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Our Men In The Service

Norris McLeod, U. S. Navy, who has been overseas 18 months, and in the Aleutian Islands for a year of that time, has been promoted to chief petty officer. He is expected to arrive home in the near future. Mrs. McLeod and their two children, Sonja and Norris Ann are making their home here with her mother, Mrs. Ollie Walker for the duration.

Miss Lucille Sheumaker, who has enlisted in the WAVES, will leave next Tuesday for Hunter college, New York, where she will begin her basic training. Miss Sheumaker has been employed as a teletype operator at the Avon Park Army Air Field for the past 16 months.

Sgt. Robert S. Joiner, U. S. Marine, is home on furlough visiting at the home of his grandmother, Mrs. Minnie Butler, after spending 20 months in the Southwest Pacific, where he saw active service against the Japs. His tour of duty took him to "most of the islands" he said, and he took part in two major campaigns. He served on Bougainville as his last assignment, and while there developed Filariais, caused from mosquito bite, and was hospitalized at Guadalcanal, later being sent home to Oakland, Calif., Naval Hospital. At the expiration of his leave he will go to a convalescent camp in Oregon for treatment. Sgt Joiner is an Avon Park boy, and attended school here up to 1940. He left school and went to Miami, where he lived about a year, and enlisted in May 1942. He was among some of the first contingents of Marines sent to the Southwest. He served as a gun commander in an anti-tank outfit.

Raymond D. Padgett, 2/c Sea-Bees, who has just completed 16 months service in the Aleutian Islands, has returned to the States, and is visiting his mother, Mrs. Carrie Lane. He has also visited his brother in Putnam county. He will return to California this week end for reassignment to duty.

Pfc O. C. Cothran writes his mother, Mrs. Zona Cothran, from England and tells her that the English people ride wheels, from little tots to old grandmothers, some of them being at least 60 years old. He is also impressed with the narrow sidewalks and streets. Pfc. Cothran says "My hands are so sore I can hardly write, from cleaning chickens. We had about 300 to clean, also had to clean the gizzards and livers for giblet gravy, and cut bologna for supper the same day. We started Saturday evening about 6:00 o'clock, and finished at 2:00 in the morning." He closed by saying "After being over here nearly two years, we have received bake pans for cake. Guess things must be getting better now at home."

Lt. Richard Bennett, of the ferry command, has been transferred from Long Beach, California to the Brownville, Army Air base at Brownville, Texas, where he will be stationed for several months. Mrs. Bennett, who has been with him in Long Beach, has gone with him to Texas.

Lt Marvin J. Reddick is completing his training on a Liberator bomber at Pueblo Army Air Base, Pueblo, Colorado. He is the copilot of his crew and entered the service August 1, 1942. Lt. Reddick will serve overseas soon.

Lt. Woodson Sadler in the army air corps, has been transferred from Fort Sill, Okla., to Camp Phillips, Kansas.

County To Crack Down on Persons Obstructing Roads

Fencing of county roads must stop, and criminal action will be brought by the county, if necessary, against parties who persist in obstructing county roads, according to action of the board of county commissioners Tuesday.

Three members of the board reported that county roads in their districts were being blocked by fences, and County Attorney M. R. McDonald informed the board that it was a criminal offense to block a public road, and it is the duty of commissioners to keep the roads open.

A resolution was passed instructing the road foreman in each district to notify persons obstructing county roads to remove the obstruction, and if it is not done the county will remove the fences and will prosecute those responsible if the obstruction is replaced.

ATTEND ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Rev. Hoyt Tatum, pastor of the First Methodist Church, accompanied by Mrs. Tatum left Wednesday for Tallahassee to attend the annual conference.

5th War Loan Rally To Be Held Monday

Range Band and Speaking in Mall Will Feature

Plans were announced today by Avon Park Chairman R. R. Brown for the official opening of the Fifth War Loan drive in Avon Park with a rally in the Mall Monday night at 8 p. m.

The rally will be conducted at the bandstand, with speaking by two returned fliers from the European theatre, who will give first hand information of the fighting on the invasion front, where they saw active service in the round the clock bombing that preceded the invasion. Capt. W. D. Bunton, assistant intelligence officer of Avon Park Army Air Field will introduce the speakers. Col. Dan M. Ellis, retired army officer, and incoming commander of the American Legion will act as master of ceremonies, assisted by Wm. Hauptmann, county chairman of the war speakers committee.

Preceding the speaking, the 740th Army Air Forces band from the base, under direction of CWO Carl Hoyer, will parade from the USO down Main street to the bus station and back to the bandstand. There they will give a 30 minutes concert before the speaking. Majorettes Aelene Senger, Betty Jo Wells and Mae Porter Locke will march with the band.

Bonds will be offered for sale at the bandstand by Legionnaires who will assist in the bond sales, which will be in charge of S. F. Longbottom. Bonds may be bought, paid for and delivered on the grounds. Jeeps will be on hand to furnish a free ride with each bond sold. This feature proved very popular at the Fourth War Loan rally, and many children availed themselves of the opportunity of taking a Jeep ride.

The quota for Avon Park is set at $300,000. Sebring will be asked to raise the same amount, and the other communities in the county have been assigned a quota of $100,000, making the total county quota of $700,000, based on the face value of the bonds.

Similar plans are being made for a rally in Sebring. Avon Park Army Air Field and Hendricks Field are putting on an intensive selling campaign, in both payroll deductions and for cash purchases. Lodwick Aviation Military Academy will also cooperate in helping to swell local purchases.

Keeping On The Go With The USO

By Dorothy Crahan

Four days of this week have seen the Club without the presence of Miss Barry. She has been in Saint Augustine attending a USO — NCCS meeting, while the local operation has sailed along under the supervision of Sgt. Robert Kierstead and the volunteers. We wish to express our appreciation to the volunteers for being so helpful during this time, especially to Mrs. S. C. Pardee, who has been workiking in the Snack Bar while Mrs. Church is away for a few days.

Don't forget the swimming party Sunday at 1:30 and Cigarette Bingo at 8:30.

The movie will be shown Monday and Wednesday this week. It's a thriller entitled "Quiet Please, Murder," with George Sanders, Gail Patrick, Richard Denning and Lynne Roberts. "They had love in their hearts . . . and murder on their hands! Every thrilling moment of their lives in deadly peril!"

Anyone would think that the heat would quelch the enthusiasm of the dancers just a little on Tuesday night. But no — except for the soaked condition of countenances and clothing, it might be any cool night. These folks really like to dance.

Thursday, June 15, there will be a special Splash party for the Husbands and Wives Club. We're going to Lake Lotela for a hot dog roast and swimming. Just bring your suit, your towel, your appetite and your sense of humor. Friday night we will have voice recording for Father's Day greetings.

Thanks again to those who are bringing the delicious cakes and cookies. They're wonderful.

Legion Buys $1500 In Bonds to Start Fifth Loan Drive

Highlands Post, American Legion, voted Wednesday night to start off the Fifth War Loan drive with the purchase of $1500 in bonds, the investment being made for the account of its building fund. The money will be held in bonds until after the war, when the present home will be enlarged to take care of the increased membership which is expected with the discharge of World War II veterans. The post was the first purchaser of bonds in the Fourth War Loan rally.

The post decided to hold installations of officers on Sunday, June 25, and voted to invite the Auxiliary to hold joint installation with the Legion.

C. H. Walker Is Re-elected Head of Citrus Exchange

C. H. Walker was re-elected president and chairman of the board of the Florida Citrus Exchange at the annual meeting in Tampa Thursday. C. C. Commander was re-elected general manager.

Mr. Walker is president of Avon Florida Citrus Corporation, operating nearly 4000 acres of groves in the Avon Park area. In addition, he has considerable other grove interests in the state, and has been a leader in co-operative fruit marketing for many years.

Summer Vacation School to Open Monday, June 12

Registrations for the Summer Vacation School, sponsored by the government, and in charge of Mrs. Philip Boardman, will begin at 8:30 o'clock Monday morning, June 12. Registrants are requested to report to room one in the high school building. The school is being conducted for children from six through 14 years of age, whose parents are working.

The hours of opening and closing the school will be arranged to suit the convenience of the parents, whose children attend, according to Mrs. Boardman.

She also stresses the fact that the school will be mostly recreational, however special help in subjects will be given. The recreation will feature handicraft, and supervised play will constitute two-thirds of the time. No provision is being made for lunches, the children will either bring their lunch, or go home for the noon meal. The school will not operate Saturday or Sunday.

There is absolutely no charge to the parents for their child's attendance at the school. It will provide ideal care and supervision for the children of working parents, and no doubt, a large number of boys and girls will be registered the opening day. Remember! Registrations begin Monday morning.

Baptists to Have Vacation Bible School

The annual Daily Vacation Bible School at the First Baptist Church will begin Monday, June 19, and continuing two weeks, will close Friday, June 30. children of all denominations are extended a cordial invitation to attend. Classes will be held for all ages, beginning at four years through the intermediate age. There will be morning sessions only. The School will open at 9:00 and last until 11:45. Experienced teachers will instruct the various age groups, and will provide instructive, as well as interesting programs each day. All children invited!

PTA PIANO FUND GROWING

Mrs. T. J. Ward, chairman of the PTA piano fund, announces this week that $246.85 has been collected to date to apply on the purchase price of the new Steinway Grand piano that has recently been bought for the high school auditorium. There are many others, Mrs. Ward says, who have expressd a desire to contribute to the fund, who have not handed their contribution in, and there are still possibly others, who have not been approached, who would like to share in this project. With a small committee, and many activities, at present, Mrs. Ward explained that it has been impossible to contact everyone personally. Anyone who would like to have a part in helping to pay for the piano, is requested to hand their contribution to Mrs. Ward, Supervising Principal Wilhite, or Mrs. Chas. Davis, president of the PTA, as soon as possible.

First Rodeo Here Proves Big Success

Fine Talent On Three Shows For Large Crowds

Avon Park had its first rootin', ropin', ridin', rearin' rodeo here last Saturday and Sunday, and judging from the crowds that turned out to all three performances, the folks liked it.

Produced by Billy Keen and Bill (Butch) Carter, the rodeo was a successful venture from all angles. There was plenty of good talent displayed in all the open contests, which drew entrants from all over South Florida. A large gathering of cowboys and cowgirls were on hand in their colorful array, and they staged a parade Saturday afternoon that displayed more horses than this town has seen since the good old days when Avon Park got its supplies by wagon from Fort Meade.

Butch Carter handled the mike for the three performances and announced like the veteran that he is. His partner, Billy Keen, besides being a good performer at riding and roping, furnished the clowning for the shows. He was Alex.

In addition to the calf roping, bull dogging, bull riding and bronc riding contests there were numerous exhibition acts, such as trick roping, trick riding, Billy Keen and his jumping horses, and Mildred Murphy and her educated horse.

The successful manner in which the producers handled the show reflected credit upon themselves and showed that Avon Park is capable of putting on a first class performance of this kind. Cowboys and cattlemen were here from all parts of the state, and though it was being staged for the first time here, the rodeo was rated by these visitors as up to par with other rodeos in the state that have been running for several years.

Vic Blackstone, Midland, Texas, took two firsts and a second in the bronc riding contest, and made the highest average time for three performances in the calf roping and bulldogging contests at the final performance Sunday.

Spike Bronson, Kissimmee, won two firsts and a second to capture the bull riding honors for the two-day meet produced here by Billy Keen and W. R. Carter.

In the Saturday night contests, King Kong Smith, Wauchula, made the show's fastest bulldogging time, throwing his Brahman steer in 6 1/3 seconds. Fastest calf roping time for the show was made by Oscar Clemons last night when he roped and tied his steer in 16 4/5 seconds.

In the bronc riding contest Blackstone placed first and King Smith, Glenn McKinney of Mann's Ranch, Kissimmee River and Pete Clemons, Venus, tied for second place.

Bronson led the bull riding Satday night with Bill Alvey, Kissimmee and Carl McAllen, Fort Pierce tied for second place.

Sunday's performance saw Odie Cowart, Center Hill lead the bulldogging with 10 3/5 seconds, followed by Blackstone and Hub Boney, Lorida.

Blackstone was first in the calf roping, with Pete Clemons, 17-year old cattleman, and Bob Deen, Bunnell, second and third. Young Clemons tied with Bronson for first place in the Sunday bull riding, with John Hand and McAllen tieing for third money.

McKinney led the bronc riding Sunday followed by Blackstone and Smith, tied for second place.

Robber Gets $25.00 From Sapp Home

Ozie Sapp reported the loss of about $25 in cash to a burglar who entered his home on East Canfield street early Sunday morning. Sapp said his wife awakened him and he lunged for the man, who was in his bedroom and in the act of going through his pants pockets. The fellow ran out of the house and Sapp gave chase through the adjacent orange grove. The burglar darted behind a tree, and shouted, "I'll kill you if you come a step nearer," according to Sapp who was unarmed, and he gave up the chase, and the man escaped. The same burglar left a bicycle in front of Sapp's home, which later was identified as the property of Jack Foster.

People Turn To Prayer As News of Invasion Comes

D-Day the day of the invasion of Nazis Europe by the allies, began on Tuesday, June 6, the sounding of sirens in Avon Park announcing to the community that the long awaited time for the invasion had arrived, following months of preparation.

The first siren sounded shortly after 4:00 o'clock, followed by long blasts from the power plant. Small groups soon gathered on the downtown streets, not in a spirit of celebration, but rather in a tense moment of suspense and concern.

The doors of all churches in Avon Park were opened for special prayer services throughout the day. Bells at several of the churches announced the time of services.

Rev. E. S. Hedgebeth, pastor of the Union Congregational Church held a prayer service in his church at 10:00 A. M. Rev. Hoyt Tatum, pastor of the First Methodist Church, held special services at that church at 8:00 o'clock in the evening, and Rev. W. H. Magee, pastor of the Assembly of God Church, held services and a testimony service in the evening. Throughout the day, hundreds of citizens entered the churches singly and in groups for periods of silent prayer.

Sgt. Norman, an instructor at the APAAF, who was a waist gunner on a Flying Fortress, and stationed in England for ten months of combat training, gave an impressive testimonial at the Church of God Tuesday evening, according to Rev. Magee. Sgt. Norman quoted from Psalm 91, saying that his crew offered prayer before they began their missions, and that he had found great comfort in this particular chapter of scripture.

ODT Asks Truck Owners Anticipate Replacement Needs

The Tampa Office of Defense Transportation yesterday urged bus and truck operators throughout the country to antigipate the need for replacing worn-out engines and place orders with their dealers several months in advance in order to insure an adequate supply.

If vehicle operators desire immediate engine replacements when needed, they must build up the demand, Ed Rowland, ODT District Manager at Tampa, explained.

"There has been some misunderstanding concerning the exchange and rebuilding of worn-out engines under ODT's rehabilitation plan," the ODT announcement said 'Some operators are disappointed at not being able to obtain rebuilt exchange engine replacements on demand because dealers do not have an adequate supply on hand.

"This situation can be remedied if operators realize the necessity for the dealers, the engine rebuilders, and the parts amnufacturers to plan ahead. The existence of demands for specific makes and models of their units can only be proved by actual anticipatory orders placed by the vehicle owner. In this way the supply of essential replacement parts can be started flowing to the truck owner."

