and Loman Morris to be sent to the other two benches.

And the two who don't make the grade may come to the Leafs. Marchiondo would be welcomed back with open arms by the Leafs. The A's coach, Ernie Bruker, thinks Phil's wisdom was caused by his lack-jerk delivery and his inability to help Phil control his motion. With control, Marchiondo could have pitched his games with figures of 1940, when he was a 10 game winner. Les McCrabb, another 10 game winner of last year, could add considerably to his winning percentage if this year's club could produce a few more runs.

Loman Harris has pitched for the Atlanta Club in the Southern Association for the past two seasons. He won 17 games and lost 9 for the Crackers in 1939 and when he came back in 1940 to win 15 while losing 9, Connie Mack traded Pitches Hunter for him. He is 25 years old and a six foot right hander.

Rankin Johnson, Jr., is a son of the Rankin Johnson who pitched for the Boston Red Sox some 15 years ago. Just out of college, he won 15 and lost 14 games in 1940 with the Midland Club in the West Texas-New Mexico League. It was his first fall season of organized baseball.

Reports from Anaheim are that the A's will start the season with Bob Kable at third base, Fred Chapman at shortstop, Benny McCoy at second and Dick Seibert at first.

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Up From Shreveport

Valle River, part Indian, who is being sent upon heavily this season. He was purchased from Shreveport, after Chicago White Sox, who had him in Spring training on a conditional basis, turned him back. When 21 games between Tulsa and Shreveport in 1939 and won 21 while losing 10 for Shreveport in 1939. He received a pair of new ball games and he had the Tulsa team in strikeouts with 168. He was only 5 and lost 14 for the Leafs in 1939, but was invariably played by week hitting on the part of his manager.

Mainstay of Leaf Hurling Staff

Carl Fisher, veteran southpaw who has topped Toronto pitchers for the past two seasons. Leads out him from Baltimore early in 1939 season and he won 13 while losing 11. Last year he won 10 and lost 12 but was second only to Hal White, young Buffalo sent to the earned run averages with a mark of 2.55. He last two years with the Leafs have been the best in his career in Class AA or better ball. He was seventh in strikeouts with 119, but had fewer

bases on balls by far than 5 of the who beat him in strikeouts. Has won many league services with Washington, Saint Louis, Detroit, Chicago and Cleveland, all in the American League. In 1939 he practically pitched Buffalo Blues to International League pennant single handed, joining them during the season and winning the game while losing only 2. That he never pitched as well that season as he has for the Leafs the past two as the record will attest.

Mrs. J. M. McCord Is Elected New PTA President

Mrs. J. M. McCord was elected president of the PTA at the annual election of officers at the high school auditorium Thursday afternoon. Mrs. H. E. Keller was elected vice president; Mrs. Frank Costine was re-elected secretary; and Mrs. C. O. Finch, re-elected treasurer to serve for the ensuing year.

Mrs. Frank Morgan, supervisor of elementary school music for Highlands county, was guest speaker for the afternoon, and gave a most comprehensive and interesting outline of the work that is being accomplished in this department. Mrs. Morgan explained that public school music was for the grades, first to sixth inclusive. She divided the work into four phases: choral, rhythmic, theory and appreciation, and gave a brief resume of each division.

Mrs. Morgan summarized her talk with the purpose of public school music, by quoting "The aim of public school music in the grades is to give the child a well balanced music program, thus giving him a good foundation, genuine love, understanding and appreciation for good music, putting into him a desire for further study and participation in music, beginning early and ending never." Members of the Fostet band from the third and fourth grades, and the fifth and sixth grades, gave their choir several enjoyable numbers, under the direction of Mrs. Morgan.

Mrs. Elizabeth Ewing of the Christian Science church, conducted the devotional, and Miss Alma Harrell led the assembly singing.

In the business meeting, presided over by the president, Mrs. M. G. Whitcomb, splendid reports were heard from committee and the standing committees.

Mrs. J. M. McCord reported a membership of 108 and was elected by her committee. Mrs. A. C. Wester, welfare chairman, reported 618 free meals given at the school during the past month.

Mrs. J. Paul Garber of the music committee, reported cooperation with the music department, and made a special announcement of the massed band concert at Highlands county Sunday afternoon, urging all Avon Park people to show attending. She stated that their appreciation of the band by attending. She further stated that she hoped a new piano might be added to the auditorium in the near future.

Beauty Judges Go Into Daily Sessions of Spring Training

By a happy coincidence, Avon Park numbers among her winter visitors, three outstanding experts on feminine plasticity, who have been drafted to act as judges of the beauty contest to be staged next Saturday afternoon, in connection with the Orange Pickers' contest.

John Shank, retired furniture manufacturer of Grand Rapids, has been persuaded to serve as chairman. R. T. Segreaves, prominent cotton planter of Osceola, Arkansas, and Dave Owens, outstanding advertising executive of Van Wert, Ohio, have been secured for the other members, according to announcement of Matt Pletcher, self-appointed beauty contest chairman.

Accepting the responsibility of selecting the "pick of the pickers," these gentlemen are reported to be taking their assignment mighty seriously, and are said to be engaging in rather strenuous overtime practice sessions. Local critics who find themselves getting the eye a little more than common, are asked to think nothing of it, as the judicial inspection is entirely professional, and in the nature of spring training—sort of.

Winter Visitor Dies Friday Morning

Wallace C. Hitchcock, 71 winter visitor here from Ashland, Wis., died this morning in a local physician's office, following a heart attack, which he suffered in a local physician's office. Hitchcock had been in ill health for some time but was thought to be improving. He had come down town in the morning with a neighbor and friend, Irving C. Smith. His son, Robert of Ashland is on his way to Avon Park, and he and his mother, will accompany the body home. Three other children who live in the north, survive.

Mr. Hitchcock was prominent in educational circles in Wisconsin, having recently retired as Dean of Ashland College. He and Mrs. Hitchcock spent last winter in Avon Park, and have made numerous friends here, who extend sympathy to the family in their bereavement.

LIBRARY TAG DAY MARCH 23
Tags, for the benefit of the juvenile section of the library, will be sold on Saturday, March 23 by the Girl Scouts. This department of the library is greatly in need of new books, and the public is urged to give the sale of tags a generous response.

13 Houses Are Competing For Cup

**Program Arranged
For Bib Event
Next Saturday**

Thirteen packing houses had entered contestants, at noon Friday, in the All-Florida Championship Orange Pickers' contest to be staged here next Saturday, it was announced today.

Firms entering and their contestants are: Holly Hill Fruit Products, Inc., Davenport, Frank Davis. Sebring Fruit Growers' Association, Sebring, Henry Hillhouse. Lake Byrd Citrus Packing Co., Avon Park, Clinton (Red) Bennett. Winter Harvest Citrus Growers Association, Winter Haven, Jessie D. (Peanut) Brown. J. Massey, Inc., Frostproof, Monroe Moskos.

Waverly Growers Cooperative, Waverly, Van Dusenberry. International Fruit Corp., Lacerne Park, Raphael Elder. Avon Park Citrus Growers Association, Avon Park, Freddie Farabee.

American Fruit Growers, Avon Park, Preston Brock.

Adda Packing Co., Auburndale, Clarence D. Milam.

Polk Packing Co., Winter Haven, entrant not yet named.

Gregg Massey, Inc., Sebring, entrant not yet named.

Pasco Packing Co., Dade City, D. D. Burdette.

A silver cup, gift of the Florida Citrus Commission, will be awarded to the packing house sponsoring the winning picker. The trophy will be presented by Luther Chandler, chairman of the commission, it was announced today.

First prize of \$100 will be awarded to the winner; \$50.00 for second place; and \$25 for third.

The program has been arranged to fit radio time, in order to allow the pickers to begin their broadcast beginning at 4:30. The first which will be held at the Todd grove, two miles east of town on state road 8, will start at 4:35 p. m., and will end at 4:55, allowing for a half-hour of picking. A preliminary contest will be held at the Todd grove, where all but six contestants will be eliminated in an hour's picking. It is planned to broadcast a "blow by blow" description of the final five minutes of the final. A list-in program of contestants will follow while the judges are making their decision, and the winners will be announced to close the broadcast.

Contests to be held on the judge's platform to be erected in front of the grove, start at 2:30. They are:

Orange chaffin pie eating contest for boys. Prize, baseball mitt, given by South Florida Motor Co. Prize, 50 cents, given by all. Prize \$10 given by South Florida Contracting Co. Grapefruit picking contest. Prize, Beauty contest for women employees of the packing houses in the contest, choosing the "Pick of the Pickers." Prize, radio, given by Bedcock Furniture Co., Avon Park.

Presentation of awards will take place at 7 o'clock at the Valencia Fiesta grounds in Donadon park, where the orange picker awards and crowning of the beauty queen will take place.

Accident on Lake Sunday Afternoon

What might have proved to be a fatal accident, occurred on Lake Lotela Sunday afternoon, when W. R. Carter, H. R. Duberly, Junior McConnell and Hugh Prickett, all of the lotela company, were in a motor boat riding about a mile from shore.