The truck-bus rehabilitation program for 1944 privided for the exchange and rebuilding of worn-out engines, transmissions and differentials which cannot be easily repaired. The unserviceable component is then rebuilt by the manufacturer or rebuilder for further use, thereby rotating stocks in dealers hands.

Entries Coming In For Photo Contest

Entries in the chamber of commerce sponsored Amateur Photographers' Contest are coming in, according to J. Paul Garber, of the committee in charge. Photos 8x 10 size may entered any time during the month of June through June 30, closing date of the contest. Photos should be left at the chamber of commerce, where a display will be arranged. Prizes offered are: First, $25.00; second, $15.00; third, $5.00; and ten honorable mention prizes of $2.00 each.

ATTEND CONFERENCE

Rev. Emmanuel S. Hedgebeth, Glenn Whitcomb, Richard Stodden and Yvonne Head are attending the Florida Congregational Christain Young People's Conference at Rollins College in Winter Park.

Rev. Hedgebeth is head boy's counselor and devotional leader for the conference.

Fire Truck Hits Palm in Mall and Gets $800 Damage

Fire Chief Wilbur Giddens and Volunteer Fireman Englemann narrowly escaped serious injury Saturday afternoon, when the fire truck jumped the curb at the corner of Butler and Main and crashed into a palm tree, and did an estimated damage of $800 to the fire truck.

Chief Giddens said he was answering an alarm sent in from the Connell apartments where there was a small fire. The brakes failed as he swung into Main street off Butler, he said, and the truck lunged over the curbing into the Mall, cutting off a big palm tree almost even with the ground. The truck scraped the bark off a large oak, but luckily did not hit it squarely. Giddens was driving and Engelmann was riding on the running board up front. Neither was hurt, and both caught the second truck and went on to the fire.

The truck damaged was the newer of the fire wagons, an American LaFrance, mounted on a GMC chassis. The front, frame and clutch housing were damaged, according to Giddens' report. The LaFrance company has been contacted for new parts.

Ray Wells Opens New Firestone Store in Sun Court

Ray Wells has remodeled and considerably improved the store room at 120 West Main street in the Sun Court building, and is putting in a modernistically equipped Firestone home and auto supply store. The store will be known as Ray's Firestone Store, and will be managed and operated by Freed Peden, who for many years was rural mail carrier here. Mr. Peden is well known and highly regarded throughout the county.

The new store will feature all types of home and auto supplies, including sporting goods, garden supplies and many home conveniences and as soon as available will handle a full line of appliances, such as refrigerators, stoves, heaters, air conditioners, etc. Opening announcement will appear in the Sun next week.

Auto Tax Stamp On Sale Saturday

John L. Fahs, Collector of Internal Revenue, announced today that auto use tax stamps in the denomination of $5.00 will be placed on sale in all post offices and at his offices throughout the state on Saturday, June 10. The stamps will evidence payment of the tax for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1944, and must be purchased on or before that date. The stamps will be serially numbered, will be gummed on the face, and will have provision on the back for entry of the make, model, serial number and state license number of the vehicle.

Mr. Fahs said that, to guard against loss or theft, it has been suggested that, when affixing the stamp, the vehicle owner should dampen the windshield rather than the adhesive side of the stamp. This method has been recommended to keep the stamp intact upon the windshield. As an additional precaution, it has been suggested that each motor vehicle owner should make a record of the serial number which appears on the use tax stamp for protection in the event the stamp should become lost.

Every owner of a motor vehicle which is used upon the highways should call at his local post office or at one of the offices of the Internal Revenue Collector and secure a $5.00 use tax stamp and affix it to his vehicle on or before July 1, 1944. The various post offices will sell the stamps over the counter for cash only and no mail order business with respect thereto will be conducted by the post offices. The Collector's offices are authorized to accept cash, postoffice money orders, and certified checks in payment of the use tax stamp. Uncertified checks will not be accepted.

Executive Board Of P T A Met To Plan Work

Members of the executive board of the PTA met Saturday afternoon for a short meeting at the Customer's Room. Mrs Chas Davis president, presided, when plans of activities for the ensuing year were discussed. Mrs. S. S. Thayer, social chairman of the organization served delicious ice cream to members attending the meeting.

AUXILIARY TO MEET

The American Legion Auxiliary will meet Monday evening in the Customer's Room. All members requested to be present.

New Franchise Terms Offered By Power Corp.

Would Fix White Way, Reduce Rates in 10-Year Term

Further discussion by the city council Tuesday night of the purchase of the distribution system of the Florida Power Corporation, brought reports from two councilmen that they had been offered better contracts for financing than the Rittenoure Investment Company agreement passed by the council last week, but which still remains unsigned by the mayor. The discussion also brought forth a new offer by the power corporation for the renewal of its franchise.

Councilman I. H. Ford stated he had a tentative offer from E. C. Hodge, representing B. J. Van Ingen & Co., Inc., Miami, in which the Van Ingen company would finance the securities without a "dime's" cost to the city, provided they were given the same contract as asked by Rittenoure Investment Company. He reported Hodges had agreed that his company would pay all the costs agreed to be paid by Rittenoure and would eliminate the 8 percent service charge called for in the Rittenoure proposal.

Without naming the bond company, Chairman Anderson stated that another representative had asked for a chance to submit a proposal.

The result was the council took no further action on the Rittenoure contract, which still remains unsigned by the mayor, and Councilman Ford suggested that "we start over again." He stated that he was in favor of securing further proposals and giving further consideration to all angles to "get the best deal for the city."

City Attorney Perry Murray advised the council that the council had the authority, under the city charter, to issue revenue certificates for the purchase of the distribution system, without a vote of the electorate, but there still remained some question whether or not such action would be sustained by the courts.

Murray advised the council that it should either decide the issue by a vote of the people, or have a special act passed by the Legislature directly authorizing the city to make the purchase. The act, he said, should provide for the purchase or condemnation, operation and issuance of revenue certificates. He did not say whether or not the special act should have a referendum clause. "I am not advising you whether or not you should buy the property. I am merely pointing out the legal aspects involved," he said.

New Franchise Terms

At this juncture, R. C. Pourtless, director and executive of the Florida Power Corporation, made a new offer to the city asking for a 10-year franchise, instead of the 30-year franchise as originally offered. Under this agreement, the franchise would terminate completely at the end of 10 years, and provides an option for the city either to enter into a deal to buy the distribution system or re-negotiate the franchise.

The 30-year franchise, first offered, provided that the city had the option to buy the distribution system at the end of each 10-year period, but in event it did not exercise this option, the city agreed to renew or extend the franchise for another such period, upon terms as may be mutually agreed upon between the parties at that time.

In making the new offer, Pourtless offered the following proposals as the basis for an agreement:

1. The power company, for consideration of the new 10-year franchise, agrees to pay to the city for the right and privilege granted, two percent on all revenues received from the sale of electric energy for residental and commercial consumers, within the city limits. Based on present revenues, this tax payable by the company would approximate $1400 per year. The tax is a gross receipts tax and would be absorbed by the power company and not passed on to the consumer. In event the revenues take a serious drop, the power company indicated that it would be willing to peg the tax at $1200 per year, guaranteeing the city this amount even though the tax should fall below that figure.

2. The new rates for muncipal service will save on street light-

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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

Allies Continue Advance in Italy; U. S. Airmen Rain Blows on Japs; Political Break Looms in South

Released by Western Newspaper Union.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of Western Newspaper Union's news analysis and not necessarily of this newspaper.)

Walkout—Strikers mill outside of Parke, Davis & Company plant at Detroit, Mich. (See: Labor.)

PACIFIC:

Buck Air Power

Nibbling further at Jap air power based in the eastern New Guinea area as a defensive bulwark of the Indies and the Philippines, U. S. aviators continued their strikes against enemy airdromes in the region and U. S. ground forces fought over rough country to set up airfields for them.

As General MacArthur's air and ground forces struck out at eastern New Guinea, navy bombers from a strong task force of aircraft carriers hit at enemy island holdings farther to the north, dotting the roadway to the enemy homeland.

U. S. casualties in the eastern New Guinea area remained light as Doughboys expanded their holdings with support of heavy artillery, tanks and warplanes.

POSTWAR:

Churchill Speaks

Organization of the great powers emerging victorious from the war into a single force to preserve future world peace was outlined by Prime Minister Winston Churchill in a discussion of foreign policy in Britain's house of commons.

To prevent either the planning or conduct of future wars by "restless and ambitious nations," Churchill said the Allied powers intend to set up a world organization equipped with all necessary means for maintaining order.

Touching on the delicate Russian-Polish situation, Churchill declared that Poland's surrender of territory in the east might be countered by acquisition of German land.

SOLID SOUTH:

Threaten Break

Long rumored, southern rebellion against the New Deal's social reform, especially in regard to the advocacy of Negro equality, took tangible shape in Texas, where the regular Democratic organization instructed its presidential electors to cast their vote for the party's nominee in the electoral college only if the national convention:

1. Votes disapproval of efforts to nullify state laws for segregation of white and colored school children;

2. Backs up Texas' opposition to the Supreme court ruling opening Democratic primaries to Negroes;

3. Seats the delegates selected by the regular Texas Democratic party instead of delegates chosen by a rival rump organization, composed of members who broke with the regular party over its instructions to the electors.

Electoral Vote

While calmer minds sweated over working out a compromise between the two factions in Texas, speculation arose as to what might happen if the 23 Texas electors should join eight similarly dissatisfied North Carolina electors in voting against the Democratic candidate in the electoral college, whose vote determines the presidential winner.

Since the 31 Texas and North Carolina representatives in the electoral college, made up of electors chosen by the states, could form a majority for either side, they could swing the election to either a Republican or Democrat, being free to vote as they wished. Or then, again, they might vote for an independent person, in which case neither of the two regular candidates would receive a majority and the presidential election then would be referred to the house of representatives. In the house, the party in the majority would decide the election.

MISCELLANY

CITRUS RECORD: The Texas crop of grapefruit and oranges this year was the largest in history, and sold for the highest price, the general manager of the Rio Grande Valley citrus exchange said. Grapefruit yield was estimated at 17,539,081 boxes and oranges at 3,354,350 boxes. Total value of both crops was set at $53,469,000 by the exchange official.

EUROPE:

Back Nazis to Wall

Gen. Clark

With Fifth army troops on the southern front joined with their comrades on the Anzio beachhead, and with the British slugging through the Liri valley to the east, Allied forces in Italy locked hands for a knockout punch against the Germans below Rome.

As the fighting in Italy came close to a showdown, invasion preparations continued, with thousands of Allied bombers ripping up German defenses and airfields in western Europe, and the Allied command issuing detailed instructions to the underground to report enemy troop movements to U. S. and British soldiers when they land.

Tottering under the combined pressure of Lieut.-Gen. Mark Clark's Fifth army and the British Eighth, the Germans fell slowly back to the southeast of Rome for a bitter defensive fight, while Allied aircraft hampered their movements by a steady bombardment of supply lines and motorized concentrations.

LABOR:

Local Punished

While the CIO United Automobile workers suspended officials of a local union for a strike in the Chrysler plant at Detroit, Mich., the CIO Gas, Coke and Chemical workers sanctioned the walkout of 1,900 members of a local at the Parke, Davis and company drug factory in the same city.

In suspending the local officers for the walkout which resulted from their support of a CIO chauffeurs' union fight with a rival AFL organization, the United Automobile workers said they had violated their contract with the company, the UAW constitution, and their no-strike pledge.

Accusing Parke, Davis and company of a "vicious union busting campaign," the Gas, Coke and Chemical workers supported its local's strike, which halted production of blood plasma, penicillin and smallpox vaccination for military and civilian use. Protesting that the position of the company jeopardized the standing of the union, the local's president defied a War Labor board directive to return to work before resuming negotiations.

FOOD:

Supply Good

A factor in the government's possible restoration of rationing on point-free meats may be the necessity for assuring a more equal distribution of such meats, three federal agencies reporting on the general food situation declared. Meantime, some cuts or better grades of meat may become more difficult to obtain.

Although supplies of canned fruits and juices will continue at low levels for the rest of the year, fresh apples, peaches, pears and cherries will be more plentiful. The situation in canned vegetables can be expected to grow tight. Increases in stocks of margarine, shortening and other edible oils will probably offset declines in butter and lard. Because of record spring production of eggs, need for greater consumption persists.

"Civilian diet is sufficient in calories, proteins, iron and vitamin A, but with little margin . . . in the B vitamin and C vitamin," the agencies reported.

BIG GUNS:

The army has sharply increased its demand for large caliber cannon and ammunition it is announced, giving rise to speculation that military leaders anticipate long and severe fighting after invasion beachheads have been secured.

New plant construction has been approved and factories now on a standby basis will return to full operations, official sources disclose. Ammunition schedules have been stepped up to four or five times previous levels

AGRICULTURE:

Farm Machinery

With manufacture of harvesting and haying equipment farthest behind schedule, the War Production board's $671,000,000 farm machinery and spare parts program for the year ending June 30 was 13 per cent off on May 1.

Because of accelerated production in the final few months, however, the WPB expects the program to finish up only 10 per cent behind schedule, although manufacturers of combines will have up to September to meet their quotas.

As of May 1, production of harvesting machinery was 33.4 per cent off schedule; tractor attachments off 28.2 per cent; barn and barnyard equipment off 25.8 per cent; farm pumps and windmills off 16.4 per cent; farm wagons, gears and trucks off 16.5 per cent; harrows and rollers off 14.5 per cent; cultivators and weeders off 13.9 per cent; dairy farm machinery off 13 per cent; planting, seeding and fertilizing equipment off 11.8 per cent, and farm poultry equipment off 11.3 per cent.

Land Values

With farm land values showing a 15 per cent increase for the year ending March 15, they stood at 114 per cent of the 1912-'14 level, according to statistics of the U. S. department of agriculture.

One-third of the sales financed by credit last year involved mortgages of 75 per cent of the sales price, the USDA reported.

With the average debt per acre on newly acquired farms about one-fourth higher than two years ago, large turnover was reported in 1943, with some operators selling holdings after a few months. Many city buyers reputedly were purchasing farm property as an inflation hedge.

CONGRESS:

Investigate Ward's

Investigating the government's seizure of Montgomery Ward and company's Chicago mail order plants, a congressional subcommittee heard Attorney Gen. Francis Biddle declare that inasmuch as the concern was indirectly involved in the war program through sale of productive equipment to farmers, the President could use his judgment in taking it over during a labor dispute to restore operation.

Thus, the Attorney General concluded, if the seizure was not warranted under congressional statutes, it was legal under the President's wartime emergency powers.

Because his interpretation of the law is his own opinion, the Attorney General said, he stands correction by a court, or congress itself can intervene to make any changes in legislation which might eliminate abuses.

Strange Tail

There's no end to the versatility of the American Seabee, as shown in this picture from distant Midway island, where navy construction experts secured a length of ¾-inch manila rope to Bossy's severed tail to provide the milk cow with a switch. Carpenter's Mate J. A. Pierson, Sheffield, Pa., is the milker.

RAILROADS:

Government Rates

In exchange for the grant of land for right-of-ways to the railroads during the expansion period of 1850-1870, the government received reductions of 50 per cent on passenger and freight rates.

Amended in 1940 to apply only to military goods and personnel following railroads' complaints against the heavy burden of relief shipments especially during the depression period, total abolition of the reduced rates came before congress, with the house approving by a 236 to 16 vote.

Although termination of the reduced rates would increase railroad revenues by more than 250 million dollars annually in wartime and 20 million dollars yearly in peacetime, the house bill calls for scaling down private shipping rates to reflect the higher income from government.

Popular Novelist Dies

Harold Bell Wright, the minister who became a successful fiction writer, died at the age of 72 in La Jolla, Calif.

Mr. Wright's most famous novels are "The Shepherd of the Hills," "The Calling of Dan Matthew," "The Winning of Barbara Worth," "When a Man's a Man," "The Recreation of Bryan Kent," "Helen of the Old House," and "The Eyes of the World."

LIKE BIBLICAL WARRIORS, DOUGHBOYS FIND DAIRY PRODUCTS NOURISHING FARE AS THEY GO TO WAR

Nutritional Foods Also Maintain Efficiency Of Workers.

By E. M. HARMON
Director of Public Relations,
National Dairy Council.

When David prepared his armies to meet the hosts of Absalom, he provided them with cheese and butter to keep fit. Even before that, dairy products were considered essential for the welfare of fighting forces. These are observations of War Food Administrator Marvin Jones, who states further that, "Today milk and its products have gone to war once more, as they have through the ages.

"Never before in all that long history has milk gone to war on so many fronts and in so many different ways as now. It is dropped by parachutes in the remote jungles of the Pacific. It goes with our planes above the earth and with our submarines beneath the seas. It nourishes our soldiers on the beaches and in the deserts and in the mountains of all the continents between."

With all the history of dairy products as food for fighting forces behind us, however, it is only in recent years that their real place has begun to be appreciated. For example, fresh fluid milk is in the United States army ration now for the first time since the Revolutionary war.

Any comparison of the rations of America's fighting forces in World war I with those of today shows a tremendous increase in the appreciation for dairy products. When all of the dairy products in the garrison ration in World war I are converted into terms of fluid milk equivalent they amount to a little over 11 ounces daily. The garrison ration in this war includes enough butter, cheese, ice cream, fluid milk and concentrated milks to be equal to 37 ounces of fluid milk a day, or approximately 3½ times as much total dairy products as in the first World war.

Bigger and Better Men.

It is commonly stated that America today has the best fed fighting forces in the world's history. These greatly increased portions of dairy products are obviously one of the important reasons. Furthermore, according to Dr. George Holm of the bureau of dairy industry of the U. S. department of agriculture, over 10 per cent of all the foods exported to our fighters are dairy products as compared with 2 per cent in World war I. Not only are these fighters of today taller, healthier and better physical specimens, but they are being kept that way with the best foods possible.

Dairy products serve an additional and extremely important purpose of building morale as well. When it comes to keeping up fighters' spirits, ice cream, milk and milk drinks top the list.

War plants and factories throughout the nation are encouraging the use of milk and its products to keep workers fit so that they may produce the maximum amount of materials and equipment necessary to win the war. Frederick Schlueter, president of the Thermoid company of Trenton, New Jersey, is typical of such individuals and companies. He says that a between meal milk service in his plant reduced accidents by 30 per cent and brought about fewer absences, better health, and reduced the mid-day fatigue periods to the end that both production and the worker's pay increased.

All across the nation these experiences are being duplicated in thousands upon thousands of factories and war plants. All of the milk and milk products that are available are being used to speed up production so essential in defeating Hitler and Tojo and thereby maintaining the American way of living. Truly, the dairy cow and her products are fighting this war, too, both on the battle fronts and on the home fronts.

The necessary appreciation for these products which are adding so much to the efficiency of America is the result of more than a quarter of a century of intensive nutrition education. At the close of the last World war the nation's leading nutrition scientists realized that a shortage of dairy products had contributed to serious physical deficiencies in many parts of the world.

Council Is 25 Years Old.

At their behest, the dairy industry organized the national diary council as its research and educational institution. For more than 25 years the dairy council has worked with educational, professional and consumer groups helping to develop and disseminate the kind of information needed to build a stronger, more vital America. Personal contacts, educational movies, exhibits, publicity and more than 375 million pieces of educational material have been disseminated.

As this educational program has approached its maximum fruition during recent years, so the dairy industry itself has responded to the great need for more and more dairy products. From 1936 to 1939, inclusive, there was an average production of about 104 billion pounds of milk annually in the United States. With mounting war needs the dairy industry rapidly increased its production. In 1942, in spite of labor and equipment shortages, production was lifted to over 119 billion pounds.

More Dairy Foods in Diet.

Some of the most important changes in the American diet in recent years comes out of increased consumption of dairy products. According to the national dairy council, two food nutrients most likely to be deficient in the human diet are calcium and riboflavin. The bureau of human nutrition and home economics of the U. S. department of agriculture states that both of these are prevalent in the diets in much greater quantities than a few years ago.

These increases, adds the above mentioned bureau, are due to the fact that consumption of milk, ice cream and cheese have increased about 25 per cent during that time. It is further stated that this represents one of the greatest improvements made in the human diet in recent years. Milk, ice cream and cheese furnish 75 per cent of all the calcium and 46 per cent of all the riboflavin in the national diet.

"Calcium is important to the body as a builder and maintainer of bones and teeth," continues the bureau of home nutrition and home economics. "It is also needed in many of the fluids which govern the body's involuntary activities. Riboflavin promotes growth and is essential for normal nutrition at all ages. Insufficient quantities of riboflavin for any length of time may be followed by digestive disturbances and some types of 'eyestrain' and a lowered general resistance."

Europe's Protein Deficiency.

Adequate quantities of the highest quality proteins is another factor of real importance in the food economy such as America is now experiencing. Dr. Morris Fishbein, editor of the Journal of the American Medical association, asserts that when conditions now prevailing in central Europe become known it will be found that protein starvation is much more serious than vitamin deficiency because of the breakdown in human tissues. This, in turn, opens the way to disease.

The proteins of milk and its products are of the highest quality. Also, the bureau of agricultural economics of the U. S. department of agriculture states that milk and its products now furnish 40 per cent more protein for human nutrition than at the outbreak of the last World war.

In the economy of production of these three critical food nutrients the dairy cow ranks without even a close competitor, according to the bureau of agricultural economics of the U. S. department of agriculture. Not only is milk the most nearly perfect food, and a well balanced food, but it is almost impossible to get enough calcium and riboflavin without consuming adequate quantities of milk and its products.

For each 100 hours of man labor devoted to milk production, 89 pounds of edible protein is obtained, states the bureau of agricultural economics, USDA. The same amount of time devoted to egg production yields 56 pounds of protein, to pork 58 pounds, to steers 42 pounds, and to lamb production 58 pounds.

Plenty of Calcium Too.

In the case of calcium, the difference is much more marked. One hundred man hours of labor devoted to milk production yields 1,354 grams of calcium. The same time devoted to egg production yields 108 grams, to pork production 17 grams, to steers 11 grams, and lambs 20 grams.

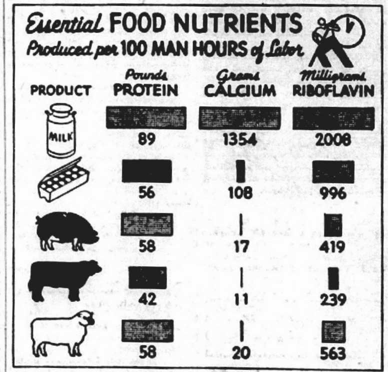
For riboflavin 100 man hours spent in milk production yields 2,008 milligrams. The same time spent in egg production will produce 996 milligrams, in pork production, 419 milligrams; in beef production, 239 milligrams; and to lamb, 563 milligrams.

When the production of these essential human nutrients is figured on the basis of efficiency of feed utilization, or the amount of nutrients reproduced per acre devoted to the various kinds of livestock, the dairy cow is equally efficient and in some cases even more so. It is, of course, true that in the case of some other human nutrients the superiority of the dairy cow is less obvious, but in any complete comparison she stands without a peer, not only in the quality of human food produced but in the economy of it as well.

In this same connection, Food Administrator Jones points out first that the total needs for milk and its products for our military, lend-lease, and civilian uses are much more urgent than for many other foods. Secondly, the dairy cow is the most efficient converter of livestock food into human food. Third, this is the time when we need that efficient utilization of livestock feeds.

Truly, "bossy" is in the war. Her product is recognized as essential in maintaining the well-being of the nation's fighters. It is equally important in maintaining production on the home front. It has contributed greatly toward improving the food habits, the health, and the productivity of the nation. At the same time, the cow is proving herself a most efficient converter of the already short livestock feeds into well-balanced human food.

THE AMERICAN soldier in the first World war ate and drank dairy products equivalent to 11 ounces of fluid milk a day, or about one and a half glasses. The fighting man of today consumes dairy foods amounting to 37 ounces of milk daily.



THE FOUNTAIN of the post exchange is a popular place every evening as husky young men in training for war come in for their malted milks. There are generally several rows of soldiers waiting for their turn at the "bar." Men who drank little or no milk as civilians develop an appetite for it as hard-working soldiers. The idea that milk drinks are for sissies should be dispelled by one look at this row of square-shouldered, square-jawed sergeants, at Camp Beale, Calif.

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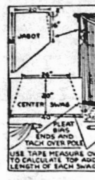

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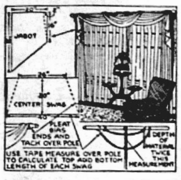
THERE is a shortage of metal curtain rods, yet for two generations we have not seen such elaborate window treatments. The formal swags, cascades and jabots so dear to our grandmothers seem to be exactly right with the Victorian furniture that is gaining in popularity all the time.

Each piece of the draped valance shown here is cut separately. The diagram at the left gives the dimensions of the end jabots. The side swags cross in the middle and a center swag overlaps them. The measurements of this center swag are given here, but these will vary according to the space the swag is to fill. Each swag is cut bias at the ends and pleated and tacked over the pole, as shown at the lower left. The method of taking measurements is shown at the right.



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Remembering he suffered an 85 per cent loss of his crop last year, due to late frost, E. Lee Goldsborough rigged his cherry orchard with a Friez thermostat which sounds an alarm in his bedroom the moment the mercury falls to 30 degrees. Thus with a two-degree margin—an entire crop can be lost an hour after the temperature reaches 28—Goldsborough is able to rouse his orchard workers to light some 400 heater or "smudge" pots to meet the frost threat. Goldsborough worked out his frost problem with engineers of the Friez Instrument division of the Bendix Aviation corporation of Baltimore, Md., who suggested a specially calibrated thermostat, similar to those used in homes.

Every spring day while his trees are in bloom, Goldsborough goes out and checks his thermostat, making sure that it is set to warn him at the first signs of freezing weather.

When the bell in his bedroom is rung by the thermostat, Goldsborough knows it is time for action. Dressing quickly, he calls his helpers, and goes to the orchard.

Before the frost has a chance to do any damage, Goldsborough and his men have lighted 400 smudge pots in the orchard. These give off enough heat to prevent freezing of the delicate cherry blossoms unless the cold snap is extremely severe.

Minute Make-Ups

By GABRIELLE

Wear blue mascara with your navy blues; it gives the softest fringe to even the blackest lashes! Choose one of the new blue-reds for your lipstick and blue eyeshadow for that extra touch of Glamour! Brush your lashes to the left, then to the right, then upward. Your mascara won't "stick."

Ledger Syndicate.—WNU Features.

Color-Blind Yank Finds His Defect Has Its Uses

CAMP ELLIOTT, CALIF.—Marine Pvt. Warren B. Garrott may be color-blind, but this defect has served him in good stead, his instructors at the scouts and snipers school will testify.

Camouflage which would fool another man is easily penetrated by Garrott. He can spot movement in brush and rough wooded terrain, even at great distances, with the aid of field glasses.

"GAY GADGETS"

Associated Newspapers—WNU Features.

By NANCY PEPPER

HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT FELT?

We feel pretty keen about the tricks that teens are doing with odd bits of felt. So-o-o salvage those old hats and work some of these felt fancies out for yourself. And, while we're on the subject, you can now buy bits of felt all packaged and ready to sew on your duds in dreamy designs. Where? At your favorite dime or department store.

BUTTERFLY BOOM—It's easy to cut butterfly shapes out of odd bits of felt. Decorate them with beads or buttons; use pieces of pipe cleaners for the "feelers." Wear them in your hair or on your lapel.

ON YOUR TOES—Now that you can no longer buy little leather flowers or bows for your shoes (a WPB conservation measure), why not make your own toe trimmers out of felt in the shape of flower clusters? Clip or paste 'em on for twinkling toes.

PRETTY PATCHES — Is your sweater torn in the elbow? Are your Jeans weak in the knees? Patch them with felt cut in amusing shapes. They will be as good as new—only better.

PURSE POCKET—Make a pocket shaped purse out of felt and pin it to your belt or lapel. Handy for carrying primp-stuff and carfare. Embroider your name or initials on it. Cute idea for gifts, too.

VICTORY WARSAGE—Instead of making a lapel corsage of flowers, cut vegetable shapes out of felt and wear them as a Victory Garden "Warsage." (Lots of girls are wearing real vegetables on their lapels these days, too. Carrots and peas would look Dee-Vine on your new green and white T shirt.)

Daily Doilies

That's a silly title, isn't it? But who ever said we made much sense? Who'd like us if we did? We're talking about the tricks you can work out with those lacy paper doilies—the kind Mother puts on the cake plate under the cake. (If it's chocolate, we'll take a slice, please.)

PAINT JOB—Lots of girls are glamorizing paper doilies by painting them in vari-color effect before they use them as hair bows on bobby pins. A pastel melange is luscious looking.

NOSEGAY NEWS—You can make a dainty nosegay—very Gone-With-the-Wind—with a paper doily and a flower. Just shirr the doily into a ruffly effect. Wear in your hair or on your lapel—or both places. Use the small size doily for this.

DECORATE WITH DOILIES—Paste photos of your friends (or favorite band singers and such) on paper doilies so that the lacy parts form frames. Then tack on your bed room walls. How about cutting doilies in half and pasting them around your bureau mirror for a lacy scallop border?

Hair-Dos

Lots of girls write us about experimenting with new hair-do's when they go to "slumber parties" (you know, the all-girl gatherings that spend the night at one girl's house to do everything but slumber). Here are a few to try on yourself and your chums the next time you get together.

LACED UP THE BACK—Make two rows of pin curls down the back of your head to look like eyelets. Then take a long piece of narrow ribbon and fasten it to each pin curl to look like lacing. Tie a bow at the bottom.

Tin Salvaged From Cans Helps Fill War Demands

American women can "mine" tin sufficient for nine submarines a day.

These figures were compiled by J. A. Stewart, vice president of the American Can company, on the basis of canned foods consumed by civilians during 1943. On the basis of last year's consumption, civilians are opening approximately 29,700,000 cans of food a day, he said. According to a table recently issued by Washington, 3,100,000 cans provide tin sufficient for one submarine.

Meanwhile, the armed forces consumed approximately three billion cans of food during 1943 and needs for the current year are expected to rise to three and a quarter billion cans, he said. He pointed out that with a greatly increased number of the armed forces in overseas duty, more canned foods will be needed because the can has proved the most practical container for shipment of foods abroad.

Save Paper, Too.