Fortunately, Dr. Wade C. Smith, who lives on the north shore of the lake, saw the men floundering around in the lake, and H. E. Keller and son, Bobby, went out in a motor boat and rescued the group. On account of the high wind and the cold weather of Sunday afternoon, the accident proved doubly serious. The men evidently experienced no serious effects from the disaster, except exposure to an hour and a half in the lake, but report the loss of a wrist watch, a box of tools from the boat, and some paper money.

March Wind in Cypress Gardens



Cypress Gardens, Fla.—Gone With the Wind might be the title of this lovely scene but instead of it being on the Lawn of Park, the Girls and Acaules were part of a movie being made at the Florida Cypress Gardens. —Photo by Dahlgrum.

Harts Buy 9000 Acre Cattle Ranch From Mark Godwin

Purchase of the Mark Godwin ranch and stock of cattle by S. Y. Hart, 4 Son, Inc., was announced this week by Earl W. Hart, prominent citrus grower of Avon Park. The ranch consists of 9,000 acres of pasture land and some 900 head of beef cattle. The property lies southeast of Avon Park in Township 24, Range 29 and 30, Arbutus Creek runs through the center of the tract. Carter Creek, a tributary of Arbutus, also runs through the property, affording ample watering facilities and splendid creek bottom pasture land. The ranch is all under fence and has a ranch house near Arbutus. Clifford Tomlinson is foreman.

Mr. Hart stated that he plans an improved pasture program, following some experiments to find out what is best suited to his land. He is, who is an extensive citrus grower, said he sought diversity of investment, in adding cattle to the Hart interests.

Flower Exhibit This Afternoon At Jacaranda

The Flower Arranging Exhibit, to be presented by the Garden Club at the Jacaranda hotel today from 1 to 10 P. M., promises to be an outstanding exhibit, according to the number of members and friends of the club, who have signified their intention of entering one or more arrangements. Mrs. J. A. Johnson Jr., chairman of the club is enthusiastic over the response, and interest manifested in the exhibit.

Everyone is cordially invited to attend the affair, and view the many modernistic and unusual arrangements, which will be on display. No admission will be charged.

Bennett Lumber Co. Open For Business

Will Bennett announces in this issue of the Sun, the opening of the Bennett Lumber company. His office and yard is located on the corner of Central and Pleasant avenues, just north of his home. Mr. Bennett says that he will carry a full line of lumber and building materials.

BOOK CLUB TO MEET
Father Manning of the Sebring Catholic church will give a review of the book, "Failure of a Mission" by Neville Chamberlain, at the monthly meeting of the Book Club next Friday morning at 10:30 at the Jacaranda hotel. All members are urged to attend.

Devillettes Top All Opposition In 6th District

**Mulberry Wins Title
In Tournament
Play-off**

(By TAZONI REED)

In the final playoff during the 6th district tournament in the nursery at Avon Park, Saturday, the Mulberry Panthers proved they are the undisputed champions of cag play around these parts, as they also won the district championship after having won the Ridge title in previous years.

The Devillettes from Avon Park never looked better as they were not pressed at any time during the championship game, they played with the Cocoa Lassies, (East coast champions). It was Avon Park 8-2 at the first quarter, 15-6 at the second, 18-8 at the third and 23-14 at the final whistle. Barnard came through with individual scoring honors and the girls all shared in the awards.

The first game of the Saturday morning semi-final play saw the speed merchants from Mulberry ride over the fast Haines City Hornets in a 24-19 battle that was a thriller to watch.

The second game, at 11 o'clock, saw the Brewster Blues ride to a victory over Vero Beach 41-29, thus eliminating Vero Beach and placing themselves in line for a battle for the championship with the Mulberry Panthers.

At 7 o'clock the Consolation game was played between Haines City and the Vero Beach Five and Haines City won this game after 40 minutes of hard and fast play, gathering 36 points during the allotted time while the Vero Beach team was able to score only 29 points.

The Mulberry-Brewster game for the championship of the district was really a fine game, in quite the fastest game we have seen on the local courts this year. Mulberry's forward Moses paced the Panthers to a 25-29 win for the title. Brewster played all the way and it is only the poor shooting of the forwards that cost them the title, as they were repeatedly in.

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Grid Star Turns To Baseball



Eric Tipton, Husky left-fielder last summer, Tipton started after a line drive near the foul line. The fence loomed up ahead, but Eric hit the ball and crashed right through. He didn't catch the ball, but he kept playing. Tipton might give you some idea of his durability.

Picture shows Eric in his Duke University football uniform just before his final game.