Conserving paper is extremely important also. More than 10 times as much tonnage of materials and supplies is being shipped overseas in this war as in 1917-1918, requiring millions of containers. Paper also is needed for such direct war uses as shell containers, bomb rings, practice bombs, camouflage material, blueprints, blood plasma cartons, ration kits, bomb fins, tropical helmets, parachute flares, airplane signals, ammunition chests and protective wrappings for shipments of fragile materials.

Here are examples of what paper does to help win the war:

25 tons of blueprint paper help make a battleship.

12 pounds of paper make the rings of a 500-pound bomb.

1.8 pounds of paper make a 77-mm. shell container.

If each of the 34,854,532 food buyers used one less one-eighth-barrel bag, or its equivalent, each day, the resulting conservation would be:

52,281,798 ounces of paper, or
3,267,612 pounds of paper, or
1,634 tons of paper every day.

This would contribute to the war effort:

Enough blueprint paper for use in the building of 65 battleships.

Enough paper for the rings of 272,301 500-pound bombs.

Enough paper for 1,815,385 containers for 75-mm. shells.

Here's how paper bags can be conserved:

1. Several items can be put in one big bag.
2. Food buyers can bring bags to the store to be used for loading their own groceries. They are not asked to return bags for re-use by others than themselves.
3. They can use other types of shopping bags to carry groceries.
4. They can carry home packaged items unwrapped.

The Rambling Rhymster

By LES PLETTNER

Roots

The trees have their roots
In the friendly soil,
From which they draw sustenance.
The grain has its roots
Where the workers toil,
In the field with its rich expanse.
The plants have their roots
In the soft brown earth,
In the fertile and kindly loam.
Their roots are in places
That gave them birth—
But man has his roots in home.
The flowers have roots
In the garden green—
In the plottings along the path;
All hidden away from the harsh and mean,
Secure from the storm king's wrath.
The lilacs have roots
By the porch's side,
From which they draw lovely chrome;
And there in calm peace
They would fain abide,
Like man, with his roots in home.
All things have their roots
In something sure,
Below, under heaven's dome;
The trees and the bushes
On fen and moor—
But man has his roots in home.

Leatherneck's Bath

The scoop of a dragline shovel serves as a shower tank for Lieut. Arthur Carter on sticky New Britain. Lieutenant Carter is a photographer who made front line movies of the marine invasion of Cape Gloucester.

Naval 'Atlas'

Imitating Atlas, Lloyd C. Russell balances the big pushball used in the physical fitness classes at the naval training station at Farragut, Idaho. He is serving his second enlistment in the navy as he was a ship's cook in 1918. Nine of his nephews are in service.

Even in Victory Gardens Rotation Is Wise Rule

Annual rotation of the garden site for crops of the same plant family will prevent much of the trouble with the many common plant diseases that live through the winter in the garden soil or in the remains of last year's crops.

Cabbage, tomatoes, peas and melons are among the common garden crops that should be planted in a different part of the garden each year. As crops of the same plant family are usually susceptible to the same diseases, all crops of one family may well be planted together each year. Cabbage, cauliflower, broccoli, and brussels sprouts are all susceptible to club root. Little would be gained by planting cabbage where broccoli grew last season. Tomatoes, eggplant, and peppers have common pests, so eggplant might not do well if planted in last year's tomato patch.

Seed must also be free of disease. As several different seed treatments for seed-borne diseases are needed for different crops, the gardener usually finds it best to buy treated seed.

Gardeners who have their crops in the back yard usually find room about the yard and grounds for perennial as well as annual flowers. The victory gardener who has part of a community plot, or rents a vacant lot, naturally wants no perennials. But he may find that a few annual flowers in the garden take little time and return much in enjoyment and in cut flowers for the home.

A few rows of annual flowers in the garden are as easy to take care of as vegetables.

What to Do

By PHYLLIS BELMONT

Think about the kind of weather you'll meet when you follow your husband to his army post or navy base. Take enough things with you to tide you over a change of season.

The real veterans of this sort of "camp following" have found out duffel bags are good things to own. They are easy to pack and cheap to ship. They also advise that you shop at the commissary to save money on your groceries. Keep a small hoard of travelers' checks for emergency use.

Ledger Syndicate.—WNU Features.

Blood Donor 141 Times Is Acclaimed in Russia

MOSCOW.—Tass, official Soviet news agency, hailed Yurit Kurshinsky, a Moscow railroad man, as the world's champion blood donor, with 141 donations totaling more than 60 liters (127 pints).

Second among the thousands who have given their blood for use in transfusions or to make plasma was a nurse, Vera Lizaeva, with 128 donations.

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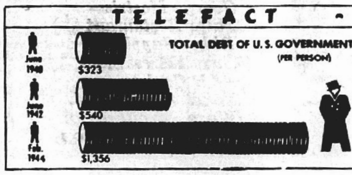


Window Washer Bans 'Dirt,' Spurns Job

CLEVELAND. — A housewife called a window washing firm recently.

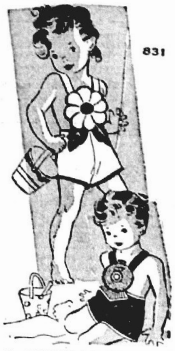
"Are the windows very dirty, lady?" she was asked.

"Certainly, that's why—"

The gentleman on the other end never let her finish.

"Sorry, lady, can't take the job. Takes too long to clean dirty windows these days."

Things to do



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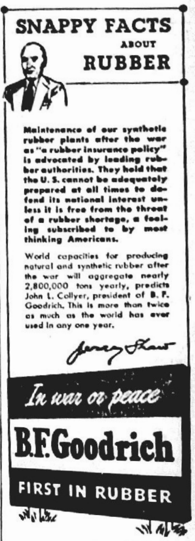

SNAPPY FACTS ABOUT RUBBER

Maintenance of our synthetic rubber plants after the war as "a rubber insurance policy" is advocated by leading rubber authorities. They hold that the U. S. cannot be adequately prepared at all times to defend its national interest unless it is free from the threat of a rubber shortage, a feeling subscribed to by most thinking Americans.

World capacities for producing natural and synthetic rubber after the war will aggregate nearly 2,800,000 tons yearly, predicts John L. Collyer, president of B. F. Goodrich. This is more than twice as much as the world has ever used in any one year.

Jerry Shaw

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FIRST IN RUBBER

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THE PEOPLE SPEAK

Oil is about to become a general topic in Florida and already fears in all their most gruesome aspects are being bantered about on the wings of misunderstanding and suspicion. So far not much politics has entered into the picture — but we can look forward to that angle with what might be called a "baited breath."

Meanwhile the people adopted a sensible creed for government's part in the search for "black gold" when they nominated Millard Caldwell who laid out a sensible oil plank in his platform. Martin Anderson, in the Orlando Sentinel, said he liked it — "it shows thought." We quote it as the voice of the people:

> Dilgent protection of the people's interests in granting the right to explore state lands for oil and minerals. Open public letting of each lease. Conservation measures to prevent waste (and pollution). Adequate and fair royalties to be paid into state treasury to increase benefits to the people or to reduce taxes.

We agree that such a program is about all that the people can ask — except that there should be no false values on respective elements to slow down the search for oil. Tourists — for instance — are desirable and the tourist business means much to Florida. But discovery of oil, in quantities, would dwarf the tourist business to pigmy size. And besides the coming of oil has NOT driven any tourists away from California, nor has it ruined the Texas citrus belt. It will bring more tourists and more industry to Florida.

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AND SERVANTS HAVE COMPLIED!

As if to sweep away criticism and suspicion even before they raised their heads, actions of the state's trustees (the governor and four cabinet members) as disclosed by investigation, are shown to have followed (or did they set the pattern for) directly the voice of the people.

Let us check the record.

The leases throw about the public interest every protection utilized by Uncle Sam in leasing his lands for many years. In addition the state's lease forms include a half dozen other safeguards based on theories born in the fertile minds of the five Florida officials and the state's experts. Not only are the public's rights to enjoy any public privileges on the leased lands preserved but the state reserves the right to lease the area for any other purpose.

Every lease or contract for a lease granted by the state has been drawn by Attorney General Tom Watson and has been granted in open session after many open conferences stretching out over months at which newspapermen have always been welcome and have reported the proceedings and discussions through the press services and the newspapers so that all who desired could read and keep abreast with developments. Competitive interests have frequently been present at these discussions and following a policy established years ago no lease nor contract has been granted until no better offer could be obtained.

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LAWS ALREADY PROTECT

Wartime requirements of the federal government governing conservation of oil — and in this wartime emergency it is hardly conceivable that anyone could be more strict than Uncle Sam — are binding on every lessee, the leases and prospective leases, all drawn by Attorney General Tom Watson, specifically making them subject to federal requirements. Federal and state laws prohibiting pollution of waters, hindrances to navigation or cluttering up a person's waterfront are made explicitly applicable to the lessees who agree to save the state from any damages as a result of any act of the lessee, thus giving full protection to property rights.

In addition practically all the drilling is done by responsible companies and even the "wildest" wild-catter has a $50,000 to $100,000 investment in rig and leases against which any party damage can proceed. Under such circumstances safety measures are applied as rapidly as new ideas develop, and oil men (some of whom would like to freeze the Arnolds out of their contract) admit freely that it is not conceivable that any state would be as strict as the drilling companies themselves to prevent any damage that might bring law suits and tie up their tremenuous investments and slow down operations right at the time when delays might cost millions.

Proper disposal of cores drilled from the wells and other waste matter is more essential to the company drilling the well than to the public because the laws of the land already protect all property rights and the state's contracts and leases do not waive any right of any kind except the right to drill for oil, gas and sulphur. All other rights including the public's right to access to any lands or lakes or shore lines, the public's right to lease the lands for grazing or any other purpose or lease the bottoms for oyster beds or any other purpose are dexpressly an by direct language in the contracts and leases preserved to the state.

And finally the royalties required are the same that any individual receives and the same that Uncle Sam gets from lands the government leases. The standard royalty figure of ⅛th of all the oil produced has been adopted and is the heart of every lease, contract or agreement made by the state. The acreage rental provisions have been the highest obtainable at the time the covenants were made — even though the acreage rental is an infinitesimal part of the profits from oil. Texas, California and other states have leased their lands on the same basis. The same royalty basis of leasing that has made the University of Texas the richest in the world, has been written into every lease or contract signed by the state's trustee.

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FUTURE SEEMS ASSURED —

For once in their lives — if never before and even if never again — the people of Florida can safely give the five public servants in charge of our state lands the Master's word of approval — "Well done, thou good and faithful servants."

And the election of Millard Caldwell — carrying with it the adoption of his platform with its oil plank, along with the renomination of all four cabinet members who have so completely anticipated the desires of Floridians, offers full assurances for the future.

IN THE COURT OF THE COUNTY JUDGE, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA. IN PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Laws of 1933

Re Estate of:
FRED FREDRICKSON,
Deceased.

TO ALL CREDITORS, LEGATEES, DISTRIBUTEES AND ALL OTHER PERSONS HAVING ANY CLAIM OR DEMAND AGAINST SAID ESTATE.

You and each of you are hereby notified, required and directed to present any claim or demand of any nature whatsoever, against the estate of Fred Fredrickson, deceased late of Highlands County, Florida, to the Hon. Thos. A. McNicholas, County Judge of Highlands County, Florida, at his Office in the Court House in Sebring, in said County and State, within eight (8) calendar months from the date of the first publication hereof.

You are further notified that such claim or demand must be presented in writing, contain the place of residence and Post Office address of the Claimant and be sworn to by the Claimant, his Agent or Attorney.

Date of first publication, May 19, 1944.

W. C. BECKETT
As Administrator of said Estate.

May 19, 26, June 2, 9.

IN COURT OF COUNTY JUDGE, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, STATE OF FLORIDA NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATOR FOR FINAL DISCHARGE

In re Estate of
MARGARET W. CRAFT,
Deceased.

Notice is hereby given, to all whom it may concern, that on the 3rd day of July A. D. 1944, I shall apply to the Honorable Thos. A. McNicholas, Judge of said Court, as Judge of Probate, for my final discharge as Administrator of the estate of Margaret W. Craft, deceased. My final report and application for final discharge are now on file in the office of said Judge.

Dated May 17th, A. D. 1944.

JOHN S. CRAFT
Administrator

JOE D. KINSEY
HOWARD G. LIVINGSTON
As Attorneys for Administrator.

May 19, 26, June 2, 9

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

House Bill No. 1862

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that C. C. Townes, the holder of the following certificates has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate numbers and years of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No. 7499
Year of Issuance 1933
Descrition of Property, Lot 15, Blk. 3 Sunset B each S/d, Per Plat Book 1, Pages 20-21, in Section 31, Township 34 South, Range 29 East.

Name in which assessed C. C. Townes.

All of said property being in the County of Highlands, State of Florida.

Unless said certificate or certificates shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate or certificates will be sold to the highest bidder at the court house door on the first Monday in month of July, 1944, which is the 3rd day of July, 1944.

Dated this 29th day of May, 1944.

H. T. PIETY
Clerk of Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida
(SEAL)
By HELEN S. PECK,
Deputy Clerk.

June 2, 9, 16, 23.

Folks You Know ..

Harold Worden, Jr., is spending this week in Orlando with his grandmother, Mrs. O. G. Knowles.

Mrs. C. A. Boxall, Jr. of Orlando spent Thursday night and Friday here with friends.

Gloria Bowman left Sunday for Lake Wales to visit her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Green.

Mrs. Richard Wright of Jacksonville is visiting Mr. and Mrs. F. E. John and family for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Bowles and daughters, Misses Juanita and Inez, and son, Billy of Polk City were the guests last week end of Mrs. Bowles' sister, Mrs. Carson Murphy and family.

Bill Tatum is spending the week in Bradenton with his grandparents, while his parents, Rev. and Mrs. Hoyt Tatum are attending the annual Methodist conference in Tallahassee.

Ernest Armstrong left Wednesday night on a short business trip to Hicksville, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hauptman left Thursday morning to spend a few days vacation at St. Petersburg.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. John returned home last week end from Miami, where they had enjoyed a weeks vacation.

Mrs. Philip Boardman returned home Thursday from Orlando, where she has been visiting friends for the past week.

Mrs. Roscoe Bass and young son, Tommy of Okeechobee are visiting Mr. Bass's mother, Mrs. L. E. Bass and other relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Shearer have as their guests, Mrs. Fred Hughes and daughter, Miss Irma Hughes, of Kewadin, Mich. Mrs. Hughes is Mrs. Shearer's sister.

Johnny Pilcher is spending the week in Sarasota with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cardwell.

T. L. Reed arrived this week from Miami to visit his father, Rex Reed and family for some time.

Earl Ware and sons, Mickie and Jimmie will return home Sunday from New York where Mr. Ware has been spending the week on business.

Mrs. Bill Friedman returned home last week end from Miami, where she has been spending several weeks. While there, she ununderwent a tonsillectomy.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Archer returned to their home in Sandersville, Ga., Thursday afternoon after a two weeks visit here with their son, W. B. Archer and family.

J. E. Crosby of Jacksonville visited his family here last week, and attended the graduation of his daughter, Miss Delores Crosby at Avon Park high school Wednesday evening.

Miss Cora Alsobrook of Tifton, Ga., is the house guest this week of Miss Lucille Sheumaker. Miss Sheumaker had been visiting Miss Alsobrook in Tifton, and she accompanied her home last Saturday.

Leah Jane Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Brown is visiting friends in Opelika, Alabama. She accompanied her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Moore and their daughter, Judy to Opelika to visit Mr. Moore's mother.

Miss Sara Browning, formerly of Avon Park, but who has been Home Economics instructor at Sarasota high school for the past year, is visiting friends here this week. She plans on visiting friends in Miami, before going to Hartford, Conn., to spend the summer.

Mrs. Laura P. Ward and daughter, Susan returned to Avon Park last week end from Lake Placid, where Mrs. Ward is a member of the high school faculty. She left this week for Gainesville to attend summer school. Susan will remain here with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Pardee.

Mrs. J. D. Raab is in Tallahassee this week, in attendence at the annual Methodist conference. She went by Jacksonville where she was the overnight guest of Rev. and Mrs. C. R. Mingledorff, formerly of Avon Park.

Sammy Longbottom and Morris Suggs have gone to Ridge Crest, N. C., where they will be on the staff of the Southern Baptist Assembly this summer. Sammy served in this capacity at the Assembly last summer.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Leatherman and daughter, Miss Pat Leatherman returned home this week from New York and Roanoke, Va. Miss Leatherman is a student at Roanoke College, and will spend her summer vacation here with her parents.

Mrs. Christine Lowe of Tampa visited her daughter, Mrs. J. E. Crosby and family here several days last week. She was here especially to attend the graduation of her granddaughter, Miss Delores Crosby, who received her diploma with the class of '44 at Avon Park high school on Wednesday evening.

IT'S TEAMWORK THAT DOES IT

The 5th War Loan starts next week!

WHEREVER your invasion forces are fighting—at sea, in the air, on the ground—they're working together for victory. They know that they must depend on each other, for only by coordinated teamwork will they win through to final victory in the earliest possible time.

The Fifth War Loan starts next week. It's going to take teamwork—a lot of it—to put this drive over the top. For we've got a job to do. As the tempo of invasion rises every one of us must mobilize for support of our fighting men.

In every city, town and hamlet men and women like yourself, have banded together as war bond Volunteer Workers, giving their time to taking your subscriptions for bonds. Support them. Give them the kind of teamwork our boys are giving to each other on the fighting fronts!

When your Volunteer Worker calls, *double* your war bond subscription. It's their job to help raise $16 billion of money for victory during this Fifth drive, $6 billions from individuals like yourself.

Make up your mind to welcome your Victory Volunteer with a friendly smile and an open checkbook—remembering that it's teamwork that does it!

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Clubs and Parties . . .

By HETTIE H. HETHERINGTON — Phone 54

Edith Croft and Pfc. Daniel Parsons Married Sunday

In a beautiful candlelight ceremony at 8:30 o'clock Sunday evening at the Church of the Nazarene, Miss Ruby Edith Croft, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. William Donovan Croft, became the bride of Pfc. Daniel David Parsons, son of Mr. and Mrs. William D. Parsons of Nampa, Idaho. The Rev. C. K. McKay, pastor of the Central Church of the Nazarene in Orlando, officiated, in the presence of a large gathering of relatives and friends.

Stately palms and tall pedestal baskets filled with white gladioli, carnations and fern, formed the background for the fern entwined archway, before which the nuptial vows were spoken. A large basket of creamy white gladioli was on one end of the piano, and clusters of lilies of the valley caught in fern sprays marked the altar rail. The illumination from the glow of white wedding tapers in branched candelabra back of the altar, and tapers in single holders on either side of the church, formed a soft glow. Miniature bouquets of valley lilies and fern designated the pews for relatives.

Mrs. J. B. Coen Jr., pianist, and Mrs. T. J. Ward, vocalist, presented a program of music. Mrs. Ward sang "Because" (d'Hardelot) and "O! Perfect Love" (Louise E. Stairs). The traditional wedding marches were played.

Bridal Gown

The bride, given in marriage by her father, was attractive in her wedding gown of gleaming ivory satin, fashioned on princess lines. The bodice with a sweetheart neckline and fitted sleeves that came to a point over the hands, was fastened with a row of tiny buttons of self material. The full skirt fell into soft folds. Her fingertip veil of sheerest illusion was caught to the hair with a halo of orange blossoms and her flowers were a colonial bouquet of white carnations and roses, showered with sweetheart roses.

Attendants Attire

Miss Wilma Odom of Lake City, maid of honor, wore primrose yellow net designed over a taffeta foundation, with a bouffant skirt. A narrow frill of taffeta finished the wide, net yoke, and edged the short, puffed sleeves. She wore a corsage of orchid asters.

Misses Anne Lenthel Spooner and Frances Spooner of Hernando, cousins of the bride, were bridesmaids. Miss Anne Spooner's dress was of petal pink chiffon over taffeta. The sweetheart neckline was defined by a double ruffle of the material, that extended over the puff sleeves. Alternate rows of ruffles fell from the waistline to the edge of the wide, swing skirt. Her flowers were yellow roses, in corsage.

Heavenly blue brocaded silk voile was worn by Miss Francis Spooner. The fitted bodice, caught at the neckline with a soft bow of self material, featured short puffed sleeves, and the diaphanous skirt was fashioned over a taffeta foundation. She wore a shoulder corsage of Talisman roses.

The two little flower girls were Sonja McLeod, and Katherine Elizabeth Dyer of Tampa, cousin of the bride. Their floor length frocks were alike, being designed of dainty pink silk voile. The diminutive bodices had puffed sleeves and sweetheart necklines. Narrow tucks of the material outlined scallops on the wide skirts. Pink blossoms were caught in their hair, and they each carried a decorated basket tied with a huge pink bow, and filled with rose petals which they scattered in the pathway of the bride.

The bride's mother chose a dress of rose crepe romaine, with which she wore white accessories, and a corsage of white carnations.

Pvt. Roy Bruner of Hendricks Field, Sebring served the groom as best man. Ushers were Sgt. Haskell Young, Avon Park Army Air Field, and Pvt James Satterfield, Hendricks Field.

Reception at Home

Immediately following the ceremony, Rev. and Mrs. Croft entertained members of the wedding party and friends at a reception at their home. The bride's table, overlaid with a beautiful lace cloth, was centered with the tiered decorate wedding cake, surmounted with a miniature bride and soldier groom, and flanked on either side by tall pink tapers burning in double silver holders. Punch was served from a table on the lawn, the punch bowl being surrounded with sprays of pink vine. The side lawn was converted into a veritable garden for the occasion, with vine entwined trellices and soft lights enhancing the scene. Misses Carrie Pearson, Eloise Dickinson, Victoria McKay, and Doris Brown assisted in serving. Miss Pearson gave a reading, "June Brides" during the evening.

Mrs. Parsons was born and reared during her early childhood in Hernando. She has been living in Avon Park for the past several years, and was a member of this year's graduating class. On her paternal side she is a direct descendent of John and Priscilla Alden. On her maternal side, she descends from a pioneer family, one of her ancestors, Johannas Oehrle coming to America in 1750.

Pfc. Parsons is a graduate of Nampa high school, and attended Northwest Nazarene college at Nampa. He is stationed at Hendricks Field. The couple will make their home at the Swartz cottage between Avon Park and Sebring.

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Miss Driggers and Pvt. Lawrence to Marry June 24

Mr. and Mrs. Laudy Henderson Driggers of Bowling Green announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Miss Leonora Marjorie Driggers to Private Cluke Mannon Lawrence, Junior, United States Army, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cluke Mannon Lawrence, Sr., of Bowling Green. The wedding will take place at 7:30 o'clock Saturday evening, June 24 in the First Methodist Church in Bowling Green. The Rev. W. T. Carlton, pastor of the church, will officiate.

Miss Driggers was born and reared in Bowling Green, where where she received her early education. She graduated from Florida State College for Women in Tallahassee in '43, where she was active in college government; a member of the Home Economics Club; Omicron Nu, home economics honorary, and Senior Hall. She has been a popular member of the faculty of Avon Park high school for the past year, where she was Home Economics instructor.

Pvt. Lawrence was educated in the schools of Bowling Green, and attended the University of Florida in Gainesville, where he specialized in agriculture, and was an honor student. He was a radio instructor at Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and later transferred to the ASTP at the University of Nebraska in Lincoln, where he was studying electrical engineering. He won one of the highest honors at the University of Nebraska, rating a straight A average. When the ASTP program was dissolved, his entire company was transfered to the infantry. He is now stationed at Camp Rucker, Alabama.

Methodist Class Has Supper Meeting Monday Evening

The Woman's Friendship Bible class of the First Methodist Church enjoyed their regular monthly business supper meeting at the Hut on Monday evening. The tempting covered dish supper was served buffet style.

Mrs. J. H. Kirkwood, class president, presided at a short business meeting, following the supper. The class voted to discontinue the monthly meetings until October. Mrs. M. B. Clark, who has been part-time teacher of the class for the past several months, was presented a beautiful pin, as an expression of appreciation from the class. Mrs. Clark was leaving the next day for Washington, D. C.

Those enjoying the evening were Mrs. J. H. Kirkwood, Mrs. John D. Raab, Mrs. C. H. Pardee, Mrs. S. C. Pardee, Mrs. A. McKee Elwell, Mrs. B. F. Willson, Mrs. Estelle Sonnemann, Mrs. M. B. Clark, Mrs. T. H. Hughs, Mrs. I. L. Hall, Mrs. Arthur Johnson, Mrs. W. S. Rawlings, Mrs. Jas. Aitchinson, Mrs. Lavis, Mrs. J. C. Bentley, and Mrs. C. H. Salisbury.

Weiner Roast on Monday Honors Lt. and Mrs. Bob Day

Lieut. and Mrs. Bob Day were the honor guests at a very enjoyable weiner roast on Monday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Milford Dilley. The guests assembled on the lawn, where weiners were roasted over an open grill, and served with rolls, baked beans, cabbage salad, pickles, olives, gingerbread with whipped cream, and iced tea.

Friends sharing the delightful evening with Lt. and Mrs. Day were Capt. and Mrs. Louis Ginsberg, Pvt and Mrs. Don Hamlin, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dilley, and Mr. and Mrs. Milford Dilley, Miss Margaret Dilley and Roland Dilley.

Auxiliary Hears Splendid Talk By Rev. Gasque

St. Margaret's Auxiliary of the Episcopal Church met Wednesday afternoon at the parish house, with Mrs. Walter S. Betts, newly installed president, presiding. A short business session was held, preceding the program and social hour.

Rev. George W. Gasque, rector of the Holy Cross Church in Miami, was guest speaker for the afternoon, giving an interesting and informative talk on "Woman's Work in the Parish." He said that "Woman's work is in the home; a well ordered home with the family trained in thoughtful kindness is a glorious ideal, and families who worship make the church."

During the social hour after the meeting refreshing iced orange juice was served with delicious cookies. A large number of members were in attendance, and several visitors also enjoyed the program for the afternoon.

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FORUM

FAVORS MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP

Soemone, in a recent article on General Eisenhower compared him with General Stonewall Jackson, stating that his policy was to mystify, deceive and confuse the enemy. In such a way he causes the enemy to squander its efforts uselessly, and wins a quicker, easier victory over a disorganized foe.

Just so are the officials of the Florida Power Corporation and their friends proceeding to win another free franchise for another thirty years to continue taking many thousands of dollars in annual profits from revenues out of Avon Park, thus contributing further to its financial instability during the post-war years ahead. The Tuesday night meeting of the City Council was featured by a "delaying action" carried on by this group at which meeting one could hear opponents of home-owned, locally operated utilities advancing every conceivable bug-a-boo, from the statement that the "President of the City Council didn't want to be called from his bed at midnight to fix a broken power line" to one that "in a town the size of Avon Park, you can't operate a power distribution system at a profit, if it is muncipally owned."

I am a citizen of Avon Park, having lived here since 1908 and having property which I hope to own here for many more years to come. I was a city official during the depression years of the thirties, and was intimately concerned with trying to help work out the many problems of a debt-ridden community at a time when most of its taxpayers were not taxpayers, because they were without the wherewithal to meet the confiscatory levies being imposed on the city by its bond-holders. I saw then, as I see now, the necessity of a city government being to some degree, at least, independent of its bond-holders; not being dependent entirely on real estate taxes to give its people paved streets, fire and sanitary protection, police protection and other municipal services.

We are now offered the opportunity, by making arrangements to buy the distribution system of Florida Power Corporation, of keeping the dollars here at home that now go into the profits of the power company. We can save as well the dollars that go into annual Federal Income Taxes which the power company must pay on its profits, and these dollars would help us in reducing the cost of our city government to its tax-payers, as well as those dollars now going into annual corporate profits and salaries of out-of-town power company executives.

Unless the people of Avon Park are willing to stiffen the spines of our Mayor and City Councilmen, they are going to wake up one of these fine mornings and find that the City Council and the Mayor of Avon Park have signed another thirty-year franchise gratis to Florida Power Corporation and we will continue to be one of the most poorly lighted towns of our size in South Florida. We will continue having high real estate taxes another thirty years; meantime our streets will have gone entirely to pieces, our fire engines will have been wrecked or worn out, with no funds available for their replacement, and a disgruntled crowd of small-town citizens will say "Well, why didn't we buy our own lighting system when we had the chance — back in 1944?"

I am not being paid any money by the Florida Power Corporation and I am not afraid of hurting any of my friends who are being paid by them. Most of them would live here right on and have good jobs if the city should acquire the system. Power Company officials and their friends are exerting every pressure they can, to deceive and confuse the public and the city officials as well, as is evidenced by the fact that we are now arguing over signing an agreement that would enable the city to get funds at four percent, in the event that the system becomes purchaseable for a reasonable price.

This is why I am standing on my rights as a citizen, to tell the people of Avon Park that unless they are willing to organize and offer some effective opposition to the Florida Power Corporation, it will be of small use to criticize the Mayor and Council when they turn the franchise for light and power over to the power company for another thirty years.

Respectfully yours,
F. W. SHOCKLEY
Avon Park, Florida
June 8, 1944.

Elaine Worden Has Birthday Party Saturday

Mrs. H. C. Worden entertained at a lovely party at her home on Saturday afternoon from 3:30 'til 5:30 in honor of the fifth birthday anniversary of her daughter, Elaine. Games were enjoyed throughout the afternoon, and the many attractive gifts were opened and admired.

Later, delicious refreshments of ice cream and cake were served, a patriotic motif prevailing in the table decorations. The lace covered table was centered with the beautiful birthday cake, decked with red, blue and silver stars, and a miniature flag in the center. Small flags attached to snowy white marshmallows, surrounded the cake, and further emphasized the chosen color note of red, white and blue. Novelty toy bombers were given as favors.

Elaine, attractive in a gay little red and white dotted swiss frock shared the happy occasion with her friends invited for the afternoon who were Jerry Ware, Elaine Hunt, Lelia Johnson, Tirzah Thayer, Freddie Guerndt, Peggy Martin, Karolyn Patterson, Michael Hetherington, Nancy Ginn, Sharon Murphy, Bill Bowles, and Marnell Jordan.

Mrs Worden was assisted in entertaining by Mrs. Bill Gibbs.

TO ATTEND CONVENTION

Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Magee, accompanied by Miss Elizabeth Thomas will leave immediately after the Sunday evening services for Atlanta to attend the Minister's Convention being held there next week. They will return home Saturday. While her parents are away, Wilda Magee will visit her great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Myer at their home in Frostproof.

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DUDE WOMAN

By PETER B. KYNE

WNU SERVICE

THE STORY SO FAR: Mary Sutherland arrives at Sughuaro, a flag station in Arizona, and waits for the station wagon from Wagon Wheel Ranch to pick her up. After a long wait Len Henley comes along in a truck and drives her to a Phoenix hotel, where his Aunt Margaret gives her the guest room until she is able to find accommodations at some dude ranch. Len's father, Hamilton Henley, has acquired the Wagon Wheel by buying up the notes and collateral of Bill Burdan from the State Bank of Arizona after Burdan has come to him for a loan, which Henley refused. Len Henley meets the Wades, who have beat the indictment the jury brought against them for cattle stealing.

CHAPTER IV

At four o'clock, while Ham Henley was still in his office, his son telephoned and Jess Hubbell answered and identified himself. "Mr. Hubbell," said Len, "there's a story in this afternoon's Republican, and I want you to tell my father I didn't inspire it and that I'm sorry as I can be, because I know he loathes such publicity as much as I do."

"He read it, Len."

"What did he say?"

"He said enough. Still he was interested. You got any more money to bet on yourself versus Mad Hatter? Your father sort of fancies the horse."

"How much?"

"Your bankroll is the limit."

"I'll not risk my all, but I'll take my father on for a thousand, if he'll give me three to one."

"No more?"

"Not another dime. And I wouldn't take the thousand except to oblige my affectionate father. Make a three-thousand-dollar check out to the secretary of the rodeo association. My check will be there, too."

"No, no, not that, Len, you impulsive devil! We'd only have a bigger and better story on the front page of the morning paper. Wait until I confer with your father."

In half a minute he came back on the line. "Your father says you're an unnatural son but he still thinks you're a gentleman and will pay your bets without the aid of a stakeholder. He hopes you have an equally good opinion of him."

"I'll admit everything except that he's an unnatural father. The worst I'll say about him is that he's a peculiar man and I don't understand him. Tell him we have a bet and that I'll be in to collect it from him personally. If he thinks—"

"Wait a minute, Len. Your father's shouting something for me to tell you . . . He wants to know, Len, if you know where old Bill Burdan and his wife are. He presumes you wintered on the Wagon Wheel as usual so you should know."

"They're in town, but where I don't know. I have an idea they're staying with a distant relative. However, the old man arranged this morning to meet me at five-thirty, so I'll get his address then. Things have happened to the old folks and they've left the Wagon Wheel."

There was a hiatus in the conversation. Then: "Your father says he'll be obliged to you if you'll ask Burdan to call at this office at ten o'clock tomorrow morning."

"Ask him if he's coming out to the rodeo tomorrow afternoon to see three thousand dollars hop from his pocket into mine."

Another conversational relay. "He says he wouldn't miss it for considerable."

At half-past five Ma Burdan drove up in the station wagon and sitting beside her, looking quite happy for one in his desperate financial situation, was Pa Burdan. "Yi, yi-yi," he yipped. "Anybody home?"

"Come in and bring Ma," Len shouted. When they entered Len kissed Ma and said, "Ain't love grand, Ma? It conquers all. Pa, while I think of it, my father would like to see you at his office about ten o'clock tomorrow morning."

"I spoke to him twenty minutes ago, Len. He seen Ma an' me drivin' past his office an' flagged us."

"Well, he didn't git far with us," Ma declared belligerently. "Guess what he wanted? Why, I never was more insulted in my life. He wanted us to give him a quit-claim deed to the home ranch an' assign the state land leases to him an' in return he'd give us five hundred dollars. Pa was for grabbin' it but I says 'Nothin' doin',' and threw in the gears an' left him standin' there."

"We'd ought to have took it," Pa mourned. "We're goin' to lose everything anyhow. It'd been like pickin' five hundred dollars out o' the gutter."

"You ol' hoot owl," Ma said mildly. "That's just what Ham Henley hoped you'd think. How'd he treat you when you was in to see him about askin' him to help us? Why, he scolded you somethin' scandalous. He hurt your feelin's—an' them as hurts your feelin's, Pa, has got me to reckon with."

"Don't know as I blame him, Ma. I didn't expect he'd help me; I expect I didn't have no right to ask him to help me."

"Nevertheless, Pa, I think Ma acted with discretion in according his offer her finest brand of contumely, even if she didn't know it. Father must have called at the Wagon Wheel early this morning, because he passed me on the way in to Phoenix. He discovered you and Ma had abandoned the ranch, so inasmuch as he is a director of the State Bank at Prescott he probably telephoned them they'd have to move in and take charge without waiting for judgment on foreclosure suits. The court would grant them that privilege on the proper representation, but the bank asked him to see you and get a quit-claim deed to the home ranch and a bill-of-sale to the cattle, to save legal expense and wastage and permit them to take over immediately. Did my father say, in consideration of your doing this, that the bank would not take a deficiency judgment against you?"

"I didn't give him time to speak his piece," Ma declared proudly. "As soon as I realized he wanted something I made up my mind he wasn't goin' to get it."

"He was only acting for the bank. I hear the bank will not make a cattle loan he doesn't approve. I'm going to see him tomorrow evening and when I do I'll try to make a better deal for you. Meantime, keep away from him. Leave this to me."

"You're the darlin'est boy," said Ma. "Ain't he, Pa? Oh, Len, why ain't you good friends with your father so's he'd buy the Wagon Wheel for you? You'd let Pa come back an' work for you then, wouldn't you, honey? An' I could keep house for you an' look after you an' you wouldn't need to pay us much, because we wouldn't need much."

"Are you going to divorce Pa?" he inquired wickedly.

"I reckon not, Len. Seems like I got to put up with him."

When Mary opened her door in response to Len's knock she saw standing before her, not the cowboy who had picked her up at Sughuaro that morning, but a gentleman of the world, quite at ease in dinner clothes, overcoat and white silk muffler. "Why, Doctor Jekyll," she exclaimed, "where did you leave Mr. Hyde?"

"Gimme!"

He did a little jig step. "Behold! This morning I was a chrysalis in my cocoon. Tonight I am a butterfly. I don't cheer for your simile, however. Dr. Jekyll used to dry-gulch people, didn't he?"

"Sound travels at the rate of at least a mile a second . . . How far is it from the corridor where you stood a moment ago, over the transom and into my room?"

"It appears I talked out of my turn," he replied without embarrassment.

"Did you really mean what you said to those men, or were you just trying to frighten them?"

"I wasn't bluffing and I don't think they were particularly impressed. They aren't sufficiently intelligent."

"This morning you decided you were too poor to buy the Wagon Wheel ranch. What have you been doing since I saw you last? Playing the market or shooting craps?"

"Neither. I have merely yielded to my ruling impulse and that is to take a chance. I have often reflected on the pleasure to be derived from having a bank beg a favor of me—and as I came up in the elevator I realized how it could be done. I was inspired—and I accuse you of having been the source of the inspiration."

"Tell me," she urged.

"I can finance the sort of deal I have in mind. I know I can. And as soon as I do I shall reopen the dude department of the Wagon Wheel ranch, install a competent cook and housekeeper and solicit your trade—as a non-paying guest."

"I hope you can."

He had two boxes under his arm and he gave her one. "There were only four orchids in town and I bought them. Here are your two. That green frippery dress, by the way, goes very well with your hair, and I'm so glad you haven't green eyes. Your eyes have been bothering me all day. I got the fool notion they were green. Instead they're hazel."

"The man earns his money riding bucking horses and spends it on orchids," she addressed a mythical third presence. "Easy come, easy go. Don Leonardo, for a bloodthirsty wretch you're terribly nice and thoughtful. Thank you."

She went to her dressing table and pinned the corsage on; while she was doing this she said: "I read a piece about you this evening in the local paper."

"I wish you hadn't."

She nodded. She could understand why that was so, and she felt sorry for both the Henleys. He stood in the doorway and thought: How lovely she is, how cool and poised. She's too exquisite to be other than a lady and too intelligent to pretend to be a greater lady than she is. She's the dude of all the world!

"I hope you realize," she said, "that if I visit the Wagon Wheel ranch after you acquire it you'll have to provide a chaperon."

"I am about to introduce you to a chaperon to end all chaperons. I call her my Aunt Margaret, but that's just a hold-over from boyhood's happy hours. She was my mother's bride's-maid. Widow-woman, as we say out here."

Mrs. Maxwell opened the door to Len's ring and said "Hello, Len. Come in, Miss Sutherland. You're as welcome as the Henley boy—and he has the run of the premises."

Mary was startled and confused for a moment, but her sense of humor bridged the situation. She held out her hand and commanded, "Gimme!" and Margaret Maxwell solemnly laid a silver dollar in the open palm. "I am a very curious woman, Miss Sutherland. I had to see promptly whether or no you measured up to your advance notices. Thank God, you do."

"You're sly but likeable," Mary replied and in the good humor thus engendered they entered. "A votive offering for you, Aunt Margaret," said Len and handed her the box he was carrying. He stepped across the room, his hand outstretched to an oldish man who rose as they entered. "Hello, pappy," he cried heartily, jerked his father to him and ran his other hand through Hamilton Henley's hair. "You've turned roan since I saw you last."

"An' you've thickened up a lot, son." Ham Henley turned toward Mary and bowed. "I think I saw you ridin' down the road with my son this mornin', miss."

"Miss Mary Sutherland, pappy. Miss Mary, this is my old man."

Ham Henley gave her a mild handshake, looked her over swiftly but with an intensity that told her he had missed nothing and then shifted his gaze to his son. "Margaret didn't tell me you were going to drop in," he said.

"You needn't explain. She didn't tell me either, old-timer. What a lot of delight we'd miss if women weren't so fond of surprise parties."

"I reckon they invented Santa Claus, son."

"Orchids," Mrs. Maxwell cried, delighted. "Len, you're a dear. I haven't had an orchid since you were here a year ago. I should like to assure you that such extravagance is sinful, only I don't think it is when I'm on the receiving end. Len, your father tells me you are retiring from the rodeo circuit when the Phoenix rodeo closes."

"Jess Hubbell gave me that message," Ham Henley said anxiously. "I hope he got it straight."

"He did, sir."

Mary helped serve the cocktails and Len passed a plate of hors-d'oeuvres. "Don Leonardo's a pig," she declared. "He wouldn't wait for you two. He insisted on having one drink with me."

"I had to test your liquor, Aunt Margaret," he defended, "to make certain you weren't feeding us fighting whisky." He clinked his glass against his father's. "How, Hamilton, old sport. This time tomorrow night you'll be three thousand dollars poorer and I'll be six thousand dollars richer. And that will constitute an accomplishment. It needs a good man to nick you that deeply."

"I can enjoy losing that bet, my son. An' there's other ways not so hard o' pryin' money out o' me if you need it."

"Have you made a bet with Don Leonardo, Mr. Henley, that he will not conquer that horse, Mad Hatter?" Mary asked.

"I have, young lady, and how come you call him Don Leonardo?"

Mary flushed a little. "I heard his man, Pedro, call him that and it seemed to me the form of address fitted him. Anyhow, I have a habit of coining pet names for people I like and I like your son because he's terribly nice and amusing."

"Yes, I reckon he is pretty nice, young lady. In fact, I never knew him nicer than he is today. His decision to quit the rodeo nonsense certainly makes me happy."

"I wish I could believe I have contributed to this reorganization of your son's social consciousness, Mr. Henley, but I fear his decision to engage in some less dangerous and more dignified method of making a livelihood is the result of his spiritual growth—a sort of mile-stone in his evolution. Cheers for you, Don Leonardo, and success to you in the cow business."

(TO BE CONTINUED)

Let's Face Facts

Teamwork Solving Farm Truck Problem, Toughest Bottleneck

By BARROW LYONS

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

How would you like to be responsible for moving, with too few trucks, more than half of which are over seven years old, and many driven by green drivers, one of the biggest crops the United States has ever produced?

That is the job assigned to Robert A. Hicks, chief of the farm vehicle section, ODT division of motor transport. He has to organize and bring into line the finest bunch of rugged individualists ever lined up in one group—the farmers and truckers of America.

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There is just one thing that makes the job possible—the farmers and truckers know that if they don't use their trucks to best advantage, a large part of one of the greatest crops ever harvested won't get moved to market.

Here are some figures that pretty much speak for themselves:

In 1941 there were 1,583,000 trucks owned by farmers available for moving crops to market. Today the number is about 25 per cent less—about 1,200,000—and hundreds are going off the road every day due to old age and smash-ups. There are some 300,000 for-hire trucks also available, many of them running on worn-out tires.

Of the trucks now owned by farmers, 55 per cent—about 660,000—are more than seven years old, and about half of these are more than ten years old.

To organize the operation of these trucks, most of which are owned by individual farmers, 142 district offices were set up and 20,931 transportation advisory committees formed, involving 86,913 persons.

Working Better This Year

This organization worked pretty well in most areas last year, although there was a good deal of grumbling, which was only natural. It is working better this year, and there is less grumbling because the necessity for cooperation is considerably greater and is generally recognized.

Everyone realizes this year why there is so great a shortage of trucks. Our army has prepared for the greatest invasion operation of all times. It knew that virtually any advance made on any front would have to be accompanied by heavy truck movements, for the enemy will tear up every bit of rail line he can as he retreats, and it takes time to repair railway beds, bridges, culverts and lay new track. So the army has taken virtually the entire output of new trucks for military purposes.

In 1941 there were 750,000 trucks produced for civilian use, of which number 456,000 replaced worn-out or obsolete equipment. When the United States entered the war, about 150,000 trucks in the hands of manufacturers or dealers were "frozen." These have been placed where there was greatest need, and now are all working. During 1942 and 1943, only 3,000 new trucks were turned out for civilian use. The program for 1944 calls for 88,000 trucks for civilian allocation, but most of these will be produced in the second half of the year.

If we get all that have been programmed this year, the total available for three years will be only 241,-000 to replace a normal disappearance of 1,368,000 trucks.

That gives only the statistical picture. The more difficult operation has been to get a great many people, strong on managing their own affairs in their own way, to work together toward the common goal of winning the war.

Schedules on All Crops

The first move in this direction was to program crop-moving operations. Schedules have been set up in every area for important crops. For instance, through cooperative use of trucks, dairy farmers and creameries plan to save 58,000,000 truck miles in moving milk and cream. Duplication of routes has been almost eliminated. Fruit and vegetable crops for canning have required special planning.

Where perishable crops must be moved to canning factories, round-the-clock programs have been worked out, wherever canning facilities are large enough to take care of this traffic. In some instances, hours of waiting at both ends of the haul have been eliminated by careful planning.

When there are not enough trucks in one area to take care of the traffic, the committees study the problem to see how many can be diverted temporarily from other occupations. Trucks used for hauling lumber or cement, for instance, can be diverted for a time to move tomatoes or fruit crops in season. When sufficient trucks cannot be found in the area, assistance is given in finding more from adjacent areas.

Requisitioning of equipment is possible, but persuasion is generally effective.

Washington Digest

Wallace Visit Improves Sino-American Relations

Chinese Officials Build Hopes on Vice President's Trip; True Economic Plight of Country Known Only Recently.

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Ever since the day when America as a nation was just a little over eight years old, and the first Yankee merchantman, flying the brand new stars and stripes, was welcomed in Canton harbor, the story of Chinese-American relations has been the story of a long and beautiful friendship.

Recently, however, there has been considerable concern among the friends of China in Washington over the growing strain in those relations which seemed gradually to be reaching a dangerous tension after seven years of war in which China has looked vainly to America for the aid that was not forthcoming.

Now, two things have happened which have considerably eased the strain, and these two nations who need each other so much and between whom such a reservoir of good will, as Willkie called it, has been built up, are both breathing easier.

One thing is the turn of the tide of battle in Burma for which much of the credit may be given to "Uncle Joe" Stilwell as leader of the Chinese-American forces. The other is the visit of Vice President Wallace to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek.

Today, Chinese officials are building high hopes on that visit. They believe that when the vice president returns, he will be able to stimulate an understanding in America of what they consider China's greatest affliction—economic chaos.

Nobody claims that China's troubles are limited to her economic situation. Some observers would put even the war, which is bad enough, second to political dissention which has only been prevented from outbreak by an iron hand. But the thing that the Chinese government thinks would do the most good right now is consumer goods: medical supplies and essential chemicals first; then probably clothing next and on down the line, including all the things one needs to carry on civilized existence in its simplest way.

The Chinese don't quite agree with the way we use inflation to describe their internal situation although printing press money has been put into circulation to the tune of millions of dollars and that Chinese financial resources have been scraped to the bone.

The True Story

One Chinese official said to me:

"If only we could get a bare 3,000 tons of goods a month from the outside, to be sold at prices controlled by the government, it would make all the difference in the world. Twenty big cargo planes making regular trips would be enough to carry it.

"You can buy a bottle of aspirin for 50 cents in this country," he went on. "When we can get any aspirin in China, a single tablet costs that much. But the price is not so important. If we could get aspirin, (that is just an example) even if we had to set a price of, say five cents a tablet, it would serve our purpose. We are willing to stabilize prices, even if they must be at a high level, but we cannot stop inflation unless we have the consumer goods to sell."

For a long time, the seriousness of China's financial situation has been known; the hardships the white collar class, the professional people's suffering; the lack of food and shoes and cartridges (to say nothing of artillery) for the army; but it is only recently that detailed stories have been widely printed and open discussion has taken place here.

There were two reasons for the brake on revealing to America internal conditions in China. In the first place, the Chinese did not wish their situation to be any more widely known than necessary, and for that reason, Chungking clamped down a wall of censorship on all news originating there.

In the second place, Americans familiar with the facts—and this applies to many writers as well as America's government officials friendly in China—did not wish to be in the position of perhaps damaging the morale of a loyal ally and certainly offending her government by circulating stories no matter how true they might be.

Finally, however, the truth came to be more and more widely disseminated, and the papers and magazines were filled with stories from writers returning to America and freed from the bond of censorship. To some degree, the Chinese now realize that too much censorship has hurt them.

Threatened With Collapse

Personally I think this publicity has served to help rather than hurt.

In any case, the time came when something had to be done. China was threatened with collapse right at the moment when bases within her territory were becoming vital in the final assault on Japan.

A courtesy visit from a high official became not only a wise move but a necessity, and there are reasons, not immediately evident on the surface, why Vice President Wallace's trip may do much to alleviate China's difficulties.

In the first place, whatever you may think of the views expressed by Vice President Wallace or how well you think you understand them, the Chinese believe first, that he symbolizes the traditional friendship of America for China; and second, that he understands their problems.

Then there is another vital factor, important from the standpoint of the morale of the Chinese people and their support of the present government, Mr. Wallace is the second highest officer of our government. Face counts high in the Far East. This official visit will give face to the Chungking government.

It is clear that these factors are psychological and the intelligent Chinese, who are exceedingly wise in such matters, realize that fact, and count upon it highly.

They feel, too, (from a more practical standpoint) that the Wallace visit will tend to increase American public interest in China and her troubles and will facilitate the efforts on the part of their diplomats to receive the goods they want.

Hopeful Tinge

That is the reason that almost overnight, the atmosphere surrounding Sino-America contacts in Washington has taken on a more hopeful tinge. And the optimism of the Chinese has been greatly helped by the success of the Chinese troops fighting under General Stilwell and the Chinese offensive moving out of China toward a contact with Stilwell's army.

This military operation too, will be more than a mere military victory, if it is successful. Again, the psychological element is important. Success in Burma means the juncture of the Ledo and Burma roads. There are many miles of road construction to be completed before the two highways are actually carrying heavy traffic over them but, nevertheless, when they are joined, a severed artery will be mended, a wound will be healed. The moment the first allied work trucks begin to thread their way along this highway over an unobstructed route from and to the outside world, it will be as if fresh air were once more reaching lungs strangling for breath.

When the two highways are actually joined, they will soon be in operation, for much American technical engineering skill has been spent on the Burma road within China and its carrying capacity will be greatly increased.

The arrival of the first truck-borne piece of freight and the handclasp of the Generalissimo and Vice President Wallace will be more than a political gesture, it will be a renewal of the friendship which has meant so much to China for more than a century and a half.

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BRIEFS:

A large number of Dutchmen are living and training with American marines in camps throughout the United States. These men are undergoing the same training given the American marines and wear the American uniform but with the Royal Netherlands insignia on collar and cap.

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India has the largest volunteer army in the world—2,000,000 men.

BRIEFS . . . by Baukhage

Viscount Nagakage Okabe, Japanese education minister, has announced government plans to extend its thought control program by stepping up the activities of local Thought Measure Research Societies and by giving thought training to the heads of industrial organizations as well as to the many students of the societies.

—Buy War Bonds—

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There has been considerable rivalry between the Burmese and the immigrant Indians. The Burmese have found themselves at a disadvantage in competition with the more experienced Indian professional and business men and with Indian labor, with its habitual thrift and its customary lower standard of living.

—Buy War Bonds—

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ASK ME ANOTHER ?

A General Quiz

The Questions

1. How does the size of Alaska compare with the size of Texas?
2. Arlington National Shrine was originally part of the estate of what prominent American?
3. What well-known character in fiction tilted at windmills?
4. Why did King Arthur's knights sit at a round table?
5. Was absentee voting ever before permitted to our soldiers?
6. Off what shores are the Grand Banks?
7. What is meant by the "doldrums"?
8. What is the difference between a patriot and a patriarch?
9. Where would you be if you were on the Painted Desert?
10. Jerusalem, capital of Palestine, is situated at an elevation of 2,500 feet between what seas?

The Answers

1. Alaska is twice as large.
2. Gen. Robert E. Lee.
3. Don Quixote.
4. To avoid any distinction of rank.
5. Yes. Union soldiers in the field during the Civil war were permitted to vote.
6. Newfoundland.
7. Those tropical zones of the ocean where calms or baffling winds prevail, hence a becalmed state.
8. A patriot is one who loves and is devoted to his country. A patriarch is the founder or head of a family—or an aged man.
9. Arizona.
10. Mediterranean and Dead seas.

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Eyelet Pique's the Big News For Those Graduation Dresses

By CHERIE NICHOLAS

GRADUATION dresses are very important in the lives of the young and the fair. Never before in the history of fashion has so much emphasis been placed on high-style cottons for both the graduation dress and for bridesmaids' gowns as well, and most brides will be wearing lovely cottons this year.

Nearly every designer of any importance in the country has made sophisticated looking cottons the most eye-compelling feature of her or his collections. The play being made on handsome eyelet embroidered pique for the bride's attendants and for graduation day wear is tremendous.

It is not only that eyelet pique is lovely to the eye—it's wearing and laundering qualities are simply ideal. Then too, it makes up so easily, requiring no extra trimming details, for the more classically simple its styling, the more attractive it is, in that it is so prettily patterned in itself.

The long dress of eyelet pique herewith illustrated is just such as any fair graduate might covet. It can double as an evening gown too, or a wedding dress, and for a bridesmaid it's adorable. The young graduate pictured shows her loyalty to her alma mater by wearing a sash in her class colors. This prettily bow-knotted sash together with a lovely rose corsage adds just that dash of color which tunes into the joyousness of youth with its rose-colored dreams and ambitions for the future.

There has been much discussion as to whether graduation frocks should be short or floor-length. The answer is that it depends upon the formality of the occasion. The simple little frock shown to the left, made of eyelet lightweight pique (would be pretty in any embroidered sheer cotton) is very appropriate for a simple school affair. This gown demonstrates that embroidered cottons are so interesting in themselves they need very little dressing up with furbelows. It's just careful cutting and fitting and subtle details that is needed to give them the charm that adds to a young girl's "looks." The exquisitely simple styling of this naive shirtwaist model bespeaks youth in its collar ruffle around the U-neck and its pearl studs and various little accents that mean so much to a young girl graduate.

You'll love a dress made of heavy waffle pique that in the longer skirts has a "stand alone" way about it that is most imposing. At an especially smart wedding the bride's attendants wore floor-length gowns of waffle pique that were so outstandingly good-looking you could just tell from the murmur of admiration that swept through the fashionable gathering that a new vogue was in the making. The piece de resistance of these distinguished gowns of primly starched waffle pique were their simulated yoke tops (there were no actual set-in yokes as the quaint fitted bodices were cut in one piece) but the eyeleted embroidery was worked in yoke effect which together with the tiny brief embroidered sleeves was too attractive for words. The skirts fell in straight lines being slightly full in portrait fashion. What adorable party frocks these gowns will make this summer!

If you are making your own graduating frock be sure to save every little leftover scrap. You can make corsage flowers of these tidbits, you can make lace-edged bows (in sets of three) to wear down the front of your blouse and scraps of eyelet embroidery can be used as insets for gingham pinafore dresses and such.

Released by Western Newspaper Union.

Navy and White

About one of the most likable fashions ever devised is that of the navy bolero suit that takes on white or colorful accessories. This year a navy-with-white bolero costume stands at the top of the list as to what's what to wear during the active about-town hours of the day. The suit pictured was shown at a recent "Cover-Girl" luncheon fashion revue. The blouse worn with this bolero suit of navy-blue sheer wool, is of white pique embroidered in blue. The belt is of red patent leather combined with navy suede.

Wardrobe of Denims For Home Gardeners

Victory gardeners are buying regular wardrobes all of denim. They learned from experience last season that it takes sturdy denim to see you through all the wear and tear that clothes must take when subjected to wind and weather and working the soil. The list includes overalls, shorts, slacks, pinafores and tool-pocket aprons, jackets and skirts. A winning dress of the season is made of denim cut in the new sleeveless manner and buttoning down each side from under the arm to the hem with spanking white flat, round buttons. The new models have enough decorative features to avoid any suggestion of oldtime denims. They are designed to please and to flatter as well as give service. A real "find" in the newer denim collections is a boxy fingertip-length coat, which can be paired with dresses, skirts, shorts and overalls, and it will also serve admirably as a beach coat.

Dainty Batiste 'Nighties' With Eyelet Embroidery

Interest in lingerie of exquisitely fine cotton batiste is now being revived. The new showings of lovely nightgowns made of fine batiste fascinate women who love the daintiness of exquisite cottons trimmed with eyelet embroidery and dainty lace with a lavishment of fine hand-sewn tucks and ribbon-threaded beading and all the little accents that are so prettily feminine. You can get very attractive gowns moderately priced, or as much as you want to pay for the handmade types.

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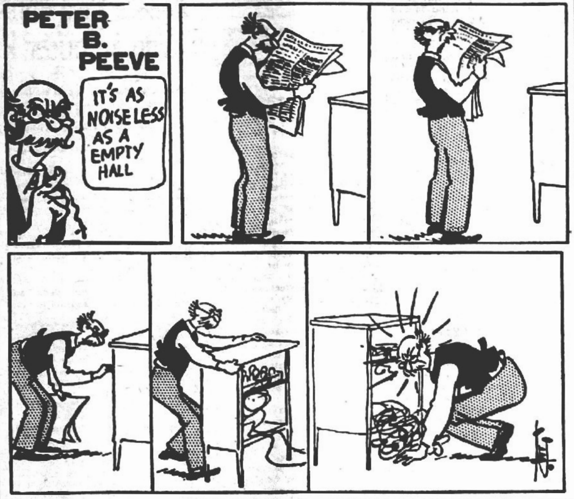
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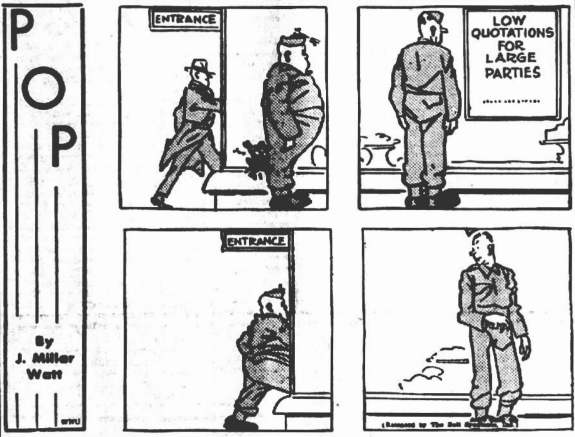
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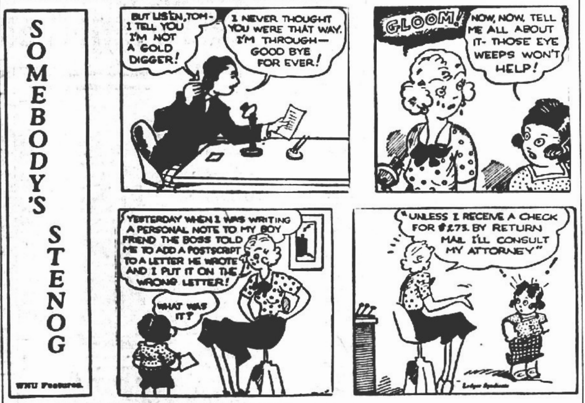
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BUT LIS'EN, TOM - I TELL YOU I'M NOT A GOLD DIGGER!
I NEVER THOUGHT YOU WERE THAT WAY. I'M THROUGH— GOOD BYE FOR EVER!
GLOOM!
NOW, NOW, TELL ME ALL ABOUT IT- THOSE EYE WEEPS WON'T HELP!
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REPEAT PERFORMANCE

Teacher—Your face looks kind of familiar. Didn't you have a twin brother in this class last year?

Smarty—No. I'm just taking it over again!

Easy to Turn Off

Wife—You think more of that old radio than you do of me!

Husband—Well, I get less interference from it!

Cute Trick

Bill—I suppose you dance?

Bette—Oh, yes, I love to.

Bill—Swell, that's better than dancing.

Like Mother Made?

Wifey—I cook and bake for you and what do I get? Nothing!

Hubby—Huh! I get indigestion!

In the Army

Sarge—What's the first thing you do when cleaning a rifle?

Rookie—Look at the number.

Sarge—What's that got to do with it?

Rookie—Before I clean it, I want to make sure it's my own gun!

For Better or Worse

Hubby—When I married you I thought you were an angel!

Wifey—So I've noticed. You seem to think I can get along without any clothes!

Good Memory

Joe—Have you forgotten you owe me ten dollars?

Bill—No, but give me time and I will!

Drowned

Nit—Have you ever visited Chicago?

Wit—No, I heard it was at the bottom of Lake Michigan!

Army Life

Private—I've a week-end and I don't know what to do with it.

Sarge—Keep it under your hat!

SIMPLE REMEDY

Hubby—Did you sew the button on my coat, dear?

Wifey—No, darling, I couldn't find a button, so I just sewed up the buttonhole.

Decided!

Jones—Does your wife have her own way?

Smith—Does she! Why, she writes her diary a week ahead of time!

Tough Army

Sarge—When does a Jap lose face?

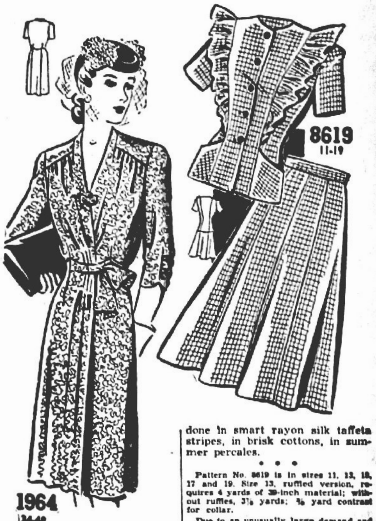
Rookie—When he gets a sock in the puss!

Out of Luck

Joe—How did Pat get banged up?

Bill—He was leading the life of Riley, and Riley came home!

PATTERNS SEWING CIRCLE



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1 tablespoon melted shortening
Sift together flour, sugar and salt. Dissolve yeast in lukewarm water. Add to dry ingredients. Add melted shortening. Dough will be soft. Turn out on floured board and knead dough quickly and lightly until smooth and elastic. Roll out ½ inch thick. Cut with floured biscuit cutter. Place on greased pan. Let rise until doubled in bulk, about ½ hour. Prick top with fork. Bake in hot oven at 425° F. about 20 minutes. Makes 16 two-inch biscuits. Serve hot with home-made jam, jelly or preserves for a supper dessert treat!
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LEWIS I. MERCER DIES IN LACOOCHEE

Lewis Ira Mercer, 60, of Lacoochee, brother of J. W. Mercer and Mrs. Ed. Gough of Avon Park died at his home Wednesday. A native of Dade City he has lived in Avon Park until six months ago. Beside his brother and sister here, he is survived by his widow, Mrs. Evelena Mercer and another sister, Mrs. J. M. Green of Hialeah.

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— FRANCHISE —

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ing costs and other municipal services over $600 per year. This would mean the city would be able to light a total of 93 white way lights in the mall at a cost of less than $115 per year over the present costs. The proposed new street lighting service would cover the Mall from end to end. The present cost of all municipal service under present rates is $3278.00. With 53 additional street lighting units, the cost would total $3393.00, or an increase of $115 over present costs. The additional lighting would be made possible due to reduction of rates in municipal service.

The detailed saving in city used current, based on present consumption, as shown by a comparison of new and old rates follows:

	Old	New
White way (40 units)	614.03	684.40
Overhead street lighting	1215.60	975.00
Miscellaneous	1440.75	1098.00
	3278.38	2757.40
Net saving to city		520.98

3. The white way system is in bad condition and needs rebuilding. The company, in its proposal has offered to rebuild and put the white way system in good order, and will maintain it by appropriating a fund of $2400 for a ten year term. The company agrees to incorporate this offer in its contract to make sure that maintenance is carried out by the use of this credit, which will insure the upbuilding and upkeep of the white way system during the period of the franchise.

Rates in the new franchise are the existing rates now in effect, which are guaranteed not to go higher, but which are expected to be lowered from time to time, as has been the policy of the company over the period of its past franchise.

IN THE COURT OF THE COUNTY JUDGE IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, STATE OF FLORIDA.
In The Matter of the Estate of
MILES TYLER MERWIN,
Deceased.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR FINAL DISCHARGE.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Notice is hereby given that I have filed my final report as administrator of the estate of Miles Tyler Merwin, deceased; that I have filed my petition for final discharge, and that I will apply to the Hon. Thos. A. McNicholas, County Judge of Highlands County, Florida, on the 26th day of June,, 1944, for approval of the same and for final discharge as administrator of the estate of Miles Tyler Merwin, deceased.

This 25th day of May, 1944.

HARRY PRICE
Administrator of the Estate
of Miles Tyler Merwin,
Deceased.

May 26, June 2, 9, 16.

NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME LAW

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, pursuant to the "Fictitious Name Statute," House Bill No. 1175, Chapter No. 20953, Laws of Florida, 1941, will register with the Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for Highlands County, Florida, upon receipt of proof of the publication of this notice, the fictitious name, to-wit:

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COMPANY

under which we are engaged in business.

We expect to engage in business in the City of Avon Park, Florida.

That the parties interested in said business enterprise, are as follows:

William Hauptmann
Georgia Hauptmann
Mrs. O. H. Hauptmann
M. J. Thompson
F. E. Grimwood
G. M. Thompson

Dated at Avon Park, Highlands County, Florida, May 27, 1944.

June 2, 9, 16, 23

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
House Bill No. 1862

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Lewis E. Purvis, holder of the following certificates has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate numbers and years of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No. 2955
Year of Issuance 1928
Description of Property: NE¼ of SE¼ of Section 30, Township 35 South, Range 32 East. 40 Acres.
Name in which assessed: Sol McClelland.

Certificate No. 11334
Year of Issuance: 1933
Description of Property: S½ of SE¼ of Section 17, Township 35 South, Range 31 East. 80 Acres.
Name in which assessed: R. L. Stokes.

Certificate No. 11360
Year of Issuance: 1933
Description of Property: Fractional N½ of Section 1, Township 36 South, Range 31 East. 40 Acres.
Name in which assessed: Unknown.

Certificate No. 2114
Year of Issuance: 1930
Description of Property: E½ of SW¼ of SE¼ of Section 3, Township 36 South, Range 32 East. 20 Acres.
Name in which assessed: Lake Farms Company.

Certificate No. 11652
Year of Issuance: 1933
Description of Property: NE¼ of Section 11, Township 36 South, Range 32 East. 160 Acres.
Name in which assessed: Lake Farms Company

Certificate No. 1115
Year of Issuance: 1935
Description of Property: Lots 1 to 8, incl., Block 6, Section 16, Township 36 South, Range 31 East — 40 Acres.
Name in which assessed: Unknown.

Pt. Certificate No. 1156
Year of Issuance: 1935
Description of Property: S½ of SE¼ of NW¼ of Section 29, Township 36 South, Range 33 East 20 Acres.
Name in which assessed: Unknown.

All of said property being in the County of Highlands, State of Florida.

Unless such certificates shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificates will be sold to the highest bidder at the court house door on the first Monday in month of July, 1944, which is the 3rd day of July 1944.

Dated this 29th day of May 1944.

H. T. PIETY
Clerk of Circuit Court of
(SEAL) Highlands County, Florida.
By: HELEN S. PECK
D. C.

June 2, 9, 16, 23

PERSONALS

Mrs. M. B. Clark and daughter, Miss Kitty Clark, and son, Bobby left Tuesday for Washington, D. C. where they will visit relatives and friends for several weeks before joining Mr. Clark. They have resided in Avon Park for the past year where Mr. Clark was formerly an instructor with Lodwick Aviation Military Academy.

S. F. Longbottom is spending the week in Warm Springs, Ga., with Mrs. Longbottom and their daughter, Lynn. The many friends of Lynn, who is receiving treatment at Warm Springs Foundation, will be gratified to know that her condition is improving.

Miss Margaretha Vogt spent Thursday and Friday in Tampa with Miss Martha Jeuther, who is seriously ill at the Municipal hospital. Miss Jeuther, who has been ill for several months, underwent an operation for the amputation of her leg several weeks ago. Friends will regret to learn that her condition is considered critical.

Miss Rosalie Clauson, who spent last week end here as the house guest of Mrs. J. R. Bennett and family, has gone to Tampa for a short visit, before going to Nashville, Tenn., where she will take a children's educational course at Peabody Institute. Miss Clauson formerly was a member of the school faculty in Avon Park for several years. She taught in the school at Lockhart (near Orlando) last year, and has accepted a position there again next year.

Mrs. Margery Church spent Tuesday and Wednesday visiting her son, Captain Firman Church and family in Sebring. Capt. Church, pilot with the RAF transport command, has just returned from Algiers. He was also in Cairo, Egypt, and while there had a three day leave and visited the pyramids. Capt. and Mrs. Church and their two children, Deborah and Johnny are moving to Miami next week. They recently sold their home in Sebring.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Moore, at present located at Grenada, Miss., returned to their home there Saturday, after spending several days here with Mr. Moore's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Harden. Mr. Moore is connected with the Algernon Blair Construction company of Montgomery, Ala., and while in Florida was looking over business sites here and in Key West. Enroute home, they stopped in Montgomery, Ala., to visit another brother, Bill Moore, CM 1/c, Sea Bees, who is home on furlough from overseas service.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wells and sons, Lawler and Kenneth, and Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Shepherd and two nieces, Beth and Jane Suggs, are enjoying the week, camping in a cottage on Lake Viola.

FOR SALE—1940 OLDSMOBILE CLUB COUPE. Five excellent tires, Radio, Heater, Just painted. For sale by private party to private party. Inquire at BOX 555, SUN OFFICE.

NOTICE

As provided by Chapter 21945, Acts of 1943, notice is hereby given that the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission of the State of Florida, under the power and authority granted said Commission by Section 30, Article IV, of the Constitution of the State of Florida, in official meeting held May 29, 1944, has closed the following counties in the State of Florida to the taking of alligators:

Indian River, Palm Beach St. Lucie, Glades, Okeechobe, Charlotte, Hardee, Lee, Manatee, Hendry, Sarasota, Broward, DeSoto, Collier, Highlands, Monroe, Martin, Dade.

The sale, transportation, or transportation for sale of alligators, their hides or eggs is prohibited within these counties, and possession of live alligators for exhibition or scientific purposes is prohibited except on permit from the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission.

Certified copies of this action on the part of the Commission have been filed with the Secretary of State of the the State of Florida, and copies may be obtained from the Commission at its office in the City of Tallahassee, Florida.

I. N. KENNEDY, Director
Game and Fresh Water
Commission.

June 9.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
House Bill No. 1862

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that G. R. Clements, the holder of the following certificates has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate numbers and years of issuance, the description of property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows.

Certificate No. 947
Year of Issuance: 1935
Description of Property: Lots 17, 18, 19 & 20, Block 1, Istokpoga Park, in Section 20, Township 35 South, Range 30 East.
Name in which assessed: Istokpoga Park.

Certificate No. 949
Year of Issuance: 1935
Desription of Property: Lot 2, Block 7, Istokpoga Park, in Section 20, Township 35 South, Range 30 East.
Name in which assessed: Unknown.

All of said property being in the County of Highlands, State of Florida.

Unless said certificates shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificates will be sold to the highest bidder at the court house floor on the first Monday in month of July, 1944, which is the 3rd day of July, 1944.

Dated this 30th day of May, 1944.

H. T. PIETY
Clerk of Circuit Court of
(SEAL) Highlands County, Florida
HELEN S. PECK
Deputy Clerk

June 2, 9, 16, 23.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORDIA IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY.

Leslie D. Roberts and
M. Edna Roberts, his wife,
Plaintiffs,
vs.
Florida Development Company, et al.
Defendants.

NOTICE TO APPEAR

Notice is hereby given to Florida Development Company, a dissolved corporation, and all parties claiming interests by, through, under or against said corporation, Edward R. Fay and Mae K. Fay, his wife, John N. Fay and Martha Fay, his wife, Josephine F. Lee and Frank H. Lee, her husband, Mary A. Pigott and James P. Pigott, her husband, Anna Wadhams and Darwin A. Wadhams, her husband, Elizabeth Blanch Cullens, Elizabeth B. Wilson and Thomas M. Wilson, her husband, and all parties claiming interests by, through, under or against the above named defendants, and to all persons, known or unknown, having an interest in the following described property located in Highlands County, Florida, to-wit:

Lots 18 and 19, Block 35, Section 22, Township 33 South, Range 28 East.

You, and each of you, are hereby notified that a suit has been brought against you in the Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida, in Chancery, by Leslie D. Roberts and M. Edna Roberts, his wife, for the purpose of quieting title to the above described property, and said suit is now pending in said Court and you, and each of you, and all parties in interest, are required hereby to file with the Clerk of said Court your written appearance, personally or by attorney, in said suit on the first Monday in July, A. D., 1944, being the third day of said month and a legal Rule Day, and thereafter to file with said Clerk your written defenses, if any you have, to the bill of compaint at the time prescribed by law, or decree will be entered against you and each of you, by default, and the cause will thereafter proceed ex parte.

It is hereby ordered that this notice be published once a week for four consecutive weeks in The Scenic Highlands Sun, a newspaper having general circulation in Highlands County, Florida.

Witness my hand and the seal of the said Court at Sebring, Florida, this second day of June, A. D., 1944.

H. T. PIETY,
(SEAL) Clerk Circuit Court,
By HELEN B. DESHONG
Deputy Clerk.

June 2, 9, 16, 23

IN COURT OF COUNTY JUDGE, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, STATE OF FLORIDA

NOTICE OF EXECUTOR FOR FINAL DISCHARGE

In re Estate of
MABEL L. LEE, deceased.

Notice is hereby given, to all whom it may concern, that on the 10th day of July A. D. 1944, we shall apply to the Honorable Thos. A. McNicholas, Judge of said Court, as Judge of Probate, for our final discharge as Executors of the estate of Mabel L. Lee, deceased. Our final report and application for final discharge are now on file in the office of said Judge.

Dated June 1 A. D. 1944.

T. J. WARD
THELMA H. WARD
As Executors of said
Estate.

JOE D. KINSEY
HOWARD G. LIVINGSTON
Attorneys for Executors.

June 2, 9, 16, 23

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY FLORIDA

BILL FOR DIVORCE

HARRY T. RADCLIFF,
Plaintiff,
vs.
JESSIE MARIE RADCLIFF
Defendant.

NOTICE TO APPEAR

THE STATE OF FLORIDA TO JESSIE MARIE RADCLIFF Defendant:

You are hereby notified that a Bill of Complaint has been filed against you in the above cause by Harry T. Radcliff the nature of which is to obtain a Decree of Divorce a vinculo matrimonii aganst you, the Deendant.

You are warned to file your written appearance in suit on or before the 3rd day of July, 1944, and in default thereof, a Decree Pro Confesso will be entered against you and this cause will thereafter proceed ex parte.

Witness the Honorable D. O. Rogers, Judge of said Court by the undersigned Circuit Court Clerk.

H. T. PIETY,
(SEAL) Clerk of the Circuit Court
By HELEN B. DESHONG
Deputy Clerk

S. COLQUITT PARDEE,
Attorney for the Plaintiff
201 Brickell Building
Avon Park, Florida

June 9, 16, 23, 30

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
House Bill No. 1862

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Helen R. Whitley the holder of the following certificates has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate numbers and years of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No. 456
Year of Issuance 1928
Description of Property Lot 8, 6th addition to Sebring, Block 86, Section 29, Township 34 South, Range 29 East.
Name in which assessed Ruth I. Moyer.

All of said property being in the County of Highlands, State of Florida.

Unless said certificate or certificates shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate or certificates will be sold to the highest bidder at the court house door on the first Monday in month of July, 1944, which is the 3rd day of July, 1944.

Dated this 29th day of May 1944.

H. T. PIETY
Clerk of Circuit Court of
(SEAL) Highlands County, Florida
By HELEN S. PECK,
Deputy Clerk.

June 2, 9, 16, 23.

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